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New Advertisements

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ACTON

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Parsonage—Willow St.

MEN'S DAY

10 a.m.—Class Meeting.

11 a.m.—Subject: "James, the Lord's Brother."

2.30 p.m.—Sunday School.

7 p.m.—Subject: "The Story of a Shipwreck."

Special music by a Choir of Male Voices.

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1 Excelsior Motorcycle in good running order. Apply
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DOGS MUST BE TAGGED

In compliance with the lily-law governing dogs, notice is hereby given that all owners of dogs or bitches must apply at once for tags. Dogs found in the municipality without a tag will be destroyed. By order,
W. J. REID, Municipal Officer
Acton, May 14th, 1919.

HALTON
CREAM AND BUTTER CO.
MILTON

We have commenced to gather cream for our factory, and our wagons will call on our patrons regularly as in the past.

Mr. Adam Cook will have charge of our wagon in the district surrounding Acton.

We thank our many customers for their past patronage and trust for a continuation and will always endeavor to give full satisfaction.
JOHN IRVING, Manager,
45-6 Milton, Ontario.

MAIL CONTRACT

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the Postmaster General, will be received at Ottawa until noon on Friday, the 6th June, 1919, for the conveyance of His Majesty's Mails, on a proposed Contract for four years, six times per week on the route Glen Williams, R.R. 1, from the 1st October, 1919 next.

Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed Contract may be seen and blank forms of Tender may be obtained at the Post offices of Glen Williams, and at the office of the Post Office Inspector, Toronto.

Post Office Inspector's Office, Toronto, April 25th, 1919.
A. SUTHERLAND,
44-3 Post Office Inspector

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"The Sunset Trail"
With Vivian Martin, and a two part Big V Comedy.

SATURDAY, MAY 17
"Till I come Back to You." A Cecil B. DeMille production "The Canadian Regiments in France, showing the 10th Canadian Infantry. Comedy "Independence, By Gosh."

TUESDAY—MAY 20
"A Doll's House," with Enid Ferguson. No. 13 of a "A Fight for Millions," and the usual comedy.

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No need to go to, or order, from the city. We can Save you Money.

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THIS WEEK WE FEATURE NEW SPRING GOODS

A few of the many lines we mention below. The goods the new and up-to-date, and prices right.

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DRESS MUSLINS
PLAID GINGHAMS
CHECK GINGHAMS
DRESS GOODS, Plain & Fancy
HOSIERY, Black and Colors
NAINSOOK
INDIA LINEN
RIBBONS
GLOVES, All kinds
CORSETS
FANCY COAT LININGS
FANCY DRESS SILKS
SPECIAL IN BLACK DRESS SILKS
COLORED CURTAIN MUSLINS
PLAIN CURTAIN MUSLINS
CRETONNES
WESTMORELAND CRETONNES, for comforters and tiedowns, 36 inches wide
FINEST AMERICAN COTTON BATTING, full size for quilt or comforter.
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SHIRTINGS
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Our aim is to keep the best. Our tremendous output keeps our stock fresh at all times and our prices are the lowest, quality considered.

BUTTER AND EGGS WANTED—CASH OR TRADE

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News of Local Import.

The Coming Entrance Examinations

The dates for the entrance examinations, which have been finally decided upon, are later than last year's. They are to be held on the three days of July 2, 3 and 4, whereas last year they were over by June 19.

Mother's Day in the Churches

Mother's Day was loyally observed in the churches and Sunday Schools last Sunday. In Knox Church and the Methodist Church the services were given a special character in recognition of the day with appropriate addresses and special music.

Seven Hotel Licenses in Halton

Inspector Harvey delivered the licenses to the Standard Hotels of Halton last week. There are now only eleven hotels in the county holding standard licenses, as follows: Burlington 3, Campbellville 1, Georgetown 2, Glenwilliams 1, Milton 2 and Oakville 2.

Knitted 700 Pairs Socks During War

The Mitchell Advocate says: "As we go to press, Mrs. William Stuart, St. George Street, is seriously ill and no hopes are entertained for her recovery. This venerable old lady is 87 years of age and did a noble work in knitting seven hundred pairs of socks during the war.

