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Y, APRIL 18, 1918

LOCAL ITEMS

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gardening weather this

boys are fishing for suckers

—Not much maple syrup offered yet. es are high.

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ful of the grass fires. They get beyond control.

up the boulevard facing your , as well as the lawn.

—Some venturesome gardeners have ready planted early potatoes.

—The farmers continue to keep Lasby's electric chopping mill very busy.

—April showers were never more welcome than those which came this week.

—Did you stay up until midnight on Saturday to turn your clock on an hour?

—Cultivate the vacant lots everywhere against the threatened food shortage.

—The buds on the lilacs, soft maples and others of the softer wooded trees, are bursting.

—Acton sent a fair quota of Sunday School workers to the District Institute at Ebenezer yesterday.

—Mr. J. A. Tracy, Township Clerk, has been appointed Labor Registrar for the Township of Esquesing.

—For riding his bicycle on the pavement in Guelph, Leonard Bain was fined $2.00 and costs on Saturday.

—"Cannot get along without the FREE PRESS. I enclose $1.50 for another year." Yours, A. S. R. Erin, Ont.

—The weather authorities claim this to be the earliest spring in seventy years. Bumper crops are looked for.

—J. H. Mackenzie has two cars of coal on the tracks here. Orders placed with Norman McLeod will be filled in rotation.

—Sunday was a glorious April day, with the temperature between sixty and seventy all day, and bright sunshine prevailing.

—With sugar so scarce and so dear what is to become of the succulent rhubarb pie so generally craved at this season of the year.

—Early to bed, early to rise, may not be any more popular than of yore, but it is almost imperative under the daylight saving law.

—Kitchener Bowling Club has made all returned soldiers honorary members of the club with all the privileges of the bowling greens.

—Muskrat skins are bringing unusually high prices now. Local trappers are securing large numbers this spring. The season is about over.

—The Toronto Suburban Railway has engaged L. E. Atkinson to deliver their express and freight to and from the station and patrons of the line.

—A few firecrackers caused a $15,000 fire in Toronto on Saturday in which two children were burned to death and seven firemen painfully injured.

—If you haven't advanced your clock an hour do it to-day and forget the standard time for the next six months. We are all supposed to live up to "National Time."

—Boys, it is a violation of the law to hang on to motor cars while riding a bicycle. For his own protection the motor driver may order you off, or lay information against you.

—Much indignation exists among the ratepayers of Guelph over the action of Assessment Commissioner Hastings in raising all the assessments to the full value of the property.

—The platform at the Toronto Suburban station has been enlarged and is now more safe and convenient. Electric lights and telephones have been installed in the station.

—Numerous new motor cars are to be seen here this spring, mostly owned by farmers. This is as it should be. To the farmer the motor car is a real labor saving and time saving institution.

—Mrs. T. W. Shaw, Blakelow Farm, Leslieville, Alberta, writes: "Enclosed find $1.50 for another year's subscription to the FREE PRESS. We never missed a single copy during the past year."

—It is announced that all convention certificate plan arrangements with respect to reduced fares on the railways this summer had been cancelled by the Eastern Canadian Passenger Association.

—The 30,000 leaflets in the six forms were received and were found to be very satisfactory. Enclosed find check for $134.25 to cover invoice for this lot of FREE PRESS printing." Yours M. M.——, Toronto.

—At a meeting of the session of Knox Church on Monday evening it was decided to hold the Sunday services at 12 a. m., and 8 p. m., and the Sunday School at 4 p. m., while the Daylight Saving Bill is in force.

—Mr. Arthur Lynde, teacher of singing, from the Hambourg Russian Conservatory, Toronto, teaches in Acton every Thursday. Studio at home of Mr. A. Anderson, Church Street. 40-8

ERIN

Rev. Mr. Lindsay was at Owen Sound last week attending a conference of representatives of the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches on the subject of overlapping charges in Grey, Bruce, Dufferin and adjoining counties.

On Friday evening, May 3, the play entitled "The Deestrick Skule" will be given in the Town Hall, Erin.

Mr. Jas. Binnie has gone on a trip to the West.

