

## DURHAM HIGH SCHOOL OFFICIALLY OPENED

Honor Fell to Charles Ramage, Oldest Member of School Board, at Public Meeting Last Thursday Night—Large Crowd in Attendance.

There was a good attendance at the opening ceremony in connection with the Durham High school last Thursday night, held in the school building, when the new addition was dedicated to the purpose for which it was erected and the public for the first time given the opportunity for inspection. The gathering was everything that could be desired and the inspection of the school after the ceremony and programme was of much interest.

Mr. John Morrison, chairman of the High school Board, was the chairman of the evening, and at the beginning introduced Mr. C. Ramage, to whom, as the oldest member of the Board, had been given the honor of officially opening the new addition. In his remarks, Mr. Ramage went back over the years since he has been in Durham and his various educational activities. He referred to the Public school, after which came the old Model, or Continuation school, and finally our High school. He had taught in Durham in the early nineties and had been connected with the teaching staff of school board in some way ever since he had come to Durham. He had been on the trustee board of some Durham school for the past 31 years continuously. On Mr. Ramage declaring the new building open for the purpose for which it had been constructed, the button was pressed and the building flooded with light. The new part practically doubles the school's capacity, providing the extra class rooms necessary as well as other rooms for the teachers, a lunch room, and a fully equipped science room.

### The Chairman's Address

Mr. J. Morrison is chairman of the High school Board, as well as being chairman of the meeting. In his remarks he told of the causes which led up to the erection of the new addition to the Durham school, went quite extensively into the (Continued on page 5)

## LIQUOR PERMITS ARE CANCELLED

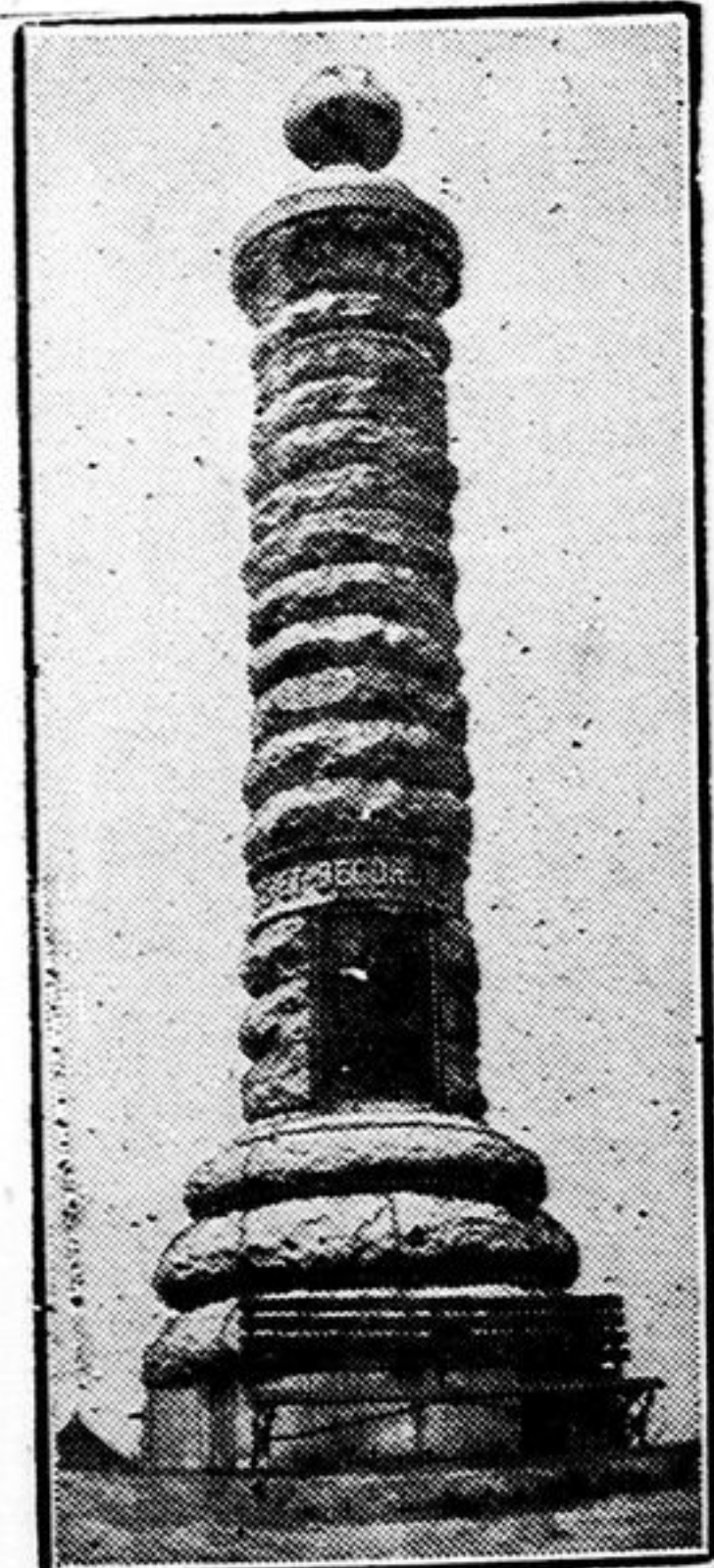
Cancellations Follow Abuses of the Purchase of Liquor and Convictions.

