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Church Services

United Church of Canada
ACTON
Minister—Rev. C. L. Poole, D. D.
Parsonage Willow Street

Thursday Evening 8.00 p. m. Preparatory Service.

11.00 a. m. The Minister. Subject: "Holy Ground."

2.30 p. m. Sunday School. Lesson John the Baptist and Jesus.

7.00 p. m. The Minister. Subject "Breaking New Ground."

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

11.00 a. m. Communion. The Minister. Subject, "A Happy New Year."

3.00 p. m. Sunday School.

7.00 p. m. The Minister. Subject: "What We Believe."

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

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

Baptist Church
ACTON
Pastor—Wm. J. Baxter.

The painters are busy re-decorating the interior of our building, therefore all the Sunday Services this week will be held in the Band Hall.

11.00 a. m. The Pastor.
2.30 p. m. Sunday School
7.00 p. m. The Pastor.

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On behalf of the staff and students of the High School I should like to express sincere appreciation to all those who so kindly helped us in preparation for the At Home by lending furniture, stage fittings, items, lantern, etc.
MARGARET J. MACDONALD

CARD OF THANKS
Wesley Murray and members of the home desire to express their sincere thanks to the friends and neighbors for their kind sympathy and service on the occasion of the illness and passing away of our dear father. We appreciate very much the music rendered by the quartette.

FOR SALE
One 15-inch Moore ball bearing Chopper, as good as new, complete with 24-in plates $200.00. Also No. 2 Jay Bee Hammer mill, takes 5 H. P., $160.00. F. O. B. cars. Installing larger machines these machines are ideal for our small farm.
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Wm. Douglas lot 29 Red line, Erin will hold an Absolute Clearing Sale of Farm Stock, Implements, Grain, Hay and Household Effects on Tuesday, January 3, at 12.30 p. m. Terms cash or positively cash on time.
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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30
"Running Wild"
Drama with Mary Brian and W. C. Fields. Comedy, Monty of the Mounted. "Hodge Podge "A Whirl of Artists."

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31
"The Joy Girl"
With Olive Borden and Neil Hamilton. Another story of the popular Second Collection Fox News. Claude Wade Violinist.

NEW YEAR'S
MONDAY, JANUARY 2
Matinee at 3.00 p. m.
"Nevada"
Western with Gary Cooper. Chapter 5 of Blake of Scotland Yard. Comedy, "Pals in the Humpiness." Pictures. Matinee 10c and 15c. Night 15c and 25c.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 3
"Les Miserables"
By Victor Hugo. Produced in France with an entire French cast. Comedy, "All For Uncle." Lucky Rabbit Cartoon. "The Banker's Daughter." One show at 8.00 p. m. Prices 15c and 35c.

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"Mr. Wu"
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IN THE WOMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S APPAREL—
Every Coat At a Decisive Mark-Down

AND BROAD CHOOSING AMONG—
Hats and Dresses Greatly Reduced

AND THOSE INTERESTED IN MAKING PROFITABLE INVESTMENTS IN—

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will find this the most advantageous time of the year to do so, while there is still so much of this Winter's wear, as well as other seasons' saving, to plan for.

All Departments Have a Part in This Store-wide Clearance. Count on Generous Savings

HAPPY NEW YEAR

For All Our Friends and Customers, We Wish A New Year Full of Joy and Prosperity

D. E. Macdonald & Bros., Ltd.
GUELPH'S LEADING AND LARGEST STORE

Specials For This Week!

CORN SYRUP, 5s per tin	33c	Granulated Sugar 10 lbs. for	69c
PUFFED RAISINS 15 oz. packet for	15c	2 Tins Peas or 2 Tins Tomatoes	25c
RED ROSE TEA per lb	69c	JAM 4s, per tin	49c

We Have a Nice Assortment of Nuts, Candy and Table Raisins for the Holiday Season

The Season's Greetings

To All We Convey at This Time Our Best Wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year

Chain **RED & WHITE** Stores
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Our New Year Greeting

Heap on more wood,
The wind is chill
But let it whistle as it will
We'll keep our New Year merry still.

