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## NEWS AROUND TOWN

### Treasurer of Bible Society.

Mrs. Andrew Derby has been appointed Treasurer of the Bible Society and all contributions should be paid to her for remittance.

### Will Meet on Monday Evening.

The Durham Club of Toronto will meet on Monday evening, January 15, at the home of Mrs. Edward Launder, 122 Bedford Road. A full attendance is requested.

### Odd Fellows Take Notice.

On Monday night, the 15th inst., the District Deputy Grand Master will be here to install the officers of Grey Lodge No. 169. All members are respectfully urged to be in attendance. Remember the date, next Monday night at 8 o'clock.

### Newspaper Office Burned.

The Central Canadian of Carleton Place, a progressive weekly newspaper owned by Mr. F. A. J. Davis, was destroyed by fire on Monday night. The loss is estimated at \$18,000, partly covered by insurance. The cause of the fire is unknown.

### Sold His Farm.

Mr. James Whitmore has sold his farm, Lot 8, Concession 21, Egremont, to Mr. Thomas Brown of Durham, who is to get possession the 1st of March. Mr. Whitmore intends to give up farming but has not yet decided where he will locate or what he will do.

### Taken Position in Post Office.

We understand that Mr. Ed. McQueen has taken a position in the post office here. Mr. McQueen was formerly employed here some three or four years ago and the job will not be an entire stranger to him. He was on the local post office staff during the Christmas rush.

### Parliament Opens January 31.

Announcement has been made by the Prime Minister that Parliament will be summoned to meet at Ottawa on Wednesday, January 31. The session is likely to be a heavy one. The Government has intimated that it proposes to bring down the redistribution bill early in the session.

### Thanks For Renewal.

We are pleased to acknowledge receipt of renewal subscription from Mr. John Aldred of Ceylon, Sask. Mr. Aldred is one of our regular pay-in-advance men and as regularly as the years come round we are sure to hear from him. We appreciate his promptness and also his kindly reference to The Chronicle and good wishes to the staff. He says they had a bountiful harvest and fine weather to take it off, and estimates that between seven and eight hundred thousand bushels will be marketed at the three elevators at Ceylon where he is located.

### Laid Up With Broken Leg.

Last Friday morning Mr. John Schutz, Frost & Wood agent here, met with an unfortunate accident that will lay him up for the next couple of months. He, with his son Jack, had gone to the McCormick bush north of Glenroaden on business, and when passing through the bush Mr. Schutz's foot caught in a snag, he stumbled, and, his right foot slipping out from under him, he fell back and broke the small bone of his left leg near the ankle. He was brought to town and taken to Dr. Hutton's office where the fracture was reduced and is now resting nicely at his home on Mill street.

### The Best Concert Yet.

The Adanac Quartette was here on Friday night of last week and delighted a full house with a fine musical program. They were the third of a series of four entertainments given here under the auspices of Trinity Church. The entertainers on Friday night were H. Ruthven Macdonald, Basso; Harry Lightbown, first tenor; J. Riley Hallman, second tenor and Joseph O'Meara, baritone. These, with Miss Helen Smith, an accomplished pianiste and accompanist, constitute a company of finished artists that would be hard to excel. They were all good and little opportunity is left for discrimination. The first half of the program was given in Scottish costume and enjoyed by all, who listened with rapt attention to catch every note. The balance of the program was varied, but all of high class. The next and last of the series will be given on February 12, when the Bob Wilson Company will give the program.

### Municipal Nomination.

A meeting of the electors will be held on Monday night next for the purpose of nominating two Councillors to fill the vacancies in the Council. Should a poll be required it will be open the following Monday.

### No Action Was Taken.

Meetings for extension of hydro to farm communities were held this week at Bunnessan, Edge Hill and S. S. No. 9, but beyond the appointment of committees no definite action was taken. The meetings were addressed by members of the Ontario Commission. Meetings are being held in the Rocky Saugeen school-house to-night and at Varney Orange Hall tomorrow night.

### Crops Continue Poor.

Mr. William Prew of D'Arcy, Sask. will accept thanks for remittance. We regret to learn that crops have been poor in his locality. He says there has not been even a fair crop since 1916 and people and neighbors all around him are leaving every fall, leaving the farms to go wild. The weather is fine. We are glad to know Mr. Prew appreciates The Chronicle.

