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GLENELG PIONEER LAID TO REST

Late John Boyd Had Been Resident of Township All His Life. Other News of Glenelg District as Told By Our Correspondents.

The Angel of Death came not unexpectedly to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gillen Boyd, Glenelg, and bore home the spirit of John Boyd, brother of Gillen Boyd, on Thursday at 2 a. m., December 16.

For two years or better John had been a partial invalid although he did not finally give up work until March of this year.

John Boyd was born on the farm now owned by Lachie McLean, on the gravel road Glenelg, seventy-five years ago. He spent his boyhood days there and followed farm continuously as his occupation.

For many years he worked with the Grierson Bros. of Bentinck, also with Messrs. Mills and Knapp also of Bentinck, but for the past twenty years he has operated and managed the farm of the late R. H. Banks, and Mrs. R. H. Banks of the 2nd concession Glenelg.

Religiously he was a Presbyterian and by that body was laid to rest last Saturday afternoon beside his own family in the Rocky Saugeen cemetery, although during his residence in the Banks home he was a regular attendant at the Methodist Church, Zion.

He leaves to follow after him, one brother and one sister.

Thanks are extended by the family to Rev. B. D. Armstrong, and all the neighbors, who so kindly extended their sympathy during his sickness and death.

The funeral took place Saturday afternoon from his brother's residence.

Maud Boyd got leave of absence from her position in Toronto to spend a few days with her mother, at Mrs. Banks.

Mr. Jack McKenzie and family of Saskatchewan are spending the winter at the old parental home.

Messrs. Bowman and Ratz of Kitchener are busy cutting lumber at the mill, and getting it ready for shipping.

Heavy shipments of slab wood are being moved out daily to send to Southern cities.

Mr. and Mrs. Marcelles of Acton are spending Christmas vacation at her old home with Mr. and Mrs. Trafford.

Jimmie Cox is spending his vacation with his mother at Guelph.

Marion Boyd of Toronto teaching staff came home to attend the funeral of her uncle, John Boyd.

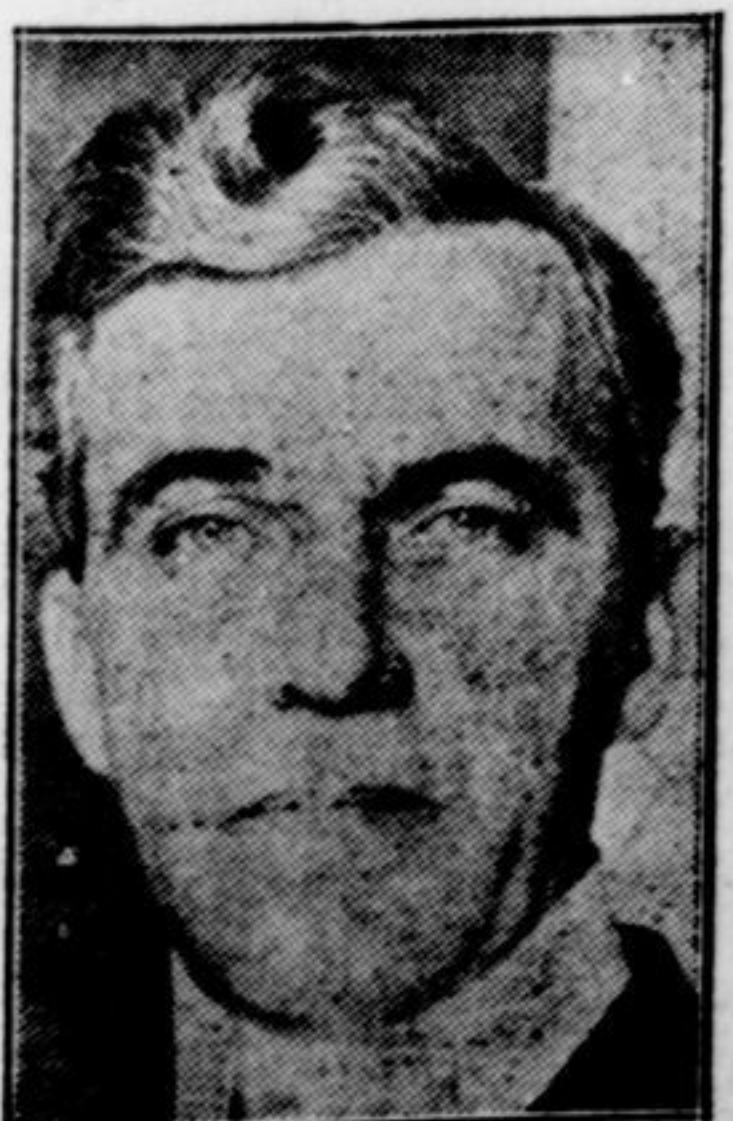
Mrs. Allan Boyd of Leader, Sask., will spend the winter with her mother, Mrs. R. H. Banks.

