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THE OLD BOYS' DANCE

Only a few citizens attended the Flesherton Old Boys' ball at the Royal York hotel in Toronto on Friday last. Several reasons entered this apparent neglect, some of which were, something like an epidemic of colds which are prevalent here, and motoring was not just a pleasure on that day. The chief reason, however, seems to be the neglect of somebody to sell tickets in town for the big event. Mr. Burton Field, the Toronto Secretary, informs us that he sent fifty tickets to the local secretary. The people in town were not made acquainted with their arrival and the tickets were evidently shelved, and the Flesherton bulletin was wiped off the list. The whole Advance staff and their households were laid up with severe colds, and like the Biblical character who had married a wife and "could not come." However, we are pleased to learn that the affair was a success, financially and otherwise.

RADIO A FARCE

We notice by some of our exchanges that the press of the country is beginning to wake up and demand something better in the way of radio reception. A couple of years ago a commission was appointed and the newspapers and public were asked to withold judgment until the Commission had a chance to show us what it could do. This was benevolently complied with. But now, after two years of control, surely the commission will itself admit that sufficient time has elapsed in which to give us a pretty good idea of the commission's worth as a controlling factor in the Canadian radio world.

One of the commission's first acts, was to lease a weak Toronto station—one which few people here attempted to listen to, owing to the noise, which always accompany its broadcasts. We are just 85 miles from Toronto and people here rarely ever attempt to listen in on the Commission station. Windsor and London used to be good stations to listen in on. Their wave length was changed. Now no person can hear them. Kitchener and Hamilton were also good stations with good programs. Like Windsor they have been moved to the vicinity of strong U. S. stations which swallow them up body and bones. The other day we wanted to listen to Premier Bennett but failed utterly. There is now only one Canadian station worth listening to. We had an extra dollar taxed on our license, with the promise that the service would be improved. One of our exchanges suggests that it would be worth another dollar if the government would disband the Charlesworth gold brick commission, and we heartily second the motion.

The radio public used to think that probably it was the fault of our radios, but now that we have begun to compare notes we know differently.

Black Chapt. Meeting Held in Owen Sound

The County Black Chapter of Grey, Royal Black Knights of Ireland, met in Owen Sound on Friday, December 1, for their annual meeting; a good attendance being present from the various preceptories of Grey County. The addition of Thornbury preceptory to the County Chapter during the past year being considered a very good result of this last years work. Very Wor. Sir Knt. Sutherland, Past County Master of Simcoe, conducted the election and instalation of officers which resulted as follows:-

County Master — Sir Knt. F. J. Beatty, Feversham.

Deputy County Master — Sir Knt. P. Straight, Owen Sound.

County Chaplain — Sir Knt. Jas. McKenzie, Feversham.

County Registrar — Sir Knt. Norman Greenaway, Owen Sound.

County Fin. Registrar —Sir Knt. McLean, Owen Sound.

Couty Treasurer — Sir Knt. E. Wright, Owen Sound.

County First Lecturer — Sir Knt. E. Brownridge, Feversham.

County Second Lecturer — Sir Knt. W. J. Lang, Meaford.

County First Censor — Sir Knt. F. Brown, Feversham.

County Second Censor — Sir Knt. Goldburg, Meaford.

County First Standard Bearer — Sir Knt. Milnor, Owen Sound.

County Second Standard Bearer — Sir Knt. Richards, Owen Sound.

County Pursuivant — Sir Knt. W. Ferguson, Thornbury.

A very hearty luncheon brought to a close this County Black Chapter meeting.

LACK OF BILL OF LADING RESULTS IN HUGE LOSSES

Records of actual losses by livestock shippers totalling $28,000.00 through truckers failing to pay for stock are in the possession of the Weekly Sun, states the Ontario Marketing Board. How many thousands of dollars have been lost from unreported cases is not known but the total would be considerable.

