BORN.

CAMPBELL—At Terrace Junction, on Friday, Dec. 26th, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Campbell, a son.

MARRIED.

LAWSON-JOURDAN—At Orangeville, on Christmas Day, by Rev. T. Hartley, Mr. John Lawson, U. E., Acton, to Miss Bertha Victoria Jourdan, of Orangeville.

HELWIG-GLEDE—At the residence of Mr. C. Diebel, Hanover, on Wednesday, Dec. 17th, by Rev. Mr. Ritter, O. W. Helwig, of Newstadt, to Mrs. Fred Glede, formerly of Acton.

JOHNSON-SUTHERSON—At the home of the bride's parents, Willow Street, Acton, on Christmas Day, by Rev. A. E. Smith, B. D., Mr. Hector Johnson, of Johnstown, N. Y., to Annie, eldest daughter of Anthony Stephenson, Esq., Acton.

LYMBURNER-MOORE—In Wesley Church, Toronto, on Christmas Day, by Rev. E. Towell, D. D., assisted by Rev. Mr. Tibb, Martin Lymburner, of Stoney Creek, to Lottie, youngest daughter of Wm. Moore, Esq., of Toronto, formerly of Acton.

The Acton Free Press

THURSDAY, JANUARY 1, 1903.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Mr. A. S. Forster, of the Oakville Star, is a candidate for County Councillor. Mr. Forster has had considerable experience in municipal matters and was for a number of years a member of Oakville Town Council. He is a young man of clear insight and will make a valuable member, if elected to Halton County Council next Monday.

Georgetown is likely to have a real live up-to-date editor for its Reeve next year. Mr. R. D. Warren, at the solicitation of a large number of leading citizens allowed himself to be put in nomination, and there is every reason to believe he will be elected. Mr. Warren has attended the meetings of the Council for many years in his capacity as journalist, and is better qualified than most public men for the position to which he aspires.

The municipal contest this year will centre about the Reeveship. There are, it is true, five candidates for four seats at the Council, but the interest will be focussed upon the chair of the Chief Magistrate. Councillors Henderson and Swackhamer are the contestants. Both are worthy citizens and have already given willing and valued services to the Municipality. Councillor Henderson has, however, considerable advantage over his opponent in a longer term of service; a more intimate acquaintance with details of municipal business, and, being his own master his time is his own to spend as he pleases. It is generally believed the contest will be a close one.

As announced last week this division County Council District No 4,—has a triangular contest at present in progress. It is alleged that two years ago County Councillor Hutcheon agreed if Nassagaweya would work to insure his election then he would retire at the end of the term, but he allowed himself to be again nominated last week, and his old time friend, Mr. A. McGibbon is out as an opponent in addition to Mr. J. H. Peacock, of Milton. It is believed that Nassagaweya is making an effort to elect both the candidates resident in that township. Acton has always had the very kindest relations with Nassagaweya, but our citizens feel that there is a possibility of having too much of township representation in the County Council. It would indeed be rather anomalous to have two County Councillors from Nassagaweya for this district and none from either the county town or the county's chief manufacturing town. Councillor Peacock, of Milton, has rendered excellent service the past two years. His knowledge of municipal matters in the County Council as they effect the towns and villages is of much value, and because of this it will be to Acton's best interest to put forth strong efforts to re-elect him next Monday.

FRIGHTFUL RAILWAY ACCIDENT.

At Wanstead, Near London, the Night After Christmas.

25 PASSENGERS KILLED; 22 WOUNDED.

LONDON, Dec., 27.—An appalling wreck occurred at 10.40 last night at Wanstead, a station on the Sarnia branch of the G. T. R., 20 miles west of London. It was a head-on collision between the Pacific express, No. 5, and an east-bound freight. The express was proceeding west at its usual high rate of speed; the freight was under slow headway, and was to have taken the switch at Wanstead to pass. Apparently neither engineer saw the danger ahead in time to avert the accident, for the two engines came together near the west switch with a frightful crash, overturning into the ditch. The baggage and express cars telescoped into the smoker with appalling results. The wreck was complete and it is thought that hardly a passenger in the smoker escaped injury. The other cars of the passenger remained on the track.

As soon as the accident occured, word was sent to London, and doctors were soon on the scene. The work of removing the dead and injured was then proceeded with. Twenty-eight were dead and thirty-two wounded were taken out of the wreck.

An operator's error is supposed to have been the cause of the terrible disaster, which brought desolation and sorrow to many homes after a very merry Christmas.

