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THE BALTIC CASE.

This case, which has attracted such universal attention, was tried in Owen Sound last week. The prisoners, Trip, Russell, McFadyen, Daggert, Backhause and Peilch were all found guilty of assault, and sentenced. the two first to one year in the Central Prison with hard labor, and all the others to six months in the same institution. The judge promised to look into the matter of intimidation of witnesses as reported of the captain by Constable Pearce. The sentence of this crew is looked upon as exceedingly light, but however light it may be it will have the effect of dettering others from indulging in criminal sport at the expense of a fellow man, or from constituting themselves a tribunal to mete out justice for fancied or real misdemeanors. We venture to state that in all, or nearly all of of the cases, the prisoners have had a lesson ground into them which they will remember equally as well as if their sentences had been five years each.

The bands of justice are tightening slowly but surely around the Cronin suspects in Chicago, and it is altogether probable that that city will again been treated, some of these days, to a hanging tournament which will put the Haymarket executions into the shade.

There is not to be a dissolution of the Ontario Legislature until another session has been held.

GRIP'S COMIC ALMANAC.—There are few people in Canada who do not see this entertaining annual. It has just made its appearance for the eleventh year; and in many respects the new book is ahead of any predecessor. The illustrations are abundant; and all of the contents are of a very amusing character. A new feature is the calender of "Remarkable Events," which runs through the year, and which, alone, is worth far more than the price. In this department it is certainly entertaining and helpful to be told the day and year when pancakes were invented, when the half-holiday agitation was started, or washing-day, instituted, or stolen sermons first used, or Frank Smith was ruined by the street railway (Jan. 15, 2096), or mother-in-law joke invented, or Chicago morally reformed A. D. 5969), or boot-jacks first used as a cat cure, or the streets of Toronto finally fixed or Friday discovered to be an unlucky day,—in-information on all of which, as illustrations may be found in the January calender. And the other months are quite as communicative. This book contains 32 pages, and sells at all bookstores at the old price, 10 cents; or, send to publishers, Toronto, and receive the book post-paid by return mail.

General News.

Fort MacLeod, N.W.T., had the first snow of the season a week ago.

At Owen Sound on Saturday the trial of the Baltic prisoners on the charge of aggravated assault was finished. Russell and Tripp, who had pleaded guilty, were sentenced to a year in the Central Prison, and the four others to six months each.

The steamer Annie Watt, freight boat between Lion's Head and local points, was burned to the water's edge about three o'clock Friday afternoon at Winfield Basin. No lives lost.

The St. Petersburg *Svet* says China is arming her troops on the Russian frontier with repreating rifles, and the soldiers are being drilled by German officers.

President Harrison has issued a proclamation admitting Montana as a State of the Union.

FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH.

An Origiual Story of Great Local Interest.

The vast majority of men who become drunkards die drunkards. There have been exceptions—exertion of strong will power put into operation by some extraordinary circumstance which reveals to the victim the depth of his degradation and brings to life a sentiment which can no longer tolerate the fallen state into which he has been cast. The following story is a case in point. It shows how even a dumb animal may be instrumental in arousing the remorse and repentance necessary to a complete escape from the demon of drink. The names which we give are fictitious. Otherwise the story is a true one.

Joseph Goodwin, a farmer, lived some twenty-five or thirty years ago not many miles from Flesherton. He was one of the most intelligent men in that neighborhood, of keen perception, and possessed a mind of more than ordinary strength, and this latter quality was the cause of innumerable quarrels and "scrapes" when Joe was under the influence of liquor; which, too, was pretty often. In fact he had become what would be recognized to-day as an habitual drunkard. Joe had naturally a kind heart, and was admitedly a "fust rate nabur if he'd let licker alone." But it was poor Joe's misfortunate that he coud not let the "licker" alone. Wife and child might suffer and pray, weep and die of hunger, but the unnatural craving must be satisfied.

Joe had one constant companion in whatever he did and wherever he went. That companion was a big, intelligent, Newfoundland dog, who appeared to know that his master on certain occasions required his watchful care. The master, too, was well aware of this sad fact, and bestowed more affection upon his dumb dog Watch, than upon the poor, longsuffering wife in the little log "shanty" at home.

