

TWO MYSTERIOUS FIRES DESTROY GLENELG BARN

Saturday Night and Tuesday Morning Start Apparently Without Cause.

Saturday night about 9.30 a barn belonging to John M. Lawrence, a mile east of town on Lambton street, was destroyed by fire, and on Tuesday forenoon about 10 o'clock the barn of Thomas McGirr, just outside the corporation on Lambton street, was also noticed to be on fire. Both buildings were completely consumed and in each case there is no clue as to the cause.

In the case of the Saturday night fire, Mr. Lawrence was in town and Mrs. Lawrence was the only one on the place. She heard the crackling of the flames, but as quite a heavy rain had been falling all evening, she attributed it to that cause. She finally looked out and discovered the mow on fire. Nothing could be done and with the exception of keeping watch on the house and surrounding property, the big crowd that soon gathered from town and vicinity were quite helpless. Besides the barn, about 75 chickens and a number of ducks, geese, and one pig, were destroyed. Mr. Lawrence had \$500 on the barn and another \$500 on the contents, but this will not nearly pay his loss.

The fire on Tuesday morning at Mr. McGirr's is also hard to account for. Mr. McGirr and son Lance were at work at the Durham Stone and Sand Company's plant, and the rest of the family were at school or at work; at least none were in the vicinity of the barn, which is across the C. P. R. track on the south side. As no trains had passed here since Saturday it could not have been a spark which ignited the building, and no one was observed near the place that day. Neighbors at work on adjoining farms were the first to discover the fire, which, like the one on Saturday, started in the mow. It spread rapidly and the building was soon consumed. We understand that some hens and a couple of pigs were saved, but there will be a great deal of stuff burned that will not be missed for some time. There was an insurance, all told, of \$300 on barn and contents, but this will not even start to pay for the loss, the barn alone being worth three times that sum.

Both Mr. Lawrence and Mr. McGirr are at a loss to explain the mysterious fires.

PARTRIDGE SEASON OPENS NOVEMBER 5

Complaints Reach This Office That Some Have Already Been Out For This Season and One Complainant Says Partridge Have Even Been Shot and Sold Here This Year.

If the half that has been told us during the past week relative to the illegal shooting of partridge is true, then we would suggest that Mr. Eely the Game Warden had better move his household effects down in this neighborhood and camp for a time, at least. If offenders are as thick as the complaints that have reached this office, then he will have a busy time and may, incidentally, pick up some money for the department he represents.

While no names have been disclosed, we have been told of specific instances where partridge have been hunted during the past few days, and in one case at least our informant makes the statement that partridge have been sold as well. This, under the Act, constitutes a double offence, and the guilty party, if caught, will no doubt be heavily fined.

A rumor has also reached us of poachers having been seen on the Government game sanctuary at Wilder's Lake, and as this has been set aside for a period of five years, and a person is not allowed to have even a gun on the property, a conviction in this case, too, would mean a heavy fine.

Personally, we know nothing of the matter, but there is one sure thing, if the law-breaking keeps up, there will be some cases aired in the police court. As one citizen remarked, he did not care to inform on any one, but he simply was not going to see the law openly violated if he had to fight the case himself.

From the complaints we have listened to we would advise our sportsmen to keep away from the elusive partridge until the season opens on the 5th of next month. Partridges may lawfully be hunted in this part of Ontario from the 5th to the 20th of November.

WESTERN BISON HERE; ARRIVED SATURDAY

Wilder's Lake Private "Zoo." Scene of Much Activity All Day Sunday.

The western bison for Dr. Jamieson's private zoo, at Wilder's Lake arrived here on Saturday night's C. P. R. freight and were taken that evening to their new home in Egremont. The big crowd at the station to greet the new immigrants reminded the writer of days gone by and of the early-morning crowd that was always on hand to see the "circus" arrive and watch the unloading of the animals.

