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The Acton Free Press

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1918

Brief Local Items

—The last week of November.

—Snow flurries are frequent now.

—The farmers' plowing season is about over for 1918.

—A taste of winter this week. The real thing is coming.

—Housekeepers are not obliged now to purchase flour substitutes.

—"The Free Press is greatly appreciated."—S. R.—Winnipeg.

—Acton has an exceptionally good opening for a bright young lawyer.

—The regular monthly meeting of the I. O. D. E. for December has been withdrawn.

—"We certainly enjoy the weekly visits of the home paper."—Mrs. J. N. T., London.

—The influenza has about run its course here. No new cases have been reported for several days.

—The cook stove advertised in last issue of the Free Press was sold an hour after the paper was issued.

—"Could not get along without the Free Press with its weekly budget of home news."—Mrs. R. R. R.—Fort William.

—The owners of several lost articles advertised in last issue of the Free Press recovered their lost property promptly.

—It is predicted in live stock circles that the high prices for cattle in Canada will be maintained for at least ten years.

—Milton's churches, schools, picture shows and all public gatherings have been under the M. O. H. ban for nearly eight weeks.

—Both Fairy Lake and Corporation Pond are frozen over. Numbers of venturesome youths have already been skating and sliding.

—The fatal motor accident at Brampton on Saturday evening delayed the train due here at 5.58 o'clock until about half past seven.

—Peel County Council has unanimously approved the purchase of the Edwards property at Milton for the Halton-Peel Children's Shelter.

—Miss Mabel F. Howie, of Georgetown, gave an interesting address on the smaller nations of Central Europe at the Epworth League on Monday evening.

—Guelph Winter Fair, which opens a week from to-morrow, promises to be a record-breaker, judging from reports of the number of entries being reported.

—L. E. Fleck will sell by public auction on Saturday afternoon, at the Hotel McGibbon, Georgetown, fifty head of cattle—feeders, dairy cows and young cattle.

—The cement block walls of Mr. John Walters' new dwelling on his property on the southerly shore of Fairy Lake are up. The roof is being put on this week.

—Acton is much in need of one or more places for public comfort for farmers and their families especially during the winter weather. A public lavatory would be appreciated.

—Mr. Robert Laing, Arthur Street, who contemplates returning to his former home in the Southern States shortly, owing to ill health, is offering for sale his pretty home and well-kept gardens.

—J. C. Rockwell's Sunny South Company, which has entertained Acton audiences on numerous occasions in the past, will give one of their amusing entertainments in the town hall on Saturday evening.

—A fine bouquet of pansies from the plants which won the first prize at Acton Fall Fair in September, was picked in Moorecroft gardens on November 21. These are hardy annuals which are worthy while.

—"The friends of this paper will please hand us items while they are fresh. We prefer not to publish a birth after the child is weaned, a marriage after the honeymoon is over, or the death of a man after is widow is married again."—Jonesboro News.

—The Victory Polish Co., of Guelph, J. Pfeiffer, manager, R. F. Dennis, sales manager, were here demonstrating the virtues of this excellent polish for cleaning windows, marble work, scouring pots, pans and metal work, etc., yesterday. The following stores will handle this product which is wholly manufactured and sold by returned soldiers: K. T. Brown, E. J. Hassard and grocery stores.

MILITARY NEWS

Pte. J. P. Scarrow was home from the Military Hospital, Toronto, on a four days' leave during the week. He will be under treatment for some time yet.

Mr. Youell, manager of the Milton branch of the Bank of Toronto, has received word that his brother, Sergt. Arthur W. Youell, M. M., a B. A. Sc. of 1911, had died of wounds in England.

Lieut. William Hoxworth, of the Royal Flying Corps, visited his friend, Mr. G. A. Dills, for a day or so last week. Lieut. Hoxworth had completed his training here and reached Quebec enroute overseas when the signing of the armistice cancelled his trip to France.

