

News From Brisk Eastern Ontario Points

NEWS FROM THE DISTRICT

CLIPPED FROM THE WHIG'S MANY BRIGHT EXCHANGES.

In Brief Form the Events in The Country About Kingston Are Told—Full of Interest to Many.

Mrs. Edwin Gray, Cape Vincent, N.Y., has just celebrated her ninety-fifth birthday. Despite her advanced years she is wonderfully preserved mentally.

Major G. S. Clancy, M.D., has been wounded and gassed, and is in the Red Cross Hospital in Rouen. Major Clancy is a brother of A. E. Clancy, Nanapan.

The death of Mrs. McIntosh, mother of Colin McIntosh, Cavelton Place, in her 81st year, occurred on Thursday. The cause of death was pneumonia.

Elizabeth A. Jones, wife of Royal Jones, died in Ameliasburg on Saturday at the age of sixty-two years. She was a native of Madoc township and a Methodist.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. McGuire, Lanark, celebrated their forty-fifth wedding anniversary on March 25th. A number of their friends gathered and a social time was spent.

On Wednesday the marriage of Miss Elizabeth Jackson, daughter of Andrew Jackson, Flower Station, to Pierce Hanah, of Bollingbrook, was quietly solemnized in Carleton Place. Chief of Police Thomas Portland, Picton, has resigned. It is understood that Chief Portland has accepted a more lucrative position in detective service in the city of Toronto.

A lad named Beattie stole \$165 from a commercial traveller in Pembroke. The money was recovered and the lad will go to a Toronto reformatory until he is twenty-one years of age.

While jumping from a buggy on Saturday, Mrs. Fred Ellis caught her foot in the robe and fell, breaking her leg. The accident happened at the home of her sister, Mrs. Selwyn McDonald, Wellington.

Thomas A. Ross, one of Westmeath's most progressive farmers, has disposed of his fine farm near Beachburg to William Buchanan and has purchased the James Elliott farm adjoining Pakenham.

After an illness of only three weeks from hardening of the arteries the death of Smith V. Norton occurred at his residence, Hollowell township, on March 25th. The deceased was 73 years of age.

The Duke dairy farm in Beckwith on the lake shore has changed hands, having been purchased by John A. Hay, Campbellford. There are upwards of 400 acres in the property. The price was \$17,000.

A quiet wedding took place on March 18th, when Miss Lillian May Smith, one of Switzerville's most prominent young ladies, became the bride of William Madole. They left on a trip to Saskatoon, where they will reside.

James Cory passed away at his late home at Waupoos East on Feb. 23rd, after a brief illness in his eighty-fourth year. Up to the time of his illness he had enjoyed good health, and was remarkably smart and active for his years.

A very quiet wedding was solemnized at Enterprise on March 13th, when Myrtle Edna, eldest daughter of Stanley Bell, Enterprise, was united in marriage to Arthur Edmund Brown, son of the late Lindley Brown, Moscow.

A quiet wedding was celebrated in St. Luke's Church, Camden East, on March 20th, when Miss Hazel A. Burgess, the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Burgess, Enterprise, and Robert Cook, Roblin, were united in the bonds of matrimony.

After an illness of over three weeks, Marion Isabel Spalding, wife of George H. Butler, Munster, died in Ottawa Wednesday. The deceased was twenty-five years of age and the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Spalding, Perth, and formerly of Lanark.

GANANOQUE

(From Our Own Correspondent) Gananoque, March 30.—Pte. Arthur H. Dyer, of this town, who went overseas in 1917 and who was recently invalided home, has been noted as arriving safely at Halifax, and is expected to arrive here shortly.

Pte. C. H. Sly of this town, who went overseas with the 156th Batt., has been wounded in action. Pte. Edwin Coppins, formerly of "A" Co., 59th Batt., that spent the winter of 1915-16 at the Armoury here, and who was recently reported as missing, is now definitely known to be a prisoner-of-war in Germany.

