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Fifty-second Year—No. 36 THURSDAY MORNING, MARCH 3, 1927 ACTON, ONTARIO, CANADA THURSDAY MORNING, MARCH 3, 1927 Single Copies—Five Cents

THE ACTON UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

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

11 a. m.—Service withdrawn. Our congregation will worship in the Baptist Church at the anniversary services.

2.30 p. m.—Sabbath School session.

7.00 p. m.—The Pastor will preach.

Young People's Meeting on Monday at 8 o'clock.

Prayer and Praise 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. A series of sermons on Jesus' relation to Humanity. "Jesus and the World of Nature."

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

7.00 p. m.—Rev. N. L. Parker, Professor of McMaster University, will preach at the Anniversary Service of the Baptist congregation, to be held in Knox Church.

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

THE BAPTIST CHURCH
ACTON

Pastor—Wm. J. Baxter.

ANNIVERSARY SERVICES

Sunday, March 6

11.00 a. m.—In the Baptist Church. Speaker, Rev. Prof. N. L. Parker, M. A., of McMaster University.

2.05 p. m.—Sunday School. Lesson—"Sharing Up." Let's beat the attendance record.

7.00 p. m.—In Knox Presbyterian Church. Speaker, Rev. N. L. Parker, M. A. Special music by combined choirs.

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Men's White Handkerchiefs to be given away, 5c.

Men's Rubber Belts, reg. 35c, to be given away, only 2 for 25c.

Men's Working Caps to be given away, 2 for 25c.

Men's heavy ribbed Wool Underwear to sacrifice at 98c.

Men's Carhartt's Overalls and Smocks. This is the last opportunity to get them at $1.98.

Men's "Horse Shoe" Brand Overalls and Smocks. A good wearing garment to go at $1.49.

Men's Heavy Drill Combination Overalls, regularly sold for $1.95. Sale price $2.45.

Men's Pyjamas to be sacrificed at 98c suit.

Men's Heavy Flannel Shirts to go at 95c.

Men's Heavy Wool Socks to be given away 19c.

Men's Heavy Working Pants to sacrifice $1.48.

Men's Fine Tweed Pants to go at $1.98.

Men's All Wool Serges and Herringbones $3.75.

Men's Sweaters to clear out next to nothing.

Ladies Chiffon Stockings, given away at 19c.

Ladies' Chiffon Stockings, sub-standards, reg. sold for $2.50. Sale price 69c.

Ladies' Pure Thread Silk Stockings, reg. sold for $1.65. Sale price 89c.

Ladies' Corsets, just a few left to clear 49c.

Ladies' Gingham Housedresses to go at 89c.

Ladies' Fleece-lined Underwear to be given away at 69c.

Ladies' Pure Wool Sweaters to clear at 98c up.

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Boys' All Wool Tweed and Serge Suits, reg. sold for $8.95 to $12.50. Sale price $3.95 up.

Boys' four piece Suits, coat, longers, vest and bloomers, reg. $17.95. Sale price $9.75.

Boys' Tweed Caps to give away at 25c.

Boys' heavy ribbed Cotton Stockings, 19c.

Boys' Braces to be given away at 9c.

Boys' Fine Shirts, reg. sold for $1.00. Out they go 49c.

Boys' Sweaters to go at 69c.

Babies' All Wool Cashmere Stockings, 25c.

Babies' Rubber Pants to be given away, 3 for 25c.

Babies' Silk and Wool Vests to go at 98c.

Babies' White Embroidered Dresses, 98c.

Flannelette, to clear 15c yard.

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Remember Thursday, Friday and Saturday

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Alleged Murderer Arrested at Norval

Provincial Constable Owens and Inspector Reevely Apprehend Edward Harlton, for Murder at London

An important capture was effected by Provincial Constable Owens and Inspector Reevely on Monday afternoon near Norval, when they arrested Edward Harlton, who, it is alleged, on September 12, 1925, shot and killed Officer John Waddell, of London, while the latter was attempting to arrest Harlton on a charge of chicken stealing.

It is alleged that Harlton went to the North, working around Huntsville, after he escaped the clutches of the law. Going to Toronto a month ago, he was recognized by a man from London. He was noticed in the vicinity of Norval, and a description sent by Inspector Cuddy to the officers at Brampton, which resulted in the capture of the murderer.

