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THE METHODIST CHURCH
ACTON

REV. JOSEPHUS CULP, Pastor
Parsonage—Willow St.

11.00 a. m.—Rev. Hector McLean, of China.
2.30 p. m.—Sunday School. Autumn Rally. Special Programme.
7.00 p. m.—Rev. Hector McLean.

PRESBYTERIAN
KNOX CHURCH, ACTON
Minister—Rev. A. C. Stewart, M. A.
Manse—Willow Street

10.00 a. m.—Bible Class. Studies in Matthew, Chapters XVI and XVII.
10.00 a. m.—Sunday School.
11.00 a. m.—The Minister. Subject: "Fulfilling the Law of Christ."
7.00 p. m.—The Minister. Subject: "God's Secret."

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

HARRY HARRISON, the Shoe Man
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Anniversary is Missionary in Character

Knox Church Celebrates Its Seventy-ninth Anniversary in Unique Manner

THE MISSIONARY OPPORTUNITIES OF THE CHURCH EMPHASIZED BY DR. WATERS, OF INDIA

Dr. J. M. Waters, of India, was the preacher at the seventy-ninth anniversary of Knox Church last Sunday. The Dr. has been a very successful medical missionary in India for many years, and his efforts are ably seconded by Mrs. Waters. His information concerning India, the people of the country, the methods pursued in reaching the people with the gospel; and the successes achieved gave a very vivid glimpse of the romance of modern missions.

It was certainly an unique method of observing a church anniversary, but it was eminently fitting in a church, whose congregation this year has far overpaid the missionary objectives fixed by the budget for the church year. It was very gratifying alike to Rev. Mr. Stewart, the minister, and to the congregation, which is so vitally interested in missions, to have a real live missionary fresh from the missions field, to portray so vividly the opportunities presented, the methods for the spread of the gospel which have been followed, and to report the splendid successes which have already been achieved.

The weather was not propitious but the church was well filled at both services. In the morning the congregation was augmented by the pastor and people of the Baptist Church, and in the evening by those of the Methodist Church. Rev. Mr. Howard assisted at the morning service and Rev. Mr. Culp in the evening.

In the morning Dr. Waters gave a most interesting rehearsal of the work which is undertaken by the church in the way of medical services for the amelioration of the suffering of the people from the numerous diseases and ailments common to India. The work of the hospitals and the work of the medical missionaries on the field were very interestingly set forth. It was clearly shown that when the body was being ministered to an excellent opportunity was afforded to present the remedy for the sick soul, through the gospel of Christ the Great Physician.

At the evening services the evangelistic side of the work was specially emphasized. Before commencing his address Dr. Waters expressed the pleasure it gave him to meet the Methodist congregation in association with that of Knox Church. He said the Methodist Church would soon be real partners in the best and most worthy work the world has ever known.

The Christian people of Canada are, he asserted, the product of foreign missions. Jesus Christ came to earth, not to Canada, nor to Europe, but to Palestine. Who was Paul and his company of young Christian workers? Young men of Asia, who came over to Europe to give our fathers there and, in the British Isles the gospel of Christ. We are therefore the product of foreign missions.

It is only British fair play now that we take back to Asia what the forefathers of the people of that land brought to us when they gave the gospel to our fathers.

The 287,000,000 of Hindoos are real brothers of ours. The noble response they made during the late war, when they sent 1,250,000 to France and Belgium, and not a man of them conscripted, shows they were willing to shed their best blood for the empire. When war loans were being raised by Great Britain the people of India did not seek loans bearing 6½% interest, and non-assessable for taxes; but they gave gifts of money and ships and other things to the value of £100,000,000.

Christ's commission to the followers was to preach and to heal, but he also said: "As ye go, teach." The people of India cannot be hustled into our religion; they must be patiently taught. They must see how Christians live. The harvest is ready, but the number of laborers is inadequate. The eagerness of the people to receive and understand the gospel is pathetic. Here is a great call to young people to do work for God. There are now great opportunities for putting the impress of our Lord Jesus Christ on the people of India. There is a great demand for Christian literature, the gospels, and hymn books, etc. India will make a great contribution to the West in the days that are to come.

