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FRIDAY, JAN. 15, 1897.

LOCAL LACONIOS.

Listen! Don't buy a stove until you see Jake McIntyre.

Mr. W. O. Johnston returned to Muskogon, Mich., on Saturday last.

Mrs. Mathias, Toronto, is home visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Phillips.

Mr. Thos. Cooleage from Manitoba, is here visiting his mother, Mrs. J. Cooleage.

Miss Hermina King was in Toronto on Friday evening last attending the athletic club's ball.

O'Brien & Stedham's Whitty photo gallery will be open every Tuesday, Friday and Saturday.

The town band visited Revere Pringle on Friday night and gave him a serenade. In return Mr. Pringle asked the boys in and gave them a fine spread after which some time was devoted to merriment.

Commenting on Tuesday morning the weather clerk hung out a cold, gray which has been fine and clear. The probs tried to go the clerk one better by predicting snow every day, but without success so far.

Who Wants a Magazine?

The Cosmopolitan is one of the best of the illustrated magazines, and until a year ago was sold for \$3 per annum. We have made an arrangement by which we can sell it and the CHRONICLE for \$1.80.

Police Court.

On Wednesday night Mr. G. E. Gross appeared before Police Magistrate Harper to answer a charge of cutting Mr. Albert Jackson's face with a knife. The charge is assault occasioning actual bodily harm. The case was postponed until 7 o'clock this, Friday, night. In the meantime Mr. Gross has lodged a complaint against both T. G. and Albert Jackson for assault.

Officers T.O.O.F.

The following officers of Eastern Star lodge, No. 77, T.O.O.F., were duly installed by D. D. G. M. Butler and officers, of Oshawa, assisted by Grand Master White, of Port Hope, and Grand Warden J. E. Farewell, of Whitty. P. G. P. Taylor, N. G. J. Noble, V. G. A. Smith, R. S. W. Robson, P. C. D. R. Vickers, treas.; W. Wicks, chap.; C. Taylor, surgeon; C. F. McGillivray, organist; D. Wilson, R. S. N. G. B. Madill, L. S. G. J. Hallett, R. S. V. G. W. Ashby, L. S. V. G. J. Kemp, R. S. S. T. Rice, L. S. S. R. L. Huggard; Warden, W. Hewis; Con, J. E. Farewell; I. G. S. Campbell; O. G. James; and J. H. Pringle, all of the evening all sat down to a sumptuous repast.

The Tannery Drain Blocked.

The tannery drain is again the subject of great concern to the civic officers. It is stopped up between Mr. Chas. King's residence and the skating rink. The same thing happened two or three years ago at this season and the tile had to be dug out and cleaned. In all probability the same thing will have to be done again now. The fire engine was used on Friday to try and force it by a flushing process, but the plan did not succeed, the only result being the flooding of Mr. King's cellar. On Monday morning a force of men were sent to work digging up the big tile, and they have been working at it all week. The tile was found to be full of hair and lime. The expense of overhauling this drain annually is so great as to suggest to our town fathers the wisdom of either having larger and better cesspools or else a better system of cleaning them. We fear that the present cesspools have not been well enough looked after, or else the present trouble would not have existed.

First League Hockey Match.

The first game of the Midland Hockey League was fired here on Monday night, when the Bowmanville aggregation came here for a game. If the play in the league winds up in as hot a manner as it started, there will be a winter's fun along the Kingston Road such as never was heard of before. There was only one regrettable incident in the game, being a bit of a scrap which originated because the boys have not yet got their tempers sufficiently under control for such hot work. Two of the contestants collided, and very thoughtlessly laid down their sticks to fight about the tumble. Many others ran upon the ice to separate the hot heads, and the trouble was stopped at once and play resumed as if nothing had ever happened, the two principles shaking hands over it. The Bowmanville aggregation was a strong one, and for the first half of the game held the Whitty club down tight, but after recess the visitors fell behind, until there was nothing but a defence game before the end was reached. At the start Whitty made three goals in short order, and many of the Whitty rosters began to howl "Chuch", but immediately the Bowmanville club took themselves a number of goals, and the clutch stood 4 to 3, and the general impression was that honors were nearly even; but the after-play soon left no doubt as to what would be the upshot of the game. Nevertheless it was a hot struggle, and the Bowmanville club is positively in it for this league. The score at the close was four to five. The Bowmanville boys were refreshed with coffee and cake before leaving for home. Whitty team—Goal, Geo. Barnes; point, Robt. Stewart; cover point, Chas. Stewart; forwards, G. Thompson, F. Paquet, C. Smith, C. Stewart; Bowmanville team—Goal, M. Callahan; point, E. Kent; cover point, B. Spry; forwards, Morrison, Downey, Burden, Garret, Refere, A. G. Henderson.