### Successful Week of Prayer.

The prayer meetings this week are meeting with great success, each night, so far, being largely attended. The first was held in the Methodist Church on Monday night, when Rev. Mr. Hardy took the topic. On Tuesday night Rev. Mr. Cole led the service in the Presbyterian Church. Last night Rev. Mr. Cameron took the topic in the Anglican Church and to-night the series will be brought to a close in the Baptist Church, where Rev. Mr. Smith will have charge.

### DURHAM BAND REORGANIZED; McINTYRE AGAIN LEADER.

At a largely attended meeting in the Durham Furniture Company office last Monday night, the Durham Band was again organized and will doubtless be an appreciated attraction in and around the town this summer. Mr. H. D. McIntyre, the old leader, was again chosen leader until such time as an outside man can be secured.

The principal trouble with which the Band has to contend just now is lack of a suitable practice room, and there seems that no suitable place is at present available.

At the meeting Monday night the Durham Furniture Company renewed their offer to contribute \$500 a year toward the upkeep of the Band, providing a like amount were put up by the town, and also stipulated that the Band in future must be run on strictly business principles. While The Chronicle was not represented at the meeting, we are told the members of the Band had some pretty stiff stuff handed out to them, being told in effect that if there was any feeling among them of dissatisfaction, now was the time to express it before any move had been made toward reorganization.

A committee of three was appointed to run the Band consisting of Messrs. P. Gagnon for the Furniture Factory, R. E. Richardson for the town and Mr. Chalmers for the Band. We understand they are to have the full business management of the Band. Mr. H. R. Koch was appointed Secretary-Treasurer.

The citizens generally will be glad to know that the old trouble of two years ago is cleared up and the prospects for some music this summer are good. Citizens generally appreciate the fact that we have the material here for a good Band and it seemed too bad that the musical ability of the members was being wasted. With approximately \$1,000 a year in cash to handle, the Band will have the funds to hire an outside leader and if the organization is not a success now it certainly can not be said it is the fault of the citizens, the Durham Furniture Company or the Town Council.

### THE MEN'S CLASS

Most people know that a change of weather makes them feel different—and sometimes their actions change with their feelings. We noted once before that climate made a difference in crime. It does also in health, intellectual vigor, economic progress and moral stability. This will be the subject of study next Sunday afternoon. We want you to come.

### "BOBBIE" HAZEN KILLED IN ACCIDENT AT OWEN SOUND

The following account of the accidental death of "Bobbie" Hazen, formerly a resident here, is told in a dispatch from Owen Sound. "Bobbie" was born and grew up in Durham, had many friends, and his death is to be regretted. The dispatch says:

Robert Hazen, a workman employed in excavating for the new technical school here, was instantly killed this (Tuesday) morning when he was crushed between a wagon and a mass of earth that caved in on him. Another workman, Arthur Phillips, was also struck by the falling earth and sustained a broken collar-bone. Hazen only started work this morning. He is unmarried and lived with his aged mother. An inquest will be held.

For some time a gang of 15 men under a foreman, James Keeling, have been excavating for the foundations of the new Technical school. The digging is being done at the north side of the present building and the men have been working on a high bank, in some places 12 or 14 feet in height, naturally the ground at the top is frozen. The men dig out the unfrozen ground at the bottom and the top is then easily broken in.

Yesterday a fire was built at the top of the bank to thaw out the ground. This morning the men, not realizing that the top of the bank was frozen but very little, dug in too far. Without warning, the bank caved in. Hazen and Phillips were working between the bank and the wagon, shovelling in earth. The force of the falling bank threw Hazen against the rear wagon wheel, but did not cover his body. Phillips was almost covered with earth, but fell between the front wheel and the back wheel.

Robert McDowall and J. A. McDonald were standing only a short distance away from the wagon. When they heard the bank fall they ran over and helped get the men out. Hazen was taken out first, but he died as he was being carried to the sleigh. Evidently a large lump of earth had struck him and crushed him to death against the wagon. Practically all who were present saw the accident.

Dr. Murray was called as soon as the accident occurred and took Arthur Phillips to the hospital. Hazen originally lived at Durham. He was 27 years of age and born at Wallace Ontario. He enlisted and served overseas with the 47th Grey Battalion. On the conclusion of the war he returned to Grey County and moved his aged mother to Owen Sound. He had been working at the Oliver Rodgers quarry and had only started to work with an excavation gang this morning.

Dr. A. B. Rutherford impaneled a jury, which viewed the remains and visited the scene of the tragedy and then adjourned until Thursday, January 18.

