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Standard Pavings Ltd. Get Durham Contract

Paving of Garafra Street to Commence Immediately, With Traffic Passing Through Middle of July.—Tender Was Below the Engineers' Estimate.

The special meeting of the Town Council on Monday night, called for the purpose of opening the tenders for the street paving contract here this summer, resulted in the award for the work being made to Standard Pavings Limited, originally known as the Durham Stone & Sand Company. Work is to commence at once and next Monday morning the machinery for the sewer and water main excavation is to be on the ground. It is promised that the traffic will be passing over the new roadway about the middle of July.

There were three tenders in for the work, the Standard Pavings Limited, the Brennan Construction Company, and the Raynor Construction Company. Of the three tenders, that of the Standard was the lowest and, being a local concern, the Council had really very little to do but award the contract. The figures submitted gave an itemized tender for each separate contract, for pavements, sewers and water main, the latter of which, while included in the engineers' plans and estimates, is to be taken care of by Mr. H. J. Snell, present owner of the water system. Following is a list of the tenders received:

Standard Pavings Limited.		
Pavement	\$44,764.25	
Sewers	13,013.50	
Brennan Paving Company.		
Pavement	\$45,138.35	
Sewers	12,680.50	
Raynor Construction Company.		
Pavement	\$47,816.00	
Sewers	15,407.30	
Water main		\$63,223.30
Water main		1,731.35

The tender price for the pavement and sewers is for the complete job, while that on the water main is for the labor entailed only, the cost of the pipe to be added. This main is to be run down both sides of the street, will be six inches on the west side and four inches on the east. Fed from both sides, and ultimately from a larger main from the source of supply, it is estimated by the engineers that it will have the same capacity as a straight eight-inch main supply and can be used for fire purposes in the event of the town installing a water system. In conversation with Mr. Snell we learn that it is his intention to have the hydrants installed and the line made ready to hook up completed.

A Closed Meeting
As the Council met behind closed doors with even the press excluded, the information we have to give our readers is what has been handed us by that body, but the figures will be found correct. With the paving operations to commence at once and the roadway open the middle of July the town will have the minimum of inconvenience, which will be well repaid by the improved road conditions and the absence of the expensive repairs each year. This money should now be available for some of our other streets that have, of necessity, been rather neglected in the past.

May Pave Lambton Street
The movement to pave Garafra street, and the intention of the County Council to pave the county link on Lambton street east from Garafra this summer, has set the paving bug at work and now a petition is being circulated for the paving of Lambton street west to the C. N. R. tracks at the furniture factory. This pavement is to branch off at Bruce street and be continued north to the C. P. R. tracks and station yard. The movement is yet in its embryo stage but we understand it is being whipped into shape and will in all likelihood be presented to the Town Council at its regular meeting next Monday night.

Same Here
Young man 20, wishing job on farm; no objections to wages.—Wilkes Barre (Pa.) paper.



NEW UNIVERSITY HEAD
Hon. Harry Cockshutt, a former Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, who has been elected Chancellor of the University of Western Ontario, London, in succession to Hon. W. J. Roche of Ottawa. Hon. Dr. Roche is retiring after 13 years in office.



LEADER WILL RETIRE
Arthur Sauve, having declared his intention of retiring from the leadership of the Conservative party in Quebec, a Conservative convention will be held in Quebec City July 9 and 10, to choose his successor and adopt a party programme.

IMPORTANT TOPICS FOR THE SYNOD

Program Being Arranged for Anglican Meeting—Meeting to Open on Monday, May 13

The 55th annual meeting of the Synod of the Diocese of Huron will be held in London for three days, beginning May 13, according to an announcement made Saturday. Rt. Rev. James Sweeney, D. D., LL.D., bishop of Toronto, will preach at the opening services, which will be held in St. Paul's cathedral on Monday evening.

Various matters of religious and economic importance will be discussed at the conference of clergy, which will be held on May 14. These include phases of adult education of the laity in religious and church matters, the evils of divorce and how to combat them, the importance of reading and the place of music in the services of the church.

