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THE HUMAN EQUATION

The terrible railway wreck at Dundas, Christmas night was featured in all papers after the accident and it was the general opinion that someone had blundered and that the human equation had once again entered into a terrible catastrophe. The person responsible for the accident confessed without any persuasion from anyone and declared that he had thought his train to have come to rest on the main line when engine trouble developed. When the flyer came rushing along he turned the switch, believing that by so doing he would avert a terrible accident. Instead of that he turned the fast train to the passing track and into the rear of the "special" standing at the siding. Thus instead of becoming a national figure for his heroic conduct he became plunged into the blackest depths of despair for having been the cause of the smash, and from which he will never emerge as long as he lives. Who can judge him for his action? It was done on a moment's decision when he saw the train apparently bearing down on his own, bringing sudden death to scores of his passengers. He did his duty as he saw it, and can he be condemned for this failure? There are scores of accidents on the highways of Ontario with motor vehicles that do not cause nearly the sensation of this one accident, one of the few that have occurred on our railways. It is because railway accidents are not numerous that so much publicity was given the occurrence. The railways still remain the safest mode of transportation. It is hoped by the general public that the powers that be will not deal too harshly with this case and consider it from a humane standpoint. We believe that travellers on trains on which he would be working, if reinstated, would have perfect confidence in his ability as a trainman, as this was the first instance of him having become entangled in trouble.

EDITORIAL NOTES

New Year's resolutions! Everybody makes them and everybody makes them expecting that they will be broken before many days in the new year have passed. But they are splendid ways of bringing our erring ways before our gaze and if one only makes an effort to live up to the resolutions he has made, knowing that he has been in the wrong, new year resolutions are worth while. Have you made yours? Make one now and have your subscription paid in advance.

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In the analysis of the recent mayoralty contest in Toronto we are led to wonder just where to place the value of the big newspaper support of any one contestant for the favor of the Toronto electorate. In this case the Globe, Mail-Empire and Telegram were all strong opponents of Mayor-elect Simpson, while the Star put up a wonderful fight in favor of the successful candidate. Either the three first mentioned have not the pulling force for which they are sometimes credited, or the Star has very much more persuasive power than it has been credited with.

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The result of the Toronto elections have left some of that city's newspapers wondering what it is all about. Mayor-elect Simpson came out on a C.C.F. policy and had candidates of the same party on both the Board of Control and Aldermanic slates. None of them were elected except Mr. S. Simpson, which shows that Toronto does not want the C.C.F. but were ready to honor Mr. Simpson for the service he has rendered Toronto in the past. We belive that the worries of three of the four Toronto newspapers in the result of Mr. Simpson's election will be groundless and that the Queen City will enjoy as good government as it has in the past. The people were not stampeded by the statements of the Toronto press that Mr. Simpson's election would not be in the best interests of the city.

WELL VERSED

Father: "That young friend of yours stays very late. Doesn't he know how to say good-night?"

Daughter: "Oh, yes, daddy dear; better than any other boy I ever met."

EUGENIA

Mrs. Alex. Carruthers received the sad news of the death of her sister-in-law, Mrs. John Madill, at her home in Port Arthur on December 26, after a short illness with heart trouble. Besides her now sorrowing husband, she leaves in sad bereavement one daughter, Alma, at home, and one brother, Mr. Lorne Linklater of Port Arthur. We extend our sympathy to Mrs. Carruthers and other relatives in their hour of sorrow.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Campbell and family spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. John Badgerow, 4th Line.

Miss Jean Proctor spent a few holidays with her cousin, Miss Marjory Proctor in Kimberley.

Little Miss Margaret MacMillan holidayed with her cousin, little Miss Agnes Johnson in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn MacDonald of Chatsworth, also Mrs. Morgan and son, Douglas, of Flesherton spent Christmas with friends here.

The annual meeting of the ratepayers of S.S. No. 13 was held on Wednesday, December 26, in the school house. Mr. Ray Genoe was chairman and Mr. Earl Gordon, secretary, for the meeting. Mr. Chas. Turner, the retiring trustee, was re-elected. Mr. Albert Williams secured the contract for 25 cords of hardwood at $3.25 per cord and Mr. Duncan Williams puts in 2 cord of cedar at $2.25 per cord. Mr. Harold Falconer receives the caretaking at $38.00.

