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Durham, Dec. 25, 1902.

In the County Council Division consisting of Proton and Artemesia, Mr. John McArthur, of Priceville, was re-elected, and Mr. S. Bell, of Dundalk, elected, both by acclamation.

The nomination of candidates for the County Council on Monday resulted in bringing out three Mac's for the coveted position. The fight will now go on to ascertain the two men who are most popular in the Division. Mr. McKinnon is the best known man of the three, and a first class canvasser. Mr. McLean put in only one year to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Ries dropping out when he went into the hotel business. Mr. McCannell has had considerable experience in municipal matters, but his nomination speech would indicate that defeat wouldn't worry him much. The electors will decide the matter, and we'll be greatly mistaken if two Scotchmen are not returned. The election takes place on Monday, January 5th, at same time and places as the municipal elections. In Division No. 4 Geo. H. Schenk and James Allan were elected by acclamation. Andrew Schenk having resigned.

This Christmas Day we wish all our readers a merry time, but we just as sincerely wish that the merriment enjoyed will be of such character as to cause no aftermath of sorrow. Different people have strangely different ideas as to what constitutes pleasure. Some see no pleasure in anything only getting drunk. We hope our wish for the enjoyment of Christmas will bear no such interpretation. We are not made of the right kind of stuff to grind out a sermon on how the day should be observed, nor can we speak with learned fluency on the significance of the event of which the day is kept in commemoration. That we must leave to other pens to portray.

FLESHERTON

Mr. John Wright, Sr., whom we reported last week in a sinking condition with paralysis gradually failed in strength until midnight on Sunday when after fifty hours of unconsciousness dissolution took place and his spirit freed from the house of clay took its flight to the home above the "house not made with hands eternal in the heavens." Mr. Wright for his inoffensive life, upright character and sterling qualities of heart, has been long a very highly respected member of this community. For about fifteen years he has been an invalid much of the time a great sufferer. When in a condition to move about he was compelled to use crutches and on these not only the work he accomplished in his own garden but his faithful attendance at the house of God would put to shame many able bodied professing Christians. His remains will be interred in the Public Cemetery here on Wednesday afternoon his pastor, Rev. J. S. I. Wilson, officiating. Deceased was born in Aughabog, County Monaghan, Ireland, in Nov. 1828 and was therefore over 74 years of age. In 1850 he emigrated to America landing in New York. Later the same year he came to Canada and settled on the farm 1 1/2 miles east of this village where he lived till 1894 when he retired and became a resident of this place. In addition to farming the

deceased also, in the early days of Artemesia township, for a number of years followed the teaching profession teaching in school sections 4 and 8. Afterwards in his own section he was for many years kept in the office of Secretary Treasurer where his services were much appreciated. For a number of years he has served the township in the capacity of tax collector in Ward No. 3 and his work has always been done with the greatest accuracy and satisfaction. Some years before leaving Ireland deceased was converted and united with the Methodist Church in which he remained a consistent member till his death. In 1858 Mr. Wright was married at Port Credit, Ontario, to Miss Ann Wright, who, though not related, was also born in County Monaghan, Ireland, and survives him. To them were born six children, five of whom survive him, viz., John, Bailiff, this place, William H., Barrister, Owen Sound; David T., Principal of Reformatory, Penetang; Robert, Mathematical Master, Hagersville High School and Mrs. Forsyth, of Glasgow, Ont., who was also in the teaching profession. All were present at the time of death but Mrs. Forsyth who did not arrive till Monday. We join many friends in extending sympathy to the bereaved widow and family.

The residences of Mr. Chas. Irwin east of the village, was the scene of a quiet but pretty home wedding on Wednesday evening of last week when his elder daughter, Maggie Irwin, was happily united in marriage, to Mr. Wm. Moore, one of the progressive young business men of this place. Rev. J. S. I. Wilson, B. D., gracefully and securely tied the mystic knot. Miss Eva Irwin, the bride's sister, was bridesmaid and the groom's brother, Mr. J. G. Moore, of Normanby, acted as best man. After the nuptials a dainty wedding luncheon was served and later in the evening the happy couple were escorted to their new home, Mr. Damude's residence on Collingwood street, where a kind reception was given them an inviting spread having been laid by Mrs. Thompson's assistants. The bride was the recipient of numerous beautiful wedding gifts. We wish Mr. and Mrs. Moore long life and a large measure of wedded bliss.

