

I. O. O. F. "AT HOME" WAS A GALA AFFAIR

Nearly Three Hundred Members and Their Guests Spent Pleasant Evening in Town Hall.—Good Programme Was Followed by Assembly in Dance Hall.

Last Thursday night was a big one for local Odd Fellowship when Grey Lodge No. 169 with their guests assembled for the annual At Home of the society. There was something for everybody, the evening commencing with a fine programme in the main auditorium and ending with an assembly in the dance hall. It is estimated that nearly three hundred persons attended the function.

The chairman for the evening was Mr. W. Laidlaw, an Odd Fellow for over 50 years, and possibly the oldest member in the society in Grey County. His address was short, during which he reviewed the work carried on throughout the world, told of the great benefit his membership had been to him and advised all young men to associate themselves with what he believed to be the premier fraternal society in the universe.

The programme proper was an address on Odd Fellowship by the Rev. Dr. W. T. Spencer of Mount Forest, a former pastor of Durham Baptist congregation, who spoke for upwards of an hour on the work and aims of the society, delivering one of the most masterful addresses of the kind ever heard in Durham. His words were listened to with great interest and he was afterwards warmly congratulated by the members of the Order on the excellence of his address. Mr. Spencer is an authority on Odd Fellowship, and being a fluent speaker his message was one that could not be heard without forming a most favorable opinion of this great society.

A Wonderful Society
In opening his address the speaker referred to the fact that he had been a member of the Odd Fellows for a period of upwards of 25 years. During that time he had been in many places, had associated with many members and in no one instance had he ever felt anything but proud and privileged that he had associated himself with this great organization.

The Odd Fellows was 111 years of age. It was known all over the world and had a membership of over three millions. It was founded by a man named Wilder as a society in which its members could associate, and at the beginning there is little doubt its founder had no idea that it would become a universal society and honored wherever the English tongue is spoken. The Odd Fellows society answered the crave for human companionship. Man of all creation is one who must associate with his kind and it is this association no doubt that has done so much to bring the Odd Fellows to the fore.

The Odd Fellows is not a religious society, but it does teach the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man, and that there must be a Creator of this universe. It answered the craving of man for companionship and, being banded together, Odd Fellows were a power for good in the land. Isolated units can accomplish nothing, but the three million membership of the Odd Fellows, banded together with a common aim, could and did accomplish much that otherwise would fail. The three great aims of the society were Friendship, Love and Truth, and with these three working in unison the society was a religion unto itself, though not strictly speaking a religious body. There was at the present time a movement for international friendship and peace and the Odd Fellows society would not be found lacking in promoting this.

The speaker pointed out that the god of today is Power. This was one of the chief causes of the Great War. He compared the good that could have been accomplished had the money spent in the late war been devoted to the promulgation of peace. What would have been the result if Friendship, Love and Truth had been used instead of resorting to firearms. The present was the time for Odd Fellows to see that such a debacle was not repeated and that now is the chance for the society to assert itself for peace.

A Beneficial Society
Mr. Spencer compared the membership of the Odd Fellows with that of our churches. In his association with the Order he had found a true religious spirit pervading the work and this compared at times more favorably in the final accomplishment of good than that of the churches. He was firmly of the opinion that a good many church people would be better men if they were lodge people, and also that the lodge people would be better for being church people.

In 1929 the Odd Fellows had passed out nearly 217 thousand dollars for relief and in the past 100 years had dispensed 255 millions of dollars towards the alleviation of suffering, a record that could stand the fullest investigation. There were in all 10,277 Rebecca lodges for women with a membership of 1,048,606.

Odd Fellowship, in the opinion of the speaker was a great source of companionship and comfort.

With the space at our disposal it is impossible to give a complete resume of Mr. Spencer's address and we have only touched the high spots. But it was a good address and was much appreciated by the members of the society and their guests here. At the close a vote of thanks was moved by Bro. Rev. W. H. Smith and seconded by Bro. J. B. Duffield that was heartily concurred in by the audience.

