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GUTTED BY FIRE EARLY YESTERDAY

Residence of Robert Even Had Narrow Escape From Total Destruction When Building Took Fire From Overheated Stove.

About half-past four o'clock yesterday morning, an alarm of fire was turned in to the local department, the cause being a conflagration in progress in the residence of Mr. Robert Even, Queen Street. The chemical was run to the scene, and successfully combated the blaze, and while the fire engine was in readiness, it was not necessary to take it out.

So far as Mr. Even knows, the fire must have started from an overheated stove in the front room, wood piled on the floor near the heater being blamed. Mr. Even, who lives in the house with his son, William, had been sitting up waiting for the boy to come back from the Field Day sports at Chesley and about 3:30 put some wood in the stove and lay down on a lounge in an adjoining room. He must have fallen asleep, as he was awakened by the smell of smoke and the crackle of fire. The fire had worked its way along the floor to the room in which he was lying and, the door entering the room being in flames, he had to smash a window to get out and give the alarm.

Though early in the morning, the firemen made a good run, and while the contents of the house were nearly all destroyed or damaged, not an awful lot of damage was done to the building. Mr. Even carried insurance on both building and contents, and while his loss on the former is well covered, he stands to lose considerable on the contents.

UNDERWENT SERIOUS OPERATION MONDAY

Mrs. Charles Ogg, Guelph, Daughter of Mrs. H. Cross, Doing Well After Operation for Goitre.

Durham friends will be pleased to learn that Mrs. Charles Ogg of Guelph, better known here as Annie Cross, daughter of Mrs. H. Cross, who underwent a serious operation for inward goitre in the Guelph Hospital on Monday, is doing as well as can be expected and will likely be able to leave the hospital in a week or so.

Mrs. Ogg has been ailing for some time back, but it was only recently that it was decided that an operation was the only sure means of prolonging her life for any considerable time. Naturally considerable anxiety was felt by her relatives when it was known that her condition was so serious, and the success of Monday's operation is very gratifying, not only to them, but to her numerous friends in Durham and vicinity.

YOUNG PATIENT'S CONDITION VERY MUCH IMPROVED

Young Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Leith Leith of Holstein Shows Steady Improvement.

Vera Leith, the nine-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Leith of Holstein, who has been a patient in Durham Hospital for the past couple of weeks and on the 2nd of October underwent an operation for appendicitis, with a subsequent operation last Friday night, is showing much improvement and is now believed to be out of danger.

The little patient, who was apparently progressing favorably after the first operation, was taken seriously ill last Friday, and a second operation was found necessary. For some time, she hung between life and death but of late has been showing decided improvement, and her recovery is confidently expected.

PURCHASED BUILDING LOT

Mr. Cameron Lauder has purchased from Mr. J. A. Brown the lot next his own residence on Queen street, which is a valuable addition to his land holdings in town.



PAUL DOYON

A Montreal musician who has won a scholarship entitling him to three years free tuition in Paris. Though totally blind, he sailed a few days ago unaccompanied on the steamer Melita.



HON. T. C. NORRIS

Former Premier of Manitoba, who will run as a Liberal candidate for the Federal House for South Winnipeg, opposing Hon. Robert Rogers.

DIED FROM OPERATION IN TORONTO HOSPITAL

Mrs. Thomas Anderson, Former Resident of Glenelg, Passed Away Tuesday Night Following Operation for Appendicitis.

Word was received here early Wednesday morning of this week by Mrs. David McAuliffe, informing her that her niece, Mrs. Thomas Anderson, had passed away the previous evening in a Toronto hospital following an operation for appendicitis.

Mrs. Anderson, whose maiden name was Minnie Fogarty, was a daughter of Mr. John Fogarty of the 10th concession of Glenelg, and was born in that township about 35 years ago. Ten years ago, she was married to Mr. Thomas Anderson, and immediately they moved to Schreiber, in Thunder Bay district, where Mr. Anderson was engaged in railroading. Here they have lived ever since.

