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Cherry Grove

(Special to The Standard.)

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Young, Miss Olga Young and Miss E. Walker of Markdale were guests of Mrs. Struthers and Miss Struthers recently.

The annual meeting of the Farmers' Club was held last week when the following officers were elected: President, Mr. Mitchell Harvey; Vice-President, Mr. J. F. Lawson; Sec., Mr. Wm. Dickie; Member of the Shipping Committee Mr. D. Burnett; Delegate to Convention in Toronto, Mr. Mitchell Harvey.

Dr. Huff paid our school an official visit last week with the result that a satisfactory report was presented to the School Board.

We are pleased to report Margaret, Winnie and John Harvey improving after their recent illness.

Messrs Will Dickie and Mitchell Harvey are this week attending the U.F.O. convention in Toronto.

There was a large attendance at the W.I. meeting held at the home of Mrs. Ran. Bradey on Thursday last. The visitors included several members of Vandeleur W.I. The meeting opened in the usual way, followed by the reading and adoption of the minutes. The play, "The Path Across the Hill," was again the subject of much discussion. It was decided to send the usual Christmas gifts to the sick and shut-ins of the neighborhood. A very interesting report of the Provincial Convention held in Toronto recently was presented by Mrs. Wm. Dickie. An amusing feature of the afternoon was a hemming contest, the first prize being awarded to Miss Vera Myers and the consolation prize going to Mrs. W. E. Bradey. The judges were Mrs. H. D. McLaughlin and Mrs. Will. Swanton of Vandeleur W.I. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess who was assisted by Misses Olga Lawson and Charlotte Boland.

Our Sunday School entertainment, which was set for Friday, Dec. 18th, is postponed until a later date when Mrs. A. Harvey's children have recovered and are able to take their several parts on the program.

Too Much Hockey Ruined Donald's Health

It is often said that tears are just a step removed from joy. Poor Donald knows that. At the age of 15 he was attending high school playing on a hockey team going to parties and doing all the things that a red-blooded youth will do. When joy was at its height gloom neared its appearance in the shape of consumption.

There was nothing to do, the doctor said, but drop everything and go to the Muskoka Hospital for a thorough rest and skilful treatment. Donald has now forgotten his resentment at fate in his happiness over the news that he is soon to be sent home—better!

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Vandeleur

(Special to The Standard.)

Mrs. Geo. Warling is under the doctor's care.

Mr. Norman Summers is visiting at Belleville.

Mrs. Will Heath has returned home from Collingwood hospital where she underwent an operation for appendicitis a short time ago.

Mr. and Mrs. John Flynn have returned from Toronto where they have spent some time. Mrs. Flynn is still in poor health.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Freeman and Miss Myrtle Freeman and Alice spent a day in Owen Sound.

Messrs Tom. Shannon and Chas. Boland are attending the U.F.O. convention in Toronto this week, the latter as delegate from the club here.

The Farmers' Club met on Thursday evening of last week and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, T. Shannon; Vice-President, F. Boland; Sec.-Treas., C. Boland; Auditors, W. Ratcliffe and E. Davis; Member Shipping Association, J. J. McGee; Delegate to Convention, C. Boland.

The Ladies' Aid held their December meeting at the home of Mrs. Jane Richardson and Miss Clock on Wednesday afternoon of last week. A good programme was given by the members and lunch was served. A letter was read from Mrs. Flynn thanking the Society for flowers sent her while she was sick in Toronto.

Messrs Cooper and Nelson of the Department of Agriculture, Markdale, addressed a well attended meeting of the Young People's Society held in the Church on Friday evening of last week and outlined the plans and programme for the winter months of the Farm Youth Association of South Grey of which Mr. Cooper is Secretary. After some discussion it was decided to enter the three lines of work outlined by Messrs Cooper and Nelson, namely Debates, Dramatics and Public Speaking. Miss Myrtle Freeman and Mr. Howard McGee were chosen as the team for the first debate in the Artemesia group. It was also decided that the Young People's Society would meet every two weeks during the winter months. The next meeting is to be held on Friday evening of next week, Dec. 18th. The programme will consist of a debate on the following subject: "Resolved, That Township School Boards should replace the present system of Public School Trustees." The affirmative will be taken by Miss Myrtle Freeman and Mr. Howard McGee and the negative by Mrs. Dave Graham and Mrs. Frank Davis. Mr. Cooper will also be present with the moving picture lantern and give several pictures. Besides the addresses of Messrs Cooper and Nelson readings, etc., were given by Mrs. Frank Davis, Mrs. Dave Graham, Miss Myrtle Freeman and Miss Hazel Wyville. The President, Mr. H. I. Graham, occupied the chair. Lunch was served at the close of the meeting.

Berkeley

Mrs. Thos. Bell returned home from Toronto on Monday.

Miss Marjorie Firth of Owen Sound Hospital spent Friday afternoon, the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Dodds.

Miss Sarah Walters of Owen Sound spent Sunday at the parental home.

