

DURHAM CHRONICLE.

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LOCAL NEWS.

New house paints at The Big Store.

The Park Hill Basket Factory is likely to be removed to Owen Sound.

New piquet and prints at The Big Store.

Milk has gone up to five cents a quart in Walkerton.

FRESH Naval oranges at The Big Store J. A. Hunter.

LENT commenced yesterday, Feb. 28th.

MR. JAMES FAX, the People's Jimmy, will be at the Curler's Concert March 6th.

FARM horse for sale, 8 years old. Good plough horse, quiet. \$65 quick sale. J. A. Hunter.

THE Spring Assizes will open in Owen Sound, March 6th, with Chancellor Boyd presiding.

WOOD WANTED.—20 Cord of 22 inch maple for which cash will be paid. Apply at this office.

FRESH hams, bacon and side meat cured by S. Arrowsmith at The Big Store. They are choice.

A SCHOOL Concert at Holstein will be held Friday evening next. Part proceeds in aid of the Patriotic Fund. Admission 10c.

A DESIRABLE improvement has been made at the Station by the introduction of electric lights to replace the coal oil lamps.

NOTICE.—All parties indebted to me will please call at the telephone office and settle their account by cash or note. W. LAIDLAW.

FAX's song and program will be entirely new at the Curler's Concert on March 6th and the best ever given by him in Durham. Come and have a hearty laugh.

At the meeting of the A. O. U. W. Grand Lodge in Toronto last week the sum of \$500 was voted as a contribution to the Canadian Patriotic Fund. It was also decided to keep the members of the order on service in South Africa in good standing.

In another column, Mr. Knapp offers \$50 reward for information leading to the conviction of anyone who has been charging him with sympathy to the Boers in the present conflict in South Africa. His letter has a loyal British ring about it.

THE Curling Club have arranged for a grand concert for the 6th of March and have secured Fax of Toronto, Georgie Hamilton of Atwood, and Miss Renwick of Dromore, besides other talent. This will be one of the best concerts of the season. Plan of Reserved Seats now open at MacFarlane's Drug Store. Secure your seats early and avoid the rush on the evening of the concert.

On entering McKeechie's new store the other evening, our eye was arrested at the sight of new Stimpson, computing scale, one of the latest of that kind of labor saving devices now on the market. We were pleased to note the contrast in the appearance goods made with plenty of room for display compared with the same goods when crowded for space. Mr. McKeechie tells us they are opening out a number of new lines, never before carried by the firm, and showed us a large assortment of valises, telescopes and satchels, as well as a large supply of blind rollers. New goods are arriving every week and by Spring the whole store both up stairs and down will be literally packed with all varieties of merchandise, usually found in a general store.

A GOOD STORY, says London Tit-Bits comes from a little town in the Midlands. Among the members of the Knox church is an old retired railway guard and ticket collector. During the morning service at his church not many Sundays ago the railway man was called upon by the minister to assist in taking up the collection, one of the gentlemen who usually helped in the work being absent. The retired railway man started down the aisle with the contribution bag, and passed it round like an old hand at the business. Everything passed off smoothly until he reached a good brother, who had nodded himself fast asleep but just as he was about to pass him, he was suddenly overcome by the force of habit acquired in his railway days. Tapping the sleeping brother with the bag he shouted—"Ticket please."

RARE paper and carpet at The Big Store.

New laces and embroideries at The Big Store.

DON'T buy your spring dress until you see the new goods at The Big Store.

PURE linsed meal, just the thing for stock, 6 lbs. for 25c at The Big Store.

CASH FOR WOOD.—Any quantity of Green Wood bought for cash. W. Laidlaw. Call at the Telephone Office.

MRS. B. E. GHENT, sister of Mrs. J. H. Hunter and relic of the late Dr. Ghent, formerly of Priceville, died at her home in Toronto, 44 Tranby Avenue, on Feb. 22.

FOR SALE.—Saw and Shingle Mill. Plenty of timber. Mill in good running order. Good paying business. Will be sold cheap. Intending purchasers can get terms by applying to ED. SYKES, Lady Bank.

Dr Jamieson is at present in Toronto attending to his duties at the Local Legislature, and during his absence his practice and office will be attended to as usual by another medical man. Dr. Jamieson himself comes home regularly every Friday night and remains until Monday afternoon.

