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GOOD ADDRESS GIVEN IN LIBRARY TUESDAY

Mrs. Watts, Toronto, Spoke at Summer Meeting of Women's Institute. District Annual Meeting To Be Held Here Next Month.

The summer series meeting of the Women's Institute was held in the library on Tuesday afternoon, when Mrs. Watts of Toronto was the speaker.

The meeting was opened with the singing of the "Opening Ode". After the business was disposed of, arrangements were made for the District Annual, which will be held on June 17 in the library.

It is expected there will be a good turnout as Mr. Putnam, Superintendent of Women's Institutes, will be the speaker.

Mrs. Watts was then introduced to the audience and was asked to combine two of her subjects in her talk, "First Things First in Institute Work" and "Community Work in Rural Life." She began her talk comparing her subject to that of a building. She commenced with the foundation, which was our homes, the influence of which was felt through our communities, and even our nation. She stated that one of the corner stones was the idea of Women's Institutes. As we want perfect material in building, so we need good material to build up and hold together a good Institute.

"One of the first planks we must use," said Mrs. Watts, "is unselfishness." She repeated a motto that had been adopted by an institute she had visited which was, "Each For All." "Be agreeable," she said, "Beautiful lives are those that bless."

Another necessary plank was "courage". If you only have courage to try to do what you are asked to do, and do the thing to the best of your ability, you will be surprised indeed at what benefit you will receive individually when you have done a share in the work. Even when in the minority, have the courage of your own convictions, and without offence to anyone, you may show which side of the fence you are really on. Mrs. Watts quoted Ida M. Thompson in her verse of "If Troubles and Losses Come, Don't Magnify Them". Everyone has his own troubles, so don't worry others with yours. They may have worse afflictions than you, but they have the courage to bear them alone and smile.

Another plank to be used is "Helpfulness". The speaker told how the branches may be helpful, and gave an example of the benefit of the short courses they may bring in reach of all. She gave a suggestion how we may obtain at reasonable cost, a professor in any of the nearest cities, to speak on some educational subject, when we could develop our minds along the more weighty subjects. Mrs. Watts also spoke of the value, individually and collectively, of progressive debates, where the winners of your institute would compete with winners from other institutes. Community gatherings were also helpful. She gave laughter for many ills and was not hard to take. Mrs. Watts gave some suggestions as to what institutes may do for the betterment of school sanitation. She advised a woman on the board of trustees, or an advisory committee of women to the trustees, as she said a woman could see more defects around a school in a minute than a man would in an hour.

The plank of "charity" meant the love to all mankind. It was the charity that will not hinder our fellow men. Do not repeat or say anything that will not uplift. Everyone has his faults and failings, but the telling of it often discourages the offender, and does not encourage him to do better.

To use the plank of "Service", keep your eyes open for opportunities that turn up each day. One hardly realizes what even a smile may mean to someone you chance to meet.

As a watch tower, Mrs. Watts said to do all the good you can, in all the ways you can, to all the souls you can, with all the zeal you can. Mrs. Watts remarked that Women's Institutes had done a great deal for women to find themselves and know their own possibilities.

Though the attendance was small, those who did hear Mrs. Watts listened to a most instructive address. The meeting closed with singing "The Maple Leaf Forever".

BUS AND DRAY BUSINESS SOLD TO R. CAMPBELL

Albert Livingstone Disposed of Interests Last Week—New Owner Now in Possession.

After having had possession of the bus and dray business here since the 8th of last month, Mr. Albert Livingstone last week disposed of his interests to Mr. Robert Campbell who is now in possession.

Mr. Campbell is not a new man to the business by any means, having been employed by the former proprietors for several years past, and will step into his new position fully prepared to carry on with no interruption to the good service heretofore rendered. We have not been informed as to Mr. Livingstone's intentions, but it is more than likely that he will launch out into some new venture in the course of a short time.



THE LATE JOSEPH BLACKBURN who died suddenly at his home at Flesherston on Tuesday evening. Mr. Blackburn was The Chronicle's valued correspondent at that village.

MRS. ARCH. WILSON DIED THURSDAY LAST

Well-known Glenelg Lady Passed Away at Her Home at McClinton's Corners After Short Illness.

