

DORN.

Leave in Requesing, on Tuesday, January 16, to Mr. and Mrs. Jas. H. Lindsey, a daughter.

DEED.

Born, in Action, on Sunday, 6th January, the infant daughter of Mr. John Hart, aged 6 months.

Deceased, at Midwinter, on Thursday, 8th January, Wapiti, son, oldest son of Moses Orman, 1 year old.

Deceased, in Action, on Tuesday, 13th January, the infant daughter of Mr. William Beaven.

Deceased, in Action, on Wednesday, Dec. 31st, 1902, Eliza Johnston, wife of the late John Rossiter, aged 77 years, Banff.

The Actor Free Press.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 15, 1903.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier, when questioned by the press on Monday, laughingly denied the story as absurdly published by the opposition papers, that he is to retire from the Government.

Mrs. George C. Gresham, Superintendent of Parsonage Institute, has received a telegram from all the institutions showing that the total add up membership for the year 1902 was 21,711, an increase of 2,252 over the preceding year.

The names of A. Pattullo, M. P. P., and G. E. Graham, M. P. P., two prominent newspaper men of the provincial press, have been withdrawn from the Ontario Cabinet without portfolio. Mr. W. A. Charlton will in all probability be the new Speaker of the House.

The application of a new law in force has set the drinking men of that state to quaking. A man convicted of being drunk has been sentenced, under the new law, to one year in the habeas ward of the State Asylum. The conviction has spread fear among drinkers who dread insane asylums more than any other form of punishment.

The by-elections last Wednesday resulted in a sweep of the three ridings for the Liberals. This gives the Government a majority of five, with one vacant constituency—North Renfrew. This will no doubt be carried by the Government, and, judging from the results in North Grey, North Perth and North Norfolk, the majority will grow with any further ridings which may be opened.

In an interview in Toronto on Monday Hon. Mr. Greenway, in speaking of the issues in the west, said respecting the prohibition question, while it was quiet now, he had no doubt it would be revived when the election campaign came on this fall. Referring to the recent vote in this province, he expressed the opinion that had he known the result of the election he would have attained the required standard. "I think, however, the vote reflects great credit on the temperance sentiment of the province," he added.

In a review of the financial and business year just ended Bradstreet's says that Canada last week completed, from a business point of view, the most eventful year in her history. That the Dominion has been experiencing a remarkable expansion, caused by the great expansion that she has taken place in manufacturing, mercantile and financial circles, as well as in the agricultural sections of the country. There was a great increase in the wealth of the country during the past year. At no time in her history has Canada attracted so much attention in the financial and business world as she does to-day.

The ministers and officials at the Provincial Parliament Buildings have manifested more cheerfulness the past week than at any previous time since the provincial elections. Now that the Government has a fair working majority it is expected that Premier Ross will call the House together at a very early date. Under the present regulations the House can be called together in a day or week, the old rule requiring a month's notice having been abandoned some years ago. At present the members for Limerick, South Oxford and East Middlesex cannot take their seats, since their elections are still under protest or appeal. The North Renfrew by-election cannot take place before the House meets, and then that will be brought on as soon as possible.

The following "mainly utterances by Major Hamilton, of Guelph, in his inaugurations on Monday, will be appreciated by our Canadian friends: "There is one thing I have been constrained to touch upon with regard to our police force, and that is the enforcement of the liquor law during prohibited hours, and that the police force be required to do their duty. With the assurance I now have, we may look for a carrying out of the law to the letter. The ruling sentiment of this city is that the law must be enforced to its entirety. That there is much secret drinking during the prohibited hours is undeniable, and it is equally undeniable that if the police are instructed to do their duty all such illicit drinking could be stopped." Major Hamilton's view is certainly very different from that expressed so often by certain authorities for Action, to the effect that the constables of the municipality have nothing to do with the enforcement of the liquor law until the people become informers of violations.

MON. GEO. E. POSTER
Is Chosen As The Conservative Candidate In North Ontario.
BEAVERCROFT, Ont., Jan. 9.—The Conservative convention was held here today to select a candidate to fill the vacany in the riding of North Ontario caused by the death of the late Mr. Angus McLeod. The nomination was unanimously given to the Hon. Geo. E. Poster, and he has since accepted it.

BLK. Headache.

A woman without children has not yet the most precious of her jewels.

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Mrs. Joseph Woodworth, Olin, B. S., says: "I have been troubled with headache for over a year. Late I started taking Laxa-Liver Pill, and they did me a world of good acting without pain or help."

Give heed to the voice of old woman; sorrow has given her wisdom.

1903 COUNCIL INAUGURATED.

THE COURT SAYS IT WAS SMALL FOX.

Decisions Reserved as to Jurisdiction
For the Suit Against Mrs. VANCE.

The members-elect of the Council of Huron met at the Council Chamber on Monday morning promptly at eleven o'clock, as required by statute, for inauguration.

The members having subscribed to their declarations of office and qualification took their seats as follows:

Reeve, H. Swackhamer, Councillors—G. Hynds, J. Agnew, H. Holmes and James Brown.

After a few felicitous remarks by Reeve Swackhamer the business was proceeded with.

Mr. George Hynds, seconded by John Agnew, that the Reeve, the members and auditors be a committee to strike the standing committees for the year, was carried.

The committee retired and subsequently reported the following as the standing committees, which the Council confirmed:

Finance—The Reeve, Chairman, George Hynds, John Agnew, Fire and Light—Gen. Hynds, Chairman of the Reeve.

Cemetery—The Reeve, Chairman, George Hynds.

The Park—James Brown, Chairman, and John Agnew.

Town Hall—John Agnew, Chairman, and Robert Holmes.

Strands and Walks—Robert Holmes, Chapman, James Brown and the Auditor.

The By-law appointing auditors was passed, the names of Wm. Stark and W. H. Denny being inserted as the auditors.

The Council then adjourned until 8 o'clock p.m.

At 8 o'clock Reeve Swackhamer took the chair. All the members were present.

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