MRS. SYLVESTER PHILLIPS

After an extended period of ill health Mrs. Sarah Jane Phillips passed away at her home in Marmora township about 5.30 o'clock Wednesday morning. Her maiden name was Sarah Jane Davidson and she was born at Gateshead in the north of England in September 1868, but came to Canada with her parents when about two years of age. Most of her life had been spent in Marmora township and she was very highly esteemed as a friend and neighbor by a large number of people. For many years she was a member of the Methodist and later of the United Church.

Besides her husband she leaves a family of two sons and three daughters. They are Lewis, of Marmora, and Elmer of Marmora township; Mrs. William Simmons, Deloro; Mrs. Earl Eldridge, Toronto; and Mrs Henry Empey, Marmora. She is also survived by three brothers and three sisters: William Davidson, Marmora township; John, Blue Sky, Alta.; Henry, Marmora; Mrs. John Willman, Marmora township; Mrs. Earl Rombough, Foxboro; and Mrs. Margaret Willman. Trenton.

The funeral will be held to-morrow afternoon, service being conducted in St. Andrew's United Church at 2.30 p.m. followed by interment in Marmora Protestant cemetery.

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JOHN PHILLIPS

After about eight weeks' illness John Phillips passed away at his home in Toronto on Monday, May 18th. He was fifty-six years of age and was born in Queensboro, where his early life was spent. He learned the blacksmithing trade, becoming very proficient, and as a young man he came to Marmora to work in the shop of the late Joseph Warren.

When he left Marmora Mr. Phillips entered the employ of the Hydro Electric Power Commission and he has been a Hydro employee ever since. He was popular with his fellow employees and with officials of the Commission and had held the position of foreman for quite a number of years.

The late John Phillips was married to Ida Jones, daughter of the late Alex Jones of Marmora township Besides his widow he leaves a family of four

daughters and one son.

The funeral was held in Toronto, interment taking place in Park Lawn cemetery. An unusually large number of floral tributes bore evidence of the esteem in which the deceased was held by Hydro employees and other friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Jones and daughter, Mrs. Aboud and Miss Margaret Jones motored to Toronto for the funeral.

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CHARLES PHILLIPS

A highly esteemed resident of Marmora township passed away yesterday at his home near Deloro in the person of Charles Phillips. He was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Elisha Phillips, early settlers in the Eldorado district and was in his 74th year. He learned his trade as a stone mason and was a good mechanic. For years he worked at Deloro and for quite a number of years was an employee of Deloro Smelting & Refining Co. Limited. He was popular with his fellow employees and neighbors and was highly respected by all who knew him. He engaged in farming as well as his regular employment.

About a week ago the late Charles Phillips suffered a stroke from which he never rallied. He is survived by his wife and two daughters, Mrs. Hector Boudreau, Deloro, and Mrs. John Robertson, Detroit. He is also survived by two brothers, Sylvester, Marmora township, and Gilbert, North

The funeral will leave his late residence to-morrow afternoon and proceed to St. Andrew's United Church for service at 2.30 p.m. Interment in Marmora Protestant cemetery.

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MARRIED

HAWLEY-PHILLIPS

At the United Church Parsonage by Rev. Dr. W. P. Fletcher, on Friday, Dec. 8th, Edward Hawley, son of Daniel Hawley and the late Mrs. Hawley to Mrs. Irene Phillips. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Robertson acted as witnesses.

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JOHN ROBERTSON

On Tuesday, July 23rd, John Robertson, a former highly esteemed resident of Marmora township, passed away in Memorial Hospital, Niagara Falls, N.Y. He had been in ill health for several months and it was feared he would not recover. Prior to moving to Niagara Falls, N. Y. about sixteen years ago the deceased engaged in farming in Marmora township and was also employed by Deloro Smelting & Refining Company for some years.

He was a member of the former Methodist Church (before Church Union) and was also for some years an officer of Marmora L. O. L. No. 319. He had numerous friends, who will regret his passing. He was married to Florence Phillips, daughter of Mrs .Chas. Phillips and the late Chas. Phillips, of Marmora township, who survives him.

