Births, Marriages and Deaths are now charged for at the following rates: Births 50c., Marriages 50c., Deaths 50c. Memorial Cards 50c. 10c. per line extra for poems.

BORN

LEWIS. At 232 Ashworth Avenue, Toronto, on Sunday, April 15th, 1917, to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Lewis, (Nina Frick) a son—stillborn.

DIED

BILTON—At the home of her parents, Acton, on Wednesday, April 11th, 1917, Bessie Francis, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bilton, Jr., aged 3 months and 4 days.

WOLVIN—At 30 Linden Street, Detroit, Mich., on Thursday, 29th March, 1917, Katie Stewart, wife of Burton C. Wolvin, aged 29 years.

LESLIE—On Thursday, April 12, 1917, at her residence "The evergreens," Georgetown, Mary Brown, beloved wife of the late William Leslie, Esquesing, in her 76th year.

QUANTIC—At the home of her brother-in-law, Mr. John A. Moffat, Mill Street, Acton, on Tuesday, 17th April, 1917, Margaret Mann, widow of the late James Quantic, in her 67th year.

The Acton Free Press.

THURSDAY, APRIL 19th, 1917

EDITORIAL NOTES

"MORE POWER behind the plow" is now the slogan which confronts Canada and the United States, echoed alike by both rural and urban populations. The urgency of utilizing every effort for production of foodstuffs has engaged the attention of legislators, business and professional men and industrial workers to such an extent that thousands of city dwellers will go upon the land at some period during the coming months to aid in the work of handling the crops.

AT THE First big conference held by the Liberals in Ontario since the granting of woman franchise, in Hamilton recently, women played an important part. They added not only a touch of color but they brought with them also a keen interest, sane judgment and good advice. The main topics of the conference dealt with various problems arising from the war, the question of returned soldiers and the inevitable difficulties coming in the reconstruction period."

ORDERS have been issued from the Immigration Department at Ottawa to the effect that no representatives of the doctrine of the late Pastor Russell are to be admitted to Canada, during the war. Numerous reports have reached the department as to the anti-recruiting sentiments of speakers of this cult and this action is deemed advisable at this time. The Russellites call themselves the International Bible Students Association, a name manifestly intended to deceive.

THE CONSPICUOUS TRIUMPHS at the front in the past ten days in which our Canadian soldiers have participated so splendidly, are being accomplished without the usual volume of human toll in killed, wounded and missing. The exact number of the casualties is not known. All four divisions are reported as in the movement, and on account of the numbers engaged the losses, comparatively, are said not to be large. Nevertheless, great sorrow has come to many homes throughout the dominion, owing to the fact that members of Canada's hero soldiers have paid the supreme penalty.

THE ADOPTION by the Dominion Government of reciprocity in wheat, flour and wheat products with the United States this week will be regarded as a most helpful measure. It is significant, however, that the Government which now adopts this policy came into power through their strenuous campaign against reciprocity. Advocates of reciprocity at last general election were declared to be disloyal citizens and it was freely declared that the adoption of that measure would "make Canada an adjunct of the United States." The Globe adroitly remarked on Tuesday: "The Conservative opposition to reciprocity was an election dodge; so is its surrender to reciprocity."

THE SESSION of the Legislature was prorogued last Thursday. Not for years has so much work been done by the Legislature in a seven weeks' period as was accomplished in the session recently brought to a close. There were also more night sessions than usual and, taken generally, the members stuck closely to business. Both the Government and the Opposition seem well pleased with the results. The former says they are glad to see Woman Suffrage on the statute books and they point to the greatly increased taxation of of the nickel companies and the generally buoyant condition of the province's finances. The Opposition on the other hand claims that the principal measures of the year were Liberal policies and that the province more and more is being governed by the Opposition. The laws passed this session which they claim are theirs, include Woman's Franchise, increased nickel taxation, First Aid in Workmen's Compensation, Loans for Agriculture purposes and control by municipalities of the production as well as the distribution of electrical power under the Hydro System.

