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An Interesting Epic In Crude Petroleum

The Canadian Oil Fields, Limited, head office Toronto, L. G. Finch Vice President and general manager, has aroused the curiosity of the Shelburne Economist man. Well, ours was aroused a long time ago and has been satisfied. Mr. Finch has been a summer visitor to Flesherton for the past three years. He is a very affable, pleasant gentleman to meet. His company started drilling a well here four years ago, and quit after going down a hundred feet or so—said they had struck a rock on a slant and the drill could not penetrate it. The drill was moved to the Lever farm, 1½ miles north of this village, and has been drilling there intermittently ever since until last fall, when work ceased entirely, presumably for want of funds. Several farmers in the vicinity were induced to take stock in this concern. A year ago their driller moved over to Meaford, where he is himself arousing considerable curiosity, according to despatches from the scene of operations.

Mr. Finch, general manager, claims to be a geologist and can talk learnedly of sinclines, inclines, anticlines, abrasions, cretaceous formations, pleiocine and miocine strata, post tertiary and quaterny epochs, oolites and all the rest of the funny things found in the gizzard of old mother earth. This is good ammunition for an oil campaign. He claims to have the well here down something over 2000 feet—just on the point of penetrating a huge oil reservoir. In fact he announced one evening last summer that two hours' drilling the next day would do the trick. But the crowd of boneheads did not sit up all that night clamoring for stock and drilling very curiously appeared to languish about that time, probably to give the poor outside public an opportunity to get in on a good thing while the getting was good before the anticipated boom and boosting of the price.

Mr. Finch is at present engaged in confiding in the public, according to some of our local exchanges. Whether he intends opening some more oil reservoirs near the surrounding towns we do not know, but if it is for the purpose of continuing drilling operations here we wish him all kinds of success. He held meetings in Owen Sound, Orangeville and Shelburne last week and it was his advertisements which have again aroused our curiosity after a long spell of dormancy. We quote the advertisement, which was the same in each case. The attempt to raise loyal Canadians to a sense of their duty is good. Here it is:

"A meeting will be held in the council chamber on the evening of Friday, February 20th, to which are invited all people interested in the development of a great industry which has a material effect upon the welfare of Canada, but more largely to the town of Owen Sound (Shelburne or Orangeville, to fit the case) to which this development is close by. It is common to hear people state that it is their belief that there is a large volume of oil in this country. We have been working at this for the past three years and we have some developments that it would be interesting for you to hear. It is the property of Canadian citizens, and it is our duty to tell this to the Canadian citizens in order that they may have the first opportunity of benefitting in this production—L. G. Finch, Vice President and General Manager Canadian Oil Fields, Limited."

The Owen Sound meeting was called off on account of lack of interest, only one or two turning up.

Joseph Watson Dead

Joseph Watson, Sr., of Saugeen Junction passed away on Tuesday, Feb. 17, after an illness extending over about a year, at the age of 70 years and 11 mos. Mr. Watson was born at Meadowvale and came to Artemesia when a mere boy, participating in all the hardships of pioneer life. He married Margaret Jane Parks, daughter of the late Thomas Parks, who survives him. He also leaves behind three sons—Robert of Proton and Thomas and Joseph on the homestead—and one daughter—Mrs. Lou Fisher of Flesherton. The funeral, which was largely attended, took place to Priceville cemetery on Thursday last. The Advance extends sympathy to the sorrowing ones.

A Bruce county farmer sold 1000 bushels of turnips to one buyer, to be shipped to Toronto, where they will feed the multitude, said multitude having switched from potatoes to turnips on account of the high price of the former.

The Road to Independence

Trouble comes to all of us at one time or another.

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Flesherton, - Ont.

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Small Ads.

FOR SALE

For Sale—Ten good ewes. Apply to Fred Graham, Eugenia.

For Sale or Exchange—Ford car (1915 model) would exchange for good driving outfit. Car can be seen at lot 20, con 14, Proton. W. L. Flynn, R. R. No. 1, Dundalk. Phone 55 r 22

For Sale cheap and on easy terms, Lot 13, con. 11, Osprey, 110 acres. This is a first class farm and in a good state of cultivation. Good bank barn and new frame dwelling. Apply to R. J. Sproule Flesherton

For Sale—5 young pigs, 3 months old; also one cow, due to calf June 1st. G. B. Welton, Flesherton.

Driving horse, buggy and cutter for sale. Apply to Wm. Wyatt, Flesherton.

For Sale—Carriage horse, broke to all kinds of farm work. Would be sold on time. Wm Paton, Priceville. Phone.

MISCELLANEOUS

A car of flour and feed will arrive in a few days for F G. Karstedt.

Try Feversham Pastry Flour, the best or your cook. All Ontario wheat

Highest price for butter and eggs at Graham Bros. Eugenia. June 26

Private funds to loan on real estate security at reasonable rate of interest. Apply to R. J. Sproule, Flesherton sept 2317

Chopping Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays only—Graham Bros., Eugenia.