Besides his widow he is also survived by four sons and three daughters, namely: Cyril, Carline, Kenrick, Iona and Garland, all of Niagara Falls, N. Y.; Mrs. C. Poden (Velma) Detroit; and Mrs. G. Fleury (Della) of Toronto. He is also survived by two sisters, Mrs. Penrose and Mrs. T. J. Mumby, both of Toronto.

The funeral service was at his late residence, 1012 Ontario Ave., on Thursday, July 25th, Rev. R. Adams officiating. Interment took place in Memorial Park Cemetery.

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WILLIAM CHARLES SIMMONS

Another popular resident of Deloro passed away last Saturday afternoon in the person of William Charles Simmons, who had been ill for about four months. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Simmons, of Hillier, and was born on the eastern outskirts of London, England, in 1889. His mother attended the same school as the famous evangelist, Gipsy Smith. As a boy he came to Canada with his parents to reside at Hillier in Prince Edward County.

Quite a number of years ago he entered the employ of Deloro Smelting & Refining Co. Limited. After several years of service with the company he accepted a position with the Plant of the International Nickel Company at Port Colborne. As a result of faithful and efficient service he became a foreman at the plant, but in 1925 he terminated his service with the International Nickle Company to return to Deloro, where he has since been employed, first as assistant foreman then as foreman.

In his early manhood the late Willliam C. Simmon's was a fine athlete For some years he played association football for Deloro and was a clever player. He was also fond of boxing and trained several boys in the art of self defence. He also took an interest in baseball and other sports. He was always a "good sport", popular with his associates and his opponents.

MARMORA HERALD 9 JAN 1941 PAGE 1 The deceased was for some years a member of Marmora Lodge No. 222 A. F. & A. M., but during the time he resided in Port Colborne he affiliated with the Masonic Lodge there. He also became a Chapter Member in that town. In religion he was a member of the Anglican Church. He was kind and courteous and had the ability to make and keep many friends, and his passing is deeply regretted.

The late William Simmons, or "Bill" as he was better known, was married in December 1910, to Hannah Isabella Phillips, daughter of Lewis Sylvester Phillips and the late Mrs. Phillips, by the late Canon C. M. Harris. He is survived by his widow, one son and one daughter, William and Muriel, both at home.

He is also survived by his aged parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Simmons, Hillier; two brothers, Thomas, Port Colborne, and Samuel, Seattle, Wash.; two sisters, Mrs. George Payne, Weston, and Mrs. Alice Crothers, Hillier.

The funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon under the auspices of Marmora Masonic Lodge. An impressive service was conducted in St. Paul's Anglican Church by Rural Dean A. B. Caldwell, who also conducted the service at the graveside. The burial service of the Masonic Order was conducted by Rt. Wor. Bro. C. H. Buskard and Wor. Bro. L. R. Rundle, Master of the Lodge. The pallbearers were Messrs. R. A. Elliott, C. H. Buskard, H. A. McNally, Don Robertson, H. O. Loveless and N. Kilpatrick.

81ST BIRTHDAY CELEBRATED

In honor of her eighty-first birthday, a very pleasant party was tendered Mrs. Charles Phillips of Marmora Township last Thursday afternoon by relatives and lady friends. The honored lady was born in the town of Nenthiad in the County of Cumberland, England, her maiden name being Hannah Archer. At the age of ten, she came with her parents to Canada. The Archers first lived in Paris, Ontario, then in Toronto and later in Madoc.

For many years Mrs. Phillips and her late husband, Charles Phillips, (who passed away in July 1936), lived in Marmora township, near Deloro. She has two daughters, Mrs. H. Boudreau, Deloro, and Mrs. Florence Robertson, Niagara Falls, N.Y.

The guests at Thursday afternoon's function presented Mrs. Phillips with lovely birthday gifts and enjoyed Bingo and a delicious afternoon tea. Those attending were Mesdames H. Boudreau, J. Archer, T. Young, A. Laton, C. Clemenger, W. Davidson, J. Hulsman, J. Richardson, John Doyle, S. Phillips, L. Hulsman, R. Johnston, W. Simmons, C. McInroy, L. Phillips, Joseph Doyle, P. Brawley, B. Callery, R. Kilpatrick, Mrs. Febert and Misses M. Brawley, L. Bedore and I. Herrington.

JOHN LOUGH

Early Saturday morning John Lough passed away at his home in Marmora township after a long illness. He had been confined to his bed for over five years, but was patient and cheerful throughout the long illness. About a week ago his condition became serious and it was realized that he could not long survive.

