BORN

McENERY—At Ballinafad, on Monday, 19th January, to Mr. and Mrs. William McEnery, a daughter.

MARRIED

COLE-MILLER—At Ballinafad, on Wednesday, 20th January, by Rev. N. Waddell, B. D., Robert Cole to Miss M. J. Miller.

DIED

McTAVISH—At his residence, Mill Street, Acton, on Monday, January 25th, Archibald McTavish, merchant tailor, aged 50 years.

BROWN—At Norval on Sunday, January 17th, Sarah Mountain, beloved wife of John F. Brown, aged 71 years.

CRIPPS—At lot 3, con. 1, Erin, on Sunday, 24th January, John Henry Cripps, in his 70th year.

McDOUGALL—In Esquesing, on Monday, January 18th, Mary Jane Tuck, beloved wife of Arch. McDougall, in her 68th year.

The Acton Free Press

THURSDAY, JANUARY 29, 1915

EDITORIAL NOTES

THE Toronto Suburban Railway, which will probably be in operation through Acton the coming summer, will make application to the Legislature at the next session for an act authorizing the company to operate its line on Sunday. As if we haven't sufficient of desecration of the Lord's Day now.

PREMIER HEARST announces that the Ontario Legislature will assemble in session on February 18th. The session will probably prove an interesting one. It is to be the first one under the new premier, there are new holders of portfolios, while several questions have arisen because of the war. Further restraints upon the sale of intoxicating liquor will probably be enacted.

THE Canadian Mining industry has suffered less perhaps than any other enterprise by the prevailing adverse conditions. During 1914 British Columbia mines produced metals valued at $38,000,000, or about $4,000,000 less than in 1913. The value of Porcupine gold output was $5,750,000 or $1,500,000 more than during the year previous. The production of Cobalt silver was valued at $23,850,000 or about $4,500,000 less than in 1913. The lower price of silver accounted for half the decrease in value of the latter metal.

AN imperial parliament for the administration of policies with other countries is now regarded with much favor. Speaking at the Royal Colonial Institute, London, the other day Henry Ellis, of Western Australia, urged the establishment of a truly imperial parliament for the administration of foreign, naval and financial policies. The United Kingdom would in this probably have the fundamental voice of at least three to one, and the Dominions would send representative experts in higher political matters on a proportionate basis.

THE proposal to appoint section men to patrol the roads constructed through the province in connection with the county good roads system is a most desirable one. The maintenance of these roads is highly necessary if they are to be kept in satisfactory condition. In the past too often large sums have been expended for the construction of improved roads and their maintenance appears to have been entirely overlooked. The Provincial Government will be doing a most sensible thing if they provide measures for carrying out the proposal of section men.

TORONTO'S Chief License Inspector has notified hotel-keepers that—"Owing to the indiscretion of some of the more youthful members of the contingent, you are hereby requested to notify your employees to see their very best judgment in seeing that men in uniform are not allowed to receive intoxicating liquor if they show signs of having had enough." The Chief Inspector of the Queen City would have shown a larger conception of duty, had he notified hotelmen not to allow liquor to be sold to soldiers in uniform on their premises at any time.—Newmarket Era.

THE ONE GREAT EVENT of the week is the first considerable sea battle in the North Sea, where a powerful German squadron of four first-class cruisers, issuing from behind its mine defences, for another baby-killing raid, as the English call it, was decried near the Dutch coast by a British squadron of five cruisers of greater speed and heavier armament. Being this time unprotected by fog the Germans, finding themselves outnumbered, took to flight. The slowest of them, the "Blucher," was overtaken and sunk. Two others were much damaged. The pursuit was discontinued when the Germans got within their mine and submarine infested waters. If the two damaged cruisers, presumably the "Moltke" and the "Seydlitz," were put out of action they leave the German Navy with only two of that class. All three reached port, the Germans do not tell us in what condition.

