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Local News Items

GATHERED DURING THE PAST WEEK FOR CHRONICLE READERS.

ADDITIONALS Locals on Page 2.

WILSON who borrowed the large veterinary syringe will please return it to Parker's Drug Store.

THE friends and acquaintances of Mrs. John Ritchie will be pleased to learn that she is rapidly improving from a recent operation.

AS announced elsewhere in this issue the magazines, a number of duplicate books and a piano will be offered for sale Friday evening, tomorrow, at the Public Library.

THOSE wishing to join the Choral Society are requested to meet in the school room of the Baptist church on Tuesday evening, February 9th, at eight o'clock sharp.

A SPECIAL meeting of L. O. L. No. 632 is called for Wednesday, February 10th, at 7.30 p. m. All the members are requested to be present for general business. W. Ritchie, Master.—1pd.

IT will be gratifying to the friends of Mr. Allan Bell to learn that he is gaining rapidly after his operation for appendicitis. We are informed that a berry seed was found in the appendix a very uncommon thing, notwithstanding the prevalent notion that such intruders are often the cause of appendicular trouble.

THE snow blockade is something terrible of late, and the train service is completely demoralized. Trains run just when they can and we are never sure of when they are coming. Snow shovellers and train-hands generally, are nearly exhausted, and never in memory of this generation was there a stronger desire to see the snow leave. The fuel supply is getting low, and a few more weeks of this kind of weather will put some of us in a bad fix.

IT behooves us to congratulate Mr. Ben D. Firth, of Leduc, Alberta, who recently entered the band of benedict. For some time Mr. Firth has been engaged out west in connection with the Mounted Police. Information is not to hand whether or not he has given up that work and settled down to quiet married life. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Firth, of Glenelg, and related to the large family of Firths in this vicinity. Congratulations once again.

ON Wednesday of last week, Mr. Wm. Grant had the misfortune of losing two head of cattle at the Varney crossing, being run into by the G. T. R. snow plough propelled by two engines. Mr. Grant assisted by a boy was driving the cattle to town for shipment, when instantly the train came upon them without whistling until within a short distance of the crossing. Though the cattle were not on the track when the whistle blew it was impossible to prevent them going on for want of time. One animal was killed almost instantly and the other had to be slaughtered.

THE old story about the bear coming out on Candlemas day and seeing his shadow is pretty well known by this time. Tuesday forenoon had quite a hazy appearance and all who had any belief in the prolongation of a cold winter on account of old Sol showing his face were feeling about noon that an early spring might be looked for. But their hopes were blighted about 2 p. m. when the clouds dispersed, and any straggling bruin might easily see his shadow. It is to be hoped, however, notwithstanding the sun's appearance on Candlemas Day, that milder weather and more fuel will soon replace the present state of things.

ON Monday night last a number of officers and members of the South Grey Agricultural Society drove out to the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Edge to give expression to their gratitude for past services of Mr. Edge as President and to make some tangible recognition of their appreciation. It was a bitter cold night and the number who attended was not large. Shortly after assembling at the cosy home of the ex-President an address was read by President Binnie, and two handsome Morris chairs were presented to Mr. and Mrs. Edge, and also a very handsome hall rack. Mr. Edge responded in his own honest manner but the character of his remarks have not yet been communicated. Personally we hope that Mr. and Mrs. Edge may long be spared, and we sincerely wish that their declining years may be the happiest and brightest of their lives.

SEE what others say of the Wiar-ton Sugar Factory on Page 2.

TEX lbs. of sulphur 25c. and ten lbs. salts 25c. at Parker's.

ON Saturday last we had a call from Mr. Dan Eirth, of Jessopville, who is visiting his many Glenelg friends and relatives. He left us a dollar to pay his father's sub for 1904.

THE train service during the past two weeks has been more than ever demoralized. Not only the branch lines this time, but the main lines as well are badly blocked with the heavy snowfalls throughout the country.

SOME time ago Mrs. Ed. Limin underwent a serious abdominal operation from which she has well recovered and is now able to be around. She was able to attend church last Sunday and looks as well as if nothing had happened.

NOTICE.—Owing to the bad roads we will continue our offer in last week's advertisement for another week. Do not listen to other dealers regarding our stock, as we have over 40 barrels of Canadian and American coal oil in our warehouse. Call and see for yourself. W. Black.

THE Scotch Concert that was postponed on account of the bad weather has been fixed for Thursday and Friday the 25th and 26th of this month. The same talent previously advertised will be present and the best concert ever given in Durham may be expected.

WE regret to learn of the death of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. David Adlam, of Allan Park. The child was ill for about a week from pneumonia, and despite the best available attendance death came on Tuesday last. He was just six months old to a day.

