

Acton, on Tuesday, July 14, to Mr. Joseph Little, a daughter.

Acton Free Press

THURSDAY, JULY 30, 1914

EDITORIAL NOTES

THE TOTAL NUMBER of Votes held by the candidates for Mayor and Council in the recent election was 1,700, while there were 18,000 applications still to be dealt with. The majority of the applications are under consideration from Nova Scotia.

THE FOLLOWING FINANCIALS from the recent election returns in this County were:—
W. J. Taylor, Limited publisher, Woodstock, Ont., has appeared and is up to the usual standard of excellence maintained by this representative Canadian magazine of outdoor life. The contents include many interesting articles and articles and departments containing special information for the sportsman.

THE COUNTY TOWN, which is now the only town in Ontario not linked up with one of the popular railroads is anxious to secure connection with one of the electric railway enterprises. At the last meeting of the Council the following resolution was passed unanimously: "That the Municipal Council of the Town of Acton hereby request the Hydro-Electric Commission to make a survey of a radial line from Toronto to Milton and to give an estimate of its probable cost and probable revenue."

THE DEPARTMENT of Canada's natural resources to be shown in the Government building at the Canadian National Exhibition, Toronto, will be the most complete ever got together. The Dominion Government is sending a complete exhibit of the fish and game in the Atlantic, Pacific and the St. Lawrence, the Great Lakes and Ontario is showing her grains, her fruits and her minerals; British Columbia is showing her timber, her fruits and her grains, the Prairie is showing their grains and Maritime Province their minerals.

THE NEW ONTARIO LEGISLATIVE assembly is a wide range of professions, with lawyers and farmers in the lead; farmers, day-laborers and cattle dealers in the rear; the lawyers, the manufacturers, the 41 lumber, laundry and grain men, 61 mechanics, 11 insurance, 11 physicians, 11 one undertaker, one contractor, one justice of the peace, one notary public, one valuer, one surveyor, one newspaper editor, one constable, two general agents, one real estate broker, one capitalist, one banker, and two gentlemen with nothing else to do.

THE POSSIBLE outbreak of war in Europe, which would likely be more serious than any other which has taken place since the beginning of the world, has caused a general panic. Great Britain has declared a state of war with Germany. This has caused a general panic in the country. The Government has refused to join in a mediation. Notwithstanding that Austria has formally declared war against Serbia the desire for a peace conference is not yet hopeless. It is sincerely to be hoped that the war spirit will be subdued by some other means of the power.

CONTRACTORS continue to be made that drivers of automobiles and motor cycles are guilty of driving on our streets at a speed of 40 miles an hour. There can be no excuse of ignorance of the law respecting the speed limit in towns for the Ontario Motor Association has erected signs on every highway leading into towns showing the speed permitted. Motorcycles are the worst offenders. The towns of York County have taken this matter up with a determination to punish offenders. The schedule of penalties published for the past three months shows that 87 convictions were recorded in that county, outside the city of Toronto, in the past three months.

ANOTHER BANK MERGER

The amalgamation of the Bank of Nova Scotia and the Metropolitan Bank was announced last Friday. The merger has proceeded so far that circulars, embodying the terms of the amalgamation, have been prepared and approved by the directors of both institutions and are being mailed to the shareholders of each.

Under the present arrangement the Bank of Nova Scotia, which since its incorporation in 1854 has been making numerous extensions in Western Canada, will secure the business of the Metropolitan Bank in the province of Ontario, which is recognized among the banking fraternity as a very important asset.

The negotiations which led to the adoption of a practical basis of amalgamation have been in progress for a considerable period.

As the result of the merger the Bank of Nova Scotia will take its place as the fourth largest bank in Canada, with a paid-up capital of \$2,000,000 and a reserve fund of \$1,700,000. The total deposits will aggregate \$27,048,829 and the total assets \$24,162,864.

The amalgamation of the two banks will place Acton in a very favorable position regarding its bank business. The bank of the province in Canada being amalgamated here—the Merchants and Bank of Montreal.

