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TOWN TOPICS

No one will make a mistake in calling on Mrs. John Nichol to see her beautiful line of Swiss embroidered handkerchiefs, also, buffed scarfs of the same fine workmanship.

COAT FOR SALE: Fur lined muskrat coat with otter collar, size 40, used very little. Price \$50. Must be sold by Jan. 1st. R. Burnett and Co., Durham.

Wet Weather Insurance
South Grey Agricultural Society has been granted \$307.00 as a solace for the lack of good weather at our Fall Show. This will help the Directors to meet engagements. Surely after 4 or 5 years bad weather we may look for a turn for the better in our weather fortune.

Women's Institute Meet Jan. 2nd
The first meeting of the Institute for the year will be held at the home of Miss Annie Weir, on Friday, Jan. 2nd, 1925. A paper will be given by Mrs. J. H. Harding on "Our Table in China, and there will also be an exhibit of "Something that our grandmothers wore." Mr. C. C. Middlebro' has consented to address the ladies on "What women ought to know about law." The roll call will be answered by a New Year's Resolution.

Men's Class
The New Year suggests to us the unknown road, the untrodden way. We ask ourselves, "Are we on the right road?" Next Sunday we shall study "How God guides men." He has a plan for our life, a task for each. "He made known His ways unto Moses, His acts unto the children of Israel." How does He make known His ways and will unto men in modern life? It's a big question and we would all like a satisfying answer. Come next Sunday and bring a friend with you.

Finger Ends Blown Off
Last Saturday Mr. John Firth, Edge Hill, suffered an unusual accident, when a cap which he was holding between thumb and first finger of his left hand exploded, blowing off the top of both thumb and finger, each below the first joint. He was holding it over the stove cleaning it out and it is thought some flame must have ignited it. Anyway it was quickly and simply done, and though the mishap was painful at the time, and will handicap him to some extent for life in the use of that hand, it might have resulted much more seriously. Dr. Bell and Jamieson dressed the injured digits.

Christmas Music Much Enjoyed
The Christmas Service in the Methodist Church on Sunday evening was entirely musical and the large congregation that assembled in spite of the unpropitious weather, enjoyed a splendid treat. Miss McCrae and her full choir were in splendid form—they aimed to please and they thoroughly succeeded. The Cantata rendered was entitled "The Herald Angels" by Carrie B. Adams. The music was both spirited and sweet and was so varied that there was no monotony during the rendition. There were solos for each of the parts, a trio, quartette for the ladies' voices, a male quartette and a number of choruses, all of which were faithfully and skillfully interpreted. During the interval a pleasing violin solo was rendered by Mr. Geo. Yirrs and a short address appropriate to the Christmas season was given by the pastor. The Cantata is to be repeated during the service on Sunday night.

Mail Couriers given a Holiday
With the sanction and authority of the Dominion Gov't, couriers on the Rural Routes are granted New Year's Day as a holiday. Don't look for mail that day.

FOR SALE: 2 Pure Bred Jersey Sows, 5 and 6 years old. Excellent animals in every way. Due to freshen in May and June. Piced right for immediate sale. G. E. HARRON, Phone 113, Durham.

Refuse Western fowl in New York
Fear of the chicken plague prevalent in some of the mid western States, has so frightened the housewives of New York that railroads will not ship any more geese, turkeys or other fowl there, as health inspectors have rejected many cars of poultry arriving for New York markets.

Different Success in Durham
In an effort to secure funds for equipment, Shelburne Hockey Club ran a "Euchre" in the Town Hall there. Those who attended had a good time, but there weren't enough of them, as—when the expenses were paid and the amusement tax handed over—there was a balance of exactly two cents to the good.

December Sets a New Record
December is making a record for snow and low temperature. The zero mark was reached here but east and north temperatures of 25 to 29 deg. below have been recorded. Fortunately no great drifting has taken place, but travel by automobile has given place to the jingle of sleigh bells.

How Many Could say This
Mr. Jas. McLarty, Vancouver, formerly of Bentinck, in renewing for Review, says: "We have had the Review come to our home since the first issue and would miss it very much out here. We are glad to see the names and doings of old friends mentioned in local correspondence. Wishing you a prosperous year of 1925." The Editors heartily reciprocate the good wishes.

