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THE ACTON UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

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

11.00 a. m.—Rev. J. T. Heslop, of Paisley Memorial Church, Guelph.

2.30 p. m.—Sabbath School Session.

7.00 p. m.—Rev. Lennox Douglas, of Toronto.

Young People's League on Monday at 8 p. m.

Prayer Service on Thursday at 7.30 p. m.

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

11.00 a. m.—The Minister. Subject, "Making Straight the Way of the Lord."

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

7.00 p. m.—The Minister. Subject, "The Game of Life."

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.—The Pastor. Subject: "Going the Second Mile With Jesus."

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

7.00 p.m.—The Pastor. Subject: "Faith Delivered." First in Series. "Faith of Our Fathers."

Monday, 8.00 p. m.—Special Young People's Meeting. Rev. J. A. Johnston, of Toronto, the speaker. Don't miss this.

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

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CARD OF THANKS

The undersigned desires to extend his cordial thanks to the ladies and gentlemen who favored him with their franchise and influence in the Township of Esquesing election on Monday. The continuance of their confidence in him as Councillor is much appreciated. I will give my very best attention to the duties of the office and hope by careful, economical administration to serve the very best interests of the township.

WM. GOWDY, Councillor.

Acton Horticultural Society

NOTICE!

The Annual Meeting of the above Society will be held in the Council Chamber on

Wednesday, January 13th, 1926
AT 8 P. M.

BUSINESS

Presentation of the annual report. Election of Officers and Directors for the ensuing year, and such other business as may be brought before it.

All interested are cordially invited and a good attendance is particularly requested.

Frank Scriver, President E. T. Thetford, Sec.-Treas.

WONDERLAND

FRIDAY, JANUARY 8
"The Reckless Age"
Adapted from the story of "Love Insurance," starring Reginald Denny. Comedy, "Sit Tight." "Krazy Kat Kartoon."

SATURDAY, JANUARY 9
"Lightin'"
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TUESDAY, JANUARY 12
"Spook Ranch"
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OBITUARY

MRS. JOHN HEWETSON

A most lovable old lady passed away on Sunday night at the home of her daughter, Mrs. F. E. McCleary, Church Street, in the person of Mrs. John Hewetson. She had attained the ripe old age of ninety-two years, and was in possession of her faculties and a fair measure of health until she fell asleep so peacefully on the morning of her decease. Mrs. Hewetson was a native of Greenwich, Kent, England, where she was joined in wedlock to her late husband. In 1870 Mr. and Mrs. Hewetson and family came to Canada and settled in Toronto. They spent over half a century together and celebrated their golden wedding several years before Mr. Hewetson's death twenty years ago. For some seventeen years Mrs. Hewetson resided with Mr. and Mrs. F. E. McCleary, and when they came to Acton she came with them. With loving care and solicitude they attended the dear old lady's wants. She was the mother of twelve children, of whom nine survive. Mr. J. W. Hewetson, the head of the firm of Hewetson & Co., Brampton and Acton, is her son. Mrs. Hewetson was a member of the Anglican Church. A brief service was held at the home here on Tuesday morning by Rev. H. G. L. Baugh, B.D. A motor funeral to Toronto, was then held, and after a service at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Adam Clarke, the burial took place at Park Lawn Cemetery.

MISS SARAH McDOUGALL

After a long period of weakness, though able to be about until Christmas, Miss Sarah McDougall passed away early on Sunday morning, at her residence on Church Street. Miss McDougall was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McDougall. She was a daughter who proved herself in her filial affection everything that a child could be. Through long-continued illnesses she nursed both her father and mother with all the love and care which a daughter could bestow. Miss McDougall came to Acton with her parents, a maid, from the old home in Caledon. They settled on the Cummings farm on the second line, where Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Murray and family have their Cloverdale homestead. When the father retired from farming, and his son, Malcolm succeeded him, Miss McDougall came with her parents to Acton. Gradually the various members of the family passed away, until a few years ago she was left the sole surviving member. During her closing days her sisters-in-law, Mrs. James McDougall and Mrs. Malcolm McDougall ministered to her needs with all kindness. The children of her nephew, Mr. Alex. Mann, also very kindly waited upon her. The funeral took place on Tuesday afternoon, and was attended by numbers of sincere friends. Her pastor, Rev. Mr. Boyd, of the Baptist Church, conducted the service and he was assisted by Rev. A. C. Stewart. Interment was made in Fairview Cemetery.

