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## Wolfville's Memorial Unveiled

Tablet to the Memory of the Twenty-nine Brave Wolfville Boys Who Died for King and Country

The unveiling of the bronze tablet erected at the post-office grounds in memory of the twenty-nine Wolfville boys who gave their lives in the Great War took place on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The weather was ideal and a great throng of people assembled to witness the interesting ceremony, lined the street and filled the spacious grounds.

At the appointed time the procession of Girl Guides, Boy Scouts and School Children, headed by a Bugle Band and a Guard of Honor, composed of members of the G. W. V. A., under the command of Sgt. Carl Angus, arrived from the school-grounds, and under the direction of Principal Ford and the teachers, and marshalled by Mr. Carl Mason took the position assigned to them.

Mayor Fitch who presided narrated the steps which led to the procuring of the memorial and called upon Rev. G. W. Miller to unveil the tablet, set in a simple but solid monument of natural stone, upon which is inscribed the twenty-nine names of the honored dead:

Fred M. Abbot, M. M.  
Robert C. Borden  
George B. Caldwell  
Dallas C. Connor  
Chester R. Dakin  
H. Burton DeWolfe  
Leonard C. Eaton  
William A. M. Elderkin  
Winfield A. Farris  
Charles W. Farris  
H. Clyde Fielding  
Charles W. Fitch  
Frank O. Hutchinson  
Stanley L. Jones  
George F. Keible  
Rufus W. Lightfoot  
Walter L. Lynch  
Clyde C. Manning  
George E. MacGregor  
Arthur W. Pinch  
Frank E. Porter  
George A. Ritchie  
Leslie E. Rogers  
Charles W. Schofield  
Blake U. Shaw  
Frederick L. Sleep  
Robert W. Selzer  
Edward C. Webster  
Carl D. Woodman

Rev. Mr. Miller offered a fervent and beautifully appropriate prayer, after which "O Canada" was sung, led by the school children and their teachers.

The Oration was given by Mr. George Nowlan, one of Wolfville's sons who took part in the Great War, and was an eloquent and masterly effort, which held the close attention of the large throng who followed every word of the speaker. Following is the text of the address:

This afternoon we are met together to participate in this ceremony, probably the last public gathering which this town will participate in because of the Great War. We are assembled here to pay our last tribute, our last public respects to those gallant boys who are sleeping in the fields of France and Flanders to those boys who sacrificed all and who gave up life itself that the principles of justice and democracy should not be crushed by a tyrannical despot. I appreciate the honor that has been conferred upon me in asking me to participate in this service, but I wish Mr. Mayor that some more able hand, some more gifted tongue had been asked to pay this last tribute. Words are weak even when falling from the lips of the great and I fear that I can meet this situation but poorly, and that I will be unable to express the thoughts and ideals that arise within each and every one of us at such a time.

The war now is relegated to history and the suffering and scars which arose because of it are being softened with the passage of time. Nearly seven years have passed since that dread Tuesday, August 4, when the news was flashed over the country that the Motherland was at war. I well remember that morning. It was raining and dismal a day to match the spirit of the people. About 200 people were at the station that morning to await the arrival of the morning train and to catch the first glimpse of the papers bearing the dread news. I can see them yet as they stood there, silent and thinking deeply of the crisis that confronted them. The Herald that morning in black face type set half way across the page bore these words "Hell is Let Loose". How well it prophesied not even the editors of the paper themselves knew. Who were there of us gathered at the station that morning who believed that the war could last more than six months—who were there, even in the wildest play of his imagination could picture the suffering, the desolation and the travail which was to hold the world powerless for nearly five years.

Few of these boys whose names are inscribed here today, considered themselves as directly affected by the news that arose. Many of them were then too

young to enlist, and those who could enlist feared that the war would end before they could complete their training and arrive on the battle front. But all realized that this was no war for selfish reasons.

This was no Opium War but a war which involved the principles of right and justice, a war to protect the home and all that man held dear therein. So Canada threw herself into the conflict with heart and soul. On August 5, the engineers were preparing the grounds at Valcartier and by the end of August we had the largest body of men ever assembled in Canada, over 30,000 men were training on the fields of Valcartier. Some were in mufti, some in the black serges of the militia, some in the scarlet of the R. N. W. M. P. and a few in Khaki. Every day their number increased, each day saw them improved and becoming more proficient until finally on Oct. 2, this, the largest military force ever to cross the Atlantic, this the second Armada, set sail for the shores of Old England.

