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Local News Items

GATHERED DURING THE PAST WEEK FOR CHRONICLE READERS.

Don't read Theobald's ad.
THE Latest styles in Men's Felt Hats at S. F. Morlock's.

Boy wanted to learn printing. Apply at this office.

Big 4 lb Bar Soap for 20c, and 2 lb bar 10c, at Grant's.

In the North Ontario by-election, Mr. Grant, of Orillia, was elected by about 200 majority over Hon. Geo. E. Foster.

The friends and acquaintances will be sorry to hear of the death of the late Rev. Robert Walker, who passed peacefully away on the 7th inst, at his home in Elora.

FOR SALE—At less than half their value, a litter of pure bred Scotch Collie puppies, sired by Allie C. K. C. No. 5618, whelped by Rose C. K. C. No. 5619.—F. PEEL.

THE Presbyterian congregation contemplates the erection of a manse this summer, but no positively definite conclusion is yet arrived at. The building is to be on the south side of the Church.

OWING to increased cost of material and labor, the furniture manufacturers have decided on an advance of 10% on previous prices. Our factory has had some heavy orders to fill lately.

MANY who put off getting in a supply of ice will now be obliged to do without it for the summer. For the past two or three weeks a large amount was secured, but the unexpected thaw destroyed prospects for a further ice crop. At least it looks that way now.

THE Bankrupt Stock of Mr. H. W. Mocker has been purchased by his son H. H. Mocker at a rate on the dollar and will now be sold off at very low prices. Mr. Mocker jr., will carry on the business at the old stand, but he has decided to dispose of the present stock to make room for spring and summer purchases.

WE forgot to mention last week an accident that happened to Mr. McEachern, at the Cement Works, by which he lost part of a couple of fingers of his right hand. He was engaged in carpenter work and the accident was caused by his hand coming in contact with a saw. He will be laid off work for a number of weeks.

THE special meetings in the Baptist Church, conducted by Dr. Spencer, of Brantford, are meeting with much success. The attendance is good, and much interest is manifested on the part of the congregation. On Thursday the subject will be "Is the Bible the Word of God?" Friday, "Signs of the Times;" Sunday morning, "A Message to the Church;" Sunday evening, "Heaven and How to Get There." A cordial welcome is extended to all.

ON February 11th, Mr. Alexander McComb died here at the age of 80 years. A day or so after his interment his aged partner took to her bed, and gradually sank until Sunday morning when she too departed this life at the age of 76 years. The aged couple were born in Ireland in or near Belfast. Fifty-six years ago they were married, and for many years they resided in this vicinity. The surviving members of the family, so far as we know at the time of writing, are two sons, Samuel and Thomas, in Glenelg, and one daughter, Mrs. Allan McKinnon in Durham. The deceased couple is highly spoken of, and to the surviving relatives we express our sympathy in the double sorrow during an interval of less than one month. Interment took place Tuesday to Trinity Church Cemetery.

PEDLARS and beggar, a sort of common combination, are not altogether wanting in Durham. They strike town occasionally, and last week a perambulating cuss made his rounds of the town, presumably to sell some sort of truck. Many of these chaps know nothing of common courtesy, and the refusal to purchase seems sufficient reason for a tirade of abuse. Most towns are sufficiently well stocked with a good class of legitimate dealers, and many of the impudent itinerant tramps should get the cold shoulder, and in the event of impudence, a dose of hot water. In times like the present every man that's willing to work has no trouble in getting plenty to do. Laziness should never be encouraged, and no encouragement should be given to an able bodied hulk who goes round the country to steal the hard earnings of the honest public.

Don't read Theobald's ad.
New up-to-date Hats, soft or stiff, at Grant's.

JUST Received 100 pairs of Men's Plough Boots at S. F. Morlock's
Fancy Export Clover at MacFarlanes' Drug Store.

THE Fraser farm at Vickers is advertised for sale in this issue.

TWIN City Herb Food, 4 lbs for 25c at Grant's.

OUR New Wall Papers are now in. Come and see them. MacFarlane & Co.

WE have what you have been looking for, a good cattle spice, 4 lbs for 25c at Grant's.

HIGHEST cash prices paid for Beef Hides, Horse, Hides, Sheep Pelts and Raw Furs at Peel's Shoe Store. —Feb'y 03. 1 yr.