After a comparatively short illness from hardening of the arteries and complications, Mrs. Archibald Wilson passed away at her home two miles south of here Thursday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Mrs. Wilson had been ailing for the past six months, but it was only three weeks ago that her condition was regarded as serious, and she took to bed, never regaining her strength.

Mrs. Wilson, who was in her 68th year, was born in Brantford, and when a young girl, came to Bentinck with her parents, settling on the Durham Road three miles east of Durham. Fifty-one years ago, she was married to Mr. Archibald Wilson, who survives. Following their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson took up farming and have been residents of Bentinck and Glenelg Townships ever since, finally moving to the farm at McClinton's Corners five years ago.

To them were born fourteen children, eleven of whom are still living, as follows: Mrs. D. McKechnie (Margaret), Durham; Mrs. F. Harpe (Elizabeth), Stratford; Mrs. William Martin (Carrie), Durham; Mrs. J. Cluney (Martha), Galt; Mrs. Joseph Wilson (Pearl), Egremont; W. T., in Egremont; and Robert, Arthur, George and Archie in Glenelg.

The funeral was held Saturday afternoon to Durham cemetery, the Rev. J. A. Taylor of the Baptist Church having charge of the service at both house and grave. The pall-bearers were her five sons and son-in-law, Messrs. Thomas, Robert, Arthur, George and Archie Wilson, and Mr. Joseph Wilson of Egremont.

Among flowers sent by relatives and friends were noticed: a pillow from the family, sprays from Mrs. William Caldwell and Miss Hazel Caldwell, Nellie and Mary McKechnie, Margaret, Bobbie and Ella Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Wilson, Mrs. Grashy, and Hazel and Irene Harrup.

Amongst friends present from a distance were: Mr. William Whitmore and son, Arthur, of Preston; Mr. Chester Rife, Preston; Mrs. William McCracken and Miss Mary McKechnie, Hespeler; Miss Nellie McKechnie, Montreal; Miss Ella Wilson, Toronto; Mr. Thomas Wilson and daughter, Miss Pearl, Owen Sound; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wilson, Owen Sound; Mrs. W. Hillis and Mrs. D. Hillis of Shallow Lake; Mrs. Joseph Shipley of Shallow Lake; Miss Elsie Hillis of Owen Sound.

The Chronicle extends sympathy to the family in their bereavement.

NARROW ESCAPE WHILE PLAYING ON ROADSIDE

Young Child of I. Tinianov Had Close Call From Being Run Over by Auto.

A young child of Mr. I. Tinianov narrowly escaped death last Friday evening about dusk when playing on the roadside in front of the home on Garafra Street. Mr. Thomas Wilson was driving south on Garafra Street, en route to the home of his father at McClinton's Corners where the remains of his mother lay awaiting burial on Saturday, when he spied the little one on the roadway. Sounding his horn, he pulled to the centre of the road, but the child had evidently become confused and wheeling about, ran toward the centre of the street. With great presence of mind, Mr. Wilson swerved his car on to the sidewalk and missed the child by inches. Had he been going at any rate of speed, there is little doubt that he would have been unable to prevent the car from running the little thing down.

Playing on the roadside, especially on the front street, is a bad practice, and parents would be advised to see that their children keep out of danger before it is too late. It would be a matter of deep regret were one of the smaller children to get even injured from coming in the path of a fast-moving car, and the only plan seems to be to keep them off the streets.

PASSED AWAY TUESDAY AFTER LONG ILLNESS

Mr. Joseph Blackburn, Flesherston Correspondent of The Chronicle, Died Suddenly Tuesday Evening While Preparing to Retire.—Funeral Takes Place Tomorrow to Flesherston Cemetery.

It was a great shock to the editor of this paper when he was informed early Wednesday morning of the sudden death the previous evening of Mr. Joseph Blackburn of Flesherston, for the past 29 years the efficient correspondent of this paper from that village. It was only last Thursday afternoon that we called on him and little we thought then that it would be the last time we should clasp his hand and listen to his cheery voice.

