

SAUGEEN VALLEY

Miss Annie MacGillivray returned from the west where she spent the past year, looking much improved in health. Mrs. Neil McKechnie and son John of Glenora visited in this vicinity recently. Misses Laura and Jean McGillivray were up from Toronto to attend the funeral of their aunt. Miss E. McCroskey of Toronto is waiting on her sister Mrs. A. Campbell. Miss Annie Davis of Toronto visited her parents since last writing. The relatives from a distance that attended the funeral of Mrs. Jas MacGillivray were Mrs. Adam Lynn, Mrs. Ed. McGregor and son Bobbie of Owen Sound, Mr. P. McInnis and daughter Margaret of Presque Isle. Mr. John McInnis and daughter Mrs. Catto of Owen Sound, the first five remained over the week end and returned to their homes on Monday.

McWILLIAMS

The heavy storm of the last few days has filled the roads full, but it is finer to-day and looks like milder weather. Born on Nov. 16th, to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Harrison a son. Mr. John Lawrence sr. is confined to his bed suffering from bruises sustained by falling down a trap door in Mr. Robert Burnett's store in Durham. Mr. Reuben Watson got a new gasoline engine installed last week by Mr. E. Pratt which will lessen his labor for the winter considerably. Miss Bartman of Hanover spent a few days last week with her sister Mrs. James Ford. Mrs. Duncan McNab of Saugeen Valley is spending a couple of weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Harrison. Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Watson visited one day last week with Mrs. Watson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Morrison. Mr. George Lawrence of the Lake is having water works installed in his stables.

HOUSEHOLD HELPS.

- There is more heat in hickory wood than any other kind. Cereals are most important for the winter breakfast. Keep the house well ventilated, it will be easier heated. Starch will be clear if stirred with a paraffin candle. Excellent polishing cloths are made from old velveteen. A Lign patent leather belt can be mended by court plaster. Croutons or grated cheese give interest to many plain soups. If an ink spot is not dried it can be removed with water. To bake potatoes quickly it helps to steam them ten minutes first in very little water. A tumbler of water taken the first thing after breakfast is particularly good for the digestion. Soup stock used instead of water when making gravy will add rich flavor. Potato salad is delicious if you add a little minced celery peppers and tomatoes. It's always best to stand by the old-fashioned dishes for holiday dinners. Soak a hardened lemon in hot water. Never move a cake in the oven until the centre is set. Sponge cakes baked in patty tins require a very hot oven. Good s. up stock is made with lean, juicy uncooked beef. Pickles should be kept in a dark, dry place in stone or glass jars. If whipped cream is to be flavored it should be done before the cream is whipped. Rubber bands are not expensive, and they are useful in so many ways in the kitchen. Warm-over meat loses its flavor therefore the gravy should be well seasoned. If the layer cake insists on sliding when you are putting it together put two skewers through the layers to hold them together. Very convenient paper pads come to put between the wire springs and the mattress this prevents the mattress from being rusted. Milk or milk foods will not scorch in the cooking if stewpan is rinsed in cold water and rubbed with a little fresh butter or lard. When beating eggs with dover egg heater try holding the beater at an angle in the bowl. The work will be accomplished much quicker. If you wish to have mashed potatoes in a hurry, cut the potatoes in small pieces before boiling them. They will cook much more quickly. If the small boy is careless and loses his cuff links make him a pair by using pearl buttons with shanks. Garbage will not attract so many flies if it is wrapped in newspaper before it is put into the garbage pail. Cooked or melted cheese is a valuable and nutritious food and is more easily digested than when eaten raw. When putting down cucumber pickles put a green pepper in the jar. This will improve the flavor of the pickles. By cleaning one room thoroughly each month the house will be kept in good shape and that terrible task of house cleaning twice a year avoided. Before using cabbage, cauliflower or lettuce the heads should be turned down in salted water. This will cause any form of animal life to fall out. In very hot weather it is convenient to have a glass jar of lemon juice and sugar in the refrigerator ready to make good cold lemonade on short notice. Cream cheese mixed with chopped celery and olives forced into balls rolled in chopped nuts and served on lettuce leaves with french dressing is a very good salad.

