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OUR EXCELLENT COLLEGIATE

Three Collegiate Institute pupils, Messrs W. G. Hardy, J. M. Clark and Watson Kirkconnell, have brought honor and fame to their alma mater by their record in the Queen's University and Toronto University scholarship results published in another column.

The Post desires to heartily congratulate the trio. Their success is a triumph for themselves as well as a distinct tribute to the Principal and staff of the local Collegiate Institute, which has had a record this year unequalled by any similar institution in the province. We have every reason indeed to be proud of our Collegiate.

AUTOMOBILE AND THE PEDESTRIAN

Since permanent pavements have been laid on Kent and William-sts., these thoroughfares have been the Mecca each evening of many motorists who motor up and down at their own sweet will.

The use of these thoroughfares by motorists has suggested forcibly the need of caution and prudence on the part of pedestrians and auto owners.

Citizens cross the thoroughfares at any point, now that the street crossings have been eliminated, and therefore the danger of being run down by an auto becomes greater.

While the majority of local auto-ists exercise due care and diligence in handling their cars on our streets, there are a number who, in their zeal for rapid transit let their cars out at a speed that is not only dangerous, but unnecessary as well. This is especially the case on some of our side streets.

The only way to check reckless driving is to punish the driver. Only in this way will a fatality be averted. Of course a great deal is required of pedestrians who persist in crossing streets at any point and leave themselves exposed to dangers. Automobilists have certain rights, but they must not exceed them. Neither must pedestrians court accidents or fatalities by recklessly exposing themselves to dangers on the highway. If a little judgment is exercised, accidents will be avoided.

COLLECTING POLL TAX

Dep.-Reeve Dobson at the last meeting of the council wanted that body to try and collect poll tax from the sons of Sunny Italy who have been working on the pavement contract. It was pointed out, however, that these laborers were not residents, and therefore could not be compelled to pay the tax. If the representative of the east ward is anxious to replenish the civic treasury (and we know he is) let him insist on the town collecting the poll tax from an army of young men who have neglected to fulfil this obligation. There are many of them earning good wages and enjoying all the privileges the town affords, without contributing a cent to the civic coffers. The tax (\$1.00) is a small amount, but if collected from every young man who comes under the statute, would help considerably in repairing some of our streets. Get after this poll tax. We need the money.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

HARD LIFE INDEED

It is generally supposed that there is no man more criticised than an editor. No matter how he conducts a paper he does not meet the requirements of an exacting public. Clergymen, however, are said to be nearly as badly treated as the devotee of journalism, and a clever pastor has taken the trouble to point out wherein they are the most abused of us all. He says:

"The preacher has a hard time. If his hair is grey he is old. If he is a young man, he hasn't had experience. If he has ten children, he has too many. If he has none, he should have, and isn't setting a good example. If his wife sings in the choir she is presuming. If she doesn't she isn't interested in her husband's work. If a preacher reads from notes, he's a bore. If he speaks extemporaneously, he isn't deep enough. If he stays at home in his study, he does not mix enough with the people. If he is seen around on the streets, he ought to be at home getting up a good sermon. If he calls on some very poor family he is playing to the gallery. If he calls at the home of the rich, he is an aristocrat. Whatever he does, someone could have told him how to do better. He has a fine time living off donations which never come in, and promises that never mature. Next to being an editor, it is the most awful life."

POST OFFICE IMPROVEMENTS

The Post was informed on Saturday by reliable authority that important alterations were to be made at an early date to the Post Office, including a large addition to the rear of the structure.

The changes do not include an extension to the tower and the installation of a clock—two matters that should have been attended to before this.

True, the town council by resolution has memorialized the Department of Public Works in connection with this matter, but nothing has been done. It does seem strange that Peterboro and other centres are able to secure new wharves, etc., while Lindsay, the home town of a cabinet minister, is obliged to beg and plead from year to year for trifling improvements.

We fear the trouble has been in the past that our council and other public bodies have not been aggressive enough in pressing our claims upon the governments.

WATSON KIRKCONNELL'S SUCCESS

Perseverance has its reward. The record achieved by Watson Kirkconnell, son of Principal Kirkconnell, in the University scholarship results is a triumph for that young student as well as an incentive and inspiration to other students to apply themselves assiduously to their studies. The Post congratulates Watson Kirkconnell on his achievement. He has brought honor and fame to the local Collegiate and to his home town, bringing it prominently before the people of the Province as an important educational centre.

94 DEGREES ON SUNDAY

Thursday 88 degrees in the shade. Friday 90 degrees in the shade. Saturday 97 degrees in the shade. Sunday 94 degrees in the shade. This was the record of the past four days, according to Beall's self-registering thermometer, the only accurate instrument in town.