DAVID RYDER

For over ninety years David Ryder was a familiar personage in this community. Many admired his fine, stalwart and venerable appearance, and pure white beard, and cheery countenance, and he attained his ninety-fifth year with a fair degree of good health and vitality. Some months ago he began visibly to fail. Finally gangrene set in; both limbs being affected. The poison passed through the system, and he passed away last Friday. He had for some time resided with his daughter, Mrs. John McCuen, 755 Dundas Street, Toronto, and there he died. Mr. Ryder was born in Trafalgar, ninety-five years ago next month. With his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ryder, he came as a child to Esquesing Township and the family settled on lot 30, on the third line. Over seventy years ago he married Phoebe Swackhamer, daughter of the late Jacob Swackhamer, and sister of Christopher Swackhamer. Of their eight children, James, Augustus, Wesley, Charlie, Eva and Minnie survive Merilda died in her girlhood, and Addie (Mrs. Lemuel West) a few months ago, after a visit to her father when she contracted a cold. After their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Ryder lived for over thirty years on the Burns farm, where Beardmore Crescent, and the farm lands east of that subdivision is now located. From there the family moved to Guelph to the Hood Farm. Later Mr. Ryder purchased the Currie farm on the second line, Erin, which he still owns. Mrs. Ryder died eighteen or twenty years ago. Mr. Ryder always had a longing for the old home church on Swackhamer's hill and it was there that the funeral service was held on Sunday, upon arrival from Toronto by motor of the body. Rev. J. W. Boyd conducted the service. Interment was made in the family plot beside the wife of his youth.

Honor Roll for Acton Schools

The Results of the Christmas Examinations in the Various Departments

The report of the December examinations in Acton Public Schools are as follows:

Senior Fourth

Annie Smith, 424; Marjorie Garden, 396; Jean Smith, 394. Total 500.

Junior Fourth

Allan Marshall, 399; Doris MacDonald, 388; Helen Ostrander, 380; Iorna McComb, 280. Total 500.
M. Z. Bennett, Principal.

Senior Third

John Donaldson, 317; Henry Cripps, 300; Donald Mann, 290. Total 400.
D. Folster, Teacher

Junior Third

James Huard, 507; Laura Hall, 492; William Near, 382. Total 600.
M. R. Moore, Teacher.

Second Class

Florence Cross, 342; May Chisholm, 334; Margaret Chalmers, 334; Vera Rawlings, 298. Total 400.
I. Anderson, Teacher.

First Class

Frank Jones, 325; Frank Sagaski, 316; Herbert Price, 305. Total 350.

Second Class

Teddy Hansen, 329; Harvey Hassard 323; Earl Cole, 298. Total 350.
Annie MacDonald, Teacher.

Junior First

Margaret Arnold, 187; Kathleen Patrick, 149; Annie Holmes, 141. Total 200.

Senior Primary

Harvey McCutcheon, 151; Hubert MacPherson, 140; Kathleen Huard, 100. Total 200.
N. Anderson, Teacher.

Primary Class

A.—Burt Patrick, 61; Bella Roszell, 56; William Hall, 50.

B.—Eleanor Tubman, 40; Joe Lasby, 32; Vera Coxe, 27.

C.—John Chisholm, 30; Jessie Coles, 17; Sam Kerr, 16.

B. Gardiner, Teacher.

—Don't miss the special meeting of the Baptist Young People's Society next Monday evening. Rev. J. A. Johnston, of Toronto, will be the speaker.

