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Local News Items

GATHERED DURING THE PAST WEEK FOR CHRONICLE READERS.

PRICEVILLE Public Library Concert has been postponed until Monday, December 21st.

THE Grits are holding their Convention love feast here to-day to select a candidate for the Commons.

DR. GUN who has been taking a post graduate course in Chicago will resume practice on December 22nd.

THE sale of furniture by Keeler and son Saturday was a great success, everything sold well under the magic hammer of Auctioneer Mackay.

THE contract for seating the new room in the school has been awarded to C. Smith & Sons, of the Durham Foundry.

BARRISTER DUNN will be found in the old Chronicle office until his more permanent quarters are made ready up stairs in the same building.

LOST—In Durham on Tuesday Dec. 1st, a lady's hunting case gold watch. Waltham movement. Finder will be suitably rewarded by returning it to this office.

WHAT about the Town Council for next year? Nobody seems to know anything about it more than to say there are some fishers of men and women voters.

THE SALE of Mr. Robert McNaughton's farm stock and implements was postponed from Tuesday, December 15th, to Tuesday December 22nd, on account of the storm.—1.

FOR SALE—50 Shares of one hundred dollars each of the National Portland Cement Company, Limited, Apply National Trust Company Limited, 22 King St. East, Toronto, Liquidator of Atlas Loan Company.

THE BIG STORE has two very attractive windows and the electric fan is admired by many passers. We presume the dressing has been superintended by Bob McCracken who often treats the public to a panoramic window.

A SCHOOL CONCERT will be held in the school house at Vickers, (Ebenezer) on Monday evening Dec. 21st, when a first-class programme will be presented consisting of dialogues, recitations, songs, drills, etc. A cordial invitation extended to all. Admission 20c. Doors open at 7 o'clock, concert at 7.30.

MR. and MRS. JOHN MITCHELL and two children of Grenfell Assa. N. W. T. are visiting Mrs. Mitchell's sisters Mrs. J. W. Blythe, Varney, Mrs. H. Burnett, Durham, and her brother Mr. John Aldred. This is Mr. Mitchell's first visit to this part of Ontario but from the opinion he holds of the West we have no idea that he intends to come to live here.

ON Thursday night last a couple of sets of Markdale curlers came over here to try a game with our town team. No report of the game has been handed in but we learn on the side that the visitors were successful on two rinks. This perhaps explains the reason of a full complete and detailed report not being published. True, we might have been there and seen for ourselves, but we had other work to attend to.

We are pleased to learn that Mr. Watson, who has been attending the Model School here has secured a position as teacher in the Eolton Public School. Mr. Watson is quite a young man, we were going to say a boy, but he is the happy holder of a first class non professional certificate, and we hope to hear of him making his mark in the world as an educational instructor. Nearly all the students here have secured schools, and being still interested in the success of the teacher we wish them all prosperity.

THE publication by the Toronto News on Saturday last of a holiday number consisting of 52 full size pages was a unique accomplishment. This is the largest one cent paper ever published in Canada. It was too big even for the mammoth He sextuple press which the News recently installed and which will not print more than 45 pages. Over 14 tons of paper was consumed in the issue—an evidence of the rapidly growing circulation of The News. At the popular price of \$1.00 a year the News now finds its way into all parts of Canada. It is not so much the price of the paper however, which is making The News such a leader over competitors as the fact that they are discovering the merits of themselves. All who have not a copy in a new dress should get one to find a simple copy.

HIGHEST cash prices for mink, fox, skunk, coon, and all kinds of raw furs at Peel's. tf

We are pleased to notice the improvement Mr. J. L. Browne has made in the appearance of his residence by the addition of a veranda.

DAME RUMOR says that Mr. J. H. Brown is coming out for Mayor. He hasn't told us so but we think he would be able to handle himself all right.

THE giving of useless articles for presents may be considered alright by way of joke, but if you want to give useful Christmas presents buy at Peel's.

ONE of Mr. Trimble's stage horses died on the way home from Durham on Monday last. Particulars have not come to hand but we presume the heavy roads had something to do with it.

THE LIVERY formerly owned by Mr. J. Gowanlock was sold last week to Mr. O'Neill who unites the two livery in one. Mr. Gowanlock still keeps the dray and buss business.

A SPECIAL meeting of Durham Lodge No. 446, C. O. F., will be held on Friday evening, Dec. 18th. Nomination and election of officers, all members are requested to be present. J. Moffat, C. R.; Jas. Hepburn, R. Sec.

