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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
IN THE ESTATE of James Arthur Crabtree, Gentleman, deceased.

All persons having claims against the estate of James Arthur Crabtree, late of the Town of Georgetown, Gentleman, who died on or about the 15th day of August, 1951, are hereby notified to send particulars of same to the undersigned on or before the 12th day of January, A.D. 1952, after which date the estate will be distributed with regard only to the claims of which the undersigned shall then have notice, and the undersigned will not be liable to any person of whose claim he shall not then have notice.

Dated at Georgetown, this 10th day of December, A.D. 1951.

Ivan Young Crabtree, executor of the estate of James Arthur Crabtree, by his Solicitors, Dale & Bennett, Georgetown, Ont. 12-26

WILLIAM BIRD, NORVAL NATIVE RETIRES FROM PAPER COMPANY



In a recent issue of Abitibi, a monthly magazine for employees of units of Abitibi Power and Paper Company, Limited, A Norval native, William Bird was the subject of a nice story at the time of his retirement from the company.

By permission of the editor of Abitibi, the story is reprinted below, as well as a picture of Mr. and Mrs. Bird which appeared with it. Mr. Bird has two brothers, Thomas Bird who moved to town from the farm this year and lives in the old Nixon house on Maple Avenue, and John Bird, Sr. of Stewarttown.

William Bird, steam plant superintendent, retired Oct. 1 after giving almost 25 years service to Manitoba Paper Company, but unfortunately four months short of the time required to qualify for membership in the Quarter Century Club.

Bill was born in Norval, Ont., September 6th, 1880, and received his early education there, later attending Guelph Agricultural College, where he became interested in the art of making cheese. On leaving college he worked at this trade a couple of years, then migrated to Sault Ste. Marie where he spent the winter of 1898-1899 in the woods camps of Spanish River. In 1902 he landed back in Toronto with T. Eaton Company in their steam plant. In 1903 he met Miss Reta Peterson in Toronto and they were married the following year, but the course of true love did not exactly run smooth for just two weeks after their marriage T. Eaton Company sent Bill out to Winnipeg on the construction of a steam plant to operate their new store then in course of erection. In 1905 he returned to Toronto and brought Mrs. Bird to Winnipeg, first living on Hargrave Street in what was known as the Eaton Block, until they purchased their first small home in Elmwood, then a suburb of Winnipeg.

Bill remained with Eaton's until 1917 and then went with the Ogilvie Flour Mills until 1927 when Manitoba Paper Company was advertising for a steam engineer and he came to Pine Falls as shift engineer. Although he wrote to Mrs. Bird in Winnipeg instructing her "You stay and keep the children there, I'm not going to live in this mud-hole." Bill stayed on in Pine Falls and thinks there is no place like it. In 1932 he was promoted to Steam Plant superintendent.

In 1928, when the late C. C. Irvine was endeavouring to interest employees in First Aid training and finding the going pretty difficult, Bill Bird in his usual quiet off-hand way came forward and offered his experience and services as instructor. He not only took hold of the work and got it going but has maintained keen interest in it. Through his efforts the Pine Falls First Aid team in 1945 captured the Taylor Cup and the following year obtained the Waugh Shield, highest industrial award for First Aid Work in Manitoba.

Mr. Bird intends to carry on First Aid classes and will also act as instructor for the St. John Ambulance Association in the territory from Pine Falls to Lac du Bonnet. As he is a keen fisherman, duck hunter, gardener and has now added to his list of hobbies motoring — having purchased a fine new car this summer — we foresee no lonely moments for Bill. Mr. and Mrs. Bird have purchased their own home on the Rock just back of the mill and the community rejoices that neighbours will be able to drop in of an evening as usual for a game of crib and a friendly chat. They have three children, Stanley (Toronto), Marion (Mrs. Thorne, London), and W. B. (Bill Jr.), with the Foster-Wheeler Company, Winnipeg; seven grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

Back in 1765, when Canadian horses numbered 13,488, or one to every five inhabitants, the Governor, Vaudreuil, became alarmed and said there were so many horses that young men were losing the art of walking. A far cry from this day and age!

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FARM NEWS

Halton Plowmen Elect Harold Picket Prexy

The annual meeting of the Halton Plowmen was held in the Farmers' Building, Milton, on Friday evening of last week. Despite the heavy storm which made motoring very treacherous to say the least, a goodly number of enthusiastic plowmen were in attendance, from three of the four townships. President V. E. McArthur, was in charge of the meeting. Mr. L. L. Skuce, Public School Inspector for Halton was the guest speaker and as usual delighted his audience with his interesting address. Mr. Skuce, on request, gave an illustrated address on his recent trip to Europe, which included visits to France, Italy, Switzerland, Germany, Holland, England and Ireland. Those in attendance felt more than compensated for the effort made to attend the meeting under difficult road conditions. The election of officers, resulted as follows:

President—Harold Picket, Hornby
1st Vice—J. Spencer Wilson, Norval
2nd Vice—George Readhead, Milton
Sec'y-Treas.—J. E. Whitelock

Directors:

Esqueving: Roy Currie, Milton; J. C. Cunningham, Hornby; Clebert McDowell, Hornby; Lloyd Fisher, Georgetown.

Nelson:

Roy Ellenton, Glen Campbell, both of Lowville; J. H. Taylor, Freeman; J. E. Ellenton, Lowville.

Trafalgar:

Leonard Lister, Hornby; Frank Hall, Streetsville; J. C. Marshall, Omagh; Jack Marchmont, Hornby.

Nassagaweya:

Hugh Warrington, Jack McPhail, both of Campbellville; Ross Gordon, Rockwood.

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Associate Directors:

Esqueving—Stanley May, C. Wrigglesworth, Fred Russell.
Nassagaweya—Tom Patterson, Elmer Blacklock, Wm. Mahon.
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Trafalgar — Lloyd May, Thos. Howden, George Hall.
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Christmas Morning
COMMUNION AT 7.00 O'CLOCK

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Jesus, to Thee be glory given.

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