

BORN.
Hugh Mann, Jr., born at Guelph, Ontario, on September 17, 1902, to Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Green, who are living.

DECEASED.—At 66 Penobscot St., Toronto, on Sunday morning, Sept. 19, 1902, to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lindsay, who were

MARRIED.

On Saturday evening, in Montreal, Rev. Mr. H. A. Macpherson, M.A., Pres. Royal Canadian College, and Miss Mary E. Cole, of Guelph, daughter of John W. Cole, of Guelph.

HANNIBAL HAY.—On Tuesday, Sept. 16th, 1902, at 10 a.m., in the home of Rev. E. Capp, Miss Victoria M. Barber, young daughter of Charles M. Barber, of Guelph, Ontario, to Mr. Charles H. Hall, of Clinton, Ont.

DIED.

Montreal, Manitoba, on Friday, Sept. 19th, Hugh Mann, Jr., son of Hugh Mann, Esq., of Guelph, Ontario.

The Acton Free Press

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1902.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The financial statement of the Dominion which appeared in the Gazette on Saturday shows the revenue for the months of July and August to be \$11,320,002, or against \$7,539,017, or nearly two millions of an increase.

The British Columbia Provincial elections are to be held on October 3rd, instead of later on as had been intimated. A special issue of the official Gazette was issued, fixing the date. The Provincial Liberal claim that Premier McBride is looking to take them unawares and make a victory.

The last budget speech of Mr. R. J. Geddon, Premier and Treasurer of New Zealand, contains an item not mentioned in the telegraphed summary. He announced an early Imperial conference of representatives of the colonies in consultation with Lord Roberts and the Admiralty for the specific purpose of placing the defence of the Empire upon a more satisfactory basis.

The North West suffered from a severe snow storm on Sunday. Considerable alarm was felt on the scene's wheels, but reports about the damage to the road in stock were somewhat exaggerated. One report just received says an inspection showed that if fine weather prevailed for the balance of the season, the only deterioration to the grain would be in the matter of color.

A London dispatch says: Doctor Howard, son-in-law of Lord Stratford, who arrived on Saturday by the Lucania, discussing the Alaska Boundary Commission, said the Canadians were so certain of the justice of their case that they would be very much incensed if the British commissioners showed a disposition to give away their rights. The question was again raised whether the Dominion very kindly, he said, did every means was being taken to stiffen the backs of the British representatives to resist the American demands.

James J. Hill said recently: "There is no good reason why Canada may not have a population of 50,000,000 within the next fifty years." There are many in Canada who believe it. It is possible England believes it. Many of our far-sighted men believe it. The Hon. James A. Smart, Deputy Minister of the Interior, the most able head of this department, in a speech at the Ministry of the Hon. Mr. Sifton, in recent report before his committee that the immigration of the last eleven months has been greater by far in the history of Canada — something like 100,000.

NEW BOOKS FOR FREE LIBRARY
Board Decided to Add a Number of the Latest Popular and Sensational Works.

A meeting of the Free Library Board was held in the Library last Wednesday evening.

Members present: T. T. Moore, Chairman; John Cameron and H. P. Moore.

The question of the addition of new books this fall was discussed and it was felt advisable, in order to keep up the interest in the Library, to purchase a list of new books, even if finances will not permit of a large sum, as usual—the recent amendment to the Public Libraries Act requiring that all purchased be paid for in cash instead of by note, formally.

Moved by John Cameron, seconded by H. P. Moore, that the Secretary be instructed to purchase fifty or sixty dollars' worth of new books to add to the Library as early a date as possible.

The report was adopted.

BOOKS.

Harvest Home services were held in St. John's Church of England here on Sunday last. The service was conducted by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Brown, assisted by Rev. Mr. Golden, of Caledonia, and Rev. Mr. Davison, of St. George's Church at Guelph. The church was beautifully decorated with grain, fruit and flowers. The local choir was assisted by the choir from St. George's, Guelph.

Mr. Eric Wood and Miss May Wood are spending a couple of weeks in London.

GARAFAXA PAINTER BURNED OUT.

Fri., Sept. 15.—During a heavy electrical storm which swept over the greater part of Garafaxa, this afternoon, the barn of David Ferrier was struck by lightning and burned to the ground. The barn contained a large part of the season's crop, but a stock of hay and oats was saved. There was no insurance on buildings or contents. Insurance agents were around about two weeks ago, but he put them off.

A specialist in optics from Toronto will be at H. G. Hunter's Drug Store about the end of September or early part of October. No charge for treatment or testing. No fancy prices. Announcement later.

It is the girl who wouldn't go on a life raft with a man in a shipwreck without a chaperon who is perfectly able to take care of herself.

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The accident occurred at 3:30 Friday afternoon. The trucking machine was being loaded and prepared to the end of the steel. It was propelled by a small engine, which was a part of itself. When it was moving slowly down a slight grade Mr. Mann noticed that a spoke chain which played an important part in the powerful mechanism was not working properly, and, in company with D. L. Main, one of the engineers in the construction camp, he went to investigate.

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GOVERNMENT.

The Council will spend \$107 on repairs to the bridge near Dryden's.

A railway east of Georgetown station is being talked of.

On Friday G. Hill was fined the sum of \$1.00 and costs for using language in the presence of the High School.

At 7:30 last Tuesday evening the fire alarm sounded on account of a threatened blaze in the Belmont Home studio. The fire was quenched before the brigade arrived.

At a recent meeting of the directors of the Respecting Agricultural Society it was decided that the admissions should be: adults 25 cents, children 2 for 25.

The posters were printed with these prices attached. It has since been decided to make the price: adults 20 cents; children 10. Herald.

On Tuesday evening Roderick Fraser, the young son of W. A. Fraser, sustained a painful cut in the face as the result of exploding a fog signal torpedo-hed. As he stepped forward to the torpedo on the cement walk and struck it with an ax. It exploded and a fragment struck him on the cheek inflicting a severe cut. Dr. Nixon was called. No serious results are anticipated. Conservator.

Two feet of snow fell in many parts of North Dakota on Sunday and Monday.

BRIEF LOCAL ITEMS.

Mr. Noble's New Elevator.

Mr. R. Noble, miller, Novak, is now ready to proceed with the erection of his proposed new elevator at the G.T.R. station. The only question at present is in what way to proceed.

Mr. Noble would prefer to have the corporation put in a power dynamo and supply the needed power of a fair remuneration. The suggestion deserves consideration and the proposed new enterprise should have all reasonable encouragement from municipality, town and citizens. If a power plant were put in at the electric light plant a number of business men in town would avail themselves of the power to be secured.

Childson Without Fatal Attraction.

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