MRS. ROBERT LITTLE

Nearly forty-one years after the death of her husband, the late Robert Little, his widow passed away. Her death occurred in the Los Angeles Old Ladies' Hospital in California, on Saturday morning, December 26, 1925, where she has been a resident for several years. For a month before her death Mrs. Little suffered much, but for the last few days she was in a comatose condition. During her later years, Mrs. Peter S. Armstrong, and her daughter, Mrs. Alsworth, were intimate friends of Mrs. Little and did much to make her declining days happy. Mrs. Armstrong was an intimate friend when they both resided in Acton, and the friendship ripened when they were neighbors in California. After Mrs. Armstrong's death, Mrs. Alsworth was a frequent visitor, and was with her a day or two before her death, and she and her husband arranged for the burial of Mrs. Little. The funeral took place on Monday, December 28. Interment took place in the Masonic Cemetery near Downley, Cal. A Baptist minister, who had been educated in Toronto, and who had visited Acton, conducted the funeral service. There were no relatives of Mrs. Little at her death bed, nor at her funeral. Her sister, Mrs. Pentland, with whom she lived when she went to California, died several years ago, and Mrs. Pentland's son and daughter, who reside at Pasadena, failed to attend the funeral, though notice was sent them of their aunt's death. Mrs. Little was born in England and came to Canada with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, in her young girlhood. The family settled in Acton between sixty and seventy years ago, and lived in the house near where Reeve Mason's residence now stands. This was Mrs. Little's residence when she was married to the late Robert Little, nearly sixty years ago. Mr. Little, who was principal of Acton School from 1863 to 1872, and Inspector of Schools for Halton from 1872 to 1885, died in his palatial residence which stood on the property now included in the Acton Athletic Association grounds, on April 8, 1885. After Mr. Little's death, Mrs. Little spent a year or two in England and Scotland. She returned to Acton and then went to the Pacific coast to be with her sisters. Mr. Little was buried in Fairview Cemetery, and in 1900 his former pupils erected a fine monument on his plot there.

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Social and Personal

Mr. Noel Steele, of Toronto, visited Acton friends.

Mr. Robert Stewart, of Toronto, was home for the holiday.

Mr. Robert Scott, of Waterloo, was home for the holiday.

Miss Dorothy Sayers, of Cooksville, visited Acton friends.

Mr. Wm. North spent the holidays with friends in London.

Mrs. (Dr.) Dryden, of Toronto, was the guest of Acton relatives.

Miss Luella Hill, of Milton, was a visitor at Mr. W. L. Worden's.

Mr. Jack Creemore, of Toronto, visited friends in the old home.

Mr. A. L. Hemstreet, of Milton, visited Acton friends this week.

Mrs. Thomas Statham, Church St., is visiting friends in Brantford.

Mr. Albert Hall, of Kitchener, spent the holiday with Acton friends.

Mr. Earl Smith, of Toronto, was at Mrs. George McBain's this week.

Mrs. Lottie Baker, of Waterdown, visited Acton friends over the holiday.

Dr. W. G. C. Kenney, of Toronto, visited at his home here over the holiday.

Mr. Enoch Statham and Stanley and Nora, of Brantford, were here for New Years.

Mrs. Alice Fleury, of Lansing, spent a few days last week with Acton friends.

Mr. Ray Gamble, of Detroit, who has been holidaying here, returned last Saturday.

Mr. Nelson Lane, of Toronto, visited his aunt, Mrs. W. J. Hall a day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Price, of Hamilton, visited at Mr. W. L. Worden's last week.

Miss K. Chalmers, of Owen Sound, spent the holidays at the home of her parents here.

Miss Phyllis Starkey, of Aurora, visited Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Jiggins during the week.

Miss Nellie Hall visited Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hall, Kitchener over the New Year's holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Soper and babe, of Guelph, were at Mr. George Soper's for New Years.

Miss Olga Thomas, of Guelph, spent a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Albert McKeown.

Miss Mabel Howie, of St. Catharines, was the guest last week of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Brown.

Mrs. Archie Currie, Brock Avenue, who was seriously ill for several days, is now recovering nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Longstreet and babe, of Erin, spent a day last week with Mrs. W. Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Nicklin spent New Years with City Engineer and Mrs. H. S. Nicklin, Guelph.

Misses Lena Costello and her friend, Miss Smith, of Toronto, spent the holiday at the former's home here.

Mr. William Robertson, of Toronto, spent New Years at the home of his sister, Mrs. Cameron Leishman.

Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm McLean and Miss Fern Brown enjoyed a New Year's visit together in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Anderson, of Toronto, spent the New Years holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Husband.

Mrs. Melbourne C. Overholt will be at home to her friends on Wednesday, January 13, from four to six o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rumley and babe, of Toronto, visited at the parental home over the holiday and week-end.

Misses Ettie and Myrtle Dills were home from Toronto for New Years. Miss Ettie Dills stayed over the week-end.

Mrs. A. Reesor and Mrs. Wurtz spent New Years and the week-end visiting at Buffalo and Niagara Falls, N.Y.

