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THEN AND NOW.

To the Editor of THE LIBERAL:

SIR.—In your last week's issue of THE LIBERAL a correspondent says that in the year 1852, when the Northern—now a branch of the Grand Trunk Railway—was built, the chief engineer reported that the distance between Toronto and Bradford was 42 miles and that there were 72 licensed taverns in that distance along Yonge Street. He desires to know how many LICENSED hotels now exist between the city of Toronto and the town of Bradford. LICENSED hotels have diminished considerably in number since the year 1852. Those at present in existence are, as far as we can ascertain, as follows: one at Deer Park, one at York Mills, three at Aurora, one at Holland Landing, and two at Bradford—seven in number along the whole line.

The diminution in the number of hotel licenses has arisen from various causes. The present facilities for travelling and shipping have done away with much of the necessity for so many houses of accommodation for the travelling public, so that, apart from the laudable activities and the earnest efforts of the advocates of temperance principles, the applications for hotel licenses have been continually becoming less in number.

Take our own village as an instance. At that time we had in lively operation seven hotels (as many as now along the whole line of Yonge street of forty-two miles), and six licensed groceries, with a distillery in the rear with its fires blazing night and day to keep up the supply of stimulating beverage.

When the farmers of Markham, Vaughan, Whitechurch, King, Georgina, and the Gwillimbury desired in those days to reach the Toronto market, they came down Yonge street in long processions of loaded teams, sometimes twenty in line, until they swarmed in every hotel, blocked up every driving shed, and patronized every bar. After the advent of the Northern Railway hundreds of these farmers from the north were never again seen on Yonge Street.

Between Richmond Hill and Toronto in the days of the old omnibus regime, every business man going to the City had to run the gauntlet of fourteen jolly-faced landlords, all on the lookout for recognition and anxious to help to a—smile. By the time we got back most of us were within tipsy limits.

Rapid transit, general reformation, and the exercise of common sense since then have greatly lessened the frequency of these eccentricities. By the courtesy of the Metropolitan Railway Co. we can now go to the City, do business, and, if we like, return sober. In fact we travel so fast in these days that we don't have time to take a drink. The last shop license issued in this village was in 1874. The applications for hotel licenses dwindled down to a single one, and that was extinguished by local option in 1906.

WM. HARRISON.

Richmond Hill, April 17, 1907.

Underwear at underprices at Atkinson & Switzer's.

Maple.

Death has again entered one of the homes of our village and taken away one who was most highly respected, in the person of Mrs. J. Craddock. On Thursday morning of last week she was stricken with paralysis, and passed away the following afternoon. The funeral took place on Monday. After the interment a memorial service was held in the Methodist church. Among the floral offerings was a handsome wreath from the W. M. S. of which the deceased was a member. The sorrowing husband and family have the heartfelt sympathy of all in their sad bereavement.

The Bell Telephone Company is putting in a line between Maple and Teston, and commenced work on it last Saturday.

Traffic on the Grand Trunk was unusually heavy on Sunday, as many as fourteen engines going north in the afternoon.

Mr. Austin Robinson left on Monday for Scarborough, where he intends to remain for some time.

HELP YOUR PAPER.

Don't be afraid to let the editor know what is going on around you. When you can conveniently do so bring the news to your local paper. We are always pleased to have our readers send or bring us items of news. When friends visit you kindly let us know, and if you take a trip try and call on us before you go. If each one of our list of readers would give us an occasional item our paper—your paper—would be more interesting every week. You like to read about the movement of your friends and acquaintances. Give them a chance to read something about yourself occasionally.

MARRIED IN CHINA.

Nuptials of Dr. C. W. Freeman and Miss Florence Mortson.

[The following marriage notice is taken from The Hamilton Herald of April 11. The bride is a daughter of the late Thomas Mortson, formerly of this village, and a sister of Mrs. Wm. Washington, junior, of Elgin Mills.]

News has just been received from Chung King, China, of the marriage of Dr. C. W. Freeman, formerly medical superintendent of the Hamilton city hospital, and Miss Florence Lillian Mortson, formerly of Hamilton, and a sister of Mrs. Edward Crawford of this city.

It was announced in the columns of this paper in November last the departure of Miss Mortson from Vancouver, with some twenty Canadian missionaries, bound for Chentu, China, via Chung King. The party was met by Dr. Freeman early in February on the Yangtse Kiang river, several days' journey from Chung King.

On arriving at Chung King the party remained over to attend the wedding, which took place in the British Consulate at 2 p. m., February 20. Bishop Spellmeyer, of Cincinnati, Ohio, performing the ceremony. The weather was delightful.

