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Continuing a series of articles from an 1893 edition of the Toronto Daily Mail:-

ELECTRIC LIGHTS

Georgetown and Glen Williams are both illuminated by electricity from the same plant situated on the River Credit at Glen Williams, and owned by Joseph -Williams & Co. There are two dynamos of thirty-three arc light capacity each, which supplies thirteen street and twenty-five inside arc, and fifty-two incandescent lamps. - The arc lights are of fifteen hundred candle power each, while the incandescent lights are mainly of fifty candle power.

THE METHODIST CHURCH

The Methodists, who have much the largest congregation in Georgetown, worship in a large and imposing edifice erected in 1880, during the pastorate of the Rev. Wm. Pirritte, assisted by the Rev. John D. Lee, at a cost of \$8,000, upon the site of the first Methodist church, which was a frame structure built in 1846. -The present church is of red brick, and has a seating capacity for fully four hundred. There is a membership of about two hundred, and a Sunday School under the superintendence of Mr. A. H. Gibbard with ninety scholars. The Rev. Thomas Gee is pastor, and the Rev. H. S. McGee assistant. The trustees are Messrs. J. G. Wilson, H. Culp, A. Holmes, Thomas Bailey, G. H. Kennedy, H. W. Kennedy, Jas. Kennedy, D. Williams, L. ... Bennett, R. E. Harrison, James Cleare, H. A. Reed, and John Johnson

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Knox Presbtyerian Church date its organization back to the year 1845, when the first service was held by the Rev. Robert Wallace now of Toronto. For several years the pulpit was supplied by students from Knox College, among whom were the Rev. D. H. Mac-Vicar, D.D., now principal of the Presbyterian College, Montreal, and the Rev. John Burton of Toronto. In 1859 the late Rev. Dr. Robert Burns began his missionary labours here, but the first regularly ordained pastor was the late Rev. Robert Ewing. The first house of worship was built in 1867, but gave place twenty years later to the present magnificent stone structure, which was erected and furnished during the pastorate of the Rev. W. G. Wailace, now of the Bloor Street Presbyterian Church, Toronto, at a cost of about \$15,000. It has a seating capacity for upwards of 400. Knox Church has a membership of one hundred and fifty.

AN INTERESTING CURIO

Our current series of historical articles prompted Laurence Burt to bring a curio to the office one day which is a real heirloom. It is a delicate computing scale used years ago in the Old Country for weighing gold in the days before standard currency was adopted. The scale is in its original box something the shape of a spectacle box and is in a good state of preservation. It has small metal weights of various sizes which were used as balances.

While it isn't news to the older residents of this part of the country, it was of interest to us to learn that . the Burt family are real pioneers. The scale tells the story. It was brought here by Mr. Burt's great-grandfather in 1828 when he emigrated from Scotland. He lived in Burlington a short time, then moved to Erin district and many of his descendants are still in the district. Mr. Burt's grandfather, John Wilson Burt was six years old when the family came to Canada. He became associated with Georgetown's early history when he married Maryann Kennedy, a daughter of Georgetown's first settler, George Kennedy, for whom the town is named. They lived from 1844 to 1846 in a log cabin at Wildwood, and the same log cabin was bought by the lawn bowling club several years ago and is now used as a clubroom at the greens on Edith Street.

The scale, along with other priceless relics of long ago has been passed down through generations and is a treasured possession. Mr. Burt also showed us an old tintype of his great-grandparents which is remarkably well preserved.

POT POURRI

Miss Annie Ryan tells us that the account of a recent motor trip through part of New York State prompted her to take a similar trip to others she had enjoyed in previous years. She motored through to Portland, Maine, and was particularly struck with the beauty of the mountains in the fall when the colouring of the leaves added to the panorama . . . We imagine Mr. and Mrs. George Edmonds will have plenty of stories to tell when they get back from Miami. A hurricane struck the city during the I.B.E.W. convention : An error in a news account of the death of Mrs. Appelbe and Miss Thompson stated that Joe Standish discovered the tragedy by beaming a flashlight through the window. It was Aubrey Grant who made the discovery . . . A former resident, J. F. Carter stopped at the office to say hello one day last week. Mr. Carter, who now makes his home with his son in Brampton left town after a motor accident in which he was struck by a car. He suffered severe injuries to his head and leg but is progressing quite favourably . . . Up to the present no new man has been sent to Georgetown to fill the vacancy caused by . the departure of Constable George Fyfe. Constables McNiven and Bradley from Milton have been alternating at filling for the present :

. . Television aerials are becoming more common in town. Lately we have noticed them at the homes of Jim Goodlet, Jack Armstrong, E. V. MacCormack and Ray Bowers, as well as Jim Gambell, in the Glen It's only human to, enjoy a word of appreciation and so we were pleased when Miss Kay Hortop of Hamilton, a former Glen Williams resident, put this note in with. her renewal . . . "I look forward to receipt of the Herald as much as any event of the week: Besides the news of Georgetown and vicinity it acts the part of a visitor. Chatting is a favourite corner of mine." Driving by Alan Dawson's home on the 9th Line we noticed large white objects being loaded on a truck. They turned out to be white arches which will form part of the display in Santa's Toyland at Eaton's this year. Mr. Dawson is doing a great deal of the Toyland display as well as floral displays for other parts of the store. He is also lending a hand with displays for the Arts and Crafts sale in the Legion Hall-in December . . . The names of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ruddeli-were missed in the guest list of the Alderson-Brigden wedding last week . . .

