

In Other Communities

Taken From Our Exchanges About People of Your Acquaintance

Tearing Down Separate School
The Separate School, which has stood as an historic landmark in this village for nearly half a century, was attacked on Monday by a gang of mechanics, who will take the building down, and prepare the ground for the erection of a new school, to be erected this summer. The new building will comply with all the regulations and will be up-to-date in every detail. The parish hall will be used as a school room until the summer vacation, and it is expected that the new building will be ready for occupation by September 1.—Mildmay Gazette.

Hobo Threatened Trouble
Last Wednesday a hobo paid a visit to several farms on the 4th concession, Carrick, and insolently demanded a meal and night's lodging. He said he was looking for work, but didn't want to work on a farm. At one place, when he was told there was no room to sleep, he threatened to start a fire unless accommodation was provided for him. The next morning he was in this village, but the local constable got him to shake off the dust of this place in a hurry, and he hasn't been seen here since.—Mildmay Gazette.

Two Indians Escape from Jail
The two Indians who were successfully rounded up and locked up for stealing at Southampton on Saturday, are again at large. When Constable Murray went to the cells on Monday morning to get them ready for the 5.45 train, to be taken to Walkerton, he found that they were gone, but not to Walkerton. Evidently one of them had broken a leg of the iron couch he was sleeping on, and punched a hole through a 10-inch cement wall and got his hand through and broke the lock on the cell door and got himself free. Then he broke the transom over the door in the other cell, and liberated his partner, both escaping through the basement window. Provincial Officer Widmeyer was notified and is again on their trail, but no doubt the Indians will not be so easily rounded up this time.—Southampton Beacon

Two Lads Drowned
Two drowning accidents occurred in widely separated districts of Grey and Bruce counties on Saturday, the victims in each case being young boys.
At Mountain Lake, in the extreme north end of Grey county, Ashley Johnston, 8-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Johnston, lost his life on Saturday morning while he was attempting to retrieve a duck which his brother had shot. Arthur, an older brother, shot a wild duck, which fell on the ice some distance away from shore, and, in going out to get it, the lad broke through the ice, only an inch and a half thick, and sank. The body was recovered about an hour and a half later in 15 feet of water.

Thomas King, 17-year-old son of John King, formerly of Hope Bay, Bruce Peninsula, but now residing at Listowel, was the victim of a drowning accident at Hope Bay on Saturday afternoon. King and a friend, Earl Hepburn, had built a raft to sail on the large pond, about four acres in extent, which forms at the back of the farms owned by their fathers. They started across the pond for the Hepburn farm, but young Hepburn concluded the raft was not large enough for two of them and he jumped off and waded to shore. The raft, with King aboard, drifted out on the pond and the lad, becoming panic-stricken, jumped off. After swimming ten feet he disappeared. When help came, no sign of the lad could be seen. The body was recovered and sent to Listowel for burial.—Hanover Post.

An Albino Crow
Two weeks ago the Shelburne Free Press reported that Melancthon residents had seen a white crow in a flock of black ones. We discounted the story and suggested that perhaps the stranger was a sea-gull. The report also stated that the crows were carrying out that old adage, "Birds of a feather flock together," for the black boys were letting the white crow know it wasn't wanted.

Morley Lucas and his mother were for a drive down the highway and in passing near Melancthon

