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G.T.H. Time Table

GOING EAST

Passenger	7:22 a.m.
Passenger	9:11 a.m.
Passenger	10:18 a.m.
Mail	11:40 a.m.
Passenger	3:46 p.m.
Passenger	6:32 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	4:00 p.m.
Passenger	7:09 p.m.
Mail	8:25 p.m.
Passenger, Sunday	10:03 a.m.

GOING NORTH

Mail	8:00 a.m.
Mail	4:56 p.m.

GOING SOUTH

Mail	11:38 a.m.
Mail	7:47 p.m.

Toronto Suburban Railways

EASTBOUND		WESTBOUND	
Daily	Daily	Daily	Daily
8:38 a.m.	8:20 a.m.	8:32 p.m.	8:20 p.m.
11:02 a.m.	11:29 a.m.	6:02 p.m.	5:20 p.m.
5:02 p.m.	5:20 p.m.	3:41 p.m.	3:20 p.m.
8:02 p.m.	11:20 p.m.	8:02 p.m.	9:20 p.m.

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EASTBOUND		WESTBOUND	
Daily	Daily	Daily	Daily
11:03 a.m.	8:30 p.m.	8:02 p.m.	6:20 p.m.
6:02 p.m.	9:20 p.m.	9:02 p.m.	9:20 p.m.

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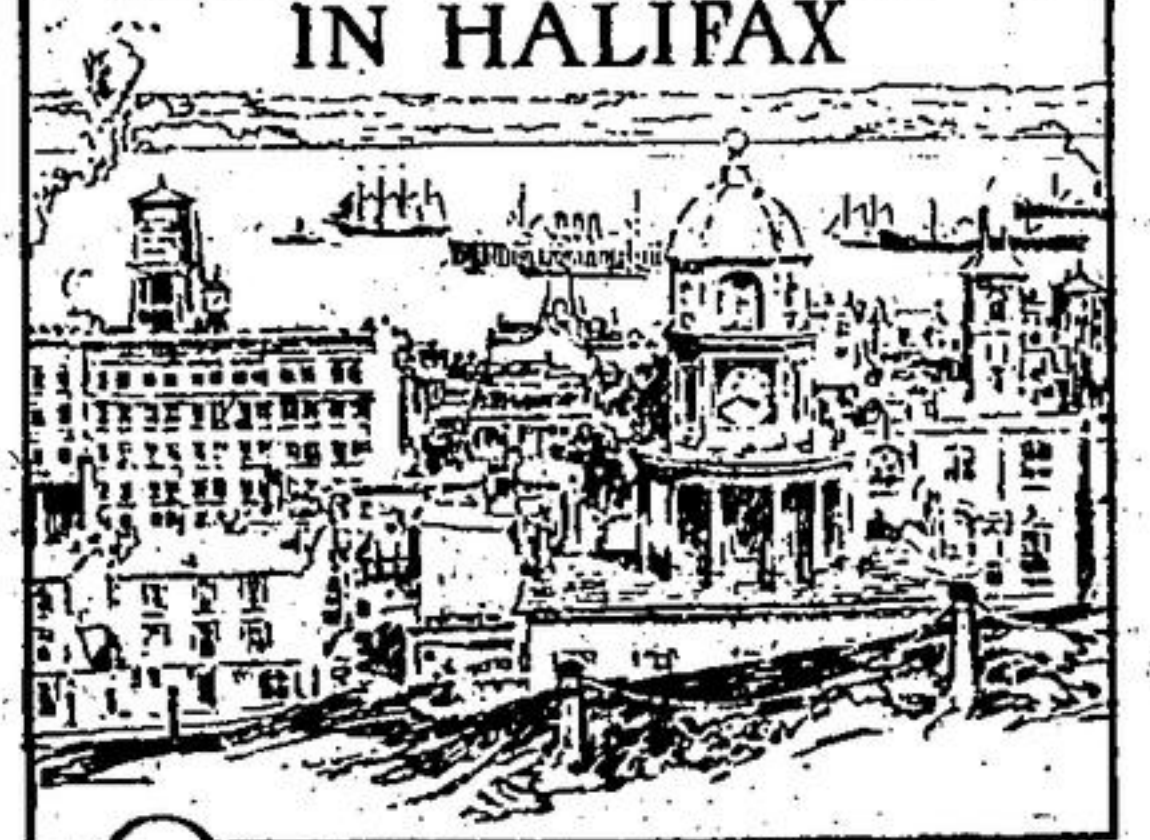
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## I WONDER WHY