The funeral is being held this (Thursday) afternoon to Greenwood cemetery, Owen Sound, and the body will later be interred in the family plot in Durham.

### ROCKY SAUGEEN IS LOW;

### FACTORY MAY SHUT DOWN

"Never in the history of the oldest resident" has the water in the Rocky Saugeen been so low as it is at the present time. So low has it fallen, in fact, that it is giving the management of the Durham Furniture Co. cause for serious worry, and if the condition does not improve there is every indication that the factory, either in whole or in part, may have to shut down till conditions change.

The company, however, is doing everything humanly possible to avert a cessation of activities and this week are adding an extra 50 h.p. from the hydro in an effort to help out their own private electric plant at the Rocky. This will be installed and ready to hook up by about Friday and with the 50 h.p. previously installed, will make a total of 100 h.p. that the company is now using from the local commission. It is expected that this extra power will conserve the power at the Rocky and thus avert a shut-down.

The Eastern part of North America is this year going through one of the worst droughts in its history, and bad as it is, we people up in this country, where streams abound, know nothing of the hardships experienced elsewhere. A spell of mild weather to take the frost out of the ground, and a ten-days' rain would be welcomed all over the North American continent east of the Mississippi.

Correct this sentence: "Ask your dad about it, son," said the mother, "he's the boss around here."

### COUNCIL'S INAUGURAL SESSION WAS HELD MONDAY NIGHT

The inaugural meeting of the Durham Town Council was held on Monday night and got started without frills or furbelows, the Council getting right down to business without any long or tiresome inaugural addresses. Monday night, too, we believe, constituted a local record in council procedure, when quite a large amount of business was gone through in a comparatively short time.

Part of the business was the appointment of the various town officials, the appointments being as follows:

Auditors—H. R. Koch, C. Darling, Assessor—F. F. McIlraith. Poundkeeper—George Ryan. Caretaker of Town Hall—William Nicholls.

Fenceviewers—William Moffet, J. Henry, Thomas Daniel. Sanitary Inspector—T. Daniel. Constable—H. Falconer.

The office of sanitary inspector now carries with it a salary of \$50 a year instead of \$40, and the caretaker of the Town Hall also shared in the new Council's New Year's Greetings to the extent of having his salary raised from \$100 a year to \$9 a month straight.

In a short address, Reeve Currey voiced his opinion that it was high time the municipality took some steps to secure a better and more adequate water supply, especially for fire purposes, and it is likely that the Council will in the near future call in an engineer to give them an estimate as to the probable cost and the best method to pursue to establish a first-class waterworks system in the town.

Reeve Currey also referred to some other matters that should be looked after, among them the suggestion that the Council should do something about the Town Hall. It was generally admitted that Durham's most pressing need just now is not a new Town Hall, but a waterworks and sewage system. It was therefore out of the question to even think of building a new hall, as it was a dead certainty the town was not in a position to do both. The Reeve advocating the setting aside of some small amount that would at least give Durham's amusement palace a more respectable appearance. His ideas were endorsed by the Council and it is to be hoped that they will not long delay action in renovating the building.

The Council adjourned about 10 o'clock.

### MURDER AT KINCARDINE

Dan, McDonald of Kincardine, is in custody for killing George Kay and inflicting serious injury on Mrs. Kay whose recovery is considered doubtful. On Saturday, shortly after noon, McDonald entered the Kay house carrying a .22-calibre Winchester repeating rifle, which he stood up against the wall.

Kay shook hands with him and received him cordially. McDonald said he was there to talk business and had no time to waste. At this he hastily took a document from his vest pocket and demanded Kay to sign it, but met with a refusal from Mr. and Mrs. Kay. McDonald then reached for the rifle and on being asked by Kay for an explanation of his conduct gave the cool answer: "I will tell you with this gun."

He then fired, the first shot entering Mrs. Kay's cheek about half an inch below the left eye. Mrs. Kay fell to the floor and Kay endeavored to take the gun from McDonald. A fight followed in which he was overpowered. On being released Kay ran upstairs in an exhausted condition, when other shots were fired, one entering his back and passing over the heart. On rushing upstairs McDonald found Kay searching for his gun when he fired the final and fatal shot, which entered Kay's brain.

McDonald had been overseas, where he was shell-shocked. At times he had suspicions that people were talking about him and the document he wished Kay to sign was a contradiction of an imaginary grievance. After committing the deed he went to a pool room where he seemed quite unconcerned. When the report was announced McDonald laid his cue across the table and told them he had done it. He made little or no resistance to his arrest. He is now in Walkerton jail, where he has made a written confession of the crime.

