

OWEN SOUND TRIBUTE TO DURHAM TEAM

Fans of That City Disappointed When Durham Seniors Lost.—Sun-Times Has Kind Things to Say of Durham Players.

Referring to the recent game in which Durham Seniors lost out to Tavistock in the Northern League race, last Thursday's Daily Sun-Times says:

"Durham was the outstanding Northern League team in this part of the district. Besides winning their way into the N.H.L. finals, they also won their Intermediate O. H. A. group and gave Listowel a good series in the second round. Durham played an exhibition game with the Greys and, while beaten, won themselves a lot of friends in Owen Sound. They carry a strong forward line and a fine defence. There are no better right wingers in the N.H.L. than Elvidge, who is a real star. He has done plenty of scoring all season. Elvidge works in well with McGirr and Buschlen who are also smart performers. Wilson is a defenceman who showed a lot of promise and while a veteran, Clements has enjoyed one of his best years. McDonald played goal part of the season but of late 'Socks' Kress, star hockey and rugby player of Western University London, has been doing duty between the posts. He is a Durham lad.

"Durham lost to Tavistock only after three exciting struggles. The teams tied at Tavistock and again in Durham and then had to wait for some time before ice was available. The lay-off affected Durham's team play, which was a feature of their play, but Tavistock are very worthy champions.

That Lauder Libel

Following the game with Montreal juniors the Owen Sound paper carried a report that Lauder, Owen Sound's good left winger, and a Durham boy, had got himself in "wrong" when, at the close of the game, he had taken a pot shot with the puck at Whyte, the Montreal goalie, and had to have police protection when he came off the ice. Knowing Martin, or "Harry," or "Scottie," or "Sir Harry," or "Lauder's Favorite Son," by all of which sobriquets he is known in hockey circles, we could hardly credit the report which appeared only in the Sun-Times. We know Martin has a temper when he lets it get away from him, but even our worst visions of him couldn't let us believe he would be the principal in such an act, and when we found out that the Sun-Times report was all "moonshine," we felt like journeying to the Scenery City and wringing that sporting editor's neck. Not knowing just how big he was, or how fast he could fight or run, we allowed discretion instead of valor to govern our course and were pleased to see in a recent issue that the Sun-Times had the goodness to deny the nasty rumor, which it did as follows:

"The fans will be glad to know that the report which stated that Harry had to be escorted from the ice by the police at the close of the Montreal game last Thursday, was erroneous. The fact was, Lauder skated down to Whyte, in the M. A. A. goal and helped him into his dressing room. Whyte, who was injured, nearly collapsed at the end of the game."

We can now accept the Sun-Times correction with good grace but think the public is entitled to a statement as to just how the libel was inserted in the first place. Evidently an attempt is made to square things in the same issue: "Father than being unpopular, there is no more popular member of the Greys with Toronto fans than the Durham boy. His great playing has made him one of the favorites."

At the morning service Sunday, March 27, the W.M.S. of the Queen Street United church observed their annual Thankoffering for Missions. Rev. J. E. Peters opened the service in the usual manner with the singing of a hymn and prayer. He was then obliged to withdraw to attend the funeral service of the late Mr. James McNally at Zion, held early in the afternoon. Mrs. H. McCrae very ably took his place in making the announcements and introducing the speaker of the morning, Mrs. Staples of Hanover.

All who heard the address pronounced Mrs. Staples to have a most fluent and pleasing delivery, and her material was very instructive and appealing. The choir was composed of ladies who rendered two missionary numbers. Mrs. W. A. McGowan read the scripture lesson from Hebrews xi: 1-10 and 32-39. The ushers were ladies of the W. M. S. and the offering, which was very liberal, was also taken by ladies.

EASTER THANK OFFERING AT QUEEN ST. CHURCH

Mrs. W. D. Staples of Hanover Addressed the Congregation on Behalf of the Women's Missionary Society.

