

LINDAY, ONTARIO, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1908

LONGBOAT BEAT DORANDO IN NEW YORK MARATHON

Italian Leads for Thirteen Miles

DORANDO COLLAPSED

Over 12,000 Witnessed the Test of Endurance

(Special to The Free Press.)

New York, Dec. 16.—As on that memorable occasion of his first Olympic...

The race was hard-fought from start to finish, and kept the thousands of spectators in wild excitement.

By order of the fire department, the doors of the Garden were closed as the race started.

Dorando leading by two yards. Longboat took the lead early in the third mile, but held it for three laps only.

Longboat showed signs of fatigue in the seventeenth mile, but kept on doggedly within striking distance of the Italian.



TOM LONGBOAT.

Newcastle Store Again Visited by Burglars

FISHER'S STORE VISITED FOR THE SECOND TIME IN TEN DAYS.

Newcastle, Dec. 12.—Only ten days ago, Fisher's store at Newcastle was broken into and robbed.

All this is ancient history by now, but the strange part of the story is to come. The Fisher store has fallen into the burglar habit.

It is hardly likely that the two will walk the roads till they meet the Port Hope Chief, and the public may assist by keeping a sharp eye open.

OMEMEE.

(Special to The Free Press.)

Dec. 16.—Dr. J. A. Thompson is in Bethany to-day.

Mrs. (Dr.) Sutton and little son, of Toronto, is at present visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bleasdale.

Miss Annie McCaffrey, of Listowel, returned home yesterday to visit her parents before leaving for her new position in Thamesville.

Mr. J. Patrick, of Dunsford, was in town yesterday on business.

Rev. W. Johnston, of Stouffville and former pastor of this place, occupied the pulpit of the Methodist church on Sunday, and delivered two excellent sermons.

Mrs. Samuel Grandy and Mrs. J. C. McCrea, were in Peterboro this week.

We are very sorry to learn that Mr. J. D. Thornton is very low and his recovery is very uncertain.

Miss Margaret Adams, who has been confined to her home with lagrippe, is able to be out again.

Quite a number of cases of scarlet fever are reported to be raging north of the village, and Mr. Matthews' family has fallen a prey to the disease.

We are glad that at time of writing they are as well as can be expected.

Mr. Geo. Fowler was in town over Sunday visiting at Mr. M. Wilson's, Ops.

Dr. and Mrs. Snellgrove entertained a number of their young friends on Monday of last week.

Mr. J. J. Lang and daughter, Miss Jean were visiting friends in town over Sunday and Monday.

The High school intend holding their annual "At Home" on the evening of December 22nd, when a very pleasant time is anticipated.

The Bethel people intend holding a basket social Thursday of this week, when a good time is expected.

Gents bring your ladies and ladies bring your baskets.

Mr. Lorne Sisson was in Lindsay on Saturday.

when he thought the Mayor's influence had been used this year for the town's best interests.

Reeve Jordan said he could only echo the good words already said. He called attention, however, to the fact that on the Water Commission Board, the Mayor had also given excellent service, and was most regular in attendance, never missing a single meeting.

Mayor Begg deserved the commendation of the Council and of the citizens of Lindsay.

The motion was then carried unanimously by a standing vote.

Mayor Begg made a short reply, thanking the Council for the kind expressions of appreciation. He did not wish to take all the credit for any good work accomplished, because he had received so much hearty and helpful support from the members of the Council. He had only done his duty and the best he could do in the interests of the town.

A vote of thanks, coupled with good words of appreciation, was passed to the chairman of the various committees who have done so much good work during the year. The chairmen responded briefly but appropriately to the kind words.

Ald. Dobson brought up the matter of fire protection for Beal's tannery. In reply Mayor Begg explained that the work could not be done now, but that the Water Commissioners would attend to the matter in the spring.

Lindsay Christmas Fair Tuesday December 22nd

ON MARKET SQUARE, LINDSAY—HEAPS OF FUN—SPECIAL PRIZES—NO ENTRY CHARGE—NO ADMISSION FEE—EVERYTHING FREE—COME ONE, COME ALL.

- The Lindsay Christmas Fair is to be a big success. Read right on to the end. The following prizes are offered: Pair of Spring Chickens, Dressed and drawn ... \$ 3 00 \$ 2 00 \$ 1 00

SPECIAL PRIZES.

- Mr. Wm. Simpson, proprietor of Simpson House, offers \$5.00 for the best pair of Hen Turkeys, 10 lbs. each or under. Mr. Geo. Moore, proprietor of Butler House, offers \$1.00 per lb. for the best 5 pound crock of Butter, same to become his property.

HORSES.

- Single driver 15 1/2 hands and under, owned and driven by farmer or farmer's son ... \$ 5 00 \$ 3 00 \$ 1 00 Single driver over 15 1/2 hands, owned and driven by farmer or farmer's son ... 5 00 3 00 1 00

THE BABY SHOW

A prize of \$5.00 in gold will be given by J. B. Begg, Mayor of Lindsay, for the best baby under 1 year, and a further prize of \$5.00 by the Society. Judging of Babies will take place in Academy of Music at 3.30.