Mr. and Mrs. John Williams are celebrating the 50th anniversary of their wedding on Monday, January 7.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Genoe and children visited on Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Dave Magee, Vandeleur.

Christmas visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Will. Benson were: Mr. and Mrs. Willard Benson and Bryce, 12th Line, Mr. and Mrs. W. Parker and Miss Irene of Maxwell, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Dixon of Flesherton and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Turner and daughters.

The 8th Line teacher, Miss Mary Hawken, and pupils held a public school Christmas concert on Wednesday evening, December 19. There was a good attendance to enjoy an excellent program.

The annual Sunday school entertainment of the United church was held on Friday evening, December 21. Supper was served in the basement from 6 to 8 p.m. and the program followed. Owing to the absence of Mr. Bushell, Mr. Alex. Cameron was the chairman of the evening, and after a few suitable remarks announced the different numbers on the interesting and varied program. Owing to time and space we are not able to itemize the various events which took place this week. After the program Santa Claus (Mr. Ben Shortt) arrived and delighted the children by presenting them with gifts from the well laden Christmas tree. The proceeds of the evening amounted to $18.00.

The annual meeting of the ratepayers of the 8th Line school was held Wed., December 26th. Mr. Bert Magee retired and Mr. Fred Jamieson was elected in his place. Mr. John Magee received the fire-lighting contract, while Mr. Thos. Fenwick received the contract of cleaning the school. The teacher does the sweeping. Mr. Ross Smith of Flesherton has been hired to teach.

We must congratulate Mrs. Will Walker on holding the lucky ticket for the "butterfly" quilt top, given by the W. A.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Graham of Clarksburg visited on New Year's day with Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Cameron and the Graham families here.

Miss Mary Hawken, 8th line teacher, resigned her position and was married Christmas Day to Mr. Harold Beard. We extend our congratulations to the happy couple, but we are sorry to lose Miss Hawken from our vicinity. Mr. Ross Smith of Flesherton has been engaged to finish out Miss Hawken's term.

Mrs. J. H. Seeley and little daughter of Dundalk are visitors with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Parson.

Mrs. Badgerow spent a week with her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. J. Badgerow, 4th line.

In last week's issue we unintentionally omitted the name of Miss Georgina Smith as organist, in recording the names of the officers of the W. A. of the United Church for this year.

UNITED CHURCH S. S. CONCERT

There was a splendid attendance at the annual entertainment of the Sunday School of St. John's United church New Year's night. A splendid supper was served by the ladies of the church. A good program was given consisting of recitations by the children of the School, duets, and group singing. The last number was a cantata "Santa in Toyland" and was well given, most of the Sunday School taking part in the number. Almost $42 was realized, despite the stormy evening. This was several dollars more than was taken in last year.

School Reports

Flesherton Public School

SENIOR ROOM

Sr. 4 — Athol McKillop (H), Bryson Clark (H), Wesley McCracken, Doris Taylor, Bill Henry, Julia Ransome, Marion Wickens, Evelyn Leavell and Norman Loucks equal, Oly McDonald, Ben Bellamy, Jack Loucks.

Sr. 3 — Alan Chapple, Iva Brown, Alice Thompson, Ruth Turney, Thelma Miller, Betty Teeter, Dorothy Patton, Eldon Fisher, Fred Thompson, Dorothy Welton.

Jr. 3 — Bernice Leavell, Joe Banks, Florence Newell, Stewart McRae, Fred Conking, Jim Thurston, Marjorie Thistlethwaite.

PROTON STA. SCHOOL REPORT

Sr. 4 — Annabelle Jackson*, Verna Baker*, Annie Lockhart*, Ken Sims*, Hilda Sims*, Harold Sims*, Ernie Batchelor*, Arelene Whyte*, Kathleen Barker.

Jr. 4 — Joe Stainsby*, Mae Corbett*, Ernie Barker*, Clarence White* Theodore Cole, Irene Bridge*, Marjorie Bates.*

Sr. 3 — Hazel Bridge*, Dorothy Cole*, Vern Corbett*, Marjorie Shrubb*, Jacqueline Sims, Bill Halliday, Laurie Sims*, Jean Cuthbertson.

Sr. 2 — Lloyd Jackson*, Fred Batchelor*, Irene White*, Helen Peavey*, Jack Barker, Oswald Cuthbertson, Zella Lyons.

