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Whosoever is afraid of submitting any question, civil or religious, to the test of free discussion, is more in love with his own opinion than with the truth.—WATSON.

Thursday, December 17, 1925.

THE MUNICIPAL OUTLOOK

Municipal politics in Durham and the surrounding townships is extremely quiet and will likely remain so until after the nomination.

In Durham, there seems to be more rumor of a difficulty in filling the council board than in the chance of an election. Reeve Calder is saying nothing, and it is not definitely known if anyone else wants the position. Other members of the Council, too, are silent, and it looks like a game of freeze-out until nomination day.

The townships, too, are much the same. Both Glenelg and Egremont are quiet, and the only one in which an election seems likely in Bentinck where it is rumored that H. W. Hunt will attempt to oust Reeve McDonald from that position, and Charles Bailey may take a try at Deputy-Reeve Grierson's scalp.

MUNICIPAL COUNCILS HELD FINAL MEETINGS

Routine Business Only Reported From Glenelg and Egremont Townships.

The final meetings of Glenelg and Egremont Townships were held according to statute on Tuesday of this week, the former at the Township Hall, and the latter at Holstein. Routine business only was done.

In Glenelg, Reeve Weir was presented with an address by the Council, the chair being filled during the presentation by Councillor Aljoe. All members of the Council followed with congratulatory addresses, as well as a few remarks by Treasurer Ritchie and Clerk McDonald.

The Egremont Council performed a similar service at Holstein when Reeve Calder was asked to vacate his chair in favor of Deputy-Reeve Ferguson. A well-worded address expressive of the Council's appreciation of his services was then read to which Mr. Calder most suitably replied. Besides Councillors Robb, Wilson and Mack, a brief address was delivered by Treasurer Hastie, who referred to the good financial condition of the township and to the fact that debentures recently placed on the market were sold at as favorable a figure as those of the province.

LATE REV. H. CURRIE WAS BURIED SATURDAY

Former Resident of Bentinck, Near Mulock, Died Last Week at Quebec.

The funeral of the late Rev. Henry Edmund Currie, who died on Thursday, December 10, at his residence, 44 Fairfield avenue, Greenfield Park, Quebec, was held Saturday afternoon at 2.30 at the residence of his sister, Mrs. J. F. Heugham, 18 Montague street, Toronto. Interment was made in Mount Pleasant cemetery. The deceased, who was a native of Ontario, was a graduate of Victoria College, and among a number of important charges, served as pastor of the Methodist churches located at Watford and Kingston, Ontario. The late Mr. Currie rendered invaluable service as financial agent in the Methodist church of the Province of Ontario previous to accepting a call to the Quebec pastorate in June, 1924. The deceased is survived by a wife, Caliste E. Preston, and two daughters, Mary who is engaged in teaching in Chatham, and Ruth, a student in Montreal. Mr. Currie's mother, Mrs. Catherine Curry, also survives, and three brothers and three sisters, including Rev. I. J. Currie, California; Rev. J. B. Currie, California; W. W. Currie, Kakabeka Falls, Ont.; Mrs. J. F. Heughan, Toronto; Mrs. E. M. Salisbury, Illinois, and Mrs. A. E. Calvert, Toronto.

Mr. Currie, The Chronicle is informed, was a former resident of Bentinck and will be remembered by many of the older residents of the township, especially in the vicinity of Mulock.

EDGE HILL SOCIAL WAS BIG SUCCESS

Young People of District Put Up Good Program.

There was a full-house turnout last Friday night at the Edge Hill school house when the young people of the district staged one of the most successful box socials held in that locality in years.

Mr. J. G. Firth was chairman for the evening and was in charge of an excellent program, the play, "The Path Across the Hill," being exceptionally fine as well as the musical numbers given between the acts of the play. In the sale of boxes, of which Auctioneer O'Neill handled the hammer, the proceeds amounted to $67, some boxes selling for as much as $4.75.

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Christmas Services in the Churches

Anglican Church
Rev. J. H. Whealen, Rector.
Christmas Day—Holy Communion.
Sunday, December 27—Christmas Carol Service.

Baptist Church
Rev. J. Taylor, Pastor
Sunday, December 20, 1925.
Morning: 11 a.m.
Subject: "Visit of Wise Men."
Anthem: "Zion Awake" W. T. Giffe.
Evening, 7 p.m.
Subject: "Adoration of Shepherds."
Anthem: "Herald Angels," C. H. Gabriel.
Quartette: "O Little Town of Bethlehem," Redner.
Trio: "Silent Night," Franz Gruber.