Mrs. J. J. Malcolm of Chetek, Wisconsin is spending Christmas with her mother, Mrs. Banks.

PRESBYTERIAN CHOIR SHOWERED NEWLY-WEDS

The home of Mrs. A. W. H. Lauder was the scene of a pleasant gathering recently when the members of the Presbyterian choir sprung a surprise on Mr. and Mrs. E. S. McArthur, members of the choir and but recently married, and presented the bride with a miscellaneous shower.

The choir had met for regular choir practice and the presentation following the rehearsals, was a real surprise to Mr. and Mrs. McArthur, though they were able to collect themselves sufficiently to reply to the kind words said of them and thank the donors for their thoughtfulness. Following the presentation a most pleasant evening was spent in games and social intercourse before the company departed for their various homes.



MAJOR ALEX C. LEWIS He has been appointed Clerk of the Ontario Legislature, succeeding the late A. H. Sydere. Major Lewis is a former member of the House for one of the Toronto seats.



WORLD'S RECORD HEN A full view and a close-up of S. C. White Leghorn No. 6, which laid 351 eggs in 364 days at Agassiz, B.C. This bird, which laid for 213 consecutive days without a break, was bred and is owned by the University of British Columbia, Vancouver.

FARM YOUNG PEOPLE MET IN CONVENTION

Harold MacKechnie Elected President of Junior Body.

Harold MacKechnie, an enterprising young agriculturalist from Durham, has been chosen as the leader of the United Farm Young People of Ontario in their activities for the coming year. At the convention held Wednesday of last week in Foresters' Hall, Toronto he was elected as the new president of the organization with W. H. Hamilton, (New Glasgow), to support him as vice-president. Following the lead of their elders, who spent the day in convention at Massey Hall, the young farmers of the Province gathered some one hundred and fifty strong to discuss the rural problems of Ontario, and to evolve plans for the future of their organization. This discussion for the most part centred around the athletic programs which had been carried on, and it was decided that every encouragement should be given to this phase of the association's work. Reports showed that the interest taken in the debating contest held last season had been keen, and these will be continued where possible.

F. Oliver, M.P.P.-elect for South Grey, gave a short address during the session, emphasizing the need of organization among the young people of the Province.

In his address to the delegates with which he closed his term of office, E. Carrol, Lindsay, the retiring president declared that there were three main essentials which must be given their place if the young people's movement was to prove successful. It must seek first to encourage in every possible way those things which would tend towards the economic development of the province. It must seek to bring together the scattered inhabitants of that Province in closer bonds of social intercourse, and finally it must seek to develop in the individual and in the community that sense of the finer ideals of life, which would produce a Canadian manhood and a Canadian womanhood worthy of the land which has given them birth.

ROCKY SAUGEEN SCHOOL GAVE CLOSING CONCERT

Big Crowd Gathered to Listen to Program and Enjoy Christmas Tree Festivities

The Christmas concert at the Rocky Saugeen school was given Monday evening, the school was well filled with interested parents and friends, who felt as the program drew to a close that they had spent a most enjoyable evening, and had been well entertained by the children.

Little Miss Glenna Lawrence in her "Fiddle Song," was well received, as was a unique Christmas Tree Drill. A number entitled "Southern Melodies" was a popular one. Several darkies gathered in a home one evening and had a sing song of southern favorites. Good recitations were given by Myrtle Mc-

N. H. L. GROUPING WAS MADE MONDAY

Durham Has Both Intermediate And Junior Teams Entered, and Chances for Plenty of Hockey This Year Are Bright

With other important business the executive of the Northern arranged the grouping of the teams in the intermediate and junior series at a meeting held at Palmerston on Monday of this week. C. M. Steinacher of town, one of the executive was present at the meeting and reports much enthusiasm and a bright outlook for the coming season in the Northern. Following is the grouping arranged:

Intermediate series: Group 1—Kincairdine, Ripley, Lucknow and Wingham. George Howson, Wingham, convener. Meet at Wingham.

