

DURHAM CHRONICLE

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MUST OBSERVE THE LAW

If a person commit murder the law regards hanging as the proper measure of punishment. But the law is not always carried out in the case of men and seldom in the case of women. Why should there be a difference? Murder is murder, no matter who commits it and the penalty should be the same whether committed by a man or by a woman. If the law is right in one case it should be equally right in the other; if wrong in one it is wrong in the other and should be abolished. There are many who are not in favor of capital punishment, and if a plebiscite were taken they might be found in the majority.

On Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock there were two hangings in London, England. Mrs. Edith Jessie Thompson and Edward Bywaters paid the penalty for the murder of Percy Thompson, husband of Mrs. Thompson. Mrs. Thompson and Bywaters formed an attachment and Thompson was the obstacle in the way of their complete happiness and had to be disposed of. With the knowledge of Mrs. Thompson who was an accessory to the fact Bywaters killed Thompson after which both were arrested, tried, found guilty and ordered to be executed. To hang a woman is contrary to the general custom in England and this is the first case since 1907. Petitions were largely signed for a commutation of the sentence but executive clemency was refused and the two were hanged at the same time, but in different jails.

Sentiment ran high and much indignation is felt, particularly over the hanging of Mrs. Thompson. We don't see why a woman should escape the penalty of a crime for which a man would be punished. If hanging is wrong in one case it is wrong in the other. If it is wrong for a man to commit murder, it is wrong for a woman. Why discriminate. If the law is right, carry it out; if wrong, abolish it, but whether right or wrong it should be enforced and respected so long as it remains law. The plea of insanity to free a murderer is too often used. We believe most murderers are temporarily insane, just as we believe a person who gives way to violent passion is equally insane.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

The Globe Robin is in evidence in many parts of Ontario. Is it possible that many of the "robins" reported seen during the past few weeks are just ordinary "lyre" birds?

The hydro shut down at noon yesterday and didn't inform any of us of the fact beforehand. It was lucky that we had our bread baked before the noon hour or they would have heard about it.

A fool at the wheel and the jay-walker on the street is a bad combination—for the jay-walker.

President Gagnon of the Durham Amusement is between the devil and the deep sea. He wants a thaw to raise the water in the Rocky Saugen and cold weather up in the neighborhood of the rink. The paths of the righteous are decidedly slippery.

A Stratford man was killed in that city when struck on a crossing by a Grand Trunk engine which had been taken out of the Stratford shops for a "trial" spin. It seems to us that more than the pedestrian should be required to be careful at railroad crossings, especially in cities.

A British Columbia man put a stick of dynamite in his mouth, lighted the fuse and blew his head to atoms. The dispatch said nothing as to where his brains went. He was disappointed in love. There's one consolation, anyway. The woman is now apparently rid of him.

BACKED BY AGNES, KNOWS NO FEAR

Declaring that he felt confident in taking the leadership of the Progressive party, and, now that he had gained the confidence of Miss Agnes Macphail, Progressive member for South-East Grey, he felt "all right," Robert F. Forke, successor to Hon. T. A. Crerar as party leader, addressed a meeting of the United Farmers of Manitoba at Elm Creek, Manitoba last Thursday.

Mr. Forke declared the Progressive party was the most effective fighting force in the House of Commons. There was absolutely no dissension in principle among them; they were united.

Still, if we looked up all the feeble minded, who would write our songs?

DEATH OF HERB. PETTIGREW

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Pettigrew of Hamilton, son-in-law and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Morton in town mourn the death of their son, Matthew Herbert, who passed away on Friday, the 5th inst., at the age of nineteen years and nine months. He is survived by his parents, two brothers and one sister. Interment took place on Monday last from Robinson's undertaking parlors to Woodland cemetery. Rev. C. S. Appleghar officiated at the service, the pall-bearers being members of his Sunday school class. The deceased in childhood was a resident of this town but moved to Hamilton with his parents some years ago.

We have no particulars as to the cause of the young man's death. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Morton left for Hamilton Saturday to be present at the funeral.

