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Lord Tweedsmuir To Visit Plowing Match

An official visit by His Excellency, Lord Tweedsmuir, Governor-General of Canada, to the International Plowing Match at Minesing, near Barrie, on Thursday, October 13th, is announced by J. A. Carroll, manager of this annual agricultural event, the greatest plowing match, not only in the British Empire, but in the entire world.

Last year the attendance was over one hundred thousand at the four-day event and this record, it is expected, will be shattered this year. The dates are eleventh to fourteenth inclusive.

"There is no doubt" states Mr. Carroll, "that the invitation of the Ontario Plowmen's Association was accepted by His Excellency because of his genuine interest in all phases of agriculture and particularly good plowing and fine horses.

Scotland, the birthplace of Lord Tweedsmuir, is rich in plowing lore, and her sons, well-skilled in the art, have transplanted a desire for good cultivation in every part of the British Empire, particularly Canada, where for over a hundred years plowing matches have been held.

While there may be seventy or more modern and powerful tractors in operation on a busy day, double that number, about a hundred and forty competitors, will use strong, reliable and well-groomed horses, the cream of the plowing teams in Canada. "A Horse Show is a special feature of the match" states Mr. Carroll.

MOVED TO DORNOCH

Mr. A. D. McIntyre moved his family and household effects to Dornoch on Friday and will conduct a store in that place, his home community. A. D. conducted the Variety store in Flesherton during the past three years and was a real asset to the village life. He was active in both hockey and softball circles, being manager of both teams. Both Mr. and Mrs. McIntyre were interested in church work and the Young Married Couples' group. They will be missed in town but their many friends here wish them the greatest of success in their new home.

Card of Thanks

The Feversham committee of the Osprey Old Boys' and Girls' Association wish to express their appreciation for assistance rendered in many ways to make the Civic Holiday reunion the success it was.

—C. N. Long, President.

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Content With Pot Luck

Taking "pot luck" all his life, burly John Melia, aged ninety-three, of Toronto, formerly of Flesherton, has managed to steer clear from most of life's troubles.

It isn't as though he has led a sheltered life, because for thirteen years he drove a stagecoach over the rutty road between Collingwood and Maxwell, halfway to Flesherton. Through snowdrifts so deep the fence posts were buried several feet below the surface, mudholes where the wheels sank up to the hubs and blistering heat he had only one code—the mail must go through. In all those years he was never held up, never even lost a wheel. Now he lives at his son's home on Caithness Ave. Mr. Melia Jr., by the way, does the modern counterpart of stagecoach driving—he's a T.T.C. motorman.

"I thought I was being held up once, though," chuckled Mr. Melia Sr. It was so dark you couldn't see your hand before your face. The coach was passing through a small gully and there were trees on either side. Suddenly I heard someone say "The mail or your money." I stopped the horses and pulled out my pistol. 'You will have to come and get it" I cried.

Then I could hear him coming alongside of the horses and I was just bracing myself to let him have it when he spoke and I recognized his voice. 'Come here' I said. 'Feel what I have in my hand.' I let him feel the revolver and told him I had intended to shoot him. Well sir, he certainly was scared. 'I will never do that in all my life again' he said. No, I didn't have any trouble in all the years I was driving the coach—of course I often had to throw rough fellows out. But that often happened. I thought I would take pot luck and landed a job with a livery stable that operated all over the country."

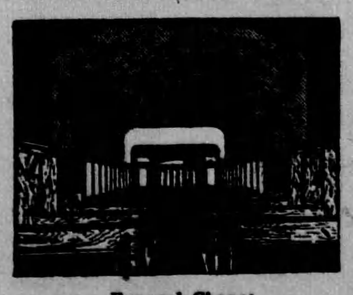
"The team I had was of two horses that would run away by themselves but we didn't thing they would as a team. We were all packed ready to go from Durham to Guelph and one of the two men passengers was in the carriage when suddenly the horses both jumped forward and I was helpless. All I could do was hang on and hope the carriage wouldn't upset. Down a steep hill right in Durham we raced with the carriage swaying from side to side. It wasn't until we got half way up the other side that I was able to stop them. I let the horses have their heads all the way. We left about 8 a.m. and got to Guelph sixty miles away about 11.30 a.m. I gave the horses a two and a half hour rest and raced them back to Durham to get it all worked out of their system."

Although he has never farmed, Mr. Melia's one experience with farm lands netted him a clear profit of four thousand dollars.

,'When I was offered a piece of land for one thousand dollars I decided to take pot luck and bought it on the spot" he said. "I never used it and the next year I sold the farm for five thousand dollars."—Toronto Star Weekly.

No one can be mean and happy any more than an orange can be sweet and sour.

The Toronto ball team is no longer at the bottom of the League but any one except a steeplejack might grow dizzy looking from the top down to where Toronto is.



