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7.00 p.m.—The Pastor.

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 17

Matinee at 3 p.m. Popular nursery rhymes will be played on the Grafonola for 15 minutes before the matinee starts for the children. "Two Brides," with Lina Cavallieri. "Mary Moves in," Christie comedy. British Gazette.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 20

"Here Comes the Bride," with John Barrymore. No. 3 of Vitagraph's Snow serial.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21

"Beauty Proof," with Harry Morey. "Topics of the Day." Comedy.

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50 pairs Boots, Boys', Misses', Ladies' and Children's to clear at HALF PRICE.

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The Council Was Inaugurated On Monday

With a One-hour Session in the Morning and Another of Three Hours in the Evening

GEO. R. AGNEW AND CHAS. A. CONWAY AUDITORS

The members-elect of the Council met on Monday at 11 a.m. for organization, as required by statute. The members made the required declarations and took their seats as follows:

Reeve—George Barber.

Councillors—W. Arnold, Dr. Coxe, J. R. Leishman and Wm. Ritchie.

A committee to strike the standing committees for the year was appointed, namely: the Reeve and Messrs. Arnold and Leishman.

The committee met and reported as follows:

FINANCE—Dr. Coxe, chairman; W. Arnold, J. Leishman.

STREETS AND WALKS—W. Ritchie, chairman; Dr. Coxe, W. Arnold.

THE PARK—W. Arnold, chairman; W. Ritchie and the Reeve.

FIRE AND LIGHT—John R. Leishman, chairman; W. Arnold, Dr. Coxe.

TOWN HALL—The Reeve, chairman; John R. Leishman and Dr. Coxe.

THE CEMETERY — The whole Council.

The report was adopted.

Dr. Coxe presented his resignation from the office of Milk Inspector. It was accepted.

The by-law to appoint auditors was introduced but left for completion until the evening session.

An hour was spent in municipal business and at the evening session three hours more were consumed in the transaction of the following business:

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

General Account

Street lighting	$152 00
Town Hall, lighting	5 00
Bell Telephone Co.	6 65
A. M. Smith, returning officer	5 00
W. J. Gould, returning officer	6 00
A. E. Nicklin, poll clerk	4 00
Geo. C. Anderson, poll clerk	4 00
Dr. J. A. McNiven, M. O. H.	15 00
Dr. H. A. Coxe, milk inspector	45 00
Municipal World, supplies	2 68
Acton Free Press, printing	10 55
Acton Free Press, advertising	24 20
N. P. McLam, repairs	5 80
Geo. Dills, labor	7 50
	$304 38

Hydro Account

Employers' Liability Assur. Co.	$157 00
Factory Products, Ltd.	19 31
Can. General Electric, supplies	27.25
Acton Free Press, advertising	4 20
McDonald & Willson, supplies	60 40
A. T. Brown, supplies	1 85
Can. General Electric, supplies	74 80
	$374 00

The by-law to appoint auditors was given the required number of readings and passed. Messrs. Geo. R. Agnew and Chas. Conway were appointed as auditors at a salary of $20.00 each.

A by-law to authorize the borrowing of money to meet current expenditure was also introduced and given the requisite number of readings and passed by the Council. The sum of $8,000 was the initial amount set forth in the by-law to be borrowed.

The new Council then tried to get a grip on that knotty little question—the Shoe Factory.

A communication from Gourlay & Fogelberg requested that the clause respecting the furnishing of a statement of the financial standing of the firm to the Corporation be made more explicit. They also requested that the name of the firm of accountants be set forth. They also desired that the Council endorse the change of firm name from Gourlay & Fogelberg to the Acton Shoe Co., Limited.

Mr. Gourlay was present and urged the Council to push forward the repairs to the factory, as his company was anxious to commence operations at the earliest possible date.

Mr. J. P. Scarrow, on behalf of the G. W. V. A., requested free use of the Town Hall for the three occasions they have had it, and also that the Veterans be given use of the hall free of charge in the future, whenever they use it for raising funds on behalf of their association.

