

Acton Defeats Guelph and Burlington in O. H. A. this Week

Seem to Have Now Hit Their Stride and Wins Place Them with a Chance for Making Play-off Position — Juniors Drop Game to New Hamburg but Were Game to the Finish — To Play in Burlington Friday Night — Guelph Juniors Play Here Friday Night — Guelph Intermediates to Come to Acton on Monday.

Friday, the thirteenth, was no jinx for the Acton Intermediate Hockey Club and, in fact, it seemed to mark the end of the jinx that has been following them this year. They went to Guelph and came home with the first win of the present season. In fact, it was the first game in which they showed the same stride as in former years. True, the score wasn't high, but it was enough and the fact remains it was the first two goals scored this year.

There was a fine sheet of ice in Guelph for this game and a good crowd. Acton had a good following; too. It was a real battle from the start and a good game. It had to be, as upon it practically was decided which team was to stay in the running—in the group—and which was to be eliminated. Acton still has a good chance for group honors, while Guelph is almost hopeless this year.

Acton opened the first period playing good combination and team play, while Guelph was disorganized. Terry drew the first penalty of the game, and in fact all of the penalties in the period were handed out to Acton, Gibbons, Huffman and Greer all being penalized, while Guelph had a clean sheet. Spooner pulled Renout out of the goal, but missed his shot, but Guelph also failed to tally on a nice combination rush. The only thing resembling a score was the off-side shot of Guelph in this period. However, for Acton, put up a real goal to save the situation and caught them both high and low. With two men off, Acton was in a precarious position, but got out of the tight place all right—in fact, made the Guelph outfit look very ordinary. Guelph had the advantage in this period, but no score.

Kaiser, for Guelph, made a nice rush in the second period to put Holloway to his knees to save. Terry and Woods got a nice break but no luck, and then Terry got a bad jab that doubled him up and Arbie got a cut over the left eye that removed him from play. Woods was laid out a few minutes later. Three casualties all at the same time it looked anything but hopeful for Acton. There were scrabbles in front of both goals, and an argument when Guelph changed players without play being called. Jack Greer went right through and beat everybody but the goalie and more scrabbles, but no score. The teams looked like scoreless wonders when the bell went to end the second period and neither side had tallied. Acton gave the best exhibition of hockey in this period and had the edge on the play. Spooner drew two penalties and Stickney got one.

Acton started period three a man short. Greer missed another almost sure one. Anyone who says thirteen doesn't mean good-bye jinx for Acton is not wise to Acton's lucky number. After thirteen minutes of play they got the first goal on Friday, the thirteenth. Walters took a nice pass from Spooner and placed the shot in the corner of the net. It was a fine combination play. But Guelph did not give up. They came back gamier than ever and there was no defensive hockey by either team. The second score, which clinched Acton's hold on the game, came a few minutes later, when Greer went on a solo flight and right into the goal. His rebound shot was scooped up by Spooner and landed in the net. That made it two nothing, with four minutes to go. Guelph lacked the team play and failed to get any counters until seventeen seconds from the close of the period. From a face-off in front of Acton goal, Lipsday slipped in their only counter of the game. Bill and Stickney, of Guelph, and Huffman, for Acton, got penalties in this period.

Playing the brand of hockey of this game, Acton seemed to be in their old stride. Holloway played a real game in goal. Gibbons and Greer, on defence, were bulwarks and capable of taking rushes. Terry, Walters and Woods, on the forward line worked well. Spooner was credited by Guelph reports with being the best man on the ice, and his stick handling and back checking were features. Huffman and Arbie were effective in holding their check, but Anderson laid considerable blame on his skates. Renout, Lindsay and Stickney were best for Guelph:

The line-up was:
Acton—Holloway, goal; Greer and Gibbons, defence; Terry, centre; Walters and Woods, wings; Spooner, Arbie, Huffman and Anderson, subs.
Guelph—Renout, goal; Stickney and Murphy, defence; Lindsay, centre; Atcheson and "Chester" Brill, wings; Kaiser, Steep, Clough and Gemmill, subs.

"Tea" Hillman, Kitchener, referee.

NEW HAMBURG 5—ACTON 1
Acton Juniors journeyed to New Hamburg on Friday for an O. H. A. Junior fixture. The rink at New Hamburg is of the old type, quite small but the ice surface was hard, and excellent for fast hockey. The local band was in attendance and they paraded from the hall to

1933 School Board Holds First Meeting

J. M. McDonald Again Chosen as Chairman of the Board—Art Exhibit at Schools

The inaugural meeting of the 1933 School Board was held on Wednesday evening, with Trustees J. M. McDonald, Rev. P. A. Sawyer, J. P. Scarow, W. R. Norton and W. K. Graham present. The members-elect subscribed to the usual declaration of office.

