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## New Advertisements


**THE METHODIST CHURCH**
**ACTON**

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**CREAM SEPARATOR FOR SALE**

Tubular Cream Separator, only used two seasons, good as new. A number of framed pictures, a spare bedroom suite and several other articles. May be seen at my residence.
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Any having stock for sale will be promptly visited if they will leave information at the Bank of Nova Scotia, Acton.


**CARD OF THANKS**

The undersigned desire to express sincere thanks to the many friends who ministered to our dear mother, Mrs. S. J. Stauffer, during her long and painful illness. She appreciated all the kind deeds and words of comfort by neighbors and friends, and we also feel grateful for this kind interest as well as for the sympathy expressed in our great loss.
MR. AND MRS. WM. COOPER


**COMFORTABLE HOME FOR SALE**

A full-sized lot, six rooms and pantry cement plastered house, good cellar, well drained. Apple, plum and cherry trees, and raspberries, all young and bearing well. Also a good hen house on property. Good well with pump inside, cistern. For terms and particulars apply on the premises. If not sold in six weeks apply to Harold N. Farmer, Barrister.
WILLIAM WALLER,
March 3, 1919 Agnes Street, Acton 36-2

**DISCHARGED SOLDIERS**

If you have served overseas you are asked to attend a meeting of Veterans at the Parish Hall next Tuesday evening, 18th inst., at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of considering whether a branch of the G.W.V.A. shall be organized in Acton. Country comrades especially invited.

**BLACKSMITH SHOP RE-OPENED**

Having been restored to health by my winter's rest, I am arranging to re-open my blacksmith shop the first week of April.

I shall be pleased to have the patronage of my old customers and friends and will assure all of the careful attention and personal supervision of all work, which has characterized this shop during all the years of the past.

I appreciate the consideration of all for me when I was unable to continue my work.
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Experienced Operators have no difficulty in making $15.00 to $20.00 per week.
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Transportation paid.
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## Takes Place on Thursday and the Following Days of This Week

### Introducing the New Styles For Spring Nineteen Nineteen

**Charming Creations Sparkling with all the Witchery and Imagery of Foremost Conturiers, make Their Debut on this Occasion.**

**Millinery, Suits, Coats, Dresses, Blouses, Skirts, Dress Fabrics and Accessories.**

Once again Dame Fashion has waved her magic wand and from out the innermost recesses of that mysterious place we call the imagination, she has summoned the conceptions for the slender lines and supple forms with which she has enveloped the creations we invite you to view.

Creations more charming, more enrapturing, more lovely, we have never had the pleasure of presenting to you for selection in any previous spring showing. To see them is to admire them, desire them, own them. That's about all that mere type can say. But that's the way we feel about them, and that's the way we think that every one will feel who comes to view this formal presentation.

Out-of-town patrons will be most heartily welcomed. We invite you to make this your store home in gaining fashion information.

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Reserve Fund - 12,000,000
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W. K. GRAHAM
Acting Manager
Acton Branch

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### Special in Dress Muslins

This week we are offering some pieces of Dress Muslins in Pink, Blue, Grey and Black and White Stripe, 40 inches wide. Price if bought to-day would be 75c yard. Special for this week 50c yard.

1 piece Table Damask, 72 inches wide. Regular $1.75 yard. Special yard ..... $1.39
1 piece Table Damask, 60 inches wide. Regular $1.25 yard. Special yard ..... 95c
5 pair Wool Blankets, large size. Regular $12.50. To clear at per pair..... $9.75
5 only Comforters, extra fine quality. Regular $7.00. To clear at each ..... $4.95

### GROCERY SPECIALS

200 lbs. good quality Black Tea. Regular 65c lb. Special for Friday and Saturday only, lb ..... 49c
150 lbs. Uncolored Japan Tea. Regular 65c lb. Special for Friday and Saturday only, lb ..... 49c
100 lbs. Prunes. Regular 18c. Special 2 for ..... 25c

### CANDY SPECIALS

100 lbs. Chocolates and Creams. Regular 50c for..... 39c
200 lbs. Patterkrisp. Regular 50c, for ..... 43c
200 lbs. Peanut, Cocoanut and Butter Scotch Taffy. Regular 40c, for lb ..... 29c

Highest Prices Paid for Farm Produce—Cash or Trade
WATCH OUR WINDOWS FOR DISPLAY

## D. C. RUSSELL

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## Interesting Letter From Belgium

### Engineer Harold S. Nicklin is at Viersart, Belguim, Busy in Paymaster's Office

**HOPES TO REACH HOME IN JUNE**

Vinesart, Belgium, Feb. 19, 1919
Dear Mr. Moore:

As I have not written you for some considerable time I thought I would drop you a line. This is rather a good place to write letters as our main occupation now is to kill time as well as possible until the happy day arrives when we leave here for Canada, via England.

