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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1918

Brief Local Items

—September—ninth month.

—Save seed for next spring's sowing.

—The daylight saving period ends on October 31.

—The grain harvest is now about over and autumn is upon us.

—The 10th Royal Grenadiers' Band, of Toronto, will play at Acton Fall Fair.

—Wednesday's splendid rain was of much benefit for the fall plowing and seeding.

—In all probability the Government will fix the date for Thanksgiving Day in November this year.

—M. Crowson is drilling a well on the R. Noble property on Mill Street. It's hot for oil this time.

—The Toronto Fair has about run its course for another year. Now prepare for Acton Fall Fair—open to the world.

—Citizens are already sending out invitations to their friends to visit the during Acton Fall Fair, September 24 and 25.

—At a special meeting of Esquesing Township Council last week J. A. Tracy, of Stewarttown, was appointed Fuel Controller for the Township.

—Mr. T. James Moore, City Clerk, Guelph, who is also Fuel Commissioner for the city, has had over 3,000 applications for coal within a few weeks.

—Mr. John Walters has sold his brick house and two lots on Park Avenue, to Mr. Ambrose McCann for $2,200. Mr. McCann gets possession this month.

—Sam J. Stauffer, the fisherman, had the misfortune to have three ribs broken on Monday when his horse ran away and the wheel of his delivery rig passed over him.

—A number of copies of last issue lost their labels in the mails and were returned. Any subscribers who failed to receive a copy will be promptly supplied if they will notify this office.

—The "Keep to the Right" indicator at the intersection of Mill and Main Streets is teaching motorists valuable lessons, and will tend to demonstrate how trouble may be avoided when they visit the cities.

—The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Institute will be held in the Council Chamber on Friday, September 6, at 3 o'clock. All members interested in the motor trip are requested to be present.

—Rev. Dr. Daniel Strachan, of Toronto, son of the late Rev. D. Strachan, of Rockwood, has been engaged to look after the social welfare of the employees of the Imperial Oil Company of Canada at a salary of $6,000 per year.

—The September issue of Rod and Gun is full of good things, stories and articles instructive to the sportsman, whether he be fisherman, gunner, dogman, or just plain out of doors man. W. H. Taylor, Limited, Publishers, Woodstock, Ontario.

—Mr. Aldridge, choirmaster of the Riverdale Methodist Church, Toronto favored the Methodist Church last Sunday evening with a solo, "One Sweetly Solemn Thought." Mr. Aldridge was the guest of his sister, Mrs. (Rev.) E. P. Maunsell at St. Alban's Rectory.

—Ontario Soldiers of the Soil Headquarters has reported that "Ontario farmers everywhere are enthusiastic about the boys' services. The boys are making good. 9,000 boys from cities and towns and as many more farm boys are working as Soldiers of the Soil in Ontario."

—An Erin farmer claims a whip was stolen from his carriage in the Methodist Church shed last Saturday evening. He suggests the Church Board should keep electric lights burning in the shed and arrange for protection of farmers' property while left there. The church sheds in town are all supplied free to all who use them. Is free light and constant oversight also expected?

—Labor Sunday was observed in the churches on Sunday and the large place in the community occupied by the men who toil was given recognition in special sermons. Labor Day was observed as a public holiday. The weather was delightful, until the rain came on in the evening. Acton had numerous visitors, but hundreds of our citizens spent the day at Toronto fair.

MILITARY NEWS

Pte. Ernest Barr was home from Niagara Camp over the week-end.

John H. Walker has donned khaki at London Camp and is now a member of the 1st Depot Battalion there. Jack is thirty-nine years of age.

Gunner Arthur Plant, who received serious wounds while in action in France last October, is still in the hospital in England. He sustained five wounds. Pieces of shrapnel have been removed from his stomach and leg recently.

Sergt. Clifford Rice, son of Lester Rice, of Saginaw, Mich., formerly of Acton, who is with the American army in France, was wounded in one of the recent big engagements. His wounds are in the shoulder and hand. He is in a military hospital in France.

The 164th appears to have been in the thick of the fighting lately, judging from the number of casualties. So far only two casulties have been reported among our Acton boys who were in that Battalion—Pte. Arthur Watson, gassed; Corp. Thomas Bennett, gunshot wound in leg.

