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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 Minister. Subject: "A Verdict and Its Significance."
2.30 p.m.—Sabbath School session.
7.00 p.m.—The Minister. Subject: "The Glorious Gospel."
Young People's League on Monday at 8 p.m. Programme in charge of V.I. S. Group.
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: "Breaking Down the Barriers."
3.00 p.m.—Sabbath School and Bible Classes.
7.00 p.m.—The Minister. Subject: "Life's Helpers."
Monday Evening at eight o'clock—The Young People's Guild. Mr. A. R. Hewetson, of Brampton, will speak on the World's Christian Endeavor Convention.
Strangers leaving address with the ushers will be called upon by the Pastor.

THE BAPTIST CHURCH
ACTON
Pastor—Wm. J. Baxter.

December 5th
11.00 a.m.—Morning Worship. Subject: "A Lifelong Struggle." A message for those who are conscious of sin.
2.00 p.m.—Sunday School. Lesson, "Ruth." Illustrated in Chalk. The School is growing. Come and see us.
7.00 p.m.—Evening Service. Subject: "Why is the Church?" A message for the curious.
Monday, 8.00.—B. Y. P. U.
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AUCTION SALE
Herbert Tarzwell, lot 17, 1st line, Erin, will hold an unreserved Auction Sale of his Horses, Jersey Cows, Hogs and Implements on Friday, December 10th.
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AUCTION SALE
Dan Laughlin, Ospringe, will hold a clearing Auction Sale of his farm stock and implements, furniture, etc., on Wednesday, December 8th.
ROY HINDLEY, Auctioneer

AUCTION SALE
Jas. McCullough, Eramosa Centre Inn, will hold a clearing sale of his household furniture, team and teaming outfit, also the former Methodist parsonage and lots on Monday, December 6th.
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¶ The Council still maintains supervision of these departments through its Reeve, who is always a member of the Commission.

We Submit the Above believing it to be in Acton's Best Interests

The Reeve and Councillors

Council's Account of Stewardship

A Comprehensive Resume of the Year's Operations

The adjourned nomination meeting on Monday evening was sparsely attended. Apparently the electors were satisfied with the administration of Acton's affairs for the year, and were not interested enough to turn out and hear the reports.

Mr. E. Beswick was chosen Chairman, and called on the various candidates. Reeve Mason was first called. He explained the principle he had worked on throughout the year, to do away with the one-man Council, and said each Councilman would give an account of his own department.

Councillor Atkinson gave a brief outline of the work carried on in the Streets and Walks department. A number of streets had been gravelled and repaired. The extensive work of this activity was evident to every ratepayer, and the fine new Main Street pavement was the big item in that part of the Council's work. He declared himself in the field as Councillor for 1927.

Councillor Thetford had charge of the Waterworks Department. He pointed out the splendid condition this deparment could be brought to, and the rather dilatory way, he said, it had been carried on previous to the past few months. The waterworks was now being put on a paying basis. $2,200 had been transferred to the general accounts this year, to help pay the debentures, and he predicted that $3,000 would be the amount transferred next year. His department had had stormy going this year, but it was now in a shape to be put on a sound business basis, and especially if the Public Utilities by-law was adopted. He also told of the very satisfactory agreement that had been made with the Canadian National Railway, whereby the revenue from this consumer was increased by about $500 per year. He asked the electors' support for re-election for 1927.

Councillor Holmes had been chairman of the Cemetery Committee. A new fence had been erected at the back of the cemetery. The underbrush had been cleared out and neglected plots cared for to some extent. A new seat had been provided, and more would follow next year. Much work was planned to improve the Cemetery. He asked for the electors' support in his candidature for next year's Council.