He had been working in the woods on the Faulkner farm, and on perceiving that men were approaching he went to the barn; on being followed he left the barn and escaped over the fields where the officers caught up with him and arrested him. He was taken to Brampton jail, and appeared before Magistrate Crawford, who committed him for trial.

The prisoner will be taken to London. Harlton is described as a man of about six feet in height and of sturdy build, about 30 years of age. From the photograph and description of Harlton, which were exhibited to Mr. Barnhart, at the Norval postoffice, the latter was enabled to direct the officers to the Faulkner farm, where the accused had obtained work.

Acton and District

Dance on Friday, March 11

The Acton Rink Committee are arranging a dance for Friday evening, March 11, to be held in the Town Hall, Acton. Good music will be provided. The proceeds are to defray a deficit in the operation of the rink this year.

Goes Into Business in Streetsville

Mr. William Watson, who has been associated with his father, Mr. Thos. Watson, in Acton in the baking business for the last two years, has purchased a business in Streetsville and takes immediate possession. Mr. and Mrs. Watson have been active workers in the United Church and its activities and their removal leaves gaps which it will be difficult to fill. The best wishes of a large circle of friends here go with them to their new home.

Choir Entertained by Pastor and Mrs. Baxter

Pastor and Mrs. Baxter entertained the Baptist Choir in "The Flat" on Tuesday evening. After a strenuous hour spent in practicing anniversary anthems, an impromptu programme was rendered by several members, which was much enjoyed. The male members of the choir furnished the feature of the party by singing from memory all the choruses rendered at the Glee Club concert last week. Miss Barbara Plank and Mrs. C. R. Knapp assisted Mrs. Baxter in serving refreshments.

The Weather for March

With the advent of March the oldtime proverb touching the weather almost invariably comes into mind: "If March comes in like a lion, it will go out like a lamb," or vice versa. The Toronto Star published a schedule on Tuesday evening covering the last fifteen years, showing the unreliability of the adage. In only five years of the fifteen was this fulfilled. For the other ten the month went out as it came in. If it arrived lion-like it terminated with similar weather. If quiet, spring-like weather prevailed at the present similar weather characterized its exit. Nevertheless more than the average of folks prefer to see March rather lion-like in its coming.

Tanning Experts Returning to the States

Mr. Robert Irwin, who came to Acton last spring from Honduras, South America, to take a position as tanning expert with Messrs. Beardmore & Co., left on Monday for Endicott, N. Y., where he has an attractive situation. Mr. Irwin intended to engage with the Lang Tanning Company, of Kitchener and Penetanguishene, but finally decided to accept the New York position. Warm friends here regret the removal of Mr. and Mrs. Irwin and their bright sons, Paul and John, but join in best wishes for success in the new home. Mr. John O'Brien is a tanning expert from Chicago, who came to the Acton Tanning Company about a year ago, and he also will return to the States next month. During their stay in Acton Mr. and Mrs. O'Brien have made many friends in Acton, who regret their removal.

A Real Live Missionary from Korea

Acton is being favored these days with the privilege of hearing missionaries fresh from the field, filled with zeal and enthusiasm for the great cause of the missionary enterprises of the church. Last week Rev. Mr. Turnbull, of Bolivia, addressed the congregation of the Baptist Church. On Sunday evening Rev. R. Grierson, M. D., M. C., who has spent thirty years in Korea, addressed the congregation of the United Church, giving an epitome of the history of missionary work in that country, under the supervision of the Presbyterian, and now the United Church. Dr. Grierson took as the basis of his interesting address Isaiah 55: 11, "So shall my word be that goeth out of my mouth; it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereunto I sent it." He strongly asserted that the Gospel works; that it satisfies; and that it transforms. Ample proof of this was given in the story he told of the growth of the Christian church in Korea, which sixty years ago was a hermit nation and murdered the first missionary who went there to preach the gospel. Step by step he told of the advances made, of the converts of the Korean people to the gospel of Christ, of the building of church after church, always larger to afford the growing congregations, until to-day there are fifty men and women from the Canadian church who are preaching the gospel to the people there. In 1909 there were 34 congregations; now there are 300 congregations and three Presbyteries. The flower of the people are accepting Christianity. It is most satisfying work; it transforms, it satisfies.