The question has been asked, and very naturally asked: "How is the work prospering?" Official statistics show that during the last ten years the general population has increased by 2%, but the Christian population has increased by 23%. What interests us most is that the subtle all-pervasive message of Christ is touching all India. India is just as real as Canada, and the work there is very similar to the work we are doing here.

A strong appeal was made to the young people to consider the great opportunities in going to India to preach and live Christ.

The service of song during the day was splendidly conducted by the choir. In addition to an anthem at both services Mrs. Near and Mrs. M. H. Moore sang a fine duett in the morning and Miss Jean Kennedy a solo in the evening, which all appreciated.

The floral decorations were profuse and artistically arranged.

OBITUARY

MRS. NEIL McINTOSH

After a residence of thirty-five years in Acton, Mrs. Neil McIntosh passed away on Friday, after several weeks' illness. Mr. and Mrs. McIntosh came to Acton from Rockwood, and until his death five years ago, Mr. McIntosh was employed by Messrs. Boardmore & Co., for twenty years of that time a foreman. Fifty-one years ago the deceased, who was a resident of Dundas, married her late husband. Their three children, Duncan, of London; Mrs. Thomas Gibbons, Main Street, and Miss Myrna, at home, survive. Miss Myrna was her mother's companion during her declining years, as she had been of her father. Her devoted care and solicitude did much for both of them during their last years in the home. Mrs. McIntosh was a devout member of St. Joseph's Church, and a very useful worker in the church's activities. The funeral on Monday morning was conducted by Rev. Father McEnavy, and was largely attended. Interment was made in the family plot at Dublin Cemetery.

Engineer has Recommended Auxiliary Pump

For the Waterworks System, to Assist the Electric Pumps and be in Reserve

CONNECTION OF MAINS WITH BEARDMORE SYSTEM STILL UNDER CONSIDERATION

Council met on Monday evening. All the members were present.

Mr. Babcock, engineer, representing James, Redfern & Co., addressed the Council on the proposed connection of the Beardmore waterworks system with the town waterworks for fire purposes. Mr. Babcock stated that the Provincial Board of Health will not permit such a connection for fear of contamination of the water. An alternative proposal of running a main to the Messrs. Beardmore system, and installing a check valve, to prevent their water coming back into the town mains might be arranged. This would, however, require the assent of the Board of Health, and also of the ratepayers of Acton.

The matter of the waterworks pressure was also taken up with Mr. Babcock. He said that under the present system of pumping the capacity is not more than two full streams. He suggested installing an auxiliary engine to be driven by gasoline. This would form a desirable reserve as well as an auxiliary power plant. Mr. Babcock stated that there was nothing wrong with the installation of the metre as some had suggested.

The Council discussed the matter reviewed by Mr. Babcock, and it was decided to submit the system to a further test, and then decide what action shall be taken, and have the engineers submit an estimate of cost of such additions as may be determined upon.

The Committee on Finance passed the following accounts:

Provincial Treasurer, sinking fund	$103 17
E. P. Bowman, sidewalks	82 00
G. H. Ritchie, teaming	28 45
E. Jones, teaming	19 80
Harry B. Stuckey, firemen's meals	19 00
E. P. Bowman, work on Lake Avenue	12 65
Acton Free Press, advertising	8 08
A. H. Bishop, grass seed	3 20
W. J. Reid, postage	1 61
	$277 96

William Robertson applied for a reduction of his assessment for waterworks, the taxes of which amount to $14.00 on his four lots.

Reeve Barber explained that no reduction could be made, as the sinking fund and interest on debentures covered these as well as all other properties.

A Court of Revision on cement walks will be held on Monday, October 20.

It was decided to charge $3.00 per night for meetings held during the Plebiscite campaign.

A by-law was passed changing the date of the first meeting of the Council from the second to the first Monday in January.

Council adjourned at 10 p. m.

The Plebiscite Ballot Simplified

The Government's Final Form Requires But One X to Designate Voter's Intention

The Attorney-General, Hon. W. F. Nickle, K. C., finally decided the form of the ballot for use in the Ontario Temperance Act last Thursday. A copy of the ballot, as it will be given to the voter on Plebiscite day, is reproduced below. The Governments instructions to the voter are to mark a cross opposite the question which he or she favors, and to do nothing further. The voter is simply to vote affirmatively on one proposition and to express no opinion upon the other.