Moved by H. A. Coxe, seconded by Wm. Arnold, that the G. W. V. A. be given the use of the Town Hall once a month at the pleasure of the Caretaker, the hall to be left in good condition after usage.—Carried.

Municipal Officer Reid reported that three years ago the Oddfellows had rented the hall and not paid for it. They maintained that the Reeve had given the use of the hall free. Mr. Reid said the Reeve at that time had told him to follow his schedule of rates and make a charge. It was reported that they wanted the hall again and the Municipal Officer was instructed to collect the rental due.

Then the discussion reverted to the Shoe Factory question again, and it was threshed around the table for about three-quarters of an hour. The discussion was summed up by the Reeve saying he didn't know where they were at on the Shoe Factory and the Waterworks questions, and the following resolution was passed:

Moved by H. A. Coxe, seconded by Wm. Arnold, that the Council apply to the Director of Municipal Affairs for advice with regard to the Shoe Factory situation.—Carried.

Council adjourned at 11 o'clock.

PROVINCIAL PROHIBITION CONVENTION

The People of Ontario Face a Crisis Which Demands Careful Thought and Wise Action.

The annual Prohibition Convention for the Province of Ontario has been called to meet in Massey Hall, Toronto, on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, March 9, 10 and 11, in connection with this big gathering a meeting of the Executive Committee of the World League against alcoholism will be held, at which there will be present a number of overseas delegates from England, Ireland, Scotland, France, Belgium, Denmark, Switzerland and Italy, as well as a number of the prohibition leaders from the United States.

Two monster mass meetings are to be held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. On Thursday the speakers will be World League delegates. On both evenings military bands and massed choirs will furnish music.

As usual, special reduced fare convention rates are being secured. Tickets will be good going on March 4 to 11 and returning up to and including March 16.

The Induction and Reception of Rev. Mr. Findlay

Ministers of Guelph Presbytery Impressively Instal the New Minister of Knox Church

THE CONGREGATION TENDERS CORDIAL GREETINGS

Rev. William L. Findlay, whose call to the pastoral charge of Knox Church, Acton, was recently moderated in by Guelph Presbytery, was formally inducted by that body last Thursday afternoon.

There was a large assembly of members of the congregation and visitors from other neighboring charges and local churches.

Rev. Dr. McGillivray, Rev. Dr. Hindy, Rev. Dr. Abraham, of Guelph, and Rev. R. A. Wood, B. A., of Puslinch, officiated on behalf of the Presbytery.

The induction sermon was preached by Rev. Mr. Wood and was based upon Matt. 17. The function of the Christian church and the fulfilment of that function was impressively set forth.

KNOX CHURCH, ACTON

A very high and solemn duty rests upon the church and it is a great pity when the church fails to fulfil its functions. The interrogation was offered: "Is the church in Canada to-day succeeding in performing her functions as she ought?" Great perils lie before us. The tendency is abroad to worship material things. The rich-quick spirit, the dealing in machines, the God mammon, are great evils. It is a function of the church to bring the world into the living presence of Christ. To bring every creature face to face with the Redeemer. The church must have a prayer life. How many of us really pray? What we need to-day is the baptism of God's spirit upon us to enable us to work so that God's word will flourish, and flourish triumphantly.

Dr. McGillivray briefly narrated the steps leading up to the call to Rev. Mr. Findlay.

Rev. Dr. Abraham then administered to the pastor-elect the obligations of the impressive induction service.

Dr. McGillivray next addressed the minister. "From what I have learned through various channels I have faith to believe you will give a good account of yourself as minister in charge of Knox Church. You begin your ministry here at the opening of the New Year, a year which many believe will be the opening of a new era in our country. The same great issues of life and character and destiny are still with us. We believe there is a great task before you here, as a minister of the church of Christ. You are expected to do much for the community through the preaching of the word. You will take your stand realizing the power of the gospel of Christ. The preaching of the word is to be prominent and brook no rival. To all appeals that would turn you aside from careful preparation for the pulpit you must say nay. You will, however, think of yourself as a citizen of this community. As a pastor you must look after the sick and distressed. One has said: "A house-going pastor makes a church-going people." This is measurably true. In all your relations be 'God's gentleman.' Consistent, faithful life among the people will bind the mass of them to your heart. The Christian church of to-day is synonymous with opportunity. All difficulties will vanish as a result of prayer and faith in Jesus Christ. As a minister you are dealing with the things of life. You will have a satisfaction as a result of your work which no other work can give. I have found the following mottoes helpful: "Never allow the power of imagination to die out. 2. Beware when seeking a subject that you do not lose sight of the object. 3. Try to make the obvious arresting."

