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THE ACTON UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

Minister—Rev. R. E. Zimmerman, B. A.
Parsonage—Willow Street

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

11.00 a. m.—The Minister. Subject: "Land of Beginning Again."

2.30 p. m.—Sabbath School. "White Gift Service."

7.00 p. m.—Sacred Cantata by the Choir. "Light of the World."

Watch Night Service on Thursday, December 31, at 11.15 p. m.

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

11.00 a. m.—The Minister. Subject, "What Christ Means to Us."

3.00 p. m.—Sabbath School and Bible Classes.

7.00 p. m.—The Minister. Subject, "The Kingdom of God in the World."

Monday Evening— The Guild withdrawn.

Christmas entertainment in Town Hall on Tuesday evening.

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

THE BAPTIST CHURCH
ACTON
JAMES W. BOYD, Pastor

11.00 a. m.—Pastor A. J. Fieldus, of Toronto.

3.00 p. m.—Sunday School. Classes for all.

7.00 p. m.—Pastor A. J. Fieldus. Mr. Fieldus is a man with a message. Do not fail to hear him.

Monday, 8.00 p. m.—Young People's Meeting.

Thursday, 7.30 p. m.—Prayer and Praise Meeting.

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Who would like to earn more wages next year. There is no excuse for any man to stay in the old rut or say "I never had a chance." There are over 270,000 motor cars in Ontario, besides hundreds of thousands of gas engines. The steamboats and railways are installing internal combustion engines, and automotive and gas engineers are wanted everywhere. Our Free Employment Department will assist you to secure work when you finish your course. We have a plan whereby you can earn while learning in our big shops. We also teach the barber trade in our big light sanitary Barber schools, giving you full instructions and a world of experience and practice, paying you a percentage on every dollar you take in. This helps you considerably. Barbering is a nice, clean, pleasant inside trade; the wages are good and there is a big demand for barbers. Do not hesitate. We also teach mechanical dentistry by experts, in our laboratory, which is managed by a competent, licensed dentist. Owing to the great demand for builders, we have installed a Bricklaying and Plastering school, where you can learn these trades in a short time. Jobs are waiting at $10.00 to $15.00 per day. Make your application to-day, naming the trade you would like to learn. Hemphill Trade Schools, 163 King St. W., Toronto.

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 26
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Starring the famous police dog Rin-Tin-Tin. Comedy, "The Cloudhopper," with Larry Semon. Hedge Podge "Mystical Movies." "Fox News."

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29
"The Manicure Girl"
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THE GIFT WE WANT MOST OF ALL to give to you is the finest service and the best values that it is in the power of this big Departmental Store to give. We trust that all Christmas promises have been fulfilled and the satisfaction and confidence of our customers may be maintained throughout the entire year, for it is to the patronage of satisfied customers that the growth of this Store is due.

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"Light of the World"

A Christmas Cantata

To be Given at the Evening Service of THE UNITED CHURCH, ACTON

Sunday Evening, December 27th

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Mr. McCoomb
LULLABY SOLO ..... "'Neath the Stars"
Miss Bertie Smith
DUET ..... "O'er Bethlehem"
Misses Bertie Smith and Jean Kennedy
CHORUS ..... "Break Forth into Joy"
MEN'S CHORUS ..... "Holy Child of Heaven"
DUET ..... "Praise the New Born King"
Miss Hazel Mason and Mrs. J. Gardinor
WOMEN'S CHORUS ..... "Gift of the Father's Love"
SOLO AND OBLIGATO ..... "Angels tell the Precious Story"
Miss Nellie Reesor
CLOSING CHORUS ..... "Thy Light is Come"

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Useful Gifts--- From Santa Claus

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Special Prices

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Slippers, all colors, Women's—$1.00, $1.25, $1.35, $1.50, $1.75, $2
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Men's—$1.85, $2.50, $2.85, $3.50
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FIRST QUALITY GUARANTEED RUBBERS
To fit all makes and sizes of shoes. Also heavy rubbers of all kinds at prices that will compel you to buy here.

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News of Local Import.

Last Day for Christmas Shopping

Just one day more for Christmas shopping. Merchants of Acton have out-done themselves in securing stock that is new and most acceptable at this season of the year. No effort has been spared to provide attractive goods, and they have been reasonably priced. Be patient with the tired sales people.

