

THE DURHAM CHRONICLE

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HELPS AND HINTS FOR USERS OF HYDRO

The idea of the electric current being weighed or measured is a new thing here. We have always had it on the flat rate, and the principle was always a wrong one. Many places had a scarcity of lights, because the addition of extras caused an additional cost of so much per light whether they were used or not.

Things have changed, and we must change accordingly to suit the circumstances, hence the need of helps and hints for the handling of hydro. To learn economy is necessary in war time, and everybody should feel it a duty to help as much as possible by keeping down the electrical expenditure of the town and at the same time help to increase the revenue. The town pays for the horsepower for the heaviest peak load of any consecutive twenty minutes during the month. It makes no difference what the registration may be for the rest of the month, our payments are based on the peak. The heavy load to the town now is when the lights are on. During the day the load is very light, almost nothing. If the women use all their domestic appliances, toasters, electric irons, cookers, and other articles that are sure to come to the homes. If they use these, we say, when the heavy load is being delivered they increase the cost to the town, and reduce the revenue that would otherwise be a benefit to the town as a whole, and yet it is no particular gain to the users. Therefore we advise householders.

Not to use domestic appliances at night if the same can be used just as well in the day time.

If you find it economy to use electricity for domestic purposes, use it, and use lots of it, but use it at such times as the town load is light.

For your own benefit, don't keep two lights burning if one will do just as well.

You don't need a light to sleep by, therefore turn out all your bed-room lights and all other lights during your sleeping hours. It will cost you less, and economy appeals to everybody.

If a ten watt lamp will do just as well as a sixty watt, use the ten watt. It takes less current and costs less for maintenance.

If you have any of the old-fashioned carbon lamps around the house through them at your neighbors chickens in the back yard, and be sure you break them; the lamps we mean, not the chickens. The old fashioned lamps use between two and three times as much current as the Tungsten's to give the same light. It will save money to throw them away. They are too expensive and not particularly ornamental, so get rid of them at once.

Use all the electricity you can to advantage, but don't waste it, and feel hurt when you have to pay for it.

Learn how to read your metres, and a few days before the collector comes around set your month's electric money to one side and pay the bill promptly. You get ten per cent for prompt payment. Perhaps it won't be much but it might buy a half loaf of bread, just but a half loaf of bread, just think about it.

Whatever current you use during the underpeak period costs the town absolutely nothing, and doesn't cost any more than when the town is getting its biggest load. By using the underpeak current you help to enrich the town without impoverishing yourself.

If users don't understand this we'll try to explain it.

THOU SHALT NOT STEAL

This commandment is being emphasized to-day in Durham as it never was. The honest man and the dishonest man alike are fixing it on their homes, and they are doing it unwillingly. They have to pay for the privilege and have to do so irrespective of their honesty or dishonesty. The good and bad are punished alike, and in this respect the Hydro makes no distinctions.

Occasionally a user of electricity

used to tap the wires before they reached the metre and steal part of the current. Hundreds of the users never thought of doing such a thing. To prevent the thief from stealing the current had to be protected, and that no discrimination might appear the honest man and the thief were both treated alike, and the conduit pipes now in our homes say in unmistakable language, "Thou shalt not steal."

The current enters the conduit high up from the ground, and the sealed service box as soon as it enters the building. This precaution minimises the chances of theft, yet the designing thief will still find a way of stealing the current no matter how cheap it may be.

Of course, we are going on the assumption that the precautions taken are to make it harder for the thief to steal, and were it not for thieves in the past our installations would cost us less now. If our assumption is not correct we shall be pleased to be set right. In the meantime let us remember the commandment, "Thou shalt not steal."

THE MINISTER'S BRIDE

The Adult Bible Class of the Hanover Presbyterian Church, appeared in the hall here as a company of amateur entertainers on Friday evening last. The play they presented was entitled the Minister's Bride, and was an innocent and amusing production from beginning to end. Though they lay claim to no professionalism as theatrical entertainers there were some good character touches, and the full-house audience was quite pleased with the entertainment. There were about twenty-five performers, and the play consisted of four scenes. First—A deputation of women arranging the Manse Parlor for the home coming of the Minister and his bride. Second—The church members call on the bride. Third—A marriage, an engagement and good advice. Fourth—A social gathering at the Manse. The proceeds amounting to about sixty five dollars, to be used for patriotic purposes.