Farmers' Club Meeting Postponed

The meeting to be held under the auspices of the Farmers' Club was postponed owing to the rain until Saturday evening next. Mr. Morrison, secretary of the United Farmers' of Ontario, will then deliver his address. A short musical programme will be given.

Empire Day I. O. D. E. Entertainment

The Daughters of the Empire will hold a unique entertainment on Empire Day in the Town Hall. There will be a musical programme and a series of essays by pupils of the public school will be read. Prizes will be awarded for the essays judged to have won places of merit.

Reception and Banquet to Soldiers

The young ladies of the Intermediate Red Cross are issuing invitations to all returned soldiers of Acton and their ladies to a banquet to be given in the Town Hall on Saturday evening, May 24, at 6.30 o'clock. It will be a very enjoyable function, and being held on the Queen's birthday will have a special zest.

Queen's Birthday Will be Observed

A meeting of our merchants and business men was held on Monday evening to consider the matter of observing the Twenty-fourth as a public holiday, seeing that it falls this year on Saturday. It was decided to drop the Wednesday half-holiday next week—21st inst.—keeping open all day, then to observe Saturday, 24th, as a holiday as usual.

Another Reception to Returned Men

A civic reception to the soldiers who have returned home the past two or three weeks will be held in the town hall this evening. Our citizens will, as usual, turn out en masse to assure the returned heroes a rousing welcome and to hear something of the exciting and interesting experiences through which they passed overseas and at the fighting line.

Please Look and See

If your label tells that your subscription to this paper has expired, please renew without further delay. There is hardly anything we dislike so much as to take the name of a subscriber off our list, but if you do not renew we take it to mean you do not desire to do so and that you expect us not to send your paper after the time runs out. Renew to-day.

To Improve Fairview Cemetery

Fairview Cemetery has many natural attractions and the efforts of the past have beautified it in many respects. If some plan could be devised so that all plot owners would arrange that their plots be cared for continuously the attraction of this "God's Acre" would be much enhanced. The Cemetery Committee may do all necessary work in keeping walks and drives in condition, trimming trees and planting and grading, but if some plots are allowed to go without care by the owners the general effect is greatly marred.

Baptist Church Has New Pastor

Mr. A. H. Carr, who has been appointed pastor of the Baptist Church, commenced his ministry last Sunday. The services of that church will be held both morning and evening by the old time, until further notice. On Sunday next the Sabbath School will be reorganized and will be held every Sunday at 3 o'clock (old time). The pastor will be very glad to see all who did attend the Sunday School and any others who are not in the habit of attending any Sunday School. To all the public services of the church all strangers will be heartily welcomed.

Educational Campaign on Loyalty

The Department of Education has approved of a lecture campaign for the schools of Ontario on the history of the great war, illustrating by splendid lantern slides the work of the army and navy. For this purpose Acton has been placed under the direction of Mrs. Selwyn Holmsted, Municipal Educational Secretary, of Toronto. She has arranged Miss Boulton's itinerary to include Acton and will be here on Friday to give her first lecture. The scholars and teachers of the schools will be favored with a special exhibition at 3 o'clock in the afternoon at the town hall.

Motor Car Collides with Electric Car

On Sunday evening as the six o'clock Toronto Suburban electric car from the west was approaching Acton station, Clarence Winfield was driving from his home on the second line into Acton up Main Street, and the two came together with considerable impact about the centre of the street. The little Ford struck the big electric car at the steps in the centre of the car, breaking off the casting. The motion of the electric car turned the automobile into the ditch. Its radiator, lamps and one fender were smashed and a number of minor injuries sustained. With the characteristic recovery of the Ford it responded to crank and throttle immediately after being pushed up from the ditch and sailed proudly up hill to the nearest garage. Mr. Winfield has put in a bill of damages to the Toronto Suburban Company, alleging that the whistle was not blown for Main Street crossing.

Halton County's Institute Work

Ten Meetings in Summer Series to be Addressed by Miss Duncan, Toronto

ANNUAL MEETING ON JUNE 19

For many years the Women's Institute meetings throughout the county have been an interesting and keenly-looked-for feature of the year's work.

