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NEWS AROUND TOWN

Live hogs are \$8.35.

Don't miss the laughable, comic "Scenes in the Union Depot," in the town hall this Thursday night.

Wednesday morning was said to be the coldest of the season. Some of the local thermometers registered 4 below zero.

Miss Lizzie Hunt, of Queen street desires to thank the friends who lately made her the much appreciated present of an invalid chair.

The Rev. W. H. Hartley will take for his subjects next Sunday in Trinity church, "Prayer" at the morning service, and "Judas" at the evening service.

A box social and concert will be held in Mulock school on Friday, February 21st. A good program is being provided. Admission 15c. Ladies bringing boxes, free.

All parties owing the firm of Matthews & Latimer will please call on A. H. Jackson and settle same at once, as the business of the firm must be closed out without delay.

Mr. Malcolm Clark, of Peterborough, was present at his father's funeral on Saturday last. He arrived just in time to join the funeral procession before it reached Latona cemetery, where interment took place.

We regret to learn of the serious illness of Miss Annie Clark, of Aberdeen. She is suffering from pneumonia, and her condition was so critical at the time of her father's death that she was unable to view the remains.

Last week we referred to the sudden and unexpected death of Rev. Mr. McGregor. Death, we learn, occurred on Saturday night, and not on Sunday morning, as we learned from the city papers. The remains were taken to his home near Ottawa, on Monday, where interment was made.

The members of the Presbyterian Guild will present an amateur play, entitled "Scenes in the Union Depot," in the town hall this Thursday night, the 13th inst. The scenes and events portrayed are just such as are likely to happen in any large depot, and are ludicrous enough to raise a laugh from Old Diogenes himself. Be sure to come and enjoy the laugh of the season. Admission 25c.

We congratulate Mr. Wm. Martin on his marriage on Wednesday of last week to Miss Caroline Wilson. Both contracting parties are residents of this town, Mr. Martin having been engaged here for a number of years. The nuptial knot was tied by Rev. L. Spencer, in St. Paul's church, Mt. Forest, at six o'clock in the evening. They will reside here, and we welcome them as citizens of the town.

On Monday night, Rev. Mr. Prudden gave an interesting talk on Japan, where he labored as a missionary for a number of years. The address was illustrated by a great many lantern views of lakes, mountains, churches, tea fields, rice plantations and many of the occupations in which the people engage. There should have been a larger audience, but we understand it was not well enough advertised, and many didn't know of it.

The letter boxes and equipment for the rural mail service by way of Lambton street, the second concession of Glenelg, the town line of Holland to Dornoch, and returning by way of the Garafraxa road, have been received at the post office and are ready for distribution to the patrons. The regular service will commence on the first of March, and Mr. J. H. McFayden has the contract for the route. The courier will leave Durham post office six times per week, as soon as possible after the arrival of the G. T. R. train due here at 10.30 a.m., and proceed along the route already stated, connecting with the rural mail courier from Chatsworth, at Dornoch.

Butter is 18c., eggs 19c. A new stock of our famous bias filled corsets just to hand. At Grant's.

For a keg of No. 1 fresh water herring at a right price, call on Mrs. Beggs & Son.

Come to the town hall to-night and enjoy a night's "Scenes in the Union Depot." It will be unique.

Dr. Brown, eye, ear, nose and throat, will be at the Hahn House, Durham, on Saturday, February 15, from 12 to 5 p.m. Eyes tested and glasses supplied.

Coming.—Prof. E. Katz, the German eyesight specialist, will be at the Middaugh House, Durham, on Saturday, February 15th, and Monday, the 17th. Eyes tested by the new method, that never fails. Will relieve eyesight trouble, eye strain and headache in every case.

Litany service will be held in the basement of Trinity church on Friday evening of each week at 8 o'clock, until Easter. An address upon the Sunday school lesson for the following Sunday is delivered at these services, which may be helpful for Sunday school teachers. All are welcome to attend. The collection at every service is given toward mission work.

The February meeting of the Durham branch of the Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. C. Ramage, Durham. Notwithstanding the stormy weather twenty-six ladies gathered, and a most interesting meeting was held. After the business was transacted, Mrs. C. Ritchie gave a splendid paper on "Friendship," and Mrs. Farquharson gave a most carefully prepared and interesting paper on "The Place of Women in Olden Times." Miss Jean McGowan gave an interesting demonstration on stencilling. The meeting closed with the National Anthem.

