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OWEN SOUND TOURISTS WAIL MOURNFULLY ABOUT DURHAM STREETS

Writer in Owen Sound Sun-Times Tells of Pleasures Experienced in Motoring Over Our Main Thoroughfare.—Durham's "Bump the Bumps" Furnished Pleasant Change From Monotonous Smoothness of Toronto-Owen Sound Motor Trip.

Judging from a recent article in the Owen Sound Sun-Times Durham and her notorious front streets are much appreciated by "through" tourists on the Provincial Highway. And this is as it should be. Citizens of our pleasant little town are nothing if not solicitous for the entertainment of motorists who from necessity or otherwise find it necessary to pass through this metropolitan centre of South Grey. The Owen Sound writer, whom we suspect is Harold Moffatt, says, in referring to a recent trip made by a party of motorists from Owen Sound to Toronto and back:

"At nine o'clock all were packed into the car again and ready for the last lap of the trip. Fergus was soon reached. Arthur came next but before they reached Mount Forest had a "blow out" and had to change tires. However, this did not take long and the road was soon flying under the car again. On they came through Mount Forest and Durham. It was here that the climax came. Everyone knows the horrible state of the road through Durham's front street—it's simply ridiculous, with holes, and rocks and crossings and bumps; yes, even stumps that our forefathers chipped hundreds of years ago are now bulging through the road. To ask why the enlightened citizens of Durham allow this main travelled thoroughfare (a Provincial Highway) to remain in such a deplorable state. Anyway it was one of those old stumps on the big hill on Durham's front street that punctured another tire and caused a long delay. "But why should we worry," said one of the party, "we're out for a good time and this is part of it. We'll soon fix the tire." Pulling up under the electric light in front of the old British Hotel the party proceeded to mend the puncture, which proved to be a big job. This particular tire had never been off the wheel and it took all the engineering ability of the entire party to persuade the casing to let go of the rim. Nearly an hour was lost here but the remainder of the trip home was made without a stop and each boy delivered to his home amid expressions of appreciation and gratitude for a thoroughly enjoyed outing to the Toronto Exhibition."

We doubt if there is in all Canada another municipality that can in such a short stretch of thoroughfare, furnish as much for the money as Durham. Commencing at the south end of the town at Harvey's corner, the highway at once furnishes a combination of ruts, holes, hollows, bumps, and jars that positively is, like Alonzo Palmer's big \$10,000 band organ, "worth coming one hundred miles to see" and feel. Talk about your scenic railways, ferris wheels, merry-go-rounds, Dodgem Jr.'s, whips, and the like, they're decidedly amateurish compared with Durham's natural entertainment bureau. So bad are they, in fact, that cars will shortly have to be equipped with steering wheels in both front and rear seats so that the driver will be in control of his machine no matter into which seat he is tossed. We would advise also that the timorous have straps attached to the chassis underneath the car to hold them down when going over the "big ones". This will give the ride an aeroplane effect, and, besides softening the blow, will sometimes save them from poking their heads through the roof and otherwise missing the car and annoying the driver. After a second reading of the Sun-Times article, however, we have a sneaking idea that the writer's intention was to be a bit satirical. Which reminds us of a story: A countryman went into a city hotel some years ago and engaged a room for the night. He paid twenty-five cents for the clerk that he had not slept a wink all night on account of the rats, which came into his chamber after the lights were extinguished and staged an all-night battle. After listening to his "kick" the clerk blandly asked him, "Well, what do you expect for a quarter? A bull-fight?" And so with our friends from Owen Sound. What more entertainment do they want for the price? We didn't charge them for going through the town; didn't even col-

ORCHARD METHODISTS HELD ANNIVERSARY SERVICES

Good Turnout at Sunday Services and at Monday Evening's Supper.

The anniversary services held last Sunday in the Orchard Methodist church were very successful, and, we are told, were possibly the best in the history of the church. The Sunday services, held at 2 and 7.30 p.m., drew large congregations, when Rev. J. E. Peters, pastor of the Methodist church at Durham, preached eloquent sermons at both services. Special anniversary music by an augmented choir was a feature of the service and much appreciated by those present.

The service was a combined harvest home and anniversary, was a pleasing close to a successful year's work, and the congregation begins the new year with a resolve for bigger and better accomplishments in the year just opening before them. On Monday evening the usual anniversary supper and entertainment was held, the former in the store building, and the latter taking place in the auditorium of the church. After a most delightful social hour in the dining hall, the big crowd repaired to the church where they listened to one of the best local concerts we think we have ever had the privilege of attending.

