

Stone Memories

WILLIAM J. MORPHY

After a week of intense suffering William Joseph Murphy passed peacefully away about 6:10 o'clock Sunday afternoon in Belleville General Hospital, as a result of the accident which he suffered the previous Monday while at work on No. 7 highway, east of Marmora. He had been operated on and given blood transfusions, while in the hospital, in an effort to save his life, but without avail. The accident was a very unusual one. The deceased was holding a steel drill while Frank Grant was striking it, when the hammer flew off striking Mr. Murphy in the abdomen and causing a double rupture.

The late William Murphy was born in Marmora village on July 16, 1883, and spent his boyhood days here, where he was popular with those who knew him. When about seventeen years of age he started out to make his own way in the world and except for brief visits, had not been in Marmora since until about two years ago when he returned to reside with his father, who is over 70 years of age. He erected a log cabin on a lot a mile or so east of the village and fixed it up in a very attractive manner.

After the war started the late William Murphy enlisted with a Toronto Medical Corps as an ambulance driver and served in that capacity at the front. He was badly wounded by shrapnel at Cambrai on October 8th, 1918, in the last drive of the war, and spent two years recuperating in hospitals in England, but never fully recovered from the effects of his wounds. After returning to Canada he was discharged from hospital on pension, but a year or so later his pension was cut off. It was another of the cases which have disgraced the administration of the pension laws in Canada since the war.

For a time after returning to Canada, the deceased worked as a bookkeeper for Mr. John McCullough (a former Marmora resident) in his lumber camps near Sudbury. After that he lived in a number of places in Canada and the United States, but resided most of the time in Buffalo or Toronto,

Since returning to Marmora the deceased had made many friends. He was always friendly and courteous and while he was out of work a good deal of the time he was ready to share his last dollar with anyone whose need he considered greater than his own. He had travelled widely, besides going over seas, and had read a good deal and it was always interesting to converse with him. He had a ready sense of humor and could generally see the bright side of things.

Besides his father, James Murphy, he is survived by four brothers, Leo, East End Sask; Arthur, Saskatoon, Sask.; Everett, Oshawa, Ont.; and Charles, Chicago, Ill. His mother predeceased him about 26 years ago.

The funeral was held Tuesday morning and was a military one arranged by Marmora Branch of the Canadian Legion. The procession left the home of Mr. John Gifford, Deloro road, and was headed by a firing squad, Marmora Legion Band and about thirty veterans. As they proceeded down Forsythe street the band played a suitable number very impressively. As Father Keeley is spending the week "in retreat" Requiem Mass was conducted by Father LaSage, of Tweed. Miss Genevieve Shannon sang a solo very effectively. Interment took place in Sacred Heart cemetery.

After the last rites of the church had been performed the short burial ceremony of the Canadian Legion was carried out under the leadership of the President, Wilbert Mumby. The firing squad was in charge of Past President Sergt. L.R. Rundle and included Sergt. H. Osborne, T. Cousins, B. Johnston, J. Dougall, C. Tandy and Jas. Nobes.

The pall bearers were Comrades J. Callery, H. Boudreau, Earl O'Connor, Frank Grant, Joe O'Neill and S. A. Stephens.

Bugler Geo. Brooks sounded the last post. Past President Percy Gray, Sec'ytreas. of Marmora Branch took a leading part in arranging to have military honors accorded to the deceased.

July 25, 1935

TO IMPROVE MARMORA CEMETERY

An arrangement has been worked out between Marmora Village Council, Marmora Protestant Cemetery Board and the Government, through the Inspector of Municipal relief, by which the cemetery is to be greatly improved. The whole cemetery will be levelled or the surface smoothed over so that when the work is completed it will be possible to mow the grass with a lawn mower and keep the whole cemetery in a neat and attractive condition.

The work will be in charge of a man who has had wide experience in this class of work and has shown ability to get satisfactory results. The work will be carried out by men who are on relief and the Government will assume the proportion of the cost of their wages which has been paid on other work in the village carried on for relief purposes.

Since the Highway was constructed past the cemetery there has been a large number pass by every day and what little could be seen of the cemetery was not very creditable to the community, but the Board was not in a position to bear the whole cost of fixing it up. Now it will be possible to make a real job of it, and afterwards the Board will be able to take advantage of legislation providing for the upkeep of Cemeteries by an annual levy on plot owners.