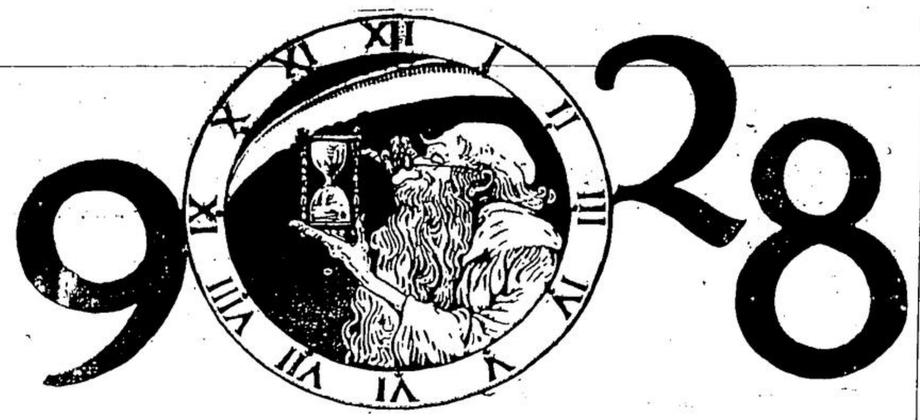
HAROLD WILES, Acton

A Bright New Year

We hope that your New Year Day will be a happy one and that each succeeding day will be brighter and merrier than the one before. We wish you, in every sense of the greeting, A Happy New Year!

W. D. TALBOT
Mill and Main Streets Phone 76

A Happy New Year!



To Everyone The Free Press extends Best Wishes for a Good New Year and Health and Prosperity throughout the Years to follow. . . . . We appreciate the patronage of all which has helped make the past one so pleasant for us and trust that we may serve you better in 1928 and the succeeding years.

Christmas Cantatas by Church Choirs

Splendid Services of Song Given by Choirs of United and Knox Churches

Two splendid Christmas cantatas were given on Christmas evening, the one in Knox Church and the other in the United Church, by the choirs of these respective churches. Both were well rendered and large congregations assembled to hear these splendid services of song.

At the United Church the regular service was held and a brief sermon preached by Rev. Mr Poole. The choir then rendered the beautiful cantata, "Star of the East," by J. S. Fearis. The first number was an organ prelude by the organist, Miss Fern Brown, and the other numbers included.

Tenor solo, "Arise, Shine," Ladies' quartette and choir. Soloist, Mr. R. Spielvogel.

Contralto solo and choir, "The Stranger Star." Soloists, Miss Jean Kennedy and Mr George Poole.

Soprano and Tenor duett, "The Angel's Song." Miss Ruth Gibson and Mr Grenville Masales.

Baritone solo, duett and chorus, "Sing, O Heavens." Soloists, Mr. Geo. Old and Miss Hazel Mason.

Soprano solo, "The Beautiful Star," Miss Bertie Smith.

"Awake, Put on Thy Strength," Miss Jean Kennedy, soloist.

"Bethlehem," Ladies' quartette and choir.

Baritone solo, "Lead Thou Me On," Mr George T. Old.

Contralto solo and quartette. Soloist, Miss Hazel Mason.

"Rejoice Greatly." Tenor solo and choir. Soloist, Mr. J. Whittaim.

Each number was splendidly rendered, and each soloist, quartette or duett was ably taken by the various members of the choir. Choirmaster Old had trained well, and his choir had been splendid pupils. Miss Fern Brown presided at the organ and ably lead the choir in her accompaniment parts.

The cantata by the Knox Church choir took full charge of the service orles," by Lorenz, and was a splendid service of Christmas song. Here the choir took full charge of the service and the rendering of the cantata supplanted the regular service and sermon by the pastor.