OBITUARY NOTICES

MRS. HARRY. After an illness of about six months, at an early hour Wednesday, Mrs. R. Harry, of town, passed quietly away at her home, Glenelg-st. east.

On Wednesday the home of Mr. Woodleigh, Lindsay-st south, was the scene of a pretty wedding when his daughter may become the bride of Mr. Fred S. Babcock, of Toronto, son of Mr. John Babcock, of this town.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Rea, of Queen-st Methodist church. The bridesmaid and groomsmen were Miss Beatrice Babcock and Mr. Chas. Woodleigh.

Mr. and Mrs. Babcock left that night for Peterboro, where they will spend a short honeymoon before leaving for their future home in Toronto, where Mr. Babcock holds a fine position.

Mrs. Harry was 67 years of age, and a steady member and hard worker for St. Mary's Roman Catholic church. She had lived in town with her husband for some time past, Mr. Harry being an employee of the local branch of the G.T.R., under which company he has worked for many years.

PORT HOPE IS TOO SLOW. The following from the Port Hope Times tells its own tale: "If this town does not wake up, I'm going to get out."

This was the remark made to us on Monday by a clever young Walton-st. business man. "I'm making money," said he. "It's not that—but I'll be hanged if I stay in a town as slow as this is. That's right—I'll dig out."

Dishcloths must be washed after they have been used if they are to be kept sweet and nice. First wash them in hot soapuds, then rinse in clean hot water and hang out to dry.

Happiness, though it may not seem so, is far more dependent upon patiently doing the best we can than upon any temporary triumph we may attain.

MILLION DOLLAR LOSS IN BIG FIRE IN MONTREAL

One of the Finest Blocks Destroyed THE EMPLOYEES SAVED

Henry Birks & Sons Suffer Big loss By Fire

(Special to The Free Press.)

Montreal, Dec. 16.—A disastrous fire broke out yesterday afternoon in the Birks' building at the corner of St. Catherine street and Phillips square, the estimated damage being in the vicinity of \$1,000,000.

The building occupies a whole block in the heart of the uptown retail section, and is one of the largest and finest buildings in Montreal.

The fire started in Birks' mail order room and considerable damage was done to the stock by water and smoke.

The insurance, including the building, machinery, stock, etc., was over half a million dollars. This amount is insured in all the companies doing business all over the Dominion.

The history of the firm of H. Birks & Sons is the history of the last half century of Montreal's mercantile life.

The tenants of the Birks' building were: W. Notman & Sons, Dr. J. M. Jack, Dr. A. D. Angus, the White Dental Manufacturing Co., Ernest A. Cleveland, Waring & Gillies, Limited; Drs. Hamilton and Mathewson; the Carter Crime Co., Limited; Miss E. Christie, dressmaker; J. C. Nichol, J. B. Ferguson, C. M. Morgan, dentist; J. B. Morrison, dentist; H. Ross Matews, dentist; Peter Brown, dentist; A. W. Robinson, civil engineer; W. J. and A. E. Giles, dentists; Wm. Lamb, caretaker, and K. Stuts, tailor.

The firm has branches in Ottawa, Winnipeg, Vancouver, the Montreal establishment employing 500 hands.

The fire with the flames was a spectacular one, six employees, all girls, having to be removed from the windows by the firemen, while the little baby of the janitor was carried through the dense smoke.

The insurance, including the building, machinery, stock, etc., was over half a million dollars. This amount is insured in all the companies doing business all over the Dominion.



MR. R. G. HAIGHT, GELETT.

Mr. R. G. Haight is one of the most popular and widely known of the north country's citizens. He is a hustling agent for several fine lines, including Singer Sewing Machines, and is not only popular throughout the north, but farther south, where he is well-known as well.

Death of old Resident Of Fenelon Falls

VISITORS TO AND FROM THE FALLS — C. O. C. F. OFFICERS — CHURCH ENTERTAINMENTS.

(Correspondence Free Press.)

Fenelon Falls, Dec. 15.—Mrs. W. E. Ellis, of Filmore, Sask., with her two young children, arrived in town last week on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Aldous.

Mrs. Dreger, of Horicon Junction, Wisconsin, with her daughter Sybil, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emmanuel Smitheram, of the south ward.

Mr. Thomas Torrance, of Nepawa, is visiting his parents in town. Miss Teena Atcheson, of Deer Lake, is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Geo. Martin.

Mrs. Lowe, of Orillia, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Washburn. Miss Pratt, who has been engaged as milliner in Mrs. Campbell's millinery establishment, leaves for her home in Petrolia on the 16th.

Mrs. H. Whytall and daughter, Miss Maud left on Monday to visit friends in Toronto.

Miss Edith Jared, of Lindsay, spent Sunday last with her parents here. The Pop In and Pop Out Social given on Wednesday, 9th inst., at the home of Mrs. P. Burgess, under the auspices of the Ladies Aid, of the Methodist church, was a success, the proceeds amounting to about \$9.

