

LOCALS.

Court Richmond, A. O. F., will meet on Friday evening. Election of officers.

Buy your skate traps at Harrison's, all lengths and sizes.

The days are getting longer. Yesterday was the shortest day of the year.

Hockey and other skates cheap at C. Mason's.

There was a good attendance at the rink Monday evening, but the mild weather which followed will put a stop to skating for a few days at least.

Mixed Candies, Chocolates, Creams and Bon Bons for Christmas. Atkinson & Switzer.

A Pair of Gloves was found in the village last Thursday by Mr. Brownlee. The owner may have same by proving property and paying expenses.

Large stock of cutlery at reasonable prices at C. Mason's.

Mr. Harry Sanderson while playing hockey in the rink Friday evening, allowed his eye to come in contact with another player's elbow, resulting in a closed optic for the former.

Filberts, Almonds, Walnuts, Brazil nuts, sweet chestnuts at 15 cts. per lb. Atkinson & Switzer.

Rev. Geo. McCulloch, who has been a faithful pastor in the Methodist church here for the past two and a half years, has received a call from the Newmarket congregation. Mr. McCulloch will accept subject to the approval of the Stationing Committee.

Three Ranges, slightly over cost for cash at C. Mason's.

We have received a copy of The O'Appelle Progress, which has recently changed hands. This weekly is now published by Mr. Roscoe E. Law, formerly of this village. We wish Mr. Law every success in his new venture.

Canadian Almanacs for 1899 for sale at THE LIBERAL OFFICE.

Mrs. Soules, mother of the late George Soules of this village, died at the home of her son-in-law, Mr. B. Williams, 2nd con. King, on Tuesday morning. Deceased was interred in the Richmond Hill cemetery yesterday afternoon.

Be on time and secure the choicest of the many holiday gifts which are presented for your consideration at Atkinson & Switzer's

Sabbath school Anniversary Sermons will be preached in the Methodist church next Sunday. Rev. J. W. Stewart of Maple, will preach in the morning, and Rev. F. C. Keam in the evening. A collection will be taken at each service in aid of the S. S. Fund.

Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed with any such Christmas delights as is the Santa Claus at Atkinson & Switzer's

A Christmas tree and children's entertainment will be held in Jefferson school house at 7 p. m. sharp on Saturday evening of this week in connection with the Sunday School of St. John's Church, Oak Ridges. Admission, adults, 10 cents; all children free.

Hang up the baby's stockings and fill it with Atkinson & Switzer's presents designed especially for the wee ones.

Rev. J. H. McCallum, M. A., rector of St. Thomas church, Toronto, will take the services at Richmond Hill and Oak Ridges on Christmas Day, assisted by Rev. R. H. Steacy. Services at Richmond Hill at 9 a. m.—celebration of the Holy Eucharist, and at 3 p. m. evensong and sermon. Services at Oak Ridges, 11 a. m.—matins, sermon and Holy Eucharist, and at 7 p. m. evensong and sermon. Miss Frances Crosby will sing solos at Oak Ridges at each service.

Go to THE LIBERAL store for Christmas cards, books, pocket diaries, fancy paper and envelopes, &c., &c.

The Richmond Hill Hockey Club has begun practice with increased membership and great hopes of success for this season. Matches have been arranged with Harbord Collegiate, The Meteors and the Athletics of Toronto. Tickets of membership can be procured from the committee, players' ticket, 40 cts. non-players 25c. the same admitting to all matches. The Club begs to thank the Reeve for his kind donation and wishes him a merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Pure Lard 8 cts.; Cleaned currants, 6 1/2 cts.; the best select Raisins, 7 cts.; Nice meat, 9 cts. Atkinson & Switzer.

OYSTER SUPPER.

The members of True Love Division No. 54, S. O. T., purpose holding a grand oyster supper and entertainment in the Temperance Hall, Purpleville, on Wednesday evening, Dec. 21. The entertainment will consist of Ventriloquism, Speeches, Readings, Recitations, Songs, Salos, Music, etc. Admission, adults, 30 cts. Children under thirteen, 20 cts.

PRESBYTERIAN S. S.

