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GOING EAST

Passenger	7.22 a.m
Passenger	9.14 a.m
Passenger	10.18 a.m
Mail	11.40 a.m.
Passenger	3.48 p.m.
Mail	6.32 p.m
Passenger	8.25 p.m
Passenger, Sunday	7.21 p.m

GOING WEST

Passenger	7.57 a.m
Mail	10.18 a.m.
Passenger	2.12 p.m
Passenger	4.50 p.m
Passenger	6.02 p.m
Passenger	7.09 p.m
Mail	8.25 p.m.
Passenger, Sunday	10.08 a.m

GOING NORTH

Mail	8.00 a.m
Mail	4.55 p.m

GOING SOUTH

Mail	11.38 a.m
Mail	7.47 p.m

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EASTBOUND Daily	WESTBOUND Daily
6.32 a.m.	8.20 a.m.
8.02 a.m.	11.20 a.m.
11.02 a.m.	2.20 p.m.
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5.02 p.m.	7.41 p.m.
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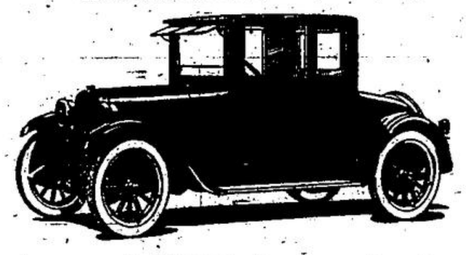

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From the city's fret to a place I know,
Where the song-bird sings with a seraph's voice,
And the wren's soft notes make my heart rejoice,
As I kneel at work in my garden there
With a mind at peace and a soul at prayer.
How can I wait for the longed-for time,
When I turn from the city's noise and grime
To the rippling sound of the tiny brook,
There to find again my beloved nook,
Where the sunbeams drop like a shower of stars
Through the leaves which they circle with golden bars.
How can I wait till the time is here,
When my eyes may rove over meadows clear,
Far off from the city's crowded din,
To a place where God's presence may enter in,
Where I thrill with the sense that each flower and tree,
Bears a message of life's immortality.

—Lillian Howard Cort

In the Early Days

GLENWILLIAMS

To the readers of my notes on early times:—"When I agreed to write some of the incidents that came to my ken from different sources I said to Joe: "Now look them over and cut out anything objectionable." When my letter about Stewarttown appeared I thought he had acted on my advice and cut the name out, but he said, "No, you did not sign it." I accepted his word as I know we will come to a time that we require all the caution available, "lest we forget."

Another explanation in the Norval letter, the singer was Miss Pet Rutledge, afterwards married to T. Harris, a school mate of mine in the old Grammar School in Streetsville in 1858-9. My reference to Gooderham & Worts Distillery requires an explanation. In 1830 or before, a petition from the "Freeholders and Housekeepers" in the village of McNab was presented to the House of Assembly asking that a county be created out of the townships of Toronto, Esquesing, Trafalgar, Chinguacousy, Erin and Caledon, and that McNab be made the County Town. The petitioners pointed out its many advantages as to location, beauty, water privileges, class of settlers, quality of soil, and as a closing reason they had a "Tannery and Distillery" and if they were granted their request they would ever pray, (this last word the type is blurred and I am not sure about the spelling, we will say pray, not prey). So you see I thought if they were made a County Town with the Credit River running to the open lake, what a trade for boats carrying hydes for the tannery and spirits from the distillery. You understand there were no railways in those days or for many years after, even the road from Little York (Toronto) was only a trail through the forest. The river was one of the principal means of carrying to the front the stave timber for making barrels. This was one, if not the most important industry, in these times and many dangerous and exciting incidents occurred when floating down the river, (no protection or free trade talk then). Norval lost its chance of being a County Town but it still has its "Grampian Hills" and may its inhabitants enjoy one of the nicest spots in the Province.

