

BORN  
Wynn—In Acton, on Tuesday, 20th, August, to Mr. and Mrs. H. Weller, son. Macdonald—At Bill's River, on Friday, August 20th, to Rev. and Mrs. Williams Macdonald, a son.

Bronx—Na-sugway-a, on 23rd August, to Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Horrey, a daughter.

#### MARRIED

McCarthy—Sister—On Saturday, August 21st at the home of their parents, 115 Dundas Avenue, Toronto, Hon. J. J. Morton, Mary Agnes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Bentz to W. Allen McCarthy, H. A., son of the late H. B. and Mrs. McCarthy, Indian Road.

#### DIED

Cunningham—At Acton, on Monday, August 23rd, Hugh Cunningham, aged 40 years.

Kennedy—At 473 Branswick Ave., Toronto, on Sunday, August 26th, Vera Kennedy, wife of Peter Kennedy, and daughter of the late Thomas Christie.

### The Acton Free Press

THURSDAY, AUGUST 26, 1915

#### EDITORIAL NOTES

MAJOR-GENERAL SAM HORNBY, Minister of Militia, was knighted by King George in Buckingham Palace on Tuesday afternoon. He is now a K. C. B., which is a civil as well as a military title and ranks higher than K. C. M. G. Major-General Hughes will be known as Sir Sam Hughes.

THE BRAMPTON CONSERVATOR celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary under the present owner, Mr. R. Charlton, by issuing a mammoth 48 page edition. It is well printed on book paper, attractively illustrated, most interesting historically, and its advertising columns are very representative of the business and manufacturing interests of the capital town of Peel County. The enterprise of the Conservator is worthy of commendation.

THE CANADIAN MAGAZINE for September contains a valuable historical article by Professor W. P. M. Kennedy, entitled "Wolfe at Quebec." In fact, the number is remarkable for its historical interest. There are some new sidelights on Joseph Howe, by Francis A. Carnan; an article on the trial of Anderson, the fugitive slave of the time of the American War, by Frank Vigh; a chapter entitled "The Glamour of the Fur Trade," by George Bryce; and from Mr. G. W. Barlett there is an article dealing with early exploration of the Upper St. Lawrence. There is also a sketch of General Sam Hughes by Britton B. Cooke, and a number of good short stories.

WILL HARRY BROWN lose of financial prestige through the European war? There are some in financial circles in New York who think so. Yet London has scarcely felt a shock, so far. True, Britain has paid out immense sums for war materials, but it is chiefly from her own people. The interest obligations are high but these go back into the pockets of Britishers. Then two Britain has been leading freely to her allies. This involves a closer commercial relationship after the war is ended, which is bound to bring about a financial crisis. It is estimated that Britain has \$20,000,000,000 invested abroad. Only a meager proportion of this has been liquidated. Meanwhile Germany is issuing paper money at a pace that would cause anxiety to the most reckless financier.

THE CAMPAIGN FOR THE CANADIAN PATRIOTIC FUND which has been organized for Acton with the objective of \$4,000 to be raised by a house-to-house canvass next Tuesday, has the support of the dedicated, loyal citizens of Acton. There may possibly still exist in the minds of some the feeling that Canada, even to-day, is safe whatever the result of the present terrific conflict may be. There may also be some who do not yet realize that German success means not only peril, but absolute rule to Canada. If Germany were to win her first friend would be Canada, the star colony in the crown of the Empire. Nothing could possibly avoid the Kaiser's achievement of his purpose and our bones would be absolutely under his dominion and our people under his spirit of militarism. There is nothing doubtful as to Germany's declared policy. To save our country, our houses, and wives and families we must either fight now or pay that others may fight. If other brave men are fighting our battles to save our homes then we are under a most holy and unavoidable obligation to support the wives and widows and children and other dependents of those soldiers. These men are sacrificing their lives. Hurly it is our duty to sacrifice our means, even to the point of cutting out some of the comforts of our daily living.

#### HALLIMAFIA

The noise of the threshing machine is again heard in our neighborhood.

Rev. N. Wadell is enjoying a two weeks' holiday in Toronto. Rev. Dr. Foster occupied the pulpit during the pastor's absence.

Mr. Hitchcock is the guest of Toronto friends.

Miss Annie Wadell visited Mr. and Mrs. Leslie a week ago.

Miss Edith Sawyer has gone to Hamilton where she will remain for some time.

Mr. John McEachern, who has been the guest of Hallimafia friends for the past two weeks, has returned to his home in Guelph.

Mr. Will Rozel accompanied by his two sisters were the guests of Carteret friends on Sunday.

#### MASAGAWEWA

Owing to the rain on Tuesday evening the Elgin and Guelph teams were postponed until last night. The baseball match between Acton and Kitchissippi was, however, played on the evening announced, both teams having put in an appearance in the afternoon. Acton won in a score of 2-0.

The Patriotic Fund campaign is being pushed forward this week under the supervision of Warden Campbell, with enthusiasm. The aggregate of subscriptions will no doubt make a creditable amount.