Real Help to Young People

The young people of the Acton and Nassagaweya communities should promptly send in their applications for the splendid short courses arranged for the next two months. The opportunities offered for special expert instruction are well worth the embracing. To those who go heartily into the courses chosen there will be real profit and help for the future.

Milton Men out of Work

For some time there has been no employment problem in Milton, but that happy state of affairs has come to an end for a time, perhaps until next spring. About two weeks ago the Toronto Brick Co., Ltd., laid off a large number of hands. The Milton Pressed Brick Co., Ltd., is doing so this week. The loss of work by so many men, though temporary, will be a serious matter for them and their families.—Champion.

Enjoyable Christmas Entertainment

The Acton Baptist Sunday School held their annual Christmas entertainment last Friday evening. Supper was served to the scholars of the Sunday School. Afterwards a splendid programme, put on by the School, was enjoyed by the parents and scholars. Santa Claus was heartily welcomed by the boys and girls, and he rewarded all of them with a gift of candy and fruit. The evening was most successful throughout.

Induction of New Elders

Impressive indeed was the address to the newly-elected elders at Knox Church last Sunday morning. The new elders whose induction took place are: Messrs. Alexander McDonald, Alexander Lees, Alexander Mann, Alexander Kannawin, Henry Awrey, J. L. Moore and W. K. Graham. The character, conduct and duties of an elder were forcefully emphasized by the minister, Rev. A. C. Stewart, M. A., and the ceremony of induction followed.

Christmas Cantata Next Sunday

The evening service in the United Church next Sunday will be devoted to the Christmas cantata, "The Light of the World." This splendid setting is very fitting for the Christmas season. The Church Choir has been working on it for some time, and the rehearsals have manifested an unusually fine rendering. The Christmas choruses last Sunday were regarded as exceptionally meritorious in their harmony and the reverent spirit predominating, but the cantata for next Sunday evening promises to be a most inspiring rendering of sacred song.

The Rumor was Unfounded

Upon enquiry it has been ascertained that the rumor that the Canadian National Electric road was contemplating discontinuing operation is entirely without foundation. The road will continue to serve the communities through which is runs to the best possible advantage. It is possible that during the quiet winter months there may not be as many cars running, but with the opening of business in the spring, the usual activities will characterize the road. This will be exceedingly good news to the patrons of the road.

Sprained Her Ankle Badly

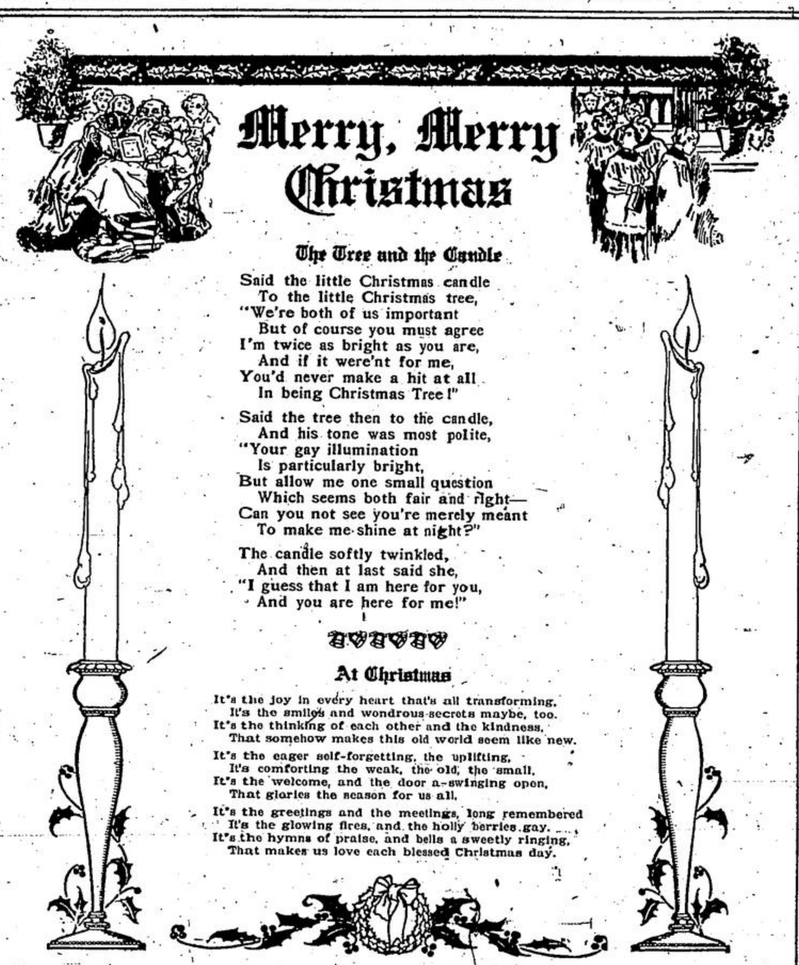
Miss Craig, the principal of the High School, had the misfortune last Thursday morning, to take a misstep by which she sustained a very painful sprain of her right ankle. Several ligaments were torn and the injury proved very painful. Miss Craig was confined to her room for a few days and was obliged to discontinue her school duties, and to cancel her engagements in connection with the High School commencement on Friday night and the play on Tuesday. She was able to proceed to her home at Athens on Tuesday, and hopes to be able to return for the opening of the school on the 4th of January.

