Births, Marriages and Deaths are now charged for at the following rates: Births 25c., Marriages 50c, Deaths 50c., Memorial Cards 50c. 10c per line extra for poems.

BORN

McLEOD—At Pittsburg, Pa., on Monday, January 7th, 1918, to Rev. J. W. and Mrs. McLeod, a daughter.

DIED

FARLOW—On Sunday, December 30, 1917, at her late residence, 66 Gwynne Avenue, Toronto, Rebecca Tock, widow of the late James Farlow.


# The Acton Free Press

THURSDAY, JANUARY 10, 1918


## MANY NEW SUBSCRIBERS

The number of new subscribers being added to the lists of the FREE PRESS these opening days of the New Year is highly gratifying. This shows that our efforts to make the home paper a live local newspaper in which all the news items and events of interest are chronicled from week to week, and in which those activities calculated to be of moral and material benefit to the community are freely advocated, are appreciated. New citizens coming to Acton find that the FREE PRESS is a fair representative of the best interests of its constituency and welcome its weekly visits to their homes. With a view to encouraging our subscribers to aid in introducing the paper to those who have not been acquainted with its merits as a local newspaper we are advancing the date of the subscription of each paid-up subscriber who sends in a new name with $1.50, for three months. A coupon in another column will facilitate sending in all such names.

## EDITORIAL NOTES

It is reported that the Government is contemplating putting potatoes on the free list. There is a considerable surplus in Canada, but a much greater one in the United States. Food Controller Hanna has sent out warning to wholesale dealers in potatoes that no increases in prices will be allowed. He says that if retailers are exacting excessive profits maximum prices will be set to limit them. The first prices of 75c and 90c per bag were too low to make potato-growing pay as it should, but the present prices asked are too high to encourage the extra consumption of potatoes, which is now needed for war-food economy.

The Duchesse d'Uzes has written for the January issue of Harper's Bazar a most inspiring tribute to France. Her article reveals that true and staunch patriotism which the French people as a whole have for their beloved France and which is the real reason why they have been able to withstand the great German onslaught. This article is illustrated with a significant photograph of the statue of Jeanne d'Arc before the Cathedral of Rheims. Despite all the storms of German shell which have battered the famous old cathedral into ruins, this statue still stands unscathed, a monument to the undying spirit of France.

At the very large and representative meeting of Liberal leaders of the province at Toronto last Thursday there was no difference of opinion in the matter of the selection of a new leader for the party to succeed the Hon. Newton Rowell, M. P., President of the Council of the Union Cabinet. The choice of the conference was Mr. William Proudfoot, K. C., M. P. P., representing Centre Huron, in the Legislature, whose nomination received the unanimous acclamation of the delegates present. Mr. Proudfoot consented to act as sessional leader until the close of the next Parliament, when a Provincial convention will be called to deal with the question of appointing a permanent leader, and deciding the general policy of the party on advanced lines in keeping with the spirit of the times. Mr. Proudfoot, the new leader, is an experienced debater, a close student of economics, and, in the best sense of the word, an advocate of social reform. He will worthily lead the Liberals of the province and be accorded general confidence and support.

Saturday evening's Toronto News in a leading editorial on the benefits of prohibition had the following: "On another page appears the statements of leading bankers, manufacturers and business men regarding the present buying power of the Canadian public and especially regarding the tremendous trade done during the recent holiday season. Despite the drain of the Victory Loan and the various war funds, and despite the high cost of living, the people have more money to spend than ever before. This condition is partly due to higher wages and improved returns for Canadian products, but business men are almost a unit in attributing the increased purchasing capacity of the community in large measure to the wholesome effects of Prohibition. It is the deliberate view of a Toronto banker that but for a year and a quarter of closed bars the wage-earners of this Province would have taken a comparatively small quantity of the Victory Bonds. They were enabled to subscribe because it has become their practice to deposit their money in the banks instead of in the saloons. A manufacturer declares that he has no more "bad Mondays" with his workmen. Many of them who often began the week tired out from a week-end's drinking are now readier for their tasks on Monday morning than on any other morning of the week. Grocers, shoe dealers, clothing merchants and others have similar stories to tell. The people are happier because of the abolition of liquor." This is splendid. It shows the complete conversion of the editorial columns of the News. This cannot be said of the advertising columns, however, for in the same issue no less than 2,205 lines of space was sold to six wholesale liquor stores in Montreal in which the virtues of their various brands of whiskies, brandies and gins were exploited.