There will not be necessary any change in the personnel of the staff of the bank in Acton. The bank will continue to be conducted by the same management, which has largely increased the assets and profits.

It will not be made for a long time as you know a

TEACHING STAFF IS COMPLETE

Miss Mrs. Pearson, late of Calgary, and Miss Mrs. A. Pearson, of Toronto, engaged.

EFFICIENT LIST OF TEACHERS

When two members of the teaching staff of Acton Public School resigned a few weeks ago, after having been re-engaged for the year at increased salaries, the Board advertised for teachers to fill the vacancies.

Over thirty applications were received from teachers legally qualified for the positions. Every one was a graduate of one of Ontario's Normal Schools; all but one had second-class certificates, and the exception holds a first-class certificate.

The Board has engaged Miss Mrs. A. Pearson as teacher for the Second Book, and Miss Francis G. Bricknell, of Toronto, for the Junior Primary Room.

Miss Pearson is a graduate of Acton High School, took her Normal training in Toronto, and after teaching for a time in Acton went to Calgary, Alberta, where she has taught for three years with much success. Her salary in Calgary was several hundred dollars in excess of the amount to be received here, \$200, but complying with the desire of her mother she decided to remain at home. The Board has been very fortunate in securing the services of Miss Pearson.

Miss Francis Bricknell, the new teacher for the Junior Primary Room, is a teacher who has had high standing, has had full experience and has made a specialty of primary work. Her personality is exceptionally good, and it will be of great value to the pupils when they are learning to write to have such a good example in the teacher. Acton school has been favored in this respect. The primary teachers have for years been careful and exact in their penmanship.

The staff of the school at the re-opening of the first of September will be as follows:

W. H. Stewart, Principal.
Miss Paul Z. Baker, Assistant.
Principal's Room.
Miss Mrs. Z. Bennett, Entrance.
Miss Mrs. White, Third Book.
Miss Mrs. Pearson, Second Book.
Miss Mrs. McNeil, First Book.
Miss Mrs. A. Black, Junior Primary.
Miss Mrs. Bricknell, Junior Primary.

NEWS NOTES

Donald Menzies, aged 14, was seriously hurt when he was knocked down by Thomas McClelland's automobile in London.

Chavaler, of the Hull police force, was summarily dismissed from office last night for misconduct. It is believed that the chief requested a house where liquor was illicitly sold.

Incendiarism is thought to have been at the bottom of a fire which destroyed the barn of Andrew Brydson, Oxford Township, doing \$2,000 damage.

Alvinson McClelland, of Owen Sound, committed suicide Monday night by drinking half an ounce of carbolic acid in the presence of William Swanson and William Hensley, his companions.

Herman Muldoon, aged 31, is under arrest at Windsor, suspected of being one of two men who assaulted and nearly killed an aged aged workman at St. Thomas on Saturday night.

The Windsor License Commissioners cancelled the license of Richard Rutley, of the County Club Inn, Tecumseh, and Adolphus Hotel.

Sam White, a Leamington carpenter, was yesterday fatally injured when he fell twenty feet from a scaffold, which broke.

He sustained internal injuries.

A committee of the Paris Town Council will consider the advisability of being out of the town from the County of Brant for municipal purposes.

The Indian population of the district of Thunder Bay is decreasing, as there have been only 42 births as compared with 64 deaths during the year.

Mr. and Mrs. James Elliott, Miss Elliott, a lady friend, and a chauffeur, Stephen Roberts, all of Fargo, were in an auto which turned turtle on the Guelph road near Fargo. They all received minor injuries.

John R. Allan and George Berry, alias Martin, were arrested at Hamilton on suspicion and fined \$5 and costs for carrying concealed weapons—they had a complete kit for burglary and hold-up work—and then were turned over to the Hamilton police.

The Chatham City Council has authorized the opening of negotiations with the Hydro-Electric Power Commission for current.

