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Local and General

Mercers' for best Shoes and Rubbers.
The weather has been unseasonably mild this week.
The Douglas Estate sale last week, was a decided success.
Reeve Ennis is this week attending County Council in Owen Sound.

Special clearing prices on all lines of Furs, and Ladies' fur trimmed Coats at Mercers.

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The Standard is agent for the Appleford make of counter check book, which is considered the best on the market.

Coulter Bros. will be in Markdale on Wednesday next, February 2, to buy horses, all kinds, sound and in good condition.

If you overlooked reading that article in the Standard of Jan. 13 under the head of 13-month year following war, look it up! yes clip it out.

Sweeping reductions on all lines. Men's and Boy's Overcoats and Suits; Men's Fur Coats; Coat Sweaters and sheepskin lined coats at Mercers.

Hello! Six feet at the movies this week starting at 7.15 o'clock; the Mysteries of Paris in five reels also a good Comedy. Come early and see it all. Usual prices.

Don't overlook the adjourned meeting of the Committee of One Hundred at 8 p. m. Friday night in the library board room to receive the report of the canvassers.

The Ladies of the W. A., of Christ Church will hold a cake sale in Mrs. Leslie's ice cream parlor Saturday afternoon Jan. 29th. Tea will be served from three to six.

A valentine gold meat supper will be held in the town hall, Markdale, on Monday, February 14, under the auspices of the Women's Institute. Admission 25 and 35 cents.

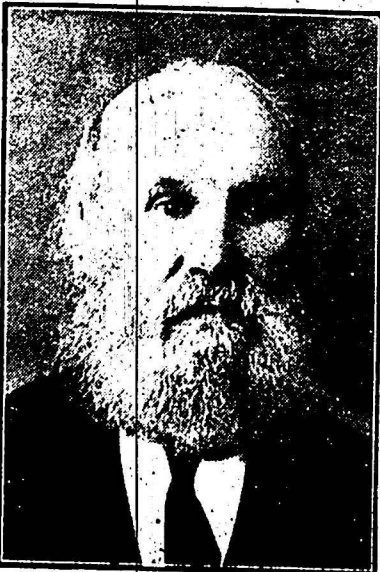
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SIGNS OF SPRING.
Saturday last brought to our notice striking indications of spring. For instance bare dry sidewalks, a rare thing in January. Then a citizen plucked from his garden and handed in a beautiful pansy in full bloom. Furthermore, the editor swatted a fly on the sanctum window.

GOIN' TO FLESHERTON.
The "Minister's Bride" will be given in Flesherton on Wednesday evening, Feb. 2nd. The company which gave this drama here recently, has accepted a "call" to Flesherton to repeat the play. Convalescence will leave W. Elliott at 6.15 p. m. Anyone wishing to go to Flesherton, please leave with Mr. Elliott. All are invited.

A LUNG TESTER.
Several prominent townsmen became interested: one day last week in a curio, which a visitor from Toronto exhibited. It was a miniature wind-mill or lung tester, a simple device by which the soundness and breathing capacity of the lungs might be tested. Several of the experimenters turned black in the face while being tested, thus manifesting serious weakness.

EDITOR STANDARD.
Can you explain how many members there are on the Public Library Board, and how they are elected?—Ratepayer.
REPLY
There are six members on the Public Library Board, also the Reeve elect, who is a member by virtue of his office. Three are elected by the council, each for a term of three years, so that one drops out each year; also three by the Public School Board, in the same manner. These appointments are made at the first council and trustee meeting in the new year.



THE LATE CHRISTOPHER IRWIN

On Saturday, Jan. 15th, 1916, Mr. Christopher Irwin, Artemesia, passed peacefully away, at the advanced age of nearly eighty-nine years. He was the fourth in a family of eleven, being the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Irwin, born Feb. 16th, 1827, in the County of Sligo, Province of Connaught, Ireland, and came to Canada in 1850, then twenty-three years of age, and for over two years resided at Weston, York County. In the year 1853 he moved to Artemesia, then a wilderness, where he has since resided.

On October 19th, 1854 he was united in marriage to Miss Mary J. Carter, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Carter. To this union were born six sons and two daughters, all of whom survive to mourn the loss of a kind and devoted father, viz: Mrs. Thomas Bradley, Ephraim; Thomas, Ceylon; Herbert, Markdale; Eliza, James, Chris. John and Carter, at home, also a brother and sister Mrs. Luke, of Kansas; Henry D., Artemesia.

