

In Other Communities

Taken From Our Exchanges About People of Your Acquaintance

Dress Caught Fire

Mrs. Arthur Johnston of this place was rather badly burned on Sunday evening when her dress took fire from the kitchen stove while she was preparing the evening meal. She was alone at the time but was able to get the blaze out before being seriously burned.—Markdale Standard.

Was Former Glenelgite

Mr. G. A. Staples, who has been visiting his mother, Mrs. Staples, and his sister, Mrs. Cecil Alton, left on Monday to spend several days in Toronto and Montreal before returning to his home in Edmonton, Alberta, where he holds the position of District Freight Agent for the Canadian Pacific Railway.—Markdale Standard.

A Monster

Mr. E. Hamilton, 7th Con., Elma, brought a monster puff ball to town this week and gave it to the local connoisseur, Mr. F. O. Clarke. The puff ball, which measured four feet around, was wholly edible and greatly enjoyed by Mr. Clarke and seven friends. Mr. Clarke says there is still some left.—Listowel Standard.

Stealing From Tara Graves

Some unscrupulous person or persons have been stealing the roots of flowers from graves in Tara. One grave in particular was visited and the roots of peonies were dug up and carried away. The officials are looking into the matter and will endeavor to locate the guilty party. It is a dastardly act and a severe penalty is attached to the crime if the offender is apprehended.—Tara Leader.

Old Home Week Has Surplus

Mr. W. G. Tranmer, treasurer of the Mildmay Old Home Week has handed us an abstract statement of the receipts and expenditures in connection with this event. The total proceeds were \$2,997.40, and the expenses \$2,497.55, leaving a credit balance of \$499.85. This amount has been deposited in the savings department of the Bank of Montreal.—Mildmay Gazette.

Hit and Run Driver at Hanover

A little Elmwood girl, Myrtle Rody, was run down by a car last Friday evening at the Hanover Fair, and the driver of the car drove off in a heartless manner without stopping to see how badly she was hurt. The little girl was taken to the Hanover hospital, where it was discovered that her hip

was broken, in addition to cuts about the head. The police are endeavoring to find the guilty party.—Post.

Half-Holiday Through October

At the meeting of the Teeswater Board of Trade last Thursday night, which was slimly attended, a motion was carried to have the Thursday half-holiday continue through to the end of October. Beginning with November when the half-holiday is discontinued, the Wednesday open night will also be discontinued until a week or so before Christmas.—Teeswater News.

Bought Stock For Model Farm

Stockmen were recently through this district buying high class cattle for the model farm being established by Beatty Bros., the well known manufacturers of stable equipment at Fergus. Several head of Jersey cattle were purchased at Ravenna for Beatty Bros. The farm is near the factories and will be conducted as a model show farm place. The best of stock is being purchased.—Meaford Mirror.

Install Drinking Fountain

On Friday morning a very beautiful style of drinking fountain was installed at the corner of Lambton and Queen Street for the use of the public. It is of white enamel and the flow of the water is controlled by a small lever at the top, thus preventing it from running continually. The fountain bears a copper plate, the reading of which tells the whole story. It states "Donated by the Women's Institute." It is another example of the fine things this worthy organization does in the name of public service.—Kincardine Review.

Diphtheria in Markdale

A couple of cases of diphtheria of a mild form developed in town last week and the homes in which they are have been quarantined. All precautions have been taken to prevent the spread of the disease and it is hoped that no new cases may develop. The school children have all been inoculated and the schools have been kept open. Pictures provided by the Department of Health dealing with the disease will be shown at the Theatre on Friday evening and literature will be distributed.—Standard.

Ten and Costs

Traffic Officer Culp, who patrols Provincial Highway No. 10, north of Brampton, saw a motorist drive on the highway at Caledon without paying

any attention to the stop sign at the 16-sided corner. In a joking manner the officer suggested that the motorist, who declared that he did not notice the sign, drive back and make his entrance in the proper manner. "You can take my number," replied the motorist, bridling up at the suggestion. The officer took the number. It cost the driver \$10 and costs.—Orangeville Banner.

Bought Priceville Fox Co.

Last week Mr. J. O. Dargavel of Rock Mills purchased the stock, equipment and all interests of the Priceville Fox Co., which has conducted a silver black fox ranch at Priceville during the past few years. Mr. Dargavel has made a success of his fox venture at his ranch at Rock Mills, and his stock will be increased by some twenty-five animals from the Priceville ranch. The Priceville Fox Co. ranch at Priceville has been managed by Mr. J. M. McGillivray.—Flesherton Advance.

