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FLESHERTON HAPPENINGS

(By our own Correspondent.)

Mr. Wm. Heard, of Komble, is visiting his brother John H. here. Mr. Granby, of Aurora, is now book-keeper in Mr. Sproule's office. Mrs. Geo. Stewart is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Williams, in Dandak. Mr. and Mrs. D. McTavish are improving their comfortable residence by some interior changes.

Mrs. J. Runstader leaves to-morrow (Tuesday) for Hamilton to see her sister, Miss Egan, who is very ill. Mrs. J. W. Armstrong has returned from an extended visit with her daughters at Toronto and Thornbury.

Rev. J. and Mrs. Hunter, of Markdale, were visitors with Rev. L. W. and Mrs. Thom at the manse on Monday.

Die!—On Tuesday morning the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander, of this place. The little one has been ill for some time.

Mr. and Chas. Pye, of Clarksburg, visited from Saturday till Monday with the former's sister, Mrs. (Dr.) Carter, and mother, who is at present with her sister, Mrs. W. Barnhouse.

Mrs. W. Barnhouse has, we are pleased to report, had a turn for the better and is improving nicely, as is also Mrs. Wesley Buskin, both under Dr. Carter's care.

Mr. John Whitten was in the City from Friday till Monday visiting his son Wilfred, in the hospital, whom he expects will be able to return home in a couple of weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hickling are moving from Hill street to the latter's old home, Mrs. Armstrong's fine residence. Electric lights are being installed and other improvements made.

At the morning service in the Methodist church on Sabbath last there was a reception of new members, three by certificate and five on profession of faith. The regularly Quarterly service will be held on Sabbath morning next.

Miss Annie Joy, Mrs. Sheppard's assistant, was off duty last week with a very painful affection of the face and head. Drs. Carter and Murray diagnosed the case and by the removal of a molar, succeeded in quieting the affected nerve.

The Junior League, organized about a year ago in the Methodist church, held their first social evening at an At Home in the basement of the church on Monday evening.

A pleasing programme was rendered by the juniors, refreshments and ice cream were served and altogether a pleasant evening spent.

A patient in Dr. Murray's office a few days ago after having a tooth extracted modestly declined to expectorate into the very nice looking receptacle at his side because of soiling it. Upon a little persuasion the gentleman yielded, but to sit in astonishment gazing at the unsullied condition of the crystal bowl he so much feared to stain.

It was the Dr.'s new fountain cuspidor and his thumb was on the tap. Patients generally will appreciate this nice bit of sanitation.

Many here were shocked with the sad news this Monday morning that Mr. Wm. Smith, of the Meaford Road, had on Sunday evening in the prime of life been cut down by a brief but violent attack of La Grippe.

The funeral will take place tomorrow (Tuesday) afternoon to the cemetery close by the home of the deceased and will be attended by the A.O.U.W. Lodge here, of which he was a member. The deceased was the younger son of Mr. Richard Smith, formerly of this place.

He was 40 years of age and leaves a young widow, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Price Teeter, and two children to mourn his early demise. The heart-broken widow, father and other members of his family have many friends to sincerely sympathize with them in their sudden and deep sorrow.

The Fleasherton hotel has been for three weeks in the hands of the painter and paper-hanger, Mr. Tryon, recently from Detroit, and the renovation done along with new furnishings added, have made a marked change in the interior of this already neat and well equipped hostelry, so worthy its good name for order and cleanliness.

The entire upper flat has been very neatly re-painted and re-papered, the parlors carpeted anew and in ten of the bedrooms handsome new iron bedsteads supplied with superior mattresses have replaced the wooden ones formerly used. A system of electric bells has been installed by which nearly all the rooms are connected with the attendant's desk. Mr. Munshaw has also the plans on hand for handsome porch verandahs on the front and north end of the hotel in place of the one which has been long in use.