The building, which is a handsome structure, was beautifully decorated with British flags and a profusion of flowers, palms and ferns.

The bride, unattended, looked charming in a wedding gown of white, with the usual veil and orange blossoms, and carried a shower bouquet of roses and Chinese lilies.

On the arrival of the bride at the consulate, the hymn, "The Voice that Breathed O'er Eden," was sung, and at the close of the ceremony the wedding march was played. Mrs. McAmmond, one of the Canadian party, presiding at the organ.

After the ceremony a very enjoyable reception was held, the bride and groom receiving congratulations from many old as well as new friends. A pleasing feature was due to the fact that several of the male members of the Canadian party were college mates of Dr. Freeman, and it can be more easily imagined than described how the air rang with good old home-like Victorian reminders as "good-byes" were being said to the Canadian party which would shortly proceed on its journey to Chentu. Dr. and Mrs. Freeman left in sedan chairs on a honeymoon to be spent at Dr. McCartney's summer cottage in the hills across the Yangtse, which is the summer resort of the European residents of Chung King.

The bride was the recipient of many beautiful presents.

The following are the names of invited guests: Rev. A. E. and Mrs. Claxton, Rev. J. and Mrs. Parker, Dr. and Mrs. Kirkwood, of the London mission; Rev. R. A. and Mrs. Myers, Rev. W. L. and Mrs. Torrey, Dr. and Mrs. J. H. McCartney, Rev. J. E. and Mrs. Peat, Miss Dorothy Jones, Miss Hitchcock, Miss Wells, Miss Galloway, Dr. Agnes Edmunds, Dr. Mary Ketrway, Rev. J. G. and Mrs. Curnow, Sui Ling, Bishop and Mrs. Spellmeyer, Cincinnati, Ohio, of the Methodist Episcopal mission; Rev. A. H. and Mrs. Broomhall, R. B. and Mrs. Whittlesey, Rev. R. Cotes, Miss B. Ramsay, of the China Inland mission; Rev. W. A. and Mrs. Maw, Rev. A. W. and Mrs. Davidson, Rev. Alfred and Mrs. Davidson, Miss Cumber, Miss Madge Jones, of the Friends' mission; Rev. W. C. and Mrs. Hooker, of the American Bible society; Rev. James and Mrs. Murray, of the Scottish Bible society; Dr. Nord, German consul; Dr. Asy, A. Hanchecore, French consul, and Mrs. Hanchecore, Mason Mitchell, American consul, and Mrs. Mitchell, H. H. Bristow, British consul; W. Thurlow Lay, commissioner of customs; Mr. and Mrs. Heune, J. W. and Mrs. Nicholson, C. M. Watson, Mr. Oudin, W. E. Summers, L. Abreudts, W. L. Parker, J. W. T. Jellie, Mr. Kauffman, R. B. Starling, J. B. Pillow, J. H. and Mrs. Keller, J. S. Dudley, J. Sheridan, Mr. Campbell, J. and Mrs. Stenhouse, J. Featherstonhaugh, Captain Todd, Lieut Yonge, Dr. Keir, Dr. Boucher, Dr. Meiklejohn, of the British gunboats.

Canadian party—Rev. R. B. and Mrs. McAmmond, Rev. E. J. and Mrs. Carson, Rev. W. R. and Mrs. Sibley, Dr. Frank E. and Mrs. Allan, Rev. E. W. Wallace, Rev. E. J. Morgan, Rev. W. E. Bowles, Rev. C. J. P. and Mrs. Solliffe, Rev. H. D. and Mrs. Robertson, Miss Brimstin, Miss Woodsworth, Miss Steele, Miss Wellwood, Dr. James R. Cox, of the Canadian Methodist mission, and Dr. Asa Hall, of the American Baptist mission.

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Thornhill.

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The good friends of Rev. Father McMahon regret to learn from time to time that he is very ill, and does not regain strength.

DOCTORS MISTAKES

Are said often to be buried six feet under ground. But many times women call on their family physicians, suffering as they imagine, one from dyspepsia, another from heart disease, another from liver or kidney disease, another from nervous prostration, another with pain here and there, and in this way they present alike to themselves and their easy-going or over-busy doctor, separate diseases, for which he, assuming them to be such, prescribes his pills and potions. In reality, they are all only symptoms caused by some uterine disease. The physician, ignorant of the cause of suffering, keeps up his treatment until large bills are made. The suffering patient gets no better. The cause of the wrong treatment, but probably worse, a proper medicine like Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, directed to the cause would have entirely removed the disease, thereby dispelling all those distressing symptoms, and instituting comfort instead of prolonged misery. It has been well said, that "a disease known is half cured."

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