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The Acton Free Press

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1914

BRIEF LOCAL ITEMS

New Year's eve. Happy New Year to all. Last day of nineteen hundred and fourteen. It was not a green Christmas by any means, anyway.

NEWS OF LOCAL IMPORT.

Watch Night Service. The three-hundred watch night service of the Methodist Church will be held this evening.

Applications From Electors. A fifty-one applications have been received by the Council for the position of elector for Acton.

How they do it in Milton. The Reformer says: "There was a special meeting of the Town Council Tuesday night."

Milton's County Clerk for 80 Years. Major William Patton, of the Milton Township, is this year celebrating his 80th birthday.

New Year's Night Entertainment. The Sunday School of Knox Church will hold their usual New Year's night entertainment in the town hall on Friday evening.

Death of Mrs. Isaac Moraby. A very sudden death occurred near Norval Station Wednesday last, when Harry Alice Hill, beloved wife of Isaac J. Moraby, passed away.

Crucifixion to Animals. On Thursday, on the information of Constable Tappin, Michael J. Taylor, a Jewish pedlar, appeared before Judge Magistrate Rice, charged with cruelty to his unfortunate horse.

Musical Christmas Trees. A very interesting evening of last week the annual Christmas Tree and entertainment was held for the Baptist Sunday School.

White Christmas. The annual Christmas observance of the Methodist Sunday School was taken by the members of the school last Sunday.

Valentines by High School Students. Owing to an inadvertence in reporting the high school valentines in last issue, one of the most interesting features of the programme was omitted.

As of old I see Miss Baker. Time has memory cannot mar, and still her memory cannot mar.

Common sense is anything but common. The works of the Most High are his best words.

DEAFNESS CANNOT BE CURED. By local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear.

DR. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists. Write for circular.

PERSONAL AND TRAVEL NOTES

Social and Personal Items of Interest to Free Press Readers. OBTAINED DURING THE WEEK.

Miss Ruth Nelson, is home from Markdale. Mr. Haber Williams was home from Ithaca.

Mr. Frank Havill was home from Port Colborne. Mr. Jack Chapman was home over the holidays.

Mr. Joe Kennedy was home from Toronto over the holiday. Mr. Robt. Whaley, of Brantford, has returned to Acton.

Miss Jessie Woodland was home from Toronto over the holiday. Miss Wilson, of Hitle, Ont., visited friends here this week.

Mr. F. A. Maclean, visited friends at Detroit over the holidays. Miss Margaret Kennedy, of Georgetown, was home for the holiday.

Miss Lulu Somerville, of London, is visiting with relatives here. Mr. E. J. Howard is spending a week with his brother at Enniskillen.

Mr. Harry Frankum, of St. Mary, is visiting his father's home here. Mr. Chas. E. Akins, of Toronto, visited Acton friends during the week.

Mr. T. H. Hutton, of Guelph, is spending the holidays at the old home. Mr. William Coleman, of Hespeler, visited his mother here on Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Moore and Jocelyn were at Mooreport for Christmas. Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Dille and Misses Etta and Myrtle were home from Toronto.

Miss Dolores Hayward, of Toronto, spent Christmas at her home here. Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Gumble, of Buffalo, were here for the holidays.

Mr. Thomas Hammond, of Ithaca, visited Mrs. W. Turton over Sunday. Mr. Angus Kennedy and daughter Tena, of Brantford, spent the holiday here.

Mr. F. J. L. Fowler, of Brantford, made Acton friends a brief visit on Christmas. Mr. and Mrs. McKague, of Erin, were guests this week at Mr. Wm. Laidman's.

Private Large, Sullivan and Turner were home from Toronto Camp for Christmas. Mr. Chester Plank and Miss Hannah visited their sister at Dundalk during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Lallo Brown, of Toronto, was at the parental home for the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Young, of Niagara Falls, visited Acton friends during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil McNabb and Miss Nellie visited friends in Hamilton over Christmas. Mr. Bailey, of Toronto, visited his brother, Councilor-elect Charles Bailey, Main Street.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Burt attended the funeral of Mr. Burt's father at Condingly on Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Frank McIntosh and Mr. and Mrs. Roy McIntosh, of Orillia, visited relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hall and family spent Christmas at the home of Mr. Wm. Scott, Lindsay. Messrs. Wilbert and Lorne Gould, of Rockwood, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. John H. Coleman.

A Woman's Affair

By F. A. MITCHELL. The women artists of Berlin every year get up a ball in which only women are allowed.

Not a single man is admitted. A large number of the women, however, don male attire, and it is an imitation of men's attentions to the fair sex on the part of those female men that occasions the chief interest of the evening.

Now, in Berlin lived a young man named Kerstner—Herman Kerstner—who was a scribbler. He wrote stories sitting in his window overlooking the garden at the back of his house.

It was just as natural for these two to come into contact as for the grass to grow. It was not long before a system of telegraphy was established between them, and the meeting of the two was not long in coming.

One day the girl telegraphed that she was going to the artist women's ball. This he telegraphed back and observed she did not approve, did not ask him.

Her mother's heart danced with delight. He was ready to do anything for her, but she was a bit of a coquette, and she was not to be won so easily.

Now, if Herman Kerstner had been older or less in love—as any man, had had the wit to see that—his story would have been a different one.