Negotiations with the Chatham (and Ontario) Light Co. are at an end, the company wanting more than \$410,000 for its plant.

The Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Walkerville offered to pay \$78,000 for the plant and equipment of the Walkerville Light and Power Company, which holds out for \$90,000 more.

The steamer J. V. Hutchinson and E. P. Miller, each with a cargo of 200,000 bushels, were discharged at the Government elevator in Port Colborne, and a new vessel was established.

The Department of Labor, in its Bill, Thomas attempting to settle the differences between the M. C. U. and its employees, who object to the introduction of a piecework system.

Instead of buying a motor fire-truck the Chatham City Council has decided to get a new ladder for the present fire-truck. These shall be capable, however, of being used on a motor truck as well.

Mr. and Mrs. John Carter, of the village of Henshaw, celebrated their diamond wedding anniversary on Monday. The two were born in the village of Henshaw, Perth County.

LIST OF LOCAL FALL FAIRS

Acton will be held on Wednesday and Thursday, Sept. 23-24.
Windsor, Sept. 28-29.
Authorized by the Dept. of Agriculture.

The following local fairs and the dates are in the list issued by the Ontario Department of Agriculture:

CHRISTOPHER SWACKHAMER AT REST

Was Born Ninety Years Ago on the Farm on which he had Lived all his Life.

VERY LARGE FUNERAL SUNDAY

The death of Christopher Swackhamer, Esq., at his home in Churchill last Thursday, closed the record of a life unique in some respects in any community. Mr. Swackhamer was born on the farm where he died ninety years ago he lived all his life on this farm, and he was buried in Churchill Cemetery, which occupies a site on the northwest corner of the farm, lot 32, on third line, Esquimaux.

Mr. Swackhamer was the eldest son of the late Jacob Swackhamer, who was the son of a U. E. Loyalist, who had come over from Nova Scotia and settled at Grimsby. Jacob Swackhamer was a soldier in the war of 1812, and acted as orderly for General Brock and was with him during the battle of Queenston Heights where he fell. After the war Mr. Swackhamer was awarded land grants of 200 acres for his army services. One hundred was the farm lot 32, on 1816 or 17, and which for more than ninety years has been known as the "Swackhamer Homestead."

The other was the 100 acres in Erin which has been known for several generations as the "Famham Homestead." This place Mr. Swackhamer traded to Mr. Lamont for a horse whose value was about \$70.00.

When the father of deceased settled here the foundations for the thriving municipality of Acton were just being laid by the Adams brothers, another U. E. Loyalist family from New York and the history of Acton and of the Swackhamer family have been concurrent for the ninety years and more since.

It is worthy of note in passing that the centenary of a century after Mr. Swackhamer settled here his grandson, Hiram, was elected to the Chief Magistracy of the town he saw in his early boyhood years, and subsequently was elected to the honorable position of Warden of the native county of himself and his father.

Deceased was one of a family of fifteen. He had thirteen sisters and one brother. Of these the following survive: Hiram, of Opeongo; Mrs. George Martin, Campbellville; Mrs. David Hyder, Erin; and Mrs. Doris Wankel, Guelph. The following sisters predeceased him: Mrs. John Gibson, Mrs. F. Terryberry, Mrs. Francis Dempsey, Mrs. William L. Worley, Mrs. Hannah Worley, Mrs. David Smith, Mrs. Benjamin Tuck, Mrs. John Hyder, Mrs. James Hyder and Mrs. Amanda.

Mr. Swackhamer was first married to Elizabeth Denny, sister of the late Robert and Samuel Denny, in 1840. She died in 1876, and at Christmas, 1892, he was joined in the bonds of wedlock to Esther Zimmerman, daughter of one of the early settlers of Acton, who lived on the farm now owned by J. C. Nelson. Mrs. Swackhamer survived him and during his declining years was most devoted to him. For six years he was unable to walk, and for fourteen months he was bedridden. During this long period Mrs. Swackhamer waited upon him with loving care and he was always most grateful and contented when she was at his bedside.