August 15, 1935

HUGH FARRELL DIES SUDDENLY

Hugh Farrell, a lifelong resident of Marmora township, passed away very suddenly at his home lot 14, concession 8, shortly after seven o'clock Tuesday evening. He had been placed under arrest by Provincial Officer Alex Kidd, of Madoc, and County Constable Percy Gray, on a charge of attempted blackmail. The Officers had given him time to make arrangements for the care of his property during the time he might be away and to change his clothes. He declined to eat any supper and had just got in the car to come to the Village when he suffered a heart attack. He was helped from the car and allowed to rest on the grass in hope he would soon recover, but shortly after he passed away. As he first entered the car he remarked to Constable Kidd "Well I haven't long to live anyway".

Dr. S. Eagleson, coroner, of Madoc, was immediately notified and Constable Kidd also telephoned Crown Attorney B.C. Donnan, K.C. A coroner's jury was empanelled including the following: Chas Jones (foreman), James Jones, Thos. Gawley, John Downard, James Downard, John Moffatt and Roy Brown. After viewing the remains the jury was dismissed until the date and hour of the inquest has been fixed. The remains were then brought to F. N. Marett & Co. undertaking rooms where a post mortem was conducted by Dr. E. G. Kennedy, of Belleville, yesterday forenoon.

The late Hugh Farrell, was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Farrell, pioneers of Marmora township, and was about sixty-five years old. He was unmarried and had lived all his life on the old homestead on which he was born. For a couple of years a young man named Fred Pitts has lived with him. He was widely known throughout the district. His unfortunate predicament at the time of his death was due to an idea that offences of various kinds against the law could be settled or fixed and that he was able to arrange them. Apparently there was no idea of personal gain, but he became entangled in affairs which he might better have left alone.

The late Hugh Farrell is survived by three brothers and three sisters. They are John Farrell, Oakland Cal.; Patrick, Rochester, N.Y.; Thomas, Toronto, Ont.; Mrs. Elizabeth Benson, Buffalo, N.Y.; Sister Maud, Pennsylvania; Mrs Sadie Shea, Rochester, N.Y. Two neices, Miss Camilla Farrell and Miss Rita Shea, and a nephew, Mr. Allan Shea, of Rochester, are here with other relatives for the funeral.

The funeral will leave the residence of the late Mrs. John Terrion, Forsythe street, and proceed to Sacred Heart Church of Mass at 9 o'clock Friday, the 26th. Interment in Sacred Heart cemetery.

June 25, 1936

GERALD SMITH FATALLY INJURED

Sometime during the early hours of Sunday morning Hugh Gerald Smith met with a fatal accident while in charge of the compressor which supplied air power to the Pearce mine just east of Deloro Smelting & Refining Company's plant. As he was alone at the time it will never be known just how the accident occurred, but apparently he was caught in the belt in some way. The compressor was operated by electric power and the duties of the man in charge were chiefly to keep the machine oiled and turn off the switches in case the power was shut off or the motor stopped for any reason. As the compressor was still running when the body was discovered about 6 o'clock Sunday morning the man in charge of the pumps at the mine, a short distance away, did not suspect anything was wrong.

The body of "Jerry" Smith was found lying face down on the floor of the compressor room by William Goodchild, an employee of Deloro Smelting & Refining Co. Limited. The left arm was torn off between the elbow and shoulder, the chest crushed in and ribs broken and other serious wounds on head and body. Life had been extinct for some time and it is thought death was almost instantaneous.

Dr. S. Eagleson, coroner, of Madoc was notified and investigations were carried on by Provincial Officer A. Kidd, of Madoc, County Constable Percy Gray and Village Constable George O'Neill, of Deloro. A jury was empanelled composed of Geo. Dennis, (foreman), Clare Naylor, Frank Leal, John Cross, Orville Trumble, Bert McCann and Alex McFaul. After consultation with Crown Attorney B.C. Donnan, K.C., the time of the inquest was fixed for Friday, June 26th, at 2:00 p.m. A post mortem examination was conducted by Dr. Reginald Taft, Dr. H. Crawford was also called to the scene of the accident

The late Gerald Smith was born in Marmora on July 1st, 1908, and had been a resident of Marmora all his life. He was a son of the late Arthus Smith and Mrs. A. Smith. After leaving school he entered the employ of the late Hugh Wiggins as clerk in the grocery store. He held the position for several years, first with Mr. Wiggins, then with C. A. Lummiss and then with Lummiss and Bonter, the ownership of the business changing twice. He was considered one of the most efficient and popular clerks ever to work in the village. He gave up the work to take a position with an insurance firm, but the depression spoiled his chances and he had since been unable to secure any permanent employment. He had always been popular, especially with the young men amongst whom he had grown up.

