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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1913

BRIEF LOCAL ITEMS

—A Merry Christmas.

—Nominations next Monday.

—Only one more week of 1913.

—Peace on earth, good will to men.

—Sleighing for Christmas. Thanks!

—Sunday was the year's shortest day.

—Make it a merry day for some one else.

—This is the day in which to remember others.

—Milton Epworth League has now a mock parliament.

—Santa Claus was the busiest man in town last night.

—Reeve Hynde will address Knox Sunday School next Sunday afternoon.

—The first sleighs and cutters with their merry bells were out on Tuesday.

—The skaters have had splendid sport on Corporation Pond the past week.

—J. R. Hume, Toronto, was fined $10.00 and costs for selling cigars on Sunday.

—Christmas morning services will be held in St. Alban's Church at 8 and 10.30 o'clock.

—FREE PRESS renewals and new subscriptions are coming in with gratifying volume.

—Mr. John Bingham will be a candidate for the Reeveship of Esquesing at the coming elections.

—The sermons and music of the various churches had much of the spirit of Christmastide.

—There are three candidates for the Reeveship of Georgetown: Messrs. Fleck, Heartwell and Barber.

—Councillor J. F. Little, it is understood, will succeed Warden E. F. Karl as Reeve of Milton.—Champion.

—Knox Sunday School entertainment in the town hall New Year's night will be a most enjoyable event.

—If the mild dry weather continues the Council will require to consider oiling the streets to keep down the dust.

—A service suitable to the spirit of the Christmas festival will be held in the Methodist Church this evening at eight o'clock.

—Mr. Alex Munro has kindly sent the FREE PRESS a copy of the Christmas number of the Northern Tiest from his old home in Scotland.

—The Toronto Suburban Railway surveyors were back in town from Guelph this week finishing their work on some of the grades through this section.

—The last meeting of the Directors of Halton Union Fire Insurance Company for 1913 was held in the town hall on Monday. This popular company is just closing a successful year.

—R. J. Campbell, J. P., has dismissed the charge of shooting a duck out of season, laid by Chief Constable Chapman against the thirteen-year-old son of M. J. Carton, of Nassagaweya.

—Frank L. Barrett, of the Barrett Dairy Co., Guelph, was sandbagged, bound and gagged on his premises on Saturday morning. The safe was forced open but little booty was secured.

—The Berlin Light Commission has received and adopted a new schedule of light and power rates from the Hydro department, which provides for a reduction of 10 per cent. to consumers.

—A change is proposed in the operation of rural route No. 2. The residents of the fifth line are to be served by a route out of Limehouse and the Acton route will be considerably shortened in consequence.

—The members of the Order of Canadian Home Circles are considerably stirred up just now owing to the proposal of the Supreme Circle officers to largely increase the amounts of assessment for death claims.

—Justice Middleton has delivered judgment in the case, Ruddy vs. Milton, tried before him at the fall assizes. It was against the town for allowing Ruddy's premises to be flooded. Ruddy was awarded $200.

—After the Epworth League service on Tuesday evening, Miss Fern Brown, church organist, was presented with a substantial purse in recognition of her valued services. Rev. Mr. Draper spoke kindly words of appreciation.

—Mr. Austin Sweekhamer, of Erin, reports that some miserable sneak thief stole a parcel of Christmas presents intended for the children from his rig which was standing in the Methodist Church shed on Saturday evening.

—Judge McGibbon, who has been acting as arbitrator between the Town of Brampton and Albert Liddell, has awarded him $800 for the land which the town wishes to expropriate in order to extend Mill Street at the south end.

—"No Booze for Brampton," is the slogan of the Brampton Young Manhood Association, a new organization. The young men have organized to prevent the renewal of liquor licenses in Brampton, and bills bearing this slogan have been posted up all over Brampton.

NEWS OF LOCAL IMPORT.

