

BORN

WILSON—In Niagara, on Saturday, in May, to Mr. and Mrs. David Wilson, a daughter.

COONEY—In Fort William, on Wednesday, 28th April, to Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Cooney, a daughter.

MORSE—In Acton, on Monday, 12th April, to Mr. and Mrs. Hester Morse, twins—daughters—Vivian and Elaine.

DIED

REYNOLDS—In Kingston, on Wednesday, 26th May, Francis Reynolds, aged 75 years.

BROWN—At Hillhouse, on Saturday, April 24th, Joseph Brown, brother of the late Richard Brown, Acton, in his 77th year.

HIVELL—At Hillhouse, on Saturday, May 1st, Miss Mary Margaret Flint, wife of H. H. Flint, of Hillhouse, Falls Station, Acton, aged 83 years.

IN MEMORIAM

AGNEW—In memory of my dear husband, Robert Agnew, who died 9th May, 1908. "Not now, but in the coming year, it may be in the latter land, We'll read the meaning of our tears, Ah then! ah then! we'll understand."

The Acton Free Press.

THURSDAY, MAY 6, 1915

MOTHER'S DAY

Hadst thou explored the depths of yonder sea, and counted the sands that under them lie? Hadst thou measured the heights of a mother's love? Then mayest thou speak of a mother's love. Hadst thou talked with the land, of leading on to the lamb of God some wandering son? Hadst thou witnessed the angel's light to employ? Then mayest thou speak of a mother's joy. There is not a grand inspiring thought, there is not a truth by which we live, there is not a feeling pure and high, that may not be read in a mother's eye. There are teachings of earth and sky and air; there are the play of God declared; but far more bright, lovelier, sweeter; there is heard to speak, through a mother's love.

EDITORIAL NOTES

BETTER TAXATION TO COVER WAR EXPENDITURE are being readily absorbed at the rate of \$100,000,000 per week, and it is not now that necessary means will be favorably met for many months to come, without resorting to other means.

MR. THOMAS HAUGHWAY, President of the Canadian Pacific Railway, while in Windsor, Monday, expressed the opinion that Canada would rapidly reap the benefit of the present depression; in fact, he said that he saw already signs of better conditions.

AN ORDER-IN-COUNCIL has been passed prohibiting the export of grain, flour and other foodstuffs from the United States except it be to be used for domestic consumption, and a certificate to that effect must be given at the port of exit. This is simply an extension of the previous order issued that shipments of Canadian foodstuffs may be made only to the countries of the world and that these countries be not one of those which there would be no doubt of the country obtaining these supplies exported from Canada.

STRESS of a general election in June will be avoided. Premier Borden is daily receiving many strong protests from faithful persons and organizations against the holding of an election during the war. It is understood that the Governor-General is becoming increasingly reluctant to grant a dissolution and have Canada called to Parliament for six weeks at an election.

A PROMISING bank official of western Canada, who is taking a keen interest in the utilization of foodstuffs for the growing of garden crops, says: "It seems to me that the 'daylight saving scheme' would be one of the greatest factors in helping on the kitchen garden movement. It would give everyone from Halifax to Vancouver an hour more time to work in the garden in daylight than they would otherwise have and it would be a great thing for the health of the nation to have an extra hour for outdoor recreation, and less, but by no means least, there would be a wonderful saving of light, electricity, gas and oil. The one hour extra daylight would mean that by the time darkness was it would be pretty nearly bedtime, going by ordinary rules."

AGRICULTURAL WORK GROWING

District Representative Hare has been given an Assistant.

The work of the local agricultural office has grown beyond the capacity of one man. The District Representative has been exceptionally busy since his arrival last June and results of his efforts have been quite apparent. The work covers the whole County and in spite of the war, some of the most important advances have been made in each district.

P. E. COLVERHOUSE, B. S. A., a Graduate of the Ontario Agricultural College, has arrived at Burlington to assist Mr. Hare in the work of the local Agricultural Office. Mr. Colverhouse is a young man of considerable experience, having had charge of the work on his home farm in the Niagara district, experimental farm training at Jordan Harbor Experimental Station, one year as Assistant District Representative in Elgin County, and during his four year course at Guelph, where he specialized in Horticulture.

This will not be the first time that Messrs. Hare and Colverhouse have been called for work. The past three years at Guelph were taken together and according to report many crops and football games have been taken working together. We wish them every success in the worthy efforts in which they will be co-workers.

DUBLIN

The following is the report of Dublin School for April:

Class IV—Jackie Walker, Alice Stewart, Willie Kelly, Lawrence Gibbons, Errol Speck, Eleanor Stewart.

Class III—Beatrice McEwan, Beatrice Cresser, John Cresser.

Class II—Nellie Stewart, Mary Gibbons, Charles Stewart, Catherine Kelly.

Class I—Willie Kelly.

Class V—Frank Cresser, Bertie Scott.

Parents—A—Madeline Gibbons, Betty Millard, George Mies, Nelson Mies, H—Annle Stewart.

Class VI—Lizzie Kelly, Marie Cresser.

