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**LOCAL ITEMS**

—Select Oysters, Wilson's Meat Market

—Best Manitoba Flour at Athens Grain Warehouse.

Miss Ethel DeWolfe of Junctown is home for vacation.

Mr. A. H. Jones, medical student, of Toronto, is home for vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Patterson of Brockville visited friends in Athens on Monday.

Mr. Abner Freeman of Gouverneur, N.Y., spent Christmas at the home of his mother, Prince street.

Mr. Walter Landers of Toronto spent Christmas at the home of his grandmother, Mrs. Stone.

Mr. N. L. Massey was able to take part in the closing ceremonies of the A.H.S. on Thursday last.

Mr. Harry Blanchard of Mallorytown, a student at McGill University, visited friends in Athens this week.

Mr. W. M. Stevens and daughter, Miss Mary, of Ottawa, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Kincaid.

Dr. E. Moles of Norwich, Ont., spent Christmas at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Moles, Reid street.

At the Christmas service in the Baptist Church Miss Culbert, a pupil of Miss Weeks, sang a highly appreciated solo—"The Choir Celestial."

Mr. William Jones, late a popular and successful teacher at Lyndhurst, left this week for Wetsakwan, Assa., where he takes a good position in the school of that town.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Richards of Frankville were guests of Mrs. S. Stone on Monday. Mrs. Stone, we are pleased to learn, was able to enjoy the day with her guests.

On Sunday next both services in the Methodist church will be taken by the Rev. Wm. Pearson of Newboro. Rev. Mr. Hughes will conduct anniversary services at Newboro.

—Our stock of Perfume is too large and we want to reduce it; for a few days, will make a big discount—25% off marked price. Call and let us show you.—J. P. Lamb & Son.

Rev. S. J. Hughes, afflicted with lagrippe, was unable to conduct the service in the Methodist church on Sunday evening, and his work was taken very acceptably by the Rev. Wm. Rilance.

Mr. Charles Shook has returned home after spending the past week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. Shook. Mr. Delbert Shook is spending a couple of weeks with his uncle, J. Townsend of Long Point.

Mr. and Mrs. Theron McCrady and son Allan of Winnipeg, Manitoba, arrived in Athens Friday night on a visit to Miss Caroline L. Wilcox street. Mr. McCrady is also visiting his father at Lyn, whom he has not seen for 25 years.

After an absence of twenty eight years, Samuel Scott, an old resident of Elizabethtown, is visiting the home of his boyhood days. He was last week a visitor of his brother, Benjamin, of this place, and spent Christmas here. He is also visiting his brother Stephen of Lyn. He finds many changes since he left, a good many of his old friends and neighbours having passed away. He resides in Vandalia, Michigan.

Mr. F. Green, of Ottawa, returned to his home for vacation.

Mr. Harry Boney of Kingston spent Christmas at his home here.

Mr. George and Miss Victoria Lee of Langton returned for Christmas.

Mr. Arthur Parke of Trinity College, Toronto, arrived home for vacation last week.

Miss Jessie Wood has returned to her home at Pleasant Ferry, having spent three months in Athens.

Miss L. Niblock and Miss J. Wood paid a short visit at the home of Miss L. Kirkland of Glen Buell.

Mr. and Mrs. Hodgins of Niagara spent Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Stevens.

Mr. S. D. G. Wright of Trinity College, Toronto, is spending the holidays with his mother on Reid street.

Lost—A gold heart locket in H. S. Hall, or on Church street. Finder please leave at Post office. L. B.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. W. Judson of Montreal spent Christmas with friends in Brockville and visited friends here on Monday.

Mr. R. D. Judson left Athens on Monday for Southern California, where he will remain during the winter months.

At the regular meeting of the I.O.F. on Friday evening, officers for 1905 will be elected. A full attendance of members is requested.

—Notice—Farmers who want Shingles for next spring or summer. Try Athens Lumber Yard now. Large stock and good values.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Rose of Mountain, Ont., are spending their holidays at the home of the latter's mother, Mrs. J. L. Niblock.

After a serious illness of two weeks, during the latter portion of which there was no hope of recovery, Mrs. (Dr.) Bourne, Frankville, died on Wednesday (28th).

Mr. A. N. Sherman left Athens on Friday last for Brockville. He had a very busy time while here, treating patients all day long and sometimes to a late hour at night.

Mr. S. H. McBratney returned home on Monday from his horse and cattle ranch at Olds, Alberta. He is well satisfied with the prospects of that country of magnificent distances.

At the close of the term in the A.M.S., the teachers in training presented Principal McIntosh with a handsome gold ring as a token of their appreciation of his faithful and efficient work.

Miss Wright of Ottawa, who spent Xmas with her mother, returned to the city on Tuesday. She was accompanied by her sister, Miss Mary, who will spend a week visiting friends in the city.

—Chamois Vests and Cheat Protectors—large assortment just received, in various sizes. Call and see them, even if you don't buy just now. No trouble to show them—prices low and goods first class.—J. P. Lamb & Son.

The difficulty and expense of heating the new town hall so as to make it safe to put on plaster at this season would be great and the result probably unsatisfactory, so the contractor has consented to defer this part of the work until spring opens.