Messrs. Alex. McKinney and James Sharpe shipped four head of choice Polled Angus cattle to Mr. Chas. Binnie of Tregarva, Sask.

Mr. and Mrs. Stead, who have been in Toronto for the winter, have returned to Erin and are now residing in their own home, south end of the village.

Rev. J. Cross, commenced his Pastorate of the Baptist Church here on Sunday afternoon last, preaching a very able sermon.

The annual meeting of the Bible Society was held at the Disciples' Church on Monday evening, when an illustrated address was given by the Agent, Rev. W. E. Hazzard.—Advocate.

NEWS OF LOCAL IMPORT

New Market Garden for Acton

Mr. Albert Bishop has purchased from Mr. Robert Storey his house and two lots on Fairview Avenue. Mr. Bishop will operate a market garden, and intends eventually to erect greenhouses on the property and supply plants and flowers.

Changes in High School Standing

The Principal writes that Jack Kennedy, Ray Agnew, Harold Kennedy and Lloyd Kenney should have been reported to the FREE PRESS last week, as being in Class II, instead of Class III, and that Jack Waldie should have been given at the head of Class I, instead of Duff Wilson.

Last Sunday's Services Affected

The precipitancy of the adoption of the Daylight Saving Bill interfered rather seriously with attendance in the churches on Sunday. Many of the members of the congregations in the country had not received intimation that the plan was to be adopted for last Sunday's services.

New Light Needed on Main Street

Now that the Toronto Suburban Railway is being largely used by our citizens it is desirable that a street light be installed near the station. Being at the centre of the block, and as there is no light between Church and Agnes Streets, it is very dark at that point. The Council should take the matter into consideration.

New Machine Shop Building

The business of Messrs. Blow & Overholt, machinists and motor car repairers, Main Street, has grown to such dimensions that larger premises have been found necessary. They have therefore leased the bowling alley of Mr. D. Ross and this fine building is being converted into a shop for this business. The building is admirably adapted for the purpose. It is 24x90 feet.

Farmers Must Have Help

With seeding operations in progress, a great many farmers are working 150 acres without assistance, stated J. A. Miller, of the Provincial Farm Labor Bureau, Toronto. Farmers within a radius of 30 miles of Toronto are now engaged in seeding. Present indications are that seeding will be finished in this district two weeks earlier than last year. Mr. Miller states that the supply of farm workers is failing to meet the demand.

Brampton Minstrels—Junior Red Cross

The Junior Red Cross has engaged the Brampton Minstrels for a big entertainment on Thursday next, 25th inst. There are thirty people in the company, which includes the Ionic Male Quartette, James Esplin, Canada's versatile comedian; Jack Fallow, the great stump speaker; James Algie's superb orchestra. There will be a grand opening chorus by the entire company. The plan opens at Brown's Drug Store to-morrow. There will be a big rush for seats.

Women's Missionary Society Offering

The thank-offering meeting of the Methodist Women's Missionary Society last Wednesday evening was well attended. Members of the Presbyterian and Baptist societies were present. The address by Miss Annie Allan, B. A., missionary from Tokio, Japan, gave an interesting epitome of her work in this oriental city—the third city in population in the world. Miss Pearl Z. Baker sang the solo "I walked in the garden," and Misses Bertie Smith, Hazel and Lottie Mason sang a trio which all appreciated. Rev. Mr. Large presided, and Rev. Geo. I. Stephenson, B. A., Nassagaweya, took part in the devotional service. The thank-offering was $20.85.

Additional Red Cross Contributions

The amount of the Red Cross contributions reported in last issue of the FREE PRESS was $608.21. Since then the following additional sums have been handed to the treasurer, Mrs. Spencer Husband, Willow Street: Wm. Robertson, collected on the first line and town line from the crossroad down to Mr. Robert Campbell's, $46.00; Mrs. Bert Davidson on the second line from Lorne School to the Brick Church $10.00; Mrs. Frank Kennedy and Mrs. N. F. Moore, additional from W. H. Storey & Son's Glove Factory, $40.00; Mr. H. Gibbons, on third and fourth lines from crossroad to town line, $8.50. Total to date, $676.71. There are still several collectors to report. In the Main Street list Mrs. (Rev.) J. C. Wilson should have been given as collector in last week's report instead of Mrs. J. C. Nelson.

