

## District News.

ITEMS OF INTEREST CLIPPED AND REWRITTEN FROM OUR EXCHANGES.

Mr. W. H. Wright, Barrister, of the well known law firm of Lucas, Wright & McArdle, of Owen Sound, was united in marriage on Wednesday last to Miss Agnes Green, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Green, of that place. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. Somerville. Mr. and Mrs. Wright left same day on a trip to Toronto, Hamilton and New York, and on their return will reside in Owen Sound. Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Lucas, of this place, attended the wedding.—Markdale Standard.

A raid was made on Rev. John Garner's clothesline last week and several articles of considerable value were stolen. The light-fingered gentry who participate in this class of thievery are in the same category with the woodpile relievers, the pickpockets and such like. They are more than a shade lower than the boy who has a weakness for fruit and who has had a personal experience of the truth of the adage that stolen fruit tastes the best. Oh well they may not work very hard here, and they may wear a few feathers plucked from other people's wings, but their time is coming.—Post.

Mr. I. B. Lucas, who has so modestly worn the championship tennis belt since the palmy days of Dr. Ego, ten or fifteen years ago, went down to score defeat on Thursday of last week. Lieut. Frank McFarland did the trick and did it well. The defeat is all the more difficult to bear since the ex-champion confidently looked forward to holding the belt till his son Dick could take it over. The rumor on the street yesterday that the Member was calling for a recount, has been found upon investigation to be without foundation. It is merely another case of "every dog having his own way."—Standard.

A very pretty house wedding took place at the residence of Mr. J. F. Durant on Wednesday afternoon, September 17th, when his daughter, Alice, was united in marriage to Mr. George Kirkness, of Arthur township. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Truax, of Holstein, in the presence of the immediate relatives of the contracting parties only, who numbered 40 guests. At five thirty o'clock the groom took his place on the verandah, which was very prettily decorated with flowers and maple boughs. The bride came out leaning on her father's arm, and a beautiful wedding march and accompaniments was played by Miss Tena Ornard, of Holstein. The bride was unattended and looked very nice in a suit of brown lady cloth with trimmings to match. After the usual good wishes and congratulations the guests repaired to the dining room where a daintily prepared supper awaited them. The bride was the recipient of a large number of valuable presents. The groom's present to the bride was a handsome organ. The company spent a most delightful evening in singing, games, &c.—Confederate.

Poor Irwin! We mean the Durham Chronicle man. He is into it up to his ears and there is no sign of an early release. In his pedagogical days he was wont to fret and fume at the newspaper that would dare to print a religious controversy, and at one time he even dared to lecture The Advance for admitting matter of this nature to its columns. Early last summer a controversy of religious character was started in the columns of the Chronicle and the belligerents are now firing double-barrelers at him—that is two letters a week without waiting for the other fellow to reply. Last week's Chronicle contained a six-column article from one of the talented writers. It is getting faster and more furious. The ordinary staff is unable to cope with it, and we understand that our poor confere is obliged to sit up and burn midnight electricity in order to get the lengthy articles into type. His nerves are giving way, his hair is turning gray, his eyesight is failing, his readers are waiting, but the writers have a pull and there is no relief in sight. Hire a mercantile typesetter and run a daily for the Christmas season, William. A grind of that nature might tire them out.—Flesherton Advance.

After capturing his 23rd bear three weeks ago, Mr. Chas. McConnell reset his trap in the same locality in Proton Township and was lucky enough to get another good sized brute yesterday which makes No. 24. A couple of dozen spectators went out to see the bear in the trap and find out just how Mr. McConnell handles them so successfully. There is no little danger in releasing a bear from a trap and removing it to its new home six or seven miles distant, but Mr. McConnell has never received a scratch during his long experience as a bear trapper. During the process of liberation from the trap, a reverend gentleman, who was present, though not the most timid among the spectators, kept one eye on the ladder which leaned against a tall tamarac stump. The bear is a

female and weighs two hundred and fifty pounds. A peculiar thing about it, the right hind leg which was caught in the trap was minus the foot. Mr. McConnell thinks this is the same bear which carried away a trap set by him ten years ago, which trap was afterwards found in the bed of a creek in the edge of Melancthon Township with the bones of a bear's foot in it. The bones of the leg that was in the trap are broken and the leg hangs loosely, but it is expected that with amputation the limb will soon heal up. The two bears are now chained to posts within twelve feet of each other in Mr. McConnell's lawn, and are getting every attention. A wire fence has been erected to keep people from getting within reach of their long arms. Mr. McConnell deserves a bounty for ridding the country of this dangerous and destructive game.—Dundalk Herald.