Mr. Blackburn was one of the best men we ever knew, and though an invalid for the past 36 years, we never knew him to be anything but cheerful, and a visit to his home was never anything but a pleasure. It was in 1889 that he contracted the influenza, or la grippe as it was called in those days, and he was practically bedfast ever since, though during the later years, he has been able to move about his home and on warm days in summer, could venture occasionally outside, a privilege he enjoyed to the full. During the past winter, he has been a great sufferer from eye trouble, and though he suffered excruciating pain, he was never known to complain.

Mr. Blackburn was born near Flesherston nearly 70 years ago, and when a young man, entered the employ of the late M. K. Richardson, a position he held until stricken down by illness. About forty years ago, he was married to Miss Ella Ayers, daughter of the late Rev. Mr. Ayers, formerly of Flesherston, who survives, and who has been during all his years of sickness, his best comfort and most constant and willing attendant.

Though not informed of the particulars of Mr. Blackburn's sudden death, we understand he was preparing to retire when he took a weak spell and passed away in a few moments. While he was ill for so long a time and not able to engage in active employment, it may be truly said that he died in harness, as this issue of The Chronicle contains his regular weekly contribution, received in this office only a few hours before his death. Our sympathy goes out to Mrs. Blackburn in her bereavement, and though death was a happy release from a lifetime of suffering, she will sorely miss the familiar, kindly face of her beloved life partner whose whole life was a shining example of the true Christian fellowship that man on earth is supposed to live.

NEEDED RAIN FELL OVER WEEK-END

Much Needed Moisture Welcomed by Agriculturists.—A Few Warm Spring Days Would Help.

The first real spring rain of the season for this part of Ontario arrived over the week-end, and with a little warm weather, will do wonders for the crops already sown. The season so far has been, to say the least, cool, and while it was an easy season on horses, the ground was becoming quite dry and moisture was badly needed in many localities.

Commencing Saturday night and continuing intermittently during the most of Sunday, the rain of the past week-end was a very welcome visitor, and while the air turned quite cold on Sunday and Monday, the indications are that some of the real, old-fashioned spring weather is about due, and with favorable conditions, this year's crop will undoubtedly surpass the heavy yield of last year.

Though most of us are sighing for the good old summer time, and the weather of June, July and August, we must remember that the season this year is approximately a month early and that there is plenty of time yet for all the hot weather we may desire. Crops at present are promising, and it is to be hoped present expectations may be realized.

FORMER DURHAMITE IN GOOD POSITION

Former Standard Bank Employee Appointed Registrar for Hastings County.

Durham friends of Mr. R. J. Dewar formerly of the Standard Bank branch here, will learn with pleasure of his elevation to the Registrarship of Hastings County, an appointment recently received and announced last week.

It is upwards of 20 years ago since Mr. Dewar was in Durham, when he was a very popular citizen and took a keen interest in the affairs of the community. After leaving Durham, he rose in the banking profession until he was appointed manager of the branch at Deseronto, subsequently resigning this position to accept the managership of the Dominion Match factory at the same place.

Mr. Dewar takes up his new duties at Belleville at once, and his appointment follows the death of Mr. Russell, the previous Registrar. Mr. Dewar's old friends here tender their congratulations.

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TOWN'S OLDEST RESIDENT DIED TUESDAY NIGHT

Mrs. Jean McGowan Answered Last Call Following Month's Illness.—Was in Her 92nd Year, and Resident of Canada for 58 Years.—Interment Friday Afternoon in Durham Cemetery.

After an illness of four weeks Mrs. Jean McGowan, relict of the late Robert McGowan, passed away at her home on George Street Tuesday night in her 92nd year.

Up to a month ago, Mrs. McGowan was in her usual health, and while at first her indisposition was not regarded as serious, as time went on, it was seen that she could not recover, and members of the family were sent for, all of whom, with the exception of Mrs. Andrew Dale of McGee, Sask., unavoidably prevented from coming East, arrived in time to be present with their mother in her last illness. Mrs. McGowan was a remarkable woman, and despite her great age, was active up to her recent illness, able to look after her own household, and all through her life enjoyed remarkable health.

