

DURHAM CHRONICLE

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Whoever 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, August 18, 1927

WHAT POLITICS?

The editor of one of our exchanges in his last issue says he was rather puzzled and amused at a communication from one of his readers who referred to his "partizanship" politically. As the editor is one of those who has bought up his opposition paper and professes to run an independent paper, he quite naturally asks "To which party do we cling?"

The answer to that question is easy. During the past decade most Ontario towns having two papers have seen them merged into one newspaper. Following the amalgamation, each and all have affirmed that "while still reserving the right to vote as we please, our paper will be independent in politics." Speaking from the standpoint of a newspaper, we may say that "there ain't no such animal."

We have noticed that nearly always in the case of an amalgamation of two papers, the political complexion of the succeeding amalgamation always takes on the hue of the editor or the combined papers. He may think he is running an independent paper, but he fools nobody but himself. He delights to take a crack at his political opponents for any poor administration of affairs, and conveniently "forgets" to give them credit for any good works. On the other hand he occasionally lauds the party of his own political stripe for things accomplished and then proceeds to forget all of their shortcomings.

There can be no straddle-the-fence or independence in newspapers. A newspaper worth while is either one or the other, or else eschews politics altogether.

We are prepared to admit that a newspaper may be absolutely "neutral" in politics and have nothing to do editorially with any party, but as for this "independence" stuff—nothing doing.

GET YOUR LICENSE

There are still a number of motor car drivers who have not yet procured their license to drive. We would advise them to do so at once and save a lot of trouble.

The Department has not as yet been unnecessarily severe, but from now on a close check is to be kept on all who persist in driving without this bit of paper. No more warnings are to be issued, the offender being summoned before a magistrate and fined.

It is up to motorists themselves to assist in reducing the number of accidents on the highways. The procuring of a driving permit, obeying all "stop" signs, seeing that all headlights are properly focused and tail-lights in working order, as well as other regulations passed by the Department, are intended to curtail the number of accidents and are part of a scheme to make motoring safe in Ontario.

Instead of lighting or disobeying the law, motorists should do all in their power to assist the Department, and instead of regarding these laws and regulations as an enemy and nuisance, treat them as a friend and an honest effort on the part of the powers in Toronto to regulate the motor traffic all over the province and the numerous fatalities and serious accidents may be to a large extent done away with.

RURAL CEMETERIES

Last week's Dundak Herald deals editorially with the rural cemetery problem, and from its remarks we take it that the good citizens of Dundak have in their cemetery something that is not "a thing of beauty and a joy forever."

We sympathize with the editor of the Herald in his appeal that something be done to beautify the cemetery in that town, and can tell him from actual experience if he can get the Dundak cemetery plotters worked up to the point where they will support a policy that will make for the beautifying of the place that neither he nor they will ever regret it.

Durham cemetery has been said to be "the prettiest and best-kept in Western Ontario." In a recent letter from F.W. Search, a former Durhamite now residing in Montreal, we published his opinion that there is nothing, even in Montreal, that can be compared with it for beauty or tidiness. Having seen a good many of the cemeteries in the province, we too are of the opinion, and we do not

make the statement boastfully, that the last resting place of Durham and district pioneers is one that the town and citizens may well be proud of. Whether or not it is the prettiest in Western Ontario we cannot say, but we will say that any that surpass it must certainly be magnificent.

Ten years ago Durham residents were, like the editor of The Herald, ashamed of their God's acre. They never, never invited their friends to look it over; today a visit to Durham is not complete without a visit to this hallowed spot, and we have never yet heard anyone, no matter from where he came, express anything but delight at its cleanliness and beauty.

What was done in Durham can be done anywhere. Durhamites today can point to their cemetery with pride; ten years ago we do not think there was a cemetery in Ontario any more ragged or unkempt. We hope the editor of The Herald will be successful in his fight for a decent cemetery in Dundak. It can't be done by The Herald alone, but with a little co-operation on the part of the citizens and plotters, they will, in five or six years wonder how they ever allowed themselves to get into the province-wide rut of allowing their cemetery to take care of itself and develop into its present run-down state.

CHURCH NEWS

In one of our exchanges last week we note that it, too, as well as The Chronicle, is having difficulty in securing the local news from the various churches in the municipality.

Nobody expects that the average weekly newspaper can maintain a sufficient staff to visit the different churches, report their various activities, and present them in a proper manner for the perusal of the readers. The alternative is to request the various organizations to appoint a press secretary, whose duty it shall be to see that the activities of the church be concisely and properly told.