On August 12, 1930, he was married to Margaret Bailey, who survives him with three young children, two sons and a daughter, Ronald, Douglas and Margaret Ann. He is also survived by his mother, one brother, Roy, and one sister, Mrs. Norman Leal, of Windsor.

Arthur Smith, father of the deceased, met with a tragic death on October 6th, 1927, as a result of injuries received when his clothing caught in the shaft of a gasoline engine in Lummiss and Bonter's bake shop.

The funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon proceeding from his mother's residence on Burstall street. Service was conducted by Rural Dean A.B. Caldwell, who preached an impressive sermon for the text "If a man die shall he live again". He emphasized the fact of immortality and the future life as one of activity and achievement, without the handicaps, suffering and sorrows of life. A very large number attended the funeral as an evidence of sympathy with the bereaved relatives. Interment took place in Marmora Protestant Cemetery. The pall bearers were Messrs. Ralph Neal, Carl McCoy, Gordon McWilliams, Eugene Brady, Frank Grant and Joe Murray.

June 25, 1936

FALL PROVED FATAL

Early Sunday afternoon Maurice McInroy, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald McInroy, fell from a swing in Mr. Wilbert Bedore's yard. He landed on his head sustaining injuries which proved fatal. Following the accident he was taken into the home of Mr. Bedore and a doctor was called. As the injured lad failed to respond to medical treatment, about 5 o'clock he was taken to Belleville General Hospital by Dr. R. Taft, but passed away shortly after entering the hospital. He was in his ninth year and was a pupil of Marmora Public School and St. Paul's Sunday School. About three years ago the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. McInroy passed away and the sympathy of the community goes out to them in their bereavement.

The funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon and was attended by a large number of school children as well as adults. Service was conducted in St. Paul's Church by Rev. A. B. Caldwell and interment took place in Marmora Protestant Cemetery.

November 5, 1936

GRAVE ROBBING

People all over Ontario have been shocked by the robbing of graves at Streetsville and Woodbridge. It is believed both crimes were committed by the same person or persons. The body of Pope, taken from the Streetsville cemetery was recovered and re-interred, but the body of the seventy-year-old William Thomson, taken from Woodbridge cemetery, has not been found. Much local interest is created in the second grave robbery owing to the fact the deceased was a brother of Dr. David Thomson of Marmora.

November 11, 1937

THE OLD ELM

The big elm tree on the corner of Forsythe and Matthew streets, that has been a village landmark for so many years, is being cut down by the Ontario Department of Highways. Quite a number of citizens have been opposed to cutting down the tree, but after a lot of consideration and consulting a large number of residents the Council gave their consent in the interests of safety. It was on the street about twelve feet from the sidewalk at the busiest corner in the village and with the ever increasing traffic it was a source of danger at times and might have caused a serious accident.

The cutting down of the big elm tree on the corner of Forsythe and Matthew streets provided the subject for an essay by one of the forms of the High School. Some fine papers were turned in and two have been chosen for publication in the Herald. The essays written by Margaret Airhart follows and one written by Jack Gray will appear in our next issue. Counting of the rings in the tree showed it to have been over 120 years old.

November 18, 1937

THE OLD ELM

Last Tuesday, November 2, there succumbed to the axe and saw a venerable old landmark of Marmora, the Old Elm Tree. At first the Old Elm grew in a ditch. Then, as the road widened, the ditch was filled and several feet of the huge trunk were buried. Only a few years ago the tree suffered the severing of some of its roots to give way for the highway.

If the tree had been able to speak, it could have told of the wonderful changes and improvements that have taken place during its lifetime. If it had had eyes, it would have seen old wooden buildings pulled down, and brick or stone replace them. It would have known the impression created among the people when water power and electricity were first introduced into Marmora. In its early youth nothing but stars lighted the streets which in its later life were illuminated by electricity. If it had had ears, it would have heard the "toot" of the first train which came into Marmora, and the roar of the first plane which passed over.

