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NEWS AROUND TOWN

F. A. Graham, eyesight specialist.—At the Central Drug Store. 5:31

Mrs. Neil McKechnie is visiting in Toronto.

Miss Marguerite Tareau of Toronto is visiting Miss Estelle Bolger.

Roomers or boarders wanted.—Apply to Mrs. S. Ritchie.

Miss Torry, of Kitchener, is visiting her father here.

Misses Marjorie and Helen Wright of Dundalk, are guests of Mrs. J. P. Irwin for a few days.

An up-to-date stock just arrived at the Spirilla Parlors.—Mrs. J. C. Nichol.

Miss Rita Irwin left yesterday for Detroit and Leamington and will be absent for two or three weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Whelan of Hamilton, visited his parents here last week.

Mr. Robt. McGowan, of Dallas, Texas, is visiting his mother and brothers here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Laidlaw, of St. Marys, visited for a few days with his parents here.

Mr. Charles McKinnon Bassano, Sask., is visiting his parents-in-law Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Hunter.

Mr. C. C. Campbell, of the post office staff, is on a brief holiday visit to Owen Sound and Woodbridge.

The Presbyterian Sunday school picnic was held at the park on Monday afternoon.

Mr. Arthur Hutton is home from Toronto, where he was attending the medical school.

Miss McCoskey motored from Toronto and visited relatives and friends here for a few days.

Mr. Charles Lawrence of Caledonia high school, has returned to resume his teaching duties.

Mr. Robert Sutherland and daughter, of Toronto, are visiting his sister, Mrs. W. B. Vollet, in town.

Miss Helen Forsyth returned to Simcoe yesterday, after visiting Mrs. George Gagnon and other friends.

The Family Herald and Weekly Star, after holding out as long as they could, have decided to raise the subscription price to \$1.25.

Tickets to the Toronto Exhibition by way of the Grand Trunk Railway may be purchased at the Central Drug Store.

Miss Jean Firth returned to her home in Orangeville Tuesday, after a three weeks' visit with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Firth.

Miss Francis McNarna of Halifax, N. S., has returned to Regina, after visiting her friend, Mrs. Thos. L. Blair.

The hydro was off on Monday afternoon during the installation of a power line to the Rob Roy Cereal Mill's plant on Mill street.

The Mt. Forest Pipe Band will be in attendance at Durham Fall Fair on September 21st. Good music. Come.

Mrs. J. C. Capper of Marlboro, Alberta, will accept thanks for prompt renewal. We value her kind words of appreciation.

Captain Alex. Firth, who has been in uniform in England for over two years, returned Tuesday to his home in Orangeville.

Miss Mary Harris, who spent the past month as guest of her sister, Mrs. Mistle, returned to-day to her home in Rodney.

Miss Elizabeth K. Lauder, who has been in Toronto for the past three or four years, is visiting at Painesville, Ohio.

Trinity church, Durham, and St. Paul's, Egrement, will hold their annual harvest thanksgiving services on Sunday, September 16th.

The sacrament of baptism will be administered in St. Paul's church, Egrement, on Sunday afternoon next, at three o'clock.

Mrs. J. C. Nichol, her son Walter, and daughter Florabel, have returned from a couple of months' visit with friends in North Dakota.

Mr. and Mrs. George Grightmire and three children, of Dundas, returned Sunday by motor, after spending a week with her brother, Mr. J. W. Blyth and family.

The music at the Fall Fair concert will be supplied by the Harmonic Male Quartet, of London. Both humorous and sentimental music will be given.

The home of Mr. Cornelius Damm, a Normanby farmer, living near Ayton, was destroyed by fire on Friday last. Next day, Mr. Damm entered a well, and was taken out dead, having suffocated by gas. The double tragedy is a sad blow to the widow and family.

Mrs. McClocklin, Miss McClocklin, and Messrs. Alfred and Albert McClocklin, returned last week to their home in Toronto after spending a month here camping at the Rocky.

