

BORN

MILNE—At Oak Lake, Man., on Wednesday, January 12th, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. James Milne, a son.

MARRIED

ELENCE—At Ebenezer Church, Napanewa, on New Year's Day, 1916, Mr. H. E. Elence, Captain, Royal Engineers, and Miss Russell Elley, daughter of Thompson Elley, who has the William Thompson farm at Napanewa.

CAMPBELL—At the Methodist Parsonage, Acton, on Saturday, 22nd January, Rev. Mr. Aviary, M. A. D., Captain, Canadian Veterinary Corps, and Miss Campbell, daughter of D. H. Taylor, Esq., both of Acton.

DIED

NICHOLS—In Toronto, on Saturday, 22nd January, Sarah Woolf, widow of the late James Nickel, aged 82 years.

HAWKES—At the family residence, Hawkes' Corner, on Thursday, 13th January, the wife of William Hawkes, gardener, formerly of Acton.

MCCUTCHEON—At Osgoode, on Wednesday, January 12th, 1916, William Fisher, relict of the late John McCutcheon, in his 91st year.

HARRIS—At Newberry, Mich., on Saturday, 22nd January, 1916, Dr. Charles L. Harris, died of the late George Smith, formerly of Acton, in his 86th year.

BOWENVILLE—At Augusta, Georgia, on Sunday, January 16th, 1916, Captain Niven G. Bowes, of the Naval Aviation Corps, and Mr. D. L. Bonarville, Georgetown.

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 27, 1916

EDITORIAL NOTES

OFFICIAL Returns show that emigration last year was the lowest on record. The Canadian figure of 100,000 fell to 76,500 and for 1914, to 57,500. In point of fact, there was no immigration at all, arrivals of British subjects from the Dominion and elsewhere actually exceeding departures by fifteen thousand.

IN THE DEATH of M. V. McLean, ex-M.P., for many years editor of the Huron Expositor at Haughton, Western Ontario loss one of its foremost figures in the public life and activities of that community. Mr. McLean died suddenly from heart trouble on Wednesday of last week. He was a man of sterling character, of more than ordinary ability, and he spent his life in the interests of his constituency. It is survived by Mrs. McLean, four sons and one daughter. Mr. McLean was a elder of the Presbyterian Church of the town.

IN ANOTHER three of its most important recommendations the Government Commission on Unemployment in its report published last week, confirms the policy of Mr. Howell. Those three points are: The need for tax reform, the viability of a Department of Labor, and the unfortunately close inter-relation between the liquor traffic and social reform. The Government in the last few sessions has repeatedly rejected proposals of the Opposition for tax reform and also for a Department of Labor. Now their own Commission recommends those reforms.

LAST YEAR when Steve Forster, of Oakville, stepped into the breach to permit the election of Mr. Howell, he gave him the Wardenship without protest, it was tacitly understood that Mr. Forster would be elected to the position he had just assumed, at the first meeting of the County Council this year. But the unexpected has happened and, by a vote of seven to six, Steve Black, of Georgetown, was given the coveted honour. Mr. Black is a useful member of the Council, but to gain the Warden's chair after two years' of service in municipal capacity is somewhat unusual. Steve Forster is, however, a good loser, and will continue to give the county the benefit of his long experience in public life.

MASSAGWEYA

A rousing mass meeting in the interests of the petition of the Citizens' Committee of One Hundred was held in the town hall, Brookville, last night. Mr. E. H. Carter, President of the County, and Mr. Sam Carter, M. P. P., were the speakers.

Ward No. 3, 125 signatures for the subsidence of the Canada Temperance Act, out of 150 voters, were obtained, nearly evenly cast.

The marriage of Miss Hilda Shawcock, daughter of Thompson Shawcock, Esq., and Russell Elley, son of C. H. Elley, in the new Ebenezer Church, was a most happy and interesting event. The bride was dressed in white satin with pearl trimmings. She wore a veil of orange blossoms and carried a bouquet of rose and lily of the valley. Miss Gladys Elley was maid of honour and wore blue satin over silk and carried pink roses. Gunner Gus Downey, of the Royal Canadian Artillery, was the groomsman. The bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elley, left on the evening train and spent their honeymoon at Toronto, Galt and Bradford.

BALLINAPAD

The snow is all gone and the wheels are running again.

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SUNDAY'S ROUSING RECRUITING MEETING

A Highly Interesting Address by Pte. Meredith of the 48th Highlanders; A Wounded Soldier.

PRESNTATION TO PTE. JOHN SAMH

One of the finest public meetings held since the outbreak of the war was that in the town hall on Tuesday evening after the services in the church. It was arranged by the officers of the local branch of the War Auxiliary and recruiting was the keynote of the proceedings.

Steve Hynds occupied the chair and the clergymen of the town and the officers and men of Action Company of the 15th Hamilton-Burlin Battalion occupied seats on the platform.

Action Citizens' Band played a number of sacred selections and the choir of Knox Church and the choir's male quartette, Meuse, Wildquist, Henderson, Birrell and Marley, rendered appropriate and well-rendered hymns.

The address of the evening was given by Pte. Meredith, of the 48th Highlanders, who was in action at the famous engagements of Jutland and Langemarck. He was wounded through both thighs and spent many months in the hospitals.

Steve Hynds introduced the speaker in a few timely and succinct sentences touching the war and the great need for the enlistment of men and more men.