LIMEHOUSE.

Mr. Bert Moore, of Toronto, was home to spend Xmas with his parents.

Dr. Lindsay, Miss T. Lindsay and Miss B. Lindsay, of Guelph, spent Xmas with their brother, Mr. Jno. Lindsay.

Dr. and Mrs. Sutherland and son, of St. Catharines, are visiting at Mr. Jno. Lindsay's.

Mr. Archie Beatty, of Seattle Wash., is home to spend a few months with his mother after an absence of fifteen years.

Mr. Dougal Kennedy, of Dryden, is visiting at Mrs. Alex. Kennedy's.

Miss Enie Ivens, of Toronto, is home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ivens, of Toronto, spent Xmas at Mrs. J. Sharp's.

Mr. and Mrs. Gray and children, of Hartney, Man., are visiting at Mr. Jno. Wheeler's.

HENDERSON VS. SWACKHAMER

For the Reeveship, and Five Candidates for Council.

TRUSTEES ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION.

If the interest of the ratepayers in Acton's municipal matters is to be judged by the the number who attended the annual nominations, it is certainly meagre. Hardly a baker's dozen of electors attended the nomination at the town hall on Monday.

Reeve Williams adhered to his intention of retiring, declared several weeks ago, and Councillors Henderson and Swackhamer were consequently put in nomination for the Reeveship. Seven nominations were made for Councillors, and six for School Trustees, the various nominations being made in the following order:

FOR REEVE.

1. HIRAM SWACKHAMER—Nominated by Col. Wm. Allan, seconded by Charles Taylor.

2. JOHN A. HENDERSON—Nominated by George Hynds, seconded by John Williams.

FOR COUNCILLORS.

1. ROBERT HOLMES—Nominated by John McQueen, seconded by W. R. Kenney.

2. JAMES BROWN—Nominated by John Kenney, seconded by John Lawson.

3. JOHN AGNEW—Nominated by Duncan Taylor, seconded by Robert Holmes.

4. GEORGE HYNDS—Nominated by S. A. McKeague, M. D., seconded by John Williams.

5. A. T. BROWN—Nominated by S. A. McKeague, M. D., seconded by John Williams.

6. H. SWACKHAMER—Nominated by John A. Henderson, seconded by W. D. Anderson.

7. T. H. Rolston—Nominated by R. D. Graham, seconded by S. A. McKeague, M. D.

FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

1. HENRY GRINDELL—Nominated by S. A. McKeague, M. D., seconded by John Williams.

2. S. A. MCKEAGUE, M. D.—Nominated by H. P. Moore, seconded by Thos. T. Moore.

3. JOHN CLARKE—Nominated by T. T. Moore, seconded by H. P. Moore.

4. R. B. JOHNSON—Nominated by John A. Henderson, seconded by Jas. Wilson.

5. WM. JOHNSTON.—Nominated by S. A. McKeague, seconded by J. Williams.

6. W. R. KENNEY—Nominated by Geo. Hynds, seconded by S. A. McKeague.

At the suggestion of Reeve Williams the meeting to hear the speeches of the members of the Council and the candidates was postponed until 8 o'clock in the evening.

The citizens assembled in considerable numbers in the evening. Upon motion Mr. H. P. Moore was elected chairman.

Reeve Williams was the first speaker, but was very brief in his remarks. He was retiring from municipal life and had little to say further than that he had to the best of his ability served the municipality for seven years. He had not aspired to the reeveship at the outset but when pressed to accept the position two years ago he accepted. You may get men to serve you better, he said because of their ability, but you will never elect a man who will more willingly and cheerfully spend his time in the corporation's interests. Every good citizen who has the time should take his share of the burdens of the municipality.

Councillor Henderson, Chairman of the Committee on Finance, said his subject was rather a dry one, but finances was a very important topic. Owing to the outbreak of smallpox in December of last year, the year had been a trying one both to the Council and the ratepayers. The large cost of the epidemic influenced the Council to be as economical as possible with all other expenditures during the year, consequently the streets had been to some extent neglected. The smallpox had cost the corporation 4½ mills on the dollar. The electric light plant shows a deficit of $311.05 for the year; a considerable portion of this being caused by excessive cost of fuel and some new machinery installed. If we deduct the cost of the smallpox, the business of the year was carried on for 18½ mills, and our expenditures are so fixed that no future Council can hope to reduce taxes to a lower rate. Mr. Henderson then went over the general finances of the corporation showing that they are in a healthy state. Referring to his candidature for the reeveship, Mr. Henderson said that during the three years he had served in the Council he had endeavored to master all details relative to the corporation. He is now the senior councillor among the nominees and felt that he could satisfactorily discharge the duties of the office. He spoke very kindly of his opponent, Mr. Swackhamer, and hoped when the contest was over they would be as good friends as ever.

