

THE DURHAM CHRONICLE

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GETTING A MAN.

The following editorial from The Toronto News is a timely topic, and worth considering by every resident who feels the force of the Production and Thrift campaign. Work is either work or play, according to the spirit in which it is undertaken, and in many cases the so-called play is the really hard work. The following is what The News says:

"The business of 'getting a man' to do everything about the place is too common. We need a man to put in the pane of glass broken by the coal delivery. We need a man to plane the top of that closet door that sticks. We need a man to put a new battery on the door-bell wires. We need a man to mend the back step. We need a man to take off the double windows. Most of all, we need a man to dig the garden. Assuredly it is true that our time is more valuable than that of a laborer or tradesman, but it is more than probable that we waste enough of that valuable time should we do that costly time of ours to do the job required.

"As for digging the garden, that is not work, but fun. Some business men will take physical exercise after Sandow's chart or tramp over a golf links for hours in search of good health. Let them dig the garden this year. Probably the job will hurt their backs. Unquestionably it will give them calloused, perhaps blistered hands, but if they have the right spirit within them they will experience a gentle regret when the last spadeful is turned over, and when the last square foot of crumbly brown earth is raked.

As a sport, digging has been neglected. It is no mere drudgery, but a pastime full of interesting surprises. Counting the worms discovered is a pleasing by-product. Rescuing abandoned tin cans is another. The sport loosens the shoulder muscles better than tennis. It is as good for the legs as pedestrianism. It tones up the liver, and other dark mysteries of one's organism. Best of all, one can play it alone, and thus one is always sure that the company will be congenial. By all means cultivate the back gardens. But if you get a man to do the most interesting part of the work a lasting regret should be your portion."

MORE ABOUT THE POTASH

The Owen Sound Sun of Friday has this to say:

Owen Saunders has more than passing interest in the adaptation of the Durham Cement plant to the manufacture of potash. Last summer a proposition was on foot in Owen Sound to equip the old Imperial Cement Co. plant on the East shore for this purpose but the scheme did not materialize. Mr. James Vair had the matter in hand and spent considerable time in negotiating with outsiders who were interested. Mr. Geo. Menzies, secretary of the Board of Trade, also was in communication with a man who had the same proposition in view. The success of the Durham company in producing potash and the great demand for the product at the present time would suggest that perhaps it is not yet too late for a similar project to be put in hand in Owen Sound.

It then goes on to give the article in Tuesday's Globe, to which we referred in last issue. The Sun, like other outsiders, was evidently misled. Two thousand barrels of cement, 15 tons of potash, and 40 tons of fertilizer was the present daily output, according to the report. We are sorry it is not so, but only wish it were.

Mr. Grauel, one of the parties mentioned by the Globe, informed us on Saturday that the error was the result of a misunderstanding on the part of The Globe's reporter, and expressed an emphatic opinion that the mentioned results would yet be more than realized.

EDGE HILL

Mrs. Geo. Ritchie is visiting her daughter, Mrs. John Brown, in Egremont.

Mr. Campbell Davis, who has been visiting his many friends in this vicinity during the winter has returned to his home near Lethbridge.

Mrs. Allan Boyd leaves this week for Prussia, Sask., after enjoying a couple of months' visit with her mother, Mrs. R. H. Banks, and other relatives.

While at work in the bush on Saturday with his father, Mr. Ernie Greenwood met with quite a serious accident. The axe which his father was using flew off the handle, and struck him on the foot, inflicting a nasty gash. Dr. Jamieson was summoned and dressed the wound, which required a dozen stitches.