The Old Elm has lived through the years from the time when a dirt road wound past it, travelled in summer by wagons with wheels made from wood like itself and in winter by jumpers (a type of sleigh) to the present when a car horn honks at the intersection of two highways; from the time when the casual caller or a foreign paper was the only link with the outside world to the generation of the telephone, radio and village newspaper.

The tree was once surrounded by lilacs and considered an excellent spot for hide-and-go-seek. It was an ornament to the village and will be missed for its shade and beauty. It leaves to mourn its loss the residents of Marmora Village and vicinity.

Interment took place at McElwain's where the remains will be cremated. The pallbearers were some workmen clad in overalls and smocks.

November 18, 1937

THE OLD ELM

Following is the second of the essays on the old elm tree, which was written by Jack Gray.

MARMORA'S ELM

The Elm met an untimely death on the morning of November the third at the hands of several malevolent conspirators who have for some time been plotting its downfall. The deceased has been a prominent landmark in Marmora since the village began. It is regrettable that one that has been such an asset to our community should be removed from our presence so unwillingly as was demonstrated by the great death struggle it put up.

The Elm has held its position of prominence as far back as any of the residents can remember. The lot next to the Elm was formerly the site of Mr. Daniel Bowen's house, and the adjoining lot was occupied by Mrs. Devolin's house. In the days when Mr. Thomas Warren had a wagon shop where the post office now stands the Elm was a large flourishing tree. It served as a hitching post, and the rings which marked its usefulness are there now, but completely grown over and covered with bark.

As the history of Marmora has unfolded for the past century the Elm has kept a silent vigil, witnessing the deeds of the people. We are sorry to see such a one meet an undeserved fate. We may say, however, that the executioners were justified in removing the deceased which was, although unwittingly, an obstruction to progress.

The corpse of the Elm is now lying in state awaiting its inevitable cremation.

November 18, 1937

A PROTEST

At a crossing of a lazy village street
 An old old elm had stood through changing days,
 Its leafy form had caught the glances fleet
 Of passers-by in all those quiet ways.

The oldest there had heard their fathers tell
 That tree had been a land-mark when they came
 With scanty store, to labor long and well
 To gain a living, though not wealth nor fame.

Its massive trunk and deeply rutted bark
 Showed what a giant's growth it still maintained.
 Its branches trimmed and cut, it towered stark
 And prayed to heaven man's hand should be restrained.

From laying low a relic of the time
 When forests spread for leagues on every side
 And human foot had known not land nor crime
 Save the red Indians in his strength and pride.

Now Progress marked by speed and energy
 Had caught that street in transportations stride
 And nothing like the life of one old tree
 Could cause that mighty force to turn aside.

And so had come the parting of the ways,
 Should it be slain in venerated age?
 Be left to finish out its length of days
 Or die, a victim of the Speed-King's rage.

Cora Alice Bleecker

(March 27, 1865 - December 12, 1951)

TRAGIC FIRE AT CORDOVA

Four Children of Mr. and Mrs. David
Johnston Burned to Death.

Mother and Little son Escape -
Latter Burned.

About 9:30 o'clock Sunday evening fire broke out in the residence of Mr. and Mrs. David Johnston at Cordova Mines with tragic results. Mr. Johnston, who operates the air compressor for one of the shifts, was at work and the family had retired early. All had fallen asleep and the house was filled with smoke, when Mrs. Johnston, who slept downstairs with her youngest son, Donald, aged 5, was awakened by the dog which was also in the house. Hurriedly rising she called to the children upstairs and then carried Donald outside and set him down. She rushed into the building to go upstairs, but Donald followed her and she had to take him out again. By the time she returned the stairway was a mass a flames and the children upstairs were trapped and perished in the flames. They were Melburn Johnston, aged 14, Dorothy, 12, John, 10 and Wallace, 8.

A call for help was sent to Marmora and County Constable P. Gray, Provincial Officer Hatch and a number of others took one of the chemical engines out on G. Steenburgh's truck, but it arrived too late to check the fire or save the adjoining building, which was also destroyed. It was used to put out the fire in the burning embers so that the bodies might be recovered. Consts. Gray and Hatch gathered up the charred remains of the children. From the location of the bodies apparently all but the little girl had left their beds. One had gone to the head of the stairs and another had crowded back into a corner. It was an experience that the officers do not want to ever go through again.

