

**MARRIED.**

Claesens Gijsbers—Miss Gijsbers, Toronto, Thursday, 16th October, 1925, by Rev. W. G. van der Heijden, Minister of the Reformed Church, Parry Sound, on Wednesday, 15th October, 1925, by Rev. Mr. Mitchell, B. A., at the residence of Mr. Wm. M. Lyons, Doctor, Guelph, Ontario. The bride is the late Miss Anna Whitfield of Toronto, to Mrs. Anna Whitfield David & Day, Libata, Africa.

**DIED.**

McKeehan—In Acton, on Saturday, 13th October, 1925, Wellington Miller, miller, aged 49 years. Interred in Kinsgton on Sunday, 14th October, 1925, Robert Thompson, aged 74 years.

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1925.

**EDITORIAL NOTES.**

Sir William Mulock has announced a surplus in the Postodes Department this year, including the Yukon service, and general increases of salaries to country postmasters have also been announced.

"Made in Canada" was the watchword of the Dominion Exhibition held in Toronto a few weeks ago. "Grown in Canada" is the echo from several million bushels of wheat on its way to the markets of the world. Could there be a better immigration agent?—Farmers' Advocate.

The vital statistics for the past year as compiled by the Provincial Board of Health show that while marriages and births have been making substantial increases in Ontario the death rate has decreased. The birth rate last year were 46,700 as compared with 46,000 in 1924; an increase of 1,725. Marriages numbered 18,072, an increase of 3,072 over 1924. There were 27,304 deaths, a gain of 23,000 in 1924, a decrease of 1,714.

The action of the British representatives on the Alaska Boundary Tribunal, in handing over a large slice of the Yukon Territory, jointly belonging to Canada, to the United States, is on a par with the long-neglected previous mistake of the British authorities in giving Maine to the same country when it naturally belonged to Canada, and its loss has been a most serious one from a strategic point of view.

The Alaskan Boundary award just made public is even more disastrous to Canadian interests than was feared. The United States will alone demand and has secured the possession of two important islands which command the entrance to Port Simpson harbor. The two Canadian Commissioners, Sir Louis Jette and Mr. A. B. Aspasia, not only declined to sign the award, but have issued a dignified protest against the sacrifice of the interests of Canada. Their consistent and independent action is admired throughout all Canada.

**ANOTHER RECORD BREAKING YEAR.**  
Eric Show Stuns Its Great Reputation for Large Attendance.  
Eric Fair came the day following Thanksgiving and it was naturally felt that the holiday would interfere with attendance. This was not the case, however, for the fair last Friday surpassed all previous records, both in point of attendance and the number and quality of the exhibits. Thousands of people from the surrounding country thronged the village streets and ground. The receipts were larger than any previous year, over \$300 being taken at the gate.

The show, both in hall and field was excellent. Fairs of all kinds had free swing for a consideration, and it is said the society derived \$150 from this source alone.

**HORNBY.**

Following are the officers of Hornby Division, No. 210, Sons of Temperance, for the term ending Dec. 31st, 1925. W. P. Sis. Maigda Coulson; W. A. Ben, Bert Douglas; H. S. Bro. Victor King; A. R. S. Sis. Mabel Kindred; E. H. Bro. Abe. Nelson; Treas. Bro. Wm. Chisholm; Chap. Sis. A. Shortt; Con. Bro. Winfield Askin; Ass't Con. Bro. E. Ward; L. S. Bro. T. F. McHugh (re-elected); P. W. P. Bro. Theo. Douglas, Jr.

The officers were installed by Bro. Bert Wilson, the D. G. W. P. of Hornby Division. He was assisted by Bro. Jas. Preston, who acted as the grand conductor. The organist, Miss Nelson, presided at the organ during the ceremony.

After the installation the newly installed officers gave short speeches. We look forward to see Hornby Division, No. 210, S. of T. the banner division of the Province as it can boast of over 100 members now.

**ROCKWOOD.**

The Killin-Krough concert company have been engaged by the Royal Temperance Lodge for a concert on the 28th Oct. The company includes Mrs. Alice Killin-Krough, soprano; Mr. James P. Keough, basso; Miss Maud L. Brown, pianist; and Miss Anna Hobart Terry, reader. With this promising array of talent the concert should be worth attending.

Rev. H. W. Ross addressed a meeting in the Presbyterian Church here on Monday evening. His subject was his trip to the Yukon and was given under the auspices of the Woman's Foreign Mission Society.

Trotter was delayed on the Grand Trunk for several hours on Monday by three or four cars being derailed between here and Guelph.

Mr. George Stewart paid a flying visit to his parents on Thanksgiving Day, on his way home from Europe. George is one of the buyers for Stewart Bros., wholesale dry goods, Winnipeg, and makes two trips to Great Britain and Europe annually.

Mr. E. A. Stout, Berlin, spent Thanksgiving at his home here.

Among the Thanksgiving visitors in town were the following: Miss Evans, Toronto; the Misses Ryan, Georgetown; Mr. T. Faraday, Georgetown; Mr. O. Turner, Toronto; Mr. F. O'Donnell, Toronto.

