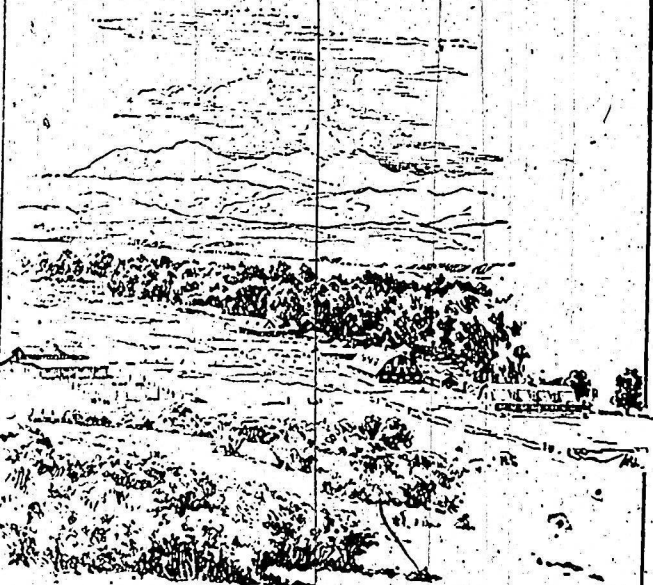


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### Oratorical Contest

The oratorical contest for Group No. 1 of the Young People's Union of Grey County, which was held in St. John's Church, Flesherton, on Friday evening, June 15th, and which was won by Miss Mary Lockhart of Dundalk, was a decided success in every particular. Eight young people entered the contest, and the addresses of every one of them was exceptionally good, and it was with difficulty that the judges arrived at a decision.

The young people were allowed to choose their own subjects, but most of them spoke on some phase of the growth and development of the Dominion of Canada. Those who competed were: Misses, Mary Lockhart, Hazel Walden, Evelyn Watson, Irene Martin and Emeline Ritchie, and Messrs. Grenfell Spencer and Alton Hoffman. The judges were: Rev. S. G. McCormick, Miss M. Muir and Miss E. Thompson.

Rev. R. A. Spencer gave a short address and Mr. Howard Graham, convenor for the Presbytery, presided.

### W. C. T. U. Convention

The annual convention of the W. C. T. U. branches of Grey and Dundalk was held in Dundalk on Thursday, June 21st, and was well attended. The morning session was opened by Mrs. Robt. Acheson of Proton Station and Rev. R. A. Spencer of Dundalk welcomed the delegates. Mrs. Thos. Corry of Markdale presided on behalf of the visitors. Misses Acheson and Reddick of Dundalk, and Mrs. Reddick of Toronto.

After lunch, served by the ladies of Dundalk, the afternoon program was proceeded with. Reports were presented from the several branches. Mrs. Price and Mrs. Green of Orangeville entertained with a well rendered duet, Mrs. (Rev.) A. N. St. John of Markdale gave a splendid talk on "Motherhood", showing the great responsibilities of the Mothers in connection with the training of their children.

Rev. Mr. Spencer presided at the evening session and opened with a stirring address along temperance lines. The Misses Acheson gave the other duet and Miss Reddick spoke again, giving a forceful and instructive address. The main theme of concern was for temperance people to keep at the good work, and to be prepared at all times to combat the efforts of the liquor interests for more privileges.

The Treasurer's report showed that \$91.54 had been raised. The Markdale delegates desire to express their thanks to Rev. A. N. St. John, Mr. Harry Noble and Jack Colgan for transportation to Dundalk and return.

### Grey County Farmers Have Splendid Outing

Nearly 150 farmers of Grey County took in the trip last week organized and conducted by Mr. T. S. Corry, Agricultural Representative, and his assistant, Mr. Archie Smith, and all enjoyed the outing.

Five large busses were required to accommodate the crowd. One of them went to Owen Sound and picked up those along the route as far south as Durham. One left Markdale completely filled and a couple of cars took the tourists where the three remaining busses were located. The last of the tourists were picked up at Mr. Forest and the first stop was at Pergus where the factories of Beatty Bros. were visited. This firm is doing an immense business and are constantly adding to their already enormous plant, which now covers more than five acres of ground. Here the party, with representatives of the firm, were given dinner in the Beatty dining room and for which the firm were heartily thanked by the visitors. We hope to have more to say of this enterprising firm at some future date.