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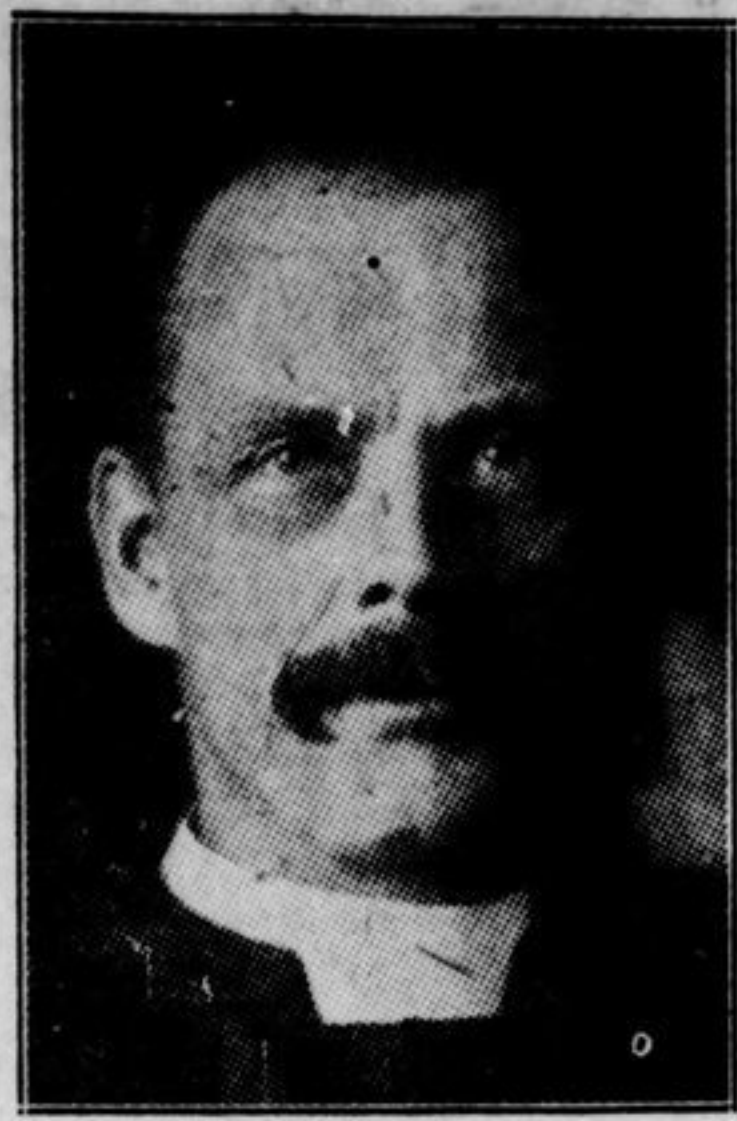
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They Began It

"My razor doesn't cut at all." "Come, come," replied the wife. "Your beard is no tougher than the linoleum I cut yesterday."



REV. DR. A. GANDIER

Of Toronto, who cabled from Shanghai that mission work in China will be continued.

PRICEVILLE LADIES' AID MEETING LAST WEEK

Met in Conjunction With the W. M. S. When Much Business was Done and Officers Elected

The March meetings of the W.M.S. and Ladies' Aid of St. Columba Church, Priceville, was held at the manse on Wednesday, the 23rd inst. The former society convened first with Mrs. Robert Parslow, vice-president in the chair. The meeting opened with singing and the Scripture lesson read by Mrs. Peter Muir. The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted and the Treasurer's report received. The roll call was responded to by a Bible verse on "joy". Next month, in keeping with the Easter spirit the roll call will be answered by a verse on "life". For the "Watch Tower," Mrs. H. B. McLean read an article entitled "A Daughter of Tyre." The topic for the month was chapter five of the study book, "New Days in Old India," was taken by Mrs. A. Muir. This was followed by a sweetly rendered duet by Mrs. Peter Muir and Mrs. H. B. McLean.

