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Obituary

JOSEPH CURTIS
 Independent: Mr. D. Curtis, of the Beehive Farm, Vesulam, was shocked to receive a telegram on Wednesday from Brandon, Man., notifying him of the death of his son, Joseph, who was attending the university at that place. Some few months ago Joseph had a severe attack of typhoid fever, but had so far recovered as to be able to resume his studies. However, in his weakened condition pneumonia developed and proved fatal. The body will be sent home for burial. The family have the heartfelt sympathy of their many friends in Verulam and Bobcaygeon.

MRS. M. A. CHADWICK
 Mrs. Mary Ann Chadwick, wife of George Chadwick, a respected and resident for many years of Uxbridge died on Feb. 23rd, at the age of 81 years and seven months. The funeral took place from the homestead, south of the town, to Uxbridge cemetery. Mrs. Chadwick is survived by her husband and three children—Mrs. J. H. Smith, of York Mills, Thomas of Fenelon Falls and George at home.

ISLAY

(Special to The Post.)
 Miss May Tolmie recently spent a few days at the home of her sister, Mrs. J. Jamieson, Glenarm.
 Messrs. Archie Graham, John McNabb and John McDermott, three of our enterprising young men, left on Wednesday of this week for Saskatchewan where they intend to spend the coming summer in the employ of Mr. John McFadyen, foreman of a bridge gang. Mr. McNabb also intends to visit his sister and other friends at Newdale before returning.
 Mr. Dave Graham and Miss Mabel Currins recently paid a flying visit to Miss Lizzie Gilchrist, of Woodville formerly of Islay.
 Mr. John McDermott entertained a large number of his friends on Tuesday of this week at the home of Mr. Dave Ferguson previous to his departure for the West. They tripped the light fantastic till the wee sma hours and a very enjoyable time was spent by all.

Mrs. Prone and Mrs. Everson, of Oakwood, recently paid a flying visit to their sister, Mrs. Marshall Moynes.
 Mr. Angus Ferguson and family of Woodville, recently spent a few days the guest of his brother-in-law Mr. Alex. McFadyen. Mr. Ferguson and family intend shortly leaving for the west.

Many in our vicinity are suffering with an epidemic known as German measles. We hope they may soon recover their usual health again.

Seek Ex-Members of Queen's Own

Communicate With Sec'y of Regiment's Semi-Centennial Re-union

Several thousands of former members of the Queen's Own Rifles will assemble from all parts of the continent at Toronto next June, for a re-union, in celebration of the Semi-Centennial of the regiment. The festivities will commence Saturday, June 18th, with a reception at Government House, His Honor, the Lieutenant-Governor, like many other notables, being an ex-member of the crack regiment. On Sunday a monster church parade of ex-members and the present members will be an unique affair. During the week, grand historical pageants on a scale only equalled at the Quebec Tercentenary will be given on the Rosedale Athletic grounds. In addition there will be numerous social meetings of old comrades.

In nearly every town and city in the Dominion and in many of the United States and elsewhere are men who have served in the Queen's Own and the Semi-Centennial Committee is desirous of getting personally in touch with as many of them as possible. To that end it will greatly facilitate matters if the ex-members who see this will at once communicate with the permanent Secretary, Mr. G. I. Riddell, 36 King-st., East Toronto, and prevail upon all other ex-members they know to do the same. Mr. Riddell will promptly send them particulars.

Reduced Prices in Furs
 Reduced prices on women's fur lined and fur coats. J. SUTCLIFFE & SONS.

Friends Bade Them Farewell

Departure of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McNish, of Long Point, Regretted

A very pleasant evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McNish, Long Point, on Friday, March 4, when a large number of their friends gathered to bid them farewell and to wish them prosperity and happiness in their new and distant home in the far west. They were presented with two handsome chairs and Miss McNish with a beautifully bound Oxford bible, by Mr. Wilbert Foreman and the following address was read by Mr. Geo. Parrington: Mr. and Mrs. McNish and daughter.

