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## NEWS AROUND TOWN

It seems like spring.

It's always the other fellow who does the wrong thing.

We often see advice for parents not to nag or annoy their children. What about children nagging and annoying their parents?

Our new correspondent at Orchard has made a good start. We hope he'll continue in the good work, so well begun.

The people were complaining of the cold a short time ago, but we actually heard complaints about the heat during the past few days.

The annual meeting of the Methodist Epworth League for election of officers, will be held on Monday evening next at 7.30. All expected to be present.

The complete returns of the vote on the question of union, for the Durham Methodist circuit, including Zion, give 152 in favor, and 24 against. Only about one-half of the members recorded their votes.

The Quebec Legislature was dissolved on Monday, and the next election will take place on May 15th, nominations a week earlier. The number of members in the new legislature will be increased from 74 to 82.

The junior lacrosse club organized last week with a full complement of officers and committee men. The youngsters have some good material to pick from, and will undoubtedly make as much of a record on the lacrosse field as they did on ice last winter.

Auction sale.—Mr. John Moffet and Mr. Robt. Douglas will offer their household effects for sale by public auction on Saturday afternoon next, April 20th. Everything must be sold, as they are going west. Robt. Brigham is the auctioneer.

The location of the new post-office has not yet been announced. The Easter flood put quite a damper on the corner lot at the railway crossing, and unless the Government intends to keep ducks in the cellar, we think they had better not take it.

Mr. J. C. Nichol, who recently purchased the Middaugh House, is having it overhauled. Considerable painting and papering will be done, and a new kitchen erected. We are pleased to know that the building will be retained as a hotel, and not used for other purposes.

We regret to learn of the death on Monday night, of a three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Torry, of Bentinck, near Vickers. The child had been ill a couple of weeks with meningitis. Interment takes place this Thursday afternoon at two o'clock, to Durham cemetery.

A suffragette President wants a law made to prohibit women wearing long hat pins. She says a measure of that sort would be crystallized into law in less than three minutes. As an alternative, she suggests that corks be fastened over the ends of the pins. That's a corker.

Mrs. Wm. Calder is in St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto, where she underwent an operation on Tuesday of last week for a very severe case of appendicitis. For years Mrs. Calder has had trouble in the region of the appendix, but always felt reluctance at submitting to an operation. We are pleased to learn she is getting along nicely.

We regret to learn of the sad affliction of Mr. and Mrs. John Staples are called upon to endure through the loss by death on Friday last of their son, Matthew, a young man of nearly twenty-six years of age. We understand this is the fifth member of Mr. Staples' family who died during the past seven or eight years. Three years ago, he had the misfortune to lose his barn and contents, which were totally destroyed by fire after the harvest had been gathered in. Much sympathy is felt by all for Mr. and Mrs. Staples in their sad series of bereavements. We have not learned the full particulars.

The annual meeting of the Durham Cemetery Co. will be held in the town hall on Tuesday evening next, April 23rd, at 8 o'clock. Election of officers and other business.

We regret very much to learn of the illness of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Davidson, an aged couple living on Bruce street. Mr. and Mrs. Davidson are both well known here. We understand their condition is considered serious.

Monday, April 15th, was the first real spring-like day of the season. Farmers will now be busy for two or three weeks, and the town will assume a real funereal appearance.

We kept back, for a few days about Easter, and though we gave a number of invitations, no one would take the chance to come and have a meal with us. We still survive.

The old rink is being torn down, and within its gilded walls the gliding gladiators for the glittering goblets will glide no more. The old building has served its day and generation, and the sporting element has outgrown the requirements of the past. The day of small things in Durham is doomed, and larger things are looked for, whether they can be filled or not. We have no doubt Mr. Brown will make good use of the land, so long covered by the decaying old landmark.

Dr. Beattie Nesbitt, a fugitive from justice for the past fifteen months, owing to alleged fraudulent conduct while President of the ill-fated Farmers Bank, was captured last week in Chicago. It is reported that he will fight extradition. During his stay in Chicago, he was engaged much of his time on an electrical device for shocking wheat. Many of the farmers felt shocked since he left Canada fifteen months ago.

Mr. Thomas Carson, of Saskatoon gave his father, Mr. James Carson, a pleasant surprise on Saturday night, when he called to stay in town over Sunday. Tom is a druggist, and is travelling for a drug firm, and apparently enjoys the work. About twelve years ago he left here, and was back only a few days six years ago at the time of his mother's death. He left by the afternoon train on Monday.

The annual meeting of the South Grey Rifle Association will be held in the town hall next Monday evening, at eight o'clock. It is proposed this year to have a shooting competition for prizes amounting to \$25.00, open to members of the local volunteer company as well as to members of the Rifle Association. This, and other important matters will be discussed at the Monday meeting. An attendance of everybody interested is earnestly requested.

