

A THOUGHT FOR YOU

You may lead a horse to water, but you cannot make him drink; You may send a boy to college, but you cannot make him think; You may preach a sermon, but you cannot change their way; They'll go right to-morrow, As they've started out to-day.

APPRECIATED OPINIONS OF EXPERTS

Comments by Conferees Respecting Attainment of Jubilee Year

The Acton Free Press two weeks ago completed fifty years of publication. To say that it improves with age does not fully describe the advancement which has been continuous.

The Acton Free Press has passed its 50th anniversary. It tells editorially of the progress made during half a century and cut the pride felt by the management and staff in its accomplishments.

The Acton Free Press has reached the fiftieth milestone in its journalistic career, and is still showing no signs of old age. Of course, a man at 50 years these days is considered young, but in the case of a newspaper, when it has reached the half-century mark, it sometimes shows signs of decay.

That "duke" of weekly journalism, the Acton Free Press has completed its fiftieth year, and in its history of that same high standard set for it in many years ago.

The Acton Free Press has just completed its fiftieth year of publication. The present editor, Mr. H. P. Moore, has been at the helm continuously for forty-seven years.

Mr. H. P. Moore, Police Magistrate and publisher of the Free Press at Acton, Ontario, for 47 years, has been celebrating the jubilee of the publication of that model country weekly.

The Acton Free Press has passed fiftieth consecutive year of publication in its issue of last week with the unique feature of having had only one issue. The Free Press is one of the best of all the Canadian weekly papers published.

The following note from Mr. J. E. Carter, ex-President of the Ontario Horticultural Society, is very greatly appreciated.

Congratulations to the Acton Free Press on reaching the 50 mile stone without missing a issue. This is a record to you and your able staff the best wishes for the future.

Yours very truly, J. E. CARTER



THE HOMESTEAD

From its windows lamps have shone Night by night for fifty years;

Now the clear-flamed lamps are dead; Boldly and ancient night

Yet, O house of blinded eyes, And the roses fall not to rise.

"ISLA'S" INFIRMITIES OVERCOME HIS DESIRE TO WRITE FURTHER

"Isla," who has contributed a number of interesting columns to the space allotted to me, finds that the infirmities of age prevent his further writing for publication.

But the dear old man sent a preface to his letter which illustrates his love for the place and his desire that all should know that he has no disloyalty to it in his make-up.

Here is his presentation: "I fear from the comments you made respecting my remarks on the old time demonstrations in Acton that you are being misled by being misled by the 'Old Man'."

Well, we've all enjoyed 'Isla's' reminiscences very much and regret he is obliged to cease from penning them.

WHO REMEMBERS?

As I sat conning over the past, out in the sun on our back porch, I said to myself: I wonder who remembers when Mr. Webster, the miller of the mill, just about where Billy Anderson's fine brick house now stands...

And then I wondered who remembers the big range parked on the street when John Kenney, Sr., carried the Bible in the procession, and when the procession always ended at Della Taverner on Mill Street...

And the more I wondered the more my wondering grew, and I tried to remember how many people are still in Acton who were here when Charlie Symon decided to sell out his store to D. D. Christie and David Henderson...

HALTON'S FIRST NEWSPAPER

I received the following letter this week from my venerable friend and former schoolmate, Mr. John W. Halton, of Acton, Ontario, as follows:

Dear Sir: I am sending you under separate cover what may possibly be of passing interest to you. A glance will tell you that this is a copy of the Oakville Sentinel, published at Oakville on January 1, 1857.

For re-silvered, and in removing the backing found this old paper had been put in between the glass and the backing. It had probably rested there all these sixty-eight years.

J. W. McPHEE

Toronto, July 6, 1926.

This old Oakville paper, one of the earliest published in this country, is certainly quite a find.

Block, Colborne Street. The subscription price was \$2 per year in advance, \$2.50 at the end of the year.

There is nothing to indicate who was the publisher, or editor. A number of names familiar to old folks like myself appear in the news and advertising columns.

The Sentinel appears to have paid more attention to foreign news than to local happenings.