During the day around town there was quite a lot of speculation as to the weight the animals would be, but we think that from the grunts and "yo-heaves" in the car, and the echo out at the lake, the animals tipped the scales at a lot more than was ever dreamed of even by the "oldest inhabitant." The bison were taken from the car and loaded on one of Noble's trucks and taken to the enclosure that was to be their future residence. For animals that had just come through an eight-day trip on the train they were in good shape, although the male appeared a little groggy for a couple of days and did not move around much. With the passing of time, however, both animals are recovering the use of their legs again and in the course of a few days will be fully at home in the big field fenced off for them.

Speaking to Dr. Jamieson, The Chronicle was informed that the public are not only welcome, but extended an invitation to go out and see the bison, but are asked not to bring any dogs, or in any wise tease or annoy them. So far they have appeared very quiet, and do not show any unnecessary alarm even when closely approached by humans. This will be a sport, however, that the general public will not take to, being very well satisfied to have the fence between them and possible danger.

Besides the bison, Dr. Jamieson has started a campaign to propagate English pheasants and Belgian hare, and is already negotiating with the Government for a couple of deer.

COUNTY ROAD WORK STOPS END OF OCTOBER

County Good Roads Appropriation Is Finished and Work Will Stop End of This Month.—Work On the Durham Road Will Be Stopped Till Next Year.

Any hopes that the work on the County roads would be continued on till late in the fall were shattered this week when the announcement was made that all County roadwork would be cut off about the 1st of November and the machinery put in storage till next spring.

East of Durham, the work on the road from Priceville has been going on steadily nearly all summer and at the present the gang is at the foot of the big hill at the Glen. As stated previously in these columns, the old Glen road as a through thoroughfare will be abandoned, although the new road will not be in any shape for travel this year. We understand it is the intention to cut the hill down considerably and use the fill thus obtained in levelling up the approach to the big hill, killing two birds with one stone, as it were.

The gang working east from Priceville is under the supervision of Mr. Thomas Nichol and expects to have the road all gravelled and ready for use as far as the big hill this fall.

From Hanover east, a gang of men under Joe Whiteman has been working towards Durham but have not made more than a couple of miles this side of Hanover. This work, too, will be called off until spring.

Supposing that both the Nichol and Whiteman gangs commence work next year on the Durham Road, by next fall should see a good road in four directions leading out of town.

WILL OCCUPY PULPIT IN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Next Sunday morning the Rev. A. E. Armstrong, Associate Secretary of Foreign Missions, will preach in the Presbyterian Church. Mr. Armstrong returned a short time ago from a tour of the foreign field and will tell a story of the work there that every member of the church ought to hear. All who possibly can are urged to do so.

In the evening, Mr. Smith expects to begin a new series of sermons on "The Ten Commandments."

DR. N. C. McDONALD DIED SUDDENLY

Born On Second Concession of Glenelg Forty-Seven Years Ago, But Spent Most of Life in Dakota.

Mr. A. C. McDonald of town has just received word of the sudden death at Glasgow, Montana, of his nephew, Dr. N. C. McDonald, a noted educational lecturer and platform man. Death was due to uremic coma and occurred on September 13.

The late Dr. McDonald was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Neil McDonald, former residents of Glenelg, and was born on the second concession of that township forty-seven years ago, on March 17, 1876. When quite young, he moved with his parents to Manitoulin Island, and later to North Dakota, where the greater part of his life was spent.

Dr. McDonald was a graduate of the State Normal school of North Dakota, a graduate of the State University, from which he obtained his A. B. and A. M. Degrees, and a graduate of Harvard University with the degree of Doctor of Education. He had also taken up graduate work in the Universities of Leland Stanford, Chicago and Edinburgh. Together with this Dr. McDonald was also a student along special lines and at the time of his death was on his way to Seattle, Washington, where he had but recently accepted the position as instructor in liberal arts at the Seattle Pacific College.

Dr. McDonald is survived by his wife, whom he married in 1904, his mother, and by six brothers and two sisters. Interment was made at Hannah, North Dakota.

Besides the relatives above mentioned, he is also survived by his uncles, Messrs. A. C. McDonald of Durham, and John McDonald of Glenelg, who both feel very keenly the sudden cutting off of their brilliant nephew in the prime of life.

