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THE METHODIST CHURCH
ACTON

REV. JOSEPHUS CULP, Pastor
Parsonage—Willow St.

11.00 a. m.—The Minister. Subject: "The Ox that Gores; What Shall we do with Him?".

3.30 p. m.—Sunday School.

7.00 p. m.—Service withdrawn in order that the congregation may attend the Knox Church Anniversary Services.

PRESBYTERIAN
KNOX CHURCH, ACTON

Minister—Rev. A. C. Stewart, M. A.
Manse—Willow Street

10.00 a. m.—Bible Class. Studies in Matthew, Chapter XVI.

10.00 a. m.—Sunday School.

11.00 a. m.—Anniversary Services. Speaker, Rev. Dr. J. M. Waters, of India.

7.00 p. m.—Anniversary Services. Speaker, Rev. Dr. J. M. Waters.

Strangers leaving address with the ushers will be called upon by the Pastor.

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NOTICE

The party who broke into the wood shanty on the farm of James Russell, fourth line, Erin, and took away some tools stored there is advised to return them immediately to stop further proceedings.
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The undersigned desire to extend sincere thanks to their many kind friends and neighbors, and to Mr. Wm. Gowdy for their sympathy and their numerous acts of kindness during the illness and sad hours following the death of their beloved one. All this will ever be held in grateful remembrance.
Donald S. McDonald and Family.
Limehouse, September 15, 1924.

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20
"The Circus Cowboy"
Starring Charles Jones. Comedy, "The Weakling." Educational reel "Fragland. Fox News.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23
"April Showers"
Starring Colleen Moore. Chapter 2 of "Ruth of the Range." Comedy, "Lofty Marriage."

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OUR STOCK IS ALL NEW—THE PROOF OF THE BOOT IS IN THE WEARING

HARRY HARRISON, the Shoe Man
New Lines of Travelling Bags and Suit Cases

News of Local Import

Pastor of Metropolitan Church, Toronto, to Preach

The anniversary services of the Methodist Church will be held on Sunday, November 23. Rev. Mr. Culp has been successful in securing Rev. George H. Williams, D. D., pastor of the Metropolitan Church, Toronto, as the preacher for this occasion.

Anniversary Services at Knox Church

Anniversary services will be held at Knox Church next Sunday. Rev. Dr. J. M. Waters, of India, will preach morning and evening. The choir will have special music for the service of praise. The notice of the anniversary is necessarily brief, but large congregations are looked for. The congregation of the Baptist Church will attend the morning service, and of the Methodist in the evening.

Improvements to Halton Glove Works Building

Messrs. Spielvogel & Son, who recently purchased from William Williams the building on Main Street, in which their business is operated, have extensive improvements under way. The building has been raised a foot or so, and moved to the northerly limits of the property. A basement will be excavated and fitted up for a stock room; new stone foundations will be built, and the building is to be veneered with brick. This work will result in more commodious quarters and another attractive building on Main Street.

The Band Concert Last Week

A fairly good crowd turned out on Thursday evening last to the Citizens' Band Concert in the Town Hall. The band gave a generous programme of selections which appealed to the audience. Bandsman Allan gave a euphonium solo, "Perfect Day," which was well rendered. This is the last time Bandsman Allan will appear with the Acton band, as he left on Tuesday to assume the duties of Bandmaster of Chatham Band. During his year's residence in Acton he has been a valuable asset to the band and his splendid musical ability will be greatly missed by this organization. The band is contemplating putting on several concerts in the Hall throughout the winter months, provided, of course, that the citizens of Acton desire these concerts and manifest it by their attendance.

Board of Trade for Acton

The business men of Acton contemplate the organization of a Board of Trade or Chamber of Commerce, and will meet in the Town Hall this evening at eight o'clock to take the first steps toward the formation of such an institution. The purpose is to take into consideration matters of interest for the town's welfare; to co-operate with the Council in securing desirable improvements; to investigate proposals for additional manufacturing plants and any other matters calculated to advance the best material interests of the municipality. About fifty business people, who are substantial citizens, and who are interested in Acton's welfare, and progress, have signified their intention to unite in the proposed organization, and satisfactory results of value should accrue from the efforts to be made.