The first duty was the selection of a Chairman, and Rev. P. A. Sawyer was proposed for the office. Mr. Sawyer requested that his nomination be withdrawn and that Mr. J. M. McDonald continue the office for this year.

Moved by Rev. P. A. Sawyer, seconded by W. R. Norton, that J. M. McDonald be and is hereby elected Chairman of the Acton Public School Board for the ensuing year, or until a successor has been elected in his stead.—Carried.
Mr. McDonald thanked the Board for the confidence they had shown in electing him for a second term. He requested that the Board co-operate with him in making the administration of the work the most economical that was possible.

Committees were appointed, as follows:
FINANCE COMMITTEE—Rev. P. A. Sawyer, and J. P. Scarow.
PROPERTY COMMITTEE—W. R. Norton and J. M. McDonald.
SUPPLIES COMMITTEE—Dr. A. J. Buchanan, W. K. Graham.

The Committee on Finance recommended payment of the following accounts in their first report:

Acton Public Utilities Commission, water and light	\$ 21.84
Red Jacket Coal Co., fuel	73.32
Red Jacket Coal Co., emergency freight	3.67
Canadian National Railways, freight	244.40
F. H. Beattie, duty and entry	50.45
G. H. Ritchie, teaming	41.84
Ritchie & Agar, fuel	17.85
D. A. Henderson, fuel	3.00
M. S. H. L. McDonald, insurance premium	27.00
	482.87

The report was adopted. Permission was requested for the Canadian Fine Art Guild to hold an exhibition of fine paintings and sketches of the pupils at the Continuation School.

Permission was granted for the use of the school for this purpose, under the supervision of the teachers.

ANNUAL REPORT Of the Halton Union Insurance Company Shows Good Standing Maintained

The annual reports of the Halton Union Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company have been distributed the past week, and an analysis of the report must be gratifying to policyholders in view of the present conditions which every institution is undergoing at the present time.

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News of Acton and the District

Erin Fair Officers

The following officers were elected at the annual meeting of Erin Agricultural Society: President, George D. Scott; First Vice-President, George Burt; Second Vice-President, Jas. Hurren; Secretary-Treasurer, A. E. McMillan; Directors, Alex. Perry, Harold Griffin, Nell McMillan, Chester Burt, W. A. Burchill, Jas. H. Gibson, George Davis, Fred McEmery, John Lindsay; Lady Directors, the officers wives.

Snakes in January

A farmer from this neighborhood reported that this week he had killed three large garter snakes on his farm that had apparently been attracted out of winter quarters by the mild weather. The reptiles were rather slow and stupid and easily captured, he said. It is certainly quite unusual for snakes to make any appearance in January and such an incident is construed by many to herald a continuance of mild weather for the winter.

Arena Committee Meeting

At a meeting of the Arena Committee on Saturday evening, Mr. J. M. McDonald was elected Chairman. It was decided to allow skating for school children on Wednesday afternoon and Saturday morning free of charge when ice was available. Tuesday nights will be reserved for skating parties and Wednesday and Saturday nights for public skating, with Band in attendance on Saturday nights. The other nights of the week are occupied with the hockey schedules.

Harvesting the Ice Crop

The harvesting of the ice crop at Corporation Pond makes rather a busy scene these days. Mr. William Evans has quite an outfit at work this year. A power driven circular ice saw has been constructed, with the use of an automobile engine and special driving arrangement. The outfit is mounted on runners and can be easily operated by two men. Gages on the machine make the size of the blocks more uniform than previously and of course the ice is cut much faster. Several trucks from other communities are hauling their supply from Acton, where the quality is exceptionally good and the ice is about 13 inches thick. It is being trucked away as fast as it can be cut by the end of the week all that is available on this pond will be cut. Mr. Evans will then commence operations at Fairy Lake, where he also has the privileges of cutting the ice.

