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## HANTSPORT HAPPENINGS

Mrs. C. J. Yeaton and Miss Aileen Yeaton spent Saturday in Halifax. A number of "Valentine" social events have taken place this week. Rev. G. P. Raymond, of Kentville, visited Hantsport last week. The many friends of Mr. Thomas Riley regret to learn that he is seriously ill with pneumonia. Mrs. B. Young, Misses Grace and Ethel Young and Master Claude Young left on Friday for Digby, where they will spend the remainder of the winter with Capt. Young, Master of the "Otis Wack".

Mr. Frank Smith, of Truro, visited at his home here recently. We regret to learn of the indisposition of his father, Mr. F. R. Smith. Misses Violet and Cora Harvey, of Windsor, were week end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Dorman, Hants Border.

Miss Mary Beckwith returned on Thursday from Wolfville, having undergone an operation on her nose at Westwood Hospital. Capt. Chas. Barikhouse was a passenger to Digby on Tuesday. Canon Robinson filled the pulpit of the Anglican Church on Sunday evening. Mr. Robinson represents the British and Foreign Bible Society, and gave an intensely interesting address.

Messrs. Geo. Morris, F. Crowell, W. Masters and their boss L. Young left on Tuesday morning for Digby, where they will be engaged for several weeks repairing the barge "Gloascap". Mr. T. Patton, of New Glasgow, visited his family here last week.

Mr. W. Teffy, of Woodville, Kings Co., spent the week end at the home of his father Mr. T. Teffy. We understand that a company has been formed to bore for coal several miles west of Hantsport, on the Lockhartville mountain. The drill arrived on Friday, and it is expected that operations will begin at once.

Miss Ethely Benzanson, of Halifax, spent a short vacation at the home of her aunt Mrs. (Capt.) Jackson, Mt. Desert. Mr. Shannon Morse, of Mt. Denison, a former resident of Hantsport, was a patient at the P. M. Hospital last week. Miss Carrie Dill, of Windsor, spent the week end with Mrs. J. Pultifer.

A union choir furnished the music in the Presbyterian church on Sunday morning. Rev. Dr. Dickie gave an eloquent address basing his remarks on the sin of Ananias and Saphira. A return game took place in Windsor on Friday evening between the Hantsport Hockey team and the Bankers team of Windsor, score 0-0.

On Friday afternoon the Grand Pre team was defeated by the Hantsport team 6-1. The game took place on the Grand Pre rink. The Salvation Army gave a concert in the Empire Theatre on Wednesday evening. Mr. A. Welsh, of Amherst, was a recent guest of Capt. and Mrs. R. Taylor.

## WOMEN'S INSTITUTE HOLD MONTHLY MEETING

The February business meeting of the Hantsport Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Asaph Newcombe at 2:30 o'clock on Friday afternoon with a large attendance. The President and vice President being absent, Mrs. J. Lyon presided. Minutes of last meeting were read and approved. The different committees reported favourably. A number of communications were read and discussed.

A resolution was received from Miss H. McDougall, of Truro, superintendent of Institutes for the Province, to prohibit the importation of Oleomargarine into Canada. This resolution was adopted and a copy sent to Hon. Mr. Motherwell, Minister of Agriculture, at Ottawa.

A communication was also read from Dr. McLellan re Dental Clinic for the schools, under the auspices of the Institute—number of scholars taking advantage of the clinic 52, number of fillings put in 80, bill for material for filling \$50. Moved and seconded that bill be paid, motion carried.

It was suggested that Rev. Dr. McLellan be interviewed regarding the exhibition of his excellent views of Canada, sometime in March, report to be given at the March meeting.

A quilt was donated to the victims of the fire tragedy at Avonport. A miscellaneous programme being in order, a reading by "Phillips Brooks" was given by Mrs. Albert Lawrence. This reading was exceptionally interesting. Mrs. R. Lawrence and Mrs. W. A. Bradshaw also gave readings. The meeting closed by all joining in singing the "Institute Ode".

## THE OLD RED HOUSE

One of the first frame houses ever built in Hantsport was called "The Old Red House". It stood in the field

between the river bank and the house where Mrs. Andrews used to live. It was the home of Deacon Davidson and his family, who lived there till they left for homes of their own and the father died, when Grandma went to live with her youngest son, Chipman Davidson. The Old Red House was then rented for some years; afterwards being torn down. It was one of the landmarks for a long time, the different ministers who used to come to Hantsport to preach, always found a welcome there; meetings were held, and when baptism took place the candidates used to prepare for it there. I wonder if there are any in Hantsport to day who remember it, or know what year the house was built. A most interesting story could be written about it.