A Christmas Tree and Entertainment under the auspices of the Presbyterian Sabbath School will be held in the school-room on the evening of Friday, Dec. 23. The entertainment will consist of recitations, dialogues, music and singing by the scholars and others. Admission, 15 cents; children not members of the school, 10 cents. Entertainment to commence at 8.

Large sweet Oranges 25c. a doz.; blue package Malwa Tea 13c. Atkinson & Switzer.

CONCORD.

A Christmas Tree and Entertainment under the auspices of the Concord Methodist S. School will be held on Monday evening, Dec. 26. The programme will consist of Recitations, Dialogues, Music and singing by the school, choir and city talent. Chair taken at 7:50 by Rev. J. W. Stewart. Come one! Come all! Admission 15 cents.

Make the Christmas of '98 a cheerful one by presenting your wife with a beautiful lamp. Let Atkinson & Switzer sell it to you.

SKATING.

The Thornhill Rink is open for skating, Monday, Wednesday and Saturday evenings of each week. Christmas night (Monday) the Thornhill Band will be in attendance; also every Saturday evening during the season. New Year's afternoon (Monday) skating from 2:30 to 5 o'clock. (Closed at night.) Admission, 10 cts. Children 5 cents. Season Tickets at reasonable rates.

Try Happy Home Soap, 8 for 25 cts. it's as good as comfort. Atkinson & Switzer.

A SAD END.

Robbie, the 15 year old son of Adner Reid, died near Newmarket on the 10th inst under such suspicious circumstances that an inquest was held. The jury brought in the following verdict: "That the deceased Robert Reid came to his death by tuberculosis accelerated by exposure and neglect, and that evidence points to the father, Adner Reid, as having ill-treated the deceased." The father has been committed for trial.

Best Corn Starch 8c.; Fruit Extracts 9c.; Green Coffee 9c. Atkinson & Switzer.

METHODIST CHURCH.

The anniversary sermons in connection with the Methodist sabbath school will be delivered on Sunday, December 25, in the morning by Rev. J. W. Stewart of Maple, and in the evening by Rev. F. C. Keam of Thornhill. On Monday evening, Dec. 26th, a Christmas tree and entertainment will be given. A choice programme of vocal and instrumental music will be rendered, and no pains will be spared to make this an enjoyable evening. Admission, Adults, 15 cts. Children, 10 cts. Doors open at 7. Entertainment to commence at 7:30.

FOR THE OYSTERS OR —

The following curlers were on Saturday evening selected to play in the President v Vice-President match:— President—W. T. Storey, W. H. Pugsley, J. Palmer, F. McConaghy, W. A. Sanderson, C. McConaghy, A. E. Coombs, A. Moodie, J. Casely, T. Newton, J. W. Forhan, W. Hulise. Vice-President—P. G. Savage, M. Boyle, J. H. Sanderson, H. A. Nicholls, T. F. McMahon, G. McDonald, A. J. Hume, W. R. Prector, W. Munshaw, H. F. Hopper, D. Boyle, F. J. Johnston.

The Christmas goods at Atkinson & Switzer's are sold at prices which will prevent them from being stored until Christmas 1899.

CHRISTMAS POUND OFFERING.

The committee of ladies in connection with the W. M. S. received the pound offering yesterday afternoon, and while a goodly number responded to the call, we are sure more would have done so if they realized how much it is needed. There were several other families to whom baskets would have been sent had the contributions held out. As it was 17 families received baskets. Many of these went into homes where there were large families of small children, and the bread-winner earning small pay. The contributions consisted of groceries of all kinds, apples, oranges, nuts, candies, flour, fowl and various kinds of baking and canned fruit. The thanks of the committee are extended to all who contributed to the offering with all the compliments of the season.

REVIEW.

Written examination papers on the present quarter's International Sabbath School Lessons, have been prepared by Mr. Harrison, Superintendent, and will be used in the Methodist Sunday school here next Sunday. The method adopted in these written examinations is as follows.—Scholars are requested to provide pencils. After the opening of the school the papers are placed before all who desire to write. Officers, teachers and scholars engage in testing their knowledge of the quarter's lessons. One hour is allowed for writing. There are over sixty questions to be answered, some very easy, others more difficult. A fictitious name is signed by each writer. The superintendent collects the papers and takes them home for examination, and reports the following Sabbath. Six of the best papers answered are selected, the fictitious names called, and are responded to by the writers rising from their seats and acknowledging the signature. All the papers are returned to the writers.

