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NEWS AROUND TOWN

Those wanting stockingette can get it now at Grant's.

The largest stock of perfumes in the county.—Central Drug Store.

Mr. Melbourne MacKay has accepted a situation with the J. D. Abraham Co.

Just arrived. One hundred kegs of fresh-water herring. Mrs. A. Beggs & Son.

Leather hand bags, mesh bags, wallets, purses, portfolios, etc.—Central Drug Store.

For sale.—A seven-horse-power gasoline engine. Apply to C. Smith & Sons, Durham.

If your eyes tire when reading or sewing you need glasses. Come to us. We guarantee satisfaction. Prices moderate. Macfarlane & Co.

W. J. McFadden has a fine display of pianos, organs and sewing machines, any one of which would make a nice Christmas present. See his stock.

The query is: "How can you sell such beautiful goods in Durham?" The answer: "There are as good people in old Durham as in any other place.—Central Drug Store.

We have on hand a number of History Charts for professional nurses. They are indispensable for keeping records in the sick room. Get them while they last at a dollar a hundred, large size.

The result of the by-election in Dundas to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Sir James Whitney resulted in a victory for Irwin Hilliard, Conservative, by a majority of 59. The majority in the last election was over 500.

The pupils of Hampden school are holding their annual Christmas Tree entertainment on December 22. A good program will be rendered, and an enjoyable evening is assured. Admission 15c., school children free.

The Council on Monday night responded unanimously to a largely signed petition to carry the insurance of \$1,000 on the life of Mr. David Borthwick, who left here for the war about a month ago. The first premium amounts to about \$70.

The Baptist Christmas Sunday school entertainment will be held on Tuesday evening, the 22nd of December. A good program is in preparation. Admission, adults 15c., children 10c. Proceeds to be equally divided between the Belgian and Red Cross Funds.

Only two weeks till Christmas, and at the present writing there isn't a speck of snow on the ground. The weather is cold and clear and dust is flying in the streets. Predictions for a hard cold winter have been made, but the sleighing period will be shorter than usual unless prolonged by a late spring.

The public school children of the second, third and fourth departments have sent to the Belgians goods consisting of clothing, boots, shoes, caps, stockings, underwear, Christmas confectionery and dolls. Some of the town merchants have shown much generosity in contributing to the cause, one merchant's donation amounting to nearly a hundred dollars' worth of goods. The teachers and children wish to express their gratitude to all who rendered such valuable assistance.

The teacher and children of Vickers school gave a very enjoyable concert and box social on Friday evening last. The recitations, dialogues and drills were highly creditable to all who took part, many of whom gave evidence of good ability. Dr. Jamieson was present and very efficiently discharged the duties of chairman. Jim Park was one of the star performers, and delighted the audience with a number of humorous songs. The teacher was a strong character in one of the dialogues, and the military drill was a fine spectacular number. The door receipts and the proceeds of the sale of boxes amounted to over \$60. The net receipts, we understand, will go to the patriotic funds.

See our assortment of hand mirrors. Direct import from Belgium.—Central Drug Store.

Huyler's chocolates are still the leading candy of America. Only at Macfarlane's.

It is not new and advanced prices, but new fruits and fresh groceries for Christmas shoppers at Beggs' grocery.

Mr. G. A. Watson at Priceville has installed a first-class shopping outfit, and is prepared to do custom work every day.

Surprise fifteen of your friends by giving them a lovely photograph this Christmas. We are giving you three extra photographs with every dozen. F.W. Kelsey.

For sale.—An Edison phonograph, with 16 records; a good machine. Apply to Miss E. Cauldwell, concession 2, Bentinck, near Durham.

Mayor Black has been somewhat indisposed since a week ago Sunday, when he thinks he had a slight paralytic stroke. He is able to be around, but is far from well.

Photographs.—Don't worry over Christmas gifts this year. Remember each of your friends with a new photograph of yourself. Make your appointment now, F.W. Kelsey, Durham.

Mr. R. D. Cameron of Lucknow will address a mass meeting in the interest of local option in the Methodist church here on Sunday evening next at the close of the regular services.

