

The Community's Social Side of Life

Visitors to and From Town During the Past Week, as Gleaned by The Free Press

Mrs. L. O. Johnston is spending the week visiting Toronto friends. Mr. Ray Gordon, Toronto, spent the week-end at Mr. G. H. Lantz's. Miss Kathleen Craddock, of Toronto, spent Sunday at Mrs. R. E. Wansbrough's.

Miss Isabel Lantz went to Guelph General Hospital on Tuesday to go in training for a nurse. Mrs. R. Bennett and Miss M. Z. Bennett spent the Christmas holidays at Bradford.

Mrs. Wm. Bingham, of Hamilton, was a guest this week with Mrs. R. Bennett and Miss M. Z. Bennett. Mr. and Mrs. R. McDonald and family, of Toronto, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. G. King, on Sunday.

Mrs. R. Bennett and Miss M. Z. Bennett spent New Year's at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Bennett, Georgetown. Mr. and Mrs. Harley Brignall and family, of Toronto, spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Reed.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Overholt, of Toronto, spent the week-end at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Johnson. Mr. and Mrs. J. Wilson, of Toronto, spent the Christmas holidays at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Kennedy.

Mrs. Williams, of Toronto, spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Davidson, visiting her uncle, Mr. J. W. Walkinshaw. Mr. Harold Wansbrough and Mrs. Gordon MacKay and son Bruce, of Toronto, spent Sunday at the home of their mother, Mrs. R. H. Wansbrough.

The many friends of Mr. Malcolm McLean will be pleased to learn that his health is somewhat improved the past few days and that he may be able to return home from the hospital in Toronto in the course of a few days. All wish for him a speedy return to good health.

Mr. Geo. W. Cheyne, Orton, Ontario, wishes to announce the engagement of his only daughter, Hannah Elizabeth, to Mr. Fraser Plummer, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Plummer, Rockwood, Ontario. The marriage to take place quietly the latter part of January.

VACUUM PICKER

Chicken picking is an unpleasant task at best—whether the fowl is plucked dry or first dipped in hot water to loosen the feathers. Those who are in the business, therefore, will no doubt be very much interested in the machine. This is the remarkable new British invention for automatically plucking fowls. It is operated by one man, as shown, who with the aid of the new machine can do the work of many men in less time. The bird is held against a rotary "grill" enclosed in a cylinder, through which a suction passes as in a vacuum sweeper. As the feathers are separated by the air current, they come in contact with a metal plate, equipped with several "catchers." When rotating, these catch the feathers and the fine down. The suction carries them through the drum into a bag with no fuss and no feathers flying around. The skin of the bird is not injured by the process.

WHY WE LOSE OUR IDEALS

People lose their ideals just as they lose control of their muscles. Some of India's "holy men" are going through life with one arm held out at right angles to the body. They hold the arm in that position so long that the unused muscles lose the power to contract. People have become benighted, just by staying in bed. The fish in Mammoth Cave are blind. Having no use for their eyes, they have lost their sight. Many middle-aged people have lost their ideals. They admit it frankly and many of them seem to regard it as a necessary accomplishment of growing older. No man loses his ideals simply because he has lived in the world thirty-five or forty or fifty years. He has lost them because he has not used them. Ideals flourish best when put to hard service.

HIDDEN TREASURE

There is untold romance in the thought of hidden treasure. The number of exciting tales built on this motive is legion. Along the Atlantic coast are localities where according to legend, some of the famous pirates buried their ill-gotten gains, and the labor spent in digging for their gold would have built a city. It had been devoted to that purpose. Probably most of those stories are baseless fabrications, but most of us have hidden treasure which might be unearthed by honest toil. In our brains are a wealth of ideas which few of us have any idea of. Treasure which too often slays buried, instead of adding to our own wealth and that of the world.

NO REDUCTION

Cinema Manager: "What has the trouble with the man?" Girl in the Box-office: "He has only one eye and he wanted me to sell him a ticket for half price."

