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All Municipal Offices Are Filled by Acclamation for the Year 1931

Reeve Mason and Councillors Hansen, Nelson, Harrison and Thetford Will Serve Another Year—Trustees Elected are Mrs. Wilson, Wm. Norton, Jas. Hudson and Rev. P. A. Sawyer—Commissioner Kerr Accorded Acclamation Too

The nomination meeting on Friday evening, in the Town Hall, was not largely attended. There were just a handful of citizens present, and the duty of nominations for the various offices seemed to fall on them. When the nominations closed, at 8.30, Clerk Farmer had received the following list of nominees for the various offices:

REEVE

A. MASON—Nominated by E. Beswick, seconded by George Cowle.

COUNCILLORS

E. T. THETFORD—Nominated by E. Beswick, seconded by George Cowle.

J. F. DAVISON—Nominated by John Locker, seconded by L. M. Akins.

WM. NORTON—Nominated by James Newman, seconded by Wm. Duval.

DR. E. J. NELSON—Nominated by G. A. Dills, seconded by Wm. Norton.

C. H. HARRISON—Nominated by R. J. Ramshaw, seconded by J. M. McDonald.

C. HANSEN—Nominated by Alex. Kannawin, seconded by J. Dobbie.

JAS. McMILLAN—Nominated by A. G. C. Smith, seconded by Robert Dunbar.

SCHOOL TRUSTEES

MRS. B. M. WILSON—Nominated by R. P. Watson, seconded by James McIntosh.

ROY AGAR—Nominated by Mrs. B. M. Wilson, seconded by W. Nisbet.

WM. NORTON—Nominated by R. J. Ramshaw, seconded by Chas. Wilson.

J. W. JONES—Nominated by R. J. Ramshaw, seconded by C. Hansen.

REV. P. A. SAWYER—Nominated by G. A. Dills, seconded by Rev. C. L. Poole.

JAS. HUDSON—Nominated by Alex. Kannawin, seconded by A. McDonald.

FRED McCUTCHEON—Nominated by A. McDonald, seconded by C. Hansen.

ALEX. McDONALD—Nominated by Mrs. George Elliott, seconded by G. H. Lantz.

R. P. WATSON—Nominated by James Dobbie, seconded by A. G. C. Smith.

E. TYLER—Nominated by W. J. Gould, seconded by N. F. Moore.

PUBLIC UTILITIES

R. J. KERR—Nominated by Alex. Kannawin, seconded by A. McDonald.

For the ratepayers' meeting, which followed, Mr. E. Beswick was chosen to preside. Reeve A. Mason was the first speaker and explained many of the details set forth in the Financial Statement, and answered questions of the ratepayers relative to items of the report. He pointed out the large increase in County rates, which had been met without a corresponding increase in the tax rate, and looked with some pride on the administration of Acton's affairs during the past few years.

Councillor Hansen, who had charge of the streets and walks department, pointed to the work done on Church Street, which was designated as a County link. The other roadways in town were nearly all in good repair also.

Councillor Dr. Nelson, who came in later, had been in charge of the Park. Improvements there were visible for all to see, and were apparently approved of by the citizens and a source of pride.

Mr. McMillan, a nominee for Councillor, stated he would not run, and Mr. Wm. Norton, another nominee, for both Council and School Board, was not prepared to make any statement as the nominations were rather a surprise to him.

Chairman Beswick, of the School Board, gave a brief outline of the school's activities, the staff, the enrolment, etc.

Trustee Mrs. B. M. Wilson had charge of the finances of the school the past year. Necessary improvements had been carried on, but the finances had been administered carefully. She gave a review of the work of her department.

Trustee J. M. McDonald, whose care was the property of the schools, pointed out that necessary improvements only had been carried out. With a view to conserving the ratepayers' money, a reduction in the salaries of the High School teachers had been arranged and the levy from the people was less than last year.

Trustee Mrs. A. F. Havill who headed the Supplies' Committee, pointed out the improvements at the school in the matter of supplies. An arrangement had been made with the Free Library Board, whereby books from the Library were used at the school for supplementary reading, and the purchase of new books had been avoided.