Mr. Robert Bennett, Lake Avenue, received a message from the Militia Department at Ottawa on Tuesday saying: "Lance Corp. Thomas Edward Bennett, infantry, admitted to General Hospital, Boulogne, August 27; gunshot wound in right leg." This is the second time Corp. Bennett has been wounded in action.

A letter received yesterday morning from Pte. J. P. Scarrow, who has been in No. 12 Canadian General Hospital at Bramshott, England, for some time, says that a medical board there has decided he is unfit for further service overseas. He is being invalided back to Canada and expects to go into a military hospital here. He expects to reach home in a week or two. Pte. Scarrow is greatly disappointed at not being able to serve in France.

News of Local Import.

A Gum of Money Found

A man giving the name of J. H. Cohen called at this office yesterday to say he had found a sum of money on the fifth line. Mr. Cohen gave his address as Acton post office. The loser may secure his money by writing him at that address.

Union Services Again Next Sunday

Next Sunday the Baptist and Methodist congregations will meet together for worship during the day. The morning service will be held in the Baptist Church and the evening in the Methodist. Rev. I. M. Moyer will preach at both services. Rev. Mr. Jones is spending the week with Toronto friends.

Bees Swarmed on Erin Woman

One day last week when Mrs. W. Jackson, 7th line, was out in the field, a swarm of bees which was passing over, dropped on her. She fought them off as best she could and ran for the house, but was in a critical condition for several hours from the effects of the stings. Medical aid was necessary.—Advocate.

Appeals for the Seamen's Fund

Stirring appeals for a generous response to the call for funds for Sailors' Week were delivered from the various pulpits on Sunday and fitting reference was made to the important service rendered to the allied nations by the men who go down of the sea in ships. The canvass for funds will be made in Acton and vicinity during the month.

A Tuesday Morning Experience

In a number of homes in town little girlies were prepared for school for the first time on Tuesday morning. The soliloquy of the kiddies was naturally along this line: "Now, dollies, I'll have to leave you; I am six years old, you see. If I don't learn to read and spell, you'll be ashamed of me. I know the lessons will be long and hard, but I shall always try. Do you s'pose if the birdies didn't they'd ever learn to fly?"

Collided with Acton Motor at Kitchener

On Monday evening as Mr. Robert Leahy was driving a rink of bowlers home from Kitchener a motor coming toward them ran head on into his car. Mr. Leahy had driven to the side of the road nearly into the ditch, and the driver of the other car appeared to lose control. Both cars were badly damaged. The front axle of Mr. Leahy's car was broken. Mr. Robert Scott was the only person who received any injuries. He was thrown out of the car and had his right leg badly bruised and the ligaments strained in the groin. He is very thankful, however, his injuries were not worse. The other car was clearly responsible for the accident.

Seizure Caused Some Consternation

Respecting Inspector Hirvey's seizure of liquor at Oakville the Record says: "There has been much conjecture about town as to who could possibly have been the consignees. It is the opinion that an organized gang, some of the members of which are residents of Oakville, were behind the scheme. The goods would be divided and part of it would no doubt go to Hamilton and perhaps some of it to Toronto. The gang are just about $1,000 out on the deal. Inspector Harvey did not have any trouble during his all-night vigil, though one man approached him and asked him if Parkin was around. Just the same there was consternation in a certain camp in town, and with half a chance some of the stuff at least would undoubtedly have mysteriously disappeared."

Careless and Illegal Shooting

Several complaints have been laid before Chief Lawson of the careless use of firearms on the shores of Fairy Lake. Last Friday a 32-calibre bullet came through one of the windows of Mr. Lawrence Williams' residence on Lake Avenue, passed across the room and struck a door. Last Sunday there were several ducks on the pond and rifle shots were heard several times. A short time ago a couple of young folks were rowing on the lake when a bullet passed between them and into the water. The Chief is determined to put a stop to this dangerous practice and will prosecute any who are guilty. Shooting at ducks in the close season is punishable with heavy penalties. Shooting on Sunday is a violation of the Lord's Day Act and is also likely to be followed with fines and costs.