Eight years ago, Mr. Irwin sustained the greatest shock of his life, when his life partner passed away to the great beyond, Feb. 19th, 1908. During the last six years, he was almost constantly confined to the house, but always tended and watched by his faithful and loving daughter Eliza A., and many were the bright calls he received, not only from his own pastor but also Rev. R. M. Phalen. In youth, and even old age, he was a man of commanding appearance, of a very cheery nature, and kind to all around him, and none can recognize that kindness and love of his true heart better than the members of his own family. A man who always regarded his name and his word as the apple of his eye, and he who would tamper with those, had to reckon with a strong representative of the house that wore the crest of the hand in armour holding a distaff. "Nemo impune lacestis!" "If you touch me you will be punished."

In religion, a Methodist; in politics, Conservative, and devoted to Orange principles, being of the direct line of Orange stock, his ancestor having come from the sandy banks of the river Irvine, Ayr, Scotland, to aid the Prince of Orange in Ireland.

On Jan. 18th, he was laid to rest beside that of his beloved wife, in the Irwin Cemetery, under the warrant of Vandeleur L. O. L. No. 1383, where he and his sons were initiated many years ago. He was borne to the last resting place by his brethren: Henry D. McLaughry, George Wright, Geo. Bowles, Samuel Bowles, George Prichard, and Alfred Dunlop. On the casket rested a most beautiful wreath of white lilies, the last honors the old lodge could bestow on him who had celebrated 80 many years. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. W. Wallace at the home and at the grave.

To The Public.
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PERSONAL

Mr. Chas. MacTavish, of Regina, was the guest of his aunt, Mrs. H. Smith, recently.

Miss Isabelle Wilson returned to Toronto, after spending a month with friends at Beverdale.

Mr. John Winlaw, who is on a visit at Owen Sound, from Winlaw, B. C., is spending a few days in Markdale this week.

Word was received here recently of the safe arrival at Shorncliffe, England, of Pte. Fred Knowlden, after a rough voyage.

Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Martin left Wednesday morning for Kinross, to attend the bedside of Mrs. Martin's mother, Mrs. Graham, who is critically ill.

Mr. Edgar Bellamy, of Saskatoon, paid his parents at Flesherton, and sister, Miss Bellamy, of Markdale, a brief visit over Sunday. He has had a most successful year.

Mr. A. A. Crowston, of Vancouver, paid his brother J. A., here, a visit last week. Mr. Crowston has become an extensive speculator in mining claims, timber lands and timber limits in B. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hogarth, of Coleville, Sask., have gone out to visit their old neighbors in New England, where they formerly resided, after spending a very enjoyable time the guests of Mrs. T. Brown.

Mr. Harry Wall left town on Saturday last for Lemington there to try a situation as baker. The family remains, at least for the present. Mr. Wall has been a resident of Markdale these eleven years and has proven himself a most industrious man, in fact a singularly high class type of citizen, and one we much regret to lose.

Mr. and Mrs. William Avison, of Springfield, Man., visited for a few days last week the guest of the former's sister, Mrs. Joseph Anderson, of the suburbs. It is now thirty-six years since Mr. Avison went west. He, no doubt, has made well in that prosperous country. They also visited for Saturday till Monday with their niece, Mrs. Henry Summers, of Owen Sound. Miss Mary Anderson accompanied, returning home Monday.

It Is Warden Cordingley

Reeve A. E. Cordingley of Shallow Lake was elected Warden of the county this afternoon by acclamation, and congratulations go to the warden and the staunch little municipality which sends him to County Council.—Owen Sound Times.

"Committee of One Hundred"

On Friday evening last a very representative gathering convened in the public library. Mr. W. J. Bowes was called upon to act as chairman, while Mr. W. L. Young filled the office of secretary. Canvassers with petitions for a dry Ontario by July 1st have commenced work, and are meeting with favourable success. They are as follows: Messrs. T. Grainger and M. Armstrong; J. Artley and Rev. W. W. Wallace; H. Baird and Rev. R. M. Phalen; W. L. Young and J. Holley.

The meeting was adjourned to Friday evening at 8 o'clock.

Nearing Recovery.

Reports at the hospital this morning indicate that the soldiers who were injured in the collapse of the gallery at the rink on the night of the 14th battalion-Chesley hockey match, are doing remarkably well. Pte. MacTavish is making splendid progress, as is also Pte. Richardson, who was free the most seriously hurt. Ptes. Quinlan and Badley are making good recovery, and will be able to get their discharge in a few days. Quartermaster—Sergeant Norman Stewart resumed his duties on Saturday afternoon. Pte. Bryans who is at the Queens is progressing favorably.—O. S. Times.

It Sure Is Good To Spend a Day with 147th of Grey

(Owen Sound Sun.)