After leaving Pergus the party drove to Guelph and here went through the grounds at the Agricultural College. Then the farm of the Hon. H. C. Biggs, near Dundas, was visited and his splendid herd of Ayrshire cattle inspected. Mr. Biggs has a mighty fine farm property and his Ayrshires are among the best in the world. From here the trip was continued through Dundas, Hamilton, Gilmour, Beamsville and to the Experimental Station at Vineland, where fruits, flowers and vegetables are the special lines.

Leaving Vineland the party proceeded through St. Catharines and on to Queenston Heights where Brock's monument was viewed and then the whirlpool rapids were the centre of attraction for a few minutes. On reaching Niagara Falls the party was distributed between four of the hotels and supper was enjoyed. The illumination of the Falls was viewed between nine and eleven o'clock. The party, tired and ready for a good night's sleep, retired about midnight. Entering the busses about eight o'clock in the morning the party drove again to the Falls and then to Thorold where the plant of the Dominion Paper Mills was visited. Welland, Dunnville, Jarvis, etc., were visited on the way to the farm of Hon. John S. Martin, near Port Dover. Here the White Wyandottes belonging to the Minister of Agriculture were inspected and also the building and other equipment in connection with the poultry business. Since was visited and dinner prepared, after visiting a tobacco farm operated by the Norfolk Tobacco Growers.

On the way home Waterloo, Brantford, Galt, Preston, Kitchener, Waterloo, Elmira, Arthur, etc., were visited before the Grey County party returned to Markdale. It was a splendid trip, well organized and should put new pep into those who took it in. While there was not time to see the many interesting sights to be seen, it will give many an idea of the greatness of the southern part of our own province. For want of space we are prevented from publishing a list of the names of those who were present.

### Balm Bradley is Dead

After an illness of several months duration Mr. Balm Bradley of this place passed away Tuesday forenoon, aged 44 years. The deceased was born in "Euphrasia" and had resided in this town for many years. In the past few years he had carried on an insurance business in Markdale, but was compelled to give it up because of ill health. He is survived by his wife, one son and one daughter. The funeral will take place on Thursday afternoon at Markdale Cemetery. Service will be held in Christ Church at 2.30 o'clock. The funeral will be conducted under Masonic auspices and deceased having been a member of Hiram Lodge, Markdale. A fuller obituary will appear next week.

### Rev. J. J. Morton Died at Hamilton

Rev. John James Morton, retired Anglican clergyman, died Saturday afternoon at his home, 39 Park St. South, Hamilton, aged 82 years, after an illness of two months. Rev. Mr. Morton was born in Shakespeare, Ont., and was educated in the Public School there, later attending Niagara Falls Grammar School. He taught school for four years, and then studied theology at the Huron College at London, graduating there in 1874. He was ordained the same year as deacon and priest by Bishop Hellmuth, and during his ministry was stationed at Markdale, Bruden (Manitoba), Lowellville, Port Colborne and Bullock's Corners. Deceased was a Conservative and a member of the Irish Protestant Benevolent Society. When Rector of Christ Church the late Mr. Morton was exceedingly popular with all classes and those who remember him will be sorry to hear of his death.

### Death of Mrs. Thos. Abbott

The death of Mrs. Thos. Abbott, widow of the late Thos. Abbott, occurred in Owen Sound on Saturday morning, June 23, after an illness extending over two months time. A stroke about two weeks ago hastened death.

The deceased was born at Hoggs Hollow, York County, sixty years ago, and at the age of nineteen came with her parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. Mark Abbey, from Etobicoke to Berkeley, and took up residence there, where she has resided continuously, excepting short periods when she went to Owen Sound. She nursed in that city a great deal and was widely known there. About forty-eight years ago she was united in marriage to the late Thos. Abbott, who predeceased her twenty-two years ago. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. E. T. Walters, and Miss Mary of Berkeley, and one son, now residing in Toronto. She also leaves one sister and four brothers, namely: Mrs. Muecke of Toronto; John of Ayr, Richard of Wainfleet, Albert and Duke of Berkeley.