FOR some time past the Reverend Mr. Steward has been in a low state of health and little hope is entertained for his recovery. The old gentleman is now over ninety years of age, and for a man of his advanced years he has retained a marked degree his mental and physical energies. While able the Reverend gentleman was always willing to assist in any good work.

IT will pay you to lay off a day and take a look at J. L. Flarity's large range of suitings. The newest pattern for the coming season and the best you ever got for the money. We consider it worth something to get acquainted with you and are offering special bargains for February, from two to three dollars on every suit. A genteel fit guaranteed. Call around and convince yourself of these facts.

AFTER an absence of about five years in Edmonton, Mr. W. E. Buchan spent a few weeks at the parental home here and returned Monday last to again enter the service of the Hudson Bay Company at Lethbridge, Alberta. Mr. Buchan looks well after his western sojourn and feels delighted with the great prairie lands of western Canada. We are pleased to know that he is doing well, and now that he's making a new start in a new place with the old Company we wish him continued prosperity.

WE are pleased to report that Mrs. John Aldred has undergone successfully, so far as we can at present judge, a very critical operation, which was performed by Dr. Macdonald. We were in error last week in reporting the operation as similar to one she underwent some years ago. We understand the present trouble, though serious, is not at all of such a dangerous nature as the one previously endured. We hope to report progress and speedy recovery.

FUEL is getting to be a very scarce article in town at present and we understand that even farmers are unable to get to their wood piles in the bush to supply their own needs. It is reported, but we'll not vouch for the truth of it, that some farmers have started to cut down orchard trees to supply the pressing need of fuel. There's no coal to be had here and there's no knowing when the railroads can bring it in.

A FARMER living near Hanover is reported to have charged a laboring man there seven dollars a cord for for short wood during the heavy snow blockade. We hope there are no other such unchristian hogs near Hanover, and if there are any such any place else it would be well to have them transported to the North Pole with no garment heavier than a night shirt. When a poor man is freezing he'll pay almost any price for a load of wood, but to call a fellow a hog who soaks a person under such circumstances is no flattery to the respectable portion of the pig family.

People We Know

THE GOING AND COMING OF VISITORS IN THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY.

Mr. S. Ludlow is on the sick list.

Mr. Alex. McMillan, of Priceville, was in town Monday.

Mr. W. E. Buchan returned to Winnipeg this week.

Mr. George Calder, of Holstein, was in town Saturday.

Miss Wright, of Priceville, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. (Dr.) Hutton, this week.

Rev. W. L. Newton preached in the Owen Sound Baptist Church on Sunday last to large congregations.

Miss McLean, of Winchester, is spending a couple of week pleasantly visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Search.

Miss Wilson, of the Stratford Hospital, is visiting the Laidlaw family at present.

Miss Tillie Wade, of Welbeck, is spending a pleasant week with her friend Miss Cassie Sparling.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Watson, of Holstein were in town Saturday and renewed their sub, at this office.

Miss Marie McArthur, of Priceville, is visiting her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. C. McDougall, for a couple of weeks.

Mr. John McKinnon, of Manitoba, and his sister, Miss Christina, of Priceville, spent a few days in town with friends and also with Mr. and Mrs. Mountain, south of town.

Mr. Donald McDonald, of Priceville for many years a teacher, but engaged on his farm for the past year was a caller at this office on Saturday last. Donald looks as healthy and robust as ever, notwithstanding the fact that he is still a Grit.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Dunsmoor, after a very pleasant visit with their friends in this part left Tuesday morning for their home in Winnipeg. No doubt they will be much missed among their many friends, and we wish them much success.

DR. BURT will not visit Durham this month as he is in the New York Hospitals in connection with his special work. Appointment for Wednesday, March 2nd kept as usual.

AN excellent article on the advantages of taking the short course at Guelph Agricultural College by W. L. Dixon is crowded out this week, but it will keep over.

ON Saturday afternoon, January 23, a purchaser in town put two small parcels, by mistake, in a wrong cutter. One contained overshoes and the other a pair of stockings. The finder will oblige by leaving them at Russell's Store.

THE Farmers' Advocate announces the sale by public auction of the Scotch Shorthorn herd, owned by Mr. Thomas Mercer, of Markdale. Mr. Mercer's herd is considered to be one of the best in the northern district of Ontario. The date of sale is fixed for February 24th, at Markdale and will doubtless be well attended.

RED HOT BARGAINS...



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Keeler's . . . JEWELRY STORE

For the balance of "this" month.

R. B. Keeler & Son LEADING JEWELLERS.

DURHAM BAPTISTS CELEBRATE.

