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GOLDEN WEDDING IN BECKWITH.

Mr. and Mrs. William McNeely Celebrate the Auspicious Occasion.

On Tuesday of last week a very enjoyable day was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McNeely, 11th line Beckwith, when they celebrated the 50th anniversary of their marriage. The house, which was beautifully decorated with flowers, was thrown open in the morning, when all the children and grandchildren (excepting the eldest son John of Morris, Man.), arrived to spend the day and rejoice with their parents on the occasion.

Rev. Canon Elliott, who with Mrs. Elliott was present at dinner, in a short address in which he proposed the health of the bride and groom, gave a brief history of the past 50 years and the changes that have taken place during that time. Shortly after dinner Mr. David McNeely, on behalf of the family, read the following address:

DEAR FATHER AND MOTHER—
In the midst of the festivities held to-day in your honor there are none assembled here who rejoice with you more sincerely than your own children. We, who know you and love you best, cannot hope to find more words to express all we feel, nor do we intend that these remembrances we bring with us express fully our affection to you both. We will ask you mother, to wear this watch and every time you look at it remember that while time brings its changes, our affection grows stronger. And you father, we would ask to remember when you carry this stick that we too are ready to help you over the rough parts of life's journey.

Miss Jennie McNeely, the eldest granddaughter, and Master Clifford Jackson, the eldest grandson, then presented Mr. and Mrs. McNeely with a beautiful gold watch and gold headed cane.

Mr. and Mrs. McNeely received many other beautiful presents from other relatives and friends who arrived in the afternoon, and although completely taken by surprise expressed their heartfelt appreciation of these tokens of love and respect.

In the evening about 9 o'clock Mr. and Mrs. McNeely received another surprise, when about 20 members of R.B.P. No. 639, of which Mr. McNeely is W.M., arrived to pay their respect. Mr. S. Wilson, as Master of Ceremonies, gathered the members in the drawing-room, and called on Hon. Dr. Preston to read the following address:

SIR KNIGHT WILLIAM McNEELY—
We the members of R.B.P. No. 639, Carleton Place, as a Lodge have now been associated with you for many years and we have always found you a true and faithful Sir Knight and Brother. You have always been at your post ready and willing to advance the best interests of the Lodge and now upon the celebration of your Golden Anniversary allow me on behalf of the Lodge to present you with this Past Masters Jewel.

Mr. Robt. Armour then pinned the jewel on Mr. McNeely's breast, while the gathering sang "For he's a jolly good fellow."

And to you Mrs. McNeely, the members of the R.B.P. are glad to have the opportunity of presenting this small token of respect. We must have deprived you of many hours company of your loving husband when he was with us in the Lodge room. We congratulate you both, wishing you every happiness and that you may be spared to pass together many more of the milestones in life's journey.

Signed on behalf of the Precinctory, (Signed) J. STEELE.

Dr. J. J. McGregor then pinned a beautiful gold brooch on Mrs. McNeely and all sang "The Maple Leaf Forever," after which short addresses were given by Dr. J. J. McGregor, on behalf of the Orange Order, Hon. Dr. Preston, Dr. J. M. Sinclair and Mr. Jas. Steele, of Carleton Place, Rev. J. W. S. Lowry, of Franktown, and Mr. Thos. Sloan, of Smiths Falls.

Mr. McNeely in a few words expressed his appreciation of the honor done him, and after spending a very sociable half hour the guests sang "Auld Lang Syne" and "God Save the King," and took their departure.

Mr. McNeely, who is the youngest son of the late Brice McNeely, was born on the farm now owned by himself, and when 22 years of age was married to the only daughter of the late David Sheppard, of Beckwith. He has always been a staunch Conservative, a member of St. James church, Carleton Place. He was one of the chief promoters in the founding of S.S. No. 14 Beckwith and one of its first trustees, the others being Mr. Tait and Mr. Peter McGregor.

Of nine children born to Mr. and Mrs. McNeely three are dead, the remaining children being John of Morris, Man., David and Alfred Carleton Place, Wm. E., on the homestead, and Mrs. Wm. E. Jackson, Beachburg, and Mrs. Boyd Drummond, Toledo.