Group 2—Listowel, Palmerston, Paisley, Harriston and Elora. R. Horning, Harriston, convener. Meet at Palmerston.

Group 3—Chesley, Hanover, Walkerton and Durham. Walkerton playing their home games at Hanover rink. C. M. Steinacher, Durham convener. Meet at Hanover.

Group 4—St. Mary's, Clinton, Mitchell, Seaforth, Exeter and Tavistock. W. W. Richards, St. Mary's convener. Meet at Stratford. Convener and teams to be allowed majority vote to split group into A and B. Sections.

Group 5—Arthur, Grand Valley and Mount Forest. Eugene Murphy Jr., Mount Forest, convener. Meet at Mount Forest.

Junior Series

Group 1—Kincairdine and Lucknow. Dr. Marcus, Kincairdine, convener. Meet at Kincairdine.

Group 2, Section A—Palmerston, Listowel, Milverton. Section B—Mitchell, R. Horning, Palmerston, convener. Meet at Palmerston.

Group 3, Section A—Harriston and Mount Forest. B. Whitmore, Harriston, convener. Meet at Harriston. Section B—Durham and Hanover. C. M. Steinacher, Durham, convener. Meet at Hanover.

Conveners of A and B sections of Group 3 to confer and draw sections or group play-off dates.

All schedules must be drawn and in the hands of the League Secretary, George Howson, Wingham, on Tuesday, December 28. The conveners will secure from club representatives the names and addresses of suggester referees, names of club officials and the club playing colors of each team in the group. All schedules must be drawn to give a winner of each respective group on or before January 31, 1927, this to include winners of groups drawn in two sections. All two-team groups will be required to play double schedules in accordance with N.H.L. rules.

It is likely that the playing schedule for the local district will be drawn up next Monday or Tuesday.

MRS. UNICOME DEAD AT WINNIPEG

Former Resident of Durham and Edge Hill Succumbed to Attack of Anaemia. Had Been Resident of Manitoba for Many Years.

Word was received in town Tuesday morning of this week announcing the death at Winnipeg on Monday of Mrs. E. Unicum, who passed away following an illness of some months from anaemia. Mrs. Unicum was better known as Madge Collier, and was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Collier. She was born near Edge Hill and spent a number of years here before removing to Western Canada about twenty-five years ago. Mrs. Unicum took a position in the store of the late C. L. Grant, here, then in Upper Town, and remained with him until 1902 or 1903, when she went West to Manitoba, where she has since resided. She was married 21 years ago to Mr. E. Unicum, at Brandon, Man., shortly afterward moving to Winnipeg, and has since been a resident of that city for a number of years, where Mr. Unicum is engaged in the mercantile business.