Since my return from Blighty leave on Dec. ember 8, I have been working in the paymaster's office, and my duties are not arduous, but I would probably be having a little easier time if I were with my old company, as the sapper is at present living the laziest existence in his military history. However, the last two months before the armistice during the big advance were very strenuous ones, and of course there is really no necessity now to prolong that state of things.

During that wonderful advance from Cambrai east through Valenciennes to Mons, which might be likened to a spear thrust with the Canadian corps serving as the tip of the spear, the engineers were more than busy, as it was absolutely essential that roads bridges, etc. should be built and maintained in spite of previous destruction by mines and subsequent danger to sell fire. At that time it was altogether a case of march, work and sleep. However that part of the war is a thing of the past—at least we hope so. We do not see daily papers here, so I will not go into details.

On Blighty leave I visited London Edinburgh and Aberdeen. I especially enjoyed a visit to H. M. Dockyards at Rosyth. The battle cruiser Hercules and the battle ship Remillies were in dry dock there. We were courteously shown around the yards and through the latter vessel which is one of the most powerful and up-to-date fighting ships in the British navy.

If I am not mistaken, Belgium is the most densely populated country in Europe and practically all the land is under cultivation. This really explains the decidedly non-pleasing odors which assail a person on walking through the small villages—and these are scattered all over the country at an average distance of about four kilometers in almost any direction. The odors come from huge piles of manure and beet root fertilizer. Most of the houses are farm houses and every farm house boasts a huge pile of fertilizer—which is often situated at the front door. The size of the pile is probably an index to the prosperity of the owner. However it is of course necessary for the productivity of the land which has been under cultivation for perhaps hundreds of years.

The weather is of course milder than in Canada. We had a cold snap for two weeks and now it is quite mild again. The floors used in all the houses here would not do for our severe Canadian weather.

The country people work hard all week except Sunday—especially the women. Sunday is a real gala day and everybody dons their finest outfits. It is a case of church in the morning for all, then the rest of the day for leisure and visiting, and of course for the young people a dance at night. Contrary to what I had rather expected from previous hearsay I have found the Belgian people almost invariably kind and hospitable. I think the Canadians have made quite a good impression.

Our battalion is scattered in five different villages. Only H. H. Q. is in this very small place. It lies at the foot of a large forest clad hill. On the slope of this hill is a huge brick chateau, magnificently furnished (officers' quarters you ask? Right, first guess). Here Ludendorff and his staff had quarters for a time during his big retreat. There is a magnificent grove of huge beech trees and here a large flock of wild pigeons have their home. (This reminds me that in France just before the Amiens rush of August 8, I saw a deer going across the fields. We were just finishing a twenty-five mile forced march at the time.) We are six kilos from the nearest railway station. A two days leave to Brussels is very popular just now. I had the pleasure of visiting the Royal Museum and Art Gallery there, one of the finest in Europe; saw some of the noted churches and public buildings and had two evenings of grand opera (sung in French) at the Theatre Royale. There is little recreation here at present however, although conditions may get better as spring advances.

We expect to leave France via Le Havre by the 17th April and go into camp at Bramshott, England, before returning to Canada. When we step on board the liner it will be a great day. Contrary to popular belief in Canada, November 11 was not wildly celebrated by the soldier out here—but he thought a lot. Our bunch went to sleep right after tea that night. However I know Canada celebrated in right good style. Letters and the home papers are just as much needed and appreciated as ever.

Tom (Capt.) Henderson, the popular adjutant of our battalion, was evacuated sick with the "flu" about December 1, so you might see him soon as I do not expect he will return here. All the hospital cases now go through to Canada.

In conclusion I want to say a word for the infantry. They had the hardest row to hoe of all and this does not detract in the least from the credit due to any other branch of the service.