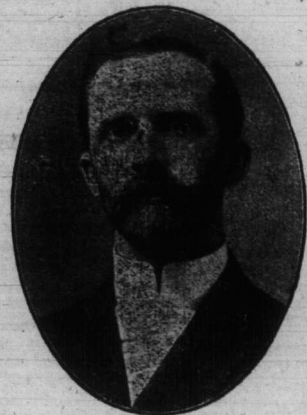
The many friends of the golden bride and groom unite with the family in extending congratulations and hearty good wishes, and wish them continued good health unto the dawn of their diamond jubilee.

The steamer Opoko of the Nicholas Transit Co., Cleveland, sank off Knife Island, Lake Superior, fourteen miles from Duluth, with 110,000 bushels of wheat. The cause is unknown. The crew escaped in boats and were picked up.

THE SEVENTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF KNOX CHURCH.

Successful Services Sunday and Monday—Rev. Dr. McTavish the Preacher.

The seventieth anniversary of the dedication of Knox Church, Beckwith, to the worship and work of God, was enthusiastically observed on Sunday last by morning and evening services conducted by Rev. Dr. McTavish, of Toronto. A more than usual interest



REV. J. W. S. LOWRY.

attached to the special annual services this year, on account of it being the 70th commemoration in the history of the congregation, the church edifice having been built in 1845. The preaching of Dr. McTavish was very appropriate, and was highly appreciated by the large congregations which filled the spacious church to overflowing. The reverend doctor is a native of Beckwith, where he was born at the old homestead on the ninth line and it was an interesting circumstance that a son of the old church should be the preacher on its 70th birthday. The united choir of Knox church and St. Paul's, of Franktown, under the able leadership of Mr. D. R. Ferguson, conducted the psalmody of the day with efficiency and becoming solemnity, and never were the inspired psalms and paraphrases—"those strains which once did sweet in Zion glide"—heard to better effect than on this interesting and important occasion. At the close of the service on Sabbath evening, the pastor, Rev. Dr. McTavish, returned thanks to Rev. Dr. McTavish for his services, and also to Mr. A. J. Duff, for his kindly donation of flowers and plants which so richly adorned and beautified the place of God's sanctuary.

On Monday evening the annual supper and entertainment were held and were largely attended. The ladies of the congregation served a most bountiful supper in the township hall, from six to eight o'clock, after which a musical and literary programme was given in the church. Rev. Mr. Lowry took the chair and suitably welcomed all present, and also presented an interesting historical sketch of Knox Church, followed by an address brimful of reminiscence of past years in old Beckwith by Rev. Dr. McTavish, and addresses of greeting by Revs. A. A. Scott, J. J. Monds, W. G. Henderson and A. D. Fraser. The choir at intervals rendered very pleasing selections, and readings were given by Miss Mary Lowry, Miss Lizzie Henderson and Miss Mary McNeely, and solos by Mr. A. J. Duff, Mr. D. R. Ferguson and Mr. Arthur Williamson, of Ottawa. The anthems of the choir were of a very high order and reflected great credit upon the performers. The marking of the 93rd anniversary of the first Presbyterian church services in old Beckwith and the seventieth of the work of the Knox church congregation within the last two weeks, with the accession of four or five new families to the congregation and the reception of twelve new communicants, has awakened new life and enthusiasm among the faithful people, who devoutly thank God and take courage for the days that are to come.

Now, for my friend's and brethren's sakes,
Peace be in thee, I'll say,
And for the house of God our Lord,
I'll seek thy good always.

The big new car ferry, Ontario No. 2, on her initial trip from Rochester to Cobourg, carried 32 loaded cars.

Brome county, Quebec, carried the Canada temperance act by a majority of 331. It is to come into force the first of May next.

Prof. J. B. Reynolds, M.A., of the English Department in the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph, has accepted the offer of the Principalship of Manitoba Agricultural College.

Mrs. Douglas of Braside.

