BORN

HUNT—At Norval, on Tuesday, April 25th, 1916 to Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Hunt, a son.

THOMPSON—At Ashgrove, on Friday, April 28th, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. W. Thompson, a son.

JENNINGS—At Bracebridge, on Saturday, April 29th, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. John Jennings, a daughter—Edith Ruth.

DIED

TOWNSEND—At Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., on Tuesday, 2nd May, 1916, Dr. Frederick Townsend, aged 48 years.

BRUCE—On Friday, May 5th, 1916, at her late residence, 65 Oxford Street, Guelph, Edith Gowdy, relict of the late George Bruce, in her 83rd year.

The Acton Free Press.

THURSDAY, MAY 11, 1916

EDITORIAL NOTES

HOTEL KEEPERS are reported to have already increased their rates for accommodation. The traveling public will have to pay for prohibition.—Milton Champion. And why shouldn't they? Was there any sane reason why any man should pay for liquor at the hotel bar to help pay for the accommodation given the traveller who does not drink? By all meals rates should be raised to pay a fair profit for lodgings and meals.

AN IMPORTANT CHANGE in the manner of handling eggs by wholesale has been made. Under the new rule merchants will be obliged to furnish "cases free" when selling eggs to the shippers. These cases will be destroyed on reaching their destination and therefore will not be returnable to be refilled again. The loss to the shippers in the past by dealers packing in old musty cases will be done away with and brand new cases will accompany each shipment of eggs to shippers for outside points.

NEXT MONDAY the citizens of Brampton, under the auspices of the town Council, acting with the Board of Trade, Horticultural Society and Women's Institute, will commence a week's clean up and paint up campaign. A proclamation under the imprimatur of the mayor calls upon every citizen to participate. The personal pride and civic pride of all is appealed to. They will clean the yards, paint the buildings, lay down sod for grass and plant flowers. This is a most worthy effort upon which to unite and will inevitably mean a cleaner, healthier, happier and more beautiful town. Could we not emulate Brampton's example in Acton.

AN AMENDMENT to the Sheep Protection Act recently passed provides that the owner of sheep killed or injured by dogs can recover from the municipality "compensation equal to the amount of the damage sustained", in place of the two-thirds paid heretofore. This in the event that the owner of the dog cannot be located. Any municipality may increase the dog tax to $2 for the first and $3 for each additional dog; $5 for the first female and $3 for each additional one. This is a very just amendment. There is no good reason why a farmer whose sheep are worried by dogs should not recover the whole amount of damage inflicted.

THE MILTON REPORTER, whose editor has two sons in the war, rightly says: "It is unfair and unjust that married men with families should have to go to the front and fight the battles of the Empire while hundreds of young men with no one depending upon them should be walking the streets as if there was no war at all going on. Why should this be? There are families with three or four sons in khaki, and there are other families, where there are three or four sons just as physically fit, who have no intention whatever of going to the front to do their share of the fighting that is to save the Empire, and that means Canada, which is an integral part of the Empire. What right have the sons of the one family to go and fight the battles of the sons of the other family? When one considers the present recruiting system is all its bearings it seems to be simply "rotten" from beginning to end, and most unfair and unjust."

CREWSONS CORNERS

Mr. Ed. Cripps lost a valuable driver last week. He was driving from the Corners to his home when the horse plunged forward and fell overturning the buggy. When Mr. Cripps got out from underneath the buggy the horse was dead.

The quarterly meeting was well attended here on Sunday morning. Mrs. Elias Plummer, Rockwood, was present and sang a solo very sweetly.

Miss Margaret Dennis is not improving as fast in the Guelph General Hospital as her many friends here would like to see. Mr. Lamb in the same institution is recovering nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Denny, Churchill, visited friends here on Sunday.

Misses Clara and Doris Lantz spent the week-end with friends in Guelph.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Moore and babe, Miss Bolton, and Messrs O. and W. Yates, motored out from Guelph on Sunday and visited Mr. and Mrs. Algar Cripps.

NASSAGAWEYA

The Presbyterian Churches of Nassagaweya have unanimously settled upon a minister. At a joint meeting of the Nassagaweya and Campbellville congregations at the former church on Monday afternoon Rev. L. I. Hunter, B. A., B. D., a recent graduate of Knox College, Toronto, received the unanimous choice. Over 200 members of the two congregations were present. The stipend will be $1100 with free manse and four weeks' vacation annually. Guelph Presbytery will meet next Tuesday when arrangements will be made for the induction service. Rev. J. C. Wilson, B. A., of Acton, who has acted as moderator since he preached the pulpit vacant on the 18th December last, presided at the meeting on Monday.