DEATH OF MRS. HAROLD RITCHEY

It was only a few days ago that word was received at this office announcing the death of Mrs. Harold Ritchey, who passed away at Edmonton on the 13th of December. The deceased, whose maiden name was Margaret Cameron Beaton, was a twin daughter of Mr. A. C. Beaton and the late Mrs. Beaton, residents of Guelph, near the Rob Roy, previous to their removal to British Columbia a number of years ago. In the absence of particulars we are unable to give a full obituary.

Besides her sorrowing husband and little son Cameron, her father, brother Jack and four other sisters are left to mourn her departure. The father and brother reside at Torlea, Alberta. The sisters are her twin sister Annie (Mrs. J. H. Eakins), and Blanche (Mrs. Gordon Kidd), of Drumheller, Alberta, and Misses Jessie and Mary at Edmonton. One sister, Jennie, died some years ago in British Columbia.

Her mother was a sister of the late William Ritchie of town, Mr. George Ritchie of Edge Hill and Miss Jane Ritchie, here, and Mr. John Ritchie, Public School Inspector, of Port Arthur.

The deceased was about 38 years of age and was married about six or seven years ago.

COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBERS, 1923.

There will be a large number of new faces in the 1923 Grey County Council in spite of the fact that a number of the Reeves in the municipalities in Grey were returned to office by acclamation, while others were returned by the people voting their continued confidence in their representative. Of the thirty-three who will take their places in the Grey County Parliament some eleven or twelve will be new men and by adding about the same number of new men each year the Council will be prevented from becoming too set in its ways.

The January session this year opens on January 23 and the first business will be the election of a Warden for the year. The contest is always one of the most interesting features of the first session. There is much real hard work to be done at the coming session as is usual at the January session.

The 1923 Council will be composed of the following Reeves and Deputy Reeves:

- Artemesia—T. R. McKenzie, J. A. Hogarth,
- Bentinck—H. W. Hunt,
- Collingwood—Emerson Brown, Jos. Buchanan,
- Derby—J. A. Forgrave,
- Egremont—G. McEachern, Neil Calder,
- Euphrasia—J. T. Miller, George Hutchison,
- Glenelg—Archie McCuaig,
- Holland—David Gardiner,
- Keppel—J. H. Pringle,
- Normanby—Charles Holm, J. Miller,
- Osprey—W. L. Taylor, John Lockhart,
- Proton—J. Fraser,
- Sarawak—F. McNeill,
- St. Vincent—R. H. White,
- Sullivan—J. L. Lembke,
- Sydenham—J. J. Currie, G. H. Bothwell,
- Meaford—W. J. Seilly,
- Durham—A. B. Curry,
- Hanover—Charles Theodorf,
- Thornbury—M. Snetzinger,
- Chatsworth—S. H. Breese,
- Dundalk—Samuel Todd,
- Flesherton—D. McTavish,
- Markdale—T. H. Reburn,
- Neustadt—Henry Weinert,
- Shallow Lake—W. W. Smith.

With this line-up of County legislators the citizens of the County can feel assured that their interests will be well looked after in the coming year.

Love is the quality that keeps a wife from day dreaming about what she would do with hubby's insurance money.

A dog shows his teeth when he meets someone he dislikes. Women do also, but they call it a smile.

A few years ago basketball was a girl's game but finally the boys got toughened to it.

GLENELG MAN FINED \$500 FOR MAKING BOOZE

A trial was held in the Town Hall on Tuesday evening, says Flesherton Advance in which Otto Konold of Glenelg was charged with breaking the Inland Revenue Act by having in his possession a mash suitable for the manufacture of liquor and also for breaking the O.T.A. He was found guilty on both charges and fined \$300 and costs or six months in jail with hard labor on the first and \$200 and costs on the second charge.

The charges arose from the search of the defendant's premises on Friday, December 29, when 120 gallons of hard cider were found in the house and a barrel of mash in a root house across the road from his dwelling. This mash was made from the hard cider and contained 14.3 per cent. proof spirits. Konold claimed he did not know anything about the mash at all except that it was used for springing on sweet clover. He claimed that it was made by a former employee by the name of Hutchinson. The case was clear cut and the above fine was imposed. Magistrate Creasor presided, while W. H. Wright, K. C., was lawyer for the Crown. Mr. Johnston, Inland Revenue Officer, gave evidence.