Wanted—A gander to buy, or would take goose and gander. Apply to J. J. Little, R. R. 2, Proton. phone Dundalk 71 r 24.

Monaghan---Porteous

A very pretty wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Porteous at four thirty o'clock, on Wednesday, January 28th, when their only daughter, Pearl Mildred, was united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Mr. Cecil Monaghan, youngest son of Mr. Thomas Monaghan of Singhampton. Rev. C. Forth of Maxwell officiated.

To the strains of the bridal chorus, played by Miss Janet Roy, the bride and groom, who were unattended, the bride being given away by her eldest brother, Arthur, of Maxwell, entered the parlour and took their place beneath a prettily trimmed arch of evergreens and silver tinsel and white bells, where the ceremony was performed in the presence of about fifty guests, including relatives of the bride and groom.

The bride looked charming in a gown of white silk crepe de chene trimmed with white satin and beads, while her travelling suit was navy blue serge with hat to match. The many beautiful presents showed the high esteem in which the young couple were held.

After congratulations the guests entered the dining room where a dainty wedding dinner was served. The best wishes of a large circle of friends go with the young couple to their new home near Singhampton.

Farm For Sale

Lot N ½ 5 and lot 6, con. 19, Proton, containing 180 acres. Well watered, good barn and house, 80 acres under cultivation, rest mostly pasture with about five acres good bush, estate of the late D. J. McCormick. For particulars apply to

WM. McCORMICK,
Executor of the estate. Proton P. O.
Phone Dundalk 52—4.

HORSES WANTED

We will be in
MARKDALE, Wednesday, Feb. 25th
FLESHERTON, Thursday, Feb. 26th
DUNDALK, Fri. & Sat., Feb. 27 & 28
(Up to 2 o'clock p. m. on Saturday)

To purchase good conditioned horses from 1200 to 1700 lbs. Also a few aged blocky mares.

WILLIAMSON & MEDDAUGH
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Strike at Meaford

Meaford, Feb. 19.—The Seaman Kent factory here, employing about 100 men, is lying idle, and the men are walking the streets. Last April the men were given a nine hour day with pay for ten hours. Last week Mr. F. Kent, the manager, notified the men that it would be necessary for them to work ten hours a day and every Saturday afternoon until the company caught up with its orders. He set the rate of pay at time and a quarter for overtime, which the men refused to accept, demanding time and a half. When the men went to work this morning they found a notice posted up that if they were not prepared to work ten hours at the company's offer they might look for other employment. All the men accordingly walked out.

The union men state that they are under obligation not to work for less than time and a half for overtime.

As a result of the Crossley and Leonard revival meetings in Walkerton there were ninety converts.

The Meaford mayorality squabble has been settled out of court, Mayor Gray retaining the seat.

A man named McFadgen charged Deputy Reeve McLean of Collingwood township with stealing a sheep. The case was tried in Thornbury before two J P's. and dismissed. Several farmers then took up a subscription and presented McLean with $25 toward his costs in the case.

S. Haines, who lives on the 9th con. of East Garafraxa, had his barn destroyed by fire. Mr. Haines was in the mow putting down some feed, when the lantern was upset or fell to the floor. In a moment or two the place was a roaring furnace, but Mr. Haines managed to escape and get out the stock.

Wm. Sharpe of Hutton Hill has received a letter from a cousin in Owen Sound stating that a friend in Monaghan County, Ireland, has advertised in the Sun-Times, Owen Sound, for the heirs of George Sharpe, M.P., who died leaving an estate of over $200,000, to be divided among the Sharpe family. Geo. Sharpe is an uncle of Wm Sharpe of Hutton Hill—Durham Review.

In Memoriam

In loving memory of James Magee, who died February 25th, 1918.

I watched him suffer day by day,
It caused me bitter grief
To see him sadly pine away,
And could not give relief.

—Daughter Emma.

Old Stuff.

New York Evening Post Headline—"Traces Baseball to Greek Sports." Why, we've known all along that Greece produced the first Homer.—Boston Transcript.

Candlestick for Campers.

The bracket of a candlestick designed for campers terminates in barbed points to grip a tree trunk or other upright support.

Table Pleasures Not for Them.

Tea, with fruit in summer and cheese in winter, constitutes the nourishment of the poorer classes in Persia.

Make Bells.

The science of bell casting has been practiced in one English foundry for nearly 350 years.

Boar For Service

Registered Chester White hog for service at Rock Mills The father won. first at Chicago Fair. Terms $1.50.
dec 5 19 —I. SMITH Prop.

BOAR for SERVICE

Purebred Tamworth Boar for service on lot 167, S W T and S E, Artemesia. Terms—$1.50.
Feb15 9 —T. J. STINSON, Prop

Boar for Service

The undersigned has a thoroughbred Yorkshire Boar for service on lot 11, con. 8, Osprey. Terms $1.50.
FRED SPOFFARD