EPWORTH LEAGUE.

The Epworth League meeting on Friday evening of this week will be in charge of the Mercy Help Department. An address on "The Quality of Mercy" and essays interspersed with sacred music will constitute the programme. Collection in aid of the poor will be taken at the close. Let all who can, assemble in the vestry for the half-hour of prayer commencing at 7:30 p. m. Next Sunday morning being Xmas morning a Sunrise Prayer Meeting under the auspices of the League will be held in the school-room at 7:30 a. m. Everybody invited.

S. S. ANNIVERSARY.

The friends of the Methodist Church, Thornhill, will hold their annual entertainment on January 1st and 2nd. On Sunday Rev. Peter Addison will preach at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m. On Monday an oyster Supper will be served from 5 to 8 p. m., after which an excellent programme will be rendered by the following popular talent:— Prof. J. H. Shepherd, elocutionist, Toronto; Miss Alice Fieldhouse, soloist, Toronto; Miss Jessie King, elocutionist, Toronto; Miss Frances Crosby, soloist, Unionville; Mrs. G. Lyons and a Quartette from Weston; Rev. S. L. W. Harton and others, from Victoria University. Admission, adults, 25 cents; children, 15 cents.

FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY.

On the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the Buttonville Sabbath School, a tea-meeting and musical and literary entertainment will be held in the Methodist Church, Buttonville, on the evening of Monday, December 26. A First-class programme will be rendered by the following noted talent: Miss Eva M. Petch, Aurora, silver medalist, and Mr. L. Eckardt, Unionville, both well-known elocutionists; Miss Teasdale, Toronto, contralto; and Mr. J. H. Sanderson, Richmond Hill soloist. A string band composed of violin, auto harp and organ has also been secured. The Aurora Quartette will be in attendance, and are sure to please all who hear them. Tea served from 5 to 8. Admission to tea and entertainment, 25 cents; Children, under 12 years, 15 cents.

A. O. F. FUNERAL.

The remains of Otto Haas, former partner in the firm of Todd & Haas, tanners, Meaford, were brought to King City on Monday morning and were interred in the village cemetery. The sudden death of deceased was the result of an accident in his own tannery. He was a member of the Ancient Order of Foresters, in Court Victoria, Meaford, and had formerly been initiated in Court Laurel, King City. Chief Ranger Burns accompanied the remains from Meaford, and on the arrival of the morning train a service was held in the station room, conducted by Rev. Jas. Carmichael. Court Laurel turned out in a body and took charge of the funeral. The A. O. F. ceremony at the grave was conducted by Bro. Geo. Stone, who read the beautiful lines in an impressive manner.

VAUGHAN REFORMERS.

The annual meeting of the Vaughan Reform Association was held in the Town Hall, Vellore on Thursday last. The President, Mr. D. McDonald, was in the chair, and the different parts of the township were well represented. The election of officers resulted as follows:—president, Roger Harvey; 1st vice-president, R. M. Hadwin; 2nd vice-president, Henry Creighton; treas., John McKinnon; secretary, Frank Smith. Chairman for the several polling sub-divisions:—No. 1, W. H. Clubine; No. 2, J. S. McNair; No. 3, Wm. Dunn; No. 4, Wm. Thomas; No. 5, James A. Stevenson; No. 6, James McLean; No. 7, William Wood, jr.; No. 8, William Thomas. Short speeches were made by the officers and Messrs. G. W. High, A. Bryson, N. J. Stong, M. Naughton, T. Porter, John R. Campbell, J. H. Kirby, J. Boyle, W. Watson and I. Devins.

PERSONALS.

Mr. Walter Eyer purposes spending the Christmas holidays with relatives in Clarence centre, New York.

Rev. and Mrs. A. J. Paul of Warminster are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. C. Mason.

