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Notions of Births, Marriages and Deaths are printed in this column without charge.

BORN

GIBBONS—In Acton, on Friday, January 23rd, 1935, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gibbons, the gift of a daughter.

DIED

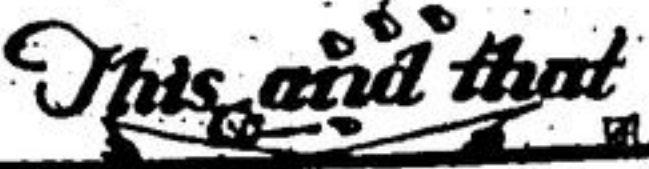
BASTROO—At the residence of her sister, Mrs. W. E. McCready, Milton, on Sunday, January 21st, 1935, E. Elizabeth Bastroo, aged 85 years.

IN MEMORIAM

NICKLIN—In loving memory of a dear husband and father, Albert Edward Nicklin, who passed away January 21st, 1929.

We keep your memory dear, through all the passing years.

WIFE and FAMILY



February 1st—tomorrow.

County Council met in Milton on Tuesday.

Fergus and Acton play hockey to-night, in Acton.

A robin was seen to-day at noon by a resident of Church Street.

Roadways about town have been rather treacherous for driving.

The curlers have been having some splendid games the past week.

Excursions all settled again for 1935. Until mid-summer anyway, we hope.

Roadways outside of town have been much better than within the limits.

The white car markers have had their last days on the highways for this year.

24 and 26 below zero temperatures were reported for Tuesday night in Acton.

There is no shortage in the ice crop now being harvested and it's of splendid quality.

The Arena is the big centre of attraction these days, and the weather has been ideal.

D. Bush, of Milton, will be the referee for the Acton-Fergus game here to-night.

Thos. F. Brown, Reeve of Shelburne, was elected Warden of the County of Dufferin on Tuesday.

After to-night the hockey schedule is a rather indefinite affair, as far as Acton is concerned.

In the lucky hockey ticket last week, V. Elliott was the winner, and not Wm. Elliott, as announced.

Ask any of the Acton hockey fans if they are disappointed, and you'll get a real enthusiastic No!

Send in your items of news as early in the week as possible. They are doubly welcome when received early.

The hallmark of good printing. Printed at The Arrow Press. It appears on printing done in Acton.

James Huston, of Milton, has been appointed Returning Officer for Halton County in the coming Dominion elections.

In the Church Hockey League, the United won from the Anglicans, 1-0; and St. Joseph's and Presbyterians tied at 5-5.

Voting day and the annual meeting of the Station Union Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company in Acton, Monday made the streets extra busy, and the traffic heavy-in town.

Read Program Approved for Peel County Appropriations of \$40,000 for maintenance and a similar sum for construction purposes were approved by Peel County Council Saturday, after County Engineer N. L. Powell informed Council that the roads required much improvement during the present year. Several bridges required painting and a small bridge in Chinguicousy Township would have to be built, he advised. A by-law to borrow the sum and an additional \$25,000 outstanding from last year's accounts, was passed. Rev. J. V. Freeman, Streetville; Dr. H. H. Armstrong, Port Credit; and J. R. Wallis, Brampton, were named County representatives on the High School Board. Warden Hostrater recommended that the appointments submit progress reports and Councils asked that an itemized expenditure statement be prepared. William Cooper, Toronto Township, was named Coroner and Inspector, to succeed James Stewart. A grant of \$1,000 was voted to Peel Memorial Hospital.

NOW HE KNOWS

Customer—Why do you charge five cents extra for each of my cuffs?

Manageress of Laundry—Because you make pencil notes on them.

Customer—Why should that make such a difference?

Manageress—The girls waste so much time trying to make them out.

NO WONDER

Boarder—This egg is bad!

Landlady—Well, what do you expect when you come down so late for breakfast.

Tied Knots, Clues That Often Help Solve Crimes

Mysterious crimes are full of knots for investigators seeking their solution, and it is knots, but of a different kind, that often aid in clearing up these mysteries, especially if there is a "string" to them.

