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RESPECTED RESIDENT EXPIRED SUDDENLY

Mrs. J. P. Hunter Seized With Heart Attack While Visiting Presbyterian Church Tuesday and Passed Away Almost Instantly.—Funeral Being Held Saturday Afternoon to Durham Cemetery.

The sudden death of Mrs. J. P. Hunter on Tuesday afternoon about four o'clock was a shock to this whole community, and a very severe blow to her family, who had no intimation that the end would come with practically no warning. Although Mrs. Hunter had not been at all well for some time past there was no thought that her condition was so serious and her immediate family and relatives are prostrated with grief owing to the tragic occurrence.

For some months the deceased had been afflicted with a weak heart, but under careful treatment was apparently recovering and on Tuesday afternoon had gone out for a short motor drive with her daughter, Mrs. W. C. Pickering, and granddaughter, Miss Marjorie Pickering. On coming to the vicinity of the new Presbyterian church, Mrs. Hunter expressed a desire to stop and enter the building, dedicated only this spring, and which, owing to her illness, she had never seen. The party drove up to the curb in front of the building, and Mrs. Hunter complained of feeling faint, sat down in one of the pews with Mrs. Pickering and passed away almost immediately. Another daughter, Miss Effie Hunter, was in the basement of the church in attendance at one of the church meetings, and though notified at once failed to reach her mother's side before she had passed away. Dr. A. M. Bell was summoned and was in attendance a very short time after the tragic occurrence, but pronounced life extinct and the patient beyond all human aid.

TIRED AND HOMELESS; AGED MAN HELPED

Good Samaritan Actions in Real Life Are Not Numerous and This One Deserves Recognition.

Someone has said that charity and kindness had disappeared from the world, and from the general actions of the public, especially as told in the daily press, one would almost reason that the statement was a true one.

Out in the country, however, the story is different, though goodness knows there are times without number when one would wish that a little more sympathy might be the rule rather than the exception.

One incident happened in Durham Sunday night that is worth telling, if for no other reason than it proves the contention of many that the old world is as good as it ever was, and while the people generally are apparently more callous than in the "good old days" they still flock to the side of the genuinely needy and extend the hand of friendship, goodwill, and, if necessary, charity.

An old man whose name we could not learn was walking from Toronto to Owen Sound. On his arrival at Durham he got his directions mixed and started over the highway toward Hanover. He was an old man, possibly 80 years of age, carried a bundle with him and was apparently weak from his long hike. A Hanover motorist overtook him and passed him on the road. Thinking better of his action, he went back and asked the old gentleman where he was going. On being told "to Owen Sound" he informed the foot passenger that he was on the wrong road and brought him back to Durham. Before leaving him here he gave him some money.

In the meantime at Durham Chief Allen was notified and it was thought perhaps better to give the old gentleman a bed in town for the night, and a breakfast in the morning, and allow him to depart. The old man seemed to want to get to Owen Sound for some reason, so the hat was passed around, arrangements made to have him taken on the bus, and the surplus money turned over to the indigent himself.

AWARDED MEDALS IN CONFEDERATION CONTEST

We have received the information from Inspector Wright of Hanover that the winners of the recent Jubilee of Confederation special history contest had been announced. The winners for South Grey are:

Silver Medal—James Palmer, Dundalk Public School.
Bronze Medals—Mae McEachern, U. S. S. 10, Glenelg and Egremont; Florence Patterson, S. S. 12, Egremont, and Hazel Harrup, Durham Public School.

We extend congratulations to these bright pupils in the honor they have won for themselves and for their school sections.

COUNCIL IN SYMPATHY WITH OLD HOME WEEK

Town Hall Renovation and Other Business Receive Attention of Town Fathers Monday Evening.

For the past couple of months the Town Council has had considerable difficulty in holding its regular meeting on the regular meeting night. This should always be the first Monday in the month. Last month the meeting was held late and this month, instead of Tuesday evening of last week, the proper evening for a week in which Monday is a statutory holiday, the regular session was delayed until Monday evening of this week.

With the Town Hall in an uproar owing to the changes being made there the Council assemblies in the Clerk's office. Those present were Mayor Murdoch, and Councilors Henderson, Hunter, A. Noble and McClocklin.

The regular batch of accounts this month were not so large as usual, amounting to only \$519.51, and with Councillor Hunter in the Reeve's chair, all were recommended for payment and cheques were ordered issued by vote of the Council.