We, your friends and neighbors, have assembled here this evening to express our sympathy with you and our regret at your intended removal from amongst us to the West, and at the same time we hope that happiness and prosperity may attend you in that new and distant home. We will always be pleased to hear of your success and we sincerely trust that in your new home you will meet with pleasant associates and friends who will merit your confidence and esteem. Your intercourse with us has always been of a most pleasant character and your absence will create a blank in our midst that we shall feel for a long time to come. Hence as friends and neighbors we shall miss you, but we can take consolation from the fact that wherever your lot is cast your influence will be for good and our loss will be others' gain. We ask you to accept these presents not for their value, but as a token of our respect and esteem, and as a souvenir of your residence with the people of Long Point and vicinity, and we furthermore trust that when your earthly career shall be finished and your labors ended, you will be counted worthy to receive the reward of the faithful and hear the Master's "well done."

Signed in behalf of your many friends, Wilbert Foreman, Geo. Parrington.
 Mr. Alex. McNish, of Pierson, Man made a suitable reply for all, representing his father, who has been in very poor health for some time.
 Mr. and Mrs. Alex. McNish have spent the winter on Long Point and are taking their parents and sister back with them, where they will receive better attention.

Famine Years In Early Canada

The late cold spring started thoughts of poor crops and shortage, recalling vague memories of Canada's one and only great famine—due to isolation and not possible of duplication for now over a century. In 1783 writes C. D. G. Roberts, the great exodus took place, and the loyalists flocked across the border into the land which they and their descendants have made great. They divided into two main streams one moving toward the Maritime Provinces, the other flowing westward to the region of the lakes. Those who went west settled along the sunny banks of the Niagara, along the shores of Lake Ontario, the Bay of Quinte, and the St. Lawrence. They made little clearings in the virgin forest; with the logs they constructed their habitations, and between the stumps they planted corn and sowed wheat.

In 1787, three years after their arrival, and just as they were thrown upon their own resources by the government, "the stubborn soil rebelled against its new masters, and the crops on all sides failed." The remainder of that year and the first half of the following one became the "hungry year." The people had to dig those wild, tuberous roots which children known as "ground nuts" Bitternuts and beech nuts were sought with eager pains. The early buds of the basswood were gathered and boiled with the weed called "lamb's quarter" and pig weed and wild Indian cabbage. Game of all sorts was fairly abundant—deer, rabbits, turkeys, pigeons; but powder and shot were scarce. Gaunt men crept about with poles striving to knock down the wild pigeons, or they angled all day with awkward home made hooks for a few chub or perch, to keep their families from

starvation. In one settlement a beef bone was passed from house to house that each household might boil it a little while and so get a flavor in the pot of unsalted bran soup. A few of the weak and aged actually died of starvation during these famine months and others were poisoned by eating noxious roots grubbed up in the woods. As the summer wore on, however, the heads of wheat, oats and barley began to grow plump. People gathered hungrily to the fields to pluck and devour the green heads. Boiled, these were a luxury, and hope stole back to the starving settlements.

In the autumn of 1784 plenty was again showered upon the land, and from that time the settlers made steady progress. Of course for years their lives were those of a frontier people in a wilderness. Their homes were log cabins, their farms patches from which the trees had been removed, but still bristling with stumps; their food was simple and limited in variety, and their clothing coarse and in few sets. Pork, beef and mutton were scarce because the supply of live stock was small, and increase in numbers was checked by the depredations of the wolves. A staple article of diet was Indian cornmeal, from which was made "Johnnie cake," the bread of the frontier. One of the delicacies of the cabin household was a pudding, made by boiling together pumpkin and cornmeal, sweetened with maple syrup. Venison and wild turkey were plentiful, and so it was that to the musket and the shotgun, and not to the butcher, that each family looked for its supply of fresh meat.