This summer series afford the members of the institutes and their friends an opportunity of hearing addresses by expert speakers on practical every-day topics. The meetings create new incentives for the activities in the local institutes in their every-day efforts, and they afford a splendid opportunity for social intercourse at a delightful time of the year.

The institute meetings in Halton this year will be held as follows:

Burlington—Monday, May 26.
Trafalgar—Tuesday, May 27.
Omagh—Wednesday, May 28
Palermo—Thursday, May 29.
Kaqueing—Friday, May 30.
Georgetown—Saturday, May 31.
Hallinafad—Monday, June 2.
Hannockburn—Tuesday, June 3.
Acton—Wednesday, June 4.
Nassagaweya—Thursday, June 5.

Miss B. Duncan, of Toronto, will be the Government speaker at these meetings, which will be held at each place at 2.30 p.m.

Miss Duncan's topics have a wide range and all are interesting. They are: "Conditions as we Find Them"; "Women's Responsibilities"; "When Your Girl Leaves School"; "Opportunities" and "Where the Housewife's Time Goes."

Mrs. Robt. Gorman, District President; Mrs. W. H. Easterbrook, Vice President, and Mrs. Geo. Havill, District Secretary, will each attend some of the above meetings.

The annual district meeting will be held in Milton, on Thursday, June 19, at two o'clock in the Milton Methodist School Room. Tea will take the form of a picnic in the same place.

The County Board of Agriculture will also meet at Milton that day.

Every Citizen a Subscriber

Too poor to take a home paper? Well, that is a distressful condition. An observant subscriber advises this way. "Tell such to buy a hen, feed her crumbs and waste from the kitchen and she will lay eggs to pay for a year's subscription; then work her up into pot pie and she will pay first cost; so the paper will be clear profit. Repeat this process year after year, meanwhile learn wisdom and cease to be poor."

Will Fill a Pulpit in New York

Rev. J. C. Wilson, B.A., has been engaged to occupy the pulpit of one of the leading Presbyterian Churches in New York for the next two Sundays. Friends there, who know Mr. Wilson and his abilities well, arranged this supply. Mr. Wilson will much enjoy his visit to the metropolis of America. Prior to leaving his Board of Managers handed him a substantial cheque to cover his expenses. Mr. George Speedy, of the Upper Canada Bible Society, will preach next Sunday and Rev. Dr. Rochester, of the Lord's Day Alliance, is expected for the following Sunday.

Col. Bishop Making Money Fast

Lieut.-Col. W. A. Bishop, of Owen Sound, premier living airman in the British war service, is making $30,000 a month or thereabouts in the United States at the present time, was stated in the House of Commons Monday by General Mewburn, minister of militia. The reference came up during the discharge of the bill to create an air board in Canada, when Hon. Mr. Lemieux suggested that Col. Bishop be accorded a place on the board. Gen. Mewburn said, in consideration of the fact mentioned above, that he did not think there was enough money in the militia department to induce Billy to act on the board now, but, probably he would be available later.

A Dry vs. Wet Debate

Last Friday evening the Separate School at Thorpville, on the Elora Road, was crowded to the doors on the occasion of an inter-township debate between representatives from Puslinch and Nichol. The favorite topic of discussion—Prohibition—was the subject of debate, the question being "Resolved that the sale, importation and manufacture of intoxicating liquor, as a beverage should be prohibited." The affirmative was taken by the Nichol representatives, Rev. Mr. Guild and Miss Brydon, while C. W. Crawley and G. L. Bush took the wet side of the question for Puslinch. The debaters were allowed half an hour for argument, and the judges after much deliberation, awarded the decision to the prohibitionists.—Guelph Mercury.

Why $11 to $12 for Coal

That the price demanded for coal is no fault of the local dealers, for the same figures prevail Ontario over, the question arises naturally, Why $11.00 to $12.00 coal? Not many months ago there was enough coal mined in Canada and the United States to keep the bins filled, and we had consumption sharply regulated by the Government. We even had lightless and heatless days. Then the price was cheaper than it is to-day. Now it happens that an outlet is sought abroad for the surplus of 100,000,000 tons of coal stored in the United States. It must be disposed of or the miners cannot be kept busy. Most of the miners hold to a four-day a week. The whole subject is highly interesting. The consumer finds it hard to fathom why he has to pay the prevailing price for a ton of coal when a huge surplus exists at the collieries.