BOMBARDIER MILTON MILLS TELLS WAR EXPERIENCE

After the return of Bombardier Milton Mills and Chaplain McIntosh to St. Catharines, a meeting was held at which they had an opportunity to relate their war experiences. The St. Catharines Standard of November 24 speaks of the meeting at length, from which we give the following: "As the first speaker of the evening, Bombr. Milton Mills, arose to speak, he was tendered a hearty ovation from the crowd. In quiet and modest manner Bombr. Mills told of his trip with the 7th Field Battery, now the 10th, to France, and of the encounters which the battery experienced. The battery left for Valenciennes on the 28th of August and on the 28th of September for Quebec. Then came the trip to England and the arrival at Salisbury Plains. On the 4th of March the battery went into their first action at Neuve Chapelle. "Bombr. Mills missed the gas attack of the 22nd because he was at the wagon lines. It was on this notable occasion that the ammunition had to be taken to the guns by hand and when Major King reversed his guns and gave it to the Germans both ways. In the battle of Loos the brigade of which the 10th Battery was a part, was the only Canadian unit in action. The Somme battle is, according to Bombr. Mills, the hottest and most interesting battle of all. The bombardment of the Germans, he returned hero said, was very heavy, but the bombardment of the Allies was heavier. "We can, and are sending over the lines 60 shells to their line." In closing, Bombr. Mills stated that the food and the conditions at the front were even better than one really expected. Archdeacon Perry asked the speaker if he had heard of the Angel of Mons. Bombr. Mills had heard of the Angel, and believed it to be a divine manifestation which saved the day for our soldiers." He was followed in an address by Capt. (Rev.) A. C. McIntosh of Fort Erie, a returned wounded chaplain. He spoke of his life at the front in a manner most pleasing, and showed clearly that our boys are receiving every care that can be afforded them. He referred to the composition of the great army of Britain, which numbered only 120,000 at the outbreak of the war, but was now over six millions. These men represent all parts of the world, and up until the 15th of March flocked voluntarily to the call to arms. He then referred to the care exercised by Britain in caring for her men mentally, physically and spiritually. Physically, by providing proper and sufficient food, which is supplied to everyone, everywhere, unless in the case of a very heavy bombardment. The government sees also that the men are provided with suitable clothing, and a change of clothing when they come from the trenches. The work of the Army Service Corps in France has been done most efficiently. Typhoid has been prevented by inoculation, and not a single case has occurred for ten months among 800,000 men. Everything possible is done for the sick and wounded. The mental and social side are watched over by the Y.M.C.A., the Church Army and the Salvation Army. Huts of these societies are found everywhere. Chaplains assist in the work, and large numbers of magazines are provided by societies in England.

An Appeal by the Queen

Buckingham Palace, 24th October, 1916. On the threshold of the third winter since the beginning of the war, I appeal to all those who have generously responded to my requests for work during the past two years not to relax their efforts in providing comforts for our soldiers and sailors. The applications from the regiments and hospitals at home and abroad increase instead of diminishing, and an almost unlimited number of things is needed if the Queen Mary's Needlework Guild is to meet all the demands made upon it. As Sir Edward Ward has recently pointed out, the chief needs at the present moment are mittens, mufflers, helmets, socks, gloves and cardigans, and my Guild is also being specially asked for pyjamas, day shirts, bed jackets, blankets and sheets. I wish to take this opportunity of thanking again the many workers in many lands who have so kindly contributed to the splendid total of 3,990,734 garments, which have been sent out in 26 months from Friary Court. (Signed) MARY R. A copy of the above appeal was enclosed to Mrs. Arthur Von Kougannet, President for Ontario, the following being an extract from the letter: "I feel sure you will like to know how much Her Majesty appreciates your generous support of Her Guild, and I hope you will be able to help us as loyally in the future as you have done in the past." A copy of appeal has just been inserted in all the newspapers. (Signed) ALMEE DAWSON. (LADY DAWSON) In answer to the appeal Lady Hendrie has graciously arranged a Snower for Soldiers' Comforts, to be held at the Government House, on Thursday afternoon, December 7, and all those desiring to contribute in response to the Queen's request, may send their gifts of comforts or money, by post, to Lady Hendrie, Government House, Toronto, at any time before the 7th of December.

FLESHERTON.