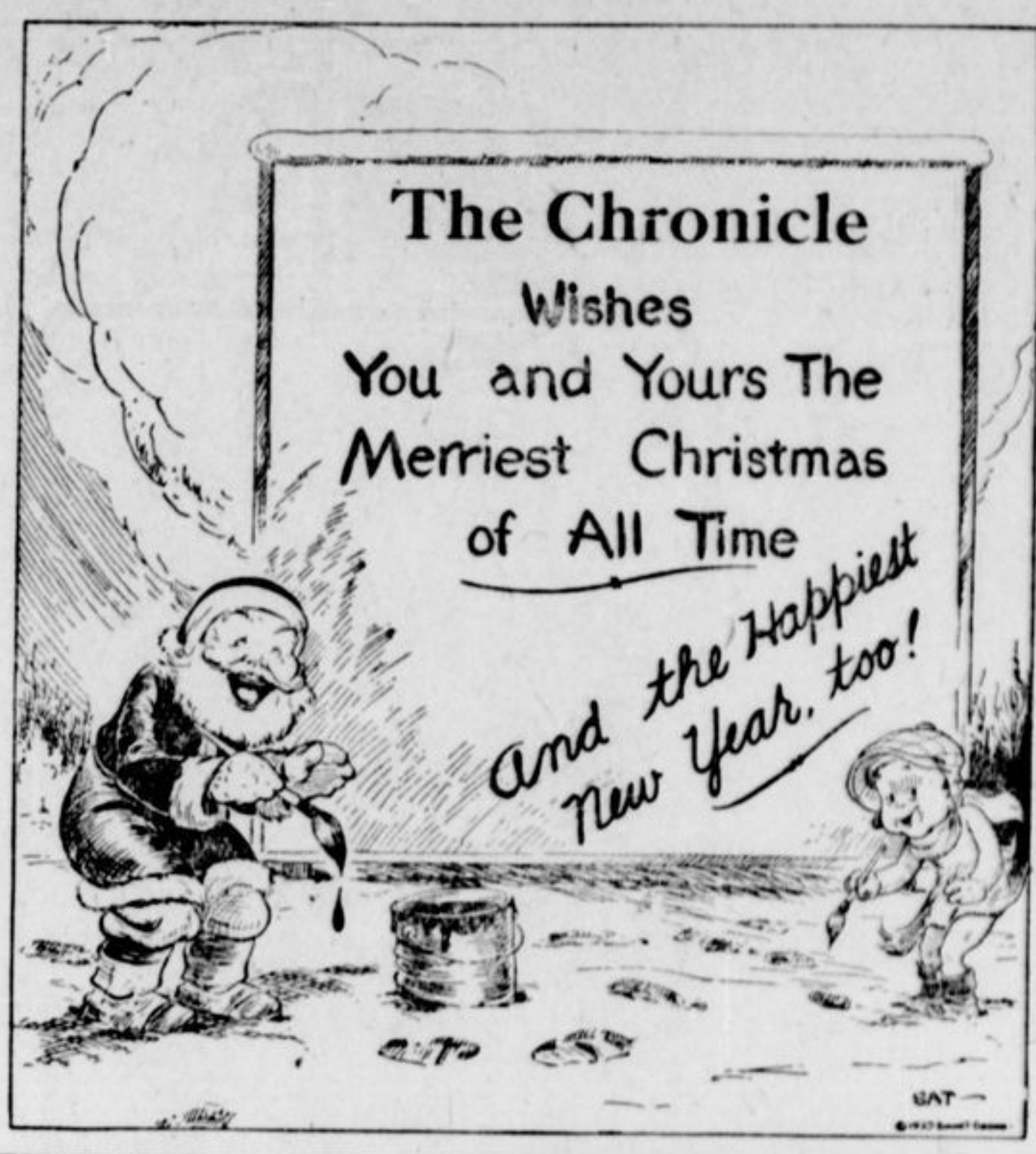
Besides her husband, two sons, Charles and Ted, survive, to all of whom the sympathy of old friends in Durham is extended.

The funeral was held yesterday, interment being made in one of the Winnipeg cemeteries, where the deceased has resided so long.

Mrs. Unicum was a cousin of Mr. George Kress of this town, who received the notification of her death, and an aunt of Mr. Thomas Collier, also of Durham.

Mrs. Unicum, when here, was a most popular lady, kindly and obliging, and on a visit here some two years ago, spent a most enjoyable time with many friends who were pleased to see her after a lapse of years.

YES -- FOLKS



MOON GAZERS WERE DISAPPOINTED

Local Astronomical Amateurs Waited Long and Anxiously for Much Heralded Display Last Saturday Night and Sunday Morning.

The announcement in Saturday's daily papers that the moon was to cut up didoes about 1:30 Sunday morning, was received enthusiastically in town and up to that hour quite a few of the town's would-be astronomers held down positions in various vantage points to witness the phenomenon which, it was said, occurred only every 400 years, and was simply great to watch. As we had not seen the last display of this kind, and were not really sure that we would have the time to witness the next, the editor of this paper joined the throng in Lum Chong's restaurant and up to the appointed hour spent the time in consuming some of Lum's delicious hamburgers and "trimmings".

As the hour of 1:30 a.m. Sunday approached, the gathering repaired to the roadway and commenced gazing. Nothing happened, and as the evening was chilly the restaurant was selected as a thawing-out place for another few minutes. At 2 o'clock there was some more stargazing with no better results and the crowd dispersed. Had the astronomer who announced the event been around about this time there is little doubt he would not have been flattered with the general opinion expressed as to his competence in predicting events of this kind, and would have been even less chasty had he been around the next day when the local throng appeared, each with a kink in the back of his neck similar to that enjoyed when you are late for church and get ushered up to the front seat and have to look up at he minister at a 50 degree angle while he is deesting himself of an hour's discourse or more.

Monday's papers explained the matter. The eminent astronomer has been wrong, and there had been "nothing doing" with the moon on Sunday morning. The phenomenon predicted was to show us the moon in various colors caused by it being nearly opposite the sun at this hour, and the rays of the solar orb were supposed to color the moon into the various colors of the rainbow at times. Somewhere else at this time a total eclipse was taking place, but from this part of the world it was invisible except that the edge of the earth's shadow was playing about the rim of the moon. This was said to be nothing out of the ordinary and was described by Toronto astronomers as an "apulse", whatever that is, and occurs quite frequently.