If you have not fallen asleep over this letter you may if I keep on, so I will close. Hoping to see you and all my Acton friends again before July I remain,

Very sincerely,
(Sgt.) H. S. NICKLIN.

**MILITARY NEWS**

Corporal Melvin Soper was home from the Military Hospital, Toronto, over the week-end. He is improving under treatment there.

Pte. Dan. Ritchie reached home last week from overseas. Dan looks well and was accorded a hearty reception when he reached the old home town.

Pte. George Green arrived from overseas on Monday morning and was accorded cordial welcome. He was one of our first boys to enlist, and left Acton in August, 1914. Pte. Green has been in hospital the past year suffering from the effects of German gas. He came home on the hospital ship Essequibo, which landed at Portland, Maine. He will spend a week or so at the home of his sister, Mrs. Charles Holmes, Beene Street, and then enter the military hospital at Burlington.

Pte. W. T. Andrews, of Two Creeks, Manitoba, formerly of Acton, writes that he has reached home safely from France. He had an unjoyable trip on the Olympic, and is very glad to be home again.

## Military Police Officer Shot Within 25 Miles of Acton

### Defaulters of the M. S. A. at New Germany Resist Arrest and Use Their Guns on the Officers

**OFFICER GEGGIN SHOT IN HEAD—SIX ARRESTS MADE**

In the German settlement at New Germany, St. Jacobs, St. Agatha, and other points in Waterloo County a number of young men have evaded military service and boasted that no authorities would ever apply the law to them successfully. The military police have found it exceedingly difficult to apprehend these men, who somehow always succeeded in evading the officers, and it is said that during the past few months numbers of them have lived the greater part of their time in the bush, where they are not so liable to be captured.

In view of these things the military police decided to carry out an expedition in force and Sunday morning was set as the opportune time, when it was thought the parties they were after would be at home in their beds. On Saturday afternoon there arrived in Guelph from London about a dozen constables of the Dominion Police. They were in charge of Inspector Lane and their plans were carefully laid. They secured four motor cars from local garages and at 4.30 o'clock on Sunday morning with the storm at its height and the snow almost a foot deep they started. Two of the cars were bound direct for New Germany, where it was expected they would round up about a dozen men, while the other two cars proceeded farther on in the direction of St. Agatha, St. Jacob's and the district around Kitchener, where they expected another bunch of Military Service Act evaders.

It was the party under Inspector Lane that went to New Germany and it was there they met determined resistance. He was accompanied by Constables Wm. Gowdy, W. R. Forsyth, P. Geggin, Burgess and another. They arrived safely at the village at 5.30 and proceeded to the home of Joseph Hummell. They did not meet with a very cordial reception here, but placed under arrest Charles Hummell, his son, Charles Hummell, and his son-in-law, Linus Zinger, the latter two charged with being Group 2 absentees under the M.S.A., and the first named for harboring them. They did not put up a fight, although a young woman in the house told the inspector she would shoot him if she had a gun.

The next objective of the police was the home of Mr. Berberich, about half a mile up the road from the Hummell house. Here strenuous opposition to the officers was met. After gaining admission to the house Constable Geggin was met on the stairs by one of the defaulters with a rifle. He shot the constable in the head. The constable fell down the stairs and the impact knocked another officer down with him. In the melee this man and his brother escaped through an upstairs window into the barn, which is attached to the house, and then away to the bush.

The prisoners were taken to Guelph goal and Constable Geggin to the hospital.

At St. Agatha they arrested Anthony Remig, a young German whom they found hiding in a hay mow.

Major Hurst, Provost Marshal for the district, came down from London to Guelph Sunday night. He heard the story from his men and says if it takes every man in the district the defaulters must be rounded up and brought to justice.

## Memorial Activities—Plans Here and There

### What Other Towns are Doing in Memory of the Brave Soldier Boys

**A DIVERSITY OF VIEWS**

A committee has been appointed from the patriotic workers of Trail, B. C., to consider the erection of a memorial building for Trail veterans. It is suggested that the memorial take the form of a local club of the Y.M.C.A.

At a meeting at Burlington on Thursday evening it was decided to erect a memorial to the fallen heroes from the town and neighborhood and to ask for Burlington, Nelson and county grants.