Knox United Church
Rev. W. H. Smith, Pastor.
Sunday, December 20, 1925.
Morning, 11 a.m.
Subject: "Blessed Are the Meek."
Anthem: "See Amid the Winter Snow," John West.
Anthem: "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night," Smart
Evening, 7 p.m.
Subject: "Good News for Wise Men."
Christmas Cantata: "The World's Redeemer," Halton.
1. "He Shall Reign Forever," Choir.
2. "'Neath the Stormy Heavens," Duet and Choir.
3. "Arise and Shine," Choir.
4. "From Lands Afar," Men's Chorus and Choir.
5. "The Gates of Heaven Unbar," Bass Solo and Choir.
6. "I Bring You Good Tidings," Contralto Solo and two-part Women's Chorus.
7. "Glory to God in the Highest," Tenor Solo and Choir.
8. "The Song and the Star," Soprano Solo and Choir.
9. "Christmas Merories," Choir, Soprano and Alto Duet, Tenor and Bass Duet.
10. "He Came to Redeem the World," Soprano and Alta Duet, Bass and Tenor Duet and Choir.
11. "Come Let Us Adore Him," Choir.

Queen Street United Church
Rev. J. E. Peters, Pastor.
The Sunday services in the Queen Street Church will be something special. The Sunday School will be in charge. The programme will consist of recitations, singing, hymn pantomimes, etc. During the service, the scholars will bring "White Gifts for the King" and thus give presents rather than receive them. This will be an unique event in the history of the Sunday School of this Church.

Presbyterian Church
Rev. B. D. Armstrong, Pastor
Sunday, December 20, 1925.
Morning, 11 a.m.
Subject: "The Lamb of God," John 1:29.
Anthem. "Haste, Haste From Afar!"
Solo: Selected, Mr. McComb.
Anthem: "Christ the Lord of Earth and Sky."
Evening, 7 p.m.
Subject: "The Nativity," Luke 2:11.
Anthem: "Jesu Word of God Incarnate."
Solo: "No Room in the Sun," Mr. Buschlen.
Anthem: "The King of Kings."
Solo, "Come Unto Him," (from the Messiah), Mrs. McFadden.

REV. W. A. MATTHEWS CALLED TO LION'S HEAD

Popular Pastor at Shallow Lake Leaves Village on Friday.

Rev. W. A. Matthews, a former Durham boy and brother of Mr. Robert Matthews and Miss Matthews here, has accepted a call to be pastor of the Lion's Head circuit and left on Friday afternoon to assume his duties. The circuit has four appointments, Centreville and Lion's Head, afternoon and evening, every Sunday, Spry and Hope Bay, morning and alternate Sundays.

Rev. Mr. Matthews had a successful pastorate at Shallow Lake for over two years and continued to still live there since Rev. W. H. Bartlett came to the circuit, and with deep regret leaves the community, for both he and wife have made friends of everyone in the community since going there. Before going to Shallow Lake, he spent four years on the Kemble circuit and six years at Colpoys, and is the only pastor ever stationed there that was given a presentation upon his departure from the circuit.

The Bait

The gentleman who kept the milliner's shop in the little country town was a smart business man indeed. He knew just when to strike and just when the iron was hot enough. That was how he had built up such a prosperous business.

"Miss Smith," he said to one of his assistants last Wednesday morning, "do you know anything about the new minister who is coming to the town next week?"

"Yes," replied the girl, "he is a tall, good-looking man, about 28, and he isn't married."

"Is that so?" said the proprietor briskly. "Miss Smith, you may put all the new hats in the shop into the front window right away."

Correct this sentence: "I never put more clothes on the children," said she, "if they say they are warm enough."

Read the Classified Ads. on Page 9.

TENDERED FAREWELL BEFORE LEAVING FARM

Neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. James J. Finnigan of Normanby Gathered at Their Home Tuesday Evening.

On Tuesday evening of this week, the neighbors and friends of Mr. and Mrs. James J. Finnigan of Normanby, who for a number of years have resided on their farm a short distance south of Barber's Corners on the Provincial Highway gathered at their home to tender them a fitting farewell before their departure from this vicinity and wish them well in their new home at Windsor or Detroit, to either of which cities they intend removing shortly after the New Year. A sale of their farm stock and implements is being held on Tuesday next.

Mr. Alf. McCabe of Varney was elected to thec hair and after a few preliminary remarks, he called upon Mr. and Mrs. Finigan to come forward, when Mr. James Leeson read an address and Mr. William Porter presented them with a purse of money. To their two children, Rosaline and Reta, were presented silver cups. Mr. and Mrs. Finnigan replied feelingly to their old friends for their thoughtfulness and kindly spirit. Then followed speeches by a number of their old neighbors in which were expressed the regret of the whole neighborhood in their departure and the hope that much success might be their lot in their new home. The remainder of the evening was spent in cards and dancing. Following is the address:

To Mr. and Mrs. Finnigan and Family.