The deceased was of Anglican faith and a member of St. Matthias' church at Berkeley. The funeral was held from her late residence Monday afternoon at 2.30, to the Anglican cemetery. Rev. Mr. Taylor of Owen Sound took charge of the service and was assisted by the Rev. A. S. Mitchell of Berkeley.

The funeral was largely attended by neighbors and friends. Those who attended the funeral from a distance were: Mrs. Muecke and son, Robert; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Huggins and son Jack; Mrs. Alex. Norris, Misses Mabel and Joan Walters of Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Abbey and Mrs. Potts of Simcoe; Mr. Richard Walters of Detroit; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Flint; Misses Sarah and Dorothy Walters, Mr. Hines, Mr. Little, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Shears, Mr. Little, Mrs. James Shears of Owen Sound; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lawrence and Mrs. Sproule of Durham; Mr. Robert Lackey of Feverisham.

The floral tributes: Wreaths, Mrs. Muecke and family; Mrs. Norris of Toronto; Walters family; Berkeley; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Flint; Owen Sound; Sprays, Neighbors of 4th Ave. West; Owen Sound; Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell family; Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Flynn; Mr. and Mrs. John McCann of Berkeley, and a card from Rev. A. S. Mitchell.

### U. F. O. Picnic

There was a tremendous crowd at the South Grey U. F. O. picnic held in the Lever grove near Flesherton on Friday of last week. The receipts were considerably above last year's, and a splendid program was provided. Addresses were given both afternoon and evening by Miss Agnes Macphail, M.P., Mr. F. R. Oliver, M.P., and Mr. S. Woodsworth, M.P., for Winnipeg north. Several games of softball were played and proved very interesting. Markdale Pipe Band supplied an abundance of music.

### Grey County Council

At the June session of Grey County Council held in Owen Sound last week there was very little business transacted which is of general interest.

The members of the Council drove over the seventh and ninth lines of St. Vincent and decided that the County road from Temple Hill to Meaford should go by way of the ninth line. The vote stood 22 to 13 in favor of the change.

There was no change made in the assessment of the county and the rate was set at 8 mills on the dollar.

### Grey County Judging Competition

The third annual Grey County Judging Competition will be held at Markdale on Saturday, June 30th, beginning at 9 o'clock in the morning. It is anticipated that a large number of boys and girls from the County will take part.

The contest is staged for the boys and girls between the ages of 16 and 20. The girls will judge, Nutrition, Good Dressing and House-Flair. The boys will judge, Horses, Beef Cattle, Sheep and Swine with grain and potatoes if we can secure samples for this contest. The prizes for the boys will be a silver basket for highest standing with other suitable silver prizes for the second and third highest. If