Councillor Parker, of the Fire and Light and Town Hall and Park Committees had also some real progress to report. The new fire truck had been purchased and paid for, and a new fire alarm had been installed. These improvements had been instrumental in securing for Acton lower insurance rates; Acton being now placed in a higher class by the Underwriters' Association. The work at the Park had been carried on with the help of the citizens at no cost to the Council whatever, and certainly bespoke the loyalty of the citizens to the town. Further improvements might be carried out in the future. Although personally he felt he should retire from the Council's activities, he was willing to continue for another year, and invited the support of the electors in his candidature.

Mr. John Nicol, the new candidate for the Council, asked the support of the electors on his record and work in the Council of 1924.

Reeve Mason again took the platform to answer any questions in regard to the year's undertakings. He gave the summary of the cost of the Main Street pavement. The total cost is $23,283.02. Of this amount $10,743.17 is paid by Acton in ten-year debentures; $10,149.99 is paid for by the province, and $2,389.86 of the cost is assumed by the county. He also pointed out that he had that day, at the meeting of the County Council, been successful in securing the 1925 grant for good roads from the County Council, amounting to between $500.00 and $600.00, which had been deferred for a year. Explanations of various items in the financial statement were asked for and given satisfactorily to the ratepayers.

The 1926 uncollected taxes appeared in the report as $12,756.47, but Tax Collector McPherson reported that at the present time this had all been collected but approximately $1,000. Reeve Mason stressed the splendid co-operative spirit that was to be found in Acton. He said much had been accomplished this year, when the people had been kept informed of the Council's doings, but more could be done if this same spirit of helpfulness was continued. He appreciated his re-election by acclamation to the Reeveship, and expressed his willingness to do his best for Acton.

All the members of the Council expressed themselves as favoring the adoption of the new Public Utilities Commission By-Law.

Commissioner A. T. Brown, of the Hydro Commission, expressed his delight at having Mr. E. J. Hassard as his successor, in the commission. He was willing to act and to do his best, as he had for the past four years, but was satisfied Mr. Hassard would make a good Commissioner. He gave a detailed report of the financial standing of the system in Acton, which was most satisfactory, and showed the excellent management of this department. Mr. Brown deplored the lack of interest and small attendance shown in this meeting, and thought the work called for better support from the ratepayers.

Messrs. J. P. Scarrow and R. J. Ramshaw, new members of the School Board, thanked the electors for the honor conferred, and were willing to do their best in office.

USING GASOLINE IN THE BARN

A Trafalgar Farmer Lost Barn, Car and Implements

As Archie Armstrong, a farmer living on the 2nd line, Trafalgar Township, near Boyne, late Saturday night, was pouring gasoline into the tank of his motor car, which was in one of the barns, some of the gasoline dropped on the lantern, causing the gasoline to ignite and explode.

In a second the front part of the barn was in flames, and as there was no rear exit in the building, Mr. Armstrong, in order to save himself from being burned to death, rushed through the flames to safety. He saved his life, but was badly burned on the face and hands.

Neighbors sent in a telephone call to the Milton fire brigade for help. The firemen responded with their high-powered fire truck, but the barn burned quickly, and was completely destroyed in spite of the firemen's efforts to save it. The contents of the barn, consisting of a motor car, rubber-tired buggy, two cutters and the farm implements, were destroyed. The loss is estimated at over $2,000.

Hon. E. C. Drury and Miss McCorkindale

In Able and Effective Addresses, Formed a Great Pair at Mr. Pettit's Meeting

The public meeting in the Town Hall on Thursday evening was one of the largest and most impressive ever held in Acton prior to a general election. The hall was crowded to the doors, the seating capacity was altogether inadequate and numbers were unable to gain admission. The Mason Orchestra gave a generous programme of music while the audience was assembling.

Mr. R. J. Kerr, who makes a very skilful chairman, presided.

W. J. L. Hampshire was the first speaker. In a clear, logical and statesman-like manner he presented the issues of the campaign, and gave an interesting resume of the career of Hon. Howard Ferguson and his government. He dwelt at length on the Government sale of liquor, proposed to be adopted to replace the Ontario Temperance Act, and showed that this was an issue of so great importance that it was most wise and necessary action for the voters to concentrate their efforts in a great union of the moral forces of the province, irrespective of political afflictions, to defeat the attempt to bring back the legalized sale of intoxicating liquor.