Really Only Half an Hour Difference

Previous to 1884 our fathers worked on sun time. So-called standard time was then adopted at the instance of Sir Sanford Fleming, the eminent Canadian railway engineer, who induced the governments of England, the United States and Canada to accept the device known as Standard Time. He divided the circumference of the earth into 24 equal parts, one part for each hour. Within each of these 24 parts the meridian or true time of the centre of it was accepted as the time for the whole area. In so far as Acton is concerned, since 1884 we have always been 30 minutes behind meridian or sun time. When our clocks struck 12 standard time it has always been 12.30 by the old sun mark on the sun dial or window sill. When we moved our clocks forward one hour to conform to daylight saving time, we must remember that is it only 12.30 instead of one o'clock by the true or meridian time. In other words the real deviation under daylight saving in Acton is only 30 minutes instead of an hour as most people are led to think.

Permits Quebec To Import Wine

Amendment to Sir Thomas White's Resolution on Prohibition

PROVINCIAL LAWS TO GOVERN

Ottawa, May 13—After a surprisingly brief discussion on the resolution which is the forerunner of the bill to keep the order-in-Council prohibiting the importation, transportation and manufacture of intoxicating beverages in operation in a modified form for a year from the official declaration of the end of the war, it was adopted in the Commons to-day. During the discussion Sir Thomas White announced that the Government would be willing to accept an amendment permitting the importation into any province of wine of a class which could be legally sold there. The resolution as it was introduced gave effect to the principle that the Dominion Parliament should allow the manufacture and importation in a province of liquors which the provincial laws permitted to be sold. No provision, however, was made for relaxation of the prohibition of importation into any province from another province or from a foreign country. Under the resolution the importation of wine into Quebec would have been illegal, although the people of Quebec voted in favor of the sale of light wines. Under the proposed amendment Quebec people will be able to import French or Ontario wines provided they can procure beverages which in alcoholic strength comply with the provincial law.

The debate to-day was a curious one. Only one speech in support of the resolution, that of Sir Thomas White, was delivered, and no expression of opinion whatever was heard from the Opposition side of the House. Opposition members apparently were reserving their fire for a later stage in the legislative process of converting the resolution into a statute. Sir Thomas White, as Acting Prime Minister, introduced the resolution, and explained the reasons which had compelled the Government to pass the order-in-Council now to be validated. He explained that the present year was "a war year" inasmuch as heavy expenditures had to be made to meet the cost of demobilization and of re-construction activities. Hence measures to promote thrift and efficiency among the people were just as necessary now as during the years of actual hostilities.

When the House went into committee on Sir Thomas White's resolution on prohibition the Acting Premier said the object of the legislation was to ratify and confirm certain orders-in-Council which had been passed by the Government during the war under the authority of the War Measures Act for restricting during the war and for twelve months after it, the manufacture, transportation and sale of intoxicating liquors. He said in reply to Mr. R. L. Richardson that the after the war prohibition period would extend from the "official declaration of the end of the war."

Mr. Cronyn then moved an amendment to the resolution. Under clause 3 of the resolution, transportation of intoxicating liquor into any prohibited area is prohibited, but the prohibition does not extend to the "sending, taking, transporting or delivering of native wines in the Province of Ontario." Mr. Cronyn moved that the exception in favor of Ontario native wines be struck out.

Sir Thomas White replied that the principle underlying the resolution was recognition of provincial rights. It recognized that the provinces had the right to enact such legislation within their own jurisdiction as might to them seem proper.

Sir Sam Hughes thought that any legislation passed by the Federal Parliament should apply equally to all provinces. He wanted to know whether an Ontario manufacturer would be allowed to manufacture beer for export to Quebec if the alcoholic content allowed in Quebec was greater than that in Ontario.

Sir Thomas White replied that he would not, if this resolution carried.

