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The Acton Free Press.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 1912

BRIEF LOCAL ITEMS

—Friday's storm blocked the roads rather badly again.

—The January thaw last Thursday was of rather brief duration.

—The ice crop that is being put in is of excellent quality and good thickness.

—Copies of the basis of union were distributed in the Methodist Church last Sunday.

—The Baptist congregation will attend Knox Church anniversary next Sunday morning.

—Mr. Duncan Scott, third line, lost one of his best horses last week after only an hour's illness.

—Acton seniors went to Brampton for a match on Saturday. Score 7-1 in the home team's favor.

—Dr. Waugh, Inspector of Continuation Schools, spent two days this week in Acton School.

—Acton L. O. L. will hold an assembly in the town hall on Friday evening, 16th February.

—A Board of Trade was organized in Georgetown last Friday evening, with Mr. J. B. Mackenzie as President.

—Anniversary services in Knox Church next Sunday, Rev. Mr. Mitchel, of Hamilton, will be the preacher.

—Two hockey matches this week. To-night 8.15 Guelph and Acton; Saturday night at 7.30 Toronto Beavers vs. Acton.

—Another lot of 200 feet of Keystone wax and gum treated fire hose has been received by the Council for the Fire Brigade.

—In a hockey match with a Guelph team last Wednesday night on the rink here the score was a tie, 3-3. W. Laird was referee.

—Owing to the anniversary services at Knox Church next Sunday the evening service of the Methodist Church has been withdrawn.

—A junior team of hockeyists from Guelph played Acton Juniors last Wednesday night. A close match was won by Acton with a score 3-2.

—One of the team horses of Mr. Geo. Grummett, Nassagaweya, had a leg broken by a kick from another horse the other day. It had to be shot.

—Rev. Chas. D. Draper will complete his series of sermons on the future state on Sunday evening, 4th February. The theme then will be "The Judgment."

—The congregation of St. John's Church, Rockwood, tendered Rev. H. H. Wilkinson, the new rector, and Mrs. Wilkinson a cordial reception last Friday evening.

—Mr. Amos Norrish, of Nassagaweya, underwent an operation at St. Joseph's Hospital, Guelph, for appendicitis on Saturday. He is doing as well as can be expected.

—The salary of Rev. Daniel Strachan, pastor of the Rosedale Presbyterian Church, Toronto, son of the late Rev. D. Strachan, Rockwood, has been raised to $2,800, an increase of $300.

—Welland is said to be the fastest growing manufacturing town in Eastern Canada—growing from 1700 people to 7000, and from one factory to 25 in the past four years.

—The membership of Chalmers' Church, Toronto, of which Rev. H. A. Macpherson is the pastor, increased 211 last year. There are now 1,218 members and 1,230 enrolled in the Sunday School.

—Mr. H. H. Worden, formerly of Acton, has purchased the old established barbering business of Mr. Wm. Coon, St. George's Square, Guelph. Mr. Coon intends removing to British Columbia.

—MILTON is taking decided steps to secure Hydro-Electric connection. Engineers have been in the town securing data with a view to submitting contract rates. The Champion says Hydro-Electric power is a great boon and a boon that town must have before long.

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NEWS OF LOCAL IMPORT.

Field Day for Halton

The Ontario branch of the Dominion Alliance will hold a "field day" throughout Halton county on Sunday, February 18th. A convention will be held at Georgetown on Monday following. Rev. Dr. McTavish, one of the most energetic speakers on the Alliance Staff, will deliver three addresses in Acton.

An Enjoyable Skating Party

One evening last week the young people of Knox Church held a very pleasant skating party at the rink instead of the usual weekly meeting. After a couple of hours spent in skating the company returned to the church and enjoyed refreshments. The band provided a good programme of skating music.

Thumb Painfully Gashed

Mr. W. Williams, shoe merchant, sustained a very deep and painful gash in the fleshy part of the thumb on his left hand one day last week, while repairing a shoe. Dr. Holmes dressed the wound and it is now healing nicely. Mr. Williams has been an active shoemaker continuously for fifty years and this is the first serious cut he ever had.

