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MARKDALE, MAY 30, 1901.

NOTES.

Mr. F. H. Clergue, of Sault Ste. Marie, has withdrawn from the directorate of the Cramp Ontario Steel Company, Limited, to be located shortly in Collingwood, claiming that some of the conditions under which he had associated himself had not been fulfilled.

In the House on Wednesday of last week there was some discussion on the bill to increase the sessional indemnity. Dr. Sproule suggested that more vigorous measures be taken to ensure a regular attendance of members. His remarks were indorsed by the Opposition leader, Mr. Borden. Col. Hughes thought a premium ought to be offered those who attended regularly and listened to long winded speeches.

Constituents are frequently disappointed in not hearing more of the new members they assisted in sending to Parliament. The following may clear the situation up somewhat:—"Before the House rose Mr. McLaren of Huntingdon, one of the new Liberal members of the House, rose to explain why he and so many other new members had been so silent during the session. He had kept track of the speeches delivered during the session, and the speakers. Fifty-five Opposition members had talked and 59 Government members, exclusive of Ministers. There had been 525 Opposition speeches and 226 Government speeches. One member of the House had been on his feet 94 times and another 57 times. He had counted no speech of less than five minutes. One Opposition member had made 45 speeches, another 42, another 40, others 39, 31, 30, and 25. On the Government side no one spoke oftener than 12 times. Mr. McLaren went on to say that if the old members hadn't been so loquacious the new members would have said more, and if the old members weren't so quick to rise the new members might have had a better show."

The following appeared in the Women's Memorial Number of the Toronto Star printed on Victoria Day and will awaken memories in the hearts of our older citizens:—"Away up the Owen Sound Road for fifty miles, then into the dense forest, the road not cut out, winding in and out among trees, and full of cradle holes, then through a beaver meadow, a spot of beauty, the great fur trees weighted down with the pure white snow, the stumps looking like iced cakes, with their crowns of whiteness. A brown squirrel darts across our path, and the tap, tap of a beautiful, red-headed wood-pecker, is the only sound to break the stillness. Out of the beaver meadow again into the dense forest. We meet a solitary man in a cutter, and try to pass him—result, an upset, but we pick up our traps, and go on our way, cross a river on the ice, then in the thickest of the woods see a white sign board hanging from the branch of a mighty maple, and on it in large letters, done with a burnt stick shade of Dickens—"This is the village of Eden; best accommodation for man and beast." The village consisted of one log house, the refreshments were fat pork, dried apple pie and good salt-rising bread. The good horse was covered with a buffalo robe, and took his meal outside, as there was no stable; then on to the journey's end. It was dark the next day when we got out to the Owen Sound road—a zero night—and how delightful it was to go into a wayside house, and get toasted at a grand wood fire."

Miller's Worm Powder cure fits in children. Sold by W. Turner & Co., Markdale.

THE CELEBRATION

A complete failure—Rain spoiled it all.

It would be impossible to imagine a more complete repulse than that which the committee in charge of the celebration on Victoria Day received. Every plan was complete, every feature was most promising, and from every quarter came rumors of the large numbers who purposed attending. But the rain fell, and when the citizens awoke on Friday morning copious showers were descending and furthermore continued to descend throughout the day with scarcely an intermission. In addition the air became chilly and nearly all hugged their own firesides. A load of boys came from Dundalk, a few arrived from Chatsworth and Holland Centre, and with others from the surrounding district constituted the crowd who attended the celebration. Gourlay Bros., of Toronto, who had been engaged to give an acrobatic performance, arrived by the noon train, but their services were not required, though the fee had to be met. A few fire crackers disturbed the solemnity occasionally, otherwise the day was a most uneventful one.

CONCERT

Towards evening the weather became more favorable and a large number attended the rendering of "What Happened to Jones," the amusing comedy given by the Markdale Dramatic Club in Marsh's hall. This was probably the most elaborate production yet attempted by the club, and when we say it was most successfully produced, we are echoing the opinion of the large audience that filled the hall. This play has been given in all the leading cities in the United States and Canada and has everywhere received the highest praise, being intensely humorous and free from anything of a vulgar nature. The story centres around Jones, a fugitive from the police, who in his flight and in order to elude his pursuers, enters the house of Anthony Goodly, a professor of anatomy. The professor is to receive a visit from his brother, Bishop Goodly, next day, and the Bishop forwards a suit of clothes which arrive at about the same time as the fugitive. Jones immediately decides to impersonate the Bishop and makes a quick change of attire, substituting the Bishop's for his own, which he hides in the piano. From this on the fun begins and so well does Jones deceive them that even the real Bishop is ejected from the house. The many ludicrous complications arising out of the chaos must be seen to be appreciated, and would bear description had we space to spare.