Peel Agricultural Society

County of Peel Agricultural Society held its annual meeting last week at Brampton. The annual fair of the Society will be held on Friday and Saturday, September 22 and 23, this year. The Treasurer's report showed that the Society had handled \$6,157 during the past year, and there is a debit balance of \$636 shown. Gate receipts were only \$1,322, while cash prizes awarded amounted to \$1,837. The Society, attempting to raise funds through rodeo riders, who figured largely in the newspapers last summer, expended \$92.20 and received only \$61.50. Officers elected at the meeting were the following: President, W. C. Shaw, Mono Road; Vice-Presidents, W. L. Wilkinson and M. W. Carter, Brampton; Directors, Brampton, Elmer Ingram, C. M. McCollum, Richard Robson, A. H. Milner, Charles Ferriday; Chinguacousy, H. A. Dolson, Harry Laidlaw, Charles Strangway, W. Bovard; Toronto Township, Hunter Arnot, Douglas Duntun, Geo. Fenwick; Toronto Gore, Robert Gardhouse; Streetsville, O. R. Church; Auditors, James Laidlaw, F. J. Thompson.

United Church Women's Missionary Society Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Acton United Church Women's Missionary Society was held on Thursday, January 12, in the school room of the church. Mrs. S. J. Reid, the President, was in the chair. The annual reports were read by the Secretaries, Mrs. J. H. Reed brought in the state of the Nominating Committee, which was adopted, as follows:

President—Mrs. J. W. Barbaree.
1st Vice-President—Mrs. Jas. H. Reed.
2nd Vice-President—Mrs. A. T. Brown.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. C. L. Poole.
Corresponding and Missionary Moot Secretary—Mrs. Annie Johnson.
Treasurer—Mrs. C. C. Speight.
Christian Stewardship and Financial Secretary—Mrs. Gardner.
Strangers' Secretary—Mrs. F. Cleave.
Supply Secretary—Mrs. D. McTavish.
Temperance Secretary—Mrs. J. Symon.
Press Secretary—Mrs. B. Mowat.
Planist—Mrs. R. E. Arnold.
The devotional exercises were taken by Mrs. R. R. Arnold. The topic, "Early Missions in Canada," was read by Mesdames McTavish, Cleave, S. Reid and Gardner.

Nassagaweya Council Holds First Meeting

Officers for Year Are Appointed—Road Expenditure Placed at \$8,811.82

The Nassagaweya Council, elected, composed as follows: Reeve, Duncan Campbell; Councillors, W. J. Bell, George Finney, George Gordon and John Robertson, met on January 9, and after taking the declaration of office, began the work of 1933.

Accounts were passed as follows:
Drs. Garbert and Black \$ 7.00
Acton Free Press, printing 142.93
John Marshall, registering births, marriages, deaths for 1932 15.25
Harold Easley, relief 21.42
C. A. Eley, relief 31.37
Good Roads Association, fee 5.00
Road Superintendent's Voucher No. 1 16.50

A by-law was passed, appointing Township Officers as follows: Assessor, L. W. McMillan; Collector, Thos. Richardson; Member B. O. H. Arnold; Marshall; Sanitary Inspector, George Blacklock; School Attendance Officer, E. D. Mahon; Auditors, Chas. A. Darby and A. J. McPhedran; Sheep Inspectors, D. Irving and Collin Kitching; Weed Inspector, L. W. McMillan.

The Clerk was instructed to subscribe for ten copies of the Municipal World, for members of Council and Officials of the Township.
The Reeve and Clerk were instructed to apply for the Government grant on the road expenditure of 1932, amounting to \$8,811.82.

For road inspection purposes the Township was divided into four sections, Mr. Finney taking the north quarter; Mr. Gordon, the west; Mr. Robertson, the south; and Mr. Bell, the west.

SHORT COURSE STUDENTS' TORONTO EXCURSION

Eighty-four Pupils Charter Two Buses and Spend Educational and Enjoyable Outing in the City

The members of the boys' and girls' classes of the "Three Months' School," along with a number of other people of the community, spent Tuesday in Toronto. Two large Arrow buses were chartered for the occasion, being scheduled to leave at Acton at 8:00 a. m., both buses were filled to capacity and it was a real merry trip to Toronto, everyone feeling high spirited and in the mood for a pleasurable outing. The buses arrived in Toronto about 9:30. The boys and girls then separated, each having a different programme for the day.

During the forenoon the girls visited the head office and warehouses of Loblaw Groceries. Here they were each presented with a delicious box of chocolates. From Loblaw's they went to the T. Eaton Co. Ltd., and after going through the many different departments, had their lunch in the Georgian room. The Acme Dairy was the first place the boys visited in the forenoon. Here they were taken through the entire plant, and in the guest room they were treated to milk and ice cream. Before leaving the boys from Halton, along with boys from Lincoln and Wentworth Counties, had to judge a class of heavy draft horses.