January 26, 1939

Mrs. Johnston was badly burned about the arms and back and is also suffering from shock and exposure. With the temperature around 10 below zero she was forced out by the fire clothed only in her night dress. She is under a physicians care at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Terry Fitzpatrick.

An overheated stove or stovepipes are thought to have been the cause of the fire. Apparently it smoldered for a time and when the door was opened and the air rushed in it burst into flames. Quite an old frame building it burned almost like tinder. It was owned by Consolidated Smelting and Mining Co. of Canada Ltd. Dr. Holdcroft, coroner, of Havelock, was summoned and after investigating the tragedy decided that an inquest was unnecessary.

The other residence, which was destroyed is said to have been owned by Mr. Ross Barrons. It was occupied by Mrs. G. W. Steenburgh, Mr. Arthur Steenburgh, Mr. Carman Steenburgh and Mr. Vance, the principal of the Public School. It was the finest house in the village and the loss is estimated at \$3000.00. Most of the contents were removed by the residents of Cordova.

The funeral of the children was held on Tuesday morning, the remains of all four being placed in one casket. A short service was conducted by Rural Dean A. B. Caldwell at the undertaking parlor of F. N. Marett and Co. and interment was made in Marmora Protestant Cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnston, in addition to their terrible bereavement, suffered the loss of all their household effects, their clothing, etc. Friends and neighbours are showing their sympathy in a practical manner. Employees of The Consolidated Mining and Smelting Co. at Cordova have voted a day's pay for the assistance of Mr. and Mrs. Johnston. Numerous articles of clothing and household furniture have been contributed and we understand subscription lists have been opened at a couple of places in Marmora.

FRED COOPER WAS**KILLED BY AUTOMOBILE**

Fred Cooper, of Marmora township, was instantly killed on No. 7 highway about 2:30 o'clock Sunday morning, when struck by an automobile owned and driven by Mr. Walter J. Leal of Tweed. According to reports there was heavy patches of fog along the highway and Cooper was hurled about fourteen feet by the impact of the car and suffered multiple fractures of the skull and numerous other abrasions, causing almost instant death.

After the accident Leal turned around so as to throw the light from the car on the victim of the accident. He waited about five minutes to see if any car came along and then drove to Marmora and notified Constable Percy Gray. The latter called Patrol Officer J. H. Hatch and the two went to the scene of the accident as quickly as possible. After securing a statement from Leal, Coroner Dr. S. Eagleson was notified and an inquest was ordered.

Messrs. Thos. R. Warren, George Forestell, C. E. Jones, Wilbert Bedore and John Wellman were called on and sworn in as jurors. After viewing the remains the inquest was adjourned until Wednesday, Sept. 27th, at 10:30 o'clock. The remains were taken to the undertaking room of F. N. Marett & Co. where an autopsy was made by Dr. Hamilton Crawford. The body was then prepared for burial.

The deceased is survived by his widow, who resides in the United States, one son and one daughter. He is also survived by a brother, Ephriam Cooper, with whom he resided and three sisters, Mrs. Jacob Archibell, Mrs. Jos. Smith, Trenton and Mrs. John O'Brien. He had taken care of his brother for some time and also rendered many services to Mrs. Archibell, as her husband is blind.

The funeral took place on Monday afternoon from the residence of his sister, Mrs. Archibell. Service was conducted by Rural Dean A. B. Caldwell. Interment took place in Marmora Protestant cemetery.

THE INQUEST

The inquest into the death of the late Fred Cooper was held in the town hall at 10:30 a.m. yesterday with Coroner Dr. S. Eagleson, of Madoc, presiding. Crown Attorney B.C. Donnan, K.C. examined the witnesses. The jury was composed of Messrs. Thos. R. Warren, George Forestell, C.E. Jones, Wilbert Bedore and John Wellman.

Constable Percy Gray was the first witness called. He had been called about 2:30 a.m. by Walter J. Leal, of Tweed, who reported he had struck a man on No. 7 highway and he thought he was dead. Leal described the man and from the description witness concluded it was Fred Cooper. Leal was very nervous, but did not show any evidence of having been drinking. Witness called Patrol Officer J.H. Hatch and together they went to the scene of the accident. The body was lying on the south shoulder of the road. Apparently the car was travelling about the centre of the south half of the road, about 8 feet from the south edge of the road, when the accident occurred. Victim had skull badly fractured and other bruises and abrasions. Damage to the car was also described, showing right lamp had glass smashed, fender had dint and brace was bent and spattered with blood. There were heavy patches of fog along road. Asked as to Cooper's condition in the evening witness replied he had been drinking beer. Witness stated that considering driving conditions he did not think the driver could be held responsible for the accident.

