

## Hydro Forces Won First Bruce Fight

Southampton Carried Hydro in Monday's Voting and Work Has Already Begun Toward Installation of the System.

The fight in Bruce County for the placing of Ontario Hydro in Southampton was a victory for the Hydro forces, though the majority of 34 was close enough to make it interesting and if the Foshay interests, the private ownership company from Minneapolis can change sufficient votes in their threatened coming protest, there may be a fight over the result.

The whole campaign has been one of hard feeling. It is to be believed the daily press reports, and in one instance a prominent church member of the town had threatened to withdraw his support from the church if the pastor, who was a Hydro advocate, was granted the privilege of casting his church property. The church officials, not to be bluffed, had the minister's name placed on the list, but a later report states that the minister rather than cause any friction, had decided not to cast his ballot.

Whether or not this action can come under the "tampering with voters" section of the Municipal Act may yet be decided by the courts. The action of Southampton in supporting the bylaw is to be commended and will no doubt have a good effect on the municipalities who are yet to vote on the question. Personally, The Chronicle thinks Southampton has taken the only sane course, and while the workings of the Hydro may not always be clear to them, as is a most intricate system of accounting, we have yet to find one instance in which the system has failed to deal fairly with any municipality.

Like everything human, the Ontario Hydro has its ball-ups and occasionally some of its lesser officials develop tantrums, but the big thing is that it has since its inception given its patrons hydro at cost and hydro municipalities certainly have a distinct advantage over those with privately-owned systems, which of necessity are operated for a profit.

We congratulate Southampton on its good sense and would ask its citizens not to pay too much attention to that portion of the press which professes to know that the Ontario private interests are more interested in the municipalities than they are themselves. Hydro in Ontario is merely a banding together of Ontario municipalities for cheap power, and they should be able to look after themselves without any outside advice. The private interests had the ground to themselves for a long time and did not let the public know of their schemes on how to save their patrons money. The advent of the Hydro naturally has stirred them up until now they would like to regain the ground they have lost.

Our advice to the municipalities is to stick to the Hydro. It is ours, and if it is not being run right we can find a way to correct it. Private power belongs to the men who own it and the public is not considered from any other angle than that of "how much can we get out of it?" And do not blame the private interests. We have every respect for them. We are even human enough to admit that were we placed in a similar position we would do just as they are doing. It is a straight business proposition with them, perfectly legal, and wholly justifiable.

## GRADING STATION OPEN FOR BUSINESS

Located in Middaugh House Block, Farmers of Surrounding District Are Assured of Full Returns for Product.

The Durham egg-grading station commenced operation yesterday (Wednesday) morning with Mr. J. S. Westmoreland of the Dominion Department of Agriculture in attendance to answer enquiries and give advice to the farmers who brought in eggs.

After the station has been running a short time the work of giving general supervision to the grading will be taken over by the regular egg-inspectors appointed by the Department. Inspection of eggs is not confined to the Dominion with the result that the manager of the Egg Grading Station never knows when or where his eggs may be picked up and gone over by the Egg Inspector. To sample on arrival at Toronto or the Inspector might walk in unexpectedly and inspect the eggs as they were received and graded in Durham.

No partiality is shown by the egg inspectors and the same severe penalties apply in the case of an egg-grading station which fails to comply with the regulations as apply to any dealer in eggs. The full responsibility of strict compliance with the law is laid upon the manager.

Apart from the accuracy of the grading, the Department has no interest in any of the numerous egg grading stations, throughout the country. Any financial obligations must be met locally, the station is operated on a no-profit basis, and the Department's duty ends with its honest attempt to see that accurate grading is done and the prosecution, if necessary, of all egg grading station managers who fail to comply with the Act. In other words, the Department merely concerns itself in the effort to secure fair play and adequate monetary returns for the producer.

