

## LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

Mr. T. P. Smith, Optician, will be at Macfarlane's drug store on February 22. One day only.

Miss Polly and Master Geo. Wright spent Sunday in Hanover the guests of their uncle Mr. Geo. Cooper.

NOTICE.—Parties indebted to Wm. Black, hardware merchant will confer a favor if they call and settle as their accounts are all made out.—W. BLACK.

A \$1.00 POSTAL NOTE—cost 2 cts.—will pay for the Review 12 months. To some this will be a suggestion to others a reminder. Renew to-day, if you have not already done so.

MOVED IN.—Mr. Alex. McLachlan has moved into his new store, just alongside his old stand, and a handsome snug and tasteful place it is. We trust he may long be enabled to do such a business as will reward his enterprise.

NOTICE.—Many thanks to all those who responded to our call in squaring up their accounts. All those who didn't are now asked to settle at once without further delay.—C. McArthur.

Mr. Sparling conemplates closing up his business here shortly, and temporarily we hope, before leaving for a North West trip. He will likely take with him a car-load of horses he is gathering.

Miss Culbertson left Friday morning for a fortnight's visit in Sunderland. On her way home she will spend another two weeks in Toronto at the Millinery openings, coming home with a headfull of ideas for the spring trade.

DESIRABLE PROPERTY FOR SALE.—The undersigned offers for sale the house and 1/2 acre lot, known as the Austin property in Durham. Terms very reasonable. Apply at once to H. Storrey, or to W. S. Davidson, McIntyre Block, AUSTIN BROS., Proprietors.

The Egremont township council is calling the attention of the Ontario Legislature to the fact that all male persons of twenty-one years of age and over are required to do statute labor. They ask, therefore, that all such be given votes at municipal elections.

Our obituary column last week recorded the death of Mr. Neil McDonald. We give this week an appreciative sketch from a loving brother, who with his family, have for the 2nd time in a few months been called upon to mourn the severance of a family tie. We extend sympathy.

KINDLY THOUGHTS.—Last week and this, collectors in town and country made some calls on the charitably disposed to receive contributions either in money or provisions for a few of our deserving poor, on whom the severe season falls heavily. They were generally well received, and the heart of the recipients no doubt were made glad.

Priceville Presbyterians have posters out for their great annual Soiree on Wednesday evening next the 22nd inst. In addition to speeches by eminent clerics there is to be music by Durham Presbyterian choir. Reeve McArthur is to hold down the chair and from 6 to 8 there will be the usual sumptuous feast and flow of soul in the basement. But the feature of the evening, one which will be sure to draw, is the name of Mrs. Helen Wright, a sweet vocalist of Provincial fame, who has been secured for this meeting. 25c and 15c. Make sure of a seat.

A GOOD IDEA.—It is under contemplation to make a new feature at the next concert of the series being held this winter in aid of the Public Library. The plan is to have readings selected and given by pupils in the senior departments of the Public School. There are always some good readers in the upper forms, and this opportunity, while helping the Library, will react on the school in exciting emulation and rousing the desire to excel in a pleasing and profitable exercise. Material can easily be found in our school books for public entertainment, and we trust a rousing house may greet the first School Library Home Concert. Watch for it.

The annual meeting of the county Orange Lodge for South Grey was held in Mt. Forest on Tuesday, Thos. McFadden, of Glenelg, county master, presided and reports were read from the different lodges in the district. It was decided to celebrate next twelfth of July in Arthur village. The following officers were elected: Robt. Shields, Normanby, county master; Dr. G. P. Allen, Mt. Forest, deputy master; Jas. Wilson, Durham, secretary; Wm. Ritchie, Varney, chaplain; W. Steynson, Normanby, director of ceremonies; Samuel Robt, Egremont, lecturer; Jas. Eden, Varney, and W. Adair, Drew, deputy lecturers.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Brown are visiting friends in Hopeville this week.

Miss Jennie Newell and Miss M. E. Turnbull, of Rocky Saugeen, visited friends in Priceville last week.

Messrs. Ino. Vollett and Ewing Buchan visited Owen Sound last week.

Messrs. J. A. Hunter, Davidson, W. Lauder and Dr. Park attended the Assembly in Chesley last week.

Messrs. G. Hughes and C. Lavelle, drove to Markdale carnival night and had quite an experience getting back in zero weather.

Miss Ferguson, of Proton, was the guest of Miss Jessie Burnet last week.

Miss Ada Horn, of London, is visiting her sister, Mrs. John Darling.

Miss Emma Slatcher left Saturday for London to attend the millinery openings.

Miss Nellie Swallow returned to Toronto last week, after spending a month or two at her home here.

Rev. Joseph Stewart, Rochester, son of Rev. Alex. Stewart of this town, visited his father and other friends last week. He was billed to preach in Hamilton on Sunday.