The Chronicle has on numerous occasions expressed its willingness to co-operate with the local congregations in this respect, but in some instances the request has not been entertained. As a result, those that have been far-sighted enough to furnish us with accounts of happenings have received the publicity; the others have been left out.

We have on more than one occasion been accused of being "partial" to certain congregations because of the appearance of these notices in our columns, our accuser never considering that his particular church was offered the same privilege but failed to take advantage of it.

We want the news of the churches of Durham. We want it written out and handed in to our office or mailed through the post office. News of the churches, however, does not include the announcement of socials, garden parties and the like, for which an admission fee is charged. This is advertising matter pure and simple and must be paid for at regular rates. News accounts of these affairs, however, after they have been held, is accepted and no charge is made.

There is not a church in town that would not benefit from a weekly report of the activities of the various societies, but, unfortunately, we can not attend them all, and many might be held that we would know nothing about. All Durham churches will find full co-operation from The Chronicle if they will but do their part by appointing a press secretary to send in their news items.

ENFORCING THE LAW

The mother of eight children was sentenced last week at London to two months in jail for a breach of the Ontario Liquor Control Act. No doubt there will be many sympathizers who will think the sentence unnecessarily severe, and while the plight of the eight children will be hard, still, it must be admitted the woman was at fault. The penalties for infraction of the Liquor Control Act are severe and we have it on good authority that the Act is to be enforced without fear or favor.

There are too many people who pay little attention to the law if it interferes with their own ideas. No law that does not meet their fancy gets serious consideration. Funny as it may seem, sympathy for this class comes from the very ones who insist on the law being enforced but weaken when the penalty is applied.

It is no pleasure for magistrates or judges to cause hardships to small children by placing their bread-winners behind the bars; there is no judge who takes pleasure in sentencing a fellow human to the gallows. Society must be protected and if people persist in openly violating the laws, they can expect nothing else than punishment when apprehended.

The London woman will spend the next two months in jail and her little family will suffer. That, however, is her fault, and cannot be blamed on the law. No doubt she went into it with her eyes open and, being caught will have to suffer the consequences.

An average citizen is one who kicks at having to pay two dollars for a liquor permit, and then goes and pays three dollars for a handsome leather case for it.

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Rev. Walter Nichol of Michigan, and his sister, Miss Gretta Nichol of London, a former teacher here, were in town yesterday and called on old friends.

Misses Sophie and Louisa Burnett of Toronto were the guests over Tuesday of this week of Mrs. J. Burgess and other friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Angus McLaughlin of Priceville were in town over the week-end, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Burgess, and of Mr. and Mrs. W. Smith in Bentinck.

Mr. and Mrs. George Middlebrooke of Weston were visitors over the week-end of Mr. and Mrs. J. Burgess.

Mrs. William and two children, Agnes and Margaret, of Verdun, near Montreal, spent the week-end at the home of her uncle, Mr. and Mrs. J. Bryon.

Mr. G. L. Griffin, with his aunt, Mrs. Wallace Sage of Toronto, motored up and spent the week-end with relatives here and on their return were accompanied by Mrs. Griffin and two children, Wallace and Betty, they having spent two weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Bryon, and sister, Mrs. A. Greenwood. Little Miss Dorothy Greenwood was also one of the party.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Runciman and daughter Mary, and Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Runciman, all of Toronto, but former residents of this vicinity, are spending a three weeks' vacation at their summer cottage at Priceville.

Mr. Alex. McComb of Brantford visited at his parental home here last week.

Mr. E. C. McQueen, who came up from Toronto to undergo an operation in Durham Hospital, has so far recovered as to be able to be around again.

Mr. J. W. Johnston of Detroit, a former well-known member of the staff of the Royal Bank here some years ago, spent a day with old friends in town last week, "Jack" is genial as of yore and his numerous friends here were more than pleased to see him.

Miss Esther McComb of Toronto is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. McComb.

Mrs. A. Beggs returned Saturday from a visit with her son, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Kearney, at Schomberg. She arrived home by motor, Mr. and Mrs. Kearney accompanying her and spending over the week-end with her.

Mr. William Vollett of Toronto is spending a week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Vollett.

Miss Lily Ritchie is spending a few days in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Moffat and Miss Alexia of Pinkerton, visited last week with Mrs. W. Ritchie in town. Misses Marjory Ritchie of Edge Hill and Kate Ritchie of town accompanied them on the return journey and spent a few days with them.

Mr. John L. McKinnon of Saskatchewan, who has been visiting with relatives during the holiday season, went to Warton Wednesday to be present at the marriage of his friend Mr. John H. Cameron of Saskatchewan to Miss Winifred Ewing of Warton, and formerly of Saskatchewan.

