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THURSDAY, APRIL 9, 1915

BRIEF LOCAL ITEMS

—Now for spring in earnest.
—The schools re-open next Monday.
—City's tax rate for this year is 26 mills.
—Victoria Day—24th of May—the next public holiday.
—Both teachers and pupils are enjoying the Easter holidays.
—The rains this week will help to take the frost out of the ground.
—Fine bright spring weather was enjoyed on both Good Friday and Easter.
—The North West is getting the start of us. In some places seedling has already commenced.
—Monday's snow storm came as quite a surprise after the beautiful weather of the Easter holidays.
—The new automobiles are now appearing on the streets. The roads outside are not fit for touring yet, however.
—Misses orders from Ottawa announce that Honorary Colonel Sir Donald Mann is to be honorary colonel of the 20th Hamilton Rifles.
—Miss Bartle Smith, who was house from Toronto, escorted the choir in the old house church on Sunday with much acceptance.
—The war stand up into effect next Monday. The Post Office will supply you. The Fair Passes will be first purchaser in town.
—Mr. George Edwards has removed his business to the store next Kenney house, where he has more commodious quarters.
—The ladies who have been knitting for the soldiers will please send in their contributions to Mrs. James L. Warren by this date.
—The degree of Doctor of Divinity has been conferred upon Rev. H. W. Crews, M. A., Woodstock, President of Hamilton Conference, by Victoria University.
—The Red Cross Society suggests that Tuesday, April 20th be observed as "Black Day," when every citizen who can will purchase a pair of socks for the soldiers' comfort.
—Every farm house in the community would find a telephone of great convenience and value. Look into the matter. The cost is not great to secure this desirable comfort.
—Officers of the Headquarters Staff, Exhibition camp, Toronto, were at Georgetown yesterday inspecting the quota of the 20th Regiment, 47th Battalion, third contingent mobilized there.
—Under the law now in force all persons selling butter on the market must have the same properly wrapped and the words "Milk better" or "Creamy butter" stamped upon the wrapper.
—Rev. J. W. Rice, who has been in Toronto the past two years, has accepted a call to the churches of Newcastle and Newfriesville. Twenty years ago Rev. Mr. Rice was pastor of Knox Church, Acton.
—Four new motor cars have come to town during the week. Mr. Torrance Beaudreau has a fine new Overland and Messrs. M. Pitterson, C. Decker and A. J. Mackintosh has each received one of the latest models.
—The home of Mr. Morris Baze, our leading Jewish citizen, was made very happy by the arrival of a fine healthy son and his darling fourteen week old. The mother's recovery is excellent and the child is in good health.
—Owing to the resignation of Mrs. J. H. MacKinnon, Secretary and Mrs. J. O. Chapman, Treasurer of the Red Cross A. I. Society, Miss Bartle Smith was elected Secretary and Mrs. H. Husband, Treasurer, at a meeting held on Saturday afternoon.

LINENOSE
Mr. and Mrs. J. McMill, of Toronto, and Mr. Dowling of Ingersoll were at the parental home.
Mrs. F. Hively and children spent Easter at the home of their uncle, Mr. James Newton.
We are pleased to hear that Mrs. Wm. Gowdy is able to go out again after her recent illness.
Miss H. Mowlan, who has been ill for some time, is gaining slowly. We hope that as warmer weather comes she will make more rapid progress toward recovery.
Miss E. Innes, of Toronto, spent Sunday at her home here.
Harold and Rex Polkinghorne were home for the holiday.
Mr. W. Lane, of Toronto, spent Sunday at his home here.
Mr. Arthur Evans and son, Tommy, visited friends here during the holiday.
Miss Olive and William Marshall spent the holidays with their parents here.
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Mills, Toronto, spent Sunday with her mother.
Mrs. F. Downing and babe, of Ingersoll, were home for the holiday.
Miss Annie and Ned McDonald were in Brantford for the week-end visiting their sister.
Miss W. Innes has been visiting friends in Toronto during the week.
Mr. W. Gowdy made a business trip to Toronto last Saturday.
The Baseball Club seems to have trouble locating a park for the coming season. Who is going to be the Good Samaritan and help out the boys?
Last Thursday was social evening at the Young People's Guild and all present report a pleasant time.
Most of the Oldfellows have attended the E. O. F. School of Instruction held at Acton on Good Friday.

NEWS OF LOCAL IMPORT

Red Cross Concert
The Red Cross Aid Society has decided to hold a concert in the town hall on Thursday evening, 22nd inst. A very attractive programme is under preparation.
Large Issue of Books
March was a busy month for the library of Acton Free Library and the largest issue of any month since the library was opened. The number of borrowings was 241.