Busy Life of a Former Resident

One of the busiest men in public life in Canada to-day is Rev. T. Albert Moore, D. D., Toronto, General Secretary of Social Service of the Methodist Church. During the twenty-eight days ending on Monday of this week he travelled over 8,000 miles and visited Victoria, Vancouver, Calgary, Edmonton, Stettler, Red Willow, Regina, Virden, Winnipeg, Toronto, St. John, Truro, Halifax and Montreal. He addressed eleven congregations on the Sundays, one Rotary Club, two Canadian Clubs, three Social Service Committees, met 19 other committees, attended three annual meetings of Boards and conferred with numerous workers. Besides this over 250 letters were written by hand. Of the 28 days, 21 were spent on Pullman cars or on boats. Dr. Moore is a native of Acton and a former editor of the FREE PRESS.

Ontario "Earn and Give" Campaign

A good deal of interest has been created throughout the province by putting up to the boys the challenge as to who would be the first to sign a pledge in Ontario. The provincial organizer sent letters and pledge cards to all Boys' Workers whose names he could procure and they were mailed so that they would reach their destination as nearly as possible at the same time. April 2nd was the day of their arrival and the first boys in Ontario to sign up were as follows:

Manley Brant, Belleville, 8.59 a. m.
Walter Bennett, Toronto, 11.55 a. m.
Hulme Duffill, Toronto, 12.30 noon.
George E. Taylor, Acton, 1.40 p. m.
Austin S. Dunton, Paris, 3.02 p. m.

Each boy signing the pledge agrees to "earn and give" $10 during the next four months to enable the Y. M. C. A. to provide refreshments at the trenches for our soldiers. It is expected that at least 6,000 boys in Ontario will take this "Earn and Give" pledge.

Acton Lawn Bowling and Tennis Club

A meeting of the Acton Lawn Bowling and Tennis Club was held in the Council Chamber on the evening of the 4th inst., the President, Mr. Jno. Wood, occupying the chair. The following officers were elected for the season 1918:

Hon. Pres.—G. W. Beardmore.
Pres.—Wm. Arnold.
Vice Pres.—L. B. Shorey.
Sec.-Treas.—W. K. Graham.
Bowling Committee—W. J. Gould, Wm. McNabb, L. B. Shorey.
Tennis Committee—Miss Gray, Miss Renwick, Miss F. Brown, L. B. Shorey, W. K. Graham.

The Club appreciates the work of the retiring president, Mr. John Wood, who so capably performed his duties last year along with the added duties of Secretary-Treasurer. A vote of thanks was extended to Beardmore & Co. for the use of their modern tennis court, also to H. T. Arnold & Sons for the use of their splendid grounds. The club enjoyed a satisfactory year in 1917 and hopes to have a full membership for the present year.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

The Misses Mason visited friends in Toronto last week.

Mr. Charles Hynds was home from Toronto over Sunday.

Mr. Fred Williamson was here from Toronto for the week-end.

Miss Margaret Bennett was home for a couple of days this week.

Miss Lucy Gibson is home from Guelph for a few weeks' holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Wansborough, of Toronto, visited Acton relatives this week.

Miss Vannatter, of Georgetown, visited at Mr. Robert Bennett's, Lake Avenue.

Miss Mabel Howie, of Georgetown, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Brown over Sunday.

Miss Annie McCutcheon left Tuesday for Toronto to spend a month or so with her sister, Mrs. McDougall.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Mann, Mr. Herbert Mann, and Miss Sarah McDougall were at Stevensville this week on a motor trip.

Mr. Hugh Wallace, Knox Avenue, who has been in poor health for several months, has been critically ill the past few days.

Mrs. N. P. McLam returned from her visit to her daughter, Mrs. Cole, at Chatham last week. She was accompanied by one of her little grandsons.

Mrs. (Rev.) W. W. McDonald, of Toronto, arrived here on Tuesday and will visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Smith, fourth line, for a few weeks.

