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EDITORIAL

The Newspaper Courts Others' Opinions

From week to week the local newspaper has its reader agrees with the opinion expressed by the editor, sometimes he does not. But the reader does not need to let the editor have all the say. Letters to the editor on questions of community interest are one or both parties in Lynden to avoid a situation always welcome, no matter whether the views expressed are shared by him or not. If you have an idea you think they should know or a suggestion that will benefit the community in any way, sit down and write a letter to the local newspaper. Contributions, particularly those on subjects of local interest, are always welcome.—Carleton Place Canadian.

Wasting Time on the Telephone

Editor A. W. Marsh, of the Amherstburg Echo, remarks that there is a lot of time wasted in unneces- much of. sary trivolous conversation over the telephone. For instance, how many of us, when we call our friends, do not often start off with "How are you to-day?" themselves pretty industrious, indulge in much talk procession in this vicinity. that they would never dream of uttering when in Conversation face to face. The great trouble is that not only are such people wasting their own time but frequently the time of other people who want to get resemble, in nomenclature at least, the ... "flying the use of the line for business or other importance. machine" our grandfathers used to talk about but former's sisters. Mrs. John Tarawell . 11 this applies to you, and it likely does to nearly all never dreamed of seeing. who road this, make a calculation of how much better your time and that of the party at the other end of the line could be employed.

What Makes a Town?

What makes a town? Is it the wealth evidenced by the homes and splendid store buildings? These chollywobbles. Oh, the joys of youth! may attest to the stability and thrift of certain people, but they offer no great inducements to commercial and moral progress. Is it the spirit of good Frder and law observance? That is a factor only. have this spirit in rank abundance. Is it the schools the geographical location, the character of the outcome but it suggests interesting possibilities. country surrounding, the natural advantages? None of these are essential. Well, what is it that makes a town, anyway? Just one thing-the unity of the cinces when it comes to boosting the town. No town commercial life and made thriving cities out of dor- small place after all. mant towns. Natural advantages count for much and prosperity cannot be built upon shifting sand, but any town with half a chance can be made to grow has been in Acton for years, if ever before, was in and expand and thrive when its citizens join with one accord in the boosting programme.

Obligations to the Community Within recent years the attitude of some of the their business was done. In effect they said, "The was notable, money is ours, the property is ours, and we can do what we wish with it." It is needless to remind ourselves that this is a mistaken view, not only for and every corporation, which is but an aggregation would be surprised at his reluctance to test man must respect the rights of his neighbors. If he again, however, the fact of how blessed we are are part of the complex social organization, and again for a drink of good Canadian water. amenable to the laws that demand fair play. This is a wholesome change. It is needless to speculate that every institution in the country is boun initiatoluble bonda to every

Government Control in British Columbia

When the situation, under so-called "Government Control," really government sale, in British Columblasis so striking that it warrants the giving of two or three pages in the Ladies' Home Journal of Philadelphia to its discussion, there must be something doing either way. A sentence or two from the report of the investigator, an unbiased American, shows how really striking it is: "One Saturday night in the daying with her parents; Rev. J. and bootlegging clubs and joints of Vancouver, I saw more men drunk than I had seen in all the United little son left last Thursday for their States in four years since national prohibition began; and I was in fewer than twenty of the two hundred and fifty-five bootlegging dives of that city." And in the face of that sort of thing advocates of government control continue to tell us that sale by the their entrance examinations in Rockgovernment will stop bootlegging. It has been well wood school last week, this being the established, by no less an authority than government at this centre. statistics, that in the old days in Ontario, when we The annual summer boys' camp of had local option in some towns and bars still remain- held in the Exhibition Park again this (ling in others, there was more law-breaking in the year. The camp will continue for license towns, where liquor could be secured with rolled, and under the able leadership comparitive case, than in the local option municipali- provided, the boys are baving an in-