THE Rev Mr Bosworth, representing the Grande Leigne Mission, Quebec, lectured in the Baptist church here Monday last on the needs of the above Institute among the French. Mr. Bosworth, who is a fluent speaker, gave considerable information about the work being done there and was listened to with deep interest by all present.

In order to give many a chance to hear Fax who was turned away for want of room from the Sons of Scotland Concert, the Curlers have again secured him for the evening of the 6th of March, and also the famous Scotch singer, George Hamilton, of Atwood, Miss Renwick, of Dromore, and other talent. This concert should draw a crowded house.

MR. JOHN COLBERT, of Glenelg, who has sold of stock and implements, takes place to-day, Thursday, was very persistent that we should intimate to his creditors in Durham, that on Saturday next he will be at the Knapp House to settle up with everybody. We do so with the hope that his promise will materialize, and also with the hope that we may have the pleasure of announcing the results in our next issue.

MR. AND MRS JAMES BOTT left Thursday morning last week for their home in the North West. The young people were married on Feb 20th by the Rev Mr. Mather, of Elmwood, in the home of the bride's parents, Mr. T. Clarke, 12 con Bentinck, and in deference to the wishes of the bridegroom's mother, Mrs. Bott, of Durham, who has just received word of the sudden death of her brother in England. The wedding was strictly private.

THE homeliest man in Congress is Mr. Eddy of Minnesota. He rather glories in the distinction of ugliness, especially as all his other characteristics are enviable. During the last campaign the enemies of Mr. Eddy charged him with being double-faced. He met the charge in a manner that disarmed all criticism. "Great heavens," said Mr. Eddy to his audience, "do you think that if I had two faces I would wear the one I am showing you just now."

MR. H. W. HUNT, who recently returned from a visit to the Clifford Willows Stock Farm, at Indianapolis, speaks highly of the treatment he received in the Hoosier State. On this farm are over fifty fashionably trotting bred horses. Mr. Fletcher, the proprietor, is a gentleman of refinement and wealth, and as such he entertains his visitors whether on business or pleasure. Mr. Hunt brought back from this farm a royal bred Wilkes colt purchased there by Mr. J. A. Hunter. This grand colt should prove a valuable acquisition to the breeding interests of this locality.

An all-round interchange of pulpits was made here on Sunday last among the Presbyterian, Baptist and Methodist denominations. Mr. Farquharson having preached in the Methodist Church in the morning and the Baptist at night. Mr. McGregor preached in the Presbyterian and Methodist Churches in the morning and evening respectively, while Mr. Ferguson took the work in the Baptist and Presbyterian Churches. It is to be hoped that these fraternal interchanges will have the tendency of uniting if not uniting, the different religious denominations.

HAVE you paid anything for your paper during the past three years? If not, isn't it time you'd whack up?

THE ALLAN LINE Steamship, California, which went ashore on Ram Island just outside of Portland, has on board as part of her cargo, the first contingent of furniture made to England by the Durham Furniture Co. It seems unfortunate that the first shipment should meet with such ill luck.

A BAD SMASH.—On Monday afternoon last while Drayman Elvidge was putting on a load of goods for shipment from the store of Messrs N. G. & J. McKeechie he left his horses standing as he usually does, with the end of the sleigh towards the sidewalk. While inside carrying out the goods, butter or eggs, we think it was, the horses became restless, it is supposed on account of the cold and in some way backed up suddenly against the large plate glass window which they smashed into smithereens. The glass which was worth fifty or sixty dollars is in shreds. The misfortune was purely accidental and no blame is attached to anyone.

"CITIZEN" WRITES:—"You are quite right, Mr. Editor, in speaking out against disturbers at our public gatherings, but you are altogether too mild in your denunciations. At nearly all our secular meetings, and at some of our Church meetings, even Sunday services, there are thoughtless ones who give serious annoyance to all near them, and at times arrest the attention of the speaker. This I think a disgrace and the press would be justified in handling them without gloves." Citizen may have the right idea as to the end to be desired but he doesn't know everything yet about the best means of accomplishing his purpose. Boys are boys, some are good, some are mischievous, and some are decidedly bad. The first two classes can be got at, and if their association with the last class has not thoroughly demoralized them, right handling will develop them into first class citizens. Those, of course, who are born crooked and who grow up that way to the size and appearance of men, have very little chance of ever growing into more than useless parasites. When once a boy loses all sense of honor and self respect, and finds pleasure only in low association nothing short of the stern hand of the law will ever keep him in place. We are sorry that such is the case, but Citizen must not mistake a mischievous fun loving boy, for a decidedly bad specimen of Humanity.