The cast of characters numbered twelve and were as follows: Jones, the cause of all the trouble, Dr. L. G. Campbell; Ebenezer Goodly, Professor of Anatomy, Mr. A. W. Sproule; Richard Hetherby, in love with Marjorie, Mr. B. H. Cronyn; Rev. Anthony Goodly, Bishop of Ballarat, Mr. J. H. Stephenson; Thos. Holder, Guardian of the Peace, Mr. J. Burchill; William Bigsbee, a lunatic at large, Mr. B. H. Cronyn; Henry Fuller, Superintendent of Asylum, Mr. J. A. Crowston; Mrs. Goodly, wife of the Professor, Miss M. L. Perdue; Cissy, always up-to-date, Miss L. M. Lucas; Alvina, an elderly maiden, Miss C. Richardson; Marjorie, cultured daughter of Prof. Goodly, Miss Leonie Mathews; Helma, domestic, who is out for the coin, Miss R. Richards. To particularize any would be impossible, each being entirely suited to their role and satisfying the most fastidious. This performance was particularly creditable to the acting abilities of the club and ensures them hearty support in anything they may attempt in the future.

The Citizens Band rendered several numbers on the street during the evening and later filled in the time between the acts with several choice selections.

District News

Contributed by our able staff of Correspondents.

Kimberley

Mr. W. B. Cruiksbank, of Heathcote, has painted the Methodist church in a superior manner.

Mr. Thos. Abercrombie is a very staunch party man at present.

Mr. Ben Smith is again feeling like he formerly was, have got rid of his asthma troubles.

Mr. Geo. Proctor has gone to Collingwood township to build a stone wall for Mr. Smith. His company includes Henry and Andrew Wallace, Jos. Carruthers, Sam Thompson and Simon Fawcett.

Mr. J. R. Fawcett has launched his new boat on the Beaver river.

Mr. Sam Hawkins, P.M., of Epping, met his brother Wm. south of Kimberley with a load of oats, and traded jobs. Sam took the oats to Epping and Wm. drove the mail to Flesherton.

Mr. Geo. Walters secured Ben Knott to help on the farm.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Rowe, of Heathcote, was here to visit Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fawcett.

The nuptial knot was tied between Mr. John Stewart and Miss Minnie Gilleland. Particulars later.

The British granny dears, St. Patrick, Rory O'Moore, and a hornpipe was charmingly rendered by Mr. Cruickshank of Heathcote. He's a dandy on the violin.

Mr. James Hall, of Stayner, was visiting here after a tour among the Americans.

Mr. James Knott is adding a straw house to his barn. Messrs. Burritt and Stafford are the builders.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Fawcett were injured in a runaway accident while going to Markdale recently.

Rev. S. D. Gaudin, a missionary of the Nelson House, C.B., was a welcome caller on our merchant, Mr. T. B. Carruthers, last week. These gents were school-mates two years together, long ago.

Mr. Joseph Ferris had the misfortune to have a fine two-year-old steer break its leg while playing on a rough hill side on his farm. He killed the animal and took the hide off.

Rev. Mr. Adams, of Heathcote, was the preacher in the Methodist church Sunday last, morning and evening.

Mr. Jasper Ferris drove his sister Jessie to Markdale, and returned with her and Miss Lily to see the old folks on the valley farm.

Miss Bertha Carruthers, of Wodehouse, is visiting her brother here.

Messrs. Wm. Stuart and R. D. Carruthers were in Rocklyn trying to get the council to repair our sidewalks, but it was useless. Our rulers are not seeking our votes at present.

Walters Falls

Wm. Currie moved his family and belongings to Chatsworth on Wednesday last.

Mr. Richard Quinton has leased Wm. Currie's house and has become a citizen.

Mrs. J. D. Brooks, accompanied by her two daughters, Misses Theo and May, are spending a few days with friends in Shelburne.

Dr. J. S. McCullough and Masters Clark and Harry, spent the 24th with friends in Georgetown, returning on Monday.

Among those spending the 24th in our burg were: Misses Stella Delerce and Nettie Bonnell, and Messrs. Percy Brown, Mack Strain, Thos. Hanbery, of Owen Sound; Hugh Wilson, Shelburne; and Masters Erle and Ernie Bonnell of Hoath Head.

Mr. Henry Freeman, formerly of this place, but now of Newmarket, made Mrs. Freeman a short call this week.

A social was given by the members of the Epworth League on Monday evening. All express themselves as having spent an enjoyable evening.

Rocklyn

A number of our citizens were disappointed on account of the rain on the 24th.