From here the next place was the Union Stock Yards, where Mr. Gilles, of the yards, gave the boys an outline of the facilities offered by the company in handling live stock. For luncheon the boys were guests of the Canadian Meat Packers Ltd. A real delicious dinner was served and for the afternoon speeches Mr. Whitelock, Assistant Superintendent of Agricultural Representatives, acted as Chairman.

In the afternoon the girls were shown through the Farmers' Co-operative and the Museum, while the boys were shown through the Canadian Meat Packers' plant and the Toronto Daily Star building.

About 4:30 the boys and girls assembled at the Parliament Buildings, where a photograph of the group was taken. The members of the Three Months' Schools of Lincoln and Wentworth Counties met here also. The members from Halton outnumbered either of the other counties by a considerable margin. The class from Acton had in their colors, red and white, which looked very attractive, and with their school yell they were quite able to hold their own.

Various Items of Local Interest

I. O. D. E. Bridge Parties

On Wednesday, January 25, a bridge party will be held at the home of Mrs. A. Mason, under the auspices of the Duke of Devonshire Chapter of the I. O. D. E. In the afternoon at 2:30 the party will be for ladies and in the evening at 8:00 o'clock for the gentlemen. The admission will be 25c.

G. M. Leslie President of Esqueping Agricultural Society

At the annual meeting of the Esqueping Agricultural Society on Saturday, the following officers were elected for 1933: President, G. M. Leslie; Vice-Presidents, E. McWhurter and W. C. Anthony; Secretary, W. A. Wilson; Treasurer, Percy Cleaves. An Executive Committee of twenty-three members was also appointed. Reports for the past year showed a balance of \$105, on hand, and it was decided to hold the 1933 fair at Georgetown on October 3 and 4.

Dufferin Agricultural Society Officers

At a meeting of Dufferin Agricultural Society the following officers were appointed: President, J. C. Jackson; Vice-Presidents, Robert Rowan and W. H. Grey; Directors: Mono, J. W. Ludlow, W. A. Donaldson and Wallace Gallagher; Caledon, W. J. Holmes and W. H. Black; Amaranth, Herb. Hughes, W. S. Golden and Arbie Vance; East, Carl Frank, Nelson Black, George I. Nodwell; Erin, John Young, W. E. Barber; Orangeville, Dr. Riddle, William Hoar, Joshua Reid, James Ingham, and Ralph Banbury; Auditors, G. B. Hayes and A. H. Woodland.

Brother and Sister Re-united

A few weeks ago THE FREE PRESS published an item at the request of a sister in England asking Harry Watts to write her as she had not heard from him for several years. It is about twenty years since Mr. Watts left Acton. We are in receipt this week of the following letter from Mr. Watts, who has been located at Whitby. "Dear Sir: I am writing to thank you for inserting that article for my missing brother, giving my sister's address. I had lost all trace of her. Again thanking you, I remain, your truly, H. Watts, Whitby, Ont." THE FREE PRESS is happy to have been the means of re-uniting brother and sister again.

At the Gregory on Friday

The melody and gaiety of old Vienna—the old Vienna of the days when kings, emperors and other potentates of Europe assembled to decide the fate of that bad boy of Corsica, Napoleon—provides the background of "Congress Dances," which is being shown on Friday at the Gregory Theatre. It was a period of glamor and magnificence and it lends itself brilliantly to cinematic treatment. Eric Charell, the Ziegfeld of Germany, is responsible for it, and one can detect in it the spectacle and the music of Charell's celebrated stage productions. But this is not to say that it is of the stage—for the reason that it has a sweep and a movement denied to any stage.

Peel-Halton Breeders Have Balance of \$140

Dr. Frank Spohfeld, of the Ontario Veterinary College, Guelph, was the guest speaker at the annual meeting of the Peel and Halton Jersey Breeders' Association, held at Brampton. The Association has a balance on hand of \$140, and reports four new herds registered in the past year. Elmo Ashton gave a report of the development of the breed in the two counties. Officers elected were: Hon. Presidents, D. O. Bull, J. M. Dolson, E. Dieck, President, Hunter Arnbtt, Meadowdale; Vice-Presidents, Ed. Harrop, Milton; Watson Wiggins, Caledon; Secretary-Treasurer, Robert Segsworth, Brampton; Directors, J. D. Orr, Bronte; John Donalds, Ingleside; Frank McCulloch, Erin; Frank Chapman, Milton; Donald Bull, Norval; Cyril Clark, Norval; Hugh Black, Milton; Ward Ruddell, Georgetown; R. J. Graham, Norval.

