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News of Acton and the District

Divorce Cases Seek Courts Outside City

Nine divorce cases and two civil cases are listed on the docket of the Spring Assizes, which opens in Brampton, under Mr. Justice Kingston. Six of the divorce cases concern Toronto parties and one each from Hamilton, Toronto Township and Brampton.

Junior I. O. D. E. Activities

On Wednesday evening the Lakeside Chapter I. O. D. E. and a few of their friends enjoyed a euchre party at the home of Miss Marguerite Ryder. A delightful lunch was served, during which prizes were presented to Mrs. A. J. Buchanan and Mrs. C. Leshman. The victors' lucky draw prize was won by Mrs. C. L. Nelles. This is the first of a series of parties to help raise funds for the many causes the Chapter assists. Through the kindness of Mrs. H. P. Moore in offering her home, the Lakeside Chapter I. O. D. E. completed three quilts for relief purposes one evening recently.

Missionary Group in Charge at Knox Y. P. S.

The regular meeting of the Knox Young People's Guild was held, with a good attendance. In the absence of the President, Mr. Brownlow, Mrs. H. Mainprize, Convener of the Missionary Group, occupied the chair. Following the opening hymn, the scripture lesson was read by Jack Graham and Miss Bessie Rawlings led in prayer. A solo by Miss Laura Hall and a piano solo by Miss Lillian Woodhall were much enjoyed. Rev. H. L. Bennie gave a very interesting study talk Mrs. Bennie gave an address on Mission Work from Coast to Coast in Canada, illustrated with lantern slides, which proved instructive.

Local Men at Work on Second Line

On Monday morning five of the unemployed men from Acton were put to work on the second line project of improving this road by the County. They are taken to the work and brought home at night again by Chief McPherson, and meals are eaten in the building at Spay-side, formerly used for a Sunday School. While the weather has been rather cold, the brushing and rock cutting work being done can be accomplished in the winter. With the advent of warmer weather, the work will make better progress, however. A broken rock drill held up the work last week. The men from here will likely be given work for this week and then those from other sections given an opportunity.

Hit by Falling Tree

Crushed by a falling tree while at work in his father's bush, Edwin Freiburger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Freiburger, of near Riversdale, lies in the Bruce County Hospital, Walkerton, in a serious condition, with a broken back and ribs and a fractured skull. Bright hopes are held for his recovery. Young Freiburger, in company with the hired man, was in the bush felling a tree on Monday afternoon. The tree began to fall before Freiburger was able to get to safety, being caught and crushed underneath. Help was immediately summoned and the young man was taken to the hospital, where X-ray examination revealed serious injuries.

For Over 18,000,000 Pairs of Feet

One of the most skilled and best organized industries in Canada is that which has as its products leather boots and shoes. So satisfactory are the boots and shoes made in Canadian factories that the overwhelming majority of the people of the Dominion buy none other. Only a few years ago boot and shoe makers in the British Isles and the United States particularly found Canada a rather substantial market. A report just issued on the industry in Canada in 1932 states that the output of leather footwear during that year was 18,376,123 pairs, an increase of 36,488 pairs over 1931 and of 593,297 pairs over 1930. The total value of production in the year under review was \$32,242,416. The industry is centred principally in the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario, for of the 191 factories, 108 are in the former province, and 86 in the latter. The remaining 17 are distributed among the other seven provinces. The 191 factories employed 13,723 persons. Imports of footwear, not including rubber, into Canada in 1932 had a total value of \$823,396, a decrease of \$985,655 or 54 per cent. from the preceding year and a decrease of \$2,402,724 or 74 per cent. from 1931. The imports from the British Isles in 1932 were valued at \$362,113, a decrease of 23 per cent. compared with 1931 and 10 per cent. from the United States had a value of \$464,956, a decrease of 70 per cent. The greater part of the footwear imported from the British Isles is for women. Exports of Canadian-made leather footwear in 1932 amounted to 18,321 pairs, valued at \$43,692.

