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GENERAL NEWS AND VIEWS

Daylight saving will soon be here, and while a town like Richmond Hill so close to the city has no reasonable alternative but to follow the example of Toronto it does seem that the change might be well postponed until at least the middle of May.

Every season has its joys and its sorrows. To some one of the sorrows is daylight saving. However, although there are some objectors there are a great many advantages to be derived from daylight saving and its national adoption would remove many of the objections.

Winters are so long now that it only seems good common sense to save and utilize as many of the precious hours of summer sunshine as possible.

The success of the dramatic contest last Saturday night might be an indication that the "Little Theatre" movement might be well received in this community.

Spring is here. Now is the time to paint up, clean up and make your home, your place of business and the community as attractive as possible.

Another good move towards community beautification is to join the Horticultural Society.

The Toronto Regiment Band will be an excellent attraction at the Richmond Hill Spring Fair on May 24th.

Hon. Duncan Marshall and J. C. McRuer, K.C., will speak at a Liberal rally at Malvern on Tuesday, May 1st.

Whitchurch council has decreed that all relief must cease on May 1st.

Mr. George Lasher, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Lasher of Richmond Hill, was this week elected as president of the Eaton Business Men's Club, Toronto.

Mr. Arthur G. Slaght, K.C., one of the best platform speakers in Ontario, will be the speaker at a public meeting following the annual meeting of the North York Liberal Association at Newmarket, Wednesday evening, May 2nd.

A Scotsman stood in line waiting to buy seats for a film, "The Miracle." Behind him stood a Jew.

"Have you any two-shilling seats for this show?" inquired the Scot when he reached the window.
"I'm sorry, but we have sold all the two-shilling ones," was the answer.
"Then give me two three-shilling seats," said the Highlander.

When the Hebrew heard this he immediately left the line. "I will keep my money—I have see de miracle."

Collingwood council has been petitioned to submit a vote in that town for the repeal of Local Option.

In Toronto in 1933 there were eight murders. In Chicago there were 510. In Atlanta, Georgia, which is about half the size of Toronto, there were 154 killings. In New York there were 541. In all of the United States deaths by homicide totalled 12,000, or the equivalent of the population of a good-sized Canadian town.

Canadians are funny people. They exert every effort to own a nice home and then buy a car to get away from home.

Spring is near. Already the first venturesome thumbs are budding along the highway.

And soon we'll growl because the great outdoors is as hot as we kept the house all winter.

The ratepayers of Nottawasaga Township are to be envied. Their township is free of debt and has a balance in the bank of \$2,390. Good tax collecting is given the credit for the favorable situation.

An eighty-year-old former bricklayer, a bachelor, who was drawing an old-age pension from the British Columbia Government, certainly has his nerve about him. He died in Seattle while on a business trip and authorities not only found nearly \$1,900 in his hotel room, but also discovered that he had an estate worth more than \$12,000! Rather hard up!

A wild duck, which made Meek's Mill dam, Alton, its home last fall and was made a pet by a number of boys, returned to the old mill pond again.

It was said that the duck was glad to again see the boys, who fed him, and the boys were equally as glad to see the wandering duck.

Wandering knights of the road are due for harsh treatment in Grand Valley now that the winter has disappeared and summer weather is just around the corner. Notices stating that "Absolutely no relief will be given in Grand Valley" have been printed and posted at the outskirts of the town.

An epidemic of dog poisoning is in progress in Alliston and many valuable dogs have been stricken as a result. One case last week showed that the animal had died after being fed ground glass. To date 11 dogs have been lost, some of which were highly valued as children's pets.

"What a big family you have, Mrs. Jones," said the visitor.

"Yes'm. And the funny thing is all the names begin with a haitch. There's 'Orace, 'Erbert, 'Enry, 'Ubert, 'Arold, 'Arriet and 'Ety—all except the last one, and we 'ad 'er named Hallace."

Judge John P. Nields, of Wilmington, Delaware, rebuked a jury because they were too credulous and bibulous. They swallowed all the evidence, to wit, a pint of liquor. The case was one in which the defendant was charged with placing spurious internal revenue stamps on liquor bottles. A sample bottle, handed into the jury room, went along the line only once and then its contents were nothing but a fragrant memory. It may be that the jurymen's good fortune in this technical and dry case vexed the judge. Anyway, he rebuked them for their zeal in getting to the bottom of the affair and the bottle, and told them that it was fortunate that they had disagreed to the verdict, because he would have set aside, on the ground of undue alcoholic influence, any verdict they might have rendered.

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Way Back in the Liberal Files

THIRTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

From Our Issue of April 20th, 1899
Mr. Samuel McClure of Vaughan who had a horse, buggy, harness and robe stolen about a week ago has recovered his buggy. The thief left it at the stable of George Lomas in Toronto, taking the latter's light wagon in its place.

The price of good horses is certainly upward. Last Thursday Mr. George Redditt delivered a draught team in Toronto, and received \$400. The horses were sold to the Grand Trunk Railway Company.

Dr. F. J. Gallanough of Thornhill got second prize at the Horse Show in Toronto for his team of black roadsters. Seven teams were exhibited, and some of the city papers refer to Mr. Gallanough's team as equal to that which received first prize.

Under instructions from the Village Council the road-makers put a coating of broken stone on the macadam part of Yonge Street this week within the limits of the corporation. They did not follow the usual custom of first scraping the roads, thinking that the stone would find a better bed on the earth that has accumulated on the macadam. Time will tell whether the experiment will prove a success.

Fifty years ago the late Dr. James Langstaff commenced the practice of medicine. He first settled in Unionville but after a short time removed to this Village, where he practiced successfully for 41 years. His son, Dr. Rolph Langstaff, who is a worthy successor, has now been practicing eight years at the old homestead, and is no less popular and successful than was his honored father.

The Richmond Hill Lacrosse Club reorganized on Thursday evening with the following officers:
Hon. President, Reeve Savage; President, W. Trench; Vice-President, A. Savage; Secretary, C. Ellston; Treasurer, W. Trench; Captain, G. Sims; Com. of Management, F. Grainiger, J. Glass, W. Savage, W. Clifford, H. Hooper.

The Secretary has already received several communications from Toronto Clubs for matches in the near future. The Club anticipates great success and hopes to be liberally supported. Tickets can be secured from the Management Committee.

During the winter the rope on the flag-pole on the High School broke and slipped out of the pulley. With the return of spring, means were

thought of for having the rope replaced. At last Mr. Wm. Clifford of hockey and lacrosse fame, who is employed with Messrs. Innes & Sons, volunteered to do the job. On Thursday evening he bot on the roof of the school and tried by means of a long pole to drop a weighted string through the pulley. Failing in this he climbed the flag-pole to the top, and put the rope through with his hand. The top of the pole is 16 feet above the ridge of the school and about 50 feet above the ground. The feat required a good steady nerve, especially as the pole is quite slender. Will has the distinction of doing what very few others would care to undertake.

The Council of the Canadian Lacrosse Association met in Toronto on Friday last, the principal business being to arrange the schedule of matches for the coming season. Markham and Brampton were admitted to the senior series in which there are eight clubs represented. No. 1 will consist of Markham, Brampton and Peterboro. There will be ten junior districts. No. 7 will include the following clubs: Richmond Hill, Stouffville, Uxbridge, Aurora, Markham II, and Cannington.

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