Mr. Harry Pettit, the Progressive-Prohibition candidate, made a good impression upon the large audience by his strong advocacy of the Ontario Temperance Act, and his clear grasp of the issues before the electors of the province in this campaign. He urged the people for the sake of their homes, their families and the legitimate business of the country to do their utmost to defeat the effort being made to secure freer sale of liquor.

The Hon. E. C. Drury, who motored to Acton after addressing a meeting in Milton, was accorded an ovation upon entering the hall. Mr. Drury has always been given a cordial reception in Acton. During the candidacy of Mr. Ford; during his own campaign, when he had been chosen leader of the Progressives, and was elected member of the Legislature for Halton, his visits to Acton were always occasions of keen interest. He was a favorite on the platform, and as was remarked by Mr. R. J. Kerr, the chairman at this meeting, Halton was honored in having Mr. Drury as its representative when he was in power as Prime Minister of Ontario, and the people were proud of him in this capacity. Mr. Drury never delivered a finer address in Acton than that of Thursday evening, when he spoke in the interests of Mr. Harry M. Pettit, the Progressive candidate. In this able speech he set forth the advantages of the Ontario Temperance Act, and showed how much more effective its enforcement would have been if Attorney-General Nickle had been supported by a Cabinet sympathetic to the Act, and anxious for its enforcement. The fallacy of Government Control as a measure to reduce the consumption of intoxicating liquor and advancement of the temperance cause was forcefully set forth. Mr. Drury touched upon various other issues and commended Mr. Pettit as the candidate worthy of the support of all who are interested in the moral betterment of the community.

Miss Isabel McCorkindale, of Australia, a lady speaker of rare clarity of thought and expression, delivered a most eloquent and interesting address. In very lucid sentences she gave her impression on the situation from the viewpoint of a visitor, who had travelled extensively through the country, her conclusion from what she had seen, being that conditions in Ontario under the Ontario Temperance Act were much preferable to those existing in Australia, and in the West, where Government control prevails, and appealed strongly to the electors to use their best endeavors to retain the act which has accomplished so much for the benefit of the homes, the legitimate business, and the community. Miss McCorkindale declared that Ontario was admittedly the pivotal point and leader of Canada in support of the prohibition of the liquor traffic; and Canada is the leader of the Dominions of the Empire in advancement of the temperance cause. Rarely has a lady speaker so completely captivated an audience in Acton as did Miss McCorkindale on Thursday evening. Her address was a power for good, and will be long remembered.

The meeting closed with the National Anthem.

POLICE COURT NEWS

In the county judge's criminal court at Milton, William Anderson, Milton Heights, who was committed for trial by Magistrate Moore, a month ago, was found guilty of assaulting a girl and was sentenced by Judge Elliot to three months in the county jail.

In the county police court at Millbrook, before Col. W. H. Floyd, on November 18, Norman Gilmour was charged with operating a punchboard contrary to section 236 of the criminal code. He was fined $25 and costs. Col. F. D. Boggs, K.C., acted for the Crown.

A young Milton man, who was attending a dance in Acton, was found by Chief McPherson to be intoxicated. He came before Police Magistrate Moore last Wednesday, pleaded guilty, said it was elderberry wine his mother made, and which he had taken without her knowledge, which intoxicated him. He was fined $10.00 and costs.

Three Georgetown lads, 17 and 18 years of age, were brought before Magistrate Moore by Chief Jackson, charged with being found intoxicated. They each pleaded guilty. One of them told the story that his older brother, who had been in the West since the harvest opened, returned home, and to celebrate the event went to the Oakville Winery and invested in a case of wine. The younger brother "swiped" a bottle of the fiery wine, and shared it with two companions. It cost the lads, each of whom is working, $10 and costs.

