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Our New Story "The Island of the Stairs," Commences This Week

NEWS AROUND TOWN

Live hogs are \$8.85, butter 22c., and eggs 18c.

March had a rough beginning and a mild ending.

Persons in need of monuments, or those requiring inscription work should see W. J. McFadden before placing their orders.

Mr. W. J. McFadden has a stock of Milton pressed brick to complete the new residence he erected last fall on Countess street.

Mr. Geo. Lamb, of Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., will accept thanks for renewal, and kind expression of appreciation of The Chronicle's weekly visits.

The induction of Rev. S. M. Whaley into the Presbyterian church here has been fixed for April 15.

Chief McCauley, of Owen Sound was stricken with paralysis last week, the entire left side being paralyzed.

Mt. Forest council will make application to the Hydro-Electric Commission for 500 horsepower from Niagara.

Tenders for the building of Toronto's new Union Station will be called for next week, and building operations will commence early in May.

The ladies of the Methodist church will have another sale of home-made baking, consisting of pies, buns, bread, cakes, etc., at Bean's store, on Saturday, April 11.

Mr. John McGowan learned a few days ago of the death on the 16th of March of Mr. John Wilson, of Rodney. Mr. Wilson was engaged as miller here for some time and was well-known by many of the citizens, who will regret to learn of his death.

Mr. W. J. McFadden has been enjoying a harvest during the past few weeks, having disposed of a large number of pianos and organs of several of the best makers. He intends to enlarge his show rooms to make room for a much larger display of musical goods.

Excavations are now being made under the town hall to make room for a furnace and a place to keep coal and wood. It is the intention of the council to enlarge the building by adding 20 feet to the south end. This will give better stage accommodation, provide for dressing rooms, a rear exit and increased seating capacity. The building will also be brick veneered.

We regret to learn that Mrs. Chapman, of lot 18, concession 2, Egremont, was stricken with paralysis on Monday last, while on a visit with her granddaughter, Mrs. David Gordon, in town here. The old lady is over 80 years of age and was in her usual health up to the time of her affliction. She is the widow of the late William Chapman, and has been a resident of Egremont for nearly 60 years. There is very little hope for her recovery.

The tile industry which the C. P. R. has kept in operation here for the past three years, or so, making culvert and ditch tile for use on this and other parts of the system, has been closed down, and the machinery is being moved away. While it lasted, the works gave steady employment to the year round to four or five men, and its closing down is to be regretted. We understand that the company claims the tile made here cost too much, compared with the cost of tile made at other places.

Those who knew Mrs. Brooker, who lived here a few years ago while her husband was engaged in the cement works, will regret very much to learn of her death in a Cleveland hospital on the 25th of March. The only information we have come from her daughter to Miss Sparling, and we are unable to state the cause of death though it is rumored to have been of a cancerous nature. Mrs. Brooker was a clever woman, a great worker in the church and a general favorite while a resident here. We join the community in sympathy with the bereaved husband and sorrowing members of the family.

Citizens who happened to be in close proximity to the business section on a certain hour last Friday witnessed a rare sight, to wit: the town constable clearing the crossings of mud, slush, ice and snow. It has been many a day since such a sight was witnessed here before, though pedestrian hope it may not be long should the occasion arise, when they shall witness it again. It was in itself a small act, and drew many expressions of approval from those who had to use the walks. May the town constable's shadow never grow less, and may his elbows never grow stiff—when the main crossings need brushing.

The Ladies Aid of the Presbyterian church have decided to install a new pulpit and settee for the church here.

Rev. H. Piercey has resigned the pastorate of the Warton Baptist church. He intends to tour the West as an elocutionist.

\$350 will buy choice building lot 50' x 106', corner of Bruce and Lambton streets, if purchased immediately. Apply to W. A. Glass.

The lighthouse at Goderich is being remodeled. It will be made five feet higher, to accommodate a revolving flash light.

The Tara foundry has been closed for a time, but will probably re-open under new management.

The Collingwood Board of Education has asked the town council for \$26,000 for educational purposes for 1914.