Mr. R. Nimmo, J. P., organizer for the Sons of Scotland Society, is expected in town next Monday to do some missionary work in the interest of the Society which is at present in a flourishing state. He purposes spending most of the week.

A SUBSTANTIAL GAIN.—I was very weak and hardly able to walk. My blood was thin and I was as pale as death. Being told about Hood's Sarsaparilla I began taking it and in a few months I had gained twenty pounds in weight. I kept on with it until I was as well as ever." Arthur Mills, Dresden, Ont.

Hood's Pills cure nausea, headache, Mr. J. A. Wilson of Dromore is in town this week seeking to arrange for the erection of a creamery here, and has called a meeting of farmers for Friday night of this week, 7 o'clock, in the town hall. All farmers at all interested in their own welfare should attend to hear the matter discussed.—Fletcher Adv.

## THE COLD WAVE.

30 Degrees below Zero.

For over two weeks now the thermometer has been playing round and below zero, over the greater part of the continent, making a new record both as to intensity of cold and for long continuance. Many districts in the States, not in the habit of receiving such chilly embraces are suffering much. In Pittsburgh, business was almost suspended for a few days and schools were closed. In Georgia and other Southern States, peach trees have been ruined. Cattle in Texas have died by hundreds, and discomfort and sometime death to human beings has resulted.

"Our Lady of the Snows," is never caught napping however, and no serious casualties are reported except we reckon large fires in many places, notably in Winnipeg and Toronto, which may have resulted from extra efforts to "keep warm." Readings, ranging from zero to 50 degrees below are reported from many places, and it is feared, that, owing to heavy snowfalls in many places, should a sudden thaw come before ice-bound rivers open, much flooding may result.

Dr. Gun, who has kept the meteorological station since its institution never before recorded 30 degrees below zero, and on several days even at 2 p. m., his instruments read zero or below it.

To-day, Monday, the frost-king has yielded a little, but the way the wood piles have come down for a week back, has "been a caution," as the boys say. The railways here and there have suffered severely, and delays of a day in some cases have occurred. Our own line has been fortunate in this respect. Conductor Lavelle and his gang having succeeded in making regular trips, and on one occasion at least running to Stratford in place of the Warton train. On our northern lines in such weather, the work of train hands is of a decidedly severe character and should be specially rewarded.

## BORN.

DODDS.—In Berkeley, on January 20, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dodds, a daughter, VESSIE.—Glenelg, on Feb. 6th, 1899, to Mr. and Mrs. John Vessie, a son.

## DIED.

CAMERON.—At the residence of her mother Mrs. May Cameron, Euclid Avenue, Toronto, on Jan. 30, 1899, Miss Flora Cameron, formerly of O. Sound, where her remains were interred.

## THE BUDGET.

This, the most interesting feature of provincial sessions, was "brought down" last week, and Treas. Harcourt has made a showing of which no Treasurer need be ashamed.

The receipts of the year exceeded the estimates by \$333,000, and this is a constantly recurring experience, and a gratifying one.

The Dominion subsidy, over a million dollars is the same of course.

Interest during 1898 amounted to over \$304,000, nearly \$60,000 more than last year. The great bulk of this if from monies held in trust by the Dominion for Ontario.

The Crown Lands gave a revenue of \$1,112,382, \$162,000 beyond the estimate.

Liquor Licenses produced \$270,000, a decrease of \$13,000, which is explained by the fact that fewer licenses are now being issued, about 100 less in 1898 than in 1897.

From succession duties there was received \$206,000.

From the sale of annuities \$128,417, a less amount than on any previous occasion. This is a special receipt, applied to a special purpose, the retirement of a railway aid certificate maturing last year. This feature of shifting obligations is attacked by the opposition and certainly, where possible to meet the railway aid payments out of ordinary revenue is a very desirable course. This has been done in 5 yrs. since 1884, and the justification of the system is found in the fact that while since 1884 the sale of Annuities has netted the government over \$2,000,000, the aid to railways in the same time has been over 3,000,000 and for much needed public buildings over \$5,750,000. The railways and the buildings are a benefit to posterity, as well as ourselves and the postponement of these debts for a few years enables the burden to be equitably distributed.

Casual revenue in 1898 amounted to \$116,000.

While the receipts of the year exceeded the estimate they fell below 1897 by \$402,494, but in one department alone, Crown Lands, the falling off was \$400,703. Thus the total difference is more than accounted for by this one item, and the reduction here is caused by recent legislation to safeguard our timber interests and was expected.