At the regular meeting of the Canadian Order Chosen Friends, held on Monday evening, 14th inst., the following officers were elected for the year 1909: Past Councillor—Mrs. E. A. McArthur. Chief Councillor—Mrs. W. T. Junkin.

Vice Councillor—Mrs. McCallum. Prelate—Mrs. H. Robson. Guard—Mr. J. Fountain. Marshal—Mr. J. Littleton. Treasurer—Mr. Terrill, sr.

Recorder—Rev. W. H. A. French. Fenelon Falls lost one of its oldest residents, in the person of Mr. Edward Chambers, sr., whose death at the age of 76, occurred at his home, Bond-st. west, on Monday morning last. For a number of years Mr. Chambers resided in our village, having left his farm in Fenelon township,

where he had lived many years, to spend the declining days of his life in town. He leaves to mourn his loss his widow and a grown up family of sons and daughters. The sympathy of the community is extended to the friends of deceased in their bereavement.

The Ladies' Aid of the Presbyterian church held their regular quarterly business meeting at Brandonhurst, the home of Mrs. J. H. Brandon, on Friday evening, 4th inst., where reports were presented and plans adopted for work for following three months. The following officers were elected: President—Mrs. Lord. Vice-Pres.—J. H. Brandon. Sec.—Mrs. M. Chambers. Treasurer—Mrs. W. L. Robson.

The Ladies' Aid of the Baptist church purpose holding a bazaar in the store owned by Mr. C. Curtis on afternoons of Friday and Saturday next. A fine display of useful and fancy articles are to be on sale, and all wishing to add to their stock of Christmas gifts, should not fail to visit the bazaar. Tea will also be served in the rear of the store. The shop windows begin to look very inviting, and everything is beginning to take on a Christmas look. Christmas trees and entertainments for the juveniles are the order of the day just now. The Salvation Army and Sabbath schools of Methodist, Presbyterian, Anglican and Baptist churches all have treats in store for the children. The Salvation Army hold their annual Christmas tree and concert next Monday evening, in the Barracks, the Presbyterian S. S. have chosen Tuesday evening, and the Methodist S. S. purpose giving a concert on evening of Christmas day. We have been unable to secure dates for the Anglican and Baptist entertainments, but notice of these will appear later. A number of citizens purpose taking in the entertainment to be given on Thursday evening in St. John's Presbyterian church, Somerville. A good programme is being prepared and refreshments will be served.

Mayor Begg Complimented For His Efficient Service

MEMBERS OF COUNCIL EXPRESS APPROVAL—WINTER FAIR GIVEN PERMISSION TO USE STREET AND HALL — A VOTE OF THANKS TO CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES.

The statutory meeting of the Town Council was held on Tuesday, with Mayor Begg in the chair and all the members of Council present excepting Alderman Campbell.

Communications and Accounts. A number of accounts were received and referred to the Finance committee.

A letter from the Town Solicitor, relative to the matter of the liability of landlords for taxes was referred to the Finance committee.

A communication from the G.T.R. promising that the nuisance from the overflowing of their tank at the yards would be abated—Fyled.

The annual statement of the Treasurer was presented in an incomplete form, and referred to the Finance committee as soon as it could be completed.

The reports of the various standing committees were read and adopted. For the Christmas Fair.

Mr. Johnston Ellis, president of Lindsay Christmas Fair, asked for the use of Kent-st., between William and Cambridge streets for the displaying of the fancy turnouts and horses at the Fair next Tuesday. The street would be used only for a short time, and traffic would not be seriously interfered with. A big crowd would assuredly be in town that day, and Lindsay would reap the benefit. The use of the Council chamber for the taking of entries and the use of the market hall for exhibits was also asked for. Mr. E. L. McLean also spoke along the same lines, and was supported by Mr. Wm. Galbraith.

On motion of Ald. Rea, seconded by Reeve Geo. A. Jordan, the requests were granted. The police will also be asked to assist in keeping the crowds off the space while the showing is going on.

Good Words For the Mayor. On motion of Deputy-Reeve Eyres, seconded by Ald. Rea, the Mayor was asked to vacate the chair and Reeve Jordan requested to preside.

Deputy-Reeve Eyres said he wished to introduce a motion, but first would preface it with a few remarks that he thought would be in order. "For my part," he said, "I desire to say that I am extremely well pleased with the actions of Mayor Begg during the past year. He has been a most efficient executive officer and shown himself a good citizen, a gentleman and a splendid Mayor."

Deputy-Reeve Eyres showed how the Mayor had fulfilled his promises made at the opening of the term, and had practised economy, without parsimony, and with efficiency. "Mayor Begg has been a most efficient Mayor," concluded the deputy-reeve, "and I hope we will be honored again by having him fill the chair for another year."

The motion was then read to the effect that the Council give an honorarium of \$100 to the Mayor as a partial recognition of his efficient services as Mayor for 1908. Ald. Rea spoke along similar lines. Mayor Begg had been fully competent, and had taken an interest always in seeing that the town got full value for all money expended.