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ASTRONOMICAL.

London, Friday, Jan. 2, 1886.

Sun rises.... 7.32 a.m. | Moon rises.... 5.14 a.m.
Sun sets..... 4.53 p.m. | Moon sets..... 3.15 p.m.

MOON'S PHASES.

New Moon	5th	3.44 a.m
First Quarter	13th	7.24 a.m
Full Moon	20th	2.45 a.m
Last Quarter	28th	8.31 p.m

METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE OF CANADA.

Cloudy and Mild.

Toronto, Jan. 2, 1 a.m.—The pressure is abnormally high over Canada, and there is an area of depression over the Lower Mississippi Valley, from Ontario eastward. The weather in Canada is cloudy and mild, while in the North-west it is fine, with temperature from 10° to 15° below zero

Indications:—Lakes, easterly winds; cloudy, mild weather, followed by some sleet or rain, becoming colder to-morrow.

ONDON STATION, Friday, Jan. 1, 1885.

Report for 24 hours, ending 11 p.m. Observations taken at 7 a.m., 3 p.m. and 11 p.m. daily:—

Barometer, mean, daily	30.238
Thermometer, maximum	34
" minimum	29
" mean, daily	31

SINCE LAST OBSERVATION.

WIND—Direction and velocity:—	Miles.
7 a.m., calm	25
3 p.m., 6 miles south	18
11 p.m., calm	15
Total	58

Average state of weather, cloudy.

E. BAYNES REED, Observer.

LOCAL NOTICES.

THE CATHEDRAL DRUG STORE.—Our Baking Powder is chemically pure; rose winter fluid, for rough hands or face, 25c per bottle.—J. F. BURKHOLDER, Pharmacist, 491 Richmond St., London. eod

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LOCAL AND DISTRICT.

Local, District, or Sporting News, to ensure prompt attention, should be addressed to "City Editor, FREE PRESS." Correspondents will please note this.

A fancy dress carnival will be held at the Star rink next Friday evening.

St. Mary's *Argus*:—The calendar published by the FREE PRESS this year is a perfect gem.

Stratford's Chief of Police received a number of handsome Christmas presents from the citizens.

The Rock Band Concert Company will give a matinee in Victoria Hall at two o'clock this afternoon.

Mr Thomas Beattie, of the firm of T. Beattie & Co., Dundas street, left on Thursday morning for the English markets.

An amusing feature of the dog and poultry show at Chatham is the cat competition, for which some dozen cats are entered.

Mr. J. A Williams, librarian of the Mechanics' Institute, Lindsay, fell down the Institute stairs the other night and was instantly killed.

Judge Horne, of Windsor, has ordered the release of the three Amherstburghers charged with stealing wheat, as the grain could not be identified.

At the municipal election on Monday in the township of Chatham a vote will be taken on the matter of building a Town Hall at Chatham Centre.

A St. Mary's boy, Mr. W. B. Harrison, has commenced the publication of a new paper at Pewamo, Michigan, named the Ionia and Clinton *Union*.

Alice Dowling, John and Dan. McDonald and William O'Reilly, appear at this morning's Police Court on charges of vagrancy and disorderly conduct.

The new officers' quarters of the Dufferin Rifles at Brantford, said to be the finest in Canada, were formally opened with a grand reception on Tuesday evening last.

The ladies of the Y.M.C.A. Auxiliary Society visited the General Hospital yesterday, and presented each of the patients with an appropriate and highly acceptable New Year's gift.

Joseph Jamieson was arrested in London West, by Brock Schram, yesterday, and remanded till to-day by Squire Hiscox. The charge against him is drunkenness and vagrancy.

The proprietors of dry goods, boots and shoes, and merchant tailor stores in Stratford have agreed to close their places of business at 6 o'clock p.m. from Jan. 1st, 1886, to April 1st, 1886.

Rev. P. R. Ross, of St. Andrew's Church, Ingersoll, was presented with a life-size oil painting of himself and many kindly expressions of esteem by his congregation on Christmas eve.