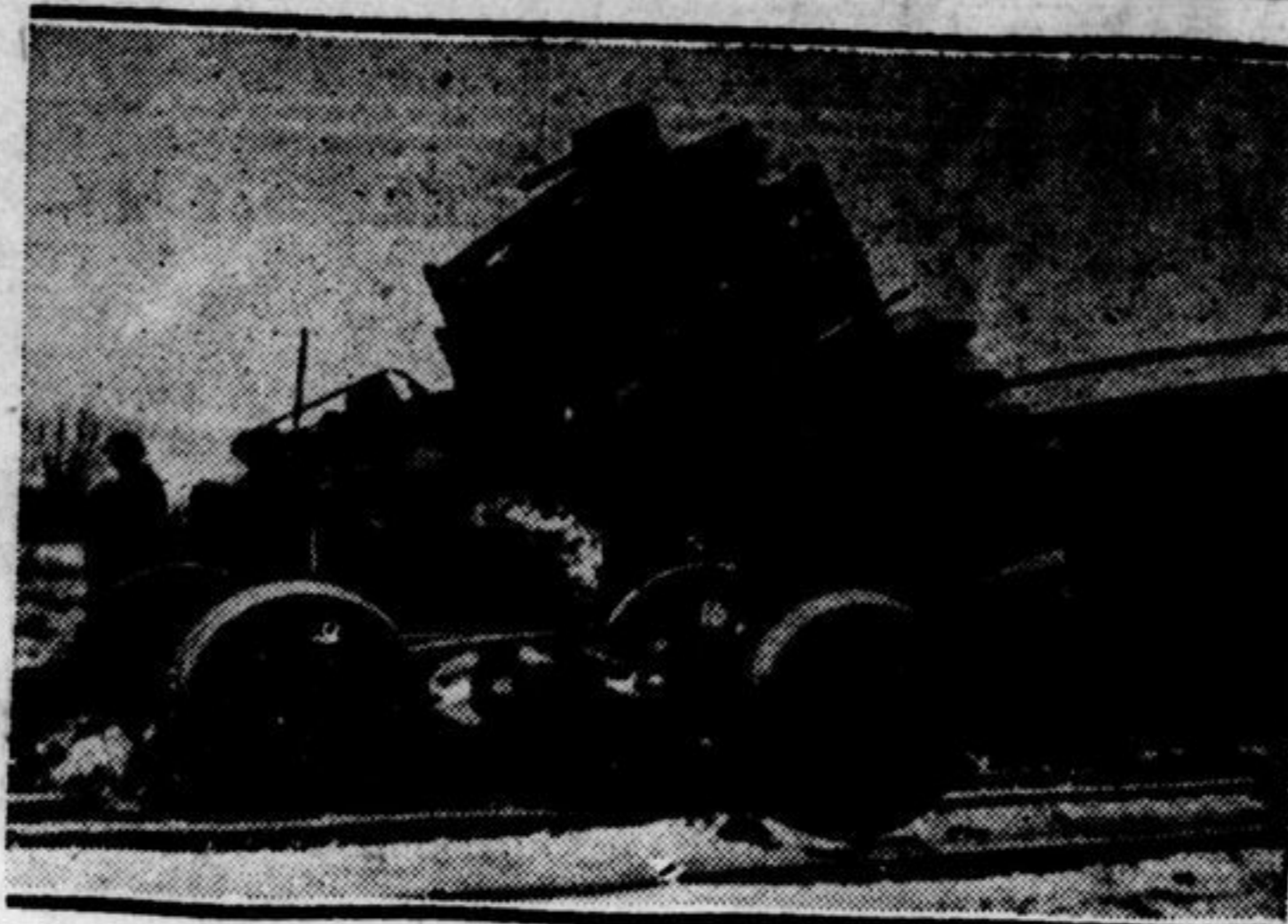
corner spied the white crow among its blacker brothers and sisters. They claim sure enough it's a crow and it is almost pure white.—Dundalk Herald.

Resignation Refused
Rev. James H. Lemon tendered to the official board his resignation to the pastoral charge of the Clifford United church, after a ministry in the village of 16 years. A meeting of the Board was called and was well attended by both the Clifford and the Lakelet members, and the board refused to accept the resignation, and so strongly urged Mr. Lemon to remain that he is reconsidering his action.—Clifford Express.

Trapped White Muskrat
Sam Bellamy, Jr., of this place got into the calcium glare this week by trapping a white muskrat. The albino had only a few brown whiskers and about two inches of its tail were of the darker shade. Apart from that it was pure white and was alive in the trap when caught. It appeared more vicious than the ordinary muskrats. Had the animal been taken alive, it would have been a valuable acquisition to a museum of zoo.—Dundalk Herald.

Barns Destroyed by Fire
On Sunday forenoon, two bank barns on the 9th concession of Arthur Township were destroyed by fire. The first barn to fall a prey to the flames was on the farm of Basil Schmidt. The roof had fallen in when the barn close by on Morris Flynn's adjoining farm caught fire and burned down. The high wind which prevailed on Sunday was blowing directly from the first barn to the second. Mr. Schmidt lost his car and some implements, along with one calf and some fowl. Some fowl were also destroyed in Mr. Flynn's barn. Mr. and Mrs. Schmidt were at church in Kenilworth when the conflagration originated.—Arthur Enterprise.