FORMER DURHAM LADY DIED SATURDAY AT OAKVILLE

Resided Here in Early Life But Latterly Lived At Oakville.—Interment Made in Oakville Cemetery.

On Saturday last a telegram was received here announcing the death at Oakville of Mrs. Thomas Martin of that place. Many of the deceased's friends will remember her by her maiden name of Miss Mary Stewart, formerly of Durham, youngest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Stewart.

The deceased was only 44 years of age. Twenty-two years ago she was married to Mr. Thomas Martin of Oakville, at which place they have resided ever since.

Besides her sorrowing husband she leaves a family of three sons and two daughters. They are: Will, aged 21, Ellsworth 19, Edith 17, Marie 15, and Charlie 4 years. She also leaves one sister, Mrs. John Stewart, in Port Arthur, and two uncles, Messrs. James C. McDonald, Sr., and Thomas McDonald, both of Bentinck.

The deceased was ill for only one week, when she was taken to the Hamilton Hospital, where she passed peacefully away on Saturday morning. The funeral was held from her late home on Monday to Oakville cemetery.

FINED \$300 AND COSTS ON B. O. T. A. CHARGE

Proprietor Pleaded Guilty and Case Did Not Come Up For Trial.

We referred last week to a search made at the Central Hotel and the finding of a liquid that aroused suspicion in the minds of the constables. A sample of the stuff produced was sent to Toronto for analysis and the alcoholic content proved stronger than the law allows and one of the proprietors was called to account. Mr. McAuliffe admitted the charge and said the goods produced in court had been made by himself from rhu-barb and dandelions and was made for his own use. No further evidence was taken, and as it is contrary to the law relating to the Ontario Temperance Act to have anything in a public house stronger than 2 1/2 per cent. alcoholic strength, Magistrate Laidlaw felt that the only course to pursue was to impose a fine in accordance with the Act and fixed the penalty at \$300 and costs or, in default of payment, three months in jail. The fine and costs were paid forthwith.

There was no evidence to show that the liquor in question had ever been sold, or even offered for sale, but the fact of it being found in a concealed place increased the suspicion and the penalty imposed without further investigation. The analysis of the liquid showed an alcoholic content of slightly over 20%.

SOUTH GREY TEACHERS MET IN CONVENTION

Teachers From All Over Inspectorate Assembled Here On Thursday and Friday of Last Week.

The forty-ninth annual meeting of the South Grey Teachers' Association was held in the High school here on Thursday and Friday of last week and was well attended, over 100 being present. President Harry Ermel of Neustadt had charge of all sessions.

The first session opened at 10 o'clock when the minutes were read, the Auditors' Report received and the nominating committee appointed. An address of welcome was given by Mayor Smith, in which he laid stress on the influence of the teacher in moulding the character of the rising generation and paving the way for a better future nationhood. Mr. C. L. Grant, chairman of the High School Board, welcomed the teachers on behalf of the Board, showing the relation of the Public school teachers' work to the continuance and success of the High schools. He emphasized the interdependence of the two schools which must act harmoniously and in unison to accomplish the great work for which each is intended. That he never missed attending the Institutes held in Durham is evidence of Mr. Grant's interest in educational matters. He referred also to the great change in the make-up of the conventions inasmuch as during recent years the lady teachers are in the majority.

Ex-Principal Allan also gave a word of welcome and briefly reviewed his relation with the Durham schools. As principal of the County Model School and later as principal of the High school, brought him in close touch with the teachers of South Grey, in whom he still retains an interest.

President Ermel in his address gave a lot of good advice that must have been a benefit to the teachers and must ultimately be reflected in the various schools over which they preside.

Mr. J. A. Robb, principal of the High school, followed, with an able address on "The Ideal Student." The three main characteristics are Honorable Dealing, Reasoning Ability, and Power of Expression. These were enlarged on and the many excellent features presented will, if adhered to, have an influence on the schools and on the community as a whole. Complimentary references were made by ex-Principal Allan and Principal Magee of Hanover, and a warm welcome extended to Mr. Robb to the teaching fraternity of the inspectorate.