Mr. Aaron Vollett, a continuous resident of Durham and vicinity for the past sixty-seven years, left this Wednesday morning for Hamilton, where he intends to remain for a few weeks. After navigation opens he will go to Michigan to visit his son, Charles, with whom he may remain during the remainder of his life. Mr. Vollett was 86 years of age on the 16th of December last. He was born in Devonshire, England, in 1825, came to New York September 12th, 1839, and to Toronto in September, 1842. On the 18th of March, 1843, he landed at Varney, and settled on lot 1, on the town line, between Glenelg and Egremont, and practised farming till about twenty-three years ago, when he moved to Durham, and remained ever since. His wife died over nineteen years ago. The old gentleman dislikes very much to leave the old town, his old surroundings, and his old associates. For a man of his age, he is quite smart, and in possession of a remarkable degree, of all his faculties. We sincerely wish him a pleasant visit among his friends, and relatives, and hope he may be spared in health and strength for many years to come.

The horse fair to-day, April 18th may be the last of the season. We understand that a number of buyers from a distance are expected.

Fairbanks Goods. The N. K. Fairbanks' goods, Sunny Monday soap, Fairy soap, Polly Prim soap, Pumbo soap, Gold Dust. These goods to be had at Grant's.

The condition of little Joe Whitchurch is still critical, and he is not yet out of danger from his attack of pneumonia. Last week, he was operated on for an accumulation of pus on his lung, and a large quantity removed. While his condition is serious, we understand there is still good hopes of his ultimate recovery.

A real thunder storm passed over here on Sunday night, just at the time of the evening services. For a time, the rain came down in torrents, and as the lights were turned off to protect the electric plant, a number of the worshippers had a great time finding their way home in the pitch darkness. They may have listened to dry-sermons, but they were pretty well soaked before they got home.

Registrar Thomas Lauder, an old gentleman of 84 years, left his home Tuesday morning last about five o'clock, and, with nothing on but his night clothes and socks, wandered onto the railway track where he was discovered crossing the Saugeen bridge by Mr. John Robinson. Of late the old man's mind is weak at times, and he is not responsible for his actions. It is indeed fortunate that he met with no mishap, nor does he show any signs of having taken cold from the exposure.

The solar eclipse on Wednesday morning was no great sight for Durhamites who cared nothing about the astronomy of the event. We weren't evidently in position to view it at its best. Just as the sun rose, a little before six o'clock, the lower portion was only shaded, and to the naked eye could not be seen without a close scrutiny. A piece of colored glass, however, enabled the observer to see the relation of the two bodies with greater ease. At points farther east a greater portion of the sun's disc would appear hidden, and astronomers no doubt were much interested. It fills one with admiration and astonishment to think that the human mind is capable of figuring out with such exactness the time and place of these events. The machinery of nature is certainly running on schedule time.

## PERSONAL.

Mr. Percy Daniel, of Hamilton, is visiting his parents here.

Mr. Cecil Wolfe is home from Toronto.

Mrs. T.C. Morton, sr., has returned from visiting her daughter in Teeswater.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Smith, of Palmerston, spent Sunday at Conductor Pennington's.

Miss Mamie Wilson left Sunday to visit her sister, Mrs. W. J. Hunter, of Hamilton, for a few days.

Editor Mortimer, of the Shelburne Free Press, was in town last week, and gave us a brief call.

Mr. James McClocklin, Flesher-ton, renewed acquaintances in town for a few days last week.

Mr. Adam Brown, who spent the winter in town, and vicinity, intends leaving shortly to resume his duties as light-house keeper in the neighborhood of Parry Sound.

Mr. B. H. Townsend, of Goderich, was in town for a day or two last week. Ben is still in the printing business and runs a job plant of his own in Huron's County Capital.

Inspector Campbell was in Toronto last week, and delivered a couple of addresses before the Ontario Educational Association.

Mrs. Campbell accompanied him to the city, and visited friends and relatives there.

Mr. Thos. Howe, of Ingersoll, who six years ago was employed by Fred Siegner, here, is renewing acquaintances in town for a few days. Mr. Howe has lived in High River, Alberta, up till a month or so ago, and reports both Mr. Siegner and Pete Matheson, as doing well out there.

## FLESHERTON BOY IS INSTANTLY KILLED

By our own correspondent.

At mid-day on Thursday last, this village received a terrible shock when the news spread of a fatal accident at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Trimble, whose eldest son, Mr. Percy H. Trimble, was accidentally shot in the presence of his younger brother, and within the sound of his mother's voice. While examining a small .22 calibre rifle, belonging to one of the village boys, who had called a few minutes before, the loaded weapon discharged, and the bullet entering the cheek, lodged in the brain, causing instant death.

