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EDITORIAL

An Urgent Need of Acton Public Library

Acton has a Free Library containing over 4,000 volumes, of which the community is justly proud. It is well patronized by readers and its Board keeps its shelves well supplied with the latest books of literature, biography, history, philosophy, science and fiction. One important class of books is lacking from its shelves, however, and that is books of reference. This is because the library room in the town hall has no accommodation for readers, and therefore no place for books of reference. The town has come to the place where a library with a well-equipped reading room is a necessity. Accommodation is required where students may have the opportunity of recourse to books of reference, concerning special subjects upon which they are devoting time and study, details of which their text books are too much abridged to give. A place where citizens, young and old, may spend their leisure in wholesome and interesting reading, in the afternoons and the evenings. Such accommodations would be of incalculable good to the community. Many young people who live in boarding houses would be enabled profitably to spend evening hours in such a place, who are now deprived of this privilege, and form the habit of going places which are not so desirable or profitable. Acton needs an isolated library building with ample space for stack room, reading room and the usual modern conveniences provided in such premises. If some person of means, either a resident, or a native of the town, who has gone from the old home and won prosperity and fortune somewhere else, would, out of a generous heart and love for the old home town, provide the wherewithal for the erection of a modern Public Library building, Acton would be most appreciative of this spirit of generosity, and the Library Board would not doubt be glad to immortalize the thoughtful donor, by giving the new structure the family name. And why not? Any of the names of Acton's early settlers would sound just as fitting and euphonious as "Carhogue," which prevails in numerous towns in Ontario.

The Success of a Cemetery Commission

The following interesting resume of the success which has attended the cemetery at Tillsonburg, under a commission, which has been in control for the past five years, will be very interesting reading to the people of Acton and others having plots in Fairview Cemetery: "The citizens of Tillsonburg have every reason to be satisfied with the management and care of the cemetery under the Commission appointed by the Council. The personnel of the Commission has not been changed since its inception in 1919, and the progress that has been made is due to persistent efforts by the members of the Commission. They have endeavored to get and keep plots on the level where possible, and to refrain from cross walls of cement. The paths have all been opened and cement walks placed in front of each section, which has proved to be a good plan. Several lot owners have had their plots levelled and sodded, and when flowers are placed by the owners they are carefully watered and tended. The Perpetual Care feature provided for in the by-law, has been acceptable to many and is becoming more popular each year. This is something that every plot owner should carefully consider and arrange for during his life time. We are informed that several owners have made provision for this in their will. It is just as necessary to make provisions for the body's last resting place, as it is for the home life on earth. The fee of \$50 paid for this purpose can not be spent, but remains in the custody of the Town Council and is kept invested, and the interest alone goes to the commission to be spent by them in care and upkeep. The cemetery has been self-sustaining since it was placed under Commission Government, and with the co-operation of all who are interested in the cemetery, further advancements will be forthcoming in the future."—Tillsonburg News. It is just such a plan as this which has been repeatedly advocated in these columns, editorially and by correspondence by owners of plots in Fairview Cemetery. If this plan can be made a success and self-sustaining in Tillsonburg, it can be made a similar success in Acton. Councillor Holmes, Chairman of the Cemetery Committee, would be well advised if he sent at once to the Town Council of Tillsonburg requesting a copy of the Cemetery By-law referred to. This, no doubt, could be readily adapted to Acton's Cemetery and would be a move which would be favored by many citizens. The fact is forcing itself upon the Council that action along this line must be taken sooner or later. Plot owners in Fairview Cemetery are sending to our Council sums to endow their plots ensuring perpetual care, and scores of wills have recently been made in which similar bequests are provided for perpetual care of the plots of the owners.

What the By-Law Requires

Burlington has a Fire Limit By-Law, and when a building is to be erected or repaired, the procedure followed is always similar to the following case reported in the Burlington Gazette: Russel Smith, proprietor of the Village Inn, requested the Council to grant a permit for the purpose of an extension to his building for the purpose of taking care of tourists. On the report of the building inspector the matter will be considered and the necessary permit issued if conditions warrant it." Acton's by-law is similar to that of Burlington, and requires reference to the Council. Unfortunately all such cases are not brought before the Council for consideration of the members.

