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Inspector of Schools for South Grey.

TEACHERS' CONVENTION.

The Twenty-third Annual Convention of the South Grey Teachers' Association was held in Flesherton on Friday and Saturday of last week, and a goodly number of teachers assembled to participate in the feast of reason and the flow of soul.

The weather was all that could be desired, the subjects discussed were good ones, and the old time welcome of the Flesherton people was quite equal to that of former occasions.

The first session opened at half past ten, with reading and prayer by Rev. Mr. Thom, the resident Presbyterian clergyman, who seems to take an active interest in educational affairs. The minutes of last meeting being adopted and a number of committees appointed, the Rev. Mr. Thom was called upon and addressed the Convention briefly, and with favorable comparison between our system and that of the old land. He considered that reading in the Public Schools did not seem to get the attention it should get, but on the whole our educational system is a good one.

Mr. Currie, of Swinton Park, was next called upon and handled well the subject of Spelling, after which a number took part in the discussion.

Mr. J. H. Coleridge followed with an admirable paper on Composition in which he showed the importance, and how through skill and patience, every student could become fluent in the use of our language.

Mr. Thomas Allan, Principal of Durham Model School, gave an address on many of the salient points brought out at the Ontario Educational Association after which Inspector Campbell followed with a supplementary address referring to many points that were omitted by Mr. Allan.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

President Slaughter opened the afternoon session by delivering an admirable address on "The Teacher and His Work." Starting out with the idea that "the teacher's calling is the greatest in life" inasmuch as he has to guide the untrained intellectual faculties of the child along those

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lines which are most beneficial in the development of character.

Mr. Alex. Reid taught a practical lesson on Compound Fractions, which was favorably commented on by Messrs. Mills, Blakeston and others who took part in the discussion.

Mr. A. Embury, P. S. I. of Peel, next gave an exhaustive but highly practical address on "Literature in Public Schools," and from a definition of the subject he carried the audience through a logical sequence of thought to realize that "Literature is the art of giving expression to the higher emotions" through which we reach the moral, spiritual and ethical sides of our natures. The address was well delivered and much appreciated as shown by Inspector Campbell, Mr. Burgess, of the O. S. Coll. Institute, and others, whose favorable comments were heartily applauded.

Mr. M. Richardson, of Flesherton, was next called upon, and in his usually masterly style addressed the teachers on the Nobility of their Profession, and their influence in shaping the characters of those entrusted to them for instruction. Teachers should be models worthy of imitation, and the lesson of self-control should be taught as the greatest lesson any one can learn while at school.

Mr. W. P. Rogers introduced a discussion on "History, its aims and methods" showing its importance as a mind developer and its influence in building up a respect for law, a love for country and a fervent desire for good, true and responsible citizenship.

The next subject was a paper by Mr. H. H. Burgess on "The Importance of Knowing the History of Education in the Past." As we hope to be able to publish this and also the other paper given by Mr. Burgess at a later stage in the convention, we defer making any comments, more than to say that they were regarded as a scholarly effort.

THE EVENING MEETING.

At eight o'clock the strains of the fine Flesherton Band, under the leadership of Mr. F. Tucker, gave life to the town and the Hall began to fill up with teachers and citizens. Inspector Campbell occupied the chair in his usually easy and happy style

as the different numbers on the program were rendered to a delighted and appreciative audience. A number of recitations were given by Miss Annie Richardson. Elocutionist, who is no stranger to the teachers of South Grey. Her most taking number was "That Obstructive Hat" and the loud cheers that followed her retirement speak for the way in which she was received. Mr. Sheppard sang in excellent style a very spirited song. Mrs. Blackburn and Miss Christie gave a duet. Dr. ...

The address by Mr. Embury on Educational Forces was a masterpiece of thought strung in a high literary key, choice in diction, possessed of rare argument, interspersed with apt practical selections, and full of logical deductions. The address was really a good one, but was on too high a plane to be fully appreciated by the ordinary auditor.

Mr. Richardson was called upon, but owing to the late hour he retired from the platform after making a few remarks expressive of his delight in the character of the program and the meeting generally.

SATURDAY.

On resuming business after the opening exercises, Miss Heibin read a well thought out paper on Discipline which met with much favorable comment.

Mr. Jenkins, Principal of the Owen Sound Collegiate Institute was the next speaker and after a few introductory remarks expressive of the social advantages of teachers' Institutes read an excellent paper on "Ideals in Education" covering a field of thought too elaborate to give justice to in an ordinary newspaper report. Mr. Jenkins is now well known in South Grey and his visits always give inspiration to the teachers before whom he appears.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

The Session opened with an address on Reading by Mr. Embury, P. S. I. of Peel, and like that of Mr. Jenkins the subject was so fraught with wisdom as to be too full for utterance.