The fatality cast a deep gloom over the village, and the whole community mourned with the family so sorely bereaved.

The deceased, who was born in Flesher-ton 25 years ago, was a highly respected young man, with habits beyond reproach, and a disposition kindly to all. Home life was attractive to him, and by this attachment he escaped temptations through which many young men fall. In the family circle he will be now much missed, and a deep longing felt for "a touch of the vanished hand, and a sound of the voice that is still."

Over three years ago, Percy met with a severe accident, from which he has since almost continuously suffered, but he seldom complained and bore his affliction with marked patience and courage.

The funeral took place to the public cemetery on Saturday afternoon. Service was held in the Methodist church, which was appropriately draped, and the large congregation present was evidence of the deep sympathy felt for the mourners.

The pastor, Rev. Mr. Wellwood, preached, his helpful discourse being based on Job 34:32, "That which I see not teach thou me." Mr. M. K. Richardson gave a short address, and spoke in kindly terms of the deceased, whom he had known since childhood. Dr. Murray and Miss Thurston sang "He Knows," effectively, and Revs. Milligan and McLaren took part in the impressive service. The pall bearers were C.N. Richardson, C.J. Bellamy, Thos. Chard, Clifford Blakely, Harold Mitchell and Harold Karstedt.

The casket was covered with beautiful floral offerings, among them being a spray each from the Methodist choir and Ladies' Aid society; a handsome pillow from Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Crane, of Owen Sound; and sprays from friends in Owen Sound and Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Crane, and daughter, Mrs. Ed. Frost, Owen attended the funeral. Miss Ethel Trimble was also home from Owen Sound. Miss Ruby, who is teaching in Michigan, was unable to reach home.

## TRAVERSTON

From our own correspondent.

About half the neighborhood set the plows going on Monday, but Lorne McNally led them all, as he turned the furrows on Thursday of last week on T. E. Blair's farm.

We doubt if the roads of the township ever suffered so badly from washouts as they have this season. A special meeting of the council is called for Tuesday.

Mrs. Will Jack is having the assistance of her cousin, Miss McKechnie, of St. Thomas for the busy summer season. She arrived by G. T. R. on Saturday evening.

Mr. John McNally generously made a wood bee in his woods on Friday last for the benefit of Zion church. There were only ten lusty chaps present, but they put up a big pile of wood.

The flood on the Rocky Saugeen on the first of last week swept away a big part of Mr. Ross's dam at the burg and, also carried away Mr. Wright's dam and bridge.

A goodly number of kindred and friends from the neighborhood attended the big wedding on Monday when Mr. Thomas Meagher, eldest son of Mr. John Meagher was happily wedded to Miss Westfall, of Hanover suburbs. Tom is a fine specimen of manhood and is the owner of a fine farming property in the Regina district.

Miss Flo Hunt is to arrive home this week from a visit to friends at Guelph.

## EXQUISITE MILLINERY SHOWING

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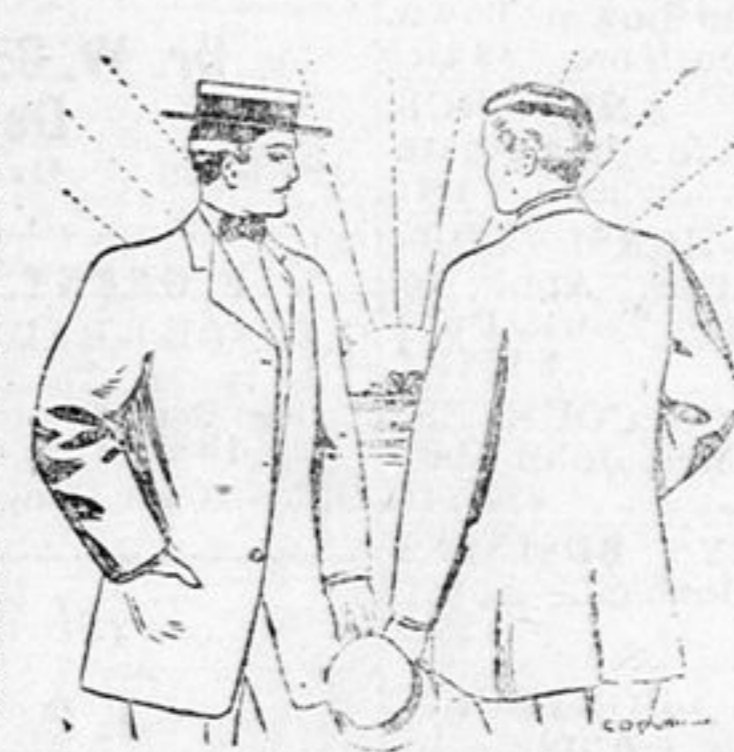
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