The Outlawing of War

Let the Christians and churches of America support with vigor the movement for the outlawing of war. America should heartily co-operate in the complete repudiation of aggressive war as a legitimate method for settling international disputes, remembering that where there is no aggression there will be no need of defense. Aggressive war should be branded as an international crime and an aggressor nation regarded as having committed a crime among the nations. Adequate and impartial agencies should speedily be established for determining the aggressor in specific cases and for bringing to bear upon such a nation the combined moral condemnation of the world.—Presbyterian Banner.

\$2.00 Likely for This Year's Wheat Crop

High prices for wheat are reported in the great markets the world over. Chicago \$1.90; Winnipeg \$1.97; Liverpool \$2.10; Italy \$2.20. It has been thought by some that the sensational advance in wheat prices was due to the existence of a "corner" of the wheat market. Emphatic among those who declare no corner in wheat exists is Julius H. Barnes, formerly the president of the United States Chamber of Commerce, and now member of a leading grain exporting firm which does not deal in speculative grain. Last week wheat trading in Europe was the largest ever known with countries ordinarily exporting a surplus. Russia, which used to export 250,000,000 bushels of bread grain, is now importing flour. The prospects are therefore very bright for \$2.00 wheat for our farmers for the products of the harvest of 1925.

Ireland's Trade With Other Countries

The export trade of Ireland is much larger than is generally known, and especially that of Northern Ireland, by the average resident of this North American continent. It is at once refreshing and interesting to be given concrete evidence of the volume of the manufactured and domestic products of this industrious land, which are exported to other countries. This is vividly accomplished by the Ulster Annual and Commercial Review, issued this month by the Northern Whig and Belfast Post. Under the capable editorial supervision of Mr. J. Glencairn Cunningham, a mass of very valuable information has been compiled, and the pages of statistics and editorial comment are embellished with portraits of the leading officials of Ulster and Belfast, and illustrations showing the splendid public buildings, many of the larger manufacturing institutions, and the important shipping and ship building interests of which Belfast is the centre. North Channel and Irish Sea, are dotted daily with steamers sailing to and from Belfast, and the net tonnage of vessels engaged in this cross channel traffic was last year close on six and a half million tons. The foreign trade itself commanded a tonnage of over three millions. The exports from Northern Ireland last year aggregated \$46,367,279, approximately \$210,000,000. Of this the noted Irish linens and linen yarns contributed \$75,000,000 and the cotton goods \$22,000,000. Over \$6,000,000 worth of machinery was shipped from Ulster and an equal amount of bacon and hams. Woollen goods were exported to the value of \$2,000,000. The export of provisions from the farm is surprising: eggs contributed over \$10,000,000; poultry over \$3,000,000; potatoes over \$2,000,000; for woollen goods and wearing apparel nearly \$4,000,000 was received. These attractive figures will be a revelation to many, and will be studied with keen interest by former residents and their descendants whose homes are now in this land. The Northern Whig will accomplish valuable commercial results and instil commercial patriotic zeal, by the publication of its Ulster Annual in the attractive and comprehensive form in which it appears in 1925.

EDITORIAL NOTES

There is a general feeling abroad that we have really turned the corner and are on the straight road to better times. When that sentiment grips the people better times are very sure to follow.

In addressing the people of the United States on Prohibition and the enforcement of law, President Coolidge said the other day: "It is the duty of a citizen not only to observe the law, but to let it be known that he is opposed to its violation."

Most Canadians will agree with the Associated Boards of Trade of Ontario in favoring a policy under which Canadian raw materials would, as far as possible, be manufactured in Canada.—Mail and Empire.

Canada leads the civilized world in reforestation of denuded timber areas and planting of new forest belts, according to E. H. Finlayson, director of the Forestry Branch of the Canadian Department of the Interior. This is well, for Canada is also leading the world in the volume of timber being cut for lumber and pulpwood.

The people of Canada evidently have a strong desire for light. This Dominion leads the world in the per capita consumption of hydro-electric energy, with an average of 820 kilowatt hours per person annually. The United States is fourth with 427 kilowatt hours per capita. Switzerland is second with 700, and Norway third with 493, according to a report just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

The retirement of Hon. Manning Deherty—from the position of leader of the Progressive Party in the Ontario Legislature, and the selection in his place of Hof. W. E. Rance, were features of a conference of the Progressive members held in Toronto last week. When Mr. Deherty stated finally his inability to act, the post was tendered by unanimous vote to Mr. Rance, who accepted it.

