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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.

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Editorials

MUNICIPAL EXPENDITURES

There may be some in our community to take exception to the expenditures of the Town Council during the past year in their attempt to renovate the old Town Hall and bring it up to a position of respectability.

The Chronicle is not in favor of wasting money, but Durham's Town Hall has for years been almost as big a joke as Big Bill Thompson of Chicago and we feel safe in saying that there are few, if any, of our citizens, who have not at some time or other, expressed their disgust at the condition of our municipal opera house.

Now that the interior of the building has been renovated, it must be admitted that it is a wonderful improvement over what it was a year ago. There are few who will not admit that it was not time to do something with it; but, unfortunately, repairs cannot be made today without spending money.

There yet remains the expense of seating the hall before it will be of any use as a concert building. The only kind of seats to be installed in these modern days are the opera chairs now in use in all theatres. We would even go further and advocate that upholstered seats be purchased. These would cost more, but the public, in its comfort, would soon forget the price.

For some time the Council has been thinking of second-hand seating. This may be all right, provided they can be purchased cheaply enough, but they would have to be secured at considerably less than the two-dollar figure to pay for the risk of broken seats, freight, and installation. There are seats, we are told, that can be purchased from the manufacturers at something like \$3.75 installed. These, when everything is figured, are not so dear as they at first appear. In buying new seats the Council is assured a satisfactory job, laid down in Durham and erected in the hall.

It is easier to spend money than earn it, but it is also poor economy to buy too cheaply. There is always a joker in the deal somewhere.

The present Council has spent a lot of money during the past year, but we have received something for it. The improvements in the Town Hall are noticeable, and none can say we have not received value for our money.

The final step in the renovation of the Town Hall is yet to come and we hope that the Council will not stop until they have made the building as beautiful without as within. Money expended on the beautifying of our public buildings is not wasted any more than that which some of us spend for the floral beautification of our premises.

By all means let us finish the outside of the Hall—brick or stucco—and let someone who knows this part of the business be the judge. At the best our Hall cannot hope to be made up-to-date, but it is today one hundred percent better than ever in its history. We cannot afford to erect a new building at a cost of twenty-five to thirty thousand dollars, but we can afford to keep the one we have in decent repair.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY FITTINGLY OBSERVED

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver McCaslin of town celebrated the fifteenth anniversary of their wedding day last Thursday evening when upwards of 125 invited guests joined with them to celebrate the happy event. Mr. and Mrs. McCaslin received many mementoes of their marriage day from numerous friends and the evening was most pleasantly spent.

DURHAM TEAM IS OUT OF RUNNING

Defeated by Palmerston Last Friday Night, Local Hockeyists Are Now Out of Both O. H. A. and Northern Leagues.

Palmerston came to town last Friday evening and, in an O. H. A. league game, defeated the locals 7 to 3, thereby putting them out of the running for district honors in the big organization. As the locals had previously been disposed of by Walkerton for group honors in the Northern, hockey for this season is probably a thing of the past in this town.

The contest last Friday, though, was a good game, but the locals could not get going fast enough to hold back the invaders of the south and that is about all there is to tell about it.

Their ranks weakened by illness and injuries, it was not expected by those in "the know" of local conditions that the Durhams could withstand the attack of the Palmerston team, but at that the visitors had to extend themselves.

With goalie McDonald in bed with quinsy, his place was taken in the nets by Earl McKechnie, a lad of fifteen years, and while McKechnie covered himself with glory on many of the shots he did save, it was not expected that in his first game in senior company he would be able to display the experience that is gained only by experience. He is a comer, though, and in another year or two will make any of the step to hold a position in front of the nets with the Durham team. McDonald's illness dated back previous to the game at Palmerston, where he went in the nets with a raging headache, a high fever and a sore throat, and now that all this is known it is hard to see why the Palmerstonians did not win at home by even a greater margin than 4 to 1.

