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BROCKVILLE'S GREATEST STORE

## We have the Goods!

We were fortunate enough to foresee the present condition many months ago. We filled up our reserve, anticipating scarcity and higher prices. We could not replace the immense stocks of goods under our roof to-day at an advance of  $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $\frac{1}{2}$  or even more in price. The advantage is yours!

Sheetings, Pillow Cotton, Cottons, Linens, Flannelette

Underwear, Hosiery, and many other lines of staple merchandise can be bought here by you now at a great saving over present market prices, in fact

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It will pay you to anticipate your future needs as we did, and stock up NOW.

It's a positive fact that goods will be much higher, and we can save you a lot of money by supplying you from our present stocks.

**The ROBERT WRIGHT CO. Limited**  
BROCKVILLE CANADA

## YOUR EASTER SUIT COAT OR DRESS

Now is the time to visit, Davis' store, Brockville, and select your Easter costume

Our showing is the most exclusive stylish and largest we have ever attempted to show our many customers and we invite you to make your selections early while our stock is well assorted.

Ladies and Misses New Suits.....\$15 to \$35  
New Coats.....\$8 to \$20  
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R. DAVIS & SONS, BROCKVILLE

Hundreds of New Spring Models

## American Lady Corsets

JUST to hand--by far the largest assortment we have shown. The season's "American Lady Corset" models are pronounced the most shapely that Dame Fashion has allowed for some seasons.

These new "American Lady Corset" models, to a large extent follow the lines of the figure, so that the woman is normally corseted.

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BROCKVILLE.

The Exclusive Women's Wear Shop.

Look at the address label on your paper. Jan. 17 means 1st of Jan. 1917 not 17th of Jan. If you have paid your subscription, see that the labels shows it. If it does not notify us immediately.

### ATHENS PUBLIC SCHOOL REPORT

The following is the Athens Public School Honor Roll for March. The standard for honors and satisfactory standing is as usual. Names follow in order of merit.

#### Room I

Sr. I.—(honors) Kenneth Gifford, Edna Wing, Erna Blancher, Edwin Evans, Rhea Kavanaugh, Ivan Dillabough.

Jr. I.—(honors) Howard Putnam, Joey Gainford, Howard Stevens, (satisfactory) Jessie Hawkins, Laura Purvis.  
Prim. Sr.—(honors) Elva Gifford, Beatrice Duclon, Helen Gordon.

Prim. Jr.—(honors) Goldie Parish, Gertrude Wilson, Freddie Fenlong.  
Average attendance 25

Ada L. Fisher, teacher  
Room II

III Jr.—(honors) Robert Rahmer, Dora Mulvena, Marian Robinson, Knowlton Hanna, Gerald Wilson, (satisfactory) Harry Bigalo, Francis Sheldon, Henry Bigalo, Bevy Purcell.

II Jr.—(honors) James Bright, Irene Gordon, Howard Burchell, Beatrice Bulford, Francis Hawkins, (satisfactory) Margaret Goodfellow, Kathleen Taylor.  
Average attendance 34

Gladys Johnston, teacher  
Room III

III Sr.—(honors) S. Burchell, (satisfactory) L. Bulford, A. Judson, V. Lee, F. Wiltse, G. Gifford, S. Bigalo.  
IV Class.—(honors) G. Yates, (satisfactory) R. Taylor, G. Knowlton, V. Topping, L. Taylor, E. Gainford, C. Vickery, G. Purcell, B. Kelly, M. Howarth.  
Average attendance 35

S. J. G. Nichols, principal

#### To Punish Listening on Phones

Listening on party Telephone lines and repeating the conversation thus overheard is to be a punishable offense according to legislation to amend the Ontario Telephone Act introduced by Hon. I. B. Lucas. The penalty for listening and repeating telephone conversations intended for others will apply to telephone operators also, he said.

Other parts of the amendment apply to Ontario representation on the tribunal to be formed by the Dominion Government regarding connections between Dominion-regulated Bell Telephone Company and local Companies; and that no such provincial and Dominion company shall amalgamate without the consent of the provincial railway board.