CONSERVATIVE temperance men are beginning to express frankly their approval of Mr. Rowell's proposal to co-operate with the Government in closing all social drinking places during the progress of the war and at the conclusion of the war to submit to the people on a majority vote the question of whether these places are to be re-opened or not. Mr. A. R. Williams, for example, head of the A. R. Williams Machinery Company, and a well-known Toronto Conservative, says, "Mr. Rowell's proposal is simply splendid. It shows once more that he is perfectly willing to share with the Government the great honor of making a substantial temperance advance. It shows that he is not moved by political motives but by a genuine desire for temperance reform. I agree with him thoroughly that some definite and decisive move should be made to curtail the liquor traffic during the progress of the war. I cannot see how the Government can refuse Mr. Rowell's offer to co-operate with them in doing something which would bring so much good to the Province of Ontario." Ex-Alderman James Hales, another Conservative says, "I very cordially approve of Mr. Rowell's proposal. Indeed I should like to see our legislators go a good deal further and entirely prohibit the traffic which makes men unfit and does them no good whatever. The people of Ontario have a right to expect their legislators to be as alert and progressive as the legislators of Russia."

REEVE CAMPBELL IS WARDEN

Reeve Flock, Georgetown, and Reeve Forster, Oakville, Withdrew in His Favor

YEAR'S STANDING COMMITTEES

County Council met on Tuesday at Milton and of course the first business was the election of a Warden.

There were three nominations for the coveted position: Reeve Campbell, of Nassagaweya; Reeve Forster, of Oakville, and Reeve Flock, of Georgetown. Mr. Campbell evidently had the strongest following and in order to avoid a contest Messrs. Forster and Flock retired in his favor.

A committee to strike the standing committees was appointed with Reeve Hynds of Acton chairman.

The following committees were appointed:

FINANCE—Hynds, Chairman; Porter, Hillmer and Flock.

ROADS AND BRIDGES—Cuze, Chairman; Porter, Readhead, Turner, Forster.

COUNTY BUILDINGS—Forster, chairman; Little, Turner, Readhead, Flock, Hynds.

PRINTING—Flock, chairman; Readhead and Joe.

EDUCATION—Little, chairman; Glaut and Dynes.

SPECIAL COMMUNICATIONS—Hillmer, chairman; Joe and Cuze.

RAILWAYS AND LEGISLATION—Porter, chairman; Dynes and Glaut.

GOOD ROADS—The whole Council.

OBITUARY

JOHN HENRY CRIPPS

After several years of ill health and at times of intense suffering John Henry Cripps passed away at his home lot 3, con. 1, Erin, near Crewsons, on Sunday morning. He was in his seventieth year and was born on his father's farm, the town line of Erin and Eramosa, a short distance from his own late homestead. Paul Cripps, his father, died five years ago at his ninety-fifth year. He settled on the farm at the time of his marriage to Elizabeth Coleman, forty-four years ago. Mrs. Cripps survives him, their two children dying in infancy. William E., a foster son, who has been to Mr. and Mrs. Cripps a worthy son indeed, is also left. In addition to his work on the farm Mr. Cripps was also an experienced carpenter. He was a quiet friendly man, a good neighbor and enjoyed the esteem of all. He was a member of the Disciples' Church, at Everton, in which church the funeral service was held on Tuesday afternoon, Rev. J. D. Stephen, Hillsburg, officiating. Mr. Cripps was a member of the I. O. F. at Eden Mills and a number of the members attended the funeral. His surviving brothers and sisters are Alexander and William, Mrs. James Stephenson, Eramosa; Mrs. Alex. McIntosh, Crewsons Corners; Mrs. Wm. Anderson, Acton; Misses Cynthia and Emma, at home.

ARCHIBALD McTAVISH

Acton lost one of her well-known business men, who has been in business here for a quarter of a century, in the death on Monday afternoon of Archibald McTavish, merchant tailor. The cause of death was a tumor on the brain. Until less than a month ago he was able to attend his business, but during the past two weeks he failed rapidly. His friends are of the opinion that the ailment from which he suffered had been affecting him for a year or more and that with great forbearance and self-restraint he bore both physical and mental pain beyond the knowledge of his most intimate relatives and associates. Mr. McTavish was a son of the late Archd. Bald McTavish, of Nassagaweya, who died four years ago. He was born in Nassagaweya. For some twenty-four years he has been in business in Acton. He was always popular and well-liked. His kindly disposition was ever manifest by his cheery disposition and ever-present smile. He was an adherent of Knox Church and a very regular attendant. Twenty-two years ago next month he was married to Miss Agnes Wren, who has been a most affectionate wife and true helpmeet to him. The great sorrow of their wedded life was the death in infancy of the two babes who had come to bless their home. During the whole of their wedded life Mr. and Mrs. McTavish resided in the home on Mill Street where he died. Great sympathy is felt for Mrs. McTavish in her heavy bereavement. The surviving brothers and sisters are: Rev. Dr. W. S. McTavish, Toronto; James, at Yama, Iowa; Angus, in Acton; Malcolm, in the northwest; John and Mrs. (Dr.) McTaggart, in Nassagaweya; Mary, in Milton; Jean, in Guelph and Mrs. Agnustus Ramshaw, Georgetown. The funeral was held yesterday afternoon. After a brief service at the house a public service was held in Knox Church, at which Rev. J. C. Wilson, B. A., officiated. The members of Acton Lodge I. O. O. F., of which deceased was a member, attended in a body with Rev. C. D. Draper officiating as chaplain. Interment was made at Fairview Cemetery.

