

PRICEVILLE A N D VICINITY

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Mr T. A. M. Ferguson went to Toronto Monday as a delegate to the Ontario Teachers' and Ratepayers' Association held there this week.

Mr and Mrs H. B. McLean motored to Toronto Monday with their daughter Doris, sister Olive and niece Helen Bowes, who were all home for the holidays.

Mr and Mrs Clark, a son and two daughters and a Mr Brown, motored here from Toronto and spent Easter with Mrs Clark's cousin, Mrs S. McDermid. They returned on Monday, their daughter Una, remaining for a few days.

The Easter services at St Columba United were largely attended and highly appreciated in both sermons and music. The anthems by the choir "Christ the Lord is Risen" in the a. m. and "Love Divine" in the p. m. were excellently rendered in their catchy rhythm. The choir was augmented on this occasion by Misses Vicky McMillan and Louise Watson of Shelburne and Beeton respectively, the former playing for a fine duet by Mrs H. B. McLean and Mr. Jas Milne in the a. m. in fine voice and harmony and in the evening service Miss Watson sang with sympathy "Aloft." Mr Jas Milne contributed "Open the gates of the Temple" in fine voice and form. Altogether a most pleasing and excellent service.

Mr G. McTaggart is employed in improving the fencing around various properties here and needless to say, is making a fine job of the wire stretching.

Priceville School Report

(Winter Term)

Lower School: Murray McMillan, Anna McEachern, Jack McKechnie, Jean McLean, Annie McKechnie (F), Frances McEachern (F), Jewel MacArthur (F), Jean McLachlan (F).

Upper School: Monica Lambert (H), Walter Aldcorn, Charlie Aldcorn, Eida Fook, Donald Reilly, Sadie Carson, Margaret Nichol, Jack Carson: Best

Speller—Monica Lambert.

Jr IV—Margaret MacArthur, Marjorie Everist, Alex Stonehouse, Neil Aldcorn (F), Hazel Bender (F), S. Carson (F), Gordon Teeter (F), Best Speller—Alex Stonehouse.

III Class—Cameron McLean, Mary Mather, Wallace McDermid, Wilfrid Fook, Geo. McLean, Kathleen Burnett, John McVicar, Donald McArthur.

II Class—Anna McLean, Donald Aldcorn, J. D. Teeter, Catherine McVicar, Lloyd Bender, Cameron McLean.

I Class—Donald Carson, Violet Stonehouse, Norman Barker, John McArthur Mayne Teeter.

Sr Primer—Isabel Mather, Frances Bell, Nellie Meechan, Joe Turnbull, Lauria Turnbull, John Burnett, Eileen Burnett, Alex MacVicar, M. McLean.

Jr Primer—Vera Pinkerton, Dick Carson, Tom Aldcorn, Waldo Stonehouse, John McArthur, Douglas Turnbull.

No. on roll 59: aver. att'ce, 50 Peter A. Johnston, Principal (Mrs) A. McLachlan, Assistant

Farewell Presentation to Mrs. H. B. MacLean. A large and appreciative audience turned out Tuesday night to the tune of considerably over one hundred strong, appreciative of the musical quality, sociability, kindly willingness in every good work and general worth of Mrs H. B. McLean in whose honor the meeting was held in view of her approaching removal to Toronto. The meeting in charge of the Y.P.S., was opened by the President, Miss Marion Muir by devotional exercises, after which a short program was given, awaiting the arrival of the honored one from Toronto.

Messrs W. W. Ramage, Thos Weir and Jas Milne each contributed solos, Jno Russell a humorous skit, Albie McInnes and W. McKechnie on violin and organ respectively and Miss Grace Ramage a piano solo. Both instrumental selections were enjoyed and responded to freely.

Mr John L. McDonald of Ottawa, spoke on sociability among young people and dilated on the desirability of just such qualities as were observable here to-night. He expressed his pleasure at being with them on this occasion, when an old friend was being honored.

The evening wore on and at last the company were rewarded by the appearance of Mrs McLean, who was received with hearty applause. Car trouble had delayed her arrival, but all was forgotten in the happy hour which followed.