It being the annual meeting of the society the election of officers took place and resulted as follows:

Pres.: Mrs. (Rev.) McCormack 1st Vice Pres.: Mrs. Robt. Parslow 2nd Vice Pres.: Mrs. A. S. Muir Secretary: Miss Edith James Treasurer: Mrs. S. McDermid Pianist: Miss Martha Watson Ass't Pianist: Mrs. Fred Karstead "The Missionary Monthly" Sec.: Mrs. L. McArthur Stranger's Sec.: Mrs. D. G. McLean Supply Sec.: Mrs. Mather, Sr. Press Sec.: Mrs. A. S. Muir Associate Helpers: Mrs. John Williamson and Mrs. E. Ritchie.

At the close of the W. M. S. the Ladies' Aid met and after the usual opening exercises presided over by Mrs. L. McArthur, the president, an election of officers took place with the following result:

Pres.: Mrs. L. McArthur Vice Pres.: Mrs. F. McKinnon Secretary: Miss Bertha James Treasurer: Mrs. F. Karstead

The meeting closed with singing after which lunch was served. The Easter meeting will be held on April 20, at the home of Mrs. Fred Karstead.

NEW CHURCH OPENS ON MAY FIRST

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SUMMER SCHEDULE NEXT WEEK

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LATE MRS. MILNE'S DEATH REGRETTED

Passed Away Saturday in Bentinck Three Weeks After Death of Her Sister, Mrs. James McDougall.—Funeral Was Held Monday to Chesley Cemetery.

After an illness of about a month from pneumonia, Mrs. Andrew Milne of Brant Township, near Chesley, passed away last Saturday at the home of her brother, Mr. Duncan McKinnon, in Bentinck.

Mrs. Milne's death is one much regretted in the locality where she was much respected and highly esteemed by a wide circle of friends. Her death followed only three weeks after the death of her sister, Mrs. James McDougall, whom she had nursed during her last illness, and this makes her death more sad as it is believed that it was while attending her late sister that she contracted the malady that caused her death.

Mrs. Milne, who was 56 years of age, was born in Bentinck on the farm on which she died. Her maiden name was Catherine McKinnon and she was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Neil McKinnon, pioneers of the township. She grew up on the homestead, Lot 25, Concession 9, Bentinck, and, about 35 years ago was married to her now sorrowing husband, Mr. Andrew Milne. They lived in Bentinck for a time but subsequently removed to Brant township, where they have resided ever since and have won many friends by their neighborliness and other excellent qualities.

Besides her husband, the late Mrs. Milne leaves a family of one daughter and four sons: Catherine, attending High School in Chesley; Dr. John Milne and Mr. James Milne, of Priceville; Neil and Donald, in Toronto and Andrew at home. She also leaves a sister, Mrs. James Brown, in Vancouver, and four brothers, Duncan, on the homestead in Bentinck, and Allan, John and Angus in the West. A brother, Dan, died two years ago in the West.

The deceased was a Presbyterian in religion, and interment was made Monday afternoon in the Chesley cemetery. We extend the sympathy of the community to those left to mourn the passing of wife, mother and sister.

KNOX UNITED LADIES' SPECIAL THANK OFFERING

Well Attended Gathering Last Week Was Addressed by Mrs. W. D. Staples of Hanover.

The Easter Thank-offering meeting of the W. M. S. of Knox United church was held in the school room on Thursday, March 24 with a large number present. The meeting was opened with prayer by the president, Mrs. John Bell, followed by singing and responsive reading.