Miss Kathleen Firth, accompanied by Miss Katybel Black of Chesley,

Master: "Narcise, didn't I tell you yesterday to call me at 8?"
Maid: "Yes, sir."
Master: "Then why didn't you do so?"
Maid: "Because you were asleep, sir."

DURHAM MARKET

Corrected, August 11, 1927

Table with 2 columns: Commodity and Price. Includes Hogs, Wheat, Oats, Barley, Buckwheat, Peas, Mixed Grain, Hay, Eggs, Butter.

August Wall Paper Specials

Table with 2 columns: Paper type and Price. Includes Regular 15c, 20c, 25c, 30c, 35c, 50c, 75c rolls.

August China Sale

Our whole stock of China and Cut Glass Reduced 20%

Kodaks, Films, Outing Supplies Developing and Printing

Use Wills' Salt for Biliousness 50c. per tin

McFadden's Drug Store The Retail Store Successors to Macfarlane & Co.

are spending a few days in Barrie. Mrs. F. R. Hamilton and daughter, Miss Agnes Hamilton, Exeter, Mr. Andrew Hamilton, Detroit, Miss Elizabeth Hamilton and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McIlraith of Toronto were visitors last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. McIlraith, here and attended the Bell-McIlraith wedding on Thursday of last week.

Mrs. Charles E. Heywood returned to her home in Toronto Saturday after spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Lawson. Mrs. William Bailey and daughter Vera, of Walkerton, spent a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. Mervyn, here.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Corbett and two daughters, of Toronto, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. John Schutz, in town.

Mr. C. H. Darling, his sister, Mrs. George Gagnon and little daughter Mary, visited with friends in Simcoe.

Rev. and Mrs. E. Hayes are spending a month in Muskoka. During their absence the services in Trinity church, Durham, and St. Paul's, Egremont, will be discontinued during August, and evening service only held on the first two Sundays in September.

Miss Vina Kress of Buffalo is visiting her father and sister in town. Mrs. Thomas Lander, little son, and daughter Betty, of Hanover, spent the past week with Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Lander. Mr. Lander is at present relieving at Clifford.

Mr. and Mrs. John A. Beaton of Glenelg Centre, announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary, to Mr. Lorn Byron Goodfellow, son of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Goodfellow of Nobleton, Ontario, the marriage to take place the middle of September at Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Caswell and brother, Mr. Harvey Caswell, of Phoenix, Arizona, are visiting their sister, Mrs. J. S. Davey, in Bentinck. The party report a very fine trip by motor, which took eight days. We understand it is the intention of Mr. Harvey Caswell, while in this part, to conduct a series of evangelistic meetings, of which particulars will be given later.

Mrs. H. S. Jackson and babe, of Ottawa, are visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Limin.

Miss Dorothy Douglas of Ottawa is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Limin.

Mrs. Alex. McCormick and daughter left Monday to visit relatives at Sault Ste. Marie.

Dr. P. C. Park and son James, of Hamilton, spent over the week-end with his mother and sister in town.

Mr. K. H. Greer of Toronto, visited at the home of Mr. George Mighton over the week-end.

Miss Stella McCrene is visiting with Miss Merle Livingston in Hamilton. Mrs. D. Jamieson is in Toronto this week attending the funeral of her sister, Miss Bradshaw, who died on Tuesday. Mrs. Jamieson's friends here will sympathize with her in her bereavement.

Mrs. W. Houghan of Milverton, her daughter Erma, and son Caldwell, are visiting her mother, Mrs. J. A. Aldred, and with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Heugan.

Mrs. J. Kress and grandson, Alex. McDonnell, are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Harper Kress at Walkerville.

Mrs. E.K. McDonald and Helen are

visiting relatives in Hamilton. Miss Margaret Lennox of The Chronicle staff is spending a week with her brother at Sudbury.

Mrs. G. S. Burnett spent the first of the week with friends at Hanover. Miss Helen Fortune of Ayrton is the guest of her sister, Mrs. E. Schenk.

Mrs. Mary Vollett of Toronto is visiting friends in town.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Marshall, Durham and Mr. and Mrs. D. Marshall, Normanby, spent over the week-end at Kitchener, visiting relatives.

Mrs. James Hepburn, daughter Jean, and the Misses Annie and Margaret McKenzie, were visiting with friends in Port Elgin and Southampton, this week.

Mrs. John Carson and daughter, Miss Ruby, of Kitchener, are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. William Carson in Normanby for a few days.