Mrs. Disney will visit Thornbury for the winter.

Mr. R. E. Bird's family is recovering from severe illness.

Mr. Wm. File, Port Perry, was in town Saturday. He has settled down as a permanent resident of Port Perry.

A young fellow from Toronto came here on Thursday last with a grip full of scents and stationery. He got along well enough until Friday morning, when Chief Constable Calverley took him in charge for peddling without license. The chap was well dressed, and appeared to be telling the truth when he said he did not know he was violating the law, so the chief let him go with a warning.

The New Bailiff.

It is announced that Mr. B. P. Campbell, Brooklin, is to be the next bailiff for the Whitty division court. He certainly possesses every requisite qualification for the place, and no man could have been named who would carry as much good-will into the position. We congratulate Mr. Campbell, and heartily endorse his appointment.

Farmers' Institute Meetings.

The South Ontario Farmers' Institute will hold afternoon and evening meetings as follows: Oshawa, Jan. 27th; Whitty, Jan. 28th; Columbus, Jan. 29th; Myrtle, Jan. 30th; Greenbank, Feb. 1st; Epsom, Feb. 2nd; Claremont, Feb. 3rd; Whitevale, Feb. 4th. The delegation will be Messrs. Wm. Rennie, farm superintendent of the O. A. C. Guelph; W. J. Palmer, of Toronto; and T. C. Wheatly, of Blackwell. It is to be hoped the meetings will be largely attended.

The College Fortifications.

Two ordnance guns of several tons weight and 24 pound calibre are being mounted at Ontario Ladies' College this week. With three cannon pointing death at them, unwelcome visitors will steer shy of the college. In these days of peace it is a grand sight to see the cannon of former warlike periods used for ornamental purposes and as relics of barbarism. The enterprise of the college in securing everything which tends to architectural and landscape attraction deserves high commendation.

Daughters of England.

Princess May lodge elected the following officers for 1897: Past president, Sister Mary Cooleage; president, Sis Leda Stanlock; vice president, Sis E. Heard; secretary, Sis C. F. Smith; treasurer, Sis A. Warcup; chaplain, Sis M. Cresswell; managing committee—Sisters A. Cooleage, M. A. Cresswell, A. Smith, M. Beall; inside guard, Sis H. Slater; outer guard, Sis D. Cresswell; trustees—Sisters M. Robson and M. Draper; auditors—Bro Rowland, Sis A. Kelly, Bro J. Hallett. This lodge is making great progress, having initiated 8 during the last quarter and have six propositions on hand.

Disfiguring the Facts.

The Gazette exercises considerable ingenuity in trying to make it appear that the CHRONICLE got the worst of it in the Eastwood libel suit. It tried to give out the impression at the time of the trial that we were to be worsted, and now it does its best to hide the fact that the CHRONICLE's case was sustained at every point, even to securing a big judgment for costs. The result of this trial is that instead of our having to pay Dr. W. F. Eastwood damages for libel, he has to pay us a big bill of costs. We condole with the Gazette and some others of our confederates who wrote such articles as they thought would prejudice us badly at the trial, and who prayed continually and fervently that we might get socked by Eastwood. In all probability Dr. Eastwood brought the action to secure a testimonial from the court as to his professional character, and we do not grudge him the predicament he finds himself in. The CHRONICLE sought by every means to avoid the fight, but could find no avenue of escape, the courts being so constructed that there is no way of stopping such cases. The same statement of facts that won the case before the Chief Justice, was presented by our counsel before the master at Toronto in making an application for security for costs. The master refused to protect us in a matter of this kind, and the CHRONICLE had no case at all. This gives one an idea of the inconsistencies of law and practice, and shows how one who does not desire a trial all may be placed in the crucible of justice and kept there for almost any length of time without successful recourse. Considering all these things one might have looked for the sympathy and support of every newspaper in the county, but those whose boiler plate circulation is curtailed by the widespread popularity of the CHRONICLE arising from its outspoken championship of right no matter at what cost, would suffer any curtailment of the power of the press provided the CHRONICLE were to be the first sufferer.

The New Town Council.

