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Local News Items

GATHERED DURING THE PAST WEEK FOR CHRONICLE READERS.

ADDITIONAL locals on page 4.

REMEMBER the special bargains in men's suits to the end of the month at J. L. Flarity.

We regret to learn of the serious illness of Mrs. John A. Black who is suffering from inflammation and other troubles.

ANOTHER SOCIAL will be given by the Presbyterian Guild, in the basement of the Presbyterian church on Friday, March 4th 1904. Good programme and refreshments.

THE bus and dray business changed hands again, Mr. J. Gowanlock having sold out to Messrs. John Shults and John Vollet. The new men began Monday morning.

THE monthly moonlight meeting of the Junior League will be held in the school room of the Methodist church, on Monday evening, at 7 o'clock. Come and spend a pleasant hour. Collection at the close.

AUCTION SALE—Farm Stock and Implements at lot 28 Con. 7 N. D. R. Bentinck on Tuesday Feb. 23rd. Robert Currie, Proprietor, John Clark, Auctioneer. See bills for particulars.

THE Rev. Wray Smith will preach in the Methodist church on Sunday. Subject in the morning "The Night-engage Psalm" in the evening subject "Zaccheus or the advantage of disadvantage." Seats free to strangers. Hymn books provided.

ON Tuesday afternoon Mr. Dan Edge, of Edge Hill, drove into town and in front of Knapp's stable one of his horses fell and broke his leg. The animal had to be shot which entails a heavy loss on Mr. Edge as the horse was a valuable one.

THE death of Dr. Christoe, of Flesherton, which occurred last Friday, removes a landmark from the municipal life of the township of Artemesia. We knew the Doctor well for the past twenty years, but our Flesherton correspondent has entered so fully into an obituary that little remains to be said.

THE annual meeting of the National Portland Cement Company is held in Toronto this week. The local stockholders held a couple of meetings here of late to discuss matters and formulate plans for discussion at the annual meeting. There seems to be considerable dissatisfaction regarding the progress of the industry from a financial standpoint. We hope, however, that everything will be all right and the result next year may be productive of good results and good returns to those who have money in the concern.

To fight the snow drifts in Ontario has cost the Grand Trunk Company over three hundred thousand dollars and the winter yet isn't much more than half gone. This, together with an immense shortage in the earning power of the Company will be a considerable setback. In fact it can hardly be estimated at the present time what the loss will be to the Company alone. Not only have the Railway companies suffered heavy loss but in every line of business the influence of an abnormally severe winter has been keenly felt. Manufacturing concerns have been unable to get rid of their out put for want of transportation facilities, and factories have been shut down. This entails a great loss of time and money to the laboring class who together with the increased cost of living, will suffer to no inconsiderable extent.

LITTLE men are seldom smaller than they appear, yet some are so diminutive as to bring them into the meanest kind of contempt. A newspaper office is a good place to find out some of the small breed, and its truly astonishing number running loose that may be seen by an ordinary observer if he only keeps his eye skinned. Three or four years ago we were giving a weekly paper for 25 cents, and the following year we increased the price to thirty. This didn't cover the cost of the white paper to the publishers, but the little souled man that we have in mind refused to take it, "because it was too dear." It isn't necessary to say that we let him go, but we never looked at that man since without a mingled feeling of gratitude and disgust—gratitude to know that our eyesight continued good enough to see such small objects, and disgust to think that such miserable little creatures should be allowed to live and to be classed as men. He's well off too, but oh he's tight!

THE quarterly sacramental service will be conducted in the Zion Methodist church on Sunday afternoon by the Pastor Rev Wray R. Smith.

FOR SALE—One extra well bred driving mare young, one colt heavier kind, both sound, and two cows. C. Gray, lot 3, Con. 2. Egremont.—1pd.

WE give this week the first installment of our new story "The Strollers," which we are confident will be interesting to all readers of good wholesome fiction.

THE Seed Fair, and Seed Exchange, under the auspices of the South Grey Farmers' Institute will be held in Durham on the first week in March. Particulars later on. Geo. Binnie, Secretary.

THE Shorthorn cattle sale at Markdale next Wednesday (24th) will doubtless attract our local breeders. If they are not fortunate enough to buy they will at least get pointers on good breeding. Mr. Mercer's 200 acre farm will also be auctioned off at the sale.

THE Furniture Factory was forced to shut down this week for want of coal. A carload on the way had been taken and used by the Grand Trunk Company, and owing to the stormy weather and impassable condition of the roads they were unable to get a supply in although one or two other car loads were side tracked on the line.

