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Our Civic Rulers

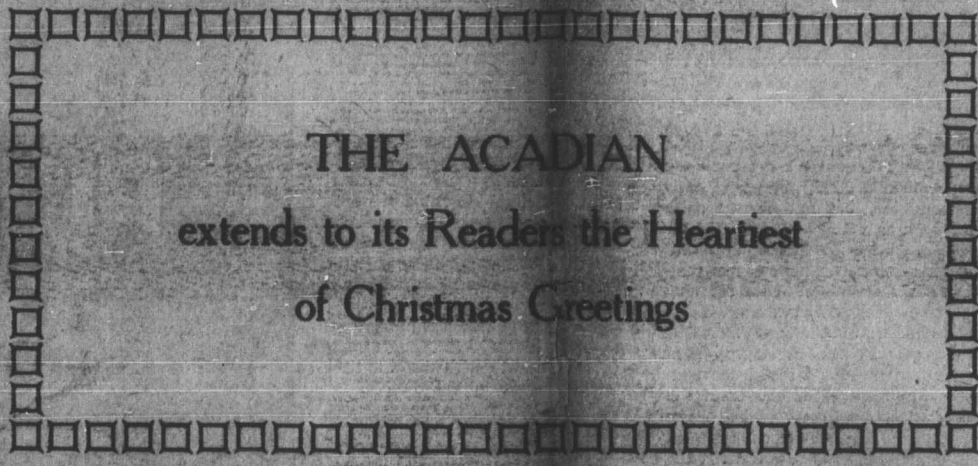
The citizens of Wolfville will soon be called upon again to select men to conduct their affairs at the council board and they should lose no time in giving the matter their best deliberation. Time is passing rapidly and there is comparatively little left to consider an issue which is after all, of more direct importance to the community than either Federal or Provincial elections.

The welfare of a district as a civic entity depends to a great extent on the policy pursued by those put in charge of its business affairs, and it is not wise to overlook the importance of an intelligent selection. It is not enough that the votes should be distributed amongst those who may happen to come forward as candidates—the ratepayer's choice should begin earlier than that, and those men who are thought to be capable should be invited to stand for election.

In many places, of late years, there has been noted a decided atmosphere of apathy in civic matters, some towns having actually been without any candidates at all. This state of affairs indicates a lack of civic pride which is hard to understand, and fortunately such instances are rare. But there is often an unspoken reluctance on the part of those very men who might be particularly well qualified for public office, and it is incumbent on the electors to invite their services. This is a matter which might quite properly come within the province of some of our own recently created organizations which have already done so much and warrant their existence.

On the other hand, there are unquestionably men in this town who know their services would be welcomed but who feel they are not able to spare the time involved. To such men it is allowable to point out that the public spirit which lies in all good citizens should be allowed to have its way, and that a little sacrifice of time and thought should not be allowed to stand in the way of what is, after all, the privilege and duty of every qualified citizen.

The Acadia institutions closed for the Christmas holidays on Tuesday and practically all the students have gone to their homes. Classes will be resumed on January 5th.



THE ACADIAN extends to its Readers the Heartiest of Christmas Greetings

AMERICAN WOMAN HONORED

Mrs. Belle Armstrong Whitney receives decoration of Legion of Honor from French Government

The following taken from a recent issue of the Boston Transcript refers to a lady formerly well known in Wolfville, and a native of this county:

Mrs. Belle Armstrong Whitney, of New York and Paris, and known in Boston through her former residence here, has been honored by the French Government in recognition of her untiring service during the war. Mrs. Whitney has been the Paris director, purchaser and distributor for the American food for France Fund and for several years has made weekly visits to the devastated regions under most uncomfortable conditions. She raised a large sum for this fund in a town in this country and is now bending her energies to assist the school-farm project in France, which provides promising lads with a home for three years while they are given modern practical lessons in the newer methods of farming.

Every newspaper takes advertising of rival banks, rival department stores and of firms that it attacks editorially. None of us see eye to eye with all those who do business with us, but we do not stop trading with people because we fail to agree with them.

THE BOY SCOUTS

Last Friday evening with Messrs. Paul Tingley, Max Brown, Robie Roscoe, and Vincent Schofield as assistants, things went with a swing at the Club Room.