A report of Monday's meeting will be found elsewhere. The council for 1897 did not set out in a blaze of glory, bickering, selfishness, insult and bad temper being rampant from the start. Mr. Pringle, as reeve, has now reached the point long hoped for where his star would be shining brightly. He is in full control, and of course his first business is to sort things that his control will be secure, and next to trim those who opposed his election. There is love between him and Mr. Jackson last year, and they hunted in couples peddling off the committee chairmanships to such members as would join them in a secret division of things beforehand. This year they are on the outs, and Mr. Pringle was so much more expert at the ringing in of members that he even roped in Messrs. Smith and Blow from Mr. Jackson's own ward. Mr. Jackson says seven members of the new council shook hands with him on a pledge that they would cast ballots to name him as one of five to strike the standing committees, but he only got five votes, and of course the reeve and his little ring sought to strip him of everything worth having. His position as chairman of fire and water was very reluctantly offered Mr. Scott, for Mr. Scott would not join Mr. Pringle's clique, but the latter party could not take two chairmanships each. Mr. Jackson's position on the streets and finance committees were both accepted eagerly by his colleague, Mr. Smith, and Mr. Jackson, who was a leading member last year, would have figured on the tail end of the relief committee this year, only that Mr. Scott refused to strip Mr. Jackson for himself as Mr. Smith did, and Mr. Jackson had to be put in as chairman of fire and water. This left Mr. Scott out. All the other chairmanships had been sold for votes. Mr. Robson is also out by Mr. Pringle's ascendancy, as is also Mr. Crosby because he would not ring in. The streets committee consists of Messrs. Smith, Luke and Noble, and we do not see how it could have been made more objectionable. As a matter of fact it is hard to see how the council could be worse laid out all round. Messrs. Scott, Jackson, Robson, Hayward, and Crosby, who are all really able, honest, fair and independent men of council, are to be nonentities all year, while the ringers and trailers after the reeve's coat tail are to run our business as he directs. The reeve's insinuating reminder to Mr. Scott that he is a stage driver and better fitted to look after mall bags than for service in council, shows the venom which is to be showered in sly words from the head of the board, while the display of bad temper by Mr. Scott and the attitude of Mr. Jackson on Monday made it apparent that they intend to make things hot. Those who attended the council Monday will admit that this criticism scarcely states things as bad as they are. We print it in all kindness in order that the members of council may see their own conduct under July printed for public information. The year is young yet and they may do better. All has taken years of careful work to straighten out this town's business, and we hope those members who have a little sense, honesty and independence will use it.

Hockey Notes.

The local team feels strengthening in defence and goal.

The Whitty club's colors for this season will be red, white and black.

The spectators as well as the local team missed Birrell in Monday's game.

The light at Monday night's game was much better than at the Victoria game.

Skaters will have the rink on Monday night instead of Tuesday night of next week.

Cobourg plays here on Monday, 25th inst., instead of the 22nd owing to the Hon. John Dryden's meeting in town on the latter date.

Whitty goes to Port Hope to-night, Friday. Members of the club wishing to accompany the team may procure tickets at club rates.

There was very little team work in Monday's game. Combination has to be got down finer if victory is to continue on the side of the local team.

The second seven of Bowmanville will play the juniors here on Tuesday evening the 19th inst., when a rattling fine game may be looked for. The juniors have never been beaten, and give good promise of sustaining their reputations. The youngsters should be given a good game.

The Oshawa Coburg game did not come off on Monday as planned, as there is a hitch between the rink management and the club. Until the difficulty is overcome all scheduled matches with Oshawa will be cancelled. On going to press we hear that the difficulty has been amicably arranged, and so far as possible the old schedule will be carried out.

Pickering Division Court.

This court was held in the town hall, Brookham, on Tuesday. The docket was a pretty heavy one. Barristers present were Mr. Montgomery, of Mulock & Co., Toronto; J. McCullough, of Stouffville; J. R. Pich, of McDonald & Fitch, Stouffville; F. Denton, of Denton & Dods, Toronto; and T. M. McGillivray, of Dow & McGillivray, Whitty. Honors among them were fairly well divided. Robson vs. Found—Judgt. for plff.; Mathews vs. Cooper—Judgt. for def.; Green vs. Philp and E. Gleeson—Garnishee judgment for the plaintiff; Harry and Van Norman vs. Philp and E. Gleeson—Garnishee judgment for plff.; McCall Bros. & Co. vs. Green and Gleeson—Judgt. for plff.; Mathews vs. Gibson—Adj. till March court; Wilson vs. Hamilton and N. L. Stevenson—Garnishee judgment for plff.; Dolphinson vs. Cooper—Judgt. of court; Stevenson vs. Madill—Settled out of court; several judgment debtors were examined. About Damning.