## New Blood in Council and the Trustee Board

### C. Woodhall and George Barber Succeed Ex-Councillors Dailey and Smith

### D. C. RUSSELL AND J. RAMSHAW ARE THE NEW TRUSTEES

While there are no prominent new issues before the people relative to municipal matters the ratepayers are manifestly ready for a change in the personnel of their representatives at the Council and School Board. Mr. Bailey, who has served faithfully and efficiently for several years as a Councillor, was left behind in the election on Monday by a small minority. While this is quite consistent with Mr. Bailey's personal wishes, his retirement this year is a distinct loss to the town. Being a practical builder of experience he was acting, upon appointment by the Council, as inspector of works in the erection of the new shoe factory, which is to be rushed forward as soon as spring opens. Councillor Smith's retirement necessitated the election of a member to fill the vacancy.

Messrs. Woodhall and Barber have been elected with Messrs. W. R. Kenney, J. P., and D. A. Henderson, to bear the burdens of Municipal Government with Reeve Hynds for the year 1918.

Mr. Woodhall has proven himself a successful business man and will no doubt give due attention to the somewhat arduous duties of councillor. Mr. Barber has had municipal experience as an alderman in Vancouver, B. C. This will be of value to him in the position to which he has just been elected here.

The vote for Councillors was as follows:

| | Town Hall | Speight's | Total |
|---|---|---|---|
| Bailey ..... | 53 | 34 | 87 |
| Barber ..... | 57 | 67 | 124 |
| Henderson .. | 60 | 64 | 124 |
| Kenney .... | 48 | 65 | 113 |
| Woodhall ... | 59 | 73 | 132 |

The Council for 1918 will therefore be composed as follows:

REEVE
GEORGE HYNDS
COUNCILLORS
D. A. HENDERSON
W. R. KENNEY
C. WOODHALL
GEORGE BARBER

In the election for School Trustees there were six candidates—three of the former members: Messrs. John Kenney, John R. Kennedy and C. C. Speight, and for the new candidates, Messrs. Frank Gamble, James Ramshaw and D. C. Russell.

The vote polled was as follows:

| | Town Hall | Speight's | Total |
|---|---|---|---|
| Gamble ..... | 40 | 41 | 81 |
| Kennedy .... | 45 | 41 | 86 |
| Kenney .... | 43 | 46 | 89 |
| Ramshaw .... | 48 | 54 | 102 |
| Russell ..... | 46 | 46 | 92 |
| Speight ..... | 47 | 67 | 114 |

The Board for 1918 will be:

ROBT. SCOTT
ROBT. McPHERSON
JOHN KENNEY
C. C. SPEIGHT
JAMES RAMSHAW
D. C. RUSSELL

Mr. Ramshaw, having been nominated for the vacancy caused by the retirement of Mr. William Johnstone, will remain in office for one year. Messrs. Kenney, Speight and Russell were elected for a two-year term.

There is much regret that Mr. John R. Kennedy ceased to be a member of the Board. He has been a useful member for seven years, and two years ago was the honored chairman.

The Council will meet for organization on Monday next at 11 a.m., and the School Board on Wednesday evening next at 7 o'clock.

### NASSAGAWEYA

The election for reeve of Nassagaweya held on Monday was keenly contested. There was a fairly good vote polled throughout the township and at times considerable excitement was caused. The feeling was that it would be very close. The result of the poll is as follows: Carton—72, Campbellville; 41, Brookville; 33, Knatchbull. Moffat—61, Campbellville; 78, Brookville; 88, Knatchbull. Majority for Moffat 81. Mr. James W. Moffat is therefore Reeve of Nassagaweya for 1918.

Mr. Michael Baker was taken to the hospital in Guelph a week ago to undergo a treatment for stomach trouble.

Mr. Duncan Campbell, of Moffat, is laying in a good supply of logs at his mills. He is putting a lot of teams on at drawing logs this week.

The home of Mr. W. J. Akins, in which both Mr. Akins and Cecil have been the victims of pneumonia, is getting down to normal conditions again. Over a month ago Cecil was seized with this insidious disease. During his illness the father was more than usually exposed to the very inclement weather, and before Cecil was out of bed he was attacked. Both patients are now recovering satisfactorily.

### CHURCHILL

Mr. Thomas Ryder has leased his farm to Mr. Ross Burt, of Acton. Mr. Ryder will sell his stock and implements by auction on Friday, 25th inst.

Mr. Clinton H. Swackhamer's sale of surplus stock on Tuesday was a great success. Mr. R. J. Kerr, auctioneer, who now has his headquarters in Acton, wielded the hammer.