#### EVERTON

The garden party at Everton last Friday evening was one of the most successful ever held in this district. Talbot's grave was the chief feature of the gathering. The programme was most interesting, and Lewis Boyce, of Hamilton, gave a wonderful list of numbers; Acton and Osgoode quartettes furnished excellent vocal selections. Little May Willoughby, of Acton, charmed the big crowd with her singing and playing. The refreshment booth nestling among the evergreens, with its pretty lights glistening through, was an attractive spot. The baseball game was won by the Burgess Mill team.

\$4,000 IS ACTON'S OBJECTIVE  
As Contribution from Citizens Toward  
the Canadian Patriotic Fund  
HOUSE-TO-HOUSE CANVASS NEXT  
TUESDAY

HAS LEFT ENGLAND FOR FRANCE  
Interesting Letter From Pte. George  
Hynds on Departure From  
Shoreham Camp

HE WILL SOON BE AT THE FRONT

The following interesting letter was received by Irene Hynds from her son George, on Saturday:

Shoreham Camp,  
England, Aug. 22nd, 1915

DEAR MOTHER AND FATHER:

Just a few lines before leaving for the Front. We expect to have to fight by the time you get this. I will try to write in the trenches somewhere in France. We have been working hard here since we came over, from 4:30 in the morning until 6 at night. We have been going to the ranges for a week. Have turned in our Ross rifles. They won't fit us. We have been going out on route marches fifteen miles twice a week with a 60 lb. equipment. The roads have been good for marching and we have enjoyed the experience.

There are numbers of aeroplanes and other aircrafts soaring over us nearly all the time, and there are warships and submarines in the harbor. We can often hear the big guns over in France.

We give over to reinforce the first battalion of the first brigade.

I am feeling fine and in the best of health. We shall have to pass the doctor's inspection last week and only four of our battalion failed to pass.

I have had three or four times a week, also gunnery and the rest of the bay. I am getting down to night to work. We cross to France from Folkestone.

This is a list of the equipment we wear and carry when we leave for the front. We wear tunics, trousers, cap, shirt, suit of underwear, pair socks, pair boots, pair puttees, clasp-knife, identification disc with our number. I wear a great coat, 1 suit underwear, 2 shirts, 2 pair socks, 1 hose with nozzle, thread, buttons, safety pins, 2 towels, soap, holdall containing razor, shaving brush, comb, tooth-brush, knife, fork, spoon, sleeping cap, rubber sheet, 4 lbs. rations, 2 quarts water, mess tin, rifle, bayonet, entrenching tool, and 150 rounds of ammunition. Some food to walk with for twenty miles. The mail has just come in and I got Toronto papers and the Free Press, but no letters from home. I will write as soon as I get to France, and keep you posted. I hope to come through all right and return home safely.

Love to all,

Snow,  
Houghton, August 3rd, 1915

DEAR FRIENDS:

It is now 3:30 on Tuesday and we are

here ready to ship for France. There are

1500 of us here and more to come. We

are in a big shed and not permitted out.

Have not had my clothes off for two days

and nights. Have been watching them

loading the big guns and the horses. We

expect to be about three weeks at the front.

Am feeling fine.

Good-bye,

Snow,  
August 5th, 1915

DEAR FRIENDS:

I have arrived in France, all right. We

had a rough trip over. I thought once the boat was going to turn over. Everybody was sick. Well, I am in the best of health ready for anything I can do when ordered to the firing line. I cannot tell you anything of where I am or what is going on here. Write to me as I am always looking for mail. I left Hove fine, and also the Gunner.

Love to all,

Snow,  
Acton, Ont.

DEAR FRIENDS:

A subsequent meeting on Monday

evening the captains and their teams were

chosen and the town divided into sections

to facilitate the canvass as follows:

Ward 1.—Comprising all that part of the town lying north west of the corner of Mill and John Streets:

COULD, R. M.; MCNAULD, Captain.

E. J. HABARD,

W. D. HOLLOWSTONE,

GEO. E. AGNEW,

N. P. MCLEAN,

B. F. CALDWELL,

D. C. RUSSELL.

Ward 2.—North-east of the corner of

Mill and John Street:

JOHN R. KENNEDY, Captain.

A. T. BROWN,

DR. J. M. BELL,

C. C. HENDERSON,

ROBT. SCOTT,

W. R. KENNEY,

JOS. GIBBONS.

Ward 3.—South-west of the corner of

Mill and John Streets:

GEORGE HAVILL, Captain.

COUNCILLOR DAILEY,

J. CHESTER MATTHEWS,

WILLIAM ARNOLD,

FRANK KENNEDY,

WILLIAM COOPER,

DR. RAY.

Ward 4.—South-east of the corner of

Mill and John Streets:

JAMES LACKIE, Captain.

W. H. STEWART,

JOHN CAMERON,

J. H. COLEMAN,

JAMES R. ANDERSON,

DR. AULT.

Ward 5.—The Tanneries:

NELSON GARDEN, Captain.

SIDNEY GUNTON,

A. O. T. BEARDMORE,

JOHN WOOD,

CHARLES MOORE,

MORRIS HAXE.

The ministers of the town will speak from their respective pulpits next Sunday

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