The solo parts were taken by Mr. Alex Mann, Miss Jessie Morton, Miss Jessie Anderson, Mr D. Taylor and Mr S. Thomas, late of the Mendelssohn Choir, Toronto.

Soloists and choir executed their parts well and the whole service was a most appropriate one for the Christmas season. A very fitting climax to the cantata was the rendering by the choir of the "Hallelujah Chorus," with the congregation standing during the singing of this anthem. Choirmaster F. J. Salt had charge of the training of the choir and presided at the organ. He and his choir are receiving compliments on many sides on their splendid achievement.

ELECTRIC RAILWAY IMPROVEMENTS

Change in Color of Cars is the Latest Improvement

Several citizens of Acton formed an impromptu reception committee on Thursday, December 22, at the C. N. R. station, when the first of the passenger motor cars pulled in, resplendent in the attractive new color adopted by the Electric Line. Reeve Amos Mason was present at the station along with The Free Press representative and greeted Superintendent Cumming. Queried as to the reason of the change of color it was stated, "That the change was in keeping with the policy of improvements for patrons and for safety first." It was pointed out that the Railway operating at high speed over private right of way, desired color of striking contrast to the prevailing color of the right of way. The color is yellow Duco lacquer with a narrow dark blue stripe and a lighter shade of yellow for the roof.

In commenting on improvements from time to time, The Free Press heard a word of praise from Mr Cumming for the support contributed by employees of the Electric Line. He said: Each employee has assisted in some way in improving the service for the benefit of the public, and the management was appreciative of the kindly spirit in which the improvements in the service is being received by its patrons.

At the close of the year it is customary to review what has been done, and The Free Press recalls that up to the time, just three years ago, before the present Canadian National Management took over the Electric Line, there were only three or four cars a day, in contrast to the dependable service now given every two hours. The privilege that citizens of Acton and vicinity thoroughly appreciate, is the arrangement permitting of C. N. R. steam line tickets to be accepted on the Electric Line, under certain conditions, particularly when there is no night train service on the steam line.

The Community's Social Side of Life

Visitors to and from Town During the Past Week, as Gleaned by The Free Press

Miss Conway was home from Toronto.

Mr Lloyd P. Forbes was home from Toronto.

Mr Ray Gamble was home from Detroit.

Mr and Mrs Gordon Hayward, of Toronto.

Mr Chas Symon was home from Toronto.

Miss Bertie Smith was home from Toronto.

Mr. George Mason is home from Toronto.

Miss Fern Brown visited friends in Toronto.

Miss Glendinning visiting friends in Toronto.

Mr Harold Kennedy was home from Detroit.

Mr and Mrs Roy Brown were here from Toronto.

Miss Gladys Huffman was home from Toronto.

Miss Margaret Bennett was home from Toronto.

Mr and Mrs Fred Funk from Binghamton, N. Y.

Mr and Mrs Wm Huffman spent Christmas in town.

Mr E. J. Moore, of Toronto, spent Christmas at Mourcroft.

Mr Jack Robertson, of Windsor, was home for Christmas.

Miss Edward Hugman is home from Pontiac for the holidays.

Mr Peter Griffin spent the holidays with friends in Rockwood.

Miss Bertha Brown, of Toronto, visited her sister in town.

Mr George Anderson was home from Oshawa for Christmas.

Miss Marjorie Lawson, of Toronto, visited with Acton friends.

Miss Lois Malone, of Toronto, spent Christmas with friends here.

Messrs Ralph and Arthur Henderson were home from Toronto.

Misses Irene Styles and Jessie Mann visited friends in Georgetown.

Mr Earl Cooper is spending Christmas holidays at his home here.

Mrs Lillie Scott, of Toronto, spent Christmas with relatives here.

Mr Joseph W. A. Lasby, of Montreal, was home for Christmas.

Miss Mary McPherson is home from Geneva, N. Y., for the holidays.