The society was fortunate in securing for its speaker Mrs. W. D. Staples of Hanover whose address on "Faith" was an inspiration and great help to all present. Mrs. Staples spoke of Abraham, the father of the faithful, who went out not knowing whether he went, but went in faith. She also spoke of those heroes of later days—Livingstone, Morrison, Campbell and the countless others, who saw the possibilities in far off lands. Mrs. Staples spoke briefly of India, Korea, Africa and of troubled China, giving much information of those missions of which we were not so familiar. She dwelt on our undeveloped resources, urging us to realize more the power of prayer—also to remember the great need of information on these missions. Many are not enthusiastic because of their lack of knowledge of the great needs.

It is not possible to tell all the good things told by Mrs. Staples but they will not soon be forgotten by her hearers.

The duet by Misses Hunter and Bell was a pleasing addition to the programme. The meeting closed with prayer by the President and the Lord's prayer in unison.

Tea was then served and a pleasant hour was spent. The thank-offering amounted to \$132, which gives the Society the assurance that their allocation will be met.

KNOX MISSION BAND GAVE ENTERTAINMENT

The Little Helpers Mission Band of Knox United church gave a very interesting and varied program in the schoolroom of the church on Thursday evening, March 29th. Solos by Clara Thompson and Violet Hinds; instrumentals by Dorothy McFarlane and Jim Henderson, and recitations by Gordon Grant, Bobby Milne and Betty Henderson were well given. A very pretty exercise was put on by Dorothy McDonald and Shirley McIntyre, picturing life in Japan. The eradio exercise and motion songs by the little folks were much enjoyed by all. The boys exercise "Who gives the grain", The mite box convention and springtime drill by the Intermediate girls, and a chorus "The Lilies and the Dialogue 'The Important Question'" by senior girls were all well-given, as were also the choruses sung by the Band. Rev. W. H. Smith was chairman and Mrs. D. Town pianist. Twenty dollars was realized which enables the Band to go over their objective in missionary contributions.



THE STUDENT: "Dad, what'shigamy?" FATHER: "A double helping of too much, my boy." —London Opinion

EGREMONT COUPLE 50 YEARS MARRIED

Mr. and Mrs. James Tucker of the Second Concession Celebrated Their Golden Wedding on Tuesday of This Week.—Have Been Residents of Township for Many Years and Are Much Esteemed.

(Our Concerns Correspondence) Tuesday evening of this week, the 29th of March, was an auspicious one for Mr. and Mrs. James Tucker of the second concession of Egremont, when, surrounded by relatives, neighbors and friends, they celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding day.

Fifty years ago Mr. James Tucker of Egremont, and Miss Fanny Bridges of Belgrave, were made man and wife, the ceremony being performed by the Rev. Mr. Davis, Anglican rector of Wingham, Mr. William Johnson of Belgrave was groomsmen, and Miss Emily Tucker, now Mrs. David McCrae of Victoria, B.C., was bridesmaid.

The happy couple started life on the groom's farm, Lot 4, Concession 2, Egremont, where they have since resided, and improved it to be one of the best farms in the township, with the best of buildings, and although they have had the trials and troubles which ordinarily occur, they have never suffered from fire or tempest.

The union was blessed with five children, two of whom died when young. The three remaining are Thomas, in Durham, Mrs. Joseph Brown of Bentinck, and Mrs. James Hargrave of Egremont.

As well as managing their own affairs, they have also taken an interest in all the advancements of the neighborhood and enjoy the respect of all who know them. Ample preparation for the celebration of their half century of married life, and on Tuesday evening relatives and near neighbors gathered to the number of about sixty to a five o'clock dinner. Before the festivities commenced, the gathering was called to order by the Rev. J. H. Whealen of Durham, who gave a short, appropriate address, and, on behalf of the sixteen grandchildren, Master Borden Brown read the following short address, and Carman Hargrave and Elmer Tucker presented the bride and groom with gifts and flowers from the families.