Oculmologists have found that knots in rope, cord or string connected with a crime furnish such valuable clues to the identity of criminals that such evidence is as carefully preserved as fingerprints. Persons in such occupations as textile workers, sailors and bundle-wrappers, as well as those in other vocations, from force of habit, tie knots of a particular kind. Not only can an expert tell an occupational knot, but he can also tell something of the person who tied it. He knows if the knot is right or left-handed, and he studies it for additional kinks or twists often put in by force of habit by the person making the knot. In such instances, a detective may build a speculative case against a suspect by merely asking him to tie a knot in a piece of twine.

Craftsmen and those accustomed to horses, for example, often use the Texas bowline; lumbermen and truckmen, the timber hitch; physicians, the surgeon's knot; farmers the Tom Fool's knot; and seamen use several distinctive kinds of knots. The textile worker ties a still different kind of knot which is called the weaver's knot.

True "White Man" Held To Be Genuine Albinos

The only true "white men" are albinos. Others of the white-race carry small amount of black pigment which is found in the negro races, and some of the yellow pigment of the orientals. Albinos lack pigment in the skin and in the hair and eyes. The hair is pure white, and the eyes show tiny blue or violet blood vessels that make them look pink.

"Albinos," says a Cornell authority, "have been known to occur among the black races. One type is known in certain black families in Jamaica, where black and white spotting causes large blotches on the skin."

He further notes that some traits both in men and animals are governed by sex. Where one sex normally shows a certain trait and the other does not, it is said to be sex-linked. He gives as examples the beard in man, horns in male deer, and more brilliant plumage in certain birds. Each sex, he says, can apparently transmit these traits to their offspring, but it cannot develop them under normal conditions.

"Although men show red-green color blindness more often than women, a color-blind man will never hand it down to his sons. It goes only to his daughters, and through them to grandsons and granddaughters. If the son of a color-blind man develops color blindness," the scientist points out, "we can be reasonably sure that he got the trait, not from his father, who showed it, but from his mother, in whom the trait was hidden."

Built the Pyramids. Strictly speaking, the Pyramids are really glorified graves. They were built to be tombs for Egyptian kings of the fourth dynasty. The Great Pyramid was built about the year 4700 B. C. by Khufu (or Cheops). This pyramid is 150 feet higher than St. Paul's cathedral, and weighs about 6,840,000 tons.

The pyramids are a solid mass of stonework and contain at the center one or more tomb chambers, reached by long galleries—Pathfinder Magazine.

First Envelopes Made in U. S. Envelopes were first made in 1889 by a Mr. Pierson of New York City in a little store on Pelton street. The first envelope machine patent was granted January 23, 1849, to J. K. Park and C. S. Watson of New York. The first practical envelope-making machine was patented January 21, 1833, by Dr. Russell L. Harris of Worcester, Mass. Window envelopes were devised by Thomas Callahan, patented June 10, 1902.

Banks Were Whipped. During colonial days, banks which defaulted were publicly punished by being whipped or burned or both, writes L. V. Montemerial, Manila, Philippine Islands, in Collier's Weekly.

One such case occurred in Boston in 1764 when the hatterman buried in the middle of King street a pamphlet which criticized a court. About the same time another book was sentenced "to be publicly whipped, with forty stripes, save one—and then burnt."

Tundra. Tundra is the cold, desert, treeless plains which form the Arctic lowlands of Europe and Asia. The name is also generally applied to a shallower area in North America. The word is of Russian origin and means a marshy plain.

The prevailing low temperatures are consequent on high latitude and proximity to the frozen northern ocean and result in very scanty vegetation.

Cathedral Statues Clothed. Statues in the cathedral in Malaga, Spain, wear real clothing and jewelry. There stands the museum of Spain's Catholic kings, "Our Lady of the Victories," an old carved wooden image of the Virgin. The carving is very human in appearance and it is exaggerated by being robed in actual clothing. It is the custom in Malaga to put clothing on all religious statues.

Letters to the Editor

The Free Press welcomes letters to this column on matters of general interest to its readers, but does not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed. All letters must be signed, but may be published over initials if so desired and appropriate in the letter. Communications should not be over 300 words in length and must be received no later than Tuesday at noon to ensure publication in that week's issue.

A MONTREAL LETTER

Dear Free Press:

The removal, by death, as announced last week, of John Levesque and Wm. Hawthorne, again is a reminder of the rapid "thinning of the list of old-time acquaintances." The former was from about fifty years ago, and the latter, while from a considerably later date, was in his time a nearer neighbor and more frequently seen. "It's the story that will soon be told of us all."

