

Mrs. Thomas Betts Died Suddenly in Flesherton

(Eugenia Correspondent)

The neighborhood was shocked to hear of the sudden passing of Mrs. Thomas Betts, who resided about one and a quarter miles from this village, at Betts' Corners on the Collingwood gravel. Mrs. Betts and daughter, Miss Mabel, had gone to Flesherton and the former had called at the Advance office to give in the obituary of her brother, the late William A. Gilliland, who passed away in Edmonton three weeks ago. While there she was seized by a weak spell. Medical aid was summoned but was of no avail as she passed away about a half hour later.

The late Mrs. Betts had many friends and was highly respected by all who knew her. Her maiden name was Miss Louise Gilliland, eldest child of the late Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gilliland. She was in her 67th year and spent her girlhood days in Eugenia, coming to reside here with her parents when but a small child. She was united in marriage to Mr. Thomas Betts forty-four years ago, and lived on the farm now occupied by their son, Frank. A few years ago they purchased the Hoy property across the road and resided there ever since. She leaves in sad bereavement her sorrowing husband, three sons: Edgar, 5th Line; Herbert, near Rock Mills, and Frank on the old homestead, and four daughters, Mrs. Chas. Newell (Rita) of Rock Mills; Mrs. Wm. Newell (Annie), near Flesherton; Edith and Mabel at home. Out of a family of five one brother, Mr. Thomas Gilliland, of Eugenia survives. Two sisters, the late Mrs. John Hargrave of Rock Mills and the late Mrs. John Stewart of Powassan, and one brother, the late William Alexander Gilliland of Edmonton, have predeceased her.

The funeral was held on Saturday afternoon. The deceased was a faithful member of the Gospel Workers' Church of Feversham. After a short service at the home the remains were taken to the United Church at Eugenia at 1 o'clock, where the funeral service was conducted by Rev. Mr. Dean of Feversham, assisted by Rev. Mr. Mills of Markdale. The hymn, "Rock of Ages", was sung followed by a comforting prayer by Rev. Mr. Mills, who also read the 23rd Psalm and I Corinthians 15: 50-58. Rev. Mr. Dean then spoke of the kind hospitality and motherly love of the late Mrs. Betts and also her preparedness to meet her Saviour. He took as his text Matthew 24:44, "Therefore be ye also ready; for in such an hour as ye think not the son of man cometh", stressing the necessity to walk in life in a Christ-like way as we have no guarantee of how sudden our call might be. So applicable was this to the present condition; had she not been ready how much sadder would have been her demise. Jesus has warned us to be ready. Probably our environment has caused us to be not willing to repent for our sins but God has provided a way that we can get right against sin. He is willing to forgive sins, though many if we will follow him. The Apostle Paul was a live wire in the Jewish Church which persecuted Christians but when he became converted he went forth in the service of God. Near the finish of his life he said: "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, etc." God had helped Paul as he had Stephen. If God can help those men, he can help others. The pastor also referred to Nicodemus who was told he must be born again. The new birth is necessary. God turns one about and he leads a different life. We should give God the best we have, sacrifice our all to him. If we are not ready to meet God, the pastor urged all to get ready for our call might be as sudden as she who had just passed away. The service was then closed in prayer by Mr. Dean, after which the hymn "Safe in the Arms of Jesus" was sung. The Church was filled to capacity by sorrowing friends and neighbours, who all filed by the beautiful oaken casket, where lay the remains of the loved one. Beautiful floral tributes expressing love for the deceased and sympathy for the bereaved were: a pillow from the family; spray,

son, Edgar, and wife; spray, Mr. and Mrs. Will Hawkins and sons.

The pallbearers were: Messrs. Cecil and Laurie Betts, Keith Robertson, Freddie Hargrave, Joyce Porteous and Lorne Atkinson.

Interment took place in the family plot in Salem cemetery.

We extend our profound sympathy to husband and family and brother of the deceased.

Her battle's o'er, her race is run, With just enough cloud o'er her life To cause a glorious setting sun.

We cannot tell who next may fall Beneath His chastening rod, But let us all prepare to meet our God.

An Interesting Barley Test Conducted

On the farm of Mr. Richard Allen near Flesherton, the Department of Chemistry, Ontario Agricultural College, in co-operation with the local branch of the Department of Agriculture, conducted a test of fertilizing barley during the past summer. Two types of fertilizer were used, one with nitrogen and the other without. The results obtained were as follows:

Fertilizer	Rate	Yield per acre
2-12-10	250	56.1 bus
0-12-10	250	50.8 bus
-0-		41.9 bus

Mr. Allen's soil is a gravelly loam, medium well supplied with Potash, low in nitrogen and very low in Phosphoric acid. The reaction of the soil is alkaline.

Barley production in Grey County is a very important industry. Indeed latest statistics place this county as second only among the Barley growing counties of this province, being surpassed only by its neighbor, Simcoe county. In Mr. Allen's barley there was not only evidence of increase of yield, but there was a distinct evidence of improvement in quality. This same experience has been duplicated by other barley tests within the county where increases equally as large as that reported have been obtained.