The Braside correspondent of the Arnprior Chronicle gives the following particulars of the death of this estimable lady: This community lost one of its most useful and estimable residents when on Monday last Mrs. William Douglas, of Braside, passed to eternity; her death deprives Braside of a citizen whose loss will be sincerely felt, it deprives the Presbyterian church of this village of a worker of unusual zeal, one who was a leader among women, it deprives a family circle of a kind and loving wife and mother; Mrs. Douglas will be truly missed everywhere, in her long residence of twenty years in Braside she surrounded herself with a very large circle of friends who fully realized and appreciated her many admirable traits of character. Mrs. Douglas' maiden name was Jean Stewart, a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stewart, of Drummond, in which township she was born 62 years ago. After her marriage to Mr. Douglas they moved to Perth and later to Carleton Place; twenty years ago Mr. Douglas identified himself with the Braside mills and here deceased came and remained to the end of life's chapter. She was the mother of ten children, six of whom survive, namely: Mrs. Kirby, Misses Annie and Pearl and Wm. Douglas, Jr., all of Braside; Mrs. F. C. Carruthers, of Ottawa, and Mrs. (Dr.) Lorne Steele, of Regina; to them and to the bereaved husband the sympathy of the community goes out. The funeral on Wednesday afternoon to the Arnprior cemetery was very largely attended, people from far and near assembling to pay a last tribute of respect to one who was so esteemed and respected in life. Among those from a distance who were here for the obsequies were Mr. and Mrs. Mellard, of Regina, Mrs. James Kidd, of Prospect, Ont., Mrs. (Dr.) Steele, of Regina, Dr. M. H. Steele, of Carleton Place, Mr. and Mrs. James Duff, of Carleton Place, Miss May MacCallum, of Carleton Place, Mrs. Alex. Steele, of Almonte, Rev. Wm. Kidd, of Victoria, B.C., was also present and he assisted Rev. Mr. Taylor with the funeral services. The pallbearers were Messrs. Russell, Kirby, J. F. McEwen, F. C. Carruthers, D. A. Gillies, Chas. Patterson and S. F. Caldwell. The floral tributes were very numerous and unusually beautiful; among the vast collection were noticed the following: Sprays—Annie Douglas, Pearl Douglas, Mrs. Dickenson, Minerva Leitch, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. McEwen and Douglas, Ottawa; Mrs. S. F. Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. M. Campbell, Wm. Sinclair, Mrs. John Gillies and family, Miss Nancy Campbell, Mr. Klock, Miss Bangs, Mrs. C. W. Bangs, Ottawa, Miss Grierson. Wreaths—Ladies' Aid, Braside; Mr. and Mrs. Carruthers, Ottawa; Mr. and Mrs. Anderson, Regina; Dr. and Mrs. Steele, Regina; the office staff. Dr. and Mrs. Cranston, Mr. and Mrs. Kirby and Miss Kirby, Wm. Douglas, sr., Wm. Douglas, jr., the yard employees, J. A. Gillies. Pillow—Gillies Bros. Limited. Pillow and wreath—The mill employees.

"A Courtship in the Harvest Field."

This interesting and timely subject will be the theme of a special sermon in Knox church, Beckwith, on Sabbath evening next, at the harvest home service to be conducted by the pastor. No doubt many will attend to hear a Bible love story of three thousand years ago unfolded in a practical way for our own times. "Rally Day" programme will be observed by the Sunday school and congregation at 10:30 a.m., and in St. Paul's church at Franktown at 2 o'clock on the same afternoon. All are very cordially invited to attend these services.

Fred. Hilliard Loses a Horse.

The Renfrew Mercury says: The gully that has taken so much of Mr. Fred. Hilliard's attention in the last few years, improving from its wild state, cost him a horse last week. He was ploughing with a three-horse team one day last week. Near the edge of a hill thirty-five feet above the creek bottom the team found the precipice rather too steep and commenced to slip down hill. Once started they went downwards rapidly. One horse went into the creek with the other two on top. Mr. Hilliard could not go to the rescue quickly himself, and when help arrived and the harness was cut and the upper two animals released the third one was drowned. It was worth about \$175.

A New Bank Map.

A striking illustration of the financial progress throughout the two older provinces of the Dominion during recent years, with respect to banking facilities, is graphically shown in a new edition of a Bank Map of Ontario and Quebec which has been recently issued by the Department of the Interior at Ottawa. According to the information which has been incorporated in the publication the number of branches in operation in 1901, the first year for which statistics of this nature are given, totalled approximately 500, in comparison with 2,000 at the present time. The interesting compilation of current banking information is valuable also as a railway map, showing as it does, the location, on the various main and branch lines, of all towns and cities. This, together with other general information, makes the publication very useful for reference purposes. A copy may be procured free of charge upon application to F. C. C. Lynch, Superintendent of the Railway Lands Branch, Department of the Interior, Ottawa.

France's Minister of War has called out the 1917 class of recruits.

An interesting service was held in the Presbyterian church, Fitzroy Harbor, on Sept. 6th, when Rev. Mr. Woods was ordained to the ministry, and inducted to the pastorate of Fitzroy and Torbolton congregations.