Farmer Breese, a neighbor of Joe Goodwin's, had a barn raising. Joe and his dog were present on that occasion to assist at the raising, and the former considered that as this was the first frame barn put together in his locality, it was a proper and fitting occasion to "jubilate," and accordingly filled up on the whisky (an indispensible article in those days) which was offered to the men as an incentive to work. To be sure Joe himself was not much of an assistant; in fact he was a hindrance, and was alternately laughed at and sternly requested to keep out of the way while others worked. Watch kept at his master's heels all the day, and received more than one kick for his pains. What brute nature is it commingled with our human nature which causes us to maltreat our well-meaning and truest friend, the dog? He is really the only product of nature which fully manifests the spirit of the Bible maxim, "If thy brother smite thee," etc., for he will turn and lick the hand that smites.

All had gone well until the last bent was being raised into position. It was just nearing the perpendicular, when something gave way. One, two pike poles broke, and the others could not sustain the heavy weight. There was a loud cry and every man jumped for his life. Where was Joe? when the cry was given to run, he was standing directly under where the bent would fall, half dazed with liquor and unable to run if he had wished to. When the men returned to seek his whereabouts they found him lying prone upon the ground, stunned, but uninjured. Not so with poor Watch. He was pinned to the earth with the heavy timber, broken, mangled, moaning piteously. He had jumped upon his master when the shout of alarm was given, knocking him down, but out of harm's way, and had himself been crushed into a helpless mass. When Joe Goodwin was brought to his senses a minute afterwards, and saw the guardian of his life lying mangled at his feet, the whole import of the awful tragedy rushed upon him and he cried like a little child. Stooping down to stroke the curly, dying head, he received the last act of devotion from his dumb martyr, who, even amid his moaning, turned and licked the hand of his master. In a few minutes thereafter a life went out which, for noble devotion, has never been excelled by any of God's creation. That was the great awakening in Joe Goodwin's life, and since then no drop of liquor has ever passed his lips. He has informed me personally that many times has the desire for strong drink come upon him with terrible strength, but the up-turned affectionate eyes of that suffering animal always came between him and the glass, and proved the great strength which enabled him to resist. Somewhere on the old farm, in a shady nook, a weather beaten piece of board still records the fact that

Here lie the remains of
Watch,
He saved his master's life
and soul
And then died. His work
was done.
He was faithful
unto death.

The lesson taught to his master by that noble brute bore fruit an hundred fold, and more especially in the home circle. A happy family was that of Joe Goodwin for many years; in fact the old couple are still as happy as the exigencies of life will allow them to be, with married sons and daughters, all prosperous and enjoying the good things of the world. This story would be rather incomplete did we not inform our readers that Joe Goodwin is a resident of our own little village. Perhaps some of you have heard the story from his own lips. If so we trust that to such it will have lost none of its original charms by being retold in this public form.

Kimberley.

From our own Correspondent.

The sportsmen of this vicinity had a shooting match on the 7th inst. The captains chosen were E. Rear and E. Baker. Volley after volley was heard throughout the day, but as evening drew near the village rung with the noise of many guns. The match was keenly contested throughout, but Rear's men gained the day, notwithstanding that Baker had two men the most. The score stood, Rear 3125, Baker 2830.

The wedding bells are still ringing around here. Mr. Thomas Hawkins and Miss Rebecca Ward of this place were united in the bands of matrimony on Wednesday of last week. Your cor. tenders them the best wishes for a happy future.

Mr. A. Williams and Miss Mary Baker, of Stayner, who has been visiting for some time in our village, returned on Friday last, accompanied by Mr. F. Thurston.

We are informed that a certain man who was living on the third line a couple of miles from here, left the vicinity between two days last week. There will be some mourners.

Mr. B. McKenzie has his new house almost completed on the outside. It is a credit to the place, and we hope some more will follow suit.

Osprey Items.

Gleaned by our own Reporter.

Fine weather has given farmers ample opportunity to save their root crop.

Feversham is well supplied with general stores now, two having been added to the list this month.

The fifth of November was celebrated by the Orangemen of this locality, and a very successful teameeting and entertainment was held in the new hall the same evening.

Ira H. Perrigo was on the sick list last week, but is improving again.