A LETTER from Mr. A. R. Ball, of Jerome, Arizona, informs us of the arrival in their home of a little baby boy on the 5th of January. Mr. and Mrs. Ball intend coming home in a short time. We are pleased to learn that the Chronicle reaches them regularly and is a welcome guest on the arid lands of Arizona.

MRS. C. PETTIGREW, of Saginaw, will accept thanks for remittance of sub. for 1904. We are pleased to be informed that Mr. Pettigrew has secured a more desirable and more lucrative position doing now shipping clerk in the largest wholesale and retail house in the State of Michigan. That the Chronicle is always welcome is not an unimportant item in Mrs. Pettigrew's letter.

WE have a supply of paper some where on the road between here and Hamilton shipped nearly two weeks ago. Fearing its non arrival in time we ordered a supply for this week by telegram Monday to come by express but it hasn't come yet Wednesday afternoon. Under the distressing difficulties experienced by the Railways during the past four weeks we simply try to bear our trials and hope for better things at an early date.

WE have just been informed that Mrs. Joseph Burns of Aberdeen is under the necessity of having one of her legs amputated. About six months ago she was injured by a cow tramping on her foot. This was thought to be a strain, but after some time at the hospital, her condition was looked upon as serious. It is now decided to perform an operation at her home Saturday morning. Dr. Macdonald has the case, but grave doubts are entertained for recovery owing to the gangrenous condition of the patient.

THE Durham Furniture Company will hold their annual meeting here on Friday night, the 19th inst. The auditors have completed their work and we are pleased to learn that the year just closed has been a prosperous one. The matter of a dividend is likely to be a part of the discussion, but whether it will materialize or not remains to be seen. It is true that some of the stockholders are looking for returns on the money they have invested, but as the Company is now under an obligation to make a payment of one thousand dollars on the ten thousand dollar loan from the town it is just a question whether it would be advisable or not to pay a dividend to the stockholders. The money borrowed from the town was borrowed in good faith, and should be returned. There were some, no doubt, who felt that the loan would be turned over as a gift to the Company, but such procedure would establish an evil precedent that would surely be disastrous in the future. That the industry has been a great benefit to the town there is no one to deny. That the payment of a dividend, let it be ever so small, would establish confidence in the shareholders is equally true but as far as the establishment of confidence is concerned it seems that the discharging of the debt to the town would be equally effective. However much one may feel inclined to be generous to the Furniture Company it should not be forgotten that business is business and the loan should be returned.

DR. CHRISTOE DEAD.

(By our Flesherton Correspondent.)

In the death of W. S. Christoe, M. D., there will be missed from the streets of Flesherton and from its public and social life one of the most prominent and familiar personages; one that has perhaps filled a larger place in our village life than any other man in his time. The intelligence of his death, which occurred on Friday forenoon last, came with shocking suddenness to his friends and neighbors as very few knew that he was ailing having been seen on the streets and at the post office for his mail on Tuesday. He had felt indisposed on Wednesday, but not until Thursday night did he present any alarming symptoms. From midnight he gradually grew worse until about ten o'clock on Friday morning when the weakening heart ceased to beat and his sufferings were over. Christoe was born in the town of Lostwithall, County of Cornwall, England, on May 12th, 1824 and had therefore almost completed his 80th year. He came to Canada in 1842 and in the township of Percy, County of Northumberland, was for some time engaged in the teaching profession. In 1846 he returned to England to his native parish to bring his bride whom he found in the person of Miss Hannah Pearce, who with one daughter, Mrs. (Rev.) L. W. Thom, of this place, survive him. In 1850 he engaged in general mercantile business in the village of Orono, near Bowmanville, and continued for 13 years. He then gave up business to study medicine and in 1865 graduated from the Toronto School of Medicine in affiliation with Victoria University. He first settled for practice in Owen Sound, but in 1867 was induced by Rev. Josias Green, Methodist minister here then, to come to Flesherton where he built up an extensive practice adding to his practice a drug business which he disposed of a little over a year ago. Several years ago he gave up practice other than to those who came to him for office consultation. He first entered municipal life in Artemesia in 1874 as councillor and the subsequent sixteen years was reelected several times by acclamation. In 1881 he was Warden of the County. In politics he was a loyal supporter of Liberal Conservative principles and frequently assisted candidates in election campaigns. He was for many years an esteemed member of old 244 L. O. L. and also took a deep interest in the temperance organization here for he was a life long advocate of temperance. In each campaign for pro-