Dear Friends:

It is with much pleasure that we, your friends and neighbors, have gathered here this evening, yet it is with regret that we learn of your departure from our midst. You have been kind and obliging neighbors, always ready to lend a helping hand when needed. You have always made us welcome in your home in which many a happy evening was spent. We trust and hope that your new home will be a happy one and that your path may be smooth and rosy. We ask you to accept these gifts, not for their value, but as a mark of the esteem in which you are held.

Signed on behalf of your friends and neighbors—Albert Keller, James Leeson, Norman Carson, William Porter.

FORMER GLENELG MAN DIED AT INVERMAY

Archibald Campbell Was Formerly Well-known in This Vicinity, but Has Lived in Saskatchewan for Past Twenty Years.

There passed away on Saturday, November 21, one of the pioneers of the district in the person of Mr. Archibald Campbell of Invermay, Sask., who had been a resident of that place for over twenty years.

The deceased was born about three miles east of Durham on the Gravel Road in the year 1855 and received his education in Black's school house, S. S. No. 1, Glenelg. Prior to his arrival at Invermay, he had been engaged in railroad construction and had built some of the first bridges along the Canadian National and Canadian Pacific Railways. A number of years ago, while engaged in that work, he met with an accident, breaking both legs, which left him lame for the rest of his life.

On his arrival at Invermay, he and the late Walter Tulloch formed a partnership in the mercantile business. He also homesteaded land adjoining the town, where he spent the remainder of his life.. The late Mr. Campbell took a live interest in politics and in all matters pertaining to the well-being of the community in which he lived. He was married in the year 1907 to Miss Margaret Lindsay of Durham, Ont., who predeceased him in 1915. Mr. Campbell had enjoyed comparatively good health until the last few months when his health began to fail, his ailment being diagnosed by his doctor as cancer.

The funeral was largely attended, the Modern Woodmen, of which he was an honorary member, taking part in the service at the graveside. Beautiful wreaths were placed on the casket by both the Modern Woodmen and Agricultural Societies.

The subject of this sketch leaves one brother, Hugh, who resides at the old home in Glenelg. Shortly after his wife's death, he requested his cousin, Mr. D. McKinnon, formerly of Priceville, to take over his property at Invermay, and with whom he spent his decling years, where he received the kindest attention from Mr. and Mrs. McKinnon, and also from Mr. T. S. Matthews, formerly of Durham, who remained with him the last few days at his request. Neighbors and friends also vied with each other in their offerings of floral tributes and kindly efforts to cheer the sufferer

ADDED FIVE PER CENT CAUSES MUCH TALK

Imposition of Penalty to Tardy Ones Caused Quite a Discussion on Streets and at Council Board.

Just now the added 5 per cent to those who neglected to pay their taxes on or before December 12 last is the topic of the day, and in some quarters, causes almost as much commotion as Premier's Ferguson's 4.4 per cent, the present legal strength of Ontario beer.

And like Premier Ferguson's beer, the Durham Council has run afoul of some of the taxpayers in their increase of the percentage. On the one hand, those who neglected to come across with their tax money in a good many instances, are quite emphatic in their declarations, while on the other hand, those who did pay will be fully as emphatic in their condemnation of the Council if they back down on their ruling and accept the tax arrears without the necessary 5 per cent added.

In speaking to The Chronicle, one man says he was prepared to pay his taxes on Saturday, but before the banks opened in the morning, he was called out of town and did not arrive home until after 12 o'clock noon, only to find both banks closed. He was on the job the first thing Monday morning, but the bank would not accept the money without the additional 5 per cent and neither would the town treasurer.

The matter generally was discussed at the Council meeting Tuesday night, but no solution could be arrived at. While regretting the inconvenience caused certain of the citizens, the members of the Council could not see how they could go back on their ruling, especially as the final dates for payment were both announced in last week's papers.

In the meantime, over $3,500 in taxes remains unpaid, and the town needs the money. There are evidently only three methods to pursue: the Council to back down on the 5 per cent proposition, put the tax collector on his rounds the first of the year, or borrow the money from the bank on interest and wait until the money comes in next spring.

Even to wear a moustache as a sign of masculinity most men need the consent of their wives.