Mrs. John Ritchey of Holland, died last week at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John Agnew of Clarksburg. She was 80 years of age.

Farmers requiring No. 1 Seed Oats should call at the Oatmeal Mills and get some of the Selected Western Seed Oats they are offering.—Rob Roy Cereal Mills Co.

The contract for the erection of a new school at Ethel has been let to Geo. K. Wahl of Listowel. It consists of two rooms 34'x62', with basement for furnaces, recreation, etc. The cost, equipped, is \$5,200.

Mr. Eli Pickering of Utterson, T. H. Pickering of Parry Sound, Mrs. Albert Bresie of Windermere, father, brother and sister, respectively, of the late Mrs. Fred Noble, were in attendance at her burial on Sunday last.

Mr. Joseph Firth, son of Mr. C. Firth, returned last week from Fergus hospital, where he underwent an operation. He is improving nicely and expects to be able to return to British Columbia in a few weeks.

The school at Mulock was closed last week on account of a case of diphtheria in the section. The trustees have acted wisely in taking precaution to close the school in time to prevent the spread of the disease. Miss Ramage, the teacher, is having a three weeks' holiday, which covers the regular vacation at Easter.

If the ladies will be kind enough to send us in the reception days we will publish them in the next two issues of The Chronicle. We made a similar offer on a previous occasion, but very few responded. To clip out the list and keep it would be a great convenience to ladies when making calls. Calling cards, all sizes, and the very latest, at this office.

Owing to the outbreak of rabies in Arthur township the county of Wellington is said to be under quarantine. Three dogs have been destroyed, and an examination of one by Mr. Amyot, Provincial Analyst, showed the animal was suffering from rabies, and a proclamation was at once issued ordering all dogs to be kept tied up.

The Western Provinces had zero weather on Thursday night last. When it was comfortably warm here, considering the time of year. Regina registered 20 below, Lethbridge 16 below, and Calgary and Edmonton eight and six below respectively. While it gets cold out west, sometimes, "you can't feel it," still we failed to notice the scores of any baseball games or croquet matches in the despatch from Regina, and so must infer that the reason of their not being in progress was entirely out of respect for the thermometer.

If selling a large number of pianos and organs will add to a man's happiness, our local agent, W. J. McFadden, must have a happy feeling after the many instruments of different makes he has disposed of during the past few weeks. Several of the best homes in town and vicinity have added to their comfort by purchasing one of his fine instruments. Mr. McFadden is in a position to buy for cash at the best prices and gives his customers the benefit of his good buying. Any person in need of an instrument will do well to call on him.

The congregations of Amos and Knox churches met in Amos church on Monday afternoon last to moderate in a call for a minister to succeed Rev. Mr. Kendall. The moderator, Rev. Dr. Marsh, was in the chair, and of the six ministers who preached there since Mr. Kendall left, five were brought out for consideration, when Rev. Mr. Smith of Hamilton Presbytery was chosen on the first ballot and the vote made unanimous. The next step will be taken in Durham on the 15th of this month, when the matter will be submitted to the Kingston Presbytery.

OBITUARY

JOHN TORRY.

We regret very much to chronicle the death of John Torry, who died on Thursday, the 26th inst. The deceased was born in Bentinck 43 years ago, and was a carpenter by trade. Eleven years ago he was married to Miss M. Johnson at Warton. Of the three children resulting from the union, one is living, Edith, a little girl. He has been in ill-health for about two years, and in his weakened condition, pneumonia set in and hastened the end. Besides his wife and little daughter, he leaves to mourn his loss an aged mother, two brothers, William and Clark, and two sisters, Sarah, Mrs. F. Reay, all of Bentinck, and Martha, of town. Mrs. John Reay, who met with a fatal accident by being struck by a C.P.R. train at the Hutton Hill crossing about five months ago, was a sister.

The remains were laid to rest in the Durham cemetery on Sunday last at two p.m., and were followed by a large concourse of sorrowing relatives and friends. The services at the house and grave were conducted by his pastor, Rev. Mr. Prudham, Methodist minister. He was buried under the auspices of the C.O.F., who turned out to the number of about 70, who conducted the beautiful services of their ritual at the grave. Beautiful wreaths covered the casket, from the Foresters and Methodist church, and one from the family.

