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Georgetown

The Acton Free Press.

THURSDAY, MAY 10, 1912

BRIEF LOCAL ITEMS

—Mother's Day—next Sunday.

—Mr. Ernest Macklin's sale on Saturday afternoon.

—A branch of the Merchants Bank has been opened in Guelph.

—Wear a white carnation next Sunday for love of your mother.

—Milton's assessment is now \$250,251, an increase of \$7,721 over last year.

—There has been great growth since the warm rains on Sunday afternoon.

—Milton boasts of 85 days, according to Assessor Hennessy's investigation.

—The Duke and Duchess of Cornwall are to spend the 30th May in Guelph.

—Mr. S. Cordner has greatly improved the interior of his house on Willow Street.

—Mr. Jeremiah Bell is taking out the foundation for a new double house on Brook Avenue.

—Both Georgetown and Milton are now taking steps to secure Hydro-Electric connection.

—Eggs and butter have dropped in price this week, but potatoes and meat continue to be luxuries.

—The spring street cleaning has been in progress since Monday and the appearance is much improved.

—So, write another long, loving letter to-day so that she may have it for Sunday—Mother's Day.

—Georgetown Bowling Club has re-organized with W. N. Mackay, president, and C. T. Mackay, secretary.

—The meadows and pasture fields are looking well now. Stock will soon be put out to graze on the new grass.

—Mr. R. Stieglitz is building a garage on Willow Street for the new motor car he expects to arrive one of these days.

—The white carnation, pure, spicy, fragrant and lasting, stands for all that mother is to the family and the race.

—Mr. J. H. Denny was awarded the certificate of membership and other honours of the Methodist Church shed.

—The old Baptist' post shop on Agnes Street, which has stood there for nearly sixty years, was torn down this week.

—Mr. Robert Agnew has forwarded the Fraser Paines copies of papers from Carlisle, Scotland, and girlhood's home.

—The late Dr. Carroll left land to the town of Ingersoll for a park and his residence as a Protestant Children's Hospital.

—The lots in Warren Park subdivision are being sold now and it is probable that there will be considerable building there during the summer.

—Owing to the lack of harmony in Guelph Fire Brigade the Chief and all the members have been requested to hand in their resignations, to take effect, July 1st.

—A. G. Doolittle Patch will sell this afternoon for Wm. Proctor a large number of implements, fencing, roofing and small articles at his warehouse on Mill Street.

—Mr. W. Henderson, M. P., went to Toronto yesterday morning to accompany the funeral of the late Hqs. Joseph Mabey to Port Rowan, the boyhood home of the deceased Judge.

—May 31st will be observed as a public holiday in this year, but the Government may take steps for the observance of King George's birthday on June 3rd hereafter.

—Faber's ink—How like the experience of many a man is the reply which the copyist by one boy to the question of another: "Did you get any ink this morning?" "No, but I nearly."

—Mr. Frank E. Holmes has opened undertaking parlors in the Arthur Block, and says that he has been better and cost less a few days. He was an apprentice under Mr. Johnston and also Mr. W. R. Stone, Toronto, and is therefore well qualified for the business.

—The contractors for the Boardroom extension/siding have commenced the cutting at the junction of Guelph and Queen Streets. The roadbed will go about fourteen feet below the level at this point. A roadbed curve at the corner after a gradual curve at the street.

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NEWS OF LOCAL IMPORT.

Wheat in Poor Condition

A considerable quantity of fall wheat in this section was badly damaged by the late frosts.

A number of farmers have plowed up their crops and are seeding with spring grain.

Methodist District Meeting

The annual meeting of Guelph District will be held in the Methodist Church, Ferguson, on the 21st and 22nd insts.

Rev. Charles E. Fraser, and Mr. H. Denny will attend from Acton.

M. O. E. Anniversary Social

Lodge Woodgreen 302, branch of the Sons of England, will hold their anniversary social in the town hall on Friday evening.

A good programme and refreshments will be provided.

New Telephone Lines

Bell Telephone lineman are busy erecting the poles for new lines in various directions among the farmers.

Three additional lines will add quite a number of new subscribers in Acton exchange.

Baptist Meet in Georgetown

The Guelph Association of Baptist churches will meet in Georgetown on the 14th, 15th and 16th of June.

The association comprises about thirty of the churches. The Georgetown church is arranging to give the delegates a hearty reception.

Acton has a Busy Customs Port

It is just a month since Acton Customs port was opened by Mr. R. H. McDonald installed as customs officer.

Mr. McDonald has just made return to the department of his first month's business which shows that \$28,000 worth of goods passed customs in this first month.

Methodist Ladies' Aid

The meeting for the election of officers of the Ladies' Aid was held at the M. E. Church on Tuesday afternoon.

The election resulted as follows: President, Miss Louisa E. Fraser; Vice-President, Mrs. John G. Nelson; Secretary, Mrs. H. P. Moore; Treasurer, Mrs. N. P. McLain.