Mr. Jas. Hudson, a nominee for the Board, felt that the assuming of duties on any public body was a grave responsibility. If he were given an office he would respect and uphold the trust imposed.

The other nominees were not present at the meeting.

Commissioner R. J. Kerr gave a splendid outline of the growth of the Hydro and the waterworks system in Acton. The value of the electric plant had grown to over $50,000 and the system in Acton was in good condition. He was proud of the collections, as there was only about $25 reported in arrears at the last meeting, and this amount would, in all probability, be collected. He appreciated the work of Commissioner King and Reeve Mason on the Commission.

On Saturday evening, when the hour for closing the nominations had arrived, the following had qualified for the various offices and they were all accorded an acclamation. The personnel of the municipal bodies will therefore be, this year:

REEVE
A. MASON

COUNCILLORS
C. McHANSEN
DR. E. J. NELSON
C. H. HARRISON
E. T. THETFORD

SCHOOL TRUSTEES
MRS. B. M. WILSON
JAMES HUDSON
WM. NORTON
REV. P. A. SAWYER
MRS. A. F. HAVILL
J. M. McDONALD

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
R. J. KERR
L. G. KING
REEVE A. MASON

—Don't forget the election for the Boys' Parliament, Saturday, November 29. Polling at Brown's Drug Store.

Fast Work Features Contest Closing Days

Just Eight Days in The Free Press Great Subscription Campaign —It is Now or Never—Who Will be Winner?

Mrs. R. W. Finlay, Acton	4,651,000
Mrs. J. J. Stewart, Acton	4,640,000
Miss Katherine Bell, Campbellville	1,594,000
Miss Emma Herbaugh, Acton	1,546,000
Mr. D. B. Morrison, Acton	971,000

Who will be leading in Saturday night's count? Time will not wait for you, it is now or never.

To say that the first period of The Free Press Help Yourself Greater Circulation Campaign was a success is to put the matter mildly.

Thousands of credits were issued on the closing day of the period alone, and each club member profited mightily. A large number of these credits are in evidence to-day, and the balance will appear from time to time before the end of the race.

As this is written it is still anyone's race. As to which of the members will head the list after the next count, we do not care to venture a guess.

With a goodly number of enthusiastic boosters behind each of the candidates, and each group determined to see their favorite the big winner, some exciting even thrilling situations will undoubtedly arise before the ownership of the big prize is finally decided on Saturday, December 6.

Actual Test Still to Come

All indications point to a whirlwind finish. Sensations and surprises will follow one another. The gameness and resourcefulness of the candidates will be put to test during the remaining days of the campaign.

Thousands of credits will be polled between now and December 3, the end of the second or "double credits" period.

Who will lead Saturday? Who will lead the final week? Who will win that First Prize?

NASSAGAWEYA COUNCIL

By-law Providing for Elections is Passed —Errors in Assessment Are Corrected

Nassagaweya Council met in regular session on Monday, November 17.

Accounts were passed as follows:

Norrish Bros., hall, for Division Court	$ 30.00
Thos. Smith, repairing Township Hall	66.00
E. S. Simpson, work, Township Hall	7.00
C. E. Hall, goods for J. Player	22.71
A. T. Moore, Clerk Division Court	4.00
H. Davenport, care of Memorial ground	35.00
Empire Service League, wreath	9.50
J. Y. Norrish, sheep killed	12.00
D. Irving, Inspector	3.00
B. O. H. Account	38.00
Road Superintendent's Voucher	362.05

Some errors of assessment were corrected for the Tax Collector.

A by-law was passed, making provision for Municipal Elections.

Some instructions were given the Road Superintendent, re letting of contracts, to prevent misunderstandings.

Council adjourned to meet December 15, at 1 o'clock.

News of Acton and the District

I. O. D. E. Meeting

The Duke of Devonshire Chapter of the I. O. D. E. will hold their meeting next Tuesday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock, in the Council Chamber.