The closing concert by Mr. Reid's school, east of the village, on Friday evening last was as on former years a great success. A large number from here attended the popular event and Mr. and Mrs. Sheppard assisted on the programme.

Rev. Mr. Thom preached the Anniversary sermon to the Presbyterian S. School on Sunday last. The usual entertainment will be held on Christmas evening. Sabbath next is anniversary day with the Methodist school and the usual entertainment will be held on New Years night.

The Nominations for County Councillors for Artemesia and Proton held here on Monday resulted in the re-election of Mr. John McArthur, of Priceville, and the election of Mr. S. Bell, of Dundalk, by acclamation. This division is to be congratulated upon having two such able men to represent it at the County Board.

Mr. Hastings who is in the employ of Mr. D. McTavish has moved his family from Berkeley into Mrs. McQuay's cottage on Spring street.

Our Public School staff has gone for holidays. Mr. Fawcett to Forest, Miss Martin to Preston, and Mrs. Brown, who does not return, to Toronto.

Mr. W. J. Boyd was at Teeswater last week attending the funeral of his cousin.

Emerson Bellamy and Miss Jennie Wilson are home from their school studies at Collingwood and Toronto respectively.

Mr. F. G. Cole paid a visit to the city last week.

Miss Bert Crossley is home from Toronto for Christmas holidays.

Miss Pansy Ives, of Toronto Junction, is visiting Miss Emma Sheppard.

Wishing the Chronicle a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

BUNESSAN.

A Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year to you, Mr. Editor and your able staff.

Miss Maggie Beaton is home for her Christmas holidays.

Mr. M. Stonehouse and family, of Mona Road, have been visiting piper Stewart and other friends.

Mr. Archie Campbell is here for a few months from the West, where he has been engaged in bridge building.

We were pleased to renew acquaintance with Tommy Ryan. He's pretty much the same Tom with perhaps a little more fancy for the ladies.

Mr. John Beaton, of Markdale, is in the neighborhood for a few days' visit.

Jack Kennedy is home after spending the summer in Bentinck.

The annual school meeting will be held in the school at 10 a. m. Dec. 31. Those interested should be there as there are two trustees to elect this year.

Some time ago we sent a marriage notice to the Chronicle, but have not yet seen it in print. It referred to the marriage of Mr. Wm. Firth, of Escanaba, Mich., to Miss Lucy, Brown of Patterson, New Jersey. The event took place in the Episcopal Church of Our Saviour, Chicago. The former is a son of Mr. C. Firth, Glenelg.

OBITUARY.

On Saturday last, at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. John Sullivan, of Woodstock, the Rev. Geo. Burns passed that bourne from which no traveller returns. The deceased gentleman was for several years a resident of Bentinck and a familiar figure in town here. He was a native of Nova Scotia, where he pursued his calling as a Baptist clergyman. In 1870 he came to Ontario and was stationed at Delhi, Co. Norfolk. Other charges in Ontario were Houghton, Hartford, Onondaga, Strathallan, Bobcaygeon, Forestville, St. Williams and Loughton. His ministerial career extended over a period of 67 years, including the past twelve years, during which time he was not regularly stationed but preached very frequently, and even last summer he took the regular work for a time of his son, Rev. G. I. Burns, of Strathallan. Of a family of nine children only those mentioned in this short obituary survive, the remaining seven having died of diphtheria many years ago. Mrs. Burns predeceased him in Bentinck seven or eight years ago at the home of her son, who was then stationed at Muloch. A memorial service in honor of the deceased gentleman was preached Sunday last by Rev. P. G. Mode of the First Baptist church, Woodstock. The remains were conveyed here by train Monday and buried in Durham cemetery, the services being conducted by Rev. Mr. Newton and Rev. "Father" Stewart. We have pleasant memories of frequent visits of the old gentleman to our sanctuary, and join his many friends in our sympathy over his departure.

George McGrane Honored.