Mr. Alonzo Worden and Miss D. Worden, of Acton, visited at Mr. S. Worden's last week.—Georgetown Herald.

Mr. Gordon Brown, of Toronto, was a visitor at the home of his grandmother, Mrs. John Brown, over the holidays.

Mrs. Gordon Hayward, of Toronto, who was critically ill in the hospital, is now making good progress toward recovery.

Misses Frances and Vera Hurst, of Richard's Landing and Gore Bay respectively, returned to their duties on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Morphy and Miss Evelyn, of Brampton, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Arnold last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Thompson, of Georgetown, and Miss Thompson, visited Mr. and Mrs. Roy Arnold on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold McDonald have returned to Oshawa after spending a week's holidays at the home of Mrs. Harry McDonald.

Mr. Nelson Garden's friends were very glad to see him able to walk down town on Saturday. He is convalescing nicely and hopes soon to be able to resume his official duties.

Miss Nora Kenney, matron of the Brampton Memorial Hospital, made a brief visit at her home here during the week. Miss Kenney is giving fine service in her supervision of the hospital and is making many friends in Brampton.

With indomitable pluck, Miss Craig, Principal of Acton High School, came from her home at Athens and was here ready for the opening of the school on Monday. Her injured ankle has made good progress toward recovery, but she is still going about on crutches.

Mr. and Mrs. John Nicol and children joined in a unique family celebration at Guelph on New Years at the home of Park Superintendent and Mrs. Nicol. In addition to celebrating New Year Day, they celebrated the wedding anniversaries of both families.

—The Foster Roney Shoe Repair Shop on Main Street is surprising the people of Acton at the low prices for good workmanship. The people are well satisfied and Mr. Roney reports a brisk business. A Happy New Year to All. Foster Roney. 28-2

Business Methods at Council Sessions

The Council of 1926 Inaugurated With Prompt Business Programme

The value of adopting business methods in the conduct of municipal matters was manifestly demonstrated at the inaugural meeting of the Council for 1926 on Monday evening. From the opening session until the adjournment the business which came before the Council was treated in a business-like way. Every matter presented was freely discussed, each member being accorded the liberty of free expression of opinion without interruption, and when a fair discussion had been allowed, decision was promptly and decisively arrived at.

The programme of routine business at the first meeting is necessarily long, but this did not deter the new Council from considering other matters of interest to the municipality. At this first session the following docket of business was discussed and executive action taken:

1. Declarations of office subscribed to.
2. Standing Committees appointed.
3. Auditors appointed, chartered accountants being chosen with a view to having all accounts and the books of all departments established on a standardized basis.
4. Assessor and Collector appointed.
5. Re-arrangement and consolidation of Municipal Utilities discussed.
6. Board of Health and Medical Officer of Health appointed.
7. The dumping of refuse discussed.
8. The long-standing municipal rink matter closed up.
9. A chemical Fire Engine and Hose Truck, petitioned for by the Fire Brigade purchased.
10. Permission granted for the Agriculture Short Courses in February to be held in the Town Hall.
11. Instructions given for the enforcement of the provisions of the by-law requiring sidewalks to be cleared of snow after each storm.
12. Provision made for a special session of the Council at the auxiliary pumping station at the water tower on Street to ascertain if the expensive machinery installed there by the Council of last year is properly protected from frost, and kept in condition for immediate action.

Although this docket necessitated continuing in session until 11.30, the members were evidently prepared to sacrifice their own comfort in the interests of public business.

The first session of the new 1926 Council was held on Monday evening. Reeve-elect Mason and Councillors Thetford, Atkinson, Parker and Holmes subscribed to the usual declaration of office.

After the members had taken their places, Reeve Mason addressed them in a few words relative to the co-operation he desired in the Council's work. He invited their co-operation, and requested each member to endeavor to secure the co-operation of the citizens at large. He was in the office for no personal ambition, but to try and give the best municipal service possible to Acton and Acton's best interests. He was prepared to do what he considered best without fear or favor, and believed his fellow-Councillors were also willing to take that stand. He extended to the Councillors the same freedom of thought and expression that he took for himself. The Reeve said he was willing to take his full share of responsibilities in connection with the office, but thought the Reeveship did not require the whole work of the Council to be piled on the office. In connection with the appointing of committees he asked that each chairman hold himself responsible for the smooth working of that department, and to bring all matters pertaining to his department to the attention of the Council. He hoped that all citizens generally would read carefully the list of committees, and when any complaint or adjustment was necessary, if it were not possible to bring it to the Council, that they would recognize the department and lay their case before the chairman of the particular committee responsible.