It fell to the lot of a local scribe recently to spend a day with the 147th Battalion now in training at Owen Sound and some of the experiences and impressions of the newspaper man are herewith recorded for the benefit of the general public, which may be interested in the daily life of the Grey County boys, who are being trained in order to put their skill and strength against Britain's foes abroad. Many people have a very dim and hazy idea of the duties day by day during their course of training. It is only when they are on a route march or after drill hours that the ordinary civilian sees the soldiers and consequently he knows very little of the activities of the seven hundred men who are members of the 147th Battalion at the present time.

THE COLONEL ENTHUSIASTIC

The reporter first called on Col. McFarland, the commanding officer of the Battalion at his headquarters at the ammunitions. The Colonel was busy with a large pile of correspondence, besides answering messages and performing other duties devolving on him as commanding officer. He received the scribe in his genial and off hand manner. The first question asked him was, of course, as to the progress of the Battalion. "The 147th," said the Colonel "is one of the best battalions in training throughout Canada. By physique, physical condition and intelligence there is nothing on the Grey County's young men, then vigorous and energetic and willing to work. Everyone of them has enlisted; because he feels it his duty to go and all are going to the front with a full realization of what their sacrifice means. When we reach the trenches, Grey County will have the satisfaction of knowing that there is no finer battalion in the 147th in Britain's forces on the firing line." Thus enthusiastically spoke the Colonel and to emphasize his words he invited the newspaper man to come with him and visit the various scenes of activity within the biggest military organization that was ever known in Grey County.

IMMENSE AMOUNT OF DETAIL WORK.

A look into the office of the adjutant, Captain Kyle, gave a slight idea of the immense amount of detail work in connection with the Battalion. Two orderlies were busy on typewriters, one of them making out attestation forms for a dozen or so new recruits, who had just come in and arranging for clothing and billets for them. Orderlies rushed back and forth carrying messages to and from the different company officers. In the paymaster's office, Capt. S. Burk, the battalion paymaster, was busy filling out and signing the men's cheques. Payday comes once a month and the utmost care is taken to give every man every cent that is coming to him, promptly.

AT THE QUARTERMASTER'S STORES.

The next point of interest was the quartermaster's stores on Ninth St. East. When the reporter arrived half a company, or about one hundred and ten men were lined up and, on inquiry he found that the men were being issued with new winter caps which had just arrived the previous day. The greatest pains were taken by the quartermaster, Capt. McLaughlan and his staff, to equip the men with caps that fitted them comfortably. At one end of the building a tailor was at work making alterations in the men's clothing. If the coat sleeves or trousers are too long, or any part of the clothing does not fit, the necessary alterations are made free of charge. The comfort and neat appearance of the men are the first considerations. A shoemaker was also busy on the men's boots. Great care in fitting the men with their boots is taken for it is important that their feet should be kept in good condition. The shoemaker repairs the boots for the bare cost of the material necessary for making the repairs.

Each man, so the reporter was told, will be issued soon with an extra pair of boots. The quartermaster showed the newspaper man a sample of the clothing issued to the men and the latter was impressed with the splendid material that is now being put into the uniforms and the careful way they are made. The socks, shirts and underwear issued to the men are certainly made with an eye to comfort and durability.

THE MEN AT WORK

The visit to Riverside rink at \$15, when the men are "falling in" for morning parade was an interesting one. The bugler blew markers to the men detailed for their places. Then another bugle call, and the men lined up on their markers in their own platoons. The roll of each platoon was then called and as soon as that was done and each man had answered to his name, the officers in charge of each platoon inspected their men. The points insisted on by the officers, were that the men must be shaved every morning, their hair trimmed neatly, their buttons polished and their boots and clothing clean. The man who neglects any of these matters comes in for a service rebuke by his officer.

A PLATOON COMPETITION.

An interesting feature in connection with this inspection is a platoon competition which began recently and will last for one month, so the reporter was informed. At the end of that time the platoon that has shown itself cleanest on parade and best in drill will be given a turkey supper by the officers. Consequently it was noticed that there was the keenest rivalry between the platoons, each one vying with the other in neatness and proficiency. Every time a man is late for parade or in any way transgresses the military regulations, his platoon loses several points which will count against it in the competition. This puts it up to every man to be careful about his appearance and conduct.

PHYSICAL DRILL EACH MORNING.

Roll call and inspection over the next hour was devoted to physical drill. "A" company marched off to No. 2 C. P. R. freight shed which is now being used as a drill hall. "B" company remained at the rink and "C" company went to the G. T. F. sheds for physical drill. The vim with which the men entered into the work was a revelation to the scribe. Coats and caps were piled up on the floor and the men were given the physical exercises under a competent instructor. The reporter noticed that the officers as well as the men took the exercise and everyone went at the work with a will, all seemingly bent on putting themselves into the best physical condition possible.

