

The Durham Chronicle.

DURHAM, Jan. 28th, 1897.

GENERAL.

Times are brisk at Rat Portage, and greater Hotel accommodation is needed to store away the gold seekers

The first County Council under the new system is in session this week in Owen Sound.

English capitalists are directing their attention to our Canadian gold fields in Rat Portage district. Mr. W. Barrett Leonard, of London, Eng. representing the interests of a wealthy syndicate, is there now. His report may be of value.

The United States quarantine regulations are to be imposed against the landing of vessels from Foreign ports, infected or suspected of being infested with the terrible bubonic plague now raging in India.

A French Physician claims to have discovered an antidote for the bubonic plague.

A fatal railway accident occurred at Barry's Bay last Friday, by a freight train running into an open switch and colliding with a couple of flat cars standing on the siding. Three of the train hands were killed. This road, the Ottawa, Arnprior and Parry Sound was only lately opened, and this is the first accident. The switch is supposed to have been opened by train robbers, who expected the pay car would be attached.

Sir Isaac Pitman, the inventor of stenography died at his home in Bath, England, last week, at the age of eighty four years. Though dead his influence lives on, and the value of such a life can never be estimated. He was knighted in 1894.

The Spaniards attacked a Cuban Hospital last week, mercilessly butchered soldiers and nurses and ended their cruel work by setting fire to the building and burning the inmates.

The Toronto Normal School opened last Friday with one hundred and twenty students. This being the 50th anniversary of the institution the meeting was of unusual interest.

A costly fire occurred in Stayner last week when the McEachern block was burned to the ground. Cause unknown, partly insured.

Gold seekers are leaving Africa for Canadian gold fields.

Mr. James Allan has been elected Warden of the County of Grey.

Shelburne had a hundred thousand dollar fire on Tuesday.

PRESUMING that many of the farmers in this vicinity were lawfully prevented attending the meeting of the Farmers' Institute here last week we have given a somewhat lengthy report of it and trust it will meet with the approval of our readers.

FARMERS' INSTITUTE.

Continued from page 1. The address was concluded with a reference to the necessity for co-operation on the part of the whole agricultural community in the extermination of weeds, emphasis being given to the importance of keeping the road-sides clean and free from thistles and other weeds.

The address was well arranged and listened to with considerable interest. At the request of some present Mr. McMillan gave his opinion concerning the dehorning of cattle which is now becoming a very common practice in Ontario. He believed the cattle suffered but little and that the practice had many beneficial results.

In the evening a concert was given in the Town Hall which notwithstanding the new departure in making a charge of ten cents, the hall was packed to the door and everything went off splendidly, and excellent order prevailed from beginning to end.

Mayor Calder was in the chair and

filled the bill admirably. After a few preliminary remarks the Johnston family was called upon and gave a musical selection that proves beyond a doubt their high degree of musical ability, forming as they did an excellent orchestra, which was highly appreciated and loudly encouraged. The several pieces given by the family added much indeed to the pleasure of the evening.

Mr. Frazer, of Bradford, whose easy, composed and somewhat humorous style had given inspiration and confidence in his afternoon address was next called upon and spoke at some length on "Farmers' Needs." He could not start his subject, however, without first giving expression to his pleasure, at the evidences of civilization and refinement he saw in the people of Durham, and he highly eulogized the music that he had already listened to. The Farmer needed many things but money was not the great desideratum, for which all should strive. He needs (1) a broad knowledge of the things he has to do with, (2) a knowledge of how to use his brain as well as his muscle, (3) a clear knowledge of his surroundings, and a knowledge of his present requirements, (4) a clearer conception of the character of the soil he works, (5) a clearer conception of crops, their nature, requirements and the kind of fertilizers best adapted for their productiveness, (6) a knowledge of weeds and the best methods to exterminate them, (7) how to manufacture the crude product of the crops into a finer product less bulky but more valuable, (8) needs to know how to feed his stock to his own pecuniary advantage, (9) he needs a knowledge of business, (10) should know how to keep accounts so that he can at any time tell his financial standing, (11) He needs to know the relative values of the different kinds of commodities, (12) he needs to cultivate social qualities, (13) he needs to know how to keep his farm tastily, (14) he needs to know how to take care of his machinery and implements, (15) he needs to know how to dress so that he may appear respectable in society and thus command a higher degree of respect in the community, (16) he needs to know how to practice economy, economy of time, economy in the arrangement of his work, economy regarding waste-places on the farm, economy in feeding and economy in the arrangement of his house, (17) he needs to give encouragement to his boys. Give them money and teach them how to spend it wisely. The whole address was so full of practical hints that we heartily commend their perusal to every reader.

Mr. Leighton next sang a highly appreciated song and was vociferously applauded. His later numbers partook more of a comic character.

To simply say that an orchestra led by Mr. R. Parker appeared next will be sufficient to those who know him that the selections were excellent. They graciously responded to an unmistakable encore.

Mr. Gilbert McKechnie came next and in a historical and patriotic address, proved conclusively his wide knowledge of the past and present as well as the probabilities of the future.

One of the most taking songs of the evening "The Shamrock, Thistle and Rose" was next sung by Mr. Wm. Ramage.

Mr. McMillan of Seaforth, delivered a lengthy address on "Making our way in Life." Though the last speech of the evening it was by no means the least in importance. He spoke of the importance of education, as a factor in our success. In the school, habits of industry, attention and self dependence were taught. Self dependence enables the young man to command respect and attention. In choosing an occupation we should carefully consider the matter and select the one for which we are best fitted. No occupation or calling is better nor more independent than that of the farmer. Many of the thoughtless ones, wishing to occupy positions of comparative ease, wended their way to the cities, and other large centres of population where thousands of men are only in a condition of respectable starvation. Business attractions take many from the farm yet from 95 to 96% of business men fail. The proper choice of a companion was also essential to our success in life. At this point the marriageable young men and women were exceedingly attentive, and the speaker may be said to have reached the climax in his address. He finished with an earnest appeal to all to respect and reverence their parents in their declining years when the thread of life is almost run.

Messrs. Mather and Milligan next sang a duet. Mr. Mather Sr. assisted in an encore.

Mr. Binnie explained the reason of Dr. Landerkin's absence. Some around us looked suspicious, began to talk politics, and murmur about the elections being a long way off, but of course we don't know what they meant.

The meeting was closed with the National Anthem and all went home happy.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the matter of the Estate of Henry James Middaugh, late of the Town of Durham, in the County of Grey and Province of Ontario, Esquire, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to R. S. O. 1887, Cap. 110, Sec. 36, and Amending Acts, that all persons having claims against the estate of the said Henry James Middaugh, who died on or about the tenth day of November A. D. 1886, are required to send by post, prepaid, or to deliver to David Jamieson, of the said Town of Durham, in the County of Grey, Executor, on or before the

26th day of FEBRUARY, A. D. 1897, their names, addresses, and descriptions and a full statement of particulars of their claims and the nature of the security and liens (if any) held by them duly certified, and that after the said day the Executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have notice. Dated this twenty-third day of January, A. D. 1897.

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Durham Jan. 13th, 1897.

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N. G. & J. MCKECHNIE. Durham, Dec. 18th, 1896.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Annual Meeting of the Germania Mutual Fire Insurance Company will be held in the Town Hall, Ayton, on Friday, January 29th, 1897, at one o'clock p. m. in order to receive the report of the Directors for the past year, to elect three Directors, and for other business.

GEO. HOPF, Manager, Moltke, Jan. 9th, 1897.