#### Charleston School Section No. 12 Contributes \$60

The following subscription list was collected for the Belgian Relief Fund in Charleston School Section No. 12: Thos. Heffernan \$10, Thos. Spence \$2, Alphonso Botsford \$2.75, Robbie Ferguson \$2.50, Helen M. Troy \$2.50, John Ward \$2, Stephen Godkin \$5, W. W. Eyre \$5, D. M. Webster \$2.50, Mrs. Chas. Slack \$1, Elton King \$1, George King \$5, Wm. Halliday \$1, Richard Findley \$2, Maggie Findley \$1, Robert H. Foster \$1.50, Mrs. M. Kavanaugh \$1, Jas. Hudson \$1, Harry Webster \$2.50, Annie Moulton \$1, John Davie \$5, George Heffernan, \$1.00, Frank Kerwin \$1, Wm. Kirkland 25c, W. S. Grey \$1, George Chestham \$1, J. N. Webster \$3.

#### Village Council Meeting

The following accounts were ordered paid:  
H. C. Phillips court fees \$2.00, A. M. Lee, freight charges \$1.75; W. G. Parish, for lumber \$8.34; F. Blancher, lodging for tramps \$2.50; E. J. Purcell, for coal \$13.85; The Cranston Novelty Co. for street signs \$30.00; The Page Wire Fence Co., fire escape \$238.50; Ford Whitmore, for wood \$12.25; Wm. Young, for wood \$3.38; Wm. Whaley for wood \$7.00.

A by-law was passed providing for an overdraft of \$2000.

The following committees were appointed; Property Councillors—Sheldon and Smith; Road Commissioners—Jacob and McLean.

A. M. Lee, clerk

The lower forms in the Public and Separate Schools of Prescott have been closed owing to an epidemic of measles prevalent there.

### LONG DISTANCE SERVICE FOR RURAL LINES

Bell Telephone Co. Sells Athens Exchange to Rural Telephone Companies.

Although the entire business has not been settled, there seems to be no prospect of a hitch in the transfer of the Bell Telephone exchange at Athens to the combined independent companies, The Plum Hollow and Eloida, and The Lyndhurst Rural Telephone corporations. The Addison, Rockspring and Greenbush Company are considering the purchase of a Bell line running to Frankville.

Many of the phones on the Athens exchange will be taken over by the Rural people at a set price. Long distance service is one of the features of the transfer, and subscribers will be enabled to talk anywhere over the Bell System. The yearly subscription price will be raised to \$18 for residences and \$15 for places of business. Considering the service that will be obtainable, the price is low, although slightly higher than the old one of \$12.

The question of a new exchange is receiving attention. A petition has been circulated to have it in a separate building and not in connection with any other business. The custom at the present time is to have a merchant look after the switchboard, as the revenue has not been sufficient to warrant the establishment of a separate Central office.

The growth of the independent telephone companies in this district has been phenomenal. It can not be much farther back than 1908 when Addison company erected poles and strung the wires. Other companies in various parts of the county organized on the same co-operative basis, and today nearly every farmer and business man is talking over a rural telephone.

#### Revival Services Are Held in Methodist Church

The three-week series of evangelistic services in the Methodist church are having a good attendance. Dr. J. Richie Bell, superintendent of the Sailors' Institute, Montreal, is conducting these services, assisted by the pastor, Rev. T. J. Vickery. Dr. Bell delights his audience by rendering in his clear tenor voice, some of the old revival hymns that take one back to the days of Moody and Sankey. Sunday evening, he sang, "The Ninety and Nine," and with Mr. Thos. Horsefield, "Jesus Loves Me." The doctor also led the singing of the choir. The organ had been thrown into disuse by the placing of a piano on the platform, where Mrs. Derbyshire played the accompaniments.

Dr. Bell's discourses go deep down, and his pleasant, persuasive delivery is most effective in the winning of souls to God. He will remain in Athens all of next week. His subjects for Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday evenings of this week are: "Just like his father," "Quit your meanness," "Heroes or cowards, which?" Bible studies are held in the afternoons at 3 p.m.

