

# BRANTFORD THE TELEPHONE CITY HAS REASON FOR PRIDE IN THE TITLE WHICH IT BEARS

## Unveiling of Bell Memorial By Governor-General Next Week Will Commemorate Invention of Telephone Here Forty One Years Ago—An Event of National Moment; To Do Honor To Prof. Alexander Graham Bell

(This poem in honor of Alexander Graham Bell, was read on the recent occasion of the presentation of the Civic Forum Medal of Honor for Distinguished Public Service to Mr. Bell by its author, Edwin Markham.)

Three wizards called the lightnings to their hands  
And witched the world with wonder in all lands.  
Morse with a flower-touch loosed the winged word  
To ride the fires until the world's end heard.  
Marconi shakes the ocean to the air,  
And sends our word into the Every where.  
But Bell flings off the cipher and the sign  
And, with a cunning nearer the divine,  
Lets out across the void man's living voice  
To sorrow or rejoice,  
Dispels the distances shrinks up the spaces,  
Brings back the voices and the vanished faces  
Holds men together though the feet may roam  
Makes of each land a little friendly home!

The wires are everywhere  
The tingling nerves of the air.  
Be-netting cities speaking for all hearts  
From floor to floor their whispered lightning darts  
Looping the prairies leaping hills and lakes  
Over the world their whispered lightning shakes.  
They stitch the farms and link the battle-line;  
They thread the Alps and down the Kongo twine;  
They throbb among the Pyramids and speak  
Where Fujiyama lifts her perfect peak.

A fable it will seem in years to come:  
How Bell gave speech to spaces that were dumb.  
A fable it will seem:  
He was one man the one man with the dream.  
When youth was on his brow,  
He was a conscript burdened with a vow:  
He was a man constrained  
To seek a vision that the world disdained,  
A vision that called laughter to the lips,  
Laughters more stinging than the whistling whips.

"Whither the spaces speak across the miles"  
How could the wise ones cover up their smiles!  
"Send out our syllables like flying birds?"  
How could the wise ones frame their scorn in words!  
But now the deed is done.  
And cried before the footsteps of the sun  
Honor the man whose gift the All-Good  
Is shrieking earth into one neighborhood.

And so great guest, magician of the voice  
We come to crown that gray head, and rejoice.  
We gather here tonight  
To glory a little in your life's long flight  
Take at our hands this humble wreath of praise  
For all the toil and victory of your days  
Take this poor wreath: 'tis all we have to give  
To those that nobly serve and nobly live.

In the front rank of the many inventions given to the world in the electrical age, and occupying a prominent position in the eyes of the world, stands the telephone, that instrument that has revolutionized the business and social relations of mankind, since experiments conducted in this city by Professor Alexander Graham Bell reached their consummation in the year 1876. For over 40 years Brantford has been authoritatively recognized as the birthplace of the telephone, and in commemoration of the invention, one of the foremost events of the 19th century, unveiling and dedication ceremonies will be conducted here on Wednesday of next week by the Governor-General.

During the forty-one years since the invention was heralded to the world, great progress has been made and from a crude beginning has been evolved the present efficient instrument and service that waits conveniently on the desk of the business man and in the home of countless people in all parts of the civilized world to-day.

The invention of the telephone, one of the outstanding events of the 19th century was completed at the Bell Homestead in 1876 by Alexander Graham Bell, a Scotch-Canadian. During the early part of his career, Dr. Bell was a resident of Brant county, where his father, the late Alexander Melville Bell, lived for two decades. The inventor at that time was teaching school in Boston, Massachusetts, but made frequent and lengthy visits to the parental home at Brantford, and it was on one of these occasions, in the year 1876, that the first practical experiments that resulted in the consummation of the lofty ambition of Professor Bell, were conducted. Two years later, not only was the telephone an acknowledged possibility, but was recognized as another product of the electrical age.

phone. Probably the most prominent and expressive feature of the work, is the central panel, Kinsella's age, in which the designer has depicted man discovering his power to transmit sound through space. To the left is the reclining figure of man and to the right are the floating figures of the three messengers, Knowledge, Joy, Sorrow.

Directly under the bronze panel carved in the stone, is the inscription: "To commemorate the invention of the Telephone by Alexander Graham Bell, in Brantford, 1876." At the side of the main portion of the monument are two heroic figures representing Humanity sending and receiving messages. The otherwise plain effect of the rear is relieved by a fountain with bullfrog gargoyne and representations of British crown and the Maple Leaf. Here too, a panel containing the names of the members of the executive committee is to be found.