Now about Glenwilliams, my old home. I felt I owed the foregoing about Norval so you will excuse me for taking so much space but the first instruction holds good, if too much cut it out. Now I get back to the Glen, look out for a long story for there is much could be said and I know a good deal about it. The first settlers located on the banks of the river in 1819, (the same year that the first settlers came into Scotch Block), John Leslie, James Stirrat, James Frazer, and soon after came the Stulls, Cooks, Travis, Bells and Mullins. The population for the whole township in 1821 was 424, so you see they came in very fast considering what they had to tackle, a dense forest of very large timber, no settlement nearer than the lake front, either Oakville or Little York, and even up to 1832 the York Road was constructed only as far as Georgetown and that not much more than a blazed road. In 1824 Benajah Williams and family bought from a Mr. Muirhead 400 acres of virgin forest. They went to work as all the pioneers had to, for in the next year, 1825, the Williams set up a saw mill. Now it was necessary to bring that machinery from Little York across a large part of an unbroken forest. The trials and hardships they had to endure cannot even be imagined in these days. When they got lumber cut a grist mill was erected, then a woollen mill, a chair factory and later a flax mill, bobbin factory, comb factory, and a match factory, an industry of special interest about 1860, by a man named Darling who built and lived in the house on the 9th line; it was always known by the number of peaks in the roof. I always understood that about the first lucifer matches made in the country were made by him. They were made by splitting a pine block a little more than an inch square both ways, but not through; making a bunch of matches about 100. About that time the great E. B. Eddy of Hull went into the match business on a large scale and with more modern appliances. In those days, even Eddy had to solicit orders. It is said one of his travellers, a Frenchman, named Duval, called at a store and he was not either good looking or civil when the girl in the store could not well make out his poor English, and when he left to call again she was to tell the boss that Duval from Hull was here selling sulphur matches. She got it mixed and you can judge how she reported the caller and where from. We will leave the match business and turn to something that will make you wish you had lived at that time, for the river Credit was noted for the quantity and quality of its Salmon. The present Terra Cotta was called Salmonville. These fish continued to come up from the sea every season as long as there was shelter for them and not too much saw dust, as they cannot live under these conditions so they quit; but the speckled beauties kept on for many years longer. From 1850 to 1856 my father could go out of an evening (in the season) and fish from Coopers' bridge to Twiddles' dam and bring home a dozen or more from half to two and a half pounds in weight, but the trees and logs were cleared away and no more trout. I have before me now a warrant dated 28th of May in the third year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord William the 4th, (1833) wherein Peter Ackert was bound over to keep the peace for six months, James Leslie and John Hoar security to John Stirrat J.P. in the sum of 50 pounds currency, in Canadian it would be $200; for instance one shilling sterling or 12 pence was passed for our quarter of a dollar. Our shilling was 20c, it took 4 in our money to make a quarter; then we had York shillings, it took two of them to make a quarter; then there was the American 25cents or 5 Canadian shillings to make a dollar, 4 British, 8 York shillings and 4 American. I have had to quote all four in one day to different customers. It was about 1860 that the dollars and cents were first taught in the schools and then generally adopted in business.

The place was called Williamsburg up to 1854, after the Williams family. Benajah Williams, the father of Charles Williams, the Squire, ran a saw mill and grist mill, Jacob a woollen mill, (carding and fulling). He died in 1854, an event often talked about by the late J. G. Harley and myself. We saw the wonderful display the Sons of Temperance made with their large white collars coming down to about their waists. Isaac had a chair factory and made furniture, coffins, etc. Joel, (the grandfather of our citizen, Mr. Alf Owens) did framing and farming, lived to a good old age and was fondly known as Uncle Joel There were others that have gone out of my memory. The whole family was of that kind to lay a foundation for a new country that brought results; they were a power for good and the influence has had its effect on the whole community. They were earnest and consistent workers and supporters of the Episcopal Methodist Church and Sunday School, and if some of us who attended that school had taken even part of the advice and instruction given us we would be a good deal better than we are.—L. Grant.

(Continued next week)

Argonaut Father & Son Banquet

A very happy event took place at the Methodist Church on Tuesday evening, March 25th when the boys of the Argonaut Club sat down with their dads to the first "Father and Son" banquet held in connection with the club. The committee of mothers under the leadership of Mrs. W. W. Tyndall, provided an excellent supper and the schoolroom and tables, tastefully decorated in yellow and black, were a delight to the eye. An excellent program followed the supper when solos were rendered by Mrs. K. Allatt and Mr. W. B. Dilly, and a number of recitations splendidly given by Mr. L. F. Greenwood of Norval. The toast list was as follows:—"The King," given by Chief Ranger Art Tyndall. "The Ladies," proposed by Charles Frampton. "The Church," proposed by Harold Marshall and replied to by Rev. H. Caldwell, and "The Dads," proposed by Victor Norrington and responded to by Lloyd M. Houlding of Bloor St. Baptist Church, Toronto. Mr. Houlding, who was the chief speaker of the evening, gave an inspiring address which will be remembered for a long time to come by all present. Mr. J. B. Wallace ably presided at the piano through out the evening.

—It was decided at a meeting of representatives of the International Plowing Association that the annual match, lasting from October 15 to 18th, inclusive, 1924 will be held in Brampton.