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| UNDERWEAR for Men & Boys  | Black or Sand                                    |
| Fancy Tweed and Flannel Pants for Men   | HOSE for Boys Black or Sand                      |
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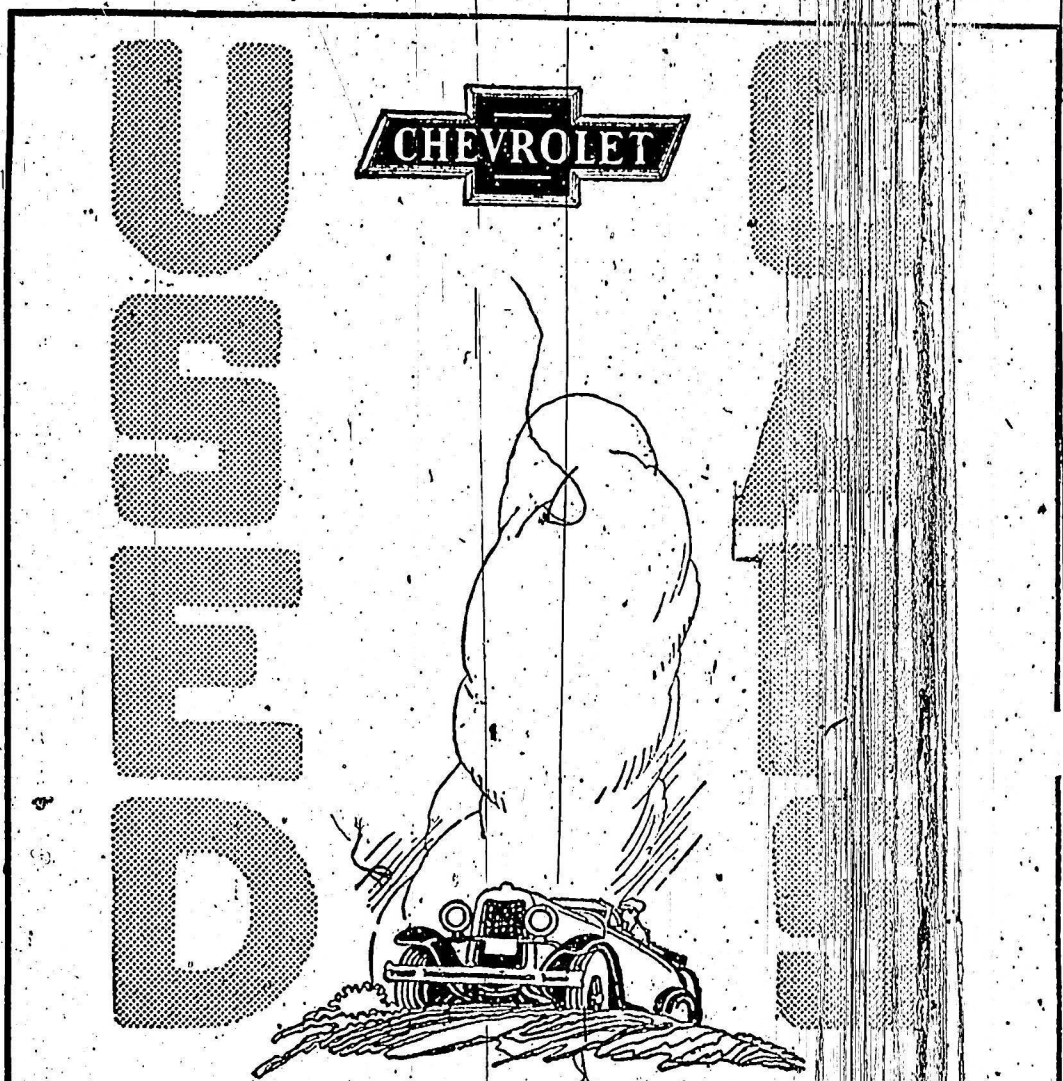
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The fixtures will permit medals will be given to the winners in each of the classes provided they do not win the prizes mentioned above. The prizes for the boys will be suitable trophies which will be useful in many ways. These in all probability will be on display at the time of the competition.

In addition to the prizes the three highest boys who have never been at a Judging Competition at the Royal Winter Fair will be selected to represent Grey County in these contests. At the same time the ten boys who will be entertained by the Government will be selected. These are the ten highest boys at the contest. All those who went last year are not eligible for this prize but it is expected that from these ten boys the team to represent Grey will be selected. All the boys and girls in Grey are invited to take part. They must be at Markdale as nearly 9 o'clock as possible so that it will not be too late when we complete the contest. All boys and girls entering the contest are asked to bring their own lunch. Tea will be served free of charge. A special dinner will be served for the boys and girls who are to represent Grey County in these contests. The dinner will be served at the Markdale Hotel. A special dinner will be served for the boys and girls who are to represent Grey County in these contests. The dinner will be served at the Markdale Hotel. A special dinner will be served for the boys and girls who are to represent Grey County in these contests. The dinner will be served at the Markdale Hotel.



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### Baseball

Flesherton 7 - Markdale 1. Markdale's first game of the season was a 7-1 victory over the local team. The game was played on Wednesday evening at the local stadium. The Markdale team was led by pitcher John Smith, who pitched a complete game. The local team was led by pitcher Tom Brown, who pitched for five innings before being relieved. The game was a decisive one, with Markdale scoring all their runs in the first three innings.

### FARM YOUTH

FRIDAY, JULY 6. The farm youth of the county are preparing for the annual county fair. The fair will be held in Markdale on Friday, July 6th. The youth are busy with their preparations, including the selection of exhibits and the organization of the various contests. The fair is a major event for the farm youth, and they are all looking forward to it with great anticipation. The fair will feature a wide variety of exhibits, including agricultural products, handicrafts, and entertainment. It is expected to be a very successful and enjoyable event for all who attend.