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Miss Blanche O'Brien wishes to inform the public that she is prepared to give instructions in Piano or Organ at reasonable prices. Having studied under Robert W. Stevens, of the Chicago Conservatory for the past two years, giving special attention to the art of teaching, and having had command of a large class in Chicago, she thoroughly understands her business and guarantees satisfaction. Will be open for engagements as Concert Pianist and Accompanist.  
The following recommendation was given her by her instructor:  
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It is with pleasure that I mention mention Miss Blanche O'Brien as a very talented Pianist and a capable teacher of Piano playing. She is well suited to instruct either beginners or the more advanced students.  
Sincerely,  
**ROBERT W. STEVENS.**

**LOCAL NOTICES**

All advance notices in the local columns of the FREE PRESS of meetings or entertainments at which an admission fee is charged, or from which a pecuniary benefit is derived, must be paid for at the rate of eight cents per line each insertion, to charge less than twenty-five cents. When bills are printed at this office or advertisements of entertainments are inserted, a brief local will be given free.  
**FOR SALE.** Four very choice young Short-Horn Bulls of excellent breeding and of first-class dairy strains for sale at very moderate prices; also a No. 1 young Berkshire Boar. Call and inspect stock before purchasing elsewhere. 40 rods north of Stouffville station. **D. H. RUSSELL.**  
**Lost.** On Nov. 23rd, between Ringwood and Bloomington, a roll of bills, containing about \$65. The finder will be suitably rewarded by returning to me. **W. E. Brownsberger,** Ringwood.  
**Yes I'm going to continue taking the FREE PRESS all the same, and here's the dollar for another year.** remarked an old subscriber last Saturday, but said he "is getting pretty Gritty, of late." The editor pleasantly replied "You want the truth don't you? We're only giving what has been developed since the turn over at Ottawa."  
A Missouri publisher is responsible for the statement that he has a farmer subscriber, who, whenever he comes to town and gets drunk, makes a bee line—that is, as near as practicable—to the printing office, and insists on paying his subscription in advance. At last accounts he was some fifteen years ahead, and there is no immediate danger of his name appearing on the books of the Publishers' Collection Agency. May his tride increase, and let the brand of whiskey that he drinks be known—it is a good thing.

The various ponds in the vicinity of Stouffville are being well patronized by the skaters of the village.

The roof on the new rink was finished yesterday, and all that yet remains undone is getting of ice. They have commenced flooding it and if the weather continues cold there may be skating on Saturday night.

The Revival Services commenced in the Methodist church on Wednesday evening and will be continued for three weeks. The Misses Hall, who are conducting these services, are very earnest and enthusiastic workers, and with the hearty co-operation of the church members, a great work will be accomplished in Stouffville and vicinity.

The Aurora Banner says:—"It is rumored that the Metropolitan Street Railway Company are about purchasing Mr. Legg's farm of 280 acres including Bond's Lake, and intend converting it into a summer resort. Should they do this and continue their line from Richmond Hill it will make Bond's Lake quite a summer resort."

**QUARTERLY MEETING.**—The next regular quarterly meeting of the Bloomington District will be held with the Bloomington Christian church on Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 5th and 6th. The District Board will meet on Saturday at 10 a.m. for general business. Fellowship meeting at 2.30 p.m. On Sunday there will be three services, as follows:—Preaching at 10.30 a.m. and 7 p.m. by the pastor, Rev. C. H. Hainer, and at 2.30 p.m. by Rev. P. C. Cameron. On Monday night, Dec. 7th, will be the annual Hot Roast.

I take four papers, and always read the FREE PRESS the first; I like it the best. Thus said a subscriber to us the other day. We like to hear the kind words of satisfied subscribers. When they talk to their neighbors that way it induces others to subscribe. We wish every subscriber would try this fall to induce at least one neighbor to take the FREE PRESS. If our subscribers could do us this favor it would double our already large subscription list and warrant us in making further improvements. It would mean a still better paper for all. Will you try? Call or address orders to Covington Bros., Stouffville. FREE PRESS to end of '97 for \$1.00 to new subscribers.

**Big Xmas Sale at Spofford & Co's 3 Stores.**

The Sutton Herald says:—"The Metropolitan electric railway from Toronto to Sutton is at last announced a certainty. Leaving Newmarket the line will touch Newmarket, Keswick, Roache's Pt. making its terminal point at this place. We take pleasure in saying to the residents of Beaverton and Cannington that we are not hoggish over this enterprise, and that if they get a hustle on the line may be extended to one of the places. A cut in the fare to the city will likely ensue, which will be a great snap for residents of this vicinity, who have a dozen eggs to dispose of, and in return want a spoon or half pound of tea. Farmers should apply to the departmental stores for special rates to the city, and then have a grand funeral of all home business institutions, which seems the object of their desires."