Councillor Hynds, Chairman of the Fire and Light Committee, showed the ratepayers that his department was one which had a large amount of details requiring attention. The electric light plant is an institution which demands constant oversight. He went carefully into the financial side of the plant and its operations, and stated that we have reached the limit of earning power. On our 750 light dynamo, there are about 1100 lights installed. We have a good plant and it is giving excellent satisfaction. Speaking of the future Mr. Hynds said the position of Councillor is one he did not seek, and if any other citizen desires his place he will now gladly drop out and attend his personal business and church duties. He paid a tribute to Reeve Williams and his sound common sense, and stated that he had been surprised at his ability in handling the affairs of the corporation.

The chairman suggested that if the metric system were adopted the Council would find they had 15 or 20 per cent. more current to dispose of.

Councillor Swackhamer was suffering from a very bad cold and spoke with difficulty. He spoke of the small amount spent on the streets the past year, but reminded the ratepayers that $200 had been laid out in permanent pavements. During his service as a councillor he had taken great interest in all Council matters. He believed the electric lighting plant could be managed to yield greater revenue and with his knowledge of machinery and dynamos he could demonstrate it. For several weeks he had been pressed to stand for the Reeveship and having been placed in nomination he expected to enter the contest.

Mr. T. H. Rolston, one of the nominees for 1903, invited every voter in the municipality to turn out and vote in his favor. If you are going to thrust honors upon me, he said, do it on a large scale.

Dr. McKeague spoke for the Public School Board. In an interesting speech he dwelt upon the improvements effected the past year. The inefficient hot air furnaces had been supplanted by steam boiler and heating and now the entire school is comfortably heated at less cost for fuel than with the furnaces. The new High School Department was referred to and the doctor showed that for a net cost of about $100 to the ratepayers, High School opportunities had been brought to their doors and the children of the laboring man has now advantages equal to those of the rich.

Councillor D. Hutcheon, of the County Council, was present and referred to county matters. He spoke of the purchase of the mile and three fifths of the Hamilton and Nelson Road to be undertaken by the County, and the agitation for a system of county roads. He favored township road systems in preference because the county plan militated against the towns of the county and caused increased county rate with no commensurate benefit.

Ex-Reeve Nicklin gave the Council some good advice. He said that Acton stands well among the towns of the province, but it could be improved. He advised the Council to take all reasonable steps to induce new industries to locate here.

THE SITUATION TO-DAY.

Since the nomination Messrs. A. T. Brown and H. Swackhamer have withdrawn from the contest for councillors, and Messrs. John Clarke and Wm. Johnstone for School Trustees.

The matter now stands as follows:

FOR REEVE—Jno. A. Henderson and H. Swackhamer.

FOR COUNCILLORS—Geo. Hynds, John Agnew, Robt. Holmes, T. H. Rolston, and James Brown (farmer).

FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEES—W. R. Kenney, Dr. McKeague, Henry Grindell and R. B. Johnson, elected by acclamation.

NOMINATIONS ELSEWHERE.

ESQUESING.

REEVE—F. S. Near.

COUNCILLORS—David Cook, John McGibbon, John Campbell and John McDonald.

All by acclamation.

NASSAGAWEYA.

REEVE—Jas. Majoor.

COUNCILLORS—A. C. McMillan, Geo. Grummett, Jas. Little, Peter Campbell.

All by acclamation.

ERIN TOWNSHIP.

Reeve—Allan Robinson, A. J. Lindsay and John Wilson.

COUNCILLORS—Andrew Murray, Robt. McCaughery, Thos. Deering, Angus McMarchy, Jos. Beatham, Hugh Smith.

ERIN VILLAGE.

REEVE—James Long, H. Matthews.

COUNCILLORS—Dr. Hamilton, Wm. McDowell, Wm. Griffin, Geo. Smith, and J. C. Blackwood.

ERAMOSA.

REEVE—Robt. Scott, Robt. Hamilton, Chas. McNabb, Wm. Argo, and John Dickieson.

COUNCILLORS—Thos. Colson, Geo. Armstrong.