On Wednesday last word reached town that a man out in Brant had murdered his wife. Later on it was stated that the man's name was Pegglo. Believing it to be his duty to investigate the matter, Constable Briggs ordered Constable Cousins to go out and learn if it were true. On the way out Cousins met several parties who had heard the rumor, and when he got to Elmwood he found the report ahead of him. But he could get no particulars. One rumor had it that it was Chris. Pegglo, and another that it was Charlie Pegglo. These men are brothers and are both successful and highly respectable farmers. Cousins drove from Elmwood straight to Charlie Pegglo's. It was about 12 o'clock at night and Pegglo and his family were in bed sound asleep. Mr. Pegglo was very much surprised when he heard of the rumors, and could not for the life of him understand how it had got into circulation, as it was only not true, but there was not the shadow of a foundation for it. Cousins then came home and it seemed as if there would be no more about it, but on Monday the two brothers came to town and engaged Cousins to ferret out the man who had started the story. They have a suspicion who the party is, and they expressed themselves as being determined to have the party properly punished. A man who would start such a report as this, must be a proper idiot, and a scoundrel to boot, and ought to be in either the penitentiary or the asylum, and it is to be hoped that before the Pegglo boys are through with him, he will get what he deserves.—Walkerston Telescope.

### CONVENTION AT PRICEVILLE.

Flesherton Advance.  
The third annual Sabbath School convention of the township of Artemesia, met at Priceville on Wednesday, 17th inst., at 2 p. m., with the President, Rev. J. S. I. Wilson, B. D., in the chair. Devotional exercises were led by Rev. Matthewson, of Priceville, followed by President's address. Rev. J. Buchanan, of Dundalk, was urged to remain for the evening service and take charge of the question drawer, which he consented to do.

"The Teacher's Responsibility" was the subject of an address by Rev. A. Cook, the key note of which was the spiritual life of the teacher. Our responsibility is, 1st, To our charge—a little wrong at the beginning will make a fearful difference at the end;—2nd, to bring before him the great truths of the gospel;—3rd, Have a gift for teaching—different natures require different treatment;—4th, Have power, brought forth through the indwelling of the Holy Spirit. Among some of the forces which tend to make us forget our responsibility the speaker placed the following: We look upon our work as routine, or we become indifferent to our own spiritual life. He gave as the remedy, a deeper spiritual life, and said the most successful teacher is the one who lives nearest the Godhead.

The subject of the address given by Rev. J. Hunter, of Markdale, was, "How to Conserve the Results of Sabbath School Teaching." We give four points which were ably enlarged by the speaker. By not losing sight of the children after leaving school; do it by personal work; bring them to the point of deciding for Christ, and by not forgetting them in after life.

The children of the public school marched in a body and took their places in the front pews of the church. They were to have been addressed by Rev. W. N. Chantler, of Markdale, but in his absence Rev. J. Buchanan endeavored to combine his "Normal Class" with the scholars' meeting and succeeded most happily. We feel assured that all who listened will understand and remember the first five books of Moses better than ever before. A nominating committee was appointed to elect officers for the ensuing year and the convention adjourned to the basement where the ladies of Priceville had prepared a sumptuous tea for all who had attended the session, including the boys and girls.

The evening session was opened by Rev. F. W. Varley after which the nominating committee brought in their report as follows:—President, Rev. A. Cooke, Flesherton; Vice-Pres., Rev. J. A. Matthewson, of Priceville; Sec., Rev. T. R. White, Eugenia; Treas., W. H. Bunt, Flesherton. Executive committee, Mr. Jerry Thompson, Mrs. W. H. Thurston, Mr. Peter Muir.

After the election of officers, the president elect, Rev. A. Cooke, took the chair. He gave a short address.

