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NEWS AROUND TOWN

Darling's potato bug killer is sure death to the bug. Fertilizer and insecticide.

Hammocks and all kinds of summer sporting goods at the Central Drug Store.

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Neilson's chocolates stand for quality. Get them at The Variety Store.

We are obliged to hold over some correspondence, in order to catch the rural routes.

Grand patriotic celebration at Mount Forest on Tuesday, August 3 1915, consisting of good horse racing, baseball matches and other sports, also a grand concert in the evening.

A garden party will be held under the auspices of Trinity church, on John Kelly's lawn on Thursday July 22, when a good program, the Band, and other attractions will assure a good time. Admission 10c.

Mr. T. H. Dyre, County Crown Attorney, was in town Saturday, accompanied by his two daughters and Miss Marjorie Jones, of Brantford. We knew Mr. Dyre when a small boy, and Mrs. Dyre when a little girl, but that was a few years ago. We were delighted to meet while in town and enjoy a few minutes' conversation. It must have been in the early 60's when we first met, and many are the changes since the far back past.

An entertainment in aid of the funds of the Red Cross Society will be held on the lawns of Messrs. S. F. Morlock, N. W. Campbell and W. C. Pickering, on Tuesday evening, July 27. The program will consist of a short address by the chairman, Dr. Jamieson, musical selections by the Durham Band, and vocal and instrumental selections by local talent. Admission to ground, 10c. If the weather should prove unfavorable, the entertainment will be postponed until the following evening. Everyone come, and help the boys at the front.

The decision of Magistrates Binie and Crawford in the Calder case for alleged tree mutilation by some of the Hydro men resulted in a fine of one dollar each against the four Hydro men who did the trimming and an award of \$25 to Mr. Calder for damage done the trees. The award, we understand, is to come out of the town, who are supposed to be the employers of the Hydro men. The trees are somewhat ragged in appearance, but we could scarcely regard them as injured more than they would be injured in any case of pruning. If these trees are damaged, there are others in a worse condition, and the claims of the other owners are quite as good as those of Mr. Calder. It is rumored that the case will be appealed.

You have heard of the geese that laid the golden egg. Of course you have, but Mrs. John Lynn of Aberdeen has a goose that made a record this year, and it's Mrs. Lynn's goose we want to tell you about now. In March last she laid nine eggs and then took a notion to do a little hatching. In the early days of the game she broke one egg, but in due time turned over eight goslings to the proud owner and started in for another laying stunt. In the early part of June she had five more eggs, on which she again sat and brought out five goslings. The two families, consisting of thirteen members, are all living and well, and by Thanksgiving Day will be ready to bring cheer and happiness to thirteen homes, and still leave Mrs. Lynn with the old goose for next year's operations. Thirteen may be an unlucky number, but Mrs. Lynn is not worrying over it, and tells of her prolific goose with a large measure of pride.

Civic Holiday will be celebrated in Priceville on Monday, August 2

The stores will be closed here on Civic Holiday, August 2

The men with the walking sticks remind us that this is horse fair day.

A number from here went to see the Owen Sound-Durham lacrosse match yesterday at Owen Sound.

We need money now, and if some of the delinquent subscribers would pay up, it would do us a good turn.

To water users.—Those using lawn taps are requested to sprinkle their lawns from 6 to 3 p.m. only.—H. J. Snell.

Miss Oldfield, of the High School staff, has resigned her position and the vacancy has been filled by Miss Cryderman, of Walkerton.

Every dollar you give to the Red Cross is a bandage which ties up some wound, and there are as many wounds to bind up as you have dollars to give.

On Tuesday afternoon, at 2.30, Mr. R. G. Hewitt and Miss Alice Elvidge were united in the bonds of matrimony by her pastor, Rev. John Morris. They left by the afternoon train for their home in Montreal. We tender congratulations and wish them a full measure of enjoyment.

