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## LOCAL NEWS.

THE snow is nearly gone.

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—Mr Scott advertises goods at cost for the next twenty days.

FOR Sale.—One top buggy and one fanning-mill nearly new. Apply to Miles Wilson, Durham.

STAFF-CAPT. TURNER, of the Salvation Army, will conduct meetings in the Orange hall, March 27th and 28th assisted by Adj. Taylor. Don't fail to come and bring your friends with you.

—Notice.—All persons indebted to C. McArthur, are respectfully requested to call for their accounts and settle either by cash or note at once. All accounts left unsettled must be placed in other hands for collection. —C. McArthur, merchant, Durham Jan. 7th 1897.

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An Englishman's study of the longest reign in British history is contributed to the Review of Reviews in this diamond jubilee year of Queen Victoria's rule by Mr. W. T. Stead, who traces the growth of imperial dominion and the influence of the royal family from the point of the typical British subject. The article is illustrated with a large number of portraits of the Queen and of members of her family circle. Many of these portraits are rare, and are now published for the first time in America.

On Saturday evening last a free address on "The Horticultural possibilities of a town plot" was delivered by Mr. McNeil, of Windsor. The speaker is a practical gardener and cultivates a small patch of fifty acres of grapes. He was at one time a teacher in the Windsor High School and his enthusiasm along pedagogical lines ran as high as they now do on Horticulture, we fear the profession was a loser by Mr. McNeil leaving the work. He congratulated the Durham Society on having the most enthusiastic set of officers he ever met. At this remark President Firth and Secretary Gorsline were visibly affected. He does not believe in pinning ones faith to Seed and Fruit Catalogues and such kinds of book-learning as people sometimes feel prepared to swear by. Of all the different varieties of grapes the Concord, Niagara and Warden were the only kinds that fully filled the bill. Levelling and sodding to beautify grounds is a paying investment, enhancing the value of the property and giving an esthetic air to the neighborhood which would prove to be contagious. The best lawn grass he says consists of one half Kentucky blue grass and half ordinary redtop. Peach trees do better 12 feet apart than at greater distances. Many good hints were given on the cultivation and care of plants, both outside and in the house. House plants must be kept clean. The leaves of plants do the duty of the lungs and digestive organs of animals. The sap taken up by the stem is elaborated in the presence of sunlight. Mr. McNeil is an enthusiastic admirer of Canada, rejoices in her success in carrying off so many prizes at the Columbian exposition and favors the cultivation of a greater Canadian sentiment. Mr. Campbell was chairman and opened the meeting by an interesting and pointed address expressive of the influence that esthetic culture has on the home and in society. Mr. Mr. Galbraith made his debut by the singing of two songs which were highly appreciated. Votes of thanks were tendered the chairman and the speaker.

On Tuesday morning last Mr. J. Woodland presented us with a beautiful little pansy the first of the season.

MR. HENRY BULL, father of Councillor Bull, died on Tuesday at the residence of Mr. Mathew Barbour, Normandy, aged 83 years, 11 months. Funeral at 2:30 to-day.

There is no reason why one should have a cough any length of time. All that is needed to allay soreness of the throat or to free the bronchial tubes from irritating mucus is Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. It is a wonderful cough-cure and should be in every medicine-chest.

THE Public Library is the cheapest institution in town, and yet one of the best. At a very trifling cost a membership ticket may be procured, entitling the holder to the benefits of the large library and the privileges of a comfortably heated and well lighted reading room. Most people read something. Hear you can get works on fiction, biography, science, adventure, religion—almost anything you want in the whole range of literature. The tables in the reading room are supplied with all the leading dailies and the very best magazines. It would be only an inferior book that could be purchased for the cost of membership and surely everyone reads at least a dollars' worth a year. Why not become a member?

We don't purpose giving a detailed account of the Carson City "slugging" match between Corbett and Fitzsimmons; the big dailies have done ample justice to that subject. We believe these descriptions to be productive of no moral good. Of late more interest seems to have centred in the great pugilistic contest for the World's championship than perhaps in any other subject and the eagerness with which such news is sought even by professing Christians, shows why journalists, anxious to pander to the tastes of their readers, spare no pains in giving every detail. Is it not probable that these glowing accounts of feats in physical "bulldogism" will produce admirers who will enter the arena of pugilism and divert the course of a life that might be a power in giving character to some of the great moral movements of the world. We must confess that we heartily admire the manly course of the Toronto Star in the way in which it refuses to cater to the lower instincts of humanity, by omitting to publish what has a debasing rather than an elevating tendency. We believe it would be better to leave many things out of print. The stoicism shown by murderers about to pay the penalty of the law, has a tendency to fill some youthful minds with aspirations for similiar notoriety.