Archie Clements on the defence, too, had to take things easy, the result of an accident received in one of the games with Walkerton. The crowd noted that he was not playing up to his usual form, but were unaware that the veteran defence man had more bandages on him than a man with a handshaking experience with a circular saw. But with only enough for a team, it was impossible to replace him, and fit or not, he had to get out on the ice and do what he could.

First Period Was Fast

Despite the casualties, the Durhams held the visitors out in the first period with only one score, Stickney getting the counter after ten minutes of play. This was the only counter of the period, though on different occasions but were unable to beat Kells. In the second session the visitors got three and the Durhams one, the latter being scored by Wilson who shot from the blue line through the Palmerston defence, which slipped in behind Kells before he knew the rubber had been shot. In the third period, the visitors collected a trio of scores while the Durhams bulged the twine twice, the final score being 7-3.

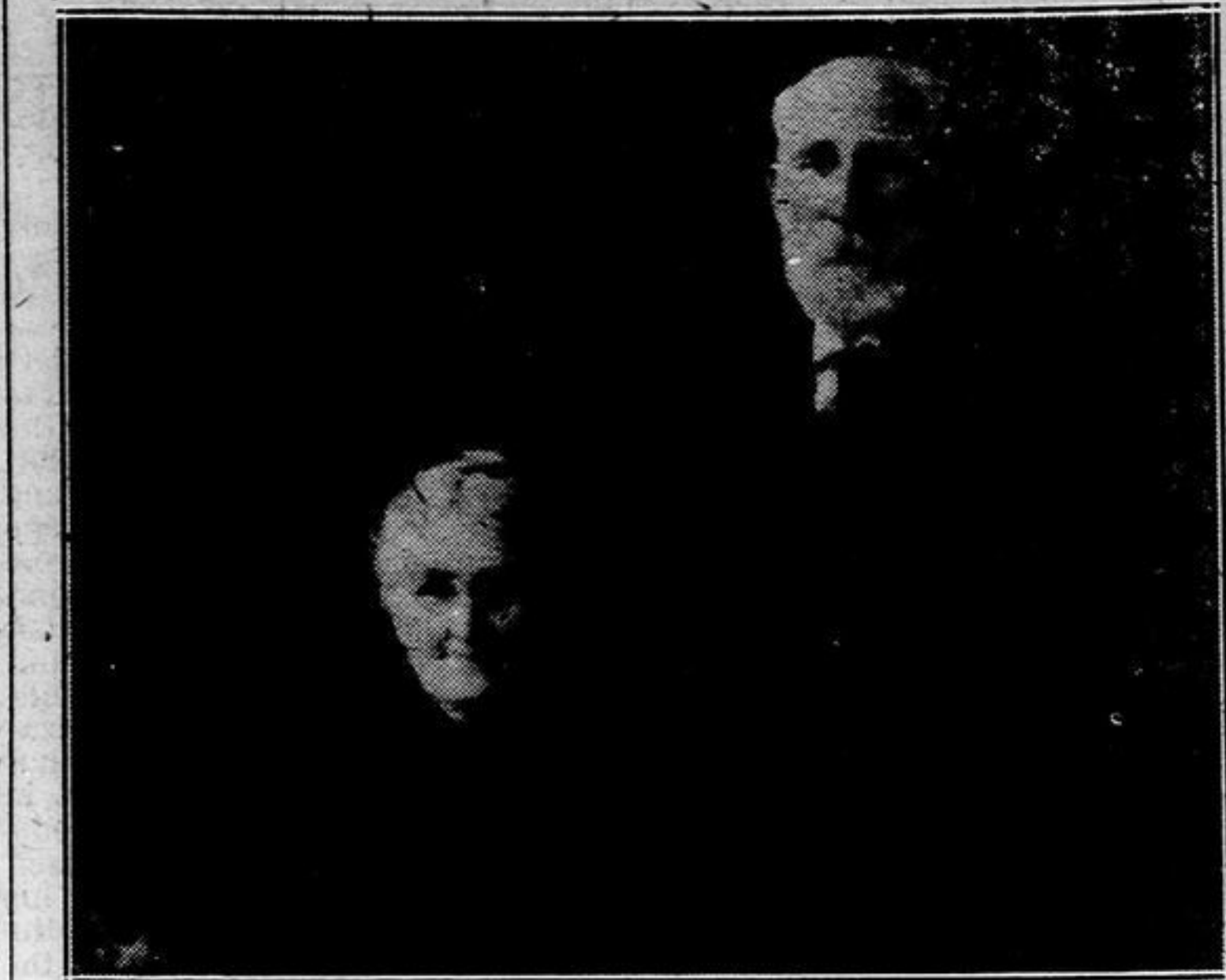
There is little need of alibis in the loss of a hockey game. The better team usually wins, and there is little question that the Palmerstonians were the better team last Friday, but we surely would have liked to have seen these two teams in action at full strength. Palmerston claim that their team was weakened by the absence of Vigar from the defence, but, judging from the game at the railroad town a week ago, we can't see it that way. In our opinion the defence that played here last Friday was lighter and harder to get around than at Palmerston, and the big fellow on the Palmerston defence with the Charlie Chaplin mustache surely blocked some good plays and made some very effective rushes.