Note Quite True to Fact

The following item has been floating about the press for several weeks: "On a claim based on Section 39 of the Magistrates Act, the County Councils of Halton and Peel have been asked to pay the rent of an office in Acton, used by Police Magistrate H. P. Moore. Both councils have objected to pay the bill, and have appealed to Attorney-General Nickle for information." Because of lack of information this statement is not in accordance with existing conditions. The Act requiring County Councils to pay the rent of Magistrates' offices and the cost of necessary stationery was passed in 1922. In compliance with the requirement referred to, the County Council of Halton and Peel paid all bills rendered during 1922, 1923 and 1924, and Halton paid a bill in 1925. The bills for the past few months have been laid over owing to a misunderstanding. The Attorney-General's Department is taking steps to have the matter satisfactorily adjusted.

"The Other Wise Man"

This beautiful story of Henry Van Dyke was very vividly told by Rev. R. E. Zimmerman, B.A., at the evening service of the United Church last Sunday. Its interesting recital in well-told and often eloquent paragraphs formed a very fitting theme for thought on the eve of the happy Christmastide. From step to step he led the large congregation from place to place where the Other Wise Man, who also saw the Star of the East at its rising and set out to follow it, yet did not arrive with his brethren in the presence of the Child Jesus. He told of the great desire of this fourth pilgrim, and how it was denied, yet accomplished in denial; of his many wanderings and the probations of his soul, of the long way of his seeking and the strange way of his finding the One whom he sought. The finis of this wonderful story was inspiring, and the congregation entered very fully into the spirit of the theme when the words of the gifted author concluded the recital: "A calm radiance of wonder and joy lighted the face of Artaban like the first ray of dawn on the snowy mountain peak. A long breath of relief exhaled gently from his lips. His journey was ended. His treasures were accepted. The Other Wise Man had found the King." Rev. Mr. Zimmerman's interpretation of this great Christmas story was most effective and inspiring.



A HAPPY CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT

The United Sunday School Enjoys a Christmas Programme and Tree

Mr. A. T. Brown, the Superintendent of the United Sunday School, and his energetic staff of workers are naturally pleased with the success of the Christmas entertainment of the Sunday School on Monday evening. The programme was a varied one. It gave the scholars real Christmas joy in presenting it and it gave their parents and friends much pleasure in seeing and hearing the various numbers as they were presented.

It was a characteristic Sunday School entertainment with choruses, solos, recitations, dialogues, etc, and the members of the various classes participating acquitted themselves with much credit. The littlest tots had their pieces to say, and the older scholars also took part in a variety of numbers. For the success of this part of the programme Mrs. Ostrander and Mrs. Hartley Harrison were largely responsible for the training of weeks which culminated in the successful presentation of the diversified list of numbers included. They were willingly assisted by teachers and older scholars.

Of course the excellent orchestra of the school provided much of the musical feature, and their selections were all enjoyed.

Mr. Brown presided and the pastor, Rev. Mr. Zimmerman, was a helpful associate.

A beautifully decorated Christmas tree occupied a conspicuous place at the side of the platform in the auditorium of the Church. Its sparkling Christmas decorations, colored electric lights, and bags of Christmas candy was naturally a big attraction for the kiddies. All the scholars were supplied with candies and oranges and the superintendent generously invited all other children present to come forward and also receive the coveted goodies.