Mr. Sines paper on "Patriotism" was a timely effort, the following out of which would imbue pupils with a greater love of country and create a better citizenship.

Mr. Rowe, of the Markdale Public School, gave a practical lesson in Geography on "New Ontario" dealing chiefly with the Algoma Central Railway and the development of the pulp industry.

Mr. Burgess next read a paper on history, deserving of much credit, and worthy of reproduction in full in the local papers. We hope to give it in a week or so.

Mr. Embury again spoke on the Correlation of Studies.

Mr. Blakeston with his usual modesty read a paper on Text Books vs. Examinations. A number of good ideas were brought out, though Mr. B. himself thought the tone of his remarks would in some measure be antagonistic to the "ideal" character of the subjects previously discussed.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

D. Currie, President; Miss A. McKenzie, Vice-Pres.; Thos. Allan, Secy. Treas.; Misses Boddy, M. Scott and Messrs. W. J. Sharp, J. H. Coleridge and W. J. Blakeston, Committee of Management. J. W. Brown, delegate to the O. E. A.

The Press had representatives from The Flesherton Advance, Dundalk Herald, Durham Review and Durham Chronicle.

The Convention was an ideal convention, and both days were ideal convention days.

Secretary Allan announced that only 43 teachers joined the Association, by paying the fee of 25c, and that fewer Educational papers were subscribed for than at any previous convention for years back.

The next meeting will be held in Durham.

The meeting closed with the National Anthem.

MAPLE PARK.

It is quite warm now, and I come again.

Seeding is past now, and roots and road work will soon be on hand.

Quite a lot of cattle and hogs have been sold around here lately at good figures.

Some of Boothville Balsam's and Maple Park young folks spent the twenty-fourth at Eugenia Falls. They report a good time there.

Miss Mollie Ferguson is home from the city, and she intends starting for a time. Some one will be well pleased.

Quite a number of visitors on bikes and buggies were round on Sunday. Some one was a little disappointed.

We hear of a wedding in the near future. We will take note of the event as it passes.

We would like to know if an election is coming on soon, as we get a lot of pointers for electors and speeches by Hon. Gentlemen through the

Post Office free of charge with their complements.

What about good roads? If the government would devise some way to give us good roads in winter time, the farmers would thank them far more and doctors too. I think. We can get along all right in summer on the roads we made ourselves without creating more offices for some party heless. If the government spent the money they give for road speeches in wire and putting up of wire fences where the snow drifts are bad in the winter, the majority of the people could find something to praise them for.

Noxious Weeds.

FALSE FLAX, OR GOLD OF PLEASURE. This weed probably came to this country in imported flax seed. In Europe it is cultivated for the fine oil extracted from the seed, which is used in feeding cattle. Its common name arose from its supposed resemblance to flax.

An annual and winter annual, with simple or branching stems; the lower leaves are long, with a stem, or petiole, and the upper ones clasp the stem with arrow-shaped bases. The flowers are numerous, yellow, and somewhat inconspicuous. The seed vessel, or pod, is pear-shaped or globular, with a small projection from the upper end. The little stalks holding the pods are slender and spreading or ascending. The seed is brown and somewhat larger than that of Shepherd's Purse. An average plant produces about 40,000 seeds.

Time of flowering, June-August. Time of seeding, July-August. Dispersal—as an impurity in flax and clover seed, and occasionally in grain.

ERADICATION.—Where only a few plants or patches exist, pull by hand. Where it is more plentiful, use the method detailed for Wormseed Mustard.

BINDWEED.

A very troublesome weed which winds its tough and curling stems around the stalks of various plants, partially chokes them, and thereby hinders their growth. It is a perennial with a very extensive creeping root which penetrates far below the soil, and any piece of the root possessing one or more buds is capable of starting new plants, hence it is necessary to clean implements very thoroughly after they have been used in a field infested with this weed. The stems are branched and either trail on the ground or climb by twisting around some other plant. The leaves are rather small, with 2-4 lobes at the base, giving them an arrow-headed shape. The flowers are white or yellow, colored and 1 inch across. The seeds, three in number, are large, black, and angular, and are held in a spherical capsule. An average plant produces about 160 seeds.

Time of flowering, June-September. Time of seeding, August-October. Dispersal—chiefly by means of its creeping roots; sometimes as an impurity in seed grain.