The late John Lough was in his 84th year and had spent the whole of his long life in Marmora township. He was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Lough, who came to Canada from Ireland and settled in Marmora township when most of it was virgin forest. They were among the earliest settlers. He was married to Isabelle Ann Bailey, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Bailey, another pioneer family that settled in the same part of the township.

The deceased was an Anglican in religion and a Conservative in politics. For a good many years he was a member of Nickle L. O. L. No. 285, Malone.

Besides his wife he leaves a family of three sons and two daughters, as follows: Charles, Springbrock; Allan, Winnipeg; Thomas, Marmora township; Mrs. Thomas Moffatt (Margaret), Marmora township; and Mrs. Lewis Phillips (Mary) & Marmora.

The funeral was held on Sunday afternoon, the cortege proceeding from his late residence to St. Paul's Church, Marmora, where service was conducted by the Rector, Rural Dean A. B. Caldwell, There was a very large attendance of relatives and friends, who turned out to pay their last respects to the departed.

Interment took place in Marmora Protestant cemetery.

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JOHN ARCHER

Early last Thursday morning, July 30th John Archer passed away at his home in Marmora Township aged seventy-five years. He was born at Nanthead, Cumberland, Eng., but came to Canada with his parents when four years of age. The family lived at Deloro for several years.

The deceased was a carpenter and builder and spent several years in Toronto on construction work. He returned to this district to reside quite a number of years ago, where he made many friends by his kindly disposition and cheerfulness.

He is survived by his widow, whose maiden name was Sarah Knox, and one son and two daughters — William, Marmora; Mrs. Shepherd (Mamie), of Toronto and Mrs. Thomas Young (Sadie), Marmora Township. He is also survived by one sister, Mrs. Charles Phillips, Marmora Township, and three brothers, William, Grafton, Ont.; Harry, California, U.S.A.; and Thomas, Toronto.

Tre funeral was held last Saturday afternoon from the residence of his son, William E., at Marmora, proceeding to St. Paul's Anglican Church, where service was conducted by Rural Dean A.B. Caldwell. Interment took place in Marmora Protestant Cemetery.

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PHILLIPS - SMITH

A wedding of local interest was solemnized in First United Church, Hamilton, last Saturday, Sept. 26th when Helen Smith, daughter of Mrs. Leonard Bromley and the late Mr. Smith, was united in marriage to John Alvin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Phillips, of Marmora. The ceremony was performed by Rev. I. M. Aitken.

The bride was attired in a long forget-me-not blue taffeta gown and wore a corsage of tea roses. She was given away by her step-father, Mr. Leonard Bromley. Miss Irene Shaver, of Hamilton was bridesmaid and wore an old rose taffeta dress and a corsage of yellow roses. Mr. Harold Smith, of Michigan, brother of the bride was bestman. Following the ceremony about twenty-five guests attended a wedding dinner at the home of the bride.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillips, Miss Ila and Gordon attended the wedding.

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FOUND DEAD IN HOME

Coming home for a visit yesterday afternoon Rev. and Mrs. Donald Ellis and son Rev. R. D. Ellis, of Chesterville, discovered Mrs. Ellis' father, Robert Phillips, dead on the floor of his bedroom. Mr. Phillips had been living alone for the past few weeks and apparently had had a seizure of some kind and passed away about three or four days ago.

The deceased was found fully clothed on the floor with traces of blood on his face and on the floor of the kitchen. Apparently he had tried to reach his bed but did not quite make it. He had a considerable sum of money in his pockets.

Chief of Police Charles Lockwood was called and immediately notified Coroner Dr. Russell Scott, of Belleville who orderd an autopsy on the remains. His resulting verdict was "accidental death, due to natural causes".

The late Mr. Phillips was in his 88th year. He was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Phillips pioneer settlers in Marmora township. His father was a teacher and clerk of the township from 1866 to 1882.

Mr. Phillips farmed in the township for some time and later became an employee of Deloro Smelting & Refining Co. Ltd., where he worked until his retirement some years ago.

Even at his advanced age he was very fond of reading and took a keen interest in sports, particularly hockey. He was a member of St. Paul's Anglican Church. In politics he was a staunch liberal. He was of a quiet friendly nature and held in high esteem by all who knew him.