Mr. Charles A. Wilson, the champion Santa Claus impersonator, acted in that role and was greeted by the kiddies with salvos of cheers and applause.

There was a large attendance. A Christmas entertainment is always regarded as a place for parents and their children and they were present in families in full force.

The members of the Young People's League assisted the Sunday School in the entertainment.

MRS. WATSON, THE NEW LIBRARIAN

Five Worthy Applicants, but Mrs. Watson's Experience Carried Weight

A meeting of the Public Library Board was held at Moorecroft on Monday evening to consider the applications received for the position of Librarian, rendered vacant by the resignation of Miss Lettie Scott.

The members present were: Rev. H. G. L. Baugh, B. D., Chairman; H. N. Farmer, M. A., Secretary-Treasurer; Rev. A. C. Stewart, M. A, John Cameron, A. E. Nicklin, J. P., Reeve Barber and H. P. Moore.

The Secretary presented five applications as follows: Mrs. Perry Watson, Mrs. Ada Near, Miss Annie Henderson, Miss May Wilson and George R. Agnew.

It was remarked that the excellent character of all the applicants rendered it difficult to make a choice. The voting was done by ballots and Mrs. Watson was chosen. It was evident that the fact that Mrs. Watson was assistant librarian for several years prior to her marriage had weight with the members. The salary was fixed at the same amount as that paid to Miss Scott.

Miss Laura Scott was continued as assistant librarian. Her faithful services in the past were recognized by a small increase in salary.

The annual meeting of the Board will be held on January 11, at 1.30 p.m.

A sixth application was received the day following the meeting of the Board from Miss Martha Orr.

Social and Personal

Miss Frankie Mullin is home from Galt for the holidays.

Miss Ruby Clark, of Toronto, is home for the holidays.

Miss Gwen Maddock is here from Brantford for the holidays.

Miss Vera Harvey is here from Toronto for the Christmas holidays.

Miss Florence Holmes has been ill in Stratford Hospital the past week.

Dr. W. G. C. Kenney, of Toronto University, is home for the holidays.

Miss Grace Armstrong, of Toronto, is visiting friends in town this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Moore, of Dundas, visited Acton friends on Saturday.

Miss Jean Alexander, of Toronto, visited her brother's home during the week.

Miss Jean Kennedy, of Toronto University, is here for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Wansbrough, of Toronto, are spending the holidays here.

Misses Dorothy and Sabra Nelson are home from their schools for the holidays.

Mrs. Chas. Hynds and Master Donald, of Toronto, visited Acton friends last week.

Miss Edna and Mr. Ralph Henderson, of Toronto University, are home for the holidays.

Mr. John Dunn, of St. Jerome's College, Kitchener, is home for the Christmas holidays.

Miss Ellen Snyder, of Stoney Creek, spent a few days during the week with relatives here.

Mrs. Chas. E. Bailey, of Guelph, was in town on Tuesday visiting her friend, Miss Lottie Speight.

Miss Frances Hurst, of Richard's Landing, returned home on Wednesday for the Christmas holidays.

Miss Margaret Bennett, of the Toronto teaching staff, arrived home on Friday evening for the holidays.

Mr. W. K. Near, Young Street, who has been in poor health for some time, was reported critically ill yesterday.

Mr Roy Brown, of Toronto, was a week-end visitor at the home of his mother, Mrs. John Brown, Church Street.

Miss Clara Lantz has been successful in securing first-class honors in her first year examinations at the College of Pharmacy, Toronto.

Mrs. J. A. Denney, Queen Street, who has been in Toronto for several months taking treatment, was able to attend Church on Sunday. She was greeted warmly by a host of friends.

Mr. D. C. Russell is spending a very quiet Christmastide. His health is still precarious. He has greatly enjoyed the calls of friends and the kindly remembrances by flowers have given him many pleasant moments.

Mr. James Graham, the venerable and esteemed retired printer who resides with Miss Graham, had a slight stroke a couple of weeks ago. He is gradually recovering. Mr. Graham is within a couple of months of his 90th year.

Mr. and Mrs Jacob Colling, of Lowville, announce the engagement of their daughter, Alma Georgina, to Mr. Norman Clark Armstrong, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Armstrong, of Guelph, the marriage to take place early in January.

