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DURHAM, THURSDAY, AUGUST 24, 1899.

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BAPTIST - GARDEN - PARTY!

on the beautiful lawn of Mr. B. Warner.

TO-NIGHT, AUG. 24, 1899.

Good program. Music by Band. ADMISSION - 10 CENTS

Local and District News.

Windsor Salt \$1 per bbl, at Laidlaw's. TAX RATES.—Southampton, 24 mills; Port Elgin, 20 mills.

We pay 15 cents for butter and give 20 lbs white sugar for \$1. W. Laidlaw.

Markdale Standard and Mount Forest Representative take holiday this week.

W. Laidlaw is having a genuine clearing sale for 30 days. Now for bargains.

The Mail of Saturday last copied our account of the trial in the tree-grinding case, but neglected to give credit.

Lucas, Wright and Batson.—At Durham office Mondays and Court Days from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m.

The Flesherton Advance of last week has Chap. I of "Cruise of the Ripple," which is a readable account of the editor's recent trip on Georgian Bay.

GOOD COURAGE.—In spite of the failure of past attempts, the "Bruce Oil Company," a new concern, is going to exploit Hepworth's supposed oil-fields further.

Branches of the Lord's Day Alliance were formed at Flesherton and Chatsworth at the recent visit of Mr. Jansen. Rev. Mr. Little is President of the Chatsworth branch.

THREE FIRMS.—This is the record taken by Mr. J. A. Hunter's Blackthorn in the Owen Sound races on Monday, in the 3-min. Trot, with R. Scott guiding it. Success to him.

A SOCIAL EVENING.—Friday evening last a company of about a hundred Baptist friends and others met at the home of Mr. Henry Burnet. The object was to spend a social evening with Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Boone, of London, and the Misses McKennie, of Montreal, before leaving for their respective homes.

SOME PLEASANT HOURS were spent in music and lawn games, and on dispersing the heartiest good wishes were expressed for the guests of the evening. Mr. and Mrs. Boone and family leave for their home on Friday of this week.

ALMOST A BLAZE.—Last Saturday Mr. John A. Black about 10 a. m. noticed smoke curling up at the rear of the British Hotel, and on investigating found that the fire was in a little frame annex to the stable, once used as an ice house. The fire had been smouldering for hours in the saw-dust and had just succeeded in igniting the boards of the stable, and but for the timely discovery would soon have been going briskly. A few pails of water soon removed the danger. Whether the fire is the result of boys playing carelessly with matches, or a planned attempt at incendiarism is not clear, but their is room for suspicion. Every room and corner in the old Hunter store and the hotel is open and exposed, and this we imagine constitutes a danger under the fire protection by-law which should be attended to by the authorities if the proprietors are careless.—Since writing the foregoing the mayor has taken action and instructed Chief Torry to make the premises secure by fastening up all doors and windows.

EDGE HILL GARDEN PARTY.—It would be impossible to secure incorporation for Edge Hill, yet there is a cohesion about it not surpassed, in fact scarcely equalled, in many pretentious villages. Not the least instance of this cohesion is seen in the existence of a Union Sabbath School for which all parties have a good word to say, and not a few of various denominations have a good work to point to. Last Friday evening a garden party was got up at the home of Mr. Thos. Banks, Supt. of the school, whose fine orchard made an ideal place for the evening's outing, under the dreamy light of a fine harvest moon. In spite of the busy season a large number gathered, and were very hospitably entertained, and after which Reeve Staples was made chairman and called off a program, the chief contributors to which were, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Falkingham who responded to a hearty encore, Mr. Jas. A. Hunter, Mr. Hector McKennie, Miss Johnston of Egremont, two Miss Reynolds, Mr. John Moffat and the two Durham editors. The gate proceeds were \$19.00 and the booth would increase that considerably. Proceeds, of course, go towards the school.

PERSONAL MENTION

Mr. R. D. Legate, of Ceylon, spent Sunday among Durham friends.

Mr. S. T. Orchard left an organ at the Edge Hill Grange last Saturday.

Miss Nellie Swallow returned to Toronto Monday last.