Miss Emma Robinson spent Christmas at her home in Kenilworth.

Mr George and Miss Myrtle Roper were home from Rochester, N. Y.

Miss L. Bainshaw is spending the holidays with friends in Toronto.

Mr W. K. Graham and Jack spent Christmas with friends in Chicago.

Mr. Wm Robertson, of Toronto spent the holiday with friends here.

Miss Mamie Mainprise is home from Toronto for the Christmas vacation.

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

Miss Jean Kennedy and Mr. Agnus Kennedy were home from Toronto.

Mr and Mrs L. B. Shorey spent Christmas with friends at Napanee.

Mr J. Chester Matthews spent Christmastide with friends in Toronto.

Miss Olive Cooper, of Toronto Normal Schools, is home for the holidays.

Mr George Jiggins, Aurora, is spending the holidays with his parents here.

Mr Jack Wilderspin, of the Bell Telephone Co. was home for Christmas.

Superintendent and Mrs. W. H. Stewart of Milton were here for a brief visit.

Mrs Joseph Lasby spent Christmas at the home of her son, Charles, at Toronto.

Mr J. C. Lindsay and Misses Jean and Anna Lindsay were home from Toronto.

Mr and Mrs Fred McDowell, Hazel and Elva spent Christmas with friends in Milton.

Mr and Mrs W. J. Baxter and baby spent Christmas with friends in Hamilton.

Mr and Mrs G. H. Brown spent the Christmas holidays with their sons in Kitchener.

Mrs. Roy Cook, Miss Kathleen and Mr. Frank spent Christmas with Toronto relatives.

Mrs Robert Garvin and Miss Margaret Garvin spent Christmas with Toronto friends.

Mrs. R. E. Nelson, of Toronto, spent the holiday at the home of her son, Dr. E. J. Nelson.

Mrs Catharine Cullen, of Newcastle, visited her daughter, Mrs. Jas. Wilds, over the holiday.

Messrs. Laird McDonald, George Arnow and Hector Macdonald were here from Detroit.

Mr Grant McIntosh, of Oshawa, is visiting his grandparents, Mr and Mrs. Jas. McIntosh.

Various News Items

The Monthly Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Institute will be held at the home of Mrs. H. H. Wilson on Sanford St. at 3 o'clock. Meeting is to be a Grandmothers' Meeting. Everybody welcome.

Misses Helen McDonald and Helen Coxe are home for the holidays from Toronto University.

Mrs A. McTavish is visiting her sister, Mrs Park, in Seaforth, for the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Jas. L. Warren and Mr Fred Warren, of Toronto, spent Christmas with Acton relatives.

Mr and Mrs Earl H. Vincent and Master Billie spent Christmas with relatives in Hamilton.

Miss Olive Mowat of Toronto, and Miss Jessie Mowat, of Hanover, are home for the holidays.

Mr and Mrs. R. J. Kerr and Mrs A. K. Ostrander and Miss Helen visited friends at Toronto.

Mr and Mrs George Cowie and Miss Isabel visited friends in the old home at Richmond Hill.

Mrs. Robert Johnston and Miss Melissa Johnston spent Christmas at Mr and Mrs Fred Johnston's.

Mr and Mrs. Thos Watson spent Christmas at the home of their daughter in Buffalo, N. Y.

Mr Wm Forbes and Miss Marjorie, of Toronto, spent Christmas at the home of Mr N. Forbes.

Mr and Mrs Gregg and children, of Toronto, spent Christmas at the home of Mr George Agnew.

Mr and Mrs. P. J. Browning and Miss Etta Dills spent Christmas at the home of Mr. George Dills.

Mr I. B. Vannatter, Miss Mary and Mr Earl of Georgetown, spent Christmas with Mrs. Robert Bennett.

Mr. and Mrs Wm Johnstone spent Christmas at the home of their son, Mr R. F. Johnstone, in London.

Miss Deline Gibbons, who is a nurse-in-training at St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto, was home for Christmas.

