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Saturday's rain brought down the leaves in great quantities.

Neighboring sympathy is sometimes about nine-tenths curiously.

A good many potatoes were dug from the war gardens on Thanksgiving Day.

As a precaution against influenza, the Sunday Schools were closed last Sunday.

It isn't always necessary to tell your wife everything—she thinks she knows it.

Possession of Victory Bonds is an evidence of patriotism and of good business sense.

Trade is lively in turnips and potatoes now. Carload shipments are going out daily.

When so many have given their men you can't withhold your money? Buy Victory Bonds.

Aeroplanes have been passing over town this week. One came very low on Monday morning.

The Toronto Suburban station has been whitewashed. The painters are expected in a few days.

An unusually bright rainbow appeared about eight o'clock this morning. Did you see it?

Rev. Mr. Law, of Galt, occupied the pulpit of Knox Church on Sunday. His sermons were both inspiring and helpful.

Thanksgiving Day was a glorious fall day with lots of sunshine. The very kind of a day people appreciate for a holiday.

Thanksgiving Day passed, very quietly in Acton, a good many taking it as a day to do some extra fall work around the home.

Some fine specimens of the Wealth apple were received at this office from the orchard of Mrs. Robt. Agnew this week.

The L. O. D. E. towel shower will be held at the home of Mrs. W. V. Collier, Mill Street on Friday afternoon at three o'clock.

Apples are much more plentiful this fall than they have been for two or three years, and how few people there are who do not like apples.

Another note from the immense taniniferous plant of Hardman & Co., being completed at the southwesterly corner of the premises, near Main Street.

The Thanksgiving concert that had been arranged to be held in Knox Church on Monday evening was withdrawn at the request of the Board of Health.

Mr. John Walters has the cement blocks made for a new house to be erected at the old Walter's southerly property, near the southwesterly corner of Fairy Lake, on the Mill Pond Road.

Mr. Leonard Worden has been very successful in carrying off prizes at the fairs with his fine carriage horses. He won five firsts and a record of nine seconds and three thirds at the fairs at Acton, Georgetown, Milton, Erin and Preston.

MILITARY NEWS

Pte. W. Pryer, who was recently in Halifax with his battalion, is at home on leave.

It was a big feather in the cap of the Canadian Mounted Rifles that they should be the first to enter Cambrai, the Hun's great stronghold in France.

Lieut. R. A. Graham, who has just returned with a convey of casualties from the front, visited the home of his mother, Mr. W. K. Graham, over the holiday.

In a letter home it has been learned that Pte. Melvin Soper received his first advancement a few days before he was wounded. He now lame.

Gunner D. C. Sharp, formerly of Lethbridge, who has been in France for some time, has been reported wounded and is in the hospital with a gunshot wound in the left arm.

Mrs. Mary McMillan received a telegram yesterday stating that her son, Pte. Donald McMillan, was admitted to a hospital in France on October 2 after suffering from a gunshot wound in the left leg.

Word was received here yesterday that Jack Ford had been wounded in the shoulder and returned to duty. Also that Harry Eden had been wounded. Both went overseas with the 16th Battalion.

Word was received on Tuesday morning stating that Pte. Harry Goldham, who was serving in France with a gunner, was wounded in his left arm on October 2. In a letter from home received by his parents, dated September 19, he says, "They presented me with a military medal for good work down south August 4."

A cable was received here on Wednesday, for Rev. L. M. Moore, who was attending the meeting of the General Conference in Hamilton, to the effect that his son, 228078, Pte. Sheldon McMillan, had been officially reported missing in action at the Royal Hospital, at St. Yves, suffering "shell shell gas." Pte. Moyle enlisted in Guelph with the 123rd Battalion, and has been in France for some months.

Pte. P. Bearss arrived home from overseas last week. He was a member of the 14th Battalion and owing to serious illness he was not permitted to go to France when his comrades were called over. He has now joined the local unit and is now obliged to go into the departmental home at Burlington. An operation will be necessary before his recovery is complete. Pte. Bearss' friends were glad to welcome him safely home.

Farmers—Bank Here By Mail

Just mail your cheques to us—we deposit them to your credit and send you a prompt acknowledgement.

If you need cash we cash your cheques—by mail, too, sending you the money in a

a vast war machine. Her financial resources are required for this purpose and she expects it at the disposal of the Allies. It is necessary, therefore, that Canada should raise the funds required, not only to carry on our normal activities, but also to help to advance substantial sums to Great Britain for her purchases here.

The Spanish "flu" is the epidemic which started its rampage on this continent a few weeks ago seems to gain momentum no time goes on. While some claim it will be only the old fashioned grippe, others fear it may become much more serious. Last week Action was practically free from the scourge and in comparison with other towns in the same position yet, I remember, we have had fair reports reported to the Medical Health Officer, in Action and vicinity, none of which have been very serious. As a precaution all persons should have been withdrawn by town and Waterloo Theatre closed. Surgeon-General Gorgas, of the United States Army, has issued the following warning concerning the avoidance of contagion: "Avoid needless crowding; influenza is a crowd disease. Smother your coughs and sneezes; others do not want the germs which you would throw upon them. Wash your mouth, make it easy to breathe through. Get the habit. Remember the three Cs—a clean mouth, a clean nose, clean clothes. Try to sleep when you are well and when you are ill and sleep. Open the windows always at home at night; at the office when practicable. Food will help you if you eat it in place; help by cleaning and chewing your food well. Your face may be in your own hands; wash your hands before eating." Dr. Royal B. Copeland, Commissioner of Health, New York City, puts out in a statement to the press that influenza and pneumonia are infectious diseases caused by germs carried in the matter spittle, sputum, or droplets which are suspended in the air by persons who, while carrying the disease germs in their mouth and throat, show no signs of illness. He advises everyone to "contact with matter which is spit, sneezed or coughed up," of dirt of every kind, of fatigue and of overeating.

