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The Acton Free Press
 THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1914

BRIEF LOCAL ITEMS

- Christmas Eve.
- Make it merry for others.
- The news item passed on Monday.
- May you have a Merry Christmas tomorrow.
- Wintry weather again this week, and lots of snow.
- The merry sleigh bells will add a zest to Christmases.
- Municipal nominations next Monday—twelve to one o'clock.
- The schools closed on Tuesday afternoon for the Christmas holidays.
- Acton's consumption of Hydro-Electric current is increasing every week.
- The children, everywhere, are happy in the anticipated joys of Christmas morning.
- The services in the various churches on Sunday had a decidedly Christmas flavor.
- The sleighs are running freely now, but owing to Monday's wind the roads are badly drifted.
- Militia officials were here last week and purchased five or six army remounts from farmers.
- Hon. Mr. Justice Middleton will open Spring Assize in Milton, on Monday, February 22nd.

NEWS OF LOCAL IMPORT.

Gifts to the Employees' Children.
 The usual Christmas gifts to the children of the employees of the mill have been bestowed during the week. Sweaters and bowler coats, toques, slates, toys, etc., were distributed in profusion. Needless to say the children were happy in the possession of the presents. Gifts were distributed to the party will enhance the Christmas festivities this afternoon in the town hall.

Our Manufacturers Busy.
 The local manufacturers continue to be busy with their Christmas preparations. The Acton Tanning Co. is running day and night on orders for saddle, bridle and harness leather. Messrs. W. H. Harty & Son of the Canada Glove Works received orders for 15,000 pairs of heavy lined hosiery on Monday. The same firm received an order on Monday for 15,000 pairs of underwear for a knitting factory in an adjoining county. All orders are necessarily rushed owing to the time required for the work.

Went to the Mill.
 On Wednesday afternoon of last week Mr. Graham McInnis, Young Street, was on a load of hay being conveyed from Mr. Harty's barn to Queen Street to the McInnis stable on Peel Street. In driving from the gate up the side of the new Queen Street railway the wagon was upset and Mr. McInnis thrown from the top of the load to the frozen ground. He struck on his right knee and the force of the impact seriously injured the knee and caused a painful sprain at the ankle. Several of the bones of the knee were splintered. The new roadway is crowned somewhat narrow and wagons are apt to slide either in driving up from the side or in passing another. Mr. McInnis's injuries will keep him laid up for some time.

Go Home for Christmas.
 Stop at this busy Christmas season and think for a moment of the folks back home. Consider how much happier they will be if you are with them on Christmas Day. Perhaps your parents are getting very old now—perhaps they have only a few more Christmas to spend here. Certainly your presence at the home place would add greatly to their joy. Think of the day when you were a child—the Christmas, now gone forever, when your father and mother did so much to make you happy. A man's mother is the best friend he ever had. One owes it to her to spend Christmas with her. But if we have no mother or a mother who is no longer with us, then we should try to visit her graves and make it green with wreaths and flowers on Christmas day.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Elizabeth Thurler.
 Mrs. Elizabeth Thurler, nee McInnis, died at her home in Milton, Ontario, on December 22, 1914, at the age of 83 years.

She was born in the town of Milton, Ontario, on December 22, 1914, at the age of 83 years.

HIGH SCHOOL "AT HOME" A SUCCESS

Large Attendance of the Former Scholars and Many Visitors.

The opening of the program, until the singing of "Auld Lang Syne," the third annual High School "At Home," held in the town hall on Tuesday evening, was a very interesting function and a decided success. It reflected great credit upon the teachers and students attending the school, under whose auspices the gathering was held.

The reception committee consisted of Mr. and Mrs. Stewart, Miss Baker, Miss Harty, Miss McInnis, Miss Smith and Miss Gledhill. The program rendered was interesting and entertaining throughout. Several choruses by the girls of the school were heartily received. Readings were given by Misses Myrtle Christie, Ailie O'Brien and Olive Stewart. A couple of dialogues were also included in the program and the acting of these amateur performers called forth vociferous applause. But it was in the tableaux, and their happy selection of subjects, that the program excelled. The tableaux, "Britain and her Allies," called forth loud applause and repeated scores, and the presentation of "Tenting to-night," was scarcely less heartily received.

One of the most fitting circumstances of the program was in the selection of a chairman. This office was in the hands of Mr. Harty, one of the graduates of the first high school class. With great acceptance and spirit he supervised the proceedings. In a few well chosen remarks he paid compliments to the school and staff, and his statements as to the sterling worth and high character of the students past and present were received with great applause. The program was devoted to promoting the diploma and certificate of the successful students at last midwinter examinations were presented by Principal Stewart.

WONDERLAND YHVAYH

Special features for the holiday. Wonderland will be open Christmas eve. The "Hesperian Girl" is the special attraction. This picture is a five-act drama and will be shown matinee only. "The Power of Innocence," Christmas night, in 3 parts.

Local Opinion Popular in Peel

During the recent temperance campaign in the County of Peel the question of accommodation was the only serious issue raised by its opponents. It was held that without liquor the total would be closed and people denied the comforts which they enjoyed under license. Following the carrying of temperance measures in the different municipalities the liquor sales and the revenue therefrom were discontinued by closing their hotels to the public. This was done in Brampton and the reopening of the other houses in the county. The same course has been followed in almost every other place, with the result that accommodation is provided in every part of the county.