Official notice was received last week of the wounding of Pte. Sheldon Moyer son of the pastor of the Methodist Church, as follows: "Sincerely regret to inform you (928079) Pte. Sheldon V. Moyer, infantry, officially reported admitted 25 General Hospital, Etaples, on November 12, gunshot wound abdomen."—Director of Records. Coming a couple of weeks after peace was assured this news falls heavily upon Mr. and Mrs. Moyer. It is sincerely hoped that this brave soldier son will be fully restored to health.

SPLENDID WAR ALBUM

The War Album issued by The Daily Herald and Weekly Star of Montreal is one of the best souvenirs of the war. Future generations will cherish this book. It will be a complete diary of the great struggle and contains a whole mine of information regarding the Allies. We learn the supply is limited. Any home that fails to secure a copy now will regret it. $1.25 pays a full year's subscription to that great weekly paper and a copy of the War Album. Sample may be seen at this office.

News of Local Import.

Tebo and DeForest Sentenced

On Friday of last week Judge Elliott sentenced the two Nassagaweya young men Robert James Tebo and David DeForest, to two years at the Burwash Ontario Reformatory for the recent robbery from Mrs. John Walters' Park Avenue.

The Beardmores and Victory Bonds

According to the Shoe & Leather Journal Messrs. Beardmore & Co., and their employees in Acton and Toronto invested $1,067,050 in Victory Bonds. The employees of the sole leather tannery bought an average of $196 worth of bonds each; those of the Acton Tanning Co., $200 each; in the office, factories and warehouse in Toronto $212 each, and in the Beardmore Belting Co., Toronto, $242 each.

Will be Missed in County Council

George Hynds, ex-warden of Halton, has been appointed Town Clerk of Acton, to succeed the late A. J. Mackinnon. He will be greatly missed in the County Council, of which he has for years been one of the leading members and a most efficient chairman of the standing committee on finance. Until next municipal election Councillor D. M. Henderson will be chairman of Acton council, but the town will have no representative in the County Council.—Milton Champion.

Acton Junior Hockey Club

Acton Junior Base Ball Club met in the town hall last Wednesday evening. The business of the year was settled up and it was found there was $10.88 in the treasury. It was thought advisable by all members of the club that this sum be turned over for the benefit of a hockey club, which would comprise mostly of members of the Base Ball Club. A Hockey Club was then organized with the following officers:

Hon. President—John Clarke, Sr.
President—William Arnold.
Secretary-Treasurer—G. R. Agnew.
Manager—Nelson Garden.
Captain—Roy Brown.

A City Editor on the Farm

Mr. W. N. Wilkinson, editor of the Toronto World, with Mrs. Wilkinson and children, motored from their farm at Crewsons Corners to Toronto on Tuesday. Mr. Wilkinson purchased the Gibbons' farm last winter. The family has spent the past six months there, and Mr. Wilkinson his week-ends and his holidays. These city folk have proven themselves real war food producers. They conducted the farm, garden and dairy with energy and are naturally proud of results attained. Mrs. Wilkinson developed into a first-class butter-maker and canned an abundance of good things for the family table during the winter months.

Memorial Service for Pte. J. D. Burt

A large congregation assembled in the Methodist Church on Sunday evening at the memorial service in honor of the late Pte. J. D. Burt, who died in France on October 25. Rev. I. M. Moyer took for his text 2 Timothy, 4: 7, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith." He spoke in terms of the highest praise of the soldiers who have fought with the Allies and won the great victory for the cause of truth and righteousness, and paid high tribute to the 55,000 Canadians who have made the supreme sacrifice during the war, among whom are the four brave boys from this church, Bugler John L. Moore, Corp. Roy Hurd, Engineer Warren Brown and Pte. J. D. Burt. These died for the principles for which Jesus Christ died. "Have they died in vain?" he questioned. "No! they have gained a great victory." Tender words of sympathy were expressed to the parents and friends bereft.

