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### HEART WEAKNESS JURY'S VERDICT

Post Mortem Examination Showed Joseph Rahmer Died of Valvular Disease of Heart.

The inquest into the death of the late Joseph Rahmer, who was found dead in bed in the Armstrong House at Athens, on January 10, was resumed in the Police Court room at Brockville Friday morning before Coroner Harding, with M. M. Brown present as Crown Attorney.

The evidence of Chief of Police Burke was heard, and he testified that he had acted as coroner's constable in the case, and on Wednesday, Jan. 10, accompanied Coroner Harding to Athens and saw the body of the deceased in the bed where the body was found, and carefully examined the room for evidence of foul play, in the nature of poison, etc., nothing of that character being found, or any indication of such being visible. Some pages of writing addressed to the deceased's wife were found alongside the bed, which apparently had been written the night previous to death. There was nothing in the epistle of importance, and the witness took possession of deceased's articles.

Coroner Harding read the letter, which stated that the deceased's wife had not treated him right, and he was about to leave on his return west. He spoke of assurance of love, and later of alleged deception, which he considered, to his mind, unjustifiable. The sum of \$6.10 was found in the pockets of the deceased.

Dr. M. H. Moore, of Athens, testified that he had been authorized to perform a post-mortem on the deceased by the coroner, and the result was that he found deceased had an enlargement of the heart and diseased valve, which was liable to cause death at any time. Otherwise the deceased's body was normal and no trace of poison were found. The condition of the man's heart was such that death might occur at any time. The cause of death he attributed to an enlargement of the heart.

This concluded the evidence and the jury brought in a verdict of death from natural causes.

The jurymen were Messrs. M. B. Holmes (foreman), A. E. McLean, W. R. Brody, A. M. Eaton, L. Wilson, A. Scott, George Holmes, John Rowson, M. Berney, and G. O. Moulton.

The funeral of the late Joseph Rahmer was conducted on Friday afternoon last by the Rev. T. J. Vickery at the family residence, Isaac street. The remains were placed in the vault. A widow and six children survive.

#### Reinforcement for the 156th

Lieutenant E. M. Freeman is in Athens seeking recruits for a new company to reinforce the 156th now in England. Lieut. Freeman saw service in France with the second contingent and is now on the staff of Major Newman who is to command the new company. The 156th has been re-organized into the original unit and the soldiers of Leeds and Grenville are again together. Despite reports to the contrary the Leeds and Grenville Battalion will go into the trenches as a unit.

#### C. N. R. Brakeman Has Mishap

Last week during the heavy storms that caused cancellation and late trains on the E. & W. branch of the C. N. R. Mr. Jas. Murphy, a brakeman, had a narrow escape from death. He was rolling a 300 lb. barrel of fish up the gang-plank when the latter slipped to one side throwing Murphy off. The train crew telephoned to Delta to have medical assistance ready; but on arrival there, found that the doctor was absent. First aid was administered with the help of a kit on the train; and although the sufferer was so badly bruised that blood exuded from his mouth and nose, he has since been able to resume his duties.

#### Effects of Last Week's Fire

After the fire of Monday last the Bell Telephone Co. sent out a number of linemen to readjust the system. The Bazaar owned by Mr. R. J. Compo is now the central, a switchboard having been installed in the building three days after the interruption to the service.

The lack of acetylene gas in the village is a serious drawback. The street lights have been requisitioned to light stores and churches until the Earl Construction Co. can rebuild its plant. Those who have private lighting systems have not felt the effects of the fire so much; but a look up through the business section of the town would almost make one imagine that there is danger from zepplin raids.

#### Ross-Halliday

A very pretty wedding was solemnized at Christ church, Athens, by the Rev. Rural Dean Swayne on Saturday evening, Jan. 20th at six o'clock, when Miss Chlevera Mac, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Halliday, Charleston, was united in marriage to Mr. Campbell Tait Ross, of Toronto.

The bride was charmingly gowned in white crepe de chene with trimmings of chantilly lace. She wore a tulle veil made in Dutch cap style with orange blossoms, and carried a shower bouquet of bridal roses. She entered the church on the arm of her father and was preceded by the vested choir singing, "The Voice That Breathed O'er Eden".

The bridesmaid, her sister, Kathryn wore pink crepe de chene, with pink hat in poke bonnet effect with black streamers. The groom was supported by his cousin, Mr. Byron H. Comstock of Portage, Wisconsin.

After the ceremony a reception was held at the bride's parents. The dining-room was prettily decorated with evergreen and roses. The bride's going-away suit was of navy blue silk, sealin coat and sable muff, with smart navy blue hat with trimmings of seal.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross drove to Brockville enroute to New York and Atlantic city and on their return will reside in Toronto.

#### Mrs. William Chancey Hayes

The death occurred in the Dobbs Settlement in the Rear of Yonge on Saturday, January 13, of Mrs. William Chancey Hayes, who had spent all of her life in this vicinity. Her husband died a year ago. She leaves two grown-up children. They are Mrs. P. Hollingsworth, Athens, and Mr. Burton Hayes, on the homestead. The funeral took place on January 16.

#### Death of Albert Wiltse

An aged and respected resident of Athens passed away at his home on the Charleston road, on Thursday, Jan. 18, in the person of Albert Wiltse, in his 89th year.

He was the son of the late James Wiltse, and was born in the township of Yonge. He is survived by two daughters and one son: Mrs. Emma Thornhill, Athens; Mrs. L. Hunter, Ettington, Sask; Kholer Wiltse, Athens. Mrs. John Wiltse and Mrs. Wilson Riley are sisters. His wife, who was Miss Charity Baker, of Lynn, predeceased him a number of years ago.