Miss Sadie Ector left home Saturday to take charge of her school in Mulmer.

Messrs. Arch. McDougall and James Allan spent Sunday in Mount Forest.

Mr. Alex. McLachlan is visiting Port Elgin and other friends this week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. McDougall and little daughter, of Williamsford, spent Sunday with friends in town.

Miss Hattie Whitmore left Tuesday morning for the North-west along with the excursionists.

Miss Maggie Munro left for Toronto on Tuesday morning to imbibe the latest in Fall Millinery ideas.

Mr. Jos. McCulloch left on Tuesday morning for Montreal where he enters on a course in McGill College.

Rev. Thos. Farr, of Atwood, was home on a visit to relatives on the Avenue last week.

Mr. Joe Irwin, of London, was a guest of his uncle, Mr. John Robertson, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Kennel, of Proton, and Miss E. Wilson, of Dromore, visited at Mr. John McKelvey's this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Clark left on Tuesday for Meaford where Mr. Clark is assuming the headmastership of the Public School there.

Mrs. Irwin, of Toronto, has been a guest of Mrs. Webber for a few days, and is visiting Glenelg friends before returning.

Rev. Mr. Morlock, of Listowel, cousin of the merchants of that name here was a guest of Mr. L. E. Morlock for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Birch, of St. Thomas, wheeled here to visit their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Christy Williams and other friends in vicinity.

Miss Ruth Johnson, of Dushan; Miss H. L. Hall, of Michigan, and Miss Johnson and Mr. Lennox, of Holstein, were visiting at D. Gredwood's last week.

Dr. Arthur Gun, Woodstock, came home Saturday last for a brief holiday. He has made his stay longer than he intended owing to the illness of his son who is, however, recovering.

Miss Allie Grant took charge of the Irish Lake school on Monday last, having modelled last year, and passed successfully at the recent examinations for a higher grade.

John Firth, Brantford, and Wm. Firth, sons of Mr. Jno. Firth, Sr., are visiting their father in his illness. Also his daughter, Mrs. Crisp and her husband, and Miss Hattie, from Rochester.

Miss Elmore Patterson left Saturday last for her home in Warton, and began teaching the Monday following in a school ten miles north of that place. "Elmore" came through her exams for second class certificate with flying colors, and we congratulate her.

Rev. Hugh Cowan, who preached very acceptably in the Pres. Church Sunday last is spending this week with Bentinck friends. He is now stationed in Chatham Presbytery, and his two sisters are teaching there. We were pleased to have a call from our one-time fellow pedagogue.

Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Buchanan, of Pelham, in the Niagara Peninsula, have been guests for two weeks with Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Matheson, Pricerville. The two reverends became acquainted some years ago while engaged in North West Mission Work, and the friendship does not grow less with the passing of the years. We were much pleased to have a call from the party while in town last Friday. Mr. Buchanan preached in Dundalk on Sunday last.

Capt. A. D. Galbraith is this week transferring all militia matters into the hands of Lieut. Snider, Hampden, as he intends leaving next week for far away Idaho. He has secured Miss M. Clark, formerly assistant in Hanover, to complete the year in his school. This is a genuine surprise, and will cause regret talents and abilities are valued. He has been a public-spirited young man and ever willing to help in any way, town institutions. His musical abilities have been highly valued in the Presbyterian Church choir, and in other directions, and a gap will be caused by his absence, not easily filled. He intends to follow dentistry in the west. We heartily wish him all success in his new sphere.

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We are sorry to learn that Rev. Mr. Duff, of Malcolm, is not much improved in health. He is at present down at Cedarville at the home of his brother-in-law, Rev. Mr. Morrison. His daughter, Mary, accompanied by Miss Stella Findlay, went down this week to see him. It is hoped that Mr. Duff may be able to come home this week. His eldest daughter, Miss Jessie, one of the teachers in Brantford Ladies' College, who has been ill down at Niagara-on-the-Lake is also expected home this week.—Chesley Enterprise.