And then came Salisbury Plains. Of this no one can speak. Who but the boys who suffered and died there can describe the miseries, the suffering and the privations which they endured. France itself could hold nothing worse in store. Men wallowed in the mud by day like swine in a mire and at night they lay down to sleep in the ooze and the damp. Then that dread pestilence broke out among them and they died by the hundreds. No one can describe that camp but those who suffered there while they watched their chums die and even they are powerless because words cannot describe such a place.

And then in the early days of February there came across the waters to the people waiting anxiously at home rumours and whisperings until these grew into a certainty that the first Canadian Division had landed in France. And well it was for the British Army and well for the world at large that the Canadian Army crossed to France when it did and well indeed that to these Canadians was allotted that sector to the north of Ypres, for on that afternoon of April 22, when the German hordes advanced behind their cloud of deadly gas, they found an army of disciplined and untrained, but an army which held fast when all others had fled. On both their flanks the men broke and ran and small blame to them, for nothing more devilish or inhuman had ever been invented but the Canadians held firm and delivered counter attacks, and in the words of Sir John French, "undoubtedly saved the day for the British Army."

Over 16,000 of them perished, over half of our first Division have been sleeping in the fields of Northern Flanders since April 22, 1915, but they had saved the day at one of the most critical points in the world's history, and probably due to those 16,000 men, and their comrades who survived, more than to any other body of men, is due the fact that today we are living in peace and undisturbed by the brutality of a victorious tyrant.

One could spend hours on this topic and no tribute that could be paid would be too high, no eulogy too flattering to these men of the Canadian Corps. From the poisonous trenches of Ypres, to the bloody heights of Vimy Ridge, to the mud churned slopes of Passchendaele, their story is the same. Always in the thick of the battle, the Canadians fought, suffered and died, as no one had heretofore deemed possible. Their morale was excellent, and although the price they paid for victory was often exorbitant, yet they never hesitated or wavered. They were conscious of the fact that they were fulfilling their duty, that they were paying a debt of honor to the world and they considered no price too great. Thus we come to the days of '18 and the memory of those days is too fresh to be recounted. Suffice it to say that in the battle of Amiens on August 8, the Canadians advanced over 8 miles in one day and so made a record for the quickest advance made during the war. In the last 100 days the Canadians recovered nearly 500 square miles of territory, captured by the Hun and in his special orders of Oct. 3, Lieut.-Gen. Sir Arthur Currie congratulated the corps on having since August 8, engaged and defeated 47 German Divisions, that is nearly one quarter of the total German Army on the Western front.

And then after these years of suffering after these years in which the entire world withered in pain, the end came with dramatic suddenness. To the people at home, Nov. 11, was a day of wild jubilation and of thanksgiving to the boys in Belgium. It was a day long awaited, a day not entirely free from doubt and incredulity. To them the war had seemed interminable, their optimism had been shaken by false rumours of peace, and when the day of Nov. 11 dawned, many of them were then too

## Wolfville Wins

In Friendly Game of Cricket at Kentville

Wolfville cricketers won their return match at Kentville last Friday afternoon by the score of 63 to 21. Capt. Mason won the toss and sent the Kentville eleven to bat. They were all retired for 21 runs. Harry Saunders, the Wolfville coach, taking 8 wickets for 9 runs. Wolfville then went to bat and scored 63 runs. Robinson made the high score of 28, and Saunders scored 13. The scoring was as follows:

Kentville	
Brooke, b Saunders	3
Fosberry, b Saunders	4
Morell, b Saunders	3
Vereker, b Saunders	0
A. Beauchamp, run out	2
Walker, b Spittal	0
Thompson, b Saunders	2
Sinnett, not out	7
Eastman, b Saunders	0
V. Beauchamp, b Saunders	0
Murphy, b Saunders	0
Total	21

Wolfville	
Herbin, l.b.w., b Morell	2
Saunders, c Thompson, b Brooke	13
Robinson, b Brooke	28
D'Almaine, b Brooke	0
Spittal, c Beauchamp, b Morell	0
White, c Sinnett, b Morell	3
Mason, c Beauchamp, b Morell	3
West, c Brooke, b Walker	1
Bauld, b Fosberry	2
Smith, b Walker	1
Cox, not out	2
Extras	8
Total	63

Bowling Analysis				
Kentville	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs
Brooke	7	3	3	9
A. Beauchamp	2	0	0	11
Morell	6	2	4	8
Walker	8	2	2	6
Fosberry	7	0	1	21