Mrs. Anderson came to Toronto on Wednesday of last week, and on Saturday underwent an operation for appendicitis. From the first, we understand, her case was regarded as very serious, and though at one time her condition improved slightly, she passed away Tuesday night. The remains were taken to Markdale last night, and from there were conveyed to the home of her father in Glenelg, from where the funeral, the date of which is not known at time of writing, will be held from St. John's R. C. church, interment being made in St. John's cemetery.

Mrs. Anderson leaves to mourn their loss, her husband and three children, the oldest seven and the youngest, one year old. Besides, she leaves her father, Mr. John Fogarty, and three sisters, Margaret and Angela, at home, Katherine (Mrs. Anderson), at Schreiber, and one brother, John, also at home.

HON. J. S. MARTIN HERE NEXT TUESDAY

Billed to Address Meeting in Interests of Dr. L. G. Campbell in Town Hall Next Tuesday Night.

The first meeting in connection with the coming federal election is billed for Durham Town Hall on Tuesday evening of next week, when the Hon. J. S. Martin, Minister of Agriculture in the Ontario Government, will address a gathering in the interests of Dr. L. G. Campbell, the Liberal-Conservative candidate.

All through the riding, Dr. Campbell has been holding most successful meetings, and from the reception given him, is most sanguine of the result on the 29th of this month, the date of the election.

As Mr. Martin is a forceful and convincing speaker, it is a foregone conclusion that there will be a large attendance at the first meeting to be held in Durham. Addresses will also be given by the candidate and others. The meeting commences at 8 o'clock.

BLIND PREACHER HERE LAST SUNDAY

Rev. William France, Toronto, Preached Good Sermons to Presbyterian Congregations Here and at the Rocky.—Rev. B. D. Armstrong Here Next Sunday.

Something unique in the matter of church services in Durham took place at the Presbyterian service here last Sunday, when the Rev. William France, a blind preacher from Toronto, had charge of the services in Durham and at the Rocky. Mr. France, who has been blind since three years of age, carries his own Bible, printed in the Braille system and readily reads the scriptures using instead of his eyes, the tips of his fingers with which he makes out the words. Mr. France is a forceful speaker, and his services here on Sunday were much enjoyed at all services.

Next Sunday, the local pulpit will be occupied by the Rev. B. D. Armstrong of Madoc, at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Mr. Armstrong will also preach at the Rocky at 2 p. m.

HOLSTEIN CHURCH HELD ANNIVERSARY

Presbyterian Church Services Sunday Well Attended, While Overflow Crowd Gathered at Fowl Supper Monday Evening.

Sunday and Monday were big days with the Presbyterian congregation at Holstein, the occasion being the annual anniversary services. Sunday's services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. were well attended, the special preacher for the day being the Rev. W. J. Walker of St. Marys, who preached good sermons to large congregations both morning and evening. The pastor of the Holstein congregation, the Rev. Wallace Johnston, took Mr. Walker's pulpit at St. Marys.

Monday evening, an excellent fowl supper was served by the Ladies' Aid in the basement of the church and, from half-past six to long after eight o'clock, the ladies were forced to exert themselves to the utmost to serve the big crowd that gathered to take advantage of their hospitality. Evidently the reputation of Holstein ladies as culinary experts has been spread far and wide, for an overflow crowd was present at the supper and at the entertainment that followed. And right here may it be said that the ladies of the Holstein congregation well sustained their good name in the fine supper served. Never, we believe, has such a spread been surpassed as was placed before the multitude that evening, and many were the favorable comments heard on every side in discussion of the superbly cooked and faultlessly served fowl, the salads, the pies, the cakes, and the preponderance of home cooking and baking of all descriptions which seemed to have no end, made all wonder where it was all coming from.

Following the supper, the crowd adjourned to the auditorium of the church where the entertainment was to be put on by the Durham Presbyterian choir. Previous to this, however, those who had eaten and had seated themselves in the body of the church were entertained to music by an orchestra composed of Messrs. Bert Broder on banjo, with Mrs. Swanston as piano accompanist. The music was good and was a pleasant fill-in for those waiting for the program to start.