Prosperity at Hewetson Shoe Factories

One of the not too numerous shoe companies of Canada enjoying good business and a large measure of prosperity is the J. W. Hewetson Company of Brampton. As a result it is found necessary to increase the capacity of the plant and the building. The addition to the building will be 160 feet by 50 feet, two storeys in height, and built of brick and steel, and will give about 16,000 feet more floor space. The machinery in the older part of the factory will be duplicated to a large extent, and the output will be increased by 50 per cent. J. W. Hewetson company already have a second factory in Acton, and expect by November to increase their working staff by more than one-half. That they may continue to grow and prosper is the wish of the people of both towns.—Brampton Conservator.

Sad Fatal Accident to Former Resident

On Monday of last week May Cutting, wife of W. B. Phyfer, of 2111 Fairmount Road, Cleveland, Ohio, met a tragic death by motor, while crossing the street. A rain storm had come up, and about seven o'clock Mrs. Phyfer went to meet her husband with his raincoat, where he would get off the street car, about three blocks from their home. When crossing the street she stepped from behind an auto going east directly in front of another going west, and was knocked down. She was rushed to the hospital, but died in a few minutes, in fact, was dead before her husband knew of the accident. Besides the sorrowing husband, her little two-year old baby boy, Bobbie, is left motherless. Mrs. Phyfer had many warm friends in Cleveland, and this was amply manifested by a wealth of beautiful flowers, sent by friends in the church and others. The sad accidental death of her father at his farm on the sixth line, a number of years ago, will be remembered.

The Johnston-Wiggins Wedding

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Wiggins was the scene of a pretty wedding on Tuesday afternoon, when their daughter, Alice Elsie, was united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Mr. Lawrence Orwell Johnston, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Johnston, the ceremony being performed by the Rev. J. Culp, pastor of Acton Methodist Church. Promptly at three o'clock the bride entered the drawing room on the arm of her father, to the strains of Lohengrin's wedding march, played by the groom's sister, Miss Edna Johnston. The bride was gowned in pearl gray flat crepe, embroidered in blue and gold, and wore a bandeau and string of pearls. She carried a shower bouquet of palest pink 'mums and Richmond roses. The bride was preceded into the room by her sister, Miss Vera Wiggins, of Buffalo, wearing a frock of rose pink Canton crepe and bandeau of rhinestones and carrying a bouquet of sunset roses. The groom was supported by his cousin, Mr. Lorne Hamlin, of Toronto. After the ceremony a dainty luncheon was served in the dining-room. Mrs. Culp poured coffee, assisted by Misses Ethel Gilmer, of Brantford, and Jean McKibbon, of Toronto, both charmingly dressed in green crepe, and georgette. Mr. and Mrs. Johnston left for a trip to Sarnia, Detroit, and other points. The bride wore a navy tricotine suit with sand hat and the groom's gift, a martin neck piece. Many handsome gifts testified to the popularity of this happy couple. The groom's gifts to his sister and the bride's sister were handsome bar pins and to the groomsman a tie pin.

Organized For Plebiscite Campaign

Splendid Meeting of Citizens Interested in Support of O. T. A.

BRIEF ADDRESSES EXHORTING ELECTORS TO VOTE AND WORK FOR BIG "YES" VOTE TO FIRST QUESTION

The gathering of citizens which assembled in the Town Hall on Monday evening, for organization for the campaign to support the Ontario Temperance Act, was one of the largest and most representative ever held at the beginning of a contest for the support of a temperance measure in Acton. The unity of opinion and objective, as expressed by the various speakers, and by the votes of the citizens present was a very encouraging element; and the presentation of the duty of all possessed of the franchise, who desire to stand for the best interests of the province, of the home, of the family, and of legitimate business enterprise, to vote "Yes" to the first question on the ballot, and "No" to the second, was tenable and emphatic.