A scheme is now under way for the providing of a memorial to the students and ex-students of the collegiate who have given their lives in the war. Of these there are at least fifteen. The matter was brought before the collegiate students and staff at the Literary Society last week and there is no doubt but that action will be taken along this line in the near future. The proposal is that an appeal should be made for donations for this purpose from students and ex-students of the school and a memorial erected on the school grounds, or a tablet placed in the halls, as may be decided by the committee which will doubtless be appointed to take the work in hand.—Picton Gazette.

It is characteristic of Sir Sam Hughes to say that "there are all sorts of half-baked schemes for local memorials now under way" in Ontario, and no well-thought-out plan for the whole Dominion. The ex-Minister of Militia would have in each locality, erected at the expense of the whole country, monuments to mark for posterity the names of those who fought and those who fell for liberty. On each marble or bronze shaft as provided by the Federal Government there could be graven the names of the soldiers of that district for future generations to read and honor. Any municipality or local association could erect memorials if so wishing, but Sir Sam thinks that his plan would eliminate haphazard schemes and subscriptions and at the same time pay the nation's lasting tribute to each member of the Canadian Expeditionary Force. Sir Sam is evidently in favor of making the utilitarian a secondary consideration.—Renfrew Mercury.

**Sunday's Storm Changed Plans**

The big snow storm on Sunday morning disarranged plans generally so far as church services here were concerned. Rev. Mr. Maunsell, of St. Alban's was obliged to give up his service at St. John's, Rockwood. Rev. Father Doyle went to Oustic on Saturday afternoon for his service at St. Peter's on Sunday. He had quite a trying experience in getting back here for his evening service at St. Joseph's. Rev. I. M. Moyer, who was engaged for special services at Ebenezer and other Nassagaweya appointments, cancelled his engagements and Rev. Mr. Stephenson remained on his own circuit. The attendances at the various churches was only a fraction of the usual number present.

**I. O. D. E. Shamrock Tea**

The Junior I.O.D.E. will hold a Shamrock Tea in the Parish Hall on Saturday afternoon and evening March 15. The proceeds to be invested in a flag for the town. Everybody welcome. A musical programme will be given in the evening.

**A Laughable Comedy To-Night**

The I. O. D. E. has arranged for the presentation of a comedy in three acts, entitled, "Sophonia's Wedding," an episode in the "Uplift of Depeville Society," by the High Park Ladies' Dramatic Club. There are twenty ladies in the company.

**High School Students' Victory Medals**

The medals won by our High School students in the essay competition on the Victory Loan, were received last week. They are very handsome indeed. From the Middle School the prize winners were: 1st, Duff Wilson; 2nd, Stella McLam, and from the Lower School: 1st, Isabel Elliot; 2nd, Willie Stewart. These young people are to be congratulated on their success.

**Postal Revenues in Halton**

The annual report of the Postmaster-General for the past fiscal year has just been received. The revenues received at the accounting offices in Halton are as follows: Acton, $6,421.48; Bronte, $1,317.60; Burlington, $7,935.34; Campbellville, $1,679.96; Freeman, $1,609.84; Glenwilliams, $807.92; Georgetown, $8,815.37; Hornby, $719.77; Milton, $9,878.79; Oakville, $13,445.10, Palermo, $471.92; Port Nelson, $634.64.

**Scouts Bugle Band Re-Organizes**

On Tuesday evening the Boy Scouts met in the band hall to re-organize the bugle band troop which had been let drop this last few months for obvious reasons. The meeting opened with Scoutmaster N. F. Moore in the chair. Various business topics were brought up in which conclusions were arrived at and new officers were elected. Plans were talked over for the coming summer months in which it was suggested that a boys' Athletic Association should be formed among the Scouts. It is to be hoped that the citizens of Acton will back up the boys in their good work.

**A Former Editor's Estimate**

Rev. Dr. Moore, of Toronto, whose public career commenced as editor of the Free Press, wrote last week: "I congratulate you upon the splendid issue of the enlarged Free Press. It will surely increase the influence of the paper, because it so greatly enlarges the sphere of its influence by giving the editor an opportunity to discuss a multitude of matters that otherwise owing to lack of space, you have been unable to bring to the notice of your readers. Very heartily I congratulate you. It looks well. It means business. It indicates the development of business in the good old town, and I would think it will result in a greatly increased subscription list."