Careless Smoker Starts Sensation
While Dr. Joyce of Gargill was having his auto filled with gas in front of Scott's garage at Walkerton about 9 o'clock Saturday night, a smoker standing near the car struck a match for the purpose of lighting his pipe but the fumes from the car caught quicker than the tobacco and to the surprise of the smoker he found himself not only enveloped with flames, but beheld a general conflagration, with the crowd scurrying about and the car in the midst of a blaze about fifteen feet high. Mr. George Scott, who was operating the gas pump, pulled the hose from the flaming bus and as the gas ran over the sidewalk a river of fire was soon in the making. Fortunately Mr. Scott had a large chemical extinguisher on the premises and grabbing this he fought the flames to such purpose that he soon had the situation under control, and eventually succeeded in extinguishing the blaze without calling out the town brigade. With the entire front of the garage a sheet of fire matters looked serious for a time, and the way the



Considerable mystery surrounds the cause of derailment of the C. N. R. Toronto-Winnipeg flier at Bradford, Engineer J. W. Brooks of Toronto was instantly killed when the locomotive toppled over, burying his body in the marshy land. The fireman on the train was also injured. The engine, tender and nine cars were derailed. The picture shows the locomotive lying on its side, as seen from in front.

crowd scattered showed they considered discretion the better part of valor, and that becoming a burnt offering wasn't exactly to their liking, so to speak. The car was considerably damaged, but the smoker, who started the damage, escaped with nothing more serious than a bad scare and a partial singeing of his hair and eyebrows.—Walkerton Herald and Times.

Smooth Swindling
A well-dressed young man swindled two local merchants out of about \$225 last week in a new and novel way. He spent a day or two in town and represented himself as a buyer for a large Toronto firm. After introducing himself and enquiring the price of eggs said the price was too high, and returning later said he had phoned the firm and received their consent to purchase. One merchant sold him ten cases and another sold him nine cases of eggs. The hen fruit was shipped to the Toronto firm in good faith by the merchants but apparently the swindler so arranged shipments that the cheques were sent from Toronto to him and he decamped with the proceeds leaving no trace behind.—Mitchell Advocate.

HORSE POWER—WHAT IT MEANS
A recent engineering test in a Chicago laboratory showed that an automobile engine runs 20 miles an hour and equipped with spark plugs that had been in use slightly more than 10,000 miles, developed 20.6 horsepower. The same engine with a new set of plugs gave a horsepower reading of 23.4.
One horsepower is sufficient to lift 33,000 pounds one foot in one minute. The method used in determining this unit is very interesting. Back in the 18th century, James Watt, inventor of the steam engine, and Matthew Boulton started to manufacture hoisting engines to replace the horses then used in the coal mines in England. In order to compare the power of one of their engines with that of the number of horses required to perform the same work, they undertook to test the pulling power of a heavy draft horse. They found that a horse could lift 330 pounds of coal 100 feet in one minute, which is equivalent to lifting 33,000 pounds, one foot in one minute.

date, \$15.00; R. Christie, use of room, \$2.00.—Carried.
Council adjourned to meet Monday, June 4th at 10 o'clock a.m. for general business and as a court of revision on the Assessment roll. Court of revision opens at 2 o'clock p.m.

—DAVID ALLAN, Clerk.
A father was telling his little girl the story of Pygmalion and Galatea. The child listened intently as he related how the sculptor fashioned the wonderful statue with a hammer, how he fell in love with it when it was finished, and how it came to life under the warmth and sincerity of his love. When he had finished the father waited for the child's comments. "Daddy," she said after a short pause, "what did he do with the hammer?"

Prospective Employer: "How are you on spelling?"
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FOUR PERFECT HANDS
If a full suit to one hand comes only once in a 100,000 times then, by theory deduction and calculation, four people will probably play bridge for the remainder of their lives before they duplicate hands held a few nights ago. In a letter signed by the four players, they relate the following:
The game took place at the Penetanguishene home of Fred Grise, manager of the Delawana Inn at Honey Harbor. The players were: Mrs. J. Ouellette, south; O. J. Ouellette, west; F. S. Grise, north; Miss Margaret Grise, east.
The cards were made by south, cut by north and dealt by east. East bid a heart, south two spades, and north three diamonds. The bidding continued to west, who, after hostile looks from partner, bid seven spades. North then threw down, remarking: "I have the best hand but cannot bid it." The others discarded and to the surprise of all, each held a perfect hand in suit, but none could take a trick.

