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## NO. 7 NORMANBY DEFEATED EBENEZER

First Inter-club Debate Held in Normanby Last Friday Night Was Won by Narrow Margin by Last Year's Champions.

In accordance with the program of development for young people of farming communities the first round of inter-club debates was held in No. 7 schoolhouse, Normanby, on Friday evening of last week. No. 7 club is widely known for their successes in both debating and dramatics from former years.

This year their championship was challenged and nearly captured by a strong debating team from the Ebenezer club on the subject: "Resolved: that conditions in farming communities fifty years ago were more conducive to happiness than are conditions at present."

The affirmative arguments were firmly advanced by Mr. Irvin Sharpe and Miss Effie Milligan of Ebenezer and the negative were just as firmly upheld by Mr. William Ford and Miss Pearl Wilson of No. 7 Club.

There was lively interest shown by the number of supporters who accompanied the Ebenezer team and by the large number who turned out in spite of the inclement weather to support the home team.

Although there were other items of interest the debate was the main feature of the evening. Each speaker was given the best of attention by an intelligent and interested audience.

Considerable anxiety was felt by the opposing teams as the judge, Dr. Staples of Hanover, arose to make his decision. He began by outlining the arguments advanced by both sides and stated that owing to the subject of the debate positive proof was almost impossible, so he judged the force of a point according to his knowledge of conditions. He pointed out the splendid form of all four speakers and encouraged them to continue in such work. In conclusion he awarded the decision in favor of the negative side.

Votes of thanks were given to Dr. Staples and those assisting in the program and showers of congratulations heaped on the winners, Mr. Ford and Miss Wilson of No. 7.

After the serving of refreshments and a pleasant hour spent in several indoor games, the meeting closed with the singing of the national anthem. Everyone spent a very enjoyable evening and would be ready to praise organizations that tend to bring farm communities into a closer relationship.

## LATE MRS. WATTS BORN IN BENTINCK

Passed Away in Toronto Last Week After But Short Illness From Pneumonia.—Burial Made in Toronto Last Friday.

After a very brief illness from pneumonia, the death occurred on Wednesday, January 11, of Mrs. William Watts, Toronto. Prior to her marriage Mrs. Watts was a resident of Bentinck Township, where she was born, being the third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Puthurbough, now residents of London.

Some twenty years ago the deceased went to Toronto, and upwards of fifteen years ago was married to Mr. Watts, who with two children, Harold and Betty, survive to mourn their loss. There also survive her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Puthurbough, London, four brothers, George, John, James and Thomas, of London, and four sisters, Mrs. Dowding, Ladner, B. C.; Mrs. Donald Stewart, Bentinck; Mrs. Cassie, Winnipeg and Mrs. Cartin, Toronto.

The funeral was held Friday afternoon last, the pall bearers being her four brothers, and Mr. Woolcock and Mr. King. The late Mrs. Watts was a woman of genial disposition and pleasing personality, and was most solicitous for the welfare of others. She was for a number of years an active member of Dovercourt Presbyterian church, Toronto, and her decease is the cause of much sorrow and regret. The numerous floral tributes showed the esteem in which she was held by all who knew her.

With the community The Chronicle joins in extending sympathy to the mourning relatives in their sad bereavement.

The death of Mrs. Watts is the first break in a family of ten children, with the exception of a son, Robert, who went overseas with the Fort Garry Horse from Winnipeg and was later listed as "missing."

### SERIOUSLY ILL

We regret to learn of the serious illness of Mrs. J. A. Heughan, who is now a patient in the Red Cross hospital here and who may possibly have to undergo an operation. Mrs. Heughan has been a sufferer from gall-stones for some time, but recently became worse and her removal to the hospital was advised. Her son, Mr. W. A. Heughan, was up from Milverton over the week-end to visit his parents. We sincerely hope that Mrs. Heughan will soon be restored to health and that her confinement to hospital will be of short duration.

## Obituary

### HENRY MOON

The death of Henry Moon, a former resident of Wiarton and Keppel Township, who passed away at Owen Sound, where he made his home for the past eighteen months, removed one of the pioneers of that district. Mr. Moon was 89 years of age and father of Mr. F. W. Moon of Durham.