Wolfville				
Saunders	Overs	Maidens	Wickets	Runs
Saunders	6	3	8	9
Spittal	5	0	1	11

## SUMMER MASTER SCHOOL

Acadia College, Wolfville, N.S.

of Mr. Frank B. Marsh, Jr. Mr. Marsh has secured the noted Boston Baritone and Voice Teacher, Mr. Louis Bennett, to take charge of the Voice Department. Mr. Bennett has studied voice with some of the greatest masters of the day among whom may be mentioned Vancini and Lombardi in Italy, Gudhus (the well known Wagnerian Tenor) and Dr. Richard Mullen in Germany, Jacques Bouhy in Paris, and Madam Helen Feltesse of the Royal Opera of Brussels and Ghent. During this time he was singing in the Leipzig State Opera, the leading baritone roles and afterwards was contracted for two years with the Royal Opera de la Mounaie in Brussels. He has made several extensive tours of England and France and was in Ostend, Belgium when the war broke out. Since his arrival in America he has had large classes in Boston and made extensive concert tours. Mr. Bennett will accept a limited number of pupils. He will give a Recital the evening of July 14th.

Mr. Marsh will have charge of the Pianoforte, Organ, and Theoretical Departments. He is an Artist Pupil of Albert Jonas, the famous Spanish Virtuoso. For full particulars address The Principal, Acadia Ladies Seminary.

## NEW BANK OF MONTREAL BUILDING

Through the courtesy of Manager Guest THE ACADIAN had the privilege on Wednesday of inspecting the plans for the new Bank of Montreal building which is to be erected in Wolfville during the present summer. Handsome of design, composed of solid brick with stone trimmings the new structure will be one of the finest bank buildings in the province and an ornament and credit to the town.

The building will face on Main street and will be about 33 x 50 feet. In the basement will be the heating equipment, vaults, toilets, etc. The first floor will contain the manager's office, a customers' room the most up-to-date arrangements for the carrying on of bank business, giving plenty of light and ample accommodations to provide for the comfort of the staff and customers of the bank. The second floor will be devoted to a manager's residence, and will be fitted up in first-class style.

It is understood that the tender will be awarded about June 20th, and that this work will be pushed along as rapidly as possible. Wolfville is to be congratulated on the prospect of such a fine addition to the business places of the town.

Public schools of Nova Scotia close on June 15th and reopen on August 22nd.

## The Artesian Well

Now Ready for Use—Wolfville Has Ample Water Supply

The artesian well was tested out last week to the satisfaction of the members of the Council. Mr. Trask had a pump put on and kept in operation for over twenty-four hours raising at the rate of thirty gallons per minute. It was found impossible to lower the standing of the water in the pipe to more than thirty-one feet. The water is of splendid quality and the well will be of great service in the improvement of the towns supply during the dry season. The well is 352 feet in depth and cost \$5.50 per foot. It is now ready for use and no delay should be had in providing the necessary equipment. It is likely that the pump will be operated by electric power which will be the most satisfactory in the long run. Steps should at once be taken to have the necessary wiring done and the pump and motor secured and in stalled so that in case of another dry season a plentiful supply of water will be secured. Both the reservoirs are now full to capacity and with the well as a reserve there should be no cause for further uneasiness in regard to the water supply.

## DR. ELLIOTT'S NEW HOME

A representative of THE ACADIAN had the pleasure on Monday of paying a visit of inspection to Dr. Elliott's handsome new residence on Linden avenue. The dwelling presents a fine appearance, is large and roomy and fitted with every modern appliance. It is constructed of wood covered with stucco, has wide verandahs and sun-parlor and will make a very comfortable residence for Dr. and Mrs. Elliott and family. The doctor's quarters are on the south side with separate entrance opening into a well arranged and spacious reception room, at the rear of which is the laboratory and consulting room fitted with every convenience that a doctor could desire. The dwelling includes a spacious hallway with handsome stairway, large living-room, dining-room, kitchen, etc., on the first floor, large roomy sleeping rooms, with plenty of closet room, bath, washroom and sitting-room on the second floor, and a large finished room for the use of accommodation for storage.

The W. M. S. of the Methodist church, Dr. Elliott was visited.

be found equal to every demand laid upon it. Mr. C. H. Wright was the contractor, and the work was done under the careful oversight of Mr. Langille. The masonry work was done by Mr. Leonard Sheehy and the painting and finishing by Mr. William Murphy. The completed residence reflects much credit upon the workmanship of all these. The property represents an investment of about \$14,000 Dr. and Mrs. Elliott have been moving in during the past few days and are receiving congratulations of many friends.