Miss Marjory Mann of Markdale gave a good address on "Discipline in the Primary Room," and this was followed by Miss Edna Browning of the Durham Public school on "Music for Elementary Schools." She explained the system followed at the Summer School at Toronto Normal under the tuition of Professors Marshall and Cringan, and showed how music is co-related to many other school activities. She scoffs the "can't sing" idea and says anyone who can speak or breathe can learn to sing. Mr. William Ramage, an old and efficient choir leader was present and paid compliment to Miss Browning on the excellence of her address.

Mr. R. H. Walks, B.A., of the Toronto Normal school gave a fine talk on "The Teaching of History," showing that a thorough love, a thorough knowledge and a clear objective of what he wants to teach are essentials to the successful teaching of history. History should be begun early by reading about children in other lands. Biographies of well-known persons whose lives are instructive should follow. Geography is a kindred subject and enables the pupil to make a mind picture of where the events took place.

Miss Charlotte Weinert gave an address on School Fairs, and how to operate them so as to get the best results. Good advice was given in reference to oratorical contests, the marching and general deportment of the pupils, the benefits resulting from the Fairs, and the community spirit it engenders amongst all classes.

Miss Ruby Sargeant, in dealing with "Expressive Reading," contended that the child must have the thought before he can express it.

The Summer Course in Agriculture found able exponents in Miss Armetta McKechnie of Durham and Miss Laversage of Mount Forest. Miss

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Lloyd George Gives Warning War Clouds Still Gather

Life of Civilization Itself Will Be Destroyed Unless the Nations Which Desire Peace Show Unity Similar to That of British Empire and Call "Halt" to Europe's New Armament Race.—Remarkable Reception Given to Great Britain's War-Time Premier in Massey Hall.

GLENELG TWP. PIONEER PASSED AWAY MONDAY

Mr. John Greenwood Died After Long Illness and Interment is Being Held This Afternoon at Zion Cemetery.

(Traverston Correspondence.)

A most highly esteemed and dearly beloved pioneer, Mr. John Greenwood, passed peacefully away at 9.30 on Monday evening after some months of failing health, and, of late, intense suffering. With the falling of the autumn leaf, he has been garnered in at a good old age. He was born January 2, 1841, in Cornwall, England, and when five years of age the family came to Canada, settling a year later on the 2nd Concession, where Ernest Greenwood now lives. Later, they acquired the farm now owned by Mr. Henry Moffat. When 21 years of age he wedded Miss Elizabeth McKnight, and to them was born a daughter, Angeline (Mrs. G. Robertson of Molesworth). About five years after their marriage she died and years after he married Miss Ann Cameron, a most happy and prosperous union it proved, she passing away two years ago after 51 years of wedded life. By the latter union a son and daughter were born, W. J., on the homestead, and Susan (Mrs. J. H. Robson), of the 6th Concession. The family were devoted in their care of him, as well as Mrs. W. J. Greenwood, and were all present at the bedside.

Mr. Greenwood has lived 57 years on the farm where he died and has all those years proved a splendid neighbor, an upright, honest, God-fearing citizen and always had a cheery word, a warm handshake and a genial humor that won and retained the goodwill of a wide circle.

He was a fine type of farmer, industrious, tidy, and progressive, and was most successful. He was a Liberal in politics, but broad in his views, a lifelong member and supporter of Zoan church, and his life was a helpful one.

The funeral will take place to Zion at 2 o'clock this Thursday afternoon, where Rev. J. E. Peters, M. A., will conduct the funeral service, and, beside his loved ones in the family plot, will be laid to rest.

PRESBYTERIAN W. M. S. HELD OCTOBER MEETING

Good Papers Read and Much Work Done.—Annual Thank-offering is Being Held Next Sunday.

