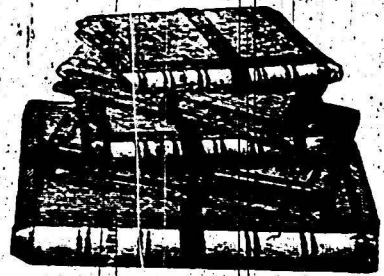


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FLESHERTON HAPPENINGS

About three months ago Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Benson, very highly respected residents of the 8th con., Arden, retired from their farm to a comfortable home at Brooke, near Owen Sound. Six weeks ago Mrs. Benson, who had been in poor health, was taken seriously ill and despite the best medical attendance passed away on Saturday, the 19th November. On Monday morning her remains were brought to her old home, now occupied by her son, W. A., and from there the funeral, which was largely attended, took place on Saturday to Salem cemetery near by. An impressive service was held in Salem church conducted by Rev. J. B. Wass, of this place. The deceased, who was 48 years of age, was a daughter of the late John Magee, one of the early settlers near this village. She was a very highly respected woman in the community, an affectionate wife and devoted Christian mother whose last hours were full of prayerful thoughts for the salvation of her children. Her husband, four sons and two daughters survive her. James and William Magee, of the 8th concession, and Mrs. D. Jamieson at Port Law are the surviving brothers and sister of the deceased.

On Tuesday evening of last week L.O.L. No. 883, Ceylon, held a very successful box social in their hall, the proceeds amounting to nearly \$100.00. A pleasing programme was rendered which in part consisted of vocal solos by Mr. E. J. Pedlar, of Edenburg, violin solos by Mr. Keenan, of Owen Sound, and Mr. Allan Park, of Pooton Station, and bagpipe selections by Mr. P. McArthur, of Pricerville. Mr. J. L. Wood occupied the chair. On the following evening a delegation from the lodge visited the Industrial Home at Markdale and presented Mr. Fred Gee, an invalid who has been long a member of the Order, with an invalid's wheel chair. Mr. D. McLeod made the presentation which was graciously acknowledged by Mr. Gee, whom we trust will be long spared to enjoy the gift of his brethren of 883. The Home kindly served refreshments to the visitors before their departure for home, and her hospitality was much enjoyed.

In our recent notice of village improvements we omitted Mr. Malcolm McDonald's residence neatly veneered with red and white brick. Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Carr's residence has recently undergone improvements which will add much to their comfort, especially the latter who is in a very frail condition.

On Friday last while sleigh riding on the street near his own home, Herbie, the 11 year old son of Mr. James Sullivan, was thrown from his sleigh against a shade tree and received a bad fracture of the thigh bone. He was conveyed home and Dr. Carter set the broken limb which will keep Master Herbie in trying confinement for a few weeks to come.

A load of about a dozen young people here spent an evening last week very pleasantly with Mr. and Mrs. Hickling. Mrs. W. A. Armstrong entertained a dozen of her lady friends at a drive of clock tea on Friday last.

Mrs. Christie, a highly esteemed old resident of this place, celebrated her 80th birthday on Friday last, and we are pleased to note in the enjoyment of all her relatives. We join her numerous friends in congratulations, and wish her many returns.

The Methodist church choir were at Maxwell on Wednesday evening of last week supplying the musical part of the programme at an entertainment in the Methodist church.

Mrs. Dr. Murray is now in a private hospital in the city receiving massage treatment for displacement of the stomach, which if not remedied in this way may necessitate a surgical operation. Mrs. Murray's friends sincerely hope the treatment she is now undergoing may prove effective.

Messrs. Harry and Robert Thistlewaite have returned from New York State and have joined their brother John and Best brothers in a wood contract with Mr. R. McGill, who is preparing for market the timber on his farm near Ceylon.

Rev. J. S. L. Wilson was at Chabworth conducting missionary services on Sabbath last. Rev. T. Cocking, of that place, supplied the Eugenia circuit, and the pastor, Rev. J. B. Wass, took Mr. Wilson's work here. Being temperance Sunday Mr. Wass spoke in the evening on that subject. Rev. Mr. Thom also gave a temperance sermon in the Presbyterian church in the afternoon.

Mr. W. W. Trimble and Mr. M. K. Richardson attended the political conventions in Toronto last week. Mr. and Mrs. Runstadler, Miss Watson, Miss Annie Wilcox, Misses Minnie and Mable Munshaw, Messrs. C. H. Munshaw, P. N. Richardson and W. Bentham attended the assembly at Dundalk on Friday evening last.