A rather peculiar case came out of the robbery at Tomislea Mascia's store at Milton Heights on October 31. Among the booty secured by the Hilson boys, who are in jail awaiting trial for robbery, were 31 bottles of whiskey, labelled Gooderham & Worts. Evidence showed that the liquor was taken from "a hide" under the floor of Mascia's store, to which access was easily attained in Mascia's bedroom. The storekeeper was charged with illegal possession of liquor, and was fined $400.00 and costs, at the Court House, Milton, on Friday afternoon. Inspector Beevely had arrested Mascia and he was out on cash bail of $1,000 for three weeks.

Acton and District

Christmas Concert

A Christmas Concert will be held on December 9th, at Dufferin School, second line. Admission 25c. and 15c.

Monthly Meeting

The Women's Institute will meet in the Band Room on Friday, December 3rd, at three o'clock, in the form of a mother's meeting. All the mothers come.

Main Street Open Thoroughout

The last section of the Main Street pavement was opened to traffic on Monday. Acton has now a very fine thoroughfare, which citizens generally and all tourists appreciate.

Bazaar

The women's Auxiliary of St. Alban's Church will hold their annual bazaar and sale of home baking, candy, etc., on Saturday, December 4th, afternoon and evening. Tea will be served. Come and buy your Christmas gifts.

Park Committee to Meet

There will be a general meeting of the Park Improvement Committee in the Council Chamber on Monday evening next at eight o'clock. Every member of the committee is urged to be present to settle up the year's affairs.

Our Merchants' Window Attractions

Never before have the show windows of our merchants been as attractive as they are to-day. Almost without exception the shop windows give evidence of care and skill in their dressing, and they compare very favorably with the window dressing seen in the cities. Congratulations are in order.

Found Dead on Eramosa Road

Last Friday morning while driving the Erin stage from Erin to Guelph, the driver found William J. Smith, of the fifth line, lying dead on the side of the road. Death was evidently due to heart trouble. He was unmarried, and was in his usual health the day previous, but was subject to weak spells of the heart.

A Unique Social Gathering

The life members of the Women's Missionary Society of the United Church will be hostesses of the ladies of the congregation at "The Cottage," the home of Mrs. Malcolm McLean, Bower Avenue, on Friday afternoon, at three o'clock. A feature of the afternoon's programme will be an address by Mrs. Thomas Goldie, of Guelph.

The Election Returns To-Day

Owing to the fact that the Free Press goes to press shortly after noon on Wednesday, and the election polls did not close until seven o'clock last evening, it was impossible to give reports of returns even of the local polls in this week's issue. Reports will be posted at the Free Press office this morning, and next issue will give full returns of the results throughout the province.

Annual Commencement

The annual commencement exercises of the Acton Continuation School will be held in the Town Hall Wednesday evening, December 8, 1926 at eight o'clock. Diplomas and medals will be presented. Professor McKellar of the University of Toronto will give a lecture on "French Wit and Scotch Humor." A cordial invitation is extended to all. Silver collection at the door.

The County Assessment Equalization

The assessment equalization of the various municipalities of the county, which has been in progress for several months, was presented to the County Council this week. It places higher valuations on the towns and reduces those of the rural municipalities. The total assessment of the county was raised from $20,000,000 to $32,000,000 Acton's county rate is increased by nearly $1,000 this year as a result of the judge's equalization.

Were Witnesses at Hamilton

The ladies of the Acton Women's Institute who were in the bus which was run into by a private car on Dundas Street Highway last June, while en route to Burlington to the annual county meeting, were at Court at Hamilton last week giving evidence in a suit brought by the T. H. & L. Bus Company, against the motorist whose carelessness was proven to have been the cause of the accident. The judges' decision was in favor of the Bus Company. The claims for damages by the ladies who were injured in the collision will probably be settled now shortly.