Mr. Scott, of Belleville, photographer, was next called. He presented three photographs, one showing road where the accident occurred and two of the car showing result of the accident to it.

Provincial Officer J.H. Hatch stated that Leal was perfectly normal except that he was excited. He described position of body and where car appeared to have been when accident occurred. He could tell where the impact took place as boot had scuffed up the hard ground. Brain tissue was scattered along road for three or four feet. Near the body was a potato sack containing groceries and pipe was lying about four feet from the body.

Mr. Leal had stated he was coming from Peterborough and owing to fog did not see Cooper until about 10 feet from him. When witness reached point of accident it was perfectly clear with no fog. He examined brakes of car and had a mechanic examine them. Found that travelling at 20 miles an hour it would take 80 feet to stop.

Dr. Hamilton Crawford gave evidence of examining the body. The skull was badly fractured with lacerations in brain cavity about four inches long extending up and back from over right eye. He also described other bruises and abrasions. Death was due to laceration of brain and was likely instantaneous.

Lem Lung gave evidence that deceased came to his restaurant about 1 a.m. and remained for about half an hour and was quite drunk. He kept dancing all the time.

James Burrige met Cooper a few minutes before the accident. At that time there was heavy fog a short distance from where he met Cooper.

Walter J. Leal, driver of the car admitted his brakes were not what they should have been, but claimed he was so close to Cooper before he saw him that he could not have avoided hitting him with the best of brakes. If the deceased had been walking along the shoulder of the road he would have missed him entirely. He had not been drinking at all.

Mrs. Leal corroborated the evidence of her husband.

The jury quickly brought in a verdict exonerating Mr. Leal from any blame in connection with the accident, which occurred about a mile and a half west of the village.

September 28, 1939

KILLED AT ROCK QUARRY

Donald Ellis, aged 24, of Cordova, was killed at the Ontario Rock Company quarry at Preneveau on Monday as a result of a dynamite explosion which buried him under two tons of rock. George McGowan, who was helping him, suffered injuries to his right leg, his head and his face. He was taken to the Cummings Nursing Home at Havelock. His three brothers, who were also working at the quarry witnessed the accident.

Ellis was one of a gang engaged in blasting and loosening enough rock for the days work. A number of charges of dynamite had been prepared and the fuses lighted. One was found to be damp from the rain Sunday night and an attempt was made to fix it so it could be lighted. Before the work could be completed an explosion occurred and according to reports 50 sticks of dynamite were exploded. Ellis was blown into the air, being instantly killed, and came down under a couple of tons of rock. Coroner Doctor Holdcroft decided to hold an inquest.

The deceased leaves a widow, who was previously bereaved as a result of an accident. Her first husband was Harry Pressick, who was killed in a mining accident in Northern Ontario a few years ago.

August 22, 1940

TRIPLE BEREAVEMENT

The home of Mrs. Robert Henderson, Cordova, was doubly bereaved on Friday, March 16, 1923, when the father, Mr. Robert Henderson, aged 85, and Daughter Mrs. J.D. Kerr, aged 42 passed away. The latter predeceased her father by about five hours after an illness of four days from pneumonia. The late Mr. Henderson was born in Ireland and came to Canada when quite young, settling at Marmora, until his removal to Cordova some years later. He was a man of loving and kindly disposition, ever ready and willing to lend a helping hand and had a host of friends who will regret his demise. In his passing a loving husband and father and true friend was lost to the home and community.

Mrs. Kerr, whose husband passed away ten months ago in Los Angeles, California, where they resided was on an extended visit to the home of her parents when the grim reaper, death so suddenly entered, bringing with it double sadness. She is survived by a little son nine years of age.

Surviving Mr. Henderson is his loving wife, six daughters and one son - Mrs. William Sanders and Mrs. S. Quackenbush, of Havelock, Mrs. Winfred, of Madoc, Mrs. Scott of Marmora, Mrs. George Riley of Marmora, Mrs. Keene, of British Columbia and Thomas, of Havelock.

