

# WILLIAM C. DAVEY DIES AT DAVEY

## HUNT CLUB CAMP

One of the happiest occasions in Mr. William C. Davey's life was the 50th anniversary of the forming of the Hunt Club which bore his name, the Davey Hunt Club. The half-century mark in that club was reached in 1947 and the anniversary was marked by an honorary banquet for the veteran head of the club. At that time many thought the ambition to reach the fifty years as an active member of the club had spurred the elderly man to keep going, but 1948 found him back in camp as he has been each intervening year. Last Wednesday, November 11, a message came from the hunt camp, located near Burwash, Mileage 98, that the Club's leader would hunt no more. Among his most cherished friends, including his own son, and amid the scenes he had always most enjoyed, the old man suffered a heart seizure and passed on within a few minutes. He was in his 90th year.

Born in Darlington Township, near Port Perry, June 23, 1864, the late Mr. Davey had been a resident of Bradford for more than 63 years, coming here in 1890. Three years later, in 1893, he was married to Margaret McAuley at Waverley, where he had attended school, and they took up residence here and established themselves as valued citizens.

Mr. Davey was a butcher here for many years, and later a drover, but since the death of his wife in October, 1930, he had not been so actively employed, serving the municipality as tax collector for a number of years. He also gave valued service on Council, and as a member of the School Board and Hydro Commission. His church was the Presbyterian and he was a member of Simcoe Lodge, A.F. & A.M. No. 79. He was also a lawn bowler and curler in his younger years.

Though his steps had become slow and faltering and his eyesight poor, Mr. Davey was to be seen on the street almost every day. His memory was keen and he never failed to have a greeting for those he met and knew.

Mr. Davey is survived by a family of eight, namely, Mrs. J. H. Lukes (Leona) of Midland; Mrs. H. G. Barnes (Catherine) of Merrickville; Minto, Gordon, McAuley, and Archie of Toronto; Oswald and Margaret of Bradford; three sisters, Mrs. Emma Cook, Mrs. Gertie Southcote and Mrs. Clara Haney, all of Toronto; one brother, Ed. Davey, Benito, Man.; ten grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

The funeral was held under Masonic auspices on Saturday, November 14, from the T. Kilkenny & Son Funeral Home. The services were in charge of his minister, Rev. E. McLarnon, assisted by Rev. F. G. MacTavish. Interment was in Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

The pallbearers were Messrs. Wm. Fuller, Walter Cook, Ken. McAuley, D. R. McVicar, Mervin Haney and Captain Barnes.