Indications of a campaign to check the abuse of the privilege of purchasing liquor, came Friday in a statement issued by Sir Henry Drayton, chairman of the Ontario Liquor Control Board. Sir Henry announced that 2,973 permits have been cancelled and intimated that other cancellations will follow, if the abuses are not stopped.

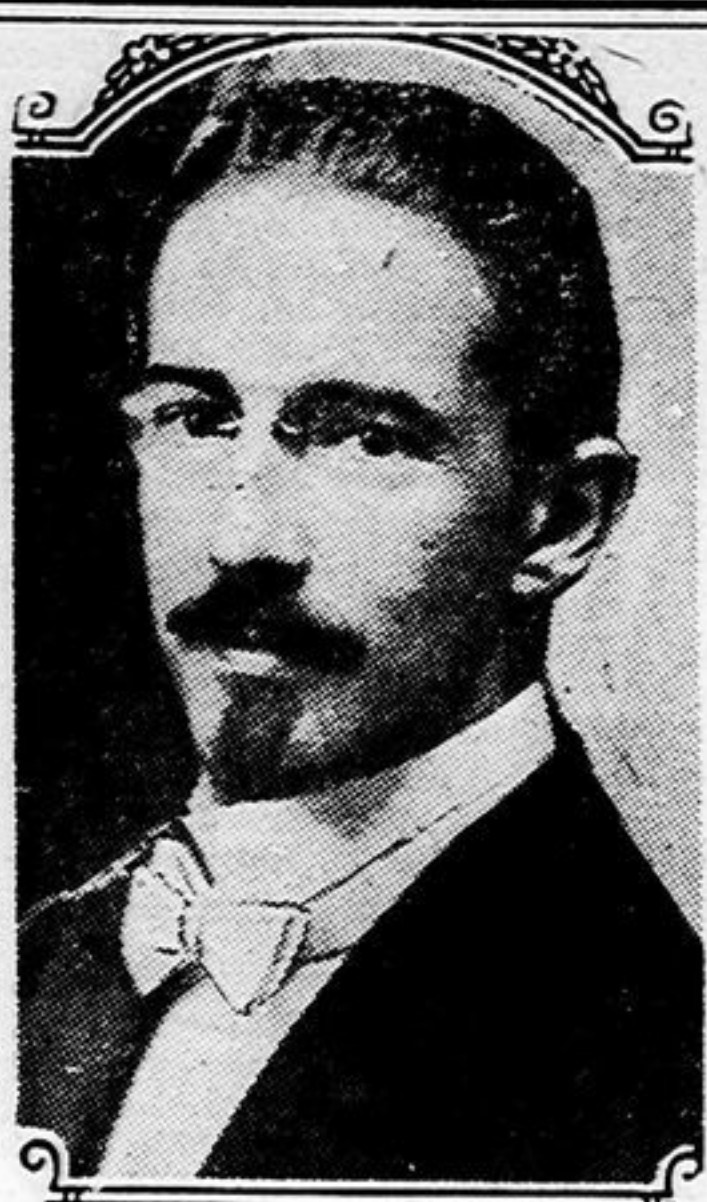
"The cancellations," said Sir Henry, "have taken place on the reports of vendors, who have quite properly drawn the board's attention to the fact that the right to purchase has been abused and also as a result of convictions, which have been secured in prosecutions under the act."

