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**DIED**  
JOHNSTON—At Newmarket, Tuesday, July 9, 1918, Capt. J. Johnston, aged 62 years, 3 months.

STEWART—At his late residence, 100, 1st Street, Guelph, Robert Stewart, a native of Halton County, aged ninety years.

**MEMORIAM**  
WATERHOUSE—In loving memory of my dear wife, Mrs. John Waterhouse, who died in Action, July 18, 1917.

MRS. ALGER  
WATERHOUSE—In loving memory of my dear brother, Hiram H. Waterhouse, who died in Action, July 17, 1918.

BROTHERS AND SISTER.

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## Editorial Notes.

Vancouver women are taking the war seriously and doing their share in a practical way in providing for the inevitable food shortage. At a mass meeting of nearly two thousand women in that city the pledge was made to conform exactly to the requirements of the Canada Food Board and to apply the restaurant regulations in their own homes. Furthermore it was "especially resolved to discontinue any social functions which promote the consumption of wheat products, pork, sugar and fat."

When Benjamin Franklin and other Americans were planning the capture of Canada, their propaganda literature was printed in Montreal by a man named Fleury Mesplet, an old country Frenchman, who had been induced by Franklin to cross over to America and engage in printing, first in Philadelphia and then in Montreal. The literature was intended according to Lyman H. Jackes, who recounts Mesplet's adventures in the July Canadian Magazine, to induce the French Canadians to side with the invading American forces against the British. The scheme failed, but the journal started by Benjamin Franklin through Mesplet became the Montreal Gazette. It is a most interesting historical narrative.

Heavy penalties are provided for the non-observance of the food laws. An order-in-Council passed June 2nd says: "Any person violating any provision or any order or regulation of the Canada Food Board now or hereafter made in pursuance of the power invested upon it, is guilty of an offence and shall be liable upon summary conviction before a police magistrate or a Justice of the Peace to a penalty not exceeding \$1,000, and not less than \$100; or to imprisonment not exceeding three months" to fine and imprisonment." The enforcement of the orders and regulations of the Canada Food Board depends principally upon the patriotic co-operation of the municipal police authorities.

The fifth German offensive of the campaigning season of 1918 has been launched this week, and no body that already failure seems in sight. His gains at the inception of the drive were ridiculously small in comparison with the exertions of hundreds of thousands of assaulting troops who attacked along a front of almost sixty miles, but who at no point penetrated the Allied positions to a greater depth than five thousand yards, and in the region defended by American troops lost the ground they had won in the first rush and more than a thousand prisoners. Each succeeding day seems to prove the futility of the effort of the Hun forces to prevent the Allies' line on the western front. Their power is evidently waning, and the end will be disastrous to them.

President Wilson has coined a new epigram which is sure to be popular: "Politics is adjourned." Of course he did not mean that the administration of public affairs should be suspended, as they have been in misguided Russia. Nor did he intend to intimate that good men should not become candidates for political office. He was referring rather to the machinations and manipulations of partisan politics which would do so much power from the essential things to the non-essentials. Purely partisan politics will not for a long time get a hearing. Men are too busy. With the "anti-fascist acts" and the Federal government declaring that all able-bodied men must be regularly engaged in some useful occupation, Canada is in no temper for long bitter and interminable contests for political office.

The people of Acton have again ample reason for justification, and in the efficiency of our Public and High Schools. The results of the recent Entrance to High School and Lower School examinations are certainly gratifying. In the Entrance examinations every candidate from Acton jubilant school who was successful, Seventeen of the twenty-two passed with honors. One of the year took second place among all the candidates of the county. In the Lower School examinations for entrance to Normal School nine of the students of our High School were successful out of the nineteen who passed in the six High Schools and Continuation Schools of the county. This gives Acton over 26% of the successful candidates of the county. Had the candidates who wrote from all these schools passed in the name ratio as from Acton High School there would have been over forty successful in Halton County. For these splendid results great credit is due the principal and the members of his very efficient staff. Every teacher in the school contributes a share in the gratifying results attained. It is the grounding of the pupils from this primary classes upward which aids in their later examinations.