Oberammergau

The renowned Passion Play, held last summer at Oberammergau, was witnessed by Miss Bertha Brown, Toronto, who will give an illustrated description of it in the United Church School Room on Friday evening, under the auspices of the W. M. S. Silver collection.

Forced into Ditch

James Davis, of Terra Cotta, who was driving with his wife and little son, Saturday, was forced off the road over a deep ditch, and into a tree, when a passing motorist crowded him on the Guelph highway. Strange to say, no one in the car was injured beyond a shaking up, but the car is a complete wreck.

The Nominations in Georgetown

Following nominations in Georgetown last Friday, the following offices have been filled by acclamation: Mayor, J. B. Mackenzie; Reeve, Harold Cleave; Councillors, George Davis, Major Cummings, Bert Parr and Jos. Gibbons. Councillors for Wards One and Three did not qualify and it will, therefore, be necessary to hold another nomination to fill these two offices.

Georgetown Guild Visits Acton Society

An enjoyable time was spent on Monday evening at Knox Church when their Guild was visited by the Young People's Society of Georgetown Presbyterian Church. A large number accepted the invitation, and their programme, consisting of vocal and piano solos, choruses, an interesting stunt, and a mock trial, was of an excellent quality. After the programme, a social time was spent in the basement, where all did justice to the refreshments provided by the social committee of the Acton Guild.

George Murray Heads Halton Chapter

At the annual election of officers of Halton Chapter, Georgetown, two Acton men, who are members of this Lodge, were elected officers. Mr. George Murray was made First Principal, and H. L. Ritchie, S. N. The following were the officers elected: G. Murray, Z.; H. L. Dickie, I. P. Z.; G. Watt, H.; A. Feller, J.; G. Dobson, P. S.; H. L. Ritchie, S. N.; H Long, S. E.; D. Gollop, S. S.; C. W. Moreton, J. S.; G. Ford, M. of 4; D. Crichton, M. of 3; A. C. Robinson, M. of 2; E. E. Young, M. of 1; Major L. Grant, D. of C.; J. D. Kelly, Treasurer; W. Schneke, organist; L. P. Greenwood, S. W. B.; L. G. Marchment, S. T. B.; J. Simons, N. H. Tuck, Stewards; E. C. Thompson, Col. G. O. Brown, Auditors.

Cause of Power Interruption

The brief power interruption in Acton last Friday evening was caused by the explosion of an automobile gasoline tank at Preston which hurled the motor fuel seventy-five feet to the high tension line. The cause of the blaze in the automobile is not known but according to Highway Traffic Officer James Culp, the vehicle took fire. The driver was unable to check the flames, and before efforts could be made to extinguish it, the blaze reached the gasoline tank. In the explosion which followed, the highly combustible substance was thrown on to the high tension wires, causing a short circuit. A pillar of blue flame, which could be seen for miles, resulted, and the interruption to the 110,000 volt line caused a temporary interruption in the Hydro service here. The car license number was CV-75.

And So It Goes On

The week's doings in Magistrate Moore's Courts, in the matter of Liquor Control cases, forms rather a pathetic study. On Thursday a young woman from Kelso, in Nassagaweya, came to plead guilty to a charge of illegal possession of liquor. The story goes, as told by herself, that on the previous Saturday she borrowed the liquor permit of a young fellow, from Nelson, gave another young chap $20.00, to go to Oakville for a stock of beer. She retained one carton of the beer in her home, and hid the balance in an empty house near by. Provincial Constable Carr ferrited out the cache and seized it. She paid $106.05 for this offence. The young fellow, whose permit was used, will answer to the charge at Milton on Saturday.

On Monday night a farm hand, working for a Nassagaweya farmer, was arrested by Chief McPherson, and spent the night in the cells. His spree cost him $16.60 at court yesterday. . . . The same evening Chief McMullin, of Milton, laid a charge against a young Italian from Milton Heights, who was married last week, of having liquor in a place other than his residence. He had three gallon jars of wine in a rig at Milton on Saturday night, each of which had been opened. The charge for this offence will be heard at Milton on Saturday morning.

