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Notice of Dissolution of Partnership.

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Dated at Markdale this twenty-seventh day of February, A. D., 1903.

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Witness: J. A. McCullough.

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Markdale Lodge, 141, A.O.U.W.
meets in Rae's hall at 8 o'clock p.m. the first and third Monday in each month. Has 99 members. A visit from other lodges solicited. Wm. Douglas, Master. C. W. Rutledge, Recorder.

G. S. Burt M.D.
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Meets in Rae's hall the third Wednesday in the month at 8 o'clock. A visit from brethren of other courts solicited. Assessments must be paid to the financial secretary, Frank Graham, on or before the last day of the month. S. H. Hill, C.R. J. C. Fletcher, R.S.

Flesherton

Dr. Ottewell paid a visit to the City the end of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Neff, of Nottawasaga, visited at Mrs. Bulmer's last week.

Miss Osborn, of Guelph, has returned to again take charge of Messrs. Boyd, Hickling & Co.'s millinery department.

There was a fair sized audience in the town hall on Friday evening to witness the Laing Bros. life motion pictures exhibited here that evening. We are informed the programme was very fine and highly pleasing to the audience.

Mr. and Mrs. Archy Cairns, who visited the past two or three months with friends in Ontario, left here last week for their home at Manor, Assa., and Miss Jackson, who lived with Mr. and Mrs. J. White, left for British Columbia.

On the 4th inst. a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Blakely. Their son Elmo, who a few months ago sustained a fracture of the leg which for a time did not improve satisfactorily, is now doing well and will shortly be about again.

Mr. C. Patterson's livery horse Dextor got so badly calked coming from Markdale last week that from loss of blood he was hardly able to stand when he reached his own stable. He is, however, recovering, and the old roadster will likeiy be good for many trips yet.

Mr. and Mrs. Herb Smith have removed from Collingwood street to Mr. VanDusen's residence on Spring street. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Moore have moved into Mrs. Flesher's residence, and Mr. Flynn and family have taken possession of the residence vacated by them at the drill shed.

Mr. Archie Boyd, east back line, received the sad news on Saturday that his sister, Miss Flora Boyd, had died suddenly of heart failure at Acheson, Kansas, at the home of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Alf. Malloy, who with Miss Boyd were for many years residents of this place.

Rev. Ivison Wilson left on the 5 p.m. train on Saturday for Brighton to see his mother who is dangerously ill. His pulpit was supplied here on Sunday by Dr. Christoe in the morning and Rev. T. R. White in the evening. Mr. Jas. Felstead of this place took Mr. Wilson's work in the afternoon and Mr. White's in the evening.

The Methodist Ladies' Aid had arranged for a social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Duncan, back line, on Tuesday evening of last week, but bad roads and rain that evening frustrated the plans. An invitation from the pastor to spend the evening at the parsonage was accepted; a goodly number in the village turned out and spent a very enjoyable time together.

The principal officers of Prince Arthur Lodge: F. H. W. Hickling, W.M.; W. A. Armstrong, S.W., and John Wright, J.W., spent Friday last at Shelburne attending a Masonic lodge of instruction held there by the Grand Master and his District Deputy, Mr. Alex. Carson, of Barrie. The members of the Craft here were sorry to learn of the death last week of their distinguished brother, His Honor Judge Creasor, of Owen Sound, who had been D.D.G.M., and during his term of office visited Prince Arthur Lodge.

The roads near the village are bare and wheels running, but outside a little they are reported very bad with snow banks rotten and difficult to get through. On Saturday Rev. Wilson tried to reach Eugenia in his cart, but in the snow near the Moorey house corners broke the axle and had to return home. The same evening a livery team from Durham conveying two passengers to Eugenia gave out at the Moorey House and the passengers had to finish the journey on foot. The team after being rested here returned home on Saturday. Rev. Mr. Thom endeavored to make his appointment at Proton Station on Sunday evening but was unable to get through.