Agreement Reached on Care of Hydrants

Commission Will Prepare a List of the Necessary Equipment and Confer with the Council

At the fortnightly session of the Council on Monday evening, Councillors W. A. Lasby, J. E. McMillan, S. M. Lasby and E. Jones were present and Reeve E. Theford presiding.

A letter from St. Michael's Hospital gave notice to the Council of admittance of an indigent patient. The parties were not resident of Acton, and the Clerk was instructed to write disclaiming any responsibility.

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

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| W. R. Lashbrook, arena repairs..... | \$ 4.25 |
| W. D. Talbot, supplies..... | 8.27 |
| J. W. Jones, supplies for arena..... | .68 |
| Acton Public Utilities Commission, collecting taxes..... | 36.00 |
| Jonas Massey, refund dog tax..... | 1.54 |
| Bell Telephone Co., services..... | 13.41 |
| Municipal World minute book..... | 12.11 |
| L. E. Atkinson, wood for Town Hall and Arena..... | 44.00 |
| | \$85.65 |

The report was adopted.

A motion was passed, writing off a tax amount which had been paid to the Public Utilities Commission.

Fire Chief McDonald, Commissioners L. G. King and R. J. Kerr and Superintendent Wilson were present to discuss with the Council the responsibility of the care of the fire hydrants. The damage of breaking this equipment had brought this question up and it was thought advisable to come to a definite arrangement.

The Commissioners of the Public Utilities body were under the impression that everything in connection with the fire fighting equipment was under the jurisdiction of the Fire and Light Committee of the Council, and had assumed that the municipal officers had the care of the hydrants. At the present time there was no material available in case of an emergency.

Fire Chief R. M. McDonald gave his conception of the working of the department. At the inception the Council had had complete control of the system. According to his understanding, the Fire and Light Committee had control and the Brigade was under the direction of the Chief, who was an appointee of the Council.

It developed during the evening that the municipal officers checked the hydrants in the spring and fall and the Fire Chief usually gave an inspection also.

The by-law passed by the electors, forming the Acton Public Utilities Commission, was read. According to this document, the Commission was endowed with complete control and management of Acton Waterworks System, under the same arrangement as the Hydro system. The whole matter was not a case of anyone shirking responsibility, but an effort to secure a definite understanding. A motion was prepared in an effort to straighten the matter out, but the majority of the Council deemed that this interpretative motion was unnecessary as all was covered in the by-law, which could not be changed without a vote of the electors.

An arrangement was finally arrived at with the Commission agreeing to prepare a list of the supplies necessary and submitting it to the Council for final decision before purchasing.

Reeve Theford invited Commissioners King and Kerr to attend a meeting of the Murray Memorial Committee on Wednesday evening. Mr. Kerr had left before the invitation was extended, but Mr. King refused, on the ground that the Commission was not interested or had no right to attend or take part in a meeting of this Committee. He was willing to discuss Commission affairs with the Council, but the Committee was not a municipal body, but constituted for a special work.

Baseball Next!

With the hockey season scarcely over, the sixteenth annual meeting of the Ontario Baseball Amateur Association is scheduled for Saturday, April 7. Nominations for officers and the executive must be in the hands of the O. B. A. A. Secretary, W. J. Snyder, 162 Sanford Avenue North, Hamilton, on or before March 24. All amendments or proposed changes to the O. B. A. A. constitution or by-laws must be forwarded (by writing) to the O. B. A. A. Secretary on or before March 24. Affiliated associations or leagues are requested to hold re-organization meetings not later than March 15 to elect their officers and appoint delegates to represent their association or league at the annual meeting. Every affiliated association and league should be represented at this very important annual meeting. All of which means that the local club should get down to organization right now.

Acton Juniors Capture the Smith Trophy from Georgetown

Win the Coveted Prize for the First Time in Five Years—Defeat Georgetown by 8-2 Score in the Georgetown Arena After Losing in Acton by 4-3—Norm. Morton Chalks Up Four of the Counters—Manager Jack Morton Leads the Boys to This First Capture of the Trophy—Georgetown Couldn't Take It.