A notice of motion has been posted by the Ven. Archdeacon Fotheringham, stating that in the opinion of the synod the Sunday school system of the whole church should be examined as to whether it is meeting the distinctive position of the Anglican Church, especially with regard to public worship.

Steady Feeble-Minded
Suggestions which will be offered in the report of the committee on social service to be presented by Rev. Quintin Warner, chairman, include the recommendation that a further intensive study be made of the problem of the feeble-minded, "not only as an occurrence in the individual parish, but from the point of view of the province as a whole and with respect to the methods that are in operation in other parts of Canada and other countries." Among suggestions tabulated in the report are those made last year, namely, that more provision be made for institutional care by municipal and provincial authorities, that boards of health be obliged to report all cases of feeble-mindedness to the provincial departments and that parish priests refuse to marry the feeble-minded. The recommendation has also been made that in public schools the scholars should be graded according to mental standing.

Other reports of the work of the church army in the Diocese of Huron, the Huron College Council, diocesan insurance committee and the Diocesan Board of Religious Education will be given.

A recommendation will be made that more attention be paid to the teaching of the Bible in the schools.

Eleven Bridges Must Be Rebuilt

Five Townships Put to Heavy Expense in Rebuilding Bridges—All Small Structures.

As a direct result of the recent spring freshets and the heavy rain-storm of April 6, which was most destructive in its character, no less than 11 bridges in the townships of Euphrasia, Artemesia, Bentinck, St. Vincent, and Holland will have to be replaced with new ones this year, the old ones having been completely washed out and destroyed. This will entail considerable expense on the part of the townships, and Engineer R. C. McKnight, who has charge of the work of reconstruction, is being kept very busy looking after them. All of the bridges are comparatively small ones, however, and it will not be more than a couple of months before they will be completed and ready for use. Three of the bridges are in Euphrasia, two in Artemesia, three in Bentinck, two in St. Vincent, and one in Holland at Massie, while the bridge just south of Neustadt, which is a county one, will also have to be replaced at once. In addition to the bridges there are a number of places where the roads have been washed out, and they will also have to be repaired.

KNOX Y. W. A.
The Knox Young Women's Auxiliary were entertained for their regular monthly social and work meeting at the home of Mrs. R. M. Sparling on Monday evening, April 29. The evening was pleasantly spent in sewing and social intercourse. At the close of the meeting lunch was served.

Fine Concert Given By Schubert Choir

Local Organization Excelled in Its First Presentation of Many Difficult Numbers.—Elmwood, Chesley, Hanover and Owen Sound Talent Assisted.

The Schubert Choir, a local choral society that has been conducting practices for the past few months, made their debut to a Durham audience in the Town Hall on Wednesday night of last week, and to which we referred very briefly in our last issue. The choir is under the direction of Prof. A. H. Workman, F.C.C.M., and in their initial offerings delighted a fairly well-filled house.

Since organization it has been recognized that the bass and tenor sections would likely be the weak ones in the organization, the men residents of the town not displaying very much enthusiasm for choral work and it was necessary to fill these positions largely with members of the class at Elmwood. Several ladies also assisted the organization. The choruses rendered were "The Shepherd Song," "The Storms of Life," "O Night Most Blessed," "Wake Morn of Splendor," "Men of Harlech" and "Rule Britannia."

Assisting in solo work were Mr. Horace Vick of Owen Sound, violinist; Miss Wissler, Contralto, Hanover. Readings were given by Miss Lamont of Hanover and Mrs. R. M. Sparling of Durham.

The offerings of the entertainers in choir and solo work was all that could be desired, and very little criticism was heard of the programme by the well-pleased audience. Mr. J. A. Graham of town made a most capable chairman and Mrs. D. C. Town presided at the piano in her usual efficient manner. We congratulate those who took part and commend them for their desire to not only educate themselves musically, but furnish such excellent entertainment to their fellow citizens.

GENERAL MOTORS CO. GAVE DEMONSTRATION

Illustrated Address Was Delivered by Member of Company in Star Theatre Last Night—Interesting Views of Scenes Across Canada Shown.