An artistic and beautifully illustrated pamphlet of fifty pages 7x10, issued by the Chamber of Commerce, Everett, Wash., reached us a few days ago with the compliments of Mr. D. P. Oswald, formerly of this place but now a member of the Pacific Hardware Co. of that city. In addition to over 140 illustrations of buildings, ships in the harbor, beautiful scenery, etc., with explanatory reading matter, the book contains a fine map of the city which has a history of but ten years and has now a population of over 20,000. We are pleased to learn that Mr. Oswald is taking a leading place among the progressive business men of the young "City of Smokestacks," so named for its numerous industries. We are also pleased to learn that a few weeks ago Mr. Oswald entered the matrimonial state in which we wish him a large measure of happiness.

Miss Minnie Munshaw met with a simple but troublesome little accident on Thursday last. While in the act of stooping to search for a needle she had dropped she unfortunately knelt on the threaded end of it when it penetrated eye foremost below the knee cap and broke off, leaving nearly half an inch embedded in the flesh. Dr. Carter endeavored to remove the broken piece but was unable to locate it and as later the knee became more painful he recommended the X-rays for the removal of the trouble. Accordingly on Friday Miss Munshaw was accompanied by her father to the City where in the hospital on Saturday the X-rays were applied and Dr. Bruce removed the piece of steel which was found clinging to the bone. Miss Munshaw's friends are pleased to learn that she will be able to leave her ward in the hospital in a week or so.

Wodehouse

We are pleased to note that Mr. John Buskin is improving nicely.

Mr. T. A. Carruthers imported two Jersey cattle in the neighborhood.

Plowing has begun, Mr. R. H. Wiley being the first to start in this locality.

Mr. Wm. Woods has returned from Lions Head after a successful winter's work in the lumber camp.

Our postmaster, Mr. Joseph Heitman, has been confined to the house last week with lagrippe, but is some better now.

Woodbees are the order this week. Mr. Joseph Cherry begins this Monday and there is one nearly every day the rest of the week.

Farm laborers are in good demand. Mr. Joseph Cherry has engaged Joseph Word for the summer. Jacob Loughheed has a Mr. Neely from Rocklyn hired for the summer also.

Walters Falls

Plowing has commenced in this vicinity.

Mrs. W. A. Dayman left on Saturday for Collingwood to visit his son Anbera.

Arthur Smith, of Markdale, is a guest at his uncle's, W. J. Shepherdson's.

Our little burg is having a sample of prohibition at present, the hotel being closed up.

Wm. C. Walter leaves this Wednesday for Toronto where he will take the bench to learn more fully the art of coat-making. We wish him success.

Wilmot Caswell, while cutting wood on Saturday last, narrowly escaped what might have proven instant death, by a falling limb, but fortunately he escaped with but a slight scalp wound.

Richard Olmstead sr., while edging lumber in his mill on Saturday the 14th inst., let his hand come in contact with the saw, making an ugly gash on his second and third fingers which will necessitate some careful nursing before he is able to resume his work.

Shelburne

Mr. Geo. Hill is getting material on the ground to build a new block on Main street.

Dr. Babel, V. S., received a bad kick on the leg while attending to a horse, which will lay him off work for some time.

Mr. John Broderick, who has purchased the Mansion House here, intends making improvements to the amount of $7,000 on the premises this summer.

Mr. Wm. Calback, who has been in the employ of W. P. Mathews for three years, left for the North West on Monday. We wish Will success in his undertaking.

Mr. John Marshall and family, of Hornings Mills, leaves for the West to-day (Tuesday.) We wish them success. They were accompanied by Mr. Fred Barber, of the North West, who has been on a visit to the above family for a couple of months and returned home with them.

Our band held their annual meeting a few days ago and appointed nearly all the old officers again. Mr. E. Clarridge was re-elected bandmaster. Mr. Clarridge has done wonders for the band, as it never was in better shape. They have purchased three new alto horns and expect to add some more of the others in a short time.