Egremont Council

Council met April 16th. Members all present, minutes adopted.
Mack—Hunter: That the Reeve be instructed to sign pay sheet No. 4 for work performed on roads.—Carried.
Philp—Mack: That six road drags be ordered from the Canada Ingot Iron Co., Guelph.—Carried.
Philp—Mack: That the Patrol men be instructed to give four days' notice to farmers before being called to work on roads.—Carried.
The Clerk reported the receipt of a summarized statement of expenditures made on the roads during the year 1927 and of the Government subsidy allowed thereon as follows: total amount of statement \$8564.71 including the sum of \$13.63 held back from 1926 work. Amount of grant, 30%, \$2569.41; superintendence \$300.65; amount of grant, 50% \$150.32; total amount of grant \$2719.73.
Hunter—Mack: That the Clerk communicate with the manager of the Bell Telephone Co., Stratford, in regard to our service problem. We feel that the 5c. station to station call with Mount Forest and Durham would be the best solution and are willing to co-operate in any other way that might be suggested.—Carried.
Robb—Philp: In reference to the request of the sheep valuator for division 3 as to being relieved from the office, that he be requested to continue in office until an appointment is made.—Carried.
Robb—Philp: That the following accounts be paid: C Ramage & Son, printing account, \$49.50; Municipal World supplies \$23.54; A. McLean, sheep killed and injured \$105.00; A. Ross, sheep valuator, \$2.00; A. Calder, services as collector of Taxes, \$17.50; Pay Sheet No. 4, for road improvement, \$357.41; Superintendent services, \$30.45; members of Council attendance at meeting to



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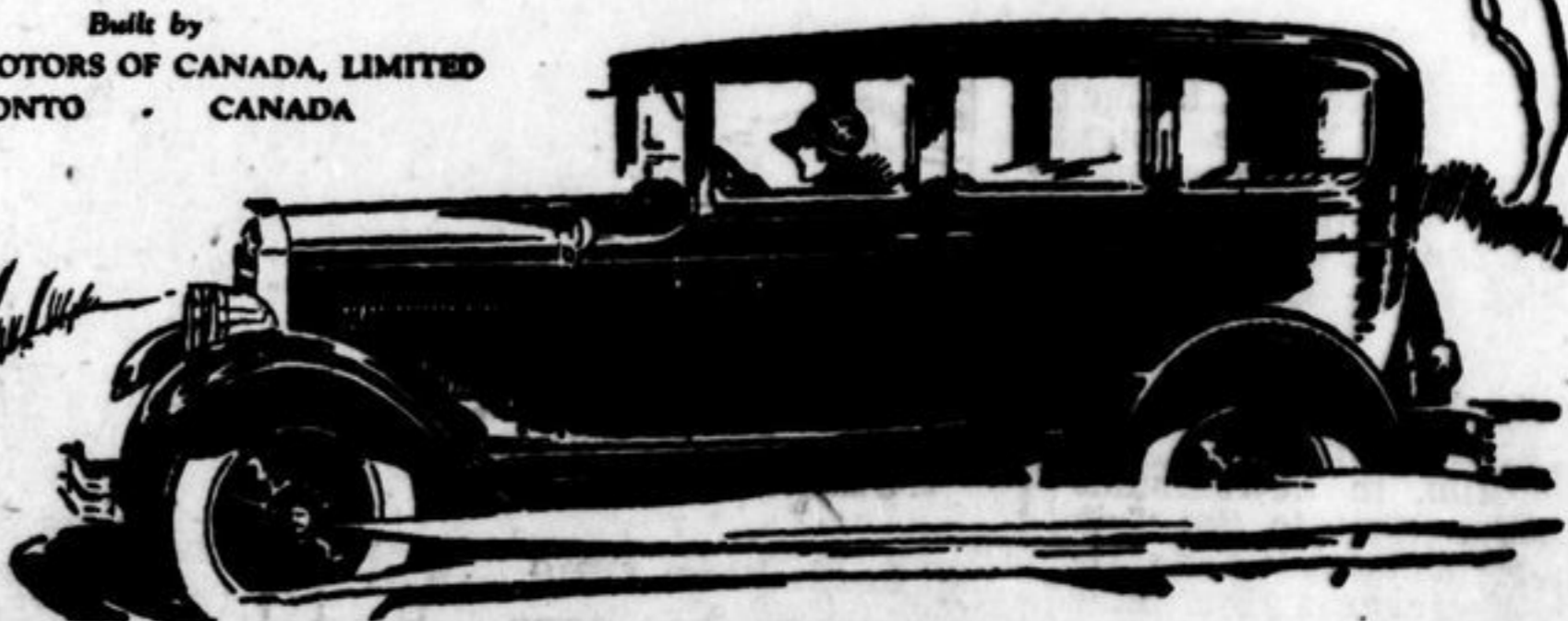
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