

The Chronicle wishes its numerous readers A Merry Christmas.

Local News Items

During the past week for Chronicle readers.

Now.

The ads in the Christmas.

Want wanted—at once—apply to F. Morlock.

Best cash prices paid for Raw Peel's shoe store, Durham.—tf.

Forget the Delivery boy next He'll present you with a card you can do the rest.

Now is the time your saws need sharpening, you can get them done right at the Durham Foundry.

Methodist Sunday School Entertainment in the Town Hall Friday evening this week. A choice program of oruses, Cantata Drills etc. Admission 15c. and 10c. All invited.

Rev. Mr. Davidson, of Lowell, who is expected in town this week to spend the Christmas holidays with his sister, Mrs. (Rev.) W.L. Newn will occupy the Baptist pulpit next Sunday evening.

A Box social under the auspices of the Durham Methodist Church Choir will be held at the home of Mr. Wm. Matthews, in Glenelg on Thursday evening, Dec. 29th. Conveyances will be provided to carry passengers to and from Mr. Matthews, 1st leaving here about 8 p. m. and 2nd about 8 p. m.

The notorious Mrs. Chadwick, who is now attracting so much attention in the United States, created a mild sensation in Brantford about a dozen years ago. She was known as "Dolly Bigley," and was noted for the peculiar charm of her hypnotic eye. Among her victims was the late Rev. Dr. Cochran, whose sympathy she enlisted to such a degree that she obtained a hundred dollars from him, which she never returned.—Ex.

We had a call from Mr. Robt. Brigham on Monday afternoon last. He returned recently from a three month's sojourn to the North-west and was much delighted with what he saw there. We were much pleased to learn from him that John Cornish who went from Normanby a year or so ago might up on the tide of prosperity. This is not much of a surprise however as John was always a man who attended to business, and let the other fellows do the loafing. Mr. Brigham is not likely to go West as he has rented his Auctioneer ad and says he is branching out so as to take in the county of Bruce also.

Our Christmas Chronicle goes out this week and we hope our readers will appreciate the effort we have put forth to remember them at this season of the year. Rush of work and inability to procure enough help to grapple with it during the busy holiday season will necessarily detract somewhat from the general character of the paper, but we hope the defects may be overlooked just this once, and we'll try to do better in the future. We have an extensive advertising patronage, most of which will pay you to read. We wish our patrons correspondents and all Chronicle readers a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous and Happy New Year.

Got any Calendars? Every business man in town is sick and tired of hearing the question. The youngsters from three years up make it a point to "do" the whole town two or three times, and carry off, through sheer greed, what the business man paid his good money for, with a little expectation at least that it would give him some advertising return. Calendars cost money, ten to fifteen cents apiece may be taken as a fair average of cost, many of them are much dearer, and we would like to know what right a business man has to throw away money on people who never spend a cent with him perhaps during the whole year, and may never be seen again inside the shop door till he has something to give away. They are not all little folks either that have the Calendar craze, and the remarks made here with reference to the little ones apply with equal force to a great many full grown. The man who never deals with a merchant and wants a 25c. Calendar for nothing is about as cheeky as the fellow who buys a trousers button and wants a suit of clothes thrown in.

SKATES sharpened at the Durham Foundry.

RTOMS wanted—two or three nicely furnished—apply at this office.—tf.

BAPTIST Sunday School Entertainment on Thursday, Dec. 29th, at the church. Good program by the scholars. Admission 10 and 15 cents.

TENDERS WANTED—Tenders will be received for caretaker of the Methodist church. For information as to services apply to A. C. Wolfe or Jas. Redford.

READ McArthur's Ad this week. Since Sandy McArthur left some time ago Mrs. McArthur has taken his place in the store and is anxious to wait on all customers.

In response to request Prof. Tester has decided to remain here during the Holiday season. This will give everyone an opportunity to have his or her head examined. Private parlor at the Middaugh House. Charges moderate.

THE Cement Works close down this week for a few weeks. In the meantime necessary repairs will be made and some improvements added. From the time they started last spring right up to the present they have been doing good work, and the Cement turned out is winning a reputation for the mill.

FRIENDS of Mr. and Mrs. John McKenzie of Rocky Saugeen will learn with sorrow of the death of their daughter Mabel Jane, who died this Thursday morning at the age of 18 years 7 months 19 days. The young woman was ill for over two years from Anaemia, and for some time there were no hopes of recovery. The funeral takes place Saturday to the Rocky Saugeen Cemetery.

THE "Band of Hope" intends sending a box of reading matter to our "settlers" in the "North-West" early in January, and if any of our people have "Magazines" of recent years, which they would like to find a good use for—they would be most thankfully received, and if you will kindly notify either Miss A. Gun or Mrs. Brooker—they shall be called for, at any stated time.

WINDOW decoration is growing more and more every year in this town. A few years ago there was very little of it done, but now every body seems to think it necessary to brighten up for the holidays. Visitors at night are much interested in the decorations to be seen in the Big Store window. The North window has a Christmas Bell swining too and fro, being operated by angels who we imagine the artistic window dresser "Bob" McCracken would wish to liken to some of the obliging staff inside. Nearly all the other business places have also attractive windows.