The McDougall-Elliott Nuptials

The marriage was solemnized at St. Paul's Anglican Church, Lindsay, on November 25th, when Kathleen Mae, daughter of Edward J. Elliott, of Lindsay, was united in marriage to Donald A. McDougall, of Pontiac, Mich., son of Mrs. Jennie McDougall and the late Malcolm McDougall, of Acton. Canon C. March, of Lindsay, officiated. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a gown of peach crepe and carried a bouquet of Ophelia roses. After the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride. The young couple will reside in Pontiac, Michigan.

Valued Officer About to Retire

For forty years Mr. H. S. Holmes has been agent of the railway at Acton—Grand Trunk and Canadian National Railways. Having completed four decades here, and fifty-eight years on the road, he has decided to retire on the second of January next. The fact of this long-continued service is ample evidence that his services have been satisfactory to the company. During all the years Mr. Holmes was punctilious in his attention to the duties of the office. Customers of the road have always found him ready to give prompt attention to their business and the affairs of the office have been conducted in a businesslike manner. An interesting incident of Mr. Holmes' long-continued occupancy of the office is the fact that four generations of the Boardmore family have been in Acton during that period. "and," said Mr. Holmes during the interview, "my business with this enterprising firm has been most pleasant through all the years. In fact, this has been one of the principal reasons for my long stay in the position in Acton." There will be very sincere regret on the part of many of our citizens when the time comes for Mr. Holmes to vacate his office. This community will universally wish him many years of well-earned rest, after his forty years of arduous duties and serving the public.

Reeve Mason In By Acclamation

The Good Work of the Council of 1926 Approved by the Electors

The economic and businesslike administration of Reeve Mason and his Councillors was amply vindicated at the nominations on Monday. This is seen in the election by acclamation of Reeve Mason, with no other name put in in nomination, a compliment rarely enjoyed and which citizens very generally will appreciate.

The members of the Council would also have been elected by acclamation, but for the action of ex-Councillor Nicol, who is keen for office, but whose record during the year he occupied a seat at the Council was not marked by fruitfulness of accomplishment following the extravagant pre-election promises he has made.

Inasmuch as the Reeve, the Hydro-Electric Commissioners and the School Trustees were all elected by acclamation, the ratepayers will not take very kindly to the fact that Mr. Nicol forced the town to the expense of an election, which seemed absolutely unnecessary. Mr. Nicol boasted on the street that he was the first candidate to qualify for the election.

The nominations on Monday were as follows:

For Reeve

AMOS MASON—Nominated by W. Arnold, seconded by Malcolm McLean.—(Acclamation).

For Councillors

JOHN NICOL—Nominated by J. R. Leishman, seconded by C. A. Conway.

L. E. ATKINSON—Nominated by Dr. J. A. McNiven, seconded by Jas. Symon.

E. T. THETFORD—Nominated by E. J. Hassard, seconded by R. J. Kerr.

FRANK E. HOLMES—Nominated by R. J. Kerr, seconded by E. J. Hassard.

CHAS. E. PARKER—Nominated by R. J. Ramshaw, seconded by Wm. Mason.

For Hydro-Electric Commissioner

E. J. HASSARD—Nominated by L. E. Atkinson, seconded by R. J. Kerr.—(Acclamation).

For Public School Trustees

C. H. HARRISON—Nominated by J. P. Scarrow, seconded by G. A. Dills.—(Acclamation).

JOHN R. RAMSHAW—Nominated by Geo. R. Agnew, seconded by Chas. W. Wilson.—(Acclamation).

GEO. T. MANN—Nominated by E. Beswick, seconded by W. J. Gould.—(Acclamation).

JOHN P. SCARROW—Nominated by E. T. Thetford, seconded by E. Beswick.—(Acclamation).

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BY-LAW

Should Receive Approval of the Ratepayers of Acton for Economy's Sake

The Public Utilities By-Law, which comes before the people of Acton for their ratification at the election, next Monday, will commend itself to all who will take the trouble to investigate its purposes.

