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THE ACTON UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

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

11.00 a. m.—The Pastor. Subject: "The Life of Christ."

2.30 p. m.—Sabbath School Session.

7.00 p. m.—The Pastor. Subject: "The Seven Words from the Cross."

Services every night next week at 8 o'clock. The pastor will be assisted each night by a visiting minister.

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

11.00 a. m.—The Minister. Subject: "Studies in the Life of Jesus. The Crucifixion."

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

7.00 p.m.—The Minister. Subject: "Outstanding Bible Characters. Moses."

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

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

THE BAPTIST CHURCH
ACTON
JAMES W. BOYD, Pastor

11. a. m.—Rev. J. L. Harton, of Georgetown.

3.00 p.m.—Sunday School Rally Day.

7.00 p.m.—The Pastor. Subject: "The Future State of the Saved." Tenth in Series, "Faith of Our Fathers."

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

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

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News of Local Import

Women's Institute Monthly Meeting

The Women's Institute will hold their monthly meeting in the Band room on Thursday afternoon, April 1, at 3 o'clock. Mrs. Coo, of Georgetown, will address the meeting. Everybody welcome.

Boy Scout Entertainment

The First Acton Troop of Boy Scouts are putting on a Camp-Fire entertainment in story and song, with first-aid demonstrations by the scouts, in the Town Hall on Friday evening, the 26th inst., at eight o'clock. Boy Scout Field Secretary Mr. Edgar Jones, of Toronto, will be present. All are welcome. A free-will offering will be taken for the Scout Benefit Fund. Be sure to be there.

Fine Residential Property Changes Hands

The Robert Wallace homestead at the corner of Wallace Avenue and Bower Avenue, has changed hands this week. Mr. B. V. Kenyon has disposed of the property to Mr. George Soper, merchant, who is now retiring from mercantile business. Our citizens generally will be glad that Mr. and Mrs. Soper are not removing from Acton.

Overloading on the Roads in Spring

The enforcement of the Loaded Vehicles Act, prohibiting the carrying of heavy loads on county highways will be strictly carried out as soon as the roads begin to break up. While the Act, which is a provincial one, is now in effect, there is little danger at the present time from overloaded trucks and wagons in view of the bad conditions of the roads. Under this Act persons convicted of violating the restrictions are liable to heavy fines.

Wedded at St. Alban's Church

A quiet but pretty wedding was solemnized at St. Alban's Church at seven o'clock on the evening of March 17th, when Lily Leslie, the youngest daughter of Mrs. C. Bradbeer, became the bride of Frank, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Pettifer, of Guelph. The bride entered the church on the arm of her mother. She was prettily attired in rosewood canton crepe, with hat to match, and carried a shower bouquet of carnations and sweet peas. Rev. Canon Ferguson, of Hamilton, officiated. The best man was Mr. T. F. Cooper, of Guelph. After the ceremony a buffet luncheon was served at the home of the bride's parents. Later in the evening the happy couple left for points west. They will reside in Guelph. The bride's step-father was unable to attend on account of illness.

An Effective Missionary Pageant

On Monday evening the people of Acton United Church were entertained with a pageant of exceptional merit, which had been arranged by the Young People's League. Under the able direction of Rev. Mr. Zimmerman and Miss Vida Ramshaw, the characters of the pageant were directed and supervised. The pageant was a stirring appeal for missions, at home and abroad, and few of the large audience which attended, who were not touched by its magnetic appeal. It depicted the union of the three churches, Methodist, Presbyterian and Congregational, and the great field which they have to cover in spreading the gospel to all corners of the earth. Each character was well portrayed, and the costumes of the characters also received much favorable comment from the audience.

Passion Week Services

An interesting week of Lenten services will be held in the United Church next week. The series will commence on Sunday with sermons by Rev. R. E. Zimmerman, B. A., the minister. On Monday evening Rev. A. Donaldson, of Rockwood, will preach; on Tuesday, Rev. Dr. Dickie, of Georgetown; on Wednesday, Rev. J. T. Heslop, of Guelph; on Thursday, Rev. A. F. Marsh, of Nassagaweya, and on Friday evening, Rev. George W. Barker, of Grace United Church, Toronto, a former greatly beloved pastor. The meetings will commence at eight o'clock each night, and will last for one hour. There will be special music at each service. The general public will be cordially welcomed at any or all of these meetings. Sunday following will be communion day in the Church. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered at the morning service.