The Treasurer's Report showed that there is still a balance of \$643.20 still unpaid of last year's taxes. Evidently the Council has tired of chasing the collector after them, for nothing of this nature was discussed, and the various amounts will be placed against the offending properties.

Passed Two Bylaws

Chief Allen was appointed under Bylaw 831, the local Liquor Control official and any fines accruing from his alertness in discovering the illegal possession or sale of booze will enrich the town coffers instead of going to the Provincial Government, as would be the case were no officials appointed.

Bylaw 832 was also given its final readings and governs the traffic crossing the Provincial Highway in Durham.

At this juncture it was brought to the attention of the Council that there were rumors of two or three places in town and vicinity where booze was being dispensed. The constable was assured of the whole-hearted support of the Council in his prosecution of these offenders and it is likely that something will be done to desist from their traffic in moonshine and home brew.

The Town Hall Repairs

As chairman of the property Committee, Councillor Hunter told the Council that the contracts for the wiring and decoration of the Town Hall had been let. A. Watson was the successful tenderer for the wiring at \$145.00 for the labor, the Council to supply the material, estimated to cost something over \$150.00. This was some \$50.00 cheaper than the same material could be purchased through the local Hydro Commission, the chair-

CLAIMS HE PAID CONSTABLE AND CLEARED MATTER

Albert Wilkinson, Charged With Breaking Into Store, Made Startling Charge.

Albert Wilkinson, of Artemesia, township, appeared in police court at Owen Sound on Friday morning charged with breaking and entering the general store of Mr. Walker, of Port Law, a small hamlet southeast of Flesherton, on the night of August 22. Wilkinson pleaded guilty to the charge and was remanded for sentence until Wednesday, Sept. 14 at 2 p.m.

There are some other circumstances in connection with this case which are interesting, and which are responsible for the remand. It appears that Wilkinson was accompanied by another man named Stafford, who has since gone west to the harvest fields, and the pair went to the store to get some tobacco, but, finding no person at home, decided to help themselves and broke into the store through a window. Wilkinson was caught, and County Constable Robert Plant was sent for. On his arrival he interviewed Wilkinson, with the result that a check on the constable was paid the \$5.00 in settlement of the whole case and no further action was taken. Plant, who is away in Toronto at the present time, will be brought before the court to explain his connection with the affair.

CAR TURNED TURTLE

While proceeding from his home to Dornoch last Thursday evening a car driven by Mr. Nicholas Melosh of Glenelg came to grief when it ran off the road and upset, being damaged so badly that we are informed no effort will be made to have it repaired.

Mr. Melosh and a young son were in the machine and when going down a hill the throttle got stuck and the engine commenced to race. Leaning over in the seat to release the accelerator, the car got out of control, ran off the road and up a steep bank, turning completely over. Luckily no one was injured, the only casualty being to the car itself.

DIED THURSDAY AFTER LONG ILLNESS

Mr. George A. Moore Passed Away At Home on Albert Street in Seventy-Third Year.—Was Born Near Toronto.

After an illness of seven months during which period he was a constant sufferer, death came to the relief of Mr. George A. Moore a respected resident of this town for the past 40 years. Mr. Moore was in his 73rd year.

The late Mr. Moore had been ill for the past couple of years with a cancerous growth on his hip and underwent an operation about eighteen months ago which gave him relief but did not effect a cure. Seven months ago he was forced to give up active work and since that time sank steadily until the end came.

The deceased was born at Palermo, near Toronto, in 1854, and when a child of six years, came with his parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Moore, to Egremont Township and the family settled on a farm near Dornoch. Forty-six years ago he was married to Miss Anna Hopkins of Glenelg and for a time they lived on the Durham road, Glenelg, and later for a time in Egremont, coming to reside in Durham 40 years ago.

Mr. Moore was a framer and a carpenter by trade and worked on many of the buildings in town and country roundabout in his younger years. Some eleven years ago he entered the employ of the Durham Furniture Company, where he remained until his illness compelled him to give up his position seven months ago.

Besides his widow, a family of two sons, Joseph and Charles, both residents of town, survive. He is also survived by one sister, Mrs. W. Lawrence of town, and by four brothers, Thomas of Saskatchewan, John of Holstein, and William and Robert of Egremont. A brother, Joseph, died three years ago.