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Osprey Old Home Picnic Successful

(By Feversham Correspondent)

The Feversham and vicinity old boys' and girls' reunion held here on Sunday and Monday, July 31 and August 1, was a grand success. Many of the Feversham old boys were present who had not been here in their old home town for years and many were the exclamations to be heard "Hello old boy, glad to meet you again." There was a record gathering at the Sunday service presided over by Rev. H. Knox and the speakers Commandant, J. Poole, and Adjutant Willis Pedlar and Capt B. Pedlar, Feversham old boys from Toronto, Mount Denis and Sault Ste. Marie. The male choir of twenty-five voices was greatly appreciated. Rev. S. McAuslan of Kimberley and F. Dean of Feversham also spoke.

Monday's program was real interesting and enjoyable and afforded a splendid chance for everyone to renew old friendships and make new ones. The afternoon of sports commenced with a calithumpian parade, which was headed by two Feversham young ladies (Irene and Bernice Hudson) one leading a goat hitched to a small wagon while the other rode. Many other comical vehicles were in the parade and great mirth was created in their appearance. The parade ended in the Agricultural Park where softball games were played, the first between Feversham and McIntyre, which the former won, while the other was between the Feversham boys and their visitors from Toronto, the former also winning. A gathering of the oldest members of the community was held at the hall and Mr. Alex. Morrison Sr. won the prize for being the oldest resident in the crowd. A basket picnic was held on the grounds. It is estimated that between six and seven hundred people attended the sports.

In the evening a splendid concert of local talent was held in the hall followed by a dance. This first Old Home Week gathering was a splendid success and many are looking forward to the time when it will be held again. An unique feature of the picnic was that all events were free of charge and still the treasury has a small balance on hand.

Among those who attended the Osprey Old Boys' and Girls' Reunion at Feversham on Civic Holiday were:

From Toronto—Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Pedlar, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Long, I. H. Perigo, Verna Hudson, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Paul, Dolly Pedlar, Olga Paul, Dr. and Mrs. Glenn Davis, Mr. and Mrs. A. Long, Mrs. R. C. Stewart, Mrs. Violet Walter, Mrs. Jas. Poole, Louise Black, Mr. and Mrs. W. McInnis, J. P. Poole, May Whiteoak, Mrs. Ruby Murphy, R. A. Burk, C. S. Walter, Lillian Price, Earle Cripps, A. Hale, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Bewell, Miss Ellen Beatty, Albert Poole, Mary Poole, T. R. Davidson, W. McInnis and Mary Findlay.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Montgomery, Dundalk; Mr. and Mrs. John Spencer and Nellie, Duntroon; John Thompson, Agincourt; Mr. and Mrs. J. Seeley and J. L. Seeley, St. Mary's; Mrs. Annie Gilliland, St. William's; Dorothy Jean Morrison, New Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Colquette, Owen Sound; Mrs. Ethel Horton, Long Branch; Mary J. Hamlin, Port Credit; Mrs. J. F. Causher, Hagerstown; Md; H. Horton, Long Branch; Queenie Kaitting, Owen Sound; Mrs. Chas. Hawton, Collingwood; Mr. Sam Park and Miss Bella Park, Collingwood; Mr. Jas. Phillips, Baltimore, Md.; J. E. Buchanan, Collingwood; Chas. S. Hawton, Stayner; Margaret Brown, Collingwood; Hugh Davidson, Collingwood; Burton E. Pedlar, Sault Ste. Marie; Mrs. W. Pedlar, Mt. Dennis; Mr. and Mrs. A. Brownridge, Stayner; Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Morrison, Markdale; Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Blaschke, Preston; Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Smith, Dearborn, Mich.; Robert Buchanan, Cobalt; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Davidson, Sudbury; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Davidson, Collingwood; Beatrice Bewell, Dundalk; Arthur D. Jamieson, Creemore; Thelma Marritt, Clarksburg; Mrs. A. E. Morrison, New Toronto; M. P. Murphy, Long Branch; Mrs. G. Dand, Long Branch.

A car near London rolled over a couple of times and then smashed into a tree, after which three persons got out and none of them was injured. It's a nice trick after you learn how to do it.

AUTO INSPECTION IN MARKDALE AUGUST 18

A "Safety Campaign" to be sponsoerd by the garage operators of Flesherton, Markdale and Chatsworth and district will be conducted in Markdale on Thursday, August 18.

Owners and operators of motor cars can have their vehicles inspected free of all charge for any defects which they may have such as poor lights, inadequate brakes, poor tires, defective steering apparatus, or anything else. The garage men are intensely interested in the safety driving of the motoring public in order to prevent accidents on the highways, and this is their main reason for cooperating in the campaign.