A letter from Mr. Arch. McLeod, of Carman, Man. in part says: "We have had a very mild winter to date, with very little snowfall. We had a fair average crop in this part of the country this year and prices for all grain are good which helps out a great deal, as 1923 crop did no more than pay expenses. We are all enjoying good health this winter and enjoy getting the Review. Work is at a standstill when it comes till we get a read of it."

Still Remembered
Last week's Presbyterian Witness records proceedings at Puslinch (or Crieff) a few weeks ago in which Major Hugh MacLean and Col. J. B. MacLean, both well known in Durham of old, figured prominently. It was here their father, Rev. Andrew MacLean, labored for many years. The congregation has of late been improving the grounds surrounding the church and marked the completion by a banquet and the unveiling of a tablet in memory of Rev. Andrew MacLean. The two distinguished sons have taken a great interest in the improvements, to which they had contributed, and were the chief speakers at the banquet. The fragrance of a good and useful life still lingers in that congregation.

S. S. No. 9 Hold Xmas Program
The closing exercises of S. S. No. 9 Glenelg, were held Monday afternoon and which took the nature of a Christmas concert. Miss Marieta Park, teacher, had an attractive program prepared, as well as the school looking equally attractive with the season's bright decorations, crowned by a Christmas Tree with gifts from scholar to scholar. Mr. Wm. Weir, reeve, occupied the chair, and disposed of the program which consisted of dialogues, songs and recitations by the scholars. Mrs. Geo. Collinson also contributed a recitation. Short impromptu speeches were given by ratepayers of the section. Messrs W. Jacques, Robt. McFadden and John McGirr, while Mr. Geo. Hopkins was disguised as that prince of good fellows, Santa Claus. Miss Park received of the tree as a gift from the scholars, an ivory clock. A bounteous lunch was served at the close by the mothers of the section who were well represented at this function.

High School Commencement Draw Crowded House

As at all previous Commencements, the Town Hall proved too small Friday night to comfortably seat all who desired to attend. For some weeks past the students of the High School, trained by the lady teachers of the staff, have been preparing choruses, dances, play, etc., and they presented an attractive program, varied to a considerable extent from former years.

The play "Ici Oui Parle Français" was one of the best enacted ever presented here. The young actors portrayed their characters with marked ability and the several amusing situations which developed kept the audience intensely interested and entertained. The plot is where Mr. Spriggins (Clarence Elvidge) an old Englishman, who prides himself on the smattering of French, displays the sign "Ici on parle Français" to attract French boarders. Mrs. Spriggins (Lizze Fairlie) and their daughter Angelina (Blanch Murdoch) also favor the plan but they do not count upon the extra work developing up on the maid Anna Maria (Florence Kress) who rebels and resigns because of overwork. Meanwhile two boarders have been accepted, Victor Dubois, a Frenchman (John McDonald) and Mrs. Major Rattan (Kathleen Milne), whose husband, Major Rattan (Eric Clark) had missed the train. Dubois makes the pleasing discovery that Angelina with whom he had previously fallen in love, lives here, and gets her father very much rattled endeavoring to understand his French tongue. Major Rattan arrives and indignantly accuses Spriggins of harboring his wife, whom he learned had arrived with the Frenchman. However all ends well, when the Major and his wife are reunited. Spriggins gains a son-in-law when Angelina accepts Dubois, he vows he is through with pretending to speak French, and the maid comes back to the family since former happy conditions are being restored. Clarence Elvidge and John McDonald had the heaviest parts of the play and they handled their work with the ease of professionals.

The presentation of medals and certificates is always a feature of Commencement. Mr. H. R. Koch, of the High School Board, presented the Board's medals for highest standing Form II to Form III to Marjorie Ritchie of Edge Hill (her second medal) and for highest Form I to Form II to Seaman Havens. Principal's Robb's medal awarded to the pupil taking highest standing in Form III exams, was also presented by Mr. Koch to Gertrude McCallum. Mr. Koch explained that the medals were earnestly striven for and the fact of their being offered was an incentive to a higher standard of study. They are valued in later life, not for any monetary or sentimental worth, but as a tangible token of ability and application devoted to the best ends in their school careers.

The Entrance Medal for highest in South Grey awarded by Dr. Jamieson, went to a Markdale pupil this year, but the Public School Board's medal for highest in Durham was won by Christine Goodchild. It was presented by Principal J. A. Graham, who narrated the competition and zeal to obtain these coveted medals and stated the recipient had been a Good child in studies as well as in name.

