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LOCAL NEWS.

Is your sub. paid?
Where did Frank Lenahan leave that cradle?
The masons are working on Jeweller Gordon's new shop.
Buy your garden Seeds by the oz. at Macfarlane's.
\$3.75 buys an all wool black serge suit at Mockler's.
DIVISION COURT met Wednesday, Judge Morrison presiding.
Mr. W. L. MacKENZIE is putting an addition to his residence.
One of Mockler's \$4.00 Waterproofs is the thing for April showers.
SCARLET FEVER has been so prevalent in Maxwell that the school had to be closed for two weeks.
The Volunteers of Co. No. 4, 31st Battalion, will go to camp at London about the last week in June.

We are indebted to Mr. Rutherford, county printer, for a copy of the minutes of the County Council for January session.
For a cheap and stylish Parlor Suite, tables, chairs etc. call at Shewell's Furniture Show Rooms and inspect stock.
The Flesherton Police Trustees have decided to light their streets. Surely Durham can do something to dissipate the darkness.

Mr. Wm. Alexander, P. S. Inspector of Perth for twenty-seven years, died of typhoid at his home in Stratford on Tuesday last week.

Persons interested in the manufacture of butter will do well to read a letter from John Dryden, Minister of Agriculture for Ontario (?)

BARRISTER Wright of Owen Sound has been appointed License Commissioner for North Grey in place of Dr. McCollough who has resigned.

Macfarlane & Co. need not fear outside competition in Wall Paper this year. They have an elegant stock at exceedingly low prices.

You needn't be surprised if Mr. J. A. Hunter adds a milliner to his departmental store, as we are informed he is taking "steps" in that direction.

Mrs. Burnett, Upper Town, is improving her store and residence by replacing the veranda with a modern balcony, and the addition of a coat of paint.

MR. JAMES ALLAN, of Thornbury, late of Brantford, has opened up a tailor shop in the McIntyre Block. Mr. Allan is used to city trade, and will be pleased to attend to the wants of the people of Durham and vicinity.

A Rochester Reader signing himself or herself "A Bunessanite," says "Many thanks for the Bunessan news. Hope more will appear soon." This is the second time we have received thanks over our popular Bunessan Co's racy remarks. He has one grievous fault, however, he doesn't write often enough.

In last week's Flesherton Advance, Dr. Christie, Reeve of Artemesia, has a communication condemning the exhibition on canvas of such scenes as the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight. After reviewing the situation very ably and delivering himself of a sentence of eighteen lines, set in lean bourgeois, he kindly asks the boys to "back down gracefully and own to a mistake." This is the least they might do. It's in fact the very thing the Dr. would do himself if by any mishap he should possibly commit an error.

The first of May is coming round once more. The first Friday in the month is School Arbor Day, and it is likely the chips in the school yard will be raked up, the cobwebs brushed from the interior, general "house-cleaning" exercises indulged in, and a few trees planted to be neglected for another year, when the unsightly stalks will be thrown across the fence into an adjoining pasture field and replaced with a fresh supply. Not only should the school children and teachers observe Arbor Day, but every citizen owning property or having a permanent interest in the town should do something for the comfort and beauty of his home and surroundings.

Cash for butter and eggs at Laidlaw's cellar.

Highest Cash price paid for Eggs at A. S. Hunter's, Middaugh House Store. Lower Town.

MONEY-W. L. MacKENZIE has company and private funds to loan on farm property at 5 and 5 1/2 per cent, in sums and upon terms to suit borrowers.

The Mail and Empire, in order to furnish its readers with the most complete and reliable news of the Spanish-American War, has entered into an arrangement with the New York Herald and London Times whereby it will receive identically the same service as will be furnished by these papers. More than twenty special correspondents will be employed and a fleet of twenty despatch boats is already in commission. The facilities will be exclusive to The Mail and Empire. The Daily Mail and Empire and THE CHRONICLE for one year for \$4.50, cash in advance. Subscribe now. Weekly Mail 50c. Saturday Mail \$1.00. Special reduction if taken with THE CHRONICLE.

Mrs. Wm. Hillis, of Bentinck near Hanover, died last Monday at the age of 107 years. From the information received the deceased was born about the first of May 1791 in the County of Monaghan, Ireland. In 1848 she immigrated with her husband to Canada and settled in the township of Bentinck, about five miles from Durham where she resided till the death of her husband, 18 years ago. Then in company with her daughter she moved to the farm near Hanover where death overtook her. The aged lady always enjoyed good health never knowing till about six months before her death what sickness really meant. She leaves a son, Mr. James Hillis, near Varney, and six daughters, all living within a radius of fourteen miles of Durham. Mr. W. D. Connor in town here is her grandson. The remains were interred yesterday, Wednesday, in the Saugeen Cemetery here, where the funeral was attended by a goodly number of friends, relatives and acquaintances.