Deceased was the father of eleven children all of whom are living and were present at the funeral. There are also twenty-three grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. Nine were children of the first wife and two of the second. They are Jacob, of Hamilton; Mrs. Joel Leslie, Erin; J. A. Hutton, Erin; Mrs. Robert H. Wankel, Erin; William, Toronto; Hiram, Acton; Mrs. William Harrow, Toronto; Mrs. Peter Hill, and Mrs. Leslie Griffin, Erin; James Arthur and Clinton, Esquimaux. Strong feelings of affection always characterized the family and the Christmas gatherings of the children and grandchildren, with their wife and husband has been an annual event of pleasurable reunion.

Christopher was a man of God and was interested in the church of his fathers from his early boyhood days. Wilson his father, who had been a member of the Congregational Church at the Hill for years, died, his mantle fell upon his son Christopher, and until his death he held that holy office. He was a Conservative. For many years he was a very active member of the Agricultural Societies and was widely known as a prize taker for grain, especially for fall wheat.

The funeral on Sunday afternoon was perhaps the largest ever held at Churchill. Not one-half of the large number of friends and neighbors attending could get into the church. The services were conducted by Rev. C. Patterson, the pastor of the church, assisted by Rev. J. C. Wilson, E. A. Acton. The remains were carried to the grave by the six sons of the deceased and now rest with his father in view of the surroundings which were so familiar to him for nine-tenths of a century.

FATAL RIOT AT DUBLIN SUNDAY

Three Men and One Woman Killed and Many Wounded.

Numerous Notes These Men.

Dublin, July 27.—Three men and one woman are dead and more than sixty persons are in the hospital as the result of a riot in the King's Own Scottish Borderers being into a mob in the streets of Dublin Sunday afternoon. Seven of the wounded are expected to succumb to their injuries.

The riot was the result of a gun-running exploit of the National Volunteers who were being aided by a mob composed largely by women and youths. The wounded include three women and a boy of ten.

A contingent of rifles, said to number 10,000, was landed last night at Howth, nine miles from Dublin. The vessel in which the arms were brought to Howth was a private yacht. The National Volunteers cut the telegraph wires and stopped travel on the Dublin roads, and the authorities being that the volunteers were being taken into the city.

There has since been much disorderly conduct on the streets, but it is hoped there will be no more bloodshed.

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THE COUNCIL AT WORK AGAIN

A Month's Accumulation of Bills and Accounts.

GRANT GIVEN TO THE FIREMEN'S DELEGATES

Council met on Monday evening after a holiday for a month. Members present: The Reeve and Councillors Smith, Cooper and McDonald. The Committee on Finance presented their thirteenth report and recommended payment of accounts as follows:

D. A. Henderson, wood for hall	\$ 30 10
J. Robertson, work	2 00
Acton Tanning Co., tins	2 00
J. H. Ward, cleaning hall	4 00
Elias Rogers, coal for engine	4 00
Jac. Mathews, for gravel	2 10
Adams Cook gravel	1 00
Wm. Taylor, labor	12 00
Walter Lambert, labor	9 00
Walter Henry, work at Cemetery	2 00
N. Forbes, street and walks	22 50
W. J. Tilley, painting	21 25
N. F. Moore, freight and cartage	9 37
Total	\$137 01

The report was adopted.

Chief Reeve and Treasurer McPherson waited upon the delegates to request a grant to pay the expenses of two delegates from the Fire Brigade to the annual convention of the Firemen's Association of Ontario to be held at Hamilton next week.

Moved by W. H. Smith, seconded by Murray Mackenzie, that a grant of \$25.00 be made to the Fire Brigade to meet expenses of the delegates to the Firemen's Association convention at Hamilton—Carried.

The annoyance caused by overhanging branches on some of the shade trees growing beside the pavement was referred to by Councillor McDonald.

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