Miss Annie Allan, B. A., who addressed the Woman's Missionary Society last week, spent a couple of days with her friend, Mrs. Large, at the Methodist Parsonage.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Switzer, Georgetown, who recently purchased Mr. Charles E. Bailey's farm, have moved to their new home. They will soon find many friends in Acton.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. N. Morang, of Oakville, announce the engagement of their daughter, Louise Heaven, to Lieut. W. Harold Watson, formerly of the 75th Battalion and the C. M. C. Corps, son of Mr. and Mrs. William G. Watson, of Toronto. Owing to recent bereavement in both families the wedding will take place quietly at the end of April.

They all Like Reeve Cleaver

The wives of Burlington soldiers have presented Reeve Cleaver with a fine club bag and an address in which they expressed their gratitude for his energetic work in their behalf in connection with the Patriotic Fund allowances and in other matters connected with their welfare.

Newmarket Restores the Curfew Law

Newmarket Town Council has decided to enforce the curfew law in effect some years ago. From Monday, of this week, girls of sixteen and under, and boys fourteen and under, will have to be accompanied by a parent or other responsible person if on the streets after nine o'clock at night.

Breaking Windows and Fence Pickets

On account of the depredations of some boys who have been breaking windows in empty houses and smashing pickets on fences in Milton, the town council at its last meeting passed a resolution offering $10 reward for such information as will secure the conviction of boys guilty of this senseless destruction.

It Breaks the Reformer's Heart

The Milton Reformer says: "Some of our families in town are preparing to move to Vancouver, where there is a boom in ship building. Others are going to the Northwest, while some more are moving to Acton, where quite a number of Milton people have gone already this spring. It breaks our heart to see so many people leaving town."

Coming Departmental Examinations

The Departmental Examinations for entrance into Normal Schools and Faculties of Education will be held from June 14 to 20, for Model Entrance and Senior Public School Graduation, from June 14 to 24; for Senior High School Entrance from June 14 to June 24; for English-French Model Entrance, from June 14 to June 24; for Middle School Entrance into Normal Schools, June 24 to July 2; for Upper School Entrance into Faculties of Education, from June 20 to July 5; for pass Matriculation, from June 24 to July 5; for Honor Matriculation, from June 20 to July 5.

Oakville Keeps the Liquor Fine

Judge Winchester has dismissed with costs fixed at $25, the suit of the Toronto-Hamilton Highway Commission against the town of Oakville for $200, the amount of a fine imposed by Police Magistrate Shields on June 4 last, on one Vallance, and paid to the treasurer of the town. The commission claimed that they were entitled to all the fines collected. Vallance was penalized for having liquor in his auto while on the highway through Oakville. By an amendment to the Toronto-Hamilton Highway Act the commission is not entitled to fines for breach of the Ontario Temperance Act.

A Pro-German O. A. C. Student

Santiago Abadia, a resident of South America, who has been a student at the O. A. C. since last September, was arrested last Thursday at the college by Inspector D. H. Reynolds of the Immigration Department, and Friday morning in the Guelph Police Court was fined $100 and costs or two and a half years in the penitentiary, and ordered deported to his own country after he pleaded guilty to writing a letter to a friend in Colombia which contained matter objectionable under the War Measures Act. The letter was written in Spanish and intercepted by the Dominion Censor. Abadia paid the fine and was deported.

Halton County Labor Registrars

Registrars for farm laborers have been appointed throughout the county as follows:

Acton—W. J. Reid.
Milton—J. W. Crozier.
Oakville—W. K. Leggatt.
Burlington—W. F. Strong.
Georgetown—C. W. Grandy.
Nassagaweya—No appointment yet.
Trafalgar—Charles Hall, Trafalgar P. O.
Esquesing—J. A. Tracy, Esquesing P. O.
Nelson—J. F. Richardson, Milton.

All who wish to hire labor and all who are willing to be hired are asked to communicate with their nearest registrar.