U. S. PROHIBITIONISTS HAVE NERVE IF NOTHING ELSE

According to a special dispatch from Washington to New York Tribune, the British Government has flatly rejected the proposals from United States prohibition leaders that she should surrender her island possessions in the West Indies to the United States in payment for war debt. It is said that cancellation of the debt was a secondary consideration and that the prohibition leaders were really looking towards shutting off of "way stations" by which imported liquor is being smuggled into the United States.

A high British official is said to have received the plan with the remark: "We will never sell our citizens and subjects into slavery by prohibition. We are not in the real estate business. If America is really anxious to discuss territorial adjustments, I am sure that the Dominion of Canada would be interested in obtaining a part of the State of Maine, with the object of using and developing certain parts of it."

"So that if the United States seriously wants to discuss obtaining some of our territory in the Carribean in exchange for the north-eastern corner of New England, I have no doubt that a satisfactory deal could be arranged."

WHO WILL BE 1923 WARDEN?

After the 1923 Grey County Council has been duly elected the usual speculation as to this year's Warden has begun. With thirty-three men, many of whom are amongst the best business men of the county in the council this year, the task of selecting a Warden should not be difficult. While it is difficult at the present time to foresee all those who will seek the honor of being head of the County Parliament there are several who it is understood will definitely be in the running.

Reeve Emerson Brown of Collingwood is among these. He was re-elected for a sixth term by a majority of 82 votes over his opponent. He was first elected representative for Collingwood in 1918 and has been re-elected each year since. Last year Mr. Brown was chairman of the House of Refuge Committee and this department of the county business was most capably handled. While Mr. Brown is not so often on his feet in argument as some of the members he expresses himself clearly when he does speak on a question under discussion. Should his name go before the council he will doubtless receive a supporting vote. Collingwood had the Wardenship in 1911.

Reeve Dan McTavish of Flesherton was returned to office by acclamation this year and it is expected he will be a candidate for the Wardenship. Eleven years in succession he has represented the little town in Centre Grey and has always stood up for its best interests. He is a fiery orator, very firm in his convictions and very hard to force into a change of mind. With Reeve Calder of Durham away from the Council this year, Reeve McTavish would have no one with whom to argue and this may be his reason for seeking the Wardenship. However, Reeve McTavish is well liked by the members of the Council and his ability as a councillor is recognized and he would receive a liberal support should he run for the position.

Reeve J. T. Miller of Euphrasia has usually been a candidate for several years and this year may be no exception. Reeve H. W. Hunt of Bentinck is being spoken of by some of the citizens from the south of the county as a possible candidate. Mr. Hunt is very popular in the Council and it is just possible he may run for the position.

The Warden last year was Robert

Howey of Holland, a rural municipality. There is a strong feeling this year that the Warden should be from an urban municipality.

MASH SEIZED IN BRANT SAID TO BE HORSE FEED

Ira Baker, an Onondaga Township farmer, was charged with having a still in his possession and appeared on Monday before Magistrate John R. Blake in the Brantford police court.

The defendant pleaded not guilty and the case was laid over until Friday in order that further evidence could be secured at the request of the defense.

Seven or eight farmers came to the defense of Mr. Baker. They claimed that he was a horse breeder and that the mash found by revenue men was nothing more than boiled grain used for feeding high-class horses.

I. Newsome and R. Lyle of the inland revenue department, and License Inspector R. J. Ecarrat made the raid on December 12. Subsequently it was claimed samples of mash taken from the Baker farm in Onondaga Township had been sent to a Government analyst and 14 per cent. proof spirit was proven. The mash was suitable for the making of alcoholic liquor, witnesses declared. Properly distilled, this mash would make whisky of from 60 to 70 per cent. proof spirit. It was pointed out by Mr. W. S. Brewster, K.C., for the defense, that the mash was probably horse feed undergoing the usual process of cooking.

The Magistrate—"Nothing about proof spirits that is injurious to a horse, is there?"

Excise Officer Newsome—"I don't know."

Mr. Brewster—"It's good for man and beast, they say."

M. W. McEwen, prosecuting—"Veterinary surgeons are permitted to prescribe liquor for a horse, but a man can't make it himself for his horses."

Magistrate—"Even then, the veterinary can't have it in 35-gallon lots as this man did."

