

LOOKING BACK *The Acton Free Press.*

Reported in the Acton Free Press from 125 years ago, November 18th, 1897:

There has been considerable agitation lately on the part of owners of property adjoining the stream upon which the tanneries here are situated, with a view to the abatement of the pollution of the stream which they allege is taking place. The matter came before the Township Board of Health and through the body to the Provincial Board. At the quarterly meeting of the Provincial Board last Friday, Dr. Bryce, the secretary, in his report said, "The Township of

Esquesing having tried to prevent the pollution of the Acton creek by the Acton tanneries, the tannery companies have consented to follow the direction of the Provincial Board of Health in doing away with the nuisance." This action when carried out as intended will no doubt satisfy all parties interested.

Reported in the Acton Free Press from 100 years ago, November 16th, 1922:

Acton citizens fittingly celebrated the fifth armistice day at the soldiers' memorial and in St. Alban's Church. At the church, many were turned away for lack of room.

Reported in the Acton Free Press from 70 years ago, November 20th, 1952:

School pupils were all sent home, industries closed, stores shut and Monday washing impossible when the strangest power failure on record halted electric power in Acton and the district for about four hours on Monday. Peculiar atmospheric conditions were blamed.

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Acton Fire Chief Jack Newton can be seen, in this photo, laying a wreath at the Cenotaph on Mill Street East during the Acton Remembrance Day ceremony of 1958.

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