## AVONSIDE COTTAGE OR THE OLD RED HOUSE

Near the high grassy banks of the swift flowing Avon, The house that's most ancient in Hantsport now stands; Where many have spent the best hours of existence. Some are living near still, some abroad in far lands.

The Avonside Cottage is old and decaying. For time has been working upon its red walls; Through the orchard and meadow the children are straying, The island reechoes with laughter and calls.

As I pass through the rooms that have now grown familiar I think when a child I first entered the door; How wonderful, pleasing, and new to my fancy, This place always charmed, in the visits of yore.

If these walls had a voice to reecho the story, Of joys and of sorrows, like sunshine and shade; That came to the inmates who dwelt here before me, When all things were pleasant, or sorrowful made.

But no voice from the walls or the rooms shall reecho The tale of the inmates, their weal or their woe; My fancy and memory, the scene faintly pictures, Of the loved ones who moved here at home, long ago.

I see a large group, there are brothers and sisters, With father and mother, sit down at the board; Where health and prosperity crown them with plenty Their barns are well filled, and their larder well stored.

Bye and bye there come changes, and sisters choose partners And brothers take wives to cheer their new homes; While lonely and anxious the wives and the sisters For brothers and husbands as sailors do roam.

But a still greater breach is made in the circle Than marriage can make, though half should depart; Grim death enters harshly, the father securing; And leaves the survivors with sorrow of heart.

How often these rooms have been filled to o'er flowing, On many occasions, when converts were there, And singing and prayer would arise in full chorus, Then down to the water we all would repair.

But my fancy and memory fail to do justice In painting the picture, I fain would recall Those who lived here could tell us the whole of the story Could all the world listen, 't would interest all.

The house and the garden, the orchard and meadow The banks and the river—and all places round Have charm for all those, who have lived here before me 'Tis the prettiest place, that in Hantsport is found.

These lines were written for Grandma Davidson in Sept. 1857 by Margaret D. Michener.

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## SEEKING CANADIAN TRADE



A delegation of Soviet officials is now on its way to Canada seeking arrangements whereby trade between the two countries may be renewed. The delegates include J. E. Koulik, N. N. Kostritzin and A. Divilkovsky. During their visit to Great Britain they visited the site of the Empire Exhibition, which opens in April, and in the picture they are seen viewing one of the Canadian buildings. Their guide is Mr. J. H. Clynes, who is publicity agent for the British Empire Exhibition. He is a son of J. R. Clynes, Lord Privy Seal and Deputy Leader of the Labor party in the British Commons.

## DR. SHANKLE ADDRESSES YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY

A very interesting lecture was given in the Baptist Church on Friday evening under the auspices of the Young Peoples' Christian Endeavour Society. Miss Gladys Masters, President of the Society, called on Dr. F. R. Shankle to address the meeting. Dr. Shankle took as his subject, "Health", dealing principally with "Tuberculosis", the nature of the disease, prevention, etc., and stated that while the death rate is decreasing it still claims about one hundred and twenty-five thousand lives a year. The death rate is larger in Nova Scotia in proportion to the population than any other Province except Prince Edward Island. The doctor stated some of the principal causes of the disease such as improper food, unsanitary surroundings, and careless habits of people infected with the disease, and he urged a proper inspection of schools and examination of all children, and the establishment of Clinics throughout the Province. The doctor went on to say that about everyone has the T. B. germ in their system and by certain tests can ascertain whether the germ is active. The same can be applied to animals, and claims that all cows should be tested for tuberculosis, as milk from diseased cows is a menace. Dr. Shankle closed his remarks by saying he had a vision of the future, instead of curing diseases, they will be prevented.

A very hearty vote of thanks was tendered the doctor for his most interesting and instructive address.

A Bible question match is the program for Friday evening the 15th, and on the 22nd, Miss Lillian Bishop, of Greenwich, who spent a number of years in India, will give a Missionary address. The Magazine Club, in connection with the society, is giving much pleasure to its readers.

## HANTSPORT GIRLS DEFEAT WINDSOR

A return game of basketball was played in the Hantsport gymnasium Monday night between the Windsor team and Hantsport. Score 53-20 for Hantsport. Line-up: Windsor—Forwards, Reta Cochran, Capt., May Doran; Centres, Ethel Cochran, Daisy Muller; guards, Evelyn Muller, Mildred Matheson. Hantsport—Forwards, Capt. Nellie Reid Violet Alley; Centres, Dorothy

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Lourillard, Laura Newcombe; guards, Grace Whitman, Lillian Stevens. After the conclusion of the game the visiting team were entertained at Dr. McLellan's where lunch was served and all enjoyed a dance. The chaperons for Windsor were the Misses Chase, Sanford, Sanford and Creighton. Mrs. George Kewley for Hantsport.

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