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NEWS AROUND TOWN

Wanted—Pine, Hemlock Spruce, and Balsam saw logs at the sash and door factory.

Mr. A. Fagan went to Hamilton on Tuesday morning where he secured a position with the National Steel Car Co.

Rev. Mr. Graham, of Cedarville, preached in the Presbyterian church last Sunday, morning and evening Mr. Whaley took Mr. Graham's place at Cedarville.

Of the boys who went from here as part of the 147th Grey Battalion we learn that Fred Catton and Bert Oyns were rejected on account of defective eyesight.

Mr. Robert Banks, whose death is briefly referred to by our Traverston correspondent was a frequent caller at this office, and we regret to learn of his sudden and unexpected departure.

Notice—All our accounts are now ready. Any person in debt will confer a favor by calling at once and settling, as I require funds. Wm. Black.

Mr. Robert Ewen had the misfortune to fall on the ice last Friday and fracture his shoulder. He is now nursing his injuries and will not be able to do much for a few weeks.

The new lighting and fixtures in the Presbyterian church have made a great transformation in the internal appearance, and some of the audience at least are delighted with the results.

The Durham and South Grey Poultry Ass'n will hold their fifth annual winter show in the town hall, January 18th, 19th 20th and 21st, 1916. Miss M. Yates will lecture on two different subjects at 2.30 p.m. and 8 p.m. on January 20. Mr. J. Foster, of Brampton, will award the prizes. Entries close January 15th. W. J. Ritchie, Supt. Jas. E. Gibson, Secy-Treas.

The Hon. Dr. Jamieson addressed the Epworth League, of the Methodist church on Monday night. His topic was on parliamentary procedure, and was quite interesting and instructive. There was a fair attendance present, but not as many as there should be. Insufficient publicity is the probable cause.

After the marriage of Mr. Ephraim Ball and Miss Almada Hopkins, which took place last Tuesday at the parsonage, the newly married couple proceeded to the home of the groom's sister, Mrs. Charles W. Saunders, where a sumptuous dinner was served. They will reside in Mt. Forest.

The metre man has been round part of the town, and hydro users will soon have an idea of the monthly costs for lighting. The bills have not yet been sent out, and only those who know the amount used and the cost per kilowatt hour will be able to figure it out for themselves. Remember there is ten per cent discount for prompt payment.

We thank those who came with or sent in their subscription for the year 1916, and hope the good example will be followed up till we have a clean sheet of paid-in-advance subscribers. The cash-in-advance method is the only correct way to conduct a newspaper subscription. It is the method recognized by city papers and if it is right with them it should be equally right in the conduct of the small country papers.

Division Court was opened here yesterday, but there was only one case on, and that was adjourned at the request of the plaintiff, whose lawyer was absent. It was a small matter, being a dispute about some chickens, instituted by Wm. Sharp, of Bentinck, against George Noble, a neighbor. Mr. H. H. Miller, was present to represent the defendant, but Mr. Wright, of Owen Sound, is said to have missed the train, hence the adjournment. As the case has not been up in open court we are unable to give particulars of the claim, which amounted to only about five dollars in the first place, and the law costs to date have more than trebled that amount.

The recruiting campaign in Sydenham township is now on and at least 150 recruits are expected for the 147th Grey Battalion.

We regret to learn of the death of Miss Selina Coleridge, sister of Mrs. Chas. Ramage, Holstein correspondent refers briefly to the sad event.

A valuable young horse belonging to Mr. Wm. Leggette at the Rocky had his leg broken on Saturday last and had to be shot as there was no chance of recovery.

The members of the new council met on Monday at eleven o'clock and were duly sworn in for the year 1916. They then adjourned until eight o'clock when the inaugural meeting was held.

Since the opening of the New Year, the weather has been as changeable as any we are able to call to mind. The freezing, thawing, snowing, and blowing, follow each other with wonderful regularity.

The choral society have a play in preparation and intend to give it in the course of a few weeks. We understand the proceeds are to go to patriotic purposes. There is no doubt it will be good and should be well patronized.