On learning of the handicap of the Durhams working under a junior goalie, the visitors let loose at every opportunity for a try on goal and it again proved the old saying that if you keep shooting, often enough some of them are bound to go in. Added to this the fact that Clements was not working at his best it needs little telling to explain why the score went on the wrong side of the ledger from a Durham standpoint. Stickney of the Palmerston defence went through twice and picked up his own rebound, and in neither case should he have been allowed to have done so. He wouldn't have, either, had the Durhams been playing under favorable conditions.

Third Session Strenuous

The final period was the most strenuous of the three, with the locals trying to score, and the Palmerstonians on the defence. In centre ice during the whole of the game the locals had their share of the puck, but in the last stanza had the Palmerstonians bottled up in their end the greater part of the time. It was in this session that the prettiest goal of the night was scored when Elvidge and Buschlen went down in a combined effort, cooled the visiting defence and Kells had no chance whatever to save. Palmerston's three goals this period were scored from near the blue line, the first whizzing through the defence after 15 minutes of play and bulging the twine before McKechnie knew it was coming. The second goal, two minutes later, was also shot from away out, and the third, fired from right wing, struck Clements and glanced off his arm to beat McKechnie, who had no chance to save.

The game was in charge of Steve Vair, of Toronto, now coaching the Walkerton team, and there was no fault to be found with his rulings, which were eminently fair and not too strict to allow some good hockey to be played. Of the five penalties imposed for minor infractions,



THE LATE CHARLES BROWNE respected resident of Durham for 62 years who passed away Wednesday of last week in his 89th year. The photo above shows Mr. and Mrs. Browne at the time of their golden wedding, May 1, 1926.

Durham collected three.

This was the deciding game of the district and Palmerston will in all likelihood be stacked up against Walkerton. Just how this contest will end we hate to predict. Both teams, judging from the games we have witnessed, should have about an even show, with Palmerston slight favorites. During the past two weeks the Walkerton team, judging by their recent performance at Paisley, has improved considerably, and this would seem to swing the odds over to the Bruce county team. The dates of these games have not yet been set at the time this was written.

The line-up for the Palmerston-Durham game here follows:

Palmerston (7)—Goal, Kells; defence, Stickney and Murcar; centre, McDonald; wings, Auld and Root. Subs., Barton and Reid.

Durham (3)—Goal, McKechnie; defence, Clements and Wilson; centre, McGirr; wings, Buschlen and Elvidge. Subs., Kress and Rowe. Referee—Steve Vair, Walkerton.

ROUTINE WORK AT COUNCIL MEETING

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The chair had not yet arrived, and while the Mayor had telephoned asking his man to answer "collect" nothing had been received. This led the Council to think the deal was all off and they could look elsewhere.

A catalogue from the Preston people, manufacturers of furniture of this kind, was laid on the table, but nothing more was done than instruct the property committee to get in touch with the company and see what the whole job was to cost.