OFF TO THE NORTH WEST.—On Tuesday morning the C. P. R. Excursion to Manitoba drained Ontario of a few thousands of our best young men who go to assist the farmers in taking off an enormous crop. Durham sent its contingent, numbering between 40 and 50 and doubtless from most stations in Western Ontario the same depleting process is going on. If, as reported, enterprising American railways are also running excursions, the possibilities are the market may be flooded. Anyway we hope to hear good reports of success attending every member of our migrating party. A number of friends were at the station to say the 'good bye' and there were a few tender partings. We give below a partial list of the travellers—ladies first: Mrs. Simpson, Miss Hattie Whitmore, Miss Mack and Miss O'Neill, Messrs Allan McKinnon—Rocky, James Allan—Normanby, John Pinkerton—Dromore, A. W. Hunt, J. W. Vickers, Neil McLean, John Dalglish, Peter Dalglish, Wm McCracken, Don Corlett, Alex. McDonald, all of Bentinck; Hugh McKennie, David and T. G. Davis, Jas. Smellie, Jno Williams, (son of coun W.) Ewea McNab, Jas Banks, David Davis, (son of M. Davis), all of Glenelg; Ewing Buchan, Wm Willis, Jas Willis, Chas. Scott, Thos Storey, all of Durham; Jno Dunnet and Wm Sirrs, Egremont; S. Caldwell, Normanby; Hugh McDonald, F. Mervyn.—Buchanan, M. McMillan. About 26 of them purchased their tickets from C. P. R. Agent R. MacFarlane, the others mostly from G. T. R. Agent Jas R. Gun. Whoever makes or loses money this traffic fattens the railways.

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1 Crescent, regular \$45, now \$35
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Presbyterian Sunday School Picnic this afternoon, in McGirr's Bush.

Lucas, Wright & Batson.—At Commercial Hotel, Pricerville, every Monday from 6 p. m. to 8 p. m.

The extreme heat of last week was agreeably broken on Monday and there have been some fine showers since 12 deg. on Dr. Hood's instruments last Saturday.

Our congratulations are due to Miss May Carson who a week or two ago became Mrs. Cameron, near Hartney, Manitoba.

All forms of scrofula, sores, boils, pimples and eruptions, are quickly and permanently cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

THE CENTURY FUND.—The Presbyterian church at its last Assembly meeting adopted the scheme, unanimously we believe, of raising one million dollars as a special new century offering. Those who have access to the August Record will see an able article on the subject by Rev. D. D. McLeod, Barrie, which he entitled "The Methods of Moses." Read it.

Mr. John Firth, of this town, is very ill at present, and very little hope is held out for his recovery. He is waited upon by his daughter, Mrs. Annie Stover, who is a trained nurse from Buffalo Hospital, and Dr. Freed, who are doing all in their power, with the help of nature to bring him round. We trust he may tide over this severe attack.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT.—Last Thursday as Misses Lizzie and Angeline Lauder were returning from the country they met with an accident which will lay them up for some time. While coming down Hutton's Hill, a road generally in a disgraceful state of roughness, one of the retaining bolts of the shaft came out, the light wagon they were seated in ran to one side, and before they could get out the wagon upset and they were pitched out with great force. Miss Lizzie has one of her legs broken at the ankle, while her sister has a like injury at the wrist which will take long to heal. We hope they may make a speedy recovery.

Soon Left Her. "I was taken with a swelling in my feet and limbs. I was not able to walk for four months. I read about Hood's Sarsaparilla and procured a bottle, before I had taken it all the swelling left me. I took three bottles of Hood's and have not been troubled with swelling since." REBECCA SIEVERS, Chatham, Ontario.

WILL IT BE BEAT?—We notice in the "Wingham Advance," brother Hall's publication, that work for the manufacture of peat for fuel has been commenced in a marsh near Listowel, 50 tons is being manufactured daily. There is very little doubt that peat is the coming fuel; in a few years at our present rate of depletion our forests will have disappeared; it will be very comfortable and convenient to have an unlimited quantity of it right at our very door. Within a few miles of this village are hundreds of acres of the very best peat soil.—Dundalk Herald.

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