Mr. Allen and his neighbors will be interested in the outcome of the test.

The wild enthusiasm the rural mail carriers feel for the new plan of delivering mail on all holidays is being carefully hidden.

THE DOUBLE-BARRED CROSS

International Symbol of the Crusade against Tuberculosis

As armies march across the pages of history, fighting for their rights or their wrongs as the case may be, one custom seems to have been common to them all: each carried flags and banners on which appeared the emblem of the cause. Good or bad, the cause was always blazoned forth in terms of heraldry which gradually became a highly specialized study. After the dawn of the Christian era the cross became a tremendously popular symbol and with this emblem upon their banner, many a doughty knight rode forth to do battle for his principles and to save or reclaim the Holy Land from the infidel. Crosses of all shapes, sizes and ornamentalations have been used by innumerable families, cities, orders, guilds, nations and causes. The Spaniards found a religious symbol among the Aztecs which was very similar to our cross. The swastika of Hitlerism is an old symbol made of several crosses. Thus the habit of choosing emblems has carried over into our modern civilization and clubs and such peace-time associations still follow that age-old custom. It was therefore quite the natural thing that as the war against tuberculosis gathered momentum, and nation after nation took up the cause, that some international emblem should be chosen which would be symbolic. The matter was given careful consideration for it was important that the symbol should be internationally accepted and have a universal appeal, and yet it should be decidedly distinct from any already adopted international symbol such as the Red Cross. It would seem that the tuberculosis campaigners of the eighteen-nineties or thereabout, deliberately went out after a symbol that would have something like the significance and universal acceptance of the Red (Geneva) Cross, and yet be quite distinguishable from it. They had to avoid not only the Red Cross, but those of the various saints, George, Anthony, Andrew and so on. They had also to avoid the Celtic, the Greek, the Maltese and the Papal. In the words of Dr. D. A. Stewart, "After that, it would seem that what they thought they might require they went and took." And so we have the patriarchal cross, the Lorraine cross of the two crusades accomplished, now a symbol in every land of a new popular, enthusiastic and successful crusade against entrenched tuberculosis, a new crusade to win back for all the people of the world the Holy Land of health. This is the banner under which the Muskoka, the Toronto and the Queen Mary Hospitals for Consumptives have marched these many years—the banner under which they and other sanatorium and tuberculosis workers' organizations in the Province have won such marked success. Epic victory can only be won with the continued effort and the financial support of the people at large. Your contribution to National Sanitarium Association, 222 College St., Toronto will be greatly appreciated.

Thomas Bentham Dies After Long Illness

(The Flesherton Advance)

After an extended illness Mr. Thomas Bentham, a well known and highly respected citizen of Flesherton for many years, passed away at his home here on Thursday last, December 3rd, at the age of 78 years. Deceased had been seriously ill following a stroke about three months ago. He was born at Darlington, near Oshawa, and came to this district with his parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bentham, who settled on a farm on the southern outskirts of the village. He spent a greater part of his life in this neighborhood, but resided at Chatsworth for about 25 years. The late Mr. Bentham was twice married, first to Felecia Charleton of Chatsworth, who died some twenty years ago, and ten years ago he married Jennie Craven of Holland Centre, who predeceased him on October 31st of this year. Since her death he has been tenderly cared for by his step-daughter, Mrs. Claude Marriott, and Mr. Marriott. He is survived by one sister, Mrs. Wm. Wilcock, and by one brother, Mr. Richard Bentham, both of Flesherton.

The late Mr. Bentham was an active member of St. John's United Church and for many years served on the Board of Stewards and latterly as an elder. He also taught a class of boys in the Sunday School for a number of years and took a great interest in Church work. He was also a member of the Orange Order, being a past treasurer of the Artemesia District Orange Lodge.

The funeral took place on Saturday afternoon, when service was held in St. John's United Church, conducted by his pastor, Rev. Geo. R. Service, who delivered a very comforting sermon to the sorrowing relatives and friends. Mr. Roy Langford rendered a beautiful solo, "Good Night and Good Morning". Interment was made in the mortuary chapel in Flesherton cemetery.

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where the religious service was conducted by Rev. Service, followed by the beautiful burial service of the Orange Association, under the direction of Artemesia District Lodge. The pallbearers were: Messrs. F. W. Duncan, T. J. Fisher, R. Park, J. A. Davis, E. Stinson and F. J. Thurston, members of the L.O.L. Those present from a distance were: Mr. and Mrs. Willard Wiley

of Wodehouse; Mr. Lloyd McLaughlin of Harkaway; Mr. George Alton of Markdale; Mr. and Mrs. John Craven, Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Craven, Mrs. John McMullen and Mr. Milton McMullen, Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Mandeno, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. McMullen and Isobel of Holland Centre; Messrs. Wm. and John Sowerby, Mrs. Minnie Sowerby and Mrs. Geo. Kinney of Berkeley.

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