Even life insurance, says the Windsor Magazine, has its humorous side. A Chinaman whose brother was seriously ill wrote to the insurance company: "My brother, he half dead, me likee half the money."

### Business Locals.

**No. 1 Wheat Wanted.**  
Any quantity; highest price. At the People's Mills, Durham. 8/25/11

**Custom Chopping.**  
Custom chopping every day at the McKechnie Mills. 10/12/11

**Stoves For Sale.**  
A base burner and kitchen range, in first-class condition. Inquire at The Chronicle Office. 11/30/11

**House to Rent.**  
Part of brick residence in Upper Town, at corner Garafraxa street and Durham Road. For particulars apply at The Chronicle Office 1/pd

**Grain Wanted.**  
Wheat, Barley, Buckwheat, Peas, Oats and Mixed Grain wanted. Highest prices paid.—Rob Roy Mills Limited, Durham, Ont. 11/21/11

**Cedar For Sale.**  
Good quality, 26 inches long, delivered to your yard on short notice.—Apply to Herb Greenwood, Durham phone No. 606 r 11. 11/11/11

**Adopting Cash System.**  
As we have started to do business on the Cash System, we would ask all parties indebted to us to call and settle at once.—John McGowan. 11

**For Sale.**  
A McClary Pandora kitchen range in good condition; cheap to quick purchaser. Apply to G. G. Hardy at the Rectory. 11/11/11

**Auction Sale, January 20.**  
Mrs. S. L. McNally, who recently sold her house on Mill street, is having an auction sale of her household effects on Saturday, January 20. R. Brigham, Auctioneer.

**Rob Roy Grain Prices.**  
We are paying 38c. to 42c. for Oats, 55c. to 60c. for Barley, 60c. to 65c. for Buckwheat, \$1.35 to \$1.40 for Peas and \$1.10 for Wheat at our elevator.—Rob Roy Mills, Limited, Durham.

**Auction Sale, January 16.**  
Mrs. Fred Reay is selling off her farm stock and implements by public auction on January 16, and is giving up farming. Robert Brigham is the auctioneer. See bills and full list in next week's Chronicle.

## JANUARY CLEARANCE SALE

A Big Clearance Sale  
now going on of

## KNITTED GOODS at 20% REDUCTION

Ladies' Sweaters, Pullovers,  
Scarfs, Touques, Mitts and  
Gloves.

Men's Sweater Coats  
and Pullovers

Boy's Sweater Coats, Pull-  
overs, Caps and Mitts.

J. & J. HUNTER

Durham,

Ontario

### I.O.E.E. Meeting.

The Canadian Greys Chapter I.O. E.E. will hold a business meeting in the Library Tuesday evening, January 16 at 8 o'clock. A full attendance is requested.

### Concert and Box Social.

At No. 1, Glenelg, on Friday, January 12. Songs, drills, recitations and a play entitled "From Punk Ridge." Accommodation for boxes close at hand. Admission 1/2 and 25c. Ladies bringing boxes free. 2

### Harness and Harness Repairs.

I have just received a shipment of Harness, Harness Repairs, Robes, Blankets, etc. See my new line of Bain Cutters just to hand.—J. M. Noble, one door west of Middaugh House stables, Durham. 9/28/11

### Wanted.

Wanted at once, a woman as assistant matron in the Children's Shelter, Owen Sound; must be of good character, fond of children and willing to work on wages and permanent position to the right person. Apply with references to the Shelter, 318 2nd Ave. East, or to A. E. Trout, 629 3rd Ave. East, Owen Sound. 11/12

### FIRST CARNIVAL OF SEASON TO BE HELD JANUARY 23.

The first big Ice Carnival of the season will be held in Durham Rink a week from next Tuesday night, the 23rd inst., and the executive of the Durham Amusement Company have plans laid for the biggest and best Ice Carnival ever held in Durham. A good prize list is being prepared, which will be more fully announced next week, and the offering of prizes will surpass anything heretofore attempted on local ice. The success of this first ice festival is already assured as the public generally have been making inquiries recently as to the date. Now that it is announced maskers and others are advised to prepare for the best night's amusement so far this season, when it is expected new records in interest and attendance will be made. Keep the 23rd of January open and don't fail to be on hand.

It is said that sharks will not bite a swimmer who keeps his legs in motion. The difficulty of course, says Punch, is to keep kicking longer than the shark can keep waiting.