LORNE

The following is Lorne School Report for the past month:

Sr. IV—Clara Lantz, Alvin Ryder, Isabel Watkins.

Jr. IV—Caroline Ryder, Donald McDougall, Effie McEachern.

III—Laura Lambert, Elmore Johnston, Arnold McDonald, Wilmer Watkins, Ronald McEachern, Hugh Brown.

II—Jessie Ryder, Bessie McDonald, Marie Lantz, Roy Johnstone, Hector MacDonald.

I—Gordon Johnston, Angus McEachern, Campbell Miller.

CLASS A—Harold Swackhamer.

CLASS B—Kathleen Miller, Jack McDougall, Laura Murray, Gordon McDougall, Charlie Lambert.

N. A. JARDINE, Teacher.

MOTHER'S DAY

Next Sunday will be observed throughout the continent as Mother's Day. Out of love to our mothers, and the hallowed memory of those who have passed into rest, everyone who can will wear a white carnation or other white flower. This token of love and esteem will be a slight evidence of thoughtful appreciation. A loving, good mother is a treasure of an earthly nature, as she never feels any sacrifice too great, any anguish too keen, any fate so overwhelmingly terrible, as to transend the endurance or crush the power of a mother's love. Under an invincible inspiration, when danger threatens her children, she knows no fear, death affrights her not, she extends her arm to arrest every approach, offers her own breast as a shield against bullets, and sword thrusts, and counts it a privilege to lay down her life in defense of those loved ones. O, loyalty, supreme, sublime, immortal! Thy name is mother's love. Her very existence is interwoven with her children, their counsellor, comforter and guide; therefore we should highly prize and sacredly cherish that valuable possession, a good mother. This world is so dreary when we are bereft of mother, yet so few appreciate her as we should, for what is home without a mother?

THE WHITE CARNATION

Was it for this through all the countless years
The sun and dew poured spices in your cup?
Was it for this, with patience and with tears,
You garnered all your priceless essence up?
Oh, white carnation, symbol of the flesh,
Your burgeoning at last has found its own!
To-day we break your ointment to refresh
Our memory of mother and of home.

It may be with soft fingers close entwined,
A golden head against your bosom now,
It may be distance or a grave she finds,
A man with furrowed face and silvered brow,
But they are still her little ones as when
She heaved the pangs of death that they might live;
She perilled all her life for them,
And then her overflowing heart had more to give.

And we! What have we done to fill her years,
How have you paid her sacrifice and pain?
Oh, Father! for her love, her hopes, her fears,
Have we a gift of recompense not vain?
My mother, take these fragrant flowers to-day;
In giving them I pray that I may be
To you—are God's still touch take you away—
All, all that you have ever been to me.

And if too late to win your loving smile,
And you have risen pure and white and true,
'Twill only be for me a little while,
Till I may come to be at rest with you.
And when my eyes close in my last long sleep,
To strains of that sweet song, your lullaby,
Let me but place my head upon your breast—
My mother—then I'll know that God is nigh.

—Mrs. Baker P. Lee.