The progressive euchre held in the hall on Friday evening under the auspices of the A.Y.P.A. was well attended. The proceeds amounted to $8.50, which goes to help the Children's Fund. Miss Myrtle Stanford, Mr. Harvey Sowerby, Mrs. Frank Stanford and Mr. Herb. Walker were prize-winners.

Flesherton

(Special to The Standard.)

Mr. and Mrs. F. Pinder and daughter, Gladys, motored to Alliston on Sunday and spent the day with Mr. F. Dowling and family.

Mrs. McCowell of Toronto is visiting her sister, Mrs. Ed. Best.

Rev. Jas. Dudgeon of Port Credit visited over Sunday in town and assisted at both morning and evening services in St. John's United Church.

Miss Minerva Stafford left on Thursday of last week to spend the winter in California.

Miss Myrtle Stuart of Burks Falls visited with T. Betts and family and Mrs. Chas. Newell, Rock Mills.

Mrs. C. J. Bellamy visited over the week-end at Owen Sound.

Mrs. M. Thistlethwaite has gone to Toronto to spend the winter with her daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Wright are spending a time in Toronto.

Little Miss Marigold Cross is visiting with friends in Chatsworth at present.

Miss Mildred Caswell went to Owen Sound last week, where she underwent an operation for the removal of her tonsils and adenoids.

Mrs. (Dr.) Turnbull went to Toronto on Monday to visit her sister, Mrs. A. Ledes.

Miss Rosina Dawson left Monday to spend a few weeks with friends at Singhampton.

A feeling of sadness was cast over this community on Friday last when the news of the death of Mr. Alexander Best was learned. Allie had been an invalid for the past nine years or so, but not until the past month had he been confined to his bed. The funeral took place on Sunday, December 6th. The service was held in St. John's United Church at 2 o'clock, after which interment took place to Flesherton Cemetery. The service was conducted by Rev. Wm. R. Clement, assisted by Rev. Jas. Dudgeon of Port Credit, a former Pastor here. The floral tributes from the family and friends were beautiful. Much sympathy is extended the late bereaved ones in their time of sorrow.

Eugenia

(Special to The Standard.)

"Christmas time is drawing near,
Just two weeks and it is here.
Be merry all, be merry all,
With holly dress and festive hall;
Prepare the song, the feast, the ball
To welcome Merry Christmas!"

Ladies' Aid Bazaar

The Ladies' Aid of the United Church here have decided to change the date of their Bazaar to Saturday, December 19th, afternoon and evening. Hot dogs and tea will be served. Bazaar will be held in the Orange Hall.

The dance given by the L.O.L. in their hall here last Friday evening was a success. All present had an enjoyable time.

The U.F.W.O. met at the home of Mrs. A. F. Pedlar on Wednesday, December 4th. There was a good attendance and orders were taken for goods. Mrs. Pedlar is the Ordering Lady of the Club.

Mr. A. F. Pedlar was appointed delegate to the U.F.O. Convention in Toronto this week. Mrs. Alex. Cameron is delegate from the U.F.W.O.

The school concert will be held on Monday evening, December 21. The teacher and pupils, assisted by Mrs. W. E. Morgan, are preparing a good program. We wish them every success.

Mr. Douglas Wilson of Toronto is a visitor at Mr. W. E. Morgan's and the Eugenia House.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Boyce and Mr. Russell McMullen spent Saturday in Owen Sound.

Master Lorenzo Martin is assisting his dad in the swamp on the 14th. Lorenzo, you should take advantage of your school days while you are young.

Mr. Harry Foerster had the telephone installed in his home last week.

Riverdale

(Special to The Standard.)

Wood buzzing bees are the order of the day.

Mrs. C. Miller of Rocklyn visited her parental home on Third Avenue West for a few days recently.

Dr. Huff of Meaford made his regular official visit to our public school last week.

Missles K. Hutchinson and V. Ward of Kimberley were recent callers in this vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Cathrae of Walters Falls visited friends here on Friday.

Mr. C. Gilchrist of Orange Valley was a pleasant caller in this vicinity recently.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Lee accompanied Mr. and Mrs. R. Hutchinson of Vandeleur to Owen Sound one day last week.

Special preparations are in progress for the Christmas Tree and Box Social to be held in Riverdale School on December 21.

Agricultural operations were temporarily resumed last week.

According to the latest revelations of the Hanover Hogometer the coming winter will be long and steady. Hurrah! for California.

East Mountain

(Special to The Standard.)

Mrs. Chas. Fawcett, who has been ill for some time, was removed last week to Collingwood hospital and underwent an operation on Wednesday. We are glad to report her doing nicely.

We wish to extend our sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. W. Knox of Duncan in the death of their infant daughter, who died last Friday. Interment took place on Sunday to Thornbury Cemetery.

The young people of this community are practising for a Christmas Concert to be held in the school in the near future.

Mr. Clarke Teed is buzzing wood for Hugh Smith at present.

George Harbottle and Thompson Allen threshed their sweet clover stacks last week.

