

News of Nearby Towns

Markdale

The Markdale High School Commencement, which has become a yearly event eagerly looked forward to alike by the pupils and their friends, was staged on Friday evening in the Armories to a house which was so crowded that the seating capacity was taxed beyond its limit.

Flesherton

The Bank of Montreal has been forced to close its doors in Flesherton on account of business not warranting keeping open any longer. The decision was made a couple of weeks ago, and took effect on Monday last.

A quiet but pretty wedding took place at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. J. J. Wilson, on Friday, November 20, when Miss Jessie Viola, third eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Macdonald, Ceylon, became the bride of William Gimmell, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Hay, Toronto.

Another of our esteemed pioneers of Grey County has answered the inevitable call. The death of Ellen Fawcett, widow of the late James Stuart, occurred at Kimberley on the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. T. Ellis, after a short illness, on Thursday morning, November 19.

An unfortunate accident occurred to Mr. George Beercoff of the East Back Line, Artemesia, on Thursday of last week which resulted in the bones in one of his ankles being broken. He was cutting down some saplings on his property on the mill road when two of them became lodged in another tree.

On Friday evening last, Prince Arthur Lodge No. 333, A.F. & A.M., received Right Worshipful P. T. Pilkey, D.D.G.M. of Grey District, on his official visit to the lodge. About eighty members and visitors were in attendance and enjoyed very much the address by R. W. Pilkey.

The high school literary society held their yearly concert on Friday evening of last week in the high

school to a crowded house. The program was real good and was presided over by Rev. James Harrower. About eighty dollars was taken in at the door which will go towards the society's funds and to make improvements to the stage.

A representative of the amusement tax branch of the provincial government was in town on Tuesday exacting their mile from the baseball games held in town last summer.

Recently Mr. T. W. Findlay delivered to Miss Agnes G. Macphail, M. P., a number of beautiful pictures which he had framed and which are to be presented to several schools in Grey County. The pictures have been on exhibition in the Department of Agriculture at Markdale. There are 19 of them, and they are to be presented to the school in each of the 19 school fairs, winning the greatest number of points in proportion to the number of pupils enrolled.

The pictures have not been figured out for all the fairs owing to the rush of fall work, but it is hoped that inside of another week, the schools winning will receive their picture. The pictures are actual photographs about 18 inches square, of some beautiful spots in Canada. Most of them are of Rocky Mountain scenery with a picture of a couple of buffalo and another of mountain goats.

These were given to Miss Macphail by the Parks branch, and the framing was done by Mr. Findlay, being paid for by Miss Macphail. The pictures are indeed most exceptional, and should prove quite an acquisition to any school room which in many instances are not furnished with pictures which teach the children anything of their own beautiful Canada or inspire them with a love for the land of their nativity.

Ceylon

Mr. D. D. McLachlan went to Toronto on Friday to attend the marriage of his daughter, Georgina, which took place on November 27. Mr. James McWhinney paid a business trip to Hanover the past week.

Messrs. John and Arthur Whitaker have gone to Toronto to take positions for the winter months.

Mr. Alfred Chislett has rented Mr. Royden Gibson's residence and moved his family in last week.

Mrs. Anna McMillan was at Owen Sound Saturday.

Mr. I. Traynor of Dundalk was in town a couple of days the past week.

Mr. George Meldrum of Stone Line has purchased from Mrs. H. Seelye of Durham her residence, lately vacated by Mr. Charles Chislett, and will move in shortly.

Messrs. Albert Hazard and Edgely Hazard, who went out on the harvest excursion, returned to their homes on Friday.

A quiet but pretty wedding took place in Toronto on November 27 at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Snyder, when Miss Georgina, youngest daughter of Mr. D. D. McLachlan and the late Mrs. McLachlan of Ceylon, was united in the bonds of matrimony to George Wilfred, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Snyder by Rev. D. A. Burns. The drawing room, which was beautiful with white mums and ferns, was entered by the bride on the arm of her father to the strains of the wedding march played by Miss Hilda Snyder, sister of the groom, and looked charming in a dainty gown of peach georgette with trimmings of gold lace and carried a shower bouquet of Ophelia roses and Lily of the Valley. Her only ornament was a rope of pearls, the gift of the groom. She was attended by her sister, Mary, who wore a gown of pink georgette and cut velvet and carried a bouquet of Columbia roses. The groom was attended by his brother, Earl. After the ceremony, the guests repaired to the dining-room, where a very sumptuous wedding dinner was served. The happy couple left amid a shower of confetti and good wishes and on their return will reside at 132 Wallace avenue, Toronto. Many useful gifts were received, testifying to the high regard in which they are held. Those present from a distance were: Mr. D. D. McLachlan, Ceylon; Mr. Ivan McLachlan, Hensall; Mr. Lewis Snyder and Miss Edna Webber, Kitchener. The bride is extended the good wishes of this community in which she was born and raised.