The next horse fair will be held here on Thursday, the 20th inst. It isn't necessary any more to enlarge on the importance of these monthly fairs. The public know what they are for, and a mere hint is all they want. Those having horses to sell have a reasonable assurance of meeting buyers, and those wishing to buy have an equal assurance of finding horses. Though the last fair was not a huge success, it is not fair to infer that the next one will be a failure. Mr. Black is a horseman from the word go, and seems to be in touch with all the buyers. Come out and see if there isn't money in it for you, whether you want to buy or sell.

Dr. Farquharson delivered the second of a series of interesting addresses on Ireland, in the Presbyterian church, at the meeting of the Guild on Monday night last. His subject was "William the Third in Ireland." In his address he studied briefly the political history of Ireland from Henry the Second to William the Third, referring chiefly to the cruel oppression of the people under the Tudors and Stuarts, which culminated in the plantation of Ulster, from the best blood of Puritan England and Scotland. Another address will be delivered shortly, continuing the history of Ireland up to the present time.

John Leeton, an old gentleman about sixty-eight years of age, died suddenly at the Middaugh House on Wednesday of last week. Heart failure is said to have been the immediate cause of death. He complained of a cold, but felt he would be all right in a day or two. After dressing, he fell back on the bed, and died almost instantly. The funeral took place on Friday afternoon from Bell's undertaking parlors, the service being conducted by Rev. W. H. Hartley. He was an inoffensive old man, and well spoken of by those who knew him. One sister, Mrs. Symonds, died a few weeks ago at her home near Kimberley. He leaves no near relatives in this country. He worked for a number of Glenelg farmers, but lately has been engaged as hostler at the Middaugh House.

To-morrow is Valentine's day.

On Thursday night, see "Scenes in the Union Depot," in the town hall. Good amateur acting, comic episodes, smart repartees, true to life.

An English fire department is testing a new fire escape by which persons are lowered in a basket from a tower raised against a building, instead of being carried down ladders.

Dr. Waugh, Inspector of Continuation schools for the Province of Ontario, visited the school here officially last week, and reported favorably on the work done, but rather unfavorably on the school accommodation. He advocated very strongly the building of a new Continuation school, and expressed his belief that the Board made a mistake in not having the work already under way. Nothing, he emphasized, tells so plainly of the character and public spirit of a community as up-to-date school buildings. In his address to the school Board, he referred to the enterprise of the little town of Burlington, which, during the past year erected a school building at a cost of \$36,000, now recognized as the best equipped public school in the province. Burlington is not much larger than Durham.

Rev. Mr. Newton, who visited here a few weeks ago, was not in good health at the time, and expressed his belief that something serious was the matter. He went to Goderich, to visit a brother and sister there, and was told by a resident physician that his liver was affected. He then consulted Dr. Cavan, a specialist, of Toronto, who diagnosed his trouble as cancer of the liver, and that nothing could be done by way of operation, as the cancer was on the inside. Mr. Newton is again in Goderich, but failing rapidly, and it may be only a few months, or perhaps a few weeks, till the end comes. We always admired Mr. Newton as a man of sterling character, and we are sure we are only giving voice to the general feeling of the community in expressing deep regret in regard to his failing condition of health.

The furniture factory hockey team came very near to breaking the winning streak of the clerks in the City League championship race on Wednesday evening of last week. As it was, they succeeded in tying the game up, the score at full time being 6-6. There is no doubt but that these two teams are very evenly matched, if the going on this occasion was any criterion to go by, and were it not for a bad getaway by both cement works and furniture factory teams, who both lost their first games to the clerks, the contest for first position would be more in doubt. Owing to an accident to Cowan, of the factory septette, the last half was played six men a side. To-night, the cement works and clerks clash, and as the latter are confident of redeeming their defeat of a few weeks ago, a close game is to be looked for.

Christian Kloepter, a prominent manufacturer of Guelph, died on Sunday last from pneumonia. He was not only head of the Raymond sewing machine and cream separator business, but was actively interested in a number of other prosperous manufactures. He represented South Wellington at one time in the Dominion parliament. He caught cold while attending the funeral of a former employee, but paid little attention to it, and it developed into pneumonia, and in a short time caused his death. We believe that many deaths are caused by the common practice of standing in the cold during funeral services. Neighbors and friends, as a rule, are anxious to show their sympathy towards the relatives of the deceased, but there is so much risk in standing round on such occasions, especially in cold weather, that the custom should be abandoned. The person who leaves for his own safety and comfort is not showing disrespect to the mourners or the deceased, and in many cases it would be safer and wiser to leave rather than take any chances.