There is nothing compulsory about this inspection. It is purely voluntary on the part of anyone and no effort will be made to induce business as a result of the inspection. It is well known that there are many accidents caused by defective mechanism and it is to prevent these and to save the lives of people who travel on the highways in motor cars that the campaign is put on. It has the unqualified approval of the Ontario Safety League and other organizations and will be of incalculable benefit to car owners.

Mrs. W. C. Strain Dies

Mr. Jos. Armstrong of Toronto, who is on holidays at his summer cottage in town, received the sad news of the passing of his sister, Clemina, (Mrs. Wm. C. Strain) in a hospital at Lethbridge, Alta., this Tuesday morning.

Mrs. Strain was the youngest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Armstrong. About seven years ago she, with her husband, went West and farmed at Nemiskam, Alta. It was expected that she would come East and spend the coming winter in Toronto with her sisters. She was taken ill with some phase of kidney trouble. An operation being advised, she was taken to Lethbridge hospital. Her family in Toronto were apprised of her critical condition, and her sister, Miss Lotta Armstrong, left Monday evening to be with her, but she passed away at 2.30 a.m. Tuesday.

Besides her sorrowing husband she leavest two brothers Messrs. George Armstrong of Herschel, Sask., and Joseph H. of Toronto; also three sisters, Miss Elizabeth Armstrong, Mrs. Sara McTavish and Miss Lotta Armstrong of Toronto. Two brothers and one sister predeceased her. She was of a bright, sunny disposition, very unselfish in the home life, and was greatly beloved by her brothers and sisters. The sympathy of the older people of Flesherton, who remember her, will go out to her family in Toronto and to her husband.

Echoes Of The Past

Bygone days of motoring are recalled by an unique collection which has been made by Frank Walker, head of Pontiac Motors' Courtesy Department in the United States. It consists of five hundred automobile radiator emblems and name-plates gathered from the cities and countries where motor cars are built or have been built in the past forty years.

Walker's collection grew out of a desire to make an ash tray out of radiator emblems. But after he had obtained a half dozen name-plates from defunct cars at a junk yard and had cleaned and polished them, the beauty of their enamel work so impresed him that he decided to make a permanent collection. Among the seldom remembered makes represented in the collection are: Leach, Paterson, Moon, Kissel, Haynes, Colby, Halliday, Briscoe, Chandler, Case, Diana, Fremont, Barley Six and Elcar.

Toronto Branch Laid Wreath On Cenotaph

In our article on the unveiling of the cenotaph in Memorial Park on Monday morning of last week we omitted reporting the laying of a wreath by the Toronto branch of the Flesherton Old Boys' and Girls' Association. We are sorry indeed that this item was overlooked in reporting the event.

Some women can talk for hours on any subject whereas others don't need any subject.

Mrs. Geo. Bowles Dies

Following an extended illness the death occurred on Friday evening, August 5th, of Mrs. Geo. Bowles, of the west back line of Artemesia. She was seventy-three years of age. While she had been in failing health for several years, it was not until a few weeks ago that her condition became critical. Her death was not unexpected.

Her maiden name was Margaret Speers and she was the eldest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Speers, who were among the pioneer families of this district. When she was sixteen years of age her mother passed away and on her shoulders rested the responsibility of the household and the smaller children, which she discharged faithfully until her marriage in 1894 to Mr. George Bowles. After their marriage they resided for a time in the Vandeleur district and twenty years ago came back to the home district and the present farm. She was a woman of fine Christian character, greatly beloved by her family and friends, and her death will occasion sincere regret throughout the district. She was a member of the United Church, Annesley, at Markdale.

In addition to her husband, Mrs. Bowles is survived by four sons, William J. on the old homestead; Edgar, Markdale; Lawson, Toronto; and Elwood at home, and one daughter, Mary, also at home. She also leaves four sisters, Mrs. Samuel McDevitt, Schomberg; Mrs. Jennie Holley of Markdale; Mrs. Jessie White of Artemesia and Mrs. George Black, Meringo, Saskatchewan, and one brother, Samuel, Perryvale, Alberta.

The funeral took place on Monday afternoon when service was held at the home with Rev. A. E. Annis, pastor of Annesley United Church, Markdale, officiating. Interment was made in the family plot in Markdale cemetery. The pallbearers were Messrs. John Hatton, Wes. McNichol, George Hargrave, Lawson Whitehead, Jos. McKee and Ed. Littlejohn.

COMMENCE TO BUILD CREAMERY SHORTLY

Messrs. Rapp and Borinsky of the Markdale Creamery have received from the Dairy Commissioner conformation of their plans for the erection of a creamery in Flesherton. They expect to begin building within the next three weeks either on the lot they own on Collingwood street or at a site near the warehouse owned by Mr. John Nuhn. This, no doubt, will be welcome news to the farmers of this district, as the need of a creamery has been felt for some time.