The following sketch of Rev. Donald McVicar, of Dromore, appears Saturday's Montreal Witness—His portrait is also given:—The Rev. Donald McVicar, of Dromore, Ont., who has been called to the pastorate of Victoria Presbyterian Church, of this city, to succeed the Rev. W. D. Reid, who resigned a few months ago, was born near the town of Strathroy, Ont., in the county of Middlesex. He received his preliminary education at the Collegiate Institute, Strathroy and qualified for a teacher at the Normal School, Toronto, holding that position for nearly five years. He entered McGill University in the fall of 1896 and graduated in Arts in 1890; studied theology in the Presbyterian College and graduated in 1892. In May of the same year Mr. McVicar was licensed to preach and was called to the pastorate of Amos Church, Dromore and Knox Church, Normandy, Ont., in July. During his course at McGill, Mr. McVicar taught for one term as mathematical teacher in Mrs. Lay's school and for three months as second headmaster of the Royal Arthur school, of this city. He won the Balfour scholarship in 1891 while at the Presbyterian College and the Crescent street scholarship and a prize in architecture at his graduation. Over a hundred members have been added to the churches over which he presides, namely, seventy-six at Amos and twenty-seven at Knox Church, Mr. McVicar was married in February, 1893, to Miss Maggie McLean, daughter of the Rev. A. McLean, of Blyth, Ont. They have one child.

## REV. MR. TAYLOR'S LECTURES.

On Tuesday evening the 16th, in the town hall, Rev. Mr. Taylor, of Chicago, delivered his first lecture, under the auspices of the W. C. T. U.

The chair was taken by Mr. Allan, Principal of our school, who in a few words introduced the lecturer of the evening.

The subject was "That Boy of Yours." The speaker treated his subject in an able, scholarly and eloquent manner throughout, showing that the boys were to be the hope of the country if their lives were rightly directed.

The lecturer paid quite a deserved compliment to the lady graduates of U. S. colleges, showing the increase of them in numbers over the boys and prophesied that if the latter would not be delivered from the curse of the cigarettes and liquor, the ladies would yet rule his country, (United States) even to the Presidential chair.

He made some capital hits on, "How to manage your boy," shewed the lack of home discipline in the stubborn and obstinate one man, who often smashed things in many of our churches to closing them up.

His peroration at close for the preservation of the boys, was very fine and striking.

The lecturer is a man of pleasing address, a polished and captivating speaker showing him to be a man of education.

The lecture was well received by an audience completely filling the hall.

The meeting on Wednesday evening was a decided departure from the ordinary temperance lecture. The subject was dealt with from a scientific standpoint. Through the influence of scientific investigation great changes in our ideas of temperance have grown upon us during the past thirty or forty years. Everybody believes in temperance but through ignorance regarding the proper meaning of the term, the temperance people are split up into factions. Temperance he defined to be "The moderate use of things good in their essential nature and total abstinence from things harmful." Alcohol he defines as a drug, having no food value, a deadly poison and like all other poisons it has its own physiological destiny—the chief point of attack being the brain—it therefore destroys the reasoning faculties, and allows the animal nature to predominate. What destroys the reason, affects the individual and the home, this disturbs the community a disturbed condition of the community affects the state and what affects the state is a fit subject for legislation.

The cooking of an egg in alcohol and the distilling of the alcohol from a glass of beer were the principal experiments.

Mr. Taylor is an able speaker, thoroughly conversant with the subject, earnest in his appeals to enlist the sympathy and co-operation of all temperance workers and some of his word-pictures were real gems of oratory. In fact we consider this the best scientific address on Temperance to which we ever listened.

Mayor Calder was chairman, but the excellent order made his duties very light. Mr. Parker's Orchestra, excuse us for making no comment. —They are always good.

The W. C. T. U. are entitled to the thanks of the community for these two excellent meetings.

COME to the Epworth League next Monday, 29th. Consecration meeting.

—Another drop.—We are selling good flour at \$1.80 per cwt.—Geo. Spurling.

MR. DONNELLY, Station Master, of the C. P. R., Mt. Forest, who held the position ever since the road first ran through, died on Sunday last, and was buried on Tuesday in the R. C. cemetery at Riverston.

On Wednesday evening last while Miss Mackenzie was at Rev. E. O. Taylor's lecture, sneak thieves entered the house and carried off a sum of money. It is reported that Rev. Mr. Jansen's purse had been relieved of its contents.

## PURELY PERSONAL.

Miss E. Vollett returned from Hamilton last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Innes visited Mt. Forest on Saturday.