We understand the fox business will be carried on as usual with Mr. McGillivray as manager.—Editor Chronicle.

First Stick Cut in Fergus

Miss Camilla W. A. F. Webster, Penzance, Cornwall, England, has written to the Municipal Council, Fergus, offering the village the first stick cut on the village site by her grandfather, James Webster. "I would like Fergus to have it," wrote Miss Webster in the communication, "as I stayed quite often there when little, and my father was born in Fergus." The Council, it is understood, will accept the offer. James Webster was one of the two founders of Fergus, the other being Hon. Adam Ferguson, after whom the settlement was named. No man had more to do with the success of the young village in its tender years, nor took a greater part in the work.—Elora Express.

Investigation Asked For

A couple of weeks ago Lorne Laird's barn on the 12th concession of Howick was destroyed by fire, and the fact that the house on the premises was deliberately set on fire the same night, gave the circumstances a very suspicious appearance. Laird lives at Toronto and the place is leased by John Reid, a farmer who lives across the road. The Howick Insurance Company refused to pay the insurance, and asked the Fire Marshall to make a thorough investigation of the origin of the fire. A number of oat sheaves had been placed in the cellarway of the house and set on fire, but it was slow in burning up, owing to lack of draught, and those who came to witness the burning of the barn, extinguished the incipient blaze. Mr. Reid lost about twenty-five loads of hay and some farm implements.—Mildmay Gazette.

Seedling Peach Won Prize

Back of the first prize canned peaches at the Meaford Fair there is a story. The peaches were exhibited by Mrs. Howard Carnahan. They are a product of a tree that like Topsy "just grew." The tree from which they were taken grew from a peach stone thrown out of the window. It was from a choice peach and reproduced its kind. The stone did not fall among tares but into choice ground in an ideal location for peaches in this northern section. It fell into ground protected on the north and west and the little tree grew and prospered this year producing peaches which plus the domestic art of Mrs. Carnahan won first prize at the show.—Meaford Mirror.

Police Dog Attacked Farmer

Last week Mr. Edgar Bowles of Artemesia Township was attacked by a German police dog and was severely bitten on the arm and hand, three stitches being required to close the wounds.

The dog was owned by Mr. Wm. Swanton of the East Backline, Mr. Bowles' employer, and was chasing the horses when Mr. Bowles was bringing to the barn. When called off, the dog immediately made a spring for its victim's throat and fastened its teeth into the arm that was used to guard the face. Both dog and man struggled for some moments when Edgar succeeded in inserting his hand into the crazed dog's mouth, securing its tongue and forcing it to release its hold, and suffered several cuts on the fingers while doing so. The dog was finally subdued with Mr. Swanton's assistance, and chained to the fence, where it was immediately shot. The head was sent to the Provincial Department of Health in Toronto, but there were no signs of rabies to be found. Mr. Bowles suffered considerable from his wounds. It was a narrow escape from serious injury and probably death.—Flesherton Advance.

Motorist Hits Cows

A bad mix-up of cars and cows occurred near C. U. Heath's farm on the 7th concession, Rawdon, about 5 p. m., on Tuesday. Coming over a knoll on the Marmora-Stirling road William R. Fox, of Frankford, driving a Pontiac coach, crashed into a herd of cattle which were being driven along the road by Donald Heath, Mr. Heath's grandson. The lad was riding a horse which reared up when the crash occurred, and he was thrown heavily to the ground, luckily escaping with minor bruises. Three of the animals were injured so badly that they had to be destroyed, two having broken legs. Another car that was following Mr. Fox smashed into his car and bent everything that was bendable, causing a bad mix-up generally. It seems that every six cows must have a driver accompanying them when on a provincial highway, and no bull is to be on the road unless led by someone. These laws were not obeyed, and it looks as though the owner of the cows will be the loser.—Stirling News-Argus.

Fell 25 Feet to Barn Floor

Blake Fleming, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Fleming, 10th Concession of Maryborough, is in Palmerston Hospital, suffering from serious injuries sustained when he fell 25 feet from a hayrack to the floor of his brother's barn on Thursday afternoon, September 20. Young Fleming and his brother, Roy, were using a rope and pulley to put away a hay rack after the season's work. By some means, the pulley broke, and the young man and the heavy rack were thrown to the floor. Roy, the younger brother, was uninjured, but Blake was rendered unconscious by the fall. His wrist was broken in two places, a rib was fractured, and he suffered severely from shock. He was rushed to the hospital, where it was found that he had sustained a severe concussion in the fall. On Friday afternoon he regained consciousness for a few moments, and was able to recognize his wife and brother. He has continued to improve slightly since then.—Palmerston Spectator.