1. Are you in favor of the continuance of the Ontario Temperance Act?

2. Are you in favor of sale as a beverage of beer and spirituous liquor in sealed packages under Government control?

Who May Vote

Every person, male or female, who is a British subject 21 years of age, resident 12 months in Canada, three months in the municipality and one month in the electoral district, has the right to vote in the October Plebiscite on the Ontario Temperance Act.

One member of the family can register the names of other members of the family, that is, a man can register for his wife and children, a woman can register for her husband and children, or one of the children can register for all.

Names must be registered in Acton by next Tuesday.

The sitting of the Revising Officer for Acton will be held in the Town Hall on Friday, October 3.

FALSE RUMORS

Editor Free Press:

Respecting the story that has been circulated in Acton during the past week that we intend removing the business of the Acton Shoe Factory to Brampton, we wish to state it is absolutely false. This business is going to stay in Acton and all rumors that this business is to be removed to Brampton are false. In a very short time we will be doing more business in Acton than ever.

Thanking you,
J. W. HEWETSON CO.,
J. E. Langevin, Manager.

The Women Organized

A meeting of the ladies of the town was held in Knox Church last Wednesday evening to formulate plans for assisting in the campaign for the Plebiscite on the Ontario Temperance Act on October 27. There was a good attendance and keen interest. The ladies have proven themselves excellent workers in past campaigns on moral issues. They have the faculty of successfully getting out the women voters, and will be more than ever earnest in accomplishing this in the coming election. Mrs. (Rev.) A. C. Stewart, acted as presiding officer, and Miss Olla Armstrong, secretary.

News of Local Import

Legislative Grants to County High Schools

The legislative grants to Halton High Schools for 1924 are: Oakville, $1,754.50; Milton, $1,572.34; Georgetown, $1,829.15; Burlington, $1,694.48. All have been paid to the respective Treasurers, except that of Milton, which is held on account of insufficient accommodation for pupils.

Acton in the Finals

Ninety-one rinks contested in the Scotch Doubles Tournament on Guelph Bowling Greens last week. In the Association competition Messrs. H. L. Harrison and George Hynds were successful in getting into the finals, and were only defeated there after a strenuous game with Dr. Brereton and Dr. McTaggart, of the Oakwoods, Toronto. The score was 13-10. Messrs. Harrison and Hynds were awarded handsome club bags as their prizes.

Barn Destroyed in Esquesing

On Saturday afternoon last, just a little over an hour after the threshers had commenced operations on the farm of Mrs. J. M. Leslie, 8th line, Norval crossroad, Esquesing, fire was discovered in a shed adjoining the large barn. The flames, fanned by the high wind, spread very rapidly, and in a short time the barn and contents were completely destroyed. The season's crop of wheat together with over 15 acres of mixed grain, 8 pigs, a veal calf and a number of implements were burned.—Herald.

Real Estate Changing Hands

Several important real estate changes have occurred during the week. Mr. Roy R. Arnold has purchased from the estate of the late John Williams—W. R. Kenney, executor—the two story brick residence where he resides, on Mill Street. . . . Mr. G. H. Brown has disposed of his fine two story brick residence on Mill Street to Mr. Ambrose McCann, possession to be given October 31. . . . Mr. Philip Forbes has sold his house and property on the Mill Pond Road to Mr. Henry Louis Vickers. It is reported that Mr. Forbes intends removing to Campbellville.

Destructive and Careless

The gang of Ontario Hydro Commission linemen who were here trimming shade trees last week did not win much favor with citizens whose trees they so carelessly mutilated. Their manner of cutting out the centre of the trees, with no attempt to balance the contour of the trees so unnecessarily cut away was bad enough. Added to this was the slovenly condition in which the debris was left at the foot of each tree. Dead limbs, broken twigs and leaves were left in a very untidy manner, and the residents adjacent to the properties where the limbs were cut out or broken off were obliged to clean up the refuse. Tree mutilators have been arrested in some other places for inflicting much less damage than this Hydro gang committed in Acton.