His wife, formerly Isabella Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Jones, Marmora township pioneers, predeceased him about four years ago.

He is survived by two sons, Charles and Hugh, of Toronto, and five daughters, Mrs. Donald McInroy (Edith) Marmora; Mrs. Lindsay McCary (Hilda), of Minden; Mrs. D. Ellis (Clara), of Chesterville; Mrs. William Holmes (Iva), McLeod, Alta.; and Mrs. George Shaw (Nellie), Marmora.

WILLIAM DOYLE

Last Thursday evening William Doyle passed away at his home in the village after a lengthy illness. He was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Doyle and was born in Marmora township. He was in his 69th year and a few years ago retired to live in Marmora village. He was quiet and friendly and was highly respected by all who knew him. He was a devout member of Sacred Heart Church..

He leaves a widow and three daughters, Mrs. Louis Hulsman, Marmora township; Mrs. Fred Reynolds and Mrs. John Bedore, both of Marmora.

He is also survived by six brothers and four sisters as follows:— Mrs. Edward Phillips, Detroit; Thomas Doyle, Campbellford; James Doyle, McCleod, Alberta; John Doyle, Marmora township; Mrs. John Forestell, Lindsay; Miss Kate Doyle, Marmora; Patrick Doyle, McCleod, Alberta; Mrs. Peter Brawley, Marmora; Joseph Doyle, Marmora and Henry Doyle, McCleod, Alberta.

The funeral took place on Saturday morning to Sacred Heart Church where High Requiem Mass was celebrated by Rev. H. J. Farrell. Interment was made in Sacred Heart cemetery.

Pall bearers were Dan Shannon, William R. Linn, John Richardson, E. D. O'Connor, Joseph Hulsman and George Davidson.

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MRS. ELIZABETH G. KELLY

The death occurred on Saturday, January 30th at her home in Paradise Valley, Alberta of a former well known resident of Marmora Township in the person of Mrs. Elizabeth Griziela Kelly, beloved wife of John Kelly. The late Mrs. Kelly was born in Marmora Township on May 18th, 1862 and was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Phillips. Her father, who was a native of Northern Ireland was a school teacher in Marmora Township in its pioneer days. Before her marriage and previous to moving to the West, where she has resided for about thirty years, the deceased lady was a dressmaker of note in her native Township. It is said of her that she never seemed to be caught up with her orders. Many old acquaintances still speak with pride of dresses, which she made for them. She was of a friendly and pleasant manner and made friends in both provinces in which she spent her lire. She is survived by her husband, and three brothers, Robert Phillips, Marmora; Marmora Township; Ogama, Sask.; and one sister, Mrs. Benjamin Weart, Eldorado. The body is being sent to Marmora for burial in the family plot in Zion Gemetery.

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MARRIED

PHILLIPS-MUMBY

A quiet wedding took place in St. Stephen's Church, Toronto, on Tuesday evening, October 12th, 1943, when Zeta Audrey, daughter of Mr. Nathan Mumby, and the late Mrs. Mumby, was united in marriage to Louis Gordon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Phillips, all of Marmora, by Rev. A. B. Caldwell. The groom is with the Canadian Army and is stationed at Halifax.

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MRS. NANCY MARY PALMATEER

Mrs. Nancy Mary Palmateer, wife of Mr. Shirley Palmateer, St. Ola, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Walter Conley in Bannockburn on Friday, May 12th. She was in failing health for some time.

The late Mrs. Palmateer was born sixty years ago in Limerick Township and was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Phillips. All her life was passed in the district where she was born and she was well esteemed. In religion she was a member of the Associated Gospel Churches.

Surviving her are her husband; one son, Harold Palmateer of Steenburg; two daughters, Mrs. Bert Carroll of St. Ola and Mrs. Walter Conley, Bannockburn; two brothers, Leslie Phillips of Marmora and James Phillips of Steenburg; one sister, Mrs. John Reid, Moose Jaw, Sask.

The funeral took place on Sunday afternoon from the home of her daughter Mrs. Bert Carroll at St. Ola. The service in the home and at St. Ola cemetery was conducted by the Rev. F. Wicks of Coe Hill.