A woman's eyes sometimes indicate a lot of swear words she dare not utter.

THE SEPARATION ALLOWANCE

For the Wives and Mothers of Volunteers for the Canadian Overseas Contingents

Editor FREE PRESS,

Sir: The following instructions have been received regarding "Separation Allowance" for the wives and mothers of volunteers for the Canadian Overseas Expedition. I think it might be of benefit for all concerned, if you could publish them in your paper as a news item:

"It has been brought to notice that there is apparently some misunderstanding with regard to the wives and families of members of the Canadian Expeditionary Force.

"In this connection it is pointed out that separation allowance is issued to the undermentioned:

1. To all wives of soldiers serving with the Overseas Contingents.

2. To widowed mothers who sole support is son serving with contingents, and then only on certificate to that effect of Clergyman or Priest where she attends service.

3. The guardians of children of widowers serving with contingents. Girls under 16, boys under 14 years.

Form of Clergyman's or Priest's certificate re widowed mother:

I certify that ..... is a widow and that her son..... ....now with Canadian Overseas Contingent is her sole support."

ALEX. L. NOBLE, Lt.-Col.,
O. C. 20th Regt.

Norval, Jan. 23rd, 1915.

THE FARMERS' SHORT COURSE

Over Thirty of the Young Farmers of Halton Have been Enrolled

THE COURSE CLOSES TO-MORROW

The interest in the Agricultural Short Course in Milton is increasing. This Short Course is being conducted by District Representative Hare, assisted by R. L. Vining, District Representative for Wentworth County.

Commencing on Jan. 4th, the class will continue until Jan. 29th. There are 30 students on the roll and there is an average attendance of 28 each day. In addition to lectures from the two District Representatives, specialists in certain lines of agriculture are each spending a day with the class, taking up such subjects as Fruit, Dairy and Beef Cattle, Horses, Sheep, Swine, Poultry, Farm Crops, Co-operation and Markets.

This course is made just as practical as it is possible to make it by trips to nearby farms where good stock may be secured and stock judging work is taken up. The boys show great enthusiasm in the work and it has been remarkable to note the developments in even the two weeks that have passed. A trip was made to Guelph last week on the occasion of the Experimental Union meetings. In addition to the discussions at this meeting, the boys had an opportunity of seeing the College Farm and have all points explained in detail. During the present week the class intends going to Brampton to visit the farm of B. A. Hull & Sons and will at the same time go through Dale's extensive greenhouses, where 25 acres are under glass. It is also the intention of the class to visit the Union Stock Yards at Toronto and also Kilgour's large stock farm, north of the city.

In addition to Mr. Hare's and Mr. Vining's lectures, the students had an opportunity of profiting by experience of several outside speakers.

Mr. Stuart G. of the Milton Branch of the Bank of Hamilton addressed the boys on farm banking. In his teaching experience he gained a forceful manner of talking which is pleasing and his address was instructive.

Mr. P. A. Fisher, B. S. A., of Burlington, took up fruit topics on Tuesday to the satisfaction of the class. In the afternoon a pruning demonstration was given.

Co-operation and markets was the subject presented to the boys, by Mr. F. C. Hart, B. S. A., director of the Co-operative and markets branch of the department of agriculture. He has a magnetic power in his address and held the class splendidly.

Mr. Hare took advantage of the Conservative Association meeting and had several prominent men of Halton County address the class. Among these were Dr. Nixon, M. P. P.; M. C. Smith, Burlington; A. W. Peart, Burlington; H. T. Foster, Burlington.

J. W. Stark, B. S. A., of Swift's Fertilizer, gave an instructive lecture on fertilizer on Friday morning.

The programme for this week is as follows:

Monday—J. P. Sackville, O. A. C., Guelph, Farm Crops.