"Thou shalt come," says the inspired writer, "to thy grave in a full age, like as a shock of corn cometh in its season," and so ended the earthly life of Richard Bentham, who at the ripe age of 92 years and four months peacefully fell asleep in death on Thursday evening last at the home of his son-in-law, Mr. Wm. Wilcox, west back line. But few there are who are

blessed with such length of days and general good health as that enjoyed by the deceased gentleman, who, but for the stiffening effect of rheumatism in his limbs, scarcely knew what sickness was, and was therefore well preserved in body. He was confined to bed only about a week before "the silver cord loosed." Mr. Bentham, who was a man of strict integrity, was for over forty years a highly respected member of this community, in consequence of which there was a very large turnout at his funeral, which took place on Saturday to the public cemetery here. Three grandsons and three nephews of the deceased acted as pall-bearers. Owing to the deceased's widow and son-in-law, Mr. Wilson, being unable to attend at the church, the funeral service was held at the house, when favorite hymns of the deceased were sung and Rev. Mr. Wilson paid a fitting tribute to the memory of him who had been about fifty years a faithful member of the Methodist church; always, while able, regular in his attendance at the public services and specially devoted to the class-meeting services of the church. Deceased was born in Yorkshire, England, on December 20, 1810. In 1847 he came to Canada and settled near Bowmanville, County of Durham, where he resided till January, 1893, when he came to Artemesia township and settled on the farm near to this village where he has constantly lived till a few months ago when he and Mrs. Bentham went to the back line for the care and companionship of their only daughter which was lovingly bestowed. Mr. Bentham was twice married; first in England, where his wife died leaving one son, who still lives in the old land. His second marriage took place in Darlington township, County of Durham, in 1851, when he was wedded to Mrs. Magdalene Sharp, nee Colchrist, who survives him. To them were born five sons and two daughters, three of whom, John, David and Mrs. John Buskin, preceded their father to the better land. The surviving members are: Andrew, this village; Mrs. Wilcox, back line; Thomas, of Williamsford, and Richard, on the homestead, all of whom will be the comfort of their lonely mother. In politics Mr. Bentham was a Reformer, but at the last Dominion elections his admiration for his old friend, Mr. M. K. Richardson, led him to give Mr. Richardson, who was elected, his hearty support. In municipal matters he was also always interested and seldom, if ever, failed to vote for the candidates of his choice. On the temperance question his vote was always in favor of prohibition.

Holland Centre. Miss S. Silverlock is spending a few months in Toronto. Farmers are all pretty well on with the seeding and some have finished. Miss Crane, of Chatsworth, has quite a large class in music here. The hotel is to change hands, we hear. Mr. Leach is going to try farming again.

Miss Mabel Roulston, left Tuesday morning for Toronto where she has secured a position. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Herbert moved this week to Chatsworth where he has opened up a tailor shop.

The mumps are around and all the little boys and girls are troubled with swelled heads, shall we say? No! swelled throats.

Miss Boggs was at Markdale and Miss Norton at Massie last Sunday and the consequence was the Methodist congregation had to do without music that day.

Harkaway. Miss Fanny Sparling and her sister from Owen Sound are spending a few days with friends in this vicinity at present. Messrs. R. Elliott, G. Kinney, R. Lyons and K. Wiley, of this locality, have each invested in cream separators and report good results.

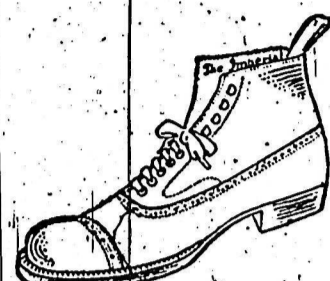
Mr. Will Scott and family, of the County Town, spent Saturday and Sunday with friends in Harkaway and vicinity. Wm. sports a dandy turnout. Owing to the fine weather seeding is pretty well advanced in this locality, some of our progressive farmers having finished seeding last week and more to follow this week.

Messrs. A. Lyons, D. Staples and W. Bassett, members of Markdale I.O. O. F., attended divine service in the Methodist church with the Markdale brethren on Sunday.