Quite an exciting time to-day (Monday) over the cattle by-law.

Miss Clemy Patton, accompanied by her niece, Miss May Coutts, of Toronto, spent a few days at her home here last week, and returned to Toronto on Monday.

Miss Edith Boyd spent the 24th and 25th in Markdale, the guest of Miss Eliza Marshall.

The Sabbath School Convention is to be held in the Victoria Church this year on June 28th.

Campmeetings are held every night in Black's bush. They are led by Mr. and Mrs. Hewgill, Miss Rose Black and Mr. Stinson.

Misses Rhoda and Maggie Yeadell were the guests of Mrs. Walter McCullough last Sabbath.

A few of our young people spent a very pleasant time in games, music, etc., at the home of Miss Annie Patton last Friday evening.

Mr. Robert Clugston has purchased a new driver.

Dundalk

The 24th May passed off very quietly in town.

Building operations are brisk.

Miss Tena Symington has secured a situation in Toronto and left town on Friday last.

Mr. W. J. Symington was laid up with a sore foot for a few days last week but is able to attend to business again.

We noticed I. W. McArdle, of Markdale, passing through town on Sabbath last.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Rutledge passed through town on Thursday en route to Badgerow. C. W. gave his cor a friendly call.

Mr. J. W. Whitby spent the 24th in Georgetown visiting his sister and mother.

Meaford Road

Again has the grim messenger paid us a visit. It was to one of the early pioneers in the person of Mr. John Blain. After a few days suffering with inflammation of the lungs he passed away on Thursday morning last to the great beyond. Mr. Blain was born in Chessire, England, in the year 1829, and when a young man, with his wife, emigrated to Canada and some forty years ago took up his abode in Artemesia, where he resided until his death. His interment took place on Saturday to the Ebenezer church yard followed by a large concourse of neighbors and friends. He leaves behind to mourn his demise a wife and three daughters.

Priceville

Our items this week extend over a period of two weeks.

Several of the rooms in the Commercial hotel are receiving a fresh coat of plaster at the hands of Mr. H. Watson.

Mr. John McArthur recently closed a big deal in wood, having purchased all the slabs at the sawmill.

We were much surprised to learn that there is a large bed of excellent marl on the farm of Mr. Henry Patterson north of this burg. We trust H. P. will make a fortune out of it.

Mr. J. D. Brown has improved the appearance of his store room by a coat of rough cast.

An encampment of gypsies pitched their tents in the western suburbs of our city last week. They left early on Saturday morning and no one regretted their departure.

Our villagers are getting vaccinated by the wholesale. No less than ten were inoculated with vaccine one evening lately. Smallpox germs will find very little suitable soil for development around the town.

Quite a number of our young men have joined No. C Company of the 31st battalion. We are sure the boys will have a pleasant and profitable time in camp at Niagara next month.

We are glad to learn that Mr. John McLean, of the S.L., who has been very ill, is now recovering.

Messrs. James McCra, of Trowbridge, and Hugh McCrae, of Dornoch, are in town at present looking after their lumber.

Miss M. A. Brown, of Toronto, spent Victoria Day with her sister, Mrs. N. McKinnon.

Lauriston

Seeding is finished in this locality, and farmers are now preparing to put in the roots. The weather has been very favorable and there is a vigorous growth.

Mr. Symes has sold his farm, known as the Boyd farm, to Mr. Grant from near Chesley. We welcome Mr. Grant to our neighborhood.

Mr. Samuel Ireton has sold his farm, known as the Gallagher farm, to his brother Frank. Sam has gone to New Ontario to seek his fortune. We wish him success.

Miss Isaac, of Dromore, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Hugh Baird.

Miss Lottie Wilson of Swinton Park, is spending a few weeks with her aunt, Mrs. Murray. Her many friends here will be glad to meet her.

Berkeley

The heavy rain on the 24th interfered with the arrangements of many of our citizens and caused some to spend the day at home that had calculated to be elsewhere.

The following among others visited here on Victoria Day: Mr. S. Allan, of the Standard Bank, Toronto, at Thos. Mitchell's; Mr. Wm. Lemon, of Toronto, at his uncle's Mr. E. Drinkwater; Mr. and Mrs. John Dowling, of Desoronto, at Ed. Hannah's; James Leslie, of Owen Sound, visited his mother, Mrs. Thomas Sargent.

Mr. Collycott, evangelist, occupied the pulpit in the Methodist Church on Sunday morning.

James Walker, of Otonabee, Peterborough Co., has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Walker, of Mount Pleasant.

Mrs. W. Caesar, of Preston Station, is visiting with her mother, Mrs. Allen. Mrs. Caesar is recovering from a severe attack of Pleurisy.