The deceased was a cripple for the later years of his life, suffering a stroke of paralysis which left him partially helpless. He was born in Glenvale, near Kingston, was a respected resident of Keppel Township for many years, and later moved to Wiarton. He also lived in Hanover for a time before going to Owen Sound.

Surviving are his widow, five daughters and four sons: William J. of Wiarton, George H. of Godfrey, Mrs. J. Siegreest of London, Mrs. William Croft of Meaford, John of Owen Sound, Mrs. John Lougheed of Toronto, Charles of Windsor, Wesley of Durham and Mrs. George Kennedy of Owen Sound. Mr. W. Moon of the C. N. R. station staff, Durham, is a nephew.

The funeral was held Saturday from Owen Sound, interment being made in Wiarton cemetery. The service was conducted by Rev. C. E. Kenny of Owen Sound.

The late Mr. Moon was grandfather of the late Ivan Moon, who lost his life this fall when the steamer Lambton was wrecked.

### MRS. PETER NICHOL

Friends here of the Rev. Peter Nichol of London will sympathize with him in the death of his wife, Mrs. Christina Nichol, who passed away on Friday last at their home, 760 Quebec street. She was about 60 years of age, and though ailing since before Christmas, was taken seriously ill only on Monday of last week. In the absence of particulars we are unable to tell the immediate cause of death.

Mrs. Nichol's maiden name was Christina Ewing. She was born in Toronto, and was married in that city to Mr. Nichol 36 years ago. Following their marriage Rev. and Mrs. Nichol had been in different places, among which were Thorndale, Wyandotte, Mich., and London, where Mr. Nichol was pastor in the Presbyterian church. For the past several years they have been residents of London, where they have been living retired, though Mr. Nichol frequently occupied the pulpits in different churches as supply.

Besides her husband, Mrs. Nichol leaves a family of three sons and one daughter: Peter E., with the State Bank in Detroit; Benjamin, with the Michigan Central Railway in Detroit; Ewing, in the hardware business in London, and Agnes (Mrs. Horner), also in London.

Though not generally known in this vicinity the late Mrs. Nichol had many friends here, as she visited here every summer with brothers and Mr. Nichol, Messrs William and Walter in Egremont, and also with his sisters in the neighborhood. These, with the many friends here of her sorrowing husband and family, will sympathize with the bereaved ones in their sorrow.

The funeral was held from the family residence on Monday afternoon, interment being made in Mount Pleasant cemetery, London. The services were attended by Mr. William Nichol of Egremont, who, at time of writing has not yet returned and further particulars are not available.

### SHERIFF J. S. WILSON

Many friends in Durham and Bentinck will regret to learn of the death at his home at Owen Sound on Tuesday of this week of Mr. J. S. Wilson, Sheriff for Grey County, and a former Reeve of Bentinck and for many years a resident of the township at Louise.

At time of writing we have no particulars and can give but meagre details of his illness. Sheriff Wilson was a man of about 60 years of age and for the past number of years has been a resident of Owen Sound. He had been seriously ill for only a few days, but had been unconscious since Sunday afternoon, and for some days little hope had been entertained for his recovery.

A few weeks ago he underwent an operation for some trouble with his nose and was making excellent progress. He, however, came out too soon, made a business trip to Toronto, and it was while he was in the city that he took cold and suffered a relapse. He was compelled to take to his bed immediately on his return and never rallied.

The late Sheriff Wilson was a prominent man in the County. At one time he was nominated candidate for the Conservative party in South Grey to contest the riding for the federal house, but resigned the honor and shortly afterward received the appointment of sheriff. He took a keen interest in the preservation of the fish and game of the county of Grey and Game Protective Association. He was particularly well known in Bentinck and Durham and his death will cause general regret.

## SPOKE ON WORK OF MOTHERS' BOARD

Dr. Jamieson was Guest of St. Thomas and Elgin County Mothers' Allowance Boards and Gave Fine Address on Work of Board of Which He is Chairman.