Mad Kase Recently Injured

In running down Mill Street to the farm where little Harle Agnew was reported to be drowning, Chief Lawson made a mis-step and sustained a severe strain of the ligaments of his left knee last Friday.

He was completely incapacitated for four or five days but is now getting about on Willow Street.

Formerly Invited the Second Year

At the meeting of the Quarterly Official Board of the Methodist Church on Monday evening a very cordial and unanimous invitation was tendered by Rev. Chas. D. Draper to continue as pastor for the second year.

Rev. Mr. Draper in very gracious and appreciative words accepted.

Hydro-Electric a Boom to Millers

On Monday, April 22nd, the Hamilton Milling Company first began selling Hydro-Electric power.

All previous records were broken on Tuesday when 200 bags of grain were put through the mill between the hours of seven o'clock in the morning and four in the afternoon.

The record in this town is being proved out to be very satisfactory with no interruption.—Conservation.

Hopes for Successful Treatment

Rev. J. C. Wilson, B. A., received a letter from Mrs. Wilson last week from London, England, to the effect that the treatment she is undergoing for the restoration of her hearing gives splendid promise of ultimate success.

Mrs. Wilson's many friends here rejoice in this encouraging information and all hope the most sanguine expectations will be realized.

British Business Men Coming

A party consisting of the best known business and industrial firms of Great Britain will visit Canada next month for the purpose of studying the resources of this country.

They include chairmen and directors of corporations, and are expected to be accompanied by a total capitalization of \$200,000,000.

Their object is to acquaint the leading industrial concerns and investors generally in Great Britain respecting the resources of the Dominion.

Start the First Now

"Pay your children all you can afford for every day they kill in May," is the advice of Dr. Hastings, City Health Officer, in the citizens' magazine.

So ardent an advocate of war on the fly is the Medical Health Officer that he says: "Public spirited citizens and organizations for infant and child welfare could not do better than offer prizes for the largest number of flies killed or caught by any child in the month of May and June."

Woman's Institute Officers

At the annual meeting of the Woman's Institute last Friday afternoon the officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:

President—Mrs. A. T. Brown.

Vice-Pres.—Mrs. J. Foster.

Sod Vice-Pres.—Mrs. Alex. Ball.

Sec. Treas.—Mrs. (Dr.) Holmes.

Mrs. Harris and Mrs. Kennedy, of Rockwood, were delegation to invite the ladies of the Acton Institute to join them in a picnic to the Rockwood Rocks at a date to be fixed next month. Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting.

LOUISIANA SCHOOL

The following is the report for the April examination:

St. IV—Vivian Macdonald, Oswald Johnstone, Wesley Macdonald, Margaret Snyder.

St. IV—Lottie Johnston, Mary Macdonald, Annie Snyder.

Third Class—Edna Johnston, John Watkins (equal), Herbert Drons, Laura Macdonald, Robbie Dunbar.

St. II—Alvin Hyder, Isabella Watkins, Willie Macdonald, Mable Dunbar.

St. II—Caroline Ryder, Edna Macdonald, Donald Macdonald, Hugh Brown, Elmore Johnston.

St. I—Wilmer Watkins, Margaret Morgan, Polly Macdonald.

St. I—Florence Morgan, Jean Macdonald, Alex. Macdonald, M. J. Drons.

CLAS A—Pearl Macdonald, Dick Gray.

N. A. JARVINE, Teacher.

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. John Harvey visited friends in Guelph last week.

Mr. Thomas Easton, of Guelph, spent a day or so last week with Acton friends.

Mr. J. R. Mackenzie was at Guelph on Saturday attending the funeral of his cousin.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Denny spent a day or so last week with relatives in Toronto.

Mr. D. L. Jones, of St. Stephens, N. B., has been visiting her mother and other friends here during the week.

Miss Ada Nixon, of Ashgrove, was the guest of Mrs. Robert Holmes this week.

Mr. Harbottle, of Grand Valley spent a few days last week with his daughter, Mrs. W. L. Worden, Church Street.

Mr. Fred H. Smith, who has been spending a couple of months at the home of his father, Mr. Albert Smith, returned to Belleville on Monday.

Mr. Theo. F. Martin went to Toronto on Tuesday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Martin's uncle, the late Andrew Henderson, formerly of Hampton.

Week-end visits were paid by Acton young people home here this week, as follows: Mr. C. A. G. Matthews, Miss Myrtle Matthews, Rita McPherson and Joan Neill.

The engagement is announced of Miss Mary L. K. Morin, daughter of the late Col. James E. Morin, ex-M.P., P. A. Welland, and Dr. Cameron A. Warren, Toronto, son of the late ex-Warden John Warren, Kip, Acton. The marriage will take place the end of May.

