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MARKDALE, APRIL 24, 1902.

NOTES.

Bruce Old Boys will visit Warton on July 11th.

In choosing the coronation contingent it is right enough to give the preference to men who have served in South Africa, but to make a hard and fast rule to that effect would not be fair to officers who were quite as eager to go to South Africa as those who went.

At the recent Toronto assizes the jury brought in a verdict for \$800 damages and all costs against the Toronto Mail and Empire for libel. The alleged libel was a news item in the Mail last November to the effect that one, Leo Bateman, of British Columbia, had been cashiered from the British army for cheating at cards. The Mail and Empire will appeal the case to a higher court.

A postmaster in a rural district in Quebec has been dismissed because of his remitting postage stamps to another place, thereby increasing the revenue of his office for the purpose of expanding the amount of his commission upon stamp sales. When a postmaster sends stamps to another post-office he interferes with the legitimate revenue of such office, and robs other postmasters of their lawful business in order to benefit himself. Every postmaster in Canada has been officially forbidden to create any fictitious revenue in such a manner, or otherwise to dispose of

stamps except for the legitimate postal requirements of his own office. In the case of the postmaster stand in possession of his stamps through the vendor in another city, and the vendor was also dismissed.

The people of Ontario in the future will not be compelled to kiss the Book when they appear in the witness stand in court. The Hon. J. M. Gibson during the last session of the Legislature, moved an amendment to the statute law, providing that persons who are compelled to take the oath may do so by the uplifted hand if they object to kissing the book, and the oath administered shall be that of Scotland, which is as follows: "I swear by Almighty God, as I shall answer to God at the great day of judgement, that I will tell the whole truth and nothing but the truth, so far as I know it, and the same shall be asked of me." Mr. Whitney agreed with the amendment, expressing the opinion that the Scotch oath was far more impressive than the one generally used. The kissing of the book is certainly not a very edifying spectacle. Ignorant witnesses sometimes convert it into a sort of heathen rite, and imagine that by kissing the thumb instead of the book they avoid the penalty of perjury. It appears to us that it would be an advantage to make the witness repeat the words, instead of giving his assent by some sign. Reverence for the bible is shown by reading and obeying its precepts, not by physical contact with the work of the bookbinder.

Shelburne

A convention of temperance clerics of the county of Dufferin was held in the Town Hall on Tuesday afternoon at 1.30. The purposes of the convention was as follows: 1st, to appoint a permanent County Executive; 2nd, to consider what course shall be taken in connection with the coming provincial elections; 3rd, to organize for the referendum campaign; 4th, to transact any other business relating to the interests of the temperance cause in Dufferin. There was a good representation from all parts of the county, over 200 in all. The first order of business was the appointing of a permanent county executive as follows: President, A. D. McKitterick, Orangeville; Vice President, John Johnston, Laurel; Sec. Treas., R. J. Sanderson, Grand Valley. The municipality representatives over the executive are: Mulmur, Wm. Kirkpatrick; Melancthon, Wm. Bates; Shelburne, E. Jessop; Amaranth, Robt. Hamilton; East Luther, Samuel Brown; Grand Valley, John Brown; East Garafrasa, Samuel Woolner; Monro, Wm. Dynes; Orangeville, James Glover.

The second clause of the proclamation, "To consider what course shall be taken at the coming provincial elections," took up so much time that they were scarcely done with the 3rd and 4th clauses of the proclamation when the committee on political action returned from the anteroom whence they retired. They reported that considering the stand taken by Dr. Barr, our present member for Dufferin, regarding the referendum during the past session in the house, we cannot recommend this convention bringing out another candidate.

The evening session was not as large as anticipated, but it was very interesting. Mr. John A. Nichols, Organizer for the Dominion Alliance, was present at the convention and delivered an address, also Mr. Anderson spoke a few words. Rev. C. W. Watch occupied the chair and gave a short address as an introduction. The meeting closed by singing the national anthem.

Mrs. George Rutherford returned home to-day, (Tuesday), after spending a week visiting her sister, Mrs. W. A. Parker, in Owen Sound.

Mr. John McAlister, of Melancthon, left on Tuesday for Cuba, where he has secured a situation as overseer on a railway.

Mr. Ray and Miss Annie Hannah left for Carman, Manitoba, last week to join their father, who has been out there for some time.

Rev. H. Berry, of Caledon, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Watson Tuesday and Wednesday of last week. The town fathers are having another well sunk on Victoria street, south. This well proves satisfactory there will be no scarcity of water hereafter, for between the two wells there will be lots of water.

Kimberley

George Stuart rented the homestead of Henry Weber. This farm will be the pasture for cattle.

Robert Fawcett, of Dundalk, will have Geo. Stuart buying stock for him.

John McGowan, with wife and youngest son drove to Durham last week.

Miss Lucy Walton has been sewing for Mrs. J. McGowan.

Robt. Burnside, of Markdale, purchased a fat beef from our flour merchant, John McGowan, last week at a good price.

Melvin Harris has been working at the saw mill for W. S. Bishop. Melvin may go to Collingwood in the near future.

Thos. Lewis and family have removed to the blind line on east mountain.

Hugh Knott works the farm and keeps the house, for the rainy days, that T. Lewis occupied.

Now dame rumor says another wedding will be consummated here.

If there are any who wish to get spiced please come to Kimberley.

W. A. Dayman, of Walters Falls, was here taking fire risks.

Mat. Dillon is putting up wire fences for Tom Reid, R. D. Carruthers and W. Stuart per J. W. Knott, Markdale.

Robt. Fawcett drove to Thornbury and brought his brother Herb and Miss Bella and Miss Minnie Irwin, of Thornbury to visit here. Herb is part manager in the Collingwood Meat Co. The Lord's prayer, as recorded in St. Matthew, fifth chap., was the text of Rev. Mills here last Sunday.