Mr and Mrs Charles Senior, of Toronto, spent the Christmas holidays with their daughter, Mrs C. R. Knapp.

Miss Ruth Maher and Mrs Thomas Black, of Galt, visited at the home of Mr and Mrs W. H. K. Blair on Monday.

City Engineer H. S. Nicklin, Mrs. Nicklin and Mary, of Guelph, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Nicklin.

Mr and Mrs Wm Gurney, Marjorie and Wallace, of Wingham, spent Christmas with Mr and Mrs. George Murray.

Miss Florence Holmes was home from Toronto for Christmas. She is spending the New Year holiday in Montreal.

Mrs. F. A. McLean and Master Billy, of Chesley, are spending a few days with her parents, Mr and Mrs Wm. Johnstone.

Mr J. Elvin Gamble the member for Halton, is attending the sessions of the Boys' Parliament at Toronto this week.

Mr and Mrs Angus McDonald and family spent Christmas with their son, Mr and Mrs W. J. McDonald, Lunchonne.

Mr George Storey, of Saskatoon, Sask., is spending a month or so visiting his mother, Mrs Thos Storey, Maria Street.

Mr and Mrs. Frank Williams, Leonard and Frances, of Ingersoll, spent the holidays at the home of Mr and Mrs Jos Holmes.

Mr and Mrs C. R. Swackhamer, Master Wallace and Miss Etta and Mr. Robert Shaw spent Christmas with friends in Toronto.

Mr and Mrs Frank Wickens and Miss Jean and Mr William Anderson, of Galt spent Sunday at the home of Mr and Mrs Wm. Landsborough.

Miss Clara Savage was home from Paris over the holiday. Miss Savage has secured a position with the Lee Snow Plow Company of that place.

Mrs Robt Sprowl, who has been spending the past week or so with Mr. and Mrs. Elmore Johnston in Hamilton returned home on Monday.

Miss Elva Johnston, of Guelph, spent a happy Christmas and birthday party at the home of her parents, Mr and Mrs Fred O. Johnston, Sunnyside Farm, Erin.

Mr and Mrs R. W. Stewart, of Weston spent Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ruddick. Master Stewart Ruddick returned home with them for a few holidays.

At the usual Christmas gathering at the home of Mr and Mrs R. H. Wansbrough, all the children and grandchildren were present. They included Mr. and Mrs Roy Wansbrough, Toronto, Mr and Mrs. Frank Day and family, of Rockwood, Mr and Mrs. Gordon McKay and family of Toronto, Mr and Mrs. Allan Smith and little Wannetta, Acton, Mr. Harold Wansbrough, Toronto.

Of Interest in Acton

Week of Prayer Next Week

The churches of Acton will, next week, hold their annual Week of Prayer commencing on Tuesday evening, Mr. Barr, M.A., officiating. On Wednesday evening service will be held in St. Alban's Church, with Rev. A. C. Stewart delivering the sermon. On Thursday evening the Baptist service will be held in Knox Church, owing to renovation of the Baptist Church, and Rev. P. A. Sawyer will address the congregation, and on Friday evening, in Knox Church, with the Rev. C. L. Poole as the speaker. All the services will be held at eight o'clock.

The High School "At Home"

The annual High School "At Home" took place last Thursday evening, Mac Stewart ably fulfilling the duties of chairman. The programme consisted of folk dancing, selections by the School Glee Club, the reading of the Eye Opener, and a play, "Ze Modern English." In the latter the characters were presented as follows: Evvy Random, Meryl Grindell, Mrs Random, Anna Allison, Marie de Trouville, Helen Ostrander, Ralph Random, Bert Hinton, Marquis de Trouville, Ivan Kirkness, Tom Leuchurch, Mac Stewart. After the programme refreshments were served and the rest of the evening was spent in promenades and dancing, music being furnished by Mr. Albert G. Kaiser, of Guelph.