POSTMASTER SMITH has been a public benefactor since the big snow storm in clearing the sidewalks and streets with his snow plough. Why don't the Board of Works do something? In the meantime we must express our gratitude to Mr. Smith.

THE Methodist Sunday School Christmas entertainment will be held in the church on Tuesday, December 22nd. There will be a Christmas tree and a good programme is being prepared. Entertainment to commence at 8 o'clock. Admission, 15 cents.

MR. JOHN R. TUCKER of Portage La Prairie, in sending in a remittance admits that he cannot do without the Chronicle. There are a great many other sensible men who speak in the same way, and we appreciate such readers.

DON'T fail to attend the B. Y. P. U. entertainment to be held in the Baptist church on Friday evening, December 18th. An enjoyable evening is expected and all are cordially invited to attend. Light refreshments will be served. Admission 10 cents.

THE weather men were quite free last Saturday in predicting a green Christmas and the soft slushy state of things in the afternoon would almost justify their prognostications. A change came however and Sunday and Monday were two stormy days, perhaps the most severe at this season for a number of years past. It is to be hoped that the holiday season at least will pass over without losing our hitherto excellent sleighing.

THE Town Council has wisely decided to put in a number of street lights, which according to contract should be in operation at the beginning of the New Year. The number agreed upon is not thought to be sufficient, and on Tuesday night Rev. Mr. Ryan waited on the Council with a modest request to have one placed on the Durham Road a short distance east of the old British hotel. The south end of the town has also put in a petition for additional lighting and it is quite likely the agitation will keep up till the whole town is provided with street lights. With the exception of four arc lights the incandescents are to be used.

THE GAUTHIER-ANDISON combination gave an entertainment in the Hall Tuesday night under the auspices of the Durham Lacrosse Club. The weather was so inclement and the roads so bad that only a very small attendance put in an appearance, yet the programme was rendered as if the house had been full. The small audience was certainly an appreciative one, and the numbers given by the Company were, on the whole, good. Mrs. Morton's contralto solos were well given and showed a voice range and culture not often found. As a pianist and soloist, Mae Pauline Andison gave evidence of rare ability. Mr. Emerson Morton is a skilled manipulator of the violin and we have little doubt that Mr. Andison as a humorist is an artist when he has a full house. The combination shows a marked degree of refinement and on this ground we think they were deserving of a better audience. Under the circumstances they did well.—The Lacrosse boys are not looking back on the venture as a huge financial success. In street parlance it left them in the hole.

People We Know

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

Mr. and Mrs. Binkley and daughter, will leave here Monday to spend their holidays at Quincy, Michigan.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Farr, of the Cement Works go next week to spend their holidays in Cleveland, Ohio.

Mrs. H. F. Hill and two children, of Stockton Manitoba are visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Caton.

Mrs. E. W. Limin whom we reported last week as having undergone an operation in now improving nicely we are pleased to learn.

Mr. F. Duncan, Night Foreman at the Cement Works resigned his position and is succeeded by Mr. Allan McFarlane, and Mr. John Cliff, succeeds Mr. McFarlane as foreman in the machine shop.

Mr. Harry Aldred and his sister Miss Margaret and their cousin Miss Burnett, of Durham, spent part of last week and this visiting friends near Port Elgin but expect to be home in time to attend the big wedding at Hampton, on Wednesday, to-day, when Miss Emily Robinson, unites heart and hand with Mr. Davidson, of Mt. Forest.

PIE SOCIAL under auspices of Varney L. O. L. No. 689 will be held on New Year's night. A number 1 programme will be rendered. Admission 10c. Ladies bringing pies free. See bills later.

OWING to the difficulty of getting mud from the lake the cement mill has closed down the rotaries for a short time. The heavy snow and hard frost has interfered somewhat with the machinery at the dredge.

OVER two thousand dollars worth of new side walk was put in this year in town and settled for at the last meeting of the Council with the exception of the ten per cent. guarantee provided for in contract.

THE fellow who bought a forty-five cent bucksaw at Keeler's sale and paid fifty cents for it didn't feel at all cut up about the bad bargain. Furthermore he's not going to down the bucksaw brigade by cutting wood and cutting prices at the same time. The buyer is very careful about how he handles a bucksaw, and if no one else interferes with that saw we have good reason to believe that it will be a long long time. Say nothing, but saw wood.

THE stages were all stuck on Monday on account of the snow storm, which blocked the roads so as to make it impossible to get through. To break the roads through heavy drifts for seventeen or eighteen miles is no picnic and however desirous we may be to get our mails regularly we must excuse the carriers under such circumstances. On Sunday Rev. Mr. Smith started out to his appointment at Zion, but was forced to turn back, after going out a mile or two.