Acton and District

Increase in Telephone Rates

The proposed increase of rates for telephones in this section are for one party lines from $2.05 to $2.50 per month; two-party lines, from $1.85 to $2.00; for rural party lines, from $1.65 to $1.90; and for extensions, from 55c to 80c.

United Church Choir Concert

The choir of the United Church will hold a concert in the Town Hall on Wednesday evening, 9th inst. Under Choirmaster Olds the choir has been preparing for this concert for the past two months. An excellent programme has been arranged and a very enjoyable musical evening is assured.

Baptist Anniversary Next Sunday

Anniversary services will be held by the Baptist congregation next Sunday. Rev. Prof. W. L. Parker, of McMaster University, Toronto, will be the anniversary preacher. The service in the United Church will be withdrawn in the morning and the congregation will attend at the Baptist Church. In the evening the anniversary services will be continued, but in Knox Church, at the invitation of the session. Prof. Parker will be the preacher there.

Encouraging Prices Were Obtained

One of the best sales of farm stock and other chattels of the season, was that of Mr. E. Mack, of the second line, above Ospringe. The high prices brought for cattle, sheep and hogs was very encouraging to the farmers generally and gave indications that stock prices have a rising tendency. Auctioneer Kerr wielded the hammer and there was a virility and ability in handling the stock offered which commanded the admiration of the large crowd of buyers assembled.

P. O. Box Rents Doubled

Postmaster Matthews has received a circular from the Post Office Department, notifying him that box rents for boxes would be doubled. Box rents, the rent of which falls due before April 1, 1927, may be renewed for a further year, after which the new rates will be effective. Any rents which fall due on April 1, 1927, or after, will be at the new rates mentioned above. Any persons who have not previously had a box, who want a box after this date, whether or not it is prior to April 1, 1927, will pay the new rates.

To Ensure Continuance of Guelph Winter Fair

The question of a ten-year agreement with the Ontario Government to ensure a continuance of the Provincial Winter Fair at Guelph, provided the feature discussion at the 47th annual meeting of the Provincial Winter Fair Board last week at Toronto, President Peter Christie, Vice-President John Saunders, and Secretary R. W. Wade were appointed a committee to wait on the City Council and go fully into the question before it is taken up with the Government. Peter Christie, of Manchester, was elected President for another year, and John S. Saunders, of London, Vice-President.

Helping Needy Fellow-Employees

A spirit prevails among the employees of the factories in town, and especially those in the several works of Messrs. Beardmore & Co.,—because owing to the extent of the works the calls are more frequent—which is highly commendible. Almost invariably when calamity and loss overtakes an employee his fellow-workmen promptly willingly unite in tendering financial aid. The old adage: "Many meekles make a muckle," is verified in these cases, because the total of these subscriptions make a very considerable sum. This helpful plan has inherently the real Christian spirit about it, and it naturally engenders feelings of fellowship and goodwill.

Give the Firemen More Encouragement

No organization gets more criticism than a volunteer fire department. When there is a fire, minutes seem like hours before the water is turned on. People are quick to criticise and slow to praise. But the firemen work as fast as they can with the equipment at their disposal; they disregard their own safety, their own comfort; and while the critics look on they go into the burning building, get smoked up, and soaked up, and ruin themselves, all for the honor and glory of serving us in defending our property. Think of these things when you go to the next fire. Slap the chief on the back and tell him the boys did fine.—Listowel Banner.

Presented Portrait to Prof. Coleman

Dr. Arthur P. Coleman, formerly dean of the faculty of arts at the University of Toronto, and a world-famous authority on geology, was presented with an oil portrait of himself at a dinner in Burwash Hall, Victoria College, last Thursday. Geologists, mining men, former students and associates, comprised the guests who assembled to honor him. Speakers at the dinner included Dean Kay, of the State University of Iowa, a former student, who is now the head of a department of geology with more than 1,000 students. The delightful address of Dr. Coleman to the students of Acton High School and their friends, on "Geology from a Motor Car," two or three weeks ago, is remembered with much pleasure.