It is with feelings of deep regret that we chronicle the death of Miss Maggie Wallace a promising young woman of sixteen years and five months. She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Wallace, of Normanby and had been attending school here and preparing for one of the higher Departmental Examinations. In the early part of last week she was taken with pneumonia. Medical attendance was at once procured, but despite the best efforts of the doctors and the best attention of parents and friends death came on Thursday morning at the home of Mr. George Hepburn where she was boarding. Much sympathy is felt for Mr. and Mrs. Wallace who are so suddenly deprived of the young life in whom they were so wrapped up.

AFTER an illness of about two years Mrs. James Calvert passed away on Friday last at the ripe age of eighty-four years. The deceased whose maiden name was Anna Hatley was born July 1820 in Midlothian, Scotland. In 1860 she came to Canada and settled in the township of Egremont where she lived for some time with her brother, subsequently she married James Calvert of this town who still survives. Mr. and Mrs. Calvert have been residents of this town for eleven years, and none have been more highly respected and esteemed for their many sterling qualities. The deceased has no relatives in this county with the exception of a niece who lives in Nebraska. She was a devoted member of the Presbyterian church and a model Christian Character. Interment took place on Monday last to Dromore. Mr. Calvert has the sympathy and respect of all in his sad bereavement.

People We Know

THE GOING AND COMING OF DURHAMITES AND THEIR FRIENDS.

Mr. Cyrus P. Leeson, of Varney is holidaying in Toronto.

Mrs. C. McDougall is visiting her son at Chatsworth this week.

Mrs. Laurie leaves this week for Toronto to visit her daughter Mrs. Jas. Smith for a time.

Mr. and Mrs. D. McDougall, of Tiverton, visited Mr. C. McDougall, and family this week.

Mrs. H. Firth left this morning for Hamilton after spending an enjoyable visit with friends here for the past three or four months.

Ferg Grant, dental student, of Toronto arrived in town Tuesday night to spend a few days under the parental roof.

Mr. Joseph Lindsay, of West Superior, arrived in town Tuesday night and will start on the back trip Monday next. The poor man is reduced almost to a skeleton and weighs only a little over two hundred and forty lbs. yet he wont drink to build himself up. He paid his sub for next year and we hope he'll be spared to do it again.

REV. Mr. CAMPBELL and Mr. W. Allan and the Misses Brown all of Dromore will take part in the Varney Christmas Tree Entertainment.

At the Annual Convention of the Wellington County Sunday School Association held in Palmerston, the Rev. Wray R. Smith, of Arthur formerly of Durham, was elected President. The next Convention on invitation will be held in Drayton.

A GRAND pie and box social will be given in the Township Hall, Glenelg, on the evening of Friday, Dec. 30th. Vocal and instrumental music will be rendered. Admission, adults, 15c.; ladies bringing pies or boxes, free. Three prizes will be given away. For further particulars see small bills.

WE regret to learn of the death of James McCracken Jr. of Edge Hill, whose father died about a week ago and whose obituary is given in this issue by our Edge Hill correspondent. The double affliction is truly a severe blow on the sorrowing members of the family. Another brother, Will, of this town has been in poor health for some time, but we hope the sorrowing family will not soon be called on to witness further trouble.

SOME one who evidently was well posted about the surroundings played a sharp game on Mr. Benjamin Lewis, an old gentleman who moved into town from Wallace about two months ago. Unfortunately about the time he moved to town his wife, who had been ill, became troubled with melancholia, and had to be sent temporarily to the asylum at London. Expecting that he might be called upon any day to bring Mrs. Lewis home, Mr. Lewis had drawn some money from the bank to pay expenses and other incidentals, and was keeping it by him in the house. He is at present living alone in the east end of the town. On Monday evening about seven o'clock a stranger called at his house and told him that he had been sent by the asylum authorities to collect the sum due for keeping Mrs. Lewis there, the stranger stating that the amount was \$57. Without questioning the stranger's authority, Mr. Lewis paid over the amount demanded, and the stranger quickly departed, without leaving any acknowledgment, merely stating that he was in a hurry to catch the train for London. Becoming suspicious that things might not be as represented by the stranger, Mr. Lewis came next morning down town, and upon being advised, telephoned to London, where he learned that no one had been sent out to collect for the asylum. It then became evident that he had been connived of his money. Mr. Lewis describes the stranger as a man of medium height, slightly built, with dark mustache, and well dressed in a black suit and overcoat. How any stranger could have got hold of enough information to ensure the success of his game is not easily explained. The fact that Mr. Lewis had mislaid his money after drawing it from the bank, and had been reported to have lost it and subsequently found it, no doubt put the confidence man up to working his scheme to get hold of the old gentleman's cash.—Listowel Standard.

COUNTY COUNCIL NOMINATIONS.