## All of the Acton Candidates Passed

The Recent Examinations for Entrance to High School

### NORMAL CANDIDATES SUCCESSFUL

It is highly creditable to the Acton School to mention that all the ten normal candidates from Acton here, that every candidate from Acton School who wrote at the entrance examinations in June was successful. Another feature which deserves notice is the fact that over seventy per cent of the Acton candidates passed with honors.

This successful list of candidates is as follows:

PASSED—With Honors

H. L. ANDERSON

E. E. BROWN

V. L. HURST

A. L. JAMES

J. C. LINDMAY

R. H. MCNAUL

R. H. NELSON

MARTHA OHRE

JACK ROBERTSON

WILLIAM ROBINSON

JESSIE RUSSELL

ESTHER STAICMAN

GEOHGE TAYLOR

PAUL WALLACE

MAI WILDEBUTT

PASSED—With

IDA M. BEECHICK

MARY CAINNOCHAN

ELsie LAPPAN

JESSIE MANN

JOSEPH MCLEOD

ELIZABETH WATKINS

(Passed on account of farm work, in addition to her standing.)

The following candidates from outside schools who wrote at Acton were successful:

DUBLIN SCHOOL—Miss McCleac teacher,

MATTHEWS MCNAUL (Honors)

MARY GIBSONS

CHETA STEWART

NELLIE STEWART

SCHOOL NO. 7, NANASAGAWEA—Miss Mc Kinlay, teacher.

EDNA HILL

MARY KIRKWOOD

ANNIE McCAW

MILDRED NORRISH

SCHOOL NO. 6, NANASAGAWEA—Miss Christina Henderson, teacher.

NORA SMITH

Of the 39 candidates who wrote at Acton, the above 30 were successful.

At Acton centre the three candidates taking the highest marks were: Esther Kirkwood, Esther Johnson and Margaret McLeod, all of Acton.

In the whole county the highest marks were made by Dorothy Cox, of Oakville; the second by Esther Starkman, of Acton; and the third by Dorothy George, of Georgetown.

Certificates will be sent to the successful candidates during this month.

Normal Graduates.

At the Provincial Normal School examinations Miss Alicia O'Brien, of Acton, secured second class standing and Miss Dora Harvey, Acton, third class.

### LOWER SCHOOL EXAMINATIONS

Nineteen Passed in Halton County of Whom Five Were Acton Students

The candidates named below who wrote in Halton County have passed the Lower School examination for entrance into Normal Schools and Provincial Schools of Education.

In addition to the above they require to pass the Middle School examination before they can be admitted to the Normal School and the Secondary examination before they can be admitted to the Faculties of Education:

L. H. ANDERSON

G. ANDERSON

J. C. ANDREW

J. E. BROWN

A. E. HILYER

M. T. IRWIN

D. L. JONES

J. I. MOVAT

J. I. MARSHALL

M. L. MAXTED (Honors)

G. M. MCNAUL

G. SINCLAIR

M. L. SCOTT

C. W. SEENET

G. E. D. VICKON

J. L. WILCOX

M. T. WHITE

E. K. STEWART (el. sc.)

OT those named above the following are those named in the following Lower School Action:

CLARA H. LANTZ

JESSIE L. MOWAT

G. E. DUFF WILSON

J. E. STIGWART

In addition to those listed above a number of candidates are qualifying for certificates under the farm certificate regulations. They have passed local examinations at Easter and are now employed on farms. On the submission to the Deputy Minister of satisfactory evidence of three months continuous work on farms, the certificates to which they are entitled will be issued.

## OBITUARY

CAPT. JAMES JOHNSTON

At the ripe age of 52 years, Capt. Johnston, Newmarket, passed away on the 12th instant. He was a man of fine character and during his long residence in Guelph enjoyed the highest esteem. During the period of 1891 the Capt. was an active member of the militia. He died later he delighted to recount in vivid detail the experiences of these exciting days. He was a man of stern character and a high sense of duty. The community was always to him betterment. He was a member of the Methodist Church. Interment was made at Greenwood Cemetery, Georgetown, on Thursday.

The Manitoba department of agriculture has announced plans which are expected to increase the wheat production of that province in 1919 by 6,000,000 bushels. "Hoovers" have been appointed, one in every provincial riding, to encourage the farmers of these agricultural areas to break as much land as possible this summer. An average acreage in wheat acreage of at least five acres per farm is the objective.