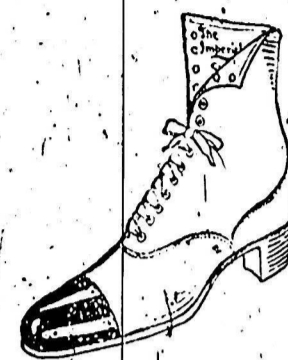
The annual election of officers for the Sunday School and Epworth League of the Methodist church at this appointment took place on Wednesday evening, April 23rd, the Rev. W. A. Rodwell presiding. Officers for S. S.: Supt., T. H. Richardson; Assistant Supt., P. Lyons; Sec., R. Lyons; Treas., J. A. Hawken; Librarians, A. Barry and C. Elliott; organist, V. Hawken. Officers for Epworth League: Pres., A. C. Ege; 1st Vice Pres., T. H. Richardson; 2nd Vice Pres., C. Lyons; 3rd Vice Pres., Mrs. T. H. Richardson; Sec., V. Hawken; Treas., L. Lyons; Cor. Sec., I. Carbert; organist, V. Hawken.

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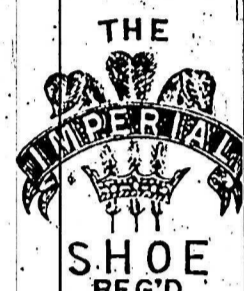
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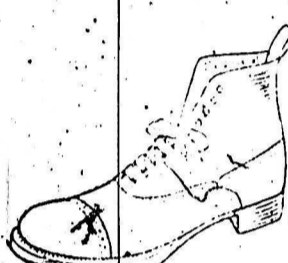
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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS

A ladies' bicycle for sale. A cheap. This office.

House and lot at Walters Fall sale. Apply to Wm. Curry, Sound.

Mrs. A. J. Walker has much to do the appearance of her residence. Addition of a porch to the front her home.

Trout fishing season opened Friday and since then fishing has been about as numerous as people, including the boys, on our street.

A scientist claims that the old man grows the smaller his brain comes. This explains why an old boy knows more than his fat.

Owing to the unsuitable conditions the grounds and for other reasons sports committee has concluded to attempt a celebration on the 30th.

Mr. Jeffrey Artley now rides a cycle which is capable of travelling miles an hour. It was built by Queen City Cycle & Motor Co. Toronto.

Mr. Wm. Ward, of Fenwick, recently had an excellent catch by Mr. J. Artley, of Markdale, was just 21 hours drilling 65 lbs. driving 65 feet of five inch, there being no rock.

All persons fishing on lots 54 and on the first concession southwest of Toronto and Sydenham Road (Oshawa township) (the Hamilton will be prosecuted. McCullough Young, lessors of fishing.

Mr. J. S. Rowe, has erected verandah to his residence on street. He has also appropriated leisure hours to the fixing up lawn which has improved the appearance of his property considerably.

The Durham Chronicle continues to apiece for the pictures of the voters who voted against the Separator by-law last week. Chronicle says that they were framed and put up in a church.

Mr. Thos. Campbell, of the Chronicle informs us that the two copies of the paper were disposed of in a week after they appeared. Mr. Thos. Neely, of Falls, was the buyer and sold for price.

The parties who conveyed the range west of T. and S. Road, G. are requested to move the same, in ten days, and save further trouble. Those depositing any notice on will be prosecuted. J. L. May 4, 1903.

Mr. Thomas Mercer and family moved on Tuesday 1903 to a new place of thoroughbred stock. Hereford cattle to Calgary. Arrangements have been made for disposal. Both gentlemen are accompanying the consignment and be absent for a couple of weeks.

The varying emotions that the breast of a newspaper man fairly judged from a recent issue of our contemporary. In the issue he is glad, is pained, is regret, has heartfelt sorrow, such conflicting and varying emotions it is no wonder that editors are gray or bald headed at forty. wonder is that they are alive.

Mr. Geo. Miller, a very excellent stock breeder of Texas, visited Shorthorn herd of Mr. Thos. Mercer, last week, and a bunch of calves to add to his Mr. Miller is son of the late Miller of Markham. So well throughout the Dominion as a breeder and importer. This is Mr. Miller's visit to Mr. Mercer's farm, which is significant.

Mr. John Wittor and family Shelburne, arrived in town on Saturday and are now in possession of Markdale House. On Tuesday the Citizens Band serenaded the proprietor and also Mrs. Schult and family who are remaining until their departure for Oshawa. While in possession of Markdale House Mrs. Schult conducted a clean and up-to-date hostelry, and we wish her and her much success wherever they may. We understand the new proprietor, Mr. Wittor, intends making improvements in the interior hotel.