Don't miss the big Auto Auction June 16th.

## June Wedding

Williams—Sleep

The pretty home of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Sleep, Summer street was the scene of an interesting event on Wednesday afternoon, when their youngest daughter, Violet May, was united in marriage to Mr. Lawrence Williams, of Halifax, of the staff of the Furness, Withy Co.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. Simeon Spidle, D.D., of Acadia University, in the presence of members of the family and intimate friends. The floral decorations were of pink and white hawthorne and lilies. Mrs. Sanford, of Boston, sister of the bride, presided at the piano and played the wedding march.

The bride looked very attractive in a handsome gown of white duchess satin, with veil and wreath. She was unattended and was given away by her father.

At the close of the ceremony a reception was held and dainty refreshments were served, Miss Myrtle Walsh, of Kentville, Miss Harrington, of Halifax, and Miss Minta Hatfield, of Wolfville, serving and Mrs. W. C. Bleakney pouring tea.

The happy young couple departed by the afternoon train for Halifax, their future home, followed by best wishes of a host of friends. They will reside at "the Arm" where the groom has secured a pretty bungalow. The bride's travelling costume was of navy blue with hat to match.

The presents were numerous and valuable, including cut-glass, silverware and cheques. The Furness, Withy staff presented the bride and groom with a handsome silver service and tray, while the firm sent a cheque. The groom's present to the pianist was a handsome emerald pin.

Among the out of town guests were Mrs. Gordon and little daughter and Miss Harrington, of Halifax.

THE ACADIAN joins a host of Wolfville friends of the bride in best wishes for the future happiness and prosperity of Mr. and Mrs. Williams.

## CANNING NOTES

Mrs. M. S. Eaton started on Thursday last on a trip to Washington, D. C., and Ottawa, where she will visit her sons William and Fred B.

The W. M. S. of the Methodist church

The Canning Junior Base Ball Club met the Kingsport Club on the 8th, score 23 to 11 in favour of Canning.

The Canning Dramatic Club presents the play "The Beantown Choir" in the Armories this (Friday) evening.

Mr. T. E. Hutchinson has just added to his equipment a fine new Maxwell truck which will enable him better to handle his growing business. Mr. Hutchinson intends, we understand, to have the new car fitted with side seats and will do jitney work this summer as well as carry freight.

## Interesting Address

On Missions at the Tabernacle on Sunday

One of the usual interesting services on Missions was held in the Tabernacle on Sunday evening. Two very appropriate and pleasing solos were rendered by Miss Smiley and Miss Chisholm, with organ accompaniment by Miss Bishop.

Miss Evalena Hill, whose parents are Missionaries in Africa, addressed the meeting, speaking on "The Effects of Christianity in the Congo". After a brief description of the country, the conditions as found by the first missionaries forty years ago were described. At that time there was no written language; the people lived in huts furnished only with grass mats and with a fire in the centre of the room, which was filled with smoke. The religion of the Congo races is largely spirit worship accompanied by many superstitions.

The work of the Christian missionary has greatly changed the ideas and living conditions of the people. Evangelistic work is the first aim of the "White Man" as the natives call him, but hand in hand with definite religious instruction go educational, industrial, and medical work. Every mission station has a boarding school in which native boys are taught the fundamentals—reading, writing and arithmetic. At a few points there are industrial schools where the men learn carpentry and brick making. Medical treatments are also given by every missionary, whether he is a doctor or not. Doctors, nurses and hospitals are few in number in Congo.

In contrast with conditions of forty years ago the native language has been committed to writing. The Bible, hymn and school books and other books such as "The Pilgrim's Progress", are now printed. The mud huts are being replaced by two-room wood or brick houses, furnished with tables and chairs made by the natives. Sewing machines are now sold in large numbers and the men are becoming tailors.

Illustrations were given of the wonderful work done by one little boy of eleven years who had spent eight months at the mission station, and of another slave boy who became a christian and is now working alone in the interior among cannibal tribes. There are many christians, but remnants of village and tribal customs are still unbroken.

open which is to be held under the auspices of men and women who will bear the Gospel message to them.

A substantial collection was taken to aid the educational work that is being carried on by the Tabernacle S. S. in India.

The Melancon Manufacturing Co. is building a large building at Lower Gaspareau, to be used as a boarding house for employees of that progressive institution. Mr. C. H. Wright, of Wolfville, has the contract and is pushing the work along rapidly.

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