THE people of Varney are again preparing a good programme for their annual S. S. Entertainment and Christmas Tree to be held on Xmas night the committee have the promise of the Rev. Little, of Holstein, as a speaker. So with Mr. Little on the platform and Mr. Wm. Allan, of Egremont in the chair, that part of the programme is safe. The Misses Cornish, of Orchard, who always receive a hearty welcome to Varney are expected to recite. Programme to commence at 8 o'clock. Admission ten and fifteen cents.

A NEARBY business man soliciting advertising to wind up an estate asks us to be as generous as possible to the widow and orphans, stating that in small estates the fees are restricted and printers are expected to remember the poor for their day is coming. Now it's hardly necessary for anyone to tell us to be good to the widows, but it does seem tough to remind the poor printer that the time is coming when he will be poor. Printers are poor always, and they know it, but they hate to have it rubbed in.

THE Man on the Street has often referred to the thoughtless habit of many teamsters leaving their rigs astride the crossing while pedestrians have to go round through the snow or mud. Another evil we notice is the foehardy driving of some smart Alecks who rush up to and cross over a cross street without slacking their pace or noticing whether people are in the way or not. The first traveller has the right of way and it's the driver's business to see that the way is clear or put up with the consequences in case of accident. Reference through the newspaper may influence some but a fine would influence others far quicker.

Xmas Goods

AT
Durham's
Leading
Jewellery
Store.



Just two years in Durham but we have the trade and we intend to keep it.

To do this we use the people right and we understand our business.

A list of prices like the following will make long experienced people wonder.



Look!

- \$18.00 Ladies' and Gent's 14k, Gold filled watches for \$12.
- \$16.00 Ladies' and Gent's 10k, Gold filled watches for \$10.
- \$8.00 Ladies' long Chains, warranted 20 years, for \$5.
- \$5.00 Ladies' long Chains, warranted 10 years, for \$3.
- \$5.00 Brooches, warranted 20 years, in fancy box, for \$3.
- \$3.50 Brooches, warranted 20 years, in fancy box, for \$2.25.

Locketts, Bracelets, Pins, Cuff Links and solid Gold Rings at these snap prices.

This is the place to buy your Xmas Presents and save money.

See our
Window
Display

R. B. Keeler & Son
Two Jewellery Stores.
DURHAM & HESPELER

S. F. MORLOCK

CASH AND ONE PRICE.

The Secret Revealed.

To be successful in business now-a-days it is necessary to do unusual things—sell dependable and correct merchandise—sell at right prices and do what you promise. We live up to all the claims made in our advertisements. They are intended to honestly reflect our methods and our goods. All we ask is an opportunity to prove our contentions. Will you put us to the test during these holiday months. Here are a few quotations:

Special Reductions in Millinery for the Next Six Weeks. Special Value in Women's Fur and Cloth Mantles.

Our Clothing Dept. is a trade winner—because we give you the same style, fit and service you would receive in custom-made garments—at about half price.

Best Brands No. 1 Rubbers and Overshoes at great reductions—319 Yards Heavy Dark Flannelette going at 5c per yard. 353 Yards Dark Check Gingham while they last at 5c per yard. 188 Yards 10c Wrapperette going at 6c per yard.

Don't forget to inspect our Holiday display of Fancy Handkerchiefs and other Fancy Goods.

Christmas Groceries.

- 4 lbs. best Currants for.....25c
- 3 1/2 lbs. best Raisins for.....25c
- 2 lbs. best Lemon Peel for.....25c
- 2 lbs. best Orange Peel for.....25c
- 5 lbs. Mixed Candies for.....25c
- 2 cans good Red Salmon for.....25c

We might mention many other bargains, but space will not permit.

S. F. MORLOCK

CASH AND ONE PRICE.

CLEARING SALE . . .

Of Men's Ready-to-Wear Suits.

- \$11.50 Suits for \$8.00
- 10.00 " 7.00
- 8.00 " 6.00
- 7.00 " 5.00
- 5.00 " 4.00

. . . Ladies' Coats . . .

Balance of our Ladies' Coats at 20 per cent. discount.

Odd Lines to clear at reduced prices. Dress Goods, Prints and Wrapperettes

A full line of Groceries. Try a pound of Blue Ribbon Tea, 25c, 40c and 50c per pound. All kinds of produce taken.

J. & J. HUNTER

THE BUSY STORE ON THE BUSY CORNER.