Mr. Moore was a man who took great interest in the town and its

JURY EXONERATES COMPANY FROM BLAME

Attach No Blame For Unfortunate Accident at Durham Stone & Sand Company's Plant in Which Late John C. McLean Lost His Life.

"We, your jury, hereby bring in the following report: that John Campbell McLean came to his death on the 29th day of August, 1927, by being accidentally crushed between a gravel car and light locomotive at the Durham Stone & Sand plant. No blame is attached to anybody."

The above is the verdict of the Coroner's jury empanelled by Coroner Dr. D. B. Jamieson to investigate into the cause of the death of the late John C. McLean, who was killed on August 29 last while engaged at his position as engineer on one of the light engines used in hauling gravel cars from the steam shovel to the trestle.

The jury was composed of H. J. Snell, foreman; E. W. Limin, D. McLean, J. A. McLachlan, D. Allen, J. A. Robb, W. Hunter and R. Burnett, and the inquest was held in the Public Library last Friday evening.

Besides the Coroner, there were present T. H. Dyre, County Crown Attorney, and Mr. Webster, representing the Department of Mines in the Ontario Government.

Few Witnesses Called

There was very little to work on as the accident had occurred about midway between the gravel pit and the trestle, and up a stiff grade and around a curve, that made it impossible for anyone engaged at either end of the line to see what happened. There was no one with Mr. Mc-

PROTEST AGAINST OCEAN FLIGHTS

Aviation Authorities and Press Vie in Protest Against Foolhardy Flights.—Seven Have Been Killed in Preparations For Ocean Trips and Twenty Others Lost.

An international demand for a check on spectacular aeroplane stunt flights followed today in the wake of the disappearance within the past year of twenty trans-oceanic fliers and the death of seven men in overseas flight preparations. The statements of aviation authorities in the United States and in Italy, and press comment in England and Germany, depreciated the facility of long distance overwater hops and contained protests against allowing aviators to fly into "foolhardy" adventures. The reaction against spectacular flying became evident when six men and one woman were lost in the Dolé trans-Pacific derby and has been emphasized with the disappearance of the monoplane Old Glory and Sir John Carling in the Atlantic. The death toll of trans-oceanic flights since the fall of 1926 will have mounted to forty-seven if the Old Glory and Sir John Carling and their crews are not found. Twenty persons, including two women, have been lost at sea while seven were killed in preparation for flights.

MRS. W. BUCHANAN WAS OLD RESIDENT

Passed Away Friday of Last Week Following Illness of Three Years.—Funeral Took Place Monday to Williamsford Cemetery.

The Dornoch vicinity lost an old and respected resident last Friday in the passing of Mrs. William Buchanan, who died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. William Smith, after an illness of three years from paralysis, during which time the deceased was bedridden and helpless.

The late Mrs. Buchanan, whose maiden name was Bethia Saunders, was born in Pembroke, Wales, and had she lived till Wednesday of this week would have been 76 years of age. She came to Canada with her parents when 21 years of age and settled with the family at Williamsford. Fifty-one years ago she was married to the late William Buchanan, who died in 1912, and for nearly the whole of their married life Mr. and Mrs. Buchanan lived on their farm a mile and a quarter north of Dornoch.

Sixteen years ago they sold their farm and went to live with their son and daughter near Paisley, Mr. Buchanan passing away a year after moving to Bruce County. Three years ago last April Mrs. Buchanan suffered a stroke of paralysis which left her a helpless invalid, and continued to reside with her son and daughter up to a year ago when the serious illness of her daughter necessitated her removal to the home of another daughter, Mrs. Smith, at Dornoch. On Tuesday of last week Mrs. Buchanan took another stroke from which she never recovered and passed away Friday evening.

The late Mrs. Buchanan was a sister of Mr. S. P. Saunders of this town, and of the late Mr. Thomas Saunders, of this place, who died some years ago. While it is known that there were other brothers living in Wales, relatives here have long since lost connection with them, and no positive information is obtainable as to their whereabouts.

Mrs. Buchanan leaves to mourn their loss a family of two daughters and one son: Mrs. Smith (Minnie), Dornoch, at whose home she died, and Mrs. Thomas McBeth (Alice) and Mr. James Buchanan of Paisley. Mrs. McBeth has for some time past been a patient at Guelph Hospital and is still very ill, but was able to be present at the funeral on Monday afternoon.