In the fifty years ago records, the announcement of Joel Leslie's preparation for an immense bank barn, recalls those matters vividly. Being in his employ at that time, the foundation walls were all up in 1884, being built by the brothers Simons, of Swanton, the area being 60x90, with a third long wall dividing off the gateway part, where the water trough was, and the stable cleanings deposited. In the winter spoken of last week the timber was felled, scored and hewed in Mr. Leslie's own maple wood, being laid out by Mr. Lambert, contractor, and his son—the former doing most of the hewing, with Robt. Dron, Sr., a neighbor, helping. These were busy days, for those were quite a number of men being employed. One, at least, is recalled in addition to those mentioned—the "regular" farm help, Nelson Macdonald, of the third line. The exploits of Will Speight, champion skater, as referred to, was a subject of much interest to those acquainted, and interested in the event.

The great mass meeting of churches for Christian witness and furtherance, as referred to as coming off in the Forum here, on January 14th, was a mighty testimony of what a common cause after all is held. About an hour before time for opening the great majority of the about 18,000 people were seated. It was an inspiring sight to view the 300 clergy ascend the platform, out of seven denominations, representatives of each taking part in the exercises—Anglican, Baptist, Greek Orthodox, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Salvation Army and United. And to hear the vast multitude sing four of the standard hymns, led by the united 2,000-voice choir, led by the Salvation Army Band, and directed by the leader of Christ Church Cathedral choir, was thrilling.

The great event was the sermon, by Bishop Partridge, on "Christ All" and in all. It was a profound call to intense devout action. Touching, indeed, was his grateful acknowledgment of the kindness of his ministerial brethren in selecting him for his important charge. The pulpit of the city are following up on lines laid down.

Burns' birthday has come and gone, and had numerous references thereto by press, radio and public address, as he had left much that appeals to his fellow countrymen. No doubt the pibroch, 11 scores of instances, has helped to awaken Scottish heart strings. As to the latter, however, I read only this week that that was not, as supposed, a Scottish invention, but was invented by the Irish, who, with proverbial wit, sold it to the Scotch, alleging that music could be produced.

What do you think of that?

Respectfully,

J. S. COLEMAN,

4057 Wilson Avenue, Montreal,

January 24th, 1935.

CHINAMEN EAT SNOW FUNGUS

A simple little dinner for four—price 25c. That is one of the items on the price-list of the most extraordinary food shop in London.

It is a little shop in Soho—with slightly fantastic Oriental prices.

"Fish-air bladders," at 56s a pound the head-bones of the "sacred yellow fish," at 50s a pound, and tea at 21s a pound, are only some of the strange commodities that you may see if you can afford it.

This tiny Soho shop is usually crowded with blue-blossomed Chinese, chattering and chaffering. Here and there you may see a dignified English man-servant with a basket, obviously embarrassed at his errand.

Tea, in this Oriental "warehouse," is not just tea. It is a precious beverage, deserving of respect and a lingering choice between the merits of "Poo Yunz Ho," "Loony Chen," of "Teet Goong Lam," all costing between 10s. 6d. and 25s. a pound.

Two or three pounds of shark's fins—a good soup needs this much—cost about 15s. and look like long strips of breaded wheat. Billed with chicken for several hours, it is said to be the most delicious soup in the world—with the possible exception of birds-nest soup.

The "meats" for this soup cost four guineas a pound.

But the tour de force of the whole shop is "snow fungus," which is kept in tightly sealed glass tubes and costs 10 guineas a pound!

This comes from the mountains of Northern China, where it is dug out from the eternal snows.

"Oh, yes," smiles the Chinese proprietor, "many English people buy these things for special dinner-party. But the Chinese, he buy all time—it is the food of his home."

Acton Trims Georgetown 6-1

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The line-up was: Acton—Goal, Greer; defence, Gibbons and Kesteven; centre, N. Morton; wings, Terry, R. Morton; all-stars, Marro, Marshall, Walters, Anderson.

Georgetown—Goal, Richardson; defence, Hall and Anthony; centre, Toat; wings, Ward and Cripps; alternates, E. Walsh, D. Walsh, Wilkinson, King. Referee—Jack Burrell, Brampton.

FROM THE PENALTY BOX

Burrell did a pretty good job of refereeing, although he missed some of the sides for the apparent reason; but he kept the game clean.