Friends from a distance were his father-in-law and mother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Johnson, and sister-in-law, Mrs. Charley Winningburg, all of Southampton, and Mr. J. Johnson, brother-in-law, from Berlin. —Com

CORNER CONCERNS.

Mr. John Hamilton and sister, Miss Mary, returned home Friday after spending a week with friends at Chesley.

Mr. Thos. Tucker was laid up last week with appendicitis, but did not require to be operated on as Dr. D.B. Jamieson got it checked in time.

Although we hear of some farmers ploughing on Saturday, it is not generally started yet.

The neighbors put up some fine piles of wood last week with Wm. Morrison's sawing machine.

Mrs. Geo. Lawrence returned home from Stratford hospital last week quite recovered, we are pleased to say.

March is usually a hard month on both man and beast and this one is quite as noted as any of its predecessors for losses in live stock. Messrs. Marshall and Noble lost a colt and mare respectively while R. McMeeken lost both a colt and cow. Many others are also having a share of sickness and trouble.

Our mail courier has had to take a roundabout way this week owing to the pond forming on the town line, as it does every spring. We believe the road there may be fixed this summer although it has been on the slate about as long as Reciprocity or Home Rule.

The news was received with deep feeling of sadness of the death of Mrs. Fred Noble on Friday night, March 27, after but a few days' illness from blood poisoning. She was 34 years of age. Miss Ella Pickering was her maiden name, and it is over 14 years since she joined heart and hand with the man of her choice, and the union has resulted in six children, three boys and three girls, who, with their father will mourn the loss of a kind and faithful mother and wife. It is four years since they became residents of this neighborhood, and during that time she has been held in high esteem as an honest, industrious and kind-hearted neighbor. A strange coincidence is that her mother also died at the age of 34, on the same date in March, leaving a husband and four children, all of whom, with the exception of one brother, J.M., who died at Kamloops, B.C., last July, were present at the funeral. Her father, Eli Pickering, reached her bedside a couple of hours before the spirit took its everlasting flight. Her brother, Thos. H., of Parry Sound, and sister, Mrs. Breese, of Windermere, were not fortunate enough to get here before her death. The funeral on Sunday was very largely attended, Rev. Mr. Hartley officiating in the home and at the graveside. The remains were laid to rest in Durham cemetery. While Mr. Noble and family have the deep sympathy of the surrounding country in their sorrow, the assistance and kindness of his immediate neighbors is very much appreciated by him.

We regret to learn that Mrs. Ann Chapman received a paralytic stroke on Monday last. She is over 80 years of age.

Mrs. N. W. Campbell will receive on the first Friday in the month.

Mr. Wm. Smith, who spent the winter in Waterloo county with a daughter, is back again on the old home.

BLYTH'S CORNERS.

It is decidedly spring-like, in fact Bob. Braithwaite, near Durham, was ploughing on Saturday. Messrs. Jas. Ball and Wellington Thompson left to-day, Monday, for the west, where they intend to homestead and grow up with the country.

In the removal by death of the late Alex. Smith on Tuesday last, March 24, Normanby has lost another of its very few remaining pioneers. The deceased, some few days before his death, contracted a severe chill, which developed into pneumonia and bronchitis, which, coupled with the decrepancy of old age, proved too much for the once rugged constitution and despite human aid and best medical attendance, he gradually sank and passed peacefully away on the aforesaid date, aged 82 years. The deceased was a man of excellent qualities, quiet and retiring in disposition, a Liberal in politics and a staunch supporter of the Presbyterian church. His remains were interred in Durham cemetery alongside his wife, who predeceased him a few years ago. Circumstances prevented us from getting a fuller knowledge of his early life, but possibly your Knox, Corner man may give a write-up on the life and history of the "grand old man."

R. J. Ball, M.P., has been invited by the Varney Grange, and will be present on Saturday evening, April 11, if spared and well. The Grange wants to get his bearings on the C. N. R. guarantee bonds, bounties on iron and steel, good roads movement, etc. The night selected is not very desirable, but it is the only night available. It is very desirable that a good crowd be present on that evening.