Easter Thank Offering Meeting

An unusually interesting meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of the United Church was held in the school room last Thursday afternoon. It was the Easter Thank Offering meeting, and, as usual, the ladies of Knox Church and the Baptist Church were invited, and a considerable number of them were present. The speaker of the afternoon was Mrs. Love, of Toronto, a talented and impressive speaker. Her theme was named "The Alabaster Box," and from the scripture story of Mary and her loving free-will offering. She gave a resume of missionary opportunity and effort which inspired her hearers to greater zeal and consecrated service. Mrs. Love's address was greatly enjoyed. Mrs. M. Overholt contributed a piano solo, and Mrs. Gardiner a vocal number, both of which were enjoyed. Mrs. A. T. Brown, the President of the society, occupied the chair. Her welcome to the visitors was exceedingly cordial. At the close of the meeting a dainty lunch was served.

The Cook-Scott Wedding

The home of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Scott, Geddes Street, Elora, was the scene of a pretty wedding on Wednesday, March 17th, at 3 o'clock, when their elder daughter, Edna Mae, became the bride of Thomas Herbert Cook, of Acton. The bride, who was given away by her father, took her place under a green arch with a large white bell, and looked charming in a gown of poudre blue cut velvet and georgette, carrying a bouquet of sunset roses. Miss Cora Scott attended her sister as bridesmaid, wearing a rust satin crepe gown and carrying premier roses. Mr. Lloyd Kenney, of Acton, was groomsman. Rev. E. A. Thomas, of Elora, was the officiating clergyman. The wedding music was played by Miss Louise Cook, of Toronto. The groom's gift to the bride was a gold wrist watch, a bracelet to the bridesmaid and to the best man a tie pin. A dainty buffet luncheon was served to thirty guests by girl friends of the bride, after which the bride and groom left mid showers of good wishes and confetti for Toronto and other points, the bride travelling in a rosewood gown, with green coat and hat to match. On their return they will reside at the homestead, 6th line, Eramosa.

Phil. Forbes $2,500 Wm. Swanson $1,500

Fines for Making and Having Liquor, and a Year or More Each at Burwash

A year or so ago it was popular in certain circles to say rather sneeringly of the License Inspector and the Provincial Constables: "Well, there's Phil Forbes, the bootlegger. Why don't they get him?"

All this time the officers were on Phil's track, determined to get him; and they succeeded most effectively. Phil was a fugitive from justice for several months. The officers apprehended him, and he served a long term in the Ontario Reformatory at Guelph. His time expired last December, and he was liberated in time to have his Christmas dinner with his wife and family.

Upon his liberation, Forbes took the trouble to visit the magistrate who had convicted him so often, and assured him that he'd have no more trouble with him, as he had turned over a new leaf, and said good-bye to bootlegging for good. Very few weeks had passed, however, when rumors began to float about declaring that Phil was at his old tricks again, and the liquor made by him was being peddled about by understrappers engaged by him. Inspector Reevely and Provincial Constable Fewtrell determined to nip Forbes' operations in the bud, and proceeded at once to lay plans by which to catch him in the act. In this they were much assisted by letters from a person who appeared to know all about Forbes' movements, giving particulars as to where the stills and apparatus might be found.

On the night of the 8th of March, they made their first raid, and found a tent a short distance from Forbes' house; three stills and four or five gallons of newly-distilled alcohol. Forbes was not at home, but in the freshly-fallen snow a path with a single track led direct to Forbes' house. The tent and outfit were destroyed, a gallon of the alcohol taken, and the balance poured out. This alcohol was analyzed and found to contain 40.12 per cent. of proof spirits.

Not satisfied with this discovery, Officers Reevely and Fewtrell decided to make a second raid and this was slated for last Thursday, 18th inst. In company with Chief McPherson, of Acton, and with an abiding faith that discoveries would be made, they left Acton about eight a.m. with a horse and light sleigh, in which to convey their seizures back to town. The trip proved highly eventful. They drove directly to the home formerly occupied by Phil's father, George Forbes, who, by the way, went to Detroit at the beginning of the year to rejoin his divorced wife, who conducts a rooming house in that city. There they found Phil Forbes and William Swanson, both of whom have long records for violation of the Ontario Temperance Act, the Inland Revenue Act, assaults and other offences. As the officers entered the house, Phil said: "Do you want me." "Well," answered Inspector Reevely, "I think we've got you," and with the words clapped a pair of steel bracelets about his wrists. They then proceeded to investigate the premises, and in an old log building near by, which had been used for a hen house, three liquor stills were discovered in full operation. The The coal oil fires were burning, and distilled alcohol was dripping through the copper worms into ten quart lard pails which were being used as containers. The distilled liquor was gathered by the officers into one vessel, the whole making about a gallon.

