RECOLLECTIONS OF ACTON

BACK IN 1897

From the Issue of The Free Press of Thursday, March 25th, 1897

A year ago last Saturday the big snow blockade on the railways was broken. It will be remembered we had no mail for three days.

Butter and eggs are selling this week at 12 to 14 cents. Butter has an upward tendency.

Mr. Wm. Swackhammer has moved this week to his farm at Crewsons Corners. Mr. W. Williams has leased Mr. Swackhammer's residence on Mill Street.

A large company of friends from Acton and other points were entertained at the home of Deputy Reeve Stalker last Thursday evening.

The officers anad directors of Halton Farmer's Institute banqueted the new County Council at the Bennett House, Milton last week. President J. L. Warren occupied the chair. The following toasts were introduced and responded to: Her Majesty the Queen, The Governor General, Halton County Council, by Warden Hutcheson, Dr. Robertson, Geo. Andrew and H. P. Lawson. Others speaking were J. L. Warren, John Dickin, W. F. Fisher, Capt. Grant, Alex. Waldie, Dr. Webster, Wm. Clements, Geo. E. Fisher, W. G. Pettit, Henry Robertson, R. White.

At Council meeting the Collector's Roll for the past year was returned. Only $14 was reported as uncollected. A committee from the Fire Brigade waited on the Council to request them to have an electric gong for a fire signal put up in a suitable place in the east end of the town. Moved by Wm. Brown, seconded by W. E. Smith that a gong and fixtures for the price of $56 be purchased.

Mr. Hugh Mann petitioned the Council for a street lamp to be put up near his place.

Parliament opens at Ottawa to-day.

The G.T.R. will build a modern depot at Berlin this year.

DIED

CHISHOLM—At Mansewood on Monday, March 8, Johnnie, second son of Mr. Alex. Chisholm, aged 6 years.

MANN — In Esquesing on Friday, March 19, Jessie McDougall, beloved wife of Donald Mann, aged 33 years and 11 months.

BACK IN 1927

From the Issue of The Free Press of Thursday, March 31st, 1927

The big storm on Saturday brought the snow shovels into commission again.

Mr. A. Lees has purchased from Mr. V. Watson the lot adjoining his house on Frederick Street.

Wednesday evening last was "Parents' Night" at the meeting of Tuxis and Trail Rangers groups in the United Church. At the close of the program, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Watson, who are removing to Streetsville, were presented with presents.

A bald headed eagle, an unusual visitor to this district, was shot at the quarries, three miles north of Georgetown on Monday.

The Acton Community Glee Club have arranged with the Bronte Choral Club to make an exchange of engagements during April.

Mr. W. J. Beatty, who has been employed in the office of the Acton Tanning Co. for the past year and a half, has been transferred to the head office in Toronto.

BORN

LAMBERT — In Acton, on Sunday, March 27th, 1927, to Mr. and Mrs. John Lambert, a daughter.

DIED

KIRKWOOD—At her late residence, Ospringe, on Thursday, March 24, 1927, Agnes McDonald, beloved wife of James Kirkwood, aged 79 years.

WOODHALL—At her home on Main Street, Acton, on Thursday, March 24th, 1927, Elizabeth Telford McKay, beloved wife of Cranmer Woodhall.

MILTON

A large crowd attended the annual concert presented in the Milton High School last Friday night by the pupils of the upper grades of the public school. Songs, dances, musical plays and comedy playlets made up the program. Mr. E. Foster welcomed those present and thanked those who had given their time to help in the preparation of the program.

Mr. Carl Farrington applied for the position as caretaker for the Town Hall at a salary of $35 per month. The application was accepted on motion passed by Council.

A motion was passed by Council authorizing the committee to make enquiries regarding the selling of the arena building for an industrial site if a suitable price were obtained.

The Presbytery of Toronto convened in Knox Church, Milton, Friday evening, March 21st, to induct Rev. C. J. Phinn as pastor of Knox Presbyterian Church.—Canadian Champion.