Presented With Jewels
A pleasing part of the programme was the presentation of 25-year jewels to Bros. J. A. Graham and Gus. Frederickson, the latter now a resident of New York City. Mr. Graham was the only one present and received his jewel from Bro. Allan Bell, who referred briefly to the help the recipient had been to the lodge here and expressed the wish that he would continue in the good work. Mr. Graham replied at some length. With the presentation of the jewel, Mr. Graham was also presented with a bouquet of chrysanthemums to be given Mrs. Graham, long a patient in her home from serious illness. The presentation was made by Mrs. Cliff Ritchie, and Mr. Graham was deeply touched with the remembrance to his wife. A similar bouquet was presented to Mrs. (Rev.) Spencer, to which Mr. Spencer fittingly replied.

Only Short Programme
The programme for the evening was noted not only for its excellence, but for its brevity. The committee in charge of the arrangements felt that with so much on for the evening there was no room for one of greater length and their thoughtfulness was no doubt shared by the audience, though every number was very much enjoyed. Opening with the National Anthem, the only numbers were a chorus by the Odd Fellows' quintette, Messrs. Duffield, Bell, Ramage, Lauder and Saunders, two fine solos by Miss Catherine Lavelle an excellent reading by Mr. E. D. McClocklin in his usual good form, and an exhibition of magic by Mr. Stanley Jenkins of Owen Sound, a member of the Magicians Society and a performer of real merit. His act was enthusiastically received, though his equipment was only that which could be carried in his pocket. Had he known he was to perform on a stage he would have had several "props" along and given a much more intricate demonstration of the art of "now you see it and now you don't."

At the conclusion of the programme the company adjourned to the lower hall where a real Odd Fellows' lunch was served, with plenty for everybody and upwards of an hour's social intercourse, after which the hall, the lame and the blind crowded themselves up against the wall to allow those who desired to spend the next few hours in round and square dancing to the excellent music supplied by the George Ritchie orchestra from Glenelg and the Durham Blu-Bells.

Taken from any angle the At Home this year was without any doubt the best affair of its kind seen here in a good many years, and the local Odd Fellows and their committees are to be congratulated on handling this big affair without a hitch or a dull moment. Now everybody is waiting for next year.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MET TO DISCUSS REUNION
Monday, June 30, is Date Chosen For Gathering of Former Pupils and Teachers of No. 9 Section, Glenelg.

A meeting of the executive committee in charge of the proposed reunion to be held at No. 9 section, Glenelg, met at the home of Mr. T. M. McFadden, here, on Monday evening for the purpose of selecting the date for the gathering. The date chosen was Monday, June 30, 1930.

The secretaries have over 200 names on the list, 40 families around S. S. No. 9, and over 50 in Durham and vicinity. Twenty-eight teachers have taught in the school, of whom six are deceased, two whose addresses are unknown, and 20 who in all probability will be present. The general business of the evening was the discussion of the programme and the list of names for the event.

All interested in this reunion are requested to send their names promptly to the secretaries, Misses Belle and Margaret McGirr.

JOHN WILLIAMS
We regret very much to learn of the death of our old friend, Mr. John Williams at Tisdale, Sask., which occurred about the 24th of February after a long illness. He was in his 82nd year and only a few weeks ago we had quite a lengthy letter from him which we published in these columns.

We have received no particulars. Mr. Williams was one of the pioneer residents of Glenelg, was born in Quebec, but came to Glenelg when quite young where he lived until some 25 years ago when he came to Durham and later moved to his home in the West. He was married to Miss Firth, sister of Mr. Joseph Firth of Durham, who, with a grown-up family, survive. A brother, Mr. Harry Williams, still resides in Glenelg near the old home, other brothers live in the west and one sister, Mrs. T. J. Jones lives at Richmond Hill. It is possible that we may be furnished with further particulars for another issue.

Even the aviator must begin at the bottom and work up.

If we were compelled to bury our faults undertakers would have to work over-time.

