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Local News Items

GATHERED DURING THE PAST WEEK FOR CHRONICLE READERS.

HOUSE and lot for sale.—Apply to Mrs. Thos. Fox.—tf

If you want a carpet, call and see the stock at Shewell and Lenahan's.

BE sure and read Wismer's sale ad. on page 7.

ALL kinds of carpets for sale at Shewell & Lenahan's Furniture store.

THERE was no train from Palmerston Tuesday, nor up to time of going press to-day, Wednesday.

HEINTZMAN & Co.'s piano tuner and repairer will be in Durham this month. Leave orders with Dan Campbell or at Parker's Drug Store.

THE Cement Company is still idle and will wisely remain so till the weather is more favorable. We are pleased to learn that the company made a little money during the past year.

A LITTLE three-year-old daughter of Henry Reay, near Vickers, had the misfortune to fall and break the large bone of her leg just above the ankle. Dr. Gun is in attendance and the child is doing well.

ON Sunday next, at the morning service, the newly erected Presbyterian church at Hanover is to be opened and dedicated to the worship of God. The Rev. A. Stewart, D. D., of Clinton is to preach morning and evening, and Rev. Mr. Wilson of Walkerton in the afternoon. The ladies are making sumptuous preparations for the tea on Monday evening, and interesting meetings are anticipated. The new church will be an ornament to Hanover, and a credit to the congregation worshipping in it.

A GOVERNMENT official who is offensively partisan, can scarcely expect anything better than his own decapitation when a change of government comes, which is sure to come to those who wait. In fact, they should for their own sakes remain neutral, when installed in the robes of office, and it seems to us they would be safer if they would refrain from taking any active part in politics. Some of those who held office during the late administration have always been busybodies and nothing but their heads will now satisfy their injured or insulted political opponents.

THE weather has been pretty rough for the past couple of weeks and trains are not very regular. Of course this is nothing new, but we naturally expect to see them three or four hours after they are due. This week, however, some of the trains have been cancelled and others were several hours late. The country roads are bad too, and it is reported difficult for loaded teams to make much progress. Notwithstanding the blustering condition of the weather the outlook is not nearly so serious as it was a year ago. There seems to be little or no shortage of fuel just now, and in the very nature of things we must look for milder weather soon. Mr. Black delivered two car-loads of coal last week and he expects another one to arrive before long.

THERE are people who sit and wonder why they don't rise more rapidly in the business world. They seem to think they are unjustly held down below their proper sphere in life. While they invent reasons why the business members of society are not tumbling over one another to secure their services a less pretentious one is invited to the position he felt himself created for and designed to fill. A man mustn't think he can enter as a winner in the free-for-all race as soon as he has learned to ask wages and to shun work. The honest toiler who isn't afraid to soil his fingers and who gives as good service when alone in the vineyard as if he were placed under the eagle eye of his employer, will soon find his services in demand. It doesn't take a very big head to see why some of the egotistic no-bodies are never in demand and why they never rise to a position of mediocrity. A fellow that wants to get to the top of the ladder has to do a little climbing, and the fellow with the right kind of stuff in him is pretty sure to get there ahead of the one who waits for someone to give him a boost.

For Furniture bargains go to Wismer's sale at the Rocky.

HIGHEST cash prices paid for Raw Furs at Peel's shoe store, Durham.—tf.

HOUSE and lot for sale. Apply to Emerson Kinnee, Durham.

THE Stages have been unable to make regular trips on account of the storm.

OUR Wall paper sale continues thro' February. We still have some snaps. Let us show you. Macfarlane & Co.

FOR choice winter laying hens get some of the Barred Rock Wismer has for sale. See his ad. on page 7.

APPRENTICE WANTED—A good bright boy to learn printing. A good thing for the right kind.—At this office.

CUSTOM SAWING.—Robert Smith has purchased a portable mill, and is prepared to do custom sawing at the Durham Foundry.

THERE will be a box social at the home of Mr. Dan Greenwood, Glenelg on Friday evening next, Feb. 17th. The ladies are doing all they can to make it a success. An admission of 25c. will be charged to gentlemen, and teams shall leave the church at 7.30, sharp. Ladies will provide boxes.

ELSEWHERE we spoke of meddling Government officials. The same applies to those holding public positions in any capacity. People don't like to be insulted by those whom they pay for their services. Durham, we must say, is easy in this respect and submit too calmly to injury and insult without taking steps towards resentment. When a man undertakes to run the whole community it will save a lot of trouble to run him up short against the first snubbing-post. In pursuing a course of exposure we must not be characterized as meddling. We do so simply in the interest of the public, many of whom are afraid to speak out loud.