Sorry to report Mr. Hugh Smith on the sick list at time of writing. We hope to hear of his recovery soon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Sheridon of Duncan were recent visitors with the latter's aunt, Mrs. I. Fawcett.

Miss Annie Hall is visiting friends in Collingwood.

Mr. Wm. Semple of Lady Bank had a successful wood bee and party on Friday last. A number of the folks from here attended and reported a good time.

Rev. Cullis, Pastor of Heathcote Circuit, is holding cottage prayer meetings in this community. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Thompson.

Wodehouse

(Special to The Standard.)

The Christmas entertainment will be given by the New England Young People's Society in the church on Wednesday, December 23rd, at 8:00 o'clock. Program will consist of a pageant entitled "Christmas," also music and other local talent. This is something special so please keep the date clear.

Miss Vina Wiley had her tonsils removed one day last week. Dr. Carefoot performed the operation.

Mrs. Magee of Markdale is at present caring for her daughter, Mrs. E. H. Boyle, who is in bed suffering a severe attack of infantago.

The special services held in New England Church were splendid and every one was much interested in the topics given each night.

Mr. A. A. Thompson was engaged buzzing wood for a few farmers around here last week.

We understand that Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Thompson intend moving from this vicinity to Markdale soon.

A strange bird called around New England last week telling the people that Nelson Wilcox has purchased a new farm.

Temple Hill

(Special to The Standard.)

Next Sunday morning the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed. A preparatory service will be held on Friday at 2 p.m.

Miss Lulu Ritchie of Beaverdale spent the week-end at Sparling's.

Rev. and Mrs. Kennedy motored to Brussels last week. Mrs. Kennedy's father, who lives there, has been keeping poorly for some time.

Christmas Trees will soon be the order of the day. Knox, Holland, will hold theirs on Thursday, December 17th; Temple Hill on Monday, December 21st, and Knox, St. Vincent, on Tuesday, December 22nd.

The trustees of Knox, St. Vincent, have been left a legacy of $100 in the will of the late John Davidson of Collingwood, formerly of this community.

Everybody is invited to the Christmas Tree and Entertainment to be held in Knox Church on Tuesday evening, December 22nd.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Boyce spent Sunday with the latter's parents at Blantyre.

Miss Pearl Clugston entertained the members of the choir on Monday evening last.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Menary spent a day recently with Meaford friends.

Mr. Stan. Johnston has returned home after spending the past few months in Owen Sound working on the elevators.

Mrs. Hill of Meaford is spending a few weeks with her brother, Mr. Jno. Menary, here.

Sorry to report Mr. Hugh Menary on the sick list, but hope for his speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Boyce spent a day recently with Meaford friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Graham spent a day recently with Wodehouse friends.

Mr. John Sutherland spent a few days with his daughter, Mrs. H. L. Menary.

Mrs. Gordon of Thornbury is now staying with her son, Ross, here.

Traverston

(Special to The Standard.)

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Webster of Cleveland, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Nelson of Puslinch, were visitors the first of the week at the Edwards and McClocklin homes.

The Davis family spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Harold M. Lawrence of Egremont.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Harrison of Swinton Park sundayed at the Nelson home.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Hastie spent a day early in the week at the W. J. Greenwood home.

Mesdames W. J. and J. O. Greenwood and Miss Clara and Mr. Archie Greenwood spent Saturday in Owen Sound.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Samson of Flint motored over Friday and visited a few days among relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. McClocklin sundayed with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Twamley of Welbeck.

Communication

Editor Standard,
Markdale, Ont.

Sir:—

As one interested in game preservation in this part of Grey County, I would respectfully draw the attention of the public to the fact that it is now unlawful to hunt or shoot deer, partridge and other game anywhere in the County of Grey. In the vicinity of Bell's Lake, in the north part of Glenelg and the south part of Holland townships, partridge have for some years been fairly plentiful, and as many as seven deer have been seen together at one time. Now it is rumored that two deer have been killed in the locality quite recently and the sound of shots and reports of shots have been quite often heard. Of course they may not have been directed against any of the forbidden game but if there is a game warden in charge of this district it would be well for him to make occasional visits here, that he may be able to help stop the wanton destruction of the above mentioned desirable game.

About 50 years a deer or partridge was very rarely seen in Grey County and now that they are perceptibly increasing it is a pity to see them exterminated. Why are they not posted up in conspicuous places, listing the game that cannot be hunted or killed in our County? I have no doubt many people are lamentably ignorant of our game laws, and though ignorance of the law does not exempt the violater from punishment, yet a knowledge of the game laws would do much to minimize violations. There is no use making laws and allowing them to be broken with impunity. Meantime let there be community organize itself into a vigilance committee to bring violators to justice and prevent the extinction of these species of game. Moreover, would it be a good idea to ask the Department of Game and Fisheries to set apart a Game Sanctuary around Bell's Lake. There is about 1000 acres of surrounding land that would be a fine place for such a sanctuary. This would make this locality one of the "Beauty Spots" in the county and greatly enhance its value as a summer resort.

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