

The Canadian Champion

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LIGHTNING BOLT KILLS TWO ACTON MEN

Acton, July 23.—Seeking shelter under a tree from a heavy thunder-storm at 9:30 a.m. to-day, John F. Robertson, 44, and Reginald Fenner, 27, were reportedly instantly killed when struck by lightning.

The two men had been working the field and when the storm blew up they had sought a tree as a temporary shelter. The bark was stripped from the tree which was split to the ground by the force of the electricity.

Mr. Robertson leaves a widow and five children. Fenner, who had been employed by Mr. Robertson for several years, has no known relatives.

The double fatality was discovered by William Bracken, a neighbor, who went looking for the men when Mr. Robertson disappeared after a long absence. Lightning was close and very heavy, the storm being described as one of the worst in the district in recent years.

Dr. E. J. Nelson, of Acton, was called, but life was extinct. The two men were struck about half an hour before the bodies were discovered. Mr. Robertson had been working the field between the fence and had fallen forward. Mr. Fenner was found still standing, wedged between two spruce trees. The horses were tethered 50 feet away.

Halton Jersey Folk

Visit Chestnut Farm

Over forty Halton Jersey breeders and their families were the guests of W. H. Mackendrick on Thursday, July 16th, with the great men of Chestnut Jersey Farm, Lake Shore Road, Oakville, were thrown open. Ed. Harrap, of Milton, acted as chairman, introducing Prof. George Raithby of the Ontario Agricultural College, who spoke to an interested audience about the Jersey breed and general conditions of present-day agriculture. The address was followed later in the afternoon by judging two classes at Chestnut Jersey farm.

WEDDING

O'CONNOR-MCDONALD.

A pretty wedding took place Wednesday morning, July 17th, at St. Joseph's R.C. Church, Steeleville, when Alvin O'Connor, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. McDonald, of Dundas St., Erindale, was united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Mr. Hugh John O'Connor, son of Mrs. O'Connor of Milton. The ceremony was performed by the Parish Priest, Rev. Father James Egan, in the presence of many friends. The bride was dressed in pink with a white sash and a green ribbon to match, while the bridesmaid, a sister, Miss Marcella McDonald, wore blue with blue picture hat. The church was nicely decorated with pink roses and mauve delphinium. The happy young couple will reside at Milton.

FARMERS TOLD HOW!

STARLINGS ARE TRAPPED

Farmers bothered by starlings are advised to write to the department of game and fisheries at Queen's Park, where they will be supplied with information on how to construct a trap. The trap, along the lines of those used to catch crows, is constructed of wire netting and scantlings. "I suppose they are doing the usual amount of damage," an official of the department told The Star, when asked if they had been causing any more damage than usual.

BASEBALL

Milton journeyed to Bronte last Saturday to play a scheduled league game, but, owing to sickness and injuries to players Bronte could not field a team and conceded the game to Milton.

The fishermen finally rounded up eight players and with the aid of one Milton player the teams played a seven-inning exhibition game. Manager Stan Fay pulled a distinct surprise on the seven Milton fans present when he elected himself to play left field for Bronte and played a smart head game—for Milton.

The rival batteries turned in scintillating performances. Outside of their efforts the game was just one of those things—and you could not blame the players, for the heat was blistering.

Hits were scarce with the winners having five and the losers four. Each club had three errors with the losers making being costly.

Milton, who ran rough shod over Bronte in the last two games, were lucky to have a four-run lead, Osborne, Bronte's crack southpaw, hurried very effectively. He struck out eleven, allowed five hits and walked four. W. Clement getting free transportation three times. K. Clement, pitching for Milton, had the game well in hand until the Fishermen had difficulty solving his deliveries. He allowed four hits, walked only one batter and struck out seven.

The two water boys, who had a busy afternoon and did their work so cheerfully, deserve special mention.

Score by innings—
Milton.....003 100 0 4 5 3
Bronte.....000 900 0 0 4 3

Batters—Osborne and Wright; K. Clement and A. Clement.

Umpire—Jackson, of Hamilton.

Saturday's games—Oakville at Milton; Port Credit at Bronte.

LEAGUE STANDING.

	Played	Won	Lost	P.C.
Oakville.....	11	8	3	.725
Milton.....	7	3	7	.700
Port Credit.....	10	6	4	.600
Bronte.....	11	0	11	.000

(Burlington Gazette)

The Burlington Baseball team won the right to meet Waterdown for the League title when they handed Kilbride a 11 to 0 white washing in the league game Saturday afternoon.

Ron Martin, the pitcher, did some hurling for the winners and gave an air-tight performance. He was given the same brand of support and deserved his shut out. The victory gave the locals a record of seven wins to three losses in the league standing.

The boys are to be congratulated on their showing thus far this year. Getting away to a poor start by losing their first two games the team looked like they were going to be a poor outfit in the league, but the team continued to hustle with the result they came to finish in second place. The support given the team this year has been very encouraging but nevertheless the team has been playing steady ball, and although they have no real outstanding performers, the players have always been trying and hustling, and perhaps another league title will come to Burlington through their efforts.

A MILTONIAN IN NEW YORK CITY

Plain, N.Y., July 16, 1935.

To the Editor of The Champion :
Dear Sir—We had a most pleasant time here. We left Milton at 10:45 a.m. July 15th and crossed the border into Canada. Both immigration and customs officers were exceptionally fine men and we were pleased with our baggage. One U.S. officer said last year we had a Milton man here on this position, a Mr. Arthur or McArthur. He spoke very highly of him and wished to be remembered to him. Our papers for car were made out for us, which are rather intricate now. One is waiting to get on the way. So much time was lost in the U.S. officials and Canadian men are doing a good job for the tourist.

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OBITUARY.

FRANK COLES

Frank Coles, a well-known and respected citizen of this district, died in Milton on Saturday. Deceased, who was in his 75th year, was unmarried. He had been ailing for some time, but had worked for his employers, the R. Laidlaw Lumber Co., to within two weeks of his death. Mr. Coles was born in Milton, the eldest son of the late Jacob Coles and Mrs. Coles. He is survived by two brothers, Harvey, Kew, Canon Naftel, of Milton, officially. Interment was in Boston church cemetery.

WILLIAM ERNEST DIXON

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WILLIAM ARMSTRONG

In the death of William Armstrong, at the home of his son, J. B. Armstrong, Martin Street, yesterday, Milton has lost a well known and respected citizen. He was in his 91st year, was a Presbyterian and a Conservative. Mrs. Armstrong died several years ago. He is survived by his son, John B. Armstrong.

Omagh Presbyterian W.M.S.

The July meeting of the W.M.S. of Oakville Presbyterian Church was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall, with thirteen members present.

Most inspiring address from Mrs. Victor A. Smith, president of Toronto Presbyterian W.M.S., was read, entitled "A Forward Look."

Plans were made for the formation of a Young Women's Missionary Society in the near future. Arrangements were made in connection with the preparation of an alteration bale which is to be sent away in September.

Each member responded with a verse from the bible containing the word "offering." This was followed by an interesting reading of Dr. Jonathan Goforth's entitled "Tithing." After the singing of a hymn there followed the sale of the travelling basket. The mistress then served dainty lunch and a social half hour was spent.

Two lawyers who have just applied for membership in the San Diego Bar Association are named Holler and Bell.

Many advertisers consider the purchase of newspaper space as concluding the whole program. Really, they haven't bought any more than a lot on which to build. If they get the idea of attracting attention and let their efforts end there, they haven't done any more than build a signboard on that lot.



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