Further investigation by the officers revealed three barrels of mash in a small excavation beneath the floor of the hen house. There was a large, lighted lantern in this dug-out to keep out the frost. Officer Fewtrell, who discovered this cache, certainly deserves credit. A casual glance about the floor of the hen house failed to show anything suspicious. But the officers dug down through four or five inches of hen manure and stable refuse, and finally found a trap door. Lifting this the three barrels of mash were discovered. They were covered with a dirty horse blanket, and everything about the liquor-making premises was in a most unsavory condition.

The 120 gallons of mash was destroyed, the barrels broken up, and the coal oil stove, mash containers, distilling worms, and other apparatus, with the gallon of alcohol, were loaded on the one-horse sleigh.

In the meantime Swanson was also arrested and handcuffed. The outfit, with the prisoners were taken to Milton, and Swanson and Forbes lodged in jail to await their trial. When the officers were destroying the distilling outfit at Forbes' place, Phil said to the officers: "Make this as easy as you can for me, and I'll make it worth while for you." When they had reached the County jail and the papers were being prepared for their imprisonment until the trial, Forbes again approached the officers and said: "Do the best you can for me and get me off with a fine and I'll go to S——'a in Milton and buy a bottle and bring it to you, and you can get him."

Forbes and Swanson endeavored to put the onus of the stills on Gordon Gallagher, Forbes' brother-in-law, but unfortunately for the effect of this story, evidence was advanced to show that Gallagher left the country on the 8th of March, whereas on the 18th, the time the officers made the raid and arrested Forbes and Swanson, the stills were in full operation with the fires brightly burning and the liquor passing from the stills to the containers.

The still and its appurtenances were brought to Acton in the afternoon, and those who saw the outfit promptly concluded something was doing.

The trial of Forbes and Swanson took place in the Court House, Milton, on Monday, before Police Magistrate Moore. Inspector Reevely and Provincial Constable Fewtrell, in careful, straightforward evidence, told the story of their discovery and arrests. The details given seemed conclusively that with different care and exactitude they had gone about their duties, taking every step with a purpose to having their evidence clear and decisive. On the other hand Forbes' first words when put into the box as a witness in his own behalf vehemently declared "It's a lie," and later boldly asserted, "The officers lie." Both Forbes and Swanson, although arrested in the Forbes' house, within a short distance from the place where the stills and liquor were discovered, swore they were not theirs and that they knew nothing about them being there. They said their business was buying horses, and when arrested it was found that Forbes had $6.20 and Swanson $2.90 in their pockets.

The evidence of the pair was very convincing, and the following penalties were imposed:

Phil Forbes, for having liquor on the 8th of March, in violation of the O. T. A., $1,000.00 and costs, or three months in jail at hard labor.

Phil Forbes, for having liquor on the 18th of March, in violation of the O. T. A., $1,000.00 and costs, or three months in jail at hard labor.

William Swanson for having liquor on the 18th of March, in violation of the O. T. A., $1,000.00 and costs, or three months in jail at hard labor.

Phil Forbes, for violation of the Inland Revenue Act on the 18th of March, for having a still for the manufacture of spirits, $500.00 and costs and 12 months' imprisonment at the Ontario Reformatory at Burwash, and in default of payment of the fine and costs, six months' additional at Burwash.

William Swanson, for violation of the Inland Revenue Act on the 18th of March, by having a still for the manufacture of spirits, $500.00 and costs and 12 months' imprisonment at the Ontario Reformatory at Burwash, and in default of payment of fine and costs, six months' additional at Burwash.

W. I. Dick, County Crown Attorney, prosecuted, and T. A. Hutchinson, of Milton, acted for the defence.

RESOLUTION OF CONFIDENCE

To Rev. R. E. Zimmerman, B. A., the Pastor of the United Church, and Pledge of Loyal Service and Support

The church year of the United Church, Acton closes with the end of March. At a meeting of the Official Board on Tuesday evening a general survey of the work of the church and pastor was made, and a free and frank discussion of matters in the interest and welfare of the church took place.