Mrs. McGowan was born in Scotland in 1833, where she married the late Mr. Robert McGowan about 65 years ago. In 1867, the family came to Canada, settling first in Montreal, and subsequently moving to Hawkesbury and Oshawa, finally coming to Priceville in 1882, where Mr. McGowan engaged in the milling business.

In 1887, Mr. McGowan purchased the Edge mill property in Durham, then known as the Red Mill, but it was burned before he took it over, and he erected the present mill, now owned by Mr. John McGowan, in 1888. Mr. McGowan died in 1903.

For the past few years, Mrs. McGowan, while active, has remained mostly in her own home but always maintained an interest in what was going on around her, and few people many years her junior were brighter mentally than she. A month ago, however, the years began to tell on her worn-out frame, and she gradually sank until she passed away Tuesday evening.

Surviving are three sons and three daughters: Messrs. John and W. A., the well-known millers of Durham, Robert of Detroit, Mrs. Tonkin of Oshawa, Mrs. Sawdon of Toronto, and Mrs. Dale of McGee, Sask.

The funeral service takes place tomorrow afternoon from her late residence on George Street and will be in charge of Rev. Mr. Peters of the Methodist Church. Interment will be made in Durham cemetery.

RETURNED SAT. FROM FISHING EXCURSION

Messrs. P. Gagnon and Dr. D. B. Jamieson Spent Enjoyable Time in Hastings County.

After having spent a few days' holiday in Hastings County where the greater portion of their time was spent in angling, Mr. P. Gagnon and Dr. D. B. Jamieson arrived in town early Saturday morning bringing with them a good catch of fish as a memento of the trip.

Fishing on Mink Lake, on the property of the Durham Furniture Co., a short distance south of Algonquin Park, both were successful in landing several big ones, some of which were brought home for the purpose of making the rest of us envious and at the same time as evidence that would preclude the citizens from placing them in the Ananias class on the Isaak Walton register.

Dr. Jamieson landed a lake trout weighing fifteen pounds, and Mr. Gagnon was successful in capturing an eight-pound beauty. These were the two big ones, though several others were also captured that weighed in the neighborhood of two to five pounds.

WELL-KNOWN RESIDENT ANSWERED LAST CALL

Mr. M. McGrath Passed Away Thursday Evening of Last Week After Short Illness.—Interment Made Monday Morning in St. John's Cemetery, Glenelg.

The sudden death of Mr. Michael McGrath at his home in Upper Town last Thursday evening came as a great shock to the whole community, few of whom knew he was seriously ill. Death came as the result of a sudden attack of acute indigestion on Wednesday, and despite the constant attendance of three physicians, he passed away the following evening about 9 o'clock.

Mr. McGrath was one of the best-known citizens of the town and for the past twenty-one years was actively engaged in the business life of Durham, as one of the proprietors of the Central Hotel.

The deceased, who would have been 70 years of age on the 16th of next August, was born in Normanby Township, a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John McGrath. Here he spent his youth and young manhood, and was married in Mount Forest to Miss Catharine McAuliffe. The young couple subsequently moved to Glenelg Township about 42 years ago, where they engaged in farming near St. John's Church. Twenty-three years ago, they moved to Ceylon where they conducted the Globe hotel for two years, and 21 years ago, in partnership with his brother-in-law, Mr. M. McAuliffe, purchased the Central in town, which they have since successfully conducted.

Mr. McGrath was a man of integrity, honest in all his dealings with the public, and had a wide circle of friends who will join with his family in sincerely mourning his departure.

Besides his widow, three sons and two daughters survive: John D. in Glenelg, on the old homestead; M. D., blacksmith, in Williamsford; Thomas, in Toronto; Mrs. Arch. McPhee (Mary J.), and Mrs. Allan Cameron (Nellie), in Toronto, all of whom were home for the funeral.

Besides the immediate members of the family, the deceased also is survived by one brother, John, in Minnesota, and two sisters, Mrs. Mary J. Rogers, Toronto, and Mrs. Elizabeth O'Regan of Smith's Falls, Minnesota.

The funeral on Monday morning to St. John's cemetery, Glenelg, was largely attended by friends from town augmented by many old neighbors in Glenelg, who gathered in St. John's R. C. Church to pay a last tribute of respect to one they knew so well. Requiem high mass was sung by Rev. Father McGoey, assisted by Rev. Father Flahaven of Teeswater and Rev. Father Maloney of Walkerton.