We do not like during our subscribers for small amounts, and a good many people object to being damned; but our experience has been that when times are hard people let their newspapers run along unpaid for. They say to themselves that it is only a dollar or two, and they will let it stand for a month or quite a long time, and the publisher's business is all made up of very small amounts. Other publishers say their experience is similar to ours in this respect. So many subscribers are delinquent that every publisher is becoming more or less disgusted with the business, and newspaper collecting agencies which collect with costs are thriving in every city. People who will not pay the publisher, no matter what the amount he may make to collect, will hasten to pay the hardened collector with costs added. We notice that almost every newspaper in the country is bringing an action for collecting its accounts, and we intend this year to have our money or know the reason why. Let everybody bear these things in mind, and do not have us dunning and threatening all year.

Chairman McClellan's Dinner.

Mr. Chairman McClellan of the board of education, at the conclusion of the year's business on Wednesday evening, invited the members of the board, the staff of the collegiate, and the staff of the high school, and the editors in his residence, where a grand spread awaited them. About twenty-five sat at the tables, and enjoyed a splendid bill of fare, at the conclusion of which the Secretary Orniston made a speech suitable to the occasion, paying Mr. and Mrs. McClellan a high compliment as entertainers, and wishing them on behalf of all present long life and full enjoyment. At the conclusion he proposed the health, happiness and prosperity of Mr. and Mrs. McClellan and their excellent family. All hands joined enthusiastically in drinking the toast, and some singing was added which would put to shame the whole chorus society. Afterwards the party had a set-to at cards, in which everybody won laurels. Mr. McClellan's term as chairman of the board has been distinguished by success in every way. All the old factional differences have been healed during his term, and it is to be hoped may remain so.

The Eastwood Libel Suit.

Chief Justice Armour has given his decision in the libel suit instituted against the CHRONICLE by Dr. W. F. Eastwood of Claremont. In order that the judgment may be clearly understood it will be necessary to give a short synopsis of the case. The libel complained of was contained in an editorial on the Pickering insurance frauds in the issue of March 24th, 1895. About a month later we received a notice of a libel action from Messrs. Dickson & Johnston, Toronto, as Dr. Eastwood's solicitors. We at once published an article making it clear that in the editorial complained of no intention was not to have our language interpreted as was claimed by Dr. Eastwood's solicitors, and on our behalf Messrs. Dow & McGillivray wrote Messrs. Dickson & Johnston in a friendly way asking them to favor us with some suggestions as to what more they wanted. The answer to this was a writ for \$10,000 damages. We then published a further article withdrawing that of March 24th, and the plaintiff's solicitors wrote Messrs. Dow & McGillivray stating that they were now satisfied and would withdraw the case if the CHRONICLE would pay all costs incurred. Our solicitors refused to pay any costs, and further warned the plaintiff's solicitors that we would resist payment of all costs incurred in future. From this point on the case became a legal battle between the lawyers. Dr. Eastwood pushed the case as hard as possible, and it was agreed to dispense with a jury at the assizes and leave the whole matter to the decision of Chief Justice Armour. He has now awarded plaintiff the costs up to the time the writ was issued, say \$15, and the costs of the remainder of the action, probably \$200, to be paid by Dr. Eastwood. The chief justice holds that when Dr. Eastwood's withdrawal of the article complained of he should have moved in chambers to wind up the suit and have costs awarded to him; and on our behalf Messrs. Dow & McGillivray pointed out to Eastwood's solicitors the proper course to follow. But our opponent probably felt that it was a sure foundation upon which to build up a bill of \$400 or \$500 costs, so they went ahead vigorously. Having the fullest confidence in the legal knowledge and good judgment of our solicitors Messrs. Dow & McGillivray we decided to fight the matter out, and when the matter came to court we associated Mr. J. E. Farewell, Q. C., as counsel with Mr. Dow at the trial, though contending against brilliant Toronto lawyers, who as plaintiffs had their choice of the battleground, our lawyers won every contention from beginning to end, except as to the cost of printing the writ, and that point was lost by our publication of two favorable articles upon our desire to avoid a suit. Those who fancy they must run away and hire city lawyers for their cases will see in this case where the Whitty lawyers took the defence and defeated Toronto lawyers in a legal battle on grounds of the latter's own choosing. We heartily congratulate Messrs. Dow & McGillivray and Mr. Farewell, Q. C., upon the success of their efforts.

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