The following are named as the proprietors of Trafalgar: J. D. Brown, J. E. Orr, J. A. Chisholm, J. Chisholm and Jacob Lawrence.

Inspectors of houses of public entertainment: Joseph J. Patterson, Wm. Wagg, George J. Baker and Lawrence Hager.

The Sentinel had its jokes, though, in those days. In the column admiring the above leading editor I discovered the following bon mot of that time: "Down the Hoops."

Teach your children that home is a place where everything should be pleasant and you will have taught them one of the most valuable lessons in life.

THE OLD MAN

DOINGS AT ACTON, ENGLAND

News of the Week from the Columns of the Gazette

Dean Ingo preached at Acton Parish Church on Sunday morning.

There was a large attendance at the Acton Brotherhood meeting on Sunday, the occasion being the fiftieth anniversary of the Male Voice Choir.

Canon Lewis Donaldson, of Westminster Abbey, will preach at the St. Peter's Church, Acton Green, on Sunday, at 10 o'clock.

Taking advantage of the recent spell of fine weather and the summer holidays, some Actonians have been holiday-making early this year.

Thomas Gilbert, Fletcher-road, Acton Green, was fined £4 and Cyril Ashford, Grange-road, £3 at Acton Police Court on Wednesday for exceeding the motor speed limit.

Residents of Acton had an opportunity of helping the funds of St. Bernard's Homes on Saturday, when the sum of £30 4s. was raised.

The Junior Primrose League will hold a "Dance Party" at Sparks Meadow, East Acton, to-morrow.

At the West London Police Court on Wednesday, Joseph Hart, hawker, South Acton, was charged with being drunk whilst in charge of a pony and cart.

Cyril Atherton, Dunbridge, of Hereford-road, Acton, was fined £10 for having driven a motor-cycle at a high speed dangerous to the public, in Hampstead-lane.

The Mayor was the central figure in a pleasant little ceremony at the Acton Hospital on Friday evening, marking the formal inauguration of the wireless system which has been installed at the institution.

At a meeting of the Acton Conservative Association last week it was decided to organize an intensive propaganda for the ensuing three months, features of which will be indoor and outdoor meetings and the distribution of literature.

Fredk. Reed, of Seymour-road, Acton and John Blimond, of Acton, were charged in Acton Police Court on Saturday with gambling at Turckham Green Common.

At Police Court on Tuesday, Stanley Grant, an artificial-flower maker, of Spenser-road, Acton, was charged with selling champagne in a glass door, valued 10s., at the same address, the property of Isaac Conoy, a contractor.

The South Acton Club, 59, Stratford-road, which play an important part in

Weekly Fashion Hint

The social life of the workers of the neighborhood, organized an outing for the children of its members on Saturday, and it proved to be a successful one. It will become an annual feature of the club's activities.

Flies amounting to 700, were imposed at Acton Police Court, on Monday, on John Foster, a laborer, of Desford-road, who was charged with being drunk and disorderly, and using obscene language and with assaulting a policeman.

On Tuesday evening a collision occurred in High-street, Acton, between a motor-cycle and a bicycle ridden by Mr. T. Collins, Leamroe street, Hammonds, who was treated at the first aid dressing station set up on his hands but required no further attention.

A noteworthy gathering of public men and journalists was held in the House of Commons on Wednesday afternoon.

A wreath of considerable interest took place in the Acton Congregational Church on Saturday, when Miss Mary Macaulay, the daughter of Mr. R. Macaulay and Mrs. Macaulay, of Aberdeen, was married to Mr. A. Leslie, of Dundee.

"It came out here because you were a rich man, to fool you, and all I have done is fall in love with you, and fool myself."

That gungy boys from surrounding districts came to Acton during the week-end and made a noise in the district was stated by Inspector Beagley, of Acton Police Court, on Monday.

An interesting ceremony took place at Wembley on Tuesday, when the boys of Acton visited the Exhibition at the guests of the Australian Commission, Mr. Leo Yell. During the afternoon Mr. St. Claire Grondone, on behalf of the Commissioner, presented the school with the Australian flag.

