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## NEWS AROUND TOWN

It's hot.

Division Court is in session as we go to press this Wednesday.

Rev. Mr. Prudham, the new pastor of the Methodist church, made his first bow to the congregations here and at Zion on Sunday last.

The big millinery reduction sale will continue all July and August. Next Saturday will be specially low prices.—Miss L. McAuliffe.

Dr. Brown, eye, ear, nose and throat, will be at the Hahn House, Durham, on Saturday, July 20th. Hours 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Clear the track. The Durham Fire Brigade intends holding a big demonstration here on Monday the 5th day of August, Labor Day. Further particulars will be given later.

The work of repairing the Lambton street bridge, washed away by the spring freshet on Easter Sunday last, is now under way. Mr. George MacKay is at work putting in the abutment, and as soon as his work is completed the bridge company from Stratford will adjust the steel work.

On Tuesday noon last, Clare, the three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Rowe, in some way got hold of a five-cent box of matches, and when discovered, had succeeded in devouring nearly all of the contents of the box. Prompt medical attendance, and the use of the stomach pump, was successful in removing the greater part of the contents of her stomach, and at present, the child is not feeling any the worse of her poisonous meal.

Mr. John Thompson, of Toronto, an expert machinist in the Mail and Empire building, is a regular reader of The Chronicle, and takes a deep interest in our serials, which he pronounces high-class. He has already read "Keith of The Border," and pronounces it one of the best he ever read. He says there's a treat in store for all lovers of a good story, and would recommend everyone to read every word of it.

With the heading, "Hanover's Asses Increased," The Post goes on to say: "Hanover's county assessment was increased by \$50,000, Markdale by \$15,000 and Owen Sound by \$300,000 by the Grey County Council last Friday. Dr. Mearns, our representative, put up a stubborn fight against the increase, but the rural councillors, led by Mr. Calder, of Durham, "soaked" us. The town of Owen Sound may appeal against the increase."

According to the new regulations of the Education Department, the Entrance results are not to be published or made known until sanctioned by the authorities in Toronto. There were twenty-three candidates from Durham school wrote here, and in keeping with her usual record, Miss MacKenzie will have twenty-three winners to her credit. This little piece of information has leaked out in some way, and will be found correct. The list of successful candidates will appear at as early a date as possible.

The annual garden party under the auspices of the Baptist church at Glenelg Centre was held on the grounds of Mr. James McGilivray, Saugeen Valley, on Tuesday evening. It was the most successful gathering of the kind ever held by this congregation, and quite a large crowd gathered to enjoy the evening. The main event—the supper—was of a high order, and besides excellence of quality, there was also the quantity, and enough and to spare for all who attended. Owing to the lateness of arrival of the participants, the champion baseball game between the Scotchtown Highlanders and the Bunesan White Sox, was cut down to a one-inning contest, the match being won by the White Sox, 3 to 1. A good program was also rendered when addresses by Revs. Farquharson and McCausland, and songs and instrumentals by members of the congregation and others, brought the evening's amusement to a close. The night was a most delightful one for the occasion.

The town council has had the Durham hill fixed up, and the stones raked off. It is now safe to travel on.

The Epworth League had a regular meeting on Monday evening. A special feature was an address of welcome to the new pastor, Rev. Mr. Prudham.

Bills are out announcing another Horse Fair, on Thursday, July 18th. Over sixty horses are reported sold at the last fair, and this one promises to be better. Every kind and condition of a horse will find a buyer.

Mr. James Ball, whose death is reported in this issue, is the father of R. J. Ball, M.P. We have no particulars more than that he was in his 80th year, and interment takes place to Hanover cemetery this Wednesday afternoon.

We have just learned of the recent death of three residents of Egremont, Mr. Robert Nelson, aged 70, died of heart trouble, after a few days' illness. Mr. Chas. McKenzie, another pioneer, of about the same age, died of apoplexy. Interment took place in Amos cemetery on Saturday. Mrs. Peter Daly, aged about 32 years, died on Sunday, and interment was made on Monday.