AUCTION SALE.—Ten months credit, on Tuesday March 17th, the property of George Matthews, adjoining town. Mr. Matthews goes West a week later and everything will be sold. See Bills, also full list in this issue. Hugh MacKay, Auctioneer.

ABOUT two hundred car loads of coal were unloaded at the Cement Works last week. The Company is gradually getting down to business, and will shortly be working at full capacity. Orders are coming in rapidly, and prospects are good for a big summer's work.

MR. ANGUS McTAVISH of Mt. Forest, was a caller on Wednesday as he passed through on his way to Flesherton. Angus enjoys the Chronicle and has paid for two copies ever since we took charge of it. It has been going to the family ever since it was started as the Standard, and it still goes and will go.

THE roads between here and Flesherton are so bad that the stage was unable to get through Tuesday. This will account for the non-appearance of news budgets from the east. Even should we be forced occasionally to hold a budget over from one week to the next, we hope our faithful correspondents will not imagine themselves slighted, but send in another next week just the same. We are trying our very best to attend to everyone, and in order to be able to give all the news, we adopted the all-home print, which we think all will regard as an improvement.

HITS AND MISSES.

Naah was one of the earliest advertisers. He advertised that he would sail on a certain day. Those who did not believe in advertising failed to get tickets and were left out in the wet without umbrellas or bathing suits. As most of them could not swim, they took to the trees and became monkeys. The origin of the monkey is now settled.

An exchange says one of the new fads is men's socks for women. There is a rumor prevalent that some wives wear the trousers, but no one ever imagined that the socks would be appropriated. If women continue this invasion of the wardrobe of the man there will be few articles of wearing apparel that man can call his own. His hat, shirt, vest, coat, collar, tie and socks are gone. He has remaining his chewing tobacco and suspenders—not much of a lay out for a cold day.

Miss Lillian Phelps, at a banquet given by the W. C. T. U., at St. Catharines to the scrutineers and other workers at the referendum, told the following anecdote: Many years ago, when her great-uncle, the Mr. Phelps of that day, was building the Welland Canal, the men got so much money, and unlimited whiskey for a day's work. Whiskey was then twenty-five cents a gallon. Her great-uncle thought that where so much whiskey was needed, it would be more profitable for him to make it than to buy it. So he built a distillery, and went to Buffalo,—then only a large village,—to buy the machinery to put in it. He stopped at a tavern, they were not "hotels" in those days, they were "taverns,"—and before he retired, he picked up a newspaper, and read an article about the great spread of drinking, and the evils of drunkenness. It impressed him; he thought about it, and before morning he had made his resolution. He did not buy the fixings for his distillery. He came home, and called the workman together. He told them that he had come to see the evils of drinking and the sin of drunkenness, and would give them a shilling a day more on their wages. And he turned out into the "Twelve-mile-creeks" the whiskey he had on hand! Miss Phelps was, with others, responding to the toast, "The Press;" "and this," she said in conclusion, "may be accepted as an illustration of the power of the press!"

OBITUARY.

JOHN HOPKINS.

On Wednesday of last week an old resident of Bentinck in the person of Mr. John Hopkins, passed away at the age of sixty-six years. He was always an industrious man who enjoyed good health until about three weeks before his death was laid up from hemorrhages of the stomach, from the effects of which he died. He was born in Ireland and came to this country at the age of 10 years and settled with his parents in Bentinck, near Hutton Hill. Subsequently the family moved to Normanby where they remained for two or three years and again about thirty-five years ago they moved again into Bentinck and settled on Lot 42, Con. 2, N. D. R., near Allan Park, where the deceased remained until his death. Mr. Hopkins was a plain homespun, with little education, but a hard worker, and the very essence of honesty in all his dealings. He read little, we are told, except the Bible with the whole of which he was very familiar, which no doubt served a guiding purpose in the good honest name by which he was characterized. His widow, six sons and five daughters remain to mourn the loss of a husband and father. The sons are Thos. and David in Manitoba, Richard, Edward Thomas and James in Bentinck near the old homestead. The daughters are Mrs. Wm. Bailey, Mrs. George Mighton, Mrs. Crozier, and Sarah who is still unmarried. The remains were interred in Hutton Hill cemetery on Saturday afternoon whither they were followed by a host of relatives and friends.

JESSIE McKECHNIE.