Members of the Council replied to Reeve Mason's remarks, expressing their desire to work along the methods outlined. They wanted to co-operate and assume their full share of the responsibilities and were willing to help make this year's Council's work pleasant and successful.

The striking committee recommended the committees with chairmanships as follows:

Finance and Waterworks Committee—E. T. Thetford, chairman, and F. E. Holmes.

Streets and Walks Committee—L. E. Atkinson, chairman and C. E. Parker.

Fire and Light Committee—C. E. Parker, chairman and L. E. Atkinson.

Cemetery Committee—F. E. Holmes, chairman, and the whole Council.

Town Hall and Park Committee—C. E. Parker, chairman and L. E. Atkinson.

Reeve Mason to be ex-officio a member of each of the committees named.

The report was adopted as recommended and confirmed.

The question of appointing auditors for the books and account of the Council of 1925 was discussed. It was deemed advisable this year to have an outside firm of chartered accountants go over the books and clean up several matters that should be put in better condition to satisfy the Council and the public.

A by-law appointing the auditors, and naming the firm of Rutherford, Williamson and & Co., of Toronto, as auditors, provided a satisfactory agreement could be agreed upon as to renumeration, was passed.

In the matter of appointing of Assessor and Tax Collector, the question of rearranging the duties of the municipal officers came under discussion, but the rearrangement was deferred until a later meeting when it could be gone into in detail.

A by-law appointing W. J. Reid Assessor and Tax Collector for 1926 was given the required number of readings and passed by the Council.

Moved by L. E. Atkinson, seconded by E. T. Thetford that the Board of Health for 1926 be composed of Dr. J. A. McNiven, the Reeve, the Clerk and Mr. Henry Awrey, with Dr. McNiven as Medical Health Officer.

The Finance Committee presented their first report and recommended payment of the following accounts:

General Account

G. H. Ritchie, labor on Streets and Walks	$ 14 00
Municipal World, Assessor's supplies	24 80
Acton Free Press, printing and advertising	14 96
Jas. Symon, supplies	3 15
Acton Hydro-Electric Com. street lighting	170 00
Acton Hydro-Electric Com. Town Hall lighting	4 05
Dr. J. A. McNiven, Medical Health Officer, salary fumigating, etc., and Mrs. Wood's hospital bill	75 60
Free Library grant of one-half mill on assessment	389 47
	$ 696 05

Waterworks Account

Francis Hankin Co., meters	$354 00
Neptune Metre Co., supplies	13 43
Jas. Symon, supplies	1 00
J. B. Mackenzie, coal for pumphouse	45 50
Acton Hydro-Electric Com. power at spring	49 05
Acton Hydro-Electric Com. power at pumphouse and supplies	20 75
Bell Telephone Co. services	2 26
	$ 486 37

The report was adopted.

The Chairman of the Streets and Walks Committee was delegated to stop the use of the grounds at the foot of Brock Avenue as a dumping ground.

Moved by F. Holmes, seconded by C. E. Parker, that Mr. A. T. Brown be authorized, as far as the Council is concerned, to pay over the surplus money remaining from the rink operated on River and Willow Streets to Beardmore & Co.—Carried.

Moved by E. T. Thetford, seconded by L. E. Atkinson that the regular meeting of the Council during 1926 be every second Tuesday at 8 p.m., the next meeting to be held on Tuesday, January 19.

The Reeve brought up the matter of purchasing a new fire truck. The matter was thoroughly discussed, every member of the Council expressing his opinion and most of them were very pronounced and emphatic.

Moved by F. E. Holmes, seconded by L. E. Atkinson that the fire truck as mentioned by the Reeve, be purchased for $1,100.00.—Carried.

The vote was taken and Councillors Holmes, Atkinson and the Reeve favored the purchase, and Councillors Thetford and Parker opposed the purchase.

The resolution was declared carried.

Mr. R. J. Kerr asked the Council's assistance in securing rooms for holding short courses under the auspices of R. J. Fleming, District Agricultural Representative.