We congratulate Miss Lawrence, of Plenty, Sask., whose marriage notice we publish in this issue. We know nothing of the fortunate young man who captured such an excellent young lady for a wife. The happy bride is a daughter of the late John Lawrence, of Hutton Hill. She went west a couple of years ago, and was engaged as a teacher at Plenty, Sask., after concluding her Normal course.

Durham's junior lacrosse team, were defeated on the grounds here on Friday night, 8 to 3. It was Hanover did it. For the first half, the game was fairly even, though Hanover showed superior combination, and were in apparently better condition than their opponents, many of whom were entirely without practice. This militated against them in the two final periods, and the visitors had no trouble in maintaining their lead. Had the locals been in condition, we believe they had a chance to win, and expect to see them turn the tables on the Hanover twelve in their next game here.

Ye Editor was in Toronto and Lewiston from Friday till Monday. In a big thunderstorm on Friday evening, the electric power was put out of commission, and for about five hours the city was in darkness, and the street-cars stalled just where the accident overtook them. The newspaper officers were handicapped for want of power to run their typesetting machines, and it was quite a novel sight in one of the newspaper business offices, to see the clerks at work with no better light than a piece of a candle. This was the custom fifty years ago, but now it seems away behind the times. The boats now run to Lewiston and Olcott on Sunday, and a large number took advantage of the outing to escape the extreme heat of the city. We may say in this connection that the Sunday fares are too high to suit the pockets of the average citizen who needs the outing most. If Sunday boats are going to be an established thing in the city, the fares should be put down low enough to suit the pockets of the laboring man and his family, who, needing the recreation most, would enjoy it even better than the rich man, if the price were put within his reach. The rich man doesn't feel the effect of a fare that might keep his poorer neighbor at home. The fare from Toronto to Lewiston and return is \$1.75. This to a man who wishes to take a family of four or five across the lake, is too heavy on his weekly earnings, and comparatively few of them will enjoy the pleasures they might otherwise have. We'll venture to predict that a 75c. return rate will net the transportation company just as much, if not more, money. The poor man should be considered, and a very popular move in the city of Toronto would be to cut the fares in two, and double or treble the crowds.

## TOWN COUNCIL

The regular meeting of the town council was held on Friday evening, July 5th. Members all present. Minutes read and confirmed. Accounts amounting to about \$450 were ordered paid.

The grade in front of the Edge estate lot is left as it is, on request of the Government engineer.

A. B. McLellan's application for street watering for July, August and September, at \$97, was accepted.

Wm. Lawrence was appointed inspector of the bridge, at \$2 a day. An amendment was put to appoint Geo. Kress to the position, but was defeated.

By-laws 618 and 619, relating to clerk's salary and caretaker, passed their several readings, and carried. Wm. Saunders was appointed caretaker of the town hall.

## EDGE HILL.

Miss Maria Ritchie is visiting with friends in town.

Mrs. Boaks, of King township, was visiting at Mr. Adam Anderson's last week.

Mr. Fred Staples is re-shingling the south half of his barn.

Misses Emma and Maggie Ritchie spent last week with friends at the lower end of the line.

Dr. Farquharson conducted prayer-meeting at the Grange hall on Thursday evening last.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Firth, of Clinton, are visiting in the neighborhood.

Mr. C. H. Moffat's beef-ring heifer dressed 497 lbs. of excellent beef last week. That is the kind about which there is never any objection raised.

Quite a number from this neighborhood are sending their cream to the Walkerton creamery.

Our post-office has changed hands, and is now located at the home of Mr. Wm. Ritchie. While much handier for some, it is still a little too far north, for the convenience of the general public.

## BLYTH'S CORNERS.

A very severe electric storm passed over this section on Saturday afternoon. The lightning was unusually sharp, striking in several places in the neighborhood but no serious damage was done, so far as we have heard. For an hour, the rain came down in torrents, which was greatly hoped for, and, as a consequence, will change the whole scene from the prospects of a pretty slim harvest to a bountiful one, for which none, neither saint nor sinner, but who should join heartily in singing "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow."

Among the successful candidates at the Durham High school we notice the name of Miss Jannie Peter. Jannie has the gift of push and ambition, and we wish her continued success in her studies.