The bearers were Messrs. Alex. McKenzie, James Sprackett, T. A. Hamm, Lee Mawson, James Carroll and John Freeman.

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MRS DAVID PHILLIPS .

Mrs. David Phillips died in Madoc Village on Wednesday, November 1st at her residence on Elgin street, aged 66 years. She was the daughter of the late Sidney and Margaret Fox. She had been ill for several months. She was a resident of Madoc for 34 years.

There are left to survive her loss, besides her husband, a son Keith Jarvis, of Toronto and two daughters, Mrs. James Veal and Miss Kathaleen Phillips of Toronto. Mrs. Annie Roushorn, of Madoc, and Mrs. Wm. Goodchild, of Deloro, are sisters and Mr. Joseph Fox, of Niagara Falls, a brother. There are four grandchildren.

The funeral service was held at 2.30 p.m. on Friday, November 3rd, at Trinity United Church with interment in Lakeview Cemetery.

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MRS. MARGARET DARRAH

At the advanced age of eighty-two years Mrs. Margaret Darrah passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. K. Carey, Toronto, on Friday, November 24th. She had been living in Toronto for the past few years.

The deceased was born in London, Canada, but most of her life was spent in Hastings County. Her husband the late William Darrah, passed away in 1934. For a good many years they lived in -Marmora township, where Mr. Darrah engaged in farming work in the lumber camp and hunting and trapping. Mrs. Darrah was esteemed by those who knew her as a good mother, a good neighbor and ready to help those in trouble.

The late Mrs. Darrah is survived by eight daughters and two sons. They are Mrs. Catherine Phillips and Mrs. Sanford Lawrence Marmora; William Darrah, Frankford; Mrs. John Andrew's, Belleville; Mrs. A. Antoney, Mrs. Ed. Crilley, Mrs. W. Vancott, Mrs. Gertrude Thompson and Mrs. K. Carey, all of Toronto, and Joseph Darrah, Marmora. Two daughters predeceased. She is also survived by quite a number of grand-children and great grandchildren.

The funeral was held Tuesday forenoon proceeding from the residence of Mrs. Sanford Lawrence to Sacred Heart Church, where Requiem Mass was sung by Rev. Fr. H. J. Farrell. Interment took place in Sacred Heart cemetery.

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MRS. ISABELLE A. PHILLIPS

There passed to her eternal rest shortly before 8 A. M. on Sunday, Mrs. Isabella Ann Phillips, beloved wife of Robert Phillips. Her death followed an extended illness marked towards the end with much suffering She was born in Marmora township on October 17th, 1875, a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Jones, whose parents were of pioneer stock of this community.. On her paternal side her grandfather, Hugh Jones was reeve of Marmora and Lake Townships as far back as 1864 and on the maternal side, her grandfather James Bailey was also active in Municipal affairs in that same period. By reason of her kind sympathetic nature, Mrs. Phillips' name was almost a household word in the village. The welcome sign was always most legible in her home.

She was of an industrious nature and that spirit caused her for ages to be an active worker for the Ladies' Guild of St. Pauls, the church she attended as well as the former other church of the Parish Holy Trinity.

Life membership was given her in Marmora Women's Institute in April of last year, her active membership therein for a large number of years meriting the honor.

Last year on Oct. 17th she and her husband celebrated their fifty-sixth wedding anniversary.

Besides her sorrowing husband, she is survived by two sons, Charles and Hugh, Toronto; and five daughters, Mrs. Lindsay McCarey (Hilda), Minden; Mrs. Donald McInroy (Edith), Marmora; Mrs. William Holmes (Iva) McLaughlin Alberta; Mrs. Donald Ellis (Clara), Calumet, Que., and Mrs. George Shaw (Nellie) Campbellford.

She is further survived by two sixters, Mrs. John Simmons and Mrs. Goldie Jones, Campbellford, and one son Arthur predeceased her about thirty-five years ago and one daughter Mrs. James Gordenier (Elizabeth) last year.

The funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon leaving her late residence for service at St. Paul's, which was conducted by Canon J. M. Brownlie. The church was filled with relatives and sympathizing friends and the profusion of floral emblems were of mute testimony to the high esteem in which the deceased was held. The hymns were "Unto the Hills" and "On the Resurrection Morning" with the Nunc Dimittis sung as a recessional. The rector's comforting message was based on parts of the 90th and 91st Psalms. Canon Brownlie also took the committal at the graveside in Marmora Protestant Cemetery.