Woman's Institute Meeting
The monthly meeting of the Woman's Institute will be held in the Council Chamber on Friday afternoon at three o'clock. A. M. Nielsen, D. C., will address the meeting on "The Home and its Relation to Health." All are welcome.

Partridge Flew through Plate Glass
A little after seven a.m. on Friday morning, in the central office of the Bell Telephone Co., the caustic was started by a crash, followed by falling glass. A partridge flying through the window against the plate glass window at such a speed that it went through, making a hole not much larger than itself. It was fluttering when picked up, but died within a few minutes.—Milton Chapman.

Have Never Yet Missed an Issue
Since the beginning of the week matters looked as if the Fair Passes would be unable to make an appearance this week. Every member of the staff was more or less incapacitated through an epidemic of influenza. We are very much pleased, however, that the excellent magazine paper is able to sustain its reputation, and appears bright and interesting as usual this morning. The Fair Passes has never yet missed an issue in its forty years of publication.

Novel and Useful Aid for Soldiers
A unique scheme has been inaugurated by the Girls Fund of Toronto whereby the soldiers will greatly benefit. This society has made one hundred covers for convalescent soldiers. Each coverlet is composed of squares of satin square contains the name of the girl who sewed it, and who paid ten cents for the privilege. Already 100 of these quilts have been made and sent away and it is hoped that many other girls throughout the Dominion will follow the excellent and patriotic example of the girls of Toronto.

Boy Scouts in Town
Troop Leader Hector Macdonald and his brother, Corp. Charles Macdonald, sons of Dr. J. M. Macdonald, Toronto, and Dr. V. M. Beatty, three very enthusiastic Boy Scouts, walked from Toronto to Acton on Good Friday and Saturday. They arrived in Acton in a very healthy and happy condition. They were accompanied by Mr. William Plank and Mrs. C. S. Smith, of Fairview Place. Troop Leader Macdonald, whose office is equivalent to that of a pastor, is a well-developed, healthy young man, who is active in his church. He is only fifteen but stands six feet in his stockings.

New School on the Mountain
Messrs. J. M. Boyce, Public School Inspector, J. A. Tracy, and John Marshall, Township Clerk of Essex County, and Messrs. G. W. R. Jones, Esq., and G. W. R. Jones, Esq., the board of arbitrators on the proposed new school section for the Milton Heights neighborhood, have given their award. It provides for the formation of the section, to be composed of lots 1, 2 and 3, on T. Mansfield, and lots 1 and 2, on T. Mansfield, and lot 1, on T. Mansfield, and lot 2, on T. Mansfield. It is expected that a school building will be erected as soon as this year as possible.—Chapman.

Easter Military Visitors
A number of the military men from several contingents visited friends during Easter. They were:
Mr. Edwin Mackintosh of the Headquarters staff of the 10th Batt., London.
Major J. W. Rice, of the 31st Batt., Toronto.
Lt. Col. J. W. Rice, of the 31st Batt., Toronto.
Mr. F. E. Anderson and Mr. J. H. Smith, of the 10th Batt., London, were guests at Knox Church on Monday.
Major-General F. L. Leonard, C. B., Inspector-General for Eastern Canada, arrived in Acton Thursday evening and on Good Friday inspected the 10th York and Essex Regiment and the 31st Battalion, C. E. F., of the third Canadian contingent. Both of these organizations paraded at nine o'clock in the morning and they presented a most imposing spectacle, especially the 10th Battalion, which is considered one of the finest in Canada. It was in command of Major-General Leonard. General Leonard expressed himself as much pleased with the showing made and spoke very highly of the excellent bearing of the men.

NASSAGAWEVA

Mr. Frank Rayer is out with his motor car again. An owner of a car enjoys this feature more than most.
A new telephone line is proposed from Acton across Nassagaawa as far as Knutsford at least. Every farm on the line would profit from securing connection.



EBENEZER CHURCH
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The Ebenezer Methodist Church, a splendid edifice of which the Rev. Wm. T. Moore was pastor, was completed and is now open for worship. It is a very impressive character and will hold next Sunday. There has been religious worship in this hallowed place regularly for almost twenty years.

Postmaster Matthews Reeling Well
Since his accident by which his right thigh was fractured on Tuesday of last week Mr. James Matthews, Postmaster, has made fair progress.
For several nights he could not sleep but his condition is now more normal and he is resting nicely.

FINE EASTER MONDAY CONCERT

The Oratorio "Zion" by Knox Church Choir a Splendid Success

A VERY APPRECIATIVE AUDIENCE

The production of the Scriptura-Cantata "Zion" by J. E. Harris, rendered by Knox Church Choir on Easter Monday evening, was most creditably done. It not only provided a most entertaining high-class musical evening but its appropriateness as an adjunct to the Easteride services was manifest throughout the programme.