A strong executive, representing the business and moral interests of the town, was elected as follows:

President—C. C. Henderson, of the Christie & Henderson Company.

Secretary—F. E. McCleary, of the Hewetson Shoe Company.

Treasurer—W. K. Graham, Manager Bank of Nova Scotia.

Executive—Rev. H. G. L. Baugh, M. A., Rev. A. C. Stewart, M. A., Rev. Father McIlveny, Rev. W. H. Howard, and Rev. J. Culp.

These will draft Committees on Lists of Voters, Finance, Canvassing, Getting Voters to the Polls, and Scrutineers.

A meeting of the ladies of the town was held last evening, when an effective organization was undertaken to assist with the large womens vote at the Plebiscite election on October 22.

The meeting of citizens, which was presided over by Rev. H. G. L. Baugh, rector of St. Alban's Church, was addressed by a number of speakers. In his introductory remarks Mr. Baugh explained that first of all the meeting was intended for the purpose of explaining the coming Plebiscite vote. Everybody who has a vote should exercise his or her franchise on October 22. If we have a vote we should know how to vote. The question before us is one which affects everybody. It is a question not only for those who drive motor cars, but those who walk on our streets; it enters into the home and affects the home life. For a long time it has seemed incredible to me that men will make the efforts they do to get a drink of liquor. Some seem willing to sell their souls, lose their reputations, part with all self-respect, to secure a drink. It is our duty to hold fast to the Ontario Temperance Act, which is the best law ever placed on our statute books for prohibiting the legalized sale of drink.

Rev. J. Culp, who attended the county convention at Milton last Wednesday, reported that a large, representative and enthusiastic gathering was held. The assembled workers were much encouraged with the prospects for success in the coming campaign. It was felt, however, that thorough organization should be effected in every part of the country, so as to roll up as large a majority as possible. E. H. Cleave, B. A., of Burlington, was elected President for the county, and Charles Turner, Trafalgar, Secretary. A Vice-President for each municipality was decided upon. Mr. C. C. Henderson was appointed Vice-President for Acton. Mr. Culp made a strong appeal to every voter who has the good of his community and his province at heart to stand by the Ontario Temperance Act, the benefits of which have been manifest everywhere. He felt sure that no person who is in any way interested in helping the community can possibly desire to see the legalized sale of intoxicating liquor brought back. The ministers are ready to do their full share of the work necessary to success, and earnestly desire to see all laymen and ladies also engaged in the campaign for success.

Rev. Mr. Stewart, in a characteristically earnest and pointed speech, said he was very glad to hear anyone speak out their opinion emphatically. He couldn't understand the people who fail to say where they stand on a great moral issue such as that now before us. Some one had said to him that the bootleggers are with the preachers on the question of continuing the Ontario Temperance Act. If that is so they are in very good company, not only of the preachers, but of an immense host of people who are not bootleggers, nor moonshiners nor preachers, and we will all be supporting a measure which has borne more fruit, for the good of the country, than any other law ever passed in this province to outlaw the liquor traffic. Some people talk against prohibition, but we have the spirit of prohibition in every law on our statute books, and the by-laws of our towns and cities. We are there to-night to organize against something which is a curse to the country. Be true to your country; stand by the Ontario Temperance Act; stand by the men who are appointed to enforce its provisions and see that they are carried out. I only ask you, when the time comes to vote, to vote as you believe God's way would be. Business men to a man should stand by this measure, for they may be perfectly sure that money paid for liquor sold under Government control will not be spent for the goods they supply the homes which are the necessaries of life. I confidently believe the people of Acton will do their duty by their children, by their homes, by their country, and by their God.

