

GENERAL NEWS AND VIEWS

Santa Claus will visit Richmond Hill next Saturday.

This year he should have good sleighing on his trip from the North Pole.

The children of the district will no doubt extend to him a Royal welcome.

The local arena which was opened for skating on Saturday night is a way to an early start this year.

Sleigh-riding or skating on the roadway is a dangerous practice and parents should warn children of the danger.

Present indications of a typical Canadian winter may have influenced the Toronto City fathers against the proposal to abandon the radials and substitute a bus service.

Newmarket council passed a by-law at the last meeting raising the transient traders' license from \$50. to \$200.

W. F. McLean, founder of the "World" and for thirty four years a member of the House of Commons died on Saturday. He had many friends and admirers throughout York County who sincerely mourn his passing.

Col. Deacon, of Markham township scored a notable triumph with his herd of Shorthorns at the Chicago Live Stock Show.

Municipal nominations will be held on Monday, December 30th.

Large crowds attended the opening night at the Richmond Hill Arena on Saturday last. There will be skating every Wednesday and Saturday.

Following the recent robberies in Uxbridge, the business men have petitioned the council to engage a night watchman, the cost to be borne by the ratepayers in general.

The Hon. Geo. S. Henry says the Highways Act is to be amended so that cancellation of license will take the place of money fines in serious offences of reckless driving. Speed fiends may be a little easier on the gas when their license is in danger.

By a deed of gift, Sir William Mulock has this week transferred "Mu-Toronto.

lock's Corners," his splendid 400-acre country estate near Aurora, North to his grandson, Mr. William Pate Mulock.

The names of all motorists whose driving licenses are suspended, whether for reckless driving or on liquor charges, will be posted on a billboard in the Motor Vehicles Office at the Parliament Buildings.

It is the aim of the Highways Department that this publicity will act as a deterrent to traffic accidents.

As a Christmas gift for those away from home nothing will be more appreciated than a subscription to The Liberal. The home-town paper is almost as good as a letter from "the folks," and is a gift that will bring pleasure the whole year through.

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The three Yorks, East, West and South may have an extra seat each by the time the next provincial election comes around.

In a speech delivered recently, Hon. Geo. S. Henry, divulged the fact that certain suburban ridings would probably be divided shortly. This statement is corroborated by Leopold Macaulay, K.C., member for South York.

Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Steckley celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on November 27th, at their home on the 3rd concession of King, near Snowball, in the presence of a large number of guests. The bride, Mrs. George Maginn, of Maple, was present, also the groomsmen, Mr. John Cliff, of Aurora.

O. H. A. JUNIOR GROUP FORMED Group No. 4 (Section A).—Clubs, Markham, Stouffville, Willowdale. A. W. Dowding, Willowdale. Meet at Toronto.

Group No. 4 (Section B).—Clubs, Aurora, Newmarket, Pickering College of Newmarket, Barrie. Convener, E. C. Duncan, Newmarket. Meet at Newmarket.

Group No. 7 (Prep. Schools).—Clubs, Upper Canada College, St. Andrew's College, Aurora; St. Michael's College, University of Toronto Schools. Convener, O.H.A. executive. Meet at

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THE WINDOWLESS OFFICE

The need for and value of fresh air are generally understood, but provisions for fresh air are often sadly neglected. In most places, the law requires that every room in a house shall have at least one window opening into the outer air. This law is a recognition of the fact that, if fresh air is to be had in a room, there must be a window in order to provide for an inlet of air and to keep the air admitted cool and in a gentle motion.

In many offices where workers spend hours every day, a series of partitions divides a room into a number of cubicles, which are, to all intents and purposes, windowless rooms. The sun never shines into such partitioned-off spaces, artificial light must be used, and there is no provision for the admission of fresh cool air in gentle motion.

Partitions in offices are evidently generally erected without serious thought as to ventilation. The resulting windowless offices are not satisfactory; they do not give the workers a fair chance to keep physically fit. The lack of fresh air is a serious matter. Anything which interferes with the circulation of fresh air in offices should never be allowed because, in addition to jeopardizing the health of the workers, it is not conducive to good work. It is a common experience that when a room develops a stuffy atmosphere, which means that there is a lack of fresh air, the inmates become drowsy; there is less keenness for work. In a few offices, where such matters as fresh air do receive attention, there are regular periods when all windows are opened and a few exercises gone through in order to keep the workers "on their toes."

The importance of living, working and playing in the fresh air cannot be exaggerated. Fresh air is one of the necessities of life. It costs nothing, and yet it means so much in the health of every individual. There should never be any windowless offices. Better health and better work will result from the provision of fresh air for all workers.

Victoria Square

Three Mission Band held their annual meeting on November 30th at 2.30 p. m. in the class room for election of officers which are as follows:—President, Thelma Hart; Vice-President, Myrtle Avison; Rec. Secretary, Bessie Valliere; Assistant Rec. Secretary, Pearl Caseley; Cor. Secretary, Mabel Caseley; Treasurer, Loyd Beatty; Assistant Treasurer, Margaret Avison; World Friends Secretary, Elaine Beatty; Look-out Secretary, Eloise Perkins; Sunshine Conv., Marjorie Hart; Baby Band Secretary, Aura Klinck; Pianists, Marion Nichols, Violet Cripps, Thelma Evans, Aura Klinck. The Mission Band will hold their closing meeting for the year on December 27, 1929 at 2.30 p. m. Further notice later.

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