On Tuesday evening December 15 in the town hall, the Choral Society will give a musical patriotic concert consisting of choruses, solos, duets, etc. Admission 25c. Tickets may be obtained from any member of the society. Proceeds in aid of the Belgian Relief Fund.

The Hydro-Electric By-Laws appearing in this issue had to be passed by the Council at a special meeting last night, and to have them published long enough to meet the legal requirements, we were compelled to hold the paper back a few hours in order to give them place in this issue. This is one of the circumstances over which we have no control.

The Renfrew Machinery Co., Limited, makers of the well-known Standard Cream Separators, Engines and Scales, have made an offer to their agents that if each will sell one machine in the month of December, or if all sell enough to equal one for each agent in that month, the company will donate an additional \$500 to the Belgian Relief Fund. The agent in this locality is Mr. Ed. Hopkins, C. M. Orr, District Representative.

On Tuesday morning, three German cruisers, the Scharnhorst, the Gneissau and Leipzig were sunk near the Falkland Islands by a British squadron under Vice-Admiral Sir Frederick Sturdee. These vessels were engaged in the sinking of the Monmouth and the Good Hope on November 1. Two colliers were captured, and the Dresden and Nurnberg made off during the action and are being pursued. The British casualties are reported to be few. The Germans lost over 1800 men.

Last week we reported that the bakers had increased the price of bread from 10c. to 12c. for a 2½ lb loaf. Since then, it has been decided to raise the weight of bread to the legal three pound standard and the price now asked is 14c. per three-pound loaf. For some time past, we do not know how long, the bakers have been selling bread weighing only 2½ lbs. to the large loaf and action might have been instituted against them at any time. A couple of weeks ago they decided that five cents for a 20-ounce loaf was not enough, and consequently increased the price to six cents. This was not a popular change with the consuming public and we understand that complaints were made and the legal 24-ounce loaf is now insisted on. The result is an additional increase of one cent on each small loaf, or 14c. per large loaf.

We offer 500 bags Manitoba flour at a bargain price. Call and see us.—Mrs. Beggs & Son.

Select your presents early and avoid the rush. Goods are moving lively.—Central Drug Store.

Carr's Cough Cure cures colds. Fully guaranteed at Macfarlane's Drug Store.

Ladies requiring calling cards will do well to examine our large stock and leave their orders. We have up-to-date styles in stationery and type.

Toys! Toys! Something new, including the new Hess roller patent. Come early and get your pick. Nothing over 25c. The Variety Store.

The Girl Guides have forwarded a cheque for \$75 to the Local Council of Women in Toronto to be used for the relief of the Belgians.

Lost.—A gold chain between Cameron's livery stable and Miss Rutherford's residence in upper town. Finder will be suitably rewarded by leaving it at Edward Kress's furniture store.

Fire Chief Howard McDonald has received the annual letter from the Underwriters' Association warning merchants and others of the dangers to life and property from Christmas displays at this time of the year. The use of Christmas greens, harvest specimens and other inflammable materials such as draperies, scenery, cotton to represent snow, and the like, especially in connection with electric and other lighting systems is decidedly dangerous, and the use of these decorations, according to the statutory conditions of an insurance policy, renders it void.

On Sunday evening last, Mr. S. Scott took a headlong tumble down a long flight of stairs in his residence, and as a result he is nursing a bandaged head and is otherwise feeling sore. It's a wonder the old gentleman escaped as well as he did, and many a life has been lost over a less dangerous tumble. "Business as usual" is his motto, and however unfit he felt he was down to business bright and early on Monday morning. There are about 20 steps in the flight and he never took a rest till he struck the floor, 13 feet below the starting point.

Mr. Fred Reay, who lives a short distance north of Vickers, had the misfortune Sunday morning last to have his barn and stables totally destroyed by fire. We are told it was caused by a boy about nine or ten years of age. The lad, it seems, had an old musket, and some of these cracking match tips, and imitating a number of youngsters he saw shooting them off, he was amusing himself in the barn. The ignited tip set fire to the straw, and soon the whole place was in flames. The stock and implements were saved, but the total loss is estimated at \$3,000 or over. We understand the property was insured for about \$1,500.