The W.M.S. of the Presbyterian Church held their October meeting last week. Mrs. Bell gave an interesting Bible reading on "Obedience in Tithes and Offerings." Mrs. McGirr read a splendid paper prepared by Miss Belle McGirr. This was the last chapter from the study book, "Building the Nation." It was a vivid picture of the task of Canadianizing by the church and its agencies, showing the need of schools and teachers for them, the hospital and the doctor in the ministry of healing and the missionary with his message.

Mrs. N. McKechnie gave a reading entitled "The Home."

The auxiliary purpose having their annual thank-offering on Sunday, October 21, when Rev. A. E. Armstrong of Toronto, Secretary of Foreign Missions, will deliver an address.

WILL EXCHANGE PULPITS

Rev. Peters Goes to Grand Valley, While Grand Valley Pastor Takes Work in Durham and at Zion.

Rev. J. Elwood Mitchell, B. A., of Grand Valley, will preach in the Methodist Church on Sunday next, morning and evening, and at Zion at 2.30 p.m. Rev. Mr. Peters will take his work at Grand Valley.

Sunday School Institutes in connection with the Mount Forest District will be held at Tarbert on Tuesday, Varney on Wednesday, Kenilworth on Thursday and Mount Forest on Friday of next week.

War on a scale which will threaten the life of civilization itself is the menace presented by the manner in which the nations of Europe are arming themselves to-day. This was the portentous warning with which Right Hon. David Lloyd George concluded in Massey Hall, Toronto, on Wednesday afternoon of last week, an address which was largely a setting forth of what the British Empire had done to preserve that civilization in the great conflict which ended less than five years ago. The only hope of averting such a catastrophe, he declared, lay in those nations which desired to establish permanent peace firmly commanding "Halt" to those other nations which were feverishly storing away in their arsenals the diabolical weapons of warfare.

"The British Empire is the one effective League of Nations in the world. The other League of Nations will succeed only when it accomplishes what the British Empire has done," was his way of conveying his sense of the futility of international effort to curb militarism in the absence of unity such as Britain and her overseas Dominions had shown when the great world crisis of 1914 developed.

Lloyd George's voice was somewhat impaired in carrying power. Never remarkable for its robustness, the vocal infirmity which revealed itself a few days ago was manifested in a touch of huskiness, for which he apologized at the outset. Probably many in the crowded hall heard him imperfectly, but the great bursts of applause which came at frequent intervals indicated that the telling points in his message, and they were many, had not been lost. He showed none of the pretensions of the orator, his style being easy and conversational, though he allowed free play to his arms, particularly his right arm, and in driving home an assertion, he frequently struck his palms together resoundingly.

The famous Lloyd George humor displayed itself often. Even when he was picturing Europe's present desperate plight, he drew laughter by likening the Continent to a drunken man who, contrite when recovering from a debauch, soon reverted to his old ways when his cellars were again stocked with liquors, Europe's cellars being her replenished arsenals.

Sacrifices of Empire.

The speaker reviewed outstanding statistics of the war as they related to the British Empire, including the loss of 900,000 lives, total casualties of three million men, and an outlay of ten thousand million pounds sterling. "Was it worth the price?" he asked, and said that if one could tell what was the price of liberty, he could answer the question. His allusion to the British fleet as having saved the Empire from becoming a collection of vassal states was heartily applauded.

With stirring eloquence Lloyd George touched upon the heroic achievements of the Canadian forces, citing in particular the second battle of Ypres, Vimy Ridge and Cambrai. These things, he said, were part of the credit of Canada in the bank of the nations. When the Versailles treaty was effected, Canada signed as the equal of the other nations, and Sir Robert Borden went away with a certificate of nationhood signed by all the great nations of the earth. Great applause greeted this declaration.

The British War Premier's voice sank to a lower pitch as he touched upon the sufferings the mothers of the British Empire had heroically borne, and then he passed on to his warning that the war clouds were lowering again despite all the anguish of but a few years ago. "Are we done with war? I wish to God I could say 'Yes,'" he exclaimed. "Force had no conscience. He saw the nations of Europe who had signed the covenant of the League of Nations arming again. Terrible, full

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