At the same time Mr. Tucker presented the bride of fifty years ago with a handsome diamond ring. After these ceremonies had been completed, the company then sat down to a sumptuous wedding supper which was heartily partaken of by all present. Later on the company was supplemented with neighbors and friends and at an appropriate time an address expressive of the feelings of the audience was read by Mrs. James Mack, and a short program followed. This consisted of community singing, a duet by the Misses Lennox, speeches by Messrs. William Weir, Thomas Turnbull, Earl Mead, Harold McKechnie and James Mack. There was also instrumental music by Mrs. J. C. Queen and son Carman, instrumentals by the Hooper brothers and others. The chairman was the Rev. Mr. Whealen, who conducted the proceedings in his usual efficient manner.

The remainder of the evening was spent in games and dancing to the best of music, furnished by the Messrs. Hooper, and Messrs. James Hargrave, D. Lawrence, C. Queen and others.

Those present from a distance were Mr. Jerry Bridges and daughter Esther, Mr. Archie Bridges, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bridges and son Jerry, and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Shoebottom, all of Belgrave; Mrs. Clarence Johnson of Blyth, Mr. and Mrs. John Grashy and Mrs. John Reilly of Brussels.

The Addresses

Following is the address read Mr. and Mrs. Tucker from their grandchildren:

To Grandpa and Grandma Tucker. Dear Grandparents: We, your sixteen grandchildren, embrace the opportunity to rejoice with you on this your Golden Wedding Day. We are pleased to know that you are both in good health and likely to be spared to us for many years to give us words of advice from your many years of experience. Your (Continued on page 8)

MIXED TRAIN FOR DURHAM BRANCH?

Current Rumor Is That C.N.R. Intends Giving Durham Third-Rate Mail Service Shortly.

There is a nasty rumor current in town that the C.N.R. officials, with a view to economy, are contemplating to put a mixed train on the noon run into Durham to take the place of the all-passenger service now in operation.

If the above rumor be correct, then it looks as if the powers that be are handing out to Durham, their best meal ticket has up in this part of Ontario, about the worst deal that has been pulled off in some time.

The new schedule, so we learn, calls for a mixed passenger and freight train to arrive here at 12:30 instead of 11:50 and depart at 2:30 instead of 3:15. With the usual regularity of these mixed affairs the actual result will be that the train will be lucky if it gets here in time to turn around again and get out on scheduled time. If this train is put on Durham citizens will not know within an hour or two what time the noon train will arrive and going after the mail will become a sort of hide-and-seek affair.

There was little kick made when the C.N.R. supplanted their steam morning passenger service with the gasoline liver-twister, but this last move, if the rumor is correct, is the straw that breaks the camel's back. This seems like a raw deal to hand to Durham, especially when it is known that Durham is the best paying station the C.N.R. has north of Guelph, Owen Sound included.

The Chronicle tried on Tuesday and Wednesday to get in touch with the officials at Palmerston to get them to deny or confirm the rumor, but was unsuccessful in catching them at home.

The rumor, however, is most persistent, and until we know better, we will have to think that the C.N.R. has it in mind to hand us the worst lemon we have received in a long time. Even if it is a Government-owned railway, the matter of the carrying of His Majesty's mails should be of more importance than keeping them dangling along the right of way between here and Palmerston, to the inconvenience of the citizens of Durham and routes served from this office, in order that Sir Henry may receive a few extra pats on the back from Premier King.



SENATOR W. B. WILLOUGHBY

Chairman of the Divorce Committee who has introduced a bill in the Senate whereby the courts of Ontario will have the power to grant divorces.

INJURED IN TORONTO

Mr. William Gray, superintendent in the Durham Furniture Company's yard here, was injured in Toronto Monday night when he slipped on the steps coming out of the Prince George hotel and struck the back of his head with such force that it required eight stitches to close the wound. Mr. Gray returned to town Tuesday noon and is recovering rapidly from his indisposition.

Miss Tatham—"Do you like geography?" Kate McConaghy—"Yes. It's the only book big enough to hide a 'Love Story' magazine under."