TAKE YOUR SHARE OF THE BLAME

A certain satisfaction is derived from holding other people responsible for your failures. Take the boy who cannot get along at school because his teachers are unfair; or the girl who cannot get along at home because her parents are exacting, and her brothers and sisters exacting; or the young man who cannot get along in his job because of the jealousy and the unfair tactics of his fellow employees. It is true that it is pleasanter to put the blame on other people, but there the advantage ends. The student who faces the fact that his own laziness is responsible for his poor showing, may turn over a new leaf. The girl who admits that her own meanness is to blame for the shortcomings of her home life, may make a change. The employee who owns up that he lost his job because he did not do his work satisfactorily, may fare better in his next position. If it is all the fault of somebody else, however, there is no use in turning over a new leaf. If you want to improve matters, take your share of the blame. Finding fault with other people may be comforting, but it does not help.

WHAT ARE YOU EARNING?

It is not often possible for young men and women in school to pay a very large share of their expenses, but it should be possible for most of them to earn a part of their spending money. The boy who cannot do as much as that is likely to make the young man who is constantly appealing to friends to recommend him for one position or another.

One of the best known elements in New York City has a family of seven children who have been trained in habits of thrift. One summer recently they all took a trip to Alaska, but while they were there the two boys spent part of their time working in a cannery. Another summer one of the boys had charge of the boats at a tourists' resort and saved over two hundred dollars towards his next year's expenses, while his brother saved an equal amount working in a store. Boys who have this attitude will never be appealing to their friends to find them a job. They will always be able to secure work.

What part of your spending money are you earning? Are you earning anything? If not, you are omitting an important factor in your education.

NO PROOF OF POPULARITY

The people who laugh with you when you hold an acquaintance up to ridicule do not feel for you such unreserved admiration as you, perhaps, suppose. They may admire your cleverness, your spicing wit, your ability to make another human being seem absurd and ridiculous, but even while they laugh with you, they are putting up a screen between you and their real selves. Instinctively they feel that you are not to be trusted, that they must be on their guard against you.

Young people whose witless remarks are received with laughter are very apt to think themselves popular. Very possibly the opposite is true. The people whose wit has a barb that rankles, who raise a laugh by making some one ridiculous, are often treated with a consideration which has its root in fear rather than respect, and are disliked, even when they are applauded.

CONQUERING FEAR

Fear has to do, not with what is, but with what may be. It is the result of looking ahead. We can almost always stand the event that is happening. It is when we think of what is going to happen that our courage falls and our hearts sicken. That is the explanation of Christ's words: "Take no thought for the morrow." It is not to discourage foresight and thrift, but to put an end to that which has wrought more misery in the world than any other one thing, fear. Stop looking ahead when you are in a looking ahead. That means stop fearing. You can endure your friend's illness. It is the thought that he may die which makes a coward of you. You can endure present pain, physical or mental. It is the cumulative anguish, looking ahead to the repetition of that same pain, that is intolerable.

THE REAL PROOF

Some of you young people frame your diplomas and hang them on the wall to show that you are educated. There is a better proof. What subjects are you interested in? If your reading consists of detective stories and the sporting page in the newspaper, if at the radio you listen chiefly to the broadcasting of prize fights, the evidence is against you. These are not taste of one who is educated. Do not trust too much to that diploma of yours. People do no care so much to know for what purpose you studied in school as they do to know the subjects that interest you now.

ESSENTIAL TO HAPPINESS

Because this generation has more of material comforts than any that has ever lived, it does not follow that it is happier than any of its predecessors. A few centuries ago kings lacked the luxuries which the average family in America demands. Automobiles, electric lights, up-to-date bathroom fixtures, and iceless refrigerators, however, do not make people happy. The consciousness of right doing is essential to happiness. The conviction that one is doing God's will, that he is in harmony with the directing Power of the universe, gives life a value that makes it precious. Men with that belief have sung songs of praise in dungeons and gone smiling to a winter coat she making exactly matched the color of the car.

THEY COME IN ALL SHADES, MAN

"Hullo, Brown, painting the car again?" "Yes, the wife's been making luncheon about a winter coat she's making exactly matched the color of the car."