The Highways Act now enables every farmer to require a trucker or drover to furnish a bill of lading. This affords the shipper an opportunity to decide to whom his live stock will be sold, assures him he will get his money back, and provides that a full and correct statement of weights and prices paid by the purchaser will be returned to the owner.

Every shipper of stock by rail is protected by law through the manifest or bill of lading which the railway is required to issue to him. The Marketing Board suggests shippers to avail themselves of the same protection on truck shipments which the Highways Act makes possible.

WILL YOU INVEST $1.50 IN PROSPERITY?

Good times, that is, times of normally prosperous conditions, are here, waiting for us to put them to work. Industrial and financial leaders tell us so. Bankers tell us also that savings were never as great. Last year savings accounts throughout Canada increased by millions of dollars. There's where the "good times" conditions are—tied up in Savings Banks accounts, when a lot of it should be paid on accounts, and the balance of that increase spent in normal buying at prevailing low prices would have us well on the way to normal good conditions.

Here's How Your $1.50 Works—

You decide to invest $1.50 in prosperity—The best way is to buy something that you have been putting off buying, or to pay it on account—and if you owe us an account, preferably our account. Here's what happens—That $1.50 is paid out in wages, or we pay an account; the one who receives it from us buys something he needs or pays an account, until finally you receive your $1.50 back, either in articles sold, if you are in business, or in wages as your place of employment receives orders that your $1.50 has helped create.

The Advance has subscriptions in arrears — $1.50 accounts. Each one paid means $1.50 more going into circulation and helps us pay our bills.

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THE NEW JUDGE

A native of Grey County and "A Man of Parts."

Interesting Reminisences

R. E. Knowles, special interviewer for the Toronto Star makes the newly appointed Judge of the High Court of Ontario the theme of a witty and interesting confab. The writer notes that Judge George Franklin McFarland is a highly accomplished lawyer and King's Counsel: that he has a very accomplished wife and four most attractive children. Then Mr. Knowles continues his quizzing of the new judge, by eliciting the fact that His Lordship is a native of your neighboring burg Markdale. The interviewer queeries:-

"Won't there be joy in the presence of the angels of Markdale over this appointment?" I asked. "Well, a bit, I reckon; I fancy it will give my old friends there a degree of satisfaction."

I mused a moment, then asked "Is not Markdale associated with the honored name of Dr. Sproule?"

Mr. McFarland assured me that it was even so.

"Then you and I are compatriots," I said proudly; "I was born near there—at Maxwell—that's where my centenary will be celebrated, but it was Dr. Sproule who ushered me into this vale of tears."

The new judge struggled with emotion for a brief moment or two; "Isn't that remarkable?" he demanded; "why, Dr. Sproule did the same ushering for me," whereat we reached out our hands, each to the other, a sacred bond between us now. "Wouldn't it be wonderful," I broke the silence with, "if that dear old boy actually knows today—so many doctors have one immortal to their credit—but, think of it, us two!"

"Some very eminent men have come from that part of Grey county," resumed the chiefest of them with judicial calm, whereupon I thanked him for the flattering association. At which he added: "Mr. Justice Wright was born up there," which drew from me the proud claim that I had curled one season on the rink of the learned judge. I also added: "I have ever since considered Mr. Justice Wright the most cheerful winner I ever saw on the ice. I know another celebrity," I appended, "who was first launched up there—I think Flesherton was the favored spot."

"Who?" asked Mr. McFarland. "Our Mr. Clark," I relied; "our own J. T. Clark."

"Oh, Joe." was the irreverent response—"is he one of us then?"

"He's the principal one," my loyal heart prompted for reply; "and he tells me Markdale was once called Cornabus; and that it was a low down Methodist trick—ever to change the name, an Irish name. And he says, it was changed in honor of Mr. Mark Armstrong. And the editor-in-chief told me something else."