The entertainment for the evening was provided mostly by the choir of the Durham Presbyterian church and, with the pastor, Rev. Wallace Johnston, in the chair, proved exceptionally good. Besides choruses by the choir, there was a piano duet by Mrs. Harding and daughter, Jean, solos by Stewart McArthur, Leonard McComb, Mrs. Lauder, A. G. McComb, Mrs. McFadden, E. Buschlen, a quartette by Mrs. McFadden and Mrs. Harding, and Messrs. E. Buschlen and A. G. McComb, readings by Misses Annie Smith and K. Firth, an instrumental duet on violin and guitar by Mrs. C. Howell and Leonard McComb. Mrs. Howell also gave a pleasing violin selection. The only outside number on the program was a vocal duet by Mrs. Geddes and Miss Patterson, well given and highly enjoyed by the audience.

The address of the evening was given by the Rev. L. E. West, pastor of the United church in the village, and for half an hour, he held the attention of the gathering with an excellent, humorous speech, terminated with an appeal to all to be loyal to their church. Mr. West gave the serious part of his address under three heads, Faith, Fellowship and Fraternity. One terse remark of the speaker may well be pondered. He cautioned his hearers against the all too common practice of those members of the church and criticize. His remedy would be to come outside and fraternize. His remarks were timely and to the point, and the address in its entirety was such as to hold the attention of his hearers to the end.

In bringing the meeting to a close, the chairman thanked the crowd for the excellent order maintained, the talent for the excellent program provided and those present for the large attendance and the consequent swelling of the treasury funds of the Ladies' Aid.

The next event of importance to take place is on October 25 and 26, the anniversary services of the Fairbairn church, to which he extended an invitation to all. At the Sunday services, the Rev. Mr. Little of Hanover will occupy the pulpit, and at the entertainment on Monday evening, besides other talent, Miss Pearl Newton, of Toronto, will take part.

MORE HONORS COMING TO DURHAM PUPILS

"Abie" Kress Elected President of Art '28 Class of Western University.

It never rains but it pours is an old saying, and this seems to be the case when it comes to appointing officials at the Western University at London this term. Recently, we reported Royden Burnett and Harold Mountain, both Durham boys, as having been elected President and Treasurer, respectively, of the Med. '30 and '31 classes, and now comes the news that Albert Kress, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Kress, has been elected President of the Art '28 class. No doubt all three will be able to hold down the various positions with honor to themselves, and the town they call home.

WALNUTS!



RURAL MAIL COURIERS TO TAKE HOLIDAYS

Postmaster-General's Department Gives Ruling Allowing This Branch of Post Office Department to Observe Certain Holidays.

According to instructions issued the first of this month by the Postmaster General, rural mail couriers will in the future have the privilege of observing certain holidays throughout the year, the holidays specified being New Year's Day, Good Friday, Victoria Day, Dominion Day, Labor Day and Thanksgiving Day. It will be noticed that Christmas Day is not included in the list, probably from the fact that the post offices throughout the country are swamped with mail on this date, and the granting of holidays to couriers would work more than the benefits derived by the couriers themselves.

The new regulations include rural mail contractors who serve intermediate post offices en route, but rural mail contractors whose contracts include, in addition to rural delivery, the side services between post offices and railway stations, must provide for these services. It does not, however, apply to contractors for routes on which there is no rural delivery service, which are known as stage routes, nor does it provide for contractors between post offices and railway stations. Such services must be performed as usual on the days mentioned.

The above ruling of the post office department at Ottawa will, we think, meet with the approval of the majority of rural patrons throughout Canada, many of whom in this section having on different occasions expressed the opinion that the granting of certain statutory holidays to rural couriers would work no real hardship on patrons and would be a real boon to the men who throughout the year, rain or shine, were compelled to make their usual rounds.

QUEEN STREET MISSION CIRCLE HELD MONTHLY MEETING

Met in Church Thursday of Last Week and Discussed Many Business Problems.

The Young Ladies' Mission Circle of the Queen Street United church held their monthly meeting in the basement last Thursday evening. Miss Etta Twamley, the president, was in the chair. The meeting was opened with singing and prayer, after which the roll was called, this being followed by the scripture reading.