CREWSONS CORNERS

The teachers of the Methodist Sunday School presented each of their pupils with a Christmas gift on Sunday after the close of the school. This has been the most successful year that the school has ever known.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. Walker will regret to learn that they intend to remove to the North west in the near future. They have always been held in high esteem and are regarded as one of our best neighbors, and their departure will be greatly deplored by all.

"Olive Hill," the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Talbot, Everton, was the scene of an exceedingly pretty wedding on Dec. 17th, when Mr. Jas. Moore, one of the popular young farmers, of Eramosa township, was happily united with Miss Olive Abbott, daughter of Mr. Wm. Abbott, of Everton. Between fifty and sixty guests were present at six o'clock, when the bridal company appeared, summoned by the strains of the wedding march, played by Miss Pearl Talbot. The bride was tastily attired in a gown of white and carried a beautiful bouquet of roses and carnations. She was assisted by Miss Mary Black, of Rockwood, as maid of honor. They were attended by Miss Olga Millaird, niece of the bride, beautifully dressed as flower girl. The groom was supported by Mr. E. Johnston, of Burford. Amid a galaxy of flowers the ceremony was performed by Rev. W. G. Charlton, minister for the Disciples of Christ at Everton, after which Mr. and Mrs. Talbot entertained the guests with a sumptuous spread in their spacious dining hall. A number of other guests were received who spent the evening very pleasantly at the party arranged in honor of the occasion. Mr. and Mrs. Moore have the hearty good wishes of a large circle of friends.

We believe that wedding-bells will shortly re-echo in this vicinity.

We understand that Councillor A. Murray of this place will again be a candidate for the Council of Erin Tp. Mr. Murray's record in the Erin Council during the term which he has served as councillor has been a remarkably good one. He has always had the public's interest at heart and has done much to improve this banner township.

Mr. Robt. Levins met with a rather severe accident on Saturday, 20th inst., by falling from the top of a 22 foot mow to the barn floor, he slighted on his feet and besides receiving a severe shaking up, his right foot was badly sprained. It will confine him to his home for some time.

A DELIGHTFUL ENTERTAINMENT

Given on Christmas Night by the Methodist Sunday School

BEFORE AN IMMENSE AUDIENCE

For many years the Methodist Sunday School has provided special entertainment for its friends and citizens and visitors generally on Christmas night. The programme, including the cantata, "Mine Host Santa Claus" and the fancy flag drill, last Thursday evening was in every respect enjoyable and well worthy of the unabated applause which continued throughout the evening.

Shortly after eight o'clock the scholars proceeded in procession from the school room to the auditorium and deposited their mite boxes, containing over $23 as a Christmas offering to missions, on the platform—the school's contributions to missions this year amounting to over $110. So large was the audience it was difficult for the scholars to be seated.

The first section of the programme included choruses by the school, prayer by the pastor, a brief address by the superintendent, and the very interesting fifty-fifth annual report by the secretary, Mr. W. H. Speight. The report showed an enrollment of 297, to which are added 31 in the Home Dept., and 37 in the Cradle Roll, a total of 337. The average attendance was 172, and the number of visitors to the school reached over 600. The amount raised for school purposes was $177, and for missions $110.

The Cantata had a well sustained interest from start to finish. It started with a scene in Santa Claus' house, in Clausville, and the setting was an entertainment for Santa Claus' edification, arranged by Santa's Christmas Union and given by his children and employees, including his sailors, printers, artists, doll-dressmakers, the Santa Claus band, Christmas tree candle makers, errand and elevator boys, pop-corn, pea-nut and candy girls, the floral committee, and the little tots looking for Santa Claus. The parts were all well taken, Mr. C. Mason and Miss Edith Wilson making a splendid Mr. and Mrs. Claus. Misses Moore, Fyfe and Husband carried out the part as floral committee with credit, while Mr. Lawrence Williams made an ideal master of ceremonies. The climax was reached when the little tots found Santa Claus and presented him to the audience crying, "Here is Santa! we've found him at last."

But the place de resistance of the evening was the fancy flag drill by the following sixteen young ladies: Misses Edith Nicklin, Bertha Williams, Josie Stephenson, Annie Oram, Lottie Moore, Bertha Speight, Myrtle Matthews, Tena McArthur, Pearl Stewart, Ethel Thomas, Maggie Holden, Mary Goodeve, Bertie Smith, Lillian Frankum, Clara Ebbage and Blanche Dills. For nearly twenty minutes they went through a highly intricate and artistic series of evolutions, marching and counter marching, their dainty white costumes with tricolor sash, and each carrying a Union Jack and Canadian bag, forming a most attractive picture. Their closing patriotic chorus with military salutes and graceful though somewhat warlike poses brought repeated applause. Much credit is due Mrs. I. Francis, Mrs. Jas. McLean, Mrs. John Agnew and Miss Speight, the organist, for their success in training the young ladies for this splendid number.