Women's Institute Of West Ops

The regular monthly meeting of the West Ops Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. F. Costello on Wednesday afternoon, Aug. 13th, with over eighty ladies present. The following programme was rendered: An instrumental solo by Miss M. Connolly; a reading by Mrs. M. Williams; Miss Shore gave an excellent paper on the topic of the day, "Simple meals well cooked and nicely served," and Mrs. Rosen assisted by Mrs. Geo. Mills gave a demonstration on table setting, first a dinner table and second a table set for an afternoon at home. At the close of the meeting a social half hour was spent over refreshments, served by Mrs. F. Costello, Mrs. T. W. Curtis, Miss M. Costello, Miss N. Costello and Miss A. Murphy. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Geo. Darke on September 10th. Topic, Canadian authors and roll call, a quotation from a Canadian author with the name.

THOUSANDS GREET LAURIER

MONTREAL, Aug. 16.—(Can. Press.)—"The Conservatives may put off an appeal to the people—they may delay from day to day, from week to week, from month to month—but the appeal must come; and the longer it is put off the more bitter will be the retribution, the more glorious the triumph and victory of the Liberals."

Thus epitomized is the clamor of all which permeated the utterances of all the speakers at a monster demonstration organized at St. Hyacinthe on Saturday in honor of Right Hon. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, leader of the opposition.

Sir Wilfrid was in fine fettle, and despite the heat he spoke for upwards of an hour and twenty minutes before a gathering of over 6,000 persons on Laframboise square.

St. Hyacinthe was overrun with the incoming visitors, who came from every point of the province on special trains. The streets were festooned with flowers and bunting, special arches of greenery being thrown across at various points. In the latter little girls dressed in gala attire sprinkled fresh cut flowers on the roadway as the Liberal chief passed. Addresses were read on behalf of the citizens, as well as on behalf of the various Liberal clubs represented at the demonstration.

Sir Wilfrid, who gave all evidences of having profited by his repose of the past few months, made a special mention of the day of several of his followers and colleagues in the house as one of the most vigorous and eloquent in years. There was something of the old resonant voice and graceful poise which were characteristic of the Laurier of the old days, and which was described by the naval question and in rounded sarcasm dealt with the position of the Nationalist "patriots," who had been, he said, traitors to all their pre-election promises. Conservative extremists, he declared, were made up of the imperialists on the one side and the Nationalists on the other. They together constituted a body of which the imperialists were the head and the Nationalists the tail, or, in another figure, said Sir Wilfrid, they might be described as an equisape drawn by a bull and an ass—he added that he would not say which was the ass.

ROYAL DRAGOONS FOR THE FAIR

A meeting of the directors of the Central Fair was held on Saturday with the following members present: Messrs John Carow, J. H. Hickey, J. A. Williamson, P. Hawkins, J. Bushnell, R. Thurston, W. H. Cuff's, J. R. Kelsey, B. L. McLean, W. Channon, S. Stinson, G. H. Mark, H. Fee, J. H. Ashmore.

Judges were selected during the afternoon and a communication was read from J. Loekie Wilson, in which he stated he would attend the fair if possible.

ORCHARD THIEF PULLED A GUN

Sunday afternoon several young men accompanied by young ladies, paddled south on the Scouge, and when south of the Riverside cemetery pulled their canoes up on the bank, and proceeded to visit a nearby orchard. The owner detected them helping themselves to the fruit, and ordered them from the premises. He followed them to the river, when one of the young men produced a "shooting iron" of the repeater type, and threatened to shoot. It is said the young man is known, and he will probably be asked to answer for his conduct in the courts.

CHAMPION COW DIES OF SUNSTROKE

"De Koll Mutual Countess," the three and four year old world's champion Holstein of Mr. G. A. Brethin's pure bred herd at Norway, died recently as a result of sunstroke. She was valued at 3,000 and was insured in the General Animal Insurance Company for \$2,000. Dr. Johnston, agent and inspector for the company, states that not only is the weather causing more or less distress among the people, but it is having the same effect among horses and cattle, and the doctor suggests that owners of animals should remember to take good care of them these days. Mr. Brethin's Holstein was the champion milk and butter producer of the world.

INVERLOCHLIN ANNUAL REGATTA

Saturday was a big day among the cottagers at Cameron Lake, and every one turned out to their annual regatta which as usual was a great success. Most of the events were for Cameron Lake competition only, but outside people also had a chance to enter in a number of the races.

There were twenty seven races in all, and each had entries enough to make them keenly contested and interesting to the spectators.

A number of launches with thirty or forty people from Sturgeon Lake were in attendance.

Among the local people who won prizes were Messrs Harold Wallace and Carlton Warner who got first in the mens' doubles, and Wilfrid Knowlson, first in the Crab Race, Harold Wallace also won the 4en's Single Canoe Race, while he also got first with Carlton Warner in the Tug of War, two in a canoe.