Mayor and Mrs. Calder are fully recovered from "old Grippe."

Mr. W. T. McKee of Artemesia gave us a brief call last week.

Mr. Geo. Hill, Flesherton, called around to see us one day last week.

Mr. Vanzant, Marblecutter of Flesherton, was a caller on Wednesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John McKinnon, of Chesley visited their daughter, Mrs. J. A. Black.

Mrs. D. Coleridge of Fairwell is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Chas. Ramage of town.

Miss McCracken, who spent some time visiting friends in Mt. Forest returned last week.

Mr. Archie McDougal, who was home for a month, returned to Flesherton on Monday.

Mr. W. Sullivan, of Wingham, was the guest of Mr. W. D. Mills last Thursday and Friday.

Miss Bessie Hughes left on Wednesday for Warton, where she intends to remain for some time.

Mr. James Lloyd, of Chatsworth, came down on Sunday. We noticed he had a pleasant smile on his way back.

Mr. Alex. Calder, accompanied by his sister, Miss Martha, of Yeovil, were visiting at Mr. Geo Campbell's last week.

Mr. Thos. Bannon, of Proton Station, and Mr. W. Smyth, of Flesherton, gave us a call on Saturday last. They both paid their subscriptions to THE CHRONICLE.

James Gunn, of the Middaugh House, Durham, was in town on Monday last, on his way home from attending his father's funeral at Rosemont.—Shelburne Free Press.

Mrs. Thos. McComb arrived in town on her birthday (age 89 yrs) from Minto, where she spent the winter with friends. She will reside in her home as usual for the summer in town.

Rev. Mr. McVicar of Dromore was in town on Thursday last and gave us a brief call. Mr. M. has accepted a call to one of the Montreal churches and will move to the Dominion metropolis in about a month.

## TEA-MEETING.

On the evening of Wednesday 17th of March a very successful tea-meeting was held in the North Glenelg Baptist church. The evening was all that could be desired for driving or walking and as a consequence the church was crowded. The tea and various eatables were such as deserved praise. In quality it was only equalled by the quantity of the good things for eating and drinking. Everybody was in good humor as the 10th con. people are good entertainers. After all had partaken of the good things already mentioned a good lively programme next occupied the attention of the audience which heartily enjoyed all the numbers. Mr. John A. Graham occupied the chair and among those who took part may be mentioned the names of Mr. Jas. Staples, the popular reeve of Glenelg, Rev. Mr. Burns, Messrs. Baker, Bott, McKinnon, Park, Watson, Ellison and Bell. With speeches, songs and recitations time passed unnoticed. But a great part of the success of the affair is due to Zion choir, who sang time and again and each time seemed better than the one before. Glenelg is proud of Zion choir and well they may be. Rev. Mr. Burns & Co., sang an excellent quartette which was thoroughly enjoyed and encored. After the usual votes of thanks had been passed the meeting was drawn to a close by the singing of the National Anthem. The proceeds amounted to over \$31.—Com.

## VICKERS.

Mr. Wm. Calvert, Proton Station, is spending a short time at home at present.

Mr. Robt. Leggette spent Sunday with his parents.

Several of our young men intend to leave for the lower settlements this week.

Two of our young men, visited Brant friends last week.

Rev. Mr. Isaacs, Holstein, will deliver an educational sermon here next Sunday.

On the 11th inst., the wife of Mr. T. J. Lawrence of a daughter.

## VARNEY.

We regret that Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Thompson lost their infant son since we last wrote. We were in error last week in reporting it as a daughter. The bereaved parents have our sympathy.

Mr. Charles Caldwell is very low at present with la grippe.

W. R. doesn't go to Durham as often as he used to on Saturday nights. You must have the grippe, Will.

Mrs. Clark, who has been confined to her bed for some time with la grippe is improving nicely.

Mr. Alex. McLavish is recovering from his recent spell of sickness.

Willie McCalmon, Jr., left Wednesday morning for Mt. Forest to enter the employ of Mr. Wm. Duignan.

Frank Carson is engaged for the summer months with Mr. J. W. Blyth.

Frank Forest is engaged with Mr. John Marshall, Sr., of Normandy, for the summer months.

Cosmo Cameron is going to draw cream for his brother, Douglas, this summer. He says he will be able for Fitzsimmons next fall.

Mr. Richard Barber has been under the weather this last week but is improving nicely.

The remains of the late Thomas Chapman were interred in Maplewood cemetery last Monday. There was a very large funeral and the bereaved ones have the sympathy of the whole community.

Mr. James Moore has returned from Guelph to spend a couple of weeks holidays. Jim has had an attack of la grippe but says he doesn't want it again.

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