Greer and Richardson did big parts in goal for their respective teams.

Acton's new front line worked very nicely, and Terry will improve at left wing with a few games under his belt.

The second line is also working well, and is no weakness to the team.

The boys showed pretty well that they were too fast for the Paper Town boys.

We hope they have to meet Elora again, and just show them how fast they really are.

It looks as though the committee room verdict might not get Elora into the play-offs after all.

Guess there is no doubt about the calibre of Acton and Georgetown in hockey this year.

6-0 and 6-1 in the two games pretty well gives a verdict for Acton over Georgetown for the year.

Doesn't look as if we'll meet again until the baseball bats are in use.

Oh, yes, it would suit Acton to meet Georgetown in the play-offs. Imagine both Arena managements would be perfectly satisfied, too.

Coach "Bill" Mann was unable to be with the team on Tuesday. He is continued to bed, due to a cold he caught on the trip to Elora last week.

THE GROUP STANDING

Table with 10 columns: Teams, P, W, L, T, F, A, P, Goals. Rows for Acton, Elora, Georgetown, New Hamburg.

RESULTS OF THE WEEK

Games played during the week resulted as follows: Pergus won from New Hamburg, 11-3. Georgetown won from Elora, 7-3. Acton won from Georgetown, 6-1. Pergus won from Elora, 4-3, in overtime.

GAMES IN IMMEDIATE FUTURE

The games on the schedule are: Pergus at Acton, to-night; and Georgetown at New Hamburg, to-morrow night. Postponed games of the schedule yet to be played are: New Hamburg at Pergus; and Georgetown at Pergus.

E. J. KERRE'S LIST OF SALES

Tuesday, February 12—J. D. Lowrie, Eden Mills, Clearing Sale, farm stock and implements. Monday, February 25th—Wm. Daley Farm, Freeman, R. R. No. 1.

TIMOTHY SEED REQUIREMENTS

While the production of timothy seed in Canada has greatly increased during the past few years (amounting to about 5,000,000 pounds in 1934) Canadian growers are still dependent on outside sources for a large part of their annual requirements, which normally amount to about 10,000,000 pounds. Due to the light crop in the principal timothy producing areas in the United States in 1934 on account of drought, prices of timothy seed in Canada have risen as high as 21 cents per pound, as compared with an average price of 10 cents for No. 1 grade for the past three years. In this connection Canadian growers may advantageously take note of one point, namely the rainfall statistics of the United States areas. Since the soil moisture there has been seriously depleted, the 1935 production will depend to a considerable extent on the rainfall between now and next June. Should the rainfall continue less than normal, a corresponding strength in the market for timothy seed in 1935 and 1936 may be expected.

GYPSY CARAVAN BURNED

Complying with an ancient unwritten Gypsy law, the caravan home of Mrs. Ellen Chevlin, a Gypsy queen for 30 years, was burned in Cower, England, recently, after her jewelry, clothing and furniture were placed inside.

Mrs. Chevlin died after 82 years of wandering through England, Scotland and Ireland. Rounding the blazing caravan clustered sons, daughters, grandsons and granddaughters, who had previously removed from it all crockery and had broken the pieces. The final rite will be performed later, and probably pretty soon. The ageing horse, which has drawn the caravan for 30 years, must follow its owner to the Great Beyond.

PROTECTING THE INVESTOR

J. M. Godfrey, K. C., Securities Commissioner, Intends to Confine the Brokerage Business to Honest People

Investigate before you invest is the sound advice of J. M. Godfrey, K. C., Securities Commissioner of Ontario. "I intend to confine the brokerage business to honest people," stated Mr. Godfrey in a recent interview with a representative of THE FREE PRESS. "High pressure salesmen and vendors of dishonest securities will do well to give Ontario a wide berth in the future," continued Mr. Godfrey. "We have laws with plenty of sharp teeth in them and I intend to enforce them. Ontario investors will have every protection that my department can give them. To date we have put into force several measures that have made themselves felt, and we intend to persevere until we have with shady business deals, decided, to either turn honest or get out of business."

Mr. Godfrey is a big man physically, with a quiet, unobtrusive manner, but with a powerful, dominant personality. Before his present appointment he was a prominent legal counsel, famous for his knowledge of criminal and business law. Since his appointment by the Hepburn Government, Mr. Godfrey has labored to put his department on a really efficient footing and from what it has accomplished to date it would appear that it has more than made its presence felt.