The genial pastor, Rev. L. E. West of Holstein, had left nothing undone in his efforts to provide a good program, and he was well rewarded. Selections by the Varney choir, and the Mount Forest Male Quartette were features of the program, and were good. Following a short address by the pastor, Mr. West, who was chairman, two members of the Salvation Army of Mount Forest gave a cornet-banitone musical duet, later in the evening again favoring the audience with another musical selection on the autoharp and cornet. Mr. Solos by Miss Barr, Varney, Mr. Neilson of Mount Forest, Ernest Sharpe of Holstein, were well rendered and received, as was also a duet by the Misses Lennox of Egremont. Readings were given by Miss McKinnon, Mrs. Joseph Lennox and Mr. W. Irwin.

A short but well worded address, exhorting the congregation to go forward to greater things in their work, and conveying the greetings of his Mount Forest brethren, was given by the Captain of Mount Forest Salvation Army company, whose name we did not catch. Taken altogether the entertainment was a most meritorious one and others who took part are to be congratulated on their success. The meeting closed with the National Anthem.

MINOR AUTO ACCIDENT OCCURRED SUNDAY NIGHT

Auto Hit Buggy, But Latter Escaped With Slight Damage.

On Sunday evening shortly after dark, a car driven by Mr. Eva, Jr., of Allan Park ran into a buggy owned by Mr. McCallum of Bentinck, breaking one of the shafts and bending the axle.

The accident happened near one of the curves in the road at the Durham cemetery, and was purely an accident. Mr. Eva had passed one side of the road when another car with glaring headlights came along. The lights blinded him for a few seconds and he did not see the buggy ahead of him until too late to stop.

The accident is but another evidence that the time is soon coming when horse-drawn vehicles will be compelled to carry lights for their own protection. Had there been a light on the rear of the buggy damaged Sunday night, it is probable the accident never would have happened.

GLENELG TOWNSHIP'S RATE IS 20 4/10 MILLS FOR 1924

Chronicle Report of Minutes Last Week Was Misleading.

In our report of the minutes of the Glenelg Township Council, clerk Hector H. McDonald informs us the rates given were misleading, and this week we are enabled to give the corrected amounts. The 1924 rates are:

County Rate.....	9	mills
Township Rate.....	6	mills
General School Rate....	5 4/10	mills
Total.....	20 4/10	mills

We regret the error, and trust that no inconvenience has been experienced by it.

lect rental for the space occupied while changing that tire. And just think what would have happened had that pine stump been a "hard-wood."

In the meantime, in the words of Tennyson: "Cars may come and cars may go, but we in Durham seem destined to bump on forever!"

FIRE MARSHAL POINTON INVESTIGATED FIRE

Department Official Here Monday to Enquire Into Lorne Allan Fire.

J. W. Pointon, Toronto, Fire Marshal, was in town Monday conducting a departmental examination into the cause of the recent fire on the farm of Mr. Lorne Allan, Egremont, whereby he lost his barn, together with his season's crop.

While in town, Mr. Pointon made his usual visit to this office, and in conversation with us assured us that there certainly is such a thing as spontaneous combustion, and the sooner agriculturists generally admit this and take steps in accordance with this knowledge, the better financially it will be for a good many of them. In storing hay, especially, Mr. Pointon said the big danger was from the present practice of unloading with hay forks and leaving the loads as they fall from the fork, instead of breaking them up and mowing them as they should. The liberal use of salt, too, in hay mows, was a preventive of spontaneous combustion, and if more generally followed would result in fewer fires.

On being asked if old straw which had been in a barn for a considerable period would cause spontaneous combustion, Mr. Pointon said it would, under certain conditions. No matter how old the straw, if mowed under a leaky roof there was a possibility of it developing spontaneous combustion.

Mr. Pointon was shown our editorial on "Spontaneous Combustion" which appeared in our issue of July 31 last, and was so much taken with it that he asked for and was given a copy of The Chronicle that it might be struck off at departmental headquarters and distributed throughout Ontario.

The visit of the fire marshal on Monday was a most pleasant one to us, and we learned much from his conversation. When asked if his visit to a municipality following a fire was to be taken as an indication that the department regarded all fires suspiciously, he said this was decidedly not the case. The department investigated all fires with the idea of collecting information, to be later used in helping others save their crops and barns, provided, of course that they would take advice and co-operate. However, said Mr. Pointon, spontaneous combustion was no myth, and as soon as the people generally recognized this fact, there would be a wonderful dropping off in harvest-time fires.

METHODIST W. M. S. MET LAST WEEK

The Women's Missionary Society of the Methodist church met on Thursday afternoon, September 18, at the home of the President, Mrs. Arthur McClocklin. The devotional exercises were led by Mrs. McClocklin, the keynote of the Scripture reading being "Lord teach us to pray." Mrs. Peters followed with prayer. It being fee day, a goodly number responded to the roll call with their fees, and the first remittance will soon be sent to the General Treasurer in Hamilton for this conference year. Mrs. Hay read a very interesting leaflet on the meaning of the letters, W. F. M. S.