More Preach than Practice.

Mr. Ramage devoted a portion of his valuable space last week for our benefit, to put us right on several points wherein we erred in our indulgence in personalities, and a manifest lack of editorial dignity. We can tackle almost anything but to handle a man that lectures us on the lack of journalistic virtues, and then concludes with the paragraph at the close of this item, is more than we can divine. We submit it for the edification of our readers, and trust that by a comparison with anything, or with all, that we have said they may be able to distinguish, and to dignify our part, and his pure charitable manifestation of brotherly kindness, sanctified by a desire to abstain from personalities and give evidence of true journalistic dignity. We may have erred some times in course of our three years' experience in news paper work, but we hope we are yet guiltless of giving anything so rank as Mr. Ramage's concluding paragraph. Let the public judge. Here it is, and it's a dandy right from the pen of the dignified editor who evidently forgets sometimes to practise what he preaches:

"We wish to put you right in another matter Bro Irvin. We never blamed you for having brains that could memorize your own productions, why even idiots have been known to have the memorizing faculty strongly developed—what we blamed you for was the apparent lack of brains that hinders you from seeing when you make a bore of yourself, and even leads you sometimes to forget that you ought to be a gentleman when in the public eye anyway; we might add that hinders you from seeing that editors have a more dignified part to play than rushing into personalities whenever they happen to take opposite views on public questions."

MARRIED.

COTTRELL-MEREDITH.—In Durham, on Tuesday, Feb. 27th, at the residence of the bride's mother, by the Rev. F. V. Cottrell, of North Bend, B. C., Mr. Cottrell, of North Bend, B. C., and Gertrude Oliva, daughter of Mrs. Thos. Meredith.

BORN.

MCQUARRIE.—In Bentinck on Thursday, Feb. 22nd, to Mr. and Mrs. Duncan McQuarrie, a daughter.

WARR.—In Normandy on Tuesday, Feb. 27th, to Mr. and Mrs. John Watt, a son.

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War News.

Commandant Cronje, after a most plucky resistance, surrendered to General Kitchener unconditionally, having found that the efforts of relieving forces to reach him were unable to do so.

General Buller is slowly advancing towards Ladysmith, and though now within two miles of White's outposts, a strong and determined Boer army lies between him and the besieged British forces, and every inch of the ground will have to be contested.

On Tuesday Commandant Botha telegraphed from Coleenso that the Boer army had been knocked out, and that it was impossible to maintain the defence much longer. He advised President Kruger to sue for peace. President Kruger that the Free State Boers were refusing to continue to fight and he too urged overtures for peace.

Disaffection is reported among the Boers at Mafeking and Pretoria. The authorities at Pretoria are exercised over the leakage of important news from there, and a commission has been appointed to investigate the matter.

This, Wednesday morning a report comes to say that General Buller captured Pieters Hill. Tuesday this being the strongest position between him and Ladysmith. The relief of White may soon be looked for.

Lucas, Wright & Batson.—Will close their Durham Office until the end of the Parliamentary Session at Toronto, after which time Mr. Batson will be at their Durham Office every Monday as usual.

AT HYMEN'S ALTAR.

Cottrell-Meredith.

On Tuesday last between twelve and one o'clock about thirty invited guests assembled at the residence of Mrs. Meredith, to witness the marriage of her daughter, Miss Gertrude Oliva, to Mr. H. V. Cottrell, of North Bend, B. C. A few minutes before one o'clock Miss Annie, the youngest sister of the bride, played the wedding march whereupon the groom in company with his best man, Mr. Burkholder, of Toronto, entered the drawingroom to wait the arrival of the bride who shortly followed assisted by her sister, Miss Flora, who gracefully performed the duties of bridesmaid.

Rev Mr. Ryan, of Trinity Church, with solemnity befitting the occasion, performed the marriage ceremony, the bride being given away by her brother, Mr. Harry Meredith. The usual questions were proposed and answered after which the happy couple in the presence of the company were proclaimed man and wife.

After a brief prayer by the officiating clergyman, the usual congratulations were extended, and by the time these exercises were over a very toothsome, and bounteous repast was served to all present.