Mr. Jas. Wallace, one of the early settlers in Artemesia, and for a number of years a resident of this village, passed away at his late home here on Friday night, after only six days' illness with pneumonia. Mr. Wallace, who was 82 years of age, was born in Caledonia township, from where he came to Artemesia 65 years ago, and took up the farm on which Mt. Zion Methodist church stands the site being donated by him. Four sons and two daughters survive, all of whom, with the exception of Roy, in the trenches, were present at the funeral to Mt. Zion cemetery on Tuesday. Mr. Wm. Kenny, son of the late Anthony Fenny, who was born and raised near Rock Mills, met with sudden death some days ago at Parry Harbor, where he was employed in a munition plant getting caught in a belt. He sustained a fractured skull, which caused instant death. The remains were interred at Barrie. The deceased was 47 years of age and leaves a widow and four children. Rev. Andrew Wilson, a former pastor in the Presbyterian church here, passed away on Wednesday of last week at the home of his son in West Toronto. The remains were taken to Alliston on Saturday for interment beside those of his wife. Mr. Wilson had nearly ten years of a successful pastorate here, and the commodious church in which the congregation worships stands as a monument to his energy and zeal. Kindly reference was made to Mr. Wilson from the pulpit on Sunday. Mrs. Robt. Flanagan of Huntsville, sister of Mr. Jos. Duncan and Mrs. Wes Buskin of this place, died on Tuesday of last week at St. Catharines hospital, where she had been for some time under treatment. The deceased was a daughter of the late John Duncan, and was born and married at the old home near Saugeen Junction. Besides her husband, two daughters survive, one at St. Catharines where the funeral took place. Mrs. Buskin attended from here. The Women's Institute, which recently sent a bale of quilts, clothing, etc., valued at \$110, to the fire sufferers in New Ontario, are thankful to all who contributed to this worthy object. Mrs. Jamieson received a cable message from her son on Friday and the reported safe arrival in England was gratifying news for the families of soldiers from this village and vicinity. An honor roll has been prepared by Clerk Bellamy for the village and township each of which contains the names of 44 from Flesherton and 110 from Artemesia who have gone overseas. The friends of Miss Susan McKechnie, Toronto line, sympathize with her in her recent mishap of breaking her arm. Dr. Bibby reduced the fracture and the patient is making satisfactory progress. Mr. Wm. Wilcock, who recently broke his leg, is doing well. Mr. John McDonald's injuries to his feet and ankles in his recent fall here, have proven very severe, and will probably lay him up for several months. Drs. Lane and McLean are in attendance. Mr. Robt. Clark, near Rock Mills had a shooting match on Thursday, when a large flock of geese and ducks were disposed of. The delegates to the recent Boys' Work conference in Toronto from the Presbyterian church, gave a very interesting report at the Guild meeting last week and also at the Sabbath school on Sunday afternoon. At the last meeting of Spring Hill Red Cross society, held at the school house, several new members were added, making the total 46. The cash proceeds were nearly \$7 and a pair of pillow cases and a sheet were donated by Mrs. Alf Harrison. The Red Cross here served oysters and luncheon in the town hall on Saturday afternoon and evening. The village tax collector has been his rounds, and a reduction in the rate this year has been greeted with smiles by the taxpayers. Mr. D. McPhail conducted a successful auction sale of cattle at Ceylon on Saturday. There were 39 head in the bunch and all were sold, bringing \$1245. Mr. S. Black, who has been a tenant on the Isaac Sinclair farm, is leaving, and had a sale of his stock and implements on Monday conducted by D. McPhail. We learn he is moving to Dundalk. By instructions from the department at Ottawa, the old drill-shed, which had become dilapidated, and an eyesore in the village,

BORN.

MURRAY.—At Ethel, Ont., on November 17, to Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Murray, a daughter (Marion Graham). IN MEMORIAM. MILLER.—In loving memory of Annie Nevin, beloved wife of J.H. Miller, who died Dec. 4th, 1915. She is gone, whom we so dearly love, Whose tender kindness we so often proved. Yes, she is gone, her happy spirit's fled, And now she's numbered with the silent dead. —Father and Mother.

was sold by auction on Saturday. Mr. R.J. Sproule conducting the sale. Mr. John Wright was the purchaser, at \$120, and has one month to remove the structure. Mr. Mark Wilson, Jr. is moving to his recently purchased residence, vacated by Mr. Bowler, who is moving to A. Johnston's residence. Mrs. Wilcock of New York, formerly Miss Allie Tucker of Owen Sound, accompanied by her young daughter, Elizabeth, and Miss Laura Buchan of Owen Sound, visited Miss Maud Richardson over the week end. Mr. W. Buskin was at Owen Sd. last week presenting the claims of the public library before the county council. Representatives from other libraries were also present, but their claims were laid over for consideration at the next meeting. Miss Maud McDonald has gone to Toronto to take a phone office position. The Misses Lila and Francis Alexander of Faversham visited their aunt, Mrs. A. Stewart, part of last week. Mrs. McTavish visited her sister at Owen Sound last week. We are indebted to Dr. Ottewell for a juicy cut of venison from his recent capture up north. Principal White has recovered and is again on duty at the high school. Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Norris of Meaford are visiting the former's mother, Mrs. W. J. White.

HOW TO START FIRES

The fire marshal of Wisconsin has issued a bulletin which he terms a "Comedy of Error." He looked for a gas leak with a match and found it. He lighted a match to see if his gasoline tank was empty. It was not. He smoked while filling his auto tank but will do so no more. He smoked in bed, so did the bed clothes. He threw a match into the waste paper basket. He is wiser now. He threw a cigarette stub into some rubbish. He used a wooden box filled with sawdust for a cuspidor. He washed his hands in gasoline near the stove. The doctor washes them now. He allowed dangerous conditions to remain because "he never had a fire." He does not longer boast of that record. He used a torch to thaw out frozen water pipes and set the house on fire. He stuffed up the chimney with paper and rags. She cleaned her gloves with gasoline and saved fifteen cents but paid the doctor fifteen dollars. She poured kerosene into the lamp while the lamp was burning. She put gasoline into the wash boiler on the stove to make washing easier. She dried clothes too near the stove. She used the wrong oil can.

She used a wood box back of the stove as a waste paper receptacle. She gave matches to her children to go out and burn leaves in the yard. The cotton dresses burned easier than the leaves. She used the wrong oil can. She looked for a dress in the clothes closet with a candle. She was "coming right back" so left the electric current on in her iron. She swung the gas bracket too close to the curtains. She fixed up a fine tissue paper shade for the lamp. She filled the tank of her gasoline stove while the burner was on. The comedies have turned to tragedies; many of the scenes of the actors are maimed or asleep others will follow, no doubt, as they are prone to ignore the advice and experience of others instead of profiting by the error and sufferings.

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