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EDITORIAL NOTES

Better practice writing 1930 now!

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At this Glad Christmas time we take this opportunity of wishing our subscribers happiness with all kinds of good luck and prosperity in 1930.

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Isn't it nice to have the turmoil of our municipal elections over before the festive Christmas and New Year holidays?

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In these Christmas days, let us remember that not what we gain, but what we give, measures the worth of the life we live.

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Every boy should be encouraged to have a hobby. This precaution will be of great advantage to him when he reaches middle life.

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Only a few more days and we will have to turn over a new leaf. Let us each resolve to be increasingly useful in our day and generation.

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Judging by the reports of convictions, Toronto is the headquarters for reckless driving of autos. Most of the delinquents really do not know where they are going, but want to get there.

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The Provincial treasurer's announcement that during the year there has been collected a substantial surplus of funds reminds us that this is a way financiers have. At Toronto, as well as Ottawa, they still keep collecting ample money to run the country's services and pay the salaries, bonuses and pensions, while at the same time they invariably appeal to the money lenders and the taxpayers for additional funds with which to carry on. What we should demand is increased economy in every administrative body, so that the burdened taxpayer may be able to spend his own for his own benefit. How the legislators delight in spending extravagantly! It is so easy to borrow and to take it out of the long-suffering worker.

Annual Concert

THE ANNUAL NEW YEARS SUNDAY SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT WILL BE HELD WED. EVE., JAN. 1, 1930, IN ST. JOHN'S UNITED CHURCH

The program will consist of two cantatas and many other numbers by the children of the Sunbers by numerousl day School. Come and see the children entertain.

Supper served from 6 to 8 p.m.
Admission: 50 cents.

Dance at Proton

A dance will be held New Years Eve, December 31st, at the Orange Hall, Proton Shtation, under the auspices of L.O.L. 244. Dancing from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Orchestra music. Gents 50c., ladies free.

Alex. McRae Passes

Mr. Alex McRae died at Hamilton on Thursday last after an affliction lasting for several years past. The remains were brought to Flesherton and on Saturday on the arrival of the nion train were laid at rest in Flesherton cemetery under the direction of of Prince Arthur Lodge A. F. & A. M. The deceased leaves behind a wife and five children—Gordon, Hattie, Doris, Ella and Stewart.

Mr. McRae married Miss Louisa Stewart, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Stewart, Artemesia in 1903.

T8he deceaed gentleman was born in Artemesia in the year 1876, the son of Mr. Alexander McRae of Ceylon, a Crimean veteran, who died some years ago. There are no other living relatives.

Flesherton High School

FORM 3

CHEMISTRY — Hon.— Blanche Genoe 77, Herbert Aikens 75, Iola Graham 75. Pass—Sadie Carson72, Alice Reiley 68, Jean McCormack 63, Muriel Cameron 60, Evelyn Turner 55, Ruby Kerton 54. Fail—Reta Fawcett 46, Christina Magee 47, Jack McEachnie 37, Fred Gorrell 34, Gordon Stuart 23.

FORM 2

PHYSIOGRAPHY— Hon. —Mervyn Little 93, Jean Hincks 8, Stella Marshall 88, Daisy McFadden 84, Elmore Fisher 83, Macil Snell 83, Almeda Hincks 81, Ellen Parker 80, Ruby White 80, Bill Patton 76, Neilbert McKenzie 75. Pass—Jim Bannon 74, Audrey Warling 70, Dorothy Jamieson 69, Rowena Magee 66, Verdun McMaster 65, Muriel Knox 63, Dorothy Snell 62, Earl Ottewell 60, Jeannette McLeod 57, Murray Stuart 56, Edward Ferris 53, George Allen 51. Fail—Margaret Ferris 42, Emerson McKillop 41.

FORM 3

LATIN AUTHORS—Hon.— Jean McCormack 90, Jim Haw 88, Marion Bibby 87, Mae Fenwick 83, Jackson Stewart 80, Sadie Carson 77. Pass—Earl Johnson 73, Herbert Aikins 71, Hattie McRae 71,Evelyn Turner 56, Harold Turner 62, Bessie Beard 60, Lola Blackburn 59, Ruby Kerton 59, John Wilson 54. Fail— Christina Magee 47, Patricia Morgan 47, Audrey Brown 45, Irene Martin 45, Reta Fawcett 43, Dora Stewart 42, Emery Fisher 40, Harold Best 38, Ernest Gorrell 37, Monica Rae 34, Donald Reiley 17, Gordon Stuart 0.