Tuesday—G. J. Culham, O. A. C., Guelph, Growing Tree Fruits.

Wednesday—Trip to Toronto Union Stock Yards and Kilgour's Stock Farm for stock judging. C. F. Bailey, Asst. Deputy Minister of Agriculture, is in charge.

Thursday—Morley Pettit, O. A. C., Guelph, Bees and Beekeeping. Lantern slides. Evening meeting, short course class room, 8 o'clock.

Friday—C. F. Bailey, Esq., B. S. A., Toronto, Farm Stock.

The course has been open to all Halton farmers.

THE COUNCIL IS NOW AT WORK

The Report of the Municipal Auditors Presented and Ordered Printed

TAX ON ANOTHER DEAD DOG

Council met on Monday evening in regular session. Members present: Reeve Hynds and Councillors McDonald, Ball, Bailey and Smith.

Committee on Finance presented their seconded report and recommended payment of accounts as follows:

GENERAL ACCOUNT—	
A. J. Mackinnon, registration, etc.	$25.05
Geo. Dills, labor	.50
Robert Storey, labor	2.40
Geo. Ritchie, labor	.60
John Harvey, stationery, etc.	2.00
J. C. Hill, coal	12.13
Wm. Anderson, wood	6.00
Acton Tanning Co., threading screws, etc.	.78
	$51.26
HYDRO-ELECTRIC ACCOUNT—	
Ferranti Electric Co., meters	33.00
	$84.26

The report was adopted.

The Auditors' Report of municipal accounts was presented. This is the earliest date in the municipality's history.

Moved by R. M. McDonald, seconded by W. H. Smith, that the Auditors' Report be received and adopted and that the clerk be instructed to have 150 copies of the same printed.—Carried.

Mr. Frank Kelley waited upon the Council to state that the dog for which he had paid the tax of $2.00, had disappeared in June.

He was granted a refund of $1.00.

Mr. Thomas O'Brien waited upon the Council to apply for a rebate on his tax bill for 1914 on the ground that only one-half his house was occupied.

Tax Collector Harvey advised the Council that it would hardly be the proper thing to make a rebate when the taxes have not yet been paid.

The Council agreed to take the matter into their serious consideration.

SOLDIERS' THANKS FOR COMFORTS

Bustard Camp,
Salisbury Plain, England.
January 7th, 1915.

Editor FREE PRESS:

Dear Sir: Will you kindly let the women of Acton know through your columns and on behalf of the Acton boys that we appreciated very much their gifts at Christmas. We wish to thank them both for their presents and their kindness in thinking of us in such a way.

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RED CROSS PATRIOTIC CONCERT

A Very Meritorious Programme and a Fine Audience

STRONG PATRIOTIC SENTIMENT

The patriotic concert in the town hall last Wednesday evening, under the auspices of Acton Red Cross Aid Society, was gratifyingly successful from various standpoints. The attendance was large, the hall being well filled. The patriotic spirit was predominant throughout, and the proceedings were successfully well conducted through the presiding genius of Dr. Gray who occupied the chair at the request of Reeve Hynds, who was unavoidably detained.

The numbers presented on the lengthy programme were exceedingly well rendered in every case and all were appropriate to the occasion. The event was distinctly high-class, interesting and enjoyable.

The programme comprised numbers both vocal and instrumental and all were well rendered. Mr. Cockburn sang "Nelson goes a' Sailing," and "The Deathless Army"; Miss Bertie Smith, "Your King and Country Want You" and Miss Laura Akins, "Home Songs"; Mr. W. Goudy, Limehouse, "The Best Old Flag on Earth" and "Boys of the King"; Mr. Harold Wildgust gave "Tipperary" and the audience joined in vociferously in the chorus; Master Frank Clark sang "Hymns of the Old Church Choir"; and Rev. and Mrs Howarth "The Old Songs of Home". A ladies' quartette number, "We'll Never Let the Old Flag Fall," was rendered by Misses Smith, Burt, Lottie and Hazel Mason; and a male quartette, "Farewell", by Messrs. Wildgust, Worden, Smith and Mann.

Piano duetts were rendered by Misses Gray and Williams; violin solos by Master Andy Frank, and two violin numbers by Mr. W. W. Beardmore.

