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W. IRWIN, Editor and Proprietor.
DURHAM MAY 30, 1907

SANCTUM SIFTINGS.

The dense volume of cement smoke passing over the town every day is a grave public nuisance, and something must be done to put a stop to it. Not only household goods, but all kinds of property are being injured all over the town. Those who live near the mill are the greatest sufferers and the man or woman who doesn't feel sorry for their misfortune is little short of a brute. Last year we were promised an improved condition of things but so far we are not a whit better than we were before the promise was made. It is a downright shame to think that any such institution should be allowed to go unchecked, and it seems to us there should be some remedy afforded by the laws of our country. Some even go as far as to tell us that we shouldn't say a word about it as the mill wouldn't be here were it not for the newspaper agitation. Whether this be true or not the smoke nuisance is an injury to a vast amount of public property, and we think that citizens as well as the Cement Company have rights that should be considered.

The question of a proper system of sewage will soon be forced upon us. The School is now engaged in the construction of closets which the trustees purpose emptying into a cesspool, but a protest is being entered against the use of such method. If they are forced to abandon the cesspool the next move will be to drain the closets into the river when another big protest will be made by the citizens and residents of the townships below us. What the next step will be remains to be seen but a slow system of evolution is working its way to a proper solution of the problem. We are crawling up to a population of two thousand inhabitants, and it is grossly absurd to think that all sorts of contaminations can be carelessly disposed of without endangering the public health. We do not favor the cesspool system; we never did and especially in soil such as we have in Durham, they are far from being safe. A few years ago the ordinary pit closets were condemned, drawers were substituted and the Council made a bluff at having these things properly attended to. How successful was the effort and how long

did it continue to work satisfactory? If pit closets are a menace to the public health what ground of argument can be taken in favor of the cesspool which may easily connect with an underground water vein and find its way into a neighboring well. Sooner or later, and it will not be long, a proper sanitary method must be devised for the disposal of all night soil and poisonous matter of all kinds. The cost may be considerable, but the public health and safety of the community are of more consequence than the necessary increase in the tax bill.

As high as nineteen cents a dozen has been paid for eggs in this town during the past two or three weeks and all that were left of the same eggs were handed over to the egg man when he came round at the market price of sixteen and a half cents. The rushing up of the price was the desire of one merchant to get ahead of some one else in the same business. The farmers who have the eggs to sell will have no objection to find a ready market at an advance of two or three cents a dozen above their real value. It should make no difference with the ordinary citizen if a town merchant, or merchants as a whole, be willing to give prices that they can not again legitimately realize. But it is just here that the local citizen has a just cause for objecting to such tactics. The merchant who wants to commit commercial suicide has a right to do so if he feels disposed, but he has no right to overcharge his own customers for the commodities he purchased at more than the market value. When the local buyer goes for a dozen of eggs and is taxed nineteen cents for them he is likely to make a protest if he knows the market value of eggs. The merchant will then tell him that eggs have gone up and that he paid nineteen cents for them and can't afford to sell them at a loss. Such an excuse doesn't go down with the egg man who will pay the market value and not a cent more. Such merchants should come out with the honest truth and tell their local customers that they were foolish enough to pay too much and in order to get their money back they want "to do" as many of their regular customers as possible so as not to lose all they should lose because of their foolishness in paying too much. The merchant should not forget to consider that the customer has to be reckoned with as well as the producer. The local customers have a right to kick against an overcharge brought about in any such way, and it makes no difference what a merchant pays for an article the consumer should not be forced to pay more than the regular market value.

The talk of liberty of the subject is the merest poppycock. The individual of to-day seems to have no rights that are not interfered with. We have the first gasoline engine that was ever used in Durham and for two or three years the only one. Since its installation we have been forced to pay a higher insurance rate because of its use. Now it puzzles us to see where the danger is in such a machine. In fact we feel that it is safer than an ordinary coal oil lamp upon which the insurance companies make no extra charges so far as we know. The ordinary gasoline stove, that will soon be brought into use for the warm weather and which has been used for years, is to our mind much more dangerous than the gasoline engine, and yet we have not heard of a general increase of insurance rates because of their use. The tailor's gasoline goose and the tinsmith's fire pot, and the much used gasoline lamp are not a whit safer than the gasoline engine, and yet these can be used without any general howl being made. A couple of new gasoline engines have recently been installed in town and the threatened increase of insurance rates has forced us to have company in the grievance we have borne so long alone. We presume it will not be very long till the use of all kinds of heating apparatus will be subjected to an exorbitant insurance tax. They certainly will be if the public will submit calmly to every imposition that is placed upon them. We have positively more fear of fire from the very safest stove we can procure than we have from any ordinary gasoline engine and if it's right to tax the engine which is used by a comparative few, it must be right to tax the kitchen range or the parlor heater to be found in all our homes. If the majority had to use engines and only a small number required to use stoves, the condition of things would be reversed, and the representatives that we almost break our necks over to send to parliament would sanction the injustice. The idea of charging from twenty-five to fifty-five cents extra on a hundred dollars insurance is simply preposterous, and renders the placing of insurance almost prohibitive where such machines are used.