Potato Planting Should go on Now

Better Results from Hilling than from Level Cultivation

USE GOOD-SIZED POTATOES

Extensive experimental work under ordinary conditions has shown that it is a good plan to use good-sized seed potatoes, and to cut them into pieces of from one to two ounces in weight, and having two, three or four eyes in each piece. It is an excellent plan to throw freshly-cut pieces in finely ground land plaster or gypsum and to plant the sets immediately after cutting. The best returns have been obtained by planting the sets in rows about 28 inches apart and leaving the sets singly from 12 to 15 inches apart in the rows. In the average of seven years' experiments it was found in planting the potatoes, one, three, five and seven inches deep that the highest average results were obtained from planting three inches, and the second highest from planting five inches in depth. Under average conditions it is usually wise to plant about four inches but the depth of planting would, of course, depend considerably upon the quality and the condition of the soil. If the soil is a sandy loam, the depth of planting may be deeper than in the case of a heavy damp soil.

In experiments extending over a period of ten years it has been found that about four bushels per acre increase has been obtained from hilling the potatoes in comparison with level cultivation.—Dr. C. A. Zavitz, O. A. C., Guelph.

WOOL PRICES LOOK GOOD

Unwashed Ontario Wool Now Quoted at 40c to 55c

One of the good looking features of the market at the present time is the way the trade has been taking hold of the U. K. wool clip, which is seasonably ahead of our own. What promised to be a sluggish season has developed what is described as "the most active market in a decade," and it is expected that few clips will be sent east for sale.

In Ontario the trade is now quoting unwashed at 40c to 55c per lb., and the co-operative scheme, in its two years of trail, has always brought more than the commercial offers of dealers. There is no reason in sight why the co-operative sellers of the fine grafted of wool at least should not be profitably rewarded.—Farmers' Sun.

Social and Personal.

Mrs. Alice McPherson visited Toronto friends last week.

Miss Ettie Dills was home from Toronto over the week-end.

Pte. Hubert McPherson was home from Toronto over the week-end.

Miss Cormie, of Guelph, visited at Mr. A. T. Brown's last week.

Mrs. W. Landsborough and Charlie visited Toronto friends during the week.

Chief Lawson has been laid up with a painful attack of lumbago the past week.

Mrs. Peter McDonald and Miss McDonald are visiting at Mrs. Crofts, at Durham.

Rev. and Mrs. I. M. Moyer spent a day or so last week with friends in Toronto.

Mrs. Robt. Shaw and Mrs. Clinton Swackhamer visited Toronto friends last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Hayward, of Toronto, spent a couple of days last week with Acton friends.

Dr. Farmer, of Oakville, who recently returned home from Bermuda, was here on Friday visiting his son, Mr. H. N. Farmer, Barrister.

Mrs. Anderson, of Buffalo, N. Y., returned home last week after spending several weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Husband, Willow Street.

Mrs. A. T. Brown has been at Niagara Falls this week attending the convention of the Hamilton Conference Branch of the Woman's Missionary Society.

Stewart Lowrie, of the fifth line, who ran a pitch fork into his foot a couple of weeks ago, is getting about again. The wound was very painful for a few days.

Nursing Sister Belle McLachlan, of Cincinnati, Ohio, who was overseas with the American troops, and recently returned home, was the guest last week of Mrs. Thomas Somerville, Mill Street.

Mr. Thomas Hurd and Mr. and Mrs. Furbush has moved from Philadelphia to Newark, N. J. Mr. Furbush's father is now superintendent of a large concern there. Miss Hurd in writing says: "The Free Press gives much news to us of the old home town."

Little Miss Audrey McLeod, of Toronto, who has spent the past four years with her aunt, Miss Emma Hawthorne, while her father was overseas in the army, returned home on Saturday. Her father reached home that day. Audrey is quite a favorite here.