WEATHER

Everybody's Favorite Topic Might as Well Become General—We're Going to Have It Anyway

About the most discussed topic these days is the weather. If the news for everybody else and a favorite topic, we can't see why it can't be discussed in print as well as in conversation. Since the Chadsworth saga has left this sphere for one where his prognostications are useless, these seem none with sufficient confidence, backed up by a like amount of publicity, to favor the public with their guesses. Even the forecasts in the paper are hardly accurate for even the day. For instance, yesterday morning the forecast was for fresh southeasterly winds with rain. When the morning dawned, the wind was south west and, of course, there was rain. Just seems this weather will do anything to be opposite. The newspapers are almost too smart for even such an obstinate creature as the weatherman; because the afternoon editions had the forecast given with the wind coming from the right direction and it was still there until the late edition came out. Maybe it is human nature that is just plain hard to suit in regard to weather. For instance number two, there are those who like the warm climate and have a thrifty eye on the coal bins, who are delighted with an autumn that reaches from October until the middle of January. Some of these are yet proclaiming that Indian Summer is due any day. Then there is the other factor of young folk who received skates, sleds, skis or snowshoes for Christmas, and they are still safely wrapped and unopened. Their worry is not the coal bin but a burning desire to make use of these gifts that up to the present haven't been seasonable.

Finally, brethren, there are three or four hockey fans about this and other centres who use anything but complimentary terms concerning the brand of weather. Never was the like known before when the schedules weren't scarcely started in the middle of January. These fellows didn't improve one iota after they travelled to Elora in the rain and saw shiny in the mud. Just seems impossible to please everybody, and it would appear that the weatherman never did particularly make any such endeavor. A favorite topic is that conditions, owing to the Gulf creek and the turning of the earth, or the shifting of the axle or the breaking of the radius rods or something is changing our seasons. Seems as if the seasons always did change. Old men will point to a certain date sixty years ago when there was no snow on the first of February and the dust was flying. And then we can go back to last year when the ice was good on the arena on April first, from before Christmas, and there was winter plenty and most everyone was anxious to see spring.

And so we might go on. The weather sure affects everyone. Everything is so disarranged by this atmospheric condition that it is all about us every day that where there should be news there isn't, and even the difficulties of getting out a newspaper forces writers to contribute their quota of bunk to a topic that is already overworked. There is one bright spot at least in this subject. Nobody has blamed this unusual season upon the Depression.

If you want to know why we wrote this, here is the reason. Somebody told us they liked the hockey pille we wrote last week, and we were foolish enough to believe them. Forecast—We bet that the game Monday night will be played against Elmira on a good sheet of ice in Acton Arena. If it isn't, we apologize. —M. B.

THE PUMPKIN

There seems to exist considerable doubt as to the origin of the pumpkin. While it is certain that the pumpkin in all its forms, is nowhere more highly esteemed than in this country; it is by no means certain that it had its birth on the North American continent, although some authorities claim that it is native to our soil. They contend that the aborigines of America planted it with their maize. Most authorities incline to the view that the pumpkin is of Asiatic origin. Even in these days America has no monopoly in the cultivation of this attractive product. The pumpkin, in one form or another, is grown in various European countries, notably France, where the market gardeners near Paris sow their pumpkin seeds in April in a hotbed under glass and nurture them carefully until they are transplanted in May.

UNSATISFIED

Charles M. Schwab is authority for the statement that the captain of industry never attains his objective. Such a man is always looking ahead and pushing ahead. If he did accomplish all he was aiming to accomplish, he would not be a captain of industry. The same is true not only in business, but in every line of endeavor. The poet who produces a book of poems which satisfies him is not a great poet. The Christian who is complacent over his spiritual attainments is of little credit to his faith. Those who can achieve all they aim for never are to be found in the ranks of the great.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 15

'HONOR OF THE FAMILY' "U" One of Balzac's drollest stories in ultra-modern garb, starring Bebe Daniels. Comedy "Foolish Forties" Novelty, "Trail of the Swordfish."

SATURDAY, JANUARY 16

Matinee at 3.00 p. m. Prices: 10c and 25c "LIGHTNING FLYER" "U" Melodrama, starring James Hall and Dorothy Sebastian. Comedy, "Wee Wee Marie" with Slim Summerville. Cartoon, "Traffic Troubles." Fox Movietone News. Silverware Night, Salad Forks will be given away this week. Night prices, 25c and 35c.

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COMING

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Acton and District

Trafalgar Lad Injured

When his friend's rifle accidentally discharged, Gerald Fullerton, 18, 10th line, Trafalgar, received a bullet in the abdomen late Saturday afternoon, and was later taken to Brampton Hospital in a critical condition. Fullerton and his friend, Rose Hollingshead, went out to shoot pheasants near the Fullerton home when his companion's 22-calibre rifle suddenly discharged as he turned around to talk to Fullerton, walking behind him. His friend assisted him to his home, where he was given medical attention. He was then taken to the hospital and an operation performed.