Interment was made in the Williamsford cemetery the services at home and grave being conducted by her pastor, Rev. Mr. McWilliam of Chatsworth, who is also pastor at Williamsford and Lacona. The funeral was a very large one, many old acquaintances gathering over a wide area to pay their last respect to one whom they held in the very highest esteem.

The pall bearers were all old neighbors, Messrs. William and James Robertson, Henry McCracken, William Runnings, and R. J. and Robert Corlett. The flower bearers were Messrs. D. M. Saunders, James Robertson, Edward Simpson and John Corlett.

SOUTH GREY FAIR ON NEXT WEEK

Good Attendance Needed to Put Show on Its Feet After Wet Years of Past.

Tuesday and Wednesday of next week are the dates of the South Grey Fall Fair, and providing the weather is good, there should be a large attendance from the town and country. The exhibits this year should be good and it is more than likely that as in the past the South Grey Fair will prove one of the best agricultural fairs in this part of the province.

The extra card of horse racing, a 2.20 and a 2.30 event, will no doubt draw some good horses, as the last day of the Durham show is the first day for Hanover and with other fairs in the offing during the next two weeks there will in all likelihood be several horses in the neighborhood.

We are hoping this year for a good turnout to the Durham Show. What with the hard luck of the past few years due to wet and cold weather, the attendance has not been what it should have been or what it will have to be if the fair is to continue. We would also ask all those, especially close by, to place an exhibit at the fair this year, make it interesting and encourage the directors in their work.

There is one thing certain, if more interest is not taken in these fall fairs soon there will be very few of them left in the course of another ten years, and with nothing to replace them it is little wonder that everything nowadays is turning cityward.

Get out and boost your own fall fair. It is yours, you should be proud of it, and it will prosper if you but take an interest and give it a chance.



W. J. JACKSON

Who for a number of years has been a director of the Alberta Wheat Pool, has been appointed South American representative of the Canadian Wheat Pool. He sails from New York this month for Buenos Ayres.

DURHAM COUPLE FIFTY YEARS MARRIED

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Morton Passed the Fiftieth Milestone of Their Married Life Yesterday and Were At Home to Their Friends of Town and Vicinity.

A most pleasant event was quietly celebrated in town yesterday, September 14, when, surrounded by their children and grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Morton celebrated their golden wedding. A son, Thomas, of Cedoux, Sask., was the only absentee, but as he and his family had visited here during the past summer, it could scarcely be expected that he would be able to return for even so great an event as the passing of the fiftieth milestone in the married life of his esteemed parents.

It was on September 14, 1877, at the Paisley Street Methodist church in Guelph that Thomas C. Morton of that city and Miss Susan Smith of Eramosa Township took the vows that bound them together as man and wife, and despite the great number of years that have passed since the important ceremony was performed, both bride and groom are still hale and hearty and apparently good for several years yet before they will even admit that they are possibly "growing old".

Both Mr. and Mrs. Morton are well over the allotted span of three score years and ten. The former was born in January, 1852 and will soon celebrate his 76th birthday. Mrs. Morton saw the light of day in 1853, and is nearing the 75-year mark, though no one would suspect it from the manner in which she is still able to get about and perform her household duties.

Thomas C. Morton was born in Dumfriesshire, Scotland, and was 19 years of age when he decided to come to Canada. He came direct to Nassauvally, where he commenced farming, but later moved to Guelph and entered the milling business. He was a resident of the Royal City 48 years ago when the city charter was taken out. Mrs. Morton is a native of Eramosa.

Mr. and Mrs. Morton resided in Guelph for two years after their marriage, and in 1879 came to Durham, where they have resided almost continuously ever since, with the exception of two years spent in North Dakota some 40-odd years ago. There is little left for us to tell, for this esteemed couple are too well known in Durham and vicinity. They have been excellent citizens, the very best of neighbors and friends, have the respect of all who know them, and what more could be desired? Or what more could there be told of a couple who have spent 48 years in our midst and whose old friends are their best friends?

As residents of the town and vicinity they have been everything that any good couple should be, and the whole community is a unit in wishing them "many happy returns" of their wedding day. Since

GOOD PROGRESS ON LOCAL BUILDINGS

Both Post Office and High School Addition Coming Along Well and Good Weather Is Now Hoped For.

Both the new post office and the addition being built to the local High School are progressing favorably and given good weather another couple of weeks will see even more advancement once the bricklayers get started.