Mr. Baker declared he had a \$2,600 French stallion to which he fed high grade boiled oats. He claimed the mixture used was made up of oats, barley, peas, wheat and molasses, but Mr. McEwen questioned this and pointed out that there was only an oat here and there and the mash was made chiefly of wheat. Neighbors of Mr. Baker said that he kept his boiling pot right out in the open and that he had been boiling grain for and then he'll want more of it.

Everett Gray of Cainsville, one of the witnesses, said he had worked on one of the largest stock farms in the British Isles. Speaking of the capacity of the Scotch and French horse for fermented grain he said: "French horses will stand three times the amount of a Scotch horse and then he'll want more of it."

Defense argued that the samples of mash shown in court were not representative of grain boiled by Mr. Baker. The crown consented to an adjournment in order that the entire mash might be brought into court on Friday.

ELECTIONS IN NORTH ARE A SLAP AT MORRISON

Drury-Raneyism and the U.F.O. received a nasty jolt in the district township election at Fort William, the result proving that Thunder Bay farmers are less for class than for progress. Aspiring Reeves and Councillors appealing to the electorate on the Morrison platform were beaten for the most part.

Chief interest in the U.F.O. vs Farmer contest centred in Oliver Township, where T. Hughes was returned by a heavy majority over his U.F.O. opponent. All Councillors representing U.F.O. sentiment, with one exception, were denied places, according to a dispatch from Fort William.

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Cook returned last week after visiting over Christmas and New Year's with her sister, Mrs. Barker, and mother, Mrs. James Colville, in Toronto.

Mrs. N. Boles of Eramosa visited her mother, Mrs. James Warmington for two weeks.

Miss Gladys Douglas returned to Toronto after spending a fortnight with her mother, Mrs. Robert Douglas.

Mr. and Mrs. William Ferguson of Chicago, who are visiting friends and relatives in and around Durham, were callers at The Chronicle office on Tuesday, and now the label on the paper will bear the date of well on in 1925. Mrs. Ferguson says she enjoys The Chronicle every week and does not know what she would do without the weekly budget from the old home town and district.

Mrs. F. Caton of Gilbert Plains, Manitoba, will accept thanks for renewal.

Mr. J. B. Tinning, Travelling Passenger Agent, C.P.R., was in town yesterday and, following his usual custom, gave us a brief but interesting call.

Miss Marion Gun is spending a week or two with her brother, Dr. Gun, at Weston.

Mr. Robert Miller of Brantford is spending a few days in town. He says work is very slack in the Telephone City and many are out of employment.

Mr. Charles Miller of Toronto visited a few days last week with his brother-in-law, Mr. Henry Dunn and family, of Mulock.

Miss Irene Dunn of Toronto spent New Year's at the parental home at Mulock.

CULTIVATION OF CASCARA TREE

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AGGRAVATING CIRCUMSTANCES

There was a certain Scottish judge Lord Esgrove, who, whatever his legal learning was, seems to have possessed a most illogical and topsyturvy sort of mind. Some of his remarks from the bench are extraordinary examples of anticlimax. He was once sentencing a man for murdering a soldier and said, "Not only did you kill him, whereby he was bereft of life, but you did thrust or pierce or push or project or propel the lethal weapon through his regimental breeches, which were His Majesty's."

Sentencing two criminals for housebreaking together with violence, he recited the circumstances of the attack and concluded: "And all this you did, God preserve us, just as they were sitting down to dinner!"

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Keeping His Own.

(Boston Transcript.)
"Is your new son-in-law a good provider?"
"He can just about keep my daughter in gloves. I pay for everything else."
"Then he deceived you as to his circumstances?"
"No, I remember he merely asked for her hand."

If you wish to study the process of a holdup, just ride in a taxicab and watch the metre.

Still, men might wear low neck shirts in winter if they thought their necks attractive.

DURHAM MARKET

Corrected January 11, 1923.

Live hogs.....	\$10.00
Wheat.....	1.08 @ 1.10
Oats.....	38 @ 42
Barley.....	56 @ 60
Buckwheat.....	60 @ 65
Peas.....	1.35 @ 1.40
Hay.....	10.00
Butter.....	30
Eggs.....	45
Potatoes, per bag.....	50
Hides.....	.07
Sheepskins.....	.50
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Geese.....	45 @ 48
Ducks.....	20 @ 23
Turkeys.....	35

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