AN OPEN LETTER

From a well known Methodist Clergyman of Interest to all who are Sick.

One of the best known ministers in the Hamilton conference is the Rev. Chas. E. Stafford, of Elora, Ont., who freely admits that he owes his present good health to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Mr. Stafford writes as follows: "Some years ago I was severely afflicted for a period of nearly four months. The leading physician in the town in which I was then stationed diagnosed my case as one of complete nervous prostration, brought on by over-work and which superinduced intercostal neuralgia and muscular rheumatism, from which I suffered the most excruciating pain night and day for weeks. So weak and helpless did I become that my attendants had to handle me like an infant, raising me up and laying me down with the greatest care, so intense were my sufferings. Acting on the advice of my doctor, and taking his medicine, I did not seem to improve. One afternoon, while suffering great pain, the editor of the paper published in the town, and who was a member of the church of which I was then pastor, urged me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I was sceptical as to the medicinal qualities of all proprietary medicines, but on the strong recommendation of the editor, who had great faith in the medicine, I decided to try them. To my great surprise and supreme delight, I soon found that the Pills were giving me relief, and after I had taken seven boxes I was fully restored to health. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, under God, having made me a new man. Ever since I have been better and stronger physically than I had been for a number of years."

Three years ago, after an active ministry of forty-six years, I asked the Hamilton conference of the Methodist church to grant me superannuation relation, which it did, but for more than two years I have been supplying a charge which necessitates a drive of twenty miles every Sabbath. To-day I am strong and hearty, without an ache or pain, and for my present physical condition I am indebted to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and can most heartily recommend them to the afflicted."

Death of Miss Beatrice Kelly.

Mr. J. H. Walford was summoned to Pembroke on Saturday by the news of the death of his niece, Miss Beatrice Kelly, of that town. The case is a sad one. The young lady had taken the normal course last spring, and winning her certificate, had been engaged to teach in one of the departments of the Pembroke public school. The day before school began she was taken down with typhoid fever, and in little more than a week succumbed to the disease. Her father, the late Fred. Kelly, died some seventeen years ago while station agent for the C.P.R. at Stittsville, his death also being due to typhoid fever. The funeral of Miss Kelly took place on Sunday.—Renfrew Mercury.

Fatal Accident in Montague.

A distressing accident occurred last Wednesday in Montague, by which a well-known resident of the township lost his life. David McGee, than whom none were more respected, received a very sudden call. While engaged at silo a board fell from the top, a distance of about ten feet, striking the unfortunate man on the head. He was killed almost instantly. The late Mr. McGee resided for many years on the Griffith farm, which he purchased only a year ago. He was generally esteemed, and his terribly sudden death has aroused the keenest sympathy. His wife and two daughters survive, the former being a sister of Thomas Graham, Smiths Falls.

A Sudden Death at Carp.

Very sudden was the death summons of one of our respected residents in the person of Mr. Edmund Newton. He and Mrs. Newton were visiting their son, Charles and while at dinner on Sunday last he suddenly ceased talking and dropped his head and immediately expired after being placed on a couch, the cause of death being heart failure. The late Mr. Newton was of a retiring disposition and a friend of all who had the pleasure of his acquaintance. He was 68 years of age, and was born at Fallowfield, coming to Carp when about 18 years of age where he learned the trade of harnessmaking. About 43 years ago he was married to Anna Teevans, of Fitzroy, who survives, together with the following children: Mrs. B. J. Grace, Corkery; Daniel of Montreal; William of Cobalt; Charles of Huntley, and James of Carp, all of whom were present at the funeral.—Review.

Alan H. Bowland, a railway mail clerk, was found guilty by a jury at Sault Ste. Marie of stealing a registered package containing nearly \$8,000 sent by the Royal Bank to the Thessalon Lumber Co. on the 9th of June.

Robert Rogers, aged fifty, and his five-year old son, were killed and his daughter, Viola, aged about nine, probably fatally injured by being struck by a Wabash passenger train on a level crossing at Lundy's Lane.

A week ago Saturday the date stone of the new curling rink at Smiths Falls was laid in the presence of a large gathering of local curlers and with the usual interesting ceremony. The stone was donated by John Perry.

Lloyd's agent at St. Michaels, Azores, says the captain of the Fabre Line steamer, Sant Anna attributes the fire on his vessel to the work of propagandists of an enemy country. There were many explosions on Sept. 13 on the Sant Anna, which would have been blown to pieces if there had been munitions of war on board.

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