Gray dusk and a tinkling bell,  
Star gleams and a chill wind's sigh  
And the lowing herds from the  
farther field,  
As they tread the trail that is near  
concealed  
By the dry wipe blown from the  
meadow's yield,  
Come home and their sleek sides  
fall  
Of grass that was lush and high.  
Come night and a friendly glow  
Shines out on the forest hills,  
As a neighbor tuts from the daily  
grind  
That has cramped his brow and  
has wracked his mind.  
To the things of love that his  
heart can find  
By lamps that are burning hot  
In the niche his family fill.  
As me, and I wonder why  
Folks yearn for the distant things  
When a home awaits, and a mate  
to cheer  
With a smile, a word, or a happy  
harmony  
On the face of one who is more  
than dear—  
Come dusk, and my wife and I  
Find joy while the kettle sings.

## In The Early Days

Editor Herald:—I came across a very interesting document to-day: it is a voters' list of 50 years ago for Georgetown; it was the first printed list issued (I have them for years). Up to 1874 the Clerk had the list and you went to him to find out if you were on the list. For a number of years before 1874 the voting lasted for two days and was an open vote. The deputy returning officer would ask you "for whom do you vote?" If it was doubtful how he would go usually the side that bought him (usual price \$2.00) would send a man or two along with him and they would walk him up to the poll and vote him; then they would ask the clerk of the poll the Clerk would give him a slip with the figures, then away for another vote. This condition of things caused a lot of quarrelling and bad feeling, whether it was county elections or local it was the same. One of the hottest elections we ever had here was for Reeve between J. R. Barber and his brother-in-law, Wm. McLeod. The majority favored the Scotch and McLeod then. J. R. said no wonder for he paid Jimmie Colman \$7 for a bag of turkeys. They were both good Reeves. Many amusing incidents occurred under conditions then, but as soon as the vote was by ballot it took a lot of the hard feelings out of elections and some fun. In this connection I remember very well the late Squire Asa Hall of Aton telling of how in the early days they had to go down to the street (Dundas) to vote, the poll was kept open for six days but if no vote was polled for ten days they closed up, so they kept the voter back so as not to have to close. He said they would be away several days from home waiting their turn, and if they were on the side of the "Bears" a job would jump them about and try to get them to go home. On one occasion he said things were going very slow and they had to wait, so they went back to the tavern where they were staying and as was quite common in the early days, they put in the time wrestling, jumping, pitching horse shoes, knocking off caps, etc (usually for the drinks). Among the lot was a long, lean Yankee up to all the games, and another smart Alek who would stamp anyone for anything; the big fellow says "break for all hands I can throw you across the little creek down there." The little fellow was game and all hands went down to see the fun. They settled on a spot about six feet wide and of course it would be rather deep, however the little fellow lay down (face to the ground). The big fellow took hold and gave a great heave but failed to land him on the other side. He got out none the worse but wet; at once he claimed he had won; the other says "wait that was only the first try." The little fellow gave in that he was beat and sooner than have another try, as they say, "set it up." The Squire said it was one of the funniest things he had ever seen and he did enjoy telling that and other happenings of the early days, and it occurred to me that it might give some idea of some of the conditions and what the early settlers had to contend with. I was often sorry I could not remember more of what he used to tell us. All the years I lived in Aton I found this one of the most hospitable families as well as the most likable.

Here is the list, 222 then, 8 now:

Allen Wm	Amour N
Allen Jas A	Allen Wm
Anderson Geo	Anderson John
Anley Geo	Anderson Beldon
Bailey John	Bulger Pat
Bell Chas	Barber Jas
Barber J. R.	Barber Jas Jr
Birch John Jr	Brown Edw
Berry Walker	Banham Alf
Blackwell W	Blurbill R
Bennett L L	Barber Jos
Barber Mark	Borna T H
Barlow F	Barlow F
Barker H B	Barnett R
Bird John	Baldwin Joe Jr
Brown W R	Baldwin Joe Sr
Brownly Jas	Barber Wm
Bailey Sam	Bailey John
Creese S	Copland D
Copland D	Cook S

## Notes and Comments

**PREMIER KING** is appealing to the people to co-operate in "saving the fopias." How would it do to prevent any Canadian pulp going over the border to create the monster Sunday editions that come back as nothing else but comic supplements? The joke seems to be on the Canadian Government, which it ought to hand back by an export tax on pulp.