BELLINGHAM

The funeral of the late Thos. Bennett, who died on Wednesday, May 1st, took place on Saturday afternoon, May 4th, at 2 o'clock, in the Methodist Church here by his pastor, Rev. Dr. McArthur, of Kip, assisted by Rev. P. W. Currie of the Presbyterian Church and Mr. McDonald, of Chubbichill. A large crowd followed the hearse from his late residence on the 1st line, Kip, and filed the church on re-entrance. After an excellent sermon by Dr. McArthur on the text, "Here we have no continuing city," the remains were conveyed by six of his old neighbors to the adjoining cemetery and laid beside those of his deceased wife and some members of his family who have preceded him. "Father" Bennett, as he was often called, was the oldest member of the Kip Circuit and the church on which he presided for many years. His translation to the better church above. At a meeting of the elders of the Presbyterian church held on the evening of Wednesday, the 1st inst., the pastor was granted two months' leave of absence to attend the meeting of the General Assembly in Edmonton, Alta. It was also arranged that Duncan E. Foster, of Oshawa, be secured to supply the pulpit here and at the White Church for part of the time.

Mr. Jas. Bisset is improving the picket fence in front of his property by some new posts and a coat of white paint. His good example might be followed.

Arbor Day was observed in the school last Friday by a general clean up.

Miss Janet Young spent Sabbath at her home on the O. & N. Kip Township.

ASHGROVE

MR. WILLIAM HOOK, after a brief illness of a few days, passed away at the Guelph General Hospital, April 31st in his 75th year, leaving a widow, and daughter to mourn his loss.

Miss Ida at home and Howard in Toronto. There were also three daughters, Lillian, Ethel and Maggie, who predeceased him, several years ago. Deceased was born near Newtonstown, County Tyrone, Ireland, and came to this country 25 years ago. In November, 1885, he was married to Martha Duggan, of Horeby. Immediately after their marriage they came to Ashgrove where they have resided ever since.

He was a man of retired disposition and a good neighbor and a faithful member of the Methodist Church. His funeral took place on Saturday afternoon at Ashgrove cemetery. The service was conducted by his pastor, Rev. Woodhouse, of Georgetown. The pall bearers were: Jas. H. Haddell, R. Wigglesworth, M. E. Haddell, J. Graham, Henry Wilson and K. G. Hoffman.—Georgetown Herald.

DON'T EXPOSE CHILDREN TO ANY KIND OF DISEASE

As an article on the treatment of sick children in the May Woman's Home Companion, the author, Dr. Roger H. Doan, a famous New York specialist on diseases of children says:

"Never, never, never expose the child to any contagious disease in which he may have its cause and be done with it. Even the so-called simple children's diseases, such as measles and whooping-cough, have a death-rate that is appalling."

STICK TO YOUR PURPOSE

The people who hold to one aim, undisturbed by diversions, undisturbed by difficulties, undisturbed by criticism, will get what they are after. But no amount of talent or favoring circumstances can make a success of a person who is always in pursuit of something new.

The Canevine Evil

The worst of the social evils which the Dominion of the larger cities of Canada, have to combat with and crush, is the heinous canevine trade.

To end the misery and degradation which follows in its train, particularly in Montreal, it is particularly unfortunate in this respect. In Canada's metropolis the scourge has reached to tremendous proportions.

No formidable law has become, so many hundreds have it ruined, that even the united efforts of all who are not lawless on the streets of others, has as yet failed to crush it.

Anyone knowing the ravages that the dread cocaine works upon its users cannot regard the problem with indifference. It is this same spirit of indifference which has allowed the evil to sap the life substantial and prospects of the many who are unfortunate that they have fallen before its insidious influence.—Montreal Standard.

DEATH OF THOMAS BENNETT

Four Seventy-five Years an Resident of this Vicinity

Naturally, with the burden of years, Thomas Bennett, of lot 3, con. G, Kip, was only during the few days before his death that he was confined to his bed. He passed peacefully away last Wednesday, 1st May.

Thomas Bennett was the son of the late John Bennett, one of the pioneers of Kip, and was born at River Phillip, Cumberland County, Nova Scotia, June 22nd, 1837. When but a child his parents moved to Upper Canada and settled on the sixth line, Trafalgar, where they were next neighbors to the Hennessy family. After a few years there they had the misfortune to be burned out, and subsequently removed to the present homestead, which for nearly eighty years has been the home of the Bennett family. When thirteen years of age Mr. Bennett's father died but his mother lived until some time after his marriage to Mrs. Zimmerman, daughter of the late John Zimmerman, of Acton, on the 9th July, 1851.

Mrs. Bennett lived until the 17th July, seven years ago, and there was a very happy and hospitable household. Mrs. M. Parr, (Matilda), of Long Beach, Cal., is the only remaining member of Mr. Bennett's brothers and sisters. Of his own family there survive: Mrs. John Conover, of Arrow River, Man.; Robert of Acton; John of Victoria, Man.;