Miss Lottie E. Speight, who has been an invalid for months, has not made any appreciable improvement lately. She has greatly appreciated the kind visits from many friends and the flowers and Christmas cards so lavishly bestowed.

THE H. S. COMMENCEMENT

Impressive Address by Prof. Coombes, of Faculty of Education

The High School commencement last Friday evening was a very enjoyable function. The students and the graduates of the High School always enjoy this getting together. There is an admirable esprit de corps among these young people, and this is often more manifest on the part of those who graduated in the early days of the school's history.

Rev. A. C. Stewart, M. A., of the Board of Education, presided, and through his judicious handling of the programme, a delightful evening was spent.

A feature of the evening was the presentation of the certificates and diplomas won by the students at the department examinations of the year. The field day shield won at the field day contests at Milton was also presented.

A new feature was introduced which was of real value to the students in the information given and the inspiration inculcated. This was a very practical and eloquent address by Prof. Coombes of the Faculty of Education of Toronto University. The professor spoke words of encouragement to the students and showed them very vividly how faithful work now means success for them in the future.

The valedictory address by Milton Watson, late President of the High School Literary Society, was highly creditable both in its matter and manner of delivery. This young man has the ability for development as a public speaker of merit.

General regret was felt that Miss Craig, the Principal, was unable, owing to her accident the day before by which her ankle was painfully sprained, to attend.

THE AGRICULTURAL SHORT COURSES

To be Held in Nassagaweya and Acton in January and February

Of the special speakers for the school in agriculture at Nassagaweya, during January, the list is not complete, but the following speakers have already been engaged:

Jan. 6 and 7—Prof. J. A. Neilson, Fruit and Vegetables.

Jan. 8—C. A. Cline, B.S.A., Agriculture Lime, It's Application and Use.

Jan. 11—T. H. Shields, B.S.A., an illustrated lecture on Bees.

Jan. 12—Mr. Snyder, B.S.A., of the O.A.C., Guelph, Poultry.

Jan. 14—A. McLaren, B.S.A.—community games, programmes, community work, etc.

Jan. 15—Prof. H. L. Hutt, Floriculture.

Jan. 18 and 19—Dominion Live Stock Branch, Swine Grading, carcasses, etc.

Jan. 20—Dominion Seed Branch, Noxious Weeds, etc.

Jan. 22—Dr. Baker, diseases of the farm animals. Mrs. Aikins, income earnings on the farm.

Special speakers for Acton during the month of February:

Feb. 2 and 3—Prof. Neilson, B. S. A. Fruit and Vegetables.

Feb. 4—C. A. Cline, B.S.A. Use of Lime in Agriculture.

Feb. 8—Mr. Snyder, B.S.A. Poultry, Culling and Dressing, etc.

Feb. 9.—Dr. Baker on Diseases of Animals.

Feb. 11—A. McLaren, B.S.A., community games, debates, programmes, etc.

Feb. 12—Prof. Hutt, illustrated lecture on Floriculture.

Feb. 19—Mr. Shields, B.S.A., an illustrated lecture on Bees.

Feb. 16—Dominion Seed Branch, Noxious Weed Act. Inspection of Seed, etc.

Every farmer in the community is invited to attend the Course all, or part of the time, and is especially invited to attend the special lectures at either or both places.

SHE OUGHTER

"Papa, I want to marry George. He is one man in a thousand."

"Why don't you give the other 999 a look over before you decide."

News of Local Import

A Home Missionary's Busy Day

On his annual trip up to Deer Lake in Northern Manitoba, Rev. J. W. Niddrie, of the United Church of Canada, baptized fifteen babies at the morning service, married four couples in the afternoon, and administered communion to over 200 Cree Indians in the evening.

Survivors of First Meeting of Walker Lodge

Probably the only survivors of the recent gathering of brethren at the dedication of the new Masonic Hall, Acton, were W. Bros. Hugh Walker, of Guelph, after whom the lodge was named, and Wm. Panton, of Milton, at that time W. M. of St. Clair Lodge, No. 35, and V. W. Bro. Lachlan Grant, of Georgetown, who was installed as W. M., of Credit Lodge a little later.—Champion.