EVERY week, it seems, we are now called upon to chronicle the death of a citizen. On Sunday last, there passed away, at his home up town, an old and respected citizen in the person of Mr. John Robertson. For many years the deceased was a resident, and was engaged in the tailoring trade. Four sons, John and Archie in town, and Sandy and Robert in British Columbia, and two daughters, Mrs. Marshall in Ottawa, and Miss Annie, at home, are the surviving members of the family. He was pre-deceased by his wife a number of years ago, and since that time the domestic affairs have been well attended to by his daughters. For a number of weeks past Mr. Robertson has been suffering from gangrene in one of his feet. He was about 80 years of age, and up to a few weeks ago continued to work at his trade.

READING AND READERS.

On Monday evening Mr. N. W. Campbell addressed the Presbyterian Guild on the subject of "Reading and Readers." In a lucid and pleasing way, he discussed the books to be read, the purpose for which we read, and the different classes of readers. As to the latter, he classified them in a humorous way, as, the Raven reader, the one who reads books that he may caw about what he knows, and pass himself off as one of the learned. His course, though ambitious, is not by any means a bed of roses. Then there is the Rip Van Winkle reader, who toils through his books, but lives all his life in Sleepy Hollow, hardly conscious that the world moves on while he sleeps. Next comes the Gormandizer, who is never able to digest the mass he draws into his insatiable maw, and, though he is ever reading, he never makes anything his own. Then follow in turn the Mushroom reader, whose work grows up in the night and withers with the morning's sun; the Scrap reader, who lives in clippings so that his mind is clothed with every design and shade till he is more fearful and wonderful than Jose, h's coat of many colors. Last of all we find the reader who is like the miner or the merchantman seeking goodly pearls, who has an eye to the nuggets, and at whatever cost secures and uses them.

The attendance was good and the address highly appreciated. Mr. Drysdale, and Mrs. Lauder sang solos which were well received.

People We Know

THE GOING AND COMING OF DURHAMITES AND THEIR FRIENDS.

Mr. W. A. Matthews, of Cannington spent a few days with friends in Durham and vicinity.

Miss Watt, of Chicago, is spending a few days with her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. John Watt of town.

Mr. Archie MacKenzie, of Buffalo, was home last week to attend his mother's funeral.

Alderman Moran is rejoicing over the advent of a new member in his family.

Miss Laura Adlam, who has been visiting her grandmother for the past few weeks, returned Monday morning to her home in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. William Sparrow, of North Dakota, visited the latter's niece, Mrs. Wm. Lawson, and other friends in town last week.

The Misses Hutton, of George street left Wednesday morning for Manitoba. Miss Mary intends to teach at Lenora, and her sister will remain at Winnipeg for a time. Success.

CURLING MATCH.

On Friday last a friendly match was played here between two rinks of curlers from Mt. Forest and two from Durham. After twelve ends, the result stood a tie, and as the visiting teams had to catch the train for Mt. Forest, the contest closed at that.

The following gives the score:—

Ring 1.

Durham. Mt. Forest.
J. P. Telford T. Dale
T. G. Lauder R. W. Gardiner
A. V. Hamilton A. Robertson
W. Calder 11 Skip 10 Dr. Beacom

Ring 2.

E. Brooker D. Lamont
N. McIntyre F. Hinchey
W. Hunter W. Scott
T. G. Holt 13 Skip 14 W. Currie

SIR JAMES WATSON'S OPINION.

He says that the commonest of all disorders, and one from which few escape, is Catarrh. Sir James firmly believes in local treatment, which is best supplied by "Catarrhzone."

No case of Catarrh can exist where Catarrhzone is used; it is a miracle worker, relieves almost instantly, and cures after other remedies fail. Other treatments can't reach the diseased parts like Catarrhzone because it goes to the source of the trouble along with the air you breathe. Catarrhzone is free from cocaine, it leaves no bad after effects, it is simply nature's own cure. Accept no substitute for Catarrhzone which alone can cure Catarrh.

ANOTHER GREAT

Bargain Event

AT

Keeler's.

See our two great bargain windows for this

Friday and Saturday.

A \$1 Window.

Our North Window will be full of articles in high-class Silverware, Clocks, Solid Gold Rings and other articles. You can take your choice of any article in the North Window for \$1.00. If you come early you can buy \$2.50 worth for \$1.00 on Friday and Saturday.

A 15c Window.

In our large South Window will be the greatest lot of goods for 15c each you ever saw.

Come early as there will be another big rush here on the above days.

R. B. KEELER & SONS

Easy Bargain Store on the Busy Corner.

THOSE "LIGHTNING-BUGS."

Something went wrong Sunday evening at the electric light plant and the ministers had to conduct their services without the aid of much physical light. A great deal of dissatisfaction is prevalent regarding services rendered by the company, and much grumbling is being heard everywhere. A letter for publication was handed in last week, but for want of time we were unable then to give it a place in our columns. Right here in the CHRONICLE office, we are complaining of the lights, and we wish it to be understood that this is not an article of the mere "they say" character.