Enroute for South America

The Nebraska State Journal of last Thursday said: "Wayne Hanning and Mr. and Mrs. O. A. McPherson will leave to-day for South America, going by way of Cuba and the Panama canal zone, the destination being Lima, Peru, where they have mining interests. They expect to be gone one year and will return by way of Australia. The three travellers have been home about a month from an extended trip to Alaska.

Sang to Crowded Houses

"The Canadian Jubilee singers sang in Paisley Church, Guelph, both Friday and Sunday evenings. The church was crowded on both occasions. The singing was rich and the pianissimo passages were excellent. Madame Dorza has a wonderful voice. While the pianist accompanied with rare ability." —Rev. H. W. Avison, pastor. These singers will appear in the town hall, Acton, on Friday evening, 2nd February.

Twenty-five Years' Faithful Service

At a meeting of the session of Knox Church last week Mr. A. T. Mann, who has been the esteemed and efficient leader of the choir for twenty-five years, tendered his resignation, to take effect forthwith. The session requested Mr. Mann to reconsider the matter. Prior to his appointment as leader Mr. Mann was a precentor of the church in conjunction with Mr. John Gordon. Mr. J. S. Murray, of Guelph, will have charge of the choir until after the anniversary.

Acton Visited Georgetown League

On Monday evening about forty young people of the Epworth League took the evening train for Georgetown to pay a social visit to the League there. The Acton young people provided the programme and it was thoroughly enjoyed. Rev. S. M. Roadhouse, Georgetown, and Rev. Chas. D. Draper gave brief addresses, and the Presidents, Miss Minnie Bennett, Acton, and Miss Maggie Kennedy Georgetown, exchanged courtesies. At the conclusion of the programme refreshments were served. The young people returned home by the midnight train.

A Very Interesting Men's Meeting

The call to prayer to the men of Canada on behalf of missions in the home and foreign fields and for spiritual advancement was observed in Acton from four to five o'clock last Sunday afternoon in the Baptist Church. There was a very gratifying attendance and the Presbyterian, Methodist, Anglican and Baptist Churches were represented. Rev. F. G. Burrell, the pastor, presided, and the hour was very profitably spent in praise and intercession, the men taking part very freely. Rev. A. J. Vining, of Toronto, who has just made a tour of Europe, gave a brief but very spirited address, showing the great need for missionary zeal and commending strongly the activities of the men's movement. A men's choir led the singing and Messrs. Worden, Cole, Smith and Smelts sang a quartette.

S. O. E. Installation

Last Friday evening the Sons of England officers for 1912 were installed by Bro. J. Hainsworth, D. D. S. P., of Berlin. Bro. Bowden, P. P., and Bro. Martin, of Berlin, and the President of Royal City Lodge, Guelph, assisted the installing Officer. After the ceremony the members and visitors went to Hill's Hall where a committee had prepared a supper of roast beef, plum pudding and a host of other good things deep to the Englishman's internal economy. During the evening Bro. J. P. Scarrow proposed "The King's Health" and Bro. A. Litley, "The Visitors." Bro. Bowden responded for the visitors. A short programme of songs, etc., was gone through, including "Colonial Lads" by Bro. Martin, of Berlin. Fred Bush gave "Boiled Beef and Carrots," and Messrs. Clark, Elliott and Otto sang a trio. The proceedings were further enlivened with selections from Bro. Precious gramophone. Bro. Taylor, the President-elect, occupied the chair.

Knox Church Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of Knox Church was held last Thursday evening. After devotional exercises the pastor, Rev. J. C. Wilson, B. A., was appointed Chairman, and Mr. D. M. Henderson Secretary. The reports read by the heads of the different organizations of the congregation were most satisfactory, showing an increased liberality on the part of members and adherents. The note of optimism seemed to pervade the whole meeting, and everybody went home pleased that another year's efforts had been crowned with success. The total givings of the congregation amounted to $4,390, of which sum $734 were for missions. The Board of Managers presented a budget of $2,710, while the Ladies' Aid, after carpeting the church and renovating the class rooms at an expense of about $375, have still the substantial balance in hand of $74. During the year 1911 twenty-eight were added to the communion roll and sixteen were disjoined, leaving a net gain of twelve members. The managers appointed for the ensuing three years are Messrs. W. R. Kenney, Alex. Sprowl, Alex. Hall, and C. J. Hazell.