**An Address Unique and Interesting**

Mr. Fred Abrey, architect to the missions of China, addressed a large audience in the Methodist School Room last Thursday evening. His address was most interesting and gave many facts presented in a new setting relative to Chinese character, habits and methods of work. A large number of pictures were shown by lantern which graphically portrayed Chinese people, buildings and scenery. Mr. Abrey, who by the way is a Halton boy, a native of Nassagaweya, has spent eight years in China and during that time has seen marvellous changes for the better in educational and sanitary conditions and the advancement of Christianity.

**Ten at $3 Per Bottle**

A bunch of travellers were standing around Scotia Junction waiting for connections when a rural youth, who had been sizing them up, picked out likely one, winked mysteriously, and tapping his hip pocket, whispered: "Want to buy some tea?" He did, and a consultation behind the station resulted in the exchange of $3 for a promising-looking bottle. He tipped off four others, and four other deals were put through. That night at Parry Sound they prepared to make merry. The cork was pulled in No. 1. And at the first "swig" a look of dismay came to the face of the "swigger." "Great Scott!" he roared, "it is tea." And it was.—Parry Sound Star.

**The King's Orderlies Activities**

The King's Orderlies spent last Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Wansbrough, where a very pleasant time was spent. In the absence of the President, the programme was in charge of Scoutmaster N. F. Moore. It was an interesting and profitable one. Several timely selections impressing the value of the cultivation of fraternal feelings were read by Scoutmaster Moore, Assistant Scoutmaster Savage, Bugler Spellvogel and Messrs. Wansbrough, Saltzer and Parker. H. P. Moore gave an address on character building. There was rousing singing, and prayer by Rev. Mr. Moyer. Mrs. Wansbrough and Miss Anna then served substantial refreshments which all enjoyed, and a delightful social hour was spent. Tomorrow evening the members of the class and their friends will meet at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. N. P. McLam. Pte. Robert Stewart, M.M., will give a talk on his experiences in France.

**Halton-Peel Children's Shelter**

The counties of Halton and Peel, having purchased one of Milton's finest residences to be used as a home for their neglected and dependent children, feel it desirable to place before the public the need of furnishings and general equipment. This home is most suitably located and offers unlimited possibilities for this splendid work. A board of management of five members from each county together with two members from each County Council has been appointed by the Children's Aid Societies of Halton and Peel, with Mr. C. D. Gordon, of Brampton, as chairman; Mayor Earl, of Milton, Vice Chairman; Mr. C. H. Stuart, Milton, Treasurer; Mrs. T. J. Brown, Milton, Secretary. Auditors, Sheriff Henderson, Brampton, Mr. J. F. Little, Milton, and various committees. The co-operation of the different societies of both counties is urgently needed. Information regarding requirements may be obtained from either Mrs. Graham, of Brampton, or Mrs. Gorham, Milton, Convenors of Furnishing Committee.

## Provincial Highway to Sarnia Endorsed

### Reliance Shoe Company's Agreements to be Considered from a Legal Standpoint

**NOT MUCH BUSINESS TRANSACTED**

The regular session of the municipal council on Monday was quite pacific. The usual gallery of ratepayers was absent. Little business was concluded, though several vital matters were discussed.

All the Councillors were present and Reeve Barber was in the chair.

The Committee on Finance presented their fifth report and recommended payment of the following accounts:

GENERAL ACCOUNT

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| Acton Free Press, printing | $ 8 30 |
| Municipal World, printing | 9 35 |
| W. J. Reid, supplies | 2 15 |
| N. F. Moore, coal | 4 80 |
| Bell Telephone Co. | 15 |
| G. Hynds, minute book | 3 00 |
| W. I. Dick, legal account re annexation | 52 36 |
| | $80 06 |

HYDRO ACCOUNT

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|---|---|
| Hydro Electric Power Com. | $36 72 |
| Canadian General Electric | 29 86 |
| Geo. Hynds, Jr., labor | 13 50 |
| Northern Electric Co. | 8 96 |
| Northern Electric Co. | 70 55 |
| James Hymon, supplies | 10 42 |
| N. F. Moore | 4 95 |
| | $174 96 |

The report was adopted.

A communication from the Central Ontario Provincial Highway Association requesting endorsation of their efforts for the highway from Toronto to Sarnia through Acton and requesting that immediate action be taken to build the proposed highway was received.

Moved by T. Gray, seconded by A. O. T. Beardmore and resolved that the Acton Council do hereby fully endorse the resolution passed by the Provincial Highway Association at Stratford on February 26, 1919.—Carried.