Teachers Away for Christmastide

Miss Mabel F. Howie went to Walkerton, Miss Lottie A. Pilley to Goderich, Miss Veda MacPherson to Kincardine, Miss Winnifred Watson to Creemore, Miss Annie Taylor, to Blythe, Miss Nellie Jardine to Milton.

Successful at Guelph Model School

The following local students of the Guelph Model School have successfully passed their examinations, and are now fully qualified to teach: Mary C. Masales, Nellie Williams, Bessie H. Mullin, Annie I. Rodgers. Edith Stout, Katie C. Howieson, and May A. Torrance, of Rockwood; and Eunice E. Graham and Harold C. Morris, of Erin, were also successful.

The "White" Christmas Gifts

The custom of the scholars in Sunday Schools giving instead of receiving presents at Christmas, is a good one. Some classes donate cash to worthy causes, or give clothing or produce to poor families and toys to children who otherwise would go without. This plan does much to curb the present tendency of aiming always to "get." Many are proving that it is "more blessed to give than to receive."

Halton's Prize Fruit

On Tuesday Ex-Warden M. C. Smith presented the County Council with a large photograph showing Halton's exhibit at the Ontario Horticultural Exhibition and at the Warden's dinner in the evening told how it had won second prize as a whole and six firsts and one second out of seven entries in different classes, about $400 altogether. He added that the exhibit had been applied for and given to British fruit men for exhibition in the old land. It is now there with a Halton placard, a splendid advertisement for the county.

Burglars at Milton

Last Thursday morning Messrs. D. A. Hewgill and Jas. Brown, grocers, E. F. Karl, stove dealer, and Richam & Brandon, butchers, discovered that burglars had entered their stores in the night. The doors had been forced open with an iron bar about an inch wide. Nothing was missed except by Mr. Brown, who is out 40 cents, all he had left in the till. Mr. Hewgill's till was found on the floor, but his cash register was overlooked. An unsuccessful attempt was made on the door of Thos. McJannett's grocery.—Champion.

Judge Elliott for Halton

On Tuesday the County Council unanimously passed a resolution recommending the appointment of J. W. Elliott, K. C., by the Minister of Justice, as Judge for Halton. A copy of the resolution, signed by every member of the Council, has been forwarded to the Minister. Appointments of local lawyers as county judges are very unusual, and the rule against them is a good one, but should the Government make an exception in this case approval will be general throughout Halton. Mr. Elliott is popular with its residents generally, irrespective of politics, and has made a good record as Deputy Judge.—Champion. No possible appointment could be made that would be more acceptable throughout the County than to make J. W. Elliott, K. C., our County Judge.

Home from Schools and Colleges

Mr. Ralston Brown is home from Victoria College, Toronto, for Christmas holidays; Mr. James Henderson, from the University; Mr. Harold Nicklin from the S. P. S.; Mr. W. G. Kenney from the Veterinary College Mr. Arthur Kenney, from the Dental College; Mr. Linton Kenney from Albert College, Belleville; Misses Ruby Clark, Florence Holmes and Jessie Smith, from Toronto Schools; Miss Margaret Bennett from Clarkson; Miss Hazel Hurd from Nobleton; Miss Daisy Falster from Dufferin School; Miss Gertrude Johnstone, Nassagaweya; Miss Hannah Plank from South River; Miss Annie Harvey from St. Catharines; Mr. Andrew O'Brien from Clear Creek; Misses Ruth Nelson and Bertha Brown from Hamilton Normal School; Miss Malmprize from Branchbridge; Miss Annie McDonald from Nassagaweya.

Used Another Man's Name

One day last week Abraham Turek laid information before H. P. Moore, J. P., against Harry Fischer charging him with signing Turek's brother's name to a document knowing it to be false with the intention that it should be acted upon as genuine to the prejudice of Turek. The substance of the charge was that Fischer had written a post card purporting to have been written by Turek's brother in Toronto saying he had been run over by a street car, sustained serious injuries, that he was in the Hospital on College Street and requesting that he come at once. Turek left on the first train. When he reached Toronto he found his brother in good health and discovered that he had not written the card he received. He returned to Acton and secured evidence which satisfied him that Fischer was the author of the lying information. Hence the charge. When summoned Fischer proposed to settle the matter by paying expenses incurred by Turek and the court costs and to this the abused man agreed. Fischer will be careful about using other men's names without permission hereafter.