Miss Mary Rowe returned on Thursday last from British Columbia after an absence of three and a half years.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Heathers died on Sunday morning. The remains were taken to Artemesia for interment.

It is generally supposed here that Anthony Slute, Esq., ex-reeve of Holland, will succeed the late Thomas Williscroft as County Commissioner.

A good turnout is expected to hear the Rev. Chas. E. Perry in the Foresters Hall on Friday evening.

Mr. Wm. McCann visited Meaford friends on the 24th.

Miss Annie Anderson left this week to visit friends at the Canadian Soo.

Mrs. Burrows, of Breslau, spent Sunday here with her brother, Mr. Wm. Gibson.

Berkeley Orangemen have been invited to the following places for the 12th of July: Meaford, Wiarton, St. Mary's, Toronto Junction and Durham. They are waiting for other lids before deciding.

John Done, sr., of Ebenezer Station, visited his daughters, Mrs. Amos Stafford, on the 24th.

Mitchell Bros. finished cutting rollers on Monday. They have a large stock of lumber to cut yet.

Lauriston

Mr. John Love paid a business trip to Hamilton last week.

Messrs. Tom Wiggins and Percy Tebbutt left for Owen Sound a few days ago to look for work.

Mr. Jos. Walker has the foundation of his new barn excavated.

Miss Lottie Wilson, who has spent the winter in the Queen City, is now visiting her aunt, Mrs. Murray.

Mr. Bert Cook, of Trinity Medical College, paid his sister, Mrs. J. Love, a short visit on his way home.

Mrs. Wes. Rutledge, of Chesley, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Foster.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Greenwood, of Traverston, renewed old acquaintanceship at Mr. Croft's on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Love attended the wedding of the latter's cousin, Miss Mary Cook, of Ceylon, on Tuesday last, and Mrs. Love is spending the rest of the week with her mother, Mrs. T. Cook at Traverston.

Inspector Campbell visited our academy last week and this time talked to the trustees instead of the children and gave them many useful hints. When the new wire fence is completed, our school-grounds will be very much improved in appearance.

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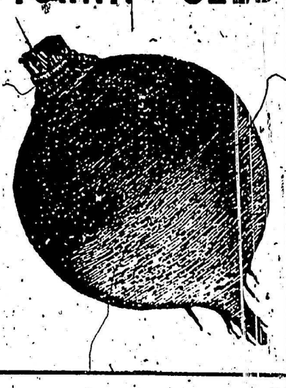

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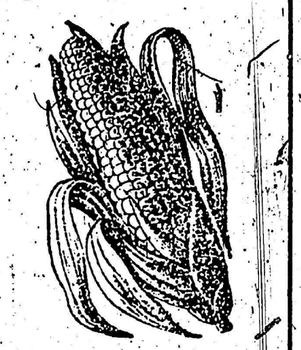

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Dowieism on the Decline.

The Chicago Inter Ocean says "Surrounded by more than a dozen disciples of John Alexander Dowie, who prayed and chanted hymns at the bedside, Mrs. H. W. Judd, wife of the land superintendent of Zion, died with her unborn child at No. 321 West Sixty-Fourth street Sunday afternoon. In the group of praying men and women there was no physician. Mrs. Judd died of an ailment that proper medical treatment would have cured, a victim of her faith in Dowie and his creed. With her went out the life of a babe that would have seen the light of day in a brief period had a doctor been called. The circumstances of the death have called forth an investigation by the police and a searching inquiry by the coroner. A post mortem examination by the county physician has already been made and his opinion is on record that death was due to negligence. Before Mrs. Judd's death Dowie visited her and prayed and performed other rites peculiar to Zion. Mrs. Judd was noted for her beauty and was of robust health. She was the mother of three children. She became ill on Friday night. A trained nurse is competent to relieve such cases, but only a disciple of Dowie and the husband were in the house. All day Saturday Mrs. Judd suffered slowly but surely bleeding to death. The elders of Zion and many women came and prayed for her. The head of the institution came with Overseer Speicher and those associates availed as little as the others. Whether of the dying woman's begged that a physician be called, but Mr. Judd, backed by the praying band, refused the request. After hours of agonizing pain death came to the woman, and Dowie's followers said plans to keep the matter secret. An undertaker was found who took the corpse away in the night, and the people in the house refused to give informers any information. But after the undertaker had prepared the body for burial he awoke to the fact that he was taking part in a punishable offence, so he notified the coroner, and the whole matter came within the grasp of the law." The neighbors in the vicinity of Mrs. Judd's house were so incensed at the action of Dowie that they threatened to lynch him. Recent defections of prominent members of Zion tabernacle and the sudden death of Mrs. Judd, have caused a panic among Dowie's disciples. It is noticeable that the followers of Dowie are not very aggressive at present and there is no doubt a few years will see the finish of this misguided sect. Some of Dowie's followers in Chicago recently had a row because he claimed in his possession the seal of Solomon, referred to in Rev. VII.-3, and said he was the fifth angel mentioned in the same chapter.