A circular has been sent out by the chairman to all permit clerks and vendors, calling to their attention their duty in checking undesirable conditions in the government control system. It also urges that the necessity for further cancellations be minimized by a proper check on the part of store officials aimed at preventing abuses at the outset.

Sir Henry also announced that due to over-crowding at some Toronto stores, consideration is being given to the opening of new stores.



The record of many famous British regiments is recalled by the monument which stands before the remains of Fort Erie to the memory of troops who fell during the siege of August and September, 1814.



C. F. Thiele, widely known as the conductor of the Waterloo, Ont., band, has purchased Musical Canada, the dominion's solitary musical magazine. This magazine is a Toronto publication and the vendor is A. L. Robertson, who was formerly connected with the R. S. Williams Co. Ltd. The magazine will continue to be published as heretofore except that it will be enlarged and new features will be introduced. A number of the dominion's prominent writers on musical matters will contribute to this publication and A. L. Robertson, the former owner will continue to act in an advisory capacity.

## VISITING HERE FROM PENNSYLVANIA

Mr. Robert Dippery of Lewistown, Pa., is spending two weeks in Durham and is very much taken with our country—fresh air and beautiful country seems wonderful to him.

We had a brief call from Mr. Robert Dippery of Lewistown, Penna., on Tuesday, and spent a very pleasant couple of hours with him in conversing about his native State of Pennsylvania and listening to his praise of this part of Canada, which he already thinks "the greatest country in the world" excepting, of course, his own native state which has been home to him all his life.

Mr. Dippery's introduction to Durham was unique. Some time last winter Mr. Dippery, who is pressman on the staff of the Lewis town Daily Gazette, decided that the time had arrived for him to take a holiday. Where to go, however, he could not decide, so, placing a large map of North America on a counter behind him, he said he would place his finger on a certain portion blindfolded and wherever his finger rested would be the place where his vacation would be spent. When he turned around his finger rested on Durham. He had never heard of the place before, had never been in Canada, but when one of his fellow workers asked him what he was going to do about it, he said, "Why I am going to spend my vacation in Durham."

### Wrote Postmaster Smith

Some time last March Mr. Dippery wrote Postmaster Smith for information as to where he could secure a private boarding place for a couple of weeks. He knew nobody here, but felt that at least we would have a postmaster. Mr. Smith made the necessary arrangements and as a result Mr. Dippery arrived in town Saturday noon and is stopping with Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Lawson on Countess street.

### A Mutual Surprise

When Mr. Dippery called at The Chronicle office Tuesday afternoon and introduced himself, neither thought of the mutual surprise that was awaiting both himself and the editor. We had quite an animated conversation for a half hour and then, taking the editor's car, we proceeded to do up a bit of the country. We visited the Stone and (Continued on page 5)

## CANADIAN GAME ANIMALS SHIPPED TO NEW ZEALAND

Beaver and Rocky Mountain Sheep Donated to City of Auckland Zoological Gardens

One of the happy results of the wild life conservation policy carried out in our national parks by the Department of the Interior is that Canada is now in a position to assist conservationists of other lands. At various times in recent years donations of wild animals have been shipped to points in the United States and other countries. Recently one pair of beaver and one pair of Rocky Mountain sheep were shipped from Vancouver to the city of Auckland, New Zealand. The beaver were taken in Jasper national park, while the sheep are from the rapidly increasing wild herd in Rocky Mountains national park.

Every precaution was taken to see that the animals reached their destination in good condition, and on arrival at Auckland they were placed in the Zoological Gardens of that city.

## CONTRACT LET FOR STREET OILING

Council Dealt With This Important Problem at Last Monday Night's Meeting—May Do Work Next Week.

The regular meeting of the Town Council was held last Monday night as at the regular night a week previous an insufficient number turned out to form a quorum. Routine business was the general business done, the only important matter on the slate being the letting of the contract for oiling the streets this year. This went to the same firm as last year, the Municipal Road Spraying and Oiling Company, the company this year to furnish the oil and put it on. The price is 42 1/2 cents a gallon, a half cent cheaper than last year.