The neighbors of Mr. Wesley Warne whose residence on the fourth line was destroyed by fire a couple of weeks ago, called at his home last Friday evening and presented him with a purse containing $264. This neighborly act was greatly appreciated. It speaks well for the community. The Halton Fire Insurance Company has paid the $600 insurance carried on the building and contents destroyed. Mr. Warne will probably erect a new house on his farm this summer.

### HALTON COUNTY COUNCIL

**New Members from Burlington and Nassagaweya Take Seats**

Municipal elections in this County have resulted in the election of the following members:

ACTON—George Hynds, Reeve.
BURLINGTON—Hughes Cleaver, Reeve.
GEORGETOWN—H. H. Heartwell, Reeve.
MILTON—J. A. Little, Reeve.
OAKVILLE—A. S. Forster, Reeve; George Hillmer, Deputy Reeve.
ESQUESING—Alex. Joe, Reeve; Jas. L. Standish, Deputy Reeve.
NASSAGAWEYA—James W. Moffat, Reeve.
NELSON—Chas. Readhead, Reeve; Wm. Irving, Deputy Reeve.
TRAFALGAR—C. H. Turner Reeve; W. H. Morden, Deputy Reeve.

The two new members are Hughes Cleaver, B. A., Burlington, and James W. Moffat, Nassagaweya. Mr. Nicholson and Mr. Carton are the retiring members.


### R. J. KERR'S LIST OF SALES

Tuesday, 15th January—W. J. Somerville, Hillsburg, farm stock and implements.
Thursday 17th January—J. F. Young Hillsburg, stock and implement.
Friday, 25th January—Thos. Ryder, near Acton, stock and implements.
Thursday, 31st January—Wesley Murray, near Acton, surplus stock.
Friday, 1st February—Wurne Bros., fourth line, Erin, surplus stock.
For particulars as to sales address as above.
R. J. KERR,
Telephone 36 Young St., Acton


## The King's Appeal for a National Day of Prayer

**Was Observed Throughout the Empire By Christians of all the Denominations**

### UNION SERVICE HELD IN ACTON

The King's stirring appeal for a day of prayer throughout the Empire has touched the religious spirit of his people, and everywhere, from the battle-lines in France to the furthest outposts of British dominion, prayer for victory, for courage to continue on to victory, was raised. Wherever the British flag opened its folds to the breeze last Sunday loyal citizens of the Empire bent the knee in prayer. The churches of all denominations held their services consistent with the King's proclamation.

In Acton the appeal was reverently observed in all the churches on Sunday.

On Monday evening a union service was held in Knox Church in which the congregations of the Methodist Presbyterian and Baptist Churches all united. The service of praise and prayer was conducted by Rev. J. C. Wilson, B. A. The choir of the church led in the singing.

Rev. R. E. Jones, of the Baptist Church, read the prayer of Nehemiah, as recorded in Neh. 1, 5-11, as follows:

5. I beseech thee, O Lord God of heaven, that keepeth covenant and mercy for them that love him, and observe his commandments:
6. Let thine ear now be attentive and thine eyes open, that thou mayest hear the prayer of thy servant which I pray before thee now, day and night, and confess the sins which we have sinned against thee: both I and my father's house have sinned.
7. We have dealt very corruptly against thee, and have not kept the commandments, nor the statutes, nor the judgments, which thou commandest thy servant, Moses.
8. Remember, I beseech thee, the word that thou commandest thy servant Moses, saying, If ye transgress I will scatter you abroad among the nations:
9. But if ye turn unto me, and keep my commandments, and do them; though there were of you cast out unto the uttermost part of the heaven, yet will I gather them from thence, and will bring them unto the place that I have chosen to set my name there.
10. Now these are thy servants and thy people, whom thou hast redeemed by thy great power and by thy strong hand.
11. O, Lord, I beseech thee, let now thine ear be attentive to the prayer of thy servant, and to the prayer of thy servants, who desire to fear thy name.

Rev. R. H. E. Large, B. A., B. D., gave a brief but very impressive address on prayer and the reverent and thoughtful frame of mind we should observe as we approach God in communion and intercession.

A number of the members of the various churches present each offered prayer and in the praise service well-known intercessory hymns were sung, among them being that classic of all hymnology by Sir H. W. Baker, so appropriate to the occasion, and which has a place in all the newer hymn books of churches:

O God of love, O King of peace!
Make wars throughout the world to cease
The wrath of sinful men restrain.
Give peace, O God give peace again!

Remember, Lord, Thy works of old,
The wonders that our fathers told;
Remember not our sin's dark stain,
Give peace, O God give peace again!