—Dublin School Christmas Concert on December 18. 22-2

REEVE A. MASON
Who was Re-elected as Acton's Reeve by Acclamation on Friday

By-law for Cemetery Board is Approved

Unemployment Relief Fund Applied for—Increase Salary and Duties of Nightwatchman

At the regular meeting of Council on Tuesday evening Councillors Dr. Nelson, C. Hansen and E. Thetford were present, and Reeve Mason presided.

The twenty-fourth report of the Finance Committee recommended that the following accounts be paid:

Bell Telephone Co., services	$10.95
G. H. Ritchie, cleaning streets	8.40
J. H. Invers, refund of dog tax	1.50
Mrs. H. L. McDonald, insurance premium	32.00
Geo. R. Agnew, Division Court fees	56.00
Alex. McIsaac, repairs fire truck	110.75
Geo. H. Lantz, gravel	26.00
Acton Free Press, printing and advertising	14.40
Fred Cooper, rent of dumping ground	35.00
St. Joseph's Hospital, Guelph, half chargeable to County	50.75
F. McCutcheon, cartage, etc.	1.75
	$247.50

The matter of securing a part of the Unemployment Fund was discussed and the forms had been secured by the Clerk. There were fifty-one unemployed in Acton who had registered with the Clerk. It was decided to do grading and clearing work in Fairview Cemetery, if an appropriation could be secured, and the amount estimated to be expended was $2,000. The Clerk was requested to fill in the forms and forward them.

The matter of an increase in salary for the nightwatchman was thoroughly discussed. The Council were agreeable to increase the salary, as their share, to $37.50 per month. There were thirty-nine business men on the list, so that an increase in their proportion was not deemed necessary.

Moved by C. Hansen, seconded by E. J. Nelson, that Mr. Harrop's salary as nightwatchman, paid by the Council, be increased from $30 to $37.50 per month, and that the hours be increased from 11.00 p. m. until 6 a. m., said increase to be effective as from November 1, 1930. Any monthly surplus over $2.50 per day to be turned into the Treasurer at the end of each month.—Carried.

The by-law to appoint a Cemetery Board to control and manage Fairview Cemetery and any other cemeteries under the control of the municipality, was given the required number of readings and temporarily passed upon by the Council. The Board will be known as the Acton Cemetery Board, and the members will be appointed by by-law of the Council. The definite appointment of the members will be done at a future meeting.

The matter of the amount of the cigarette license was discussed and complaint was made that the fee was too high at $20.00. The Clerk was requested to inquire what the license fee was in neighboring municipalities.

The Clerk was instructed to garnishee L. Leatham for the amount of business tax still owing.

The case of an indigent family was discussed and it was decided to have the children made wards of the Children's Aid Society, and the adults will be supplied with necessities.

—Greenock Christmas Concert will be held on December 12.

THE EVENING MEAL DIGESTER

Mother (after relating a pathetic story): "Now, Reggie, wouldn't you like to give your bunny to that poor little boy you saw to-day who hasn't any father?"

—Reggie (clutching rabbit): "Couldn't we give him father instead?"

—Mr. Alex. Burgess will hold an Auction Sale of Dairy Cattle, Pigs and Poultry, at Lot 16, Townline, Chinguacousy, near Norval Station, on Thursday, December 4. Petch & Cheyne, Auctioneers.

Various Items of Local Interest

Monthly Meeting of Women's Institute

The monthly meeting of the Women's Institute will be held on Thursday, December 4, at 2.30, at the home of Miss E. Hawthorne.

Actondale U. F. Y. P. O. Annual Meeting

The Actondale U. F. Y. P. O. Club will hold their annual meeting in the Parish Hall on Thursday, December 4, at eight o'clock. All members and those wishing to join are urged to be present.

Local Creamery Wins at Royal

The Acton creamery of the Halton Cream and Butter Company won several awards at the Royal Winter Fair again this year. They won second for 14 lb. box of creamery butter, salted, and first for 14 lb. box of unsalted creamery butter.