Farm Home Destroyed

Last Friday afternoon the farm house of Mr. William J. Ritchie, lot 21, concession 4, Esquesing, was destroyed by fire. It is thought the fire originated from a spark from the chimney falling upon the kitchen roof. A small quantity of the furniture and effects were removed, but the loss of household goods is heavy. The house and contents were insured. A phone message was sent to Messrs. Beardmore & Co's tannery for assistance. A crew of their firemen responded at once with their chemical extinguisher, but by the time they arrived the fire was beyond control. The Ritchie property is near Mr. John Stalker's, and the homeless family have been made comfortable there for the present. Mr. Ritchie will erect temporary quarters until they make preparations to build a new house next summer.

The Churches Take Firm Stand

The churches of all communions are taking a firm stand in favor of the Ontario Temperance Act. The Methodist Churches of the Guelph District held their fall meeting in Norfolk Street Methodist Church, Guelph, on Wednesday, September 17. The district took a very definite stand on the coming Plebiscite vote, the following resolution being adopted by a full standing vote, and also carried unanimously by the mass meeting of the Guelph District present at a missionary banquet in the evening: "We, the Guelph Methodist District Meeting, declare our hearty appreciation of the great good done by the Ontario Temperance Act during the few years it has been in operation, in spite of the many difficulties of enforcement. We therefore urge upon all our people to stand loyally and actively behind the Act at the Plebiscite vote on October 28."

Our Personal Responsibility

Rev. J. Culp preached a stirring sermon on "Personal Responsibility," in connection with the liquor traffic. He based his discourse on Ex. 21: 28-29. He presented a series of personal experiences relative to the subject and then enquired of the liquor traffic: "What has it done; what is it doing? What shall we do with it?" Every law is based upon the sacredness of life, and the effort is put forth to ensure safety first everywhere. Mr. Culp declared the Ontario Temperance Act to be the best law to control the liquor traffic ever placed upon our statute books. In it human life and safety are put over against dollars and cents. We should ever remember that never a dollar which goes into the liquor traffic ever goes into the merchant's till for the goods he handles. It was a forceful sermon and calculated to inspire the people to work and vote for the maintenance of the Ontario Temperance Act at the coming Plebiscite election.

An Important Train Cut Off

It certainly was not a popular thing for the Canadian National Railway to discontinue the 6.18 p. m. train going east in the new schedule which went into effect on Monday. The train still runs from Stratford to Toronto, but does not stop at Acton. The reason for this arbitrary action is difficult to determine. The only explanation suggested is that it is a penalty imposed on the people of this community by the Canadian National steam road because they are travelling too freely on the Canadian National electric road between Acton and Toronto. For forty years this train has served Acton. It has been the evening mail train; has been a convenient train by which to travel to Toronto and other points east. It has been a fairly good connection to points on the Hamilton and Barrie branch. It has accommodated the students from Acton attending the Collegiate and business colleges in Guelph. By the new arrangement there is now no mail to the east from 11.18 a. m. till 6.26 p. m. and the latter is not distributed at the post office until next morning.

Acton Scores Another Fall Fair Success

Fine Weather Brings Large Attendance to View a Splendid Showing of Exhibits

AN ATTRACTIVE HALL WITH MANY CLASSES CROWDED. HORSES, CATTLE, POULTRY FINE

From an agricultural standpoint; from the point of view of the home and home surroundings; from the feature of genuine pleasure to young and old Acton Fall Fair of 1924 goes on record as a decided success. From the hour of the Baby Show on Tuesday evening, until the parade of prize animals at four o'clock yesterday afternoon, the interest was well sustained in every department of the show.

The departments of ladies' work, baking, the dairy and the fruit and flowers were exceptionally attractive, and the classes unusually well filled. The showing of fruit and flowers was much better than anyone expected. The floral display was magnificent, and many of the classes gave the expert judge the time of his life in making his decisions. The entries in grain and roots were very worthy; some of the collections in the latter being of a very high order.

Acton has won a fine reputation for her showing of live stock year after year, and this is especially true of the exhibits of horses. This year the fine array of horses assembled was gratifying indeed. The classes of cattle, sheep, pigs and poultry were nearly all well filled.

The midway had its usual attractions and Acton Citizens' Band excelled in the character of the repertoire given both Tuesday evening and yesterday.

The official list of prizes awarded will be given in our next issue.