FORM 4

LATIN AUTHORS—Helen Heard 88, Alice Heard 87, Jack Jamieson 86, Beth Hincks 84, Margaret Sinclair 82, Florence Allen 71.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS

Mr. Ted McDonald of Pickering, is spending Christmas with his mother here.

Three feet of snow on the level; That will supply our wants until next winter.

Mr. Walter Akitt of town shot an Albino porcupine one day recently. The animal was really white, tip of nose and the hir under the quills. Walter did not save the specimen as he should have done.

The jack rabbits are becoming more common in this district. Mr. Harry Fisher of the fourth line shot one in his barnyard recently, which had been chased by a dog. It had been living high in Wes. Plantt's turnip patch. The first man who brings one of these "birds" to The Advance office will get fifty cents.

RECALLING OLD TIMES

The following very interesting letter was received last week by Postmaster W. W. Trimble from an old boyhood friend,Mr. Alfred Wright of East Orange, N. J.:

East Orange, New Jersey,
Dec. 17, 1929

Dear Billy,—

I see by The Advance that you have become a Grafter, the good book gives us three score and ten, after that we are grafting on the good-will of a kind Providence for the time we hibernate on this terrestial globe.

But seventy five is not so old nowa-days Bill, I am more than that myself, yet I am just as kittenish as I was when Jim rode the "Yellow Rose" on the exclusive race course at Orange Valley. I will never forget his fine calfskin boots with the red leather tops which were the envy of all bare-foot country boys such as myself, Jack Hales, Jack Sharp, Jack Melia, Jack Blackburn, Jim Best, Andy Bentham, Andy Cullen, Jim Fisher, Johnston Ekins and many others of the graduates of Spring Hill University under the tutelage of Professors Dick Campbell, John Wright and J. Henry Palmer. I often wish that they had isued "report cards" in those days, I know that I would have rated A-1 in deportment, if nothing else, I am glad that there are some left yet who can certify to what a model of modesty, decorum and good conduct I was, Ask Mrs. Wilcock, Mrs. George Johnson Sr. or Miss Ann Jane Wright. Many of those boys and the three Professors have "gone West" but I have determined to not turn my toes to the daisies this side of one hundred. I expect to take up golf then, it is an old man's game and I am much too young yet, so in 1953 pack that bag that your friends gave you and meet me for an eighteen-hole game in Toronto for the drinks, or here for the cigars. We cauuot have the drinks here, for though Jersey produces the very best of Hennesy, Dun, Johnny Walker, French Burgundy (according to the genuine labels) yet I would not buy a drink of any of them for anyone unless I had a grudge to him.

Well, Bill, I hope to see you twenty years from now. Only the good die young, so that we both hace a good chance to pass the Century mark.

Yours until cows wear corsets,
Alf Wright.

GEO. LeGARD WRITES

4305 Cottage Grove Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois
Dec. 16, 1929

Dear Friend Thurston,—

I was interested in reading your account of W. F. McLean of The Toronto World. You say that you cannot think of any one except yourself that was an employee of those dear, dead days, who is now alive. Perhaps not of those who worked for him at the time you did, but at least a year or two afterwards, Joe Clark, now editor of The Toronto Star was his editorial writer and I was a compositor on The World staff. I was sorry to miss the old-time reunion in Flesherton last fall, but I was unable to be present. I was up in Saskatchewan visiting my brother, Ed. on his prairie farm. My doctor advised a long rest on account of having developed diabetes. I was in the hospital after my return with varicose ulcers on my leg. These all healed up and the diabetic condition is improving, so I am back at work in the office.

Business in Chicago is fairly good, although several are out of employment. I have added a new folding machine to my plant and am quite busy at present.

Wishing you every success.

Yours truly,
G. W. LeGard.

BEFORE YOU INVEST, INVESTIGATE.

Boards of Trade and Chambers of Cammerce have been avoided by promoters who never present financial statements, audited or otherwise and who never care to have their propositions investigated. Racketeer methods are sometimes adopted by brazen-faced high pressure artists who have used the term "lay off" when they find that those whom they approach are not so easy because the public have been warned to investigate before investing. This warning applies to Industrial Advertising, Tourists and other lines. Co-operative and determined action on the part of all concerned will drive professional promoters from all communities and not only from one place to another.