REV. R. E. ZIMMERMAN, B. A.
Minister of United Church

The splendid feeling of unity existing among the present membership was expressed, and the progress of the work of the various departments of the church referred to.

Mr. A. T. Brown, superintendent of the Sunday School, spoke of the renewed interest in the school and its activities and the interesting methods introduced by the pastor.

Miss Minnie Z. Bennett, President of the Young People's League, referred to the very intelligent and helpful interest Rev. Mr. Zimmerman has taken in the young people's organization and its activities. She said the ministers of the past had all accomplished much in the League, but never before in her experience had any minister been of such real assistance to her, during the first year of his pastorate, as had Rev. Mr. Zimmerman. Reference was also made to the inspiring missionary pageant presented at Monday evening's meeting, the whole of which had been prepared by the pastor, and rehearsed under his direction.

Other members spoke of the ability displayed by the pastor in the preparation of the impressive consummation service, and of the induction service.

In the discussion of the evening reference was made to the complaints of some that the minister did not visit the members as often as some other ministers. But when it was considered that this was his first year with this newly-organized congregation; that he came to Acton an absolute stranger only nine months ago; and that in addition to frequent calls upon members who were ill, he had made over 350 pastoral calls, this complaint did not appear to be very tenable.

Complimentary references were also made to the helpful and inspiring sermons of the minister; and the series of discourses on the statement of doctrine in the basis of union of the United Church were specifically mentioned because of their intelligent, informational and helpful character.

The following resolution was carried unanimously by a standing vote:

Moved by N. P. McLam, seconded by D. N. McTavish, and resolved that we, the members of this Official Board, hereby pledge ourselves to stand together for the cause of God as represented in this United Church of Canada, Acton; that we express herein our confidence in our pastor, Rev. R. E. Zimmerman, B. A., who came to us in July last, and we desire unitedly to do all in our power to rally to his support, and to aim to accomplish the success for which the United Church stands.

The minister expressed very sincere thanks to the Board for their expression of confidence and assurance of support and service. He felt confident that now that he had become pretty well acquainted with the members of the congregation, that effective work would follow and he looked for an outpouring of spiritual blessing.

A season of fervent prayer for the success of the church and the cause of God followed.

During the evening reference was made to the fact that Mrs. Malcolm McLean was called to Lindsay to the bedside of her aged mother, who was very ill; and that Mr. McLean, who was a member of the Official Board, had been called to Toronto, owing to the serious illness of his brother. Sympathy was expressed for both.

Flood Averted at Brampton

In an effort to prevent the town from experiencing such a disastrous flood as that of last year, when Main Street was completely under water, much damage being done, dynamite blasting was carried on at various points in the Etobicoke River on Monday. George Street on Tuesday morning was partly flooded, and with the rain the water gradually rose. Cellars have from one to two feet of water in them. The mouth of the river has been cleared; but it is a long way from Brampton to the lake. Brampton does not consider it a flood until Main Street goes under several feet of water.

Social and Personal

Miss Bertie Smith was home from Toronto over Sunday.

Mrs. Frank Day, is visiting friends in Toronto this week.

Mr. C. Bailey, of Guelph, visited Acton friends last week.

Miss Beaman was home from Toronto over the week-end.

Mr. George Jiggins, of Aurora was home over the week-end.

Miss Vera Harvey was home from Toronto over the week-end.

Mr. Victor Alger visited his mother in Toronto during the week.

Mr. Harold Wansbrough, of Toronto, visited his parents on Sunday.

Miss Luella Hill, of Milton, visited at Mr. W. L. Worden's last week.

Mr. J. P. Mulholland, of Port Arthur, was visiting relatives here last week.

Messrs. Ernest and Roy Brown, of Toronto were home over the week-end.

Miss Bernice Reid, of Guelph General Hospital, was home forithe week-end.

Miss Vera Harvey, of the Toronto Teaching Staff, was home for Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Lane, of Toronto, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. N. F. Moore.

Miss Minnie E. Nelson spent several days during the week with friends in Toronto.

Mrs. (Dr.) R. F. Lane, of Sault Ste. Marie, visited Mr. and Mrs. N. F. Moore this week.

Misses Lucy Edwards and Pearl Wallace spent the week-end with friends in Toronto.

Mr. Earl Nellis, of Eramosa, spent a week at the home of Mr. Fred Johnston, Sunnyside Farm.