Neighborhood News—Town and Country

GEORGETOWN

The following have been appointed on the Public Library Board for 1925: Chairman, J. M. Moore; Secretary, J. L. Thompson; Treasurer, C. W. Papat; A. G. Book Committee, C. W. Papat, A. G. Green, R. Ross and J. L. Thompson; Property, J. McDonald, A. Green, C. Papat and J. Moore.

The vote on Church Union is in progress in the Presbyterian Church. The Ladies Aid of the Methodist Church purpose giving a "Old Time Concert in the school-room on Tuesday evening, February 19.

A box-society will be held under the auspices of the Daughters of the Church in St. George's Church on Monday, February 2.

The anniversary services in the Glen Williams Methodist Church last Sunday were largely attended and the sermons delivered by the visiting pastor, Mr. Doherty, of Cobden, were much enjoyed and appreciated. The choir, provided splendid music for the occasion.

Mr. Charles H. Theobald, of Ottawa, who was the Honorary Commissioner of the Canadian Government and also their representative at the Lake Umbagog Convention last summer will speak on Wednesday and Geneva in the Public Library, on Friday, January 30.—Herald.

ERIN

The Township officers have been appointed with their salaries, as follows: Clerk, Mr. J. H. P. Bayliss; Collector, Mr. J. H. P. Bayliss; Assessor, Mr. J. H. P. Bayliss; Treasurer, Mr. J. H. P. Bayliss; Auditor, Mr. J. H. P. Bayliss; and Wm. H. Rowan and Dan. A. Robertson, \$12 each.

Mr. E. J. Pearen, of the first line, has been appointed a member of the Township Board of Health.

On Wednesday evening last, Mr. A. Fines, Erin, entertained a number of his friends to a snow-shoeing party.

Mr. and Mrs. P. T. Bayliss, Hillburg, called last week for a two month's trip to England to visit their parents and other friends and relatives.

Mr. Charles Grant, who has been a long and patient sufferer from a serious malady, is not improving.

A box social will be held at Conington school, No. 5, Erin, on Friday evening, February 13.

The Girls Guild of All Saints' Church plan on holding a display of Educational Films on Monday evening, February 2.

Mrs. R. W. Campbell visited with friends in Toronto last week.

On Friday evening, February 6, in the Town Hall, the Students of the Erin Continuation School will compete for the highest score in reading. The trophies, two silver medals, will be awarded to the boy and girl winning.

MILTON

George Buck has been appointed an Ontario Game Warden to succeed W. A. Chapman, resigned.

From what we can gather, building operations promise to be fairly active in town this year. Goodly new dwellings at a moderate rental are still in demand.

While engaged in a game of hockey at the Arena last Saturday afternoon between the Outlaws and the Spinning Mills, Frank Johnson, who was wearing glasses, got a blow on the eye from a stick, which broke the glasses and inflicted a cut in his eyelid which required seven stitches.

Chickens that appear, are still operating in Trafalgar, some farmers losing their whole flocks. The reason, probably, the chickens are coming from this kind of stealing is owing to its proximity to the highways between Toronto and Hamilton, which enables the thief to make a quick and safe getaway with his plunder.

The annual meeting of the Milton Horticultural Society will be held in the town hall here Thursday, February 12, at 8 o'clock. The year just closed has been a most successful one, having had a number of window flower exhibitions were held. The Society looks forward to increased interest and membership for the current year.

Mr. George Andrews, of Wainfleet, a former highly esteemed resident of Milton, died on Monday, January 27, at his home in Wainfleet. He celebrated the one hundredth anniversary of his birth, and is still hale and hearty. His many friends here will be delighted to be notified that Andrews is an uncle of Mrs. William Lewis—Reformer.

The Ladies' Society of the Methodist Church tendered their 3rd annual banquet to the adult officials of their church and the members of the choir in the school room on Tuesday evening, over 100 sat down to a most excellent repast. After supper the pastor took the chair and speeches were made by the leaders of the different organizations of the church, interspersed with musical selections.—Champion.