We have made up our minds to one thing. We are not going to waste half the night at the next 400th anniversary and not see anything, and think the majority of the would-be sightseers in town last Sunday morning will say the same.

NEW HIGH SCHOOL TEACHER HAS BEEN ENGAGED

Miss Lane, of Prescott has been engaged by the local High School board to take the place of Mr. H. A. McQueen, resigned. Miss Lane comes highly recommended and commences her duties after the first of the year.

PASSED EXAMINATIONS

We are pleased to report that Kenneth Kerr, of Varney was successful in passing with first-class honors his junior examination at the College of Pharmacy, Toronto. Congratulations.

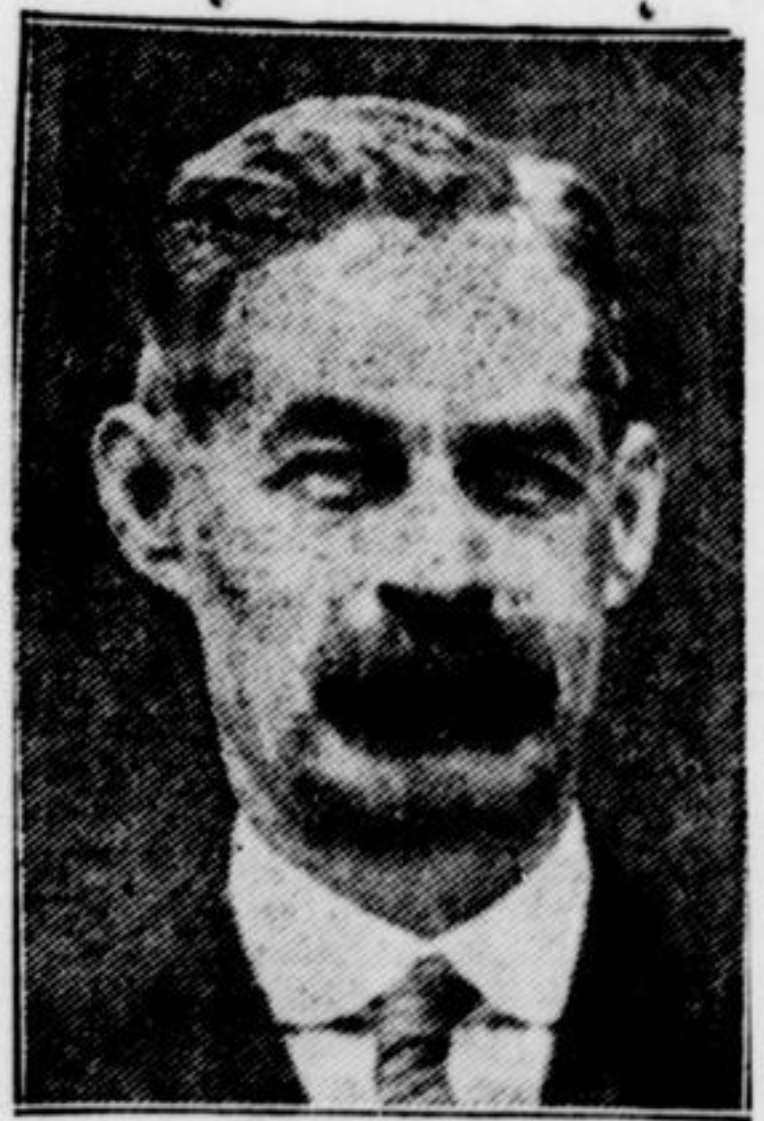
MRS. OSCAR BECKER DIED IN STATES

Former Resident of Durham Passed Away on 11th inst., at Home at Carney Point, N. J.

Word was received at The Chronicle office this week of the death on the 11th of December, at her home, 272 Market street, Carney Point, New Jersey, of Anna Mary Burger, wife of Oscar Becker.

Mrs. Becker was in her 64th year, but other than the news of her death we have no particulars. Interment was made in Emmanuel cemetery, Penns Grove, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Becker will be remembered by the older residents of Durham, where they resided until about 22 years ago, when they moved to the States. Two years ago a son Oscar, with his family, and brothers, spent a few days in town renewing friendships of earlier days, but to the best of our knowledge, neither Mr. or Mrs. Becker have been back since they left nearly 30 years ago. Friends of the family here will sympathize with them in their loss.



