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LOCAL ITEMS

A church census of Brockville will be taken on Nov. 28. Mr O. M. Eaton, recently of Winnipeg, arrived home last week. Men's wool fleeced shirts and Drawers 50c each at G. W. Beach's. Miss Maggie Niblock of Almonte is visiting friends in Athens this week. The ratepayers in Augusta Township are asking for a local option by-law. "Remember, corkscrews have sunk more people than cork jackets will ever save." Municipal nominations will be held on Monday, Dec. 24th, and the elections on New Year's day. Boys' heavy winter Overcoats, well lined and trimmed, \$3.50 to \$6.00, at G. W. Beach's. Mr W. Lorne Steacy has accepted a position as stationary engineer at the Eastern Hospital, Brockville.

The white-fish season is now on at Charleston Lake. As usual, the fish are a little shy of the ordinary bait. Live hens, chickens and ducks bought every Wednesday evening at Willson's Meat Market. Crops must be empty. Miss Hazel Washburn has been engaged as teacher of the kindergarten department of the Athens public school. Mr D. Derbyshire, M.P., called on Athens friends on Friday evening last and attended the Johnson-McRave recital. On Thursday last the hearing of the south ward ditch case was postponed until the next session of the Division Court. Teddy Roosevelt's spelling reform idea is being adopted outright over the river. The Morristown (N. Y.) paper now speaks of "walite" pike. A bill dealing with the excess of alcohol in patent medicines is likely to be brought in by the Dominion Government this session. Ten mills make one Trust. Ten Trusts make one Combine. Ten Combines make one Merger. Ten Mergers make one Magnate. For Sale—A second hand coal stove heater—Sultana No. 50—in good condition—\$9.00. Apply at THE RECTORY, Athens.

Work on the dam at the Outlet has been completed. Another work, the erection of a new cheese factory, is now in progress there. For Sale—Second-hand large wood furnace in first-class condition. Only reason for selling, am changing for coal furnace.—A. E. DONOVAN. Mr R. C. Latimer of Rockspring, having sold out his business, has rented the Gibson house on Henry street and will remove his family here in a few days. On Friday last the flag flying from the mast of the public school was the first intimation to many of our loyal citizens that the King's Birthday had arrived. It is now compulsory on the part of school boards to see that teachers' salaries are paid quarterly instead of half yearly as has been the custom in many parts of the country. Smith's Falls News: The many friends here of Miss Pauline Moore late of the public school staff will be sorry to learn that she is suffering from an attack of typhoid fever at her home in Picton Ont. At a meeting of the quarterly board of the Kemptville Methodist Church a unanimous invitation was extended to Rev. W. E. Reynolds to become the pastor of the Kemptville congregation for the fourth year. At the home of her parents, 50 Windsor ave., Westmount, on Wednesday, Nov. 7, Edith Evangeline, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Karley, departed this life, aged 18 years 11 months and 22 days, after an illness of several weeks. Miss Edith had many friends in Athens and in Brockville, where she was born and lived until two or three years ago, when she removed with the family to Montreal. The announcement of her death was received with many expressions of regret and of sympathy for the grief-stricken family.