Friday, March 2nd, 1917, will go down into the history of Edge Hill as

a red letter day, because of the fact that on that date \$427 were realized at the box social for Red Cross funds. The weather was very mild, the roads in splendid condition, and the bright moonlight made it an ideal evening for an outing. Sleighloads came from the surrounding neighborhoods and from town, until the school was filled beyond its seating capacity. The school was prettily decorated for the occasion with evergreens, bunting and the flags of the Allies. On the blackboard was a very appropriate motto, and underneath an artistic drawing worthy of comment, the work of Miss Cassie Ritchie. The entertainment opened with the National Anthem. Mr. J. A. Graham, a former teacher in No. 3, made an excellent chairman. The program was short, but every number was good. Amongst those from town contributing to the program were Misses Margaret Hunter and A. Ramage, Mrs. W. Buchan, Messrs. Harding, Miste, P. Ramage and Lieut. Yule. Miss Jennie Jack gave a couple of good recitations, and the club swinging by Miss Essel Edwards was highly appreciated. Miss Irene Ritchie, with violin, with Mrs. Buchan as accompanist, and Mr. Geo. Ritchie and sons, with Miss Emma as accompanist, rendered some fine instrumental selections. Lieut. Yule made a short address, in which he urged men of military age to enlist. After the program, the main business of the evening commenced. This was the sale of the hundred daintily trimmed and generously filled boxes. Messrs. John Moffat and Wm. Weir were auctioneers, and we must say they did their part well. The boxes averaged about \$2.50 each, the highest one going for \$7. After the sale of the boxes the sensation of the evening was sprung when Auctioneer Moffat sold a barrel of flour for \$125. This flour was donated to the box social by Messrs. John McGowan and Guy Kearney of town. It was purchased at the above-named price by a syndicate in the section, and then re-offered for sale and sold at market price. Mr. Robt. Saunders of town also donated a large box of chocolates, which was sold for \$7.25 and presented to the Durham. The proceeds altogether sleighload o entertainers from amounted to \$427.

THEY SAID GOOD-BY

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lawrence have disposed of their farm stock in Glenelg, about a mile east of the town, and on the eve of their departure a number of friends and neighbors assembled to express their good wishes. The present mentioned consisted of a case of silver and a fountain pen. The following is the address, and expresses fully the high esteem in which the young couple were regarded:

To Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence, Glenelg:

Dear Friends:

When we were made aware of your intention to leave this neighborhood, to take up residence in another part of the province, we, your neighbors, friends and well-wishers, determined to congregate again under your hospitable roof, not only to enjoy ourselves once more in your company, but to say farewell to you and to wish you all good success in your new sphere of life, and in your new work. We regret very much your intended withdrawal from our midst, for we realize that in the past you have been the best of neighbors. You have been always ready and willing to oblige in need, invariably cheerful and hopeful in mind, setting the example of industry in your calling, and of willingness to undertake larger and more extended lines of labor. We have all felt keen interest in you both, beginning life together and taking up the duties and responsibilities of a new household. Our sympathy has gone out to you both, and especially to Mrs. Lawrence, who came, a total stranger among strangers, and from a distant land, the stranger of her birth. She readily found her place among us all, however, and we gave her a large part of our affection, and all our respect, as we did to you both. We shall miss you when you are gone, but our minds and hearts shall accompany you and shall crave for you all that is good and truly happiness-giving.

In saying farewell, we wish you to accept this case of silver and fountain pen, which will, in a slight way, express to you our great good-will towards you, and our keen interest in and our strong hope for your continued welfare and prosperity in the future.

Signed on behalf of the neighbors:-- Mr. and Mrs. Albert Smith, Mr. and Mrs. John McGirr, Mr. and Mrs. W. Arnett, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Mack.

McWILLIAMS

The weather still continues cold, but the occasional caw of the crow reminds us that spring is not far distant.

Mr. R. J. Scott, of Speers, Sask., visited at the home of his sister, Mrs. W. R. Watson, last week.

Mr. Thos. Weir of Glenmont is as-

sisting Mr. Farr Lawrence for a few days this week.

Mrs. Ralph Harrison has been laid up for the past two weeks with a severe attack of pneumonia, but under the skillful treatment of Dr. Sneath, she is improving nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Guthrie left last week for their home in Montana, after spending the winter with Mrs. Guthrie's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Lawrence, and other friends. They intend to visit in Toronto, Winnipeg and other places as they go, and will not reach home for a couple of weeks.

Quite a number around here are suffering from severe colds and grip. Master Harold Lawrence, while going from the house to the barn one evening last week, fell on the ice and was unconscious for a time, but at time of writing he is feeling all right again.