OBITUARY

MRS. ROBERT BEATTY

Matilda Cunningham, widow of the late Robert Beatty, Limehouse, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. James Plant, Glen Lawson, on Saturday, after an illness of six or seven months. She had reached the ripe age of 82 years. Mrs. Beatty was the daughter of the late James Cunningham and was born in Trafalgar. Mr. Beatty pre-deceased her twenty-five years ago to a day. His death was the result of an accident on the Lindsay farm at Limehouse, when the hay rack fell after being elevated to the mow for unloading. By the fall he was paralyzed and death followed nine days later. Mrs. Beatty was the mother of seven sons and one daughter, of whom the following survive: Mrs. James Plant; Archibald in British Columbia; James in Milwaukee; William and Robert in Hammond, Ind.; Fred and Arthur in the Northwest. The funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon to Limehouse Cemetery.

MRS. ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL

At the good old age of eighty-one years Margaret Stewart, widow of the late Archibald Campbell, of Acton, passed away at Guelph on Friday, 30th August. The funeral was held here on Monday afternoon from the home of Mrs. W. J. Gould, Bower Avenue. Rev. J. C. Wilson, B. A., conducted the funeral service. Rev. Mr. Wilson was Mrs. Campbell's pastor here for a number of years. He spoke in very high terms of her Christian character and her active interest in all church work. Deceased was a daughter of the late Robert Stewart, of the Scotch Block, Esquesing, and a sister of Robert Stewart, Guelph, who died a month ago. Her first husband was James Laidlaw, Esquesing, a brother of the late Rev. Dr. Laidlaw. She married the late Archibald Campbell, J. P., about 46 years ago. Mr. Campbell died here twenty years ago next May. Two children by her first husband survive, Mrs. Annie L. Purvis, Edmonton, and John Laidlaw, Vancouver. Mrs. Campbell went to Guelph eight or nine years ago and resided until a few months ago at the Elliott Home. She was a woman of superior character, and was always interested in the success of her church and of the missionary cause. Among those who attended the funeral from a distance were her stepsons, Robert Campbell, Kincardine; Donald Campbell, Winnipeg; Hugh Campbell, Moffat; Mrs. Sutherland, Calgary; Mrs. Snow, Hamilton; Dr. Lowry, Mrs. Bilger and Miss Stewart, Guelph; Robert Stewart, Milton; Mrs. George Hume, Mrs. John McDermid, Mrs. Elmer Robertson, Miss McColl and Mrs. Laidlaw, Georgetown.

Social and Personal

Miss Myrtle Clarridge is holidaying at Inglewood.

Miss Allie Kirkpatrick, of Toronto, visited Acton friends.

Miss Lettie Scott visited friends at Galt during the week.

Mr. Fred Warren spent several days with friends in Toronto.

Miss Ella McPherson was home from Toronto over the holiday.

Miss Ruby Clark went to Toronto on Monday for her school duties.

Mrs. Malcolm McDougall and Donald spent several days in Toronto.

Mr. Fred Funk, of Toronto, spent the week-end with Acton friends.

Mrs. Neil McNabb and children have been visiting friends in Wingham.

Miss Ivy Littley is spending a couple of weeks with friends in Toronto.

Miss Edna Johnston is spending a week or so with friends in Norwich.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wallace and daughter were here for the holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil McDonald spent last week at Dunnville and Toronto.

Miss Francis Kenney has been visiting friends in Toronto during the week.

Misses Mabel and Clara Workman, of Kitchener, visited Acton friends this week.

Mr. Carlos Williams, of Sault Ste. Marie, visited at his father's home this week.

Miss Dora Harvey left on Monday for Markdale to take up her duties as teacher.

Miss Margaret J. McDonald returned to her school duties at Sutton on Monday.

Mr. W. E. Hamilton, of Norwich, spent the week-end at the home of Mr. R. J. Johnston.

Miss Gladys Renwick, of Galt, spent the holiday with her sisters, the Misses Renwick.

Mr. Eric Martin, of Inglewood, spent the week-end at the home of Mr. A. G. Clarridge.

Mr. Campbell Clark, of Watford, has been spending a week or so at his home here.