- The twenty-two sections of the Oratorio afforded the opportunity for bringing out the abilities of various soloists of the choir. The soloists, duets, trios, quartets and recitative passages were excellently well rendered.
- 1. Prelude..... Miss M. Williams
 - 2. The Lord is My Strength..... Miss M. Williams
 - 3. Zion, Awake..... Miss M. Williams
 - 4. I Love My Kingdom, Lord..... Miss M. Williams
 - 5. Hosanna and Te Deum..... Miss M. Williams
 - 6. Hosanna..... Miss M. Williams
 - 7. The Lord is My Strength..... Miss M. Williams
 - 8. Ascend thy Throne Almighty God..... Miss M. Williams
 - 9. Hear my Cry, O God..... Miss M. Williams
 - 10. When shall the voice of singing..... Miss M. Williams
 - 11. Interlude..... Miss M. Williams
 - 12. Lord who shall Abide..... Miss M. Williams
 - 13. How beautiful is Thy Tabernacle..... Miss M. Williams
 - 14. Take my Heart..... Miss M. Williams
 - 15. Arise, Shine for thy Light is Come..... Miss M. Williams
 - 16. Praise the Lord..... Miss M. Williams
 - 17. Interlude..... Miss M. Williams
 - 18. The Lord shall Comfort Zion..... Miss M. Williams
 - 19. The Lord is my Shepherd..... Miss M. Williams
 - 20. The City of our Fathers..... Miss M. Williams
 - 21. Our Lord is risen..... Miss M. Williams
 - 22. Blessed be the Lord God of Israel..... Miss M. Williams

EASTERTIDE VISITORS

Friends Who Spent the Holidays Here and Citizens Who Went Away From Town

Mr. Arthur Hills was home from Toronto. Miss Bertha Brown is home from Niagara. Mrs. J. C. Wilson, B. A., was at the Annual Meeting of Ontario Library Association at Toronto this week as representative of Acton Free Library.
Mrs. Anna Mullock, who was called home from Niagara owing to the accident which befell her father, Postmaster Matthews, arrived here on Saturday.
General sympathy will be felt for Mrs. (Rev.) J. G. Wilson in the death of her father last week, after five years of illness. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson attended the funeral on Wednesday.
Messrs. John Cole and Robert Scott went to Toronto on Saturday and accompanied Mr. George Hathorn home from the hospital. He has improved considerably during the week.
Mr. John Kitching was here on Good Friday. He is removing from Burlington to Waterloo where he will soon have a going shop partnership in hardware and undertaking.
Mr. Robert Hynd, of Glen Williams, son of Reeve Hynd, an illaged with the 20th Infantry, at Toronto, and will proceed with the second contingent to England. He was here on Good Friday visiting his parents and other friends.
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bygler, Elara, Mr. L. P. Bygler, Montreal; Miss Bertha Brown, Toronto; Mr. J. C. Wilson, Hamilton; Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Erick, and Mr. Halpin, Toronto, were here on Good Friday attending the funeral of the late Robert Hynd.

THE KNOX GUILD DEBATORS TIE
In the Debate on the Neutrality of the United States in the War
IN KNOX CHURCH LAST WEEK
The Guild of Knox Church was greeted by a large attendance at the debate on Wednesday evening of last week. Much interest was taken in the live subject under discussion.

The subject, "Should the United States be justified in remaining neutral in the present war," was defended by Mr. W. J. Humphreys, Scotch Block, and Mr. John Cole while the negative was spoken for by Messrs. A. J. Macdonald and E. J. Hively.
The speaking was good and evidenced much reading, careful thought and, apparently not altogether for debating purposes, but as ordinary matters of course. It is to the credit of our educational advantages that our young men and women have facilities for improving themselves and improving others.
Mr. Humphreys' address was excellent and, probably in the opinion of many, left little to be desired. Mr. Macdonald traced the trend of nations since the time of the Roman empire and showed that the outcome has been two main principles, freedom for the masses and the abolition of slavery. The latter has been adopted by Germany in trying to force it on the world, ought to be opposed by all other nations. If not truly bound the United States at least morally bound. Mr. Cole took up the Monroe doctrine claiming that the American principle of no European aggression was not so much a moral principle as the other. Mr. Howard's address was brief but bristled with threats of common sense suggestions, although he claimed unpopularity.

Mr. Humphreys summed up and "put on the rosin" vigorously, reading Ambassador Bryce's opinion and handing the Chairman the text of the Hague Convention, claiming it to be of more value than the opinion of his opponents.
Miss Jean Smith, of Toronto, is spending the week at her father's home.
Miss Elma R. Lane, of Lindsay, spent the week with friends in town.
Mr. and Mrs. George J. Wallace, of Guelph, visited the parental home.
Mrs. F. C. Ridd, of Guelph, visited the parental home.
Mr. J. H. B. Hively, of Guelph, visited the parental home.
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