Mr. Darroch, wife and mother, of Hamilton, and Mr. and Mrs. Adams of Detroit, visited last week with Mr. and Mrs. W. J. McFarlane, in Glenelg.

Mr. and Mrs. John Miller and Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Patterson of Rocklyn visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Irwin.

Miss Alice Ramage left Tuesday for a boat trip from Owen Sound to Mackinac and return.

WIARTON LOST OLD RESIDENT

Warton and Bruce county lost one of its earliest settlers on Sunday last in the death of B. B. Miller. He was born in Kirkcudbright, Scotland, but came to Canada with his parents when quite young and has lived practically all his life in Grey and Bruce counties. He clerked in a store in Durham for a time in the early days, taught school in the township of Elderslie and Arran, was in business for a time in Paisley, and has been a resident of Warton since the year 1866. He was one of the prominent citizens of the town, interested in every scheme for its advancement, and served for a time on the Council Board. He was the first mayor and for some time past occupied the position of police magistrate.

The deceased was a half-brother of Mrs. J. W. Crawford, formerly of Durham, and a cousin of the Burgess and Dargavel families. One son and four daughters survive. Interment took place Tuesday in Warton cemetery.

What's in a name? Waterproof, Louisiana, is one of the towns flooded by the Mississippi.—Brunswick (Georgia) Pilot.

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Here's a Big List of Specials for This Week. Ladies' Silk Hose, all colors, per pair 59c. Ladies' Gingham Dresses, each 98c. Stamped Aprons to embroidery, each 39c. Holeproof Silk Hose, all the new shades, pair \$1.00. Clover Leaf Cups & Saucers, this week only, 2 for 25c. White Cups, this week only, per dozen 89c. Plain Glass Tumblers, 2 for 9c. Toilet Paper, 2 rolls for 9c. Large bars Castile Soap 15c. The Variety Store R. L. SAUNDERS, Prop.

Specials for This Week. Men's Khaki Pants at \$1.25. Men's Cottonade Pants at \$1.25. Peabody Overalls at \$2.25. Boy's Cotton Jerseys at 35c. Men's Work Sox, per pair 25c. Golf Hose for men and boys at 50c., 75c. and \$1.50. Give us a call. We guarantee to please you. D. M. Saunders MEN'S AND BOYS' READY-TO-WEAR "MORE FOR LESS" One Door South of D. C. Town, Jeweller, Durham

HARVESTERS! 25,000 WANTED \$15.00 TO WINNIPEG. Plus half a cent per mile beyond to all points in Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, Edmonton, Tannis, Calgary, MacLeod and East. RETURNING—Half a cent per mile to Winnipeg, plus \$2.00 to destination. AUG. 30th—From Toronto, Caledon East, Beeton, Meaford, Collingwood, Penetang, Midland, Capreol, and South and East in Ontario, also Stations in Quebec West of St. Andrews and Lachute. SEPT. 7th—From Stations in Ontario, Toronto, Inglewood Jet, and West and South thereof. Special Trains for Winnipeg via Canadian National Railways. From TORONTO (Union Station)—Aug. 30th—12.01 a.m. (Midnight Aug. 29th) 12.30 p.m., 10.40 p.m. From OTTAWA—Aug. 30th—12.01 a.m. (Midnight Aug. 29th); 12.01 noon. From PETERBORO—Aug. 30th—12.01 a.m. (Midnight Sept 6th) Aug. 29th via Lindsay, Blackwater and Atherley. From WINDSOR—Sept. 7th—12.30 a.m. (Midnight Sept 6th) via Chatham, London, Hamilton and Inglewood. From PALMERSTON—Sept. 7th—9.00 a.m. via Guelph, Georgetown and Inglewood. Through cars from other principal points connecting with above special trains. For details consult local Canadian National Agents. Through Trains—Comfortable Colonist Cars—Special Care for Women and Children. Travel CANADIAN NATIONAL

25,000 Harvesters Wanted. GOING \$15 To WINNIPEG Plus 1/2 cent per mile to points beyond, but not west of Edmonton, MacLeod and Calgary. AUG. 30th From Stations in Ontario, Smith's Falls to and including Toronto on Lake Ontario Shore Line and Hawke's-Peterboro Line; Kingston to Renfrew Junction, inclusive; Burketon to Bobcaygeon, inclusive; Dranoff to Fort McNeill; Toronto-Sudbury direct Line. SEPT. 7th From all Stations in Ontario, South and West of Toronto to Hamilton, Welland, Niagara Falls and Windsor; on Owen Sound, Walkerton, Orangeville, Teeswater, Elora, Listowel, Bolton. From all Stations in Ontario on the Michigan Central; Peru Marquette; Windsor, Essex & Railways. Through Colonist Cars operated from principal points. SPECIAL TRAIN SERVICE FROM TORONTO Ladies and Children—Special Care will be reserved for the exclusive use of ladies, children and their escorts. Full information from ROBT. MACFARLANE, DURHAM. Travel CANADIAN PACIFIC