The P. H. Mills, another old "A" Co. 59th Battalion man, who wintered here in 1915, is reported as quite seriously ill and undergoing treatment in hospital. Mrs. Alfred Baker, Sr., Stone street, had the misfortune on Thursday while hanging out clothes in the yard to fall on the ice and break the small bone of her left arm a little above the wrist.

Deputy Reeve George A. Dowsley was on Wednesday to Toronto as delegate to the Labor Convention being held there on Good Friday, and representing the local union of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers.

Charles Gillilan, and William Gillilan of Lyndhurst, Mrs. John Webster of Lyndhurst, Mrs. George Terkington of Yonge Mills, and Mrs. C. E. Clark were in town this week in attendance at the funeral of the late Mrs. George Bishop of this town, which took place from the home of Mrs. F. Tapping on Wednesday last. They being the father, brother and four sisters of the deceased.

Mrs. Clifford Sine and daughter, Miss Phyllis Sine, Pine street, are spending Easter in Toronto with the former's son, Wilfrid Sine, a student at Varsity.

Dr. and Mrs. J. R. Byers of St. Catharines, Ont., are spending the holiday season in town with relatives. April 1.—Members of Kingston Presbytery on Friday arranged for a call from Cardinal congregation to Rev. Mr. Salsbury, of Creemore. Rev. Mr. McArthur, of Iroquois, and Frank E. Kimball, of Cardinal, were present, representing the Cardinal congregation in support of the call.

Mrs. William Richardson has received information from the Militia Department that her husband, Pte. William Richardson, was recently wounded in the leg. Ptes. Arthur H. Dyer and Peter Bishop arrived in Gananoque on Saturday afternoon from overseas.

Mrs. Nelson Moore, King street, upwards of sixty-five years of age, was taken to Kingston General Hospital in charge of Dr. J. P. Sinclair Saturday afternoon for an operation for appendicitis.

Miss Josephine Bedard, supervisor at the Eastern Hospital, Brockville, is spending Easter with her brother, William S. Bedard.

During the past few days the Ladies' Auxiliary of the G.W.V.A. has put in four handsome easy chairs in the veterans' club room. James V. Markey, undergoing treatment for some time past in St. Vincent de Paul Hospital, Brockville, has returned to town.

Mrs. Antidel disposed of her household effects at her home on First street on Saturday afternoon and purposes leaving for Ottawa to reside. Frank McIntyre, Wellington street, is spending a short time in Brockville with his sister, Mrs. F. Winford. A. J. Sword, King street, left on Saturday to spend a few weeks with relatives and friends at Odessa.

Mrs. Ellis, mother of Reeve T. I. Ellis, left on Saturday to spend a short time in Toronto. L. S. Barr, manager of the local branch of the Bank of Toronto, is holidaying at his old home in Cobourg. Howitt Smith, of Kingston, is spending a short time in town, guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Crouter, King street. R. G. Kelly, of the Government Printing Bureau, Ottawa, is in town to spend the holiday season with his mother, Mrs. George Kelly, Stone street.

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THE LATE G. W. SMITH

Sudden Death of a Well-Known Westbrook Resident. Westbrook, March 29.—The news of the passing away of George W. Smith at his residence here, on Thursday morning, March 21st, was received with regret and surprise by his many friends and acquaintances. The summons came with startling abruptness. Deceased was in his usual health until shortly before noon, when death came suddenly and gently.

Deceased, who was sixty-seven years of age spent his whole life at Westbrook. He was a son of the late Hiram Smith and is survived by his wife, who was a daughter of the late Daniel McGuin; one son, Anthony M. Smith of Westbrook, and two daughters, Mrs. J. A. Morley, Westbrook, and Mrs. J. D. Shibley, Harrowsmith, also by two sisters, Mrs. Sophia Rosewater, Kingston, and Mrs. Annie Allen, Ottawa, and one brother, Nathaniel, Westbrook.