hibition he was a strong advocate both by voice and pen. The latter he brought into use on many subjects. His contribution last week to the Flesherton Advance re the County Council expenditure on the House of Refuge evidences his keen interest in public matters up to the last. The letter sounds a timely note of warning and while it lays before the public startling facts of extravagant expenditure it is couched in temperate language. The Doctor was a man who held his convictions strongly and could not temporize with what he conceived was wrong or imprudent in action, consequently he like all men of such strong character made some enemies, but among his last public utterances at the Communion service in his church the Sunday preceding his death he expressed himself as having no unkind feelings in his heart towards any living person. In 1846 he united with the Methodist church and has since been a popular supporter of the same. He served as Sabbath School Superintendent, class leader, local preacher and in all other official positions open to laymen. In his giving he was liberal to all the connexional as well as the local interests of the church, and beyond the pale of the church many needy ones have been blessed by his spirit of liberality and benevolence. The funeral took place on Monday afternoon and was largely attended. An impressive service was held in the Methodist church conducted by the pastor, Rev. Ivison Wilson, who preached a short sermon from Job 14: 4 and 1 Cor. 15: 53. Mr. M. K. Richardson, M. P., who has been intimately associated with the deceased for 37 years, gave an appropriate address and Rev. G. F. Hurlburt closed the service with prayer. The remains were then borne to the cemetery and laid at rest the pall bearers being Wm. Clayton, Wm. Barnhouse, W. J. Bellamy, Joseph Blakely, John Breen and R. J. Sproule. The floral offerings were very pretty and the deceased's pew and church pulpit were appropriately draped in mourning. The public school was closed for the afternoon and the business places were closed during the funeral hour. Among those who were present at the funeral were: Mr. Edwin Harris, of Rice Lake, Mrs. Brethwaite Gores Landing, Mr. Joseph Pearce, Miss Leua Pearce, Mrs. Fisher, Mrs. J. E. Hansford, Toronto, Dr. and Mrs. Sproule, Markdale. The aged sorrowing widow and daughter have the sympathy of many friends in their bereavement. One brother and three sisters, who live in the United States survive the deceased.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

It is your interest to know that we have a full line of Tobacco, cigars and pipes. McIntyre, the grocer.

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

You are to be the Judge! Our teas are delicious. McIntyre, the grocer. Spring is coming but it is too cold yet. Gentlemen get a pair of overshoes for \$1.25 at Peel's.

Cows for sale, see Robert Barbour's ad.

Where did you get that New Idea range Mrs. T? "I got it at Barclay & Bell's." "It's so pretty." "Yes, but that is not the best of it, it is a perfect baker, and it takes so little fuel. That is what counts in this town."

In great demand—good lemons and oranges. McIntyre, the grocer.

Great preparations are now being made for spring trade and Peel is selling felt rubber or leather foot wear at the very quickest sale prices.

NOTICE.—Horse shoeing at old prices by Wm. Guthrie.—2pd.

Quick to sell, safe to stock, are the kind of goods we handle. McIntyre, the grocer.

Boys tell your dad he can get you a pair of overshoes for \$1.00 at Peel's

Barclay & Bell have some very good second hand stoves and heaters on hand to sell cheap. Call and see them.

The Question of Baldness.

This is a vital question with hundreds of men who are bald or partially so. How to overcome the disfigurement lent by baldness is a simple matter when you consider the perfection of modern art in the making of Wigs and Toupees. The visit of Prof. Dorenwend of Toronto to Durham on Wednesday, March 2nd, when he will be at the Middaugh House, renders it possible for any who wish to consult him to do so at his private apartments retained at the Middaugh House for this purpose. Demonstration given to show the perfect naturalness of his Wigs and Toupees. Do not miss this opportunity. Remember the day and date, Wednesday, March 2nd.

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SUITS.

4 Men's Suits, regular \$12.00, clearing at \$9.50.
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.

We have some big bargains in Men's and Boys'

WULSTERS and RÉEFERS

That must be cleared this month. Come quick.

S. F. MORLOCK

CASH AND ONE PRICE.

Stormy Weather

MAY prevent the Railroads from giving good service, but it never prevents us from giving our customers good goods at right prices. We are still in the field for trade, and in order to make way for our Spring goods we are determined to move a lot of the stock we now carry such as Overcoats and Ready-mades which must go at or below cost.

The Season is Moving on

BUT there will in all probability be more cold weather before the Spring opens. We have loads of Winter goods left, and purchasers will get the benefit of reduced prices. We cannot give you the figures on all our goods, but we mean business and it will pay you to call and see our extensive stock.

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