ELECTRIC CARS ARE RUNNING

First Car Through Acton on the Toronto Suburban Railway

At last electric cars are running over the electric road from Toronto to Guelph, through Acton. It has taken four years to construct the road, but a regular schedule for passenger traffic will be in operation early in May.

The first passenger car over the new line arrived in Acton about nine o'clock last Thursday morning and reached Guelph at 9.40.

At Guelph a number of officials of the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board, and of the company, boarded the car for the return trip on a tour of inspection. In the party were Arthur Ingram, Vice-Chairman of the board; H. W. Middlemiss, Chief Engineer of the board, and W. C. Coo, Chief Stenographer; General Manager Royce of the Toronto Suburban Railway; A. F. Stewart, Chief Engineer of the Canadian Northern Railway; Ewen McKenzie, contractor of the road; C. C. Divine, of the C.N.R. staff, and H. T. Hagon, Chief Engineer of the Toronto Suburban.

Mr. Hagon, Chief Engineer, stated that the line would be open for traffic on Saturday but until the first of May there would be but one car a day. This will leave Guelph at 6.01 in the morning, and go straight through to Toronto, and return would arrive here about 6.15 p.m.

The official opening of the road will not take place for some little time yet.

SPLENDID RECEPTION TO REEVE HYNDS' SONS

Town Hall was Crowded with Citizens to Welcome Home Sergt. George and Sergt. R. J. Hynds

INTERESTING WAR EXPERIENCES

Reeve Hynds, Acton's chief magistrate, was justifiably proud and naturally happy as a result of the great reception tendered his sons, Sergt. George and Sergt. R. J. Hynds upon their return home from active service at the front as invalid soldiers, by our citizens on Monday evening. During the past year the Reeve has loyally welcomed the Acton soldiers as they have from time to time returned home incapacitated. The event on Monday evening was, however, unique, inasmuch, as the circumstances of two sons of a Reeve or Mayor returning together bearing the scars of battle, will probably be unprecedented elsewhere in the Dominion.

The returned sergeants are fine looking, well-set-up and muscle-hardened soldiers. Their two years under British military training and environment have given them the air of seasoned regulars. The fact of their being the first native-born soldiers to return from the trenches gave an added interest to the reception accorded.

Sergeants Hynds have returned home with honorable records for bravery and heroism to their credit. They enlisted as privates and both of them, by persistent effort and good conduct, won the promotion that soldiers generally covet. George was seriously wounded last September in the battle of the Somme by a German shrapnel shell after many months in the trenches. A frightful gash behind his right ear kept him in the hospital for months and resulted in the loss of hearing in that ear. Robert, as an intrepid stretcher bearer and first-aid officer, rendered valiant service in the rescue of wounded men from the field under fire. Finally, while helping a fatally wounded soldier from the field, amid the shower of bullets and shrapnel, he was obliged to take refuge in a water filled trench, where he and his wounded comrade laid for hours until darkness would enable them to get back to the base hospital. In the meantime the wounded man died. As a result of the exposure Sergt. Hynds spent months in hospitals with rheumatic fever. To the credit of the boys it must be said that in their interesting rehearsal of war experiences no reference was made to any personal valor. The facts of their unselfish efforts on behalf of others have come to light from other sources.

The reception at the hall was preceded by a parade of the Boy Scout Bugle Band, with a platoon of Boy Scouts as a guard of honor to the returned heroes, who, with their father and Chairman Havill, occupied a motor car.

At the town hall they were given an ovation by the citizens who crowded the hall, while the Methodist Sunday School Orchestra greeted them with a lively patriotic number. Mr. Geo. Havill, Chairman, in a neat speech welcomed the heroic guests of the evening and complimented Reeve Hynds upon the safe return of the sons for whose safety so many anxious months had been spent by himself and Mrs. Hynds. Rev. H. W. Avison, M.A., B.D., then sang a popular number in which reference to the Reeve and his soldier sons was cleverly improvised.

