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## Reception Committee

On Monday evening the members of the permanent committee which has been appointed to make arrangements to receive and welcome our soldiers on their return, met in the Council Chamber, with Reeve Pugsley in the chair and Mr. Hume as secretary. After a free discussion it was decided to ask the whole village to meet the returned soldier at the station on the day of his return and have him escorted to his home. Then at as early a date as possible afterwards, to hold a public reception and present him with an illuminated address suitably framed and a medal, suitably engraved. The following sub-committees were appointed to make final arrangements: Identification—Reeve Pugsley, Dr. Lillian C. Langstaff, Mrs. Sheardown. Presentation—Mr. Hume, Mr. Pratt, Mrs. McMahon, Miss Switzer and Miss Trench.

Welcome Com.—The Reeve, Council and Clerk, to act as an executive, and the Village en masse.

Entertainment and Reception—Mr. Hume, Mrs. Crowhurst, Mr. J. E. Newton, Mr. Hand, Mrs. Pugsley, Mr. Monkman, Mr. Geo. S. Sims, Miss Switzer, Mr. E. Metcalfe, Mrs. Lynett, Mr. Green, Mr. Wm. Innes.

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All these committees with power to add to their number.

The Villagers are also asked to decorate their homes with flags, bunting etc. on the Soldier's return.

For particulars of new War Loan see page 7.

## 112th Birthday

A large number of citizens, and many friends from Toronto and other places called on Mrs. Susannah Maxwell last Saturday, and congratulated the old lady on her 112th birthday. The party from Toronto was arranged by Mrs. J. Carter, and the guests were received by Mrs. Maxwell, who was assisted by her daughter, Miss Tillie Maxwell, and others. Many gifts were received by our esteemed citizen, including a purse from the Toronto friends; the table was decorated with choice flowers, and a birthday cake bore 112 pink and white candles. After supper was served, a social time was spent, and before separating prayer was offered by Rev. S. R. Drake of London.

## Methodist Church

A specially interesting service will be held on Sunday evening next in connection with the unveiling of the Honor Roll of the members of the congregation who have enlisted in the Defence of the Empire.

An address will be given by Captain Birtlett of Toronto, and special music will be given. Service at 7 o'clock.

Rev. J. R. Aikenhead, Pastor.

Good red salmon, a can 30c; Sunflower brand, a can 15c; fresh selected lobster, a tin 32c; corn and peas, a tin 15c; Davie's pork and beans, 2 tins for 25c; Clark's baked beans with chilla sauce, a tin 15c; Edwardsberg table syrup, 2 lb 15c; sewing machine oil bottle 10c; red dot olives, at 15 and 25c a bottle.—Atkinson & Switzer.

## Welcome to Milton Wellwood

Yesterday was a day of rejoicing in Richmond Hill, when the citizens in large numbers turned out and met Pte. Milton Wellwood, son of Rev. and Mrs. Wellwood, on his return from across the ocean where he was wounded and suffered the loss of a leg in the war. As the car approached the station the children of the Public School sang "The Maple Leaf," and everybody was pleased to see their young citizen again, looking bright though a little pale after his long journey. Reeve Pugsley, on behalf of the citizens, extended a hearty welcome, saying that a more appropriate reception would be held at a later date. The returned hero and the family were then driven to their home in a decorated car. The town was suitably arrayed with flags and mottoes in honor of the occasion.

## VICTORIA SQUARE

Mr. Clarence Glover took a load of young people to the Richmond Hill Skating Rink on Saturday night where all enjoyed a very pleasant time. Regardless of the biting storm on the way home, the plentiful supply of robes enabled them to forget it, and they sang most heartily "We are all jolly good fellows".

On Monday, March 12th, a number of ladies and girls assembled in the "Hall" to be instructed in the interesting but mysterious art of cooking, by Miss Grey. The fee is small and the opportunity rare. Girls! Come.

Mr. Chas. Collard, Toronto, spent Sunday with his brother and sisters of this place.

Mrs. Alice McNair and Miss Agar, sisters of Mrs. J. Morrison, left Tuesday for the West, after a visit of three months among relatives and friends.

Saturday afternoon and Sunday Miss V. Jennings spent at home with her mother.

We regret to say that Mr. Chas. Boynton is ill. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Owing to ill health, Mr. Herb. Boynton was forced to give up farming for a year at least, and had his sale on Monday Mar. 12th. He intends to move shortly, into the house lately occupied by Mr. T. Grove.

## McMillen—Jones

On March 7th the marriage of Laura Maud, third daughter of Mr. Charles Jones, and Donald McMillen, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Duncan McMillen, was solemnized at the manse, Maple, by Rev. S. R. Robinson. The bride was attended by her cousin, Miss Olive L. Jones, and the groom was supported by the brother of the bride, Mr. Sidney C. Jones. After a light lunch the happy couple left, amid showers of good wishes and confetti, for a trip south.

## Officers Elected

The annual meeting of W. A., St. Mary's Church of England, was held at the home of Rev. R. Haughton, Tuesday, March 13th, and the following officers elected for year 1917-18:—  
Pres.—Mrs. Haughton.  
Vice-Pres.—Mrs. W. Pugsley.  
Secretary—Miss Bertha Palmer.  
Treasurer—Mrs. L. E. Hand.  
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## The Department of Agriculture will help you

The Ontario Department of Agriculture appeals to Horticultural Societies to devote at least one evening meeting to the subject of vegetable growing; manufacturers, labor unions, lodges, school boards, etc., are invited to actively encourage home gardening. Let the slogan for 1917 be, "A vegetable garden for every home."

Organizations are requested to arrange for instructive talks by practical gardeners on the subject of vegetable growing. In cases where it is impossible to secure suitable local speakers, the Department of Agriculture will, on request, send a suitable man.

The demand for speakers will be great. The number of available experts being limited, the Department urgently requests that arrangements for meetings be made at once; if local speakers cannot be secured, send applications promptly.

The Department suggests the formation of local organizations to stimulate the work by offering prizes for best vegetable gardens. It is prepared to assist in any possible way any organization that may be conducting a campaign for vegetable production on vacant lots. It will do so by sending speakers, or by supplying expert advice in the field.

To any one interested, the Department of Agriculture will send literature giving instructions about implements necessary and methods of preparing the ground and cultivating the crop. A plan of a vegetable garden indicating suitable crops to grow, best varieties and their arrangement in the garden, will be sent free of charge to any address.

## Write for Poultry Bulletin

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W. H. Hearst, Minister of Agriculture

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