The Durham branch of the Women's Institute held a Scotch meeting at the home of Mrs. J. Brown on Thursday, December 3. Ninety ladies were present, and a most enjoyable time was spent. Mrs. Rev. Wylie gave a most interesting paper on Scotland. She spoke of its rugged appearance and its beautiful scenery; of its people, their dress, and other characteristics. The difference between Scotland of old and Scotland of the present, and closed by giving the beautiful poem, "The Bairnies Cuddle Doon." Mrs. T. McGirr then gave a reading from "The Bonnie Brier Bush." Solos were given by Miss McFadden and Miss Ramage and a duet by the Misses Weir and McGirr. A Scotch tea was then served, for which a charge of ten cents was made, the proceeds amounting to over \$9. The meeting was closed by singing Auld Lang Syne. It was decided at the meeting that a butter and egg shower be held at Mrs. Beggs' store on Thursday, December 17, in aid of the poor mothers of Toronto. Anyone who wishes may assist in this worthy object.

MEETING UNANIMOUSLY IN FAVOR OF HYDRO ELECTRIC

A fairly representative meeting of ratepayers assembled at the hall on Tuesday evening to discuss matters in connection with the adoption of the Hydro-Electric system.

In the absence of Mayor Black, at whose call the meeting was assembled, Reeve Calder was elected to the chair, and W. Irwin to the secretaryship.

Mr. Calder, on rising, announced the reason for calling the meeting, and went on to explain the various steps leading up to a consideration of the Hydro-Electric and how the council proceeded to ascertain a value of the existing lighting system. The lighting of the town dated back about 20 years. The street lighting, on the original contract, cost the town for years about \$360, but now the total annual outlay for street lighting and municipal requirements totaled up to about \$900. He proceeded to say that no franchise had ever been given to anyone, and no privilege beyond the privilege of placing poles on the various town streets. Under these conditions, the town was under no obligation to the present company, but in fairness to the present company he felt that compensation should be allowed, and with this end in view the plant had been appraised, in sections, so that a satisfactory and equitable arrangement could be made. The part of the plant within the corporation had, according to expert valuation was fixed at about \$2,000, and the portion outside the town, consisting of poles, dam, wiring, dynamo and other machinery, amounted to \$7,000. This did not include real estate, but gave data on which the town might proceed to purchase either all or part of the present plant and equipment. The valuations were read in detail and the question thrown open for discussion.

Mr. McIntyre had an offer in to supply light on the basis of a ten-years' franchise, or to sell the portion of the plant lying within the corporation. For the latter he asked \$5,000, and at the close of the meeting a resolution was adopted authorizing the council to negotiate with Mr. McIntyre for the purchase of the plant, and to submit a by-law to be voted on at the time of the municipal elections, to test the feelings of the electorate in regard to the adoption of the Hydro-Electric.

Messrs. A. Catton, A. S. Hunter, J. P. Telford, Gilbert McKechnie, C. Ramage, J. P. Hunter, F. Lenahan, John Smith, Principal Allan, J. S. McIlraith, W. J. Young and others took part in the discussion, and all expressed themselves as favorable to the adoption of the system.

Mr. James, a representative from the Hydro Commission, arrived by the night train and was able to give a great deal of valuable information to the satisfaction of the audience. The proposed cost per horsepower to the town at the start would be in the neighborhood of \$33, but this, Mr. James assured the audience, would soon meet a material reduction. Only three and a half years ago, the work was started in the Niagara Peninsula in 13 towns. Since then, the systems have been extended so as to include 70 towns, and the development of several new powers of which Eugenia is now in progress.

The vote on the resolution to negotiate with Mr. McIntyre and for the submission of a by-law was carried unanimously, and the vote will be taken.

Buy goods from Scott, and supply yourself with free tea.

From now until Christmas we are making fifteen photos on the dozen. Call and see the new styles. F. W. Kelsey.

The poultry house of Gunns, Limited, at Harriston, was burned and nearly 5,000 fowl, being made ready for killing, were smothered or burned to death.

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We must know how to buy and sell if we are to give the best service to you. Our entire effort is to improve in these two directions.

J. & J. HUNTER