The certificates to Form III students were presented by Mr. John Morrison, Chairman of the High School Board. A neat opening address was delivered by the chairman, Principal Robb of the High School, who spoke of the standing and attainments of the school and asked the co-operation of the parents and students in placing it in a position second to none in the province.

Openin' and closing were two choruses by the school "Up from Somerset" and "Bells of the Sea." A stately minuet dance was well given by eight senior girls who in quaint old-fashioned costumes, were the essence of dignity. They were Jean Ledingham, Margaret Anderson, Marjorie Pickering, Marjorie Ritchie, Florence McCallum, Ina Burnett, Helen Fortune and Thelma Wilson. More lively and romping was the Dutch dance by eight Junior girls—Norma Gagnon, Florence McDonald, Glennie Firth, Jean Traynor, Ellen Hay, Eunice Moon and Lizzie Hind. As an encore they gave a spirited "Jingle Bells" dance.

Specially trained for the occasion was the Alabama Warblers—eight negro boys who rendered several ditty and other airs which captured the house. The lead-off warblers were Bill Vollett and George Lavelle and in the chorus Oscar Moon, John Dunsnoor, Bill Wilson, Hugh Thompson, Clarence Elvidge and Erben Storry.

Miss Mary E. Beaton gave an entertaining reading, and Misses Marjorie Pickering and Bessie Smith, a well-rendered piano duet. John Dunsnoor was the Harry Lauder of the night, singing "Roamin' in the Gloamin'".

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In splendid voice and gestures, Miss Katherine Lavelle had a busy evening, for as well as being a capable accompanist she rendered a sweet solo. The school yell victoriously given, closed the program in nice time, about 10.30, instead of about midnight as used to be. The School will realize \$80 to \$90 clear.

THE ANNUAL WEEK OF PRAYER
Program of Topics and the Speakers Monday, Jan. 5th, in the Anglican Ch. "Christ's claim to Universal Dominion." Rev. Jas. Taylor.
Tuesday, Jan. 6th in the Methodist Ch. "Christ's Supremacy." Rev. W. H. Smith.
Wed., Jan. 7th, in the Presby'tan Ch. "Christ's Claim to our Service." Rev. J. H. Whealan.
Thursday, Jan. 8, in the Baptist Ch. "Christ's Claim on the Individual Life." Rev. J. E. Peters.
Friday, Jan. 9, in the Presby'n Church Rev. S. G. Pincock representing the Upper Canada Bible Society. He will have lantern views on Nigeria. The services will begin at 8 o'clock each evening and the offerings will be for the Bible Society.

Checker Champion to visit Shelburne
Newell William Banks of Detroit, champion checker player of America, will be in Shelburne on Friday, Dec. 26th, afternoon and evening and will play a series of games with local and visiting players. It is expected that players from Dundalk, Durham, Dromore, Creemore, Collingwood, Alliston, Erin, Orangeville, Arthur, Grand Valley, Alton and other places will take part in the contest. Mr. Banks will meet any number of players in simultaneous games in the afternoon and evening and in addition will give an exhibition of blind fold playing.

Occupied Amos and Knox Pulpits
Mr. Robt. Patton, son of Mr and Mrs Wm Patton, Flesherton, occupied the pulpits of Amos Church, Dromore and Knox, Normandy, on Sunday and delivered most appreciative and delivered messages. He is in his final year as a divinity student at Knox College and this year has charge of Espin and Cedarville circuit in Proton, coming up every Saturday night for the Sabbath services. Rev. W. J. Burnett preached Anniversary services in his charges on Sunday.

Hockey Match Saturday Night
The Hockey season opens here Saturday night, Dec. 27th, when Mount Forest's fast Junior bunch will be here to battle the Durham boys. Mt Forest are grouped with Hanover and the champion Owen Sound crew, and they have adopted as their motto, "If we win our group, we win the championship." Like Hanover, they feel they are right in Owen Sound's class, and are not afraid to claim their prowess. Durham is sure surrounded by some speedy hockey artists, but are ready to match their strength, with any of them, with bright prospects of success. "Twill be a real contest here Saturday night—come and witness it."