FLESHERTON LOST TO MARKDALE MONDAY

Flesherton lost their return game with Markdale by a lop-sided score of 11-1 on Monday evening but the Flesherton team was minus five of its regular players among them being their two regular pitchers, Dargavel and Smith. Markdale collected fourteen hits of Flesherton's two rookie pitchers, Piper and Boyd among them being three homers in the second last inning when darkness was settling fast. The game was a rather quiet affair with splendid catches being made by Boyd of Flesherton and White of Markdale. Flesherton's lone run was scored by Phillips but in the same inning three were left stranded on bases. Flesherton plays in Holland Centre next Monday evening when it is hoped all the regular players will be on deck.

Flesherton — Gorrell c, Piper p, Betts 1st, Johnson 2nd, Phillips 3rd, Morgan ss, Hopkins rf, McTavish cf, Boyd lf.

Markdale — N. Fitzsimmons c, Irwin p, Thibadeau 1st, E. Fitzsimmons 2nd, Singleton 3rd, Dundas ss, White rf, Waterworth cf, Noble lf.

Human nature is so constituted that all see and judge better in the affairs of other men than in their own.

The trouble with a lot of young drivers is that they are trying to hug he wrong curve.

CRUISE TO MANITOULIN—$2

Special all day cruise of 185 miles on the C.P.R. steamship "Keewatin" from Owen Sound to Manitoulin Island on Tuesday, August 23rd. Fare $2. Secure tickets early from Daily Sun-Times, Owen Sound.

Fire Brigade Has Been Organized

Mr. Ken. Betts was chosen chief of the Flesherton Fire Department at the organization meeting in the town hall on Monday evening. The meeting was held under the direction of Councillor Alf. Down, town property commissioner, who was chosen deputy-chief. F. J. Thurston was elected secretary-treasurer while the fire truck drivers are Messrs. Stan. Menzies, Fred Gorrell and Bob Carrothers.

The fire chief requests that an alarm be turned in for every chimney fire in town, so that the firemen may have the needed practice of responding to an alarm promptly. A more serious conflagration might be prevented if the firemen were in attendance to smother the fire. At the present time the fire alarm can be sounded from a box on the main corner but an alarm system will be installed at the telephone office and sounded when a call is sent in. The firemen will have practice sessions and the people will know this is the case by three blasts on the fire siren, while a fire will be one long blast and a chimney fire two blasts.

When the fire alarm is sounded the first driver on the scene will take the fire truck to the main corner where the firemen will report immediately upon hearing the signal. The fire truck will proceed to the scene of the fire when three firemen have reported, the others following.

Following are the names of those on the fire department: H. Milligan, R. Priestley, W. A. Hawken, R. Phillips, E. McKillop, J. Stewart, E. Fisher, D. Williams, S. Hoy, J. Cook, F. Leavell, F. Patton, C. McKechnie, G. Wauchope, S. Sutton, N. Stoddart, Clarence Alexander Cecil Alexander, C. McTavish, A. Aberdeen, F. J. Thurston, W. Welton, R. Boyd, G. Boyd, J. Nuhn, H. Fellow, J. Kennedy, J. Brackenbury, G. Banks,, G. Akitt, A. Turney, G. Stuart, C. McClean, W. McCracken, G. R. Service, J. Richards, H. Fawcett, R. Heard.

Field Crop Report

Bruce County reports its wheat sample generally poor to fair with an occasional field yielding well with good quality. In Dufferin the crop is badly affected with rust and in Grey a similar condition has made the yield disappointing. Barley and oats prospects in that district are exceptionally good. Rust also did much damage in Wellington County likewise in North Simcoe. In the latter county the crop of oats promised to be the best in five years, but general outbreak of smut and army worm inroads have reduced prospects to average. Wheat is running up to forty bushels per acre in Brant, depending on the winter killing and rust. Haldimand also has a wheat crop running forty bushels to the acre or better. The market for new grain in Lambton is very low, prices quoted being: new wheat 64c; barley 42c and oats 32c. Field corn for silage purposes is looking splendid in Lincoln and has made tremendous growth recently. Some crops in Middlesex have been badly lodged by storms, but early threshing returns of wheat and barley indicate good yields of satisfactory quality. Rust has damaged wheat and oats in Oxford County.

MISSIONARY VISITS HERE FROM JAPAN

The Advance had a pleasant but very short call from a distinguished visitor in the person of Miss Helen R. Hurd of Japan, formerly of Kimberley, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hurd. She was accompanied by Miss Tomiko Hayakawa who will attend the Deaconess training school for leaders in Toronto for two years. Miss Hurd has been on furlough for almost a year and was in England for some months taking a special course of study. Since Saturday she has been the guest of Miss Walton and on Sunday gave an address at the service of the United Church, Kimberley.

Farm life must be getting soft when binder wheels are equipped with rubber tires.

Publicity is highly valued by some people except when they have to pay for it.