We are glad to see a man less up sometimes. The Blyth's Corner scribe admits "kicking," under very trying circumstances. We would like a verbatim report of what he said when his nose struck terra firma.

Mrs. James Edge, who is now about 86 years of age, is in delicate health, and her friends are growing anxious. A few days ago it was thought the end was near, but she has since recovered and may yet be spared for a time.

An incipient blaze started in the furniture factory on Thursday night last, but was immediately under control by the automatic sprinklers. It didn't amount to anything, but might have been serious had the fire appliances been less effective.

The box social under the auspices of the Holstein Patriotic Society will be held on Friday evening 21st inst. in the agricultural hall. Program to consist of "Trip to Bermuda," by Dr. Marsh, illustrated by lime light views. Admission, gentlemen 10c. Ladies bringing boxes free. Those without boxes, 25c.

The Dornoch branch of the Women's Institute will meet at the home of Mrs. J. H. Sherk, base line Bentinck, Wednesday, January 19. Members are requested to be at Mrs. Sherk's in the morning. After a short business meeting we will adjourn to the quilt. Visitors and neighbors cordially invited. If you do not wish to quilt bring your knitting.

The young recruits who went to Owen Sound last week will be back in the course of a few weeks in full military attire. On the day of their return we expect a large attendance from town and surrounding townships to give them a right royal welcome. They were delighted with the reception accorded them in Owen Sound, and from reports we have heard the billeting was eminently satisfactory. We previously gave the names of all who signed during the recruiting, but not of those who went forward when the time came.

The total amount subscribed to the Red Cross and Patriotic Fund has exceeded \$6,000, and of payments already received Mr. A. H. Jackson has forwarded \$333 to the Red Cross, and \$666 to the Patriotic as the first remittance. He also sent to the Red Cross, \$19.30 a contribution handed him from the Rocky Saugeen Sunday School. Mr. Jackson intends as far as possible to make a remittance every month, one third of remittance to go to the Red Cross and two-thirds to the Patriotic Society. Most subscribers to the fund have promised their donations in monthly installments, and prompt payments will facilitate matters very much for Mr. Jackson.

DEATH OF MRS. S. EDGE

It falls to our lot this week to chronicle the death of Glenelg's oldest pioneer, in the person of Mrs. Samuel Edge, who died yesterday morning at the very advanced age of 99 years 6 months and 12 days.

The deceased lady, whose maiden name was Elizabeth Ellison, was born in the County of Wicklow, Ireland, on the 30th of June, 1816. She spent her girlhood days in the old land, until 1834, when she came to Canada with her parents, and settled in the township of Tecumseh, where she remained till April 1847 when she married Samuel Edge, who died on the 10th of March, 1859.

After marriage the young couple settled in the township of Bentinck opposite the Searf homestead on the Garafraxa Road, and remained there till 1854, when they moved to the Glenelg homestead, where they remained to the time of their death.

The family consisted of two sons, Robert, who died a few years ago, and Daniel, who holds the position of treasurer, of Glenelg. There were also three daughters, Mary Ann N., and Eliza Ellen at home, and Sarah Jane who died in 1877.

The deceased was a lifelong member of the Episcopalian church and ever ready in the pioneer days to lend a helping hand when needed. She saw the gradual transformation of the adjacent townships, as they changed from the "forest primeval" and developed into broad and cultivated areas. She saw the changes, and helped to make them. To such we bow in reverence, and when their work is done and well done, we wish them a happy future.

Up to seventy years of age the subject of this brief obituary was a healthy active woman. For the past twenty-seven years she has been in poor health, and for the past five years she has been confined to her bed, constantly. During all the years of her illness she has been carefully nursed by her faithful daughters, who now miss her all the more, no doubt, because of her long period of weakness. When so near the goal the family regret she didn't finish the century.

In 1842 the deceased visited a sister, Mrs. Jas. Boulton, who lived a few miles north. That was 74 years ago, and as she made subsequent visits before moving here her knowledge of the locality dates back nearly three quarters of a century.

She leaves 11 grand children and six great grand children.