Reformatory Sentence for Trafalgar Treasurer

Charles E. Ryan, ex-Treasurer of Trafalgar Township, appeared before Judge Munro here Monday last, pleaded guilty to three charges of theft of Township funds, and received the following sentence: For theft of \$1,574.54, 18 months determinate and six months indeterminate in Ontario Reformatory at Guelph; theft of \$240, one year determinate and six months indeterminate; theft of \$471, one year determinate and six months indeterminate, the last two sentences to run concurrent with the first. Character evidence was given by T. A. Blakelock, M. P. P., and Jas. Waldbrock, of Oakville, and evidence as to the prisoner's health was given by Dr. Steed, of Oakville. D. Q. Cameron, of Oakville, counsel for the prisoner, asked leniency on account of Ryan's failing health and the fact that the prisoner intended to pay back the money. Mr. Cameron feared that confinement in prison would mean death to Ryan.—Milton Champion.

Council Appoints Arena Committee—Auditors Receive \$150 for Services

Cemetery Commission and Council to Confer Regarding Note at Bank Which Must be Paid — Arena Booth Concession Was Let — Arrears of Taxes Will be Tackled at Next Council Meeting.

The regular fortnightly meeting of the Council was held in the Council chamber on Monday evening, with Council members Wallace A. Lasby, E. Jones, Jas. E. McMillan and S. M. Lasby present, and Reeve E. T. Thetford in the chair.

After the minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted, the Finance Committee presented their second report and recommended payment of the following accounts:

Acton Public Utilities Commission, Town Hall Lighting	\$ 4.64
Acton Public Utilities Commission, street lighting	147.00
Acton Public Utilities Commission, pump house light	1.50
Acton Public Utilities Commission, Arena, water and light	24.88
Acton Public Utilities Commission, power at spring	19.24
Bell Telephone Co., account	15.90
Municipal World, assessment supplies	21.61
Acton Fall Fair, rental of rent of Town Hall, for dance	10.00
W. D. C. Talbot, supplies	2.33
Mrs. W. D. McArthur, stove for Arena	4.00
Mrs. H. L. McDonald, insurance premium	40.00
R. M. McDonald, Treasurer Relief Committee, funds received from Provincial Treasurer	7.88
Miss Kathleen Kelly, nurse, re Board of Health	72.00
	\$439.98

The report was adopted. Mr. Wallace A. Lasby explained a policy on the Arena. The policy was to the amount of \$2,000 in the Perth Mutual Company.

It was decided the Fall Fair was a community affair they would refund the amount of Town Hall rental for the dance.
The Reeve drew the attention of the Council to the account of Miss Kelly, which was rejected last meeting. The Council was obligated to pay this account in compliance with the Act regarding contagious diseases. The patients had given a note and promised to repay the account as soon as possible.

Reeve Thetford and Councillor S. M. Lasby interviewed Messrs. R. R. Arnold and W. Nesbit in regard to the auditing of the Lottery books. They, however, refused to do it for less than \$150.00, and they were engaged at this figure.

The Bank of Montreal notified the Council that the Cemetery Commission had a note of \$1,800, and as the Council had guaranteed the note, the Bank felt that it should be paid. The note had been made at the time the Cemetery had been improved. At that time the Commission felt they could pay the account by the sale of lots, but returns had not been sufficient to meet the obligation.

The Clerk was instructed to write Mr. R. M. McDonald requesting him to attend the next meeting with all books in regard to the Cemetery Commission.
A tender was received for the booth concession at the Arena. The tender of \$5 for the balance of the season was accepted, but all the fees had to be paid in advance.

An Arena Committee had been appointed the past week, the Reeve informing the meeting. The Committee was to be composed of the Reeve and Councillors Jas. E. McMillan and Sam. M. Lasby, Messrs. J. M. McDonald, Chairman, Dr. A. J. Buchanan, G. A. Dills and W. R. Norton. The Committee were to look after the Arena, but all accounts and alterations had to be sanctioned by the Council.

In order to discuss the arrears of taxes, the Council will meet at 7:30, instead of 8:00 o'clock, at the next meeting.
A letter from the Salvation Army was filed, also one from the Good Roads Association, regarding membership.

100 YEARS AGO

Minutes of Nassagaweya Council Giving Business that Occupied Attention of Council a Century Ago

At the Town meeting, held at William Trudgeman's, on the first Monday of January, in the year 1833, the following men were chosen to office:

Town Clerk—Donald Black.
Assessors—Edward Hilton and Timothy Wallace.
Collector—Samuel Taylor.
Town Wardens—Elias Easterbrook, Neil McPhedran.
Pound Keeper—William Whitley.