The double funeral which was one of the largest ever held in Cordova, took place on Sunday, conducted by the pastor of the Methodist Church, of which the deceased were faithful members, the service being held in the Methodist Church, Cordova. The remains were then laid to rest in a double grave in Rockdale Cemetery.

The surviving members of the family have the universal sympathy in their bereavement. The late Mr. Henderson was a brother of the late Mrs. Thomas Arnold, of Campbellford and had many friends in the town and township.

HENDERSON - In Belmont Township on Friday, May 25th, 1923, Thomas Henderson, aged 38 years and 5 months. The funeral which was under the auspices of the Masonic Lodge, took place on Sunday at 1:30 p.m. Service in Victoria Methodist Church. Interment in Maple Grove Cemetery.

March 27, 1941

GEORGE F. HEWITT

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hewitt and family were shocked on Sunday when it was learned that their son, George had accidentally shot himself at an early hour that morning, at his home in Peterborough, with fatal results. The victim of the accident has resided in Peterborough for about seven years and was planning a fishing trip to this locality on Sunday. He had a quite new .22 rifle, which he was cleaning when in some way it was discharged, the bullet piercing his heart. Death was almost instantaneous.

The late George Hewitt was in his 28th year and was born and spent most of his life in Marmora, where he had a large number of friends. Besides his sorrowing wife, formerly Marjorie McInroy (daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac McInroy) he leaves a six year old daughter, Glena; also his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hewitt, Marmora; two brothers, Homer, Toronto; and William, Marmora; and two sisters, Mrs. Chas. Wellman (Betty), of Woodstock; and Peggy, of Toronto.

The remains were brought to the home of his parents late Monday evening and many called to pay their last respects to the departed. The esteem in which the family is held was evident by the great number of floral tributes which were received.

The funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon with a very large attendance. The service was conducted by Rural Dean A.B. Caldwell, assisted by Rev. E.G. Kettleborough, B.A., L.Th., of Montreal, in St. Paul's church. Interment took place in Marmora Protestant cemetery.

June 19, 1941

BODIES RECOVERED FROM RIVER

After over a week's search of the river the body of the late Mrs. Chas. Dunlay was found Sunday by Constable W. Lavender and others' who were assisting in the search. The coroner was immediately notified and arrangements made for taking the remains to the Undertaking Rooms of F.N. Marett & Co.

The body was found near the south end of the Village at the rear of Chas. Cronk-wrights residence. The back of the head had been badly injured, apparently by striking against the dam or the rocks below it. After viewing the remains and considering all the circumstances connected with the drowning accident Coroner Dr. Beatty of Madoc decided an inquest was unnecessary and released the body for burial.

Interment took place in Marmora Protestant cemetery on Monday, services at the graveside being conducted by Rural Dean A.B. Caldwell.

The body of the son, Wilfred, was found on Monday by Fish and Game Overseer, J.A. Shannon, floating near the west shore a short distance below the dam near the spot where the boat was first discovered. Capt. Ruston, head of the Children's Aid Society in Hastings County, was in Marmora and he supervised arrangements for the funeral as Wilfred was a ward of the society. He was buried beside his mother, the services also being conducted by Rural Dean A.B. Caldwell.

The drowning accident occurred sometime on Thursday afternoon or evening, May 20th. Although the river had been searched as far south as the C.P.R. bridges and an almost constant watch kept up until Sunday, no trace could be found until the bodies came to the surface. Considerable relief is felt that the search is at last over and the bodies properly interred.

June 3, 1943

CHARLES DUNLAY

A familiar figure in Marmora for many years Charles Dunlay passed away very suddenly Tuesday evening while at the home of Mr. Lingham Martin. He had been around all day, apparently in his usual health, and at night was sitting on a chair when suddenly he gave a couple of gasps and expired almost instantly. He was about seventy nine years of age and lived in Marmora village or an adjoining part of the township all his life.

On May 20th of this year his wife and son Wilfred, were drowned in Crowe River and the suspense of the week before the bodies were recovered caused the deceased to age considerably. He is survived by a number of children, but none of them have resided in Marmora for several years.

The deceased was widely known and had been a familiar figure around the town as far back as the majority of our citizens can remember. He was of a friendly disposition.

The funeral will take place from F.N. Marett & Co. undertaking room tomorrow afternoon.

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