The basket ball game between the Cuckoos and Tigers proved a very close one and exciting, the former winning score 12 to 11.

Lorraine Jackson and Freeman Morine passed the Tenderfoot tests and took their Scout promises. Ronald Shaw of the "Wolf" patrol passed his second class tests and took his obligations as a second class scout. He also qualified for his "Cyclist" badge.

Asst. Scoutmaster Vincent Schofield took a group of about a dozen boys in their "Forestry" badge, but not having sufficient time to finish, adjourned to meet on a hike through the woods during the Christmas holidays.

On account of Friday being Christmas Eve, the regular Scout meeting will be held at 7:30 in the afternoon. The Tuxis meeting at 4:30.

A cup has been presented in competition in hockey to the Wolfville Scout troops in the County. Berwick, Waterville, Canning, Port Williams, Kentville and Wolfville will be represented and the series should be interesting.

If you want to lose your good name, have it engraved on your umbrella.

PRETTY WEDDING AT SACKVILLE

(From the Sackville Tribune)

The marriage of Miss Marjorie Bates, daughter of Mrs. L. C. Bates, and Mr. Frank Leslie West, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley West, of Coles Island, Queens County, took place Thursday evening Dec. 16th, at six p.m. at the home of the bride's uncle, Mr. Henry C. Read. While the wedding march was being played by Prof. Chadwick, of Mt. Allison conservatory of Music, the bride entered the beautifully decorated drawing rooms on the arm of her uncle. The bride's gown was of white satin and duchess lace and was worn with a tulle veil caught with orange blossoms. The veil was one worn by Mrs. H. C. Read on a similar occasion. Her beautiful bouquet was of pink roses with streamers of tulle. Little Frances Read, gowned in dainty blue organdie and carrying a basket of roses, was ring-bearer and flower girl. The long flowing veil was carried by Master Herbert C. Read, who wore a suit of pale pink. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. A. J. Vincent, of the Main Street Baptist Church, assisted by Dr. B. C. Borden, of Mt. Allison University, of which Mr. West is a Professor of Engineering, and took place under an arch of evergreen decorated to look like a silver thaw in the woods.

After hearty congratulations from the sixty invited guests, the bridal party and guests sat down to a sumptuous supper served also in the drawing rooms. The bride's table was decorated with white roses, and the bride's cake. The toast to the bride was aptly proposed by Prof. Tweedie and responded to by the groom.

The bride and groom left on the Maritime express on their wedding tour, the bride's going away costume being of navy blue tricotine with touches of rust colored crepe de chine. Her cloak was of fawn duvetyn and her hat of south-sea seal with blue brocade and French roses. The gifts were very beautiful and included many cheques, and lovely silver-ware, china and linen.

The groom served Overseas as Captain in the Canadian Artillery, and is now Officer in Command of the C. O. T. C. at Mt. Allison.

[Mrs. West's many friends in Wolfville will join with THE ACADIAN in wishing her much happiness.]

LIGHTS LAST SUNDAY

To the Editor of THE ACADIAN.
DEAR SIR,—I was very glad to note that my suggestion with regard to the desirability of having the use of the lights these dark Sundays was taken in the same spirit as offered. The lights were certainly appreciated by church-goers on Sunday last and they will be until the days grow longer and lighter. It was easier for the ministers and the people and helped to make the service more cheery. The light authorities have the thanks of
CITIZEN.

P. E. ISLAND PRICES.

The following prices are being paid P. E. Island farmers for produce up to Dec. 10:

Dairy butter,	45c. to 48c.
Creamery butter,	54c. to 55c.
Eggs,	63c. to 65c.
Potatoes,	65c. to 70c.
Turnips,	25c.
Pork, dressed,	10c. to 15c.
Hides,	5c.
Fowl, drawn,	12c. to 18c.
Fowl, undrawn,	12c. to 14c.
Chickens, drawn,	20c. to 18c.
Chickens, undrawn,	16c. to 18c.
Geese, ducks, drawn,	32c. to 35c.
Geese, ducks, undrawn,	28c. to 30c.
Turkeys, drawn,	40c. to 45c.
Turkeys, undrawn,	25c. to 40c.