THE CHRISTMAS-TIME VISITORS

Miss Mary A. Hank is at Mount Pleasant. Miss Evanson, of the house from Delhi, Mr. G. Arif Hill is home from Delhi. Mr. John McInnis is home from Toronto. Mr. Michael J. O'Brien is home from Toronto. Mr. Glen Whay, of Leacock, was in town this week. Miss Anna McInnis visited in Toronto last week. Miss Annie Harvey is home from Mt. Pleasant. Miss Myrtle Matthews is spending holidays in town.

MAGIC BAKING LABEL
 NO ALUM POWDER

THE 142ND DAY OF THE WAR
 The Allies Advancing in France and the Germans Checkered in the East by Russia.

No marked changes are noted in either the east or west arenas of conflict the past few days. The Russians appear to have blocked the German advance, and are holding a line along the Buzia River, from the junction with the Vistula. The British press comments on General Hoffa's order to advance, as called to London from Berlin. The papers say that while they are unable to vouch for the authenticity of this document, it certainly seems to coincide with the pressure the allies are exerting all along the line. It is believed in London, however, that the real work of driving the Germans out of Belgium will begin for some weeks to come. But the Kaiser has left Berlin for the western front, and this may indicate that he regards the situation there as more important and critical than in the east, where the situation may develop into a repetition of the struggle along the Aisne.

CRUISEWOMEN COME

Mr. Chas. Lambert, mail carrier, who was sick with a bad cold last week, is out again. Mr. Jack Lambert has been visiting his brother, Master Margie Barne, Waterloo, in visiting his grandmother, Mrs. M. Brown. His many little friends are glad to see him back again.

THE TWENTY-SECOND REPORT
 Council's Business for the Year About Completed

SOME DOCTORS ARE RE-REFUNDING

Council met on Monday evening of last week in regular session. Members present: Geo. Hynd, Reeve, Murray McInnis, A. T. Brown, and Wm. Cooper.

GENERAL ACCOUNT		
G. R. Agnew, Division Court	\$	8.00
Geo. Lawson, Division Court	\$	12.00
Grant to Acton Fire Brigade	\$	30.00
N. T. Molan, supplies, etc.	\$	3.35
J. C. Hill, coal	\$	7.25
Jan. Hynd, hardware, etc.	\$	1.50
R. Husband, retinal, taxon	\$	1.60
Geo. Havill, stove, etc.	\$	23.80
Canadian Wire Engine Co., supplies	\$	16.50
Total	\$	147.20
EXPENDITURE		
N. P. Moore, freight and cartage	\$	9.27
Jan. Hynd, supplies	\$	7.25
Fernand Electrical Co., supplies	\$	30.00
Chas. Brose, supplies	\$	2.10
Can. Elec. Co., supplies	\$	13.00
W. C. Thomson, Elec. Co., supplies	\$	14.10
Northern Electric Co., supplies	\$	15.49
Total	\$	128.21
The by-law providing for the election of members of the Council and of the Public School Board was presented, read the required number of times and passed.		
Orders were ordered to be placed on the fire bill.		
Messrs. James Lackey and Henry Hauser reported that they had paid taxes on their dogs which, in both cases, had died early in the year, and each had reported to the assessor.		
A refund of \$1.00 was made to each. The Council then adjourned.		
"Anybody can give advice but it takes a mighty good man to live up to it."		

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 Vacuum Sweepers, Livingstone's guaranteed 10.00
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 Hanging Lamps \$1.00 to 7.50
 Parlor Lamps 1.00 to 2.50
 Brass Candle Sitters and Shades, etc. 75 to 3.50
 Fancy Alarm Clock 75 to 3.00

Silver Plate Art Wares

Carving Sets, \$1.00 to \$7.50
 All kinds of Rodgers Bros. Plated Ware, Guaranteed
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do do	7	Citicos	12
Canmud Corn	7	Blotars	7
Peas at	7	Redpath Granulated Sugar	7
Beans at	7	Canmud, reg. 10c. pig.	7
Salmon 150 for	10	All Soap	6 for 25
Olives, 10c. bottle	7	New Raisins	10
Fresh Sea Fish, per lb.	7	New Currants	3 boxes 25
" Pike	7	Matches	4 boxes 25
" Salmon	12	Black and green tea, per lb.	35

Clothing

10 Serge Suits reg. \$15.00 for \$7.00
 10 Overcoats with fur collar. \$11 coats for \$5.00
 10 Cloth Coats, shawl collar, regular \$12.50 for \$5.00
 10 Blue Blouses, worth \$5 to \$15, all sizes 3.00
 Heavy Rubbers and Socks rolled edge 2.50
 10 Underwear, regular \$6.50 for \$1.50
 10 do 85c
 10 Ties50
 10 Scarfs50
 10 Everyday Handkerchiefs25
 10 Bright for50
 10 Fine Silk Handkerchiefs50
 10 Linoleum20
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MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED

J. H. Ward, electrician, has resigned his position, resignation to take effect on the 15th January.

Mr. Ward succeeded Mr. George Hendry last May. He has taken a thoughtful office and the Council made no complaint respecting the performance of his duties. The step taken was entirely upon his own initiative.

DEAFNESS CANNOT BE CURED

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by educational retraining, and that is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed, you have a "runny nose" which is not really a cold, but when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless this inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Hence, the only way to recover from deafness is by using a method which is not a local application, but one which reaches the mucous surface.

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