"What" said the judge-elect. "That Dr. Sproule's successor was Matthew Richardson, M.P. of Flesherton and that he's an uncle of our new judge, yourself. Major Gregory Clark told me, too, that you were second in command in his (Greg's) regiment, the Fourth Canadian Rifles. And I asked him what kind of a soldier you were. And he said 'Judge McFarland was a great soldier.' It is Greg who decorated Rev. Major Pashler, too—he loves to award honors, does Greg."

And then by way of practical application, as it were the inquisitor sets out to learn the views of Mr. Justice McFarland on a couple of burning questions relating to the administration of justice. "I asked, said Mr. Knowles, if he stood for the abolition of grand juries. He stands opposed. I asked his opinion of the danger symptoms of our police adopting the "third degree" method of doing judicial duty. And the unequivocal answer came: "I am out and out opposed to it! As we see it in the United States, it practically amounts to the 'trial by torture' of the middle or dark ages. I have always been suspicious of its aid, even in the slightest, and I always examine critically any statement from the accused secured by any such method, or by any approach to it! Not long ago, at Barrie, I was in full accord with the attitude, on this matter, of Mr. Justice Kelly, who was at the greatest pains to be assured that any such statement, before being admitted, was voluntary in its nature. I believe that Canadian courts should be vigilantly on guard against the introduction of any such non-British methods," he concluded.

All very interesting to the folk in Grey County, who will now have the satisfaction of having on the Ontario High Court bench another distinguished son, Mr. Justice William Wright—a native of Artemesia—having for some years served the public with much acceptance in the Court which is joined by Mr. Justice McFarland.

A total of 8.722 hours and 40 minutes was piled up by 21 aircraft of the provincial air service during the 1933 flying season over Northern Ontario.

SCHOOL QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

6. If a trustee dismisses a janitor, who is doing good work according to the Inspector's report, in order to place the person nominating him, can objection taken by the ratepayers force the board to remove the janitor substituted? —H. S.

Answer. A single trustee would have no power to dismiss a janitor. On the other hand, the board of trustees at a regularly called meeting would have full power to replace one janitor with another. The ratepayers have no power in the matter.

7. Question. Is there any action at all in school matters, legal, when done by trustee not given power for his action in the minutes of the Board at a regular or specially called meeting? —X.Y.Z

Answer. A trustee has no powers with respect to making appointments or executing contracts except as directed by the board of trustees at a properly called meeting.

8. Question. Can ratepayers ask for Inspector's reports to be read at school meeting (annual)? —Trustee.

Answer. There is nothing in The Public Schools Act which would require the trustees to read the Inspector's report at the annual school meeting. At the same time, a board of trustees is only doing its duty when it puts forth every effort to answer the questions of ratepayers at the annual meeting.

9. Question. Can ratepayers ask for minutes of board during year to be read at annual meeting? —Trustee

Answer. Trustees could decide whether or not to read their minutes at the annual school meeting. Again, every effort should be made to satisfy the ratepayers as to the business which has been transacted during the year.

10. Question. Can ratepayers demand that all school meetings or board meetings be held at the school so that ratepayers may attend if they wish? Is it legal for board meetings to be held in members' home, thus debarring attendance of ratepayers unless invited? —Ratepayer

Answer. The ratepayers have no powers with respect to demanding where and when meetings of trustees shall be held. On the other hand these meetings are regarded as being open to the public.

11. Question. If at next annual meeting trustees, who have either one or two years to run, have not paid their 1933 taxes are they legally in power? —J.B.S

Answer. Section 135 of The Public Schools Act, as amended in 1933, states that a person whose taxes for school purposes at the time of election, or at any time during his term of office as trustee, are overdue and unpaid shall not be eligible to be elected as a trustee or to sit or vote as a member of the board.

12. Question. May a board of trustees discontinue the subjects of Manual Training and Household Science? May the teachers be told by word of mouth only that their services would be no longer required? ..—Ratepayer

Answer. Manual Training and Household Science are optional subjects of the Courses of Study for the Public and Separate Schools, and a board of trustees would have full power to discontinue the subjects. Since these subjects are placed on the Course of Study by a board of trustees on recommendation of the Public School Inspector, it would be well that the Public School Inspector be again consulted before the subjects be discontinued.