Prudner Lloyd George's statement at the Canadian Press dinner of the future position of self-governing dominions in deciding imperial, foreign, military and peace policies was of the greatest significance and importance. The self-governing dominions have been advanced from wardship to partnership. To the Canadian Ministers the announcement was very gratifying as a recognition of the Canadian growth, valor and sacrifice and indicates as nothing else has done since the war broke out the trend of sentiment in the United Kingdom toward the self-governing nations within the Empire.

## Neighborhood News—Town and Country

Items of Interest from Various Localities Covered by the Free Press

ROCKWOOD

The following candidates were successful at the entrance examinations at Rockwood Public School. Mr. P. Dakin, teacher, received the highest marks, that every candidate from Acton School who wrote at the entrance examinations in June was successful. Another feature which deserves notice is the fact that over seventy per cent of the Acton candidates passed with honors.

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GEORGETOWN

Mr. H. P. Lawson is erecting a new planing mill on his property on Water Street.

A knitting afternoon was held on the 12th inst. Mrs. W. McLean on Friday, July 12th.

Our local Orange Lodge, accompanied by the band, celebrated at Erin on the Twelfth.

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Miss Kathleen Gibbons, teacher, is home from Hamilton for the holidays. The aspidistra plant of rye on the north lawn of her house in the Woods is in full bloom. The flowers are white and the leaves are green.

More of our farmers are contented than ever in making a living.

Mr. James L. Smith, who has been in poor health lately, enjoys a drive out to Hannock Creek and Cedar Creek Farm, the scenes of his earlier days.

The bridge on the fourth line, at Paul Kennedy's, which was washed away last spring is being replaced.

The culverts and bridges cost the Township Council a large sum.

BURLINGTON

Burlington Orangemen held a picnic at Wahabao Park on the 12th.

The Methodist Sunday School held their picnic to Oakland Park last Saturday.

Local dealers are selling Government fish, fresh lake trout and white fish at 10c per pound.

Mr. G. S. Simpson and family motored from Bradford, Pa., and spent the past week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. Simpson, in the Boston area.

The yield of soldiers garrisoned at Fort York on July 4 reported two days later for service at Niagara Camp. On the tenth of the month he was married in the church of St. Peter's, Oakville. It was only owing to the great unavailability of the marriage that the marriage was conducted so quietly and without the customary festivities.

After the service, which was conducted by the Rev. J. A. Strachan, who was at Niagara to witness the departure of the boys from his home church, the young couple joined the ranks of the corps and marched to the train already awaiting the troops.

MISSING PERSONS

Miss Jean Rozel, of Ballinafad, visited St. Catharines Saturday and Miss Linda Lindsay is in town for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. John Newton are visiting Mrs. Newton's parents in Brantford.

Mr. (Dr.) Sutherland and son, Gordon, are visiting Miss Mary Lindsay.

Miss Daisy Nickell, of Toronto, is in town this week with Miss Hannah Newton.

Miss Clark, children of Toronto, are visiting at the home of Mrs. H. E. Scott.

Mrs. E. Sleath and Miss Reba, of Toronto, visited at the home of Mrs. James Grant.

Miss Steele Shaw is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. G. E. Polkinghorne.

Mrs. Bert Price and children, after spending a few days with friends, have returned home after spending a few days with their mother, Mrs. Janice Dowell.

Mr. Kirkpatrick had the misfortune to fall and break her right arm on Saturday evening. The old lady has the sympathy of the people of the vicinity.

CREWBON'S CORNERS

Mrs. Fred Bassett spent the Twelfth in Toronto.

Mr. Oliver Green, Guelph, visited friends here on Sunday.

Mr. H. H. Johnston, Galt, visited at Mr. C. Crawford's.

Miss Marjory Banks, Toronto, is visiting at Mr. Fred Bassett's.

Nelson Lambert, Acton, spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Alex Cripps.

Mrs. Chester McLean and Miss Mary Murdoch, Guelph, visited at Mr. George McLean's last week.

Miss Maude Gledhill, Miss and Mrs. Moore, Guelph, visited at Mrs. McIntosh's on Sunday.

Miss Mary McLean, of Guelph, visited here on Sunday.