The oiling programme this year, so far as the Town Council is concerned, is quite a lot different than previously. This year the county link, extending from the Hahn House corner to the eastern boundary of the town, has been taken over by the county, who will look after it, but how is not yet known. There is nothing definite to go by but there seems a conviction that the County Council will not do very much work in this section this year, with the possibility that even the oiling may not be done. Anyway, the town has nothing further to do with this strip of road and will devote the oiling that formerly went on this roadway to other parts of the town.

The amount of oil to be used this year is 5,200 gallons, and it is to be put on by spraying machine the same as last year. To make up for the county link that was formerly looked after by the town, the oiling programme this year includes Mill street as far as the High school, with practically the same oiling for the balance as was done last year.

The oiling is expected to be completed some time between May 24 and June 1, according to word received Tuesday from the company by Mayor Murdoch.

### Minor Matters Before Council

The usual routine business was about all else that was before the Council. The tax roll was extended for another month, and the vote to place a telephone in Constable Allen's house was lost. Bills amounting to \$1,370.46 were passed by the Finance Committee, \$969 of which was to the Canadian Office & School Furniture Co. for the new town hall seats. Reeves Bell refused to include another bill of \$161 in his report on payment for labor on the streets and other small amounts, but this was passed by resolution.

## OLD-TIME BLACKSMITH TELLS OF EXPERIENCE

James Allen of Toronto Learned Trade in Durham in 1863, and Still Thinks He Can Hold His Own With the Best of Them.

A recent issue of the Toronto Mail and Empire had an interesting news item that will be of much interest to many Chronicle readers in that it concerns an old resident here, Mr. James Allen. The Mail and Empire says:

"James Allen, now residing at 49 Dunvegan Road, Toronto, told a reporter of The Mail and Empire, that he had been much interested in the reports concerning the length of time which Mr. Hooper, of Charles Street, Toronto, and Angus Bell, of Shelburne, Ontario, had been in the blacksmithing business. Mr. Allen, however, was quite an old hand at the business before either of these men had started, having commenced his apprenticeship with W. A. Anderson, in Durham, in 1863. He says that after watching Mr. Anderson put on eight shoes, he himself, drove his first shoe.

"Mr. Allen started business on his own account in Alliston, in 1871, and fitted his last pair of shoes in 1925. He is in robust health, says he could still shoe a horse, and thinks nothing of a walk of four or five miles, just for the exercise. He says that when he started, the blacksmith had not only to make the shoes himself, but also the nails for certain unusual size shoes. Mr. Allen claims that he could make a shoe in three heats with toe caulk and heel corks, and feels that he could still do this.

"He fishes from a canoe up North every summer and has done so for several years, and only a few years ago accompanied six young and middle-aged men on a two-weeks' canoe trip in the Northern wilds."

Mr. Allen left Durham after learning his trade, and afterwards worked in Meaford and Eugenia before removing to Alliston. He is now 85 years of age, but one would not think it to see him, and lives with his daughter, Mrs. (Dr.) Grieves in Toronto. Hamilton Allen of this town is a brother, and learned his trade with his elder brother at Alliston. David Allen of town is another brother and Mrs. M. J. Davis and Mrs. W. J. McFarlane of Glenelg are sisters.

### The Fisherman

He riseth up early in the morning and disturbeth the whole household with his preparations. He goeth forth full of hope. When the day is far spent he returneth smelling of strong drink and the truth is not in him.

## LACROSSE IS DEAD THIS YEAR IN HANOVER

Town Not Likely to Have Even Junior Team This Year, and Likelihood Players Will Turn Out With Walkerton.

Prospects for lacrosse in Hanover this year are not very bright. Hanover, once a hot bed of lacrosse whose teams were always found near the top and who always had to be reckoned with in the semi-finals or finals, has sadly degenerated.

There are still plenty of good lacrosse players left in town but it costs money to put a team on the field these days and the business men in days gone by used to back the team are now storing their dollars in the banks and spending their spare time rolling balls across a green. Oh! sad day for Hanover lacrosse when bowling was introduced.