Celebrated Diamond Wedding

An event seldom reached by many married couples was celebrated by Mr and Mrs. David Williamson, Guelph Street, on Monday, when they observed the diamond anniversary of their wedding. All of their family were present on that day, with the grandchildren, to join in the festivities. Mr and Mrs. W. A. Murray, Mr and Mrs. W. D. Anderson and family, Mr and Mrs. John E. Williamson and family, of Toronto, Mr and Mrs. R. H. Wansbrough, of Toronto, Mr. John Williamson, of Burlington, a brother of Mr. David Williamson, was also present. He presented the couple with a silver cake plate as a memento of the occasion. The members of the family presented their parents with two easy chairs, and the couple were the recipients of many tokens of esteem commemorative of the occasion. A sumptuous Christmas wedding dinner was served at which the company of between 25 and 30 sat down. Mr and Mrs. Williamson have been receiving the congratulations of fellow citizens and friends upon their attaining this diamond wedding anniversary.

Another Great Picture for Wonderland

"It is the greatest work of epic and dramatic fiction which has ever been created or conceived by the human brain," says the Encyclopedia Britannica of Victor Hugo's "Les Miserables." It would be conservative to use the same language in describing the colossal motion picture production of "Les Miserables" which comes to Wonderland Theatre next Tuesday for the Universal Film de France triumph is without doubt, a surpassing cinema achievement. This majestic drama of humanity striving under the yoke of ignorance and unjust power has had in its book form more readers than any other work except the Bible. As a motion picture production it has made new attendance records in every European country and has been acclaimed by two continents as the greatest film triumph of the old world. Two years were spent in making this stupendous motion picture at a cost that mounted to millions of francs. Many of the scenes were taken on the exact locations indicated by the author in his book.

Their Christmas Home-Coming Spoiled

Two young men, Messrs. George Agnew, Jr. and Laird McDonald coming home to Acton for Christmas from Detroit had a narrow escape from serious injury, and possibly fatality. Messrs. Agnew and McDonald were motoring to Acton and Miss McGladdery was travelling from Detroit to her home in London when about twenty miles east of Windsor the accident occurred. A car was parked along the side of the road and another car was coming from the east at a high speed. The car approaching Mr Agnew did not notice him coming in time to stop and ran into the rear of the parked car and was thrown across the road directly in front of Mr Agnew's car. The ditch was so deep at this point that Mr Agnew had no option on time but to let his car plie into the wrecked car. It is said that the driver of the car died later from his injuries and another occupant has his skull so badly fractured that recovery is doubtful. The front of Mr Agnew's car is badly damaged and all the glass shattered. Both he and Mr McDonald were cut about the hands and face by the flying glass. The boys were forced to leave their car and make their home-coming by train. All their Christmas gifts were left in the car.

The Community Christmas Tree

Proved An Enjoyable Time for Grown-ups and Kiddies Alike

In a picture-postcard setting, with the colored lights twinkling and a shimmering of snow all around, the Community Christmas Tree here was indeed a real Christmas treat for Christmas eve. The attendance was not confined to children alone. Grown-ups and all were on hand to join in the festivities which commenced at seven o'clock.

The reindeers were relieved for the night shift by a dashing team of greys, who drove Santa Claus up in his sleigh, loaded with the treats of candies and oranges for all the kiddies. The Acton Citizens' Band arrived and when they struck up their march tune Santa Claus and the whole crowd got into the swing of the festivities. Then the Glee Club sang a Christmas carol and the crowd joined in the singing of the familiar hymn.

Santa Claus then started to unload. He had presents for many, big and small, and parcels for many prominent citizens. A line-up of the kiddies was formed and filed past Santa Claus. He had a bag of candy and oranges for all, a kindly inquiry for all of them, too, and every youngster went home delighted with having made his acquaintance and accepted of his generosity.

This first experience with a Community Tree here was a real success, and without a doubt will be a feature that will be looked forward to and perhaps enlarged upon from year to year. Already little items are spoken of to improve the cheer derived from it at the next year's tree.