**FIREMEN HAD RUN**  
The local fire brigade had a run last Friday at 12:45 a.m. when an alarm was sent in from the West Ward. A neighbor thought he saw smoke issuing from the residence of Mr. George Fine on Garafraza street and sent in the alarm that sent the firemen hurrying to the scene. Luckily the alarm was premature, there being no fire, and it was not for a half hour later that the proprietor learned that his residence had been the centre of attraction.

Cop—"You're pinched for speeding." Copped—"What's the idea? Doesn't that sign say 'fine for speeding?'"



## RETIRE AFTER LONG SERVICE

Lieut.-Col. T. G. Loggie, M. S. C., I. S. O., who retired from the position of Deputy Minister of Lands and Mines in 1925 after 54 years in the New Brunswick Government service, had his long public service recognized in the 68th annual report of the Department of Lands and Mines, which was tabled in the Legislature last week.

## A. O. T. S. CLASS HAD EXCELLENT PLAY

Queen Street Society Presented Play "Cranberry Corners" in Town Hall Last Friday Night.

One of the most pleasant surprises for Durham playgoers took place in the Town Hall last Friday night when the A. O. T. S. Class of the Queen street church made their debut as budding Johnstone Forbes-Robertsons and Ellen Terrys in that delightful little comedy drama in four acts, "Cranberry Corners". When the last curtain fell it was a delighted audience that wended its way homeward, an audience that filled the hall to capacity and was most generous in its praise of the play and the players. And in the theatre as in anything else, that is all that counts—satisfaction to your patrons.

"Cranberry Corners" is called a comedy-drama. It could just as easily be named a comedy, or even a drama. There is the usual story running through the production which continues from the first curtain to the grand finale, keeps the audience in close touch with the continuity of the play at all times, and at the same time is bubbling over with the humor that the title would suggest.

"Cranberry Corners" might be said to be a play without a "star", as the failure of any one of the characters would detract from the whole in a degree that could not be covered up by any other member of the cast. The part of Mrs. Muslin, "something of a talker", taken by Miss L. Fraser, was undoubtedly the hard one, and it fell on her shoulders to keep the interest of the audience and carry the lighter parts through to a successful climax. She had good assistants in Nathan Speck (G. R. Padfield), Bella Ann (Miss M. Metcalfe) and Hezekiah Hopkins (L. Moody).

The heavier parts in the production were taken by Miss Gerrie, a stylish New Yorker, who evidently hated cranberries in general and Cranberry Corners and its residents in particular, who took the part of Anastasia Bannister, and her niece Carlotta (Mrs. W. Slack) had a most interesting life following her falling in love with Tom Dexter (Irvine Sharp).

Another important part, that of Amelia Dexter, was well portrayed by Miss P. Wolfe, and the other characters in the cast, Andrew Dexter (Floyd Kearns), Ben Latham (W. Slack), Sidney Everett (B. Moffat), and also Florine, the maid (Miss C. McCrae), all received the commendations of the audience.

The setting of the play in the first, second and fourth acts, was rural, while the third rise of the curtain shows the New York home of Mrs. Bannister and, city-like, divulges the real plot of the production.

"Cranberry Corners", was, briefly, a good play well presented, and contrary to too many amateur productions, to each member of the cast spoke distinctly and with sufficient volume to be heard in all parts of the hall. During the intervals between the acts piano music was furnished by Mrs. H. Kress and Mrs. E. McDonald, and a couple of quartette numbers by Messrs. Knechtel and Wilson and Messrs. McCrae and Glass were very much appreciated. Before the going up of the curtain Misses Gertrude Glass and Genevieve Saunders rendered a piano duet.

## MANITOBA RESIDENT WRITES REV. CORRY

Rev. J. Corry of Pricerville was in town Monday, called at The Chronicle office for his customary chat with Ye Editor, and in the course of his conversation told us of a letter he had received from Mr. George Moffat of MacGregor, Manitoba, in which the latter commends him for the good work he is doing, expresses regret for the death of his old friend, the late Richard Barber of Normanby, and wishes to be remembered to Mrs. Barber.