Successful High School At Home

The annual At Home of the students and teachers of Acton High School held in the Town Hall last Friday evening proved to be a gratifyingly successful function. A feature most pleasing was the presence of a number of graduates of the High School who came from a distance to enjoy the evening with the students and teachers of the present. The guests were received by Principal and Mrs. Stewart, Miss Howie, Miss Wilma Johnstone and Mr. Ethelred White. A brief but meritorious programme preceded the series of promenades and refreshments. It comprised choruses by the Young Ladies Glee Club of the School, two dialogues "A Slight Mistake," and "Dr. Cure-all," two tableaux from "Little Women" and "The Gleaner," a piano duett by Misses Jean and Margaret Wilson, readings by Miss Alicia O'Brien and Mr. E. White, and an original poem, "The Old School and the New," by Miss Isabel Anderson. The piano numbers for the promenades were played by Misses Watson, Johnstone, Wilson, Kennedy, Williams and Kenney. Mr. H. P. Moore was the Chairman.

PERSONAL AND TRAVEL NOTES

Social and Personal Items of Interest to Free Press Readers

GLEANED DURING THE WEEK

Dr. W. H. Lowry, Sr., Guelph, was in town on Tuesday.

Mrs. Frank McIntosh, of Orillia, is in town for the holidays.

Mr. Wm. Plank is home from his trip east for the holidays.

Mr. James McPherson is home from the Northwest for the holidays.

Miss Annie Harvey is home from St. Catharines for the holidays.

Mr. Fred Secord is spending Christmastide with his brother at Orillia.

Mr. T. E. Secord and Miss Rachel, of Guelph, visited friends here on Monday.

Mrs. George Soper is spending Christmas with her daughter at Preston.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Dills, of Johnstown, N. Y., are here for the holidays.

Rev. M. Cree, of Norwood, is spending the holidays at his father's home, Willow Street.

Miss Pleasance Matheson, of Oxbow, Sask., is the guest of Mrs. N. F. Moore, Bower Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. S. Workman, of Brampton, are visiting relatives here over the holidays.

Miss Margaret Harvey arrived home on Saturday morning from Calgary to spend a few weeks.

Mr. Henry Watson, of Killarney, Man., is spending the winter with his brother, Mr. John Watson.

Mr. John Ramsay, Eden Mills, spent a couple of days this week at the home of Mr. Laing, Arthur Street.

Miss Amy Speight, of Toronto, came up for the High School At Home and remained several days with Acton friends.

Miss Edna Perryman, of Toronto, and her brother's children are visiting during the holidays at the home of her sister, Mrs. George Nelles.

Rev. Dr. Irwin returned from Winnipeg last Thursday to spend the Christmas vacation with his family here. The doctor will remain until after New Years.—Oakville Star.

Mr. and Mrs. John Harvey announce the engagement of their daughter, Jessie, to Mr. Carlton Banks, of Moose Jaw, the wedding to take place at their residence, Lake Avenue, on Christmas afternoon.

Miss Nellie Williams, who passed the Model School examinations last week, has accepted a situation on the staff of the Wiarton School, at a salary of $500. Miss Williams will have charge of the senior III room.

THE GOSPEL TEXT CALENDAR

The beautiful wall calendar which has been featured for years by H. S. Hallman, Publisher, Berlin, has been prepared for 1914. It has thirteen pages 12x18 inches, is printed in neatly contrasting colors, has large calendar figures, and each month bears an open bible in which there is an appropriate scriptural text for each day of the month. A novel feature is a calendar for 200 years by which a person may find the day of the week on which he was born, or the particular day of the week of any stated event. Send 25c. to H. S. Hallman, Box 788, Berlin.