Breeders in Norway are favoring blue fox which is now becoming popular over the silver and platinum variety.

NOTICE TO VACATE

A verminous loafer lay dozing in the park. Suddenly a hornet came and stung him. "This is really too much," he cried; "now you've all got to go!"

AUCTION SALE

L. W. McMILLAN

Lot 18, Concession 5, Nassagaweya, will hold a Clearing Auction Sale on **MONDAY, APRIL 10th, 1947** at 1 o'clock

Livestock, Implements, Etc.

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The undersigned auctioneers have received instructions from

REG. WILFONG

to sell by public auction at his farm, Lot 24, Con. 2 situated on the school line between Eden Mills and Moffat at No. 4 School, on

MONDAY, APRIL 7th, 1947

Commencing at 12.30, as follows:

CATTLE—Ayrshire-Durham Heifer fresh 3 weeks, calf at foot; Ayrshire Cow, four years old, due April 15th; Black Cow, four years old, due June 7th; Black Cow, due May 15th; Roan Shorthorn Heifer, three years old, due May 29th; 2 Red Shorthorn Heifers, pasture bred; 2 Red and White Steers, about 700 lbs.; an Ayrshire Heifer Calf.

SOWS and PIGS York Sow, third litter, due at time of sale; 4 young York Sows, due between May 15 and June 1st; Pure bred York Hog seven months old; 8 Chunks of pigs, about 75 lbs.; 9 Chunks about 60 lbs.; 7 Pigs about 60 lbs. (two promising young boars in this litter). These pigs are pure bred and choice quality throughout.

POWER MACHINERY Cockshutt 5' 7" Combine with clover attachment power take-off drive; guaranteed as good as new; Circular Saw with extra heavy mandrel; two section McCormick-Deering Spring Tooth Drags, new; heavy quick-coupling hitch and drawbar, off an army truck, suitable for a tractor; a few Pulleys; Grease Guns and a lot of Wrenches, Etc.; 1928 Chev. Chassis with good motor suitable for a power plant; Axle and wheels for trailer; 20 inch rims; a good man's C.C.M. Bicycle.

HORSE DRAWN IMPLEMENTS Massey-Harris No. 5 Binder, 6 ft. cut, with good canvasses; Deering Mower 5½ ft. cut in good shape; Massey-Harris Side Delivery Rake; M. H. 10 ft. Dump Rake; Potato Digger; Bissell 3 drum Roller; I.H.C. Walking Plow with new mouldboard; M.H. 2 Drum Fertilizer Drill; Frost & Wood Loader; 17 tooth M.H. Cultivator; I.H.C. 13 tooth Cultivator; 2 other 13 tooth Cultivators; Crown Gang Plow; 2 good Chatham Fanning Mills; I.H.C. Scuffler with moulders, new; Low Truck Wagon, flat rack; Stewart Clipping Machine, complete; Brantford Windmill head complete with float control; Pair of Team Bridles; Several Horse Collars, some new; Frost & Wood Stiff Tooth Cultivator, 9 teeth; Turnip Sower; Set of Bench Sleighs; Deering Grain Drill, 11 spout; Hay Fork and a lot of new Pulleys; Logging Chains, Etc.

POULTRY EQUIPMENT — New Coal Brooder, 500 size, used 1 season; National Oil Brooder, complete; 450 Egg Incubator, with self-turning trays; a lot of Chicken Hoppers, Fountains, Etc.

TOOLS Brace and Bits; Carpenter's Level; Bricklayer's Trowel, good; Try Square; Handaxe; new Bucksaw; Hacksaw; 2 Machinist's Hammers; Rip Saw and Hand Saw; Chisels; Files; Etc.; New Maple Leaf Crosscut Saw.

VETERINARY SUPPLIES Hypodermic Syringe, new; large Veterinary Book; Quantity of Sulphate of Iron for Pigs; 75 lbs. of bone Meal; Drum of Lime Sulphur; Warble Powder; Stock Tonics; Etc.