Mr. Moffat is a native of Ontario, near Galt, and has resided in Manitoba since 1878. He is not acquainted with Rev. Mr. Corry, but sees accounts of his pastoral activities in The Chronicle, presumably in that forwarded weekly to Mr. Fred J. Tilt, whose wife was formerly Miss Lloyd of this town.

## Thursday Last Saw Violent Storm

First Storm of March Proved Worst of Winter and Much Damage Reported Throughout Ontario.—Damage in This Section Was Slight.

The month of March came in like Mary's little lamb, but it was only six days old when the elements broke loose and judging from the reports in the daily papers it was the worst yet to visit this province this winter and was general over the whole province. Wednesday afternoon the barometer dropped suddenly and this was evidence that a storm was on the way and likely to reach here some time Thursday morning. It arrived ahead of time, and the elements tore loose shortly before midnight and, accompanied by the worst blizzard of the year, the storm raged until shortly after noon on Thursday.

About midnight something went wrong with the electric light service in town, when one phase of the house lighting system went wrong and for a time the lights were very dim. It was found that a fuse had been blown and the lights were off for the better part of an hour while the trouble was hunted and the fuse replaced. The street lights escaped this trouble although the whole system was killed while the fuse was being replaced. A telephone pole snapped at the top of the hill and this put Upper Town in darkness until the next day when repairs were made.

## An All Night Blow

The storm reached its height between 2 and four o'clock in the morning, when it was impossible to see more than a few feet. This kept up intermittently until about noon, when it cleared and we have had rather nice weather ever since.

The morning train from here reached Palmerston almost on time, but the Owen Sound train got stuck in the snow near Chesley and was hours late in reaching its destination. The Toronto morning train became snow-bound near Drayton and all noon trains out of Palmerston were cancelled and the noon mail did not arrive until the road was opened up the next morning, coming in on the regular night train. All over the province the trains were running behind time, but with the running equipment of both railway systems the tie-up was only temporary and only one mail was missed.

## Barometer Was Low

The barometer in The Chronicle office gave us an indication that something was coming, and its predictions did not fail. Wednesday afternoon the glass dropped to 27.92, had risen to 28.60 by Thursday noon, on Friday noon it was 29.20, went to 29.50 by Friday night, and remained there until Tuesday morning, when it again started on its downward path, registering 29.32. As this is being written it has started to rain, but there is little likelihood that it will continue very long.

During the storm last Wednesday and Thursday three deaths were reported in Ontario. One man was carried to his death at Goderich when he was blown off a 50-foot building when trying to repair a roof torn loose by a train near London, and still another was found in the snow frozen to death.

It was a good blow while it lasted, filled our front street full of snow, but there is satisfaction in knowing that each succeeding storm from now on brings us closer to spring, and soon it will be summer.

## DURHAM HIGH SCHOOL EXAMINATION RESULTS

**FORM V**  
Gemetry  
E. Marshall 77, P. McDonald 74, I. Matthews 71, D. Young 67, H. Timian 67, M. Mortley 51, M. Beaton 50. Average 65.

**FORM IV**  
Algebra  
R. Arnett 70, R. McFadden 63, C. Anderson 62, M. Brown 54, I. Milne 44, V. Mountain 32, B. Murdoch 0. Average 46.

**FORM II**  
French  
M. MacEachern 84, M. Leith 84, I. Twamley 80, L. Hopkins 78, M. Sharp 75, N. Kealey 74, J. Henderson 70, L. Jacques 69, A. Adlam 68, R. Hargrave 67, V. Armstrong 65, M. Corlett 62, G. Hopkins 60, E. Tucker 58, J. Falconer 54, J. McDonald 54, M. Storey 45, R. Renwick 42, J. Schutz 42, T. Milligan 39, M. Watson 31, P. Izardock 27. Average 61.