The pall bearers were Irwin Mc-Coy, John Goodrich, Wilbert Jones George Aunger, Charles Sopha and Fred Johnston.

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MARMORA HÉRALA 28-14-0,1951,PG | Mr. and Mrs. John Phillips, of Ogema, Sask., and son Douglas, of Port Arthur, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Phillips and other relatives here. It was Mr. John Phillips first visit to his native district since he left for Saskatchewan to take up farming forty years ago. He was for a later period a grain buyer.

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JOHN McCRACKEN

Mr. John McCracken, who met with a tragic death Monday night, was born in Marmora township and lived most of his life in this district. For years he engaged in farming, living in what was called the "Irish Settlement" west of Marmora. He was 79 years and 8 months of age. In the 1920's he left Marmora and entered the employ of a Construction Company in the Niagara district. In 1927 he met with a very serious accident as a result of which his back was broken and he has been unable to work since, but received Workmen's compensation.

His wife, who before her marriage was Dorothy Phillips, a sister of Robert Phillips, of Marmora, predeceased him in July 1917. He was of a friendly disposition and was wellknown in the district. In recent years he had lived with his son Thomas, at Niagara Falls for most of the year, but came back to Marmora for the summer.

The late John McCracken is survived by two daughters and two sons. They are Mrs. John Buck (Bessie), Mrs. Leonard McCracken (Cora), Thomas and James, all of Toronto. He is also survived by two sisters and two brothers — Mrs. Robert Phillips, Winnipeg; Miss, Annie McCracken Toronto, and James and William, both of Toronto.

The funeral will be held this afternoon, service being conducted in St. Paul's Anglican Church and interment taking place in Marmora Protestant cemetery.

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Fatal Motor Accident Here

John McCracken Instantly Killed by Truck Driven by Carl Simpson

A well known resident of Marmora township for many years was instantly killed shortly before midnight Monday night, when John McCracken was struck by a light truck driven by Carl Simpson. The accident occurred on No. 7 Highway, just east of the bridge over Crowe River. Mr. McCracken apparently was walking along the highway on his way home, and when he heard the truck turned around. It struck him with great force causing multiple fractures of his arms and legs and breaking his neck.

The accident was investigated by Cpl. Hatch and Provincial Constable T. L. Lummiss. Coroner Dr. S. R. Beatty, of Madoc, was notified and directed that an inquest be held. The jury, composed of F. R. Loveless, foreman, and Wm. Shannon, Major Percy Gray, A. M. Jones and Basil McTaggart, was empanelled and viewed the body. Jas Gordanier, an acquaintance of many years, identified the deceased and the preliminary inquest was adjourned to be continued next Monday, July 23rd, at 5 o'clock, when the Crown attorney will be present and evidence will be taken.

Following the preliminary inquest the body was released for burial.

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JOHN McCRACKEN INQUEST

The inquest into the death of John McCracken, who was fatally injured on the night of Monday, July 16th, was held in the council chamber yesterday forenoon with Coroner Dr. S. R. Beatty, of Madoc, in charge. Assistant Crown Attorney Gordon S. Robertson examined the witnesses. Corporal J. H. Hatch, of the Provincial Police, Madoc, conducted the investigation together with Prov. Officer Thomas Lummiss, who was also officer in charge of the inquest and jury. The jury was composed of F. R. Loveless, foreman; Major Percy Gray, W. A. Shannon, A. M. Jones and Basil McTaggart.

The first witness was John Driscoll, formerly a corporal with the Provincial Police and an official photographer. He took a number of photographs at the scene of the accident which were produced and explained by the witness. Two or three showed the body of the deceased still caught between the hood and the headlight of the car. Others showed the roadway with glass on it and other evidence of impact. The photographs were passed to the jurors and examined by each in turn. The license plate on the truck was C30138.

Dr. H. G. Parkin was the second witness. He told of being called shortly before midnight on Monday, July 16th, and proceeding to the scene of the accident. On examination he found McCracken was dead when he arrived. He gave the cause of death as multiple injuries and shock. On being questioned he stated that shortly after 1 a. m. he had taken a sample of blood from Carl Simpson, which he gave to Constable Lummiss.