The report of W. I. Dick re annexation of property in Esquesing was received. The report was not clear to all the members of the Council and the matter was laid over awaiting more information.

The Fireman's grant had received no action by the Fire and Light Committee and this was laid over for another meeting.

All the documents relating to the transaction with the Reliance Shoe Company were, upon request, laid before the Council. As none of the members, but the Reeve had seen them, it was thought desirable that they be thoroughly understood.

Moved by A. O. T. Beardmore, seconded by T. Gray and resolved that a solicitor's advice be asked with reference to the agreement between the Reliance Shoe Co. and the Municipality of Acton, and as to the date they should move their business to Acton and to advise as to the proper steps the corporation should take in this matter.—Carried.

Auditor R. M. McDonald reported regarding the filing system about to be inaugurated. He advocated that files be hung on the wall of the vault. He mentioned the kind offer of Mr. Beardmore, who had offered a splendid cabinet to the town, but unfortunately the capacity of the vault would not allow the use of this cabinet. Auditors McDonald and Havill were instructed to put this filing system into operation.

Council adjourned at ten o'clock.

## Social and Personal

Mrs. A. M. McPherson visited friends in Toronto last week.

Mr. W. McNabb spent the week-end with friends in Toronto.

Mr. Gordon Hayward, of Toronto spent Tuesday in town.

Mr. Earl Vincent visited friends in Toronto during the week.

Mr. John Kinnard, Guelph, visited Acton friends on Tuesday.

Mrs. (Dr.) Dryden, of Guelph, visited Acton relatives this week.

Miss Ruby Clark was home from Toronto for the week-end.

Mrs. D. M. Henderson, of Galt, visited Acton friends last week.

Mr. J. Goldstein and family have removed from Guelph to Toronto.

Miss Margaret Bennett was home from Toronto on a week-end visit.

Mr. A. Nodwell, of Chatham, formerly of Acton, spent Thursday in town.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Campbell, of Stevensville, have removed to Acton.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Malone and family have removed to Acton from Toronto.

Lieut. Bennett, of the R. A. F., was here from Toronto this week on a short visit.

Rev. J. A. Jowitt, of Erin, was a visitor at the Methodist Parsonage on Friday.

Mrs. Robt. McPherson, Jr., and Miss Dorothy visited Toronto friends over the week-end.

Mrs. William Swackhamer spent a few days last week at the home of her son in Toronto.

Mr. William Douglas, of Toronto, has been spending a few days with relatives here.

Mrs. Wm. Mason and Miss Hazel have been spending the week with friends at Alton.

Miss Clara Grieve, of Arkell, visited at Mrs. E. J. Kingsbury's over the week-end.

Miss Alice Johnston, of Macdonald Hall, Guelph, spent the week-end at her father's home.

Mrs. Jennie Stephens, of Toronto, was the guest during the past week of Mrs. W. J. Gould, Bower Avenue.

During his stay in town Mr. Fred Abrey, missionary from China, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Brown.

Major Norman Henderson, Georgetown, spent a few days last week at the home of his grandfather, Hon. D. Henderson.

Mr. George Wallace, Guelph, was operated on last week for appendicitis. He is making splendid progress toward recovery.

Mr. Robert Wallace, Jr., who has been at the Charbonneau Lumber Camp at Dalton, Ont., has returned home. He says there was good sleighing there all winter.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Byrne and family have removed back to Acton from Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs Wm. Lynd and daughter who removed from Oshawa last fall, have returned to their home there. They made many friends during their stay here.

## The Acton Hockey Club Excursion

### 202 Citizens Went Down by the Specials on the Electric Road to Witness Match

**BEARDMORE'S ACTON 8; BEARDMORE'S TORONTO 2**

When the Acton Hockey Club staged the excursion to Toronto last Friday evening they provided one of the best night's enjoyment the local enthusiasts have had for some time. The price was "easy" and the time did not interfere with the ordinary man's working day. Consequently every available ticket was soon taken after the sale was opened and many were disappointed at not being able to secure one.

The wisdom of limiting the number of tickets was quite agreeable to those who took in the affair, as the cars were not jammed past their capacity to any great extent.

About two hundred citizens journeyed with the team and the ages seemed to range from almost seven to seventy. Acton indeed proved itself to be "sport" from the cradle up to the allotted three score and ten.