Permission was given for the use of the hall for these meetings, provided the fuel be furnished by the people taking the course and also providing that their meetings do not interfere with the rental of the hall for other purposes during the time of the courses.

The Council agreed to meet at the fire pumping station on Tuesday evening to discuss the heating of the building.

Permission was given W. J. Kentner to cut down a tree at the front of his property.

The snow shovelling by-law was ordered to be enforced, and those who do not comply will be assessed for the work on their taxes.

Council adjourned at 11.30 p.m.

News of Local Import

U. F. O. Meets at the Home of Mr. Bracken

The U. F. O., U. F. W. O. and the U. F. Y. P. O. held their annual meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bracken on Wednesday evening, December 30, 1925, with a large attendance.

Communion Service at Knox Church

The quarterly communion service at Knox Church last Sunday morning was well attended. The number of communicants was large. An impressive sermon by Rev. Mr. Stewart emphasized the importance and sacred character of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. A number of new members were received by letter and on profession of faith.

Officers of the True Blue Lodge

Maple Leaf Lodge, L. T. B., No. 390, reports a very successful year. The following members have been elected as officers: W. M., Mrs. Ed. Gamble; D. M., Mrs. Thetford; Rec.-Secretary, Miss M. Carnahan; Fin.-Secretary, Miss T. Gamble; Treasurer, Mrs. Rose Tyler; Chaplain, Mrs. E. Collier; D. of C., Mrs. Rogers; C. of C., Miss Minnie Blair; I. L., Mrs. Lappin, O. L., Mrs. R. Johnston.

Have Passed the Objective

Rev. Mr. Zimmerman announced to the congregation of the United Church on Sunday that the subscriptions to the Maintenance and Extension Fund now exceed the objective of $2,300.00. The canvass was then not entirely completed, and he expected when all reports are in that the amounted allocated will be exceeded by at least $100. The amount reported on Sunday was $2,329.00. For this generous response he expressed his high appreciation.

New Railway Time Table

The new winter time table of the Canadian National Railway cuts off the 8.29 p.m. going west, and the return home from a visit to the city passengers must leave Toronto at 3.20 in the afternoon. The 11.18 going east is now timed for 11.43, and there is no connection at Georgetown in the forenoon for Milton and Hamilton. There is evidently work again for the Acton Chamber of Commerce in the effort to adjust matters. If the 7.15 p.m. flyer were scheduled to stop at Acton, it would be a great convenience.

The United Church Next Sunday

Rev. Mr. Zimmerman will preach next Sunday morning in Paisley Memorial Church, Guelph, and Rev. J. T. Heslop, the minister of that Church will occupy the pulpit of the United Church here. On Sunday evening Rev. Mr. Zimmerman will preach the anniversary sermon at the United Church, Glenwilliams, where he was the pastor 11 or 12 years ago. The pulpit of the United Church here will be taken by Rev. Lennox H. Douglas, the new pastor of the Congregational United Church, Churchill.

Charged With Cruelty to Animals

Inspector Brown of the Humane Society of Ontario, charged Mr. Charles Davidson, of the second line, with cruelty to animals by insufficient food and the use of food which had not sufficient nourishment, in Police Court, before Police Magistrate Moore last Wednesday. The Inspector in his evidence, said that horses, cattle and hogs were found to be insufficiently nourished. Veterinary Surgeon Reed corroborated the Inspector's evidence, and said that in forty years' experience he had never seen before a lot of farm stock in such emaciated condition. Mr. Davidson put in very little defence, but thought his stock had not been seriously neglected. A conviction was made and a penalty of $25.00 and costs imposed. Mr. Davidson talks of appealing the case.

Acton's Splendid New Fire Truck

A Real Financial Saving for this Much-Needed Equipment

Citizens generally will appreciate and endorse the action of the Council at the meeting on Monday evening in purchasing the combination motor hose truck and chemical fire engine. This attitude of approval will be the more freely given when it is realized that the Council is determined to meet the cost of this new equipment, $1,100, from current revenues, and without increase in the rate of taxation.

The primary reason for the action of the Council in embracing the opportunity for securing a first-class fire truck at less than one-half the regular price charged for such equipment was the petition of the Fire Brigade for this added equipment for fighting fires. From year to year for several years in succession the Fire Brigade was tentatively promised this improved equipment, but from year to year it was found inadvisable to implement the promise, because of lack of funds.