100 IN ATTENDANCE GREY COUNTY CONVENTION (Continued from page 1) audience was heartily joined in by all. In giving a report of the North Grey branches, Mrs. Walter Burnstead of Owen Sound said that they have 19 real live branches with an average attendance at each meeting of 45. The young girls do a lot of good work, and among other things, the rest room in Owen Sound is sustained by the North Grey Institutes. Dealing with Centre Grey, Mrs. W. A. Hawken of Flesherton reported 12 active branches. The total membership is 700, and the various branches help out on all needy schemes in the community. The South Grey report was given by Mrs. J. S. McIlraith of Durham. South Grey showed an increase in the number of branches from 11 to 14. There was a membership of 445, and besides giving \$175 toward the keep of their Armentan boy at Georgetown, they also help the sick, the Children's Shelter, the Institute for the Blind, give demonstration contests, etc. In the branches 185 papers had been given during the past year. At this point, Miss Elizabeth Scott was called to the platform and gave an address referring to four pioneer members of South Grey, and the splendid work they had been doing ever since the Institute had been organized. The members referred to were Mrs. Thomas McGirr and Mrs. S. Patterson of the Durham branch, and Mrs. Rogers and Mrs. Reid of the Holstein Institute. Each of the four ladies was presented with a silver tomato server. The presentation was a complete surprise to the four recipients, but all managed to reply fittingly to the many kind words expressed. Mrs. McGirr was the first President and claimed to be the "mother of the Institute." Mrs. Rogers was of the opinion that she should be regarded as the "oldest daughter." Mrs. Thorn of Holstein, the representative for South Grey, spoke on "Woman's Part in Home and Nation Building." She spoke of the warm welcome she received from the Holstein branch when she came from Devonshire, England, to reside there. She referred to her old home in England, but liked Canada and intends to stay here. She spoke of the peace tower unveiled at Ottawa by the Prince of Wales in memory of the 60,000 Canadian boys who lost their lives in the great war, and referred to the first Institute 30 years ago at Stoney Creek. She asked the ladies to stand firm on the temperance question for the good of home and nation and said that Canadians should be kind to foreigners who come to our land. Mrs. Banks of Shelburne, Dufferin and Grey Federation representative, addressed the gathering along the same lines as the previous speaker, so far as temperance was concerned. Her subject was "Aims and Objects for Mental and Moral Uplift of the People of Ontario." As the first vice-president of the Federated Women's Institutes, she explained the objects of this body in a very able manner. She had been a member of the Institute for 20 years. She paid tribute to the late Mrs. Walter Buchanan of Ravenna for the splendid work she had done. Two County Conventions There are two county conventions, one in Simcoe and one in Grey. The speaker dealt on the hydro question as it affects the rural districts. She claimed that all differences of clubs, churches and such like should be left out of the Institute. She advocated the election of officers, capable of fulfilling the duties, and the Institute was the strongest woman organization in Ontario, with thirty to forty thousand members. Handiwork Exhibit The Garmet Workers' Club had their work on exhibition at the church, and it was a great credit to the young girls and those who have been teaching them. Mrs. J. H. Harding and Mrs. Burgess, of Durham. The pupils received their diplomas, and Mrs. Harding told the ladies it was a pleasure to work with the girls. She enjoyed it, and any Institute wishing to start a club in their locality, she would gladly give them all the information she could. Some of the Durham Club work will go to England this year and some to Toronto Exhibition. The following are the Club members to receive diplomas, these being presented by Mrs. J. Burgess as the names were called by Mrs. Harding: Ina McDonald, Mary Lev, Gertrude Glass, Marjorie Noble, Isabel Henderson, Isabel Violet, Jessie Falconer, Norma Allan, Violet McLean, Dorothy Pickering, Abbie McLean, Mary Moffat, Elizabeth Harding, Anna Ritchie. Oppose Beauty Contests A motion was carried that the Institute do, on record as opposing and condemning all the beauty contests held in various places. Miss Macphail Spoke The subject chosen by Miss Agnes Macphail was on the emancipation of woman. She went back to the very early days at the dawn of Christianity and carried on to the present.