MARRIED.

RAE—GADD—On Wednesday the 22nd inst. at the residence of the bride's mother, by the Rev. Wm. Farquharson, Robert George Rae of Toronto, to Susanna daughter of the late Wm. Gadd of Normanby.

DAYS OF LONG AGO.

Items Clipped from the Durham Standard of May 14th, 1857.

The Rev. John M. King, of the United Presbyterian Church, and recently from Scotland, will preach in Durham on Sabbath first, the 17th inst., at 11 a. m. and 6 p. m.

At 15 minutes before two o'clock on Tuesday afternoon, the 14th of April, the Queen was safely delivered of a Princess.

We understand that extensive preparations are being made for the Orange Soiree, which is to take place on the 25th inst., in this town. We have no doubt it will be a brilliant affair. The public generally are invited.

Birth—On the 14th inst. the wife of Francis Coskrey, of the township of Bentinck, of a son.

The Owen Sound "Times" is seriously annoyed by the separation bill, and insinuates that it is the undertaking of a private party, (Mr. George Jackson Esq., M. P. P.) contrary to the wishes of the people throughout the country, except Durham alone. We would ask our much respected contemporary if he is aware there were upwards of one hundred and fifty petitions, numerous signed by the inhabitants of the various townships, now being set apart as the junior county. These facts, we imagine he must have been well aware of. The "Times" considers the Registry at Owen Sound, quite sufficient for the whole extent of country, comprising the County of Grey; with the very plausible argument, that we can send our documents by mail "at a cost of one shilling postage both ways." The same rule might apply to the whole district, if the convenience of the Registry is all that is to be considered. We think the "Times" must be very hard up for an argument against the Bill, when referring to Mr. Jackson's past disinterested friendship, by assisting certain parties out of office. The parties will no doubt, in due time return thanks to the "Times" for the interest taken in their supposed grievances, but the public can easily see for what purpose— it was a failure.

Letters remaining in Bentinck Post Office on the 2nd of April, 1857:

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| Allan, Richard | McDonald, Gilbert |
| Allan, John | McLean, Hector |
| Bell, William | McDonald, Sarah |
| Banks, Jabez | McArthur, Neil |
| Correy, William | McKechnie, Miss |
| Daniel, Israel | Porter, S. F. |
| Filemon, Andrew | Stace, Francis |
| Gunn, Alex. | Salisbury, Cornelius |
| Lawrence, Lucy | Young, John |
| Livingston, Duncan | Whitson, James |
| Mackie, Jane | White, Wm. |
- ALEX. B. McNAB.
Postmaster.

LACROSSE.

By the decisive score of 9 goals to 1 the Durham Junior Lacrosse Team defeated the "Young Tigers," of Arthur, in Drayton on May 24th. The game throughout was clean, free from all roughness, and consequently a good exhibition of the National game. Durham this year has a bunch of Juniors which the town may well be proud of. This was amply demonstrated to all who witnessed Friday's match. It was the brilliant combination and accurate shooting of the Durhams that made things tell. The following is the line up:

Campbell	Goal	Hughes
Farrel	Point	Wolfe
Brocklebank	Cover Point	H. McDonald
McKenney	1st Defence	M. Smith
Haldane	2nd Defence	McComb
Johnston	3rd Defence	B. McDonald
Dunn	Centre	Kearney
Mitchell	3rd Home	D. McFadden
Buschlen	2nd Home	Saunders
Peterkin	1st Home	Lavelle
Ferguson	Outside Home	F. Smith
Howson	Inside Home	Peck Darling
Manager	Field Captain	J. F. Grant
Referee		Mr. Allan, Mount Forest.

Flesherton

The Flesherton branch of the Women's Institute held their annual business meeting in the town hall on Tuesday afternoon of last week when officers were elected as follows:—President Mrs. Robt. Best; Vice Pres. Mrs. Albert Stewart; Sec. Mrs. W. H. Thurston; Treas. Mrs. Wm. Wilcox; District Representatives, Mrs. Best, Mrs. Thurston, Mrs. Wilcox and Mrs. Armstrong. The past year was a very successful one for the Institute. The meetings were well attended and the subjects discussed proved interesting and profitable.

At the regular monthly meeting of Prince Arthur Lodge A. F. & A. M. held on Friday evening last officers were elected for the ensuing twelve months as follows:—W. M., Wor. Bro. W. A. Armstrong; S. W., Bro. T. A. Blakely; J. W., Bro. C. N. Richardson; Chaplain, Bro. Rev. Dr. Caldwell; Treas., Wor. Bro. A. S. VanDusen; Sec. Bro. Herbert Smith; Tyler, Bro. O. W. Phillips; Auditors,

Wor. Bros. W. J. Bellamy and F. H. W. Hickling. Upon motion by Wor. Bros. M. K. Richardson and A. S. VanDusen a resolution was unanimously adopted instructing the Secretary to convey the sincere sympathy of the Lodge to Bro. Dr. J. A. Scott of Collingwood, who is at present very ill.