**FORM I**  
Geography  
G. Saunders 81, B. McKechnie 80, M. Matthews 79, B. Whitmore 78, D. Knight 67, M. Moore 65, O. MacDonaid 65, C. McGirr 62, H. Young 65, J. Henderson 62, R. Lawrence 59, F. Meloshe 58, E. Falkingham 55, A. Walker 54, M. Picken 49, R. Willis 42, J. Watson 41, J. MacGillivray 32. Average 61.

**FORM I A**  
Geography  
G. Falconer 89, E. Goodchild 86, G. Grant 81, N. Allan 79, A. Greenwood 77, J. Grant 75, William Kent 73, A. Kress 71, A. Campbell 64, B. Brown 57, M. Anderson 55, R. Vollett 52, M. Storey 52, S. Hopkins 49, E. Ledingham 47, C. Lawrence 35. Average 65.1.

**TEMPERATURES FOR PAST WEEK**

	8 a.m.	Max.	Min.
Thursday	20	42	18
Friday	10	21	0
Saturday	15	30	4
Sunday	34	44	28
Monday	40	49	38
Tuesday	44	54	38
Wednesday	44	54	38



## LABOR LEADER RESIGNS

John Queen, Labor M. P. P. and leader of the Manitoba Socialist Party, who tendered his resignation from all offices in the Independent Labor Party, including the leadership of his party, because of statements made before the Royal Commission with regard to his speculation in Winnipeg Electric stock.

## NEWSPAPER ADVTs. ENDORSED BY GOVT.

Increase in Income Tax Collections Attributed to Liberal Use of Newspaper Advertising.—Weekly Papers Used This Year.

Once again, Hon. W. D. Euler, Minister of National Revenue, is using advertising to assist taxpayers in complying with the requirements of the Dominion Income Tax Act.

In this issue an advertisement appears reminding the public of the law which stipulates that certain information must be in the offices of the Income Tax Inspectors by March 31 next. This information is required from employers, corporations, and trustees or persons acting in a fiduciary capacity. It applies to year ending December 31, 1928.

For instance, employers have to file a return giving the amounts paid each person in salaries, bonuses, commissions, and fees where the amount was \$1,000 or more, or where the salary or wages was at a rate of \$1,500 or more. Corporations have to file the names of those who were paid dividends, whether in cash or stock, and the amount of each. Persons acting in a fiduciary capacity, such as assignees, executors, administrators, receivers, trustees are required to file details of the trust they represent, together with the names of and amounts paid to beneficiaries.

Those mentioned in the act as having to produce this information are asked to secure the proper forms from the nearest Income Tax office, fill in their forms according to instructions, and mail them to the Income Tax Inspectors at these offices before March 31. These forms are known as T3 for persons acting in a fiduciary capacity; T4 for employers and T5 for corporations. Each form contains complete instructions about what the law requires. These are information forms only, and no cheques are sent with them.

Officials of the Department fully appreciate the trouble required in making out these forms, but are doing everything in their power to facilitate matters by reminding the public in plenty of time respecting the demands of the law.

The total collections under the Income Tax Act for last year are some millions of dollars ahead of the year before in spite of a ten per cent reduction in the tax. Mr. Euler attributed this increased collection to three things: 1. More efficient methods of collection; 2. The increased prosperity of the country; 3. Advertising.

## CARELESS DRIVERS CRASH INTO TRAINS

More than twenty-five per cent of the accidents at railway and highway crossings on the Canadian National Railways during 1928 were caused by drivers of automobiles and other vehicles running into the side of engines and trains, rather than by these vehicles being struck by the trains, a study of the crossing accidents shows. A total of 814 accidents at highway crossings was reported during the year, and of this number 239 accidents were caused by automobiles, wagons and other vehicles were driven into the side of trains while the latter were standing or moving over the highway crossings. In some cases, with a perfectly clear view of the track on both sides of the highway, and with locomotive whistles having been sounded and bell ringing, automobiles were driven into the side of cars as far as twenty and thirty cars behind the locomotive. In crossing accidents over the entire Canadian National system during 1928, 129 persons were killed and 332 injured.