The many floral tributes and mass cards placed on the casket by relatives and friends were evidence of the respect for the deceased and sympathy for the sorrowing members of the family.

The pall-bearers were six brothers-in-law, Messrs. Michael, David, Edward, Daniel and John McAuliffe and John Burns.

Among those from a distance in attendance were: Miss Culliton, Miss Broderick and Mr. J. Lyons, Melancthon; John McAuliffe and daughter, Miss Stella, Detroit; Mr. Arch. McPhee and son, J. D., Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. George Kress, Toronto, and Mr. Thomas Rogers, Toronto.

OPENED TORONTO BUSINESS

We had a letter from Mr. Anson Lloyd of Toronto this week in which we were pleased to learn that he was doing well and had launched out into business for himself, being in charge of one of the "Leader" chain grocery stores. He reports both himself and Mrs. Lloyd well and wishes to be remembered to their friends in Durham.

MERCHANTS TO ENFORCE PROVISIONS OF EGG GRADING ACT

Fine Points of the Act Explained at Meeting of Durham Merchants Friday Afternoon.—Government Insists That Eggs Must Be Bought and Sold on Graded Basis.—Merchants Warned That Infringements of the Act Will Be Vigorously Prosecuted.

Well, gentlemen, what are you going to do? This was the question asked the merchants of Durham last Friday afternoon by A. L. Morrison, Egg Inspector, London, Ontario, after he had spent upwards of an hour explaining the recently adopted Egg Grading Act, about which so much talk has been heard in the past couple of years.

Mr. Morrison was here on the business of the Dominion Department of Agriculture, and in the course of his address, went fully into an explanation of the workings of the Act. One thing he was very clear upon was the fact that henceforth the Egg Grading Act was to be enforced by the Government, and he advised the merchants present to take heed and not to blame anyone but themselves if they were hauled to court and made pay a fine for purchasing or selling ungraded eggs. So far, he said, the Government had been very lenient, but from now on, there was to be no more fooling—merchants must fully make up their minds to abide by the provisions of the Act or pay the penalty. The Government did not force any merchant to buy eggs, but if they did, they must be bought on a graded basis. There was to be no more side-stepping the issue.

Prosecute All Offenders

During the discussion here, one of the merchants said that he thought it rather unfair for the Government to make towns like Durham live up to the egg grading requirements while smaller centres throughout the country were still buying and selling in the same old way and apparently getting away with it. Mr. Morrison assured the gathering that this was going to be looked after from now on. It was hard to get the Act working smoothly in so short a time, but from now on, anyone who dealt in eggs must comply with the regulations, get out of business or be fined if caught. The Government was making absolutely no discrimination in the matter.

Dealing further with the Act, Mr. Morrison made it plain that the Egg Grading Act was not as bad as a lot of people thought, and that the Government was not out for the purpose of prosecuting anyone. What they wanted was the assurance of the merchants that they would cooperate with them in the grading of eggs. The Government did not expect the grading to be perfect, and the mere fact that a case of eggs was wrongly graded did not mean that prosecution would follow. An honest attempt to grade eggs was all that was demanded, and if any inspector dropped in unexpectedly and found mistakes in grading, he would show the merchant where he was wrong and expect him to do better next time. The Government was prepared to give merchants all the help they needed in the grading, but insisted that they make an honest attempt to abide by the Act. Failing this, they would prosecute.

Must Display Charts

One thing he noticed in Durham and which he called to the attention of the local merchants was the absence of the chart display sent out by the Government. These charts had been sent out as part of the educative campaign, and it was one of the requirements of the Act that they be prominently displayed. This was apparently neglected in Durham and was one of the provisions of the Act that must be complied with.

The speaker gave a demonstration in egg grading and showed that with a little practice, anybody could soon become proficient and, with little extra effort, grade all eggs entering the store.

In a good many places where, like Durham, there is a wholesale produce dealer doing business, the merchant (Continued on Page 3)

Smilin' Charlie Says



"There are some sounds th' human ear can't hear' says Science— and a lot we'd rather not, sez we" ---