Notes and Comments

HOW MANY BUSINESSES heavily involved in debt could continue to pay high salaries like the Government does? They would soon be in the receiver's hands.

THE EDITOR of the Altoona Tribune makes the following pathetic appeal to friends and subscribers: "The friends of this paper will please hand us in news items while they are fresh. We prefer not to publish a birth after the baby is weaned, a marriage after the honeymoon is over, or the death of a man after his widow is married again."

THE CURE for most of the world's ills is unselfishness and a putting away of the thought that all things should be viewed with distrust. The man who is unselfish wishes to share whatever he has with others, or to assist others in obtaining the good things of life. He gets more out of living because he puts into it more than the ordinary man. Some day the world may learn the truth of the Scriptural quotation, that it is more blessed to give than to receive.

QUITE A NUMBER of people have been enquiring recently as to the difference between a referendum and a plebiscite. There is a considerable difference. A referendum means definite and prescribed legislation on the question voted on, whereas a plebiscite is merely an expression of opinion without demanding any definite legislation. The manner of any such legislation will be determined in the House in the usual way. So if the plebiscite shows any material changes in public opinion regarding the O. T. A. from that registered three or four years ago, the government merely make any amendment or change they think advisable.

THE GOVERNMENT is to pay 50 per cent. of the cost of rural Hydro lines. Premier Ferguson by this declaration is doing what Sir Adam Beck has been agitating for a long time, and might have brought about, with a larger measure of sympathy from the former Government. There is now no suspicion directed to every action or policy of the Hydro Commission and the way is open to put into use every ounce of energy developed at the great Chippawa plant. The payment of fifty per cent. of the primary and secondary construction rights into the sidelines will prove the boon needed by the farmers, and may be a greater agent for stopping the trek from the farm than anything else ever suggested. The complaint has been that the work has been too hard, too back-breaking for the younger generation. There was nothing to do but labor from morn to night and every day in the year, with little or no opportunity for recreation. Electric power will help to change all this and it may even start a trek back to the farm and change the whole outlook of the farmer, making him contented and measurably happy. By and by, even the colossal power system at Chippawa will be insufficient to supply the need, and with the advent of St. Lawrence power the farmer will wonder how it was he was able to do without so long this greatest of all modern conveniences.

High School Report

The figures for Forms IV. and III denote the number of subjects in which honor and pass standing were obtained.

FORM IV

Gladys Hanna, h 1, p 6; Jean Mackenzie, h 5, p 3; Dorothy Marcellus, p 1; Annie McLaughlin, h 2, p 4; Cecil Barth, h 1, p 2; Wesley Douglas, p 2; George Green, p 2; Ross Cameron, h 1, p 2; Clarence Heard, h 1, p 6; William Jolley, p 2; Edward McMaster, h 2, p 4; Leonard Short, p 2; Lloyd Thompson, h 1, p 7.

FORM III

Stanley Barth, h 3, p 3; Clarence Benham, p 2; Ross Carton, p 3; Dorothy Frampton, h 1, p 7; Fred Hosking, p 4; Aileen Hume, p 7; Lilian Kennedy, h 3, p 1; Ada Lane, h 1, p 5; Bert Lindsay, h 1, p 4; John Lindsay, p 4; Isabel McDermid, p 8; Maisie McDonald, p 8; Maude McDonald, h 4, p 5; Marion McKay, h 1, p 5; Hazel McLaughlin, p 3; Mabel Miller, p 7; Aileen Moore, p 2; Victor Norrington, h 3, p 4; Donald Russell, h 1, p 5; Mina Saxe, p 8; Campbell Sinclair, p 6; Rowena Stull, p 5; Margaret Townsend, h 2, p 9; Arthur Tyndall, p 1; Margaret Wallace, p 2; Hazel Webb, h 1, p 6; Eva Winfield, p 6.

The following are in order of the total number of marks obtained.

FORM II

Hon—Margaret Kennedy, Samuel Mackenzie, Jessie McKay, Aileen Ross, Eileen Bolger.

Pass—Annie Hirschorn, Percy Baily, Campbell Ross, Helen Wright, Gordon Alcott, Kathleen Treanor, Eva Sinclair, John Crichton and Ross Thompson, Reginald Lunan, Isabel Wilson, Bruce Heath, Iola Thompson, Lydia Caldwell, Doris DeFreest, Jean Allen, Margaret Sandusky.

—Choice will soon have to be made between mah jong, bridge and golf, and the lure of the great outdoors will make the latter an easy winner.