We publish in this issue an account of the anniversary service of the Flesherton and Markdale Lodges of the I. O. O. F. furnished us by our correspondent, Mr. Joseph Blackburn, whose budget each week in this paper has something in it worthy of the perusal of every reader. For want of space we are compelled some weeks to condense but we can never improve his items. Not only are local matters truthfully and graphically depicted, but heavier articles are given not often attempted by local correspondents. Owing to the fact that for nine long years he has been an invalid, forced to keep his bed almost constantly for three years, suffering continuously from nervous trouble, a legacy of la grippe, and yet withal bearing his sufferings with calm resignation, all of which we know, naturally we feel an interest in Mr. Blackburn. By thus referring to him personally we do not wish to make any invidious distinctions between him and our other correspondents, all of whom are doing noble work. Mr. Blackburn is himself a member of the I. O. O. F. and is deeply in love with the Order.

MESSRS. N. G. & J. McKechnie, our enterprising citizens and well known merchants, mill owners and manufacturers, are again this year making extensive improvements in the interior of their creamery which last year they operated with so much satisfaction to the public. A large room has been fitted up for cold storage. The apartment being constructed of five thicknesses all round of inch lumber dressed, and having between each two layers a layer of mineral wool, a non-conducting substance. Around the sides and from top to bottom are placed a number of large zinc pipes in which ice will be placed to keep the temperature as low as necessary. We are told that in this air-tight compartment the ice will melt slowly and the quantity required will not be nearly so much as one would suppose. As dairying is becoming one of the leading industries of our country and the manufacture of a first class article of butter an absolute necessity the profits of the dairy will depend to a great degree on the nature of the process in the manufacture of the article. We feel confident that Messrs. McKechnie will so handle the Creamery that it will be profitable to themselves and their patrons.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. Graham is visiting friends in Paisley.

Mr. Abraham Cook, of Traverston, was a caller on Monday.

Mr. W. Swallow left last week for Buffalo to go on the boats.

Mr. Alex. McDonald paid a business visit to Mt. Forest this week.

Judge Morrison presided at the Division Court on Wednesday.

Mr. Wm. Wright, of Flesherton Station was in town Thursday last.

Mr. T. H. Farr returned to Huron College, London, Tuesday morning.

Mr. A. F. Clinie, Harriston registered at the Knapp House Tuesday.

Miss Calvert, Orchardville, visited her sister, Mrs. E. J. Hartford on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Pettigrew, of Holstein, are the guests of Mayor and Mrs. Calder.

Mr. James Allan, of Thornbury is the guest of his uncle Mr. Adam Robertson.

Messrs W. E. Buchan and R. Cameron biked it to Owen Sound on Wednesday.

Mr. J. M. Sutherland and his son, Douglas, left for Fort William on Tuesday last.

Miss Francis Havens has been engaged with Mrs. Thos. Jackson at Clinton for a time.

Messrs. T. Blakely, J. Heard and R. J. Sproule, of Flesherton, were callers on Friday last.

Mr. N. Horn, who has been in London Hospital of typhoid fever, is visiting at Mr. J. Darlings.

Mrs. Archie McKenzie, of Buffalo, and her two children are guests of Mrs. A. McKenzie at the post office.

Mr. James Redford, teacher of S. S. No. 1, Normanby, adorned our sanctuary for a few minutes on Saturday last.

Barrister McKay of Owen Sound, and Mr. J. Elliott of Williamsford, registered at the Middaugh House Tuesday.

Mr. Hugh C. McLean, of the J. B. McLean Pub. Co., Toronto, visited his mother and other friends in town last week.

Mr. Joseph Allan, of Thornbury, was in town Monday and Tuesday visiting his brother-in-law Mr. Adam Robertson.

Mrs. R. Gray, of Hamilton, who has been visiting her father, Mr. Robt. Cochrane returned to her home Wednesday morning.

Mr. Robt. Marr, of Walkerton, General Agent for the Manufacturers' Life Insurance Co., was in town last week on business.

Mr. Wm. W. Wade, of Welbeck, passed through town on Monday morning on his way to Kirkton where he intends to spend the summer.

Mr. Archie Brown, who spent over four years as a compositor in this office, left on Saturday for Toronto, where he expects to secure a position as a typo.

Mr. John Purvis, of Warton, who has relatives at Allan Park, was a caller on Friday. He had been visiting his brother, T. R. Purvis of Berkeley.