Prosperous Farmer Settles Here

Mr. Peter Gibbons, a life-long resident of Esquesing, near Speyside, is now comfortably settled in his new home on Frederick Street recently purchased from Mrs. James McDougall Mr. Gibbons sold his farm to Dr. Beattie of Toronto, a brother of Mr. Beattie the new president of the C. P. R. Before leaving the old home the friends and neighbors gathered at Mr. Gibbons' residence and presented him with a complimentary address and a handsome easy chair and cane, a chair to Miss Gibbons and a pin and jewel case to Miss Dunn, expressive of their esteem and the warm friendships which had subsisted for so many years. Mr. George Elliott was chairman, Reeve Joe read the address and Messrs. Fred McArthur and David Joe made the presentations to Mr. and Miss Gibbons. The best wishes of all are extended to Mr. Gibbons that he may enjoy a well-earned rest during his ripened years. His daughter, Miss Gibbons and granddaughter, Miss Dunn, reside with him.

Knox Church Ladies' Aid Concert

The postponed concert of the Knox Church Ladies' Aid held on Monday evening was well attended and the programme had much of merit and was thoroughly enjoyed. The soprano solo numbers by Mrs. McKay, of Toronto, were well rendered and the duets with Miss May Robertson were very acceptable. The blending of Mrs. McKay's full soprano voice and Miss Robertson's sweet contralto tones was most pleasing. Miss Robertson also sang a couple of solos which were well rendered. Miss Dutton, the church organist, was their accompanist. Mr. L. R. Guild and his son Frank, of Rockwood, contributed several numbers which were generously encored. Both their duets and their solos were fine. Acton will accord this talented father and son a cordial welcome on any return visit. Miss Erma Pattison, Toronto, was quite versatile. She gave selections on her violin and recitations also which were enjoyed. She is a coming entertainer of artistic attainments. Mrs. David Robertson proved herself an elocutionist of splendid merit. Her numbers were each listened to with intense interest. Rev. J. C. Wilson, B. A., occupied the chair.

Important Mercantile Business Changes

Messrs. Conway & McLean, who purchased the general business of Messrs. Henderson & Co., of the Glasgow House, a year and a half ago, have this week dissolved partnership. Mr. Charles A. Conway has retired from the firm and Mr. C. R. Mills, of Guelph, enters into partnership with Mr. Malcolm McLean. The firm name will be changed to McLean & Mills. During his stay here Mr. Conway has made many friends, and the removal of Mrs. Conway and himself from Acton will be greatly regretted. They will however spend the winter in Acton. Mr. Mills does not come to Acton an entire stranger. A few years ago he found that "The sweetest girl I know" lived in Acton and over two years ago he came and made her his bride. He was, until last spring, manager of the general business of J. E. Richards, Dundalk. About six months ago he left Dundalk to take a responsible position in Guelph. He now settles in Acton in an old-established and successful business and Mrs. Mills will especially enjoy coming to reside in the old home town again. The business of the Glasgow House has prospered under the management of Messrs. Conway & McLean.

In Memoriam

MRS. JOSEPH SHORTILL

Death came to Mrs. Joseph Shortill, who has been residing with her daughter, Mrs. W. H. Anthony, of the fifth line, Esquesing, the past six months, rather suddenly on Tuesday morning. Mrs. Shortill was for many years an esteemed resident of Esquesing, near Ballinafad. Her maiden name was Margaret Kirkwood. Her husband, Joseph Shortill, died about six years ago. Of her six children, four sons and two daughters, only Mrs. Anthony survives. Mrs. Shortill was a member of Ballinafad Methodist Church. Her pastor, Rev. J. A. Jewitt, conducted the funeral yesterday. Interment was made in the family plot at Ballinafad Cemetery.

ALEXANDER SPROWL

In the death on Monday morning of Alexander Sprowl, of the second line, Esquesing Township loses one of its most highly esteemed and prosperous farmers. Since the accident last June when Mr. Sprowl and his daughter, Ethel, were injured when the team ran away in the lane at home, he has never been in good health. Deceased was born at Peru seventy-one years ago last February. Sixty years ago he removed with his parents to the farm where he died. On the 27th October, 1886, he was married to Rachel Kenney, daughter of the late ex-Councillor John Kenney, and sister of Councillor W. R. Kenney and Trustee John Kenney, Jr. Three children were born to them, Ethel, John and Laura. Eleven years ago John met his death while working in the bush with his father, when a falling limb struck him. The loss of his only son was a great sorrow, from which the father never recovered. Mr. Sprowl was one of the community's most prosperous farmers. His fine farm homestead, well tilled fields, and invariably good crops have always been admired by passersby on the thoroughfare between Acton and the county town. He was a member and generous supporter of Knox Church, and a member of the [illegible] Managers. His somewhat [illegible] death was a surprise to the [illegible]unity and has brought great sorrow to the bereft home. The funeral will be held this afternoon at two o'clock.