OBITUARY

MRS. FRED MUSGROVE

After an illness of over two years from gout, Mrs. Fred Musgrove of Meaford passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. George Jucksch, here, early Monday morning in her 68th year. During her illness she had had the best of medical attention and after treatment at her home at Meaford she was taken to the hospital at Owen Sound and three months ago removed to the home of her son, Mr. Harry Musgrove at Toronto where she was placed in care of a specialist. While an operation was considered the only hope for a complete recovery, the condition of the patient would not allow of this and for some months past the family were fully aware that she was fighting a losing battle. For a considerable time it had been her wish that she be brought to the home of her daughter here, and on the advice of her physician this was done last Wednesday night. Following her arrival here the patient seemed to make rapid gain but this was only temporary, and on Saturday last she took a turn for the worse and never rallied, passing away about 2 o'clock Monday morning.

The late Mrs. Musgrove was born in Meaford and spent a considerable portion of her life in that town. Her maiden name was Annie Carnahan. She was married to Mr. Musgrove 45 years ago and with the exception of seven years at Barrie and three years at Hillsdale she spent the whole of their married life in Meaford. The deceased was a woman of fine parts, was most highly thought of by a large circle of acquaintances and in her frequent visits to Durham during the past seven or eight years made many warm friends who will regret to learn of her death.

The remains were taken to Owen Sound on the afternoon C. P. R. train, and from there to Meaford by motor hearse, the funeral being held from her late home Wednesday afternoon, the remains being placed in the mortuary chapel until Spring. She was a member of the former Methodist church and her pastor in Meaford, the Rev. Mr. Smith, had charge of the ceremony. Surviving, besides Mr. Musgrove, are one daughter and one son, Mrs. George Jucksch of Durham and Mr. Harry Musgrove of Toronto, who will have the sympathy of all in their bereavement. Two sisters, Mrs. Joseph Bell and Mrs. William Bottomley, Meaford, also survive.

Floral tributes included a pillow from the husband and daughter, Mrs. G. Jucksch, Durham; pillow from son, Mr. Harry Musgrove and family, Toronto; wreaths from Durham Furniture Company, and the Parisian Laundry Company employees, Toronto; and sprays from sisters in Meaford; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Duffield, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Cook, Mr. and Mrs. P. Gagnon, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Irwin, all of Durham; the Maid Victoria Circle No. 121, Meaford; Mrs. James Cleland, Toronto, and Mrs. Robert McIntosh, Montreal; Mr. and Mrs. J. McAllister and Mr. and Mrs. R. Goodwin Toronto, and from her three grandchildren in Toronto.

MISS M. STOTHART

Miss Minnie Stothart, aged 66, and a lifelong resident of Priceville, passed away very suddenly on Thursday night last. She had been in the enjoyment of her usual health and retired in the evening after having partaken of a light lunch. Her brother, John Stothart, with whom she made her home, arose at the usual time in the morning and after lighting the fire in the stove, called her and then went on out to do the chores. On his return a little later he noted that she was not up, and again called her, but getting no response went upstairs and was shocked to find that she was dead.

Mr. Stothart immediately called Dr. J. E. Milne, who made an examination and reached the conclusion that Miss Stothart had been dead since some time before midnight, as she had been dead many hours. He expressed the opinion that death was due to natural causes. He reported the matter to Dr. D. B. Jamieson of Durham, coroner, and it was decided that an inquest was unnecessary.

The late Miss Stothart was one of the best known ladies in Priceville, and the news of her death came as a decided shock to the whole community. She was a member of the United Church and took an active part in the affairs of the church, especially in the work of the W.M.S., of which she was an officer for many years. She is survived by her brother, John Stothart of Priceville, and three sisters, Mrs. Ramsden of New York, who came up for the funeral; Mrs. Donaldson of Detroit, who is present at Palm Beach, Florida; and Miss Margaret of San Francisco.

The funeral was held on Monday afternoon from her late residence to the United Church, where the service was conducted by Rev. Mr. Sullivan, assisted by Rev. Mr. Stewart of the Presbyterian church. The service was very largely attended. Interment followed in the cemetery at Priceville.