The funeral took place from the residence to the Methodist church on Sunday when services were conducted by Rev. T. J. Vickery. The remains were placed in the vault.

The pall-bearers were: Jas. Wiltse, Levi Monroe, Irwin Wiltse, Lawrence Noonan, Royal Moore, Wilson Wiltse.

#### Brockville Has New Deputy Magistrate

Mr. J. A. Page, the well known barrister has been gazetted Deputy Police Magistrate for the town of Brockville and will act in that capacity during the absence, illness or at the request of Police Magistrate Deacon, in accordance with the law in respect to the appointment of deputy police magistrates.

The publication of the Reporter was delayed this week by the non-arrival of the paper from Hamilton.

## WINNER OR WASTE WHICH ARE YOU?

On a recent public occasion the Honorable the Minister of finance, in addressing a representative Canadian audience, dealt with the agency of everybody doing, even in the smallest way, their share toward the Empire.

It is well to remember that every dollar thrown away extravagantly is one hundred per cent more good to the enemy than one dollar saved for ourselves.

The wealth of the world finally filters through individual dollars, and if the curse of extravagance strikes deeply enough, our ruin is bound to follow. Save a dollar TO-DAY and do a hundred per cent more for the Empire than your extravagant neighbor does for the enemy.

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### LOCAL ITEMS

Miss Florence Gartland was a week-end guest of friends in Trevelyan.

Division Court will be held here tomorrow.

Mr. Albert Ferguson, Main St. West has entered the employ of the Scott Bakery.

Mr. Alton Shaw who took the Short Course in Agriculture at Guelph, spent a day or so in Ottawa at the Winter Fair on his way home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Ackland and three daughters, of Calgary, Alta; are in Athens this week, guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ackland.

The new Charleston wharf will soon be under construction. It is expected that the necessary timber will be secured immediately and work commenced as soon as possible.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip C. Yates, of Toledo, announce the engagement of their daughter, Joanna Gertrude, to William Myres, of Chantilly; the wedding to take place some time in February.

It is not the publishing industry alone that suffers from the high cost of paper. Mercantile establishments are having their troubles. The cost of wrapping paper has risen, in the last year and a half, 300 to 400 per cent.

A local committee of women acting in conjunction with the Ontario Women's Equal Enfranchisement Movement will circulate a petition among the men and women of Athens next week. The clergy will call attention to the matter on Sunday, and literature will be distributed at the church doors. The Rev. Vickery will preach on the subject at the evening service in the Methodist church.

Died—at the House of Industry, Jan. 18, 1917, Miss Harriet Reid, in her 80th year, committed to the Home from Bastard and Burgess Feb. 1, 1909. The funeral services were conducted at the Home by Rev. T. J. Vickery. Remains were placed in the Athens vault.

Married—at St. Luke's church, Lyndhurst, on Wednesday, January 10, Helena Augusta only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Singleton, to Mr. Clarence Lloyd Green, Oak Leaf, by Rev. W. Hilyard Smith assisted by Rev. Rural Dean Swayne, of Athens.

Brockville Times—Taking fright at the fair grounds last week a team of horses driven by Roy Mullen, Kincaid street, made a dash the entire length of Ormond street and on reaching King street took to the sidewalk, continuing as far west as Orchard street, where the sleigh coming in contract with poles and trees, brought the frightened animals to a standstill. The horses were not injured but the sleigh was badly wrecked.

Dr. R. S. Stevens, son of Alexander Stevens, Delta, who graduated in both arts and medicine at Queen's University, has been promoted to a captaincy in the Royal Army Medical Corps. He enlisted while at Harvard, and went to France as lieutenant in No. 22 General Hospital. When his time expired he re-enlisted and was promoted in December. Capt. Stevens is another of Queen's graduates to cross the seas to serve his King and country.

Mr. A. R. Brown has had Laren gasoline lighting installed in his store.

Miss Jessie Percival home from her school.

Mr. W. H. Smith, Editor of the Ottawa Winter.

—Ottawa Bread, Rolls the Bazaar to night. First-class goods.

Reeve Holmes is attending the Counties Convention.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Chantilly were in Athens.

—Don't forget—special flour and seed oats, Warehouse.

Mrs. Wilson H. Willson her home here from Brockville where she had been in care for several months.

A car of stock and was loaded here last week by Mr. Hickey, MacIntyre.

Miss Mildred Hickey ended at Charleston at Ross-Halliday wedding.

Miss Mabel Schofield formerly of Athens, is millinery opening in New York.

The many friends of will be pleased to hear of after an illness of several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard son, of Alberta, are guests of Mrs. A. A. Ferguson.

A very enjoyable evening at the home of Mr. A. Robeson, Hard Island, of invited guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. called to Toledo recently of their niece little Miss shall and to Iroquois by their cousin Jas. D. Bu officer.

The village of Chester out a reeve. Mr. G. W. nominated along with Mr. ton, for the office, the for the majority of votes on His opponent has threatened Mr Bogart was a high s at the time he was non cordingly a new election be held for reeve.

#### W. I. Notes

The January meeting men's Institute will be Saturday, Jan. 27 at 3 o'clock. Following the business session a paper given on "R and His Works" by M. Scotch songs by Mrs. Percival and Mrs. S. C. A. Lamb; Scotch folk dances by Spaidal, Brockville.

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