On the evening train Mr. and Mrs. Cottrell, started for their home at North Bend carrying with them the best wishes of the whole community. A loaded table of pretty presents as well as a piano from the groom speak volums for the esteem in which the bride was held by her many friends and well wishers.

Being free to say what we please we omit the stereotyped form of describing the beauty of the bride, the beautiful attire of herself and her bridesmaid, and lastly we omit to give the list of presents with the names of the givers. The bride, groom and all enjoyed themselves fully.

THE CHRONICLE joins in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Cottrell a long, happy, prosperous and useful life.

Matthews-Habkirk.

From the Seaforth Sun.

On Wednesday afternoon a pretty and pleasing event occurred at the home of Mr and Mrs. Geo. Habkirk, of the Gravel Road, when their youngest daughter, Miss Mary, was united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Mr. James Matthews, formerly of Durham, Ontario, but now residing in McGregor, Man. Precisely at half past five the bridal party entered the parlor to the strains of Mendelssohn's March artistically rendered by Miss Grace McPaul. The bride wore a pretty and becoming costume of white cashmere trimmed with satin ribbon and silk lace and a bridal veil held in place with orange blossoms. The bridesmaids Misses Annie and Minnie Gordon nieces of the bride were attired in white muslin, the former wearing a pale blue collar and belt and the latter, pink fastened with jewelled pins, while Messrs. Fred Sterling, of Toronto, and Charles Sterling, of Hamburg, ably supported the groom. The bride was given away by her father while the nuptial knot was securely tied by Rev. T. Musgrave and after congratulations had been extended the company, about 60 in number repaired to the diningroom where a most sumptuous wedding dinner was spread to which all present did ample justice. Dinner being over games, social chat, music and dancing were engaged in until long after the day had gone, when the party left wishing Mr and Mrs. Matthews a long, happy and prosperous married career. The bride was the recipient of a large number of costly and useful presents. Those who attended from a distance were: George Matthews, of Durham, Mr. and Mrs. Habkirk, and Miss Jennie, of Blyth, Mr. and Mrs. George Halikirk, of Hensall, Chas. Hammit, Thos. Burnett and Melvin Scott, of Seaforth, Mr. and Mrs. David Laidlaw, of Bagot, Man., Mr. William Habkirk, Durgannon and Miss A. Brown, of Galt. The newly wedded couple will leave shortly on their honeymoon trip to Durham after which they will take up house keeping in Mr. Matthews' pretty residence in McGregor, Man. The Sun joins with their numerous friends in throwing the slipper of good luck and happiness after them.

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GREAT WORK!

is being done this term in the

Central Business College

of Toronto, where 12 regular Teachers are employed, and over 300 students in attendance.—This is a big school and a popular school to which Business firms look for skilled help. Eleven young people went direct from College to situations during one week, ending Feb. 16th.

ENTER ANY TIME.
NO VACATIONS.
WRITE FOR PROSPECTUS.

W. H. SHAW, — PRINCIPAL.

We received this week a special line of..

Gent's : : Suits!

Being odd lines left over by a wholesale firm. We can quote you Gent's Suits made to order, best trimmings, finely tailored,

at \$11 worth \$14.
at 13 worth 16.

Or we can sell you still lower lines, in fact while these lines last we can give you a

Suit Made to Order

as low as **A Ready-Made.**

J. & J. HUNTER,

The Busy Store at The Busy Corner.

Doubling Up!

We do not claim to do all the dry goods trade in Durham, but we do claim to give better value than any other house. Our sales during the past twelve months have more than doubled any previous years. We take this as evidence that our prices must be right. We carry only honest, reliable goods which are trade winners—No trash. Our "cash and one-price" system is conceded to be lower than long credit houses.

MILLINERY!

The balance of our Ladies' and Misses' Felt Hats, in Walking and Tailor Hats, good assortment of colors, regular 75c, 85c and \$1, clearing at 25c and 35c

Mantles! The balance of our ladies' Mantles must be sold as we need the room for spring goods.

10 MANTLES GOING AT \$1.50.
5 " " " \$2.50.
4 " " " \$3.50.

Men's Ready-Made Clothing is Booming!

We have just passed into stock another very large assortment of Men's and Boys' Clothing. It will pay you to see them before purchasing elsewhere.

Bring Along Your Butter and Eggs

For which we always pay the highest market price

S. F. MORLOCK

Cash and One Price.

Calder's Block, DURHAM.