HONORED BY FRANCE Dr. J. A. Anyot, Deputy Minister of the Public Health for Canada, who has been created a Chevalier in the Legion of Honor of the French Republic in recognition of the services he rendered to the Allies during the Great War.

PRESBYTERIAN W. M. S. HAD SUCCESSFUL YEAR

Gratifying Reports Presented at Regular Meeting on Thursday of Last Week.

The regular meeting of the Presbyterian W. M. S. was held on Thursday of last week at the home of Mrs. A. Derby on Bruce Street. There was a good attendance, and as it was the annual meeting as well the various reports presented were very gratifying, showing, as they did, that the society has enjoyed a very successful year, and that satisfactory progress has been made in all their lines of endeavor.

Following are the officers elected for the coming year:

Honorary Presidents, Mrs. Gun, Mrs. Park, Mrs. A. Weir, Mrs. Campbell; President, Mrs. A. Derby; 1st Vice President, Mrs. (Rev.) Armstrong; 2nd Vice President, Mrs. W. G. Firth; 3rd Vice President, Mrs. S. Patterson; 4th Vice-President, Mrs. J. McDonald; Secretary, Mrs. J. H. Harding; Treasurer, Mrs. J. Morrison; Home Workers Secy., Mrs. J. F. Grant; Glad Tidings Secy., Miss E. Calder; Welcome and Welfare Secy., Miss A. Weir; Supply Secy., Mrs. J. M. Burgess; Press Secy., Miss E. Paterson; Expense Fund Secy., Mrs. J. Hepburn.

MEETING FAVORED BUILDING ADDITION TO HIGH SCHOOL

Mr. W. Calder Was Only Ratepayer On Hand to Take Objection.—Dr. Grant Gave Brilliant Address on Advantages to Town, Educationally and Financially, of Erecting the Proposed Addition.

Though the meeting in the Town Hall last Monday night to discuss the building of the proposed new addition to the Durham High school was not as largely attended as it should have been, there was no opposition of any kind to the proposed program with the exception of Mr. William Calder, who spoke for half an hour on the dire things that would result were the ratepayers to commit themselves and vote for the \$25,000 expenditure.

Mr. Calder took exception to the amount to be expended and said that it would in all probability result as in 1915 with the School Board coming back for more money. He referred to the rising school taxes and said that in his opinion a good common school education was all that was sufficient or necessary for the modern youth of the land. The professions today were filled to overflowing and there was not much use in a boy being trained for one of these as all the positions were filled and there was no outlet here. At the age of 16 or thereabouts a boy should begin to "look around" and have some plans as to his future. He should do this with the idea of associating himself with some of the utilitarian trades. A town the size of Durham should not be expected to provide as high system of education as larger centres.

Durham had as large and well equipped a High school as any other town of its size and he was not in favor of spending any more money for extra accommodation or equipment. He referred to letters in the Hanover Post and said that there was plenty of evidence to show that

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HON. DR. JAMIESON MAY BE CHAIRMAN OF LIQUOR BOARD

Persistent Rumors, Emanating From Toronto, Say Durham Physician Almost Sure of Big Appointment.

Where there is a lot of smoke there must be some fire, and on this hypothesis there must be something in the persistent rumors that Hon. Dr. Jamieson, of Durham, formerly member of the Legislature for South Grey, is to be offered a big position by the Government. Last Saturday's Toronto Globe says that it is said he is slated for a membership on the Liquor Commission, with the probability of being offered the chairmanship.

Dr. Jamieson himself is not talking on the matter, but it is the opinion of those who know him best, both in South Grey and Toronto, that Premier Ferguson could not make a better choice for this important position, made necessary by the recent voting throughout the province favoring Government Control. Dr. Jamieson is a man of vast experience and great knowledge, is a temperance man in the truest sense of the word, and we know of no one who could handle a position of this size with more credit to himself and the Government. His fitness for the position is recognized by both supporters and opponents in this part of the country, and his experience in business life and in the handling of men would be of great value to any government about to embark on such a new venture as Government Control. The Control policy in the distribution of liquor is to be a strict one, and it will require a good man at the head of things. To our mind, Dr. Jamieson is the man, and we will be pleased to hear of his appointment.

Smilin' Charlie Says—



"To th' victor belongs th' spoils o' war - sez th' sage -- and th' last one sure did spoil some o' th' victors."