REARER—M. STURMERT, Teacher.

COUNCIL HELDS BRIEF SESSION

Mill and Main Streets to be Coated with Tar Seal.

A SMALL DOCKET OF ACCOUNTS

Our municipal legislators met in regular session in the Council Chamber on Monday evening at 8 o'clock.

The House presiding, was surrounded by Councillors McDonald, Hatley and Ball.

Finance Minister McDonald presented the 16th report of his committee, which recommended that the following docket of accounts should be paid:

Mr. Moore, Advertising, \$50.00
 Robt. Hays, labor, 7.80
 Jas. Hymon, supplies, 1.85

ELECTRIC PLANT

James Hymon, supplies, 7.80
 Canadian Electric Works, 75.31
 Canadian Electric Works, 48.00

THRESHING FIFTY YEARS AGO

Exciting Threshing Match Between Acton and Milton Machines.

THE KEEN CONTEST WAS A DRAW

Hot May, who has been writing a series of historical letters, reminiscences of days in the British Isles in the early days, for the Milton Reporter, had the following interesting sketch last week:

"On the 16th, threshing machines were supposed to have reached perfection. The harvest of 1860 was the last year that horses were used to pull the machines. A Mr. Donald, of Acton, had acted as his agent for years, but started to sell the 'Climax', a better rival sprung up between these two. A match was arranged to take place on the farm of Wm. Moore, in 12, on the 16th, in August, 1871. Each machine was to thresh wheat for one hour, speed and clean threshing both to count. Robert Shortland, John McLaughlin and other were appointed timekeepers and measurers. After the day was fine and the masses crowd assembled. The farm looked like Milton's fair grounds."

The 'Climax' men had the first trial. A big Scotchman had been brought from what street? He had a full hour. The landowners and these men had been carefully selected, a different gang for each machine. The powers were driven by five teams each and the very best teams had been secured. The 'Climax' machine did her hour in splendid shape.

When the time was called the crowd picked up the power and the separator, as if they were toys, and carried them away. Then the Milton separator and power were put into position and set in a few minutes. John Bailey, Jimmie Brown and George Brownridge did the hour between them as feeders. Andy Brownridge drove. Five splendid teams had been secured. Four of them were Andy Hamilton's teams of the mountain, Tom Brownridge's of the mountain, Wm. Elliott, and Mountain McEwan's. After the day was fine and the teams had never been let loose on a power before, always being tied back to the arm with the flue. This day, however, they were let loose, being simply tied in front. Andy Brownridge used each horse by name. The cyclists began to work when he cracked the whip once, but after that he caught the lash and held it fast, soothing each horse by name for fear that they would tear the machine to pieces. How much grain was threshed is not known; that the referee declared in a match a draw and the wagers of \$100 a side were given back.

BALLINMAD

Much sympathy is felt for Mr. Robt. J. Shortall, of the Battle in his wife at Belleville on Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Shortall were married last September.

The friends and neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. James Bennett to the number of about 100 gathered at the old home on Monday evening to spend a social hour before they departed for their new home in Georgetown. The proceedings were somewhat saddened owing to the summoning to her father's home at Georgetown during the day of Mrs. Bennett, because of his being stricken with apoplexy. When the large company had gathered Mr. David Husel was appointed Chairman. Mr. Clayton Dawick then read a very appreciative address in which many kind thoughts were expressed and good wishes tendered. A beautiful buffet of quarry cut oak and rich finish was then presented on behalf of the present by Messrs. Norman McEwan and Robert Warren. Mr. Bennett expressed his appreciation of the kindly spirit of the address and thanked the donors very cordially for their valuable present. Brief speeches followed by Messrs. Robert Henderson, Robert Kerr and James Cree. A sumptuous lunch was then served. Mr. and Mrs. Bennett are removing to Georgetown.

Mrs. Bennett's father, Mr. Francis Russell, of Georgetown, never recovered consciousness after the stroke sustained and died yesterday morning.

CREWMEN'S CORNERS

The trout fishing season opened on Saturday and the small boy and fishing rod were much in evidence along the streams about here.

Mr. Arthur Whitehead has sailed with the 5th Battalion, C.E.F., at Guelph. His father also has volunteered.

The Secretary of the Lower River Association was administered here on Sunday morning. Quite a number from the other appointments attended the interesting service.

Mr. W. J. VanNorman and children, Guelph, spent last week at Mr. James (family).

Mr. and Mrs. N. Lambert and children, Acton, visited friends here on Sunday.

Glorious work at Langenmark and St. Julien

Canadians kept the Germans from their Proposed Advance on Calais

SEVERAL ACTON BOYS WOUNDED

The great battle at Langenmark and St. Julien cost 6,000 casualties in killed, wounded and missing in the ranks of the first Canadian Contingent, but it proved conclusively that our Canadian boys at the front are second to none among the allied forces.

They were put to an supreme test as it would be possible for any army to meet with, for they fought overhanging numbers under conditions that seemed to assure annihilation. They were subjected to the poisonous gas utilized by the Germans, as well as three times their number of German soldiers. But they fought, and felled neither in courage, discipline nor tenacity, although thousands of them fell.