OBITUARY

JOHN CLARK.

One by one the pioneers are passing away, and soon the original home builders will be absent from us forever. Another of the old settlers of Bentinck passed away on Thursday last, in the person of Mr. John Clark, who was in his 91st year.

He was born in the Isle of Mull, Scotland, in 1822, but the exact date of his birth is unknown. When young, he came to Canada with his parents and settled for some years in the township of Vaughan, where he worked until the year 1847, when he took up lots 32 and 33, in the third concession of Bentinck, west of the Garafraxa road.

This part of the country was then a wilderness, and about \$1.60 an acre of our present currency was the price paid for wild land. The lots referred to cost 80 pounds, or about \$320 of the currency of that time. It may be well to remind some of our younger readers that it was not till a number of years later that the decimal system of dollars and cents was introduced into Canada, but money values were named in pounds, shillings and pence, just as in England to-day. We might mention here also that the land office at the time was at Elora, this part of the county of Grey being then in the Wellington district. He took out his deed in 1848, and in 1849 he was married to Catharine McKechnie, who predeceased him a number of years ago. A year later, in 1850, he moved with his young wife, a yoke of oxen, and three cows—all his earthly wealth—to the wilds of Bentinck, settled on the farm mentioned above, and remained there till the time of his death.

The marriage union resulted in a family of nine, or ten, children, eight of whom are still living, as follows: Janet, Mrs. J. W. Smith, of Aberdeen; James, of Port Elgin; John, of Cochrane; Mary, Mrs. Jos. Byers, near Saskatoon; Annie, at home; Malcolm, in Peterborough; Bessie, Mrs. Duncan Morrison, at Dornoch; and Margaret, Mrs. D. McGillivray, in the county of Bruce, near Paisley. All except John, and Mrs. Byers, were present at the funeral.

The deceased engaged in farming, generally, but his father being a cooper by trade, the subject of this notice was handy with tools, and in the early days was able to make himself useful in many ways. He often obliged his neighbors by making needed repairs, as well as ox-yokes, bows, and other articles, even to the making of coffins, when a friend or neighbor happened to be called away by death. The home-made coffin was a common thing in those early days, and persons who were at all skilled in the use of tools were often called on to discharge the painful duty.

Like all pioneers, the deceased had his troubles and misfortunes. His first crop was cut with a sickle, threshed with a flail, and winnowed by nature's fanning mill. His first grist, the product of his hard labor, was taken to be ground to Dunsmore's old flour mill, erected on the site where the furniture factory's powerhouse is now located. He was unable to get his grist home with him that night, and decided to leave it till next day. Unfortunately the mill caught fire during the night, and the grist and bags were destroyed with the other contents. However small such a loss might seem now, it was a hard blow then to the struggling young farmer. But there was no such word as failure in Mr. Clark's dictionary, and shortly afterwards, with other neighbors, he took a grist to

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The Toronto World gave pictures of some of the officials and principal speakers at the annual convention of the Fairs and Exhibitions Association held in Toronto last week. Amongst them was Wm. Scarf, Durham, who was elected as second vice president. Mr. Scarf has good ground for action against The World, as the picture is worse looking than he is, if possible.

Clothes That Make Good

You Young Fellows Are Right About Clothes

Some men may smile a little at the importance you put upon small differences in style and design, but don't let that bother you.

Your business just now is to "Make Good" and you're wise to the fact that good looking clothes are an asset; that while they don't make the man, they're a help in his job of making himself.

Be critical about style and no less critical about workmanship. In other words get all that's coming to you. When you find a style that satisfies you and a fit that's right, and our name back of it, buy it, then you'll have it all—not only style but quality. Without quality, style does not last.



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Extra Value & Rush Offer For January

Men's Heavy Tweed Coats

In Velvet or two way collar, regular \$10.00 to \$14.00, your choice \$8.50

Men's Overshoes

New 1 buckle, any size, \$1.25

Felt Boots and Slippers

Now is the best time for this cozy footwear. Men's all felt sole, \$2.00. Misses and Boy's Heavy felt, \$1.25

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A few sizes left in Heavy Lumberman's Rubbers, at reduced prices.

J. & J. HUNTER