Rev. Mr. Baugh, in reciting experiences on his holiday motor trip for three weeks through Ontario and Quebec this summer, said: "By their fruits ye shall know them." By results you know whether a thing is good or bad. The results of drink are bad. Ninety-nine per cent. of poverty and degradation results from drink. When drink is available a man starts home with his pay envelope and is met with temptation on every hand, with the result that by the time he arrives home much of his week's earnings are gone, he is in a deplorable condition, and his wife and family suffer. The liquor makes a hell on earth of home. This summer Mrs. Baugh and I motored to Montreal, and camped along the way between here and there. During three weeks we camped in parks and tourists camping grounds in towns in Ontario, and in all that time we did not see a single case of drunkenness nor drinking. The only places where we saw drunkenness was when we were in the Province of Quebec. What is Government control? It is not control of the sale of liquor. Any man can legally buy his car full of liquor in a day. He can buy but one bottle at a time; but he may go ten minutes after he has bought the first bottle and buy another, and so on all day. And a man can break a Government control law just as easily as the Ontario Temperance Act. This Province would not be worth living in if men could get all the liquor they want as they do in Quebec. The Ontario Temperance Act is not a perfect law, but it is the best we have available at present, or ever have had. Every one who wishes well to this Province will vote "Yes" to the first question on the ballot, and "No" to the second. I hope the day will come in Canada when the Dominion Government will give us a law which will forbid the manufacture, sale, importation or exportation of intoxicating liquor, and I am satisfied if we now endorse the Ontario Temperance Act it will be a step in that direction.

Rev. Mr. Howard said we are in for a great fight and we must be forearmed. The thing for us all to remember is that if we have Government control no home is safe. That being the case it is our plain duty to give our heartiest support and influence to the Ontario Temperance Act. We have our foot on the neck of the serpent now; shall we take it off, or shall we kill the serpent? Let us organize, get together, and fight as one man.

Mrs. McCleary said she felt there is a tremendous fight for the women in this campaign. The enemy is organized and is already boasting of victory, and laying plans for a return of the liquor traffic. Every woman in our Province should fight to banish the liquor traffic.

John Cameron recited some of the sad things he had seen in Acton when liquor was legally sold. If people could remember, or if they would be informed, they would never vote to return to the former disastrous drinking conditions. Every right-thinking citizen should work to influence his neighbor to vote to retain the Ontario Temperance Act.

Mr. C. C. Henderson told of a letter he had just received from a business friend in British Columbia, in which the failure of Government control was vividly pointed out. The people there in large numbers are spending their money for liquor instead of food and clothing and necessary household goods. He appealed to the people to stand together and do everything possible to get rid of the liquor traffic.

Mr. A. T. Brown said he had just received a letter from his brother, who is in business in Winnipeg, who says conditions under Government control there are deplorable. Business in all lines is seriously affected. Mr. Brown felt that the people here should unite in the strongest possible way to return the present law.

The meeting closed with the doxology and the national anthem.

Tenderly Laid to Rest

The Funeral of Rev. J. C. Wilson, B. A., Last Friday Largely Attended

The funeral of Rev. J. C. Wilson, B. A., of Weyburn, Sask., was held here last Friday afternoon, and many friends assembled to pay their respects to the memory of this man of God, who was so universally beloved. Mr. Wilson died without any illness. He preached morning and evening in his church at Weyburn, and was taken ill while returning home after the evening service, and expired in a few minutes.

Mrs. Wilson and Duff accompanied the body to Toronto, where they were met by Messrs. John R. Kennedy and D. McTavish, elders of Knox Church, and Mrs. William Johnstone and Mrs. Malcolm McLean, who came with the casket to Acton.

The funeral on Friday afternoon from Johnstone's Undertaking Parlours to Knox Church, and thence to Fairview Cemetery was one of the largest ever seen in Acton. The funeral service was conducted by Guelph Presbytery, of which the deceased was a member for sixteen years. Rev. Dr. McGillivray, Guelph, was commissioned, in the absence of the Moderator, to act in that capacity. The following ministers attended: Rev. A. C. Stewart, Acton; Revs. H. E. Abraham, H. H. Macpherson and A. M. Hamilton, of Guelph; Rev. John Little, Eramosa; Rev. J. U. Stewart, Rockwood; Rev. J. T. Strachan, Nassagaweya, Revs. J. W. McNamara and W. M. McKay, Toronto.

