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EDITORIAL NOTES

There was nothing done by the County Council in the matter of taking over the Children's Shelter at Owen Sound as a county charge, as desired by the delegation which waited on them, but Warden McTavish informs The Advance that he expcts it will have to come to that in time.

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The new Warden is of Scotch parentage, not Irish as stated last week. Mr. McTavish wishes us to make this correction, not with any disparagement to the Irish, but merely to give the Scotchman what is coming to him. Render unto Caesar, etc.

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We are giving more space in the paper this week to the proceedings of the County Council than we have ever done before, and we hope that it will be of real interest to our readers to see what is being done at Owen Sound.

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The Burks Falls Arrow has added its complaint on th amusement tax infliction, in which it says :—"Here, to collect the tax at a ball game, amounting to less than $5.00, we are compelled to have admission tickets of two denominations printed at a cost of another $3.00, so that any chance there might be of making the baseball club a paying proposition is cut out by the foolish administration of the Amusement Tax Act."

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An amusement tax collector was in town one day recently and collected the magnificent sum of six dollars—three from the Agricultural Society because they allowed the grounds to be used for baseball last summer, and three from the Rink Company. When his expenses and salary would be taken from this the profits to the Department would be on the wrong side of the ledger. It is time the people insisted on the removal of this foolish and annoying tax.

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The Farmers' Sun says it exists to serve its readers, "and not for profit." It certainly did not have the profit last yar. But we fancy there are several hundred shareholders who would not look at it in the light of that editorial utterance. If they look upon their investment as a sort of benevolent contribution we miss our guess. Benevolence of this kind is exceedingly rare among investors, and we know some shareholders who would like to sell their holdings and let the other fellow play Gentleman Bountiful for a while.

OSPREY AG'L SOCIETY TO HOLD ANNUAL MEETING

The Osprey Agricultural Society had to again postpone their annual meeting from last Saturday to this coming Saturday, February 2nd. The storms have interferred twice with this meeting. Meeting to be held at 2 o'clock p.m.

$102.00 AT BOX SOCIAL BY MAXWELL L.O.B.A.

The L.O.B.A. of Maxwell held a box social in the hall on January 18 and it was very successful. The proceeds amounted to $102.00. All enjoyed themselves to the fullest extent. We wish to thank Mr. Chas. Long and Mr. Wm. Seeley for the way they made room for so many horses.

Every year the newspaper is winninv wider recognition in the business world as the most effectiv method of publicity. An example of this is seen in the recent decision of the Shell, Mexican and Anglo-American Oil Companies in Great Britain to discontinue their billboard work throughout the country and use newspapers entirely for keeping their products before the public.—Walkerton Telescope.

RECOUNT CHANGED THINGS

Judge Klein presided at the recount in connection with the municipal election at Mount Forest, the recount being held at Guelph last week. The result was that Coun. Fett, who has been previously declared elected by one vote, was counted out, and J. Luxton declared elected by one vote, in Mr. Flett's stead.

HOME

By One of The Old Boys

THE ROAD BEYOND

But there are beckoning worlds beyond the little five-mile trip; and alter the spirit of adventure took me all olane over teh road I had travelled before my stage, on beyond the cousin's, and down into the valley ten miles from home, to where other relatives lived with the twin "mountains" for a sky-line, and a lusty river for a backbone.

The road was rough and stony in parts, but as it wound its way through the familiar scenes of a country-side it lured me on to the farthest raise tothe north. Breasting this, a sudden burst of beautiful scenery opened up in one of the grandest panoramas that Ontario can boast, opened up as suddenly as one will turn the pages of a book.

The existence of the valley had been hinted from near Home, and indeed, it found its first chance in the little valley in the home village; as the road was travelled there were glimpses of it as it deepened and widened, but not until this hill was mastered did its full glory break before one, and its beautiful scenery open up to the full.

Several miles across, it stretched in the distance until lost sight behind a jutting shoulder of the mountain, where it turned and then flattened out into a great wide basin as it approached the shores of the lake to the north in one of the great fruit districts of Ontario.

Down the valley there wound the ribbon of silver—the river that joined our own little creek and swallowed it up at one gulp here found its way down towards the sea, at times showing up in silvery sheen between banks of green fields, and again lost in the fringe of swamp that edged its course down the valley.

On either side of the river there stretched a great concave checker board of field and orchard, while the crest of the valley was rimmed, for the most part, with jaws of rock that jutted out and kept age-long watch at the top.

Down into the valley here and there ran great "hogs' backs" where rains and springs from the base of the rocky cliffs had washed away the red clay and carried it down in the freshets.

Standing there at the top of the valley, I looked away down its length, and perceived the road gradually finding its sidling way down the side of the great hills, crossing the river in the bottom of the valley, and striding straight as an arrow up the farther side, its yellow ribbon tracing the way like a tiny spider's web upon the green hillside. Over the distant hill it led to scenes that I have never to this day observed.

Until now it had been hard pushing and uphill work, but now speeding the road led down, and was quickly traversed by the speeding wheel; around the "gulley" hill where the road twists back upon itself in a sharp hairpin turn before leading on down the mountain-side.

Down in the heart of the valley, invisible from the hill above there clusters a tiny hamlet with two stores, a mill and a blacksmith shop, to say nothing of a handful of residences. Here my grandparents lived after they had rented their farm and here an aunt and uncle lived. This was the end of the journey.