**MR. NOBLE'S MODEST (?) REQUEST**

Would like the Town to Supply Him 30 h.p. from Electric Plant Practically Free

**FOR PROPOSED NEW ELEVATOR.**

The letter of Mr. H. Noble, miller, respecting the erection of his proposed elevator here, and his request for power, together with the remarks at the meeting of the Council on Monday evening, will be interesting to many. This is the first time it has been generated in its treatment of manufacturers, and the fact that we have several of the largest businesses of their class in the previous proves that their location here was advantageous and that good feeling prevails between their management and the town. Acton is prepared to deal with equal generosity with Mr. Noble. In his erection of an elevator of large capacity with chopping mill in connection—a business which would attract farmers with their grain, and incidentally their general trading, from a large radius of country. It was, however, rather unfortunate that Mr. Noble in addressing the Council, both by letter and verbally, asked more than the town can afford to grant, viz.: "Thirty-five h.p., practically free of cost" to him. This, according to electrical experts, is equivalent to a gift of \$100,000 per annum. It would be difficult to show advantages commensurate with this to the municipality. It is hoped, however, that with due consideration of the matter in all its details, Mr. Noble and the Council may be able to form an equitable agreement by which all interests will be satisfactorily conserved. In any event Acton is likely to have a new grain elevator of modern design and large capacity. A large wholesale grain buyer and shipper of Guelph stated to the Press last week that he is contemplating the erection of an elevator here, and, being questioned as to his sincerity in the statement, he said: "Mr. Moore, I am in dead earnest in the matter. I am prepared to build an elevator in Acton, and if Mr. Noble does not put up his proposed elevator, I certainly will build, and you are at perfect liberty to make this statement public."

Council met at 8 o'clock. All the members were present, the Reeve in the chair.

The Committee on Finance presented their 20th report and recommended payment of accounts as follows:

Canadian General Electric Co., supplies ..... \$107.40

Miller and Manufacturers Inc. Co. Insurance ..... 30.00

G. Hunter, supplies ..... 1.20

T. F. Moore, stationery ..... 1.20

Bro. Hynde, postage ..... .50

\$31.61

The report was adopted.

The following communication from Mr. Noble, miller, Norval, was read:

To the Reeve and Council of the Village of Acton:

GENTLEMEN.—Finding that the grain business which I have been carrying on in your village for the past few years has outgrown the dimensions of the present structure, I would like to build a good, convenient elevator in order to handle the grain in a quick and easy and efficient way, and thus ensure the grain business at Acton to the fullest possible extent.

I find also a demand for a feed mill in your village, which I would like to get their chopping done well and quickly.

To do this requires power for drying grain, and machinery and I would ask your Council to furnish the necessary power from your electric plant. Not more than 32 horse-power would be needed.

In order to run this business successfully it is necessary to have cheap power. Chopping must be done extremely low as we have to compete with small mills which do not do the work at cost. You would find very much in the interests of the village to have the elevator. This is a great advantage to bring the farmers all around your neighboring town to town and when they there would be their buying.

You cannot do this town and it requires some inducement in the way of a good market and good accommodation to bring them here.

I trust you kindly will give this matter your full consideration, and I hope you will see your way clear to grant my request.

Yours respectfully,

R. H. NOBLE, miller, Norval, Oct. 10th, 1925.

Mr. Noble was present and supplemented his letter with a few interesting remarks. When asked to state exactly what he wanted from the Council he said:

"Gentlemen, practically I want as near free power as possible. My intention is to build an elevator and chipping mill which will be farmed to some long distance to Acton. If you treat me liberally I will be able to hold out inducements to them. The elevator will be a good one with a capacity of 25,000 to 30,000 bushels, with a building in connection for a modern chopping outfit of sufficient capacity to permit of all chopping being done the day. It is brought about that farmers may take it home the same day. I believe if you will put in a power plant in your electric power house it will be the means of attracting other businesses to Acton, and also that existing businesses would purchase electric power."

Mr. Noble further volunteered the information that if satisfactory terms were made he would at once get out plans and specifications and proceed with the building this fall.

Councillor H. W. Ross, chairman of the Electric Light Committee, said "I think a committee of the Council should consider as far as possible, that Mr. Noble speaks of a cheap power. We generate our electricity in a coal and that makes expensive power. Mr. Noble's letter had been handed to him and he had asked the electrician for his opinion, as to its feasibility, and the following was his reply:

To the Reeve and Councillors:

Gentlemen.—Referring to Mr. Noble's request for electric power, I beg to state that the present plant is not adapted for the supply of power, being purely a lighting concern.

If it was thought advisable to arrange for a power service it would be necessary to dispose of the present generating plant and install two larger ones, and two generators in order to give an efficient service.

The dividing up of the power in this

way would tend towards economy in both the power and also the present lighting load, for which the machinery is not altogether adapted.

A power plant would enable the use of 110 volt lamps instead of the present 60 volt in use.

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