

BORN.
Born—In Acton, on Thursday, 10th November, to Mr. and Mrs. Moore Gaze, a daughter.
MARRIED.
Maurice—Gordon—At 23 Pearson Ave., Toronto, on Wednesday, Nov. 11, 1903, William V. Maurice, of Acton, to Ethel, daughter of A. W. Green, Toronto, formerly of Acton.
DIED.
Miller—In Reposing, on Saturday, 10th November, at 10 a.m., William Miller, aged 70 years, of Acton, son of James Miller, of Acton, and wife, Mrs. Holt, Makawau, in her ninth year, who had resided in Makawau, Manitoulin Island, Ontario, for 40 years.
The Actor Free Press.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, 1907

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The House of Commons met last Thursday for that session. In the speech from the throne, the government announced its plan. The speech was received with the public interest required that telegraph and telephone companies holding federal charters should be placed under government control. A bill will be introduced for that purpose.

The Christmas number of the Western Home Monthly has just containing eighty-four pages of Christmas stories, Christmas readings, ideas on how to make useful homemade Christmas gifts, the whole beautifully illustrated and enclosed in a handsome Christmas cover in colors. We desire to call the attention of our readers to the fact that we have clubbing arrangements with the Western Home Monthly.

Those of our subscribers who send in their subscriptions for the two papers will now receive a copy of the Western Home Monthly Christmas number.

The Newmarket Era says: At the meeting of the Whitby Township Council, a petition containing 110 names was presented asking the Council to submit a vote to the people to repeal the Local Option Act in the Township. A contra petition, containing 400 names, was also submitted, asking the Council not to submit a by-law to repeal the measure. The Local Option people won, for the Council decided that under the circumstances no action should be taken.

ST. ALBAN'S RE-OPENING.

Large Congregations Eloquent Sermons by Rev. G. T. Davidson, Impressive Address by the Bishop.

CONFIRMATION ON MONDAY EVENING.

The re-opening services on Sunday and Monday at St. Alban's Church were eminently enthusiastic and successful. The number of communicants at the morning service was very gratifying, and the attendance in the evening was too crowded for the capacity of the enlarged church.

The Rev. Gilbert F. Davidson, M.A., Rector of St. George's, Guelph, officiated at the early communion and preached at 10.30. He told he was astonished at the transformation which had taken place in the interior of the church. He thought that a second best idea of re-building the old church was almost better than the first one of creating an entirely new structure, so as conserving and enlarging those that they preserved the old associations. Continuing, he said it was fitting that he should be the first to officiate at the altar, and to preach in the pulpit, as they both had been transferred from St. George's, Guelph, to Acton. They had had a famous history at St. George's, as many eminent men had affiliated there and preached in that same pulpit.

The Rector, Rev. Matthew Wilson, D.D., preached at the evening service and his sermon from the text: "Bear ye one another's burdens," was a very timely and helpful discourse.

On Monday evening the Church again yielded to its capacity. His Lordship the Bishop Duane, Guelph, performed the rite of confirmation upon the candidates who had been prepared by the rector. This beautiful ceremony was very impressive. The following were confirmed: Ethel Clark, Inn White, Olive Russell, Clara Bauer, Wilhelmina Price, Harding Peleg, Herbert Pugley, Arthur Clavel and William Croft.

At the conclusion of the confirmation service His Lordship delivered a stirring address, exhorting his hearers to active service in church work. He referred very interestingly to the great work of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, and also to the missionary work now being explained by the Church of England, which receives special attention during Advent.

The rector prefaced his address by congratulating very cordially the rector and congregation upon the enlargement and improvement of the church. He said the surroundings gave very manifest evidence of an interest in the cause of God and of spiritual life. His address throughout sustained his reputation for lofty eloquence.

During the re-opening services the offerings amounted to \$63.

The following gifts were bestowed: A pulpit, altar, credence table, handsome altar cover, from St. George's Church, Guelph; a handsome bier, worth \$75, from Mr. C. H. and Mrs. Acton; a Persian rug, carpet, covering the entire chancel, from the Women's Auxiliary, assisted by a gift of \$5 from the Sunday School; a richly embroidered pulpit desk hanging and an embroidered veranda for the altar, from the rector and Mrs. Wilson; a quartered oak reading desk and a library desk, from the young men of the congregation; a richly bound bier book, from a friend.

ROCKWOOD.

St. John's Church, Rockwood, has been handsomely panelled, a furnace has been placed in the basement, and cement steps have been built to the front approach. The special provider at the re-opening service was the Rev. Gilbert F. Davidson, M.A., Rector of St. George's, Guelph, and Rural Dean of Wellington. The church could not hold the congregation which assembled at the re-opening.

Rev. J. Western, eye-sight specialist, of Toronto, will make his next visit to Acton on Monday, Dec. 16th, and may be consulted in Brown's Drug Store, Monday, Dec. 16th.

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.
Complimentary Words from Inspector Deacon respecting Improvement and Teaching Staff.

THE YEAR'S WORK ABOUT DONE.
The Board of Trustees met on Saturday evening at the office of the Secretary.

Members present: J. S. Coleman, chairman, L. Francis, H. Grindell, Gao, H. Agnew and J. A. Mowat. The Secretary read a communication from the County Inspector commanding the Board upon the extensive improvements made the present year, including the new pavement on Education Lane and around the school, and the new chimney. He also recommended the Board upon securing and retaining an efficient staff of teachers, in which every member is a specialist in the best sense of the word. The results of their work, he added, are excellent, and characterized the staff as an exceptionally good one.