Mrs. Rose Bennet, Windsor-road, of Ealing, purchased one-hillingworth of strawberries from two boys who were hawking fruit on Tuesday. Not having any change, she gave the boys a £1 note which they could not change it, one of them went round the corner to get change. They did not return, and after some waiting, Mrs. Bennet informed the police. The boys were arrested.

Teach your children that home is a place where everything should be pleasant and you will have taught them one of the most valuable lessons in life.

GEMS OF THOUGHT

Get into the habit of looking for the silver lining of the cloud, and when you have found it continue to look at it, rather than at the leaden gray in its midst. It will help you over very many hard places.—Wills.

A Bible and a newspaper in every home; a model and a limited power to do virtue; morality and civil liberty.—Franklin.

He that despairs measures Providence by his own little contracted model and limits infinite power to finite apprehensions.—South.

The mighty memories of the past are of use only as they serve to spur us on to work in the present.—Theodore Roosevelt.

Purify thy cares with thy clothes; so shall thy great strength thy labor and so thy labor shall sweeten thy rest.—Quarles.

THE SMART CAPE DRESS

The cape dress is the rage of the fashionable clubs and restaurants, having first made its appearance on the Riviera. The model pictured is in crepe satin in a beautiful soft shade of gray. The open neck of the model is underlined and rolled to form revers. The lower edge is trimmed with scalloped bands, but the cape hangs in straight effect. Finishing the neck of the cape is a collar, cut in one with tie-strings. Medium size requires 7 yards 36-inch material.

SUPPOSE YOU WERE SOMEBODY ELSE

Would you like yourself? Would you like to be in your own company? Would you want you for a pal? Would you go to yourself for advice, encouragement and sympathy? Would you trust yourself in a pinch? Would you give yourself a job? Would you like you for a tenant? Would you pick yourself for a father-in-law? Could you suggest any improvements?

QUITE RIGHT

The school inspector was examining a class of small boys. "Now can any of you tell me what fish-nets are made of?" he asked. "Yes, sir," said the boy at the bottom of the class. "A lot of holes tied together with string."

Advertisement for SMP Enamelled Tea Kettle. Text: 'Heft it Once! Then You Will Want One for Your Own Kitchen. The very feel of it will make you want to own it. It balances so nicely, seems to be just right. The handle is rigid and does not tip around like a hinged handle. That means no slipping, scalded hands or accidents. See how you fill it? You lift the hinged lid and can fill it right under the tap or by dipper because the opening is at the side, not the centre. Most important, these new up-to-date kettles cost no more than the old-fashioned kettle.'

James Symon - Mill St., Acton

Advertisement for Partridge Quality Tires. Text: 'Dont Buy a Tire Without Seeing It. We offer Partridge "Quality" Tires at prices which make them absolutely unequalled tire value. You can buy Partridge tires right here in your home town at these low prices. There is no uncertainty—no delay. You see before you buy. Call and inspect our stock. Buy from us and avoid disappointment. Sold by The PARTRIDGE "QUALITY" Tire Shop H. A. Coxe's Garage'

Large advertisement for Canadian Selling Agents. Text: 'CAN YOU COUNT THESE MARKS? SEND YOUR ANSWER TO-DAY. CONTEST POSITIVELY CLOSES SAT. JULY 18th. RULES AND REGULATIONS. HOW TO SOLVE THE PUZZLE. WIN A PIANO, RADIO OR PHONOGRAPH FREE. 1st Prize \$450 Piano. 2nd Prize \$275 Radio. 3rd Prize \$150 Phonograph. Additional Prizes. EVERY CORRECT ANSWER RECEIVES A REWARD. FREE. Things to Remember. Answers may be submitted on this or a separate sheet of paper, or any other material. There is no limit to the number of solutions. Somebody is going to win the prizes, and every one of them is Absolutely Free. Read the Rules and Instructions carefully—then send in your answer now—Today. COUPON. My count of the Dollar (\$) Marks is... NAME... ADDRESS... CANADIAN SELLING AGENTS 32 WATER STREET SOUTH - GALT, ONT.'