Jr. 1 — Audrey Cole*, Marvelle White*, Kenneth Bates, Mae Jackson.*

Sr. Pr. — Margaret Mills*, Velma Sewell*, Cecil Barker*, Bert Badgerow*, Henrietta Sims*.

Jr. Pr. — Everett Lockhart, Paul Cole, Marion Baker*, Marion Lyons* Alfred Jackson*.

* denotes perfect attendance.

—G. B. LITTLEJOHNS, Teacher.

U.S.S. NO. 1, EUPHRASIA & ART.

Sr. 4 — Pass, Harold Rawlings, Laurie Thompson.

Jr. 4 — Leslie Harbottle.

Jr. 3 — Noreen Thompson, Verna Harbottle, Elgin Rawlings.

Jr. 1 — Lois Thompson, Marie Harbottle, Ida McColloch.

Pr. — Allan McColloch.

—ARTHUR IDLE, Teacher.

EUGENIA SCHOOL

Sr. 4 — Frank Graham 85, Ida Benson 81.

Jr. 4 — Evelyn Campbell 83, Leone Duckett 82, Reggie Fawcett 79, Mable Duckett 74, Winetta Martin 72, Elward Campbell 69, Carmel Martin 66 Jean Tudor 64.

Sr. 3 — Jean Proctor 72, Doris Fawcett 66.

Sr. 2 — Dorothy Falconer 87, Dorland Campbell 81, Gladys Duckett 74, Murray Williams 59.

Jr. 2A — Arlene Benson 88, Margaret McMillan 70, Blanche Williams 69. Jr. 2B — Arthur Proctor 76 Nora Turner 71.

Sr. 1 — Ruth Graham 90.

Jr. 1 — Burton Campbell 89, Selena Duckett 86.

Pr. — Doug. Falconer, Lois Williams and Joyce Genoe equal, Alice Tudor.

—D. P. SLOAN, Teacher.

LADY BANK

Happy New Year to everyone.

Mrs. Mary McMullen and son, Stewart, and Jim, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Les. McMullen and family at Kimberley.

Miss Lillian Thompson of Toronto spent the holiday at her parental home.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Poole and son Jack, Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Holt and Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Dobson spent Christmas with the Yuell family at Ravenna.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Semple of Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Graham and two children, Mr. and Mrs. B. McConnell and daughter of Kimberley, Mr. Percy Semple and Mr. Joe Cooper spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Semple and Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Semple.

BORN — In Markdale hospital on Wednesday, December 19, 1934, to Mr. and Mrs. Percy Semple, a son. Congratulations.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Benson and son, Bryce, spent the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Benson at Eugenia.

Mr. and Mrs. George Dobson and son, Elwood, and Mrs. E. Dobson had Christmas dinner with friends at Meaford.

Mr. and Mrs. Basil Sornberger and family of Maxwell and Mr. James Milne spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Mannie Dobson and family.

General Tire & Rubber Co. will spend 75 per cent. more in 1935 on advertising, and the business will go to the newspapers. A newspaper talks to its readers every day, and the advertisers realize they can join in the conversation.

HEALTH

by Frederick Stanway M.D.

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THE CARDIAC CHILD

Heart disease in children is either congenital or acquired. Interference with normal development brings into the world a child with some defect in his physical structure, such as a hair lip or a cleft palate; in other cases, it is the heart which is not properly formed. There are cases of congenital heart disease, and such cases are commonly known as blue babies because of the bluish tint of the skin which may be general, or be confined to the lips, nose, ears, fingers and toes.

Acquired heart disease, or disease developing after birth in the normally formed heart is, in children, nearly always the result of rheumatic fever. If we are to succeed in preventing heart disease in childhood and among young adults, we must either prevent the occurrence of rheumatic fever, or treat such cases as develop so that the heart will not suffer any permanent damage.

The specific cause of rheumatic fever is not known, but it is generally believed that the disease is due to a germ which gains entrance through the tonsils. This belief is strengthened because there is usually a history of tonsilitis, sore throat, or other infection of the throat marking the onset of the disease; many consider this to be the first stage of the disease.

In older persons, the attack is fairly typical. Following an acute onset, there are joint pains of varying degree and severity, accompanied by loss of appetite and other symptoms commonly associated with fever.