Discussion was opened by Rev. T. R. White on "The Church's Responsibility" to the Sabbath School along the line of proper buildings, ventilation, heating, lighting, and their temporal needs. He also referred to the church's responsibility in providing necessary rooms for classes. Rev. F. W. Varley followed by taking up the church's responsibility as the parent of the Sabbath School. The Sabbath School was the progeny of the church, and as such it should be given the spiritual teaching and training given by a parent to a child. The church is responsible to a great extent for the spiritual life of the Sabbath School. Rev. Jas. Buchanan also joined in the discussion and referred to the Bible. The Word of God being one thing that makes men and women strong, and therefore we should get the boys and girls to love the Bible and if they do so they are not likely to go far astray. He also touched on the first Sabbath School in the old testament times, that spoken of in Neh. 8. Here we have the teachers giving the people the word of the Law or the word of God. The Sabbath School was one of the places where men and women could study the word of God and he urged that the church should form part of the Sabbath School.

Rev. J. S. I. Wilson took the subject, "The Sunday School and the Temperance Problem." The important thought in this discourse was that of the boys and girls taking the place of those men and women who fall in the ranks of the throng of drunkards. "The men in positions of trust, in the office, in the store, on the farm, in the pulpit, and in the shop, will soon die, and who will take their places?" "Us boys," comes the answer. "The saloonkeeper, the hotelkeeper, the drunkard, the brewer, the poor wretches tramping all over the country with their bleared faces and wretched rags, and the criminal will soon die and who will take their places?" "Us boys," comes the prompt reply. Every time a drunkard drops out of the ranks to his doom a boy steps up to fill the gap and we must save the boys. The Sunday School is the most efficient worker in this and we must rouse ourselves to our responsibility. The only efficient way is to wipe the iniquitous curse clean out, no half measure will do.

The collection and questions were then taken up, and Rev. J. Buchanan, of Dundalk, was called on to answer the questions. Mr. Buchanan is a man of wide experience and is thoroughly capable of handling the question drawer. He had some very difficult questions along sound experimental lines, and all were answered practically and to the point. The meeting was then brought to a close by the doxology and benediction.

### Stops the Cough and Works off the Cold.

Loxative Bromo Quinine Tablets cure a cold in one day. No Cure, No Pay. Price 25 cents.

### SACKETT'S CORNERS.

Harvesting is almost completed in this part, and the hum of the threshing machine will be the order of the day.

We are sorry to learn that Miss Annie Haw, of Hopeville, has taken a relapse, but under the skilful care of Dr. Sneath, of Dromore, we hope to hear of her speedy recovery.

Mr. George Sackett and Mrs. W. Sackett took in the exhibition, and also called at Hamilton, Galt and Dundas.

Mr. Lane, of Manitoulin Island, is visiting his brother, Mr. Geo. Lane, of this place.

Gordon Sackett, son of W. Sackett, of New England, while jumping at school hurt his leg. Dr. Sneath was called, and on examination it was found that an operation was necessary. Dr. Brown, of Holstein, assisted Dr. Sneath, of Dromore. It proved to be inflammation of the bone. The little fellow is doing as well as can be expected.

The Orange picnic held at Swinton Park on the 23rd inst. was fairly well attended considering the wet weather. Mr. Hector McDonald furnished music with the bagpipes. There was also the violin and organ, which added much to the enjoyment of the day. Mr. Bamage sang some fine songs in his usual good style; also Miss Jean Renwick, of Dromore.

### ORCHARD

Last week Mrs. Alex. Schram attended the funeral of her brother-in-law, Mr. Pringle, of Wingham.

Mrs. John Queen, who was visiting her two sons in Toronto for two weeks, has returned home accompanied by her daughter, Martha, of Chicago.

Master—Hartford, of Durham, visited his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Calvert, for a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Collins, of Durham, was the guest over Sunday of their daughter, Mrs. John Healy.

Almost every one in our burg is sick with the cold.

Mrs. John Watt, of your town, visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Brown, for a few days last week.

Mr. Everett Hoy, of Flesherton, visited with friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellar, of Port Huron, visited the former's mother, Mrs. Clever, last week.

### An Idol With Diamond Eyes.

It is a curious fact and one scarcely known outside of Russia, and there hardly ever mentioned, that the famous Orloff diamond was once the right eye of the great idol Serringham in the temple of Brahma. This precious gem was stolen at about the beginning of the eighteenth century by a French soldier who had made a pretense of being converted to the Hindoo religion in order to gain the confidence of the priests and admission to the temple. The Frenchman first sold the diamond for £2,000. On the next turn it was bought by a banker of Constantinople for £12,000. The banker kept it until 1774 and then sold it to the Russian empress for £90,000 and a life pension. The gem has been in the Russian royal family ever since. As it is now set in the imperial scepter of Russia it presents a flattened, rose cut surface and weighs exactly 194½ carats.