GRAIN and SEEDS 250 bus. of Ajax Oats grown from registered seed cleaned and bagged; 250 bus. of Erban Oats, cleaned and bagged; 50 bus. Galore Barley; 20 bus. of Timothy Seed; 5 bus. Red Clover Seed; 15 bus. of Proso. These seeds have all been cleaned; 60 bags of Chippewa Potatoes for seed only, treated with Semesan Bel for scab, blight, etc.

FURNITURE Large Glass Cupboard; Small Kitchen Cupboard; Kitchen Stool; Glass Tea Set; Odd Dishes; Silver Candle Sticks; Stove Set of Cans; Bread Box; Cooking Utensils; 5 gal. Crock, Shilling Crocks; Daisy Churn; M.H. Separator with new bowl; Small Extension Table; Antique Chair; Antique Clock 125 years old; Electric Iron; 2 burner Hotplate; Large Fire Extinguisher; Floor Lamp; Electric Curling Tongs; Clothes Horse, Clothes Drier; Towel Drier, Folding Ironing Board and a Sleeve Board; Wash Tub; Coal Scuttle; Good Carpet Strips; Wooden Chest; 2 Steamer Trunks; Wolf Fur; 2 Crepe Dresses, size 36; Woman's Smock, size 34; 4 prs. Woman's Shoes size 8½; Scarlet Blazer, size 36; men's and women's good Hats; Silk Scarf; Gloves and Purses; Compact; Wool Filled Comforters; Feather Tick; Umbrellas; Paper Rack; Phonograph with 52 records; Antique Parlor Table; 2 Kitchen Chairs; Leather Shopping Bag; Triple Flour Sifter; Vases; Complete Toilet Set; Closed Chamber; Curtains; Drapes and Rods; 2 Panelled Doors; Carpet Sweeper; Wash Stand; Picture Frames; National Geographics; Brass Jardinere; Covered Basket; Laundry Bag; Wooden Pail; Window Screens; Small Window; Storm Window; 2 Screen Doors; Bible and Books; Hat Box; Door Curtains; Brushes; Arch Supports; Washboard; Water Pail; Male Urinal; Luggage Straps; Bread Slicer; Kitchen Light Globe; Boiler Rack; Lard Can; Wall Mirror; Table Reflector; Table Set; Toy Rabbit; Milk Tester.

TERMS Cash on Day of Sale

Everything owned by proprietor. No reserve as the farm is rented. The Women's Institute will have a lunch counter.

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The Sunday School Lesson

SUNDAY, MARCH 30th, 1947

OUR CRUCIFIED KING

Golden Text. — God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish, but have eternal life. Jno. 3: 16.

Lesson Text.—Jno. 18: 37-38; 19: 10-16, 25-30.

Time.—Wednesday, April 5, A. D. 30.

Places. — Pilate's judgment hall, Jerusalem and Calvary.

Exposition.—I. Jesus and Pilate, 18: 73, 38.

"Art thou the king of the Jews?" That is a tremendous question, and for once Pilate was honest and earnest in asking it. But he did not ask it intelligently. He misapprehended the nature of Jesus' kinship. To bring this fact out Jesus asked the question, "Sayest thou this of thyself, or did others tell it thee concerning me?" If asked from the Roman standpoint of His being a disrupter of their claim to reign over the Jews, no, He was not the king of the Jews; but asked from the standpoint of an intelligent scriptural understanding of His kingship, yes, He was the king of the Jews. He was the one in whom all the Old Testament prophecies of the coming king were to be fulfilled (ch. 1: 45, 49; Isa. 9: 6, 7). His kingdom was "not of (out of) this world," i. e., it was not of worldly origin and character. It was of divine origin, but this kingdom of divine origin shall be set up in this world. It was primarily a kingdom of truth (v. 37): He came into the world that "He should bear witness unto the truth." This He did not only by what he said but even more by what He was, by His words, His life, His character. He bore witness unto the truth (Jno. 14: 6). The attitude men take toward Jesus Christ and His words is the decisive test of what they are (v. 37). "What is truth?" Pilate was great at asking questions. He was not great at laying the answers to heart. In this case he did not even wait for an answer to the tremendous question he had asked. He was an utter skeptic, but his skepticism was the result of shallowness. It robbed his life of all lasting moral earnestness and ended in wretched ruin and suicide. Pilate asked a good question, he asked it of the right person, but there was no deep sincerity in the asking and he got no answer.