The service was a most impressive one throughout. "We are under the shadow of a great loss," said Dr. McGillivray, "and we take refuge in the promises and the word of the Living God." Rev. John Little, and Rev. J. W. McNamara, spoke tender words of eulogy of the deceased minister. "He loved the Gospel of Christ, and he loved to preach it," was the index of his character as expressed by these close friends. A prince and a great man in Israel has fallen, they asserted. The elements of service and the elements of sacrifice characterized his life.

At the close of this very affecting service, in which the choir took a prominent part, the casket was opened so that the large assembly might pass by and view the face of this man of God who had been so warm a friend to many of them. The casket was surrounded with a wealth of flowers, which bore mute but fragrant testimony to the esteem of friends in Weyburn, in Acton, and at other points.

The following elders and managers of Knox Church acted successively as pall bearers: John Cameron, John R. Kennedy, C. C. Henderson, A. T. Mann, James H. Reed, W. M. Cooper, W. R. Kenney, J. P., Alex. McDonald, John Stalker, Donald Waldie, Duncan McDougall, Nicholas Forbes.

All the immediate relatives of both Rev. and Mrs. Wilson, from Toronto, Brampton, Bolton, Albion, Mono Road, Drayton, and friends from Toronto, Guelph, Kitchener, Oak, Listowel, Palmerston, Port Credit, Durham, Grimsby, Georgetown, Milton, Brampton, and four members (and their wives) of Mr. Wilson's first session at Stouffville and Melville attended.

The Presbyterian Synod

Final Meeting of This Important Organization of the Church

On September 23, 24 and 25 the Presbyterian Synod of Toronto and Kingston will hold its annual meeting in Knox College.

At the evening meeting on September 24, special addresses will be given by veterans of the church in view of this being the jubilee year of the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

It is stated that this will be the last meeting of the Synod, as at present constituted, which ceases when the United Church of Canada comes into being, next June.

—Lunch will be served from 11 o'clock at Women's Institute booth at Acton Fair next Wednesday.

Plebiscite Vote Is Limited to Two Questions

"Yes" or "No" on Continuance of Ontario Temperance Act, and on Government Control

A VERY FAIR BALLOT HAS BEEN EVOLVED BY THE GOVERNMENT

It has at last been decided that two questions, and two only, shall be submitted to the electors of the Province of Ontario at the Plebiscite Vote on the question of intoxicating liquors at the election, to be held on October 22 next.

Settlement by the Cabinet of the issue on the form of the questions following conference in the Prime Minister's office between Mr. Ferguson and Attorney-General Nickle, representing the Government; John Macdonald, Rev. T. Albert Moore, D. D., and George H. Lees, of Hamilton, representing the prohibition forces, and I. F. Hellmuth, K. C., F. L. Monahan and Cyril D. Boyce, Moderation Leaguers.

The official Government announcement is as follows:

"The first consideration of a Government in its legislation and the administration thereof must always be the moral and material progress and welfare of the people it serves. The greatest force in the securing of law observance and the suppression of crime and elimination of distress is public opinion. The purpose of the plebiscite is to secure from the people such an expression of opinion as will enable the Government to adopt such measures as will have behind them the fullest possible public approval and support.

"The Ontario Temperance Act as amended and strengthened from time to time during the past eight years is now the governing principle in the handling of our liquor problem. It is obvious, therefore, that the first enquiry must be directed to ascertaining if the people desire to continue the principle of this law. One of the questions will therefore be: 'Are You in Favor of the Continuance of the Ontario Temperance Act?' If the majority answer in the affirmative there can be no doubt as to the course to be followed.

