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NEWS AROUND TOWN

Lambton council has given \$500 for park improvements.

The gate receipts at Markdale were \$825.

The services at St. Paul's church on Monday will begin at 2.30 p.m., commencing next Sunday.

The Ladies' Guild of Trinity church are preparing for their annual bazaar, which they purpose holding early in December.

Wanted.—Good general servant to go to Burlington about the 15th of November. Apply to Mrs. M. Robertson. 10 23tf

Don't go shivering around this weather, but go to Grant's and buy Stanfield's unshrinkable underwear. It will keep you warm and save doctor's bills.

Thomas Stevenson, who has been in the drug business in Orangeville for 53 years, died recently, after only a few hours illness.

Owing to recent changes in the P. R. time table the outgoing mails over that road will close at the post-office here as follows: For the west at 11.50 a.m. and for the east at 3.30 p.m.

The contract for carrying the mail along rural route No. 2 by way of Aberdeen and Bentinck post offices has been let to Mr. John Pust, and service will begin November 1.

The town was again in darkness on Saturday and Sunday nights, as the electric light wires had to be cut to let the town hall pass round the corner of George and Garafraxa streets.

Postmasters have been instructed to hang up in the lobby of their offices a list of the names of the persons of the different mail routes starting from their offices, for the information of the business men and the public generally.

What about the west abutment of the Lambton street bridge? We said a couple of weeks ago it was being undermined. Our opinion has since been confirmed by the opinions of others. It will not cost much to fix it now. Neglect for a little too long may run the cost into thousands of dollars.

The wet weather has interfered a great deal with the contractors who are engaged in moving the town hall. It will take some time yet to put it in place. Should the weather be favorable for three or four days, we hope to see it landed. The men are all experts, but they cannot work satisfactorily in wet weather.

The new residence being erected by Mr. Wm. McFadden on Countess street, will have the roof on this week if nothing happens to prevent progress. This will enable the different trades to go on without interruption, especially on the inside work. Mr. Clark's new house on Garafraxa street is also closed in and in a position to be finished.

On Sunday evening a very interesting and instructive talk on Japan was delivered by Rev. J. C. Holmes, a missionary on furlough. Though Officialdom is apparently opposed to Christianity, the masses of the people are turning their attention in that direction. The speaker expressed his delight at the rapid evangelical inroads of the last twenty or thirty years, and much progress he claimed, had been made during the seven years of his missionary work in the east. Mr. Holmes is a clear and forceful speaker, and is very optimistic of much greater progress in the very near future. The attendance was good and the speaker received the undivided attention of the congregation during the whole address, which lasted nearly an hour. On Monday night he addressed the Epworth League of the Methodist church, where he was listened to by a large audience for a week-night meeting. Mrs. Holmes, and two children, both born in Japan, are now visiting relatives at Norwich. They all expect to return next summer.

Mr. Easton, a student of Knox College, Toronto, took charge of the work in the Presbyterian church on Sunday last.

The annual Sunday school convention is being held in Owen Sound this week. It is expected that 400 delegates will be present.

Sam. Langrill and a number of others have issued a warning against trespassers. Our advice is to keep off the properties mentioned in this issue.

Rev. A. J. Johnston, of Dundas, one of the most scholarly ministers of the Methodist church, has been tendered a professorship in Victoria College, Toronto.

On Thanksgiving day, George Bailey, the postmaster at Shrigley, celebrated his 83rd birthday, when a happy gathering of relatives assembled at his home.

The annual Sunday school entertainment of St. Paul's, Egremont, will be held on the evening of Thursday, November 13, in Allan's school house.

All ladies are cordially invited to attend the Women's Institute meeting at the home of Mrs. J. Hepburn's on Thursday, November 6, at 2 p.m. Mrs. Lenahan and Mrs. Brown will speak on "Dinner: How and What to Serve," and Mrs. J. Graham on "Lessons from the Life of Helen Keller." Roll call.