Mr. A. T. Brown gave a couple of gramophone selections depicting the departure of the British troops for France and their arrival in that country.

The Methodist Sunday School Orchestra rendered a number of selections preliminary to the programme and during the intermission.

The audience gave manifest evidence of the appreciation of every number of the programme.

Patriotic addresses were delivered during the evening by H. P. Moore, J. P., and Dr. Gray. Mr. Moore spoke of the splendid work that has already been accomplished by the ladies in their creation of Red Cross supplies, knitted comforts for the members of the various contingents of our own soldiers, and their generous donations of goods and money collected to aid the needy Belgians. He impressed the fact that the present war is our war as truly as it is the war of Great Britain herself and exhorted the young men to fulfil their plain duty as patriotic citizens by enlisting, as so many have already done. The need is great and the opportunity carries with it a very strong responsibility. Incidental reference was made to the anomalous and very unenviable position occupied by the United States, whose responsibility as a signatory of the Treaty with reference to the protection of neutral nations, such as Belgium, is equally as great as Britain, France or Russia.

Dr. Gray showed that patriotism and patriots have had a large place in life from the beginning. He pointed out the great accomplishments of noted patriots of England, Scotland and Ireland and their influence upon the army and navy, the home and the government. The patriotism of the women in our homes and the homes of the old land was vividly portrayed and generously praised. The splendid work of the hospitals and nurses was referred to and the need for universal interest and assistance was strongly emphasized.

The closing number of the evening's programme was a splendidly arranged tableau, with all the army camp settings. The wounds of a soldier brought in from the firing line were being skillfully dressed by Miss Nora Kenney and her assistant, Miss Minnie Stalker. A soldier on sentry go and others lounging about the camp were seen and the soldiers' chorus, "Tenting on the Old Camp Ground," was sung. The effect of the tableau was intensified with red fire.

The hall was profusely decorated with flags, bunting and pennants, and had a very attractive appearance.

The proceeds of the evening swelled the fund for the aid of the Belgians very materially.

JOHN KENNEY IS THE CHAIRMAN

Elected by the Board of Education for 1915 at the Organization Meeting

THE STANDING COMMITTEES

The statutory meeting of the members of the Board of Education was held last Wednesday evening in the Council Chamber.

Members: C. C. Speight, Jno. Kenney and John R. Kennedy.

Members-elect: Wm. Johnstone, Robt. Scott and N. Forbes.

At the opening of the meeting the Secretary, H. P. Moore, J. P., took the chair and requested the members to elect their chairman for the year 1915. He stated that it had been his privilege for thirty-seven years in succession, to make this request of the successive Boards.

Moved by John R. Kennedy, seconded by Robert Scott, that John Kenney be the Chairman for the year.

The resolution was carried and Mr. Kenney is assuming the duties of Chairman thanked the members very cordially for the honor conferred and hoped the business of the year would be conducted with harmony and in the best interests of the school.

Mr. Kenney is a native of Acton, was a pupil of the school over which he is now the Chairman, and is much interested in the educational interests of the municipality.

The first business was the striking of the standing committees of the year, as follows:

FINANCE—R. Scott, Chairman, Jno. R. Kennedy.

PROPERTY—N. Forbes, Chairman, Jno. Kenney.

SUPPLIES—W. Johnstone, Chairman, C. C. Speight.

The Committee on Finance passed the following bills:

Geo. Havill, caps and repairs	$1.45
Dominion of Canada Guarantee Co., Premium on Treasurer's Bond	4.00
	$5.45

After discussion respecting various school matters the Board adjourned.

Mr. Charles Brooks, of Esquesing Township, has purchased the 100 acre farm in Esquesing Township, belonging to Mr. B. F. Howden, of Guelph. Sale was made by J. A. Willoughby, Georgetown.

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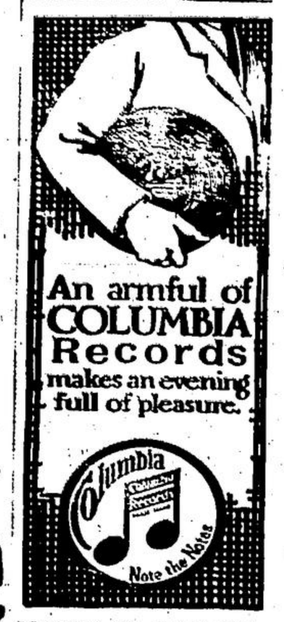

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