Rev. Dr. Blair followed with a fervent address to the congregation. "This is the beginning of a new period in the history of Knox Church. The union between pastor and people is a very close one. It is a spiritual union. You have heard the obligations taken by the minister; now I must tell of your obligations. Pastor and people must work together. I am here to put you in remembrance of what you know full well. You understand your duty toward him in temporal matters. Help him also in spiritual matters. Pray for him. A minister who has not a praying congregation cannot be a success. Old and young should pray. It is a great stimulation to the minister. Pray that the word of God may have free course and be glorified. Avoid unreasonable criticisms and unreasonable expectations. You'll expect him to visit the sick, but how can he visit them until you inform him of their illness. Never criticize your minister in the presence of the children of the family. He may well pray to be delivered from the strivers up of strife. He's taxbearers. Encourage your minister by regular attendance at the services. "Keep my Sabbaths and reverence my sanctuary." Be in readiness to help him in every good work. No minister can do all the work of the church alone. Show a kindly appreciation of his services. Be at peace among yourselves. Fight every form of evil."

The service was concluded with a hymn and the benediction by Dr. Abraham.

From six to eight p.m. a most enjoyable social tea and reception were tendered Rev. and Mrs. Findlay. All the members of the congregation present were introduced and this social feature did much to establish the new relationship of minister and people.

At eight o'clock Mr. George Hynds took the chair. He was supported on the platform by elders Alex. Waldie, John Cameron and John R. Kennedy.

The choir sang an anthem and Rev. I. M. Moyer led in prayer.

The chairman extended cordial greetings to the new pastor and Mrs. Findlay. He assured them they would find a united congregation and a loyal session.

Rev. Mr. Findlay expressed his appreciation of the kind words spoken, and the welcome accorded him and his family. He thanked Rev. Mr. Moyer and Rev. Mr. Mummell, who were present to represent their respective churches. He had great pleasure in accepting the call to Acton. There was no vacancy available more satisfactory to him than Acton. We must get hand to one another. We require to get into an atmosphere of sympathy. As I appear before you in the pulpit from time to time I will tell you my idea of what I feel the work of a church in her service, and sacrifice should be. To carry on the work the boys began "Over There." We must commit ourselves to the service of the Lord Jesus Christ in this community. It will be my work to rejoice with you in your rejoicings and to sorrow with you in your sorrows. Your welcome to us has been cordial indeed.

Rev. I. M. Moyer, of the Methodist Church, and Rev. E. P. Mummell, of the Anglican Church, in very happy and fraternal speeches extended very hearty welcome to Rev. Mr. Findlay and his family, and expressed the hope that he would enjoy his residence on Willow Street, the principal ecclesiastical residential street in town.

Words of fellowship were also spoken by Rev. J. T. Strachan, of Nassagaweya, and Rev. Mr. Wood, of Puslinch, while fervent words of welcome were further spoken by Messrs. John R. Kennedy and John Cameron.

A very enjoyable musical programme was provided by the choir, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Warden, Miss Laura Acting, Miss May Robertson, Mrs. (Dr.) Hawke, of Melfort, Sask., and ladies' and gentlemen's quartettes from the choir.

The proceedings of the day were impressive, helpful and enjoyable.

Rev. William L. Findlay, B. A., the new minister, is a graduate of Toronto University and Knox College. His first charge was Campbellford, where he spent two years. For eight years he was pastor of the historical old Presbyterian Church at Kelkirk, Man. During the war Mr. Findlay resigned this charge and enlisted for service. He was given the rank of captain and the position of transport officer from the west overseas. Mrs. Findlay is a daughter of the Manse. The late Rev. D. J. Macdonell, D. D., of St. Andrew's Church, Toronto, was her revered father. Three little daughters grace the Manse.