The marsh lands of Essex have yielded such a prolific crop of onions this year that land has been advanced to \$150 an acre. Henry Finch raised 104 sacks of choice onions on a piece of ground three rods wide by four rods long. Thirty years ago these lands could be bought for a song, but the whole county has improved since then. It is now, without exception we think, the finest fruit-growing part of the Dominion.

To-morrow night will be Halloween, and the fairies and witches will be out as usual, but the force is not likely to be very strong, nor very destructive. The fines imposed a few years ago for the rougher kind of Halloween conduct has caused some to think twice before indulging in some of the wilder escapades of Halloween life. One would almost think it time this relic of barbarism was relegated to the shades of oblivion. Children, of course, will indulge in innocent amusements, with which no fault will be found, but the ruthless destruction of property is no longer tolerated by the better classes.

While driving Mrs. Beggs & Son's delivery wagon on Saturday evening, Vernon Elvidge had quite an experience for a few minutes. The horse was going along quietly when a clip pulled off the whiffletree, letting one side of the shafts pull out of the harness, and caused the horse to do some kicking without giving much notice to the driver, whom he struck once in the stomach and once or twice on the legs. The boy, thinking discretion the better part of valor, jumped from the wagon near the Chronicle office, and allowed the animal to continue his exercise at will. He soon disconnected himself from the wagon, and after running a few rods west along Saddle street, turned back and started for his own stable. He rushed along Garafraxa street at quite a clip, and all who saw him coming made no question in the matter of giving him full right of way. Dr. Bradshaw Jamieson soon responded to a telephone call, took the boy home in his automobile and ordered him to stay in bed for a few days. Staying in bed is too tame a job for Vernon and on Monday morning he was at work again, a little lame, but apparently not much the worse for his experience. Slight damage was done to wagon and harness, but the horse, which is an expert at such performances, escaped uninjured. The horse was not making much speed horizontally, but the up and down movement of his hind half showed he had considerable activity in a verticle direction.

There are nearly 60,000 subscribers in Canada to the rural mail delivery system. Of these, Ontario has more than all the other provinces combined.

Read the auction sales published in this issue on page 2. Adam Weir's is on the 4th of November and Wesley Ball's is on the 5th. Robt. Brigham is auctioneer in both cases.

Leamington, which has been under local option for nearly three years, is trying to get sufficient signatures to a petition to bring on a repeal vote at the election in January.

Wanted.—A cook general. Must be competent and reliable person. To go to Toronto, in best part of city. References required. Good wages given. Apply to Lock Box 16, Durham, Ont.

Rural mail route No. 2, which starts on Saturday next, will do away with Aberdeen and Bentinck post offices, and cause further alterations in our mailing lists. Persons affected by the change will oblige by giving us notice.

Mr. Wm. Farquharson, second son of Dr. and Mrs. Farquharson, who has been employed in Montreal with the McLean Publishing Co., has been in the hospital quite ill for the past couple of weeks. We hope to hear soon of his full recovery.

The Globe says Alderman Glass was elected in East Middlesex by only 368. It isn't likely a recount will be asked for. The majority seems to be ample, and even if the majority taken by the preceding member has been considerably reduced, there may be many local conditions, and is no evidence of waning influences in the Borden Government.

The young people of Trinity church had a most enjoyable social evening in the basement of their church on Monday night. About 50 young people gathered, and after a couple of hours at social games, refreshments were served by a committee of the A. Y. P. A. Next Monday evening the topic will be "Distinctive Features of the Church of England."

The council is well aware of the fact that the water passage at the corner of Saddler and Garafraxa streets has been choked up for some time, and after every rain the water overflows the crossing and runs down the sidewalk and on the street, where it shouldn't go. This is only one of the places that need attention from the Board of Works.

Huron College, London, which is the English church school of theology for the diocese of Huron, was founded 50 years ago. The 50th anniversary is to be commemorated throughout the diocese by a jubilee service in all the Anglican churches. The Huron College jubilee service will be held in Trinity church next Sunday evening and at St. Paul's, Egremont, in the afternoon.