Mr. Edwin Allan, of Toronto, was in town the first of the week, and with his children, who have been visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Allan, left for home on Tuesday morning.

Rev. and Mrs. Prudham, and son, Merrill, when motoring through from Warton to Hamilton, stayed over for a couple of hours with Mr. and Mrs. Bean.

Mrs. Sparling, and daughter, Miss Myrtle, left yesterday for Stratford, where they intend to remain for several months, and perhaps settle permanently.

The total proceeds of the Varney garden party, held last week on Mr. John Kerr's lawn, amounted to \$107.22. A box of candies auctioned by Mr. A. McCabe brought in \$82.75.

Miss Dorothy Robinson and sister, of Varney, returned to Toronto yesterday, after spending a week with their uncle, Mr. R. J. Eden and family.

The Walkerton Times says: "Mr. Dan McLean of Durham was here this week putting screens on the Bruce County Hospital, as representative of the C. J. Furber Co., of Durham."

Mr. John Lloyd had the misfortune to lose a valuable cow the first of the week. She was gone while in the pasture by another cow, and bled to death from the effects of the injury.

Dr. Burnett and daughter, Eunice, of Burlington, motored to town on Monday, and had with them Mr. and Mrs. Adam Robtson, his parents-in-law. They make the return trip to-day.

Live hogs were sold here last Thursday at \$18.25, and in Toronto some received as high as \$19.50. At the end of the week they took a drop of over \$2, and it is thought they may soon go lower.

John Plastow, of Niagara Falls, was fined \$200 for a breach of the Ontario Temperance Act. After driving over from the American side, his buggy was searched and a dozen bottles of beer and whiskey discovered.

An auto load from here went to Mount Forest Tuesday evening, to hear Miss Mentges, who gave a program of violin selections. She is a high-class violinist, and the program was pleasing to lovers of high-class music.

The Durham schools, High and Public, will re-open on Tuesday, September 4th. In order that proper classification may be made, it is very desirable that all intending students should be present on the opening day.

Mr. and Mrs. Jamieson Vollett and family, who have been in Hespeler for several months, have returned to town; Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Campbell have also returned. We welcome them all back, and are glad to see the vacancies filling up again.

The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Institute will be held at the home of Mrs. J. W. Blyth, Varney on September 6th. A splendid program, with report of County Convention. All ladies are welcome.

The ladies of the Red Cross will serve meals in the town hall on show day, September 21st. Any donations will be thankfully received and may be left at Dr. Jamieson's. Come and help the boys who are fighting for you.

The Fall term of the Mt. Forest Business College opens on September 4th. The Principal, L. A. Fleming, expects a splendid class again this year. The opportunities are greater, and salaries are better than ever before. Now is the time to prepare. A free catalogue of information will be sent on request.

Last Monday's casualty list contained the name of Pte. W. R. Armstrong, of Durham, as being wounded in action. Pte. Armstrong is a native of Bentinck, near Hutton Hill, and enlisted with a western battalion. He is a brother of Mr. Elijah Armstrong, and of Mrs. Thos. Mountain.

The Ladies' Aid of the Methodist church gathered at the home of Mrs. Sparling last night and presented her with a silver sandwich plate as a remembrance from the society she has served so long. Mrs. Sparling and daughter, Miss Myrtle, leave for Stratford shortly, where they will reside.

Mrs. Reynolds, of Goderich, 82 years of age, and blind, knits regularly four pairs of socks a week for the Canadian Red Cross Society and has already knit 520 pairs. She received a letter recently from the chairman of the executive committee in Toronto, thanking her for what she had done.

Our stock of private Christmas Greeting Cards is now in. Select early, while assortment is good.

Mrs. E. D. McClocklin and children are visiting her mother at New Hamburg.

Rev. and Mrs. Moyer and family are spending a holiday in the Grimsby section and the Niagara peninsula. They motored there last week.