The Toronto Star says editorially: "The fight of the Canadians at Langenmark and St. Julien, makes such a little story as has unfolded, in other nations, to inspire our own tradition for courage. In the words of Sir John French, the Canadian, by holding their ground when it did not seem humanly possible to hold it, 'saved the situation,' kept the enemy out of Vimpe, kept closed the route to Calais, made the failure of German plans that otherwise would have been successful. We are not saying these things merely by way of boast, but because they need to be said in honor of and in tribute to thousands of brave men who fell in this heroic and glorious equally leave who found death and day, yet had the fortune to survive."

LETTER FROM WOUNDED SOLDIER

The Mail Bringing News of Casualties to Acton Boys Brought Letter From "Happy" Riley

WHO WAS AMONG THE WOUNDED

Monday morning papers brought the news of the wounding of Private James McDonald and John P. Riley, of the Acton contingent in the recent severe engagement and death of George R. McEwan, the Germans at Langenmark.

The same mail brought the following letter to Mrs. Collier, with whom he is located in Acton, from "Happy" Riley. He wrote from France on April 16th, as follows:

"I am having a spell of rest so I thought I would write you a few lines. I received your letter and you mentioned that you have no doubt I would have lots of socks. The socks were not so bad with the Canadian socks knit in Acton. I have tried to send them but can't make much of a job of them. We had a present of one pair to each man from the Queen and they were very welcome to us as I had got down to wearing my knee without socks.

"The thing we have missed most is the tobacco. I often would enjoy a chew when we cannot light our pipe as the censor's snipers fire at any light way.

"We have been active in the trenches and some of our boys will never come back to Canada. I tell you truly you people will never know what the men have suffered over here. I'll take my hat off to any British soldier. They must have been through hell—I've seen sights I shall never forget.

"If you could send me something to read I would be grateful.

"The country around here is very level and fine for farming, and the farmers are now in bloom everywhere. The rains of the winter have done us no harm at all. Well, the big guns are booming again. It seems strange to us still to hear such loud noises almost constantly.

"If I should pull through safe and get back to Acton again I'll bring you some 'Frankie' lace. The woman has made beautiful lace by hand. I cannot send it by mail because of the heavy duty.

"Please remember me to all old friends, including Rev. Mr. Wilson, who sent me papers from Acton."

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Three of Acton's First Contingent Reported Wounded at Langenmark

Acton, like many other places throughout the Dominion, is paying her toll in leave men who fell at the terrible battle at Langenmark and St. Julien.

Last Friday Mr. Alex. McKean, of Wallington Street, received this message from Ottawa, respecting his friend, Pte. James Robertson:

"I sincerely regret to inform you that Pte. James Robertson, 4th Battalion, is reported wounded. Monday papers reported that he had been wounded. The particulars when received will be sent you."

W. E. HORSNER,
 Acting Adjutant General.

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12-in. Galv. Pipe	1.50	12-in. Galv. Pipe	1.50
6-in. Galv. Pipe	1.00	6-in. Galv. Pipe	1.00
36-in. Galv. Pipe	3.50	36-in. Galv. Pipe	3.50
30-in. Galv. Pipe	3.00	30-in. Galv. Pipe	3.00
24-in. Galv. Pipe	2.50	24-in. Galv. Pipe	2.50
18-in. Galv. Pipe	2.00	18-in. Galv. Pipe	2.00
12-in. Galv. Pipe	1.50	12-in. Galv. Pipe	1.50
6-in. Galv. Pipe	1.00	6-in. Galv. Pipe	1.00
36-in. Galv. Pipe	3.50	36-in. Galv. Pipe	3.50
30-in. Galv. Pipe	3.00	30-in. Galv. Pipe	3.00
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18-in. Galv. Pipe	2.00	18-in. Galv. Pipe	2.00
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the Matter of the Estate of William Dobbie, late of the Township of Kennington in the County of Huron, Farmer, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given, pursuant to Statute in that behalf made, that all persons who have claims against the said estate of William Dobbie, late of the Township of Kennington in the County of Huron, Farmer, deceased, are required to present the same to the undersigned, the executor of the said estate, at his office, situated at the corner of King and Queen Streets in the City of Guelph, Ontario, on or before the 10th day of May, 1915, after which date the same will not be admitted for payment unless they can be proved to have been presented to the undersigned and accepted by him before the said date. This notice is given for the purpose of settling the accounts of the said estate, and of distributing the same among the persons entitled thereto.

And further notice is given that after such settlement as the said executor shall see fit to make, he will distribute the same among the persons entitled thereto, and that the same will not be distributed to any person who has not been proved to be entitled thereto as aforesaid.

Witness my hand and the seal of the said estate, this 10th day of May, 1915.

J. J. McEwan,
 Executor of the said estate of William Dobbie, late of the Township of Kennington in the County of Huron, Farmer, deceased.

Dated this 10th day of May, 1915.

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