Mr. Deacon suggested certain improvements in the outbuildings which the property committee will proceed at once to put into effect.

It was reported that the Principal of the High School had purchased a fine addition of apparatus and supplies for that department.

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

Watson & Adams balance on chimney \$15.00
Urquhart & Matthews, balance 266.05

Donation School Supply Co. supplies 45.70

C. H. Robertson, materials 34.90

J. H. Robertson, repairs 10.00

H. H. Stewart, expense 4.50

Freight and carriage 2.85

H. P. Moore, supplies 3.60

W. H. Hartnett, work on grounds 1.60

J. C. Curran, glass and tile 1.90

H. Tel. Co., messages 1.41

P. Martin, work at school 1.53

Moved by I. Francis, seconded by A. Mowat, that the tenth report of the Committee on Finance just read be adopted.—Carried.

Chairman Coleman stated that this would probably be the last meeting of the year he desired to express his sincere thanks to the members of the Board for their uniform kindness and courtesy toward him during his incumbency as chairman.

Several members spoke in high terms of the able and impartial manner in which Mr. Coleman has presided over the sessions of the Board. His frank-minded treatment of all the members in their various discussions, and his keen interest in everything pertaining to the school's success and the cause of education generally, had been especially as to command his for the position he had so efficiently filled.

The Board adjourned.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS COMING.

By Law Passed Providing for Annual Nomination and Election.

CLOSING THE YEAR'S BUSINESS.

Council met on Monday evening.

All the members were present. Revoe Swankhamer in the chair.

The twenty-third report of the Committee on Finance was presented and the following accounts ordered to be paid:

Canadian Westinghouse Co. supplies \$37.60

A. Hill, lumber 27.64

H. W. Chisholm & Co., Coal 52.67

G. H. H. freight and carriage 6.14

T. D. McLean, post office 6.25

T. H. Moore, postage 2.00

101.49

The usual by-law providing for the annual municipal and school elections was passed.

Moved by T. Gray, seconded by A. Hill, that a special meeting of the Council be held next Monday evening, after Court of Revision, for the purpose of passing a by-law authorizing the sale of pavement debentures for the year.

The Fire and Light Committees reported that the fire brigade had made a thorough test last week of the steam fire engine, hose and apparatus. The firemen had turned out promptly and satisfactorily, the engine worked perfectly, the ladders both single and shanked streams higher than the highest building in town, and the hose was found to be in splendid condition.

COUNCIL adjourned at 9.30 o'clock.

GREAT BENEFIT TO FARMERS.

It is the unanimous opinion of successful up-to-date farmers that the Family Herald and Weekly Star, of Montreal, is of more practical benefit to them than any purely agricultural journal. In addition to its splendid agricultural section it is also a weekly newspaper and magazine that no family can well afford to be without. At the small price of 10 cents per week, any person wanting the best dairy's worth they ever got should give the Family Herald and Weekly Star a trial for 1908. The enormous demand for it at this season of the year makes it necessary to remit early to ensure getting the paper promptly.

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General Clearing Sale

Friday, Saturday and Monday

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"WE DO WHAT WE SAY."

We are positive that we can make it interesting for you in Guelph this week. We purpose making Christmas shopping particularly interesting for you. The following sale list is but a small part of the real line of bargains. We have not room to give a minute outline, in the small space allotted to us in this paper, but we will forward one by return mail.

Every department in the house liberally represented.

37 inch Japanese Silks for fancy work and dress purposes, only 25¢ a yard.

35 inch Japanese Silks in best dress colors, 35¢ a yard.

BLK silks, 44 inches wide, 35¢ a yard.

35¢ and 30¢ lustres, 35¢ a yard.

Velvet for afternoon, mid, evening wear, all wool, 35¢ a yard.

A general line of dress goods will be offered at marked reduced prices.

14 pieces, dress and waist silks at half price.

10 pieces black silk goods at half price.

35 inch flannelettes, worth 90¢ for 60¢ a yard.

32 inch heavy English flannelettes regular 90¢ for 60¢ a yard.

12 Victorian lace 90¢ a yard.

Table Cloth and Napkins to match, one-third off regular prices.

\$1.00 white crochet quilts, 79¢.

Blankets, 60x80 inch, rock bottom price.

35¢ and 30¢ flannelettes, from \$1.00 to down, cost of \$1.00, 25¢ off regular prices.

60¢ holly ribbons, 3 yards for 75¢.

35¢ old bleached.

35¢ white ribbons, 3 yards for 75¢.

Violet ribbons, 3 yards for 75¢.

Yellow ribbon, similar number.

21st yard taffeta ribbon, width 21 to 44 inches, all colors, for 12¢ each.

22¢ pure linen handkerchiefs, worth up to 25¢ each, for 12¢ each.

10¢ hand embroidered linen handkerchiefs, 16x21, for 12¢ each.

Untrimmed cut shapes, half price.

Doublets and feather, half price.

These tailor-trimmed millinery, half price.

Natural wool underwear, worth \$1.25 and \$1.00 for 95¢.

\$1.25 suede gloves for 95¢ a pair.

Large line of drawstrings to be offered at great reductions.

Men's shirts in morse and saten, at factory prices.

Waist coats in wrappers, lustre shirt waist, silk shirt waist, ladies' mits and children's coats, 30¢ off.

20¢ Klimex wraps, in Japanese patterns, 35¢ a yard.

140 all linen Huckaback towels, 16x24, 32¢ each.

32x39 inch Huckaback towels, 16x24, 32¢ each.

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