Mr. Wm. Moore purchased a fine team of horses from Mr. Andrew Lindsay.

Mrs. W. G. Lawrence took the train from McWilliams on Monday morning for Toronto, to visit her sister, while Mr. Lawrence gets their new home in Welland ready. We wish them prosperity.

Stoddard and McLean of Priceville were around this way last week and bought up quite a number of cattle.

THREATENED TO TAR AND FEATHER THE SOLDIERS

The Owen Sound Advertiser has the following in its issue of March 5th: "Like a bomb-shell came the announcement from Col. Rorke of the 24th Battalion last Saturday night at the meeting in the town hall that recruiters for his battalion had, in Grey County, been threatened with being tarred and feathered if they continued their operations in the vicinity of Neustadt! And in the same locality the authorities demanded \$600 from the recruiting officers for the use of the municipal building, there to hold a recruiting meeting! It is almost inconceivable that such conditions should exist in Grey County, the banner recruiting county in the province, said the Colonel, but nevertheless this is the fact. The facts of the case were presented late last week to Col. Rorke, by Lieut. Korman, who is recruiting in that part of the county, and the truth of the statement is to be relied upon absolutely."

If such a condition of things exist now, where a few hot-headed German traitors should assume such an attitude, what are we to expect if Germany should win? Such conduct should be a stimulus to recruiting, and every disloyal citizen, whatever his nationality, should be taken care of. One trouble with the British people is that they possess too much honor, and too much humanity, to deal properly with such characters.

THE WOMEN AT HOME

The annual At Home of the Durham branch of the South Grey Women's Institute was held last Thursday evening in the town hall. There was only a fair attendance, but the musical, literary and refreshment program were all good, and the couple of hours spent were enjoyed by all present.

A quartette, consisting of Messrs. Miste, McCrae, Saunders and Glass, contributed a couple of enjoyable numbers, and were loudly encored on each occasion.

Mr. Allan Bell gave a well-rendered and much appreciated solo, and Miss Winnie Blyth lent a charm to the evening's entertainment in her fine rendering of "The Songs My Mother Sang." Miss Margaret Hunter and Miss Agnes Ramage rendered a well-executed piano duet, a patriotic melody that found response in every heart.

Miss Rita Irwin, who acted as general accompanist, contributed a piano solo with her usual skill.

Lieut. Yule, a recruiting officer from Owen Sound, organist and choir leader in Division, street Presbyterian church, in the county capital, was enjoyed by all in his brief address on the duties of eligible young men to enter the service for king and country. He next rendered a spirited solo and was forced by the audience to respond to an encore.

Rev. Mr. Whaley spoke wisely and well on the "Institute Woman," a topic of his own choosing. He congratulated the Women's Institute and the Institute Women on the prosperity of their efforts, and on the fact of the franchise being extended to them in Ontario. The address was appropriate, pleasing, and highly instructive.

During the evening an address and presentation were made to Mrs. Thos. McAnulty, a valued member of the Institute, who will leave shortly with her husband and family for the west. The address was read by Mrs. McIlraith, and a handsome brooch presented by Mrs. Thos. McGirr. Mrs. McAnulty, in a few words, expressed her gratitude for the kindness shown at parting, as well as the friendly relationship during their association as members of the Institute.

The National Anthem brought the meeting to a close, after which a dainty lunch was served, in which nearly all participated. The proceeds amounted to thirteen or fourteen dollars.

THE MILITARY FAIR

The military fair on Tuesday afternoon and evening was attended by a large number of visitors, who were deeply interested in the souvenirs and war relics. Captain White and Lieut. Trivett, both of whom had been in service at the front, were present to explain the various exhibits and give a description of their uses.

With the exception of a silver trophy won for bayonet fighting by the 14th Battalion at Camp Borden last summer, and a shell or two, made in the county, the articles on exhibition were all taken from the fighting lines at Ypres and the Somme fronts. They consisted of shells, whizz-bangs, flare pistols, nose caps for time and percussion, anti-aircraft pom-poms, British and German cart-pom-poms, goggles, gas helmets, hand and rifle grenades, etc.