Deceased was a member of the Collins Bay Presbyterian church. He was for the past forty years a member of Prince Arthur Lodge, A. F. and A. M., being an honorary member at the time of his death. At one time deceased occupied the position of reeve of Kingston township, for twenty-five years was township engineer for Frontenac and for a number of years township engineer for Kingston and Ernestown townships.

Deceased was well and favorably known by a large circle of friends. His kindly disposition won and held for him the esteem of all with whom he came in contact and his sudden passing has cast a gloom over the entire district.

On Saturday afternoon at half past one o'clock the funeral services were held at his late residence and were conducted by Rev. John Dawson of London, Ont., who came at the special request of the family of the deceased. He was assisted by Rev. Mr. Townsend, minister of the Collins Bay Presbyterian church, both pastors speaking words of comfort to the bereaved. Many floral offerings were received testifying to the high esteem in which the deceased was held by a host of friends. The remains were placed in the vault at Cataract cemetery to await interment.

COAL GALORE AT SYDENHAM

Twenty-five Carloads for Kingston Are Sidetracked There. Sydenham, March 28.—Mrs. Wesley Sims has returned to the General Hospital to undergo further treatment. Mrs. Lewis Richards is confined to her bed with a severe attack of erysipelas. The remains of Mrs. Wesley Davis were brought here on Wednesday and placed in the cemetery. Rev. F. A. Read last week attended the funeral of the late Gordon R. Putnam of Merrickville.

The Sydenham and Kingston freight stage made the first round trip on Monday with wheel conveyance. William Holder loaded a car of settlers' effects, including five horses last Tuesday for the Canadian west. Mrs. Holder and children, who have been the guests of Mrs. Hobbs, left on Monday for their new home in Saskatchewan. Mrs. Oll Hanson's millinery opening on Saturday was largely attended. Chester Davey of Kingston spent Sunday at his home here.

There is abundance of coal here now. Thomas Toudale received two carloads this week and many of the people have laid in their next year's supply. The price per ton was \$11.50. Another car of coal is expected shortly.

There seems to be a lack of locomotive power on the C.N.R., as some twenty-five cars of coal billed for Kingston have been on the siding here for some time. Mrs. William Strrett and baby, of Kingston, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Lacey. The young people had another hop in the village hall on Friday evening last. Elgin Brawley received another car of flour and feed last week. Maple syrup is beginning to come into the village. It is selling at \$2 a gallon. Miss Purdy of Kingston spent the week-end with Mrs. Dr. Covell. The Red Cross oyster supper held in Wesley hall on Wednesday night was a grand success. Sergt. Otto Hanson arrived home on Wednesday after two years at the front.

WELLINGTON NEWS BUDGET

Property Transfers — A New Hotel Has Opened. Wellington, March 29.—A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Cloud Smith last week. Joseph Best has returned from Kingston. He has laid off the shack. Clare Binkley has also taken off his soldier clothes and will not go overseas as was expected. Mrs. H. E. McPaul has rented her residence to Mr. and Mrs. Horropt. Hundreds of cattle are being shipped from the C.N.R. station here. Cows ranging from \$75 to \$100 are being paid for cattle.

The remains of the late Fred Landon of this village were brought to "letus, his old home," for interment. Mrs. Landon and son accompanied her remains. Pte. John M. Martin, who has been overseas for nearly two years, has arrived at Wellington and is dead, aged eighty years.

WHERE ORCHARDS PAY

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No Province or State in North America Has So Large an Area Suitable for Apple Growing as Has Ontario. (Contributed by Ontario Department of Agriculture, Toronto.)