The proceedings closed with a good night chorus and the benediction by the pastor, Rev. A. E. Smith, B. D.

NEW ELECTRICIAN ENGAGED.

H. R. Carruthers, of Millbrook, Takes Fred Milatz's Place to-day.

HE IS EXPERIENCED AND HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.

The vacancy caused by the resignation of F. Malatz, electrician, has been filled to the satisfaction of the Fire and Light Committee.

In response to the Council's advertisement eighteen applications were put in. These were carefully considered by the committee on Fire and Light. The committee reported at a special meeting of the Council on Saturday evening.

The Council met at 9 p. m. All the members were present, Reeve Williams occupied the chair.

The Committee on Fire and Light presented the following report:

TO THE REEVE AND COUNCIL:

Your committee on Fire and Light after a careful investigation of the applications for the position of electrician, would recommend the acceptance of the application of H. R. Carruthers, of Millbrook, at the salary of $400 per annum, duties to commence 1st January, 1903, and that the usual agreement be prepared and signed by the corporation and Mr. Carruthers.

GEO. HYNDS, Chairman,
JNO. A. HENDERSON,
J. WILLIAMS,
Committee

Acton, Dec. 27th, 1902.

Moved by George Hynds, seconded by John A. Henderson, that the recommendation of the Fire and Light Committee be accepted, and that the application of Mr. H. R. Carruthers at a salary of $400 per annum, as engineer and electrician for the corporation be accepted, Mr. Carruthers agreeing to perform all the duties as required by the Fire and Light Committee—Carried.

Council then adjourned.

ASHGROVE.

Miss Ethel McFayden, of Toronto, is spending a week with friends here.

Mr. W. Morrison, B. A., of St. Mary's, and Mr. Percy Morrison, of Toronto, are spending vacation at their home here.

Mr. Charlie Dick, of Cleveland, is home for a couple of months.

J. R. Nixon, M. D., of Toronto, was home for Christmas.

The Young People's annual oyster supper was held on Friday evening, Dec. 26th, at the home of Mr. H. Morrison. There was the usual supply of oysters and pie to which all present did ample justice. The rest of the evening was spent with games and music.—A committee consisting of Messrs. W. Alexander, A. Ruddell and D. Wright were appointed for the ensuing year.

A social in connection with the Ashgrove Methodist Sunday School will be held on Wednesday evening, Jan. 7th, 1903. An excellent program is being prepared and a good time is expected.

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Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Esquesing Agricultural Society will be held on Wednesday,

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for the purpose of electing Directors for the ensuing year, and such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

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Men's Lamb Gauntlets regular $5.00 for $3.00
Men's Coon Gauntlets, regular $5.00 $3.50
Ladies' Coney Ruffs, regular $3.50 for $2.50
Ladies' Electric Seal Ruffs, regular $4.00 for $3.00
Ladies' Grey Lamb Ruffs, regular $4.00 for $3.00
Ladies' Bocharin Lamb, regular $3.50 for $2.75
Ladies' Fine, Stone Martin Ruffs, regular 5.00 for $3.75
Ladies' Fine Stone Martin Ruffs, regular $10.00 for $6.50
Ladies' Grey Lamb Caperines, regular $15.00 for $10.00
Ladies' Bocharin Lamb, Caperine regular $16.00 for $13.50
Ladies' Coney Combination Capes, regular $7.00 for $5.00

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We have on hand 40 Ladies' ready-to-wear hats, all this season's purchase and priced regularly at from $1.25 to $3.00. To make a complete clearance of these, we mark them for Saturday next at 65c

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Your vote and influence are respectfully solicited for

H. SWACKHAMER,
As Reeve of Acton.

If elected I shall endeavor to carefully guard the interests of the Municipality.

ELECTION, Monday, 5th January, 1903

County Council Election.

Electors of Division No. 4

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Your vote and influence are cordially solicited for

J. H. PEACOCK
as County Councillor, for the year 1903.

ELECTION, Monday, Jan., 5th, 1903.

YOUR ICE SUPPLY

THE ice business will be conducted on same terms as last year, ice will be supplied from Henderson's pond as usual.

W. D. ANDERSON.

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