NASSAGAWEYA

Mr. William Nightingale spent the holiday with friends in Toronto. Mr. and Mrs. William Diamond, of Guelph, were relatives in Nassagaweya over Thanksgiving.

Mr. John Armstrong, of Guelph, will speak at Ebenezer Church next Sunday, during the duties of the church to the soldiers.

Miss Hilda Whittick, teacher of No. 9 School, Nassagaweya, was at the office of her parents in Stratford over Thanksgiving.

Rev. G. I. Stephenson, of Nassagaweya, and Rev. W. E. S. James, of Rockwood, exchanged pleasantries last Sunday at the General Hospital at Guelph.

Mr. Dooley and Miss Ferguson, of Toronto, spent the holiday at the home of Mr. W. A. Macmillan.

Mr. M. Lambert, Acton, and Mr. J. Forbes, London, visited at Mr. Crowley's on Sunday.

Rev. G. J. Stephen, of the Nazarene church, occupied his pulpit on Sunday. Rev. Mr. James preaching missionary sermon at the Ebenezer Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Williamson and their family of Stonybrook Farm are returning to Toronto for the winter at the end of the month. Mr. Frank Bassett has taken the position of foreman on the farm, and we are sure that he will manage it for Mr. Williamson.

LIMEHOUSE

Miss Olive Marshall was home over the holiday.

Miss Daley Nickel, of Toronto, spent the weekend with Miss H. Newton.

The usual Sabbath services were discontinued because of the influenza epidemic.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Meredith, of Brampton, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James O'Neill.

Miss Grace Johnstone, of Toronto, was in town spending the holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Mineo.

Miss Pearl Z. Baker spent the holiday at her home in Toronto.

Miss Alice Macpherson visited for several days at Freelington.

Miss Ruth Anderson, of Brampton, was home for the holiday.

Misses Janie and Alicia O'Brien were home for the holiday.

Miss Grace Johnstone, of Toronto, was in town spending the holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. John McCallister, of Toronto, spent the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. James O'Neill.

Mr. Harry Campbell, of Toronto, visited his mother over Sunday.

Mr. William Snyder, of Toronto, visited in Action during the week.

Mr. H. G. Brown, of Hamilton, spent the holiday with his family here.

Miss Annie McDonald was home for the holiday at the home of Mr. Gray for the holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Chouteau, Misses Lottie and Myrtle Dillie were home from Toronto over the holiday.

Miss Mildred Matthews, of Toronto, visited Action friends over the holiday.

Mr. Arthur Smith, of Chicago, is visiting his mother at Fairview Park.

Miss Ethel Craig and friend visited Mr. Crowley's on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Ebbage and little daughter, Pauline, have returned to Action after doing her bit at Limehouse after doing her bit as a farmerette or her mother's farm.

A few light cases of influenza are reported in the neighborhood, but we are glad to say none are of a serious nature.

Miss W. Polkaghorne, who has been stricken from an attack of influenza, is unable to resume her duties in Toronto.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Collings and little daughter, Pauline, have returned to their home in Toronto, after spending a week at the home of Mr. Albert Margolis.

The best wishes of the young people were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Margolis.

Merle and Shirley, Friday evening host, a very enjoyable evening was spent and the young couple were the recipients of many useful gifts.

Some Dings at Dingens

(Since Dingens on the Rhine has been bombed, the old McMurphy's fourth Tom has got into the war, together with other classical poems.)

An allied aviator came sailing to his base;

He looked round with worry, a grin was on his face;

His comrade ran to meet him—they saw him loop the loop;

And then the old McMurphy's fourth Tom put it in its coat.

Come tell me what you've been an' done;

Old Tom, with 167 balloons, he said,

Though looking bored, he said,

I've been flying, I'm flying, and I've

been bombing, old Dingens,

old Dingens, old Dingens.

Don't send it to the paper; 'twif scared

the horses like;

And Tom, not far, with 11—In

going back, you know.

The Huns have bombed old London

and Tom, too, to meet them in car-

load lots and more.

I'm going back to Hindland, to-morrow.

held the wires apart. The carriage moved away, leaving it swinging.

Instantly after beautiful Norman escaped from the pull, and rushed it conveniently in between the wire strands. Police and firemen, and black and white, were between his feet, and passed from his hands smooth and dripping.

Two more "turkeys" struck on their respective buttons, and he was sent out alone, and the remainder of the quarry.

Suddenly a gust blew off his hat. How hot the sun was on his unprotected head!

The plane passed quickly, and once more the sun grew bright and heatless. Norman could see his shadow moving slowly across the blue, chip-strewn surface two hundred feet below. In a moment the silent drill squatted at rest, then the hand pulled away to the pipe from the engine house.

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