Careless Helpful In This Instance

Because a careless mechanic left the keys out of the tie rods of an expensive sedan, the persons of persons who stole it in Toronto on Saturday night, got only as far as Cooksville with the car. P. J. Campbell, Toronto, left the auto standing on the street, while he made a call and, coming out, found it gone. The car was ditched on the Centre Road, near Cooksville last Saturday night, and taken to the Cooksville Motors. Mr. Campbell was notified, and received the car, little damaged, at the garage. The car had been ditched when it skidded as a result of the omission of the garage man who last worked on it.

BANANAS FOR BABIES

Like an alphabet read the distinctions which authorities attribute to the nutritious banana. They say this tropical fruit contains vitamin "A," as well as vitamin "B," and vitamin "C," as well as vitamin "D." One more, vitamin "G," is added to the list. In addition they claim, bananas, which arrive by millions in Canadian National ships from the British West Indies, have much assimilable sugar, fats, proteins, carbohydrates, and starch. It is now claimed that a new banana powder makes a good baby food and that it contains iron, which is more than can be said for cow's milk.

SON OF TITLED SAGE NAMED

BAHAMAS HEAD

Captain Clifford Adds Honor to Old English Family—Married U. S. Girl—Father Found Rays

Captain the Honorable Bede Edmund Hugh Clifford, C. M. G., M. V. O., has been appointed Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Bahamas Islands in succession to Major Sir Charles J. Orr, K. C. M. G., who warmly praised Canadian and the Canadian National Steamships this year on his way back to England from the British West Indies colony.

Captain Clifford comes of an illustrious English family. He is a younger son of Lord Clifford of Churleigh, of Ugbrooke Park, Chudleigh, Devonshire. The first Lord Clifford was the illustrious Caroline convert and Cabot Minister, who resigned the Lord High Chancellorship of England on the passing of the Test Act to the exclusion of Catholics. He was a friend of Dryden, and it was at Ugbrooke Park that Dryden wrote "The Panther and the Hind." The distinguished captain's father died covered the Clifford Color Rays in 1923, is an authority on radiology, made visible the colors of Ultra Violet and Infra Red rays, and has written treatises on evolution. In 1925 Captain Clifford married Miss Alice D. Gundry, daughter of J. M. Gundry, of Cleveland, Ohio.

A SEA STORY

Teacher: "Can any little boy tell me what is meant by 'divers diseases'?" Harry: "Yes, teacher, I know." Teacher: "Well, Harry?" Harry: "Please, teacher, fish bites."

TIP TO THE TOP

Tourist (having looked over historic castle, to butler): "We've made a stupid mistake. I tipped his lordship instead of you." Butler: "That's awkward. I'll never get it now."

GREGORY THEATRE

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MARKET REPORTS

DAIRY PRODUCTS

These are Toronto quotations: Butter—Creamery, No. 1 pasteurized 21 to 22 do second 20 to 21 Above prices for goods delivered Toronto. Quotations to Retail Trade Butter—Creamery, No. 1 pasteurized 24 to 25 do second 23 to 24 Churning cream, f.o.b. country points—Special 21 to 22 No. 2 20 to 21 No. 3 17 to 18

POULTRY AND EGGS

Quotations to country shippers delivered. Fresh extras 23 do first 18 to 19 Pullets, extra 15 to 16 Quotations to Retail Trade Carton, fresh extras 22 to 23 do first 20 to 21 Pullet, extras 22 do first 21 to 22 Storage, extras 23 to 24

Quotations to Shippers

Poultry—Alive Dressed Spring chickens 12 to 17 Over 4 lbs. 08 to 16 Over 2 lbs. 08 to 12 Hens, over 5 lbs. 12 to 16 do 4 to 5 lbs. 10 to 14 do 3 to 3 1/2 lbs. 11 to 16 Roosters, over 4 lbs. 11 to 15 Ducks, over 4 lbs. 10 to 18 Guinea fowl, over 2 lbs. 16 to 20 Quotations above indicate the general market range in value to eggs and poultry on delivery basis.