Saturday's Dailys contained the following: "John Alexander Dowie, Overseer of the Christian Catholic Church, was arrested in Chicago on Friday pursuant to the action of the Coroner's jury, which has declared him "criminally responsible" for the death of Emma Lucy Judd. H. Wilbur Judd, a disciple of Dowie and husband of the alleged victim, was also arrested. The evidence given at the inquest by some of the leading citizens of the city, who had known Mrs. Judd's body fully after the autopsy, was to the effect that the most simple surgical care would have prevented the woman's death.

LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS

Powley's Liquified Ozone at Turner's drug store.

Servant girl wanted. Mrs. J. Stafford, town.

Procure Paris Green, Tiger Blue Stone at Stephen's drug store.

Boy wanted to learn the tinsmith business. J. A. Crowston, Markdale.

A number of medium sized piano boxes for sale at half what they cost. This office.

Rape seed, tares, turnip seed, clover seed and Hungarian grass seed at Stephen's drug store.

Lynching is looked upon with horror by our citizens, yet there is a paper hanging being done in our midst.

Garden Seeds. We sell them by the ounce and put them up in packages ourselves. Reliable and fresh. W. Turner & Co.

Ten thousand bushels of spring wheat wanted at [illegible] also five thousand bushels of spring wheat at 70 cents. Roller Mill, Markdale.

All persons are hereby warned against fishing or trespassing on the property, being the street between street, Markdale, and the road to Victor Roller Mill.

The North and Centre Grey Farmers Institute will run an excursion to the Model Farm on Tuesday, June 11th, going by regular train next day. Further details of this trip regarding same later.

Fishing or trespassing is strictly forbidden on lots 94 and 95, concession 1, Glenelg, being that part of the Saugeen river north of the Markdale south-west of the Toronto-Owen Sound railway line. McCullough Bros., Markdale.

Public notice is hereby given that the undersigned have sold their privileges on the farm occupied by Thomas Arrowsmith, Thomas White and John White. All trespassers will be prosecuted. Thomas & Young.

What Happened to Jones will be repeated in Marsh's hall this evening next in order for those who were unable to attend on Victoria Day. Public is sure to see this exceedingly funny play full of humor and excellent acting. Admission 25 cents, children 10 cents.

Rev. Chas. E. Perry, Deputy Grand Chaplain of America, will lecture in Orange hall, Berkeley, under the auspices of L.O.L., No. [illegible], on the 31st of May at 8 o'clock. "The word of God and our civil and religious liberties" are cordially invited to attend, especially the ladies. Many reasons why he is an orator. A collection of ten cents will be taken at the door. Ritchey, Master.

On Wednesday of last week Mrs. Jas. Montgomery, of Euphrasia township, had a close shave while going to Markdale with her team. They were approaching the railway crossing on 10 Sideroad when, about 10 o'clock, a train came within a few yards of the track when it came thundering along and blown the whistle, which so frightened the horse that it became unmanageable. Mr. M. was driven, no doubt, be a different way. As it was no injury was done.

Living Picture.

The grandest [illegible] of our late beloved Queen [illegible] cession. This magnificent [illegible] will be shown in all its glory [illegible] passing Hyde Park [illegible] life moving picture [illegible] scenes of a humorous character, interspersed with song. They will [illegible] Bros., on Tuesday evening, [illegible] Marsh's Hall, Markdale, [illegible] auspices of Ladies' Aid [illegible] Church. Admission [illegible] 35 cts., adults 25 cts. [illegible] Plan at Turner's drug store. [illegible] grams for further particulars.

In the Nick of Time.

One evening last week [illegible] Halbert and C. Crowston [illegible] walk around the five mile [illegible] by way of Cheeseville. [illegible] got to Cheeseville [illegible] ing late, and they decided to [illegible] to the gore. When they [illegible] cross the bridge they were [illegible] a double strand of [illegible] each end being firmly [illegible] ings. They had scarcely [illegible] out and out of the way when [illegible] man came down the hill [illegible] at a very fast rate. Had [illegible] left five on the bridge [illegible] would have met with a [illegible] fatal accident. Whatever [illegible] motive was for setting [illegible] cannot say, but it was [illegible]