Mr S. Fowler of Brockville was a visitor in Athens on Friday evening. The programme for the A.H.S. commencement will be issued this week. Mr Alva Johnston has taken a position on the staff of the Eastern Hospital, Brockville. —\$20 and \$25 Men's Fur Coats, well made, good linings, for \$12.50 to \$15 at G. W. Beach's. Winchester's tax rate is this year only 13 mills. In that village property is assessed at its full value. Mrs C. C. Slack left Athens last week for Montreal where she will remain during the winter months. Very convenient train arrangements have been made for the A.H.S. commencement on Nov. 28. See bills. While in Athens last week Miss E. Pauline Johnson and Mr McRaye were guests of Mr and Mrs S. C. A. Lamb. Mrs Alex Eaton and little daughter have returned home after a stay of several months with Mr Eaton at Salem, Mass. For sale—Second hand large wood furnace in first-class condition. Only reason for selling, am changing for coal furnace.—A. E. DONOVAN. Mr John Rabb of Lombardy visited his mother in Athens last week. He is recovering nicely from his recent illness. The big shoe factory at Iroquois, vacant so long, has been rented to three men who will use it for manufacturing articles on which they have patents. Mr G. F. Osborne of Glen Elbe, who is hunting in Parry Sound district, wrote home last week saying that his party had already killed eight deer and a fox. Mr E. J. Purcell is doing a big business in filling orders for coal this fall, and it is probable that the demand for wood will be much easier in consequence. Mr Harry D. Blanchard, who is now travelling in Western Ontario for a Montreal house, spent Tuesday at the home of his parents here and met many old friends. Over in Kemptville the council has capitulated and granted to the school board the money asked for, without being furnished with full particulars as to how the money was to be spent. Among the many new names suggested for Smith's Falls is that of Carrs, in honor of the genial Ogle. That name will go alright in this part of the country, and we'll second the motion. Mr Wm. Dawson of Lyndhurst was a visitor in Athens last week. He is one of the old guard of big game hunters, but is now content to let the younger generation strive for game and glory. Last week the front page of the Toronto News was decorated and illuminated with a faithful likeness of our worthy reeve. Mr Holmes won this distinction by being again elected a director of the Ontario Beekeepers' Association. Miss Bertha Lester left Athens on Tuesday for her home in Renfrew, where she will remain at least until spring. Miss Lester had a large class in music here, and her ability as a teacher and her uniform courtesy and kindness were such as to make both parents and pupils hope for her return next spring. While ploughing on his farm near Mallorytown recently, D. F. Armstrong turned up a British copper with the date 1787 plainly to be seen. A strange coincidence in connection with this find was that last fall while ploughing in the same field, Mr Armstrong found a similar coin dated 1744. Both are now quite valuable. About the worst weather of the season prevailed on Friday evening when Miss Pauline Johnson and Mr Walter McRaye gave their entertainment in the town hall. About two hundred citizens braved the elements and were treated to a delightful programme. Miss Johnson, whose fame is world wide, was heard to advantage in several of her best selections, and Mr McRaye's friends were very highly pleased with his interpretation of Dr Drummond's habitant poems. Several selections on the piano were artistically rendered by Miss Marie Weeks.

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ORGANIST WANTED. Owing to the removal of Miss Lester from Athens, the trustees of Athens Methodist church desire applications for the position of organist. Duties to commence Dec. 1st. T. S. KENDRICK, Sec'y Com. The granolithic walks of Carleton Place this year cost thirteen and one-half cents per foot. These are not theoretical figures; they are based on a practical demonstration. The town has now several miles of granolithic walks. Athens could afford permanent sidewalks at that price.

BOY WANTED. A boy of 15 to 18 years, with fair education, as apprentice to the printing business. THE ATHENS REPORTER. Just before the snow came down, the managers of the Farmersville Plank Road had a gang of men engaged in making minor repairs to this end of the road. Which indicates that an effort is to be made within the nine months' time limit to comply with the requirements of the inspector. On Tuesday morning the rector of Christ Church, Rev R. B. Patterson, M.A. was called upon to perform the pleasing duty of uniting in holy matrimony Mr. Robert J. Maud and Miss Maggie L. Steacy, both of Elizabethtown. The ceremony took place at the rectory. Try our value in Underclothing—T. S. Kendrick. Mr. Charles Wing left this week for Spring Hill where he will join a hunting party that is preparing to enter the tall timber in search of big game. The party includes representatives of Law and Medicine and several of the hunters look good enough to balance the absence of a Divinity man. And here's a pointer for those Spring Hillers—see that the commissariat receives due attention, and Athens' delegate will be happy.

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