## CARD OF THANKS

Mr. Robert Webber and family wish to extend their sincere thanks to neighbors and friends for sympathy and kindness during the recent illness and subsequent death of a beloved wife and mother, who passed away in Durham Hospital Wednesday of last week, the 6th inst., and whose funeral was held on Saturday afternoon. Their kindness and thoughtfulness shall never be forgotten.

## Walkerton Sextette Beat Durham 3-1

Postponed Game Played on Soft Ice.—Small Prospects of Play-Off for District Honors.

The replay of the tie game in the Senior N. H. L. district between Walkerton and Durham was played on soft ice on Monday night after being postponed once or twice as seems to be the usual custom of all N. H. L. games. As may be expected the game was productive of very little real hockey as the puck was very hard to carry and combination play was almost impossible. At times both teams resorted to lifting the rubber to the far end of the rink and the game seemed somewhat like a long range artillery duel.

Both teams gave all they had. At the close of the game there was very little to choose between the two sextettes both being practically exhausted, in fact one player being heard to remark that it was the hardest work he had done since Hector was a pup. Although Walkerton was on the losing end of the score, it could hardly be said that they had the better of the play as the fight seemed to wage equally up and down the length of the ice. The first period was practically all Walkerton, as they swept the locals to their own end of the rink, and playing a four-man forward line, kept them bottled up behind their blue line for the major part of the period. In the second stanza Durham reversed this and playing the same tactics swept Walkerton in on their own nets, and the third period was anybody's; both teams playing the whole five men right up the ice and leaving the goal tenders to look out for themselves. The goals came two for Walkerton in the second, and one for each in the third. Raybould scored two for Walkerton and Calquhoun one, and Clements scored Durham's lone counter when on a lone rush he worked right through the Walkertonians and beat Oberle from close in.

It would be hard to pick out any particular star, but if anybody shone, the two goals did, both making time and again when the shots seemed to have sure goals labelled on them. McDonald turned in the best game of the season, once going out to beat Walker, who was coming in on him with nobody near. The shots that beat him would beat the best of them. Referee McCarthy handled a game that threatened to become rough at times, to perfection, and handed out 12 penalties, two in the first, four in the second, and six in the third period; six to Durham and the same to Walkerton.

At the time of writing it is doubtful how this N. H. L. district will turn out, as the season is rather an agreement this ties the standing up, necessitating a play off. As Durham won the opener in Walkerton, the second game was a tie, and Walkerton won the third. As the district is rather advanced, it is doubtful if there will be ice to finish the play downs.

**WALKERTON** goal  
Oberle  
Calquhoun 1. def.  
Trushinski 1. def.  
Raybould centre  
Walker r. wing  
Blumh 1. wing  
McCue subs.  
Kunkel

**DURHAM** McDonald  
Wilson  
Clements  
McGirr  
Elvidge  
Buschlen  
Sowell  
Mcraith

## LISTOWEL WINS JUNIOR NORTHERN CHAMPIONSHIP

The return final game in the Junior Northern between Listowel and Durham was played at Listowel last Friday night, the latter winning 3-2 and giving them the silverware by 3 goals to 7 on the round. The ice was in good condition and the score by periods was 2-1, 3-2 and 3-2, with the Listowel team always in front. It was a good game, full of flashy hockey from start to finish, and the Listowel management, who thought there would be nothing to it and that their juniors would win by a fifteen-goal margin anyway, got the surprise of their lives. The Listowel team was lucky to win as it was.

This game finishes the junior season in the Northern League and Listowel has the silverware for another year.