The Hon. David Jamieson, M. D., of Toronto, chairman of the Mothers' Allowance Commission of Ontario, was the guest of the combined St. Thomas and Elgin County Mothers' Allowance board at a dinner arranged by the St. Thomas board at the Empire Hotel on Tuesday of last week. Dr. Jamieson, who has been visiting a number of the Mothers' Allowance boards in the province, was accompanied by Colonel Murphy, also of the Mothers' Allowance Commission, Toronto.

In his address following the dinner, Dr. Jamieson, who is a remarkably interesting speaker, spoke in comprehensive manner of the work being accomplished by the Mothers' Allowance Commission and various boards throughout the province. Dr. Jamieson pointed out that it is practically impossible for a government to frame a law which will not need some amendment in its application and stated that suggestions in connection with the law covering this work are welcomed. At present assistance is not given to the mother with one child. If this were done, it would add another million dollars to the two million already being expended annually in this province in this work, but the speaker did not see why in a province as wealthy as Ontario, where \$9,000,000 have been collected from succession duties, there should not be sufficient funds to administer efficiently so important a department as the Mothers' Allowance.

It was suggested that there might be a flat rate given under the Mothers' Allowance for what is known as the metropolitan districts. There had also been an agitation for a flat rate for the whole province, which would mean the same rate for city and country. At present on account of the higher living costs in the city, the rate for the latter is greater than that for the country, as a result of which it has been found that many are moving from the country to the city. Ottawa has also found cause for complaint in the fact that mothers residing in Hull, Quebec, in which province there is no mothers' Allowance, have been moving to Ottawa, thus setting up residence in Ontario and qualifying for assistance under the act in this province.

The speaker also pointed out that there is nothing at present to cover the case of the family where the mother is dead, the father in prison and a foster mother supporting the children. There are many things that are discouraging in the work and considerable room for development and improvement as it progresses, but Dr. Jamieson pointed out that there are also many encouraging features. He was most pleased with all the boards he had visited and the work they were accomplishing. Tribute was paid to the perambulating schools in northern Ontario, for which the Mothers' Allowance is in no way responsible which has helped very greatly many of the mothers the educational facilities to the isolated districts of the province.

Dr. Jamieson was introduced by Frank Harding, chairman of the city Mothers' Allowance board, who spoke of the great interest of the work being accomplished and of its value in the community. He also referred to the fact that the requirements of the act for a family to qualify for assistance from the board were not well enough understood by the people in general. Assistance can be given only to a widow or to the wife of a man who is a British subject by birth or naturalization and who is totally disabled. The family must have been resident in Ontario for two years and in the municipality for one year and there must be two or more children under sixteen years of age.