Pte. Eric Kelly, now in training at London, was in town over Sunday. He is in the Army Medical Corps, and expects a call for overseas shortly.

Mr. Scott, section foreman on the Grand Trunk at Neustadt, was instantly killed last week while trying to remove the hand-car from the track before a train struck it.

The ladies of the Varney Red Cross sewing circle met at the home of Mrs. Matt. Barber on Thursday, where a quilt was worked on, and knitting done. Boxes of eatables and parcels of clothing were also packed and mailed to the following boys of our section: Ptes. Wm. McIlvride, Thos. Gray, Cecil Blyth, Murray Hoy, Elmer McMeeken, Alister Lauder, and Clifford Taylor. The meeting this Thursday will be at the home of Mrs. John Kerr.

Mr. and Mrs. George Nichol and two children left this morning for Carruthers, Sask., where they intend to make their home. We are pleased to see Mr. Nichol looking so well. A few months ago he was exceedingly ill from what was believed of a tubercular nature, and he was advised to go to the sanitarium at Gravenhurst. He is now the picture of health, but fearing a return of the trouble, he has decided to go west, believing the climate will suit him better.

We received an interesting letter a few days ago from Mr. Ed. Leavens, who is now running a harness shop in Alliance, Sask., where he says he is doing fairly well. He is still interested in Durham and sends his kind regards. Alliance is young yet, only about eighteen months old, but going right ahead. It is on a new branch line of the C.N.R. running out of Camrose, and through to Calgary. Thanks for subscription to The Chronicle, which, we trust, may be of interest.

Col. T. H. Race, the Field Secretary of the National Sanitarium Association, will give a lecture in the town hall on Wednesday evening, September 5th, at 8 o'clock, on the subject of Tuberculosis, its nature, treatment and prevention, illustrated with instructive lantern views. Col. Race is an old journalist, a traveller of world-wide experience, and a speaker of unusual ability. It is worth while hearing him on this scourge, known as the "Great White Plague", besides his side lights on the present war situation. Only a collection taken for the Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives.

Mr. Robert Corlitt (Big Bob), who lives two miles west of Dornoch, had the misfortune to have his fire barn destroyed by fire on Monday night. Besides his hay, wheat and barley, a couple of calves, six pigs, and his buggies and a number of farm implements were consumed. The fire started just before dark, when everybody was in the field shocking up grain, and is thought to have ignited from the barley, which had been put in the mow the day previously. The loss will be in the neighborhood of about \$5,000 but The Chronicle has been unable to ascertain the amount of insurance carried. This is the second fire in that vicinity in the past month, the other being the barn of Mr. Houck, who lives on the old Wm. Ledingham farm. While the losses are regrettable, we understand the theory of spontaneous combustion is accepted as the cause of both fires.

DARKIES' CORNERS.
Mr. Charlie Sanforth, and Mr. Will Bryans, of Toronto, Sundayed at Mr. James Hopkins'.

Mrs. Jenkins and children, of B.C., after spending a pleasant holiday with her many friends, are returning home Saturday, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. James Hopkins, who intends visiting at different places in the west.

Wedding bells are ringing in the neighborhood.

Miss Bertie Lawrence of Egrement, spent over the week-end with Misses Vida and Alma Ritchie.

Miss Sadie Lawrence, of Varney, visited over the week-end at Mr. John McGirr's.

Mrs. Durrant and children, of Ingersoll, are holidaying at Mr. W. Jacques'.

Mr. George Ingham of Stratford, is spending over the harvest with Mr. Will Jacques.

Mrs. Will Bogle, Varney, and Mrs. S. Ritchie, town, spent Wednesday last with Mrs. C. Ritchie.

Sorry to report the accident that happened to Mrs. Robt. Lindsay last Sunday morning. While milking in the stable, the cow, becoming frightened at a kitten, kicked her in the face, and knocked her against the stone wall. The wounds required nine stitches. We hope for a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Bogle, of Varney, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Will Jacques.