A $200 Rooster

J. R. Fallis' Rhode Island Red Cock "General" won the prize for the best bird at Brampton Poultry Show last week. He won a number of prizes at the Guelph Winter Fair. He cost J. R. $200 a few months ago.

Teacher of 88 on Pension List

An Ontario teacher who was put on the superannuation list at a meeting of the teachers' superannuation committee held at the Parliament buildings on Tuesday, has reached the age of 88 and has been instructing the young idea at Hamilton how to shoot, for the last 61 years. He receives a pension of $1,000 per annum, bringing the total number on the superannuation list in the province to 881, with an annual expenditure of $72,000.

The Farmer Gave His Reason

A farmer, carrying an express package from a mail-order house the other day was asked by a merchant: "Why didn't you buy that bill of goods from me? I could have saved you the express, and besides, you would have been patronizing a home store, which helps pay the taxes and build up this locality." The farmer looked at the merchant a moment, and then said: "Why didn't you patronize your home paper, and advertise? I read it, and didn't know you sold the stuff I have here."

The Drummers' Snack Club

The executive of the Drummers' Snack Club of Commercial Travellers held their annual meeting and banquet at the Carls-Rite Hotel, Toronto. President Geo. Griffiths, of Hamilton, occupied the chair. The annual report showed the treasury to be on a good financial basis. Two pleasing events of the evening were the presentation of an honorarium of a $50 cheque to John J. Allan, of Georgetown, the home secretary, and a gold headed cane to P. McIntosh, the retiring general secretary-treasurer. The annual outing will again be held at Georgetown on Friday and Saturday, July 30 and 31.

PREDICTS A BONE-DRY CANADA WITHIN NEXT SIX MONTHS

Winnipeg, January 13.—A bone-dry Canada within six months is the prediction of a former liquor dealer here to-day. By that time, he says, stocks of Canadian whiskey will have been used up, and Scotland will be kept busy supplying her own needs.

News of Local Import.

School Trustee Election Protested

It is reported that a protest has been entered against the recent election of School Trustees. It is alleged that the candidates nominated failed to comply with the school law amendments enacted at last session of the legislature.

Our Local Factories Busy

The leather and glove factories here are in full blast for the year's output. Orders are plentiful and the prospects are good. W. H. Storey & Son's eight travellers left for Ontario, Quebec, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta last week. Ryder & Mowat Glove Company have their full staff busy on accumulated orders.

More Property Changing Owners

Real estate is moving rapidly now. The two houses belonging to Mr. Fred Denny, on Bower Avenue, advertised last week have both been sold. Mr. Cameron McEnery bought the one in which Mr. Denny lives, and Mr. John Thomas the brick beside the bowling green. Mr. R. J. Kerr negotiated the sale of both properties.

I. O. D. E. Fancy Dress Carnival

The Duke of Devonshire Chapter of the I. O. D. E. will hold a skating carnival in the rink on Saturday evening. Prizes will be awarded for costumed skaters, and for the most graceful skaters. The rink will open at 7.30 and skaters with costumes will have the ice until 8.30, when it will be open to all. The proceeds are to be devoted to benevolent purposes.

Back to the Old Home Town

Mr. Thomas Gibbons and family arrived the first of the week from Oxbow, Sask., to settle in Acton. Mr. Gibbons has been in the harness and shoe repairing business in the west for fifteen or sixteen years. For some time he has felt a strong desire to return to the old home, and recently disposed of his business in Oxbow. Mrs. Gibbons and their children accompanied him. He intends to resume his business here and will also manufacture parts of harness for the wholesale factories, a line of which he has lately made a specialty of. Mr. Gibbons and family have received a warm welcome to the old home.

Wages Increase at the Tanneries

Messrs. Beardmore announced yesterday that a general re-adjustment of wages would take place throughout the works. The minimum wage will be 38c per hour, dating from January 1. The increase will affect the men working for the minimum to a larger extent than to employees who are receiving higher wages and those who are working at piecework. The object of the firm is more especially to assure the ordinary workman a wage commensurate with the present high cost of life's necessities. The men appreciate very much this consideration. The higher wages, and the reduced hours per week, which was adopted a few months ago, manifest a practical tendency to meet the workmen in a generous spirit.