R. J. KERR'S LIST OF SALES

Friday, November 22—Alex. Donald, Acton, farm stock and implements.

Wednesday December 4—R. R. Leishman, Brookville, farm stock and implements.

Wednesday, December 11—Provincial Winter Fair, Guelph.

Tuesday, December 17—Harry Leslie, Garafraxa, near Orton, clearing sale.

Thursday, December 19—The Executors of the estate of the late Wilbert Awrey.

Friday, December 20—Chas. Baldwin, Hillsburg.

For particulars as to sales address.

R. J. KERR,
Telephone 36 Young St., Acton.

Guelph's Profitable Franchise

Another dividend of 10 per cent. was declared by the directors of Guelph Junction Railway on Friday. This makes 33⅓ per cent. on the city's investment this year, a total of $57,376 for the city treasury from this railway.

Forty-two Years Clerk of Peel County

After acting as clerk of the County of Peel for 42 years, David Kirkwood has resigned his position. Mr. Kirkwood is in his 91st year, and, although attending regularly to his duties, has been in failing health for several months.

Sunday Gamblers Fined in Guelph

Detective Greenaway discovered four foreigners with unpronounceable names engaged in gambling on Sunday. He broke up the game and told all four to appear before the magistrate on Monday morning. They pleaded guilty and were fined $2 and costs each.

Clean Up the War Garden

The Entomological Branch of the Department of Agriculture reports that many of the war gardens have received little attention after the crops were harvested. Wherever possible it is urged to clean up these gardens by removing all remnants of crops, etc., which make ideal hibernating quarters for injurious insects and to cultivate the land before it freezes up.

Five Flags and Twelve Crowns

Every district in Halton was successful in winning an honor flag in the Victory Loan campaign. Twelve crowns were awarded the county. Six of these went to Georgetown, two to Acton, two to Burlington and one each to Milton and Oakville. The total aggregate of the Victory Bond subscriptions in Halton was $2,630,450, a pro rata of $124.20 of the county's population.

How Our Boys Help Others

Two former scholars of the Methodist Sunday School, Acton, have been engaged on the staff of writers for the lesson expositions and helps presented by the Sunday School Banner for 1919. Rev. A. Lloyd Smith, M. A., B. D., pastor of Elm Street Church, Toronto, will give the Lesson Exposition, and Mr. E. J. Moore, B. A., Superintendent of Publication of the Methodist Book Room, will supply the matter for the section devoted to Hints for Intermediate Teachers. The Banner has a monthly circulation of 15,000.

Soldiers' Sanitarium, at Guelph

Important changes are being made at the Guelph Military Convalescent Hospital. The premises will shortly be changed from a hospital for convalescent soldiers to a sanitorium for soldiers afflicted with tuberculosis. The first lot of men, 100 in number, left the hospital yesterday morning for Whitby, and by the end of the week it is expected that all who are at present housed there will have gone either to Whitby or London. The institution will in future be under the supervision of the Invalided Soldiers' Commission. Instead of the Military Hospitals Commission as formerly. Already the first lot of tuberculosis patients have arrived at the hospital, seventeen coming from Grimsby on Thursday last.