The "Shirley M", was successfully launched at Wilcox's lake on the 24th and that her construction is perfect was evident from the graceful and birdlike manner in which she sat upon the water. The gasoline engine however, failed to do the work expected, excepting for a short time when splendid speed was made by the launch. It was disappointing to the large number of spectators who visited the lake, but Dr. Murray is determined to overcome the difficulty and yet make the pesky engine work. Editors who run presses with gasoline engines know something of their intricacy and the annoyance sometimes given by failure to work.

Principal Mill was laid up with quinsy last week and unable to teach in consequence of which Empire Day was not fully observed in the school as would otherwise have been. Miss Coulson and Miss Toll, however, instilled the patriotic spirit in the minds of the pupils in their rooms.

Numerous flags and Union Jacks were displayed here on Victoria Day in memory of our late beloved Queen. The holiday was very quiet here, our citizens largely going abroad for pleasure. Many went to Markdale, others picnicking and fishing. Mr. Herb Smith on returning from the latter favoured your correspondent with a much appreciated mess of speckled beauties.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Davis have met bereavement since going to Idaho by the death two weeks ago of their little nine-months old daughter. Their friends here sympathize with them in their sorrow.

Dr. Carter has had the exterior of his residence neatly repainted. Messrs. Scott and Davis, of Markdale did the job.

Rev. Dr. Caldwell of this place and Rev. Henry Berry of Holland Centre exchanged pulpits on Sunday. Ed. vocational sermons were preached in both places. It was Floral Sunday at the Baptist church and Rev. L. F. Kipp preached an appropriate sermon on The "Lessons of the Flowers." The Presbyterian pulpit was supplied by Rev. A. F. Webster of Oakwood.

Miss Edith Orr has sufficiently recovered from her recent severe illness to be about again. We were pleased to see her in the village last week on her first visit since taking ill.

Rev. Dr. Caldwell gave his lecture Courtship and Marriage at Holland Centre on Monday evening and attended District meeting at Markdale on Tuesday.

A proposition to unite Eugenia Methodist Circuit with Flesherton Circuit and thereby make a double Circuit for a Superintendent and colleague was brought before the officials of the church here at the close of the service on Sunday morning, but the proposition was not favorably received by them.

Among the 24th holiday visitors here were Miss Lulu Mitchell and Miss Lily Boyd home from Owen Sound high school; Miss Lindsay, of Owen Sound, was the guest of Mrs. W. A. Armstrong; Miss Haines, of Lucknow was the guest of Mrs. W. Bentham; Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Hemphill of Toronto were visitors at Mr. W. P. Crossley's; Mr. W. Hales and Mr. Waters, of Toronto visited the former's home; Mr. Bert Field of Toronto visited his brothers; Miss Bertha Colquett of Toronto, visited her parents; Miss Annie Howard of Toronto, visited her mother and brother; Mrs. (Dr.) Webster and baby Helen, of Toronto visited the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Richardson; Dr. and Mrs. Paul of Toronto, on their way to visit the former's parents at Faversham paid Mr. and Mrs. J. Blackburn a short visit; Mr. W. Baskin and daughter Annie, of Guelph, visited the former's brother, Wesley, on the homestead and called on old friends in the village; Mr. Thomas Whittie and daughter Miss Whittie, of Woodbridge, were visitors at Mr. Miles Thistlethwaite's; Misses Lucy and Alice Whitehead, of Brampton, and Mrs. Phillips, of Maxwell, were visitors at Mr. Thos. Clark's; Miss Annie Wilson of Toronto visited her mother; Mr. Reginald Irving, of Toronto, visited friends; Mr. Geo. Moorehouse and mother, of Toronto, visited Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Blakely and other relatives; Mr. Ed. Blackall, of Toronto, and Mr. Duquid of Collingwood visited at Mr. Andy Wilson's.

Among those who visited abroad were Dr. and Mrs. Carter at Woodstock; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Stewart at Thornbury; Mrs. Fred Tucker at Uxbridge; Misses Zilla and Ethel Trimble at Owen Sound; Miss Reid and Miss Toll at Dundalk; Mrs. Hastie, Vina, Percy and Charlie Crossley at Alton; Mr. J. Foster at Berlin; Mrs. VanDusen and daughter Celie, at Collingwood; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Moore at Owen Sound.

Mrs. Jos. Clinton and Miss Florence Thurston are in Toronto this week delegates to the W. M. S. convention.

RECRUITS WANTED.

The undersigned will receive applications for recruits for Co. D. 31s Regiment up to Friday, May 31st, inst. The annual Camp at Niagara begins June 11th.
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OR
N. T. MACLAURIN, } Lieut.
E. M. WOLFE, }

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