### Vanity Ticked.

During the early excesses of the French revolution a rabble of men and women were rioting in the streets of Paris. Lafayette appeared and ordered a young artillery officer to open fire upon them with two cannon. The officer begged the general to let him try first to persuade them to withdraw.

"It is useless to appeal to their reason," said the general.

"Certainly," answered the officer, "and it is not to their reason, but to their vanity, I would appeal."

The officer rode up to the front of the mob, doffed his cocked hat, pointed to the guns and said:

"Gentlemen will have the kindness to retire, for I am ordered to shoot down the rabble."

### Why He Wasn't Impressed.

The following story is told of a garrulous victim of the Johnstown flood of 1889, who when he reached paradise ascended a cloud that served within the pearly gates as a rostrum and undertook to thrill his new made acquaintances among the shades with an account of the disaster through which he had passed. He was interrupted by a gray bearded old man in the group. "A mere bucketful—a mere bucketful!" the old fellow piped. "Don't waste so much time talking of a small affair like that!"

The Johnstown man resented this and hunted up St. Peter, of whom he asked, "Who is that old codger who seems to think our flood such a trifling matter?"

"That?" said St. Peter. "Why, that's Noah!"

### A Church in Wales.

Wrexham parish church is known as one of the seven wonders of Wales. It dates as a structure from the fifteenth century and is cathedral-like in its proportions. A "chained" Bible, now kept under lock and key, is among the curious relics, and beside it is a handsomely bound "visitors' book," sent by the students of Yale university, United States, for the use of Yale students visiting the church. In the churchyard is the tombstone of Elihu Yale, with its quaint epitaph. The soldiers' chapel, which is entered through an exquisite arch, has a beautiful memorial window to the Welsh fusiliers who have fallen in battle.

### Won't Stay Retained.

This notice appears on a Flushing steambot: "Passengers should obtain a receipt for all provisions taken on board this boat and are requested to retain the same."

Easier said than done! It reminds us of the old Limerick:  
There was a young man of Ostend  
Who said he'd hold out till the end,  
But when half way over  
From Ostend to Dover  
He did what he didn't intend.

### Hedgehogs and Eggs.

Some years ago, not being able to account for the disappearance of eggs, a wire cage trap was set in a fowl run. After a little time this was occupied—not by a rat, but a fine hedgehog filled to its utmost capacity the trap. It was reset, to be filled in a few days by Mrs. Hedgehog! No more eggs were missed.—London Times.

### Rebuked.

Higgins—How is it you are always idling about? I never see you when you have anything to do.

Wiggins—The fact is, it takes so much of my time looking after other folks' business I have none left for looking after my own. Don't you find something like the same trouble yourself?

### Poor Closets.

"And, you see, there are plenty of closets," said the flat owner, showing a lady through the apartments.

"Do you call those closets?" replied the lady. "Why, gracious me, they're not big enough to even keep our family skeleton in!"—Yonkers Statesman.

### Remembers the Kindnesses.

"He says his proudest boast is that he never forgets a kindness."  
"That's right. He never does forget one that he does you, and he won't let you forget it either."

### Proof Positive.

"Looney is no judge of human nature at all."  
"Why do you say that?"  
"He has such sublime faith in himself."

### His Falling.

"He always has an excuse ready."  
"Yes; he believes more in good excuses than in avoiding the necessity for any excuse."

"All affectation is the attempt of poverty to appear rich."

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## TEAS.

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No more than four lbs. will be sold to any one customer at above price.

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We have only 200 yards of the above goods, and will sell it this week for.....25c per yard.

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| 18 Pairs Dongola, extension sole, worth \$2.00, for.....  | \$1.50 |
| 36 Pairs Box calf, extension sole, worth \$3.50, for..... | \$2.50 |
| Our \$5.00 Leather-lined Shoe, this week only, for.....   | \$4.00 |
| Our \$4.00 and \$4.50 Shoe, now going for.....            | \$3.50 |

You should see our range of Ladies' Fine Shoes, latest styles, \$1.50 to \$4.

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