SHOULD BE BEST IN MUSKETRY.

As soon as the physical drill was over, the men were formed up again and then each commander took charge of his own unit and carried on the work according to the syllabus of training which is laid down week by week. On the occasion of the scribe's visit, a portion of the men were engaged

DIED

PICKERING—In Artemesia, on the 24th January, 1916, Mrs. John Pickering, aged 71 years.



Again we come with our bonnie song, We'll sing it loud and we'll sing it long—
The song of the Harness shop Oh! our well-waxed threads we pull them tight, We pull them from morn till six at night, When the town bell bids us stop.
R. W. ENNIS'
Markdale Harness Emporium

in rifle exercise. Each movement was carefully explained by the instructor and then performed by the men and it was interesting to note the pains taken by the instructor and the willingness of the men to do the work and learn all about it. The reporter was told that nine of the officers of the battalion have musketry certificates while Col. McFarland himself is in charge of the musketry instruction at Camp Niagara last year. In view of the fact, the 147th Battalion should show a high standard of proficiency in musketry.

BAND PRACTICING HAD

In an ante room at the rink, the band has twenty-three pieces and apparently the band master and members of the band are determined that the battalion shall not lack for music between now and the time it reaches the trenches. At the G. T. F. sheds, the reporter was interested in watching a squad drill of new recruits receiving recruit drill, while more advanced squads were doing squad drill, extended order platoon drill according to the program laid down in the syllabus.

BROKE OFF FOR INTERMISSION.

At 10.15, the men broke off for fifteen minutes intermission, and by this time the canteen had arrived, from which the men were served with hot coffee, sandwiches, pie, chocolates and cigars.

During the course of the forenoon the signalling corps which are training in the Y. M. C. A. signal corps in the battalion, were given a knowledge of semaphore signalling before his training was completed. The class for training privates to be non-commissioned officers at the town hall was also a point of interest. These men are all intelligent, well educated men and they take the class at the town hall during the forenoon and then drill with their own companies in the afternoon. Every man taking the N.S. O's class enlisted first as a private and was selected for the N. C. O's class because he showed proficiency in drill.

LINED UP FOR DISMISSAL.

Before twelve the reporter returned to the rink and the men who were drilling other places were marched back to the rink for dismissal. They lined up as they did in the morning, and were dismissed about 11.55. At 1.30 they "fell in" again and the company was marched off for trapping until 1.30, when they were dismissed for the day.

HOW THEY SPENT THE EVENING.

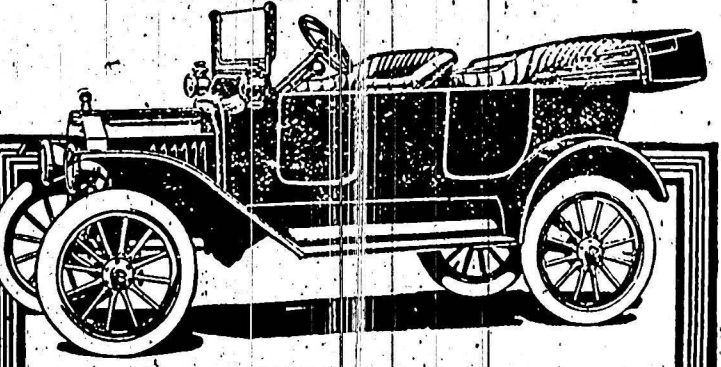
In the evening the reporter dropped into the town hall where a smoker was in progress. The men were sitting around the tables, reading or watching the boxing and wrestling bouts. There was no lack of music either. Many of the boys can play the piano and several of the singers have formed a battalion music band, which is a splendid amateur musical organization.

WHEN WFLF SATISFIED.

In conversation with the men, the scribe talked with a fine-strapping youth from Durham. "Every thing has time here," he said. "We have the whitest bunch of officers that ever wore a uniform. While we are doing our bit the officers don't seem able to do enough for us." A young man from Flesherton spoke about the boys in the hospital. "The Colonel," he said, "visits them every day, and sees that they are getting the best of care. A Hanover man said this was the best winter he had ever put in. Every attention is paid to the men's comfort. He spoke of the appointment of the battalion dentist, who looks after the men's teeth, and also the attention the sick men receive from the medical officer, Mr. Howes. There was not a complaint from any of the men about the way they were used. As the reporter sat conversing with the men, some one started a song which was taken up by the others, until nearly everyone was singing it. It was the old Thirty-first marching tune and here were the words: "Cheer the Grey Battalion! Shout in their praise! Now altogether, Here's to McFarland's Greys. Serve the King with good will. Is our motto to true. Comrades together! (March Band, White and blue."

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