A Business Event Much Regretted

On Monday the firm of Woodhall & McKay, who have been in business here for twenty-three years in the grocery, crockery, fruit and feed business, made an assignment for the Canadian Men's Credit Association, of Toronto, Mr. John P. Canning is here making an inventory of the stock. General regret will be felt that Mr. Woodhall, who has really been the sole business head for years, owing to the infirmity of Mr. McKay, his partner, through blindness, has felt the necessity to take this course. No business man in Acton has ever exerted himself more strenuously to win success for his business. Night and day he has been self-sacrificing in his efforts, with never a day off for rest or recreation. But Mr. Woodhall had a tender heart. No person in poor circumstances, or temporarily out of work, ever applied for bread or groceries but were supplied ungrudgingly. Unfortunately those who had been so kindly dealt with, often forgot to call and pay their indebtedness when their circumstances became more favorable, and scores left town after contracting debts there without liquidating them. As a result the book debts grew to larger proportions than the business could stand, and the result has been inevitable.

Acton Glee Club Scores Big Success

With Their First Entertainment, and Was Greeted with a Capacity House

The Community Glee Club's concert last Wednesday evening was a real community event. The club is a fine male chorus of forty voices, and when they faced the packed auditorium at the Town Hall, they must have felt that their efforts were backed by the town and vicinity en masse. Weeks of practice had been gladly spent by the club in preparation of the programme they presented, and their efforts were certainly well appreciated by the citizens, who were fortunate enough to be in attendance at this first concert.

Their choice of music was numbers of the better sort, and these brought out the various parts in the selections and gave scope for the splendid volume of this fine body of singers. Their numbers comprised the opening selection, "O Canada," "Come to the Fair," "Cornfield Melodies," "O Who Will o'er the Downs so Free," "In Absence," "The Northmen's Song," and "Comrades Song of Hope." Every number was well rendered and enjoyed. But if one number could be considered better than the rest it was the concluding one of "Comrades Song of Hope." Mr. F. Bait was the conductor, and he has real reason to be proud of the achievement of the Glee Club at this first concert on Wednesday evening.

A brief synopsis of various numbers was given by Rev. P. A. Sawyer and Pastor Baxter, who are both members of the club. Miss Laurette M. Gray was the very capable accompanist for the chorus and much credit is due for her splendid assistance at the piano.

The chorus numbers were supplemented with various other selections, which made an excellently balanced programme.

Miss Jean Kennedy gave several fine soprano solos to the audience that always appreciate hearing her. Her friend, Miss Margery Roll, of Toronto, who is an undergraduate at Toronto University, proved an elocutionist of real merit. Her numbers were new, appropriate and rendered with real ability.

Mr. George Old, of Guelph, the chairmaster of the United Church, was also an assisting artist. His fine baritone solos were also a most interesting feature. Bandmaster Mason gave an excellent cornet solo. His selection, "Columbia," called for real artistic execution on the cornet and was appreciated.

A number of a very distinct class from the general trend of the programme was provided by Kenneth Tubman, when he gave a step dance and was accompanied on the harmonica by Mr. Tom Mochrie. Mr. Mochrie also gave a couple of well-rendered harmonica solos.

Rev. A. C. Stewart, M. A., was the chairman for the evening, and kept the programme running along smoothly. Reeve Mason made a few remarks on the splendid community spirit prevalent at all these affairs and pointed out what fine things might be accomplished by this commendible co-operative effort.

The programme was closed by the Glee Club leading in the singing of the National Anthem.

Following the programme the club members, their wives, the assisting artists, and other guests, enjoyed a banquet in the Parish Hall, where brief speeches were made, and a basket of roses presented to Miss Gray as evidence of the club's appreciation of her valuable assistance.

The net proceeds of the concert are to be devoted to community work and the club is to continue and will start immediately to rehearse for another programme, which will be presented sometime in the spring.

VOTED TO RETURN TO STATUTE LABOR

Resolution Introduced to Rescind Commutation of Statute Labor By-Law

The February meeting of Esquesing Township Council was held last week. All the members were present.

A resolution was introduced by Councillor Currie that By-law No. 675 re Commutation of Statute Labor, be rescinded and that the statute labor system be re-enacted.