WHOLESALE VEGETABLES

Vegetables at wholesale houses are quoted—Potatoes, new, bag 40 to 45 Domestic—DRESSED MEATS

Wholesale dealers in dressed meats quote the following prices to the trade: Carcasses, forequarters 7.00 to 9.00 Carcasses, choice 11.00 to 12.00 do medium 8.50 to 10.50 Calves, choice veal 10.00 to 13.00 Heavy hogs, cwt. 4.00 to 5.00 Light hogs, cwt. 7.00 to 7.50 Abattoir hogs 7.00 to 8.00 Mutton, cwt. 5.00 to 6.00 Lambs 15.00 to 16.00

HIDES AND WOOL

Toronto dealers in hide and wool quoting the following prices to shippers: City hides, green, 3/4c; bulls and brands, 2c; country hides, green, 2 1/2c; do cured, 3 to 3 1/2c; calf, green, 5c; country calf, cured, city veal kip, 3c; country veal kip, 2c; do cured 2 1/2c to 3c; country grasser kip, 3c to 4c; horsehide No. 1, \$1.35; No. 2, 85c; No. 3, 50c; horsehair, 2 1/2c; goat, wool, fine, free of rejects, 7c; pound; rejects, 5c; tallow, solid barrels, No. 1, 1 1/2c to 1 3/4c; cakes, 1 3/4 to 2c pound.

GRAIN QUOTATIONS

Grain dealers on the Toronto Board of Trade are making the following quotations c.i.f. Bayport—No. 1 Northern, 69c. No. 2 Northern, 63c. No. 3 Northern, 60 1/2c.

RAY AND STRAW

Extra No. 2 Timothy, in car loads 12.50 to 00.00 No. 3 10.00 to 11.00 Oat straw 6.00 to 0.00 Wheat straw 6.50 to 0.00 All straw must be good length.

POTATOES

Ontario potatoes, in bags, 30c to 35c. Prices are quoted delivered on truck and van trucks, respectively, Toronto.

CURRENT LIVESTOCK PRICES

Heavy beef steers 4.50 6.00 Butcher steers, choice 5.50 6.00 do, fair to good 4.75 5.25 do common 5.25 5.60 Helters, choice 4.50 5.50 do fair to good 4.00 5.00 do common 3.00 4.00 Butcher cows, good 3.00 3.75 do medium 2.50 3.25 Canners and cutters 2.50 2.00 Baby beef 6.00 8.00 Bulls, good 3.25 4.25 do poor 2.50 3.50 do bolongas 4.00 4.75 Feeders, good 4.50 5.50 Stockers 3.00 4.50 Springers 3.00 60.00 Calves, good and choice 5.50 6.50 do poor 3.00 3.50 do grassers 3.00 3.50 Sheep 1.00 3.50 Lambs, choice 4.50 5.00 do culls 4.50 5.00 do bucks 4.50 4.75 Hogs, bacon, f.o.b. 4.50 do off cars 5.10 do off trucks 4.50

SKATING IN THE TROPICS

It is rather mystifying to learn that skating is to be had all the year round in tropical Africa; yet such is the case. Mount Kenya is the second highest peak in Africa, and in the higher altitudes is to be found an ice-covered lake, always available for ice skating.

The lower slopes of the mountain are covered with most wonderful tropic forests, where luxuriant trees and gorgeous flowers abound, and the whole air seems filled with large and gaily painted butterflies. Going up the mountain, the visitor passes away from the dense jungles and the land becomes bare, save for Alpine plants, mosses and lichens. A little higher is a track that has been made up through the forest, so that it is not a difficult task to ascend Mount Kenya. The climber faces one of the most amazing experiences to be had on any mountain in the world. The start is made among the luxuriant growth of the tropics, and the journey ends with an ice-covered lake around which there is virtually no vegetation of any description. Here winter clothes are needed to keep the visitor warm; yet 10,000 feet below, one can catch glimpses of the tropic jungle, where the heat is so intense as to be unbearable.

THE ORIGIN OF WIND STORMS

Wind storms of great force which sweep over great stretches of country are often developed in mountainous regions on perfectly calm days. If the sun beats down steadily on a great perpendicular face of rock, the air is heated and begins to rise. As it moves upward, currents are formed as cooler air rushes in to fill the partial vacuum. In a short time the air currents are rising with considerable force upward along the wall of rock gaining momentum as they go. On reaching the top, they are likely to sweep over the edge and either descend on the other side or continue across the country. Such winds are developed in the Rocky Mountains and travel for many miles. The Indians were greatly mystified by these winds which seem to come out of a clear sky and laid them to the spirits.

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