There is a family in town who are at present in hard circumstances. The father is laid up sick, in fact has been for some time, and with no money coming in, it is small wonder that they are in pinched circumstances. Their condition in some way became known to the Hydro gang last week, the hat was passed around, and a contribution amounting to something over ten dollars handed to the mother. In these days of war and strife, the calls for money are many, and the Hydro employees in this town have ever been generous at patriotic or Red Cross gatherings. It is refreshing to learn that they still have a little left for the poor nearer home, when the occasion arises. Some of the rest of us might well follow their example.

Ten days after the call has been issued for thirty-two volunteers for overseas service by the 31st regiment, twelve recruits have been passed as physically fit and accepted. While this response is gratifying in view of the slowness of recruiting all over, still at the same rate it will take nearly a month to complete the quota. It is desired to have the quota from the 31st Regiment complete by the end of this week, and in order to accomplish this, recruits will have to come out. If Grey county does not furnish its quota within a reasonable time, it will be the privilege of some other section of the province to make up the deficiency. Up to now our county has not failed to supply all and even more than the number of recruits she has been asked for. Many other sections of Ontario have found it necessary to go to the larger centres, principally Toronto, to gather recruits. Do the people of Grey want their county to be classed among these? The young men are here, and they can still be spared. There are still plenty to carry on the work on the farms and in other industries, as is testified by the number of idle men to be seen on the streets and in the pool-rooms of the towns. Let Grey continue to be one of the districts that can always be counted on to furnish its proportion of the men required. If the quota is filled up quickly the officer commanding the 31st Regiment has instructions not to stop recruiting, but to take on all who offer themselves and are found fit. Those men already enlisted are now hard at work under Lieut. H. C. Young of Hanover, who is going overseas with them. Enlisting is still going on at the armories in Owen Sound, in Meaford, Hanover, Markdale and Clarksburg.

NEEDS OF THE RED CROSS

The Red Cross need is like the widow's cruse of oil—it is inexhaustible. Fully to meet that need would require a purse like the widow's cruse. Such a purse is a financial miracle, but the Red Cross must ask the Canadian people to perform that miracle.

Every time you read a report of a battle do you realize that it means a fresh addition to the task of the Red Cross?

Do you know that every bullet fired is only one more drip in the Red Cross cruse of inexhaustible obligation?

If the Government, when its General Staff demanded fresh supplies of munitions, replied, "Why do you want more shells?" would you not think the government insane? When the Red Cross asks for more supplies, do you not realize how much it needs them?

The need of the army is for shells, shells, and still more shells.

The need of the Red Cross is above all for money, money and still more money.

DURHAM WON AND LOST

Since last issue Durham's intermediate O.A.L.A. lacrosse team has won and lost a game, defeating Dundalk here last Friday with a substantial margin, and losing at Owen Sound yesterday 8 to 4. The Dundalk match here was a hard-fought one, and might have gone rough in spots, but was kept under control by the referee, Jeffries, of Orangeville. At Owen Sound, however, Hartley of Port Elgin, handled the whistle, but that is about all that can be said. As the loser, we can't say too much without being classed as "sore heads. Neither do we claim that Owen Sound was given the better of the decisions. But we do claim that this man Hartley, as a referee, is about as big a joke as ever tooted a whistle in this part of the country—and the Owen Sound team are of the same opinion. While the game could not be classed as a slaughtering, still it was not lacrosse, the referee losing control in the first minute of play, and never regaining it. The game started at four o'clock and ended at 6.30, and the cause for nine parts of the delay was the referee, who stopped the game every time he was called upon to penalize a player, and was so slow in the face-offs that players and spectators alike went home disgusted. There's not much use in boasting lacrosse up in this country if the O.A.L.A. can't supply a better man on the whistle than they did on this occasion. To our notion, a referee should know the game thoroughly, should keep the players at it—at least they shouldn't have to wait on him at every face-off, and should be able to hand out minor penalties without stopping the whole play. With such a man on the job yesterday, Owen Sounders would have seen a game that would be worth going miles to see.