Where did all this money go? The total receipts were \$3,647,333, the total expenditure \$3,802,941. Are we in debt then? By no means. Ontario has a comfortable bank account, and it has been drawn upon for difference. However regrettable this may appear to our Conservative friends, it is but an incident in business, and when it is remembered that during the year two extra expenditures, one of \$76,000 for revision of the statutes, (done only once in 10 years) and \$80,000 for general elections (once in four years) came together, it will be seen that the shortage is more than wiped out and confirms one in the conviction that the Province is in good hands.

The expenditure is largely for Education, which no one asks to have weakened for agricultural advancement, for Public Institutions, which are much more economically managed that almost anywhere else, \$7,500 were granted to sufferers by fire in various localities, and the cost of legislation and some minor items make up the bill.

New Legislation is promised to provide increased revenue to take the place of the reduction from crown lands, which is to be "fair and equitable."

We append a paragraph from the Prov. Treasurer's summing up: "We commenced the year with a credit cash balance amounting to \$695,849. Our total reserve for the year was \$3,647,333. We expended altogether during the year \$3,802,941, so that we drew on our cash balance during the year to the extent of \$155,728. In estimating for the year we kept in mind, of course, the pleasing fact that we had this cash balance exceeding \$600,000 on which in case of emergency, we might draw. It must be very gratifying to the whole House to know that we closed the year with a credit cash balance in our banks amounting to \$450,121."

Leaving out of consideration our future railway obligations, the present value of which is shown in the public accounts, it will be seen that our surplus of assets at the end of the year over all our liabilities amounted to \$4,988,079.

Life insurance is a good thing but health insurance, by keeping the blood pure with Hood's Sarsaparilla is still better.

Egremont minutes crowded out this week. Will appear next week.

## Notice to Creditors.

In the matter of the Estate of Peter Clark Moody, late of the Township of Egremont, in the County of Grey, Yeoman, Deceased.

Pursuant to the Revised Statutes of Ontario 1897 notice is hereby given that all persons or persons having claims or accounts against the said Peter Clark Moody are to send by mail postage prepaid or to deliver it to Robert Ormiston Kilgour, at his office in the town of Mt. Forest, in the County of Wellington, Solicitor for Colin McMillan of said Township of Egremont the Executor of the said deceased, on or before the

15th Day of MARCH, A. D., 1899.

their Christian names, surnames, addresses, and description, and particulars with proof of their claims, statements, and accounts and the nature of the security (if any) held by them. And further take notice that after the said 15th day of March A. D. 1899 the said Executor of the said Estate will proceed to distribute the assets of the said estate among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to such claims of which notice has been received, and the said Executor will not be responsible for the assets or any part thereof so distributed to any person of whose claim notice shall not have been received at the time of such distribution.

Dated at Mount Forest, the 6th day of February A. D. 1899.

R. O. KILGOUR, Solicitor for the Executor.

The Government is torn between love and duty. It does not want to turn down the tobacco growers of Essex county, who last year produced \$8,000,000 pounds of tobacco, nor does it want to lose the ten-cent duty on unmanufactured leaf imported, or the 25-cent duty per pound additional on the manufactured article. Yet one the other it must do. The Western growers have asked for a 50-cent per pound duty on foreign, and the Government fears to grant it, thinking it will increase smuggling and knowing it will seriously embarrass the manufacturers.—Ex.

The Queen is being petitioned by the English National Protestant Union to adopt measures to "preserve the nation" from falling back into what is alleged to be the practices of the Church of Rome. The High Church party have without doubt been departing from the lines laid down by the national establishment to such an extent as to cause a distinct cleavage in the church. This cleavage is bound to appear in parliament, as long as the church is state supported, and the gravity of the situation lies in this fact. It is felt by many that the present agitation is the beginning of the end, the end being the complete separation of church and state. It is bound to come before long. With a great body of nonconformists in both England and Scotland, giving evidence of progress and spiritual life without the buttress of State support, it is impossible but that the spirit of British fair play should assert itself, and put upon an equality all forms of religious belief or practice. The church of England is a venerable institution. Giving it continuity beyond the Reformation, it is older than even the Monarchy of England itself. More than once or twice in the "island story" it has stood for freedom against the tyranny of rulers, and its ministrations have in past times been often national benefactors. Not so always, however, and not so now, exclusively. The time is ripe for a change, and the twentieth century will not be very old before all religious bodies in the British empire will stand free from the state, and will not be less so but rather more so, workers for Him who said "My Kingdom is not of this world."

West Huron, today, Tuesday, nominates candidates for the Commons vacancy. Mr. Robt. Holmes of the Clinton News-Era is the Liberal candidate and while able on his own behalf to put up a good fight, he is to be assisted by Ministers Patterson and Forte. On the other hand, the redoubtable leader of the opposition, Sir Charles Tupper, has promised to assist the Conservative aspirant, A. B. McCallum of Paisley, is also in the thick of the fight for Holmes, and his eloquence will be a factor leading to success.

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