It has the unanimous endorsation of the members of the Council, who, by their close contact with the administration of Acton's public utilities, have come to realize very fully the advantages to be gained by the commission plan of operation. The members of the Council have discovered that the method of supervision of Commission not only results in substantial reduction in the cost of operation, but, what is even more satisfactory, a large increase in revenues, as the outcome of closer supervision than the members of the Council can possibly give, owing to the multifarious duties which their office entails.

By careful enquiry from other towns the Council has also ascertained that where the Commission system has been adopted, the results have been invariably to the financial advantage of these towns. Where the utilities of a town have been placed under a Commission, rarely, if ever, in Ontario, has the municipality reverted from the system to the Council, so satisfactory have been the results.

The confirmation of the Public Utility by-law by the people of Acton next Monday will be a continuation of the spirit of co-operation which Reeve Mason referred to in his address at the nomination meeting on Monday evening. He there stated that this spirit of co-operation during the past year has greatly assisted the Council in their very strenuous duties. This spirit was very manifest in the laudable work accomplished at Acton's splendid park by the Park Improvement Committee; it was manifested in the attitude of Acton Chamber of Commerce in endorsing the important matter of the construction of the Main Street pavement; and the improvement at the Mill and Main Street corner; it was seen in the very general endorsation of the Council's purchase of the Motor Fire Truck, to add to the efficiency of Acton's efficient Fire Department. This co-operation had resulted in real compensations to the town, and to the people.

The carrying of the by-law next Monday will further exemplify this spirit, and will encourage the Council next year to go forward energetically on the principle of economic conduct of municipal affairs, with the continued effort to increase the revenues and diminish the expenditures of the very complete public utilities which Acton possesses, and to keep Acton on the map as one of the most up-to-date town of its class in Canada, and conducted always with business-like supervision and co-ordination. During the year the people have been taken fully into the confidence of the Council in all deliberations and undertakings and this method will be continued.

THE PART OF WISDOM

Everybody in Middle Bay knew that Mrs. Captain Liscomb was talking about making a visit to her married daughter in Cincinnati. She had been talking about it for two years, but age and the natural timidity of a woman unused to travel had postponed the great event from month to month, until the neighbors began to wonder whether it would ever come to pass.

So one morning, when Uncle Billy Evans met Captain Liscomb in Eccles' store, there was a twinkle in his eye as he asked:

"When's Mis' Liscomb going out to Ohio, Daniel?"

"Don't ask me!" returned the captain, a little peevishly. "I don't know nothin' about it. If I tell her to go, she says I want to get rid of her. If I tell her to stay home, she says I'm mean! I ain't saying a single word!"

Eloquent Sermons by Rev. Dr. Wilson

Very Successful Anniversary Services in the United Church

The second anniversary of the United Church, and the eighty-first since the founding of the church, observed last Sunday was characterized with keen interest and marked success. The attendance was large, the sermons were eloquent, the service of praise was inspiring, and the free-will offering generous as is customary with this congregation.

Rev. R. J. Wilson, D. D., of the Departmental Offices of the United Church of Canada, Toronto, was the special preacher for the occasion. His discourses were able and inspiring and gave evidence of careful study and deep thought. Dr. Wilson's morning message was one of self denial and loyalty to God, and was based on David's longing for a drink of water from the well of Bethelem, which is by the gate at his boyhood's home, and his consecration of the water secured under trying and dangerous circumstances by trusted members of his staff, as recorded in 2 Samuel 23: 16, "Nevertheless he would not drink thereof, but poured it out unto the Lord." David could not satisfy his longing if he did not sanctify it. In his experiences within sight of Bethlehem, with the Philistine army in possession, he discovered the value of life itself—by discovering the value of those things which sustain life. The way we use the things which sustain life teaches us the value of life, and inspires us to be thankful for God's gift. The only unessential thing in life is the attitude of worldliness. Other men lived in the shadow that we might live in the sunshine. The war showed us the sacrificial meaning of the mystery of the commonest things of life. The cost of the rights of citizenship and all other rights and privileges was life and blood. The securing of the Ontario Temperance Act cost fifty years of strenuous effort for many of our fathers. What better have they to offer for what they want to take away. We can only use worthily the gifts which come to us as we pour them out unto the Lord. As we study the text it sifts our soul, and measures the devotion of life. Of all the deeds recorded in the wonderful words of David, the one of the text shines out as gold among them all.