Georgetown Call to Pastor

At a meeting of the Georgetown and Limehouse Presbytery congregations, held at Knox Church, Georgetown, yesterday, it was decided by a unanimous vote of the two churches to extend a call to Rev. John Riddell, of Millbrook, to become their joint pastor.

Acton Firemen's Ball

The thirtieth annual Ball and Supper of Acton Fire Brigade is planned to be held in the Town Hall on Friday evening, December 5. The Melody Beranaders will supply the music, and R. L. Davidson will be floor manager. Undoubtedly this annual event will draw the usual splendid attendance accorded Brigade functions.

Local Breeders Win at the Royal Fair

As usual, Duncan Campbell and Amos & Black, of Moffat, carried off many prizes with their Shorthorn cattle at the Royal Winter Fair this year. The former's winnings were as follows: Three-year-old bull, or over, third; senior yearling bull, second; junior yearling bull, sixth; senior bull calf, second and tenth; junior bull calf, sixth, eighth, ninth, and eleventh; cow, three years or over, first; cow, three years or over, in milk, third and fourth; heifer, two years and under three years, seventh. Amos & Black secured the following awards: Bull, 3 years and over, second; bull, junior calf, seventh; cow, three years or over, third and fourth; heifer, two years and under three, fourth. Bruce A. McKinnon, of Hillsburg, was awarded fourth prize in the class for two-year-old bulls, and fifth in that for cows, 3 years and over, in milk.

Presentation to Mr. and Mrs. A. Mann

A pleasant surprise was staged for Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Mann last Thursday night, when the Choir of Knox Church after choir practice, adjourned to the Manse, and there they were met by the members of the Kirk Session, of which body Mr. A. Mann is the junior member. After all had gathered, Mr. Bennie welcomed the members of Choir and Session and called upon Mrs. M. R. Moore, on behalf of the Choir, and Mr. J. Cameron, on behalf of the Session, to address the most recently married couple in the room. This they did in very fitting and appropriate terms, and then Mrs. J. Cameron and Mrs. A. Armstrong made the presentation of a beautiful chesterfield table and stool to Mr. and Mrs. Mann. The spontaneous singing of "They Are Jolly Good Fellows" gave Mr. Mann the opportunity to recover from his surprise and voice his feelings in reply to the gracious gift. A very happy hour was then spent in music and song, and, after the ladies of the Session had served a dainty lunch, the gathering adjourned at the hour of midnight.

Robert Harding's Barn Destroyed

The fire, which destroyed the barn and contents on the farm of Robert Harding, a mile or so north of Ballinafad, on Saturday night, cast a reflection seen in Acton and west of here. The barn and contents were completely destroyed. Mr. Harding, who is under the doctor's care, was preparing to do up the chores about 7.15 p. m. on Saturday, when he took a fainting spell and dropped to his knees, with the lighted lantern in his hand. The lantern overturned, and the flowing oil caught the flame. Mr. Harding recovered sufficiently to take off his heavy jacket and try to beat out the flames that were licking the loose straw, but with a very strong wind, the task was beyond him, and he rushed out, calling for help. Relatives and neighbors were fortunately able to get the cattle out into the open, but everything else went up in smoke. In the barn was a threshing machine, binder, chopping mill, 3 buggies, 3 cutters, a wagon, a sleigh and a large quantity of poultry. In addition, all the season's hay and straw, wheat, oats and barley and the contents of a large silo, were burned. Mr. Harding estimates his loss between $11,000 and $12,000, a partial insurance being carried. The wind set away from the house, otherwise it would have gone too.

—Nassagaweya S. S. No. 8 Christmas Entertainment will be held on December 16.

