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FORTY YEARS AGO

From our Issue of August 12th, 1897 Chairman Naughton and Mr. Andrew Newton, of the Board of Education, took a trip a few days ago to several brickyards in the county, the object being to purchase brick for the new High School. They purchased at Eglinton West, face brick, about 33,000 to be delivered here for \$8.50 per thousand. Mr. J. Brownlee, village inspector, has the foundation laid for several stretches of asphalt pavement. One of the last road beds laid is in front of the Dominion House.

A very pretty wedding was solemnized in the Methodist Church last evening, when Mr. A. E. Coombs, M.A., B.Paed., Principal of the High School, and Miss Beatrice Elliott, niece of Mr. J. W. Elliott, were joined in marriage. The interesting ceremony was performed by Rev. G. McCulloch, the popular pastor of the church. The large edifice was crowded to the doors with friends and acquaintances and was tastefully decorated with flowers and plants. Dr. R. L. Langstaff acted as groomsmen and the bride was attended by Miss Scarborough as bridesmaid and little Miss Verna Hutchison, maid of honour, and Master Eddie Knox, page. The duties of ushers were gracefully performed by Messrs. Ollie and Ernie Alexander of Toronto. After the ceremony a reception was held at the home of Mr. Elliott. Later the bride and groom left by cab for Toronto. Christopher Gohn, one of the old residents of Markham Township, died at his home, lot 8, Con. 2, on Friday, the 6th of August. Deceased was interred in the Methodist cemetery, Buttonville, on Sunday.

THIRTY YEARS AGO

From our Issue of August 8th, 1907 The Public Library Board met in Mr. Hume's office Monday evening, August 5th. Present—Messrs. P. G. Savage, A. J. Hume, J. H. Brydon, W. A. Sanderson, W. H. Pugsley, T. F. McMahon, also the librarian, Mr. George Cowie. A statement by the Treasurer showed that the amount received from the Government on last year's purchase of books was \$47.66 being 50 per cent of the outlay. Also that there was a small balance on hand after paying all liabilities.

Brydon-Hume—That the Village Council be requested to levy \$100 for Public Library purposes. Carried. Hume-Brydon—That the book committee be authorized to expend this fall \$90.00 for the purchase of books, Magazines and newspapers. Carried. It was suggested that the Book Committee purchase the new books as early as possible, and that citizens be requested to hand to the secretary the names of any books or magazines they would wish to see in the Library. The Board adjourned.

On Wednesday, 24th July, a marriage took place in the parsonage at Maple, when Miss Mary Louisa Johnston, youngest daughter of Mr. Thos. Johnston of Milliken, became the wife of Mr. W. T. Anning of Edgeley.

From every viewpoint the farming class of this county is in better shape now than at any previous period. More people own their homes and little farms; more are free from the yoke of bondage inflicted by burdensome debts; more are becoming independent each year by making a comfortable living for their families; more are waking up to the necessity of giving their children better educational advantages and withal, prosperity and contentment seem to prevail throughout the country.

NO ADS, SO EDITOR LECTURES THE TOWN

Broadwater, Neb., July 31.—In a large blank space in which the ads. might have been, Editor J. P. Kelley of the Broadwater News inserted three well-spaced words: "Our...idle...acres."

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General News & Views

The annual Mulock Picnic will be held at Woodbridge Saturday afternoon, August 21st.

Farmers throughout the district are busy harvesting. Help is scarce and many farmers are finding difficulty to secure enough harvest hands.

A few years ago harvest excursions were run from Ontario to western Canada. This year many men from the west are helping with the Ontario harvest.

Just to cheer up the youngsters we must remind them that school reopens two weeks from next Wednesday.

Richmond Hill's annual Flower Show will be held in the arena Saturday, August 21st.

Oh every fly that skips our swatters, Will have ten million sons and daughters, And countless first and second cousins, Of aunts and uncles, scores and dozens, And fifty million nieces, So squash the blamed things All to pieces.

It is estimated that \$30,000 will find its way into the pockets of farmers and pickers from Clarkson to Islington, as a result of a fine harvest of cherries, which practically finished last week.

A ton of cherries brings \$100, the price contracted for by the farmers with canning companies. Tons of the fruit poured into Clarkson daily for shipment. Farmers are reaping the benefit of a 100 per cent crop, while it is estimated that farmers in the Niagara peninsula only harvested a 25 per cent crop.

Motorists have apparently decided to solve the Yonge Street traffic problem for themselves. Traffic Sunday evening was comparatively light and there was no tie-up.

William Boyd, aged 101 years, attended a Boyd family re-union at Goodwood last week. Despite his age Mr. Boyd is bright, active and enjoying good health.

There were 1164 persons on relief in North York Township in July this year compared with 1693 in July last year. All of which is an indication of improvement in general business conditions.

It is almost impossible to secure men for casual labor in the district at the present time. There is no excuse for any able bodied man being out of work.

One farmer in the district reports that his grain sheaves are so long he has to fold them to get them in the mow. Sounds something like stories on big fish we hear these days.

Seventeen men from practically all walks of life tendered their application for the position as Clerk of King Township, which was made vacant by the resignation of H. H. Sawdon.

A car load of horses shipped from Maple Creek, Alberta, sold by auction in about three hours one day last week in Alliston. Prices ranged as high as \$170, with the average animal selling around \$145, says the Alliston Herald.

The crop of early potatoes coming from the farms is selling at around \$1 per bag, a lower price than was to be expected some months ago. Dealers say it is too early to predict the prevailing price of potatoes for next fall, but they are of the opinion that the fall market may be better than the early one, while others fear a low priced tuber all through the year.

The annual plowing match of the North York Association will be held this year on the farms of Cornelius Moyzihan and Ewart Pinder, well-known properties two miles east of Aurora, between concessions two and three.

The properties provide ample sod and suitable land, and are ideally located for this big annual event.

The date of the match is Wednesday, Oct. 20, and president Elmer Wells looks for one of the most successful matches in the history of the

Association.

The happy custom of holding family reunions still finds favor, says the Barrie Examiner, and large gatherings have attended such events this year. This is a pleasant way to strengthen the family ties. It seems to us a valuable feature might be added to these gatherings by having some member of the clan prepare for each reunion a short paper dealing with some feature of the family history. We know this has been done in several instances. As the older generation passes, it becomes more difficult to gather the material for such articles and by making them a feature of the reunions much history that would be of interest to relatives, both now and in later years, would be put on record.

The most talked about man in Ontario to-day is Premier M. F. Hepburn. Papers and people both praise and condemn him but it's all the same to "Mitch" who keeps on smiling and doing his job in a fearless manner. Guess he must be doing a pretty good job, too, when he showed a surplus for the fiscal year of over \$9,900,000 and a reduction of over \$33,000,000 in the debt of the province.

Thanksgiving Day this year will be Monday, Oct. 11.

A proclamation published in the Canada Gazette set that date "as a day of general thanksgiving to Almighty God for the bountiful crop and other blessings with which Canada has been favored this year."

Twenty-eight thousand Boy Scouts from fifty nations are holding a World Jamboree in Gozlezarg in the Netherlands this week which was officially opened by Queen Wilhelmina on July 31st.

In order to conserve the national supply of iron, new bridges recently erected in parts of Germany are of stone construction.

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