THE KILTIES ARE COMING

Tom Marks and his clever dramatic and Vaudeville Company, and his kiltie band will appear one night only in the town hall, Durham, on Tuesday, December 7th, when they will present the patriotic comedy drama, "The Man from Canada," with special vaudeville. It is almost twenty-five years since Tom Marks visited Durham, and many old residents should remember him yet. Prices, 25c, and 50c. Seats on sale at Central Drug Store. 1pd

CHURCH UNION DEFEATED HERE

The Presbyterian church here in the vote just given has pronounced against union with the Methodist and Congregational denominations. The vote stands as follows: Communicants for 121, against 143. Adherents " 8, against 13. Elders " 2, against 4. Total 131 " 160. Majority against union 29. About 175 members did not vote, of whom about 100 were available.

PERSONAL

Lieut. Fred Kelly sailed for England on Saturday last.

Mrs. Kinsey, of Chatham, visited her mother, Mrs. James McMeekin over Sunday.

Mr. Joe Warrington, of Durham, enlisted at Stratford for overseas service.

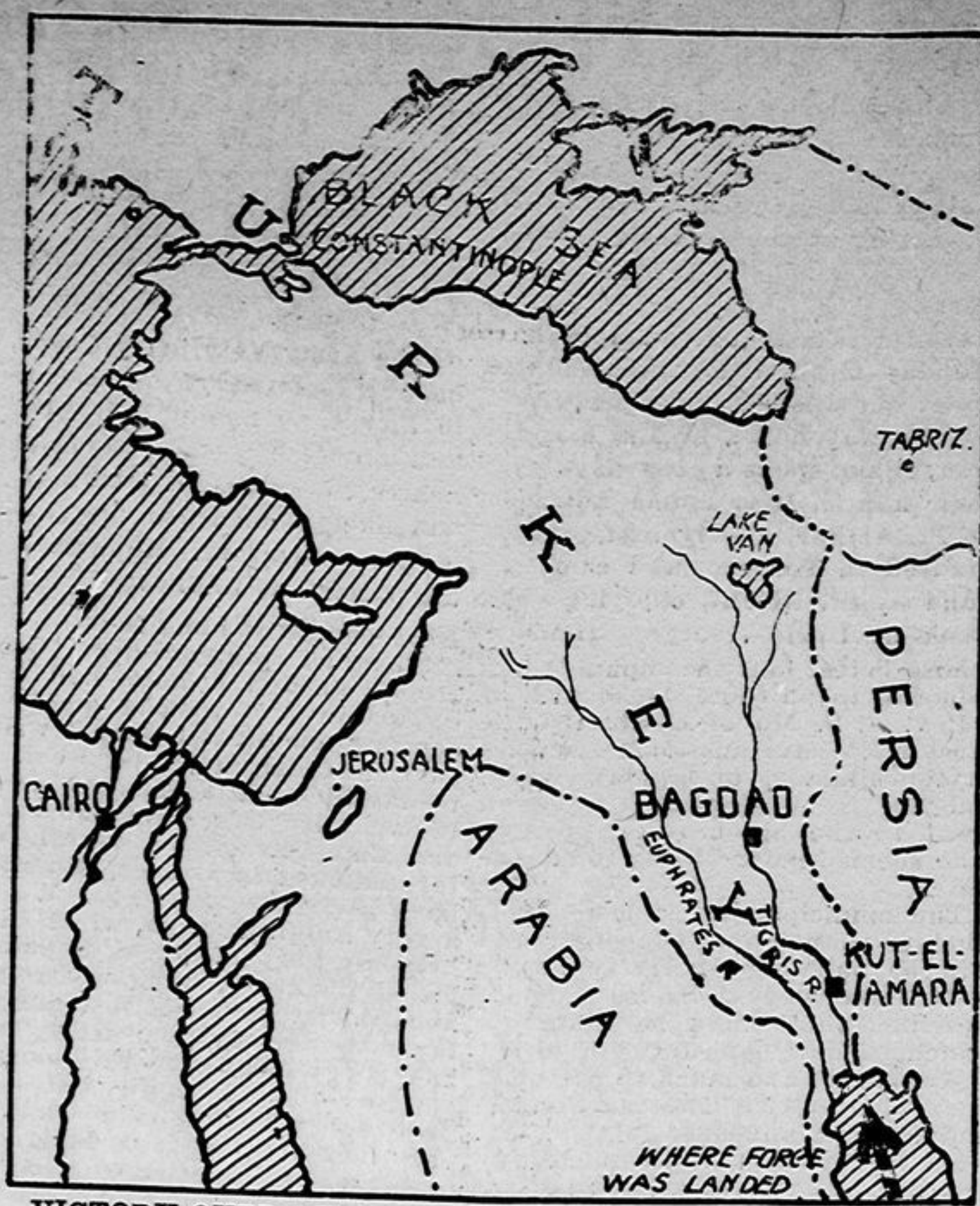
Mrs. Guy Williams will leave tomorrow on her return to Tisdale, Sask.