Miss Mary McKinley, of Perth, Lanark Co., who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. John Smith, here for a few days returned to her home on Saturday.

Rev. Thos. Legate, of Maxwell, son-in-law of Mr. Thos. Haskins, preached in the Methodist church Sunday morning, and paid us a friendly call at our sanetum, Monday to renew an acquaintanceship formed twenty-three years ago.

Mr. George Russell attended the marriage of his daughter to Dr. Lauder in Toronto this week. The Dr. is a son of Mr. Thomas Lauder, Registrar, and Mr. Russell is town clerk. The young couple are very highly spoken of here where they are well known. Congratulations.

John Livingston sells the Goderich Bicycle, the leading wheel in the market.

Cheap Fares G. T. R.
Toronto and return \$2.50. Good going May 4, 5, 6 and 7, and returning May 9th. The above fare includes admission to the "Canadian Horse Show." Town Office open at 6:45 a. m. for sale of Tickets on the above dates. Jas. E. Gun, Town Agent.

Mr. Alister M. Clark, barrister-at-law, died in Palmerston, Saturday, and was interred in St. James cemetery, Toronto on Monday.

On Tuesday, last week the residences of Mrs. Coffee, Mr. Creighton Ferguson, and Mr. Bates, of Thornbury, together with their outbuildings were totally destroyed by fire and the three families were rendered homeless, Total loss about \$2000.

Thos. Woods, of Mount Forest was convicted before Judge McDougall, Toronto, of breaking into the cottage of Mr. John Halley, at Jackson's Point, and stealing a number of articles therefrom. Woods was remanded, as there is another charge hanging over his head, of burglarizing the cottage of Mr. Robt. Halley. —Arthur Enterprise.

"Mr. A. A. Jordan, of Meaford, the retiring president of the O. E. A., is a man of ideas, as his annual address proved. Referring to the low salaries paid to teachers, he recommended as a remedy that the standard of non-professional teachers should be increased, and the age of entry into the profession raised to twenty-one years. Teachers of age and experience were driven to the wall, and infants were imparting knowledge by new-fangled methods. Teachers' residences should be established throughout the country, and the grants to public schools increased. Mr. Jordan has set many people thinking whether it would not be worth all it would cost to place school teaching on such a footing that those who enter the profession will make it a life work, instead of a 'lift' towards their real occupation in life." —Saturday Night.

Squandered a Fortune.
We often hear the expression, notwithstanding the fact that those who use it are perhaps spending their money foolishly in medicines which only give relief without removing the cause. Sloans Indian Tonic cures heart, stomach, kidney, nerve and liver troubles—because by purifying the blood, regulating the bowels and toning each of these organs the cause of the disease is removed. Sold at all drug stores, \$1.00 a bottle.

—C. McArthur, Upper Town, is paying 9c. per doz. for eggs, and the highest price for butter.

School Inspector Alexander of Perth died at his home in Stratford last week. Mr. Wm. Irwin B. A., Mathematical Master of Listowel High School, was appointed by the Warden to fill the vacancy till the June session of the Council.

Meeting of the License Commissioners.

The License Commissioners met in Holstein on Thursday of last week and disposed of part of their business. As the law is not clear on some points the issuing of licenses in Dundalk and Durham has been postponed until advice be received from headquarters. The License Act (c. 50, 60 Vic. R. S. O.) specifies: "The number of tavern licenses to be granted in the respective municipalities shall not in each year be in excess of the following limitations:—In cities, towns and incorporated villages respectively:

- (a) For the first 250 of the population one tavern license.
- (b) For each full 250 of the population above the first 250 one tavern license but not more than three such licenses shall be granted for the first 1000 of the population.
- (c) For each full 600 over the first 1000 of the population one tavern license."

The village of Dundalk has hitherto had three hotel licenses, but the census of 1831 showing the population to be only 691, the Commissioners could not under the law grant a renewal of three, unless by a special census the town could show a population of 750 or over. Again in the case of Durham section (c) of the above limitations prevents the granting of more than three since the population of the town by the 1891 census is under 1600. The decision heretofore was withheld for advice, the commissioners viewing the matter from the standpoint that if according to sections (a) and (b) a population of 750 was entitled to three licenses, the difference between 750 and 1600 was too great an increase to necessitate the withholding of the additional license, and so the matter stands at present. Licenses in the townships where held last year were renewed.

Supremacy in Millinery.

Lots of Millinery going out these fine days and lots of New Stuff coming in too.

We have just opened out three Shipments of the Latest Novelties in that line and if you haven't bought your hat yet you will do well to see them.

We have got some exclusive novelties in Ladies' Walking Hats, Sailors and a large assortment of Misses and Children's Hats.

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