Some Towns Have Two Memorials

A curious but regrettable situation has developed at Lynden, a small village a few miles east of Brantford. Two or three years ago, at an old boy's reunion, a considerable sum was raised for a community park and athletic grounds. The money was placed in the hands of a committee of commissioners baby, of Kitchener, spent Thursday this week. who, as time, went by, failed to act. More active citizens, getting impatient, initiated a park of their own at the south end of the town, and then the end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. commissioners and another section of the community chose a site at the north end: Various parties have Quelph, spent Sunday with Mrs. H. months with her brother. tried their hands at effecting a getting-together, but Tovell. without avail. The matter was brought to a head on Saturday, June 28, when, on the occasion of another old boys' re-union, the two parks and two memorials were opened simultaneously. Not only is the happen- McLean. The President, Mrs. B. ing an unfortunate economic waste but it has also stirred up the most intense local enmity in business, say about matters local and general. Sometimes the church, athletic and family circles. This sort of spirit is the kind of thing which leads to war, and is not to be tolerated in this generation. There should have been enough give-in-ness on the part of which bids fair to keep enmity alive for generations; and to prevent the development in any way of what is now a small enough village.

EDITORIAL NOTES

When you suffer from lame back after weeding the garden these days take the consolation of know. Bask, visited with Mr. and Mrs. R ing that you have been enjoying some of the exercise in the open air the doctors tell us we need so

It was good to see the Orangemen in Acton again last Saturday. But one thing many of the older ones "Can you guess who's speaking?" "No, it isn't, try of us missed was Mr. John Kenney, Sr., with his again." Etc. Often people who ordinarily consider well-worn "tile," which used to grace every Twelfth

> What with balloon tires, stream-line bodies and aeroplane motors the modern automobile begins to

friends in the vicinity. Another week or so and the apple, sauce season will be here. Nothing tastier than fresh apple sauce at that, particularly if mother isn't stingy with the sugar bowl. And with apple sauce comes apple pies and apple bumplings and-for many a small boy-

Truly woman suffrage seems to be on us with a vengeance. The Adamson Bill, which has been given a good deal of consideration recently in the British The sleepiesr old hamlets that dot the country may House, fixes the voting age for women at twenty-one years which, authorities note, will place the women clident was narrowly escaped when a lie the young woman about whom the and churches? May their number ever increase, but in England in considerable majority over the men in party of young people from a neigh- United Presbyterian tells this divertthey don't make a town—they only culture it. Is it general elections. As yet, no one can foresce the un excessive rate, lost control of the

A letter from the editor from Brussels, tells of gurage helped them out of the predicarunning across one-morning, in one of the streets of people, the existence of a common bond which causes the Belgian capital, a young man, now a University business and social enemies to put aside all differ- professor in Montreal, who, twenty-five years ago. spent several years in Acton, but who, presumably, rever made real progress in the way of substantial has not been in town since. In all probability the success without the get-together spirit unanimously editor will have similar experiences several times beadopted. It has infused new blood into the heart of fore he gets away from England. The world is a

Saturday's celebration, with a crowd larger than one sense a mighty fine exposition of the success of on August 6. the Ontario Temperance Act. Think of what that crowd would have been in the old days of the open July and August. bar. Some of us older ones remember Orange celebrations in Acton, and elsewhere, when a consider- ing at her home here. great corporations of the country toward the public able percentage of the visitors did not live up to the has changed. The men in charge, who came in con- high principles of the order in the matter of temperfact with the people, used to give the impression that ance, and when conditions were anything but they did not care what any one thought of the way pleasant. The good behavior of the crowd last week