Who is Geo. McGrane? is a question that many of our readers may well ask. Well, he is neither a politician, a painter or a poet. He isn't even a member of the Town Council, nor a director of the gas works, but notwithstanding all this George McGrane is a little fellow, that all the cement employees admire as much as some fellows do their best girl. Mr. McGrane is a master mechanic, and during the installation of a great part of the machinery in the cement plant he was here to superintend the work. He came from Jackson, Mich., and last Saturday he left here to take charge of similar work in the cement mill now being erected at Rockmart Georgia. He's not at all troubled with a swelled head, but he knows everything about a machine. It's because he knows a good deal and hasn't too much conceit that the boys like him so well, and two or three weeks ago they presented him with a valuable diamond ring.

On Friday night previous to his departure, he was banqueted at the Middaugh House in the very best style for which mine host and hostess Mr. and Mrs. Hahn are justly noted. Oysters were served out in abundance, and after that a bounteous supper of turkey and choicest meats and pastry, but no wines or liquors of any kind.

Supper over, Mr. Bailey, electrician, acted as chairman or toast master, and a nice little programme of songs, step-dances and impromptu speeches furnished a pleasant hour which brought us up to nearly one o'clock when the meeting was brought to a close by all singing Home, Sweet Home. We appreciate the honor of being one of the guests, but as many of those present were strangers, new-comers to the cement works, we are unable to give the names of all who took part in the entertainment. Short speeches were made by Superintendent Farr, Engineer Bogardus, Chemist Ludlow, Engineer Whitchurch and a number of others. The songs of Messrs. Sanderson and Saunders were a pleasing feature, and the violin solo by Professor Harvey did not lack for appreciation. "They're all jolly good fellows which nobody can deny." We almost forgot Mr. Flemming's speech and the "flying" remarks of our near neighbor Tom Swallow.

House Warming.

On Tuesday evening of last week an interesting time was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Turnbull, of Bentinck, near Vickers. The event was a very unique house warming, and strangely different from ordinary affairs of the kind. It was opened by a prayer meeting after which refreshments were served. Mr. Charter Smith, a neighbor and friend of forty-five years duration, was called to the chair and short addresses were delivered by Revs. Budge, of Hanover, and Farquharson, of Durham. The other speakers were Messrs. Robt. Webber, of Bentinck, and W. J. Young, of Glenelg, and a rousing good address by the host himself, Mr. Turnbull. We join Mr. Turnbull's friends in the wish that he may long be spared to enjoy his fine commodious brick residence, wholly free from the ornamentation of a mortgage.

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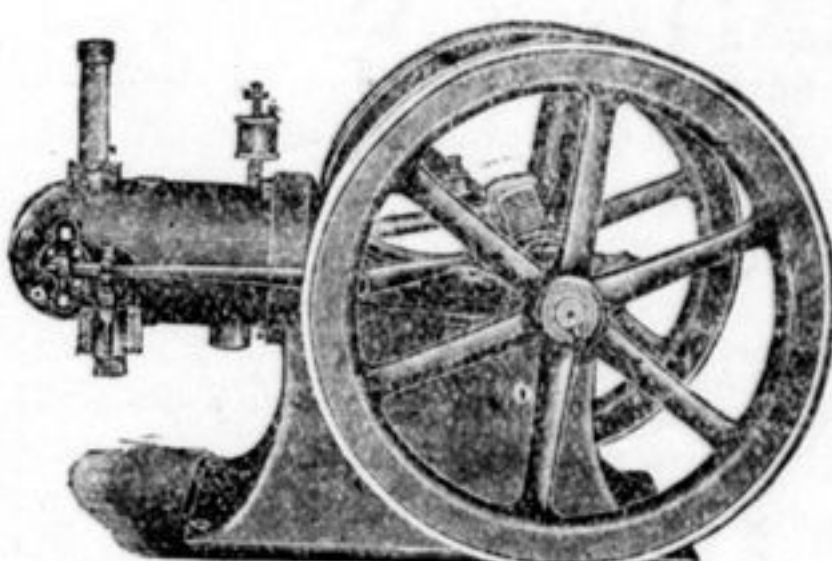
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