Councillor Standish supported the resolution, but all the other members opposed it and the resolution was defeated.

Accounts were passed as follows:

M. J. Carton, for relief of Mrs. Anderson	$15.00
Weston Sanitarium, care of H. Gillingham, two months	8.00
J. H. Smith, removing T. Coleman to Guelph	4.00
Municipal World, supplies	82.02
Bell Telephone, account	5.35
Treasurer's Bond	40.00
J. H. Smith, load of wood	3.50
Mrs. M. Bailey, cleaning council chamber	3.50
Arthur Ruddick, error in dog tax	2.05
G. O. Brown, express on supplies	1.00
Georgetown Lumber Co., lumber	4.88
John Price, 2 sheep killed by dogs	40.00
Geo. Henderson, valuing sheep	2.00

A By-law to provide for expenditure on the roads in the Township of Esquesing for the year 1927, was passed.

Council adjourned to meet on Monday, March 14, at 1.30 o'clock.

TERRA COTTA

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was dispensed in the United Church on Sunday evening last. There was a large attendance. The Rev. Mr. Waddell, of Ballinafad, conducted the service. Mrs. Stringer, of Toronto, sang a solo, which was much enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Chas. McKeown, of Acton, visited Terra Cotta friends last week.

Mr. Chas. Simpkins, who had his arm fractured recently, had to go to Guelph Hospital and had an operation on it. A steel plate had to be placed on the fracture.

Mr. Duncan Campbell, of Moffat, will have a portable sawmill installed in his yard here shortly.

Mr. Walter Hayward, of Guelph, spent Sunday with Terra Cotta friends.

Mr. M. Lyons is busily engaged sawing lumber in Mr. Clancey's bush.

Mrs. Jas. Davidson is now on the mend.

The Halton Brick Co. expect to resume operations here shortly.

Mrs. Wm. Stringer, of Toronto, soloist member here, held a very successful rehearsal at the home of Mrs. Robt. Puckering, on Friday evening.

Life's Social Side

Mrs. R. J. McPherson visited Toronto friends this week.

Mrs. V. B. Rumley is visiting her sister, Mrs. F. A. Maclean, at Chesley.

Miss Isabel McNiven was home from Toronto University over the week-end.

Mrs. Harry Noble, of Toronto, visited her mother and other friends over Sunday.

Mr. Arthur Ballard, of Hamilton, visited friends and brother here last week-end.

Mr. Mack Symon, who has been in London for some time, returned home last week.

Misses Bertie Smith and Jean Kennedy were home from Toronto over Sunday.

Miss Isabel Anderson was here from Islington over Sunday, visiting her Acton relatives.

Miss Bertha Brown visited her sister, Miss Fern Brown, deputy postmistress, over the week-end.

Mr. Charles S. Moore has returned to town from Toronto, and resumed his position in the tannery.

Miss Lucy Edwards came home from Guelph Hospital on Sunday evening. She is convalescing nicely.

Misses Annie Macdonald and Daisy Folster attended the Mendelssohn Choir concert at Toronto on Saturday.

Mr. James Mann, who was operated on in a Guelph Hospital last week, is making good progress toward recovery.

Mrs. Angus McDonald and Sandy, Dolly Varden, spent Sunday, with her son, Willie John McDonald, at Terra Cotta.

Mr. A. McNabb, of Stratford, and Mr. A. R. Bruce, of Welland, spent the week-end with Mr. Leonard Kreuter.

Mr. Roy Young, who was accidentally shot, is making fair progress towards recovery at Guelph General Hospital.

Miss Dora Lambert, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Lambert, went to Guelph General Hospital on Monday to take a course of training as a nurse.

Miss Olive Robinson, of Kenilworth, who has been visiting friends at Aurora and Newmarket, spent a few days with her sister, Emma, at Moorecroft this week.

Postmaster Matthews, Mr. Howard McComb, Mrs. Minnie R. Moore and Miss Minnie Bennett were at Toronto on Saturday attending the Mendelssohn Choir concert.

Miss Jessie Cummings, who has been saleslady in H. L. Harrison's shoe store the past four years, has returned to her home in Fergus, owing to the illness of her sister.