"If, on the other hand, the majority answer in the negative, it means that some new method of controlling the sale as a beverage of beer and spirituous liquor must be adopted. The Government therefore seeks a further expression of opinion by asking a second question: 'Are You in Favor of the Sale as a Beverage of Beer and Spirituous Liquor in Sealed Packages Under Government Control?'"

CORRECTING MISLEADING STATEMENTS

Editor of THE FREE PRESS,
Acton, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

We are writing this to correct certain statements or rather misstatements and rumors that have gained circulation about the town, which are not only misleading but tend to put us in a wrong light in regard to the public.

At a conference, held between the Council and ourselves on Wednesday evening, September 3, there were one or two statements made by the Reeve and by our representatives, and the same statements have been repeated around the town.

One statement was that we did not get our fire pumps or hose onto the fire which we had at our sole leather tannery here on the night of August 23 and 24 for forty minutes after the alarm was given. This statement is absolutely unfounded on facts. We had our pumps and hose going within three to five minutes after the alarm was put in. Our large electrical pump and steam pump maintained six to seven streams all the time during the fire at a pressure from 115 to 120 pounds.

We might say that Reeve Harber stated at the Council meeting that the cast iron pipe used in the town mains was only tested to 150 pounds pressure at the factory before shipping. We are told that this is not a fact, but that they were tested to 300 pounds, and that they should withstand a working pressure after they were laid of at least 150 pounds.

It is also told to us as a fact that it is impossible for the electrical pump at the town pumping station to give at the very maximum, under present conditions, more than 110 to 112 pounds, and the pump pressure in turn would not give more than 80 to 90 pounds nozzle pressure at the average fire in town, depending, of course, upon conditions.

The sooner the citizens of Acton know the true facts with reference to our fire fighting facilities here in town the sooner this whole matter will be corrected, and we will be able to get in Acton, fire fighting equipment which is second to none, and which will be adequate protection not only to our industries, but to our homes; and the citizens will be able to maintain their present rate of insurance and quite likely have it reduced.

We feel very strongly that statements like those above mentioned should not be made and circulated when they are absolutely untrue, and for this reason we ask you to publish this letter in the next issue of THE FREE PRESS, so that the citizens of Acton as a whole may know the true facts and not street corner gossip.

Yours Faithfully,
BEARDMORE & CO., LTD
Torrance Beardmore.

Acton, September 11, 1924.

Electors of Acton

I feel deeply the responsibility which the citizens placed on me at their meeting for organization for the Prohibition fight on Monday evening last.

Only by a strong, united effort can we give the answer which Acton should give, and I urge you, for the sake of our Boys and Girls, our Homes, and our Fair Province, to give the Committee your whole-hearted support, and do all in your power to sustain Ontario's Prohibition Legislation.

C. C. HENDERSON,
President Local Committee.

Social and Personal

Mr. George Rudman, of Toronto, is in town.

Mr. Harold Bricker spent Sunday at his home in Preston.

Mr. Steven Guest, of Toronto, spent Sunday at his home here.

Miss Isabel Watkins, of Norval, is visiting at Mr. T. P. Watkins'.

Mrs. E. T. Thetford spent the week-end with friends in Collingwood.

Mr. Harold Wansbrough was home from Toronto over the week-end.

Mrs. L. Mitchell, of Toronto, is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. Reesor.

Mr. Kenneth Martin, of Toronto, visited Acton friends over the week-end.

Mr. John McClure left on a business trip to the Canadian Northwest last week.

Mr. J. C. Matthews has been holidaying at Jackson's Point the past week.

Misses Emma and Grace Little, of Brampton, visited Acton friends this week.

Mr. Clarence Savill, of Toronto, is spending a few days with Acton friends.

Rev. Dr. T. Albert Moore, of Toronto, visited at Moorecroft on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Duncan and children, of Toronto, spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Harrison.

Miss Mary Harvey spent a day or so in Toronto with her sisters, during the week.

Misses Carrie and Gladys Ryder, of Arkell, visited Acton friends during the week.

Mrs. (Dr.) Gray went to Blyth on Monday to spend a few days with friends there.