The Gorham-Hayward Nuptials

At 3.30 p. m. Monday the marriage of Miss DeLena, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Hayward, of Toronto, formerly of Acton, to M. Charles Colby Gorham, was quietly solemnized at Jarvis Street Baptist Church. Rev. B. W. Merrill officiated. Dr. Broome presided at the organ, playing throughout the ceremony. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a grey charmeuse dress and large silver lace hat, and carried violets and sweetheart roses. The bridesmaid, Miss Ramona Veitch, of Kingston, wore a smart navy, blue suit, large hat and white fox furs, and wore Ophelia roses. Mr. Jack Collins, of Rochester, N. Y., was best man, and Mr. C. B. Dawes, of Toronto, acted as usher. Leaving for a short trip, the bride travelled in a jersey cloth dress and purple hat and seal coat with opossum collar and cuffs. Mr. and Mrs. Gorham wil reside in Toronto.

Social and Personal

Mrs. King Cooper, of Guelph, visited Acton friends this week.

Miss Ella McPherson was home from Toronto over the week-end.

Mr. Charles Hynds, of Toronto, spent the week-end at his home here.

Mr. L. R. Campbell, of Milton, is visiting Acton friends this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil McDonald visited relatives at Ethel over the week-end.

Mrs. W. E. Platt, of Parkdale, spent the week-end at the home of Mr. G. H. Brown.

Mrs. A. Minchin, of Parkdale, spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. G. H. Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Holmes visited friends at Mitchell and Otterville during the week.

Acting-Reeve Henderson made his bow to the County Council at its session in Milton on Tuesday.

Mr. O. H. Ryder, of Lakeside, was here last week attending the funeral of his uncle, the late Thomas Ryder.

Miss Jessie McDonald, who has been at Gravenhurst Sanitarium for several months, returned home on Saturday.

Mrs. D. C. Russell, of Acton, and Master Donald are visiting at Mr. H. Harrison's, Rockside.—Erin Advocate.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Anderson, of Nassagaweya, visited at the home of his father, Mr. Wm. Anderson, Peel Street, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Babcock and children, of Milton, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. William Landsborough, Lake Avenue.

Mrs. Thomas P. Martin spent a few days this week at Freeport Military Hospital visiting her daughter, Miss Annie Martin.

Mr. W. J. Reid, Municipal Officer, has been confined to the house with influenza during the week. He is convalescing nicely.

Mr. H. LeRoy Brown, Hydro Inspector, of Toronto, with Misses Olive and Eileen, spent a few hours on Saturday with the home folks here.

Mr. Albert Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Brown, spent Sunday with his parents previous to leaving Monday morning with the Bell Telephone Co. for Copper Cliff.

Mr. J. Cowan Shortill, of Winnipeg, was here on Saturday. He was called to Ontario to attend the funeral of his little seven-year-old son, who died at the home of Mrs. Shortill's mother, Mrs. R. H. Cosford, Elora.

Mr. Chester Plank, who was seized with typhoid fever while on a business trip through Manitoba for Messrs. W. H. Storey & Son a couple of months ago, arrived home last week. He is gradually regaining his usual strength and vigor.

Mr. J. M. Denyes, Public School Inspector, was here visiting our school on Thursday. Last week Mr. Denyes was called to Odessa to attend the obsequies of his father who passed away on Saturday morning. His friends extend sympathy to him and his family.

The sad news reached Acton last week of the death at Brandon, Man., of Sarah Jane McGregor, wife of Albert Hamilton. Mrs. Hamilton died of pneumonia following influenza. She leaves a husband, two children and four brothers. Mrs. Hamilton spent her girlhood days here.

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Medical authorities have stated, "There is no knowing how far-reaching the results of the influenza epidemic will be."

From the nature of the malady it is feared many cases of tuberculosis will develop. If you have not fully recovered from the "flu," or you are run down in health from some other cause, seek a doctor at once. Consumption may have developed, but even that may be cured if taken in time. A case in point has recently been brought to our attention—a farm laborer with a wife and five small children. He had not been feeling right for some months, not sick enough to go to bed, or stay indoors, but always tired. His daily work about the farm had become a task to him. So of his own accord he went to the Muskoka Free Hospital, to try and find out what was the matter. He was found to be suffering from tuberculosis, and was immediately taken in and put to bed. The doctors say this man is making a good recovery, and that he will shortly be able to return home.

The Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives is now appealing for aid in fighting the Great White Plague. The money you give will help restore to health just such deserving cases as this, bringing happiness untold to re-united families.

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