Messrs. Inkster and Osborn have cleaned out the eighth line with their new thresher, and are now going to McIntyre settlement.

The Presbyterian manse, Maxwell, has received a thorough overhauling from top to bottom at a cost of three hundred dollars, which gives it quite an imposing appearance. A new stable has also been built. Quite a number of new roofs have been put on in different parts of the town, ready for winter.

Singhampton.

From our own Correspondent.

Wm. Pearson's woollen mills were destroyed by fire on Oct. 26. The fire is supposed to have caught in the dye room. Part of the stock was saved, but nothing could be done to save the building or machinery. Mr. Pearson's loss in $3,200; insured for $1,000. A large amount of wool, cloth and blankets were burned. The fire was a very hot one on account of the amount of oil consumed, and the illumination was plainly seen for a distance of fourteen miles.

Several sheep having been killed in this vicinity, some enterprising individuals set out poison, and since that time several dogs have turned their toes towards the blue ethereal skies It is to be hoped many others will dit-toe.

Miss Taylor has been engaged as head teacher for our public school. The present teacher, Mr. J.A. Brett, goes to Feversham.

A Court of the Canadian Order of Forsters was started here about five weeks ago, which is doing well.

Z. I. P.

Meaford Road.

From our own Correspondent.

The annual shooting match came off about two weeks ago. It was not as a whole a success.

Our councilman, Mr. J. Boland, has had a snow fence erected on Warling's hill. Mr. Warling was the builder.

Mr. S. Gilbert has bought a half acre of land from Mr. W. Hutchinson and is erecting a dwelling house thereon.

Markdale's Latest News.

From our own Correspondent.

Mr. E. Roake, our popular and obliging baker, has sold out. He intends making his departure for Michigan soon.

The Revere Hotel has again changed hands, Mr. Finnerty having disposed of furnishings, fixtures, lease, license, etc., to Mr. Wm. M. Hughes, of Adjala township.

Union Thanksgiving services were held in the Presbyterian church, Nov. 7th, conducted by Rev. Mr. Buggin. The thankful ones turned out about 5o strong, percentage about equal on both bodies.

I am informed that the School Board meets on Thursday next to complete the teaching staff for the coming year.

The cheese factory are still holding their later makes of cheese, looking for improved prices, and they may take a drop.

The Mechanics' Institute have a fine directory lamp erected in front of their library and reading room. Open Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday evenings. A good list of monthlies, weeklies, dailies and illustrated books and papers are now regularly on hand.

Merchant McFarland is now making a big shipment of oats to Winnipeg. Best white, for milling purposes.

Alex McDuffie, Tom Mercer, Rudd Mathews and John Beeton are arranging to leave next week for Chillawhack, far away in Columbia "The British." All steady, energetic young men in the prime of life, they will succeed if brains and hard work prove elements of success out there.

The death of Robert Walker, sr., was very sudden, heart failure being the cause. He was an old pioneer in this section and was highly respected by all who knew him Mrs. Walker died some three years ago. A large family of sons and daughters are left, some of whom are settled near and on the old homestead. LUX.

Priceville.

From our own Correspondent.

Everybody seems to enjoy the fine weather we have had of late.

Since our last writing another wedding took place here. Mr. Jos. McDonald, head miller in McGowan's roller mill, and Miss Mary Henry, of the North Line, were married in St. Jerome's Church by Rev. Father Feeny, on 23rd Oct. We wish the young couple success.

The accident which happened to Mrs. J. McArthur on Hallowe'en, it is said, was caused by one of the boys throwing a stone at a dog.

Mrs. Kelley, mother of Mr. Stephen Kelley, of Irish Lake, was buried at the R. C. cemetery on the 30th.

Thanksgiving services were held in the Presbyterian church on Thursday last.

Some few days ago a number of boys, some of them living on front street, caught a few of their neighbors' cats and tied them with long cords and tortured some of them to death, and others were found next day still living. This is not the first time that cats and other dumb animals have been tortured in a shameful manner. The names of the offenders are all booked, and if this heathenish cruelty is attempted again the full vigor of the law will be applied.

Nearly 3 tons of hides were shipped from Durham to the tannery here last week.

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