In both buildings the basements are now ready for the bricking which commenced yesterday morning at the High School and will commence this morning at the post office.

Ritchie Bros. of Durham are working on the post office, with the George Fritz gang from Listowel at the High School. It is expected that both buildings will be ready for the roof in the course of the next month providing the weather continues fine.

ANNUAL SERVICES OF BAPTIST CHURCH VERY SUCCESSFUL

Rev. C. R. Duncan, of McMaster University, Toronto, Was Special Preacher at Both Sunday Services and Delivered Good Address Monday Evening.

Beautiful weather favored the anniversary services held in the Baptist church Sunday and Monday, September 11 and 12. The special speaker for the occasion was the Rev. C. R. Duncan, M.A., B.D., of McMaster University, Toronto. Rev. Mr. Duncan is a forceful speaker who knows what he wants to say and also how to say it. His messages Sunday and Monday will be long remembered by those who were privileged to hear them.

On Sunday morning after a brief talk on the work of McMaster University in building human character, he delivered an eloquent sermon on the truth that we have a revelation of God—a revelation of God in Nature, in the Bible, and in the person of Jesus Christ.

In the evening the speaker took for his theme, "The Purpose of Christ in Coming into the World." Christ came to seek and to save that which was lost. He declared that all men are lost by reason of sin, so utterly lost that of themselves they could not find their way back to God, and so Christ came to find them. Christ came into the world seeking for men as the woman searched for her lost coin, and as the shepherd went out in search for the sheep which had gone astray.

Good Program on Monday

The auditorium of the church was comfortably filled for the program prepared for Monday evening, the pastor of the congregation, Rev. J. Taylor, presiding. Besides excellent anthems by the choir, Mr. H. E. Phipps gave a couple of cornet solos.

The programme proper was given by Mr. Ernest Warren, soloist of the West Toronto United church, and Miss Myrtle Hare, soloist of the Parkdale Baptist church, Toronto. Mr. Warren is no stranger to Durham audiences. He is one of Toronto's leading vocalists and on this occasion added further to his laurels as a singer of wonderful ability, contributing several numbers in excellent voice. Miss Hare made her first appearance to a Durham audience and is the equal of any lady singer ever heard here. Possessing a wonderful voice, and perfect enunciation, her numbers were very much enjoyed, and every word was audible in all parts of the building.

Gave Good Address

Rev. Mr. Duncan, the special speaker for the Sunday services, was the speaker of the evening and took for his subject, "Men Who Move the World." It was a wonderful and inspiring address, especially to the young people. The speaker illustrated his theme by calling attention to many great men of the past who had moved the world, men whose lives and work had made for progress. He pointed out that the chief characteristic of the great men of the past had been service on behalf of humanity. They lived not for themselves but for others. Notable among the examples used were those of Christ and the great Apostle Paul.

He urged the young people to live purposeful lives that they may make their contribution to the progress of the human race.

Mr. Duncan made a warm place for himself, not only in the hearts of Durham Baptists, but also in the hearts of many other citizens who heard him. He will be a welcome visitor whenever he comes to Durham.

INSTALLED BLOWER

No more will the organ at the Queen Street church get its wind by the old pump-handle method, no longer will the organblower be forced to remain in on hot Sundays to furnish fuel for the instrument that supplies the music for the various anthems, solos and congregational singing. This week the committee under whose jurisdiction this department falls, are having an electric blower installed that will take the place of the perspiring boy with less apparent effort and will also do it cheaper.

TEMPERATURES OF PAST WEEK

Following are the temperatures of the past week, with the highest and lowest registered every day during the preceding 24 hours.

	8 a.m.	Max.	Min.
Thursday	61	75	60
Friday	62	79	56
Saturday	62	76	57
Sunday	61	66	59
Monday	50	74	42
Tuesday	63	75	57
Wednesday	56	79	52

Rainfall for Week

During the past ten days there has been noticeable rainfall on only two days, Tuesday night of last week the rain commenced and by ten o'clock Wednesday morning, when it ended 23, or nearly one-quarter of an inch had fallen. There was a very slight shower, hardly noticeable, at 2 p.m. Saturday afternoon. Tuesday morning at 9:30 rain commenced falling and continued until 3 o'clock in the afternoon. This rainfall measured .31 or nearly one-third of an inch.