In the old days every young fellow owned a lacrosse stick and now it is even hard to find one in any of the stores, there is so little demand for them. The young lads prefer to play tennis with the ladies than the he-man game of lacrosse. Last year Hanover entered three teams in the O. A. L. A. and two of them reached the semi-finals. The Intermediate players ran their team themselves, while the citizens who backed the juniors and midgets lost money on their venture.

This year there is not enough enthusiasm shown to even have a meeting to see what can be done, and by latest reports several of the intermediate stars will lineup with Walkerton this year which ought to give that town a fast team.

Whether Hanover will have any junior lacrosse this year or not is a question, though a report from another source prophesies two teams.

## SPRING WANDERERS HERE LAST WEEK

First Visit of Gipsy Band Last Thursday Sure Sign that Spring Is With Us Again.

One swallow may not make a spring, but when the itinerant gipsy bands commence calling one may safely conjecture that warmer weather is at hand and summer close by.

Last Thursday about noon Durham was visited by a band of wandering gypsies who stayed around town for possibly half an hour and during that time made their presence felt. They had lost none of their usual custom of going down on the stores in gangs and while the clerk was waiting on one of them the rest would be here, there and everywhere purloining all they could get their hands on. Luckily for some of the merchants, it was Thursday and the majority of the stores were closed up, but some of those who were open had a run for their money.

Four or five of them went in a body. They would rush into a store, and in one place while one of the women kept a clerk occupied others consumed two or three bottles of pop, and another lifted two dollars out of a purse that lay in a private part of the store.

One of our embryo business men had a rather unfortunate experience, too. Going into the place where he is employed, one gipsy woman wanted to bless his money, a game as old as the hills, but which seems to be worked regularly. He first was persuaded to place a number of five dollar bills in his hand to have them blessed. This was so successful that he did the same with others of ten ten-dollar denomination. He was requested to "look into her eyes" while his money was blessed and his fortune told. After the woman had disappeared the young business men found himself short \$85.

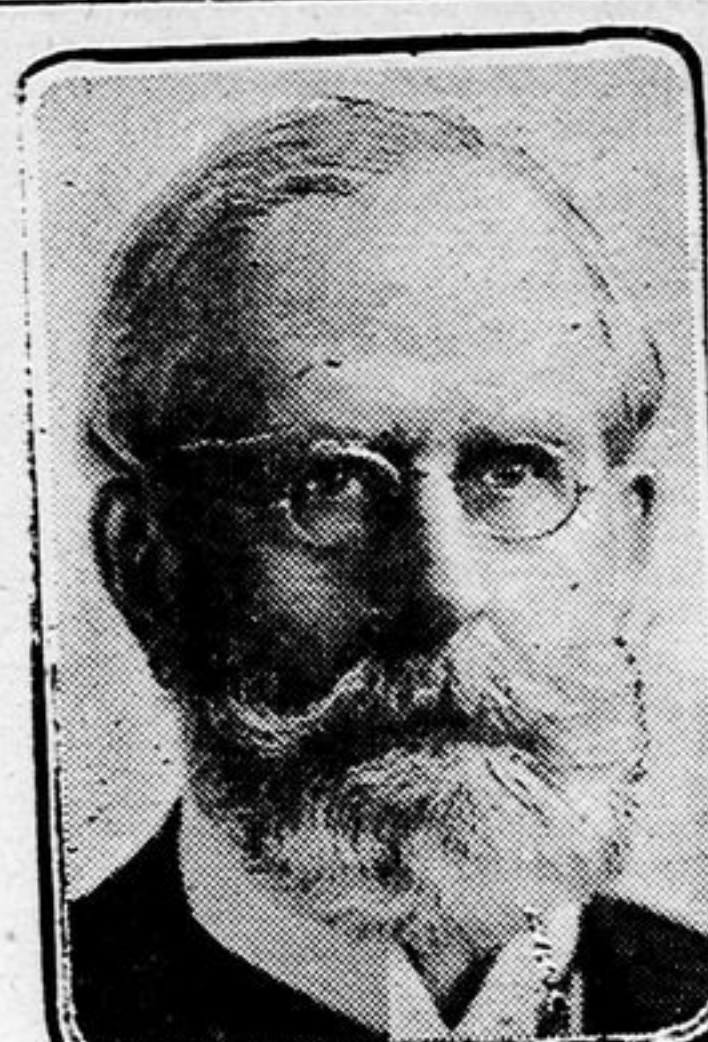
The band was traced to Leith, near Owen Sound, where the money was returned by a man subsequently traced to Collingwood, arrested, and brought back to Owen Sound, where she was fined \$50 and costs.