Read our two ads, it will pay you. Spofford & Co.  
**CLUBS! CLUBS!**—The FREE PRESS is the best printed and newest paper in the District. We publish all the news from all quarters. No farmer or business man should be without it. Parties who will send us five names with \$5 cash can have six copies sent to any address. Clubs of twelve for \$10, and clubs of twenty for \$16. We are determined to keep the FREE PRESS in advance of all its rivals. Send us your subscription to help us. Remember the FREE PRESS is the only Reform paper in this district.  
—300 good 15c brooms for 61c each at Spofford & Co's.  
—The man who says he doesn't believe in advertising, and refuses to use the local newspaper for that purpose, generally advertises in some way or other. Hotel registers, concert programmes and such things are likely to have his ad in them. Then he charges what he pays in space in them to charity or to profit and loss, and goes on swearing that advertising doesn't pay. There ought to be a Kooloy Institute or a hospital for the treatment of these lunatics, and if some enterprising man will start one, we will tell him where to find patients enough to fill it in about fifteen minutes.

**FOR SALE OR TO RENT.**—A house with a large lawn on O'Brien Ave. Apply to Mr. E. E. Flenny.

**PERSONALS**

Miss Edith Campbell, of Sherwood, is visiting at W. A. Clark's, for a few days.

Mrs. T. Battersby, of Stratford, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. W. Covington, for a few days.

Mr. Jos. Lehman left on Wednesday morning for Alliston, where he will be engaged for a few weeks in mill work.

We understand that Mr. C. R. Fitch intends issuing a Writ in a few days against Wm. Malloy for \$10,000 damages for malicious prosecution.

**MUST REACH THE THOUSAND MARK.**—Our circulation to paying subscribers is now eight hundred, and that too after cutting off a large number of names of persons who seemed to imagine we have been running a newspaper for their benefit. We want to reach the thousand mark by the 1st of January, and would like all our friends to assist us. Send the FREE PRESS to your friends as a gift for one year, or if you prefer send us 25 cents and we will send the paper 3 months on trial. Subscriptions received now will receive the paper until the end of 1897 for one dollar.

The A. O. U. W. Lodge meets next Monday night. Every member is expected to present, as the election of officers will take place.

The members of the Locust Hill Methodist Epworth League have been gathering apples from the farmers in the neighborhood to send to the Sick Children's Hospital, Toronto. The farmers kindly gave the apples, packed them in barrels and conveyed them to the station, from whence they were shipped to the Hospital at the expense of the League. About 20 barrels were sent.

Rev. N. Harris, of Beaverton, gave an Illustrated Lecture on "Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress" in the Methodist church on Monday last, under the auspices of the Epworth League. The lecture was very interesting and instructive and was illustrated by twenty-five excellent drawings, which were the work of the Rev. gentleman. We might mention that Mr. Wm. Covington, sr., of this place, was raised in the town of Bedford, the same place in which Bunyan lived, and he has visited Bunyan's old house and chapel and the department of the jail in which Bunyan was imprisoned. Mr. Covington has in his possession a copy of Bunyan's "Pilgrim's Progress" which is bound in oak that was taken from Bunyan's old chapel at the time it was rebuilt and enlarged. There were only 1,000 of these books bound in this oak and they were sold for \$25 each, which realized \$25,000, thereby paying for the entire erection of the new church.

The application of one of Toronto's clergymen, who wanted the privilege of giving religious instruction in our public schools during school hours, being refused on the ground that the law did not permit it, ought to be the last of such cases heard in Ontario. Our public schools are in good hands now and if our ministers will look after the parents and adults at home as well as the teachers do the children, there will be no cause for complaint. The churches making the most fuss about the need of religious instruction in the schools are the ones making the poorest record for good morals among their adult membership. The churches that are the most active in social and moral reform are well satisfied with the schools as they are. It is the bad boys who don't go to school, and the bad parents of the few bad boys who do go to school, that the ministers need to get after to reform.

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**HOOPER-GROVE.**—On the 2nd inst. at the home of the bride, by the Rev. C. H. Hainer, Mr. Elias Hooper to Miss Ida J. Grove, both of the Township of Markham.

