

LOCALS.

Cards of Thanks inserted in THE LIBERAL for \$1.00.

Miss Millie Trench has been appointed organist of the Presbyterian church.

Rev. F. H. Toye will preach in the Methodist church next Sunday morning.

To all our readers and friends we would say "A Happy and Prosperous New Year."

Mr. George Carley, representative for Heintzman & Co., Pianos, was in the village on Monday.

The balance of our stock of mechanical toys we will sell at less than half price. Atkinson & Switzer.

A meeting of the curling club will be held in McDonald's shop Saturday evening at 9 sharp, to select rinks for the new league matches.

Rev. A. P. Bruce addressed a meeting last evening in the interests of Local Option in Whitechurch Township at Wesley Church, Vaudour.

Mr. Wm. D. Scott has purchased the Colville farm a short distance south of this village, and will move there with his family in the near future.

Dr. Risdon, dentist, was in his Richmond Hill office yesterday, the first time since an accident to his knee. He hopes to be here regularly every Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. McDermott, station agent for the C. N. O., has returned to duty after a six weeks' trip to Vancouver, Seattle and other places along the Pacific coast.

Watch Night service this evening in the Methodist church commencing at 10.45 p.m. Programme in charge of the Epworth League. All are welcome to the service to "Watch the Old Year out and the New Year in." An address on "How to Enter" will be given by Rev. W. L. Trench.

Rev. H. S. Magee, Field Secretary of the Moral Reform Department of the Methodist church and assistant to Dr. Chown will preach and speak as follows: Headford 10.30 a.m., Patterson 2.30 p.m., Temperance Hall, Richmond Hill 3.45 p.m., Methodist church Richmond Hill, Platform Meeting at 7 p.m.

A very enthusiastic meeting for Local Option was held at Patterson Methodist Church on Monday evening. Addresses were given to a very representative audience by Revs. E. H. Toye, P. N. Jones and Wm. Kettlewell, Field Secretary of the Dominion Alliance. Rev. A. P. Bruce occupied the chair. No. 2 Vaughan should make a good return.

"HAPPY NEW YEAR."

To-morrow morning, New Year's, Master George Grant will call at the homes where he delivers THE LIBERAL every week, and present his patrons with a calendar for 1909. We hope that everybody will be "at home" so that the usual New Year courtesies may be exchanged.

YORK CURLERS.

The officers of the new County of York Curling League decided to play home and home matches, and will give to the club making the highest number of points a pair of curling stones, and a pair of handles to the club winning second place. Two rinks from each club will play at home and two away from home on the following dates, and other matches will follow:—

Saturday, Jan. 9—Newmarket v. Thornhill, Aberdeen v. Richmond Hill, Malvern v. Maple Leaf.

Friday, Jan. 15—Newmarket v. Maple Leaf, Thornhill v. Aberdeen, Richmond Hill v. Malvern.

Tuesday, Jan. 26—Thornhill v. Malvern, Aberdeen v. Maple Leaf, Newmarket v. Richmond Hill.

Games to commence at 1 p.m., and 18 ends to be played.

DEATH OF C. E. MELLISH.

The many friends of Charles E. Mellish, 70 Walker Ave., Toronto, formerly of Carville, will learn with deep regret that he passed away at the hospital in Vernon, B. C., on Saturday, the 5th inst. Death resulted from a severe case of typhoid. Mrs. Mellish was with him during his illness and at the end. Members of the firm with whom deceased had been for the past eleven years did all that they possibly could, as well as the merchants and brothers of the United Commercial Travellers' of which Association Mr. Mellish was a member. When the remains arrived in Vancouver they were met by the U. C. T. Council who afterwards took the funeral in charge. The brethren, about 100 strong, marched in a body to the church where a preparatory service was conducted by the officers. From that place the cortege went to St. James' church where the regular service was conducted by the Rev. Fienness-Clinton. The remains were afterwards escorted to their last resting place, where the funeral ceremony was concluded. The floral contributions were beautiful and came from all parts of the province.

PERSONALS.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Byrne spent over Christmas in Chatham.

Mr. C. Hall left a few days ago to take a position in Cobalt.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ramer spent a few days with friends at Whitevale.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Soules and Miss Della Soules went to Oshawa for a few days.

Mr. J. H. Brown of Francis, Sask., spent Christmas with Mrs. Glass and family.

Mrs. W. Thornback has returned after a month's visit with relatives in Detroit.

Misses Emily and Alice Campbell of Islington have been visiting friends in the village.

Mr. T. Worsley and children spent Christmas at a family gathering at Fenelon Falls.

Mr. Alex. Boyle of Montreal paid a flying visit to his parents at Braeside, and returned Tuesday.

Mrs. Amos Wright left Wednesday for Detroit to spend a week with her brother, Dr. T. V. Law.