McKECHNIE BUILDING SOLD; DEAL PUT THROUGH LAST WEEK

The frame building in which the former well-known firm of McKechnie Bros. commenced their merchandizing career many years ago, and which has been occupied by Noble's Garage for a number of years, was sold last week to Mr. William Keller, agent for Pontiac cars in this territory, who will refit it and use it as a showroom. Mr. Keller gets possession on the 1st of April.

When interviewed by The Chronicle Mr. Noble had made no plans, though it is more than likely that he will secure another premises and be ready for the summer trade. Mr. Noble has handled the well-known line of Chevrolet cars here for some years.



KAYE DON

The famous British motor racing star, who has left the Old Country with his new giant racer, to make an attempt to break the present world's speed record at Daytona Beach, Florida. The world's record is at present held by Sir Henry Segrave, another English sport expert.

Milverton Wins First Of N.H.L. Finals 5-4

Defeated Durham in Fastest and Best Played Game This Year.—Durham Wins From Harriston 10-3.—Markdale Eliminates Owen Sound.

In the fastest and most exciting game played on local ice this year the fast Milverton N. H. L. Seniors took the first of the Championship finals from Durham last night by the score of 5-4. The good sized crowd that attended certainly got their money's worth and those that stayed at home missed one of the games that sends everyone home almost unable to sleep.

On the play the Milverton boys certainly deserved their win, but the locals came back in the last period when the score was 5-2 against them and had the fans almost in hysterics. In the last 15 minutes the locals were almost playing rings around the visitors, and with a little more time would certainly have evened the score.

The surprise of the game was the superb work of the local sub-line. They played their heads off all the time they were on the ice. Rowe substituting for Elvidge was one of the best on the ice and everybody turned in a good game. Bastendorf, Kelterborn and Merryfield were the visitors, the former being the fastest man on skates seen here for some time. The two goalies played a real game in their respective nets and neither Mohr nor McDonald have anything to regret on the shots that went past them. They would have beaten anybody.

Return Game Friday
The return game is to be played in Milverton on Friday evening of this week. While there is no intention of running a special train, any fans intending to attend the game by car and having room for passengers are asked to get in touch with the local club, so that as many as possible are enabled to attend.

Summary		
Durham	First Period 8:20	
Milverton	Elvidge (Wilson)	8:23
	Kelterborn	8:33
	Second Period 9:01	
Milverton	Merryfield (Kelterborn)	9:02
Milverton	Bastendorf (Kelterborn)	9:05
Milverton	Clemens	9:20
Durham	McGirr (Elvidge)	9:24
	Third Period 9:36	
Milverton	Smith (Bastendorf)	9:50
Durham	Elvidge	9:56
Durham	Rowe (McGirr)	9:59
	Milverton (5)—Goal, Mohr; def., Kelterborn, Stoneman; centre, Smith; Wings, Merryfield, Bastendorf; subs. Coxon, Clemens, Schueker.	
	Durham (4)—Goal, Durham; def. Snell, Wilson; centre, McGirr; wings, Elvidge, Buschlen; subs., Rowe, McIlraith, Wilson, K.	

DURHAM 10—HARRISTON 3
Durham won the right to meet Milverton in the N. H. L. finals by trimming the Harriston sextette here on Monday night by 10-3 and taking the semi-final round 13-5. The game was poorly attended, many no doubt being of the opinion that the locals would find little opposition. The score practically indicates the play, the locals having the edge all through the game. They broke through the Harriston defence at will and only the superb work of Davidson in the nets for the visitors kept the score from being much higher.

The game was only three minutes old when Elvidge and Buschlen broke through the defence, drew the goalie out; stood him on his ear and Elvidge flipped the rubber past him. Durham had a big edge on the play in this period, almost ten minutes passing before McDonald had a shot to stop. About half way through the period Bill Wilson staged one of his end to end rushes, beat the defence and shot from close in giving the locals no chance. The next goal fell to Harriston, on a shot from the blue line, by the centre man, B. Foster. Durham added two more in

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NO DEVIATION IN COUNTY-PROV. HIGHWAY

Connecting Road Between Dundalk and Garafraxa Road to Come Straight Across Proton and Egremont Townships.—Deputation Had Interview With Hon. G. S. Henry Last Week.