The Acton Juniors journeyed to Georgetown on Tuesday night for the second game of the Peter Smith Trophy series, facing a one goal deficit. But, after sixty minutes of hockey they were on the big end of an 8-2 score, winning the round 11-6, and bringing home the cup for the first time in five years.

The first period opened up pretty even, with both sides having shots on goal. Acton was out to get back the one goal Georgetown didn't appear to be playing a defensive game, and gave Byron many chances. Alcott, in goal for the locals, was also given a lot to do. The Acton boys appeared to work better than the Georgetown pucksters, and their flashy combination, speed and back-chucking were too much for the locals. Georgetown started off the scoring, when Wheeler accepted a perfect pass and drilled a hot one past Byron. This put the locals two up on the round, and the crowd were feeling very happy. This made Acton try harder than ever, and after repeated attempts to beat Alcott, Morton finally pushed the rubber past him, when E. Marzo passed from behind the net. Georgetown started to press again, but the Acton boys were "right on" and their passing plays were clicking. However, there was no more scoring in this period.

The second period opened at a whirlwind pace, with Acton pressing the play. Inside of two minutes Acton had scored twice on Alcott. The second one caused quite an argument, holding up the game for about five minutes, but everything was finally settled and the puck faced off at centre ice. This put Acton one goal up on the round and Georgetown went on the offensive. But they didn't have a show. Acton would wait for the break and make a three man rush, which would carry them right in on Alcott. However, he was playing a steady game. About half way through the game the game started to get lively. Players would fall all over themselves, and the crowd hollered for a penalty. There would be scrambles around the Acton net, with sticks slashing, and everybody fighting for the puck. Then the same thing would happen around the Georgetown net. As one fan described it, it was a "battle royal." Before the period was over Acton had registered another counter and were leading 4-1 on the game. Georgetown tried hard to score, but it was always the same result, too much Acton. There was another holdup in the second period when the puck went over the boards and some fan threw it at Jack Kenner, who was the referee. He found out who it was and tried to have him thrown out, but there was nothing doing, and the game got under way again. Play continued from end to end, but there was no more scoring.

The third period was a continuation of the "battle," but it wasn't a rough game, and there was never any signs of fighting. The local boys became disorganized and relied mostly on individual efforts, although there were several nice passing plays. But it took Acton to show real passing, and it was a treat to watch as they went in on Alcott time and time again. He played his usual cool, heady game and it was no fault of his there were eight goals scored. Acton were letting Georgetown carry the play now, and would wait for a break. Any time Georgetown got in on Byron was almost unbeatable, and saved many a goal for his net. He got a crack on the head in this stanza, and was out for a few minutes. At the same time Mooney went crashing into the boards, but both came back again, and it didn't hinder their playing any. The Acton boys were playing like mad and had nearly all the play. The Georgetown fans were yelling at the referee just to get something to yell about. A Georgetown shot hit the Acton goal and the red light flashed, but Referee Kenner let the play go on, and the crowd didn't like it. Georgetown were playing four forwards up and Acton got five breaks and had lots of close calls. They managed to put four more past Alcott while Georgetown banged one past Byron, during a scramble around the Acton net. The finish of the game stood 8-2 for Acton, with the score on the round 11-6. After the game the cup was presented to Edzo Marzo, the Captain of the team. Both teams gave cheers for their opponents, and the players all shook hands.

The scorers for Georgetown were Wheeler and Richardson; while for Acton Morton had four, I. Marzo two, and B. Gibbons and Mooney, one each.

The line-up was: Acton—Goal, Byron; defence, E. Marzo, Tyler; centre, Mooney; wings, Morton, Marshall; subs, I. Marzo, Lantz, Molozie Gibbons.