THE FREE PRESS' editor, writing from Paris, notes managers of corporations, but for men who have had to be made on apollinaris. Of course, with the particularly the lack of water, stating that reliance only their wages and families to manage. Every man editor's teetotal, principles so well known, no one of men, have obligations to the community. The national French beverages. The note brings to mind does not he is punished in some way. Many of the this country, and right here in Acton particularly, The action arose over a piece of land corporations have acted as if those with whom they with an abundant supply of the purest, most refreshdealt had no rights which they were bound to re- ing water always conveniently available. Many a ed. spect. Events are making it clear to them that they soldier in his days in Flanders longed over and over tune to badly out his thumb on his

how much of it is due to the decisions of the courts bridal wreath, or as the botanists dub it, "spires von Whoover introduced that old favorite shrub of O. W. Rhynna & Son. He was that an officer of a corporation may not refuse to dis- huttei," into this country, deserved a thought of close corporations methods on the witness-stand and thanks from us these days. It is pretty enough, as a how much to an awakened sense of public respon- shrub alone, but when to this green beauty is added the revetment wall on Thursday mornsibility. It is also useless to wonder whether the old the glory of those hanging clusters of gorgeous Greenwood Cemetery. this marning. "insolence of corporations" was merely the insolence white, delicate as they are dainty, it, is surely a thing The unknown man was identified by a of subordinates clothed with a little brief authority, of beauty, Proquently one hears the wish that the who felt themselves responsible to their employers bloom might last longer than the short week or two A meeting of the Town Council was and not to the public. That which is of importance is it delights us. Did it ever occur to you, with this evening, when Mayor Marris, Reeve the growth of a proper and wholesome respect for thought, that if it did show its glories longer it Chent and Council Gray were appointed as large and the mostthe people at large and the dawning of a reelization wouldn't be half so much appreciated? The old ling of the Highway Advisory Committing of the Highway Advisory Committee, which is being held at Orangeville on Friday to discuss highway work.

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Neighborhood News-Town and Country

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ROCKWOOD

Mr. Russell Reaves, of Owen Bound, is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Mrs. R. Robinson, Toronto, Is holl-Mrs. Little. Rev. R. Geiger, Mrs. Geiger and present. new home at Chesley. They will be much missed in this vicinity.

Mr. Alex. McPhedran, Miss Elizaboth and Master Harry motored to St Chomas and Clinton last week. largest number that has ever written be in full swing in this locality this

atructive as well as a very enjoyable

EVERTON

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. McCannell spent Sunday with friends at Puslinch. The Misses Hazel and Helen Grindell, Guelph, were week-end guests at Bereet. the home of the Reed family, and also visited Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Everts. with Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Awrey. Mrs. Nixon Cole and infant son, Douglas, of Georgetown, were week- He left yesterday for that city.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Gerrie, Erin, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Geo.

On Thursday afternoon the Woman's Institute met at the home of Mrs. Nell Parkhouse, occupied the chair. The meeting opened by singing the Institute ode, after which the minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. An interesting programme was enjoyed by all. The meeting closed by singing the National Ari-

Mrs. W. Matthews, of Harriston, is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. H. Mat-

Mr. Harry O. Austin is at MacTier Mr. John Root, of Pittsburg, P. A. is visiting with relatives in the neigh-Mrs. W. A. Island, of Scotsguard,

Fines this week. Miss Marie Strong and Mr. V. Booke were guests of Miss Ida Frank on Mrs. R. Schram, of Detroit, Mich s visiting with ber brother, Mr. Sam Nurse, and other friends. Mrs. Goldstein and two children, Detroit, are visiting with her parent Mr. and Mrs. Sugarman. Mr. and Mrs. Herkley and

and Miss Ella Berkley, of Toronto, rung the door-bell every time he passmotored and spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Jas. E. Austin. Mr. and Mrs. John Irwin and daughter, of Hillsburg, and Mr. and Mrs. 8 Nurse and daughter motored and spent a couple of days with Mount Forest and Owen Bound friends. Mr. and Mrs. D. A. McEachern, of and Mrs. John Wilson, of the third line, Erin, and also other relatives and

The members of L Q L No. 113 with visiting members from Acton and the members of L. O. B. A. No. 474, paraded to the Methodist Church on Sunday morning last, when Rev. Bro. J. A. Evans conducted the service. Now that the new road through the village is in splendid condition it has become a speed-way for reckless motor drivers. It is a common occurance to see a motor so through the village hitting between 10 and 40 miles. It would be good business for the Council and corporation to appoint a speed cop and enforce the motor

machine and landed in the deep ditch, my husband this morning. Sophia?" cost of the railway track next to the exclaimed a conscientious little bride station. Assistance from the local to the new servant. "I never saw him ment and they were soon on their way.