Geo. Proctor and his crew will start for Flesherton to build stone walls.

Dr. Stullis, of Heathcote, was on a visit to Mrs. Archib. McLean last week. This lady is not very strong. Heart trouble is the cause.

Ben Smith is again quite unwell with the old asthmatic trouble or shortness of breath.

George Proctor and his workmen have finished at Chalkburg.

Mrs. Harry Thompson was here to visit her father, Ben Smith.

Tom Smith was home, but returned to Ducaen again.

Johnnie O'Brien is attending Kimberley school and boarding at the Travellers' Home.

Miss Bernice Scott and Miss Pearl Fawcett called to see the cobbler for candy.

Inspector Grier made a business call at our academy last week.

John Plewes left last Thursday for Kirkville, we presume to bring the family.

Thos. and Clifford Camack delivered a number of stockers to Stuart brothers last Friday.

Geo. Walter hired Richard Fawcett not Mr. Richards as stated in error last week. This was the typo's mistake I'll bet.

Walters Falls

Mr. and Mrs. Christie Sammill, of Sullivan, spent a few days last week with their son, E. P. Hamill, and friends here.

Wilmott Caswell and Walter Lemon left here on Friday of last week for Spragge, Algoma.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hoop, of Thornbury, spent Friday of last week here, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. Olmstead.

Mrs. Reg. Night, of Meaford, spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Caswell here.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Quintor and Master Veri Freeman, of Heathcote, Sundayed with friends in this place.

R. H. and Edward Sabrook, of Epping, drove over on Sunday and stayed Mr. and Mrs. John Sabrook a call.

We are sorry to note little Rhoda Breadner suffering from an attack of inflammatory rheumatism.

Thos. Walter is confined to his bed from the effects of an over exert.

Miss Allie Barker returned home from the City on Saturday last where she was attending the Toronto Conservatory of Music for the past ten weeks.

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question if he won't pretty frequently give us a friendly call.

We are sorry to report Mrs. J. McParr suffering from an attack of sciatica this week.

Father Hawk's spent Saturday Sunday with friends in Owen Sound. Miss Edith Meare spent Friday Sunday with her cousin, Miss Luce of Markdale.

Miss Millie Hawken has been compelled to remain in the house for the past two weeks with that nasty disease, sciatica. However we are pleased to learn that she is rapidly improving and trust she may soon be in our midst again.

McIntyre intends moving to Meaford this week.

We are glad to report that little Thompson's foot which was so lame a short time ago is improving well as can be expected.

Lily Oak

Robt. Wulaw shipped on Tuesday his first car of shingles for his season.

Mrs. Page was taken by surprise on evening last week when a local cancer spread the evening.

John Kelly left on Tuesday for the west. He took a car of horses to sellers effects. We wish him success.

John Hamilton has been seriously ill from grip and heart trouble. We understand he is on the mend.

Geo. Treadgold has purchased a buggy and harness.

W. Catchpole left last week for Owen Sound where he intends spending the summer. How sad for some. Still we are fortunate.

FLESHERTON HAPPENINGS
(By our own Correspondent)

Sickness and death are visits welcome to our homes, but we consent they enter and we wish to take from us often the dear to our hearts. Such is every human effort to overcome and stay at least the stroke taken place in the home of Richardson, M. P. J. who, Richard, now mourn the of their eldest, and dear daughter, Edith, who on the 17th of last week passed peacefully in the presence of all the family, excepting Miss Richardson, who is in the presence of the family quite young the deceased heart to the Savoy, Methodist church and had an exemplary christened death was but the gate to an untimely life is in the presence of the family. Miss Richardson had a fall been afflicted with having had only brief restorative health and for some time past a condition of disease had been giving way, and it was this was evident to all who felt that it was not very long silver cord would be broken. Her was a trying ordeal for her for her sweet disposition life she had expended to her now bereft love to a sufferer and had a physical enjoyment. Members of the family bright and cheerful, of the home. Outside she was beloved by all who with her, and one left to have known a character, glowing in reputation, soul had an ambitious spirit her even in her physical accomplish much in art, in the development of mental powers. She was intellect, had a well-ordered mind, not only an conversationalist but a very public press when she her pen. She was also musician, not only possessor of rare sweetness, but ability as a violinist and assistance on musical ph always appreciated. The place on Thursday afternoon largely attended. A present from Owen Sound, Durham, Priceville, Du route. At the conclusion service at the home of "Crossing the Bar" was W. Barnhouse, Mrs. Burn, Miss Allie J. Christon, after which proceeded to the Methodist pulpit of which and were beautifully and ed in black. The pastor, Wilson, preached an men from John 11. It a touching reference of the deceased and to the bereaved. He has known Miss Wilson's childhood, followed a tribute to her beautiful "Its coming, dearer, Nearer My God to be led by the chief and sang "Angels ever have favorite hymn, of the deceased. Rev. Newell, of Markdale, Dundalk, White and Cooke, of this and took part in the The remains were borne by relative, and family plot. A of Moore.

"Weep not for her, she flew when her soul are untried. And now, like a star in cold dew, Looks radiantly down this world."

The public school half past on Wednesday and the places of mourning during the funeral offerings from friends covered the basket and beautiful in design pillow from the appropriate motto, "Mr. and Mrs. Richardson have the sympathy of circle of friends in the Miss Zilla Trimble, ed last week's leaving Ladies College, St. Monday evening, a Sunday School class presented with a beautiful appropriate address are highly appreciated. Rev. Mr. Wilson ch Exodus 21: 28, 29, carefully prepared ahibition sermon to in the Methodist church evening last.

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