Two special cars had been chartered on the Toronto Suburban Railway by the Hockey Club, and these were ready on the siding here before six o'clock. Everyone taking in the bus, red and white.—The trip down trip was provided with the Acton colors and was unobtrusive. There was the usual excursion fun and fellowship. The front coach was devoted entirely to the men and the trailer was for the mixed crowd of men, women and children.

The cars arrived in Toronto about eight o'clock and this left the excursionists an hour and a half before the game was scheduled to begin; but this time was easily disposed of as other games were being played and numbers of city friends were on hand to visit with the home folks.

And then the game itself at the Ravina Rink. The ice was excellent and the Acton team played a brand of hockey that was entirely new to the spectators. They had their new red and white uniforms, with a red star in the centre of the sweater. The Toronto team, composed of Beardmore men, were out to win if possible, but they weren't in it for a minute with the Acton bunch. Durno could skate all around the whole team and take the rubber down to the goal and add a tally whenever he took a notion, it seemed. Then there was the Gardiner, Durno, Beardmore combination—something new—that the whole Toronto six couldn't resist. That became tiresome and a couple of goals were shot from centre ice by "Torrance" which resulted in tallies for Acton.

The first period ended with four goals for Acton and a cipher for Toronto. Then the second came and in this period Toronto managed to break through the Malone-Beardmore defence and score a couple on Kennedy. This seemed to be the only time Toronto ever had any hope, and this was soon discouraged, as Acton piled up goal after goal until the score was 8-2 in their favor. Almost all the members of the team, excepting Kennedy, shared in the scoring.

There were times when the game threatened to be "dirty." Gardiner had been "laid for," seemingly and early in the game lost one of his front teeth. One of the Toronto men started "rough stuff" at the outset and finally ran up against Malone and landed in the middle of the ice on his head. This settled him. The Toronto goal keeper also got a nasty one on the ear which laid him up for a few minutes. Durno seemed to come in for an unusual amount of abuse, but took it all as a good sport, playing the game only and running in with a goal whenever excitement lagged. Graham and Hynds also did good work when put on to relieve; Graham especially showing up in some fine rushes.

The return trip was started about twelve o'clock. Acton had won and played excellently, and everyone was in good humor. The place for a grouch wasn't on that trip. The riding might have been rough but it had nothing on the fun in the car. There was pie and cake and peanuts and everything passed. It was like one big family and the cars were full of fun until they reached Acton about 1.50 Saturday morning.

The only fact most hockeyists seem to be bemoaning now is that the season is so nearly over and no more ice is available here. With the aggregation Acton has now mustered together they are in shape to give a number of their former opponents a good sound drubbing. With Gardiner, Durno and Gordon Beardmore on the forward line and Malone and Torrance Beardmore on defence and Kennedy in goal it makes an excellent combination.

A covered rink would be greatly appreciated. It would extend the hockey and skating season for weeks at each end. May it materialize in 1919.

## Chris. Moffat, Acton Wins $250 Shorthorn

### At the County Stock Judging Classes at Milton on Monday

**ALSO SHIELD FOR THE HIGHEST POINTS IN LOCAL CONTEST**

The county stock judging classes and Seed Fair at Milton on Monday were very largely attended. The interest which was manifested in the local classes the week before was intensified when the numerous contestants came together from all points of the county.

The Acton class had the honor of supplying the winner of first place in the county judging and Chris. Moffat is the fortunate young man to secure this high position.

The prize won is a valuable pure bred, pedigreed Shorthorn bull, worth $250.00. A sister of this animal sold for $450.00. The great grand sire was Gainford Marquis, the famous bull of the herd of Watt Bros., Elora. The grand dam was an imported Scotch animal. Mr. Moffat is naturally very proud of his success and of the splendid animal coming into his possession as a result. He was also awarded the silver shield for securing the highest number of points in the classes in the judging at Acton.

Mr. G. H. Gillies secured the silver cup for being highest in judging in the horses classes.

The showing in the Seed Fair department was very creditable.

Mrs. Blickensderfer, of El Paso, Tex., has been a guest this week at the home of Mr. Robert Bennett, Lake Avenue.

Pte. L. R. O'Hefe, recently returned after three years and seven months overseas, with the 24th Battalion, V. B. C., was a guest with Mr. and Mrs. McIlvoy, at the Trout Ponds the past few days.