BURLINGTON

Mrs. Edmond "Hobby" entertained the members of the Ladies' Church choir at her home on Thursday evening.

Mrs. Margaret Allen, of Manitoaria, Ohio, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Burnett.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Wallace, of Moscow, Ont., are visiting their sister, Mrs. R. A. Hall, King's Road.

The students of the High School will present the Shakespearean play, "The Merchant of Venice," in the town hall on Friday evening, February 20.

Miss Muriel Barker, of St. Catharines, who is attending Toronto University, spent the week-end in town with Miss Thelma Cannon.

The farmers of Nelson Township are complaining of a shortage of water, and many are drawing water from creeks to water their stock.

Professor Tomlinson, of Guelph, gave a most interesting and instructive lecture on Monday evening at the high school in connection with the vocational-training classes being carried on there.

Mr. Stanley King arrived from Winnipeg last Thursday, to be at the bedside of his brother, Rev. G. A. King, who passed away on Tuesday morning.

The annual meeting of the Volunteer fire brigade was held in the club room on Wednesday evening last, with a good attendance of members. A bountiful supper was served, after which general business was transacted.

Maxwell Cooper, 47 years old, Wm. G. Corbett, 17 years old and Murray Stewart, 18 years old, were arrested about five o'clock on Tuesday morning on the charge of breaking in the window of Miss Mullin's confectionery store at the corner of the Water streets and stealing cakes. They appeared before Magistrate Barr on Tuesday afternoon, and were committed to the jail for three months in full.

The annual meeting of the Nelson and Burlington Agricultural Society was held last week, Friday, January 24, with Mrs. L. Smith presiding, and Secretary-treasurer, Dymon presented the financial report. The receipts for the past year were \$2,183.80, and the disbursements \$2,111.48, leaving a balance on hand of \$72.32.—Gazette.

GOLD PRODUCTION IN ONTARIO

According to press statements the preliminary figures covering the month of December, 1924, show the roll mines of Northern Ontario produced more gold than for any previous month in the history of the industry. Actual all tonnage records were broken, and once more the general advance from the mines in the outstanding progress. The aggregate income of the producing gold mines companies exceeded \$2,400,000 for the first time on record in this province. The figures show that while the total output for 1924 was about \$25,000,000, yet the mines are entering the year 1925 with production at a rate of close to \$30,000,000 a year. The close of the year found approximately 4,800 men directly employed in the producing mines, and with another 350 or more employed on properties in the development stage.

TEA SUPPLY INADEQUATE—PRICES HIGHER

Tea prices are going up mainly because tea is being demanded by millions more people. Tea is the cheapest and certainly the most palatable and satisfying beverage known. But the tea-growers have been unable to meet the tremendous demand. It takes three years for a tea bush to mature to the plucking stage.

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Young and Old Join in the Fun

The Mail and Empire announces to-day another puzzle game in which all can participate—from the thirdest child to grandfather and grandmother. The puzzle is to find the names of all the objects in the picture which begin with the letter "P". You will be surprised to find how large a list of words you can get with a minute's study. Sixteen "NEW" and "TRY" words are given. Then, send in your list and try for the big prizes.

THE PRIZES

1st Prize	\$35	\$500	\$1,000
2nd Prize	25	500	1,000
3rd Prize	25	500	1,000
4th Prize	25	250	500
5th Prize	20	150	200
6th Prize	15	100	150
7th Prize	10	75	100
8th Prize	8	50	100
9th Prize	6	30	60
10th Prize	5	25	50
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12th Prize	3	15	30
13th to 20th			
Prizes inclusive	1	10	20
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How is that for a liberal offer? But, LOOK, there are three \$1,000 prizes. Therefore, if you stand FIRST, SECOND or THIRD prize, and have sent in two yearly subscriptions at \$1.00 each by mail or \$1.50 delivered by carrier boy in Hamilton, you will receive \$200, instead of \$100. It takes but two yearly subscriptions at \$1.00 each (one new and one renewal or two new), you will win \$1,000. Absolutely, that is the maximum. You can do this with little effort. Use your own subscription, if you can. You can also take subscriptions to start at any future date. Just work on your order when you see the paper to start and we will not commence delivery until you say.

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