

Rev. J. W. McIntosh will preach at both services in the Presbyterian Church next Sunday.

Emergent meeting of Richmond Lodge Friday evening. Regular meeting Wednesday evening of next week.

Of course you expect a valentine on Saturday, and of course your friends expect to hear from you.

The light 6 McLaughlin car, advertised for sale by auction at Thompson's Garage, Oak Ridges, will not be offered for sale next Saturday.

The Pastor, Trustees and Members of the Richvale Community Church wish to thank their many patrons for their splendid support of the Concert recently given in the church building.

On behalf of the children, I wish to thank those who so kindly sent donations of clothes to the school. The present difficulty is for children up to 7 years of age. M. L. McConaghy.

Lent will commence on the 25th of February and Easter Sunday will fall on April 12th. This brings Easter eight days earlier than last year, when it fell at a particularly late date.

If you want to learn why Rotary that originated in 1905 has spread over the whole world, don't miss the Banquet Thursday night. There will be something doing from start to finish. Secure your ticket while the supply lasts.

Those in need of fresh milch cows should attend the auction sale of D. A. Fanning at Curtis' Barns, Richmond Hill, on Friday, the 20th of February. The lot will include Holsteins, Ayrshires and Jerseys. Sale at 2 o'clock.

Councillor James McLean of this village has been elected President of the Ontario Association of Fairs and Exhibitions. Mr. McLean has been for years a prominent member of the Ontario Plowmen's and Seed Growers' Associations, a judge of plowing matches and field crop competitions, and exhibitor of heavy horses.

The Executive Committee of the Richmond Hill Agricultural Society met at the home of the President, Mr. R. Thompson, Langstaff, last Thursday evening, and revised the Prize List for the Annual Fair on the 24th of May. The suggestions will be presented for confirmation at the next meeting of the society.

The banquet, under the auspices of the Richmond Hill Board of Trade, to be given in the school room of the Presbyterian Church, this Thursday evening at 7 o'clock, promises to be the event of the season. A splendid programme will be given by between 30 and 40 Rotarians of Toronto. Tickets are 75 cents. A large number of men and women are expected.

Dr. J. T. Phair, Chief School Medical Officer for Ontario, will address the members of the Home and School Club at their next meeting, which will be held in the New High School, Tuesday evening, February 24th. The subject of School Medical Inspection is of more than ordinary interest to the public, and Dr. Phair will be able to explain any questions that may be in our minds re the working of the system. A brief musical programme is being prepared, so please remember the date, Feb. 24th.

**CARD OF THANKS**

Mr. and Mrs. H. Stanford and family, step 23 Yonge St., wish to thank their many friends for their kind expressions of sympathy, and the many beautiful floral tributes extended in their recent sad bereavement in the loss of a loving son, Henry.

**Thornhill Presbyterian Church**

Rev. Peter Taylor, of Toronto, will conduct services at Thornhill Presbyterian church. Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Chapman will be in charge of the music as usual.

At a meeting of the non-concurring members of this church it was decided that an invitation be extended to all those who voted in favor of Union to remain and worship with us.

They have no desire to part unfriendly, particularly when we remember that some of you have been worshipping in this church since childhood, and some have very dear memories of those who have passed from this earthly scene.

Should you see your way clear to continue to worship with us, it will be a pleasure to all of us.

Signed on behalf of the church—  
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**West York Liberal Nominee**

At a meeting at Long Branch, Friday evening, the chairman, Dr. H. R. Adams announced that Alex. Macgregor would probably be West York's candidate at the next election. Mr. Macgregor was the chief speaker of the evening.

**BIRTHS**

DENBY—On February 8th, 1925, to Mr. and Mrs. John Denby of Downsview, a son, John Henry.

**DEATHS**

McMAHON—On the 6th of February, 1925, at his late residence, Larmoi St., Aurora, Edward McMahon, beloved husband of Phoebe Hainstock, in his 85th year. Funeral Monday, at 2.30 p.m. Interment in Aurora Cemetery.

STANFORD—At Sick Children's Hospital, on Sunday, Feb. 1, 1925, of acute descending paralysis, Henry, only son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Stanford, step 23, Yonge Street, in his 13th year.

**IN MEMORIAM**

HANDS—Tribute of love in memory of our dear mother, who passed away, Feb. 11, 1923.

God saw how her footsteps did falter,  
And the way had grown too steep,  
So he closed her weary eyelids,  
And gave his loved one sleep.

Ever remembered,  
—Daughters, Frances and Lila.

**The Passing of Henry Stanford**

(By one of the teachers)  
A deep gloom was cast over the Public School last week by the sudden and untimely death of Henry Stanford, one of the beloved pupils of the school, and only son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Stanford, for whom the greatest sympathy is felt in their sad bereavement.

Henry, who was in his thirteenth year, was of a bright and cheerful disposition that had endeared him to his teachers and to all who knew him.

He was out of school only one day. On Friday and Saturday he was not well, but there was no anxiety felt until Sunday morning. In the afternoon he was removed to the Sick Children's Hospital, but passed away shortly after being admitted there.

A Post Mortem was held on Monday and his death was found to have been caused by acute descending paralysis, occasioned by a fall; but it is not known just when he received the fatal fall.

His mind remained clear to the end, which came very suddenly and unexpectedly to his parents who were with him.

The funeral service was conducted at St. Mary's church by Rev. Mr. Noble, Rector of Thornhill, owing to the illness of the Rev. F. H. Battersby.

Those who carried their late friend to his early grave were: Oswald Carter, Teddy Philpot, Donald Frisby, Harold Roake, Jack Finch and Teddy Bennett, followed by many of his playmates who were deeply affected.

Among the numerous floral tributes was a large and beautiful one from the teachers and pupils of the public school.

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It is impossible to say how many fires along railway lines are not due to engine sparks, but to the thoughtless smoker tossing away his cigarette or cigar butt. However, there is no doubt a fair number of forest fires originate in this way, and such are preventable. Each individual should realize his personal responsibility to be careful with fire in any form in northern Ontario.

**Save Ontario's Forests**

The Ontario fire ranger is at the mercy of all types of carelessness, and cannot prevent fires starting, as a rule. He can only attempt to limit the consequences. He is entitled to your help and co-operation by being careful with fire.

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