National Prayer for Betterment

From the Atlantic to the Pacific, in every large city, small town and village where churches exist, throughout the length and breadth of Canada, last Friday women of every denomination united in prayer for the advancement of Christianity, for high national ideals for unity and fellowship among those who call themselves Christians, and service and peace throughout the world. This wonderful chain of prayer, in which the women of Presbyterian, Methodist, Anglican, Baptist and Congregational Churches united, was in connection with the Inter-church Forward Movement, and had been organized by the Women's Missionary Societies of all the different churches. The women of Acton united in this national day of prayer.

The Smith-Sexton Nuptials

St. Joseph's Church was the scene of a pretty wedding on Wednesday morning, 7th inst., when Ethel, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Benton, Church Street, was joined in the bonds of holy wedlock to John J. Smith, of the Toronto Suburban Railway. As the bride entered the sacred edifice leaning on the arm of her father the wedding march was played by Miss Irene Mulholland. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. G. Goodrow. Miss Delhie Gibbons attended the bride, and Mr. George Benton, brother of the bride, was groomsman. The bride looked very pretty in her travelling suit of navy blue trieotine, with hat to match, and a corsage bouquet of American Beauty Roses. After the ceremony the company assembled at the home of the bride's parents, where the wedding breakfast was served. Mr. and Mrs. Smith went east on the two o'clock Toronto Suburban electric on a brief honeymoon tour. They were the recipients of numerous fine bridal gifts. The groom's gift to the bride was a cheque for a substantial sum. To the bridesmaid he presented a gold pendant, set with pearls, to the groomsman a pair of cuff links with pearls, and to the organist a brooch set with pearls. Mr. and Mrs. Smith will reside on Agnes Street.

Able Sermons by Rev. Mr. Daniels

Sunday last was Educational Day in the Methodist Churches of Guelph District, in connection with the Interchurch National Campaign. There was a general interchange of pulpits and the value of education and the needs of the colleges of the church, and the opportunities for aiding in their extension and support were strongly emphasized. Rev. W. S. Daniels, B. A., B. D., of Elora, Chairman of the District, exchanged with Rev. I. M. Moyer. Mr. Daniels' sermons were able presentations of the important subject of the day. The value of the educational institutions of the church was vividly shown. The church has always stood for education and the leaders of the great religious movements of history have been educated men. The evening discourse was based on Phil. 4: 8, "Think on these things." Ideas have now a great place in the world. Clear, logical, definite connected thinking is being done. Men can determine the nature of their thoughts. We grow like that we think about. People who never build castles in the air rarely build houses on the ground. Mental loafing is dangerous. We must think on good things. The acceptance of the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour puts good thoughts in our hearts. Mr. Daniels' sermons were much enjoyed. He also gave an interesting address at the Sunday School service.

Noble's Elevator Narrowly Escapes Destruction by Fire

Acton Fire Brigade and Beardmore & Co's Fire Company Did Great Service

ENGINE ROOM CONSUMED BUT MAIN STRUCTURE SAVED

When the fire alarm was sounded about half past one on Friday afternoon, and it was ascertained that Noble's grain elevator at the G. T. R. yards was on fire, it was the general opinion that the building would be consumed. A blizzard was raging, and an elevator generally has a draft like a smoke stack, and the fire travels rapidly. But, although the engine house, which was attached to the main structure, was totally consumed, the elevator itself escaped wonderfully well.

The fire originated in the engine room. Mr. Henry Awrey, the manager, started the engine, which had not been running for a couple of days, about a quarter to one, then went out through the elevator to prepare for elevating a car of corn which had just arrived, on the siding, and left the engine running. He was engaged in the car for half an hour or so, when Walter Bauer, who was helping him, noticed that smoke was issuing in volumes from the engine room, and gave the alarm.

Mr. Awrey rushed in and found the interior ablaze. He locked the door between the engine room and the elevator and turned in an alarm to the Fire Brigade.