On Sunday last the Baptists of this town were a happy people, it being the first Anniversary gathering in their neat and pretty Chapel since its erection just a year ago. Rev. Mr. Cline, B. A., pastor of the Owen Sound Baptist Church was the preacher on the occasion, and spoke both morning and evening to appreciative congregations. In the morning he took for his text, Eze. 48:35; Matt. 18:20, and delivered a very impressive and up lifting sermon which was highly commented upon by all present.

At the night service the seating capacity of the church was taxed to its utmost, the school room being brought into use. The large crowd of intelligent listeners were treated to another masterly and powerful Gospel sermon, his text being, Matt. 28:19-20. Mr. Cline is one of the most popular and powerful preachers in the Baptist denomination, and upon this occasion did justice to himself, and also to the subjects discussed, in presenting them in a manner both forceful and attractive. The choir sang appropriate music at all the services which was heartily enjoyed.

The Baptists of Durham are to be congratulated upon this their first Anniversary in their new home which was a decided success. The offering during the day, which was a liberal one, goes towards the building fund of the church. The year that has just closed has been the most successful year in the history of the church here, and the credit must be attributed to the faithful labors of its pastor, Rev. Mr. Newton and his talented wife.

THE TEA AND CONCERT.

On Monday evening a tea was served in the school room. The ladies are never behind in anything that falls to their lot, and on this occasion they had tempting things to satisfy the cravings of the inner man. Pretty maidens, both tall and short, thin and stout, wore happy faces and seated their guests to dainty tables, where they made all feel at home.

The Baptists are a friendly lot, and tea being over, all repaired to the Auditorium and listened to a delightful program given by Mrs. Newton and choir. The pastor, Rev. Mr. Newton, occupied the chair, and called upon Rev. Mr. Farquharson (Presbyterian), who gave his Baptist friends a word of cheer and addressed the audience in a humorous way on "Missing Links." Mr. Farquharson was in a happy mood and made everybody else feel the same way by his witty sayings. The choir sang the "Highlands" in good taste and received hearty applause. Mrs. Newton and Mr. Alex. Bell gave a fine duet which was well received.

Rev. Mr. Smith (Methodist), was called upon and responded in a neat and short address on "Pushing Forward." Mr. Smith, like the previous speaker, was in a happy frame of mind, and gave the audience the benefit of his humor. He was glad the Baptists had a successful year and hoped they would see many more prosperous ones. A duet, "Soft Floating on the Evening Air," by Misses Bessie Browne and May Dean, was a very pretty piece and was much appreciated. By request the choir sang "Peace on Earth" which always seem to have admirers. Mr. Grant McComb's solo, "I'd Like to Hear that Song Again," was perhaps the priciest number of the evening as it was full of pathos. The "Orphans," sung by Mr. Alex. Bell, was a very touching piece. Miss Ada Browne gave a beautiful solo, entitled "Eles as a Bird," which shows this lady to have a sweet, rich voice. The singing of the "National Anthem" brought to a close a most enjoyable evening profitably spent. The proceeds for the tea and concert amounted to about \$35.00.

The choir on this occasion were without the services of Mr. F. Slater Davidson, of Detroit, as advertised, but although disappointed in this respect, they acquitted themselves creditably under the direction of Mrs. Newton. The other members of the choir who took part during the evening were Misses Clara Siegner, Augustus Stewart, Jewel and Kita McComb and Mr. Fred Search.

Call and get a sample of tip-top soap chips. At Grant's.

MONEY at 4 1/2%. MacKay & Dunn, Durham.—1f.

Good business follows good value. McIntyre the grocer.

HIGHEST cash prices for mink, fox skunk, coon, and all kinds of raw furs at Peel's.—1f.

This month and next you can buy boots, shoes, slippers etc. at your own prices at Peel's.



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Our Clothing is made up in the very newest styles, with best of quality of linings. We have a lot of odds and ends in Men's and Boys' Suits and Overcoats which we are clearing at big reductions. Here are a few of our prices, and when you see the goods, you'll agree with us that they are bargains.

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- 6 Men's Suits, regular 10.00, clearing at 8.50.
- 3 Men's Suits, regular 8.50, clearing at 6.25.
- 8 Boys' Suits, regular 6.00, clearing at 4.50.
- 15 Boys' Suits, regular 3.50, clearing at 2.75.
- 12 Boys' Suits, regular 3.00, clearing at 2.25.

OVERCOATS.

- 3 Men's Raglanettes, reg. \$13, clearing at \$11.00.
- 5 Men's Raglanettes, reg. 12, clearing at 10.00.
- 3 Men's Raglanettes, reg. 10, clearing at 8.00.
- 4 Men's Raglanettes, reg. 9, clearing at 7.00.

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