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REDDITT—At the residence of his friend, A. G. F. Lawrence, 22 Roxborough drive, Toronto, on Friday, April 2, 1915, T. H. Reddit, Principal of Barrie Collegiate Institute. Funeral from above address Monday, April 5, to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

For general war news see inside pages.

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The Bluebird

This bird of the thrush family appeals to our affections for its early appearance, so unassuming in action, and as the harbinger of warmth, life, leaf and flower. It nests in the hollow of some tree, post, or bird house, the writer has several hollow posts erected for their use and some of them are occupied each year. It is quite amusing to watch them in making a choice, some days are occupied in deciding the matter and making a final selection. They have two broods in a season, the male bird feeding and caring for the first brood as soon as they leave their nests, while the female prepares the nest for another incubation. The greater part of its food is taken from off the ground and principally consists of cutworms, caterpillars, canker worms, grasshoppers, crickets, moths and other injurious animal life.

His earliness in coming makes him of more value, by the consumption of large numbers of insects before they have time to multiply that sometimes might reach beyond control. If encouraged about garden and orchard it would be material assistance to the owners. This year the bluebird appeared the day after the robin but often this is reversed. It comes to us in March and leaves in November. As in the human family the mother bird has most to do in the family cares, shows his affection by song to cheer, brings dainty morsels of food, and spends much time in her company, and in the courting season should a rival appear shows his jealousy by a fight. Fond of being near its former surroundings, and never accused of taking cultivated fruits or destroying crops, we should make it a favorite. They claim assistance in protection from us, towards their enemies the English sparrow and red squirrel.

The bright blue of the upper parts, also the wings and tail and the deep cinnamon-brown breast and sides, form a combination in colors of the heavens above and the earth beneath, with some white, make this combination and blending of colors worthy of admiration in this little bird. Its song a pleasing warble in spring might be accompanied to three syllables "Pur-ity" or with three words "Come with me." In the fall the plaintive, somewhat melancholy farewell notes bring pleasant reminders of the season's associations.

Its beautiful colors, lovable disposition, mellow voice, beneficial habits, accompanied by such modesty and gentleness, surely would appeal to us for encouragement and protection, and appreciation will grow with acquaintance.
D. J.

Maple

Posters are out announcing a Concert and Organ Recital in the Methodist church Monday evening, April 12, under the auspices of Maple Methodist choir, to open the new organ. Dr. Doward, organist of St. Stephen's Anglican church, Toronto, will play a number of selections, and two boy singers from the city will also assist with songs. The following Toronto artists will also assist: Miss Joy Denton, soprano; Mrs. W. J. Street, soprano; Mr. Geo. Williams, baritone. The choir will be taken by the pastor at 8 o'clock. Admission 25c.

The remains of the late William J. Atkinson of Edgeley, who died recently in New Mexico, were interred in Maple Cemetery on Monday. Deceased was a son of the late John Atkinson of Edgeley, one of the pioneers of Vaughan township.

Presbyterian Church

The floral decorations of the church for Easter Sunday were of surpassing beauty. Lilies, rhododendrons, Easter lilies, carnations, and spirea were blended together in beautiful profusion. The choir of forty with their new gowns, caps, and white ties rounded out a scene fitted to make every heart rejoice. The congregations were exceptionally large and the Choral Service was greatly appreciated by all. Expressions of gratitude were numerous to Mr. John Dunlop who had so generously contributed and arranged the floral decorations.

Last week's Choral concert pleased everybody. There was a sense of genuine pride that the community possessed such a director and organist as Mr. Earle Newton and in a choir that could attain such excellent results.

The organ will be heard at still greater advantage at the recital which Mr. Newton will give this, Thursday, evening.

The Sunday services for April 11th will be as follows:

11 a.m.: "Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth." Eccl. XII. 7 p.m.: "Behold the man! John XIX.

Grand Jurors' Presentment

The Grand Jury for the trial of criminal actions, at the close of their recent session, gave a presentment to the acting Judge, and described the various public institutions in connection with Toronto and York County. The following relates to the Men's Jail Farm on Yonge Street.

This institution is a new undertaking for the City of Toronto, with its immense acreage, carefully tiled and properly looked after, should prove a real success. The location of the main building site has been carefully chosen. The new jail is well planned with large sleeping apartments at each end which are bright, cheery and well ventilated, a vast change from the old confined cells. The new addition is progressing favorably for outside work in winter.