A circular letter was read by the Branch President, thanking the auxiliaries of the conference, for the interest and splendid givings of the last year, viz, Greater development of Prayer life in each individual, and in each society, second, increase of membership and the formation of circles and bands in every place in the district as it is to the younger members of the church we are to look for recruits for the mission field.

Reports of the welfare of our work on the mission fields of Japan, China, Vancouver, B. C., All People's Mission in Winnipeg, Montreal and Toronto, all very encouraging, were read by Mesdames Wiggins, Knechtel, Moon, Hay and Glass.

Two splendid quilts which have been lately made by our members were on exhibition and will soon be sent to their destination, the Indians of the West. A letter of invitation was read from the President of the Mission Circle for the Auxiliary members to attend a shower at Mrs. Robert Smith's on Thursday night, for the coming sale of work which the Mission Circle hope to hold early in December. Before the meeting closed, a note of warning was given to those present to be sure to be ready to do their part on the 23rd of October.

The meeting closed with the Mizpah benediction.

He must have natural dignity to get by with both knickers and a bay window.

A parrot isn't so bad. He repeats what he hears but he doesn't invent slanderous detail.

The Meanest Man In The World



HYMENEAL

FAIRWEATHER—COOK

A most happy wedding took place at Rose Lawn, the fine home of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Cook, on Wednesday afternoon, September 24, when their second daughter, Miss Jennie, became the bride of Mr. Victor J. Fairweather, son of Mr. Fairweather of the police force, Toronto.

At 4.30 the bridegroom took his place under a beautiful arch of autumn leaves decked with bridal bells and was immediately joined by the fair bride, who was given away by her father, Mrs. W. J. McFadden of Orange Valley played the wedding march. Rev. J. E. Peters, B.A., of the Durham Methodist church celebrated the ceremony.

The bride, one of Glenelg's fairest daughters, looked wonderfully sweet attired in ivory crepe with satin and pearl trimmings, and wore the groom's gift, a pearl necklace. She carried a bouquet of tea roses, lily-of-the-valley and asparagus fern. Miss Evelyn Cook, youngest sister, was a winsome bridesmaid in a pretty gown of maize canton crepe with lace trimmings. She carried a bouquet of Killarney roses, baby's breath and asparagus fern. Mr. Norman D. Charlton of the Queen City ably performed the duties of best man.

After the ceremony a reception was held, when the sixty invited guests extended good wishes and congratulations. During the signing of the register, Mrs. R. T. Cook sang, "When the Sands of the Desert Grow Cold." A most sumptuous supper followed, the dining room being decked with white streamers and white bells. The bridal cake was a beauty and a generous five-storied one at that. The Rev. Mr. Peters made a most felicitous speech in proposing the bride's toast and the happy groom made a toctful reply. Your scribe had a few kindly words and paid a tribute to the sterling worth of the bright young couple.

In the evening the company was augmented by a wide circle of young folk and a night of joyousness and mirth followed. Among the guests from a distance were, Mr. Fairweather, father of the groom, Mr. and Mrs. Fairweather, Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Embury of Port Perry; Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Cook and Miss Evelyn, of Detroit; and relatives from Elmwood, Durham, Ceylon, Orange Valley, Markdale and points between.

The groom's gift to the bridesmaid was a pearl and onyx ring, and to the best man gold cuff links.

The young couple will leave in a day or two to spend a fortnight's honeymoon in Detroit, after which they begin the new life in Toronto, where the groom has a good position with the City Transportation Commission.

KINNEE—WILSON

A quiet but pretty wedding was solemnized on Wednesday, September 24, at the home of Mrs. Andrew Wilson, Elgin street, at two o'clock in the afternoon, when her youngest daughter, Cora Elizabeth, became the bride of Mr. Calvin Alexander Kinnee only son of Mr. David Kinnee and the late Mrs. Kinnee, Durham.

The drawing-room was tastefully decorated with white and colored asters.

The young couple were unattended only the immediate relatives of the contracting parties being present. Rev. Mr. Peters officiated.

The bride looked very attractive in a dress of sandalwood crepe with

BEST YEAR YET FOR HOLSTEIN FAIR

Held Tuesday and Wednesday of This Week.—Exhibits Surpass All Former Years in Numbers.

The Fall Fair of the Egremont Agricultural Society was held at Holstein on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week, and, as usual, was a most successful fair. The weather, too, was on its good behaviour, and a big crowd was in attendance, especially on the second day.