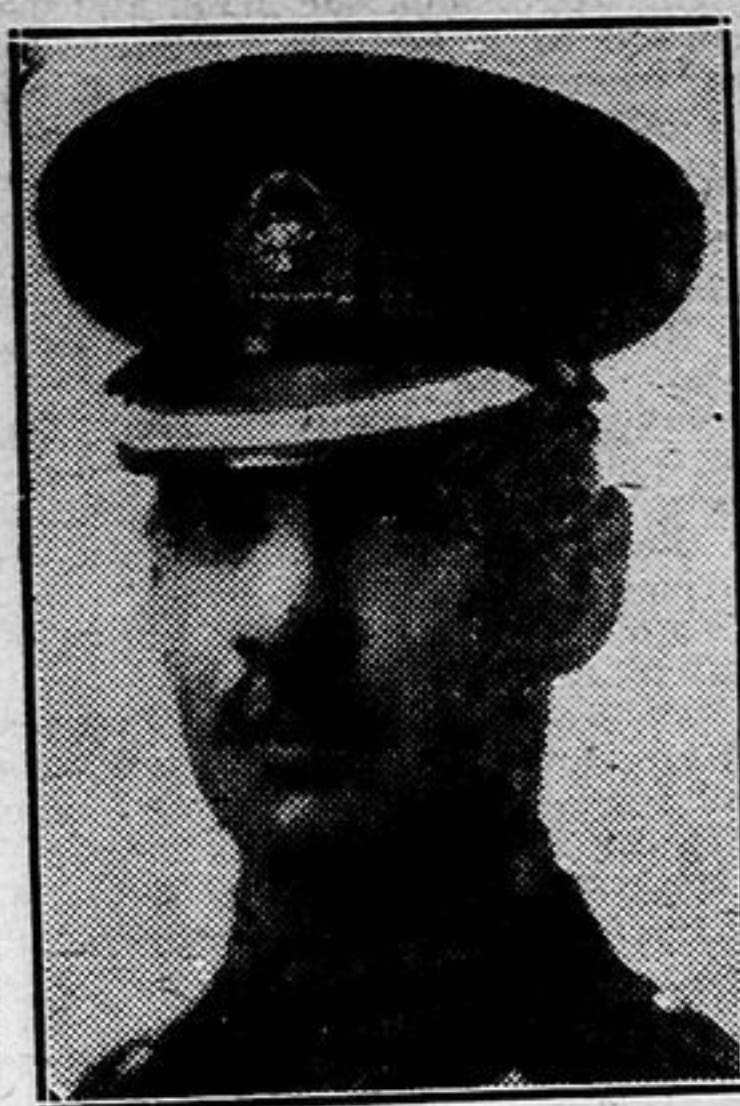
### A PROTECTIVE TARIFF

Those who today make remarks, some nice, some nasty, about milady's dress and the prevailing styles, will appreciate the following, taken from an old issue of The Chronicle referring to the days when the big bustles were in vogue, and it was considered quite the correct thing for milady to take her constitutional garbed in an outfit that certainly would not pass censure today. Here's the poetry:

Mary sat upon a pin  
And showed no perturbation;  
For some of her was genuine,  
And some was imitation.

### Pick Your Own Nationality

"I've just been to the bank to borrow some money and they say all I need is to have you sign your name on this note. Then I can have all the money I need. Won't that be great?"  
"It's awful. Here you and I have been friends for many, many years, yet you go to the bank when you need money. Now, you go back to the bank and say that they should sign the note—then I'll lend you all the money you want."



NEW ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER

Lieutenant-Colonel D. A. Duffus, former commanding officer of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police in British Columbia, who has been promoted to the position of Assistant Commissioner of the Canadian force.

## HALE AND HEARTY IN 78TH YEAR

Mr. John Williams of Tisdale, Sask., Sends Greetings to South Grey Friends in Interesting Letter.

Writing from his home at Tisdale Sask., Mr. John Williams, a resident of Elgin and Durham many years ago, has something interesting to tell his Eastern friends and we cannot do better than let him tell it in his own naive manner. He says in part:

"This is my seventy-eighth birthday, as I was born on January 7, 1850, and in renewing my subscription to The Chronicle, I thought I would drop you a short letter. The first thing I must do is send the greetings of this new year to my friends and acquaintances in the town of Durham and vicinity. Seeing that I am strong and hearty yet, I wish to share my good health with those of my friends and acquaintances in the grand old Province of Ontario.

"We have had a very fine winter up here this year, with about six inches of snow, no drifts, and excellent roads. All kinds of road machinery is on the go, and we spent about \$100,000 on churches, town hall, garages, cement sidewalks and many other improvements, including the new Government Post Office. Of course you know the train coming from Ottawa ran off the track, so the post office has not hit the trail for Tisdale yet. We have a fine school at Tisdale, with 385 kiddies, and all under the guidance of three principals and nine teachers in all, so you can quite readily understand how we get rid of some of our pocket money once a year.

"The gold diggings to the north of Tisdale are going to be a wonderful asset to the Dominion of Canada. There are about 500 people going into that part of Northern Manitoba and Saskatchewan every week, so you can quite understand about the population that will be in that part of Canada in the course of the next three years. The C. N. R., which runs through Tisdale east 100 miles to Hudson Bay junction, turns north-east and goes right through to Fort Churchill. The distance is about 400 miles from the Pas, which is 100 miles north of Hudson Bay Junction. Considering everything, we are going to have 'some' Canada in the near future. I wish you and the residents of Durham and vicinity many happy returns."

We were very pleased to have this bright letter from Mr. Williams, and would also like to hear from other old residents of this part of Canada who have been for some years in the West. The people of Old Ontario are still interested in its native sons and a short letter occasionally from those who have taken up residence elsewhere in the Dominion would be of much interest to those of us who never stray too far away from home.