### EARLY COPY NEXT WEEK

Next Thursday, May 24, is a public holiday, and as The Chronicle observes all legal holidays the next issue of this publication will be printed on Wednesday evening. To do this we ask all our advertisers to have their copy ready not later than Monday noon in order that all work on these advertisements may be finished up by Tuesday night. We cannot guarantee to change any advertisements the copy for which has not been received by 12 o'clock Monday noon.

### HOLDS RECORD FOR BIG FISH

Graydon Moorhead of town holds the local record for big fish caught this year almost any way you want to figure it. On Wednesday of this week he went up the big river, and though he got but three fish all day, the three tipped the scales at only an ounce and a half less than six pounds. The largest was 19 inches long and weighed two lbs. 10 1/2 ounces; the two others were both 16 inches in length and weighed 1 1/2 and 1 1/4 pounds.



Right Hon. Sir William Mulock, chief justice of Ontario, chairman at the Canada oratorical championship in Toronto, May 16.

## CAR RAN IN DITCH THREE ARE INJURED

Mrs. C. P. Kinnee in Hospital As Result of Accident Sunday Morning—Hydro Pole Broken by Impact.

While motoring on the County road between here and Flesherton last Sunday morning, and when a mile and a half west of Priceville, a car owned and driven by Mr. C. P. Kinnee of this town ran off the road, crashed into a hydro pole and was so badly wrecked that no attempt will be made to repair it.

With Mr. Kinnee were Mrs. Kinnee and Mrs. C. B. Lawrence and son Bert, the party being on their way to spend the day with relatives of Mrs. Lawrence at Southampton.

The car had just nosed over the top of a hill and was running about 15 to 20 miles per hour when a fishing pole, which Mr. Kinnee always carried under the straps in the top, fell down, and it was when making an attempt to seize the falling rod that the accident occurred. Mr. Kinnee took his eyes off the road for a few seconds and the car ran off the road and into the pole.

The impact damaged the headlights and radiator, twisted the frame and otherwise put the car out of commission so that it had to be towed to Durham. Mrs. Kinnee was the most seriously injured in the crash, being thrown partly through the windshield. She sustained a broken thumb and severe bruises about her body. For a time it was feared that her hip was broken, but this happily proved false, though she was so badly injured that she had to be taken to Priceville for treatment and was brought in to Durham hospital later, where she is now convalescing.

Mrs. Lawrence was badly shaken up, but no bones were broken. Sitting in the back seat, she was thrown so violently against the back of the front seat that it was bent forward and it is remarkable that she escaped as luckily as she did. Her son Bert was apparently uninjured.

Mr. Kinnee himself was injured about the chest, when thrown against the steering wheel with such force that it was broken from its place, and also received a badly cut thumb which required medical attention. The car was so badly wrecked that he has decided not to spend any money on repairing it.

### Victor Blyth Injured

While motoring with Harrison last Friday night with a party of friends, Mr. Victor Blyth of Varney local salesman for Essex cars, had his arm badly cut by flying glass when the car was wrecked and has since been under medical care. Mr. Blyth was not driving, but received his injuries when the car ran off the road and was partially wrecked.

## TRIPLETS ARRIVED IN DURHAM HOSPITAL

Mrs. J. A. Caswell of Bentinck Gave Birth to Two Daughters and One Son Last Saturday—All Doing Well.

Twins are quite a common occurrence, but it is only once in a long time that any particular community can lay claim to the birth of triplets in its midst. This honor fell to Durham and Bentinck last Saturday when triplets, two daughters and one son, were born to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Caswell. All three infants are well and strong and have every chance of living, another circumstance that is not often recorded.

Mr. and Mrs. Caswell are residents of Bentinck Township, the latter being a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Grierson. Besides the latest addition to the family, Mr. and Mrs. Caswell have three other children. It is upwards of thirty years since triplets were born in town before, and Mr. and Mrs. Caswell are receiving the congratulations of numerous friends over the event.