Useful and Acceptable Gifts for Christmas

Ladies' Scarfs, the very newest
Satin Slippers
Chappie Coats
Sweater Coats
Toques, all colors
Gloves
Hosiery
Children's Woollen Pullovers
Children's House Slippers
Men's Woollen Gloves
Silk Underwear

C. L. GRANT

D. H. S. COMMENCEMENT TOMORROW NIGHT

Annual Public Appearance of High School Pupils in New Entertainment Sure to Draw Big House

Next Friday night (tomorrow) is the big night of the year for the Durham High school pupils when the annual commencement exercises take place. On these occasions, the pupils in past years have excelled themselves in the production of plays, folk dances and athletic exhibitions, and there is no good reason why the same should not apply this year. The entertainment to be provided to morrow night has been carefully prepared and rehearsed, and patrons may well expect some happy surprises in this year's program.

The usual presentation of diplomas and medals also takes place on this evening. As in former years, the hall will be crowded, and the elders be required to sit back and let youth have its fling.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. (Rev.) W. H. Smith has returned to town after spending a week with old friends in Thorold.

Mrs. W. J. McGirr, who a couple of weeks ago underwent an operation in Durham Hospital, was discharged from that institution Monday and is spending a week with her sister, Mrs. H. W. Hunt, Bentinck.

Mrs. S. Ritchie of Toronto is visiting with her daughter, Mr. William Bogle, Varney.

Mr. Hilton Rowe, who has spent the past couple of months at Flint, Mich., returned to town last week for the Christmas season.

Mrs. E. W. Limin returned home Tuesday from a month's visit with her daughters at Wallaceburg, London, Woodstock and Stratford.

Mrs. William Ryan and Mrs. John Bailey have returned from Toronto where they have spent a pleasant week visiting their sisters, the Misses McFadden.

Miss Victoria McFadden is spending the Christmas holidays with her sisters in Toronto.

DURHAM MARKET

Corrected December 17, 1925.

Live Hogs	$12.00
Wheat	1.35 @ 1.40
Oats	.40 @ .42
Barley	.60 @ .65
Buckwheat	.60 @ .65
Peas	1.15 @ 1.25
Mixed Grain, per cwt.	1.15 @ 1.25
Hay	10.00 @12.00
Eggs	.40 @ .50
Butter	.30 @ .35
Potatoes, per bag	1.50
Sheepskins	.50 @ .75
Cattle	.04 @ .08
Chickens	.16 @ .25
Ducks	.18 @ .20

Only 6 More Shopping Days Till Christmas

We have a larger assortment of useful gifts than ever. Something that will be appreciated. We invite you to call and look over our stock before completing your gift list.

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Boni Blue Enamel Ware
Pyrex Ware
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Jardinieres.
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Electric Table Lamps and Fixtures
C. C. M. Skates
Hockey Sticks
Hand Sleighs
Snowshoes
Ever Ready Flashlights
Safety Razors from 50c up.
Manicure Sets
Jack Knives
Mitts and Gloves

Solid Copper Boilers, reg. $6.00, for.....$3.25
Solid Copper Boilers, reg. $4.00, for.....$2.75
Solid Copper Nickle Plated Tea Kettles, only $2.00

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We Are Overstocked-- We Must Unload

We are determined to reduce our stock this year, and in order to do so, we are offering many articles at **Reduced Prices**

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Do not miss this opportunity to secure Christmas Gifts at Low Prices.

Come and see what the word BARGAIN really means.

The following are a few of the many Bargains:

Ladies' Silk Scarfs, fringe ends, reg. $2.25, for....$1.49
Ladies' Silk Handkerchiefs, reg. 25c, for.....15c
Dolls, reg. $1.50, half price 75c
Teddy Bears, reg. $3.00, half price $1.50
Hand Sleighs, reg. 75c, for 49c
Lustre Cups and Saucers, reg. 35c, for 25c
Ladies' Boxed Handkerchiefs, reg. 35c, per box.....25c
Large Doll Carriages, reg. $6.00 for $4.95
Assorted Chocolates, reg. 50c, per lb. 32c

Come and Get Your Share of the Bargains

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I would to meet all the boys and girls in Durham and Vicinity at the Variety Store, Sat., Dec. 19, from 2 to 3 o'clock

Santa Claus

THE VARIETY STORE

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For Father
A pair of Leather or Felt House Slippers or a pair of Genuine All-Wool English Hosiery.

For the Little Ones
A pair of Bunny Foot Boots or a pair of Cosy Slippers.

For the Girls
A pair of Overshoes, a pair of Skating Boots or a pair of Cosy Slippers.

For the Boys
A pair of Hockey Boots or a pair of Moccasins.

We have a fine assortment of Suitcases and Club Bags which make Beautiful and Useful Presents. Leather Club Bags ranging in price from.....$6.00 to $30.00

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