The remains of the late George Aljoe were interred on Thursday afternoon of last week. The weather was very wet and disagreeable, but notwithstanding this a goodly number of Orangemen assembled at the home to pay a last tribute of respect to a deceased brother. The remains were taken to the Methodist church, where Rev. Mr. Prudham delivered an appropriate sermon to a large congregation. The choir was in attendance and rendered music suitable to the occasion.

At a meeting of the Owen Sound council held on Monday night, by a vote of 12 to 2 it was decided to authorize the mayor and clerk to sign the contract for the supplying of 1,200 horsepower by the Hydro-electric, the price not to be in excess of \$31 per horsepower. The power will be generated at Eugenia Falls, and at the end of 30 years, when the contract terminates with the Commission, the town will own the generating station and plant. The Commission is to begin the work of installing the plant as early in the spring as they can get material on the ground. They expect to be able to turn on the power in the fall of 1914.

Live hogs are \$8.50.
Live turkeys 13c., live geese 5c.
ducks 9c., chickens 10c., hens 7c.
and roosters 5c.

The boot and shoe business conducted by Mr. McGrath for the past four or five years has been sold to Mr. Wm. Saunders, son of S. P. Saunders of this town.

Seal lost.—Lost in Durham about two weeks ago, a gold mounted stone seal, with letters "G. B." cut in stone. Finder will be suitably rewarded by returning seal to this office.

We learn that Mr. McCausland has resigned the pastorate of the Baptist church here, but the resignation has not yet been accepted. He has been here three or four years, and we always understood he was giving good service.

Anniversary services will be held in the Presbyterian church, Durham, on Sunday, November 9, when Rev. Thurlow Fraser, of Owen Sound, will preach at both services and deliver a lecture on the following evening under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid. Admission 25c.

This Wednesday night, Tommy Burns and Arthur Pelkey, the man who killed Luther McCarthy in a boxing bout at Calgary last summer, will give a boxing exhibition in Hanover. Doubtless many of Durham's fight fans will occupy ring-side seats, though as the encounter is purely an exhibition, it is likely to be rather a tame fight.

We are pleased to report the continued and rapid improvement in the condition of Mr. Fred McClocklin, who was injured at the Dundalk station a couple of weeks ago. Mrs. McClocklin has been with him since the accident, and since last issue he has enjoyed a visit from his family. Mr. McClocklin is now out of danger, and recovering as fast as could be expected.

On Wednesday, the 22nd inst., at 12 o'clock noon, a quiet wedding took place at the home of the bride's uncle, Mr. John McKechnie, of Waudby, when Mr. Archibald McLean of Aberdeen was united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Miss Sarah Flora McArthur, daughter of Mr. Hugh McArthur. The nuptial knot was well and truly tied by Rev. Mr. McCausland, in the presence of only a few immediate relatives. The ceremony concluded, a sumptuous dinner was partaken of, after which the young couple drove to Chesley, Paisley, and vicinity, where they intend spending a week or two with friends and relatives. The Chronicle extends congratulations.

While driving from town on Tuesday evening about half-past five o'clock, Mrs. John Reay met with a serious accident, and at time of going to press is still in an unconscious condition. Her husband, and son Fred, about 14 years of age, were in the buggy at the time. As they were in front of the Durham cemetery, the horse showed signs of nervousness which caused Mrs. Reay to fear that a train was approaching. Mr. Reay at once took the lines from his son, and tried to control the animal, which by this time became fractious and started to run towards the railway crossing, and Mr. Reay tried to pull the animal to the side of the road, when one of the lines broke and horse and buggy crashed into the moving train. The rig was upset and the occupants thrown out. The buggy was badly smashed and Mrs. Reay was very seriously injured, her head being deeply cut in three places. The father, son and horse were apparently unhurt. Mrs. Reay is a woman about 47 years of age, and grave doubts are entertained as to her chances for recovery. Whether she was struck by the train, or injured when she fell at the crossing is not definitely known. The train stopped immediately after the accident and the crew rendered what assistance they could and backed into the station with the injured woman, who was taken to the residence of Mr. Dan McAuliffe, up town, and is being cared for by Dr. Jamieson. We sincerely regret to hear of her sad misfortune, and hope she may soon be restored to consciousness and to her usual health.

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