At the regular meeting of the Town Council on Tuesday night Reeve Bell reported on his recent trip to Toronto where he attended the meeting of the Good Roads Association and was the delegate from Durham on the deputation that waited on the Hon. G. S. Henry, Minister of Highways, to ask that the designation of the Grey County Council at its session last June, of the County-Provincial road running from Dundalk on No. 10 Highway to No. 6 Highway south of Durham, be accepted and the road built straight across the townships of Proton and Dundalk and coming out on No. 6 Highway at Orchard. This is a different designation than that passed by a previous session of the County Council when the road turned south for two miles and a half east of Dromore and then westerly to Highway No. 6 through Holstein. A couple of weeks ago a deputation from Mount Forest and Egremont had waited on Mr. Henry with a largely signed petition, but it was shown that this petition had been signed mostly by residents of Mount Forest and Arthur township not residents of Grey County at all. Reeve Bell reported that the Minister of Highways would accede to the petition to have the road straightened and that this would be attended to at once that work might be commenced this summer on the building of the new road.

Many Matters Taken Up
The regular session of the Town Council dealt mostly with routine business. The Red Cross Society are to have the use of the hall for their annual benefit tea for the hospital, the tax roll was extended for another month, and the roll containing arrears of taxes was placed in the collector's hands and immediate action is to be taken. A communication was received from Mrs. W. D. Connor complaining of water running on her property from the new pavement and of the condition of the road and this is to be looked after as soon as the snow is gone. A letter was read from James, Proctor and Redfern regarding the assessing for the pavement on those interested in the lane just opposite the Chronicle office over which seven ratepayers have a right of way. The Board of Works is to deal with this. Accounts totalling \$497.95 were passed and ordered paid.

Councillor Stonehouse reported on the repairing of the roof at the fire hall, torn off by the wind, and stated that the Hydro Commission was willing to pay half the cost providing they had the absolute use of the old weigh scales shed south of their building. The Council were of the opinion that in lieu of the small rent charged the hydro they should have been willing to pay their share of this, or else pay a reasonable rental.

Will Pay Standard Pavings Company
There was some warm discussion regarding the payment of the ten per cent holdback owing the Standard Pavings Company. Mayor Hunter thought it should be held until the sewer had proved its efficiency and was supported by other members of the Council. Councillor Noble, who introduced the motion, was supported by Reeve Bell, both of whom thought the bond put up by the company sufficient. There was a lot of discussion over this matter and at times it became quite warm. Both Councillor Noble and Reeve Bell locked horns with Mayor Hunter over the putting of the motion, the Reeve contending that there was no other recourse unless the mover and seconder withdrew it. The Reeve became quite oratorical in his contention and at one time rammed his fist down on the table on one occasion much like the man with the highest trump on the last trick. It was finally decided that the account be passed and paid on or about the first of May if the new sewer proved up to specifications and with this understanding Messrs. Noble and Whitmore, the sponsors, withdrew their motion. This little argument added pep to what might otherwise have been a quiet and uninteresting meeting.

Another resolution put through that should have been done long ago was one instructing the fire chief to have a periodical inspection made of the cellars in the business section of the town. There were many cellars in this section that were piled with debris that might easily cause a fire and should be removed. Another resolution called for the presentation of accounts to the Clerk on the Saturday previous to the regular meeting of Council if they were to be paid at that session. The practice of waiting until meeting night and then dropping them on the table after the finance committee's report had been prepared was not fair to the Council and would have to be stopped.

If some action is not taken soon by the County Engineer on the Lambton street county connecting link that was paved last summer, the work is to be turned over to the engineering firm of James, Proctor & Redfern, so it was stated at the meeting. Apparently nothing had been done so far and it was time some action was taken.