**PARENTS SHOULD** be held responsible for the conduct of their children. Often boys are arrested for wrong-doing without proper enquiry being made as to the contributory negligence of careless fathers. It is a rare case that children brought up in a normal home under reasonable control develop into law-breakers. It is the neglected child that becomes the delinquent.

**JUST AS SOON** as rural highways are in summer condition a host of purveyors of securities will begin to move up and down the roads and concession lines looking for purchasers of their wares. Some of the bonds or stocks offered will be good; some will be of questionable value; some will be wholly worthless. It is high time to stop this particular leak at all events. Widows with small capital, and farmers with limited surpluses, would be well advised to consult reliable sources of information before subscribing to any "get-rich-quick" schemes.

**WOULD LIFE** be quite as exciting if there were no corners to turn? Certainly it would not, whether speaking literally or metaphorically. The thrill of wondering what is round the next corner keeps hope alive, and urges on weary footsteps. Perhaps round this next bend we will only be confronted with another more difficult to negotiate; perhaps on the other hand we will find a panorama more beautiful than any seen before. If we knew just what was coming, however thrilling, life would lose half its charm and most of the incentive to keep "pegging on."

**BEFORE HE DIED** Elbert Hubbard once said "I think the unforgettable sin in the disposition to evade the payment of small bills." Elbert was right. A newspaper contracts numerous small bills and he knew that Elbert knew, although these accounts are mailed regularly the slowness of the response is surprising. When finally old conscience wakes up, it seems to be the usual thing when payment is being made to remark: "I know this should have been paid months ago, but I never seemed to have the time." These people will get enough time, some day.

**IF WE ARE TO BELIEVE** half of what appears in print these days about some of the men who have held places of trust and responsibility, we may well ask the question, "Is honesty a lost trait?" It is because this is a young country with a comparative small history and little tradition to follow that such conditions appear to exist. It is because we are so young that we are chosen to fill high offices. There must be honest men for these positions. The people would honor and respect them. Robert Burns said "The honest man, though he is no peer in king of men, for a that." Effort should be made to place men of high calibre in public position if for no other reason than the effect that scandal has on the young mind.

**JUST THINK OF IT GIRLS,** especially you bobbed headed girls; within a few years you will be bald, if the prediction of the head of the hair dressing association of New York comes true, and you supposed to be an authority. He says:—If women and young girls do not stop bobbing their hair, a terrible spectacle may be the result. He based his conclusion on the fact that milliners, in order to conform to the present-day hairdressing known as the "garrison," which is explained as being a "boyish bob," have been obliged to make head bands exceedingly tight in order to keep the hats on the head. This results in the bands growing tight and the hair dry from that and from lack of blood circulation. Mr. Byrne also said that girls of the present generation will be bald before they reach maturity.

**IF EVERYONE** would use a little common sense the swindlers would soon go out of business. The post office department does all it can to punish those who defraud the mails to fleece you; but the best weapon against crooks of all kinds is common sense on the part of the public. First of all, be wary of the man who offers to give you something for nothing, who has "inside information" and promises to let you in on the ground floor. And then remember that plans will never drop into your lap! Millions of dollars are lost every year by people who fall for the get-rich-quick schemes. You can't beat a swindler at his game. This would be said "Well, if we had to be suspicious of all strangers; but in dealing with people about whom you know little or nothing, you had better become suspicious at the very moment that they offer to let you in on a good thing. If it were such a good thing they wouldn't let you in on it. Keep that fact in mind and it will save you some money.

## MILLION

Mr. George Chisholm, Hornby who was taken ill a few days ago is recovering.

John McDonald of the third line, Esqueping Township, shipped a hog to the Toronto market last week which weighed 735 pounds.

Dr. Gowland has gone to Rochester, Minn., to visit for a few days the famous Mays Brothers hospital, where the most critical surgical operations are carried on.

Mr. Ed. Harrop, who, with his father, left here last fall on a trip round the world, returned home a few days ago, greatly pleased with the trip and what he saw, on land and sea.

Mrs. Francis A. Giles, Port Credit, wishes to announce the engagement of her daughter, Irene Marie, to Eric Stuart MacMillan, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. MacMillan, Hornby, Ont., the marriage to take place quietly in May.—Reformer.