The engagement is announced of Violet Elizabeth, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Chaplin, to J. B. Brigden, third son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Brigden, of Ashgrove, the marriage to take place in March.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl H. Vincent, who have been residing in Chatham for some time, have returned to Acton, and are cordially welcomed. Mr. Vincent will resume his former position as linotype operator on THE FREE PRESS staff.

Miss Strange, of Rockwood, who has been residing on Brock Avenue for the winter, contracted a severe cold, which developed into something more serious. Her condition became critical on Thursday, necessitating her removal to the Guelph General Hospital.

Mrs. Phillips, of Toronto, widow of the late Rev. Robert Phillips, twice minister of the Methodist Church, Acton, had the misfortune recently to fall while getting off a street car, and fracture her hip. The report says she may never be able to walk again.

City Engineer H. S. Nicklin, of Guelph, went to Ottawa on Tuesday, where he will attend the annual convention of the Canadian Branch of the American Waterworks Association, which is held in the Chateau Laurier. Municipal engineers from all parts of Canada will be in attendance at the meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Brown returned from Kitchener on Friday after spending a couple of weeks at the home of their son, Albert. Mrs. Albert Brown had just returned home from the hospital, where she had had an operation for appendicitis three weeks before. Her friends will be pleased to learn she is getting along nicely.

MILTON I. O. D. E. CHAPTER

Creditable List of Activities and Successes of the Year

The sixteenth annual meeting of the John Milton Chapter, I. O. D. E., at Milton, was held on Saturday. A silent tribute was paid to the memory of Mrs. Clarke Murray. Reports showed that the chapter had been carrying on excellent work during the year. Besides paying $200 for the support of an Armenian boy at Georgetown, donations were made to the Milton War Memorial Fund, the Navy League, the National Institute for the Blind, and the Zenana Bible and Medical Mission.

Officers for the coming year were elected as follows: Hon. Regent, Mrs. J. C. Wilmot; Regent, Miss Blain; Vice-Regents, Mrs. M. E. Gowland, Mrs. Roger Ptolemy; Secretary, Mrs. E. E. Yates; Assistant Secretary, Mrs. G. H. Dawson; Treasurer, Mrs. R. M. Clements; Educational Secretary, Mrs. I. W. Lutz; Branches Secretary, Miss Moffat; Standard-bearer, Mrs. C. B. Turner; Councillors, Mrs. W. B. Clements, Mrs. J. McClenahan, Mrs. F. C. Wilmott, Mrs. W. H. Stewart, Mrs. R. W. Philip, Mrs. W. E. McCready, Mrs. J. Houston, Mrs. J. H. Hardy, Miss Dewar and Miss Rews.

POLICE COURT NEWS

Victor LaFontaine was fined $5.00 and costs by Magistrate Watt in Guelph Police Court Tuesday morning, when he was convicted of reckless driving.

Two youthful burglars, James Lamont, aged 22, and Bert Leader, aged 21, were sentenced to terms of from twelve to twenty-four months in the Ontario Reformatory, by Magistrate Watt in Guelph Police Court Friday morning, when they pleaded guilty to breaking and entering the home of Mr. Harry Gardiner, 76 Waterloo Avenue.

Daniel J. Hagerty, who gave his profession as a black-face comedian from Fort Worth, Texas, was fined $10.00 and costs by Magistrate Watt at Guelph on Monday. He hadn't the money and went down for 30 days.

Council Interviewed Re Smith Property

For School Purposes; But Left Responsibility upon School Board

Councillors Holmes, Thetford, Atkinson and Nicol were present at the Council meeting on Tuesday evening. In the absence of Reeve Mason, at County Council, Councillor Holmes presided.

Messrs. A. M. Smith and Mr. Shumacher, of the Chartered Trusts Co., Toronto, were present relative to the proposed purchase of the Smith property for school purposes.

The opinion seemed to be as expressed, that "There's a nigger in the fence." The price asked for the property was $10,000. Copies of resolutions and correspondence between the School Board and the Chartered Trust Co. were exhibited and examined by the Council. The Council decided they had no hand in the matter and that the School Board was responsible to the people for their actions, whatever the outcome may be.