Contrasting with the location of the monument in the central section of the city the Bell Homestead, situated on the Tutela Heights overlooking Brantford and the Grand River many feet below, has been acquired as a public property. On a farm of thirteen acres, removed from the din of the city to the old home of Professor Bell, where the idea of the telephone originated and where that idea was first successfully resolved into a mechanical facility providing for the transmission of speech.

In such an effective manner will the invention of the telephone in this beautiful spot, be commemorated in a fitting and auspicious ceremony. The event no doubt will be chronicled among the most important events in the annals of the municipality and will long be remembered by the citizens of Brantford and Brant county.

The unveiling and dedication ceremonies comprise, with the other plans for the day, a very interesting and historic programme. The various committees who have been appointed to supervise the different phases of the event, have had their work well in hand, and as a result, unless some unforeseen element interferes, the day will be an entire success.

The Governor-General is expected to arrive in the city at 10 o'clock in the morning. At the Grand Trunk station, after introductions and inspection of the guard of honor, composed partly of war veterans, and partly by the local militia, a civic address will be presented on the platform at the rear of the station. At half past eleven the proceedings at the Gore will commence, and after a short address by the president, W. F. Cocksbutt, M.P., the unveiling ceremonies will take place, with the Duke of Devonshire officiating. There will be short speeches by prominent visitors which will terminate this part of the programme.

In the afternoon the Governor-General and party will visit the Bell Homestead, which will be dedicated, and other points of interest, including the Mohawk Chapel, will be visited. The G. W. V. A. new clubhouse on Dalhousie St. will also be formally opened during the afternoon. The Governor-General will leave about 6 o'clock.

In the evening, a program which has not yet been determined upon will be presented at the Opera House. Invitations have been extended to a lengthy list of prominent notables and eminent men of Canada, and the United States, who will be in attendance, including the Premier of the Dominion, and the Lieut.-Governors and Chief Justices of the Provinces. The British Ambassador, Viscount Reading, and Lord Northcliffe, representatives of the Army and Navy and Civil Services, the sculptor and others associated with the work on the monument and park, the members of the city and county councils and other public boards, the officials of the Brantford and Golf and Country Club; all members of the Bell Telephone Memorial Association, all subscribers being members. In case of the describing corporations or firms, the chief officers or directors are invited.

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### LADY ROSSLYN, ONCE FAMOUS BEAUTY, DEAD

Physical and Mental Break-down Follows Loss of Her Large Fortune

Death in the Manhattan State Hospital for the Insane, New York, has rounded out the career of beautiful Anna Robinson, formerly the Countess of Rosslyn. Her name was once coupled with that of King Leopold of Belgium.

Middle aged theatre goers remember Anna Robinson as a star in "A Trip to Chinatown" and "A Temperance Town." But her stage career was brief.

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Margaret Robinson, lives in West Philadelphia, and a brother, Charles Robinson in New York.

Deepest sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. McNelly in their late bereavement.

There passed away at his late residence on Thursday, Oct. 11th, in his seventy-sixth year, after an illness of a few days, Columbus Hopkins, an old and highly respected resident of this community.

Special anniversary services were held in the Baptist Church on Sunday last. Two excellent sermons by Rev. W. E. Bowyer, B.A., of Calvary Church, Brantford, were enjoyed by appreciative congregations both morning and evening. Special music was provided by the choir. In the evening an organ recital was given by the organist, Mr. Leo Horbert, from seven to seven-thirty o'clock, and Miss Jean Graham sang a solo, "Life's Garden." Rev. Mr. Paragon assisted Mr. Bowyer in the evening.

In place of the usual anniversary entertainment for Monday evening a large family social was held in the school room of the church for members of the church and congregation and an informal program was provided and everybody thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Revival services will be held in the Baptist Church, beginning Sunday, Oct. 21st, and will continue for three weeks. Alexander Torrie, B.A., will conduct the meetings.



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On the British West

How Women Are at the Whitehall

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"Whilst construction posts on two stones he displayed disregard for his safety when the post in charge of had safety. Under heavy duty he drew his party to a parative safety, and proceeded to and proceeded to wounded and get maiming for half an shelled area until a By his splendid cool