FREE PRESS WINDOWS SMASHED

With Whiskey Bottles After Report of Lehman's Hotel's Last Conviction was Published

COMMUNITY INDIGNANT ABOUT THE OUTRAGE

For many years, more than a quarter of a century in fact, the FREE PRESS has been the special mark of the whiskey interests of this community. Liquor bottles have decorated (?) our office window sills and door steps; have festooned the office front and reposed in profusion on our private lawn; whiskey barrels and beer kegs and cases have blockaded our doorways, all the free gifts from time to time of the liquor traffickers or their sympathisers, and invariably accepted by us as silly but harmless jokes. But never, until about midnight last Thursday, has this journal suffered malicious injury to property at the hands of these people.

That night, shortly after the week's edition had been printed, and the FREE PRESS staff and law-abiding citizens generally had retired to their homes, an attack was made upon the office front, empty liquor bottles being the implements of warfare. One of the plate glass front windows was shattered and a bottle hurled through this glass struck the bevelled plate office counter top and smashed it.

The damage done was not very serious from a financial standpoint, between $20 and $30, but the malicious and lawless intent of the whiskey bottle brigade is much more serious indeed.

A coincidence of some importance in the matter is the fact that the only copy of the FREE PRESS given out, the night the week's edition came off the press, found its way to Lehman's hotel. The paper contained a report of the conviction and fine of $50 and costs of Mr. Lehman's bartender, to whom the bar was alleged to have been leased, and a reference to the numerous convictions and fines imposed upon this house for violation of the law the past year. An hour or so afterward, when the streets were quiet and the way seemed clear, the hoodlums with the whiskey bottles got in their malicious work. Their billets included two of the Gooderham & Worts whiskey bottles, one of Walker's Imperial whiskey and three or four of Sleeman's porter bottles.

The people of Acton are indignant at this lawless act and the hope is very generally expressed that the perpetrators may be ferreted out and duly punished for their crime. It has been suggested that the authorities should offer a substantial reward for the apprehension of the guilty parties, but the FREE PRESS has made no request for such action.

A feature of the affair has been very gratifying to the FREE PRESS. Numbers of citizens who have not looked with favor on the Local Option by-law have called to assure us that if there is ever a vote on the question of repeal they will cast their votes against repeal, as a protest against such tactics by the liquor interests.

The event, which was given publicity in the daily papers, has stirred up people in many places out of town, and letters are coming in every day reprobating the cowardly attack. The following are excerpts from these letters:

"Sorry to hear of assault on FREE PRESS. Hope the guilty cowards will serve a term in gaol for their crime." ——, Toronto.

"Pained to learn of the injury done to FREE PRESS building by the emissaries of the whiskey party. I regret to see any revival of the reign of terror inaugurated by them in many places in Scott Act days. I hope the authorities will be able to mete out suitable punishment to the guilty members of this lawless whiskey bottle brigade." ——, Georgetown.

"It is most reprehensible that any persons will degrade themselves and their town in such a despicable fashion. Surely even friends of the traffic will deplore this dastardly attempt to wreck their vengeance upon you. If the best argument the whiskey traffic has against Local Option is the illegal destruction of property in this devilish way, surely every citizen will join all others and by vote, influence and every other effort possible, not only keep the traffic illegal, but strengthen every effort to vigorously and strenuously enforce the law." ——, Toronto.

"Such hoodlumism is quite characteristic of the whiskey business. A few such episodes and I fancy the proposed Local Option repeal contest will lapse into impossibility in Acton." ——, Toronto.

"Regret the window smashing by the whiskey people. Sincerely hope the guilty parties will be apprehended. I am sure the good citizens of Acton will not stand for that." ——, St. Thomas.

"I read in the papers about the outrage committed against your premises last week with much sympathy for yourself. At the same time I almost feel like congratulating you on the fact that you certainly must have hit the liquor party very hard indeed before they resorted to such methods. I think you may at this time come in the list of those who are happy because they are 'persecuted for righteousness sake.'" ——, Guelph.

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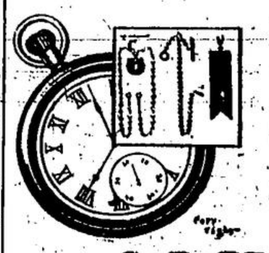

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