Of the school entertainment held at Washburn's on Wednesday last a correspondent says: "Our popular teacher, Miss Jennie Davison, deserves great credit for the manner in which she had the pupils trained, all doing their parts well. Under the able chairmanship of Rev. Mr. Garrett of 'Delia', the entertainment was a great success."

Recorder: On Monday evening, at the Presbytery, Very Rev. Dean Murray united in wedlock Mr. James Anderson a former young resident of Athens, and Miss Katie Allan. On Tuesday evening Rev. L. A. Beths united in marriage Mr. Hebron A. Pierce of the township of Yonge and Miss Minnie Henderson of Elizabethtown.

An enjoyable evening was spent by the children and friends of the Methodist Sunday-school, on Monday last, at the annual S. S. entertainment. The children had been carefully trained and acquitted themselves most admirably. The veteran superintendent, Mr. Fisher, presided. The report read by the secretary showed that both the attendance and finances of the school were in a healthy condition.

**Election of Officers**  
 The members of Loyal Orange Lodge No. 2 Pine Hill, had a very pleasant time on the evening of Dec. 16th, it being their annual meeting for the election of officers.

The newly elected officers, after being duly installed by the Past Master, made short addresses, which were much enjoyed by all. Officers for the coming year are as follows:—  
 W.M.—Bro. Bismarck Green.  
 Deputy M.—Bro. Wm. Jaquet.  
 Chaplain—Bro. A. W. Johnston.  
 Rec. Sec.—Bro. William Roberts.  
 Fin. Sec.—Bro. Byron Beale.  
 Treas.—Bro. M. J. Johnson.  
 D. of C.—Bro. Brook Green.  
 Lecturer—Bro. John Earl.  
 Committee—Bros. Geo. Godkin, Joe Jacques, Ben Moulton, C. W. Murphy.  
 Caretaker—Bro. Wm. Johnson.

**CARD OF THANKS**  
 The relatives of the late William Beach desire the Reporter to express their gratitude to the people of Athens for their many kindnesses.

Mr. Beach left to mourn his loss 7 children, 26 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

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Renewals—Annie E. Anglin, Minnie Burns, Lucy Casley, May Green, Annie Hall, Mercy Smith and Lillian Stevens.

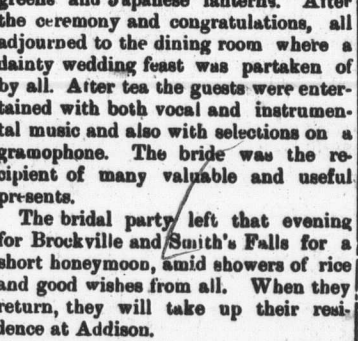
District Certificate—Jean Bilton, Justine Davis, Blanche Eaton, and Clifford Kelly.

**WILTSE—STEVENS**

A very pretty wedding took place at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Stevens, Glen Morris, at 7 p.m. on Wednesday last, when their daughter, Miss Myrtle, was united in bonds of holy matrimony to Mr. John Wiltse of Addison. The ceremony was performed by Rev. James Wing of Lyndhurst in the presence of about thirty invited guests. The bride looked charming in a suit of grey ladies cloth with red silk waist trimmed with white over-lace and hat to match Miss Carrie Stevens, sister of the bride, was bridesmaid, and was attired in a suit of blue. The groomsmen were Mr. Nicholas Stevens of Watertown, cousin of the bride.

The house was decorated with evergreens and Japanese lanterns. After the ceremony and congratulations, all adjourned to the dining room where a dainty wedding feast was partaken of by all. After tea the guests were entertained with both vocal and instrumental music and also with selections on a gramophone. The bride was the recipient of many valuable and useful presents.

The bridal party left that evening for Brockville and Smith's Falls for a short honeymoon, amid showers of rice and good wishes from all. When they return, they will take up their residence at Addison.



**BRESEE—STEACY**

Pretty indeed was the house wedding, which was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jonas H. Steacy on Thursday, Dec. 22nd, when their second daughter, Miss Victoria, was united in marriage to Mr. R. M. Breesee. To the strains of the wedding march, played by the orchestra, through a passage formed by the bride's youngest sister Lottie of white ribbon leading up to an altar banked with evergreens, over which was suspended a beautiful arch of evergreens and flowers, came the bridal company, consisting of Mr. Breesee, followed by the bride leaning on the arm of her father, and little Myrtle Taber who admirably filled her position as flower girl, where the ceremony was performed by Rev. Hughes in the presence of about forty assembled guests.

The bride looked beautiful in her dainty white silver gown and pretty bridal veil, with lilies of the valley in her hair, and carrying a huge bouquet of bridal roses.

After the ceremony, which was performed at 11 a.m., and the usual congratulations, Miss Irma Culbert sang beautifully the "Choir Celestial." The company then repaired to the dining room, which was trimmed with evergreens, flowers and sunlax, where refreshments were served in a highly pleasing way by the bride's brother and sister; meanwhile the orchestra discoursed sweet music.

The presents were numerous and costly. The groom's present to the bride was a gold watch and to the flower girl a ring.

The bride's going away gown was of black broad cloth, with hat to match. Mr. and Mrs. Breesee left that afternoon for Montreal and other points, followed by the best wishes of their many friends.

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