Mr. Jennings, a commercial traveller, drove a buggy into Mr. Jenkins', a bill poster's, wagon on Maitland street, near Queen's avenue, last night. Both rigs were badly wrecked in the wheels, etc.

Andrew Rae, one of the prominent farmers of Bosanquet, died recently of dropsy of the heart. Deceased leaves a grown up family in comfortable circumstances. He was about 60 years of age.

Two bay colts, one 16½ and the other 16 hands high, and a new set of harness, and the front bobs of a sleigh were stolen from William Walmouth, of Springfield, a few days ago by some party or parties unknown.

Mr. W. J. Freeland, of this city, who has been so successful with his class in the tonic sol fa system of music in Knox Church, Ingersoll, has been engaged by the Board to teach the same in the High School.

A very largely attended meeting of the electors was held last evening at Mr. R. Carrothers' Hotel, in No. 3 Ward, in the interest of Mr. T. D. Hodgens. The room was crowded, and much enthusiasm was manifested.

Andrew, youngest son of Andrew Scott, of Galt, met with a very serious accident at the homestead near Branchton. The young lad was working in the stable when one of the colts kicked him, breaking his collar bone.

Mr. A. G. Morrison, sewing machine agent of Stratford, was sandbagged on Wednesday evening last in front of the Post Office. Mr. Hesson, M. P., caught the suspected assailant, who has been remanded by the Police Magistrate.

The new iron snow-plough that has been constructed from a design prepared by Engineer Tracy is now completed, and will be utilized on the occasion of the next snow storm. If it proves all right others of a similar pattern will be constructed.

Owing to illness, Miss Clemmie Henderson, who was appointed teacher in one of the departments of the St Mary's Public School, has been compelled to send in her resignation. The Board met on Tuesday evening last and appointed in her place Miss Annie Thompson.

At the close of the Presbyterian Bible class meeting the other evening, the Rev J. A. Turnbull, B.A., of St. Mary's, was made the recipient of an elegant silver service, accompanied by an address, from the members of the class. The service consists of a goblet, water-pitcher and tray.

At a meeting of the St. Mary's Collegiate Institute Board held on Tuesday night, Mr. Wallace A. Macpherson, of Warkworth, was appointed assistant master for the first half of 1886, at the rate of $500 per annum. The Board has not been successful in obtaining a Modern Language Master as yet.

Magistrate Bartlet, of Windsor, is making out the extradition papers in the case of John K. French, the United States recruiting sergeant jailed at Sandwich, on a charge of forging pay vouchers. French will be arraigned on Monday next, when the papers will be transmitted to the Minister of Justice.

The present teachers in the Thedford school have both been re-engaged for 1886. Mr. Jones, head master, at a salary of $500, the same as this year, and Miss Crookenden at $275, an advance of $25 over this year. Both have given complete satisfaction to the people of Thedford, and are well liked by the pupils under their charge.

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Some five years ago an agent in New York built a system of water works at Woodstock, and leased them to the town for a term of five years. One of the provisions in the lease was that on one year's notice the corporation could elect to take over the water-works at a valuation to be determined by two arbitrators being appointed, one by each of the respective parties, and they to appoint a third. The town of Woodstock elected to take over the water-works, and arbitrators have been appointed to determine a valuation. The Messrs. Hay, of Woodstock, having become the owners of the work, they have appointed Mr. Wallace Nesbitt, of Toronto, as their arbitrator, and Mr. Morrison, of Woodstock, has been appointed by the corporation of that town. These two have appointed Judge Sinclair as the third arbitrator, in pursuance of the contract. The amount involved is about $3,000.

