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**Recollections
of Acton**
BACK IN 1899
From the Issue of the Free Press
of January 5th, 1899

**Chronicles of...
Ginger Farm**
Written Specially for
The Acton Free Press
GWENDOLINE P. CLARKE

OAKVILLE
More than 300 strong young
Oakville packed every nook and
cranny of the Gregory Theatre last
Friday afternoon as town service
organizations staged their gala free
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The grain markets this week are
more attractive to farmers than
for several weeks. Fall wheat 68c,
goose wheat 67c, white peas 65c,
white oats 26c, mixed oats 27c,
barley 48c, rye 50c.

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son.

Well, folks, it is going to be nice
to settle down to ordinary living
again, isn't it? I guess most of us
have been trying to take the hills
in high gear for a number of weeks
so that now, getting back to the
"daily round" is more or less of a
rest.

By this time, what happened on
New Year's Eve is old stuff to you
but this is my first opportunity to
tell you how we ushered in 1949.
You remember it was a very stor-
my night and we were more than
glad to be sight by our own fire-
drill. Come to think of it I should
say hot air register, but what
does it sound like "Fire-drill" is
murmur. Of course, staying
where it was warm and comfort-
able did not appeal to some of the
young crowd including Bob. He
and another fellow were away to
Toronto, and the wilder it got the
more I wanted to return home. I
listened to the windings that were
given over the radio and was talk-
ing it over with a neighbour on the
phone when a blackout and of
course, without warning. Away I
went hunting for matches, candles
and a lamp. As I hunted I won-
dered if anything could be blacker
than a black-out. It wouldn't have
been so bad if I could have remem-
bered where I had put the half-
dozen candles that I bought for
just such an emergency. I remem-
ber thinking "Now I'll just put
these where they will be handy if
we need them in a hurry." I
haven't found them yet.

About 11:30 Partner took the
flashlight and went off to the barn
as he was a little anxious about
one of the cows. So out he went
into the howling storm. Ten min-
utes, fifteen and twenty minutes
passed, and I began to wonder if I
ought to go and hunt Partner.
Then I heard footsteps. Very con-
fidentially I was informed that a calf
had arrived so he thought he might
as well move the calf, bed the cow
and see that she was comfortable
for the night, all of which took
time with only a flashlight to light-
en the darkness. Of course, we
possess a lantern but Partner had
not bothered to take it. It would
probably have blown out in the
storm anyway.

That done Partner went to bed
and then Bob came home and
postponed the idea of their be-
ing any cause to worry. "It wasn't
such a bad night," he said.

By that time I didn't feel like go-
ing to bed. Anyway I thought I
had better wait awhile because for
the life of me I couldn't tell with
some of the lights, whether they
were on or off. So I stretched out
on the chest-bed and you, you
guessed it, I fell asleep. At 4:30 I
awoke with a start, a light was
shining right into my face. Another
was burning full blast in the sit-
ting-room; another in the pantry
and the radio was having a grand
old time all to itself. I shut every-
thing off and went to bed for a
couple of hours. "A Happy New
Year," said I to myself. "Happy
New Year is right!"

But still we had nothing to
grumble about. In spite of all the
dire weather reports and accounts
of roads drifting badly, with peo-
ple marooned here and there, right
here we had no trouble at all. No
drifts, no blocked lanes or roads,
cars still sitting along as if it were
early in the fall. So there you are
folks. If you are tired of being
snowed in, come and live down on
the highway. That must surely be
the answer because on the cross-
roads just a mile above us, cars
were abandoned and boys home-
ward bound from dances found
themselves with quite a bit of
walking to do. Young John was
here for New Year's dinner and he
said it was seven a.m. before he got
home that day and on foot.
Just in time to milk the cows.

We haven't heard yet what hap-
pened to our hydro but six hours
was a good, long black-out. That's
once we were glad we were not
using an oil burning furnace.

We had a letter from Daughter
yesterday, and thank goodness she
is willing to change the name of
her pup. From now on it is "Hon-
ey"—honey in colour but not yet in
character. However, one of my
big worries is over the big dog
and the little pup have now be-
come friendly. I don't have to
be continually on edge in case of
a slaughter. But is this house ever
a shambles! Leave "Honey" in the
kitchen alone for an hour and
there are slippers, shoes, mitts
and sticks of wood all over the
floor.

Hull at a cost of about \$187,000
the town's recently completed saw-
age disposal plant presented prob-
lems which involved considerably
more work than usual, E. H. Dar-
ling, consulting engineer, told the
Journal this week. The plant,
which has a normal capacity of
750,000 gallons, required the ex-
pert attention of nine major con-
tractors, while many others sup-
plied smaller items Mr. Darling re-
vealed *Starvalger Journal*.

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MARRIED
ROBINSON-HYERS At the resi-
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Johnston, N.Y., on Wednesday,
December 29th, Charles Austin
Robinson to Frances Helen Hyers,
and daughter of Rev. Wm. Hyers
of Acton.

BACK IN 1929
From the Issue of the Free Press
of Thursday, January 3, 1929

Many an auto spill was experi-
enced on the icy highways this
week.

The "At Home" given by the
Mason Knitting Co. to its employ-
ees and friends last Friday evening
proved a very enjoyable function.
After carrying His Majesty's
mails from the C.N.R. Station to
Acton Post Office for over eleven
years, Mr. I. E. Atkinson relin-
quished his duties at the end of the
year. His successor, who com-
menced his duties New Year's day
is ex-rev. George Barber.

Last Sunday Pastor W. J. Hunter
who has an able filled the pastor-
ate of the Baptist Church for the
past two years, preached his fare-
well sermon to the congregation.
He has been called to Beverly St.
Baptist Church, Toronto, which is
to be known as "All People's
Church."

MARRIED
WILLIAMSON-MORLEY On
Tuesday, January 1st, 1929, at
Knux Manor, Acton, by Rev. A.
C. Stewart, M.A. Irene, youngest
daughter of Mrs. M. Morley, Ac-
ton, to Alfred Williamson, of
Toronto.

DIED
JOLIFFE At his home, Main St.,
Rockwood, on Saturday, Decem-
ber 29, 1928, John Joliffe, in his
85th year.

DIED
DENNY At the home of son-in-
law, Mr. Arthur Swackhamer,
Erin Township, on Sunday, Decem-
ber 30, 1928, Jessie Isabella
Chisholm widow of the late John
Denny in her 79th year.

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we can worship as we choose...
we can change our jobs for better ones...
we start in business on our own...
Because we're free to elect one party or another,
our government must stand by policies
the majority of us support...
Because we're free to choose one product or another, business keeps
improving its wares to serve us better, thereby
raising our already high standard of living.

We're free because our economic system is free.

Without economic freedom, all other freedoms the
civil rights lose their meaning... the standard of living is lowered...
the citizen becomes the puppet of the State.

So long as we nurture and defend our economic freedom,
we can safeguard all our freedoms... we can beat off every
assault upon our liberties and our individual dignity.

The mature strength of this truth will help us
toward clear thinking and courageous living in '49.

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