Georgetown—Goal, Alcott; defence, Dewhurst, Critchton; centre, Ritchie;

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GOLDEN WEDDING OF MOFFAT COUPLE

Mr. and Mrs. George Amos Were Married February 17, 1884—Recall Reminiscences of Wedding Day

On February 27, 1884, Ellen Adams and George Amos were married in Waterloo County, by Rev. Dr. Dixon, of the Central Presbyterian Church of Galt. Tuesday was their golden wedding anniversary. But owing to sudden and serious illness in the families of both Mr. and Mrs. Amos, plans had been made to celebrate their anniversary had to be postponed. They have two sons, Robert and Thomas, and five grandchildren.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Amos were born in Waterloo County, and moved to Moffat some 45 years ago. They have resided there ever since. After going to Moffat Mr. Amos took up farming and later established the Pleasant Valley herd of Shorthorns. It was not long before the name "Amos" became a synonym for good Shorthorns and constructive breeding.

Mr. Amos comes of Scottish parentage, and his father before him was a famous breeder of Shorthorns. His two sons are also enthusiastic Shorthorn breeders. A partnership was formed, and in 1908 the firm of George Amos & Sons came into existence. Later Thomas retired from the old firm and entered into a partnership with Duncan Campbell, taking over the famous Billie herd, and the two Shorthorn firms in which the name of "Amos" figured, both located near Moffat, began a friendly rivalry as to which firm should win the higher honors in the show ring and in the wider field of Shorthorn breeding.

George Amos is a very modest and retiring man and not fond of the limelight. Mrs. Amos, like her husband, is of Scottish descent, and is noted for her wholesome hospitality. Intimate acquaintances say that she can converse as freely as any native Scot in the real Scottish "Doric."

Mr. and Mrs. Amos are the oldest settlers now living in the village of Moffat, and they have witnessed many changes in the locality, but the one they stress most is the general improvement in the country around, and especially in the roads. They remember when all travelling was done by means of horse and buggy or cutter, and Mrs. Amos' father was the first man to drive his automobile to church. Mrs. Amos also recalls when the railroad was built in that section of the country, and she says that when the surveyors first started to learn what it was all about, and there was much excitement in the village.

"We had not much variety in the way of amusement," she says, "but we certainly knew how to make our own fun, and we had a much better time than folks have nowadays, with lots of house parties and dances."

According to Mr. Amos, the house parties were about the only source of enjoyment, but his wife did not agree with that as she said, "Why, I'd rather go to a quilting bee than a house party or dance, any day!"

"This winter," said Mr. Amos, "is just like our old-time winters when the snow was deep enough to cover the fence and the cold was very severe. This certainly reminds me of old times."

Milton Water Supply Low

The water supply in the town of Milton has been causing considerable uneasiness. Owing to the heavy frosts the available supply of water has steadily dwindled until at the present time the water in the reservoir is dangerously low. An appeal to all citizens to conserve water was issued some days ago and because of the number of people who were letting the water run all night in order to avoid frozen pipes, Council decided that the water would be shut off every night from seven o'clock until six in the morning in order to maintain sufficient water for fire protection. On Saturday a notice was also served on all citizens, that because of the low water in the reservoir all drinking water should be boiled until further notice. Frost has created considerable havoc in that district, a large number of apple water pipes and tanks being frozen up. The trees at the Court House are frozen, thereby shutting off the heat supply. The cleaning and pressing plant is also tied up on account of frozen pipes.

THE EVENING MEAL DIGESTERS

Policeman (to intoxicated man who is trying to fit his key to a lamp post)—"I'm afraid there's nobody home there tonight."

Stude—"Ma' be, ma' be—thera' a light upstairs."

A Selection of News Items

"For He Hath Great Possessions"

On Sunday evening, March 18, the young people of Burlington, United Church will visit Acton and give the sacred presentation "For He Hath Great Possessions." This will be part of the evening service on that date.

United Church Young People's

The United Church Young People's League meeting was in charge of Miss Jean Barbour, and opened with the singing of the hymn, "Take My Life and Let It Be." Mr. Albert Mills read the scripture lesson and Miss Velma Blair rendered a piano solo. The topic, "Would Jesus Draw the Color Line?" was given in an interesting way by Miss Barbour. Miss Barbour closed the meeting with prayer.