We also visited the barns and stables now used. There are eleven teams of horses, all of which are good all-round farm workers. The cattle are not by any means as good a grade as they should be, and would recommend immediate attention to improve same. The several pens of pigs are good. We were advised that new barns and stables were about to be erected on this farm. Such being the case we would strongly advise that one or two recognized expert farmers who are thoroughly conversant with the right up-to-date requirements in both barns and stables, be engaged as supervisors, and under no conditions allow these buildings to be either planned, laid out or built by city or other architects until the plans have been first approved of and sanctioned by the said experts on barns and stables.

We would also recommend the engaging of at least two or more practical farm hands competent to take charge of men, either in groups or otherwise, to instruct and look after the work to be done. It could not reasonably be expected that prisoners who are serving more or less short terms would take sufficient interest to do a reasonable day's work if left alone in the fields.

We fully endorse the hiring out of the prisoners by the superintendent and the wages so earned remitted to their families.

In cases where the prisoners are willing workers and take an interest in their employment, we would recommend that the superintendent be empowered to give them a cash bonus at the end of their term.

Mr. Scott, the foreman, is worthy of special mention. His all-round practical knowledge of farming and farm management will in due time prove to be a valuable asset to the institution.

We find the superintendent, Mr. Findlay, imbued with good, bright, clear-cut ideas, liberal in his views with regard to prisoners and their surroundings. The farming department is a big proposition, and will require unified co-operation; with the suggested assistance there is every reason to expect success.

We would also suggest that the superintendent use his best efforts to have sewing machines and laundry equipment furnished at the Women's Farm for the use of the two institutions, as soon as it can be arranged.

Maple P. S.

Report of Jr. Division for March:
Sr. II.—Maggie Ball 1137, Garnet Killough 1135, George Ball 1412, Bruce Rose 1267, Iva Downey 1219, Harold Roland 1219, Mary Manning 1150, Irene Montgomery 1148, Gladys Groombridge 943, Irene Jarvis 937, Euston Pilson 637, Grace Bursery 426, May Beck 424.

Jr. II.—Wellington Graham 1257, Irene Lines 941, Lester Pilson 907, Gordon Lines 858, Barr Graham 718.
Sr. I.—Gilbert Mathewson 1058, Dorothy Cooper 1029, Muriel Watson 930, John Beck 866, Pearl Moffat 844, Aberdeen Campbell 712.

Jr. I.—Orland Downey 919, Clarence Lines 801, Gordon Snider 730, Vera Lines 765.

Sr. Pr.—Arthur Jones 520, John Leece 257.

Jr. Pr.—Nellie Beck, Ruth Robinson, Winnie MacDonald, Azala Fierheller, Irene Pilson, Doris Lines, Rupert Jackson, Ruth Pollack, Lizzie King.

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IV.—G. Cruickshank 662, O. Murphy 658, N. Boynton 620.

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Jr. III.—C. Thompson 625, A. Cober 576, E. Horner 493.

Sr. II.—E. Lepofsky 663, H. Cober 653, E. Honsberger 622, E. Hoover 601, W. Dixon 563.

Jr. II.—M. Lyon 693, L. Wideman 662, E. Gee 649, G. McCague 621, L. Woodward 541, W. Woodward 531, A. Lepofsky 523, E. Baker 497, M. Woodward 488.

C.S. Hazen, Teacher.

FATAL GUN ACCIDENT

A very sad accident which proved fatal occurred yesterday afternoon when Cecil Glass, about 13 years of age, second son of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Glass, was fatally shot while returning from the woods with George Blanchard. The boys were walking together, Cecil a short distance behind, when George heard a report. Turning round he saw Cecil fall, and ran to him. He immediately ran to Mr. Glass, and securing a horse returned with other assistance and brought the injured boy home. Besides our local doctors two experts from Toronto were speedily summoned. It was found a bullet had entered his head. The doctors performed an operation, but nothing could be done, and he passed away about 1 a.m. this morning. A coroner's inquest will be held to-day. Funeral Saturday at 2.30 p.m.

Church of England

The Easter Music will be repeated in St. Mary's Church, Richmond Hill, and in Trinity Church, Thornhill, on Sunday morning and evening next.

Rev. S. A. Lawrence will officiate at Trinity Church in the morning and St. Mary's Church, Richmond Hill, in the evening.

A full account of the Easter service and annual vestry meeting will appear next week.

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