Horse, Injured in Collision, Shot

Returning home with a load of chop on his sleigh last Thursday night, about 6.45 p.m. Mr. Frank Murdoch was run into by an auto from the opposite direction. One of the horses received the force of the impact and suffered a broken jaw and other wounds, which necessitated it being shot that night. The accident occurred on Main Street, in the south end of the town, just opposite the big sand pile of the Durham Stone and Sand Co. Noticing the car round the turn in the road ahead of him at a good speed, Frank pulled off to the right edge of road, until one runner was off on the loose snow. Here the car crashed into his horses, the driver, Mr. Cecil Blyth not seeing the team and sleigh ahead of him, probably owing to glare of street lights. The impact reared one of the horses to an upright position in front of driver, smashed the neckyoke, broke the windshield and damaged the radiator of the car. Cecil states he was not exceeding 20 or 25 miles an hour at the time. Arthur McCabe, also of Varney, was with him. Another team was secured and Frank's horses led home but such were the sufferings of the wounded animal, veterinarian aid could not relieve it and it was shot that evening. It was a valuable eight year old best for which Frank had refused \$200 two years ago. Cecil honorably made settlement couple days after. He is an experienced and not a reckless driver and regret that the mishap occurred is expressed for both parties concerned.

PERSONAL MENTION

Mr. Don. Graham is home from Sault Ste Marie to spend Xmas with his parents, Mr and Mrs J. A. Graham. Mr Ernest McGirr, B.A., went to Toronto Monday to attend the funeral of the father of Mr Sandy Grant, a college chum.

Mr and Mrs E. D. McClocklin are spending over the Christmas tide in Toronto with their son and the former's mother and brothers and sisters.

Mrs H. Love and little daughter Margaret of Egremont are in town with her parents, Mr and Mrs J. McQueen for Xmas and will be joined on that day by Mr Love.

Mrs J. H. Moore left Tuesday to spend over the holiday with friends at Mono Road.

Miss M. Angevine has left to spend Christmas with her brother at Niagara.

Mr and Mrs J. D. Roberts and daughter Reta of Holstein are spending Christmas with Mr and Mrs Thos. Allan.

Mrs Wm Nelson and twin children, Egremont, have been visiting her parents, Mr and Mrs Wm Vollet.

Miss Jessie Whittun of Hanover is the new teacher engaged by Durham Public School Board, to join the primary staff, commencing after the New Year.

Miss Augusta McAllister of Klocke, New Ontario, is home for vacation.

Misses Margaret McKenzie, Agnes Petty, Althea and Edith Grant, May McClocklin, teachers of Toronto; Misses Edith, Alex and Mary Edge of Sault Ste Marie, St Catharines and St. Thomas respectively; Christie McGirr, Parry Sound; Ernest McGirr, B. A., Galt, and Miss Mary Bell of North Bay Normal School, are all at their respective homes for the holiday season.

Dr. C. C. Ramage, Cooksville, and J. Harold Ramage, of the Thornbury Review Herald are at the parental home for Christmas.

Mr and Mrs John Davis of Owen Sound, are visiting with friends and relatives in town.

Miss M. J. Lawrence, teacher at Warton, is spending the holidays at her home here.

Mr and Mrs Thos. Lauder and children, Hanover and Mr and Mrs Will Lauder, Welland, are spending Xmas with the parents of the two boys, Mr. and Mrs T. G. Lauder.

Rev. W. W. Prudham, D. D., of Drayton and formerly of Durham, has received an invitation to the College Avenue Methodist Church, Woodstock, subject to the approval of Hamilton Conference next June.

Dr and Mrs D. B. Jamieson on Thursday night last, were host and hostess to a pleasant bridge party. Nine tables were in play and guests from Hanover were Mr and Mrs F. Roe and Mr and Mrs Huether.

Miss Eula Burnett, Royden Burnett and Albert Kress of the Western University, London and Martin Lauder of London Collegiate, are home for the Christmas vacation. Miss Florabel Nichol, 4th year, Toronto University, is also home for the season.

Messrs Rex McGowan, Lance and Clarence McGirr, Frank McIlraith and Earl Fisher were a carload of Durhamites who attended the hockey match in Owen Sound Friday night last between London and Owen Sound Juniors. Score 4-2 in favor of London.



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Every item was rendered in a very pleasing manner and showed the painstaking training of the committee of lady teachers who had the program in hand. Before separating, the children of the Sunday School were given boxes of candy and nuts as a little token of Christmas.