**STOUFFVILLE MARKET**

White Wheat	\$0.80 to \$0.80
Red Wheat	0.78 to 0.79
Spring Wheat	0.60 to 0.62
Goose Wheat	0.56 to 0.57
Barley	0.25 to 0.28
Oats	0.18 to 0.19
Small Peas	0.40 to 0.40
Mummies	0.45 to 0.45
Black Eyes	0.55 to 0.55
Rye	0.30 to 0.31
Buckwheat	0.30 to 0.30
Beans	0.60 to 0.60
Alsike Clover	3.00 to 5.00
Coal delivered	6.25 to 6.25

**BEATEN AGAIN.**

The Tribune Editor's Despicable Tactics meet a Deserved End.

The charge laid by Wm. Malloy of this village against Mr. C. Russell Fitch, arising out of the libel suit against Malloy, was finally disposed of on Tuesday last, by His Honor, Judge Macdougall honorably discharging Mr. Fitch on the evidence of the prosecution alone. We understand on reliable authority that the complainant was working in this matter in conjunction with several enemies of Mr. Fitch in Markham, to none of whom was the decision of His Honor very palatable.

Perhaps it would be interesting to note that our friend, the respected Editor of the Tribune, has indulged (as is his custom) in considerable talk during the past few months as to some decisive and all important step he proposed taking whereby his libel suit would perforce be brought to an abrupt and ignominious termination. Far and wide has he unfolded the gist of his plans and preparations, and his anxiety and irritation, which is evident to all, has led him to unburden himself to anyone and everyone who would condescend to listen to his "prattle." The sword has indeed fallen, but with a thud that portends ominous things for Bro. Malloy, only if we mistake not, and the only consolation he apparently has at this stage is in trying to solve the problem "what might have been." That the charge laid against Mr. Fitch was a frivolous one and existed only in the fertile imagination of our contemporary, is clearly evidenced by the fact that no defence whatever was called for which, in a sense, might be considered rather unfortunate for Mr. Fitch, as he was thus debarred from showing more forcibly the utter groundlessness of the charge. The case, however, will not be entirely devoid of good results, in that the people of Stouffville and surrounding country will know in future what small reliance can be placed upon the "sure things" that are sprung upon an unsuspecting public from time to time by our talkative friend Malloy.

**STOUFFVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL.**

Standing of pupils in Stouffville Public School for November, 1896.  
Room 5th class—N. Armstrong, E. Hastings, L. Smith, S. 4th—W. Fleury, G. Mitchell, G. Todd, Jr. 4th—S. Waddell, M. Nendick, M. Morden.  
Room IV.—Sr. 3rd—M. Clark, A. Mertens, M. Miuns and M. Cook. 1st 3rd—M. Mayers, J. Bingham, F. Latchford, Jr. 3rd—F. Davis, A. Latchford, F. Hastings.  
Room III.—Sr. 2nd—L. German, I. Forsyth, A. Beattie, Jr. 2nd—L. Wideman, J. Aollaway, J. Martin.  
Room II.—Jr. 2nd—N. Vanzant, W. Fleury, C. Nendick, Sr. 2nd part—F. Sangster, N. Smith, B. McKinley, Jr. 2nd part—R. Brillinger, G. Storey, A. Richardson.  
Room I.—Part 1st class 3rd—F. Underhill, E. Varriner and E. Young, G. Percy. Part 1st class 2nd—C. Hoover, E. Wilkinson and L. Young, N. Zellers and C. Jobbitt. Part 1st class 1st—N. Kemp, E. Miller and E. Breuls, O. Forsyth and R. Breuls.

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A few more days to whittle at the Monkhouse Bankrupt Stock. All must go this month!  
3 cases of Odd Felt Hats at 12 1/2 cts. each.  
300 fine Fedora and Christie Hats at 29 cts. each.  
Heavy all-wool Sox at 8 1/2 cts. | Good 50c. Ties for 25 cts.  
Heavy 30c. Braces for 16 cts. | Good 30c. Ties for 12 1/2 cts.  
Men's Home-Made Mitts for 25 cts. | Good 20c. Ties for 5 cts.  
200 dozen Shirts, Drawers and Top Shirts at half regular prices.  
500 yds. of Tweeds, Suitings, Pantings, Overcoatings and Mantlings all at half the regular prices.  
100 fine Regatta and Cambric Shirts for 33 cts. each, worth \$1.  
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