Friday of last week was a big day with the Masonic Order in this town. A District Lodge of Instruction was held in their lodge room in the afternoon and evening. Most of the lodges of the district were represented. The Most Worshipful Grand Master, Judge Harding and Right Worshipful D. D. G. M., were present on their official visit. The first degree was worked by Lorne Lodge, of Shelburne, at 2.30 p. m., Mr. R. Jelly being the candidate, after which the lodge was opened on the second degree by the Alliston lodge and worked the 2nd, furnishing their own candidate. At 8 p.m. the Beeton lodge took the reins and worked the third degree, Mr. R. J. Watson, of this place, being the candidate. All lodges had their work up in first class style and received great praise from the both grand officers present. After the close of the lodge at 10 p.m. a grand banquet was given by the home lodge to the visitors in the town hall, where a very enjoyable time was spent until the wee sma' hours. The Shelburne orchestra was present and furnished some most excellent music. The Ladies Aid of the Methodist church furnished the supper and it was got up in first class style. Mr. D. M. Reid, our popular photographer, took a couple of flash light views of the company during the banquet.

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Kimberley

(Came late for last week.)

The sap is running.

The wheels are again on our streets, as the snow has gone.

Dr. Shultis, of Heathcote, was to attend Hugh Hammond Monday morning who is troubled with appendicits.

George Walters is at present confined to bed with lumbago.

Neil Boyle, with wife and son Ernest visited friends in the valley recently.

Our butcher, Robt. Stuart, has his meat shop renovated inside, and a fine sample of ice secured from Wodehouse.

An Indian from Fisher River, Man., whose name is Steinhauer, gave a review of missionary work in the West here recently.

We will let you know if any fool starts to plow or sow wheat this month, Mr. Editor.

Dr. Carter, of Flesherton, was sent for and Dr. Shults with Drs, Ego and Sproule, of Markdale, are to be here to operate on Hugh Hammond.

Robt. Fawcett, of Dundalk, is here buying cattle from the farmers.

(This week.)

E. Catez, of Toronto, formerly storekeeper at Goring, was here eye testing recently.

John E. Hammond came from the City last week, as his brother Hugh is ill with appendicitis. Drs. Shults, Carter and Ego had a consultation here last week. We are pleased to report that Hugh is getting better daily.

Thos. Smith sold his Kimberley property to Mr. Robt. Stuart, viz., a house and lot.

Albert Myles sold a fine roadster to Geo. Stuart, for $140, recently.

We expect our postmaster to succeed to have the Kimberley mail so arranged as to be sent from Kimberley to Flesherton and back here. A petition is being signed to do so. We had no mail for three days last week.

Frank Burritt has been absent from here since last week. What's the matter? Rumor says its a marriage. Knott with Frank.

R. Fawcett, of Dundalk, purchased the 300 pound hog of G. Curry for about $17.00 more or less.

Thos. Simmons, the Kimberley shoe man, is nursing a painful shoulder at present.

Albert Ellis is moving to his farm, lot 15, on the fifth concession, Euphrasia.

John Plewes has gone to Kirkville again.

Dr. Carter, of Flesherton, visits H. Gaudin, who is ill of pneumonia.

JOHN CHAPMAN, MARKDALE.

The rush of December is over, but

FURNITURE

at CHAPMAN'S continues to attract buyers and prices are equally attractive. Our fall trade has proven quite large, but the stock is replenished weekly and thus kept up. I now return thanks for past favors and wish all

A very Happy and Prosperous New Year.

JOHN CHAPMAN

HONOR ROLLS.

Report of S. S. No. 13, Euphrasia.

5—R Miller.

4—E Miller, F Neely, J Varey, R Gordon.

3—G Anderson, M Varey, H Jerrett, M Cook.

2 sr.—H Falls, E Reid, H Curry, R J Trickey.

2 jr.—E Falls, N Neely, H Kelly, R Cook.

1 Pt. 2—C Cook.

1 Pt. 1 sr.—L Sewell.

1 Pt. 1 jr.—H Drummond,

R W E Loucks, Teacher.

Monthly report of U. S. S. No. 1 Holland and Euphrasia, for February

5—P Wickham, R Kirkham, M King and L Kirkham, R Wickham.

4—M Dyce, R Lemon, A McEachern, E Deleree.

3—F Lemon, N Smith, K Seabrook, L McQuaker.

2 sr.—G Seabrook, R Shepherdson, G Ptolemy and H McMillan, J Ptolemy.

2 jr.—B Dyce, S Shepherdson, G Wickham and B Dyce, H King.

Pt. 2—V Mower.

Pt.—H McCullough and E Marshall.

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