Under the auspices of the local dealer, Mr. Albert Noble, the General Motors Chevrolet branch put on an interesting show in the Star Theatre last night. S. D. Hubbell, a representative of the company gave an interesting talk on the Chevrolet car which was illustrated with lantern slides showing the different operations in the manufacture, the improvements that have been made on it this year with the adoption of the six-cylinder motor as standard, and its sturdy construction from start to finish.

Besides the address three reels of Canadian scenery were shown, the audience being taken from Halifax on the Atlantic coast to Vancouver on the Pacific. The show was a most interesting and instructive one and should be a material help to the local agent in the sale of this popular car in this neighborhood.

INVESTMENT IN AUTOS ABOUT EQUALS RAILWAYS

The pronouncement that he had no quarrel with the competition supplied by the motor car made by Sir Henry Thornton, president of the Canadian National Railway, at the Ontario Good Roads Association banquet, was of outstanding interest to motorists throughout the province.

"It sounded a very welcome note," said W. Robertson, secretary-treasurer of the Ontario Motor League, and in this regard he pointed out a very interesting fact.

Sir Henry stated that the value of Canadian roads could be placed at about \$650,000,000.

"If we take that total and add to it another \$650,000,000 for the million cars in Canada, the value of equipment, garages, service stations, urban roads and everything in connection with the automobile, we get a total of nearly two billion dollars, which places the value of the automobile on a par with the value of both railways," said Mr. Robertson.

Sir Henry Thornton said in part at the banquet:

"The revenue derived by railways from motor traffic offsets many times any loss sustained through bus competitions and transport trucks. Think of the revenue railways derive from hauling raw materials for the manufacture of motor cars; think of the freight work done in shipment of automobiles; think of the passenger carrying we do for the automotive industry. These are all sources of revenue which have come to us since the establishment of the automotive industry.

"So I have no quarrel with the automobile and the highway nor have other railway men. I hope that instead of a million automobiles in Canada next year we will have two million and that they will increase in numbers in succeeding years.

"Highway transportation should be—maybe is—an adjunct to the railway systems. There is room for co-operation between the two methods of transportation, the highway method to work as a feeder for the railways. This system, should it be maintained would be beneficial to both methods."

Proof of the Pudding
"Do you really love me?"
"Yes."
"How much?"
"Well, here's my check-book. You can look over the stubs."—Texas Ranger.



WANTS NO GOVERNORS
John T. Haig, Conservative M.L.A. for Winnipeg, who advocates the abolition of a provincial Government House and Lieutenant-Governors. Government House functions, he believes, create snobbery, and the Chief Justice of the Province could take over the duties of the Lieutenant-Governor.

May Day Passed Quietly In Town

Even Local Fishermen Were Scarce As Compared With Other Years and No Outstanding Catches Have Been Reported.

The first day of May was here yesterday, but was not regarded generally, as of any more importance than the last day of April. Usually May is ushered in with the sound of the digging fork in the early morning, cranking the old bus, and heaving away to the river bank to persuade some of the speckled beauties to come home and lie nice in the frying pan.

This year will be full of disappointments and the fish yarns will be conspicuous by their absence. Many of the old timers who always have gone out in previous years could be seen about town yesterday at their usual employment, having decided at the last moment that the day was not propitious for a good catch, or having remained home for some other reason.

The members of the Izaak Walton Club who did go out have not returned yet, and while there has been no report of any out of the ordinary catches, four or five nice average hauls were made early in the morning. Somehow or other there does not seem to be the enthusiasm this year for chasing the elusive trout that has been so prominent in days that are gone, but it is possible that the wet spring, prevailing cold winds and the high water may have had considerable to do with it.

HANOVER LADY BURNED TO DEATH FRIDAY

Stove Polish Used on Hot Stove Bursts Into Flame.—Mrs. J. C. Hoffrath Dies a Few Hours After Suffering Burns.

A very tragic event occurred about ten o'clock Friday morning, when Mrs. J. C. Hoffrath, a resident of Hanover for many years was so badly burnt that she died in the hospital early in the afternoon.

It seems that Mrs. Hoffrath, who was in her sixty-sixth year, was cleaning her stove with polish, and as the stove was still hot, the polish ignited and bursting into flame set her clothing on fire. She rushed to the neighbors with her clothing a mass of flames and before they could be extinguished every stitch of clothing was burned off her.