The Artesian Well

Mr. W. B. MacKenzie, C.E., of Moncton an engineer who has had much to do with the locating and boring of artesian wells, was at a special meeting of the Council on Tuesday evening to advise with regard to the location of the well which is proposed to augment the water supply of the town. Mr. MacKenzie, who had previously gone carefully over the ground recommended that the well be located to the south and near the reservoir and that it be made deep enough to assure a good and continuous supply and if possible a flow. If the first will prove a success, he recommends that to provide a supply for the higher ground that is not reached by the present system, a well or wells be sunk on the high ground on the ridge southwest of the town and connected with a separate reservoir. The supply the second would furnish water for the University and all the residences on the higher levels.

We understand that the Council has asked for tenders, and that the lowest is from the Trask Company, who offer to do the work if completed this winter, at \$5.50 per foot for an eight-inch well.

NOTICE, GENTLE READERS.

Only a few days ago there happened in Wolfville an incident which must not pass without some publicity; first, because it was a direct and intentional injury to one of our returned soldiers, a boy who was among the bravest and best of that fine army which protected us overseas; and secondly, because it shows the remarkable character of one of those men who allowed himself to be protected.

At six o'clock that Saturday evening the manager of one of the few places in town where men are employed, discharged the young man on the charges of "smoking" and "not being very strong anyway."

Many of the men at that place smoked at their work and still do so. The old stove smokes and drops its coals all over the floor. Men hang around the manager's office and smoke. There is no notice against smoking.

"Not very strong anyway." Perhaps trench warfare wasn't conducive to strength especially when one searched all over the trench for something to eat and remained very, very hungry. But then, the smoker was strong enough to charge at Vimy, stand with the men who held the lines at Hill 70, and suffer the gas attacks at Passchendaele, while the manager who has discharged him was happy and well-cared for with his family at home.

It is also interesting to know that the man who was engaged engaged to take the returned boy's place was not one of our soldiers, and also that the discharged boy had been promised winter's work there.

There is an Armistice Day poem in the London Daily Chronicle which ends: "The men whom England needed Are needing England now."

It's something that way even in Wolfville, and we think that a real man would show some preference to a returned soldier.
Friend of the Soldiers

A PEARL WEDDING

At the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Kinsman, Sheffield Mills, a very enjoyable time was spent on Friday evening of last week when over seventy friends, including a few from Wolfville, assembled to tender congratulations on the occasion of the thirtieth anniversary of their wedding day. Mr. and Mrs. Kinsman are royal entertainers, and though the occasion was a complete surprise to them they succeeded as they always do in providing a delightful evening for the unexpected guests. The time passed most pleasantly with social discourse, cards and a number of well-rendered musical selections by Mrs. Bowser, and Mrs. Burgess, which were keenly enjoyed. A feature of the evening was the presentation to the bride and groom of thirty years ago of a number of pieces of pearl-encrusted silverware as a slight token of regard by those present.

Elaborate refreshments were served and the party broke up at a late hour. Mr. and Mrs. Kinsman have the sincere congratulation of a host of friends who will join with THE ACADIAN in hoping them many years of continued happiness and prosperity.

OPERA HOUSE, - - WOLFVILLE

SPECIAL HOLIDAY PICTURES

Fri.-Sat., Dec. 24--25

"The Right of Way"

Starring the Magnetic and Versatile

BERT LYTELL

Adapted by June Mathis from the book published by Harper and Bros. The story that's thrilling a million.

Vital! Brilliant! Dramatic!

ALSO

Mack Sennett Comedy, GEE WIZ

Saturday Matinee at 2.30
Evening 7.30-8.45 p.m. Prices 17--30c.

Wed.-Thurs., Dec. 29--30

Marguerite Clark

In her Newest Comedy Success

"Widow By Proxy"

And as for being a "fake" widow when you want to be believe the lady with the veil. Marguerite Clark is some little flabbergaster in "Widow by Proxy." See it! You'll laugh till the tears come.

ALSO

The Vanishing Dagger
Prices 17--28c. Shows at 7.30-8.45 p.m.

Monday--Tuesday



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SADIE
Goldwyn Pictures

ALSO

CANADIAN PICTORIAL

Shows at 7.30 and 8.45
Prices 17 and 28c