## KNOX Y. W. A.

Knox Young Woman's Auxiliary held a very successful crokinole social on Tuesday evening, March 12th. Over twenty tables were in play and an enjoyable evening was spent. Miss Winnie Blyth was high among the ladies and Mr. Victor Blyth among the men. A short program was given consisting of an instrumental selection by Miss Florabel Nichol and a solo by Mr. Charles Lang. At the close of the evening refreshments were served. About \$25.00 was realized.

## HONORED BY THE KING

The King's Honors List, postponed from New Year's until His Majesty was sufficiently well to confer his honors on deserving subjects, was published on the last day of February. Among those to receive recognition for their excellent services to the Empire were Admiral Sir Osmond Brock (left), Commander-in-Chief of the Portsmouth Command, who was made one of the Knights Grand Cross of the Bath, and Lady Harry Brittain (right), who was made Dame Commander of the British Empire.

## SCHOOL TRUSTEE HONORED ON BIRTHDAY

Mr. Charles Ramage Presented With Bouquet of Flowers at Meeting of High School Board Last Friday.

Mr. Charles Ramage, for many years past one of the prominent members of the High and Public School Boards, as well as a member on other various bodies in the town, was very much taken by surprise last Friday night at his home in Upper Town, here, when, on the anniversary of his eightieth birthday, he was presented by his fellow members of the Board with a beautiful bouquet of roses as a mark of their esteem. The presentation was made on behalf of the Board by Chairman Morrison and Secretary Grant. Mr. Ramage was most certainly taken by surprise but quickly recovered his composure, thanked his associates, and in a short speech told them of the pleasure he had received in the performance of his duties.

Accompanying the presentation was an address which said: "Your colleagues on the High School Board have met here tonight to offer their felicitations on this your eightieth birthday. They feel that the present is a fitting moment to convey to you their appreciation of your work in the cause of education in our town. No one in our community has had a longer or more honorable record in this phase of civic service than yourself. As a teacher and later on as a trustee of the Public, Continuation and High schools you have been one of the town's educational leaders, and much of the educational advancement in recent years has been due to your loyal support and co-operation. As a slight token of our esteem we ask you to accept these flowers with the earnest wish that you may long be spared to co-operate with us in school affairs. That the years to come may have the richest blessings in store for yourself and your estimable life partner is the sincere wish of us all."

## CHURCH MEMBERS TAKE NOTE

A Few Rules that Might Be Worth Noting As They Are Sure to Kill a Church.

- 1.—Don't come.
- 2.—If you do come, come late.
- 3.—When you come, come with a group.
- 4.—At every service ask yourself, "What do I get out of this?"
- 5.—Never accept office. It is better to stay outside and criticize.
- 6.—Visit other churches about half the time to show your pastor that you are not tied down to him. There is nothing like independence.
- 7.—Let the pastor earn his money; he gets it easy.
- 8.—Sit pretty well back and never sing. If you do be sure you are out of tune and behind everyone else.
- 9.—Never pay in advance, especially for religion. Wait until you get your money's worth.
- 10.—Never encourage the preacher; if you like his sermon keep mum about it. Many a preacher has been ruined by flattery. Don't let his blood be upon your head.
- 11.—It is good to tell your pastor's failings to any stranger that may happen in. They might be a long time finding them out.
- 12.—Of course you can't expect to get new members for the church, with such a pastor as you have.
- 13.—If your church happens unfortunately to be harmonious, call it apathy, or indifference, or lack of zeal, or anything under the sun but what it is.
- 14.—If you don't get your own way make a tremendous protest that the church is run by a clique.
- 15.—In cases of illness send for the doctor, but not for the minister, leave him to find out. Maybe some one will tell him, if not, don't fail to broadcast his "indifference".

These rules are sure to accomplish their desired ends.  
—BY ONE WHO KNOWS.

## I. O. O. F. CHURCH PARADE

The members of Durham Independent Order of Oddfellows will attend Divine service in the Baptist church, on Sunday evening, March 17. An Oddfellows' choir will assist in the service. The members of the lodge will meet at their rooms at 6.30.



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