Miss Jean Duncan, of Sarnia, was a guest at Mr. Alexander McDonald's this week.

Mr. Chas. A. G. Matthews, and Miss Mildred were guests of Acton relatives this week.

Mr. Charles W. Mason and Miss Eleanor of Kitchener, were here over the holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. McPherson spent several days last week visiting Toronto friends.

Miss Elsie Stewart returned on Saturday from Wingham, where she spent several months.

Mr. H. R. Campbell, of Hamilton, spent the holiday at the home of Mr. Wm. Landsborough.

Mrs. R. E. Nelson, Guelph, spent several days last week with Mr. and Mrs. James L. Warren.

Mrs. James Dashwood and Ronald, of Dunnville, visited at Mr. Neil McDonald's during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Henderson and Kenneth and David, of Galt, were here for several days during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Worden and their little daughter, of Fergus, spent a few days at the old home during the week.

Miss Florence Holmes returned from Ottawa on Monday and went to Toronto to resume her duties as teacher next day.

Mr. William K. Near, of Detroit, Mich., arrived in town on Monday. Mrs. Near and children returned home with him.

Mrs. W. H. Stewart and Mary and George returned home last Thursday from their holiday at Bluevale and other points.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Mason, Alton, and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Mason, Brantford, were guests this week at Mr. Wm. Mason's.

Mr. Joseph Hynds, son of Reeve Hynds, has taken a position in Toronto with the Norwich Union Insurance Company.

Lieut. Lindsay Sutherland, who recently returned from active service in France, was a guest at Mr. N. F. Lindsay's on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Erwin, of Rochester, N. Y., were guests of Mrs. Robert McPherson, Bower Avenue, during the week.

Capt. Arthur A. B. Kenney, D. D. S., of Brandon, Man., Camp, is spending a few days at the home of his father, W. R. Kenney, J. P.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Mann and children and Mrs. James McDougall spent a few days with friends at Stevensville during the week.

Messrs. J. Snider and F. Swackhammer, of Acton, spent Sunday in town, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Griffin.—Erin Advocate.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Bailey returned last week from their extended trip through the Northwest. It is hoped they will now be able to secure a home and settle in Acton.

Mr. H. L. Thurston, of Silver Creek, N. Y., father of Mr. Anson Thurston, visited Acton friends this week. It is over thirty years since Mr. Thurston left Acton.

Master Charles Selwood, who spent the summer with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Nicklin, Bower Avenue, left last week with a friend of his parents for Calgary, Alta.

Miss Elsie Poole, of Loretto Academy, Guelph, who was visiting for a few days at the home of Mrs. Martin Kelly, has returned to the Academy to resume her studies.

Mrs. F. A. McLean and babe, of Watford, who has been visiting at her father's home during the past month, returned home last week. She was accompanied by her sister, Miss Alice Johnstone.

Mr. Matthew McCann, of Toronto, spent the holidays with relatives here.

Mr. James McCague, of Rochester, N. Y., spent a couple of days this week with his sister, Mrs. J. J. Kennedy, Main Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Kannawin and Mr. and Mrs. James Kannawin, of Shelburne, motored to Acton on Sunday and attended Knox Church where the Messrs. Kannawin attended service during their boyhood days.

Mr. Alex. Campbell, a former foreman of the Free Press, was in town for a brief visit this week. Since leaving Acton Mr. Campbell has been quite a traveller. He has held positions in Honolulu, in Sydney and Melbourne, Australia; in London, England, and in Calgary and Winnipeg. He expects shortly to return to Winnipeg.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Harker, Orillia, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Cunningham, of Galt, Mr. W. Cunningham, Port Credit, Dr. and Mrs. Gibson, Hillsburg and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Plant, Stanfordh, attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Beatty on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. White, of the Reformer, Milton; Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Harris, of the Gazette, Burlington; Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Fleuty, of the Record, Oakville; Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Moore and Miss Aileen, of the Herald, Georgetown; Mr. Wm. Panton, of the Champion, Milton, and Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Moore and Miss Clare E. Moore, of the Free Press, Acton, were guests of the President and Directors of the Toronto Fair on Press Day.

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