Mount Forest Man's Expensive Trip

Wm. Iles, of Mount Forest, came down to Guelph on Sunday on a joy ride, with another man and two young women. In a hotel within sight of the police court he bought two bottles of whiskey from a man for $0.00. He got uproariously drunk. He was arrested on Wyndham Street. In court on Monday he was fined $200 for having liquor in his motor, $50 and costs for being intoxicated while driving a motor, and $10 and costs for being drunk on the street. His joy ride cost him about $300. The Magistrate remarked that probably by this time he fully realized that it did not pay him to tamper with the Ontario Temperance Act. It is possible that some persons who do not come from Mount Forest may gain real profit from Mr. Iles' experience.

OBITUARY

ALFRED H. WATSON

On Sunday, 7th inst. death came to the relief of Alfred H. Watson, for twenty-three years editor and publisher of the Creemore Star, after a prolonged illness. Mr. Watson was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. James B. Watson, who resided in Acton for a number of years. He was a life-long newspaper man and was publisher of the Meaford Monitor and the Creemore Star. Mr. Watson was a man of fine character and always exercised a good influence in the communities where he resided. He was a member of the Methodist Church and much interested in its activities. His daughter, Miss Winnifred, was for a couple of years a member of the teaching staff in Acton schools. Mrs. Watson, who was Miss Bertha E. Burchill, survives.

TORONTO MARKETS

Board of Trade quotations(Toronto delivery) Wednesday:—

Grain—			
Milling wheat	$ 2 14	to	$ 0 00
Goose wheat	2 10	to	2 12
Barley	1 60	to	1 62
Oats	0 98	to	1 00
Buckwheat	1 85	to	0 00
Rye nominal	0 00	to	0 00
Hay—			
Timothy	20 00	to	22 00
Mixed and Clover	18 00	to	20 00

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All Ready to Start with Stock and Implements

AT ACTON—60 acres right close in. Radial 5 minutes walk. Grand Trunk 10 minutes walk. High School across road. Stock of 10 dairy cows, implements, tools, etc., can be bought at a going concern. Fine large solid brick house, 9 rooms, furnace. Ploughing done. Soil sandy loam, a quantity of berries in good shape, small orchard, 2 spring creeks, fine large bank barn 48x64, good stabling. Price for farm $7,350, stock and implements $1,300. Will be sold immediately to wind up estate. Hurry if you want it.

Fine Old Homestead, Never Rented

176 acres. Acton 6½ miles. Erin Township. 130 acres workable, balance bush and pasture. 30 acres hardwood bush. Soil gravelly loam, not stoney. Solid stone house, 10 rooms. Bank barn 72x50, good stabling. Water in barn from windmill. Driving house, sheep house. School 2 lots. For Quick Sale $10,500.

A Bargain--To Wind Up Estate

100 acres Chinguacousy Township. 93 acres workable, balance bush and pasture. 3 acres orchard. Church across road, school ½ mile. Mono Road 1½ miles. 10 acres fall wheat, fall ploughing done. Soil clay loam free from stone. Plenty of water, spring and good well. Farm nearly level. 10 acres fresh seeding. Solid brick house 8 rooms. Frame barn 60x36. Frame stable, pig pen, implement shed. IMMEDIATE POSSESSION. PRICE $6,000.00, $1500 CASH.

Splendid Stock or Grain Farm--Extra Well Water--100 Acres

Acton 5 miles. Good buildings, School 1 mile. Solid brick house, 9 rooms, soft and hard water inside. Good bank barn 60x48. Stabling for 30 head cattle and 10 horses. 70 acres workable, balance pasture, 3 acres bush. New garage, good hen house. Water in barn. 24 acres seeded, ploughing all done. Driving house 28x34, windmill. Church 2 miles. All fine land. Soil light clay loam. 17 acres fall wheat. PRICE FOR IMMEDIATE SALE $6,500.

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46th ANNUAL STATEMENT

of the Result of the Business of the Bank for the Fifteen Months Ending 28th February, 1918

Bank of Hamilton

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

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J. P. BELL, General Manager.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

Balance at credit of Profit and Loss Account, 30th November, 1916		$209,656.57
Profits for fifteen months ended 28th February, 1918, after deducting charges of management, interest accrued on deposits, rebate on current discounts, and making provision for bad and doubtful debts		638,522.04
		$848,178.61
Appropriated as follows:		
Five Quarterly Dividends at the rate of 12 per cent. per annum	$450,000.00	
Pension Fund, Annual Assessment	$ 13,106.81	
Special Contribution	10,000.00	
	23,106.81	
War Tax on Bank Note Circulation	37,500.00	
Patriotic, Red Cross and Relief Funds	16,000.00	
Bank Premises Account	50,000.00	
		575,606.81
Balance of Profits carried forward		$272,571.80

Hamilton, 18th March, 1918.