The disease is frequently not suspected in young children because there may not be any marked pains in the joints—the typical symptom in older persons. The pains are often considered as "growing pains". A child may have pains in his extremities as a result of some unusual use of his muscles, or for some other reason, but never because he is growing. If such pains recur, the child should be examined by a doctor Chorea, or St. Vitus' Dance, is a form or symptom of rheumatic fever.

The heart muscles and the heart valves are frequently inflamed as a result of the rheumatic fever infection. That is why rheumatic fever is a serious disease. There is only one way to treat these cases, and that is by having them rest in bed as long as the infection is active. This will be a matter of months in many cases. Convalescence must never be hurried if the heart is to come through without serious damage.

Unfortunately, the disease tends to recur, so the child's throat should be put in a healthy condition and his general health built up. He should avoid any infections of his nose and throat and if they do occur, he should go to bed until he has fully recovered.

PORTLAW

Your correspondent enjoyed the privilege of listening to the King's message, broadcasted to his people throughout the empire. And who could listen to that message without being thrilled, and aroused to intense loyalty and devotion? Especially were we impressed when his majesty invoked the divine blessing with "God bless you all."

The public school concert on Thursday evening last was a splendid success. There was a crowded house and the pupils presented an enjoyable program. Santa Claus was on hand and gave out gifts from the Christmas tree to all the children of the section. Mr. C. D. Meldrum acted as chairman.

Miss Mary Sheardown of Toronto spent some days visiting at her parental home.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Chamberlain of Toronto visited with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Blakey.

At the annual school meeting on Wednesday last Mr. Laurie Pedlar was elected trustee in place of Mr. Harry Fisher, who had served for the past six years.

Man at East Windsor was found to be wearing four coats, six pair of pants and eight shirts. If he were married wouldn't his wife have a fine time going through his pockets?

Rather than pay a fine of $10.00 and $2.75 costs, Donald Campbell, West Lorne, took three days in jail for an offence under the Highway Traffic Act, his idea being that he could not make that much money in that time. He was convicted of hauling fish on a truck licensed only to carry farm produce.

QUEER WORLD

A Tom Thumb has been found living in a remote hamlet of remote Ceylon. He is 19 years old but only 12 inches tall.

Bachelors of the Gallas tribe, in Abyssinia fortify their hut with spiked palisades and traps to protect themselves against unmarried girls of the tribe. If a girl succeeds in climbing over the palisade which protects a bachelor's hut and remains inside till sunrise without being discovered, he is forced to marry her.

A fish wearing spectacles has been landed by an American angler. Apparently the glasses had been dropped into the water and had caught on the fish's gills.

In Hollywood a baby market has sprung up to supply the demand among childless film actors and actresses for adoptable children.

A fifteenth century tombstone has been discovered at Istanbul, Turkey, bearing the inscription: "Here lies Leonidas Theotokis, who died because of his mother-in-law."

Sunshades are provided for fish. The sunshades are made of coarse bamboo matting supported over the shallow ponds and tanks in which fish for market are kept.

A hawk which caught a squirrel in Schweintiz, Silesia, bore it aloft. The squirrel fought in mid-air and killed the hawk.

Driver in Toronto hit one car, then cracked another and finally went through the window of a bakeshop. The man had always lived in Toronto and that probably accounts for his strange actions.

We have heard a lot in recent years about youth; how the young people fed up on the old men who got them into a war and messed up things generally, were going to take hold for themselves, give us a real world to live in. Actually, it isn't working out that way. Youth, called, doesn't seem to have risen and everywhere the old men, so-called, seem to be running things as before, with some of them coming back to replace the youngsters who did get up.

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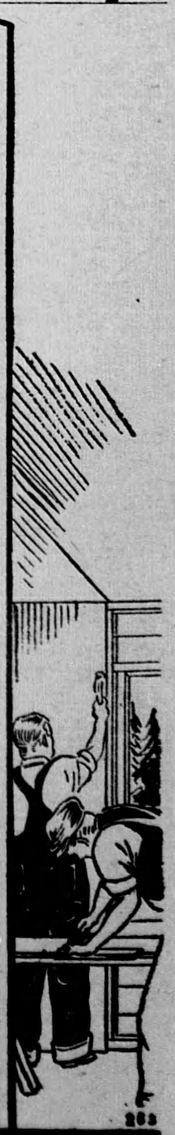

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