Miss Julia Lynett of Chicago, came home on Saturday, and will spend a month with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Lynett.

Rev. J. A. Grant preached an anniversary sermon in the Methodist church, Willowdale, on Sunday evening, and Rev. G. Hewitt of Willowdale took Mr. Grant's place here.

WANTED—SEVERAL TRUSTWORTHY persons in this state to manage our business in their own and nearby counties. It is mainly office work conducted at home. Salary straight \$800 a year and expenses—definite, bonus, no more, no less salary. Monthly \$75. References. Enclose self-addressed stamped envelope. Herbert E. Hess, Pres., Dept. M. Chicago. 11-26

Sale Register.

FRIDAY, Dec. 23.—Credit sale of 5 acres standing timber, mostly beech and maple, on lot 29, con. 1 Scarborough, the property of W. A. Young. Sale at 1 o'clock. Terms 10 months. Two contracts to remove timber. Berkehart & Proulx, auctioneers.

TUESDAY, Dec. 27.—Auction sale of 5 acres of standing hardwood timber, on lot 1, rear of 5th con. Vaughan, the property of Wm. Daziel. Sale at 1 o'clock. Terms 9 months. Sargen & McEwen, auctioneers.

Parties getting their bills printed at this Office will receive a notice similar to the above MAKE OF CHANGE.

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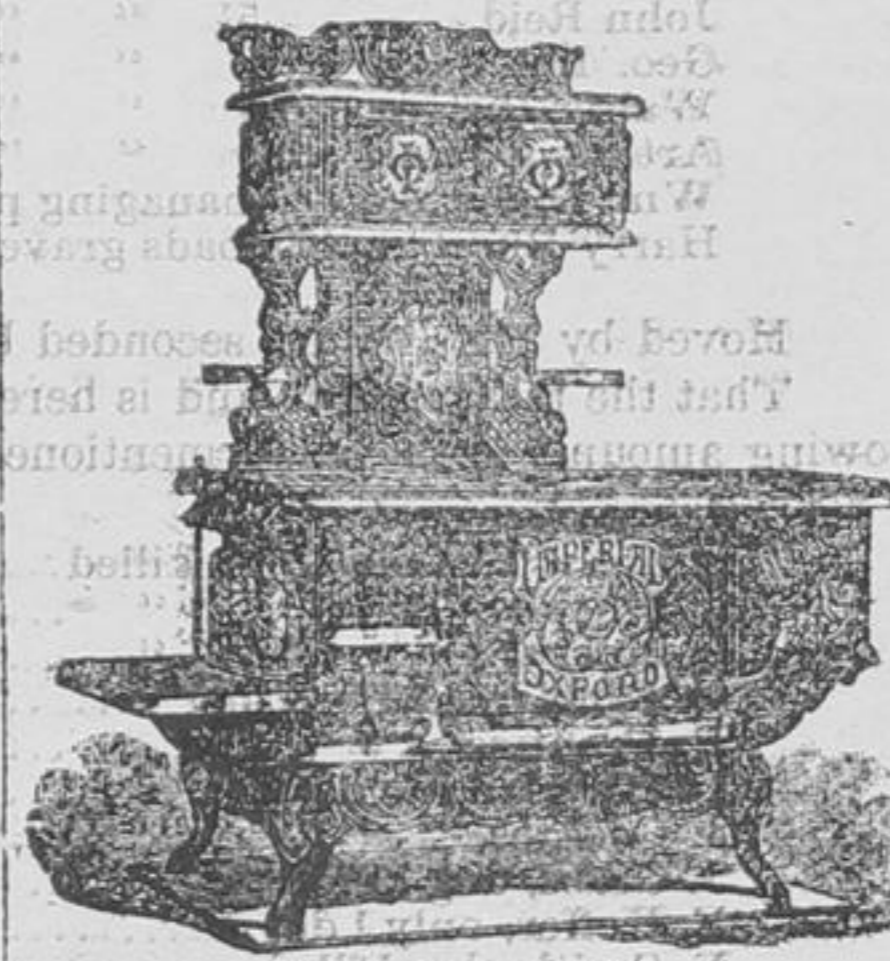
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