Mr. A. T. Smyth, of Fort Erie, visited his aunt, Miss Elizabeth Moore, Wilbur Street, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Royce and Clarence, of Rockwood, spent Sunday at Mr. G. H. Lantz's.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. MacLean and Master Billy, of Chesley, spent the week-end in town.

Dr. Farmer returned home the first of the week after an enjoyable week's fishing at Myer's Bay.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Creighton, of Toronto, spent a few days at Moorecroft during the week.

Mrs. Doolittle, of Elmira, has been the guest of Mrs. Malcolm McLean, Bower Avenue, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Adsett and Miss Dorothea, of Trenton, made Acton friends a brief visit on Monday.

Mr. A. H. Bovitt, of Kitchener, was in town on Friday attending the funeral of Rev. J. C. Wilson, B. A.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Reesor and little Edith, of Toronto, were week-end visitors at the home of Mr. A. Reesor.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Teeter and babe, of Rockside, visited on Sunday at the home of Mr. C. H. Harrison.

City Engineer H. S. Nicklin, Mrs. Nicklin and Mary, of Guelph, spent a week's holidays at the old home here.

Miss Vida Ramshaw returned on Monday after a couple of weeks' holidays with friends in Milton and Lowville.

Mrs. Annie Johnston and Miss Belle Stephenson spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Bailey, in Fergus.

Misses Mary Gamble and Alva Maxales came from Toronto and spent the week-end at Mr. J. E. Gamble's, Crescentvilla.

Mr. Chas. Parker and Miss Roszell, of Acton, were guests of Mrs. Wm. McMillan at Hillsburg, on Sunday.—Erin Advocate.

Mr. Albert E. Gurney, manager of the J. L. Matthews & Co. departmental store at Port Arthur, visited Acton friends this week.

Miss Myrtle Young left this week for Schribner, where she has received the appointment of Principal of the Continuation School.

Miss Viola Allison, Mrs. Thetford's niece, who spent thy holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Thetford, has returned to her home at Collingwood.

Mr. Thomas Kilty, who was operated on last week at Guelph General Hospital for appendicitis, is making good progress toward recovery.

Rev. and Mrs. J. McLean, missionaries in China, who are enjoying a furlough, have been visiting friends in this vicinity during the week.

Mr. A. Young, of Cedar Creek Farm, visited friends at Windermere and other points in the North last week, meeting numerous friends of former years.

Messrs. Fred Williams, of Toronto, and W. J. Williams, of Bowmanville, visited their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. William Williams, Lake Avenue, during the week.

Mrs. Joseph Peters, of Gloversville, N. Y., Mrs. Bartleman, of Timmins, Ontario, and Mr. and Mrs. George Hemstreet, of Milton, were welcome callers at Moorecroft on Friday.

During her stay in town Mrs. (Rev.) J. C. Wilson was the guest of Mrs. Malcolm McLean. Many Acton friends called to extend sincere sympathy in her great sorrow. Miss Jean accompanied her from Toronto, and Duff from Weyburn.

Mrs. David Ross and family intend to remove to Toronto this week. The removal of this esteemed family from Acton is a distinct loss and is greatly regretted. The best wishes of the community will go with Mrs. Ross and family to their new home.

—Don't fail to patronize the Women's Institute booth at Acton Fair.

THE SPORTMAN'S MAGAZINE

The readers of the October issue of Rod and Gun in Canada are introduced to the intimate haunts of the elk, the red fox and the moose. Sure Fire Fishing on French River by J. B. Kerrett is a description of an ideal place for the sport of the angler. Bob White's Rival, a story of Hungarian partridge hunting in Alberta, by W. D. Elliot is equally interesting reading and Back to Nature, by "Nimrod II" and Surprises for Miller by Martin Hunter, are two particularly entertaining sketches. In addition to these in this well illustrated number, there are numerous other worth-while articles and stories.

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—New styles in Fall Millinery on display at Miss Murray's.