#### Mrs. McKenzie Receives in St. Marys

Friends of Mrs. M. E. McKenzie (nee Miss Flo B. Edwards) will be interested in the following item from a St. Marys paper:

A great many ladies were out on Wednesday afternoon to call on the bride, Mrs. M. E. McKenzie, who received with her sister-in-law, Mrs. (Rev.) Robertson, of Sarnia, for the first time since her marriage. Little Misses Betty Gordon and Hope Westwood, of Toronto, were in attendance at the door, while in the diningroom, Mrs. McKenzie, who wore a lovely gown of shell pink charmeuse and georgette crepe embroidered in silver over an underskirt of Venetian lace, with corsage bouquet of violets, was assisted by Mrs. Wm. Dale. The tea-table, most attractively decorated with jonquils and shaded silver candlesticks, was presided over by Mrs. John Pool, who had as her assistants Mrs. Westwood, of Toronto, cousin of the bride, and Mrs. McCredie and Paynter. Throughout the afternoon there was a constant influx of callers, so that the bride, who is a new-comer, cannot doubt the friendliness of St. Marys ladies.

### SAFETY FIRST

This is preached and taught for protection by all large corporations employing men in operative work.

Life Insurance Companies agree to protect your relatives when you die. Accident Insurance Companies protect you from danger of travel or daily occupation.

You can be a Safety First and Life Insurance Company in one on a moderate scale by laying aside a few dollars every day.

The money is as much yours as though in your own pocket, with this difference: the Bank takes care of it and makes it earn interest for you.

**The Merchants' Bank OF CANADA.**

ATHENS BRANCH,

F. A. ROBERTSON, Manager

#### Death of Mrs. Alex Stevens

Mrs. Alex Stevens passed away at her home in Harlem, on Thursday, March 8, 1917, at the age of 73 years. She was born in New Boyne, and had lived in this district all her life. Besides her husband, she leaves to mourn her loss four daughters, namely: Mrs. Homer Sherwood, Smith Falls; Mrs. Philip Derbyshire, Harlem; Mrs. Charles Gillfillen, Lyndhurst; and Mrs. Ella Archibald. The funeral took place on Saturday from the family residence to Harlem church, where Rev. Calvert of Delta, conducted the services. The remains await interment at the Harlem cemetery.

#### Used Seditious Language

That it is not wise to use seditious language whether in sincerity or in order to appear eccentric is proven by an incident at Guelph. Alexander Stewart aged 52, Canadian born of Scotch parentage, and a highly-esteemed citizen of Minto township, was given a preliminary hearing today on a charge of sedition, and committed for trial. Two witnesses testified that, in the market place at Harrison, on Feb. 1, accused made statements decrying the military, declaring that a cartful of old rags would make clothing too good for them, that the soldiers were no good, and that he would not send his sons to the front. He admitted making some of the remarks, but said they merely referred to certain enlistments from Guelph. The matter was taken up by the Militia Department, the Dominion police and the Provincial Attorney General's Department, with the result that information was laid.

The meaning of the word "Ganan-ouque" is wrapped in mystery. "Meeting of the waters," "Rocks under running water," "Place of health," are all put forward as the derivation.

The Strathcona Hotel in Brockville has changed hands and the purchasers, Messrs W. P. Driscoll, contractor, and R. H. Smart, hardware merchant, will convert the building into an apartment house. At present the hotel proper is being used as a recruiting depot for the 156th Reinforcing Draft.

## Spring Clothing

Every day we are receiving our exclusive Spring Clothing from Canada's first makers. Our showing in both ready-to-wear and made to your individual measure is the largest and most exclusive we have ever yet had the pleasure of putting before the public. Hundreds of new patterns to choose from. We would suggest an early selection. Made to your individual measure \$22.50 up. Ready-to-wear \$12.50 up.

**The Robt. Craig Co. Ltd.**  
Brockville, Ont.

## 3-DAY Sacrifice SALE

In order to make room for spring goods, we shall place on sale a number of staple lines at old time prices during the

Remainder of the week

SILVERWARE  
GLASSWARE  
LAMPS  
JARDINIERS  
TINWARE  
AGATEWARE  
CROCKERY  
STONEWARE  
TRUNKS, BAGS  
VALISES  
OTHER MISCELLANEOUS LINES  
WHIPS

We have a very large assortment of Whips. Let us show you them.

## Ottawa Bread 7 CENTS

Ottawa Bread to all customers purchasing goods at this sale, 7c a loaf.

Don't forget that the days of this sale are Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week!

**Dick's Bazaar**  
R. J. Campo, Prop.  
Athens