II. Christ vs. Caesar, 10-16.

Foiled in their effort to have Jesus sentenced on their real ground of complaint (v. 14), the Jews again reverted to their first charge against Him, that of disloyalty to Caesar. The accusation was so worded that Pilate sensed in it a threat of an appeal to Rome against his decision. The injustices and cruelties of his administration had already handed Jesus over to His enemies for crucifixion. It is by such selfish motives that men are actuated in everyday life. Not what is "right," but what is "expedient" is their motivating thought. Pilate wanted to do right, but he lacked the strength of his convictions. His own self-interest led him to acquiesce in the greatest crime in all history. For fear of the King of Rome, he gave over to his enemies the "King of Truth." "They took Jesus and led Him away . . . they crucified Him." The nation which has been born under Sinai, acknowledging no kinship but that of Jehovah, wilfully flings away its birthright, its chiefest treasure—the flower and crown of its heritage.

III Love's Self-forgetfullness, 25-27

In the hour of his supreme anguish the crisis of His redeeming activity for the whole world, Jesus remembered His sorrowing mother and provided for the rest of her life on earth. He gives her as a precious legacy to the tender sonship of John. More than thirty years before the venerable Simeon had foretold the sharpness of this hour when the sword of grief should pierce her heart (Luke 2:35). With the marvellous insight of love Jesus, in healing ministration gives to each other those who in His earthly life were closest to Him, Mary, His mother and John, the beloved disciple.

IV. "It is Finished," 28-30

John gives us none of the harrowing details of the crucifixion. His gospel is concerned with the profound spiritual significance of our Lord's earthly manifestation. It is entirely outside the range of the human mind to fathom what occurred in these dire hours that Jesus hung on His cross, and it is quite unfitting that we speculate over this, the most profound the most portentous hour in the history of the cosmos. This much we know, for we have his own testimony (v. 28a) the divine purpose of redeeming mercy has been accomplished, finished "rounded out to perfection." The Good Shepherd has given His life for the sheep, the Lamb of God has taken upon Himself the sins of the world and lifted up on Calvary's bitter brow, had become the spiritual magnet that should draw the whole world. Then, His spiritual work completed, Jesus gave His pain-racked body over to death. He voluntarily yielded up His spirit (Jno. 10: 17, 18), in death as in life, Conquerer and Lord over Death.

TERRA COTTA

News was received here recently of the sudden passing of the late W. W. Harber, of Camrose, Alberta. Prior to his removal to the west, he had been for a number of years a respected resident of Terra Cotta.

Mrs. Petch is spending a few days with friends in Lockport, N.Y.

Mr. Wright, who has been on the sick list during the past week, we are pleased to learn, is about agan.

Mr. Norrie has a large gang of men working in his quarrie and reports the stone business quite brisk this spring.

It looks as though Terra Cotta will have a building boom this summer as the Ukrainians who purchased Mr. Lyons property along the Credit flats intend erecting 100 houses and a dancing pavilion.

A number of our young men volunteered to shovel out the road across by Union Church. We might add that our village was partly isolated, no mail or trains for a week, but glad to state that we are back to normal again. It might also be interesting to know that it is over 53 years since the trains were blocked through here for over a week or more, when the Hamilton and North Western Railway owned it, over 100 men were shovelling the plough out here.

Mr. Norman Ream has purchased an up-to-date car.

Mr. J. Edge of Toronto, was a pleasant caller in our Hamlet recently.

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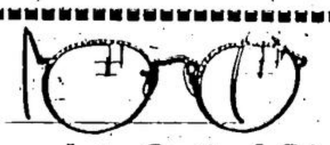

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