Lieut. Trivett gave the explanation in the afternoon and Capt. White in the evening. Both gentlemen are good entertaining speakers, and were fully conversant with their subject.

At night there was a packed hall, and we fancy that many were unable to get in. Mr. Calder occupied the chair, and after a brief introductory address, called on the band for an opening musical selection. Lieut. Yule appeared in three or four solos, and was highly appreciated. Moving pictures and lantern slides of a military nature, with an address and earnest appeal by Lieut. Trivett, were profitable features of the evening's program.

Near the close of the meeting, Mr. J. P. Telford, on behalf of the Patriotic League, presented wrist watches to the following recruits: Ptes. McKechnie, Lamerson, Mulcock, Giles, Trafford, Trafford, Zimmer, Erwin, McIlvride, McGowan, Boyce, Hutton, Black, and by proxy to Lieut. Harold Aljoe. In addition, each was presented with a parcel from the ladies of the local Red Cross.

Lieut. Yule thanked the citizens on behalf of the recruits, and followed with a rousing patriotic appeal in behalf of recruiting.

A telegram was received here on Monday by Mr. John W. McKechnie, announcing the serious illness of his son, Pte. Harold McKechnie, now in Bramshott, England. It is to be hoped an improvement in his condition will soon be learned by the anxious parents.

Holstein

Rev. T. H. Ibbot in Toronto this week on business.

There are four young men here wearing the king's uniform. They are doing all they can to secure recruits but this far they have not been successful in securing one.

The ladies of the Methodist Church met Tuesday and re-organized a Ladies' Aid Society. This society has not been in existence for several years. The officers elected are as follows:-- Mrs. L. B. Nicholson, Pres.; Mrs. Jno. Orchard, Vice Pres.; Mrs. A. R. Hershey, Secretary; and Mrs. J. D. Roberts, Treas. They purpose entering into active service in the near future in connection with the work of the church.

The mill yard is being filled with timber for the coming season's make of handles and etc. This is an industry that commends itself as a season's operating concern.

We understand that Mrs. J. Calvert intends going west in the near future when she will reside with her daughter, Mrs. Geo. R. Rae.

Arthur Kerr is slowly improving. He has been seriously ill for a couple of weeks and his recovery was despaired of.

Lieut. Stanley Campbell Killed in Action

That Lieut. C. Stanley Campbell of the 14th Battalion had been killed in action on February the 22nd, one week ago today, was the sad news reaching here by an official telegram yesterday morning. He was among the first to go to France from the first Grey Battalion, having gone on a draft with five other of the junior officers, none of whom have as yet been wounded. The sad news of his death was a very great shock to his many friends in Owen Sound, as he was one of the most popular young men in the town and on every hand had a host of warm friends.

For many years he was one of the best known and best liked young men of the community. He had been prominent in sports of the town and stood for clean healthy sport in all the various organizations to which he belonged. He was one of the finest football and basket ball players in town, and was prominent in these sports even while at the local collegiate. Later he carried with him his many ideas of sport to other organizations and was largely instrumental in keeping all sports on a high plane in Owen Sound.

Yesterday when the message from Ottawa, which contained no particulars, arrived, his mother, was absent in London, Ont., on a visit. The Rev. Judson McIntosh forwarded the sad news to her.

Lieut. Campbell was a popular member of the Oddfellows belonging to the local lodge, 180. He was a member of the Baptist church and was 26 years of age. Besides his widowed mother he is survived by four

sisters, Mrs. McKay of Salt Lake City, United States America, Mrs. Wade of London, and another in Chatham. Two brothers also survive, Newman who is also in France with the Canadian forces, and James who is in the Canadian West.—Owen Sound Advertiser.

Consolidated School at Corbetton?