The exhibits this year were above any year previous, we have been told, and Secretary Calder says the number of entries, too, surpasses any exhibition in his recollection. The live stock exhibit yesterday was a good one, and many good animals on view. In the hall, too, the entries were far above other years, and tries were good work shown. The display of ladies' work was excellent, and in fact the whole hall was filled to overflowing with exhibits.

The Holstein Fair this year is just another grand success, and the directors and members are to be congratulated. The full prize list appears in another part of this paper.

shoes to match. Immediately after the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Kinnee left on the 3.15 C.N.R. train for a short honeymoon in Toronto and Buffalo, the bride travelling in a navy blue imported tricot suit with blouse and hat to match, and wore a ringtail opossum choker.

On their return, Mr. and Mrs. Kinnee will reside in Durham.

NOBLE—MURDICK

A quiet wedding, witnessed by only the immediate relatives of the bride and groom, was solemnized at one o'clock, Wednesday, September 24, in the Methodist parsonage, when Miss Rita Murdick, daughter of Mr. John Murdick, became the bride of Mr. Gilbert George Noble, son of Mr. Joseph Noble of Durham. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. E. Peters.

Both were unattended. The bride was prettily gowned in a dress of dark sand canton crepe. After the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Noble left on a motor trip to Guelph, Hamilton, Toronto, and other places in Western Ontario, and after their return will take up home-making in Bentinck.

LOS ANGELES VISITOR CALLED LAST WEEK

R. G. Whitmore, Visiting Relatives Here, Was a Welcome Caller While in Town Friday.

We had an interesting hour last Friday afternoon with Mr. R. G. Whitmore of Los Angeles, California, who has been visiting his mother, Mrs. James Whitmore, and other relatives in this vicinity during the past month. Mr. Whitmore intends returning to his California home next week.

It is over twenty years since he first left Durham, and, though he makes periodical trips home, has been away practically ever since his first trip to the west. From here he went to Manitoba, and subsequently to Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia. A few years ago he went to the United States, living for a time at Seattle, and in Oregon. Two years ago he went to California, and, while he has no intention of making it his permanent home, thinks it is a wonderful country. He is a carpenter by trade and says building operations are quite active in Los Angeles.

TOWN'S FRONT STREET TO BE REPAIRED

Work Will Commence This Week, It is Stated, from South Street to Foot of Hill

The Durham town fathers have at last decided it wise to do something with Garafraxa street and, according to Reeve Calder, work will commence some time this week. The "scarifier" used by the Provincial Highway Department, which was unloaded recently at the C. N. R. station, and which is now working south of Barber's Corners, will be through shortly, and arrangements have been made to have it touch up our main thoroughfare so that the road will more resemble a real boulevard than the foothills of the Rocky Mountains. This will be good news to local motorists, who all summer have had as hard a time preserving their decorum while rolling down our front street as they would on a bucking broncho. After the scarifier gets through scratching the top surface off, the road drag will be used to iron out the road bed, and it is then to be hoped outside patrons will be able to get home Saturday nights with their grocery supplies without having them catapulted out of the car on some of the main crossings in town.

Under present conditions, after a ride down our front street, it was almost imperative for a fellow to examine himself and see if his trouser buttons were still firmly anchored, but if Reeve Calder's word is to be taken, this will all be corrected and a real driveway provided before the council gets through with its road-making scheme this fall.

METHODIST LADIES TO HOLD SERIES OF ENTERTAINMENTS

White Concert Company, Boston, to Supply Talent.

The Methodist Ladies' Aid have made arrangements with the White Concert Company of Boston, Mass., to put on a series of three concerts in the near future. The first concert will be held October 3, the second November 25, and the third December 11. Further announcement will be made later.

ARTHUR FAILED TO LIFT HAHN BOWLING TROPHY

Local Rink Up One When Final End Was Reached.

A rink of bowlers from Arthur was in town Friday last in an attempt to lift the Hahn bowling trophy, at present held by the Durham club. The final score was 15-14, with Durham leading. The rinks were:

Durham	Arthur
McIlraith	D. Small
J. H. Hunter	J. Small
Hahn	Buschlen
Calder (15)	(14) Church

METHODIST ANNIVERSARY TO BE HELD OCTOBER 5

The date for the anniversary services in Durham Methodist church has been set for Sunday week, the 5th of October. Rev. S. W. Dean, Secretary of Finance for the Methodist church, of Toronto, will have charge of the services.

TEMPERATURES FOR LAST WEEK

Thermometer readings made each morning at 8 a.m., and are for the preceding 24 hours. The following are the maximum-minimum temperatures for the week:

	Max.	Min.
Sept. 19	65	41
20	64	59
21	66	62
22	52	51
23	47	38
24	45	33
25	58	42

Smilin' Charlie Says



"I'd hate t' have t' go through life with th' handicaps that th' neighbor's children have."

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