In Memoriam

DUNCAN McGREGOR

At the ripe age of eighty-one years Duncan McGregor passed away on the farm on which he was born eighty-one years ago, on Friday last. Mr. McGregor had not been well all winter and gradually declined until his spirit peacefully left the tired body. He was the only son of the late Donald McGregor, who came from Perthshire, Scotland, about eighty-five years ago, and settled on lot 27, in the seventh concession of Nassagaweya. After spending twenty-five years in Canada the father died and the mother seventeen years after in 1886. Donald McGregor was a man of sterling character and lived all his life in this community enjoying the esteem of all who knew him. On January 28, 1874, he married Marjorie, daughter of the late Alexander Mann, of the second line, near Acton. All his life he lived on the homestead where he was born. They had nine children. Two died in infancy, but the mother and the following sons and daughters survive: Donald, of Guelph; Alexander and John on farms in Nassagaweya, and Jessie, Lizzie, Mary and William at home. Mr. McGregor had nine sisters: Mrs. Alex. Waldie, Mrs. William Waldie, of Killarney, Man., Mrs. John McHardy, Toronto; Mrs. Robt. Kennedy; Mrs. John McCallum and Mrs. Robt. Shields, Winghan; Mrs James Clow, Oregon; Mrs. Thos Walsh, B.C. and Miss Jane, who lives in Erin Township. Of these Mrs. Alex. Waldie, Mrs. Robt. Kennedy and Mrs. Thos. Walsh predeceased their brother. Mr. McGregor was a member of the Presbyterian Church. For years his membership was with Knox Church, Acton, but twenty years ago or more he transferred to the Nassagaweya Church. The funeral on Monday to Fairview Cemetery, Acton, was largely attended by friends and neighbors who gathered to show the last respects to the memory of a good man and a kind neighbor.

—The I. O. D. E. have arranged with Miss Boulton, of Toronto, to give her lecture on the great war, illustrating the work of the army and navy with beautiful lantern slides, in the town hall, on Friday, 16th inst. A session will be held for all pupils and teachers of the schools at three o'clock.

—The Missionary Committee of the Epworth League concluded their series of services in the programme contests with a review of the experiences of a home missionary and his family among the Ruthenians in Saskatchewan, on Monday evening. A very effective lesson was taught.

—The T. E. Bissell Co. factory is now operating on the nine-hour day plan, commencing on Monday of this week. Work starts at 7 a.m. and closes at 5 p.m., the men having decided by vote on these hours for the summer months. The John C. Mundell Co. adopted the nine-hour day on May 1—Elora Express.

—The funeral of the late Lot Singular, the well-known proprietor of the Western Hotel, Guelph, whose death occurred on Monday afternoon following a long illness, took place Wednesday afternoon. Many of the farmers and others of this section knew Mr. Singular for years.

—Bonnycastle Dale, the well-known naturalist is the author of a splendid article entitled "The Dropping off Place" in Rod and Gun for May. This wholesome outdoor magazine is replete with stories, articles and special departments dealing with Canadian wild life and nature. Rod and Gun is published by W. J. Taylor, Limited, Woodstock, Ont.

—Of all business men the butchers perhaps have the worst of it in these days. Prices of all kinds of meat, live or dressed, continue to mount, and although the butcher's profit is cut close, he is looked upon with suspicion, and regarded as a "profiteer." The truth, doubtless, is that butchers never found it as close work to make ends meet as they do to-day.

Canadian Trade and Future Prosperity

Farmers, Manufacturers, Mines, Forests Must Produce Largely to Exploit Exports

THE ADVERSE BALANCE OF TRADE

In the year before the war Canada had a net national debt of $338,000,000. To-day it is about $1,500,000,000.

The interest on loans will require that the Dominion do about $100,000,000 more trade each year to keep up in relatively the same place as it was in 1914.

Our foreign trade for the last few years is shown in the following figures (to othe nearest million dollars):

	Imports Millions $	Exports Millions $	Trade Balance Millions $
1913	670	456	Adverse, 214
1914	618	432	Adverse, 186
1916	508	741	Favorable, 233
1918	963	1,540	Favorable, 577
12 months ended Feb. 1919	932	1,216	Favorable, 284
1919-20	.....	.....	777

We must go back to peace trade, but on a war-time scale.

To do this we must place our factory and field production on a new and enlarged plane, we must adopt the most up-to-date methods, we must co-operate in a broad and enlightened policy, we must do a hundred things not conceived even a few months ago by the most far-seeing.