A report of the Port Elgin Summer school was given by Miss Ada Metcalfe, when the annual fees were paid and the evening offering taken. Miss W. Holmes read the minutes of the last meeting.

FORMER DORNOCH BOY CANDIDATE IN ALBERTA

C. R. McIntosh, Editor of The North Battleford News, Running on Liberal Ticket.

Residents of this part of Ontario and especially those of the Dornoch vicinity will follow with interest the election campaign in the North Battleford constituency where Mr. Cameron McIntosh, editor of The North Battleford, Sask., News, is contesting that riding in the interests of the Liberal party. Mr. McIntosh is an old Dornoch boy, was born and grew up in the vicinity and is today one of the outstanding newspapermen in the West.

The coal rattling down the chute into the cellar makes music these days if it happens to be your cellar.—Brockville Recorder.

OCTOBER 27, DATE PLOUGHMEN'S MEET

Egremont Ploughmen's Association to Hold Annual Competition a Week From Next Tuesday.

The second annual ploughing match and tractor demonstration of the Egremont Ploughmen's Association is being held this year on the farm of Mr. W. J. Philip, in Egremont, the date set being Tuesday, October 27. This competition, which last year proved so popular and drew over a thousand spectators, seems to be going over even better this year, and a big list of entries is expected. Last year, it will be remembered, the Judge, J. J. Duffus of Peterborough, complimented the participants on the general excellence of the work done, making the statement that the winners of the contest could make some of the competitors at the Provincial Match step some to hold their title.

This year, the ploughing starts at 10 o'clock in the morning and must be concluded by four o'clock in the afternoon. There are five competitions, a boys class of 16 years and under, for which five prizes of \$6, \$5, \$4, \$3 and \$2 are given, as well as a class for boys 17 to 19 years with prizes of \$8, \$6, \$4 and \$2. A men's class is included in which the prizes are the same as for the older boys. The above competitions are for ploughing in stubble.

For ploughing in sod, there is a boys' class and a men's class, with four prizes, \$8, \$6, \$4 and \$2.

Besides the usual prizes offered by the association, there is a special prize of \$5 by Hon. Dr. Jamieson for the best finish in sod. For the best crown in sod, R. Taylor of Dromore offers a special of \$5. The Women's Institute offers four special prizes of \$2.50 each for the best finish and the best crown in the boys' class, and for the best crown and best finish in the men's class.

In the tractor demonstration, the Oliver Plough Company is giving a special prize of a belt guide pulley valued at \$10.50, while Smith Bros., of Mount Forest, donate a special of a half-barrel of kerosene.

The match this year starts off with bright prospects, and Secretary Neil Calder is optimistic that when it is all over, the second annual competition will be something to look back upon with pride, and a goal not easily beaten in subsequent matches. Secretary Calder is this week in attendance at the Provincial Match at Brockville.

FIRST WINTER'S BLAST ARRIVED FRIDAY

Snow, Wind and Rain Reported From All Over Western Ontario.—Four Inches Fell in Durham.

Friday night's storm was the first advance taste of what we may expect in February that we have received so far this season, and for a beginner, it was a good one. With wind and snow continuing for the most of the night, Saturday morning saw the populace wake up to a ground covered with snow and a real tang of winter in the air. In all, it is estimated that three or four inches fell in Durham vicinity.

The surrounding country seems to have had more of the beautiful, judging from reports, Chesley getting six inches, Owen Sound about the same, while to the east of us, Markdale boasts that eight inches fell, and down Orangeville way, it is reported that nearly a foot covered the ground.

Today, Wednesday, as this is written, the weather outside is pleasant, and during the morning and part of the afternoon, Old Sol was out in all his glory. Towards evening, it became cloudy, and about four o'clock, rain commenced to fall. Despite the snowfall and storm of last week-end, October has been a very reasonable month, and a few squalls may be expected.

Pullman porters are forming a union and perhaps a porter who does not get the union scale of tip will strike.—Hamilton Herald.

Hard coal isn't so very hard only the miners make it harder to get every winter.

Smilin' Charlie Says



"This radin' pictures by radin' is gonna be O.K. till some matrimonial bureau starts broadcastin' it's candidates--"