I used to stand by the roadside and gaze up at the towering mountains where they shut out the rest of the world, and leaped up against the sky in a majestic panorama. Whole summers were spent here ten miles from the nearest, train where the automobile had not yet brought curious tourists, and where hearty folks lived in peace and brotherhood.

FUNERAL OF MISS B. CLINTON HELD MON.

Second Bereavement In The Family In Two Weeks

Miss Belle Clinton, daughter of the late John Clinton of Flesherton and sister of Mr. Joseph Clinton, whose funeral took place a week or so ago, died at the home of her sister, Mrs. R. Meldrum, on the 4th line, Atremesia, on Thursday of last week, at the age of 64 years. Miss Clinton had been ill for the past year with creeping paralysis, which worked to its unavoidable end.

The funeral was to have been held on Saturday but on account of the storm the remains were held over until Monday, when they were laid beside those of her father, mother and brother in Flesherton cemetery. She leaves two sisters and three brothers —Mrs. R. Meldrum, Mrs. Jos. Gamey of Toronto, John of Edmonton, Wes and Will of Toronto.

The minister who presided at the funeral, obeying her request, was Rev. F. D. Gough of Clarksburg.

Dept. of Ag'l.

The Danish Acid Test Of Breeding

Progress is founded on knowledge should the knowledge be complete. It has always seemed to me that the usual methods of breeding were deficient in that the standard of show ring excellence consisted of conformance to type and markings, with external evidence of function and thrift. Thus it has come about that we have given prizes to milkless cows, yeld mares, sterile or poor breeding stallions and bulls, merely because as individuals they conformed to prescribed standards. The Danes go deeper. They judge a strain of breeding hogs by its utility as gauged by accurate records of the size of litters and numbers raised successfully; the thrift and economy of production of these pigs in the feed lot and the degree to which their carcasses conform to bacon curers' repuirements. This covers the whole field, illuminating the genetics of hog breeding with the clear light of accurate knowledge, which is better than external judgement can ever be. When we apply such a straight edge to our methods we are liable, I fancy, to eliminate the vitative influence of much of the incestuous breeding which has doubtless impaied the thrift and stamina of many strains for the sake of more readily fixing type.

Canadian Wool For English Firms

For some time past the Canadian Co-operative Wool Growers, Limited, have been active in their endeavors to interest English woolen manufacturers in Canadan grown raw wools, and their efforts have been rewarded in an additional sale of 500,00 pounds of Western graded wools to one of the largest mill operators in Bradford, England. This sale opens up excellent possibilities for the disposal of Canadian graded wools on the English market, and it marks another forward step in the marketing of wool on the graded co-operative basis.

Rural Denmark

About half a century ago, rural Denmark had become so depopulated that over 60% of the people resided in the cities and large towns. The country was poor because imports over-balanced exports. Some leading educationalists and statesmen conceived the idea of establishing rural high schools throughout the country, to teach the youth such culture and practical subjects as would enable them to enjoy life and farm with profit. The result of the movement there has been such that to-day rural Denmak contains more than 60% of the population. The aristocrats live in the country. The wealth is in the country, and Danish agrcultural products take first place upon the British market. It stands to reason therefore, that what a practical rural educational system can do for Denmark, it can do for Ontario. Our greatest need is for leading educationists and statesmen to direct a similar movement for the Province of Ontario. We have splendid agricultural lands, railway facilities, electrical power, unique geographical situation, and in a few decades will have a much larger population. The present is the time to lay the foundations for a practical and progressive agricultural educational program.

CARD OF THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Meldrum desire to express their thanks to neighbors and friends for many kindnesses extended them on behalf of their sister, the late Isabelle Clinton.

DIED

NEELY—At the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. E. Crone, in Markdale, on Wednesday, January 23rd, 1924, Jane Neely, relict of the late Thomas Neely, in her 85th year.

FEVERSHAM

The late Mrs. Davidson left three daughters—Susie, Lililan and Maud—residing in Buffalo. There was a wonderful displayof beautiful flowers sent in by the many friends of the family.

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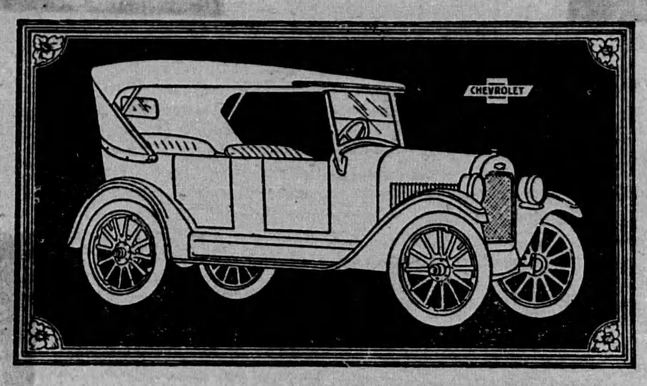

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"I heard about Dreco and have only taken one botle, but the results are very noticeable, as I have greatly improved in every way. I feel much stronger and my bowels are very regular. I am much pleased with Dreco and intend to complete the treatment."

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Dreco is being specially introduced in Flesherton by C. N. Richardson and is sold by a good druggist everywhere.

BENTINCK TEACHER SUED

At Division Court in Durham, Judge Sutherland presiding, the trustees of S.S. No. 13, Bentinck, sued the teacher, Miss McCurdy, for about $27, money claimed to have been overpaid by mistake. The defendand failed to appear, and judgment went by default for the full amount and costs.

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