Officers of Milton I. O. D. E.

The annual meeting was held at the home of Mrs. P. Z. Cooke, Milton. Officers elected were: Honorary Regent, Miss Bastien; Honorary Vice-Regent, Mrs. Richard White; Regent, Mrs. Book; Vice-Regents, Mrs. Gowland, Mrs. Hately; Secretary, Mrs. Yates; Assistant, Mrs. Philip; Treasurer, Miss Blain; Editor, Mrs. Baker; Education, Mrs. Turner; Standard Bearer, Mrs. Hardy; Councillors, Mesdames Houston, McClennahan, Fox, Bowen, Wilkinson, Agnew, Marshall, Syer and Cookman.

February Frigidly Worst Since 1885

More shivering was done in Ontario during the month which ended yesterday than in any February since 1885. The average temperature in Toronto for February, this year, was 10.2 degrees above zero. In both 1885 and in 1875 the figure was 9.2, but with these two exceptions the wave of frigidly through which the country has just passed has been unsurpassed in the ninety years during which official readings have been recorded. These figures were announced last night by Frank O'Donnell, chief forecaster for the Weather Bureau in Toronto.

Decided Recovery is Shown in Employment

Decided recovery from seasonal employment losses is reported by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. On February 1 the largest employment gain on that date since 1921 was noted. The increase in staffs of the 8,463 firms reporting, over the figures for January 1, was 25,945 or 31 per cent. The reported staffs aggregated 846,943 persons. The improvement on the latest date was substantially more than seasonal, the Bureau reports. It compared favorably with declines recorded at the beginning of February, 1931, 1932 and 1933. The index, based on the 1926 average of 1,000, stood at 91.4 on February 1, 1934, compared with 88.6 on January 1 and 77.0 at the first of February of last year.

The Stillman-O'Shea Wedding in Guelph

A quiet wedding took place at the home of Rev. R. H. W. Stillman, second eldest son of the Rev. and Mrs. "Sunnyholm," on Mrs. No. 2, Guelph, when Annie Emily, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. O'Shea, of Guelph, was united in marriage to Adelbert Ward Stillman, second eldest son of the Rev. and Mrs. H. W. Stillman. The Rev. W. J. Piddes, of Paisley Memorial Church, officiated. The bride was attended by her sisters, the Misses Margaret and Patricia O'Shea, the groom's eldest brother acting as groomsmen. Following the ceremony relatives and guests sat down to a delightful banquet. The happy couple, who have been the recipients of many presents and good wishes, will take up their residence at "Sunnyholm."

Motorists Attempt to Settle Differences with Fists

With Provincial Officers A. E. Riley, Cookville, and Donald Huffman, Brampton, as referees, Herbert McCulloch, Grant Avenue south, Galt, and Olayton McCutcheon, also of Galt, staged an impromptu prize fight in a garage on the Dundas Highway, on Sunday, where they had been taken to straighten out their differences following an accident near Streetsville road. The belligerents were separated by the officers before any great damage was done, and further argument was suspended while they were lodged in police cells at Brampton, charged with disorderly conduct, and with being intoxicated in a public place. "McCulloch, driving east, had become involved in an accident with William P. McCoun, Milverton Blvd., Toronto, who was driving west on the Dundas Highway. Both drivers, with McCutcheon, a passenger in the McCulloch car, were accused to a nearby garage by the officers, to straighten out their differences. The argument became heated, and it is claimed, that without warning, McCulloch landed a stinging blow on McCutcheon and a free-for-all started. Following his arrest, McCulloch became unmanageable, the officers claim, and had to be handcuffed. Both appeared before Magistrate I. J. O. Bull, in Peel County police court, Brampton.