As mentioned in our last budget a united meeting of the congregations of Amos church, Dromore, and Knox church, Normanby was held this Monday afternoon to extend a call to a minister. Notwithstanding the heavy state of the roads, a fairly good representation of both congregations were present. Rev. B. W. Smith, of Clanbrassil, Haldimand county, was the chosen man, pulling over two votes to one over Rev. Mr. Gomm, his closest rival, and a good man at that. In the selection of Rev. Mr. Smith we think, and we predict, a very excellent man has been chosen. A few of course were a little disappointed with the choice, which we sincerely hope will soon vanish away, and a general rejoicing all along the line will be the final outcome through his able ministry.

Rev. Dr. Marsh has proved himself to be, as we predicted, a very efficient and painstaking moderator, and much credit is due him for the able and thorough way he has conducted the business from beginning to end. It was largely through his eagerness and influence an admirable display of a unity of the spirit was marked throughout the whole proceedings of to-day.

The Presbytery will meet in Durham on April 15. Take a tumble to it, Mr. Editor.

OLD HANOVER RESIDENT HAS PASSED AWAY.

Another of the early residents of Hanover has passed away in the person of Mrs. P. W. Mitchell, who "crossed the bar" on Friday afternoon last at 1 o'clock. She was 69 years, 6 months and 20 days old. She had suffered for three or four years with kidney trouble, but her excellent constitution withstood the ravages of the disease until Friday last.

Deceased was born in the township of Caledon. Her maiden name was Ann Jane Raeburn, being a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Raeburn. She moved with her parents to Brant township when she was 10 years old. Later, she went to Orangeville, and was married at the age of 20 years, on January 9, 1865, to P.W. Mitchell. They came to Hanover in September of 1868 and have resided here ever since. Her parents were both born in Ireland.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell had a family of six, two being deceased. Those who survive with the widower to mourn her death are: Elizabeth, Mrs. Jamieson, and Mary Jane, Mrs. Nesbitt, both of North Dakota; Annie, Mrs. Richardson, of Durham; and Maude, Mrs. Geo. Rozel, of Hanover.

Mrs. Mitchell was a kindly, motherly woman, and had a legion of friends. She was a member of the Methodist church since her marriage. Had she lived until January next it was the intention of Mr. Mitchell and herself to celebrate their golden wedding. The funeral took place on Sunday afternoon from the family residence to the Hanover cemetery, Rev. Mr. Cooley having charge of the obsequies. The pall bearers were Messrs. J. H. Adams, John Taylor, C. K. ...

Stirring Activities Always at This Store

New Spring Goods Coming And Sales Goods Going

There is always something interesting at the store that gets the New Things first, and February promises much in this respect, as New Goods are piling in every day, which together with Extra Value and February Sales will create the greatest activity at this store. Large assortment of New Black and Colored 1 yard wide Silk usually sold at \$1.25, our price \$1.00 per yard. New Dress Goods, New Scotch Gingham, New English Prints, every department filling up with new Goods. Special offering in Ladies' Coats, ranging in price from \$5.00 to \$15.00, going at a Great Sacrifice **Less 25 percent. off 25 Women's Tweed Skirts, ranging in price from \$4.00 to \$5.00 to clear \$2.50 each. Great Bargains in 15 Men's Overcoats.** These are a broken lot and sizes, grouped into one lot which we assorted out during stock taking and all taken into stock at one price. They range in price from \$7.50 to \$10.00. While they last \$5.00 each.

S. F. MORLOCK

A Few of the Latest Arrivals

Of interest to the People of Durham and vicinity. Read about them; come and see them. Seeing is believing.

A large range of the following goods just opened up.

Ginghams, Prints, Suitings and Wash Goods

from 10c to 15c per yard

Ladies' Wash Dresses, in Print or Gingham

from \$1.00 to \$2.50

Misses Wash Dresses in Newest Style and Pattern

from 50c to \$2.00

Children's Dresses and Rompers

from 50c to \$1.00

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