Fortunately, a few weeks ago, the town of Mount Dennis decided, because of the vast area over which their 10,000 of population is scattered, to purchase a fire truck of larger capacity. This truck, which had not run 300 miles, only sufficient to ease up the motor, and it has received the best of care during the year or so the town has owned it, came upon the market. The Bickle Fire Engines, Limited, of Woodstock, took it back in part payment for a larger truck.

The price of the fire truck of the capacity of this truck new from the factory is $2,400.00 This truck had been considered by the Council some months ago and the above price was quoted. The Council has purchased this same truck for $1,100.00, and it carries the new truck guarantee, that it: "If at any time during its life, any part breaks or shows a defect by reason of faulty workmanship or material, this company will replace it with another part without charge, F. O. B., Woodstock."

This further satisfactory agreement has been made: "If at any time within the next three years Acton Council desires to trade it in on any other type of fire apparatus we build, we will allow you the full purchase price, less ten per cent., per year for depreciation."

The company guarantees the truck to be as good as a new one. It is mounted on a Ford chassis, has two 30 gallon chemical tanks, which can be operated together or separately, and 200 feet of hose attached to them controlled by a valve at the nozzle, for putting out small or incipient fires, and avoiding damage by water. There are receptacles for refills on the sides of the truck and two fire extinguishers. It has a space at the back for 600 feet of standard hose and carries pickaxes, ladders and other equipment necessary for fighting fires in places of Acton's population. It has the usual fire truck siren, searchlight, etc., The company agrees to re-varnish and rub it down and letter it with "Acton Fire Department," at the purchase price.

In making the purchase the points that seemed to weigh most with those who favored it were: (1) The Councils for three or four years have promised the firemen co-operation and a new truck. (2) The truck was ample in size for Acton's requirements and could be more easily operated and kept up at a smaller cost than a larger truck. (3) It was just such a truck as was about to be purchased last year at $2,400, and with the company's guarantee back of it represented a clear saving of $1,300. (4) A letter from the Secretary of the Fire Brigade gave the Brigade's approval of the truck. (5) The chemical tanks will save considerable damage and extinguish small fires. (6) The truck can be easily handled and will go any place a larger truck could be taken.

The members of the Council who opposed the purchase seemed to base their disapproval on the fact that two or three members of the Brigade favored a larger truck; and the fact that a halt in expenditures in fire equipment must be made as the outlay on pumps, etc., was now burdensome.

This new combination fire truck is of the latest and most improved design. It is built with careful consideration to symetrical proportions, distribution of load and simplicity of details.

The best material and labor obtainable enter into its construction, particular attention being given to bracing and strength.

It has 200 feet of chemical hose, tested and guaranteed to withstand a pressure of 500 pounds to the square inch and fitted with solid brass fire couplings and hose reel. It has place for carrying 200 feet of standard waterworks hose, and also a trailer couplings and hose reel. It has space nozzle tips, revolving searchlight, completely wired, a siren alarm system, lanterns, two three-gallon portable chemical fire extinguishers, 20 and 12 foot ladders and numerous other equipment.

The new fire truck is handsomely painted and will form an addition to Acton's fire apparatus of which all will be quite proud.

HALTON COUNTY COUNCIL 1926

Only two New Members—Reeve Mason Acton, and D. R. Leslie, Esquesing

The members of the 1926 County Council have been elected, as follows:

ACTON—Amos Mason.
GEORGETOWN—D. McIntyre.
MILTON—J. W. Blain.
BURLINGTON — W. Nicholson, Reeve; E. Holtby, Deputy.
OAKVILLE—Chas. H. Cross, Reeve, T. A. Blakelock, Deputy.
TRAFALGAR — W. H. Morden, Reeve; A. A. Galbraith, Deputy.
NELSON—T. H. Foster, Reeve; H. McArthur, Deputy.
ESQUESING — W. G. Appelbe, Reeve; T. Leslie, Deputy.
NASSAGAWEYA—E. Agnew.

Reeve Amos Mason, of Acton, and Deputy Leslie, of Esquesing, are the new members.

ESQUESING COUNCIL ELECTION

Messrs. Cleave, Carton and Gowdy Were Elected Councillors

The election for Councillors for the Township of Esquesing on Monday was the most keenly contested for a good many years.