We must not have an "adverse balance of trade." Our factories must run for a full day's work for fifty-two weeks in the year; our farmers must continue to produce as they did last year, the last possible ounce from their holdings; we must exploit our mineral and other resources to the utmost capacity.

These are the things which the Canadian Trade Commission wishes to impress on every man and woman, even on every child, in the Dominion, for they are going to form for years to come the crux of our well-being.

MILITARY NEWS

A second party of 400 German interned prisoners sailed from Harwich on Sunday night for Germany. There were a number of young men amongst the party, and several bearded middle-aged men. All look remarkably well, a striking contrast to the British prisoners returning from Germany.—Harwich, England, Newsman.

The Burks Falls Arrow says: "Sergt. Leonard Armstrong returned home from overseas last week and family and friends were rejoiced to welcome him safe home again after many thrilling experiences at the front during the past two years. Leonard went overseas with the 162nd in the autumn of 1916, and some of the most interesting letters which have appeared in The Arrow under heading, "Letters from Overseas," were written by him. Sergt. Armstrong was formerly a resident of Acton.

Mr. Gilbert Creamer received the following message on Tuesday:

Camp Dix, New Jersey,
May 13th, 1919

I deeply regret to inform you that your son, Pte. Fred Creamer died at this hospital, eleven twenty this morning. Body will be prepared for burial and shipped Government expense. Wire where and to whom body is to be shipped.

R. A. HUSSEY, Adjt.

HAPPINESS

"'Happiness,' says one writer, 'is a mosaic, composed of many smaller stones.' It is the little acts of kindness, the little courtesies, the disposition to be accommodating, to be helpful, to be sympathetic, to be unselfish, to be careful not to wound the feelings, not to expose the sore spots, to be charitable of the weaknesses of others, to be considerate—these are the things which added up at night, are found to be the secret of a happy day. How much greater are all these than one great act of noteworthy goodness once a year! Our lives are made up of trifles; emergencies rarely occur. 'Little things, unimportant events, experiences so small as scarcely to leave a trace behind, make up the sum total of life.' And the one great thing in life is to do a little good to every one we meet. Ready sympathy, a quick eye, and a little tact are all that is needed.

"Dr. Raffles once said: 'I have made it a rule never to be with a person ten minutes without trying to make him happier.' It was a remark of Dr. Dwight, that 'One who makes a child happier for half an hour is a fellow-worker with God.'

"A boy said to his mother: 'I couldn't make little sister happy, nohow I could fix it. But I made myself happy trying to make her happy.' 'I make Jim happy, and he laughs,' said another boy, speaking of his invalid brother; 'and that makes me happy, and I laugh.'

"How beautiful would our home life be if every child at the bedtime hour could look into the faces of the older ones and say: 'We've had such a sweet time to-day.' 'To love and to be loved,' says Sidney Smith, 'is the greatest happiness of existence.'"

A HANDY MAN ABOUT THE CAMP

In the Civil War it was said that the volunteer regiments from both North and South contained men of every conceivable occupation and walk of life, so that no emergency could arise at the front with which there was not some one ready to cope. If we may take an incident reported in Stars and Stripes as typical, the new American army is made up of exactly the same stuff.

"Can anyone run this?" asked an engineer captain of his company, pointing to a diminutive locomotive with a flywheel like a threshing machine.

"Sure, I can, sir," said a husky private. "I've fired on twenty-seven railroads; I've been fired from seven; I've worked on every kind of locomotive the Baldwin Works ever thought of, and I can run anything with four wheels that Fritz can build. I'll have this baby talking English in a hour.

BELIEVING IN YOURSELF

It is better to believe in yourself when every one else doubts you, than to possess the unlimited confidence of others and doubt yourself. The faith of friends cannot long bolster up one who is weakened by a lack of confidence in himself. And on the other hand, history is full of shining examples of those who believed in themselves when the crowd was against them, and triumphantly vindicated their faith. There is inspiration in the confidence of others, but none of the world's greatest men have dispensed with that aid. But no one has ever achieved anything who failed to believe in himself.