A pleasing event took place at the residence of the Rev. Thomas Cosford, London South, on the afternoon of Wednesday, the 30th ult., being the marriage of the reverend gentleman's youngest daughter, Miss Alice Teresa Cosford, to William John Saunby, of London West. The marriage ceremony was performed by the father of the bride in the presence of a large assembly of the relatives of the respective families and invited guests. Miss Lewis, of London South, and Mr. Dignam, of this city, were in attendance upon the happy couple. The bride was beautifully attired and was the recipient of many costly presents After partaking of a sumptuous dinner the young couple left with a shower of old slippers and rice after them to spend their honeymoon among friends in various parts of the United States.

Madam de Montford, a "prophetess," honored Parkhill with a twenty four hour visit this week. She is no doubt the genuine article; her countenance betrays her existence somewhere about Isaiah's time Had there been a little more of the prophet in our "local" there would now be a little more profit in our exchequer, but as it was she managed to play the old, old dodge of "beating" the printer out of the price of some very good handbills. She headed towards Forest.—*Parkhill Gazette.* The Madame is an old star in the "mesmerizing" line, and will be remembered by many Londoners.

At the annual meeting of the London Poultry and Pet Stock Association, held on Thursday evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—Allan Bogue, President; First Vice, Wm. McNeil; Second Vice, S. K. Stewart, Secretary, W. R. Garner; Treasurer, Jas F. Williams; Directors, Messrs. Ludwick, Freeman, G. P. Bartlett, A. Flaund, Mc Gurdy, R. Oke, McLeod, J. Anderson, Wm. Moore, J. H. Saunders; Auditors, J. H. Saunders and Geo. Redgwood; Delegates to Industrial, Messrs. Bogue and McNeil.

A disgraceful drunken squabble occurred at the Windsor House, St. Mary's the other night, in which one of the participants, named Robt. Sully, displayed his brutish instincts by chewing the ear off another unfortunate drunk named Marrin, with whom he had been quarreling. Marrin was so drunk that he failed to realize his loss till he saw a portion of his ear lying on the floor, where his brutal antagonist had spat it.

Street Commissioner Owens has succeeded in having about 75 cords of stone taken out of the city pit for breaking. He has about fifty cords more in readiness for removal, and expects to have about two hundred cords in all. The stone is said to be much better than any that has been used for some time, many of the pieces being so large that they can be utilized on street crossings.

One day recently as R. L. Lean was driving on the 4th con., Bosanquet, a bridge between side roads 9 and 10 gave way beneath the horses' feet. In their struggle to get out the team became unmanageable and ran away, badly injuring one of the animals, besides doing other damage. Mr. Lean intends to have some compensation from the Council if possible.

All the roller rinks in the city were attended yesterday afternoon and evening, in fact it was necessary at the night sessions to turn people away, in consequence of the great crowds that sought for admission. Hundreds of young and old Londoners enjoyed a pleasant skate on the Cove, the ice being in every respect first-class.

The juniors of the Y. M. C. A. spent a very pleasant time in their rooms last evening. One hundred of them sat down to a sumptuous feast prepared entirely by themselves, some of their own number acting as waiters, etc. After tea an interesting programme was gone through with.

Ingersoll *Sun*:—The FREE PRESS calendar for 1886 is to hand, and it leaves all others that we have seen gotten up in Canada in the shade. It proves that the FREE PRESS lithographing department can turn out work that will compare favorably with any on the continent

The Perth and Huron poultry show is to be held at Stratford on the 26th, 27th, 28th and 29th of January. Mr. A. F. Stephens, of Mass., one of the best poultry judges on the continent, has been secured as judge The exhibition promises to be very successful.

On Xmas Day, while Mrs. P. Sheppard, of Paris, was out driving with her son the vehicle was given too short a turn at the corner of the street near the carpet factory, and the result was Mrs Sheppard was thrown out, by which she sustained a broken arm.

Mr. Stayner, a railway magnate from Houghton, Mich., was in the city yesterday, and went to Strathroy on a special train, in company with several local gentlemen. Very good time was made during the trip.

Stratford *Advertiser*:—We have received a very handsome calendar from the London FREE PRESS office. It is certainly one of the finest of the season. Bright as a New Year's Card.