The returned soldiers were then called and Rev. J. C. Wilson, B. A., and H. P. Moore, J. P., were requested to address them. Cordial words of welcome and complimentary reference to their services as soldiers of the king were made, and at the conclusion Rev. Mr. Wilson presented to Sergt. Robert and Mr. Moore to Sergt. George gold watches properly inscribed, on the behalf of all the citizens of Acton.

In splendid speeches the soldiers each gave a rehearsal of their experiences in the war, with incidents of interest, and with sufficient witty references to show that a soldier's life is not a gloomy one, and that though there were trying times and experiences, and genuine sorrow for fallen comrades, good humor was always ready to bubble up. Their stories were exceedingly well told and were listened to with keenest interest by the large audience. The expressions of thankfulness at getting home again, and their appreciation of the cordial welcome and valued mementos presented were also heartfelt and timely.

The Misses Mason, who are always willing and always accorded vociferous greeting, then gave a couple of fine instrumental selections.

Dr. Gray spoke words of welcome and praise to the returned soldiers and emphasized strongly what they had said as to the great value of the work being done by the ladies of the Red Cross in providing comforts for the men in the trenches and in the hospitals.

Reeve Hynds, in very feeling words, thanked the citizens for the cordial welcome extended to his boys on their return from the war. Although he and Mrs. Hynds had spent many anxious months they had never for a moment regretted the boys had enlisted, were proud that they had endeavored to do their bit, and very thankful to have them home again. His family would never forget the welcome and the kind words spoken on this occasion.

The meeting closed with cheers for the heroes, for the king, and for our American allies.

Sergeants Hynds, though home on short furlough, have both been declared by the medical boards incapacitated for further service in the trenches. They will return to England to perform other necessary work behind the lines or at military headquarters.

CREWSONS CORNERS

The farmers have commenced plowing.

Last Wednesday afternoon, Laura, the little daughter of Mr. Chas. Lambert, sustained a very painful accident while spending the day at her uncle's, Mr. John Bennett's. She had been sent on an errand to a neighbor's and while returning, her uncle's horse came out on the road and he asked her to drive it back. She tried to but the horse ran and when passing her it kicked her breaking her right arm about the elbow and severely injuring her shoulder and collar bone. Her uncle ran to her assistance and carried her to the house where it was found that her arm had been fractured. He immediately brought her home and a doctor was summoned who set the broken arm. Laura is a bright little scholar and a general favorite with her playmates who are all sorry to hear of her accident and hope she will soon recover.

Miss Anna Wansborough returned home after spending a week with friends in Toronto.

Children Cry
FOR FLETCHER'S
CASTORIA

MILITARY NOTES

Pte. John L. Moore is now in France with the 24th Battalion Canadian B. E. F.

Among the dangerously ill and wounded announced in Monday's casualty list was the name of Pte. T. A. Short, of Rockwood.

Lieut. M. Scanlan, reported killed in action last week, was a son of Rev. Dr. Scanlan, of Port Elgin, and spent several years of his boyhood days at Ebenezer in Nassagaweya. Lieut. Scanlan was a newspaper man at Regina when he enlisted.

Mr. J. W. Kennedy, of Georgetown, received news on Friday that his son, Lieut. M. Kennedy, who was the popular officer in command of Acton Platoon last year, was wounded in the Vimy battle on Monday. A cablegram from Lieut. Kennedy himself on Saturday assured his parents that he was doing well.

The two beautiful banners of the 164th Halton and Dufferin Battalion were deposited in St. Jude's church, Oakville, for safe keeping, and are now suspended one on either side of the chancel. They are handsome pieces of work and will be admired by all who worship at this church. The wardens have insured them to the amount of $100.—Oakville Record.

A fitting tribute to the memory of the Canadian Engineers who have fallen at the front was that paid by soldiers and civilians alike at St Stephen's Church, Toronto, on Sunday at a special memorial service, to show public evidence of their esteem for the dead. The service was conducted by the Rev. T. G. Wallace, chaplain of the Divisional Engineers. The name of Sapper Warren G. Brown, of Acton, headed the list of forty-eight Canadian Engineers who have made the supreme sacrifice.

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W. F. STRONG, District Repres., Burlington.

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District Representative
Department of Agriculture
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