Acton Ladies Win Their Group St. Alban's Defeated by Georgetown

The Play-offs on Friday and Tuesday Evenings Were Real Exciting Fixtures—The Ladies' Team Went Through the Series Without a Single Defeat—The Ladies Won Both Play-offs and the Men Lost Both Games

On Friday evening, in the Acton Arena, the Acton Girls again proved master of ceremonies when they defeated the smart Georgetown nine in the first game of the Inter-County Softball play-offs, by the decisive score of 12-4. In the first inning it looked like a walk-away for the Georgetown Ladies. The first batter up walked, and this started the large crowd shouting, and this noise, which is unusual, started the girls making errors, and let Georgetown score three runs. But in Acton's half they went one better and scored four runs, to get the lead, and never were headed. It was a game full of thrills, spills and fights. The Georgetown third baseman being responsible for most of the mix-ups, and she was warned by the umpire. Then their right-fielder would run in to second base and trip the runner, but, try as they would, they could not lead the smart, quick-moving Acton outfit. Mary Chalmers, as usual, pitched a good game, and spectacular fielding was done, especially by Jean Smith, on first base, who catches the ball if it is anywhere near. Phil. Tyler, the catcher, stopped Mary's speed balls with apparent ease, and headed off quite a few base runners. H. Mason, on third base, also made some good plays and lases no time getting the ball to the base where the runner is headed. L. Mason on short, also stopped some hot ones, and M. Price, on second base, did her share of the good fielding, while N. Waterhouse, E. McGill and M. McDonald, on the outfield, though they did not get as much work to do as the infielders, handled the ball with skill. At batting almost every girl is sure of a hit, and very seldom is there one on the team that does not get a hit in a game. This game still left the girls undefeated. The box score follows:

GEORGETOWN

	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
B. Tost, cf	3	1	1	1	1	0
Forster, ss	1	1	0	0	0	1
N. Tost, 1b	3	0	0	4	0	0
R. Tost, p	3	0	0	0	2	1
Davies, c	3	1	1	11	1	0
Tuck, rf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Hamilton, 3b	3	1	1	1	1	0
Armstrong, lf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Ballantyne, 2b	3	0	1	1	1	0
	24	4	4	18	6	2

ACTON

	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Waterhouse, lf	4	2	1	0	0	0
Tyler, c	4	0	1	9	3	0
L. Mason, 3b	4	3	2	2	2	0
Smith, 1b	4	1	2	8	0	1
Chalmers, p	4	1	2	1	5	0
H. Mason, ss	4	3	3	0	0	0
Price, 2b	3	0	0	1	0	0
McGill, rf	3	1	2	0	0	0
Macdonald, cf	3	1	2	0	0	0
	33	12	15	21	9	1

Summary—2 base hits, Macdonald 2; stolen base, Waterhouse; base on balls, off Chalmers 5; struck out, by Tost 10, by Chalmers 9; left on bases, Georgetown 4, Acton 3; double play, B. Tost to Ballantyne.

		R.	H.	E.
Georgetown	300 000 1—	4	4	2
Acton	441 021 *—	12	15	1

The Acton Girls were crowned undefeated league champions on Tuesday evening, when they defeated Georgetown, in that town, in the second game of the play-offs, by the score of 15-7. Quite a crowd attended the game, and they sure were given their money's worth. Georgetown made their hits count, getting 7 runs on 5 hits, while Acton only got 15 runs out of 19 hits. Again Reta Tost was hit quite easily, every member of the Acton team getting a hit, and everybody except Tyler, scoring. Mary Chalmers has a homer to her credit. The Georgetown Ladies put up a great fight for the championship, but they are no class for the fast Acton nine. Everybody on the Acton team deserves credit for their smart playing, and they played hard to get every one of their victories. It is expected this will finish the softball for this season, and the rink will now be put in shape for winter use. The following is the box score:

ACTON

	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Waterhouse, lf	5	1	3	0	0	0
Tyler, c	5	0	1	11	0	1
L. Mason, 3b	5	3	4	1	2	0
Smith, 1b	5	1	2	6	0	0
Chalmers, p	5	2	2	1	0	0
H. Mason, ss	4	2	2	1	1	1
Price, 2b	4	2	2	1	1	1
McGill, rf	4	2	2	0	0	1
Macdonald, cf	4	2	1	0	0	0
	41	15	19	21	4	4