Meredith told the story of his experiences from the time of enlistment at the outbreak of the war until he received which incorporated him for further service. His speech was told throughout, in fact it was the most interesting story of a soldier's experiences which has been related to an Action audience during the war. Very naturally the successive events from the time of leaving Toronto, the mobilization at Valcartier, the trip across the Atlantic in the first transports bearing Canadian troops, the following winter at Balaclava Plain with its interminable mud, the crossing of the channel to France, and various experiences in France and Belgium at the front, in the engagements with the Germans, the suffering from their gas, the battles, some exciting and some unusual, interspersed the address. At the close of the speech he made a fervent appeal to the young men, as they value their country, their homes, and their religion to enlist.

Following the address Steve Hynds called upon H. P. Moore to present to Pte. Hynds, one of our returned wounded soldiers, with a handsome monogrammed and inscribed gold watch, on behalf of the citizens of Acton, in recognition of his services as a son of Acton boys.

Rev. J. C. Wilson, B. A., and Rev. H. A. Wilson, M. A., B. D., also assisted in the service.

ASSISTANCE TO BREEDERS

Will be Rendered by the Dominion Department of Agriculture to Stock Associations.

Owing to the heavy drain upon the live stock of the various warring countries of Europe, they have been forced to go abroad for supplies. The longer the war lasts the greater will be this demand. Moreover, when peace is restored, these countries will require large numbers of the various classes of animals to replenish their herds and flocks. It should be borne in mind, however, that the buyers, who come to this country after the war, will require better animals than have been bought during war time, as they will be used largely for breeding purposes.

With this end in view, the last of the flocks and particularly the young stock, should be kept for breeding purposes. Breeders should not fail to take all the live stock possible at this time, in order that the country may be able to supply a large number of the animals that are certain to be needed by the warring countries. At present, however, there is an unequal distribution of live stock in the country. In certain sections there is a heavy surplus, while in corresponding scarcity in other parts. During the past year hundred of thousands of cattle from our Prairie Provinces have gone to the United States for stocks and feeders. These should have looked about home, particularly the females. Selections of the West are reported as being in need of good draft horses, particularly dray horses; while, in sections of Ontario, there is an over supply of this particular class.

* Rejected as medically unfit.

The Action branch of the war auxiliary has compiled a list of all the eligible young men between the ages of 21 and 40 years, and these will be canvassed by the recruiting offices.

The men will attend divine service at the Presbyterian Church on Sunday evening.

GRESHOMS CORNERS

Last week's old fashioned winter was followed by an old-fashioned January thaw that took away all the snow, and the wheels are running again.

The quarterly services will not be held in March.

This community was shocked and grieved to hear of the accidental shooting at Balaclava, Manitoba, of Mr. John Walker, a former highly-respected resident of this place. Mr. Walker had gone out to shoot some sparrows when the gun was accidentally discharged killing him instantly. Mr. Walker formerly lived on the farm now occupied by Mr. Wm. Bannister. He was a man of many estimable qualities, had a genial disposition and was honored and respected by all, both in business and social intercourse. Mr. Walker was a successful farmer here, and since his removal to the West, a number of years ago, success has still crowned his efforts. Many expressions of sorrow are heard at his untimely death and also sympathy for Mrs. Walker and daughter Agnes in their sad and sudden bereavement.

Persons wishing to take advantage of this offer should make full arrangements with the Live Stock Commissioner as to place and time of purchase before sending out their representative.

Why Human Meat is Best for Your Child

The intestinal muscles must have waste to properly develop. The growing muscles and bones require a abundant nutrition.

The teeth and bone nerves, muscles, organs, and blood must all have abundant inorganic salts. Human Meat is filled with many waste which gives the intestinal muscles exercise, preventing constipation and indigestion. It has more inorganic salts than any other known food. It's the most nutritious food sold. Ask your doctor. Do not stir Human Meat porridge at grocery, 10c and 25c.

Human Meat is made by Roman Meats, Co., Toronto, and your grocer can procure it from any wholesaler.

Mr. John James Carnahan, of Acton, has purchased a 175 acre farm in Erie Township, being lot 8, in the sixth conc., and known as the William Thompson farm. Hale was made by J. A. Willoughby, Georgetown.

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THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Inaugural Meeting held on Wednesday Evening, 10th Inst., as per Statute.

JOHN H. KENNEDY IS CHAIRMAN

The initial meeting of the Board of Education for the present year was held in the Court Room on Wednesday evening at seven o'clock.

Members N. Forbes and Robert Scott and members-elect C. C. Speight, John Kennedy and John H. Kennedy were present.

The declarations of office having been read the members took their seats.

The Secretary requested the members to elect their Chairman for the year 1916.

Moved by N. Forbes, seconded by C. C. Speight, that John H. Kennedy be and is hereby appointed Chairman of the Board of Education for the year 1916.

The motion was carried.

The Secretary requested Mr. Kennedy to elect his Vice-Chairman.

Moved by N. Forbes, seconded by C. C. Speight, that John Kennedy be and is hereby appointed Vice-Chairman of the Board of Education for the year 1916.

The motion was carried.

The Standing Committee for the year was elected upon motion, as follows:

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Personnel—John Kennedy, Chairman, and N. Forbes.

Instruction—O. C. Speight, Chairman, and Wm. J. Macmillan.

Publicity—John Kennedy, Chairman, and N. Forbes.

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