### HARD WINTER UP NORTH

While we, in this section of Ontario, have been enjoying an exceptionally mild winter, the same cannot be said of the rest of Canada. Out West the report has been that it has been one of the most severe winters for many years. In the Northern part of Ontario, too, the conditions have not been as in this section.

Writing to The Chronicle under date of January 4, Mr. Thomas Whitmore of Fort Francis says, in renewing his subscription: "We have about 20 inches of snow, and we have had exceptionally cold weather for this season of the year. It has been 40 below several times. Although it is thawing freely today about the buildings.

The lowest temperature registered so far this winter in the vicinity of Durham, at least according to the readings of the thermometer at The Chronicle office, has been 2 degrees above zero on Monday, January 2.

Boys, the man who sharpens skates also sharpens lawn mowers.

## DURHAM WON O. H. A. MATCH WITH LISTOWEL

Local Team Had Reversal of Form Tuesday Night and Won Well-played Ontario Association Contest Handily.—Hanover Should Play Here Next Monday Night.

The Durhams, smarting from their defeat by Walkerton in a Northern League fixture here last week, were a different outfit when they met Listowel on the local ice surface last Tuesday night. They won their work about the nets and the spectacular saves of Johnston would have cleaned up on Frank Kelly's kids with an even greater score.

When Listowel comes to town it is a signal for all the hockey fans to go early and secure a good seat, and there was a good crowd present at this second game of the season. Play was commenced about 8.30 when Referee Johnston of Palmerston faced the teams and let them away. The first period started off with a rush and there was some neat work done by both teams. The ice was not too fast, but both teams travelled at full speed and for the first four minutes it was anybody's game. The Durhams had the most of the play and kept the puck pretty well past centre ice when the forward line combined in on the Listowel goal and Buschlen netted the rubber for Durham's first center. It was another eight minutes before McGirr found the twine when he worked in on the defence and fooled Johnston, and four minutes later, on a pass from Elvidge scored Durham's third goal of the period. This ended the scoring for the first 20 minutes.

The second period was much the same as the first. The play was fast, and little could be chosen between either team for the first ten minutes, except that the Durham forward line got in closer than their opponents and the fact that there was not more scoring can be attributed to the fact that some of the shots were wide by inches, and the others were gobbled up by Johnston. Durham's first counter came after fifteen minutes on a nice piece of combination by the Durham forwards, who worked through the Listowel defence and Johnston had little chance. Five minutes later saw Robbie score for the visitors when he broke through the Durham defence line and beat McDonald. Two minutes later Listowel scored another, but had the referee had his eye on the play it would not have been counted. The play that ended in the score was an offside from just inside the Durham blue line, and another Listowel man, who had been in the corner behind the Durham net came out and, with offside No. 2 shot the rubber into the twine. The second period ended with the Durhams up 4-2.

At the commencement of the third session the referee called both teams to the centre of the ice and warned them that no rough stuff would be allowed. Evidently he thought that the game might develop into anything, and the best time was to speak before the final session got under way.

Judging from the commencement it was to be a walkover for the Durhams, for Elvidge scored in less than a quarter of a minute on a high lift from centre ice that soared so high that it went beyond the line of vision and flopped into the net before the Listowel goalkeepers knew what was happening. Listowel got another counter in this frame on a wicked shot inside the blue line that went through the defence and glanced into the net off McDonald's pads, ending the scoring of the game.

The three periods were all well-fought, and the Listowel boys were at all times dangerous and right on the puck. They were as a team not so fast as the locals, but with the old veteran Kelly to coach them put up some real good hockey and kept the Durham six working all the time.

It was a clean game, too, and while eleven penalties were handed out they were for minor infractions. During the whole game no questionable tactics were used by either sextette, though at the speed at which it was played there was ample opportunity.

Kelly, as of old, was always dangerous, and played his usual brilliant hockey, while Robbie packed a wicked shot that took some stopping to keep out of the net and Creighton was always dangerous. The Durham forward line also showed improved form over their last game, combined well, and were not a bit selfish in passing the puck, while the defence have greatly improved on their game with Walkerton.