The clothing brought by the Loyalists from the "States" was made to last as long as possible by means of working clothes being made of deer skin. Nearly every woman wore a leather dress. It was very durable but with constant use became glazed with grease. It was the practice to use strong lye in washing clothes, and it is told that a girl attempted to clean her deerskin dress by washing it in such a liquid that to her amazement and great distress it shrivelled up to a bit of crisp leather. In her predicament she had to take refuge in the potato cellar until her mother could fetch a blanket. Most of the household utensils were of wood, the white, fine-grained wood of the poplar being preferred. From this were made the forks, spoons, plates and trays in use in every frontier farm house. Gradually these wooden dishes were replaced by pewter supplied the pioneers by U. S. peddlers, who, with packs on their backs, went from house to house. With much scouring this pewter ware was made to shine like silver.

Peterboro will have a strong city league this year and an organization meeting will be held soon. Get in line, Lindsay.

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Want Connection With Thurstonia

Suggestion to Have Steamboat Touch This Popular Resort

At the Sturgeon Point cottagers' meeting last night in the council chamber it was intimated that steamer connection with Thurstonia might be very advantageous to the Ottonabee Navigation Co., owing to the growing popularity of that summer resort.
 Thurstonia is situated on Sturgeon lake almost directly opposite Sandy Point, and approximately a mile and a quarter distant from it. The C.P.R. runs by about two miles east and Dunford is in the same proximity. If stage connection were established from the village to Thurstonia visitors could take the noon train from Lindsay and spend the day at Thurstonia, returning by boat in the evening which would make a most delightful day's outing. This project will be investigated by all the parties concerned and it may be put in operation.

GLEN-MARIPOSA

(Special to The Post.)

Mr. Wescott has moved on to the farm recently vacated by Mr. Trebilco.
 Mr. Trebilco has moved to Woodville.
 Mrs. W. H. McCrimmon and Mrs. N. McLean attended a rug bee at Mrs. A. McKay's last week.
 Mr. Wm. Trebilco and Miss Nettie McLean attended the carnival at Woodville last week.
 Mr. M. McInnes who is laid up with scarlet fever, is improving nicely.
 Neil McLean has sold his valuable team of gray horses for the handsome price of five hundred dollars, but has bought another team of bays.
 Mr. Heck Ferguson of Toronto, visited at W. H. McCrimmon's last week.
 The sleighing is getting very poor but it is hoped that the sleigh can run a while yet.
 The latter part of last week was hot and fine but Sunday was the scene of a thunder storm

CAMBRAY

(Special to The Post)

Mrs. W. Webster was at home to a number of her friends last Friday evening, the 4th.
 Mr. John Kinghorn and Armour Hancock, who were to the north country a month ago, are home again.
 Mr. H. Routley, Haileybury, visited his father, H. Routley this week.
 A number of our citizens are taking advantage of this cold snap by getting in their ice.
 Mr. Jack Craig who left for Edmonton on Tuesday was given a farewell party and dance by a number of his friends on Monday night. A large crowd was present and a jolly evening was spent.
 Owing to the inclemency of the weather only a very small crowd attended the Methodist Church on Sunday night.
 Mr. and Mrs. W. Weldon of Browns near Oakwood, were the guests of Mr. F. Wood on Sunday.
 Mr. and Mrs. R. Rear and family of Kinmount, were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Wood last week.
 On Tuesday a circuit Epworth League meeting was held in the Methodist church. Sessions were held in the afternoon and evening. Reports were given by various members of the league, also a very instructive address in the evening by Rev. Mr. Steele, of Glenarm, and others. The attendance was large and all were greatly benefited by the good things heard.

OUR THANKS

We are indebted to a large number of our subscribers who responded to our subscription notices sent out a couple of weeks ago. There are a number we have not heard from. We will be pleased if we hear from them during the next week, that we may send them our calendar, and they would also be doing us a favor.

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