The result at the polls was: Cleave, 594; Carton, 485; Gowdy, 434; Currie, 350 and Bird 340.

The Council for 1926 is therefore:
Reeve—W. G. Applebe.
Deputy Reeve—Thomas Leslie.
Councillors—H. Cleave, M. J. Carton and William Gowdy.

News of Local Import

Fancy Price Paid for Good Horses

Mr. N. E. McKinnon last week shipped a fine show two-year-old colt to Mr. F. Somerset, of Port Sydney. The sale was brought about through the animals being a good entry at the Guelph Winter Fair. The price was very encouraging to his breeder, Mr. James McKitrick. Mr. McKinnon has sold five good horses recently and says the demand for good horses is much greater lately.—Erin Advocate.

Costs the County $2,500

The County Council has authorized County Treasurer Hutcheon to issue a cheque for $2,500 to the order of the estate of Robert C. Cleave in full settlement of the Supreme Court action against the county. Robert C. Cleave, of Esquesing Township, was instantly killed a year ago when the motor car in which he and his family were riding, ran off the new cement highway on the seventh line, Trafalgar, near Drumquin, and rolled down the steep embankment, the new roadway not being protected by a fence as required by law.

The Missionary Monthly of the W.M.S.

With the January number the Missionary Monthly of the Woman's Missionary Societies of the Uniting Churches appears in new form, no longer divided along denominational lines. The initial editorial says: "As we enter upon the New Year the confidence born of experience is ours. We can face the future with a new hope and trust that the great work begun with high hearts in the early days of Union may move steadily and graciously forward towards the fulfilment of our high calling." The new President, Mrs. Mary C. Lavell, in her message to fellow-workers, quotes from a selected poem:

"Bent the grass blades to each other
Whispered each unto his brother,
'Let's combine!
Let's combine!'
Then the tiny blades upspringing,
Sent these words with voices ringing:
'See the fruit of combination—
Emerald carpet for the nation!'

Said the churches of a city,
'We work alone. That's such a pity,
Let's combine!
Let's combine!'
Strength has come to men whenever
They have faced a task together;
Let us try co-operation
In the world's regeneration.'"

The Woman's Missionary Society of the United Church has 225 missionary workers in Canada, 10 in West Africa, 41 in Japan, 12 in Formosa, 17 in Korea, 39 in West China, 29 in Honan, 7 in South China, 33 in Central India, 2 in Guilloo and 7 in Trinidad and British Guiana. The society conducts 26 hospitals.

LOCAL HOCKEY SEASON OPENS

Milton Defeats Acton 4-3 in Twenty Minutes Overtime on New Years

The local hockey season opened on New Year evening with Milton providing the opposition. The game attracted a fair crowd, which, no doubt, would have been larger if the weather conditions had been better. However, the fans who did see the game were well pleased with the exhibition.

The visitors showed a nice team and some speedy hockey. They have been on the ice much longer than the Acton team, who gave a real good display of the puck-chasing art.

In the opening period Holloway, in the nets for Acton, was injured, taking the puck in the face and receiving a nasty cut on the nose. Ireland, who replaced him, however, turned in a satisfactory game.

The game started out fast, with the Milton aggregation doing most of the attacking. However, the locals put up a good defensive game and held the visitors scoreless.

In the second period the locals livened up and did a bit of attacking themselves. However, Milton scored on a nice piece of combination hockey. On a scramble in front of the Milton nets, Mochrie scored Acton's first counter. In a few minutes the visitors scored again, putting them one up on the game. Currie's work in this period was a feature of the game. The husky defense man made two lovely rushes, and was unlucky not to score. On both trips he had the whole Milton team beat, but could not beat Kentner, in goal for the county town representatives.

In the third frame both teams played steady hockey. Milton was out to protect their slim margin. The locals had most of the play and held the puck in the Milton territory, but could not score. With only a few minutes to go, Reid took the puck up and passed to Gibbons, and "Neil" made no mistake.

In the first overtime session Reid and Gibbons again combined for a goal. Gibbons carried the puck and passed to Reid, who missed a grand change to score, but got the rubber back to Gibbons, who again got the credit of a score. Tolme, of Milton, worked his way through the entire local team shortly after and evened things up again by beating Ireland from close in. It