She was taken to the hospital suffering terrible agony, but was so badly burnt that she succumbed to her injuries shortly after noon the same day.

Her maiden name was Mary Kilmer and she leaves to mourn her loss, her husband and a large family, of which three reside in Hanover, Mrs. Bert Frizzel, Mrs. Les. Esbaugh and Augustus.

The funeral took place from her residence on Victoria St. at 9 a.m. on Monday, April 29, to the church of the Holy Family, where mass was celebrated, and interment took place in the Hanover R. C. cemetery.

DIES ON HEARING NEWS OF BROTHER-IN-LAW'S DEATH

Mrs. John Lee, a resident of Duluth, Minn., who was a visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Ross, of Woodford, between Owen Sound and Meaford, passed away very suddenly on Tuesday. Mrs. Lee had been informed a short time previous, by telephone, of the death of Thornbury of her brother-in-law, J. W. Ferris, proprietor of the St. George Hotel in that place, and was in conversation with Robert Lee of Owen Sound, over the telephone, when she dropped to the floor before assistance could reach her, and passed away almost immediately.

Dr. A. B. Rutherford, coroner, Owen Sound, decided that death had been caused by heart failure, probably brought on by the news of the death of her sister's husband. Deceased was a woman over 60 years of age and had lived in Duluth for a number of years. Her husband predeceased her and she leaves to mourn a son and daughter, both in Duluth.

Ouch! Police!
Wanted: Man to cut meat and clerk.—Ad in a Boulder (Col.) paper.

SMITH BROTHERS HAVE FINE GARAGE

New Structure Replacing One Destroyed by Fire Last September Now Ready For Occupancy.—Modern in Every Respect.

The new Smith Bros. garage is about ready for occupancy and those who have inspected the new building declare it the equal of any in this part of Ontario. Destroyed by fire last September, this well known firm of Ford agents and garage men lost no time in rebuilding and by the end of this week will have everything in fairly good shape for the summer's trade.

There is ample storage room at the rear for new and used cars, the repair shop is handily laid out and close enough to the office to eliminate any unnecessary running around. The large new showroom has a patented terrazzo floor and will have lots of room for the displaying of from three to five cars. The offices are in the centre of the building.

During the past few days the new gasoline tanks are being installed and will be finished this week. These will now be on the private garage property with a driveway in from either side of the street. The pumps are of the latest design and with the new front entrance it will be unnecessary to remain out in the rain while cars are being refueled. The new air compressor is being installed this week and while it will be a few days before everything is ship-shape the company is in a position now to handle any business that comes its way.

Altogether the new building is a credit to the Smith Bros. and a real asset to the town. Inquiry at the office today revealed the fact that while there will in all probability be an official opening no plan has yet been worked out and the announcement will have to stand until a later date.

70TH ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY, MAY 19

Dr. Drummond of Hamilton Will Preach Morning and Evening—Usual Entertainment Monday Night.

The 70th anniversary of Durham Presbyterian church is to be held this year on Sunday, May 19, with the Rev. Dr. Drummond, of St. Paul's church, Hamilton, as the special preacher. Dr. Drummond is one of the outstanding clerics of Ontario and of the Presbyterian church and the announcement that he is to occupy the local pulpit at both morning and evening services will insure a big congregation on both occasions.

Special music by the choir is another feature of the annual meeting. On Monday evening there is to be the usual entertainment in the church but at this early date the committee is not in a position to make any announcement.

TEMPERATURES FOR PAST WEEK

	8 a.m.	Max.	Min.
Thursday	48	58	46
Friday	40	44	34
Saturday	46	64	32
Sunday	42	55	30
Monday	36	43	32
Tuesday	36	50	26
Wednesday	48	64	38



A VANCOUVER "LADY-BIRD"
Here is pretty young Mrs. W. E. Gilbert, of Vancouver, the first woman to take instruction when the Aero Club of that city started its activities last month. She is the wife of W. E. Gilbert, Western Canada Airways pilot, and has already put in several hours of dual flying. She hopes to get her "ticket" early this summer.