Oakville Won from Acton by 7-1 Score

Lakeside Town Has Smart Hockey Outfit — Locals Gave Them a Good Game

Acton and Oakville came together in a hockey game last Friday night, just to see how they panned off, and the 7-1 score tells the story. It doesn't matter whether they're home-brewed, gathered in or just drifted together, the Lakeside outfit is a smart intermediate team, and it will be some intermediate team that will challenge their claim to the championship.

From the standpoint of a contest, the event wasn't a thriller, but Acton gave the Lakesiders plenty to make them play the game, but around the goal Oakville showed a flash that resulted in counters that Acton lacked. Moore, for Oakville, got the first counter in the first few minutes of play. Walters shot on Forder was weak. Ronald went right past the defence for the second tally. Holloway had to go down to save another one, and Arbuckle a nice back-hand shot. Acton put everyone forward to get a score, and Ronald broke, to make it three. Peer missed the open net, and didn't like his luck. Tost got right in on Forder, but the Oakville goalie won out. Oakville certainly played nice combination and it was a fine period. Penalties went to Percy Allan and Tost.

In the second period, Allan went right in on Holloway, but shot wide. Townsley missed on a couple more chances and Ronald's shot went wide. Gibbons, for Acton, came only close to scoring, and Acton was lucky when Oakville went right in. Cy Allan and Townsley combined on a nice play to make the count four, and Peer went right through for a nice goal to make it five. Oakville was playing nice around the goal and Holloway was a busy boy. The period was better than the first one.

Greer started the third period in goal for Acton, and was pretty lucky for quite awhile. Oakville loosened up on their defence, and Acton came on the score sheet when Morton took a pass from Tost, and Forder was down. Greer was out of his net, but no score was chalked up. Harry Cheu played in some hard luck when he missed on a couple of passes right in front of the goal. Sutcliffe went right in on Greer, but the biggest guy won out, and there was no score. The sixth goal was by Ronald from Swayze when they were right in, and the seven by Moore from Cy Allan. There was a crowd of a couple of hundred in attendance.

The line-up was: Acton—Holloway, goal; Jack Kenner and Gibbons, defence; Tost, centre; Morton and Ansley, wings; Joe Kenner, Walters, Arble and Cheu, alternates; Greer, sub goal.

Oakville—Forder, goal; Sutcliffe and Moore, defence; Townsley, centre; P. Allan, and Peer, wings; Swayze, Ronald, Wilson, McRae, C. Allan; alternates. Referee—Chick Sommers, Burlington.

HARRIS CUP SCHEDULE

Drawn Up at Georgetown Last Night—First Game Scheduled for Tomorrow Night

At a meeting in Georgetown last night the following schedule for the Harris Cup was drawn up. All the clubs, except Burlington were represented, and it is not definitely known whether this club will enter a team. They will, however, not play the first game to-morrow night in Acton and will default this game.

Friday, March 2—Burlington at Acton; Georgetown at Milton.

Tuesday, March 6—Milton at Acton; Burlington at Georgetown.

Friday, March 9—Acton at Georgetown; Milton at Burlington.

Tuesday, March 13—Acton at Milton; Georgetown at Burlington.

Thursday, March 15—Georgetown at Acton.

Friday, March 16—Burlington at Milton.

Tuesday, March 20—Acton at Burlington; Milton at Georgetown.

First two teams to play home and home games, with goals to count.

Cold Hampers Work on Middle Road

Any hope which may have been held for completion of the Middle Road Credit River bridge piers before spring break-up has been definitely abandoned. With the first pier completed, and the shaft for the second well under way, work will be pushed steadily until this section of the work is finished, but no attempt will be made to even start on the remaining piers until after spring flood waters have subsided. It was learned, One Hundred men are now at work on this section of the Middle Road project. Working in two shifts of eight hours each, the job is kept on the move from eight in the morning until midnight, and steady progress is being recorded, despite the weather. Pier number one, on the east bank of the ravine, is completed and the work of sinking the shaft for pier number two, in the centre of the river, is well under way. The coffer-dam is in place, and work on the caisson started.