Mr. J. C. Hill, who was confined to his room for a week with influenza, is able to be about again.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Speight, of Toronto, were here on Sunday visiting Miss Lottie E. Speight.

Mr. C. C. Henderson has been confined to the house during the week, but is now improving in health.

Miss Marion Macpherson, of Toronto, attended the post-nuptial tea last week of Mrs. V. B. Rumley.

Mrs. Cameron Leishman and Master Alan spent a few days during the week with her father in Toronto.

Mr. Malcolm McLean was called to Toronto on Tuesday owing to the serious illness of his brother there.

Mrs. Malcolm McLean was at Uxbridge over the week-end visiting her mother, who has been seriously ill.

Mrs. Annetta Barnes, of Toronto, has returned home after spending a week with friends at Acton and Churchill.

Miss Jessie Croft, of Goderich, is visiting at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Peter McDonald, Lake Avenue.

Mrs. R. J. Kerr, who has been ill for a number of weeks, is gradually improving, and hopes soon to be able to get out again.

Mr. John R. Leishman, who was operated on in St. Joseph's Hospital, Guelph, a couple of weeks ago, is convalescing very nicely.

Mr. Ferris, Scoutmaster, who has been ill at Mr. Neil McNabb's for several weeks, is not making very much progress toward recovery.

Mrs. Fred Brown and Master Fred, of St. Thomas, left on Monday for home after spending the week with Misses Fern and Bertha Brown.

Mrs. Victor B. Rumley held her post-nuptial reception last Wednesday afternoon, when a large numbers of ladies of the town were received.

Miss Margaret Bennett was home from Toronto over Sunday. She also visited with her uncle, Mr. Bingham, Georgetown, who was then very ill.

Mr. George Kew, of the North West, who came to Mr. Cameron McEnery's a month ago very ill, is gradually failing. He appreciates the kind care and treatment he is receiving there.

Miss Grace McDonald was home from Milton over Sunday to visit her nephew, Mr. John Robertson, of the Bank of Nova Scotia, who has just been transferred to the branch at Bracebridge.

Mr. Stewart Lowrie arrived last week from Edmonton, Alta., and is visiting at his home here before going to Japan to take up his duties in connection with the Manufacturers' Life Assurance Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gunby announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Alma Beryl, to Mr. Erland C. Colling, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Colling, all of Nelson Township, the marriage to take place the last of March.

Mrs. W. G. Krug and Mrs. F. A. MacLean, went to Toronto on Friday of last week to hear the Mendelssohn Choir. Mrs. MacLean remaining over the week-end in Acton with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Johnstone.—Chesley Enterprise.

Mr. John Robertson, of the Bank of Nova Scotia, has been transferred to the branch at Bracebridge. Mr. Robertson has been on the staff of the bank here for several years. He has been popular with the patrons of the bank, and has many friends in town who join in wishing him success in his new home.

Distinguished Masonic Visitor at Georgetown

To-morrow evening Georgetown Masonic fraternity are to be favored with a distinguished honor, in a visit from Most Worshipful Bro. John A. Rowland, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario. Many of the leading masons of the neighboring towns will be the guests of Credit Lodge No. 219 on this auspicious occasion. The programme of the evening will include the following: 6.45, reception of guests; at 7.30, reception of ruling Masters; 8.00, reception of Grand Master and members of Grand Lodge; 9.00, banquet.

—Do not forget the Boy Scout Camp-Fire Entertainment in the Town Hall to-morrow (Friday) evening, at eight o'clock. A free-will offering will be taken.

News of Local Import

Chesley's Plan as to Charity

At the session of Chesley Town Council last week, the clerk was instructed to inform an applicant that the Council refuses to give charity permanently to any one, as the municipality is contributing towards the support of the House of Refuge at Walkerton which was erected for those in need.

Alliston Gets Milton's Expected Industry

The Town of Alliston has secured a new industry, a branch of the United States Corporation, the Caloric Furnace Co. This was the industry which was slated for Milton in November; but was side-tracked when a non-resident partner was alleged to have failed to live up to his agreements.

Acton Real Estate News

Mr. James Gilmour has purchased the property of Mr. Harry Stuckey on Church Street. . . . Mr. B. V. Kenyon has sold his brick residence on Bower and Wallace Avenues to Mr. and Mrs. George Soper, who gets possession on May 1st, and Mrs. George Murray has also sold three lots at the rear of Mr. Kenyon's property to Mr. Soper. These sales were made by J. A. Smith.