Inspector Liddy, of Dufferin county, called a meeting last Thursday of the school trustees and those interested in educational affairs in six school sections in and around Corbetton to consider the question of a consolidated school for that district with Corbetton as the centre. A large and representative gathering was present and heard Dr. Wauwh Provincial Inspector, explain the Consolidated School system. Very much valuable and interesting information was brought out. The main idea is the building of a central graded school, with large conveyances running on various routes to gather up the children in the morning and to leave them home again in the evening. Three or four teachers would do the work of six and with greatly improved facilities and equipment. The expense of maintaining the routes is the biggest obstacle to the scheme. The Consolidated system is only in its experimental stage in Canada. The decision of the meeting was to enquire of the Department as to what Government grants might be required in assistance of the scheme. At least two of the sections will be required to build new schools very soon if the new central school is not built.—Dundalk Herald.

Johnson Gibson Killed

The Eugenia power line caused a fatality at Cataract Sunday when Mr. Johnson Gibson was instantly electrocuted. Mr. Gibson was well known at Eugenia. The despatch says: "The electric transmission line coming in contact with the Cataract private telephone line running underneath at the corner of John and Church Streets, Orangeville, causing the telephone wire, which received a charge of 22,000 volts, to ignite, burn off and fall. The falling wire dropped on the Cataract Company's 6,000 volt line from Cataract to Orangeville. This caused the heavy voltage to go down the line to the latter's power house, where J. M. Deagle, President of the Cataract Company, and a switchboard operator, Thos. Scott, were in charge. At once the Cataract generating plant was shut down but the high tension current continued to come in, burning the switchboard and generating equipment to scrap, knocking down Mr. Deagle and causing very heavy damage.

Being unable to cut his wires, which were charged with the hydro current, Deagle went for assistance to the home of Mr. Gibson, who, being a former employee of the Cataract Co., was familiar with the plant. Gibson went to the power house and when attempting to save the power house from destruction was instantly killed by the hydro current. Deagle went on to Alton, where he found hydro energy lighting the village, which was supplied by the Cataract Company. After an hour's time word was finally got to Eugenia and the power was shut off. Mr. Gibson married a Miss Walker of Eugenia and leaves a large family. He was an experienced electrician and had been in charge of the generating plant of the Cataract Company for five years.—Advance.

Offered Son \$1000 to Enlist

The following letter was sent to Col. Rorke recently by a lady in Ravenna after she had attended a recruiting meeting and speaks volumes for what some women are willing to do to aid in this great war. The example might be followed by a thousand and more mothers in Grey county:--

Breezy Brae, Ravenna, Jan. 28th, 1917.

Dear Sir,—If at any time I can be of any assistance to you or the 21st Greys, I will be glad to do it. I did not take one of your cards to pledge myself to get a recruit, I don't think the ladies were asked, but I went home from the mass meeting in Clarksburg and offered my young son \$1000 to enlist in your battalion. I told him if he would go back to Thornbury with me, and enroll, the money would be transferred to his name immediately, he to get it after the war was over, and if he never came back it was to go for Red Cross purposes. I further told him that any patriotic money coming this way would be banked in his name. But he did not see it the same as I did. He went and joined the Navy. Of course we are glad he is to serve his country, but I would rather he had been in our own battalion. His father and I also talked it over and he is to get the one hundred dollars if he does us credit and returns to start here for himself, but it is not to be transferred to him now nor to draw interest for him, nor to go to patriotic purposes. But if we receive any patriotic money it will be banked in his name.

With best wishes for you and your work, the peace of the world, and the honor of the Empire, I remain, Sincerely, Mrs. Walter Buchanan, Ravenna, Ont.

Women Get the Franchise

The Government measure embodying the principles of the Johnson bills will put Ontario women on a parity with men in municipal elections. It grants to the women of Ontario Womanhood Franchise corresponding to the present Manhood Franchise, all women of the full age of 21 years who are British subjects and who have resided in the province for the requisite period being entitled to vote. Machinery will be devised so that the names of women will be placed on the voters' lists in time to permit of them exercising their franchise at the next provincial elections.