Various Interesting Items of News

Baptist Young People's

The Baptist Young People's meeting was in charge of Miss M. Masalos on Monday night. The roll was answered with "Favorite Characters in the New Testament." Readings were given by Miss M. Worden, Mrs. Begley and Bertha Brislaw. The scripture lesson was read by Miss Winnie Reid. Miss Masalos gave an interesting talk on "Success and Failure." Prior to the meeting, a song service was held, with Miss M. Worden presiding at the organ.

Agreement Reached in Suburban Railway Shares

An agreement has been reached by the Canadian National Railways with the British Empire Trust Company, acting on behalf of stockholders of the Toronto Suburban Railway, whereby the C. N. R. will acquire the 4 1/2 per cent. stock on the basis of 25 per cent. of its par value. This was stated in the House of Commons by Hon. R. J. Manion, Minister of Railways and Canals. The arrangement, the Minister stated, was subject to necessary financial provision being made in the Parliament budget for the Canadian National.

May Combine Municipal Offices in Georgetown

At a special meeting of Georgetown Council, debate centred on the appointment of a permanent Clerk and Treasurer for the town. Although no definite action was taken, opinion of the Council was in favor of the combination of the two offices. P. B. Harrison, Treasurer of the town, has been doing the work of Town Clerk since the death of Dr. F. L. Heath. At a previous meeting of Council, Mayor J. Gibbons pointed out that the town was put in a false position by not having formally appointed a Clerk, and urged that an appointment be made as soon as possible.

Dublin Institute Meeting

The Dublin branch of the Women's Institute held their February meeting at the home of Mrs. George Somerville. The President, Mrs. Storey, was in the chair, and the meeting opened by singing the Institute Rally. The roll call was answered by a Valentine verse. It was decided to give a quilt that had been finished to a needy family. A display of articles made from sacks proved very economical. A reading was given by Mrs. W. Britton, and a solo by Margaret Somerville. A contest, making a quilt block, was held, and Mrs. Sayers won first prize, and Mrs. Marshall the second prize. The next meeting will be held at Mrs. McDougall's, and Mr. A. G. Kistline will give an address on poultry raising. The meeting was closed by the singing of the National Anthem. Lunch was served and a social time spent.

Activity at Canada's Oldest Port

For over 300 years ships have been entering and leaving the Port of Quebec, on the River St. Lawrence, but 1933 was one of the busiest years in the history of the port. The number of vessels checked totalled 1,063 with net-registered tonnage of 5,627,117 tons, compared with 800 vessels in 1932 of 5,193,758 tons, an increase in 1933 of 263 vessels and 368,959 tons over the previous year. Freight handled amounted to 1,562,874 tons, as compared with 793,245 tons in 1932, an increase of nearly fifty per cent. The Quebec Harbor Commission's 4,000,000-bushel grain elevator had the most active season in its history, with deliveries totalling 16,716,529 bushels, an increase of 11,692,894 bushels over the previous season. Imports in 1933, including grain, amounted to 949,854 tons, an increase of 346,294 tons over 1932. Lumber and timber imports dropped from 4,165,495 feet in 1932 to 3,437,942 last year, a decrease of 728,153 feet. Exports, however, increased from 5,535,172 feet in 1932 to 6,361,291 in 1933. The shipping season of Quebec opened last year on March 25 with the arrival from north shore points of the coastal steamer Sable I. The first trans-Atlantic arrival was the freighter Torr Head, which docked from Belfast, April 9. Navigation was brought to a close December 13, with the departure of three freighters.

Coming Events

Announcements of Meetings, Concerts or Other Events, under this heading, are charged, 10 cents per line, with a minimum charge for any announcement of 25c.

St. Patrick's Supper and programme in the United Church, Friday, March 16.

Dancing, Rockwood, Friday night, Martin Ramsay Orchestra. Lunch. Admission 25c.

The Normal Choral Society, under the direction of Dr. Fletcher, of Toronto, will be in Knox Presbyterian Church on the evening of March 14—Wednesday. A musical treat.