The Brigade responded promptly and the fire engine was stationed at the Young Street tank. A stream was going in a remarkably short time, and Chief McDonald and his men fought the fire in real earnest. With commendable courage a number of the hose men climbed the elevator's interior ladder through the fire and smoke and directed a fine stream from points above the fire.

Unfortunately the Grand Trunk pumping outfit, which supplies the Young Street tank, was undergoing repairs, when the fire broke out, and when the 40,000 gallons in the tank were exhausted the fire engine was useless. This contingency was seen to be inevitable and Messrs. Beardmore & Co. were pleased. Their fire company laid a line of hose from the tanneries and in a very short time, under the command of Mr. A. O. T. Beardmore, had a splendid stream playing on the fire. After an hour's fighting the fire was conquered, but the firemen spent a couple of hours longer on the scene to quench any possible outbreak and salvage the contents of the elevator. The firemen of both the municipal and the Beardmore companies deserve high praise for their successful work in quenching the flames, and also in so directing their operations so that the damage to the grain stored in the elevator was minimized as far as possible.

The engine house, engine and connections, a fanning mill and two sets of scales were destroyed. Some low grade grain was somewhat damaged, but the 2,700 bushels of oats and several hundred bushels of wheat in the elevator bins were not injured. The lower part of the walls of the elevator were charred but not badly burned. The heavy galvanized iron sheeting kept out the fire to a large extent.

The loss is estimated at about $1,500, but is fully covered by insurance.

A very thoughtful act on the part of the ladies of the Beardmore homes was the preparation of a cauldron of hot coffee for the firemen, who were chilled through by the prevailing lowlands. This action of the Mesdames Beardmore was greatly appreciated.

Acton has fortunately been immune from serious fires for a long time. There has been an incipient blaze occasionally, but the last fire of importance in town was when the Henderson store was gutted three and a half years ago.

Social and Personal

Mr. Melfort Collier was home from Toronto over Sunday.

Miss Katie Aiken, of Toronto, visited Acton friends last week.

Mr. Joseph Hynds was home from Toronto over the week-end.

Mrs. Alice Macpherson is visiting friends in Kilbride and Hamilton.

Mr. Fred Secord has been rather seriously indisposed the past few days.

Mr. and Mrs. John McEachren, of Guelph, visited Acton friends last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Campbell and Miss Dorothy, of Toronto, visited with Acton friends on Sunday.

During his stay in town Rev. W. Daniels, of Elora, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. David Williamson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Thompson, Miss Inuis and Miss Thompson, of Toronto, were guests of Mrs. E. E. Colter on Sunday.

Mrs. M. W. Traynor, Loretta and Irene, of Owen Sound, have returned home after spending a week at the parental home here.

Mr. Frank Payne, of Detroit, spent a few days last week with his uncle, Mr. W. A. Storey, and Mrs. Holmes and Nicklin last week.

Mr. Robert Campbell, of Kincardine, visited friends here during the week and attended the induction in the church of his boyhood.

Pte. W. Alger and his war bride arrived here from England last week and are sojourning with his mother, Mrs. Thomas Alger, Scone Street.

Dr. Farmer, accompanied by Mrs. Farmer, who left for the south last week, are now comfortably settled for the winter at St. Petersburg, Florida.

Mr. Norman S. Macdonnell, of Toronto, brother of Mrs. (Rev.) W. L. Findlay, came up last Thursday to attend the induction service at Knox Church.

Mrs. George Errington, of Toronto, and Mr. Tom Ross, of Acton, attended the funeral of the late Thomas Armstrong on Monday of last week.—Georgetown Herald.

Mr. George Hynds made his first visit to the new home of his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hynds, Toronto, last week and had a very enjoyable time. He found them in a very pretty home on St. Clarens Avenue, very attractively furnished, homelike and comfortable.

Dr. and Mrs. Hawke, of Melfort, Sask., were the guests during the week of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Brown. They were en route from New York, where the Dr. was taking a post-graduate course. Mrs. Hawke was Miss Queenie Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Smith, of Winnipeg, formerly of Acton.