SENT UP FOR TRIAL

On information for alleged shooting, made by one Edwards, a young lad 18 years of age, living in the vicinity of Orchard, Roy Dixon was tried here Saturday afternoon before Justices Charles McInnis of Holstein and W. J. Young of Durham. The defendant, in company with Joseph Blyth, and Mr. Robertson, a bachelor, who lives alone, were spending the evening in the home of the latter when, it appears, a number of young lads came along and began pelting the house with blocks of wood and other missiles. They also fastened the door on the outside and continued their disturbance.

At last, to scare the boys away, young Dixon took down a shotgun and discharged it through the side of the building in a downward direction, as the evidence went to show. After the charge passed through two one-inch boards, a number of grains of shot struck Edwards in the leg, where several entered the flesh, some of which were subsequently

removed by a doctor, and others are still there. Barrister Dyre of Owen Sound, conducted the prosecution, and Barrister Telford of this place, acted for the defence.

There seemed to be no malice or ill feeling of any kind between the boys, yet the court seemed to think the careless and foolish handling of guns should be checked, and accordingly committed the accused for trial. Dixon is out on bail of \$1,000, in two sureties of \$500 each.

One would scarcely think a charge of ordinary BB shot would find its way through two inch boards of hemlock and then inflict serious damage on a person five or six yards away. It seems however, that the charge went through the lumber, making a hole similar to a hole made by a bullet, and after passing through it evidently must have glanced in a different direction, causing the injury of which the trial was a sequel. Fooling with guns is always a dangerous kind of sport, but some who read this won't believe it till they get themselves in a similar mix-up.

\$300 AND COSTS

On the 24th of June, about 10.30 p.m., Constable Arrowsmith seized a suspicious-looking trunk after it was unloaded at the Middaugh House and rolled into the Lambton street sample room. He had an impression that the trunk in question had been travelling to and fro somewhere for a number of weeks past, and learning in some way of its expected arrival on the night in question he decided to be on the job and capture it, if possible, at the right time and in the right place. He heard it loaded up at the station, and then got in pursuit of his game. Soon he saw the conveyance stop in front of the sample room, and just as it was being rolled into the room he got a move on and, according to the evidence, got one foot in through the door just as it was being closed.

He asked Mrs. Nichol to unlock the trunk, but she denied any knowledge of its contents, supposed it to be the property of some traveller, and refused obedience to the constable's request. He then seized it and had it conveyed to his own home, where it remains in state, waiting orders as to how it shall be disposed of.

After trying several keys and failing to unlock the trunk, he at last forced it open and found it contained two casks of strong liquor about eight or ten gallons each, one marked "gin" and the other "Scotch," and the address on the package was to "P. Armstrong," a name unknown in town, and a person whose claim for the goods has not yet been received.

Coming in a concealed parcel made the transaction all the more suspicious, and was in this respect an illegitimate method of transportation. Last week the summonses were issued and the time for trial set for Saturday at 11 a.m. before Magistrates Laidlaw of Durham, and Ryan of Ayton. The counsel for the town was T. H. Dyre, County Crown Attorney, of Owen Sound, and for the defendant, Mr. Klein, of Walkerton.

The chief witness for the prosecution was Constable Arrowsmith, but evidence was also taken from Mr. Nichol and others. The evidence of Mrs. Nichol in her own defence was point blank in every particular, but her positive denial had no influence on the bench, who decided on the minimum fine of \$300 and costs, to be paid forthwith. To this the counsel for defence demurred but Magistrate Laidlaw was unmoved and the payment was made in full.

This has been a costly case, but it is to be hoped there will be no reason for similar action in the future. No doubt the vigilance of the constable will go on as usual and so long as he stays within the bonds of his prerogative he deserves the support of every law-abiding citizen. We dislike to see anyone suffer unjustly, but a just law should be strictly observed. There is some talk of appealing the case, but we have no idea that any action will be taken.

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