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His Honor R. T. Livingstone, Judge of the County of Norfolk, has been appointed Judge of the Ontario and Maritime Court.

Mr. Ed. Griffin left for Winnipeg on Thursday morning, and was accompanied as far as Chicago by Mr. T. K. Grigg, of the Grigg House.

Mr John F. Morley, manager of the Waterloo Woollen Manufacturing Co., has been presented with a fine gold watch as a token of esteem, by the employes of the Company.

Mr. T. J. Starret, recently of The Popular Subscription Book and Specialty Agency, of this city, intends starting a paper at Thornbury, a village in the county of Grey, after New Year's.

A Newly-Married Barrister's Dilemma.

The unkindest thing that has recently been said about the legal profession is embodied in a remark made to a newly-married barrister as follows:—"You are married Mr. W——?" "Yes." "Look here, brother W——," he said, "Just lose sight of your professional character for one moment, and tell us the truth: does Mrs W—— wear false hair?" "No, she does not." "Well, what beautiful hair she has; I really thought it false." "If I must give you the secret, Mr. H—— (but you won't give it away?) her hair had been falling out to such an alarming extent that she feared she would lose it entirely, but she obtained some of that Perfect Hair Vitalizer manufactured by Mr. Barkwell, the new chemist, and she had only used it a short time when her hair was so thoroughly cleansed, restored and invigorated that I myself scarcely believed it natural." "And she has such beautiful teeth, Mr. W——, but people say they are false also?" "I deny the charge." "And do you claim those beautiful white teeth to be natural?" "I do; we both use Barkwell's Dentaline for our teeth, and it is really the gem of the toilet." "Oh, yes, Mr. W——, and I presume Mrs. W—— applies Barkwell's Bloom of Roses to her cheeks" "Mr. S—— you are really insulting; my wife never had occasion to use anything for her complexion but if she was possessed of the sallow, unsightly appearance of your Mrs., I would compel her to use Bloom of Roses; you better give your old lady the hint, and see if it does not improve her appearance somewhat." eod

APOLOGY AND SUBMISSION

The action for libel brought by Mr. R. S. Williams, of Toronto, Ont., piano manufacturer, against Mr. E. J. Hartley, of Peterboro, Ont., and Mr. Chas. F. Colwell, of London, Ont., piano dealers, came up for hearing at the Autumn Assizes, before Mr. Justice Galt, and was terminated by the defendants giving the following apology and submission:—

ASSIZE COURT, TORONTO.

R. S. WILLIAMS vs. HARTLEY AND COLWELL.

The Defendants having heard the whole evidence, admit the circular purporting to be signed A. Weber, and dated Oct. 24, 1882, was not justified and ought not to have been published. They regret having made use of it, and they withdraw their plea of justification in this action, and agree to pay the plaintiff's costs as between solicitor and client. They also undertake to give up to the plaintiff's solicitor any of the circulars remaining in their possession and they submit to judgment for the costs when taxed, and an injunction restraining the further publication of the circular.

Court House, Toronto, Oct. 14th, 1885.

PERFUMERY.—A complete stock at Cron's Drug Store includes the following, besides many others:—Ricksecker (New York), 20 odors; Rimmel (English), several odors; Hooper (Toronto), Lavender water; Colegate (New York), several odors; Wright (Rochester), several odors; Goshnell (English), "Cherry Blossom;" Lubin (French), several odors; Atkinson (English), several odors. That Ricksecker, Wright, Lubin and Atkinson make the finest perfumes in the world, is admitted by all. These makes are sold from the original bottles in quantities to suit the purchaser. Go to Cron's for your perfumes.

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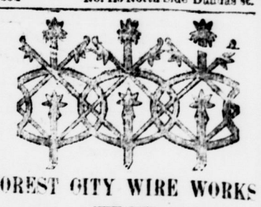

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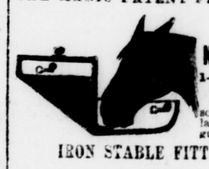

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