May Reorganize Band

The Council were of one opinion in the matter of the town band. It should be reorganized, but how to go about it was another matter. It was finally decided that the town instruments, owned and paid for by the town, should be either called in or located, and further negotiations entered into to get the band started again. The job of locating the instruments was turned over to the property committee, who had on the table a list of the instruments and the names of the bandsmen who held them. There the matter stands at present.

Treasurer Ramage appeared before the Council as a delegation of one, asking for an increase in salary as treasurer. Heretofore he has been paid only \$150 per annum for the work. Other towns of like size pay considerably more, and in addition the treasurer had nothing to do with the collection of taxes. The request caused quite a lot of discussion, but it was felt that possibly the position did not carry sufficient salary and a \$50 increase was granted, bringing the remuneration up to \$200.

May Issue Debentures

It is quite likely that the Council will issue debentures to the extent of some \$6,000 to pay for the work that will have to be done around town next summer, as well as take care of some of the improvements on the town hall. The retaining wall of Lambton street will have to be looked after this summer, as well as the sidewalk to the hospital in upper town, and it was further thought that something further would have to be done with the town hall itself. Bricking the outside was thought out of the question, and the use of stucco, costing about half the amount of brick, was advised. Besides the reduction in price, the stucco was said to be warmer and would have as good an appearance as the most expensive brick.

Work at County Council

Reeve Bell briefly outlined the work done at the recent session of the County Council. Improvements have been fully referred to previously in these columns, our readers are fairly well informed as to what took place. The Reeve told of bringing back the various cheques coming to Durham from the county. These were \$25 for the Women's Institute, \$500 for the Hospital, \$150 for the Agricultural Society, and the regular grant for the High school. He referred to the holding of the Championship County School Fair here this year, said that Owen Sound wanted it badly again this year, but was of the opinion that it would be held in the various towns throughout the county where the necessary accommodations were available, and not confined to any one place.

Among the other work gone over was the passing of the monthly ac-

Obituary

MRS. JOHN McTAVISH

Friends in Durham will sympathize with Mr. John Schutz of this place in the death of his sister, Mrs. John McTavish, who passed away at her home in Milverton last Thursday after a long illness from cancer. She was 58 years of age and was born in Wellesley.

Mrs. McTavish was not particularly well known in Durham, though she had visited here on different occasions, but the remaining members of the family are well known here and in Bentinck. Mr. J. Schutz of this town is a brother, and Mrs. H. Metcalfe and Mrs. Andrew Magwood of Bentinck, near Hanover, are sisters. She leaves a husband and one son to mourn their loss.

The funeral was held from her late residence at Milverton last Monday afternoon, interment being made in the Milverton cemetery.

Germs

Influenza germs are blue, those of pneumonia look like strings of minute pale sausages, and those of scarlet fever like ropes of scarlet rings through the microscope.

A woman's idea of being bad sometimes is better than her husband's idea of being good.—Oshawa Daily Times.

counts by the Finance Committee, which this month amounted to \$777.62.

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SOCIETY

Rev. W. A. Matthews of Ponsobny is in town this week at the bedside of his sister, Miss M. Matthews, who has been seriously ill for some months and whose condition at time of writing is critical. There is little or no hope held out for her recovery.

Mrs. E. W. Limin has returned home from a visit of six weeks with her daughters in London and Woodstock. Rev. Mr. Morris, who have been seriously ill in the latter city, is somewhat improved in health.

Mr. Harold Morton left Monday for his annual winter bicycle trip to Teeswater.

Mr. Hugh Patterson of Saskatchewan, who has been visiting his mother at Varney since Christmas, returned to his home in the West this week. We are pleased to know Mrs. Patterson, Sr., is gradually recovering at the home of his son, Palmer, at Barber's Corners.

DURHAM WOMEN'S INSTITUTE HELD FEBRUARY MEETING

The February meeting of the Durham branch of the Women's Institute was held on Thursday, 2nd inst., at the home of Mrs. Thos. Brown.

There was a large attendance which indicated the interest of all in the programme to be presented, especially the papers to be given dealing with the different phases of school and educational questions.

