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FLESHERTON HAPPENINGS
 (By our own Correspondent.)

The Band carnival on the skating rink Tuesday evening of last week was well patronized and was a pleasant evening's "diversion" for all who were present. Durham, Markdale and other outside points were well represented. The maskers were numerous and some of the costumes worn were unique, excellently representing the character intended. Messrs. G. F. Roper, of Toronto, and Mark Wilson, of this place, acted as judges, and the following were prize winners: Best comic costume, gent, R. N. Henderson (tramp); best comic costume, lady, 1st, Mabel Munshaw, 2nd, Blanche Hamilton; best historical costume, gent, Foy Hamilton; best historical costume, lady, Amy Kerr; best lady skater in costume, under 16, Mabel Boyd; best lady skater in costume, over 16, 1st, Janet Gibson, 2nd, Carrie Sullivan; best lady and gent skater, Mrs. L. N. Henderson and Mr. T. J. Sheppard; best clown, Mr. J. Doherty. Open race—1st, N. Swallow, 2nd, Ed. McClockin, 3rd, A. Alton; Local Race—1st, John Gibson, 2nd, Geo. Cairns; Boys' Race—Alex. Gibson, W. Sarjeant.

A small brick building opposite the creamery on the Station road was destroyed by fire early on Wednesday morning last week. The house belonged to Mr. J. H. Campaigne, of Chicago, and has been unoccupied for several months. Incendiarism is supposed to be the cause.

Mr. Brough, of the Owen Sound Collegiate Institute staff, who was secured by the Tennysonian Club for their meeting on Friday, evening last, was present and gave a most excellent paper on "How to Read Poetry." The members were so highly pleased and edified with Mr. Brough's visit that an effort will be made to secure him again. Mr. Brough was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Henderson while in town.

The trustees of No. 3, east of the village, have out of the proceeds of Dominic Reid's closing concert purchased a new bell for the school, which was a few days ago hung in the belfry and is now doing excellent duty in that section. A new woodshed is also to be erected, tenders for which have been called for.

Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Deaton were receiving congratulations of friends on the addition of a young son to their family circle on Tuesday of last week.

Mrs. R. Waller, back line, has been very ill the past fortnight with inflammation of the lungs, and on Friday last Mr. Waller was seized with the same malady.

Messrs. W. J. Bellamy and W. Barnhouse attended the A.O.U.W. and Royal Templar Grand Lodges last week, the former in Hamilton and the latter in Toronto.

Rev. H. V. Emory, of Shelburne, paid Revs. Ward and Brown a short visit at the parsonage on Tuesday of last week and gave our correspondent a very pleasant half-hour before leaving.

Mrs. W. A. Armstrong and Miss Meredith attended the Queen Esther Oratorio in Durham on Friday night last.

Mrs. E. White, of Markdale, spent last week here nursing her sisters, Mrs. McEavish and Miss Ellie Stewart, both prostrated with heavy colds. Miss Irwin, of our public school staff, went home on Saturday last suffering with the same and on Monday was unable to return to her school duties.

Mrs. M. Richardson is visiting her daughter, Mrs. I. B. Lucas, at Markdale.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Nicholson, of Oakville, are visiting their son, Mr. Fred Nicholson, 4th line.

Miss Maud Richardson, who has been visiting her parents here for a couple of months, returned to her Toronto home, Dr. E. K. Richardson's, this week.

Mr. A. T. Herron left last week for Chicago to accept a lucrative position there. Mrs. Heron and Master Allie have been spending a few weeks with friends in the Western City.

Mrs. J. W. Armstrong left on Tuesday to visit her daughter in Toronto.

Mr. Andrew Cullen and family, back line, left on Tuesday with their effects for their new home in New York State. Mr. Alex. Stewart has leased Mr. Cullen's farm.

Rev. Emory, of Shelburne, will assist Revs. Ward and Brown in the special meetings in the Methodist

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Prohibition Act Unconstitutional.
 The full court of judges handed out their judgement on the Manitoba Liquor or Prohibition Act passed by the Legislature last session. Chief Justice Killam, Justice Ligin, and Justice Richards are unanimous in their judgement declaring the Act unconstitutional.

The court holds that the power of the Province to pass legislation does not come within section 92 of the British North American Act, which gives to the Province the power to legislate in regard to property and civil rights. The court discussed at length the question as to whether the Province had power under sub-section 16 of the above Act, which gives to the Province the power to pass legislation in regard to matters of a purely local and private nature within the Province. The court held that the enactments contained in the Liquor Prohibition Act were more than matters of a purely local and private nature, that they interfered with matters of trade and commerce, which concerned the Dominion at large, and in this way infringed upon the powers of the Dominion in regard to trade and commerce.

The Act was, therefore, declared unconstitutional and void.

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 25 sets only, finest stone china, new shape pitcher, and new pattern ware. These 1.75 goods to be cleared out at 1.25

SPRING GOODS are now arriving and are being placed in stock daily. This we would say about them—never before has it been our good fortune to provide such thoroughly dependable goods at prices so low as they are now. We're great more TIME and ENERGY procuring for the SPRING SEASON than most people are aware of and we think you'll appreciate our efforts when the results of careful buying are placed before you. Please recall what we said last week about our

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pleased to have me with some space in your valuable paper as I desire to have out some discussion from parties better posted than myself regarding the growing production of sugar beets and the profits to be derived therefrom. I would like to have a proper conclusion in this matter we will take into consideration the prices per acre of the different classes of grain now grown by farmers: Wheat, say \$12 per acre; peas, 5 1/2 per acre; oats, \$10 per acre; and barley, no market. Now regarding the price of sugar beets delivered at the factory I am guided by a statement made by solicitor Cash, representing the Ontario Sugar Beet Association at a meeting of delegates who waited upon the Government at Ottawa on the 14th inst., and for a number of years to assist in starting this industry. He stated that he was expecting that as high as \$200 per acre had been realized by farmers growing beets, but in many instances this appears to be very low, consequently I bring the average price down to \$35 per acre, which would be allowing 8 tons per acre at 40 per ton. Now say this sugar question has become a very important one, and a great interest has been taken with a view of establishing factories in various localities. The various municipalities have been considering this matter and report very favorably. Also our representatives at Ottawa from throughout other parts of the Dominion are interesting themselves in this matter. Let us act well our part, and we will have a factory in Markdale. We have no fears but capitalists will take our part will be to produce the beets at the factory. Now would it not be well for us to make a start without delay. Call, if possible a large meeting of Markdale, and invite speakers representing capitalists and others, who will enlighten us more fully on these matters. Then we could better judge for ourselves.

Progress.

Bushy Come, John, belively now; bequith the one in Mr. Williamson's chop and put Mr. Snyth's ribs in the basket for him. John (briskly)—All right, your best as I've sswed off Mr. Mungy's leg.