NASSAGAWEYA

Mr. Peter Clark, who underwent a serious operation at Guelph Hospital last week, is doing as well as can be expected.

Mr. Thomas Storey held a very successful auction sale a week ago.

Mr. Wm. Sayers, who has spent a year in the west, has returned home.

Mr. Wm. Frank had the misfortune recently to lose one of his fine Hackney horses. Mr. Alex. McPhedran lost one of his fine colts also.

Messrs. John and Mack McTavish have returned home from the west for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Johnstone, of Acton, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Alexander McPhedran.

—Percy Laidlaw, of the 5th line, west Chinguacousy Township, has purchased the beautiful homestead of a 100 acre farm, being lot No. 2 in the 5th concession, west Chinguacousy Township, belonging to James McClure now gaoler of Brampton. Sale was made by J. A. Willoughby.

OSPRINGE

The Presbyterian tea-meeting on Tuesday evening was a splendid success. The programme was full of interest and everybody enjoyed the tea.

Mr. Albert Young, of the town line, has purchased the farm of Mr. John McKenzie, as a pasture farm, the price paid was about $3,000.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence McCutcheon, of Regina, are spending their holidays at the home of Mr. Stewart McCutcheon.

The rural mail route for Acton, which started on Monday on the first and second lines, will be much appreciated by our people of this community. Mr. Gibbons, of Acton, who has secured the position of mail carrier, will no doubt, be a very efficient mail officer.

There are 200,000 more women than men in London.

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Truly there is no other paper just like The Sun. It is peerless in the advocacy of right and justice, condemning unscrupulous methods wherever found. May its influence ever increase.—R. B. McLean, Huron County.

The above is but a sample of the many hundreds of unsolicited expressions received from Sun readers. You should subscribe for The Weekly Sun the farmer's business paper. You will find it profitable reading.

Guelph Lady Fractures Both Arms

One arm broken at the wrist and the other at the shoulder were the injuries received by Mrs. Davidson, wife of Principal James Davidson, of the Collegiate Institute, on Friday afternoon, by a simple fall of a few steps on the stairs of her residence. With her broken arm she managed in spite of the great pain to take down the receiver and telephone Mr. Davidson at the Collegiate.

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Sunday Poker Playing

Six men were caught on Sunday playing poker in a back room over the Belmont restaurant, Toronto, Sunday afternoon. It is rumored that as many poker players might be caught any Sunday afternoon in a certain back room in Acton. Even Toronto players are alleged to come to town for games on Sunday occasionally.

C. P. R. to go Above Georgetown

Surveyors have again been at work in Esquesing on the new line the C. P. Railway intend running through this section. The road will run through Bates' quarry on the second line, through the George Black place at the fourth line, and between R. C. McCullough's house and barn on the seventh line above Georgetown. It is expected construction work will commence next year.

The Georgetown Herald issued a special illustrated number last week which is a credit to the office and to the town. Its illustrations showing the officials and leading citizens, the public buildings and attractive streets, and its interesting historical and biographical letter press, give a splendid description of Georgetown and its interests.

Halton County's Vital Statistics

The annual report of births marriages and deaths in this province for the year 1912 has just been issued. During the year there were in Ontario 58,870 registrations of births, 22,845 marriages and 32,150 deaths. Of the marriages 81 grooms and 13 brides were 16 years of age or over. Nearly half of the marriages were of persons between 20 and 24 years of age. Of the deaths 2,726 were caused by organic heart diseases and 2,250 by tuberculosis. In Halton County there were 420 births, 204 boys and 216 girls. Four pairs of twins were registered. It is very creditable that in this county last year there were only five illegitimate births. Halton had 109 marriages last year, 31 of which were in June. During the year we had 229 deaths. Of these 106 were males and 123 females; 161 were Canadians, 47 foreigners and 21 not stated.

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