The principal business of the afternoon was the arranging for the annual At Home which is to be held in March, and it was decided to secure the organizer from the School for the blind and a couple of pupils to come and give an illustrated lecture, also some musical numbers, thus giving the public an opportunity to become acquainted with the work being done by that institution.

It was also decided to have a speaker for the regular Summer Series meeting, as has been done in the past year.

After some community singing had been enjoyed, the first paper was given by Mrs. Nichol, entitled, "The Advantages of a High School Course Combined with Vocational Work". In this paper the subject was fully explained and proved the benefit of such a course.

Mrs. McIlraith then gave an interesting and instructive paper on "The Woman School Trustee. Do We Need Her?" After which an opportunity for discussing the subject was given.

After more singing, lunch was served by the hostess and assistants and all departed feeling that they had spent a pleasant and profitable afternoon.

BOUGHT NEW WASHER

The Hospital Board of Trustees has purchased a large No. 28 "Thor" Washer which is now installed for work at the Hospital to meet the increased need for a large washing machine.

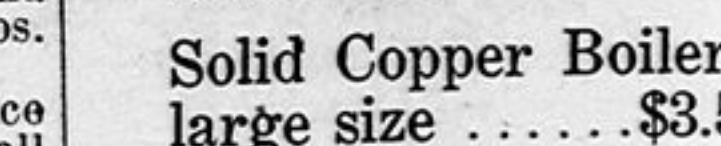
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Choice Canned Corn, each45
Choice Canned Tomatoes, each .44
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SCHOOL HONOR ROLLS FOR PAST MONTH

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Jr. IV—Nelson Hunt, Glenn MacDonald, Wilfred Snider, Maude Storrey, Bernice Whitmore.

Jr. III A—Margaret Sibbald, Lewis MacLomb, Jean Moffat, Frances Hay, Margaret Dunsmore.

Jr. III B—Alma Wilson, Percy Greenwood, Hazel Moore, Marguerite Gibson, Aenes Walker, Kathleen L. Firth, teacher.

Jr. III A—Arthur Koch, Florence Havens, Sadie McEachern, Gordon McGirr, Susie Bell.

Jr. III B—Lily Long, George Glass, Shirley McIntyre, Nora Baird, Gladys Ritchie.

Sr. II A—Carman Noble, Essel MacArthur, Orlida Hahn, Jean Rowe, Ross Wilson.

Sr. II B—Robert Neaves, Norman Greenwood, Betty Henderson, Willie Levi, George Braithwaite.

Sr. I A—Patrick Clarke, Betty McIntyre, Ruth Nichol, Hillary Schenck, Jean MacDonald.

Sr. I B—Allan Pinkerton, Hel Lawrence, Gertrude Holmes, Louise Falconer, Elmer Glenholme.

Sr. I C—Marjory Middleton, Florence MacLean, Grace Vollett, Iolene Whitmore, Janet Robb.

Sr. Pr. A—Donald Campbell, Douglas Dunsmore, Odette Pearce, Margaret Moore, Will Elliott.

Sr. Pr. B—Elmer Arnett, Isabel Fiddes, Milford Wanamaker, Harry McCaslin and Brian Richardson, equal, Iva Sibbald.

Sr. Pr. C—John Collier, Mae Levi, John Ashley, Clara MacDonnell, Adeline Schorff.

Sr. Pr. A—Catherine Rowland, Jim Braithwaite and Willie Wells, equal, Ross Cain, Ross Kearney, Margaret Dunsmore.

Sr. Pr. B—Willie Noble, Clarence MacLean, Annie Hunter, Loyal Elliott, Leslie Stodman.

Sr. Pr. C—Stella Webb, Ronald Watt, Maxine Kelly, Allan Wilson, Helen Gerber.

Sr. Pr. A—Marie Aitken, Bert Mathew, Margaret Irwin, Islay Sim, Mary Woodyard, Irene Ellis, Morris Giddler, Joseph Heaney, Marjorie Nelson, Margretta Heaney, George Stevenson, Norma Johnson, Walter Aitken, Wilma Hilton, Beverly Gibson, Milton Aitken, Vera Allen.