OBITUARY

DR. FREDERIC TOWNSEND

The Sault Ste. Marie Star says: "Dr. Frederic Townsend, one of the best known surgeons and general medical practitioners in northern Michigan, passed away at an early hour Tuesday morning following a brief but severe attack of pneumonia. Dr. Townsend was born near Brampton, Ontario, August 6th, 1868. After completing a primary course in the Acton Public Schools, he attended the Georgetown High School. From there he went to Toronto Medical College. Later he enrolled in the Medical College of New York where he completed a special course in operating surgery in 1893. For one year after his graduation he practiced in New York, during which time he was connected with the Department of Public Charities in a professional capacity. He then located in Detroit, where in addition to his private practice he held the chair of Anatomy in the Detroit College of Medicine. Eighteen years ago Dr. Townsend came to the Soo where he associated himself with his brother, the late Dr. Wesley Townsend, in the Conway and Hall Block, which he occupied up to the time of his death. He was entrusted with much public as well as private patronage in both an active and consulting capacity and his work always justified the confidence conveyed. For several years Dr. Townsend was assistant surgeon for the Upper Peninsula Hospital at Newbury. He was in charge of the Marine Hospital Service and also Immigration Department at this port. He was an active member of the Chippewa Medical Society and the Upper Peninsula Association, and before the latter body last fall he demonstrated a fractured splint which he had perfected and patented. About a year ago he was honored with a fellowship in the American College of Surgeons. In 1911 he was appointed by Governor Osborne as a delegate to the International Congress of Surgeons which convened in London, England, and while abroad he took advantage of the opportunity to witness clinics and hear lectures in the Medical and Surgical Schools of the Old World. Personally Dr. Fred, as he was familiarly known, was one of the best liked and most respected men in the Soo and Chippawa County. He was every ready with sympathy and advice in private matters and loyal support to all worthy public propositions. He was affiliated with the Masonic and Knights of Pythias Lodges and for years has been an active member of the First Presbyterian Church. Dr. Townsend is survived by his widow and four children also his father and one brother, J. E. Townsend. Funeral services were held from his late home, 405 Spruce Street, East, conducted by Rev. Dr. R. A. Hartlett. Interment took place at Riverside Cemetery." Dr. Townsend was a son of William Townsend, a brother-in-law of the late William Moore, of Acton. Mr. Townsend resided for several years on the old Moore homestead, on the first line, now owned and occupied by Mr. Richard E. Johnston. While there the boys, Fred and Wesley, attended Acton School and also attended Church and Sunday School here. Dr. Wesley met a tragic death last winter. While playing in a curling match he slipped and in falling backwards struck his head on the ice and died in a few minutes.

When a woman pauses for reflection look for the mirror.

OUR BOYS TREKKED TO MILTON

A Splendid Route March in Which Every Man Marched Like a Veteran

BRIEF BIVOUAC ON MOUNTAINSIDE

Acton Platoon, which has been drilling here since the beginning of the year, was ordered to Milton, and on Monday forenoon set out on the twelve mile trek to the County Town.

The line-up at headquarters here when roll was called comprised the following officers and men:

LIEUT. KENNEDY
SERGT. HAINSWORTH
CORP. R. SWACKHAMER
" A. J. SMETHURST
PTE. ATKINSON
" W. J. COOK
" A. COOK
" E. BARR
" F. CREAMER
" J. J. COONEY
" M. COONEY
" CLIFFORD
" T. COXE
" A. DECKER
" A. A. DEFOREST
" ROY DEFOREST
" W. DOBBIE
" H. DOBBIE
" L. EASDOWN
" EASON
" H. FRASER
" M. KALEY
" LABTALUK
" LAYCOCK
" J. LOUTTET
" S. GEORGE
" C. MATTHEWS
" J. MILLS
" W. J. MILLS
" J. McTAVISH
" T. MARSH
" E. McKINNON
" S. PERRY
" A. PACE
" PERRYMAN
" A. PASTALUK
" RUDMAN
" RADFORD
" H. H. SMITH
" SCARROW
" K. ST. JOHN
" E. C. STEWART
" A. WATSON
" J. WALLER
" O. WITHERS

The men were in heavy marching order, carrying their great coats and rifles.

A few minutes before the order to march was given Reeve Hyde addressed the officers and men in fitting terms of fare, well. He said the men had been a credit to the town, both as to their conduct and as to their improvement in drill and deportment. The citizens of Acton, he said, are very sorry to see the boys leave, and on behalf of all he wished them every success in their work as brave soldiers and hoped we would have the pleasure of welcoming them all back again.

Dr. Lake, the platoon medical officer, also spoke words of appreciation of the men. He said: "I have been with you a great deal and have seen more of you than any one else here. I am sure you will be a credit to the town."

Promptly at 10.15 Lieut. Kennedy gave the order: "Quick March," and the men swung off down Mill Street en route for Milton in fine step, full of swing and precision and with the air of veterans. On they went down Main Street, and over the hills toward the County Town.

By 12.15 they reached a splendid point on the mountain side, near Dufferin School and between six and seven miles from home. Here they bivouacked for lunch and an hour's rest.

Just as they had opened up their lunches a big motor car from home appeared hustling down the mountain toward them. It stopped at their rendezvous when Reeve Hyde and H. P. Moore, J. P., the two of whom had sworn them all in when they enlisted, and Messrs. A. T. Brown and Ernest Brown, stepped out. A five-gallon can of piping hot coffee, and an appetizing assortment of hot buns, cakes, bananas and other toothsome provender, was unloaded from the car. These the boys in khaki enjoyed to the full, especially the invigorating hot coffee. Their thanks to Mrs. H. P. Moore, President of the Red Cross Aid Society, and Mrs. A. T. Brown, the donors of the wayside luncheon, were most appreciative.