Miss Maggie Fawcett, of Heathcote, has taken the position of saleswoman in F. G. Karstedt's store. Mr. Ed. Bentham left last week for Toronto Junction to continue in the employ of T. J. Sheppard.

Mr. James Moore, of Normanby, visited his brother, Mr. W. Moore, here, on Saturday and Sunday. Mrs. Andrew Bentham is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Fred Sheppard, at Toronto Junction.

Among those who holidayed out of town on Thanksgiving we omitted Mr. and Mrs. Karstedt, who were at Moorfield. Mrs. Wm. Davis returned on Friday last from a couple of months' visit among relatives and old friends at Brockville and other points east.

Messrs. M. K. Richardson, George Mitchell, J. A. Boyd, W. J. Bellamy and R. Best attended the Conservative convention at Markdale on Monday. The Advance editor returned to his sanatorium last week and gave his readers a racy account of his successful hunting holiday in the wilds of the north.

Wedgehouse
 Mrs. Joseph Proctor, of Caledon East, is staying with her mother, Mrs. Wiley, who we are glad to know is recovering from a recent attack of bronchitis.

Fred Birch has commenced heading wood to Markdale this week. Mr. T. I. Fawcett has been awarded the caretaking of the church for the coming year.

We understand the school board has accepted the application of Miss Ravina McAtand and Heathcote, as teacher for the ensuing year.

The House of Refuge By-law

Passed and Read.

The opening social meeting of the county council was held in the council chamber on Monday, November 21st, the following being present: Warden Pringle, Clerk Rutherford, Messrs. Thompson, Garret, Schenk, McColman, Brown, Shute, Lytle, Gordon, Allan, Preston, McLeod, Paterson, McArthur, and county treasurer S. J. Parker.

Warden Pringle, who occupied the chair, delivered a brief opening address to the council. The warden has been commended for the fact that the country was not engaged in strife such as is now taking place between Japan and Russia. The warden then stated that the purpose of the meeting was to finally pass By-law 660, a By-law for the raising of \$20,000 for the erection and equipment of the Markdale House of Refuge and \$15,000 as interest on that amount during the twenty years in which it is to be repaid.

On motion of Mr. Preston, By-law 660 was read a third time. A lengthy discussion then took place. Mr. McArthur expressed the opinion that the rate should be increased in order that a second debt would not be issued. The House of Refuge had cost upwards of \$30,000 which exceeded the council's expectations.

Mr. S. J. Parker explained the financial situation which he described as excellent. The total cost of the House of Refuge would be slightly in excess of \$28,000 and the proposed grant of \$15,000 would be quite sufficient to meet all obligations for the coming year.

Several councillors thought the usual government grant would not be received. Mr. Gordon pointed out that a government representative had been shown through the house while parliament was in session. Mr. Allen thought the council should not worry about the grant.

Mr. McArthur asked "What are you going to do if you don't get the grant?" Mr. Allen replied "We put the government out if they don't give it to us."

A vote was then taken on the By-law, which was carried unanimously.

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An Erroneous Idea.

Taxes are higher in some municipalities this year than last, and there seems a prevailing idea that the County House of Refuge has something to do with causing the higher rate. The county treasurer stated a week ago to the county council, that in session, that the total cost of this institution was \$30,000. No wonder the rates are high, you say. But hold on a bit and figure out what your share would be. Of the \$30,000 the government pays \$4,000, leaving \$26,000 for the county. The population of Grey county in 1901 according to the census was 14,500. Thirty-five cents each would make \$5,175.00, so that provided the whole amount was levied in one year it would amount to the appalling sum of 35 cents for each person.

Holland Centre

It is with feelings of sorrow that we deplore the death of Mrs. T. Moore, of this place, who after a few days illness departed this life on the 22nd November. The remains were taken to the cemetery at St. Peter's followed by a large concourse of sorrowing friends. Rev. H. Berry preached a very eloquent funeral sermon on Sunday last. The bereaved husband has the sympathy of the entire community in his affliction.

Mrs. Frayer came home lately from Owen Sound hospital with but little hope of recovery from a disease of cancerous nature. She is now at Chesley under the treatment of Dr. Parks. Messrs. McFarland and Smith are home from Muskoka, each with a deer. Mr. Clemon Erwin is visiting at the parental home. He speaks well of the North West.

We are sorry to hear that our neighbor, Mr. John Boulton, while on his way home from the West met with a severe accident at Rat Portage, one of his legs being jammed between the cars. He is in the hospital at that place and is recovering satisfactorily.

Rev. Mr. McLaren, the newly appointed Presbyterian minister here, preached on Sunday evening to a large and appreciative congregation.

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