Mrs. W. E. Stoddart of Cookstown is making a visit with her mother, Mrs. W. Glass. Mr. Stoddart also spent over the holiday here.

Reeve Pugsley and Mrs. Pugsley went to Sutton Thursday last and remained over the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Pugsley.

Mr. Ward and wife and four children of Toronto spent over Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. John Sheardown, returning to the city Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Proctor and Miss Kathleen Proctor visited in the village over Christmas and Sunday and were guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Savage.

Mr. Murray Storey and Misses Violet and Alice Storey spent Christmas afternoon and evening in the village and were guests of Mr. T. F. McMahon and family.

Mr. M. C. T. Wolf from Gallatin, Tennessee, spent a couple of days with his sister, Mrs. J. L. Harris, and returned Tuesday to Woodstock, where he left his family.

Victoria Square.

The Xmas entertainment in connection with the S. S. was of a simpler nature than in former years and was held in the S. S. room instead of in the auditorium of the church. The programme consisted of choruses and recitations by the children of the school. These selections were very well rendered and made one think of the old-time Xmas entertainment of a similar type. The Committee of management had everything very tastefully arranged and the children did credit to their training. Father Santa Claus arrived amid the jingling of bells and proceeded to distribute the presents and the Xmas treat to the children. The recipients apparently enjoyed their gifts if looks meant anything. The sexton and the pastor, who presided, also looked and spoke their thanks on the division of a fine brace of geese between them. A very pleasing feature that Santa brought was a Bible and hymn book for Mr. J. Hickson from his class. The attendance was good and the collection amounted to \$13.

Review Sunday was spent in a fellowship service led by Mr. J. Hickson. Those who spoke told of the benefit that they had derived from their S. S. work and it was resolved to do better work for the Master in the coming year than in the past.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Nichols will remove to their new home this week.

Mr. Ralph Perkins is spending the holidays with relatives at New Lowell.

A sleigh load of the young people attended the Xmas tree at Peache's church and report a good time.

Mr. and Mrs. Graham and Master Harold and Mrs. S. Brumwell of Toronto spent Xmas with relatives here.

Mr. Herb. Boynton spent a week in Toronto assisting his brother W. E. Boynton.

FESTIVAL OF THE NATIONS.

The school room of the Methodist church was packed to the doors Christmas night when the Sabbath School scholars, under the guidance of their superintendent, Mr. J. H. Sanderson, presented their annual entertainment. All the provinces of the Dominion, England, Ireland and Scotland, South Africa, Germany &c. were all represented, many of the costumes being very pretty. Some rousing choruses were sung, and a number of solos and recitations were contributed. During the evening Rev. Mr. Bruce gave a brief, congratulatory address. At the close of the entertainment Santa Claus distributed gifts among his many friends from a tree, each side of which stood a reindeer in handsomely mounted harness.

TEMPERANCE MEETING.

Rev. E. H. Toye was the speaker at the meeting in the Temperance Hall last Sunday. Mr. Toye made a strong and reasonable plea for keeping the bar closed, but he had no use for the sarcasm and unkind remarks that were sometimes indulged in towards those who do not see things as others do. He would willingly and patiently listen to his opponents, but few people could now be found who would honestly say that a licensed bar-room was a safe place for the rising generation. He hoped the men and women would do what they believe to be right next Monday, and vote conscientiously. Mr. Allen presided, and Miss Ida Glass contributed a solo.

PUBLIC MEETING.

Probably the best meeting of the campaign in favor of maintaining Local Option in this village was that in the Masonic Hall, Tuesday evening. Rev. A. P. Bruce was in the chair, and the speakers of the evening were Revs. Messrs. H. A. Fish of Kleinburg, D. M. Martin of Bolton, and Dr. Hazelwood of West Toronto. Mr. James Haverson, solicitor for the Licensed Victuallers Association, had been invited to take part in the discussion, but at the opening of the meeting the chairman read a letter from Mr. Haverson saying he would be unable to be present as his services were required elsewhere.

Mr. Fish said that less interest was taken in the campaign because the opponents of Local Option would not come forward and discuss the question from the public platform. They were now flooding the country with their literature, but they could not give truthful reasons why the bar should be restored. Empty bottles had been thrown around to discredit local option but without a doubt the law had been a blessing in Vaughan township.

Mr. Martin stated that some years ago he conscientiously opposed local option, but now he was thoroughly convinced that the measure was worthy of support, and gave good reasons for his conversion. He made a deep impression on his hearers by his candid and fearless remarks, but spoke as kindly of those in the liquor business as if they were his brothers.

Dr. Hazelwood closed the meeting, speaking principally of the working of local option in West Toronto where it has been in force for five years. In spite of the closeness of Toronto and other nearby licensed hotels the act had undoubtedly been a great success in the young city. He warned the supporters here to take nothing for granted, but to work faithfully till 5 o'clock next Monday and maintain local option by a larger majority than before. Good music was furnished during the evening.

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