Mr. W. T. Johnston, of the Anglo-Canadian Type Co., of Toronto, was in to-day and yesterday.

Conductor Lavelle of Stratford, John Lavelle, Toronto, Chas. Lavelle, St. Mary's, and Russell Lavelle now in training for overseas service, were present to-day at the funeral of the late Peter O'Neil.

DURHAM DRUGGIST PLEASURES CUSTOMERS

Macfarlane & Co. report customers greatly pleased with the QUICK action of simple buckthorn bark, glycerine etc., as mixed in Adler-i-ka. This simple remedy drains the old foul matter from the bowels so THOROUGH that ONE SPOONFUL relieves almost ANY CASE of constipation, sour or gassy stomach. It is so powerful that it is used successfully in appendicitis. Adler-i-ka never gripes, and the INSTANT



VICTORY OVER THE TURKS CLOSE TO ANCIENT BAGDAD. Near Bagdad, the ancient capital of the Mohammedan Empire, the British have won an important victory. The Tigris River is shown up both banks of which the invaders are advancing.

The Answers to Correspondents editor was in a quandary. "Here's a communication from a woman who wants to know how long it takes to do up a shirt," he said. "That depends on the laundry," volunteered the sporting editor. "The one I patronize will do up a shirt in about three washings," Judge.

Edmund had just begun to attend the public school, and had found a new friend, a child of whom Edmund's mother had never heard. "Who is this Walter?" she asked.

"Is he a nice little boy?" "Yes, ma'am, he is!" replied Edmund enthusiastically. "Does he say any naughty words?" pursued his mother. "No," replied Edmund, with emphasis, "and I'm not going to teach him any!"—Youth's Companion.

BETRAYED MISS CAVELL

London, November 27.—A message from Brussels, forwarded through The Hague by the Exchange Telegraph Company correspondent, says that the French soldier, whose confession to the German authorities resulted in the arrest and execution of Miss Edith Cavell, has committed suicide by hanging in the military prison there.

MARKET QUOTATIONS

Table with columns for Toronto Cattle Market, Toronto Fruits and Vegetables, and Toronto Grain Markets. Includes prices for heavy choice steers, pineapples, oranges, and various grains.

Table with columns for Chicago Live Stock, East Buffalo Cattle, and Baled Hay and Straw. Includes prices for cattle, hogs, sheep, and various types of hay.

Table with columns for Wholesale Produce. Lists prices for various commodities like eggs, flour, and other goods.

MARKET REPORT

Table with columns for DURHAM, DECEMBER 2, 1915. Lists prices for Fall Wheat, Spring Wheat, Milling Oats, and other local market items.

THE FAMILY PHYSICIAN

"Fruit-a-tives" is the Standby in This Ontario Home

SCOTLAND, Ont., Aug. 25th, 1918. "My wife was a martyr to Constipation. We tried everything on the calendar without satisfaction, and spent large sums of money, until we happened on 'Fruit-a-tives'. We have used it in the family for about two years, and we would not use anything else as long as we can get 'Fruit-a-tives'."

BRYAN'S CONDEMNATION HONORS THE RECIPIENT

In the following frank terms Mr. William T. Gregory, of Leamington Ont., thus writes to the Providence Sunday Journal about Mr. W. J. Bryan; "Of all the disreputable papers in the United States, edited without conscience, patriotism, or sense of decency, the Providence Journal has the reputation of being the worst."

Live Poultry Wanted

We will be at Durham G. T. R. Station all day Tuesday, December 7, and Wednesday forenoon, December 8, until 11 a. m.; also at Holstein on Wednesday afternoon, December 8, and Thursday forenoon, December 9, paying the following prices per pound:

Small table listing prices for Hens 7c, Chickens 9c, Ducks 9c, Geese 9c, Old Roosters 5c, Turkeys 15c, Old Gobblers 13c.

This is the last loading this season. Take advantage of good prices and weights and bring us your poultry on these dates.

The Simcoe Poultry Co. PAISLEY, ONT.

Buy Your Christmas Gifts To-Day

There is already a Christmas feeling in the air which probably brings to your mind all the worry and trouble which you had last year in making "last minute" gift selections during the rush. Avoid it this year by shopping early.

You will find here a splendid variety of the most desirable gift goods. Gifts for everybody. New, good, desirable, appreciable, creditable. Come see them. Bring your lists and make your selections early.

First choice is the best, and prices are as low now as they ever will be on such excellent Christmas presents.

The Central Drug Store GEO. B. DINGMAN, Proprietor

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