BURLINGTON

Miss Dorothy Dick, of Buffalo, Is vacationing with her friend, Miss Zella Elliott, Port Nelson. Mr. Russell Smale, of Detroit, is spending a couple of weeks' holidays

his home here. Master. Wm. Clifton is spending . month's holidays with his brother, tobert, in Detroit. The firemen are making arrangements to run a special train to Seaforth for the Firemen's demonstration Under the town by-law all dogs

Miss Mabel Hurd, of the Woman's lospital, Cleveland, Ohio, is holiday-Mr. and Mrs. H. Heritage and Mr. and Mrs. Russel Bnyder and litt daughter, of Philadelphia, are spending a few days with Mrs. W. K. Rac. lizabeth Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Taylor and three daughters, Jean, Mildred and Francis, left on Monday evening for Vancouver, B. C., on a month's visit to her brother, Mr. Walter Alton, of

Miss Della Dingle has just returned New York City and the Catskills. The case of the Baptist Church va. In Hyken was heard before His Honor over there is holding up both of his Judge Elliott at Milton on Tuesday. legs?" adjoining the church, which is plaimed by Mr. Bykes, Judgment was reserv-

Mr. Viotor Gilbert had the mistor-

left hand shortly before noon on Monday morning, while engaged in running a machine at the lumber mill taken to Dr. Bodkin, where his injured finger received medical treatment. As Chief Smith has received no word from Montreel regarding the man found dead on the lake shore, inside a minute and finally solved it to his

well attended by a large congregation at both morning and evening services, and were in charge of Rev. Mr. Lindsay, of Erin. .

home of Mr. H. R. McCutcheon at the week-end in this vicinity visiting

Mr. and Mrs. W. McLean, of Guelph, spent a few days visiting in this vicin-These warm bunny days are surely

attend the Chief Constables' Convention at Ottawa. Mr. J. H. Elliott has taken out a building permit for a six-roomed bungatow on Douglas Avenue. Work has commenced on a wooden aldowalk along the edge of the ap-

huilding permit for a garage on Allen

It is expected that the foundation of the addition to St. Jude's Sunday Walter Devine has taken a position with the "Standard" in St. Catharines.

Geoffrey Bentley, of the town line has just completed a large barn and cow stable, as well as a garage, to replace those that were burnt, a year

ago. J. Mackinder and Bons were Magistrate Douglas Davidson, in the Highway Court, Tuesday, ordered one of the White Star busses running between Toronto and Hamilton confiscated for seven, days, when the driver was convicted on a speeding charge, The Magistrate remarked it was the

Governed by the ruling passion for giving sweet, poetical names to country places, a man who lives in the central where he is employed as a relieving the Philadelphia Public Ledger, built a handsome little villa and called it "The Nutshell." Thus was the home introduced to his friends, and it became widely known; but to the surprise of all it was one day suddenly changed to "Sylvan Nock," and naturally a flood of inquiries soon began to "Say, old man," remarked one of his

neighbors, on noting the change, "why have you given your home a new name? What was the matter with 'The Nutshell'7" "Why?" responded the man, with some warmth. "Because I was tired

WHAT WE HEAR

ance woman to interject: "But the figures are against yo Our/two wettest provinces British Columbia and Quebeo-ton the lists for drug convictions." For every 100,000 population

victions were 40; and on the same

start downtown so happy. He's whistling like a bird!" "I'm afraid I'm to blame, mum. got the packages mixed this morning.