Pastmasters—James Harris, Joseph Harris, William Judgeon, Henry Burrows, Matthew Easterbrook, George Calvert, Benjamin Kean, Benjamin Wallace, John Black, John King, Dugald Lutch, David Agnew, Peter Masales, David Scott, Alexander McCann, Walter McMurphy.

Hogs and Fences—Same as last year; also Burrs and Thistles.
[The above is just as it appeared in the minutes of 100 years ago, and has kindly been furnished by the Township Clerk, Mr. John Marshall.]

Jas. R. Ramshaw President Acton Fair

Good Reports from All Departments—September 19 and 20 Are 1933 Dates

The annual meeting of Acton Fall Fair Association was held in the Town Hall yesterday afternoon, and was well attended. The auditors' report, submitted by Messrs. A. T. Brown and E. Beswick, revealed the Fair to have a successful year. In spite of reverses Acton Fair paid an hundred cents on the dollar for prize winners and all expenses, and while the 1932 fair did not pile up a surplus for the treasury, it at least carried itself.

A fund is on hand to carry on, and the future was viewed with keen optimism by the Board and members. Over \$1,300 was paid out in prize money the past year. The meeting was conducted by President C. W. McKewon.

Officers for the year were elected as follows:
President—R. J. Ramshaw.
First Vice-President—J. F. Robertson.
Second Vice-President—V. B. Rumley.
Directors—W. K. Graham, G. A. Dills, W. J. Patterson, S. H. Lindsay, G. A. Dills, Murray, J. A. Mann, W. O. Moffat, L. O. Johnston, E. Faarpan, Wm. Horrop, J. M. McDonald, D. McDougall, L. L. Mullin, W. R. Norton, J. J. Stewart, W. J. Akins, George Somerville, R. L. Davidson, M. Symon, C. McKewon, D. D. Walde.

Superintendent of the Field—R. J. Kerr.
Superintendent of the Hall—C. Woodhall.
Upon motion, Mr. W. R. Kenney's years of service to the Acton Fair were given recognition when he was made a life member of the Board.

Messrs. E. Beswick and A. T. Brown were re-appointed Auditors for the coming year.
In retiring from the Presidency Mr. C. W. McKewon thanked the officers and directors for the splendid support they had accorded him during his term of office.
Votes of thanks were tendered Mr. McKewon and Secretary F. L. Wright for their efficiency and courtesy in the conduct of their duties during the year. Both were highly complimented for the manner in which the 1932 Fair had been conducted.

The dates of the 1933 Fair were chosen as Tuesday and Wednesday, September 19 and 20.

President-elect Jas. R. Ramshaw assumed the chair for the subsequent meeting of the new Directors, which was called following the Annual Meeting. He had served on the Board for thirteen years and enjoyed the work with the Board, which had always co-operated so well. He was sure that with a continuance of this same harmony Acton Fair could attain ever greater success.

Mr. F. L. Wright was the unanimous choice of the new Board as the Secretary for 1933.

It was arranged to hold the next meeting of the Board on Wednesday, March 8, or at the call of the President.

Various News Items

Plant Alterations

The extensive alterations and improvements at the Mason Knitting Co. plant are well under way. The floor of the new section is almost completed and the machinery is being replaced. Entire new electric wiring and lighting is being installed and new plumbing. When completed this plant will be enabled to meet the demands for its products with great facility under much improved conditions. It is expected that the plant will open within a week or so and start into production.

New Canadian Money

In the calendar year 1932, the Royal Canadian Mint in Ottawa issued 26,228,290 coins, having a currency value of \$665,200. The values of the silver coins were: 50-cent pieces, \$18,400; 25-cent pieces, \$134,000; 10-cent pieces, \$134,600. Five-cent nickel pieces to the value of \$165,000, and one-cent pieces in bronze to the value of \$213,200 were issued. Of the gold bullion received by the Mint during the year, 2,585,930 ounces gross weight was refined and 934,347 refined. It contained 2,829,529 ounces of fine gold and 326,671 ounces of fine silver. A total of 2,845,377 ounces of fine gold was delivered during the year to the currency branch of the Canadian Government Department of Finance and 27,844 ounces to manufacturers and others. This had a total value of \$59,394,754. This gold came from the mines of Canada and provided the largest gold transaction since the war years, when the Mint refined much of the gold produced by the mines of South Africa.