Whom shall we trust but Thee, O Lord?
Where rest but on Thy faithful word
None ever called on Thee in vain,
Give peace, O God give peace again!

This interesting service closed with the National Anthem and the benediction.

### MILITARY NEWS

Lieut. A. C. McLurg, of Sault Ste. Marie, has arrived at London, Eng., from Switzerland. He was taken a prisoner at Ypres, in 1915, and transferred to Switzerland a year ago. He is in good health, and as director of a motor mechanical school at Vevoy, did useful work in training chauffeurs. McLurg sails for Canada shortly on leave. He will be accompanied by Mrs. McLurg, nee Miss Annie Corry, who has been with him in Switzerland the past year.

Lieut. Herbert Mervyn Kennedy, of the 20th Regiment and late of the 21st Overseas Battalion, who made so many friends in Acton when in command of Acton Platoon of the 164th Battalion, has been appointed to the staff of the 2nd Depot Battalion, 1st C. O. R. under Lieut.-Col. Baker at Exhibition Camp. Lieut. Kennedy was seriously wounded at Vimy Ridge and returned home to Georgetown last fall.

Lance Corpl. Fred C. White, Milton, has received his discharge from the Toronto hospital and is home and in mufti for good.

Lieut.-Col. Percy Domville, 164th Battalion, has been at home in Hamilton for some time and has been struck off the strength of the C. E. F.

A field card written on the French front on December 10th by Sergt. S. George, to the FREE PRESS says: "I am quite well."

Dr. George E. Moore, of Frankfort, Ind., in renewing his FREE PRESS subscription says: "The news of Acton boys at the front is always interesting. When 'Our Boys' from over here begin to return home from the front I hope we can give them such a splendid welcome home as Acton has been doing from the first. We have over 600 men enlisted from our county."

A rumor having become current that Corp. Fred Wright, Acton, had died from his wounds a friend telegraphed to Ottawa a few days ago for particulars of his case. The following reply was received: "Cable from England states: 'Officer in charge Woodcote Park Convalescent Hospital, Epsom, reports 11187 acting Corp Fred Lowden Wright, suffering from gas poisoning, dyspnoea, dry cough, slowly improving. Will be discharged from hospital in three weeks to command depot for physical training.'"—Director of Records.

A letter dated December 14th to the editor from Sapper Harold Nicklin says he was drafted to leave for France on the 16th December. He said the boys overseas follow Canadian events with much interest and their vote will very largely favor the Union Government. All of the Acton men are glad to get the FREE PRESS. He had a visit from Victor Coleman a day or so before writing.

Pte. S. George wrote from France on December 18th. He was billeted at a farm house just behind the lines, but expected to go back to the front line very shortly. As he wrote Pte. George Cook was sitting beside him. Though in different companies they manage to see each other often. He read in the FREE PRESS, which reached him regularly, and for which he sends many thanks to the kind friend who is sending it, that "Gus" Large and "Pussy" Williams are home. Lucky boys, he suggests. Best wishes are sent to all Acton friends.

Almost every trade and profession has its newspaper or journal looking after its special interests. There are several farm papers, but only one that can be truly called the Farmers' Business Paper. That paper is The Weekly Sun, Toronto. Every farmer who farms for profit should be a subscriber. The Sun will pay for itself many times over during the year.


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***Remnants! Remnants!***
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### CARD OF THANKS

The undersigned desires to thank the electors of Acton for their generous support in electing him a member of the Board of Education for his seventh year of service. As a citizen and as a father I am keenly interested in the cause of education in Acton, and will always do my utmost to advance these interests.

JOHN KENNEY

Acton, January 8th, 1918.

### NOTICE TO CITIZENS

Notice is hereby given that I have received instructions from the Municipal Council to enforce the By-law prohibiting the depositing of ashes on the streets of the Municipality. Offenders will from this date be prosecuted. W. J. REED, Municipal Officer.

### *NOTICE*

A meeting of the petitioners for the organization of a Horticultural Society for Acton will be held in the Town Hall, Acton, on

FRIDAY EVENING 11th FEBRUARY at 8 o'clock

The society will be organized under the provisions of the Horticultural Society's Act and officers elected for the first year.

C. H. BROWN, Chairman Protem

Acton, January 2nd, 1918

### *NOTICE*

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF
*Acton Fall Fair*
Will be held in the Council Chamber, at Acton,

THURSDAY, 17th JANUARY 1918, at 2.00 p.m.

Business—Election of Officers and Directors for 1918. Receiving the Annual Report of the Secretary-Treasurer and of the Auditors. And the transaction of such other business as may be necessary. A good attendance is requested.

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