The many friends and acquaintances of Mrs. Chas. Marten, (nee Miss Jessie McKechnie of the Rocky) will regret to hear of her death, which occurred on the 20th of February. Mrs. Marten was the eldest child of Donald McKechnie who kept the P. O. known as the "Rocky Saugene" for a number of years during the latter part of the 19th century. About nine years ago the family moved over to Taunton, Mass., where they along with other relatives located and engaged in various occupations. Jessie remained under the parental roof until she met the husband of her choice, and together they set out to solve life's problems, and to build up a home for themselves with all the hopeful joyousness of youth. Three children came to bless their union, the last of the three just stayed long enough to fill the parents hearts with a new joy, and love then took its flight to the home where none ever feels the pain of parting. A deeper shadow was soon to fall on the little household, that shadow was the failing health of the wife and mother, and after a lingering illness, patiently borne, she fell asleep in the arms of her Saviour, at the early age of twenty-seven. She knew that her work on earth was done and calmly settled all her earthly affairs and strove to cheer her sorrowing friends directing their thoughts to the joys of heavenly reunion, and urging all to prepare to meet her in the home where sorrow is unknown. The casket was beautifully decorated with choice flowers, a last sad tribute to one beloved by all who knew her. Our heart-felt sympathy goes out to the bereaved husband and relatives. May God comfort them in so great a trial, is the prayer of a sincere friend.

JOHN BLACK.

On Saturday Feb. 28th, inst., Mr. Allan Black received the sad tidings that his second youngest son John, had died the previous night of Smallpox, in Sprague, Provencher District, Manitoba. The deceased left home about the last of May, and went to Niagara, where he was employed in the Aker Works, later on he took advantage of cheap rates to the harvest fields of Manitoba, where he put in the harvest and threshing season with his uncle Duncan Black. From there he went into the lumber shanties, where he was employed as second cook up to the time of his death. The deceased who was in his 17th year, was much beloved and respected for his noble qualities and kindness of heart. What makes the blow still more hard is that only 3 short weeks ago his mother received a letter from him in which he stated that he would soon be home with them, but such was not to be. As we haven't full particulars to hand we are unable to give details in full. We extend to his sorrowing parents brothers and sister our heart felt sympathy in their hour of sorrow.

Don't read Theobald's ad.

OUR new story, "The Mystery of Graslou," the initial chapter of which is given this week, will be of interest to all readers of that kind of literature. It is well illustrated, quite pointed, and has the additional merit of being short. It will run through in seven or eight weeks.

People We Know

THE GOING AND COMING OF VISITORS IN THE MONTH OF MARCH.

Mr. S. F. McComb, of Palmerston, attended the funeral Tuesday of his sister, Mrs. Alex. McComb.

Mr. McComb, of Holland, drove over Tuesday to attend the funeral of Mrs. McComb.

Mr. Jas. Carson is seriously ill of bronchitis. We hope to hear of his speedy recovery.

Mr. Otto Capper, of the Cement Works, left Thursday for Georgia.

Mr. Joseph Lindsay, of West Superior, spent a few days with friends in the vicinity, returning to his home Wednesday morning.

PUBLIC MEETING.

The Ratepayers of Durham will take notice that a public meeting will be held in the Town Hall on Friday evening, Feb. 13th, for the purpose of discussing the question of lighting the town, as an offer is under consideration to buy out the present electric plant, the Council is desirous to be advised by a free and full expression of public opinion.
W. B. Vollet, Clerk.

CHURCH NOTES.

METHODIST.

The members of the Junior League entertained their friends to a "Pleasant Evening Hour" in the basement of the Methodist church on Monday night, consisting of choruses, part songs, whirling interludes, the topic by Miss Jessie Caton and a number of choice selections on the phonograph by Mr. W. J. Glass, Miss Bertha Sparling and Rita Irwin, as organists, played the instrumental accompaniments. The room was crowded, and parents and friends were highly delighted with the efforts of the young folks.

On Sunday evening a service of unique and interesting character will be held in the Methodist church. The service throughout will be conducted by the young ladies of the church. Music with full chorus, duet and quartette will be rendered. The pastor will speak on the subject "Women and others." A welcome especially for strangers. Obliging ushers, seats free, hymn books provided.

DR. GEO. S. BURT.

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BRILLIANTINE LUSTRES in Black at 25c., 40c. and 50c. Navy with Polka Dot and Cream.

PRIESTLEY'S BLACK LUSTRE at 65 cts. and 75 cts. per yard.

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