The following is the line-up: Listowel (3)—Goal, Johnston; defence, Kelly and Ruppel; centre, Creighton; wings, Robbie and Woods. Subs., Heffernan and Ross. Durham (5)—Goal, McDonald; defence, Clements and Wilson; centre, McGirr; wings, Buschlen and Elvidge. Subs., Rowe and Kress. Referee—W. R. Johnston, Palmerston.

### Hanover Here Monday

Hanover is billed to appear here next Monday night in an O. H. A. game, and this announcement will no doubt bring out another big crowd. The Hanoverians always

## LOCAL CHAPTER BOUGHT SCENERY

New Equipment for Town Hall Expected to Be in Place in Two Weeks' Time.—Postponed Dance to Be Held February 1.

The local Chapter of the Daughters of the Empire met in special session at their rooms on Tuesday afternoon, when the matter of the purchase of new scenery for the Town Hall was taken under discussion and as a result a Toronto firm has the contract, which it is expected will be completed in the matter of two weeks or so. The Chapter at the present have purchased only one scene and curtain, the remainder to be looked after later on.

Another matter taken up was that of the postponed dance, which was cancelled owing to the town quarantine a couple of weeks ago. This dance, to be held on Wednesday, February 1, is expected to draw the largest attendance of any held in Durham in recent years, as it is the official opening of the renovated Town Hall, and as the I. O. D. E. have taken such an interest in the scheme, expended so much money, and have been responsible for the recent improvements, it is only proper that many should attend the opening of the new building. The music is to be supplied by a Hanover orchestra, and with a new hardwood dancing floor an exceptionally good time can be promised.

have a good team, play to win, and all Durham likes to witness the contests between these old rivals.

### Junior Northern Tomorrow

The first junior game of the year will be staged tomorrow (Friday) night in the rink when the Mount Forest team, last year's Junior Northern champs, play their first league game with the locals. The Mount Foresters are fast, and with practically the same team as won the championship last year, the local lads will have to get down to business in earnest to nose them out.

### Durham's Future Games

The mild weather has disarranged the hockey games all over Ontario, and this district in the intermediate O. H. A. has not escaped. For the benefit of the fans we again publish the original schedule of remaining games as drawn up at Palmerston:

#### Home Games

Jan. 23—With Hanover  
Feb. 3—With Palmerston

#### Games Away

Jan. 27—At Listowel  
Jan. 31—At Palmerston.

Durham was to have played in Hanover January 3, and in Chesley on the 13th, while Chesley was to have played here on the 6th. As none of these games has been played we can give no information as to when they will be, and can not even promise that the remainder of the schedule will be played as originally drawn.

### ALLAN PARK INSTITUTES

The Allan Park Institute met at the home of Mrs. Thomas Kennedy on Wednesday, January 11, with seventeen members present and quite a number of visitors. The meeting opened by singing the opening ode, after which the Lord's Prayer was repeated in unison. Mrs. Joe Brown read the Scripture lesson taken from the 146th Psalm.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted and the president read a paper of interest to the members concerning the Institute. Community singing was indulged in. Letters of thanks were read from Mrs. Ed. Bailey, Mrs. Fred Mahn, Mrs. Grat Wise, Mrs. G. Henderson, Miss Marjorie Meyers and Miss Reta Bailey. Mrs. Allan Wise gave a very much enjoyed instrumental. Miss Arnetta Haslitt gave a paper on "Importance of a good." A prize was given for the best bouquet of winter roses which was won by Miss Evelyn McLean. Little Hazel Bailey took the prize for the little girls.

A prize was given for those having the most coppers which was won by Mrs. A. Meyers. The meeting closed and will meet again on February 8, at the home of Mrs. Wm. Willis, Sr.

A dainty lunch was served with the usual social half hour.

### 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.	Min.	Max.
Thursday	30	37	29
Friday	36	37	34
Saturday	30	36	28
Sunday	17	22	14
Monday	17	25	8
Tuesday	28	34	24
Wednesday	33	36	32

### Snowfall for Week

Thurs., very mild, stormy, snow 2"
Fri., snow and sleet, ¼ rain, snow 1"
Sat., mild aftn and ev'g, rain, ¼"
Sun., quite cold
Mon., milder, sleet, ¼"
Tues., fine
Wed., fine