After considerable trouble the inhabitants of a certain small village were given a post office. At first their pride in the acquisition was unbounded Then complaints began to come in that letters were not being sent off properly. The post office department socordingly ordered an inspector to look

A drill sergeant was hard at work tion! Everyone lift your left lig and hold it straight out in front of youl" from Ithica, N. Y., where she has been leg by mistake. That brought his rightattending her class re-union at Cornell hand companion's left leg and his own University. During her two weeks right leg close together. The officer. trip Miss Dingle also visited friends as he glanced down the line, observed this fact, and exclaimed angrity:

Mr. Greenbury.

own satisfaction. "Oh, jest shot yer eyes and walk

The anniversary services, held in the Prosbyterian Church on Sunday, were

Miss Marjorio Althens, of Toronto, 1 holidaying at her home on the second line, for a few weeks. Mr. and Mrs. D. McDougall and

family, of Toronto, are visiting at the Mr. Harry Hortop, of Guelph, apent

appreciated by our farmers, who have

OAKVILLE

Chief Kerr left on Wednesday to

proach fill at both ends of the newly opened bridge. Shaw Brothers have been lasued a

School will be completed by the end of

Miss Nina Aldrick, of town, left Mr. and 'Mrs. Herman Tovell, of where she will spend about three

> fourth offence of this nature in which busses of this line had figured .-

THE INEVITABLE JOKE

of being joked. There isn't a boy for a mile around who hasn't stopped and

ed to ask if the colonel was in."

"You just got swelled heads; you did. Got beyond yourselves. Thought you could run the country. Well, you are going to find out you can't. Look at the way prohibition has multiplied drug addicts!" At this point the wrathful liquorite paused long enough for the temp

British Columbia and Quebec, the con-

AN EXCELLENT REASON

Not every maid combines the aptitude for blundering and the talent for

and gave him birdseed instead of his regular breakfast food, mum."

THE MISSING LETTERS

"What becomes of the letters posted here?" he asked the postmaster, who was also the grocer. "The people say that they are not sent off." "Course they ain't!" anorted the old man angrily as he pointed to a large and nearly empty mail bag hanging in a corner. "I haven't sent it off because it ain't anywheres hear full yet!"

AND A DIFFICULT FEAT, TOO.

"Company!" he called out. "Atten-

THE KABIEST WAY

Young Edgar was spending the summer on the farm? says the American Medical Journal, and sought to assist finishing a high hayetack Edgar shout-



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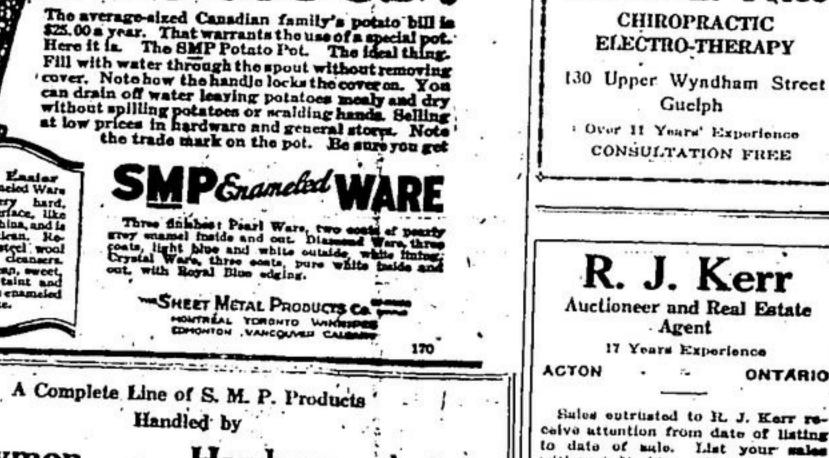
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