Social and Personal

Miss Emma Mills is spending a week with Toronto friends.

Mr. Angus Kennedy, of Guelph, was home for the week-end.

Miss Dora Sprowl spent Sunday with friends in Hamilton.

Mr. R. W. Stewart was home from Dundalk for the week-end.

Miss Bertie Smith, of Toronto, was home for a week-end visit.

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

Miss Nellie E. Hall left this week for Toronto Normal School.

Miss Clara Ebbage, of Toronto, spent a few days in town last week.

Mrs. W. J. Hall attended the School Fair at Limehouse on Monday.

Miss Emma Watkins, of New York, has been visiting friends here.

Miss Clara Lantz spent a few days last week with relatives in Guelph.

Mr. C. H. Harrison was in St. Catharines and Hamilton this week.

Miss Barbara Warren, of Toronto, is spending the week with Acton friends.

Mrs. W. H. Howard spent a day or so this week with friends in Toronto.

Mr. Jack Kennedy has been home from Detroit for holidays the past week.

Mrs. Neil McDonald, of Hastings, is spending the week with friends in the old home.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Reesor spent Sunday with relatives in Hamilton and vicinity.

Miss Aimee Speight, of Toronto spent the week-end with friends in the old home.

Mrs. Fred Brown and Miss Edna, of Angus, are spending a few days with Acton friends.

Mrs. John Clarke, of Port Credit, spent a few days this week with friends in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Soper, of Preston, visited at the home of Mr. George Soper on Sunday.

Mrs. Scott and children, of Toronto, spent the week-end at the home of Mrs. Bertha Cook.

Mrs. H. T. LePage and Mr. Morley, of Toronto, have been guests at Moorecroft this week.

Mr. E. W. Pearson and son, of Toronto, visited at the home of Mrs. J. B. Pearson on Saturday.

Miss Eva Johnson returned last week after spending a few days' holidays with friends at Parkhill.

Miss Miriam Clifford is progressing favorably after her operation in St. Joseph's Hospital, Guelph.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cushnie and Miss Gladys, of Toronto, spent the week-end at the home of Mr. George Soper.

Mrs. Sarah Graham, of Sioux Lookout, is spending a few weeks at the home of her son, Mr. W. K. Graham.

Mr. and Mrs. Fallis and Mr. Dean Craine, of Toronto, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Gould during the week.

Miss Grace Howard and Miss Vera Hurst went to Toronto on Monday to commence their course at the Normal School.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Orwell Johnston returned on Tuesday evening from their honeymoon trip to Sarnia and Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Crawford, of Belmont, spent a day or so this week at the home of Mr. James Henderson, Maria Street.

Mrs. Janet Gardiner, of Walton, who has been spending a couple of weeks with her daughter, Mrs. W. K. Graham, left to-day for Chicago.

Mrs. H. C. MacDonald and Corinne, Mr. Gordon Johnston and Mr. and Mrs. Earl H. Vincent spent the week-end with friends in Hamilton.

Miss Littley and Miss Ivy returned home from their summer's visit at Birmingham and Wembley Exhibition last Saturday. They had a very enjoyable visit in the Old Country.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cantelon, of Hornby, announce the engagement of their only daughter, Daisy Edytha, to George Clayton May, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. May, of Milton, the marriage to take place in September.

Mr. G. Lewis, a former teacher in the High School here, who is now attending Queens University, Kingston, spent the week-end visiting at the home of ex-Councillor Harrison and renewing former Acton acquaintances.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Cole, Gore Bay, announce the engagement of their daughter, Kathleen Merrylees, to Major Herbert Mervyn Kennedy, of Acton, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Kennedy, of Georgetown. The marriage to take place early in October.

A Chamber of Commerce for Acton

A Well-Attended Meeting of Business Men and Citizens Organize

TO PROMOTE THE ECONOMIC AND CIVIC WELFARE OF ACTON AND VICINITY

A good many years ago Acton's first Board of Trade was organized. It did effective work in several directions, and made its efforts felt in the community. Owing to the death of several of its active members, and the removal of others, the organization was gradually allowed to decline, interest lagged and finally its meetings ceased to function.