Any teacher may be released only in accordance with the terms of the written contract between the teacher and the board. If the teacher is to be released, there should be a resolution to this effect on the minutes of the board, and the secretary of the board should notify the teacher in writing as to the date of his release.

AUCTION SALE
WESLEY FOSTER
Lot 120, Con. 5. N. E. T. & S. R.
Artemesia
will sell by public auction on
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1933
Commencing at 1.30 o'clock. Seventeen pigs 3 months old and one Holstein milch cow. Other animals and articles will be sold at reasonable charges. Terms: Cash.
— B. H. WALDEN, Auctioneer.

FARM FOR SALE

Lot 21, Con. 9, Township of Osprey, County of Grey, containing 105 acres, 75 acres under cultivation, balance pasture and bush; well watered by the Beaver River, which is a good trout stream, and a never failing well. On this farm is a good frame dwelling house and barn. This farm is in a good state of cultivation with 30 acres ploughed and 10 acres of summer fallow. This is a first class grain and stock farm and will be sold cheap to close the estate of the late Sandy McLean. This property is well situated 1¼ miles off highway and 1½ miles from the village of Feversham. Apply to
ANGUS MORRISON, Maxwell P. O.
JNO. A. HALE, Feversham P. O.,
Executors.

PRICEVILLE

Keep in mind the Sunday school anniversary and supper to be given in the Presbyterian church on December 20th., when Santa Claus is expected and all the little folks are expected out, to get a treat; then on Thursday night, December 21, he will be at St. Columba church.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill McKenzie of Dromore spent the week end with their parents here.

Messrs. Harry Pedlar, Alex. Knox and Miss Eva Carson of Toronto spent the week end with friends here.

We are pleased to report Mrs. Alex. Carson improving each day and her many friends wish for her a speedy recovery. The nurse, Miss Marjorie McLeod (R.N.) returned home on Sunday night.

Miss Dora Stewart, Ceylon, spent the week end with Miss Mary Stewart.

Mr. and Mrs. Allie McLean and son, Angus, motored to Owen Sound on Thursday.

A lot of the children from here are planning to go to Flesherton on Saturday to see Santa Claus, and hope the day will be fine.

Let's decorate for Christmas so that shopping will be a pleasure. Let it be better and greater decorations than ever.

Santa Claus Day
FLESHERTON
Sat., Dec. 16

Moving pictures in Town Hall will commence at 2 p.m., that will keep the children entertained with two solid hours of laughter and fun. During the afternoon Santa Claus will appear at the hall and distribute a bag of candies and nuts to each boy and girl in attendance.

CAT AND DOLL SHOW

In basement of town hall. Prizes given for the best cats and best dressed dolls. All these exhibits must be placed by 1 p.m. Bring in your pets and dolls.

HOBBY SHOW FOR SCHOOLS

To include handicraft, art, writing, collection of stamps, insects, woods, etc. Contest will be between each public school. All entries must be in the town hall to give time for the arrangement of exhibits and judging. Several cash prizes will be given. Mothers and dads are invited to attend and see the exhibits.

LAST MINUTE
Christmas Suggestions For the Men

Sweaters $1.95 to $4.50
Shirts 69c to $2.50
Cap Special $1.00 Each
Underear $1.50 to $3.00
Mitts & Gloves 25c to $2.50
Braces 39c to 75c
New assortment of Scarfs $1.00 to $2.75
Lovely Neck Ties 25c to $1.

JUST ARRIVED

We never had a nicer supply of Oranges, Bananas, Candies, Nuts, Celery, Lettuce
It will certainly pay you to look our goods over

Last but not least if you smoke try a tin of British Crown—¼ Lb. tin 25c; also a good sized pkg. of Norfolk Planters 15c Pkg.

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