FELT LIKE A NEW PERSON

After Taking Only One Box Of "Fruit-a-tives"

EAST SHIP HARBOUR, N. S. "It is with great pleasure that I write to tell you of the wonderful benefits I have received from taking "Fruit-a-tives". For years, I was a dreadful sufferer from Constipation and Headaches, and I was miserable in every way. Nothing in the way of medicines seemed to help me. Then I finally tried "Fruit-a-tives" and the effect was splendid. After taking one box, I feel like a new person, to have relief from those sickening Headaches". Mrs. MARTHA DEWOLFE. 50c. a box, 6 for \$2.50, trial size, 25c. At all dealers or sent postpaid by Fruit-a-tives Limited, Ottawa.

20 YEARS AGO

From The Chronicle File of March 11, 1897.

Don't forget Mr. S. J. McGirr's sale on March 17.

Mr. J. G. Wilson, lot 5, con. 2, Egremont, will have an immense sale of farm stock and implements, Thursday March 18.—Hugh MacKay, Auc'r.

Farm to rent—lot 3, con. 2, Egremont. Apply to Chas. Gray, Jr., Varney.

The membership of the horticultural society has now reached 102.

The Temple of Fame, now being prepared under the auspices of the Mechanics' Institute, will be rendered here on Thursday and Friday, the 25th and 26th inst.

Mr. John Saunders has a curiosity in what is supposed to be the oldest cat in Canada. Said cat was born in the fall of 1877, and died only a few days ago. He is having it stuffed, and will prize it as a treasure.

Mr. Jas. Carson, collector of taxes, returned his roll on the 1st of March. We are told this was never done before at so early a date. The total taxes for year amounted to \$8153.88 and the amount collected \$7993.22, leaving an unpaid tax list of \$160.66.

There is a project on foot to form a joint stock company for the erection of a boot and shoe factory in Durham. It is proposed to open stock books to subscribers to the amount of \$3000, divided into 200 shares of \$15 each. Shareholders will have the privilege of purchasing at manufacturers' prices, receive dividends and have other privileges.

Mr. Chas. Leavens, who has been seriously ill for the past week or more, is recovering.

Mr. John Picken, who was kicked by a horse, some time ago, is not improving as rapidly as one would wish.

The following Durhams attended the bachelors' and benedicts' ball in Mt. Forest last week: Mr. and Mrs. Lavelle, Mr. and Mrs. Telford, Misses McRae, Meredith, Park, McIntyre, McCracken, and Messrs. McIntyre, Hunter, Sutherland, Elliott, Vair, Lauder and Carson.

Mr. Hugh McLean had the femur bone of his leg broken by a pole falling on it. Dr. Gun is the medical attendant.

Died.—In Normanby, on Friday, March 5, Mrs. Gray, relict of the late John Gray, aged 78 years.

Died.—Browne.—In Durham, Sunday evening, March 7, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Browne, photographer, aged 7 months.

Died.—In Glenelg, on Monday, Mar. 8, Mrs. Gillies, aged 83 years.

The most absorbing topic in the United States just now is the Carson City fight on the 17th inst., between Corbett and Fitzsimmons. The inauguration of a new President is a tame affair compared with it. Ireland's patron saint will rejoice to know he is still honored.

DURHAM MARKET

Corrected March 8th. Fall Wheat.....\$1 55 to \$1 60 Spring Wheat..... 1 55 to 1 60 Milling Oats..... 55 to 60 Feed Oats..... 56 to 60 Peas..... 2 00 to 2 00 Barley..... 95 to 1 0 Hay..... 8 00 to 10 00 Butter..... 32 to 32 Eggs..... 35 to 35 Potatoes, per bag..... 2 00 to 2 25 Dried Apples..... 5 to 5 Flour, per cwt..... 4 75 to 5 50 Oatmeal, per sack..... 4 00 to 4 40 Chop, per cwt..... 1 75 to 2 50 Live Hogs, per cwt..... 14 25 Hides, per lb..... 18 to 18 Sheepskins..... 75 to 2 Wool..... Tallow..... 7 to 2 Lard..... 20 to

BORN. Goodwin.—In Durham, on February 27, to Mr. and Mrs. Goodwin, a daughter. GUARANTEED TO CONTAIN NO IMPURITIES Sunlight

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W. H. HEARST Minister of Agriculture

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