For some time it has been felt that matters of vital interest to Acton could be considered effectively by an organization of business men and other citizens who are interested in civic progress, and who by united effort could accomplish results of real value to our town and its people. A week or so ago several citizens determined to make a move in the direction of organization. To this end a canvas of the business men was made for co-operation, and between thirty and forty signed a document containing a call for a meeting to consider the matter.

Last Thursday evening a well-attended meeting was held in the Town Hall when a mutual discussion took place, which resulted in the organization of Acton Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. R. M. McDonald acted as chairman of the meeting and with consumate skill directed the proceedings.

A copy of the constitution and by-laws of Guelph Chamber of Commerce, which has had a remarkably successful career for several years, was before the meeting. After consideration of its object and the methods of work it provides for, the meeting decided to formulate an organization upon a similar basis. The object of Acton Chamber of Commerce, though expressed in simple terms, is really comprehensive, and affords opportunity for diverse and helpful activities. As explicitly set forth the constitution says: "The object of the Acton Chamber of Commerce shall be to promote the economic and civic welfare of the people of Acton and vicinity."

The officers of the new organization were elected as follows:

Hon. President—Peter A. Smith.
President—H. P. Moore.
1st Vice-President—R. M. McDonald.
2nd Vice-President—A. T. Brown.
Secretary—N. H. Garden.
Treasurer—L. B. Shorey.
Directors — Amos Mason, James Symon, J. M. McDonald, Dr. H. A. Coxe, W. K. Graham, and Major H. M. Kennedy.

A preliminary fee of $1.00, carrying membership to the end of the year was agreed upon. The amount of the annual fee will be decided at a later meeting.

The members will meet at the Town Hall this evening at 8 o'clock to adopt the constitution and by-laws.

Members of Guelph Chamber of Commerce have kindly offered to visit the new Chamber of Commerce at a meeting in the near future and give information and suggestions growing out of their experience.

It is the desire of the members to accomplish real results in connection with matters of importance concerning Acton's future welfare.

William Hackett Wins $1,100 Scholarship

Took the Highest Standing at the Guelph Collegiate Institute, Winning McCrae Scholarship

WILL TAKE COURSE IN POLITICAL SCIENCE AT TORONTO UNIVERSITY AND STUDY LAW

It was announced on Saturday by the Senate of the University of Toronto that William P. G. Hackett, a recent graduate of the Guelph Collegiate-Vocational Institute, has been awarded the John McCrae Scholarship, the value of which is approximately $1,100 cash. This scholarship was open to all pupils of the Guelph High School.

Mr. Hackett spent the last two years at the Collegiate at Guelph, while residing at the Methodist Parsonage in Acton, with his father, Rev. Charles Hackett. He has an exceptionally fine record.

In the recent Departmental examinations he wrote on eleven papers, capturing eight firsts, and three seconds.

The Guelph Mercury says: "The winner of the scholarship is a young man of exceptional promise. He is a son of Rev. Charles Hackett, Methodist minister, at Tara, Ontario, formerly of Acton.

By winning the John McCrae scholarship Will Hackett indirectly qualifies as the winner also of one of the Carter scholarships.

It is his intention to attend the University of Toronto, where he will take a course in Political Science, eventually qualifying himself as a lawyer.

Mr. Hackett, and his brother, Arthur, passed through Acton on Saturday en route to their parents' home at Tara, after a two months' visit in England, which they spent with relatives in their father's boyhood home at Birmingham. They also attended the Wembley Exhibition and visited a number of historical places.

This scholarship was founded as a memorial to the late Col. McCrae, the author of "In Flanders Fields."

THE FREE PRESS joins Mr. Hackett's many friends here in extending congratulations upon his notable success.

—Corn cutting and silo filling are commanding the attention of the farmers these days.

—An election will be held on Friday, October 3, for the election of two Public School Trustees, to fill the vacancies caused by the resignation of Messrs. N. F. Moore and M. F. Gamble.

—The Harvest Festival Services at St. Alban's Church will commence on Thursday, September 25, at 8.00 p. m., when the Rev. Canon Naftel, Rector of Milton, will be the preacher. On Sunday the Holy Communion will be celebrated at 8.00 a. m. and 11.00 a. m., and Choral Evensong at 7.00 p. m. The Rector will preach. A special offering is asked for Diocesan Missions.