Services Held For Late Rev. W. J. Burnett

Durham Presbyterian Church Auditorium Well Filled at Special Memorial Service For Former Pastor Last Thursday Night.—Rev. B. D. Armstrong Referred Feelingly to Departed Pastor.

A special memorial service for the late Rev. W. J. Burnett of Saskatoon, a former pastor of Durham, Dromore and Knox, Normanby, congregations, was held last Thursday evening in the Presbyterian church here. The church was well filled for the service and the speaker for the evening, the Rev. B. D. Armstrong, B.A., an associate and close friend of the deceased clergyman at Knox College, preached a most appropriate sermon for one who was very highly regarded in this vicinity and who for five years was pastor of the Dromore and Normanby congregations and who took such a deep interest in the Durham congregation prior to the arrival of the present pastor and at the time services were being held in the Town Hall. Assisting Mr. Armstrong in the reading of scripture and prayer was the Rev. Mr. Furnell of Dromore.

During the service favorite hymns of the deceased were sung in which the congregation joined, and the choir rendered appropriate anthems. The hymns included such favorites as "I to the hills will lift mine eyes," "For all the saints who from their labors rest," and "How bright these glorious spirits shine."

Rev. Mr. Armstrong took his text from II Timothy iv:7-8: "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord the righteous judge shall give me at that day, and not to me only but to all that love his appearing."

These are among Paul's last words; there is something of pathos in them. Paul was an old man, his hair whitened with age, his face furrowed with care, his body worn with illness, bearing the marks of persecution. Imprisonment was a hard lot for such a Crusader. Yet he is a brave man who has faced many perils by sea and land in the love of his Divine leader. Now he has the courage to face death without flinching. "I am now ready to be offered and the time of my departure is at hand."

It is a blessed thing when we recognize that God's hand guides our lives, when we submit our wills to Him, when "we live unto the Lord" and die unto Him. We can live so willingly and trustfully that death shall be but the entrance into a larger life. So lived and so died the one in whose honor this service is held.

Paul says of himself: "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith." These words are not spoken boastfully by the apostle, but they are true of him; and they are true also of the late Mr. Burnett, and one can pay him no greater tribute than to say that these words of Paul are true of him.

Mr. Armstrong read the words of tribute from a minister in a church in Saskatchewan, who had written the speaker only a few days previously: "His passing is not only a great sorrow to his wife and family, but a heavy loss to our work in this province. He was doing well in a difficult congregation in Saskatoon."

Doing well in a difficult place! Is it not typical of the man as we knew him? asked the speaker. Fighting the good fight of faith. There is a greater warfare than the clash of steel and the sound of guns. It is the eternal warfare against evil. The battle of right against wrong. In this warfare, as a student, as a minister, as a Christian gentleman, Mr. Burnett fought a good fight.

His whole heart and soul went into the battle and perhaps because of that very fact his death has come thus early. A candle does not last long if you burn it at both ends. The man who lives strenuously often does not live long, but a few years of strenuous toil may achieve greater results than a long life of mediocre achievement. We cannot do less than put our whole heart and soul into the battle of life. The life of him who is departed proves to us that there is the same opportunity for arduous action and painful sacrifice in the cause of righteousness that there was in the days of the early church. There is just as much scope for heroic qualities in these days as there ever was, and only as we strive and suffer for right and purity have we any part or lot in the glorious kingdom of the future.

It is a good fight, a noble contest. Some may shrink from it and give it up; others stick with it to the end. No man is so noble in the sight of God as the man who takes a strong stand for righteousness, truth, purity and love, fighting the good fight of faith and laying hold on eternal life.

"I have finished the course." Here Paul takes a metaphor from the Olympic games. A course indicates not only a strenuous race, but a race over a well marked out track. So when Paul says "I have finished the course" he means that he had kept to the way which God had marked out for him. Nothing else mattered.

Paul said elsewhere: "None of these things move me. Neither count I my life dear unto myself so that I might finish my course with joy and the ministry which I have received from the Lord Jesus."

Mr. Burnett's course on earth has been finished more quickly than many. But his was in all points an honorable and faithful ministry. Paul goes on to say: "Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord the righteous judge shall give me in that

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