GENERAL STATEMENT

LIABILITIES.

To the Public		
Notes of the Bank in Circulation		$ 6,127,111.00
Deposits not bearing interest	$10,771,669.63	
Deposits bearing interest, including interest accrued to date of statement	36,688,311.43	
		$53,359,981.04
Balances due to other Banks in Canada		44,154.65
Balances due to Banks and Banking Correspondents in the United Kingdom		058.30
Balances due to Banks and Banking Correspondents elsewhere than in Canada and the United Kingdom	3,191,407.61	
Acceptances under Letters of Credit	194,917.27	
		$59,918,659.91
To the Shareholders:		
Capital Stock paid in		3,000,000.00
Reserve Fund	$3,300,000.00	
Balance of Profits carried forward	332,431.80	
	$3,632,431.80	
Dividend No. 115, payable 1st March, 1918	90,000.00	
Former Dividends unclaimed	692.00	
		3,523,120.80
		$66,541,680.71

ASSETS.

Current Coin		$ 801,357.15
Dominion Government Notes		6,034,351.00
Deposit in Central Gold Reserves		2,500,000.00
Deposit with the Minister of Finance for the purposes of the Circulation Fund		157,000.00
Notes of other Banks		339,297.00
Cheques on other Banks		3,846,132.58
Balances due by other Banks in Canada		338,559.07
Balances due by Banks and Banking Correspondents elsewhere than in Canada		1,453,602.77
		$15,316,799.57
Dominion and Provincial Government Securities, not exceeding market value		3,795,775.38
Canadian Municipal Securities, and British, Foreign and Colonial Public Securities other than Canadian		7,561,330.33
Railway and other Bonds, Debentures and Stocks, not exceeding market value		674,841.02
Call and Short Loans (not exceeding thirty days) in Canada, on Bonds, Debentures and Stocks		3,437,456.13
Call and Short Loans (not exceeding thirty days) elsewhere than in Canada		1,400,000.00
		$29,616,152.26
Other Current Loans and Discounts in Canada (less rebate of interest)		33,134,198.55
Other Current Loans and Discounts elsewhere than in Canada (less rebate of interest)		575,196.00
Real Estate other than Bank Premises		407,625.84
Overdue Debts, adjusted loss provided for		175,642.30
Bank Premises, at not more than cost, less amounts written off		2,145,455.13
Other Assets not included in the foregoing		292,650.36
Liabilities of Customers under Letters of Credit as per contra		194,917.27
		$66,541,680.71

JOHN S. HENDRIE, President. J. P. BELL, General Manager.

AUDITORS' REPORT

In accordance with the provisions of Sub-sections 19 and 20 of Section 56 of the Bank Act, we report to the Shareholders as follows:

We have examined the above Balance Sheet with the books and vouchers at Head Office, and with the certified returns from the Branches, and we have obtained all the information and explanations we have required, and in our opinion the transactions which have come under our notice have been within the powers of the Bank.

We have checked the cash and verified the securities of the Bank at the Chief Office and at several of the principal Branches during the fifteen months covered by this statement, as well as on February 28th, 1918, and have found that they agreed with the entries in the books of the Bank with regard thereto.

In our opinion the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Bank's affairs according to the best of our information and the explanations given us, and as shown by the books of the Bank.

Hamilton, 18th March, 1918.

C. H. SCOTT, E. S. READ, } Chartered Accountants, Auditors.

OFFICIAL

Corporal (to soldier reporting sick): "What's the matter with you?"

Tommy Atkins: "Pain in my h'abdomen."

Corporal: "H'abdomen be 'anged! Stomick, you mean. It's h'only h'officers as 'as h'abdomens."

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