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Miss Violet Livingstone has been very ill with influenza for a couple of weeks.

The Glee Club concert, on Thursday evening last, was a big success, and well attended.

The Young Men's Bible Class and friends visited Mr. Richard Gisl last Wednesday evening and presented him with a fountain pen.

A number of young people attended a party at the home of T. S. Alderson last Friday evening.

Mr. Norman Koella and family are moving to their new home at Lowville.

Mr. Coulson, of Kilbride, is moving to Mr. Geo. Church's farm.

Mr. George Cloyde spent Sunday evening at the home of Mr. E. Hunt.

The marriage of Mr. Wilfred Coverdale and Miss Evelyn Eaton took place here on Wednesday, Mar. 26th. The good wishes of the community follow the young couple to their new home.

Millgrove

Mr. Gordon Goodbrand who has returned from overseas is a visitor at the home of Mrs. John Allison.

Mr. Vance Irving of St. Mary's one of our Soldier Boys is visiting at the home of Mr. Kenneth Cummins.

Miss Forth and Miss Shelton, of Waterdown, visited at the home of Geo. Shelton on Sunday last.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Pepper and daughter visited friends in Dundas on Monday last.

Mr. Thos. Eaton, our genial merchant, is able to be out again after being confined to his home thru illness.

Mr. Emory Shelton has been on the sick list for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. John Mitchell and daughter Florence, of Waterdown, visited her brother, Roland Cummins on Sunday.

Rev. R. Albright and Mr. Roland Cummins are able to be out again after severe attacks of Flu.

The Sunday School was favored with an address from Mr. Garwood Sheppard, of Rock Chapel, a short time ago.

Flamboro Centre

The ladies of the Patriotic League entertained on Monday afternoon at the home of William McKay in honor of Mrs. James Martin, it being the last time that she will meet with the ladies as Mr. and Mrs. Martin are leaving the community. The time was spent in social intercourse, and at 5 o'clock a dainty tea was served after which Mrs. McKay, on behalf of the ladies present, made the presentation to Mrs. Martin. She expressed her thanks feelingly.

As Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Dodd are leaving the neighborhood in the near future their home was invaded by three score friends on Tuesday evening. A pleasant time was spent and those who wished took part in progressive euchre. Four prizes were awarded. The ladies served refreshments and then the event of the evening occurred when a pair of handsome chairs were brought in, which, Frank Baker, who made the presentation, asked them to accept, on behalf of those present, not, as he said, for their intrinsic value but as a token of the esteem in which you are held and as a reminder of the happy times and social evenings spent during the sixteen eventful years you have been in our midst.

Seaman Harold R. Baker, son of John E. and Mrs. Baker, of Bakersville, arrived home from overseas on Sunday forenoon after having been in the service for two and a half years. Seaman Baker has seen service for a short time in the trenches and took part in the British effort to chase the Hun U-boat base at Zeebrugge on the Belgium coast.

GOAT AS A MASCOT.

Billy Got "Cigarette Habit" From the Tommies.

Billy, a goat, mascot of the 83rd Flying Squadron in France, is a wonderful animal, if he is alive. Should Billy be dead, an "ally" has been lost. But he will always live in the minds of many men who fought in France, particularly those of the 83rd Squadron. An interesting tale of the animal's life and experiences is told by Lieut. Noel S. Jones, of the Royal Air Force, recently arrived home.

When Billy was a kid, probably about three or four weeks old, he was bought for 10 francs by flying men from a peasant at Franqueville, and was turned loose among men of the 83rd Squadron for bringing up. In every sense of the statement Billy was a "high flyer." He didn't think anything of "stunts" at an altitude of 10,000 feet, he was horribly addicted to cigarettes, and ate chocolates in as great quantities as a girl, and the story has it that he had a fondness for liquor. But Billy, so the story goes, could "always keep on his feet."

Billy wouldn't accept a cigarette from the hand. That goat demanded he be allowed to accept a fag from a silver and initialed case, or from a box. He was a positive "fend," having been known to eat as many as 50 cigarettes at one time.

When the squadron moved Billy was strapped in a plane and taken along. Arriving at the destination the goat was lifted from the plane and would commence eating grass or wandering about in a matter of fact manner. The shelling of the squadron by enemy craft had no terrors for him.

"Dowdy" or "Doughty."

The danger of using a word that sounds very much like another word that has a less flattering meaning was amazingly illustrated in Toronto recently, when an eminent judge who loves to make speeches was widely misquoted. Then it turned out that he had said something entirely different from what people thought. Towards the close of his speech at the Ontario Bar Association, Mr. Justice Riddell spoke appreciatively of the King and Queen, but in doing so applied an epithet to Queen Mary which was widely commented on. The phrase, as understood by practically everyone present, was as follows:

"Dear King George V—a plain man, a plain sailor, with a dowdy wife, who minds her business, looks after her children and her household, and sees that the smaller children succeed to the old clothes of the older as they grow up; a man and a woman like other men and women, who know their duties and devote themselves to their duties, and work hard in the position in life to which it has pleased God to call them."

One man who was in an excellent place to hear, and was very attentive to what was being said, declared that Mr. Justice Riddell did not say "dowdy," but that he used the word "doughty." It proved that this man was right. The word used in the speech was "doughty."

The word "dowdy" is an unfortunate one in that it has meanings which are complimentary, and other meanings which are the reverse. Here is what several dictionaries say:

Murray: "Shabbily dull in color or appearance; without brightness, smartness or freshness."

Wright's English Dialect Dictionary: "Slovenly, untidy in dress; dark, dull in color, faded; of quiet, homely habits, old-fashioned; stunted in growth."

Worcester's Dictionary: "Awkward, ill-dressed."—Applied to women.

Webster's New International Dictionary: "Dressed in a manner neither neat nor becoming; untidily shabby; wearing dingy or cheap finery; awkward and slovenly in dress; slatternly."

Enlists at 53; Says He's 39.

The July American Magazine has an article about "Foghorn" Macdonald who enlisted as a private in the Canadian forces at 53 and is now a major at 57. The author of the article says:

"By canoe for thirty-one days through the wilderness, by an old tub of a leaky steamboat, by whatever means of travel he could find, including his own feet, he made his way back to Winnipeg, only to find that the troops had left. All right! A machine gun company was being formed and he applied for that."

"The recruiting officer was a friend of his, had helped celebrate Foghorn's fifty-third birthday the previous January. But when in making out the papers he came to the question: 'How old are you?' and Foghorn whipped out, 'Thirty-nine!' he never batted an eyelash."

Before his official cronies at Ottawa knew it, Macdonald was on his way to England—a private at fifty-three! Two years later he was a major; the only man, in the forces of the Allies, who has risen from the ranks to that grade in the present war."

War Knits.

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