Dr. J. A. McNiven, Medical Officer of Health, addressed the Council. A complaint had been made to the Provincial Health Department, regarding the using of old wells as cesspools, and the advisability of closing polluted wells and compelling the use of town water was considered. The matter will be dealt with at a later session, when it will be decided on the proper course to pursue to comply with the provincial requirements.

Chairman King of the Public Utilities Commission, and Commissioner Hassard were present, relative to their position in relation to fire protection and apparatus. The Commission considered that the cost of operation of fire apparatus and the maintenance of fire pumps, etc., should properly be charged in the general tax rate and the Commission felt that they did not want to be responsible for the fire department.

The fifth report of the Finance Committee recommended payment of the following accounts:

General Account.

R. M. McDonald, fire truck insurance premium	$ 6.40
Jas. Symon, supplies, Town Hall	11.89
	$18.29

The report was adopted.

Council then adjourned.

OBITUARY

MRS. GEORGE LESLIE, Esquesing

Following a long illness, Mrs. George Leslie passed away Friday at her residence, the 5th line concession, Esquesing. Deceased was in her 56th year, and is survived by her husband, three sons and three daughters, John and Frank, who are in the West; Roy, of Esquesing; Mrs. Laidlaw, in the West; Miss Jean, of Cheltenham, and Mrs. Bowman, of Esquesing.

OSPRINGE

These bright, sunny days are appreciated by our farmers, who are busy cutting their supply of wood and cleaning up the seed grain in preparation of early seeding. Very little frost is in the ground at present and the sap has commenced to run in the maples. From prospects a large number of our citizens are too busy to enjoy a few weeks in the woods making maple syrup.

Many of our local motorists enjoyed a trip to Guelph last Saturday, but with such a heavy fall of snow during the day many of the autos became stalled in the deep drifts on the lines in this vicinity.

A large number of our farmers attended the auction sale held by Gray Bros. last Tuesday, with Mr. Roy Hindley, auctioneer in charge.

Last Thursday, being such a beautiful mild day, all roads led to Mr. Frank Mack's clearing auction sale of farm stock and implements, which was well attended by farmers and high prices were the feature for good stocks, especially fresh cows, many going over $100, and with Mr. R. J. Kerr, of Acton, as auctioneer, was a huge success, over $5,000 being the total for this big sale.

Mrs. Rowe, of the Guelph Road, is reported to have sold her farm to a Toronto buyer.

NASSAGAWEYA

A very pleasant surprise party took place last Thursday evening, when about sixty of the friends and neighbors gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Darby, of Knatchbull, and presented their daughter, Mary, with an address and club bag and fountain pen, on the eve of her going into training for a nurse. Mr. George Gordon was chairman, and called on Mrs. Mary Langford, who read the address, while Miss Mamie Near made the presentation. The following is the address:

Dear Mary:

We, your friends and neighbors, and school companions, have gathered in your father's home on this, the eve of your departure for a new sphere of labor, to extend to you our best wishes for your future success. We shall miss you, but our loss will be others' gain. You carry with you the esteem of the entire community. The same cheerfulness that has characterized your work in your father's home, we are sure you will carry into your hospital life, and by its means be able to cheer and comfort the aged and infirm, and alleviate suffering of those in your care. Your hospital life will not be all sunshine; it is best that it were not so; for all sunshine makes a desert. The hard and the dreary days you encounter we trust may be the steppnig stones for something higher and nobler in our profession. It is not hard to be pleasant when life flows on like a song, but the nurse worth while is "the nurse who can smile when everything goes dead wrong." We trust your Heavenly Father will watch over you, and keep you in health and strength and that you may be spared for many years of usefulness.

And now, as a slight token of the good wishes and esteem of the entire community, we ask you to accept this club bag and fountain pen, and may they ever remind you of the warm friends you have at Knatchbull.

Signed on behalf of the community,

Mrs. Harvey Bridgeman,
Mrs. Cameron Ramshaw,
Mrs. Mary Langford.

Miss Darby made a very feeling reply, notwithstanding her surprise. After the presentation a programme of music and recitations and speeches was given, and the ladies provided a dainty lunch to which all did justice. The evening was spent in games and social intercourse.

—United Church Choir concert in the Town Hall next Wednesday evening.