OBITUARY

MRS. J. W. BLYTH

Though it was known that she was seriously ill and with only a slight chance to recover, the news last Sunday morning of the death of Mrs. J. W. Blyth at her home at Varney was a shock to her many friends in the vicinity. An almost continuous resident of the section, the late Mrs. Blyth had endeared herself to a large circle of friends and the news of her passing was received with sincere sadness and regret. A woman of kindly disposition and a good neighbor, she was the first in time of sickness or sorrow to volunteer and when the time came for her to follow, she left a host of friends who were both shocked and grieved to learn that she was no more.

The late Mrs. Blyth was born on Lot 70, on the 2nd Concession of Bentinck, in 1863. She was the youngest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Ezekiel Aldred, and with the exception of six or seven years had spent all her life in the neighborhood. She was married on the 30th of March, 1887, to her now sorrowing husband, Mr. J. W. Blyth, of Copetown, and following the marriage ceremony, the couple returned to the groom's home, where he was conducting a cheese factory. They lived at Copetown for a few years, and spent a year at London, in Beverley Township before returning to Normanby when Mr. Blyth purchased the cheese factory at Varney.

This would be about the year 1893 and Mr. and Mrs. Blyth have been continuous residents of this locality ever since. After some years Mr. Blyth purchased the farm on which their son Wilbert, now lives, and while they turned to farming and to a certain extent it took up most of their time, they still continued in the cheese business, up to twelve years ago, when they removed to Varney village, conducted a home dairy.

Twelve years ago they purchased the store business at Varney and have since catered to the wants of the neighborhood in the mercantile line, and their efficiency and popularity can best be told by referring to the business, they have built up since taking charge.

Though Mrs. Blyth had not been feeling well for a considerable time, it was not until the first of the year that she would admit that anything out of the ordinary was wrong. Shortly after Christmas she took ill from heart trouble and complications, and two weeks ago was forced to take to her bed. This was her first serious turn, and though a trained nurse, Miss Barron of Guelph, was secured, and the best of medical attention provided, nothing could be done and she sank rapidly until she passed away about 10 o'clock on Sunday morning.

The deceased was a member of Knox church, Durham, and a supporter of the church at Varney. It was from this latter that the funeral was held last Tuesday afternoon, and the large number who crowded the church and stood in the grounds outside, was a tribute to her memory that spoke better than words her popularity. The service was in charge of the Rev. W. H. Smith of Durham, and the Rev. Charles Jay of Holstein, pastor of the Varney congregation. Members of the Knox church choir were also present to assist in the singing. Interment was made in Maplewood cemetery, the pall bearers being her three sons, Wilbert, Cecil and Victor, her brother, Mr. J. A. Aldred, a nephew, Mr. George Constable, a son-in-law, Mr. C. Lauder, a brother-in-law, Mr. Irving Blyth, and an old friend of the family Dr. G. M. Leeson.

Friends from a distance who attended the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. George Bailey of North Bruce, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Cooper of Paisley, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Smith, Mount Forest, Mr. and Mrs. H. Wilkinson, of Mount Forest, and Mr. Charles Fursman of Kitchener.

Besides her husband, Mrs. Blyth is survived by a family of three sons and three daughters: Wilbert G., on the homestead, near Varney, and Messrs. Cecil of Hanover and Victor at home at Varney. Mrs. Cameron Lauder of Durham, Miss Winnie Blyth, at home, and Miss Ruby Blyth, teacher at the Crawford.

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HOCKEY EUCHRE TO BE HELD NEXT TUESDAY

A euchre for the benefit of the Durham Hockey Club is being held in the Town Hall next Tuesday night, April 5. The admission is 50 cents and the tickets will be on sale at MacBeth's Drug Store. It is hoped that the citizens will take an interest in this euchre and turn out in good numbers for the benefit of the boys who have provided so much good and clean amusement for us this past winter.

TEMPERATURES OF PAST WEEK

Table with columns for days (Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday) and temperature ranges (Min., Max.).