After a series of photos with the attractive natural background here afforded, the men fell in again and at 1.15 marched forward on the second half of the long day's trek. The motor party soon passed them and relieved them of their great coats, which made the marching more comfortable. At 2.30 they reached the outskirts of Milton where they were met by the Battalion Band, and at a quarter to three they swung down Martin Street, wheeled to Main Street at the Post Office and marched to Battalion Headquarters where they reported and received their billets. Every man of them stood the march well and evidently enjoyed to the full the experiences of the day.

LETTER FROM PTE. GEO. CASWELL

Censored by Captain George McNair, "Somewhere in Belgium" on April 20th

The following letter from Pte. R. G. Caswell, written on April 20th and passed by the late Captain McNair, the officer in command of his Company in the 58th Battalion, was received by the FREE PRESS on Monday:

Somewhere in Belgium,
April 20th, 1916.

Dear Mr. Editor:

Would you kindly thank the ladies of Nassagaweya through the FREE PRESS for the socks we received from them through Capt. McNair.

We receive the FREE PRESS nearly every week and we all enjoy it. The George town boys are just as anxious to see it as we are.

I am in good health. We have had a lot of very wet weather and cold. Snow fell last Monday.

I saw Reeve Hynds' son, George, a few days ago. He was looking well.

I heard that the ladies of Acton had sent us parcels some time ago. If so they have not reached us yet, but we appreciate their thoughtful kindness all the same.

Considering the number of soldiers who have enlisted in Acton, I am sure the old town will have much to be proud of.

Kind regards to all the friends in the home town.

GEORGE CASWELL.

Treat people kindly and you will find them easier to work.

Many a man has married in haste and paid alimony at leisure.

CAPTAIN McNAIR KILLED IN ACTION

Had Commission in the 58th Battalion and Went Overseas Last Year

The relatives and friends here of Capt. George McNair were shocked last Friday upon receipt of the news that he was killed in action in Belgium the last of April.

Captain McNair was a brother-in-law of Mr. James R. Anderson, Acton, and he spent several weeks here at intermittent visits on leave before he went to England with his battalion, the 58th.

Mrs. McNair and the three children, Marjorie, George and Frances, were here for a couple of months last year. Mrs. McNair and Mrs. Anderson are sisters. Captain McNair was a Halton boy. For some years he was chief clerk in the freight department at Hamilton, and several years ago he removed to the Northwest and was agent of the Grand Trunk Pacific at Biggar, Sask. When the war broke out he joined the 58th Battalion under Col. H. A. Gault. He left Toronto in November and had been in the trenches only a couple of months.

In his young manhood Capt. McNair was a school teacher and was principal of the Arkell school. Since the news of his death reached Canada the school flag has been flying at half mast in honor of this intrepid citizen who gave his life bravely and nobly in the great war struggle.

Capt. McNair was a very fine man and enjoyed the esteem of all who knew him. Much sympathy is felt here for Mrs. McNair and the children who are left without a father.

THE CANADIAN MAGAZINE has begun in its April issue a series of sketches under the general title of "From the trenches." The author is Patrick MacGill, whose first novel, "Children of the Dead End," created so great a stir of interest on its publication a year or more ago. The first which appears in the May issue, is entitled "The Retreat," and if the others are anything like as good, the readers are in for a real treat from a real writer who is actually at the front.

Milton School too Small

About twenty-five new pupils presented themselves at the primary departments at the Public School last Monday morning. As there was not sufficient seating accommodation for this number, as such a large increase was not expected, the School Board met Monday evening and decided that no new pupils could be admitted until after the summer holidays.—Reformer.

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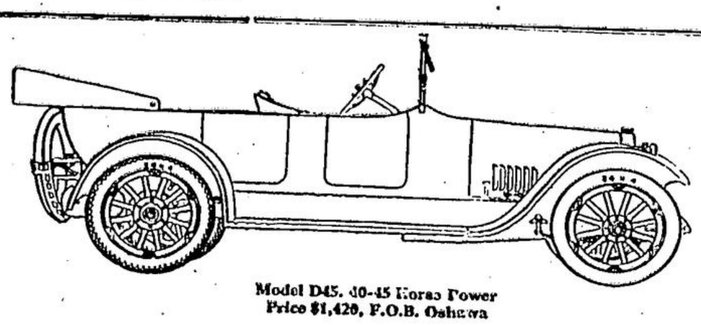

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