So far as the owners and operators of the Durham Electric Light Co. are concerned, we regard them as gentlemen, and, were it not that duty forces us to speak out on this question we would think long before saying anything against their interests. The situation is simply this:—The owners and operators are gentlemen, but they have undertaken too big a contract and are failing to deliver the goods. We are supposed to have an all-night service, at so much a light of 16 candle power. We are not getting the all-night service, and although we have no means of testing the lights furnished, it must be evident to all that not one quarter of the candle power stipulated for is given even up to nine o'clock some nights, and from ten o'clock on, as a rule, there is hardly sufficient current to redder the wires in the lamps. Though it is possible to see the slightest glimmer, they might as well be shut off when the current gets so low. But then, the users are expected to pay for an all-night service of 16 c. p., neither of which they get. This, we say, is unfair, and a remedy is needed. How is this remedy to be obtained?

The power, we presume, is not sufficient to do the work. Why not, then, add a steam supplementary power? As the boys say, "it's up to them" to get the lights, and "it's up to them" to get enough power to generate the current. The introduction of metres would, in our opinion, go a long way towards solving the light problem. If the public had the electricity measured out to them, and paid only for what they used, a great many who now let their lights burn all night, would shut them off to save their light bills, and a better service would be the result.

During a recent cold period in Owen Sound the water taps were left open to prevent the pipes freezing, and the result was the Waterworks Company was unable to supply the demand. Investigation showed that eighty gallons per day for each individual were wasted through extravagance in this way. In our electric light system there is a general waste, and the only way to stop it, seemingly, is to put in metres and make each user pay for what he gets.

It is generally believed, also, that the dynamo is overloaded. If so, another of greater capacity should be substituted. There's one thing certain something must be done to remedy the evil. We want our town to grow with the times. We want our town lighted, and further, we want all the light that's needed. We do not think that there is any general feeling of antipathy against the present company nor any desire on the part of the citizens to deprive them of the work of furnishing the light. A business man who gives light weight or short measure, may, in fact will, be looked after, and the general feeling now is that users of electric light are getting short measure in their electric current.

Some time ago an advertisement appeared in this paper warning consumers against using 50 c. p. lamps. This was quite right, but we have our doubts if the 50 c. p. lamp used up any more current than the quantity charged for. Anyway, anyone who has lights is entitled to all he bargains for, and it's the business of the company to fulfil their part of the contract. If ten thousand lights are sold, let the company provide the means of supplying them, and let the public get all they bargain for.

This is a brief outline of the situation and for the present we leave the matter to others for fuller discussion.

The bakers of Guelph decided that on and after the 15th of January they would sell for cash only, the price of bread to be 12c. and cakes, buns, etc., 10c. a dozen. The high price of wheat and other products is given as the reason for the decision to sell for cash only.—Canadian Baker and confectioner.

Spring Goods.



New Spring Goods Arriving Daily. . .

3 large shipments just to hand. . . .

\$1100.00 worth new Gingham, Prints, Vic Lawn, Shirting, Cottonade, Flannelettes and Dress Goods. \$350.00 worth new Spring Ribbons and Millinery Goods. \$500.00 worth Men's and Boys' new Spring Clothing.

SPECIAL BARGAINS in odd lots of Boots, Shoes and Rubbers.

SPECIAL BARGAINS in Ladies' Mantles and odd dark Top Skirts.

Call and get your choice of new and up-to-date DRY GOODS.

S. F. MORLOCK

CASH AND ONE PRICE.

The . . .
Corner
Store .

Clearing Sale!

To make room for Spring Goods we must move what we have on our shelves. To do this we are offering

GENUINE INDUCEMENTS

during the next THIRTY DAYS.

LADIES' MANTLES are now going at cost.

We have a few COATS left which must be cleared out.

WHAPPERETTES, reg. 10c and 12c go at 8c.

EVERYTHING REDUCED.

J. & J. HUNTER

THE BUSY STORE ON THE BUSY CORNER.

Gordon
Jeweller. Optician.

Hardware.

REDUCTION SALE
Stock-reduction sale is going on, consequently giving great bargains.

SLIGHTS.
Place our entire stock of Sleights on sale at clearances. Boys' Sleights at 55c for Coasters. Sleights at 40c.

TOBACCO.
One Toboggan left which can have for one-quarter price.

NO QUESTION AS TO THE QUALITY OF OUR 75c LADIES' FULL-FIGURED SKATES.

NOVELS.
Good, serviceable Snow Boots which we are rattling at 25c each.

FOOD.
Half the amount of ordinary food will do your stock if you use our Stock Food.

GENUINE.
Our Stable Barrows, Stable Hoes, Stable Scrapers, Horse Nets, Hobes, Halders, Washers, Washing Machines, Wringers, X-Cut Buck Saws, Axes, Cant Axes, Hand-made Axe Handles.

LAN AND AMERICAN COAL always in stock.

Black.