Interment takes place tomorrow afternoon at Trinity church cemetery.

ENLISTS IN ARMY; NOW HE CAN'T GO HOME

We are told that a certain young man of German descent enlisted recently to join the 147th Grey Battalion, and that since his enlistment he has not been allowed to come home by his parents. If this be true the pro-German parents, living as they do under the protection of the British flag, and enjoying British liberties, are not fit to be trusted. Such people should be closely watched, and, on the first evidence of disloyalty they should be taken care of and placed where they could be no harm. British fair play should be extended to every British subject, but in times like these every semblance of disloyalty should be nipped in the bud, and nipped quick and sure. How long, may we ask, would disloyalty be tolerated in Germany to-day? The first sign of it would be the last, and the punishment wouldn't be interment till after the war closes. A few weeks ago a British subject, said to be tainted with pro-German tendencies talked a little too loud while in town, but his mouth was soon shut for him, and now his tongue has ceased to wag so freely. No one has the liberty of using disloyal speech, and anyone doing so should forfeit all claims to protection and his property should be confiscated.

INAUGURAL MEETING OF DURHAM TOWN COUNCIL

The first meeting of the council for 1916 assembled Monday night. It was composed as follows:—A. S. Hunter, Mayor; A. A. Catton, Reeve; J. F. Grant, Jas. Lloyd Geo Mackay, Ed. Kress, Robert Cochran, and S. P. Saunders, Councilors.

The minutes were read and adopted, after which a number of accounts amounting to \$309.86 were read, examined by the Finance Committee and recommended for payment.

A grant of \$10 was made to the Sick Children's Hospital, and after some discussion about money owed the Public Library, a resolution was passed, by which \$225 was to be transferred to the library account.

The Poultry Association requested the free use of the town hall for their regular winter exhibition to continue this year for four days, and also wished the council to make a grant to the association of \$15.00 as in former years. The request was not entertained. It was pointed out by Mr. Catton that money stringency in consequence of calls for patriotic purposes, and the certainty of further calls for it, the council, in his opinion would be forced to practice the strictest economy and would have to reduce all possible controllable outlay. As to granting the hall free, the council was debarred on account of a resolution of last year's council, in which the practice of giving the hall free was to be discontinued, unless for patriotic purposes. Under present conditions it was outside the power of the present council to meet the request of the Poultry Association.

A cheque received from the Cockshut Plow Co., paying a business tax against Mr. T. N. Walpole, who had the agency for the company, was read, and a resolution passed in acknowledgment as a satisfactory settlement. The cheque was for \$8.55 (the full amount of the council's claim).

The Cockshut cheque brought out the question of a number of others similarly in arrears for business and income taxes, and Constable Arrowsmith was amongst the list. A couple of years ago he was in business for the Massey-Harris Company, and paid his first installment of the business tax. As he quit business in May and failed to have his name struck off at the Court of Revision, he was held accountable for the tax for the whole year. It seems he spoke to the council or to members of the council and thought the charge was cancelled till recently asked to make payment. In addressing the council Monday night he acknowledged the town might have a legal claim against him, but not a moral, and if the council felt disposed to hold him liable he was willing and ready to pay up "like a man." Reeve Catton in taking up the question said that in all such cases he as a member of the council thought that wherever a legal claim existed, the money should be paid, and so as not to establish a wrong precedent he would ask Mr. Arrowsmith to pay the account.

It was also learned of others against whom there are similar arrears. Some are far away, separated by more than half a continent. Some are still in town and able to pay; Others have left and are now in the trenches, and how to collect the money from all is quite a problem, but an effort will be made.

Mayor Hunter referred to the settlement in full of an account for \$615 of old copper wire over which there was a dispute of five or six dollars. The account he reported had been paid and the cheque was in his possession.

An account of \$100 from Dr. Groves, of Fergus, for an operation performed recently on Mrs. Baker, was brought to the notice of the council, and payment ordered by resolution.

The report of the Medical Officer of health, and a report from the Treasurer were both read.

The January Horse Fair will be held on Thursday next the 20th inst. A large number of buyers is expected.

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