In addition to the treat from the tree, the balance of the surplus funds were expended by the I. O. D. E. and charitable institutions to send baskets of Christmas good things to families in straightened circumstances. The report of the treasurer is given below.

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Treasurer's Report

The following contributions to the Community Christmas Tree Fund are hereby gratefully acknowledged.

Acton Creamery	$ 2.00
Acton Tanning Co. Employees	17.85
Beardmore & Co.	15.00
Boy Scouts	2.00
Cluber Bros and Mr Thomas	10.00
Corporation of Acton	15.00
Community Glee Club	10.00
Hewitson Co. and Employees	30.75
Jones J. W.	5.00
Mason Knitting Co. and Employees	10.25
Collected by A. T. Brown	9.55
Collected by E. J. Hassard	7.96
Collected by Bank of Montreal	5.16
Collected by Bank of Nova Scotia	2.00
	$142.52

Acton Community Glee Club,
C. R. Knapp, Treasurer.

A Variety of News

Retires From Council—Elected to School Board

At the nominations for a member of the School Board held last Friday evening, Mr Frank Holmes was nominated for the vacancy. There were no other nominations and Mr Holmes is therefore elected to the School Board by acclamation. The public work of Mr. Holmes in his long term in the Council is evidently appreciated by the ratepayers, who seem to feel that his public service should not be terminated upon his resignation from the Council. Mr. Holmes' experience in municipal affairs will make him a valued member of the Board of Education.

False Fire Alarm Turned In

On Monday morning, some person with a queer conception of a joke or with a mind temporarily unbalanced from over indulgence in a favorite beverage undertook to awake the town. About two o'clock the school bell was rung for several minutes. This apparently did not disturb citizens sufficiently and at three o'clock a fire alarm was turned in and firemen and citizens responded to the call generally. Upon arrival at the hall it was found a false alarm had been turned in and no trace could be found of the persons guilty of the foolish prank. It is to be hoped a liberal reward will be offered for the conviction of those guilty of this senseless practice as such a prank is past the joke stage and should be punished.

Dufferin School Concert

Owing to the purchase of a piano for the school the pupils of Dufferin School repeated their concert, with changes in the outside talent on Friday evening, December 23. The pupils gave a number of choice recitations, a dialogue drill and a folk dance. Dublin Orchestra was in attendance and gave several splendid numbers on the programme. Master Jack and little Miss Mona McGeachie gave several fine Scotch dance numbers accompanied by Dublin Orchestra. Reeve Mason contributed a fine cornet solo accompanied by Pastor Baxter of the piano. Messrs. Amos and George Mason played a beautiful saxophone duett. Mr James Chalmers gave a splendid recitation. Miss Isabel Smith gave a very fine and appropriate speech entitled "What Confederation has done for Canada." Misses Laura and Marjorie Hall sang a pretty fifth duett, and Misses Willard Hall gave a mouth organ selection. The above named artists reside at Acton. Master Gildo Silvestri, of Milton Heights, rendered several delightful accordion numbers. His father and Mr Tonelli, a resident of the school section, contributed a duett song in Italian accompanied by Rev. Mr. Baxter at the piano. Mr. S. Gindy, of Limehouse, gave several bass solos. A splendid dialogue, entitled "A Teacher Wanted," were given by the young men of the section. During the evening very fine speeches were made by Mr. W. J. L. Hampshire, chairman, Reeve Mason and Pastor Baxter, pastor of the Baptist congregation, Acton, Rev. Mr. McInnes, pastor of Boston, Hornby and Omagh congregations, Messrs. M. Turner, A. Joe and McIntyre, residents of the section. Towards the latter part of the programme Miss Hall, teacher of Dufferin School, thanked the above named gentlemen individually for their very kind words, and also the people for their ready response and aid in securing a piano. The programme was drawn to a close by the singing of the National Anthem.