quets they have attended.

successful as the last tournaments start to craticize the decison made! have been, it will be well worthwhile, So get cracking fellows. WONDER WHAT the ball team and rive us a schedule so we will a 12 go now that the season is over? ner, low again.

among the busload that went fishing entry in the industrial league. . to Southampton last Sunday, Hope they caught some fish . . . because THE FICKETS, for the Legion

lar monthly meeting of Branch 120. nig a success as he has in the past. Let's see the place packed for a | On second thought, were sure that. change. The meetings are never he will. later than nine or nine fifteen, you . . will be surprised how interesting TO GIVE AN idea of the set-up they are, and sandwiches are serv- of the Poopy Fund we recently did ed at the close. How about it gang, a bit of research work in some magat 8,60 o'clock.

will be surprised to know that out established by the Federal Govof all the cases handled by the Leg- erament, who asks Dominion Comion Pension Advocates,, legal count mand to accept the responsibility sel, etc., lover seventy five per cent each year of distributing these emof these a pheants are not mem- pleass. It in turn asks the various bers of the Lellow Yet no one is Provincial Commands to do their. ever refused assistance. If an insur- part, and finally each branch in the ance company offered protection Command is asked to see that poplike that for \$4 a year (which they pies are available to every citizen should join the Legion.

service at the Cenotaph. Many or- \$209,000.00. little to ask, that every member of twice a year. we understand that they intend to just Legion members. this year again. With Remembrance it should be a great deal easier for erously to the Poppy Fund!! all those who work in the mills to be on hand. The Women's Auxiliary of the Branch will no doubt, as always take part.

ALL IN ALL, the next few weeks will prove to be very busy ones for the Legion. Poppy Day a week Saturday, followed by November 11th Armistice Services, as well as the Remembrance Day Supper the night before, and the Legion W.A. Bazaar early im December

• Legion Notes • regards the item in last week's column about a television set. We did not mean to give the impression LAST FRIDAY night saw the that we were trying to "promote" Dart teams having a chicken sup- one, as that is a matter that would per in the Legion auditorium. This have to be thrashed out at a genevent has been much looked for- eral meeting. However we have ward to, and everyone reports an heard enough comments on the excellent time. Mrs. Jim Blair was matter, since last week, to feel that in charge of the chicken dinner, a large number of the Comrades ably helped by Mrs. Henry Shep- are for it. We also hear, via the herd and Mrs. Bill Hewitt. The grapevine, that at least one memboys were unanimous in agreeing ber intends to put it to the regular that this was one of the best ban- meeting tomorrow (Thursday) night. So . . . if you're for the idea, come out and vote for it ... "if you are We think that this banquet will account it, con man Tybte it downstart the ball rolling for a fall and air please. DON'T sit home and winter schedule. And it it is as an or the meeting is just a story,

be able to publish it. News is run: How are at getting your boys togeare, for the nockey season, Chubby? A NUMBER of Comraces were justly for team and makee put any

anyone that leaves at the hours of Christmas draw are selling fast the morning they did, deserve toll and Bill seems to be well pleased about the returns. Hope that he THURSDAY NIGHT is the regu- can make the Christmas Tree as

everyone tark out Thrusday night azines and pamphlets sent out by. Dominion Command.

The Veteratt Shops that make MANY MEMBERS of the Legion inis symbol of remembrance were rouldn't, of course, they'd be of their respective town or village, snowed under with requests for it. This year the Legion expects that Just another reason every veteran the greatest response in their history will be made to this worthy cause. To give an example of the THE BRANCH hopes to see every help given to the vets employed in member on parade on November Veteraft Shops, in 1926 The Cana-11th. Berets and medals should be dian Legion baid in wages to the worn. The Lorne Scots band is pro- Veteraft Shops just about \$29,000 iding the music for the parade and in 1949 the figure was well over

ganization have signified their will- It is interesting to note that over ingness to participate in the parade, one million poppies were distriband no doubt many more will. . It uted last year than in 1942, when is hoped that the weather will be the last convention was held in good to this service of Remembrance Winnipeg. This fund is administerd; . . . to allow us all to pay our re- by a National Committee under the spects to those who paid the sup- chairmanship of R. C. Roberts, of reme sacrifice. Surely it is very Saskatchewan, and meets at least

the Legion, and indeed, every citi- | Separate bank trust accounts are zen in the town of Georgetown, maintained by each branch and are should be on hand for this parade, administered by an independent Last year the industries of the town committee, whose object is to rencooperated almost 100 per cent, and der assistance to ALL veterans, not

SO REMEMBER. Legion members Day-falling on a Saturday this year and general public alike, give gen-

TAG DAY, SATURDAY, NOV. 4

REMEMBER TO put your child-

ren's names on the blackboard for

the annual Christmas Tree to be held on Thursday night, December 21st. We notice that as yet there are not very many names on the board, and it certainly helps the treasurer Bill Roney, if he has a list to help him. This job of getting all 'the kiddles' listed, is no

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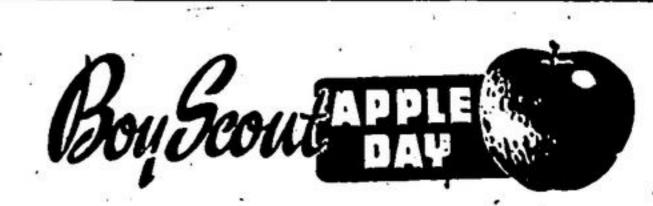
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