A New Years Community Affair

A suggestion has been made by several citizens that Acton hold a community night on New Year's eve. It is suggested that the choirs of the various churches and the Band cooperate and sing and play Christmas and New New Year's carols in the streets and lead citizens in community singing. If the project is considered suitable those in charge will have the details in hand to make full announcement of the plans next week.

Free Press Printing Pleases

A prominent business man in Toronto ordered his Christmas Greeting Cards from the Free Press this year. That he was satisfied the following note from him yesterday bears ample testimony. "Cards arrived this morning, sooner than I expected or hoped and are splendidly done, much more satisfactory than those done by one of the largest Toronto printing houses last year. Thanks!" Another Toronto man in professional life writes respecting the Christmas care executed for him: "Cards are all satisfactory in every way and will compare favorably with any from anywhere."

Rev. Dr. Pringle in the Far North

Rev. John Pringle, D.D., aged 73 years, has gone up the North Thompson River in British Columbia to spend the remainder of his effective days in bringing spiritual consolation to the settlers. Preaching once a day, he would cover his field in one month. He will carve out new missions for the United Church of Canada, having just left a pastorate in Sydney, Nova Scotia, to undertake this work. His earlier career was spent in the Yukon, but thirty years ago he was Presbyterian minister at Georgetown. He has preached in Acton and attended Sunday School conventions here. Dr. Pringle was moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church several years ago.

Hard Worked Civil Servants

Acton Post Office has been one of the busiest places in the community during the past ten days. The people of the dominion have evidently taken to heart the oft-reiterated injunction: "Mail Your Christmas Letters and Parcels Early." The mails have been crowded with Christmas matter and Postmaster Matthews and his Deputy, Miss Brown and their assistants have been indeed busy with the assorting and distributing of the numerous mails received daily. The public have been commendibly patient, and if this grace is observed over to-day Christmas will have come with the Post Office workers tired, but good-humored, and the distribution of the preponderating Christmas mails accomplished with general satisfaction.

Banquetted at Milton

Agricultural Representative Fleming arranged for a very enjoyable banquet for the members of the Halton Softball team at the Milton Inn last Wednesday evening. Warden McIntyre, of Georgetown, was toastmaster, and the usual toasts were honored. Mr. Fleming, in congratulatory words, proposed a toast to the Halton team. Mrs. Ostrander responded, and spoke of the pleasure the team had during the season, and the pride they felt in winning the honors at the Winter Fair for Halton. The following young ladies attended the banquet from Acton: Misses Marguerite Ryder, Hazel and Lottie Mason and Viola Rumley, Mrs. Ostrander and Mr. Arlie White. A photo of the team was taken last week.

Young People Working for the Kiddies

For some time the Junior C.G.I.T. Class has been working under the superintendence of their leader, Mrs. H. E. Somerville, in providing dolls and toys for the children in the Gordon Home at Milton for Christmas. On Monday afternoon these industrious young workers met in the school room of the United Church with the articles they had made. There were dolls, dolls' clothing, cradles with cradle quilts and blankets, beautiful woollen balls and numerous other articles which the children will appreciate at Christmas time. When the box was packed it made quite a formidable quantity of Christmas presents. If the children who receive them are as happy as the C.G.I.T. girls in making them, they will surely be a happy lot.

Getting Money's Worth at Christmas Time

Much of the business done in the month of December relates to Christmas. Clerks, delivery men, postmen and express employees are worn out meeting the demands of the Christmas trade. Thousands and thousands of dollars are expended. The toy section of the stores are crowded from early to late. There is hardly a household in the land whose ordinary activities are not set aside, more or less, in favor of the special interests of Christmas. Considering the vast outlay of money and effort, it is well to ask ourselves if we are getting our money's worth. Viewed purely from the monetary side, it is a question whether Christmas pays. Many of us, if we took the money we spend on gifts for others and bought for ourselves, would be much better satisfied than we are with our friends' choic. There are, however, other phrases to be considered. Christmas adds greatly to the world's stock of good will. Somehow it is hard to be bitter, and resentful and critical as the twenty-fifth of December draws near. That hard saying about loving one's enemies does not seem impossible at the Christmas period. We may be poorer in pocket because of Christmas, but we are richer in good will. If Christmas did nothing more for us than to demonstrate the truth of the saying that "it is more blessed to give than to receive," it would be worth all it costs.