Sr. Pr. B—Leina Rait, Ruby Watson, Doris Troup, Alma Leith, Helen Smith, Vincent Ellis, Iva Gadd, Ivan Christie, Lloyd Tyndall, Willard Stevenson, Allen Brown, David Aitken, Murray Aitken, Frank Gadd, Grace Carter.

Sr. Pr. C—Lloyd Seaman, No. 10 Smith.

Sr. Pr. A—Elmer Love, Wallace Lewis, Marjory Johnson, Aura McGuire, Bruce McKenzie, Garth Buller, Esther Gadd, Eileen Smith, Dick Fidler, Jim McCall, Bill Fidler.

Sr. Pr. B—Harry Mather, Belle Buller, Vera Leith, Murray Rae, J. I. Mary Stevenson, George Dyer, Dorothy Dyer, Elma McQuinn, Kenneth Carmichael, Gordon Carmichael, Hazel Leith, Elizabeth Aitken, Bert Gadd.

Sr. Pr. C—Marjory Moore, Herb Fidler, Billie Moore, Laura Mathie, Pr. A—Phyllis Moore, Howard Tyndall, Lloyd Seaman, No. 10 Smith.

Holstein Public School SENIOR ROOM

IV—Marie Aitken, Bert Mathew, Margaret Irwin, Islay Sim, Mary Woodyard, Irene Ellis, Morris Giddler, Joseph Heaney, Marjorie Nelson, Margretta Heaney, George Stevenson, Norma Johnson, Walter Aitken, Wilma Hilton, Beverly Gibson, Milton Aitken, Vera Allen.

III—Leina Rait, Ruby Watson, Doris Troup, Alma Leith, Helen Smith, Vincent Ellis, Iva Gadd, Ivan Christie, Lloyd Tyndall, Willard Stevenson, Allen Brown, David Aitken, Murray Aitken, Frank Gadd, Grace Carter.

II—Roy Brunt 15 (absent), Jr. II—Levi Biemann 25 (absent), Sr. I—George Vickers 78, Jr. I—George Porter 46, Frank Sharpe 38.

Sr. Pr.—Carman Hopkins 82, Iva Vickers 72, Elsie Biemann 37, Jr. Pr.—Kenneth McCuaig 61, Beginners—Edna Porter, 58.

Number on roll, 19; average attendance 14.42.

—Mary M. Turnbull, teacher

S. S. No. 11, Bentinck Sr. III—Clarence Vickers 66, Iva Mighton 60, Albert Biemann 46, Jol McCallum 36, Gordon Brunt 28, Jr. III—Donald Walker 56, Edna McDougall 47 (absent), Cameron McDougall 5, (absent).

Sr. II—Roy Brunt 15 (absent), Jr. II—Levi Biemann 25 (absent), Sr. I—George Vickers 78, Jr. I—George Porter 46, Frank Sharpe 38.

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S. S. No. 11, Bentinck Sr. IV—Sicily Hopkins, Maude Picken, Beta Vollett.

Jr. IV—Arnetta Manto, Clarence Ritchie, James Armstrong, Raymond Hopkins.

Jr. III—Wilhelmine Manto, Fred Dyer, Fred Roseborough, Iva Mountain, Gordon Dyer, Dyer Dawson Vollett.

Sr. II—Sarah Dyer, Freda Ritchie, Daniel Armstrong, Smith Hopkins, Class I—Ella Vollett, Margaret Murdock.

Sr. Pr.—Earl Hiseox and Elsie Noble, equal, Milton Manto.

Sr. Pr.—Wilhelmine Hopkins Ernest Murdock.

—present every day, Average attendance 22.

—E. W. Petty, teacher

S. S. No. 3, Glenelg Sr. IV—Isabel Firth, Mary A. erson, Alva Greenwood.

Jr. IV—Margaret Firth, Gordon Allen, Viola Neely, Ruby Staple.

Jr. III—Jimmy Cox, Jim I. Willie Glenerson, Gordon Greenwood, Agnes Anderson.