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THE OLD MAN OF THE BIG CLOCK TOWER



glass and all, and hustled over to the graveyard. That was the last "Old Bill Sitt," as the boys irreverently dubbed him, saw of Bob that afternoon.

James Broley was another teacher who "ruled the birch" in the old, cottaged-roofed school. He was a specialist rather than a general teacher, but efficient in his teaching. The big fellows occasionally tried to take a round out of him, but they generally fared the worse for it.

Mr. Broley boarded at Ana Hall's. This gave him the opportunity of walking to school and often home again with Maria Matthews, whose father, Abram Matthews, lived across the road from the Hall's. This intimacy ripened into love and eventually into wedlock. In 1857 Mr. Broley entered the ministry of the Methodist Church. His first charge was at Erin; then he was stationed at Brocktonville, Stouffville and Grangeville. For forty-three years he gave faithful service and occupied numbers of the charges. His last charge was Pergusa, where he died in 1906. Mrs. Broley resided at Erin until her death a few years ago.

How thick and fast recollections crowd upon me when I recall some of the scholars who attended this old-time school. There were Jack Hutchison, Elliot and Ted Johnson, Oliver Anderson, Archy McLaughlin, Henry Lightheart, Samuel Moore, John Moore, Robert Good, Zalman Hall, Tommy Cameron, Oliver Lauby, John Lauby, John Allan, James Allan, Dan Mann, Dick Clancy and his brother John, from Limehouse; John Cameron, Alex. Cummings, Ed. Matthews, Hugh Wetherald, and all the girls besides. These were good old days.

Before the time of this school the first school, of course, had an earlier generation of scholars. Former well-known residents such as Alexander Duncan and Lechlan Kennedy, Erasmus Hall, Edward Thomas and William Moore, James and John Cummings, Charles Cameron, John and Robert Warren, Wilbur Adams, Jas. Matthews, Jas. Brown, and Joe. Lauby and others, who have passed over, with their sisters, were pupils. Just ordinary every-day pupils, no better and not worse than the boys and girls who attend today, eighty or ninety years later.

Tom Overton's blacksmith shop was always an attraction to the boys and girls going to and from school. As each succeeding decade brought a new lot of scholars, the interest in the old smithy never wavered. Many a boy and girl came in for a reprimand whose interest in the brawny blacksmith turning a red-hot horse-shoe, caused them to be late for school, or late in getting home. The flying sparks and the ringing of the anvil never ceased to win their attention.

Longfellow's classic, the Village Blacksmith, applies with more or less exactitude to this owner of this early business centre of Acton's growing streets:

The Old Man

PLEASANT CHILDHOOD MEMORIES

Be very gentle with the children—God has given you; watch over them constantly; reprove earnestly; adversity may wither them, sickness may fade, a cold will mow down on them, but amidst all let memory carry them back to a home where the love of kindness reigns; where the mother's reproving eye was softened with a tear, and the father frowned "more in sorrow than in anger."

—Edith Burrill.

LEATHER FOOTWEAR IN JAPAN CONFINED TO BUSINESS MEN, CHILDREN, SOLDIERS, SAILORS

In Japan, the use of leather boots and shoes is confined for the most part to business men in the larger cities, school children, soldiers and sailors, and the few Japanese women who dress in foreign-style clothing. A peculiar feature of the leather trade of Japan is the steady increase, even in the large cities, in harness production; notwithstanding the increasing use of motor transport. The manufacture of trunks, suit-cases, and bags has also shown a steady increase these being purchased for the most part by tourists and sold at a relatively low price. With the increasing production of domestic leather, imports have declined and are now practically stationary. What imports there are consist chiefly of patent leather, which comes principally from Canada and Holland, according to the Industrial Department of the Canadian National Railways. Dyed or colored leather of which 60 per cent consists of upper leather for manufacture into shoes, the remainder being bag leather, comes principally from Germany and the United States. Sole leather, mostly specially and quality leathers, is supplied almost entirely by the United States. Other leathers, such as that used for gloves, upholstery, and fancy leathers, are supplied mainly by Great Britain. Great Britain also supplies roller leather, a special sheepskin for use on spinning machines. The bulk of the sheep leather, which is cheap and has a great variety of uses, comes from British India. An expansion is noted in imports of specialty leathers, such as kangaroo, lizard, and snake skins, due to their increasing use in making women's shoes; supplies come for the most part from the United States and Great Britain.

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I have been reminded of an omission in my article last week. I mentioned a number of interments that are in the old Pioneer's Cemetery. I neglected to say that Margaret Egan, wife of Rev. J. McLaughlin, was also interred here. Another thing, I became confused in my dates. It is now fifty years since my burial has taken place there.

For many years Acton's second Public School stood on the lawn on the northeast corner in front of the old Knox Church. It was a cottage roofed building of one room. The only playground was in front of the church and on Main Street. The first school erected was on the corner of River Street and Main Street and still stands there, having been over thirty-five years past the residence of Cresson McLaughlin. Thomas Overton had opened a blacksmith shop on a lot beside the stream and next to the old California Hotel. Mr. Nelson Moore's home now occupies the site of this old blacksmith shop. Mr. Overton negotiated for the school building for a residence. He secured it and the new school was built in the churchyard. Singularly enough this second school, though twice removed from the churchyard site, still stands and has also been in use as a residence for many years.

About the year 1860 or 1870, when the new stone school building or two rooms and a library had been erected and occupied several years Captain William Allan purchased the vacated building on the church lawn. He removed it to a site on Agnes Street, between Maria and Quebec; in fact, on the property where the fine brick residence of Beardmore & Co., now stands, and where Mr. and Mrs. John Clarke and family resided for several years, and was also occupied for a number of years by the late Nelson Garden and Mrs. Garden and family.

By making extensive improvements, Col. Allan—for he was promoted to the Colony of the Halton—Lorne—rifies about this time—provided a very comfortable home for himself and his family and lived there for many years. Adam Laing purchased the property from Col. Allan and he and his family also resided there for years.

When Mr. Clarke was making preparations for the erection of his residence, over twenty years ago, he disposed of this house, and it was removed to a lot on the Beardmore property on Queen Street, not far from the G.T.R. crossing on that street, and it is still a comfortable home where Mrs. Edward Tyler, Sr., and Chas. now reside.

Many memories and some rather exciting incidents cling to this old building in the days when it was Acton's Public School. It was before the days of free schools and the "penny-a-week" was demanded by the teacher every Monday morning.

I find my old memory at fault when I try to give a list of the teachers who were in this interesting old school. I don't remember whether Miss Hill, who taught in the bar-room of the old Anderson Hotel, after the business was removed to the new stone building down at the corner of Mill and Main streets, was one of the teachers here or not. There was W. Graham, who taught at the school during the day and ran a candy store in the building where Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Bailey now live, at the corner of Mill and Elgin streets. There was also a very interestingly stern old-time teacher, and I'm still, whom the boys of that day have no particular love for. As a punishment for the unruly urchins of the day he would sometimes lock them in the school. The big fellows turned the tables on the matter and locked him out. He succeeded in effecting an entrance and lit on Bob Coates, as the principal of the day, and made after him with his cane. Bob was determined not to be this away with the skin of their teeth, caught and took a broader straight through the rear window, taking ash,

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