The Nomination of Candidates for Division No. 3 was held here on Monday, and from the fact that five are in the field the office is not likely to go begging for another term at least. Staples, Sharpe and McLean were expected to be candidates for some weeks past and we believe all three have been doing a little election work.

McCannel was talked of by some and it was generally believed that his name would be submitted though he expressed no particular desire for the position.

The name of R. J. Ball, of Hanover was never mentioned in our hearing, and it was no little surprise here when a few of the citizens of Hanover came over and nominated him on Monday. As far as we can learn he has not been fishing for the honor, but was brought to the front at the solicitation of his friends who saw in him sufficient merit and sufficient ability to represent the Division in the County Council. Now that he is in the field we feel confident somehow that he is in the race to win. He is sure of almost solid support of his own town, and besides this he has many friends and many supporters in the townships interested.

Mr. Kirchner, of Hanover was another nominee, but gracefully declined the position and left the crown open for the rest of the candidates, expressing it as his desire, however, that Mr. Ball should be elected. Mr. McKinnon was nominated also but manfully kept his promise to the people and declined to run.

Of the other four in the field viz. Staples, Sharpe, McCannel and McLean it would be difficult for us to guess the winner, and we have nothing to say in particular more than to suggest the advisability of picking out the best and most likely man for the transaction of the county business.

Every man is not fitted even to be a County Commissioner, and personal feeling or any other considerations should not be an incentive to select incompetent men for political or other responsible positions.

All the gentlemen nominated made short addresses and they all promised "if elected to serve the interests of the Division and the County to the best of their ability." Ex-Commissioner, McKinnon was the last speaker, and made a very good address on the financial standing of the county as well as on matter relating to the House of Refuge, against which he voted four times before he became converted to its necessity. He is now much in favor of the Institution.

These are the Candidates, and it's the duty of the electors to do the rest. Let the choice be a wise one, and the County of Grey will still continue to have a geographical position in the Province of Ontario.

Bargain Counter.

Money goes far at Keeler's. See Peel's black and tan hockey shoes, they are the proper thing for skating.

Choice Christmas Groceries at S. Scott's.

We are sole agents for Stewarts celebrated confectionery at Darling's.

Cold feet made warm at Peel's shoe stores at Durham and Owen Sound.

Good goods at honest prices at Darling.

Fancy Handkerchiefs from 10c up, at Grant's.

Meet me at Robert Burnett's store. They always have a crowd.

See our pipes and smokers sundries they will please you at Darling's.

Most of the workingmen wear Peel's seamless leggings.

Carr's Cough Cure is fully guaranteed by MacFarlanes'. 50c a bottle.

You get the best overcoat for the money at Flarity's.

There are great bargains at Keeler's awaiting you.

Sensible people go to Robert Burnett's to do their holiday shopping.

Fancy Silk Collars, in white, black and colors, at Grant's.

The best and newest things to be had in men's furnishings at Flarity's.

Darling's drug store for Christmas goods.

Follow the crowd to Keeler's for Christmas gifts.

An elegant line of ebony goods in toilet, manicure and shaving sets at Darling's.

One of those gold mounted Umbrellas H. H. Mockler sells would make a very acceptable gift to anyone.

Confidence Tailor-Made Clothing. During this past month we have received large shipments of MEN'S and BOYS' OVERCOATS and SUITS and are offering them at prices that mean money-savers to those who take advantage of them. S. F. MORLOCK CASH AND ONE PRICE.



The Durham "Standard Reproduced." One Great Issue. We are now in a position to promise our readers next year what we hope will be a special treat to many of them, having purchased the use of complete files of the old "Durham Standard" for the years of 57-58-59, this was S. J. L. Lukes paper, and the local articles of those early days written up at the time by the editor himself will be reproduced in our columns from week to week during next year. The Gamey issue reduced Hon. G. W. Ross to such extremities that he was forced to summon a Liberal convention. The Gamey issue reduced Hon. G. W. Ross to such extremities that the Ontario Government was forced to stop laughing at the temperance people and profess a desire to meet their wishes. The Gamey issue reduced Hon. G. W. Ross to such extremities that his Government was forced to disguise a record of truckling to corporate privilege with empty professions of good will to public ownership. The Liberal convention, its declaration for temperance reform and public ownership are claimed as real blessings by organs which do not credit these blessings to their true and only source, R. B. Gamey, M. P. P. If there had been no Gamey issue there would have been no Liberal convention, no declaration for temperance reform, no approval of public ownership, no nothing but a continuance of the career of triumph for Hon. G. W. Ross which began in the four Norths. It was weakness, superinduced by the Gamey issue, that made the Ontario Government desperate and its friends determined to carry Sault Ste. Marie even with the help of Minnie M. Friends and enemies of Mr. Gamey may dispute about his merits or demerits. In view of all that has happened since the Gamey issue was introduced to Ontario politics there is no reason to doubt the power of that issue. They cannot dispute the truth that the question which should have been asked was not whether Hon. G. W. Ross out of his calm security, the question that dissolved the Ontario Legislature when it had lived out little more than half its days, the still unanswered question:— WHERE DID THE MONEY COME FROM?