There is a certain faculty peculiar to women, the faculty of being able to see through a man's disguise.

It is not to be supposed that a love affair involving so much assurance and resource would come to naught, it ended in an elopement, the pair were married, and their honeymoon returned with her husband to her home and was forgotten.

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The programme consisted of choruses, recitations, dialogues and drills by the scholars. Little Miss Ford, of Acton, sang several solos, and was much appreciated.

Mr. McDonald, of Ithaca, a former pastor, was present and gave an interesting address. Mr. Patterson, the pastor, was chairman of the evening.

And he is willing assistance distributed the presents, done by a beautifully decorated Christmas tree, to the scholars. Needless to say they were greatly pleased with these Christmas gifts.

YOUR PRINTING. Can not do any better anywhere not quite so good generally.

WONDERLAND THEATRE

New Year's Eve Programme. "The Battle of Edinboro' Castle," 2 part Biograph.

Flora Finch in Vitaphone Comedy. "Animated Cartoon 'At the Bottom of the House.'" FETTER NORTON.

"The Hilted Bell" in three parts. A true incident of the romance and devotion of a child.

Hurlington's First Mayor. The First Mayor has pleasure in congratulating Mrs. Max Smith, upon his election as the first Mayor of the new town of Burlington.

Officers of Walker Lodge A. F. & A. M. The following officers of Walker Lodge, A. F. & A. M., No. 221, were installed by Past Master A. J. MacKinnon at the meeting on the festival of St. John the Evangelist, on Monday evening, 28th December:

W. M.—Bro. Thos. H. Cook. H. W.—Bro. F. A. McLean. J. W.—Bro. John Gola. Chap.—Bro. Wm. Cooper, P. M. Treas.—Bro. John Kennedy, P. M. Secretary—Bro. H. M. McDonald, P. M. H. D.—Bro. C. H. Moore.

J. D.—Bro. H. E. Moore. Bro. C.—Bro. John Lawson, P. M. Bro. H.—Bro. John H. Kennedy. Bro. S.—Bro. W. J. Conroy. I. P. M.—Bro. E. J. Haasard. Golden Wedding.

Fifty years ago last week J. B. Dawson, then a young school teacher at Bevanham Centre, Oxford County, was married to Frances Allen, who had been one of his pupils. She was the daughter of William Allen, of the vicinity of Tillsonburg.

On Tuesday, 23rd inst., Mr. and Mrs. Dawson, who have been living in Toronto for the past couple of years, revisited Milton, where they resided during the twenty-seven years of Mr. Dawson's service as Public School Inspector. They were guests at the home of their daughter, Mrs. W. B. Clements, and during the afternoon a steady stream of old friends attended their reception.

Two of those present were also at the wedding a half-century ago—Mrs. Richard Butler, of Ingersoll, Mrs. Dawson's sister, and Mrs. Watson, of Brownville. Mr. Dawson was a member of the Ingersoll Model School staff for twelve years. During his residence in Milton he was Mayor for several years, and in 1904 was Liberal candidate for the House of Commons for Hallowell—Ingersoll.

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May the New Year Prosper You

And Bring You Full Measure of Joy and Gladness

HOLIDAY CLEARANCES!

Every department of the store offers you money-saving values at this season. We quote you clearance prices of reasonable merchandise.

Furs Reduced. When Macdonald's say Furs Reduced you know it is your opportunity to secure standard quality furs at money-saving values.

Only Ladies' Astrachan Coats of good quality fur with quilted satin lining, 50 inches in length, worth \$50.00, clearing at \$25.00.

Only Ladies' Fur-lined Coats with good full Rat lining and extra full collar of Alaska fabric, 50 inches in length, regularly worth \$40.00 clearing at \$20.00.

Only Ladies' Fur-lined Coats with good full Rat lining, Western Sable collar, regularly worth \$30.00, clearing at \$15.00.

Mink Marmot Muffs, regularly worth from \$15.00 to \$25.00, clearing at \$7.50 to \$12.50.

Men's House Coats and smoking jackets in camel hair cloth and plain goods, light and dark greys, mottled effects, neat stripes and reversible cloths, finished with corded edges and pockets, regularly worth \$5.00 to \$10.00 clearing at 1-3 OFF.

Men's Bath Robes, elderdown finish, in neat checks and figured patterns, regularly worth \$4.50 to \$7.50, clearing at 1-3 OFF.

Men's Lounging Robes, in niter and Oxford greys, medium browns and tans, neck pieces and stripes in reversible cloths, finished with silk cord piping at edges, regularly worth \$12.00, clearing at a reduction of one-third—\$8.00.

Also a special line selling regularly at \$7.00, clearing at a similar reduction—\$4.45.

Men's Suits, broken lines of tweeds in tan, brown and grey shades, worth up to \$15.00, clearing at \$10.00.

Men's Wilton Overcoats in heavy black cheviot with good quality Herring Fur collar, cut cloth lining and rubber inter-lining woolen cuffs in sleeves, very special at \$12.50.

Men's Mufflers in grey and white knitted merino materials, regularly worth 75c, clearing at 50c.

WOMEN'S AND MISSIES' \$45.00 Coats for \$30.00. 30.00 " " " 20.00. 25.00 " " " 15.00. 15.00 " " " 10.00. 12.00 " " " 8.00.

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