W. B. Wilde was called and told of being in his bed, where he had been reading, when he heard a car come along and then he heard a bump or thud, not very loud. He looked out his window and saw a car or truck standing, but did not know anyone was hurt or killed until the next morning.

Constable Gould was called and told of sending the sample of Simpson's blood by registered mail to the Provincial Patholigist at Toronto. He also directed traffic at the scene of the accident, but did not take further part in the investigation.

Cpl. Hatch told of receiving notice of the accident by telephone by midnight. Accompanied by the Coroner he proceeded to the scene of the accident about 12:15 A. M. Carl Simpson admitted to being the driver of the half ton truck and also consented to a blood test. He described the road as being paved and in good condition, and while it was raining a little driving conditions were good.

Hatch described a quantity of broken glass, which was lying on the road, most of it on the south side of the white line. The glass was 48 feet east of where the truck was standing when he arrived. The left front headlight on the vehicle was smashed. A cane, which was identified as belonging to John McCracken and used continually by him, was found lying on the south side of the road 42 feet from the rear of the truck, A set of teeth were also found on the south side of the road. The truck was seized and taken to Walker's garage. There was no evidence of brake marks of any kind on the road.

Constable Lummiss gave evidence that he had forwarded the blood taken from Simpson to Toronto by registered mail. He had received a call from Mrs. Myrtle Yeomans stating that Simpson had been involved in a slight accident. When he arrived at the scene of the accident he found the body of the victim caught between the hood and the left headlight of the car. His evidence corroborated that of Cpl. Hatch. He gave evidence that Simpson had said he only had Richard Cole in the truck with him, but subsequent investigations had revealed that John Oscar Cole and Frank Nihill were also in the truck. Simpson definitely had been drinking but not drunk enough to charge with drunken driving.

James Gordanier was called to identify the deceased. He had known John McCracken for thirty-five years and was positive he was the man killed.

John Oscar Cole was summoned. He said he was in the back of the truck and could not see what had happened. He thought the accident occurred about 11.45 P.M. Monday evening. When questioned he admitted he had heard Simpson say "My God I've hit John McCracken."

Richard Cole, son of the former witness, said he had joined Simpson at the Hotel about 11 o'clock and had asked for a ride home. He was riding in the front of the truck with Simpson. He said they crossed the track and then he heard a thud. He claimed the lights were good but he couldn't see a man a few feet in front of the truck. There was no car ap-He also claimed Carl proaching. Simpson did everything possible to avoid an accident, but was unable to tell anything he did. At the time of the accident when Simpson put the crakes on the car stopped pretty

Frank Nihill was in the rear of the truck with John Oscar Cole. He frankly admitted he was intoxicated and unable to tell anything about what happened.

Eugene Brady stated that Simpson was at the hotel from shortly after 4 o'clock until the beverage room closel at 6.30 and again from around 9 o'clock until after 11 p. m. As far as he could tell from the bar he did not show signs of intoxication.

Frank Leal said he was serving customers in the beverage room. He served Simpson with about 6 draughts of beer. He did not show signs of intoxication or he would not have served him any more. He also served the Coles and Nihill during the evening.

Carl Simpson said the brakes on the truck would have stood relining, but were able to stop it. Questioned as to his condition when he left the hotel he said it was practically the same as when he went in.

The most impressive part of the evidence was given by Dr. Lucie, pathologist, who made the post mortem on the body. He described an amazing number of fractures of various parts of the body including the legs, the arms, the spine in two or three places ribs on both sides, the breast bone and lacerations of various kinds and serious internal injuries.

While it was not directly brought out in evidence there must have been a terrific impact to cause so many and such serious injuries.

After the conclusion of the evidence the jury retired and after about an hour's deliberations brought in the following verdict.

"We, the jury, after careful consideration have come to the conclusion that John McCracken met his death on No. 7 highway, west of the C. N. R. crossing and east of Crowe river bridge at approximately 11.45 P. M. on Monday, July 16th, 1951. His death occurred as a result of multiple injuries when struck by a truck driven by Carl Simpson of the village of Marmora.

We feel that Mr. McCracken was negligent in being near the centre of the road and further that the driver was negligent in driving a truck that was not mechanically perfect as to brakes and lights".

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