GEORGETOWN

	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
B. Tost, cf	4	0	1	1	0	1
Forster, ss	4	2	1	0	1	0
M. Tost, 1b	1	2	0	6	0	0
R. Tost, p	1	2	1	1	4	1
Davies, c	3	0	1	7	1	0
Tuck, rf	3	0	0	1	0	2
Hamilton, 3b	4	0	1	1	1	0
Armstrong, lf	4	1	0	0	0	0
Ballantyne, 2b	3	0	0	1	0	0
	27	7	5	18	7	4

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Assistant to County Clerk and Treasurer

Is Contentious Subject at Meeting Last Week—Obsolete By-laws are Discarded

County Council session at Milton on Tuesday of last week had many items of importance dealt with.

A grant of $300 to the Halton Rifles was made to assist them in their work throughout the County.

Accounts, passed in Committee and approved by the Council, were as follows:

Special Communications	$ 46.50
County Buildings	1,020.37
Education	1,000.00
Mothers' Allowance	130.00
Printing	55.76
Old Age Pensions	1,894.44
County Roads	145.15
General County Roads Committee	32.60
Finance	190.45
Special Committee, fees	31.60
	$4,555.87

By by-law certain County by-laws were repealed. These repealed enactments had a variety of subjects covered. One was "to make provision for the preservation of public morals." Another was to establish and maintain a county lock-up in the Village of Georgetown. A third one provided for payment of rewards for the apprehension of horse thieves. And ten others went to make up a list of obsolete laws, and are now discarded.

Another by-law, to borrow the sum of $12,000, to meet current expenditures, was passed by Council.

A matter that caused considerable discussion was the appointment of an assistant to the Clerk and Treasurer. The Clerk has been in this position for sixty-five years, and the Treasurer for twenty-three years.

It was moved by Mr. Mason, and seconded by Mr. McIntyre, that a by-law be prepared for the appointment of an assistant to these two offices, at a salary of $500 per annum, and the Clerk advertise for applications throughout the County.

An amendment was introduced by Mr. Harris and Mr. Vanscriver, to prepare a by-law to appoint Reeve H. M. Pettit, of Nelson, to the position, at a salary of $750 per annum.

The amendment was lost when the Warden cast the deciding vote, and the motion was carried.

Old Age Pensions for September and October amounted to $1,835.24.

The Special Committee found it was legal to combine the offices of Clerk and Treasurer, and also legal to pay a retiring allowance to officers, "governed by law."

The High School Boards of Burlington and Oakville were each paid a sum of $500 as an agricultural grant for 1930.

The agreement between Oakville and Trafalgar was ratified, whereby Oakville pays 53⅓% and Trafalgar 41⅔% of the 10% of the cost of the subway.

12,000 feet of snow fence were instructed to be purchased at $8.35 per hundred feet.

SIR HARRY THINKS OF ACTON

And Appreciates the Fellowship Existing with the English Acton

Sir Harry and Lady Brittain, of London, England, celebrated their silver wedding anniversary this month. A congratulatory message was sent them from Acton.

On Monday the following letter was received:

2 Cowley Street,
Westminster Abbey,
London, England,
November 14, 1930

My Dear Mr. Moore:

The very warmest thanks from my wife and myself for the very kindly greetings from you and Mrs. Moore.

There is nothing in my eleven years association with this Acton, as its first member of the British House of Commons, that I remember with more satisfaction than the fact that you and I succeeded in linking up the Actons on either side, to co-operate, I hope, in unison for many a long year to come.

I had a charming letter last week from the editor of the Canadian Printer and Publisher, for whom I have written a short account in the November issue, on the Imperial Press Conference.

He sent me a cordial invitation to revisit Toronto. When I shall be able to do so I do not know, but whenever I am anywhere in or near the Province of Ontario, I shall certainly come and pay my respects to Acton.

With all good wishes to you and to all my good friends of the town of Acton,

Yours very sincerely,
Harry Brittain.

—Christmas Concert at Bannockburn School on December 16. Good programme.