What better Christmas gift could a parent give to a son or daughter than a term in the Northern Business College, Owen Sound? The education cannot be lost or stolen andk it lasts a lifetime. Winter term begins January 2nd.

The Late W. McMullen

CEYLON

This community was deeply shocked when it was learned early Thursday morning that Thomas Wilson McMullen had passed to the great beyond on Wednesday night after only a few days confinement to his bed, although for some time he had not felt in the best of health. He was the youngest son of the late William and Mary Ann McMullen, and was born in the year 1865 on the farm on which he has always resided. He was married in 1893 to Ellen Wilson of Banda, Ont., and to them was born three children, two sons and one daughter—James W. of Ceylon, Mrs. Leslie Marshall (Mary) of Toronto, and Goldwin of Victoria, B.C., who was unable to come homo to see his father. Besides his widow anl the three children he leaves three brothers to mourn his loss—Gordon McMullen of Otterville, Oxford Co., James L. and Archibald McMullen of Ceylon. His only sister, Mrs. Robert Cook, preceded him twelve years ago. The funeral took place Friday afternoon from his late residence to Flesherton cemetery, Rev. Mr. Scott conducting the services at the house and graveside. He gave a very comforting message to the bereaved ones. The casket was covered with beautiful offerings of sympathy: A wreath from the family; wreath from Ceylon friends and neighbors; spray from the staff of Pascoe's, Toronto; spray, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Fisher, Toronto; spray, Mr. and Mrs. John Illes, Eugenia; spray, Mr. and Mrs. Gildwin McMullen, Vancouver; spray, Austin, Ernie, Stanley and Fred McMullen, Toronto;spray, Mr. and Mrs. D. McTavish, Mr. and Mrs. B. Welton, Mr. and Mrs. M. Wilson, Flesherton; spray, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wilson, Creemore. . The pall bearers were: Messrs. George and Frank Cairns, George Snell, Donald McLeod, Roy Piper, and George Arrowsmith, old neighbors of the deceased, who was also held in high esteem in the community. To the family and relatives is extended the sympathy of all.

Mrs. Allie Muir and son, Grant, are spending Christmas with kindred in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Hunt and two sons, Stanley and Melville, are spending the Yuletide with Toronto friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Marshall and daughter, Eleanor, returned Saturday to their home in Toronto.

Mrs. A. Sinclair made a business trip to Toronto last week.

Mr. Angus Whittker is visiting with Toronto friends over the holday.

Vsitors at Mrs. White's fir Christma were Mr. and Mrs. Jack White, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley White, and daughter, Edna; Misses Annie and Della White and Mr. Robert Brown.

Mrs. Archie McMullen left on Monday to spend Xmas with members of her family n Toronto.

Mr. Alex. Knox and boy friend of the Toronto University are spending Christmas with the former's mother.

We wish ye editor and staff a merry Christmas and happy New Year.

GREETINGS

TO ALL OUR CUSTOMERS WE WISH THAT ALL THE HAPPINESS AT THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON WILL BE YOURS AND THAT 1930 WILL BE ONE OF YOUR BEST YEARS.

Osprey Milling Co.
FEVERSHAM

Greetings to All

We wish our host of customers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We thank them for their past patronage and trust we can be of further service to them.

Osprey & Artemesia Co-operative Company, Ltd.

Kennedy's Grocery
Men,s Wear

MAY CHRISTMAS DAY AND THE NEW YEAR BRING YOU A GOODLY SHARE OF CHEER. THAT IS MY WISH TO YOU, DEAR FRIEND TO WHOM THIS CHRISTMAS WISH WE SEND.

W. G. KENNEDY
Phone 37 We deliver in town.

WITNESSES OFTEN INSULTED

(Fergus News-Record)

We note that Justice Wright, presiding in a Toronto court, has rebuked a lawyer for language used to a witness. One of the lawyer's questions was "Have you any brains?" The Court ruled emphatically, "I won't have the witness insulted,"His Honor deserves great credit. The spectator at court often wonders how much liberty is allowed a lawyer, and the unfortunate witness must be even more inclined to wonder.

A few words mumbled over your head—nnd your married.

A few words mumbled in your sleep —and you're divorced.

Merry Christmas

At this Christmas season we wish our many customers and friends the greatest happiness obtainable and may the year 1930 be one of increased prosperity.

R. WILSON
Barber - FLESHERTON

CHEVROLET

Our Wish to You

We appreciate the pleasant business relations of the past and wish for you a right Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year

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