Hanover

Hanover Council has sold 38 acres of the Harnock farm, bought in connection with the water supply at Ruhl Lake in the township of Brant, to Mr. Henry Logie, who offered \$68 an acre.

Mr. E. B. Code of town has purchased the Arena from Jacob Eberth who took it over from the Amusement Company, and we understand Mr. Code is contemplating many changes in the building. He will change the dressing rooms, improving them considerably, and will try next year to eliminate the "hill" and the soggy bottom at the south end of the ice surface.

The Hockey Executive held a meeting in Cross & Sutherland's store Tuesday evening when they decided to enter the Intermediate O. H. A., Senior and Junior N. H. L. It was felt that the Intermediates and Seniors would likely get the same grouping with Durham and Chesley, thus giving them four home games instead of two if they entered but one league.

Rev. Austin L. Budge, a former pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, Hanover, has received and accepted a call to Hagersville, about 22 miles south of Hamilton on the highway, and, before leaving his present charge, he and Mrs. Budge were honored by the congregation.

Oh, Gosh! "I'll give you a kiss for that carnation," said the girl to her bashful lover, and after the exchange was made, he sat motionless for an hour, then jumped up and started for the door. "Where are you going?" she asked. "I'm going out to buy more carnations," was the reply.

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FAVOR HIGHER SPEED UPON OPEN HIGHWAYS

Ontario Motor League Will Urge Government to Increase the Limit to 35 Miles per Hour.

The speed limit of 35 miles per hour on the provincial highways of Ontario in place of the present limit of 25 miles per hour is to be urged upon the government of Ontario by the Ontario Motor League.

The Board of Directors of the League, at a special meeting called to discuss the speed regulations in this province and which was very largely attended, after full consideration, unanimously went on record for the increase to the 35 miles per hour, but with the present rate of 20 miles per hour in cities, towns and villages remaining as it is.

While there was strong opinion in favor of abolishing the speed limit entirely in the open country, it was felt by the meeting that this might be a little too drastic a step to take from the present comparatively low limit of 25 miles per hour, and the alternative proposal of increasing the limit instead was

decided upon.

Judge by Driving, Not by Speed

It was pointed out, however, that a very strong case could be made out for the abolition of the speed limit altogether, and, in its stead, making it compulsory upon all motorists to at all times exercise care and prudence in driving. It was held that while such a provision is already embodied in the law, this most important phase of it was almost lost sight of by the courts who were at present more or less bound by technical infringement of speed when the speed of the car at the time might have, under the circumstances, been perfectly safe.

With the speed limit abolished, the circumstances under which the car was driven would be the determining factor in all cases which came under the law and would insure justice to all concerned.

It was further brought to the attention of the meeting that Commissioner A. W. Campbell of the Dominion Department of Highways, who had recently voiced the view that the time had arrived for the abolition of technical speed limits, had made the statement that the modern construction of the present highways enabled high speed with-

out injury to the roadbed. This, of course, applies only to passenger vehicles and light pneumatic-tired trucks.

Slow Driving Menace

A minimum speed law was also discussed at some length, it being conceded that those who drove too slowly in faster-moving traffic were in some instances just as dangerous as those who drove with reckless speed. It was decided, however, that the present law covered this phase of the situation in that it prohibited driving in a manner dangerous to the public. This was to be tested out in the courts, and, in the event that the courts did not so interpret the meaning of the law, the League will take steps to have the law so amended as to leave no doubt as to its application to too slow driving in faster-moving traffic.

In order that steps may be taken to have the speed regulations of the province amended at the coming session of the Ontario Legislature, the Ontario Motor League will wait on Hon. George S. Henry, minister of highways, and urge upon him the advisability of the government undertaking the bringing about of such a change in the regulations when the House meets this winter.

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