Isn't It a Trifle Too One-Sided?

We have always been and always will be boosters of the "Buy at Home" slogan, but it does get under the skin to walk into a store or some place of business and find the merchant or the businessman using stationery or other printed matter purchased from some city firm. If our business men would rather patronize outside concerns, why will about other citizens of the town doing it and expect the local paper to condemn it as disloyal to the community. This boosting for home business should not be one-sided.—Kincardine Reporter.

Homes for the Birds

There is a growing desire to assure the summer birds a welcome and to provide homes for their convenience. Year after year new numbers of new bird houses have been constructed and placed for the songsters' use as they arrive from the South, and this spring will see numerous additions to these. A young poetess, who last year built a house for a pair of wrens, supplies this ingenious reference: "I made a cunning bungalow for birds, and just for fun I printed a sign 'For Rent,' when everything was done. I do believe those birds can read, for when I looked to-day, a wee brown pair was in the house. 'Twas 'wrented' right away!"

Farm Crop Experiments

Dr. C. A. Zavitz, Agricultural College, Guelph, reports that 2,629 Ontario farmers conducted experiments with field crops on their own farms in 1925. The number is increasing from year to year. Choice seed of some of the best varieties is being distributed now free of cost. Any farmer who asks for it may have the seed for an experiment with one of the classes of farm crops such as oats, field corn, mangels, turnips, alfalfa, sweet corn, etc. The distribution will likely continue well into April or until the supply of seed of the different crops is exhausted. These co-operative tests of the Experimental Union have greatly increased crop-yields, making Ontario outstanding in this respect.

Rt. Wor. Bro. Barraclough at Guelph

There was a large and representative gathering of members of Waverly Lodge A. F. & A. M. and many members of visiting lodges present at the Masonic Temple, Guelph, last Monday night on the occasion of the official visit of Rt. Wor. Bro. A. Y. Barraclough, D. D. G. M. for Wellington district. The work of the evening was under the direction of W. Bro. A. J. Bulgin, who with his officers were warmly complimented by the District Deputy for the manner in which the work was performed. Following the exemplification of degree work, all assembled round well laden banquet tables where toasts to "The King" and "Grand Lodge" were given and responded to by the District Deputy. Musical selections were given by Prof. Bro. Raithby, of the O. A. C., whose numbers were enthusiastically applauded. Bro. John Hockin presided at the piano.—Guelph Mercury.

"The Gold Rush"

The New Wonderland will favor its Acton patrons on Friday afternoon and evening with the popular film, "The Gold Rush," with Charlie Chaplin. The Alaska of the days of the Klondike gold rush; the lone prospector; miners, big and little and old and young; dance halls and dance hall girls and hangers-on; mining camp types of all sorts; assayers; ships' officers and crews; incoming and outgoing passengers; newspaper correspondents and photographers—this is the locale and these the people pictured in Charlie Chaplin's greatest of all comedies, "The Gold Rush." Though a new note in comedy dramatics is sounded—in which the tragedies and heart breaks of man's eternal struggle for happiness are made uproariously funny—there is, in addition, the Charlie Chaplin of old; the Chaplin of the little derby, the trick cane, the baggy trousers, the little moustache, sloppy shoes and waddling walk.

The Florida Real Estate Boom

Mr. Charles E. Bailey, of Guelph, a former esteemed resident of Acton, and a former member of the Acton Council, was in town visiting friends last week. Mr. Bailey returned recently from a visit to St. Petersburg, Florida. He saw the phenomenal excitement over real estate in Florida, and, though he made no investment, he looked on with both amazement and amusement. Real estate transactions, newly-surveyed subdivisions, and the activity of the agencies largely occupy the attention of the people. Tourists continue to flock in. All prospective land purchasers are put up free for three days at the best hotels. Motor cars are available at any hour for trips to inspect city lots for sale, without charge. The temperature is delightful, and southern products of fruit and vegetables are most appetizing. Lodgings are difficulty to secure and rates are high, but restaurants are numerous, and prices for food very reasonable. While the excitement over real estate runs high, and the pleasure-loving visitor finds their recreation and amusement, the people take time for church going and attending lectures and concerts very freely. On Sunday the churches are crowded at all services. The general moral status of the Florida cities is above the average. Mr. Bailey has faith in the success of the land deals, and believes this section of the south will continue to be the winter playground and place of residence during the winter months of hundreds of thousands who have their homes in the North.