"Do you employ competent investigators?" Mr. Godfrey was asked.

"We do," he replied, "and they are kept very busy. I can assure you, but they are handicapped at times by lack of the very thing we need most, viz. information. The need of active co-operation on the part of the general public in supplying information is vital to the success of the department, and thank heaven I have at last obtained the necessary means to get it. We now have the earnest co-operation of the Attorney General's Department, and if the average citizen will only exercise this new privilege, we can drive every dishonest promoter and stock salesman out of the Province and assure the average investor at least a run for his money."

The Hon. Arthur Roebuck, Attorney-General of Ontario, has placed yet another weapon in the hands of the Securities Commissioner that should prove effective. In the future investors who feel that fraudulent means have been used to obtain their money, or who are suspicious or aware of the fraudulence of the proposition submitted to them, have only to get in touch with the Crown Attorney of their town or County and the matter will have his preferred attention and in turn will be promptly reported to the Commissioner in Toronto, and an investigation made.

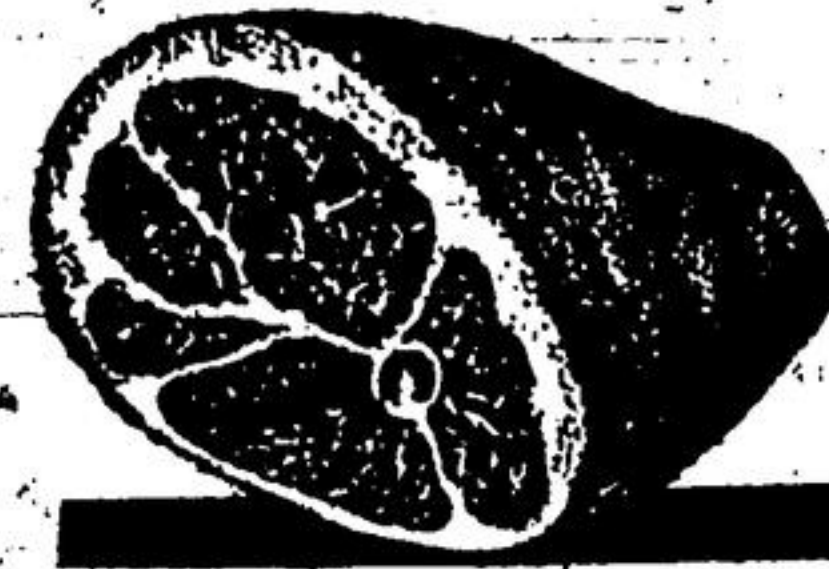
"We earnestly trust that the investing public in Ontario will take full advantage of this new order," said Mr. Godfrey. "We try hard to keep posted on the activities of the stock and promotion crooks, but they are a mighty slippery crowd. If you feel you have had a raw deal or that one is about to be, or has been submitted to you get in touch with your Crown Attorney, and he will give you prompt and efficient action. It is not possible for us to recover money invested in the past," concluded Mr. Godfrey, "that has mostly gone beyond recall, but now and in the future we will get the crook before he gets the money, that is providing we get the necessary information."

Letters have been forwarded to every Crown Attorney in Ontario, by the Attorney General advising them to co-operate with the Commissioner and instructing them to receive and take necessary action in complaints. In addition an advertising campaign is being conducted through 300 Ontario dailies and weeklies, to acquaint the general public with the new order.

KEEPING CONDITIONS PLEASANT

Keeping conditions pleasant is important, but not the most important factor in the world. Some of us are so anxious to avoid anything disagreeable that we conceal our principles and listen without protest when the things we love and revere are attacked and sneered at. If people have no respect for your just and your ideal, it is because you have not given them the impression that it does not matter.

A serene, pleasant atmosphere is desirable. You need it in order to be happy, to do your best work. That serenity is not the price of cowardice, however, and weakness. You cannot enjoy it till you have fought to win it.



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Table with 2 columns: Car Model, Price. Rows for All Tax and Licence Paid, De Luxe Phaeton, De Luxe Roadster, De Luxe 3-Window Coupe, Coupe 5 windows, Cabriolet, Tudor, De Luxe Tudor, Tudor Touring, Fordor, De Luxe Fordor, Fordor Touring.

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