Pastor Kendall returned from his trip to the west, and occupied his pulpit on Sunday last.

A large gang of framers from the vicinity of Owen Sound are hustling the frame work on Mr. James Blyth's barn. The contract is a big one, entailing a great amount of work, by putting the timbers of two barns into one, and splicing all the parts, which will add a lot to the height of the building. We have no doubt the job when completed will be a fine structure.

We too, would hasten to offer our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. A. Noble, nee Winnie Lauder. Mrs. Noble was a valued and cherished member of the Varney Grange, and contributed in no small way towards the entertaining features of the organization, and it is a matter of little or no surprise that so amiable a person as she should aim for any less than a "Noble" man. Congratulations.

Valentine Kirchner, one of Hanover's most public-spirited citizens died on Tuesday morning of last week. He was 64 years of age, and leaves a widow and family. Death was due to cancer of the stomach, and resulted after an illness of a couple of months. About a month ago, he was operated on by a specialist, but his case was considered hopeless.

## NEW POST OFFICE SITE

We referred last week to the selection of the Edge property for the site of the new post-office. Since then there are some kickers deny that the question is settled: say it will never go there. Now, we understand, that as a matter of fact an Order in Council was passed, making the selection as above stated. We know that Mr. Armstrong, a Government Engineer, was here to secure data to place in the hands of the Architect. We know, too, on good authority, that the same identical lot would have been chosen had the Laurier Government remained in power, and we go further and say that the site chosen is the best available site in Durham for a post-office.

We are at a loss to know why there should be a strenuous opposition on the part of a few agitators. In some cases, and we think in most cases, the reason is plainly evident. The displacement of some of the old buildings, in some instances the old shacks, and selling them to the Government, would be a sure way of selling at their full value, or perhaps considerable of a premium. In the site chosen, there is no graft. \$800 for the eighty-five feet on Mill street, is as cheap as any man in Durham, or any place else, could have purchased the property from Mr. Edge.

The site is high and dry, and a building erected thereon will present a good appearance from every side you look at it. Again, it is right on the road to the school, and we venture to say that seventy-five per cent. of the mail outside of business, is carried to and from the post-office by the school children, and we believe further that ninety-five per cent. of enquiries for mail comes from the same source. A large petition had been signed to put the post-office at the corner of George and Garafra streets. Now, assuming that the crossing of Garafra and Lambton streets is the commercial centre of the town, we doubt if there would be more than ten yards of a difference to one place more than the other. Mr. Ball gets a lot of blame, but Mr. Ball will be much older, and much more of an angel than he is, if he ever sees the time when he can please everybody. Our advice would be to listen to the vaporings of nobody, and he'll come out just as safe, as he will to be moved by everyone who undertakes to say something. Let the post-office go on the site that is selected, and when the building is complete, the likes and dislikes will be blended into general harmony. There are very few who are dissatisfied, and why should there be any delay in getting to work?

## PERSONAL.

Mrs. John Lang, and children, of Hanover, are visiting in town.

Mrs. Warner has returned from visiting friends and relatives in Detroit.

Miss Allie Blackburn, teacher, at Hespeler, is spending the vacation with her mother here.

Mr. Robt. Matthews, of Detroit, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Matthews.

Mr. Gardiner, and two sons, of Toronto, are visiting at Mr. James Webber's.

Dr. and Mrs. Thistle, of Toronto, are visiting her aunt, Mrs. Thos. A. Harris.

Misses Mabel and Lily Boyd, of Flesherston, were in town Friday, and spent a couple of hours with their friend, Miss Rita Irwin.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan McDougall and family have moved to Owen Sound, where they intend to remain for some time.

Misses Ella and Lyla Frend, of Toronto, are spending a few days with relatives and friends in town and vicinity.

Barrister A. G. Campbell, of Toronto, spent last week with his brother, Inspector Campbell, and family here.

Inspector Campbell and family leave this week to spend the summer in their cottage home at Lake of Bays.

Mr. David McNichol, of Lamlash and his niece, Mrs. McDougall, of Lamlash, were callers here last week.

## HATS

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