The congregation was expectant and apparently proved inspirational to Rev. Dr. Wilson, who continued in his earnest manner of the morning on the theme: "Growing a Soul." From the text Luke 21: 19, which the preacher rendered in both King James and the Moffat version, the latter "hold out steadfast and you shall win your soul," he went on to speak of the various senses in which the idea of the text might be interpreted under different conditions and by different men. For instance the old conception that Jesus only has soul-saving power through His wonderful love, or again the theological sense of the outlook of the day in the coming back of the passion of the early church and of the belief in a special blessing for hot-hearted men who would not be put off. Rather, he believed, the soul grew and was won in the sense in which a man won his own body, by proper exercise and care, or in which he won his mental life by proper exercise of his mental faculties. "Men do not lose their souls only at the judgment day," he said. "There is a sense in which there is judgment every day. Christianity is not a philosophy or an atheism; it is an experience, a struggle all the time and just as Jesus called Matthew from his well-ordered life to one of sacrifice and suffering, so he calls us, saying in the same way: 'Follow Me.'"

Dr. Wilson's long experience in the pulpit before undertaking special work in connection with the United Church and his power were manifested in good measure in both addresses and there was no doubt of the interest and sympathetic response on the part of the congregation.

Very kind expressions have been made respecting the service of praise in which the choir took so prominent part. The anthems, "O come to my heart, Lord Jesus," "Even Me," and "My Faith looks up to Thee," were sung with the spirit and understanding, which makes such worshipful praise inspiring. The skill and harmony and volume gave evidence of the training contributed by Mr. Geo. T. Olds, the choirmaster, who has won the confidence and appreciation of all. Splendid solos were contributed by Miss Bertie Smith, Mr. T. R. Emerson, Mr. H. McComb and by Mr. Olds, whose baritone solo, "O Absolam, My Son," was greatly enjoyed.

The congregation of the Baptist Church in the morning and of Knox Church in the evening largely augmented the attendance. Pastor Baxter and Rev. A. C. Stewart assisted Rev. Mr. Zimmerman in the devotional services.

The thank-offering was generous, and passed the objective of $700.00 asked for by the Trustee Board, in cash on the offering plates. The floral decorations of chrysanthemums and whitmannia ferns were arranged by the ladies very attractively.

BERT D'ANGELO'S COUNSEL APPEALS CONVICTION

Contends Mr. Justice Rose's Sentence at Milton Assizes an Improper One

It is understood here that Bert D'Angelo, sentenced at the recent Fall Assizes in Milton to four years in Kingston Penitentiary on a charge of manslaughter, will, through his counsel, Hugh John McDonald, of Toronto, enter an appeal against his conviction or sentence. For this reason D'Angelo will not be taken to Kingston until the result of his appeal is known, whether it has been granted or refused. If it is refused he will be taken to Kingston at once.

Mr. McDonald will argue, as he argued at the trial, that where an offense against the O. T. A. results in the death of some person, it is not a culpable homicide under the Criminal Code, and that therefore Mr. Justice Rose was wrong in his charge.

A second ground in the appeal is that the verdict was inconsistent: D'Angelo was convicted on the Maybee count; he was found innocent on the Guertin count; and according to the evidence, both Maybee and Mrs. Guertin drank the same liquor.

WARNING

Another of those dreadful railroad accidents. Motorists, do please stick this verse on your windshield:

Stop and let the train go by,
It hardly takes a minute;
Your car starts off again intact,
And better still—you're in it.