THIS QUESTION will be discussed under four heads: Climate, Soil, Labor and Transportation. The Factor of Climate. So far as climate is concerned apples can be grown commercially in any part of old Ontario, south of a line drawn from Perry Sound to Ottawa; in fact, there are commercial orchards producing fruit at a profit considerably further north than this. Many people think of commercial apple orchards as being necessarily confined to the milder parts of the province, and to the lake districts, but the fact is worth emphasizing that we have varieties of apples suitable for commercial culture in every county of old Ontario. The winter hardiness of the many varieties grown throughout Ontario is now very well established, and it is possible to select varieties which will be hardy for any district.

The most serious climatic difficulty in the Province of Ontario is the occurrence of late frost in spring, and early frost in fall. Other difficulties of a climatic nature can be largely overcome by the selection of suitable varieties, or by careful discrimination with regard to soil, elevation, aspect, etc. It may be pointed out, however, that frosts are more common and more severe over large areas of that country, than where the topography is rolling and hilly. Large areas of some of the southern counties of Ontario are, therefore, more or less unsuited to commercial apple orcharding because of their flat character. A more rolling country is much to be preferred, so that orchards can be made safer from frost by the better air drainage afforded.

The choice of varieties for various districts will be made the subject of later notes. Suitable Soil in Every County. So far as soils are concerned, it may be stated that there is an abundance of land in every county suitable for apple growing. Well drained land is essential for successful orcharding, and there is plenty of soil of the type to be had in almost every district.

Summing up Soil and Climate, it may be said that no province or state in North America has so large an area so favorable in soil and climate for apple growing as has the Province of Ontario. If this statement is true it becomes obvious that the present distribution of apple orchards in Ontario is dependent on other factors.

Most Profitable Near Cities. Transportation is the most important factor having to do with the distribution of commercial apple orchards in Ontario. In other words, the commercial apple orchards are located within reach of transportation facilities, and the better facilities have been with relation to large cities and to the developing markets of the prairies, the more rapid has been the development of commercial orcharding. A location near a large city may be desirable, but if better soil and climate are to be found at a distance, the more distant location is likely to be preferred, provided transportation facilities are good.

Some districts in Ontario possess excellent conditions of soil and climate, but are lacking in transportation facilities, and until facilities are available little development can take place in commercial orcharding. Labor Situation Very Acute. At the present time the labor situation is acute, and is rendered more so from the standpoint of the apple grower by virtue of the emphasis which, very correctly, is being placed upon the production of exportable food stuffs. The labor shortage will result in the majority of small orchards being more or less neglected. But the large commercial grower of apples has been in difficulty for years over the matter of labor supply. For the commercial orchard operations on a sizable basis, it is necessary to be within reach of a temporary supply of labor for apple picking. Otherwise it becomes necessary to build dwellings for men and their families so that a supply of labor may be always available.

The difficulties of the labor situation at picking time can be lessened considerably by the planting of varieties which ripen in succession, and by taking care to get the right proportion of each. A large area of one variety ripening at one time is extremely difficult to handle. Prof. J. W. Crow, Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph.

The Forehanded Beekeeper. In March the careful beekeeper will find a great deal to do in the way of preparing next season's supplies. All used appliances should be put in the best of shape and necessary new ones secured and prepared before the busy spring season arrives. New supplies necessary should be ordered at once. The beekeeper's supers are his barns, his bees are his creatures, and given barns they will be just as safe with less risk of weather injury than barns expect in almost any other crop. Without sufficient barn-room a percentage of the crop will be lost. Cattle are sufficient for the large crop that may be expected next season should also be ordered at this time. This applies particularly to present war-time conditions when supplies of material are uncertain.

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Still Missing. The names of many old friends and supporters are still missing from the Y.M.C.A. subscription list. Don't let the canvassers miss you; you can assist that little band of workers by sending on your cheque or pledge card to the Association Treasurer.

Notice is given that Richard M. Rodden, Montreal, will apply to parliament for a divorce from his wife, Grace Julia Brown.

Rev. A. E. Smart and family were given a hearty welcome to Tweed by the people of St. James' Church.

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