TEMPERATURES FOR PAST WEEK

	8 a.m.	Max.	Min.	Snow
Thursday	24	32	12	
Friday	8	31	3	
Saturday	30	40	18	25"
Sunday	12	16	10	
Monday	20	26	11	4
Tuesday	16	30	12	
Wednesday	27	34	21	2

—Rain.

Seriously Ill in Michigan Hospital

Mr. George Willoughby Has Been In Hospital For Some Months and a Patient in Hospital Since Early Last December.

Old friends here of Mr. George Willoughby will regret to learn that he is seriously ill in the Hurley Hospital at Flint, Mich., suffering from pernicious anaemia. Mr. Willoughby has not been able to work since May last and in a letter to The Chronicle stated that he did not know how long he will be confined to hospital. Though quite seriously ill, Mr. Willoughby says he has been told he is improving, but it seems very slow to him. He is receiving the best of medical treatment and under the circumstances says he has nothing to complain of on that score. The hospital in which he is a patient is an eleven-storey building, and he is in the eighth storey and has a wonderful view of the city from his room.

Mr. Willoughby has a brother, a medical doctor, who has been in Flint for the past fifteen years, who calls on him every day, though not attending him professionally. He has had a radio installed for him and with reading spends the time as pleasantly as could be expected. While able to get up and walk around he has been advised that this is bad for him, so is now confined to his bed.

Mr. Willoughby in his letter here says in part: "Remember me to the people in Durham. I often think of the times I spent there and I might say that I have been in worse places than Durham."

We are sorry, indeed to learn that our old friend is in such poor health and trust that rest and good treatment shall soon see him about again in his usual health.

GIRLS WERE GIVEN JUDGE'S DECISION

High School Girls Proved to be Better Than the Boys, According to Those in Charge of the Judging.—Boys Gave Good Show Last Friday Afternoon.

The girls of the Durham High school were adjudged the best entertainers by the judges, Miss A. Ramage, Mrs. F. Gagnon and Rev. E. Hayes. This was their decision at the conclusion of the boys' show at the school last Friday afternoon, the girls having put on their performance the week previous. There was a good attendance of interested guests.

In the general programme, the orchestra gave several selections, J. D. McAuliffe a violin solo, James Henderson a piano solo, and Clifford, Moon a guitar selection. Step dancing by George Noble and J. D. Murdock was also a feature.

The main entertainment centred around two boxing bouts, one a real affair, while the other was rather a burlesque with the antagonists blind folded. Laddie Grant and Jack Small man were the performers in the first event, with George Noble as referee while the blind men were Fred Murdoch and Bowman Jamieson. No referee was necessary here.

While the boys' offerings were meritorious the judges deemed that the entertainment put on by the girls the Friday before was the better of the two and gave their decision accordingly.

Work Commenced on C. P. R. Station

New Building Will Be Rushed to Completion and Ready to Occupy in Short Time.—Toronto Firm Has the Contract.

The Maitland Construction Co. of Toronto have secured the contract for the erection of the new C. P. R. station here to replace the one destroyed by fire a few weeks ago. The company men are already on the ground and the work of cleaning up the debris commenced this week. A pleasing feature of this work is that wherever possible local labor is to be employed.

The new station is to be the same as the last one and will occupy the same foundation, with the same dimensions and architecture as before, the only changes being made in the inside of the building. There are to be men and women's waiting rooms, but the ladies' is to be made smaller and the space saved for additional office space for the office staff.

It is expected that with any kind of favorable weather the new building will be ready for occupancy in about six weeks or two months.

CELEBRATED TWENTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Turner celebrated their twentieth wedding anniversary at their home at Minotonia, Manitoba, on February 28. Mrs. Turner is the fifth daughter (Agnes) of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Boyce. She is a sister of Mrs. Robert Twambley, Mrs. R. Ledingham, and Messrs. Richard and Edward Boyce of this town. Mr. Turner is a brother of Mr. David Turner of Chesley.

On the Safe Side
Father—Are there half fares for children?

Conductor—Yes, under fourteen. Father—That's right, Two only five.