Since the Durham Red Cross Hospital has been in operation, there have been three births of twins and one of triplets, and it is needless to say that the latest arrivals are receiving more than the ordinary attention and care from Matron Fettes and her efficient staff.

## GREY PRESBYTERIAL MET HERE TUESDAY

Between Two and Three Hundred Delegates Discussed Business Affairs of United Church W. M. S.—Five Hundred Present at Afternoon Session.

The second annual meeting of Grey Presbyterial of the Woman's Missionary Society of the United Church in Canada was held in Knox church here last Tuesday and in the morning, afternoon and evening sessions the greatest enthusiasm prevailed, the general consensus of opinion among those present being that church union had justified itself in the more efficient manner in which the various missionary schemes of the church had been carried out.

The reports of the various committees showed progress and efficiency in every department and this branch of the United Church enters the third year of its existence with increased optimism.

The morning session opened at 10 o'clock, the Lord's Prayer being repeated with all standing after the opening hymn had been sung. After the reading of the scripture by Mrs. J. Stevenson of Holstein, and prayer by Mrs. R. Parslow of Priceville the minutes and report of the executive committee were heard. This was followed by the appointment of committees. The greetings from Presbytery were presented by Rev. J. E. Peters of Meaford, and from the Auxiliaries by Mrs. H. S. Fiddes of Durham. The reports from the various committees were very encouraging. The Auxiliaries had a better understanding of new methods and the results were gratifying. The total amount raised in the nine months was \$9,507.29.

### The Morning Address

Miss Effie Jamieson of Toronto, the General Secretary, was the speaker at the morning session, the subject of her discourse being, "Organization Questions and Information."

Miss Jamieson in her address carried under the words "First the blades, then the ear, then the full corn in the ear."

In 1882 about thirty women of the former Methodist church met in Hamilton for the first annual meeting of the society. There has been great growth since that small beginning.

Walter Currie with his bride from Brantford lived in a mud hut in Africa, but his early efforts resulted in the Currie Institute and the strong mission at Chisamba. We too can help by laying hold of eternal resources. Intercession is the costliest thing we can do. If we are honest we must follow our prayers. Every Friday remember the sunset hour of the General Board meeting, when their prayers are girdling the world.

The afternoon session opened at 2 o'clock. There was the scripture reading by Mrs. Morrow of Hanover, the roll call of Auxiliaries by Mrs. W. H. Smith of Durham, the roll call of Y.W.A. Circles and C. G. I. T. by Miss Evans of Owen Sound, and of the Mission Bands by Miss Stevenson. Reports were received from the corresponding Secretary, Mrs. W. H. Smith of Durham, from the Treasurer, Miss I. Nichol of Owen Sound, and from the Secretary of Christian Stewardship, Mrs. H. Reid of Meaford.

The address by the president, Mrs. W. D. Staples of Hanover was very interesting, in which she referred to the good work being done by the W.M.S. and Auxiliaries in the various fields.

Reports from the Vice-Presidents were also received, for which each official was allotted five minutes.

### An Address on China

Mrs. R. S. Longley of West China was the speaker for the afternoon. As a missionary in that country she knew her subject well and delivered a most illuminating and informative address. Mrs. Longley is a very clear, convincing speaker, making her points very impressive by illustration. She thought the W.M.S. work so hard, yet see so little of the result. At one time Mr. and Mrs. Longley moved to a new district in China where only one out of ten thousand had heard the gospel. In Chengtu there was one woman's Hospital, the only large hospital for the province with seventy millions of people. The Chinese women are grasping the fact that the Mission-

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### 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 am. | Max. | Min. |
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| Thursday  | 56    | 67   | 48   |
| Friday    | 46    | 58   | 34   |
| Saturday  | 40    | 48   | 30   |
| Sunday    | 38    | 57   | 28   |
| Monday    | 46    | 68   | 32   |
| Tuesday   | 52    | 74   | 44   |
| Wednesday | 60    | 68   | 54   |

### The Weather

The weather this week has been the most springlike so far this season. While the wind has been cool, the weather has been altogether delightful. During the whole week no rain fell until about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, when a light drizzle commenced that bids fair to continue all night. Farmers are getting a lot of work done these days and a good rain will do more good than harm as the ground is becoming dry.