ERADICATION.—This is a very difficult weed to eradicate and careless cultivation only increases the trouble by carrying the roots from place to place. "Salting" is recommended by some practical farmers who have succeeded in eradicating this troublesome pest; but we cannot speak from experience as to the value of this method of treatment.

The weed may be kept in check by the frequent introduction of well cared-for hoed crops into the rotation, and the shorter the rotation the better. The leaves of the weeds, especially rape, are more effectual than those sown earlier in the season. Before the hoed crop is sown, the weed may be kept in check by going frequently over the field with a broad-shape cultivator, so as to cut at the plants an inch or two below the surface without bringing up any of the creeping rootstocks. About the 1st July the land may be sown with rape in drills, say 26 inches apart, and during the early growth of the crop the weeds may be kept in check by means of the horse-hoe, with more or less hand-hoeing. If the land has been well manured or is naturally rich in vegetable matter, the rape will make a rank growth and another sowing of this weed will be pastured in the fall, and in extreme cases may be followed by another hoed crop, such as corn. If the corn is well cultivated and hoed, most, perhaps all, of the plants will be destroyed.

In some cases it may be advisable to sow clover-fallow, and in such cases it is best not to plow more than is absolutely necessary, but to depend mainly upon the broad-share cultivator. Buckwheat sown on summer-fallow and plowed under when coming into blossom, followed by surface cultivation with the broad-share cultivator, will assist very much in killing the weed. If necessary, the summer-fallow may be followed by a hoed crop.

DODDER, CLOVER DODDER, DEVIL'S GUT, OR STRANGLE WEED.

Judging from the number of enquiries made about Dodder, we fear that it is spreading rapidly in the Province of Ontario.

The seed takes root in the soil and puts forth a shoot which winds around some living plant. Having a good start, the shoot disconnects itself from the earth and drives its nourishment from the juices of the plant to which it clings. Drummond says:—"There are certain plants—the Dodder for instance—which begin life with the best intentions, strike true roots into the soil, and really appear as if they meant to be independent for life. But after supporting themselves for a brief period, they fix curious sucking discs into the stem, and branches of adjacent plants, and, after a little experimenting, finally cease to do any thing for their own support, thenceforth drawing all their supplies ready made from the sap of their host. In this parasitic state the Dodder has no need for organs of nutrition of its own, and Nature therefore takes them away. Henceforth, to the botanist, it presents the degraded spectacle of a plant without a root, without a twig, without a leaf, and having a stem so useless as to be inadequate to bear its own weight."

The stems are very slender and red in color, curling around clover or grass and completely choking it, as well as appropriating its juices. It puts forth dense clusters of small whitish flowers, which are succeeded by round pods, full of seeds. The seeds are small, gray, or yellowish brown and about 2,500 seeds. There are numerous species of dodder, parasitic on flax, onions, and a variety of other herbs and small shrubs.

Time of flowering, June-July. Time of seeding, July-September. Dispersal—often as an impurity in clover and lucerne seed.

ERADICATION.—Guard carefully against it in clover and other seeds. Cut before ripening, as near the ground as possible, collect, and burn and modify the rotation so as to leave clover out for a time.

MARRIED.

SWIFF-WELLS—At the Parsonage, on Wednesday, May 23, by Rev. D. Sharpe. Mr. James Swiff, of Hanover to Miss Carrie Wells, of Bentinck.

Hits and Misses.

The man who hanters most doesn't get the cheapest goods. There are others just as smart as he is.

C. P. Moore left this week. He may have gone to help Sir Charles Tupper to fit up the cold storage car.

A liar is not to be envied. He may sail smoothly for a time, but once he is found out the collapse comes. Truth pays in the long run.

Dealing with a dishonest man has a tendency to convert an honest man into a rogue.

He who howls most about his loyalty is not necessarily the most patriotic.

A tidy parlor doesn't prove that a month's dust hasn't accumulated under the bed.

If water is the best thing to quench thirst, we believe picnic lemonade should come in about second.

The less a man knows the harder it is to convince him that he doesn't know everything.

Never be out of the fashion. Wear a four inch collar, when in style, if your neck is so short that you'll have to get your ears moved up.

A man who has the good sense to wear garters is never stuck for a string when the harness breaks down.

Who said Shoddy Man and C. P. Moore in the same sentence.

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Mr. Isaac Foster, Erie View, Norfolk Co., Ontario, writes: "I was troubled with itching piles for about two years and could not sleep at nights. In fact I was half crazy from the terrible itching. Reading about Dr. Chase's Ointment I purchased a box. After the second application I experienced relief and one box cured me thoroughly and permanently and that was two years ago." Dr. Chase's Ointment, 60 cents a box, all dealers.

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