CONSCRIPTION IS NOW LAW.

Ottawa, Aug. 29.—The Military Service Bill will become law to-day when it is formally assented to by the Senate by Justice Duff, acting as Deputy-Governor. The bill immediately becomes law with all the clauses operative except those calling the classes to report. These will not be called out until the tribunals have been fixed and the regulations have been drafted. The work of locating the tribunals, which will number around one thousand, is almost completed and the necessary proclamations will be issued soon.

A joint resolution of the House and Senate will have to be passed now, naming a selective board which will choose one member of each of the tribunals. The other member will be named by the senior county court judge.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier has been asked to name half the selective board, but so far he has handed in no names, and the Government may have to name the full board.

When the preliminaries have all been completed it is expected the first class will be called out. This will secure the hundred thousand men it is expected. The classes are as follows:

Class 1.—Those who have attained the age of 20 years and were born not earlier than the year 1883, and are unmarried or are widowers but have no children.

Class 2.—Those who have attained the age of 20 years and were born not earlier than the year 1883, and are married, or are widowers who have a child or children.

Class 3.—Those who were born in the years 1876 to 1882, both inclusive, and are unmarried or are widowers who have no children.

Class 4.—Those who were born in the years 1876 to 1882, both inclusive and are married or are widowers who have a child or children.

Class 5.—Those who were born in the years 1872 to 1875, both inclusive, and are married or are widowers who have no child.

Class 6.—Those who were born in the years 1872 to 1875, both inclusive, and are married or are widowers who have a child or children.

SUFFOCATED BY GAS DAY AFTER HOUSE IS BURNED.

(Mt. Forest Representative.)

Cornelius Damm, 45 years of age, owner of one of the finest farms in Normanby township, lost his life on Saturday while working to clear his 45-foot well from debris caused the day before by his house burning. A wife and two small children, a boy of four, and a girl of six, are left to face the world alone, suddenly bereft of their bread-winner and protector.

The Damm farm is on the 11th concession of Normanby, 1 1/4 miles from Ayton. At 5:30 Friday afternoon, fire was discovered in the house, the cause of it being unknown. The house was destroyed, with its contents, and the falling walls allowed a mass of burning timber to cover the well. The well covering burned through and a quantity of the debris fell into the water.

On Saturday, when things had cooled a bit, Mr. Damm and some helpers started in to clean up. To be sure of a good water supply evidently was a first consideration for Mr. Damm, as he had a rope placed around him and was lowered into the well. After what seemed to the helpers quite a long time, they decided to pull Mr. Damm up, as they could get no response to their calls. When he had been lifted part way, the rope broke, and he fell into the water. Another man was quickly lowered. He secured Mr. Damm and the two were drawn out. There did not seem to be life in Mr. Damm's body and Dr. Easton, who was hurriedly summoned, confirmed the worst fears. The dead man's lungs were found to be full of water but it was thought that he was unconscious as a result of gas fumes before the rope broke.

AN IMPORTANT DEPUTATION

A deputation of members of the Guelph Board of Trade, accompanied by influential citizens from Arthur, Mt. Forest and other places along the Garafraxa Road, will hold a meeting in Owen Sound to-morrow (Friday) afternoon at 4 o'clock to discuss the advisability of having the Garafraxa Road taken over as a provincial highway. The deputations will pass through town about two o'clock to-morrow afternoon, and the advisability has been suggested of having influential citizens of Durham join them and use what legitimate influence they can to impress the matter on the Government. All interested in the scheme, whether residents in Durham or vicinity, are cordially invited to be in attendance.

To Impress the Neighbors.

Mr. Wiggiby—See here, my love, there is some mistake. The express man left seven trunks on our front porch.

Mrs. Wiggiby (who has just returned from the mountains)—Imbecile! Don't you understand? He's coming back after dusk for the extra five.

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