Miss Aileen Hughes entered in a number of events and won no less than three very fast and keenly contested races. She got both the Ladies' Single Canoe and Ladies' Single Staff and with a friend won the Mixed Doubles.

The two sons of Mr. H. B. Black, of the Bank of Montreal, also did remarkably well. Both Bethune and Spalding were contestants in some good races, and besides carrying off a first, each were able to show several second prizes for their afternoon's sport.

Cameron Lake Regatta is getting better every year and is always greatly enjoyed by all who attend.

Gen. Hamilton on Canadian Militia

Ottawa, Aug. 14.—The report of Gen. Sir Ian Hamilton on the Canadian Militia, in the light of his recent inspection, has been received by Col. the Hon. Sam Hughes, minister of militia. The minister will not make it public just yet, or until he has had an opportunity to more fully peruse it.

The inspector-general deals very fully with conditions obtaining in the different units of the militia, artillery, cavalry, infantry and subsidiary service, and his conclusions are understood to be distinctly favorable to the force.

MATERIAL GOOD.

The material is found to be good and also the esprit de corps, but the need of training is particularly emphasized. With that end in view additional facilities for the turning out of properly qualified officers in a larger number than is now possible, are strongly favored as an essential condition to efficiency.

The permanent corps as an instructional body and its functions, and also the militia on the peace and war basis, are dealt with at considerable length.

DISASTROUS FIRE NEAR MILBROOK

Milbrook, Aug. 18.—The barn belonging to Mr. James Eastcott, a farmer living one mile south of Carmel Church, was struck by lightning during the severe electrical storm on Saturday night, and was burned to the ground with all this season's crop. All his grain had been taken in except about four or five acres of oats. Everything else was in the barn. The storm was an exceptionally severe one, sweeping a wide path between Milbrook and Lake Ontario. Following one of the vivid flashes of lightning, Mr. Eastcott's barn burst into flames, and the puny efforts made to fight it were useless. Nothing could be done, and the building was a total loss. It is understood that it is partially covered by insurance. The house was a safe distance from the barn, and only the outbuilding was lost.

There was a little rain fall here, but reports from south of the village state that the storm was a generous one, and several other barns were destroyed.

Good Advice

A young lawyer who has recently hung out his shingle here, was retained by a criminal with \$5 and a very poor defense. "Well, you get a case, son," said his proud father. "Yes, dad." "And what advice did you give your client?" "After listening to his history, I collected what money he had and advised him to retain a more experienced lawyer."—Kansas City Journal.



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BARN AND CONTENTS TOTALLY DESTROYED

Port Perry, Aug. 18.—A fierce electric storm passed over this section of the county on Saturday evening. Lightning struck a number of buildings in Port Perry and vicinity. A barn belonging to R. Harrington, on the 12th concession of Reach, was burned, with its contents, including two horses, eleven pigs and 150 fowls. The tenant is a heavy loser, having only \$500 insurance. A deluge of rain fell in the district of Port Perry.

against which in its mad dash from one overhang, not impossible even above. But was not fit to be recalled to mind without root of it would never with her. Per- surable up re the feat would missed this ar of their surro- point to point whole barren veiled under the disolate plain- away into the level of the sharp fissures extending for east and west more green than bounded by its brooked, follow its only sign of pritted trail. Be- extended miles fantastically sh- gradually change of all. Betw- that India sea- venged. Certain facts re- meant death, to were taken alive death for her. E- upon his face a Great God! not- her himself first truth, the truth nearest availab- Dodge, a compan- started at once- in time to daybreak. The- know this, realiz- loss of their vig- accordingly. Oth- never have light- mained on guard, of them should- forth from the s- blackness of the- eluding the wat- profit in the end- be clear; with the- those savage tra- work, and they- the open, on fo- even to fight. The man's hand- clenched about h- agony of indecis- ing the silhouette- the lighter arc of- not that! They- leave behind no fa- age for these hou- how could the re- plished? Out fro- tured memory can- a dim recollection- ly cutting straight- trail, over which- crashed in full g- could not be far h- ficient depth to h- ness. He was un- extended, but at- been a water-co- reached the river- would hide their- sprang into his ey- den straightening- "What—what is- started. "Do you- they coming?" "No, no," almo- still as death on- believe I have dis- escape. Do you re- over while I stage?" "I am not sure- and I'll come!" "Yes, it hung m- that when I had- he could not hav- yards farther bef- that—could we?" "I hardly think- bewildered by his- "Only I was so c- and I can scarce- are you so anxio- "Because," he- heading toward h- path in the earth- out of here. Any- chance I can fig- through to the riv- agree to leave Mi- as to where we've- The new note of- man's voice arou- wrapped his arm th- "But—oh, oh, ca- the hiding there- "It's a chance, th- than waiting here- See here, Miss M- caught her hand in- of all save his own- necessity of streng- to the game, "the- to the west; ex- to the bluff it runs- guard line. The In- ward here on the