Vandals Smash Store Windows

One of the most despicable deeds to be pulled off here for some time occurred during Tuesday night when the plate glass windows at Andrew Ruhl's butcher shop and at the Dominion store were broken. It seems to have been the work of hoodlums. A big piece of hardwood was thrown through the window in both cases, and, as if to aggravate the police, a third stick was thrown through the window of the police office. A German immigrant who "batches" above the butcher shop heard the crash, but he thought it was a car accident on the street as he heard voices. Had he thought of windows being broken, he feels sure he could have rushed down and got a glimpse of the perpetrators or the number of the car in which they drove away. Both windows were not insured, the insurance carried by Mr. Ruhl having just recently lapsed, and both he and Mr. Albert Knechtel, who owns the Dominion store building, will lose a tidy sum. The police are investigating possible clues.—Hanover Post.

Inspector Craig Injured

Inspector Craig had a close call on Saturday forenoon when returning home alone in his car from Guelph. About Ennotville he took a weak spell and remembers practically nothing after that. He was able in some way to drive slowly towards Fergus and keep

on the road. Just before reaching the High School the traffic officer overtook him and noticed the irregular motions of the slowly moving car. He followed along until nearly the bottom of the hill when the car turned into the ditch on his left hand side, and stopped. Upon examination it was found that the Inspector's nose was broken and he had sustained other injuries, probably striking the steering wheel. He was taken to the Royal Alexandra hospital where the injuries were treated, and where he is recovering nicely. He should be around again in a few days.—Fergus News-Record.

Frank Kelly on Police Force

Prior to his departure from Listowel to assume his new duties on the Provincial Police Force, Toronto, Mr. Frank Kelly, one of Listowel's most popular young men, was presented with a handsome English leather kit bag filled with shirts, ties and socks, by the members and friends of the various athletic teams to which he belonged. The presentation was made at the Listowel Club on Saturday evening, and the members of the club also presented him with a pair of gold cuff links.

Frank will be greatly missed in various circles in town, especially in athletic activities. For many years he has been on the football, baseball, hockey and golf teams in Listowel, and also is known throughout this part of the province as a referee in hockey and football. Listowel and vicinity wish Mr. Kelly every success in his new field of labor.—Listowel Banner.

Dastardly Persecution of Thresher

While threshing was in progress on the farm of Hugh Berry, Osborne township, a number of cultivator teeth were found wrapped in sacks and embedded in the sheaves, evidently in an attempt to wreck the threshing machine. For several years now a similar dastardly attempt has been made to wreck the machine of Chester Gorvett. Mr. Berry had intended using Mr. Gorvett's machine, but at the last moment changed for one owned by Joseph Creery. A few days later, in spite of every precaution, the Gorvett

machine was wrecked by the placing of a sulky rake tooth wrapped in canvas in one of the sheaves, which evaded the threshers and went into the machine, breaking the concaves. This dastardly work has the farmers thoroughly aroused. Last year an attempt to wreck Mr. Gorvett's machine on the farm of Horne Bros., Zion, and the latter have since offered one thousand dollars for information leading to the arrest of the guilty party.—Ferdwich Record.

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Dear Prudence,
Your letter received and it is a pleasure to hear from you and know something of your adventures.

I note your request for more reviews, so am enclosing one from little Preston friend entitled "From My Life" by Chaliapin. Brief account makes me feel the book would be very interesting and not only interesting but encouraging and inspiring as well. Will be glad to hear again from you, as ever,
Ruth Raeb

"Pages From My Life"
by Chaliapin

The first book from the pen of Chaliapin—but as he infers, not the first. This is a volume so fascinating we refuse to lay it aside. On a peruse its pages from the first days of his life, to the final chapter where success is assured.

We of a more civilized age and wonder at the seeming lack and cruelty of a lower class Russian child. Many were the beatings administered to the small and Fedor by his drunken father, these for no reason at all. Fedor ample, Fedor fell to the ground a tree which he was climbing, his father seeing his bruises, immediately a public beating was given. Pings were also the order of the school. At the age of twelve, Fedor was sent to a school to learn the penner trade. And when the carpenter wished to punish his apprentice, a plane, a rough heavy board whatever tool was nearest to hand used instead of the proverbial. After a great deal of this, Fedor decided to change over to the binding trade, for the very logical son that it would be better to his book heaved at one than a hammer.

As a boy Chaliapin rarely enough to eat, and as a youth he little better off. His training as in choir singing served him instead when later on he joined chorus of an Operetta Company.

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