The following address was read by Miss Hilda McKechnie and a presentation made of a silver tea service and a cut glass sherbet set. She replied appropriately and feelingly.

The address was spoken to in the order named by W. W. Ramage, Mrs Parslow, Farquhar Oliver, M. P. P., Rev. S. G. McCormack and J. M. McGillivray, all voicing appreciation and pleased to pay tribute to the honored guest. A happy social hour

was spent and Auld Lang Syne closed the meeting.

Following is the address: Dear Mrs McLean,—

The members of the Young People's Society and choir take this opportunity of spending an evening together in your honor.

It was with the deepest regret that we heard that you were going away. You have given unstintingly and willingly of your talent in songs in public worship and in the social activities of the church and your cheerful spirit has always been an inspiration to all who have been privileged to work with you. We have appreciated your willing help more than we are able to express in words and we take this way of showing in part our feelings toward you.

We hope that happiness and success go with you to your new home and with all our hearts we wish "That each day may be a milestone Along a pleasant way."

With a song and a smile at every turn And a friend not far away" Signed on behalf of the young people and choir.

Marion Muir, Pres. Y.P.S. W. Ramage, choir leader

PRICEVILLE & GLENELG

Sunday was an ideal day and afforded opportunity to all churchgoers to be in their pew to listen to good discourses, sociability, kindly willingness in every good work and general worth of Mrs H. B. McLean in whose honor the meeting was held in view of her approaching removal to Toronto.

This Monday a. m. 18th April, has a summer like appearance. The farming community in general taking out their seed drills and the present day users have a narrow idea of the manner in which their grandfathers sowed in handfolds. Keeping time with hand and step. We are reminded of the words of the Psalmist that in earth a handful of seed is sown, with promise of a good yield at harvest time. The oxen and stones and the old ill fed oxen are pushed along by using the old beech persuader to urge them along.

We have noticed for some time the criticisms hurled at our lady member of South Grey. All sides said and did was in good faith but there is no one perfect. She might make unintentional mistakes. We are told in holy writ that there will be wars and rumors of wars and nations will rise up against nations and these events must be made in training the young men for to be prepared in case of war. See Matthew 24, chap: 6, 7.

What an enormous salary for Mr. P's at \$75 a day. What a contrast to the teacher who got only \$500 a year for 10 months—only \$50 a month. But we are not casting any reflections on our good lady, Mr. P. she did make a motion to reduce the salary to pay she would only be hooded down as on previous occasions. So grit and tory all agree that \$75 a day is good pay.

I notice the death of an old Priceville boy, Robert Ferguson of London Ont at 75 years of age. Mr Ferguson was born and reared in Priceville. For a time he taught public school and later was one of the high school teachers in O. Sound. When a young lad he helped his father who was a pot ash maker in Priceville. He and from that old time work became one of the noted citizens of London, by being coroner for about 20 years. The writer knew the young lad from childhood. On one occasion he heard two men talking in English at his father's door. He quickly ran in and told his mother two men were cackling like hens outside. Because they were not talking Gaelic, he thought it cackling. But as years passed away, he forgot his mother language, the Gaelic. In this vicinity Mr. Ferguson has cousins, a beloved nephew, reed, Durham Road Glenelg; Mrs. Nichol and Miss McLachlan on con. 2, East Gar. Road, Glenelg, the family of the late John Robertson, formerly tailor of Durham, and other friends, who will join with us in sending condolence to the bereaved and family.

Sorry to hear of the illness of Mrs Campbell Sr. of the North line. We hope the good old lady will recover from her ailment.

We extend condolence to the late Mr Neil McLean's family of Durham in the death of a beloved nephew and father. The old matriarch while the youth may, but death is no respecter of persons. We also send condolence to the family of the late Mr Anthony Lawrence. We often in many years experienced the kindness of Mr and Mrs Lawrence and family when on our way to Glenelg. Pleas'd to hear Mrs H. Greenwood of the Durham Road is getting well again after her long illness. She was carefully nursed by Miss Margaret McLean of Lambton St., Durham.

Rev. Mr Sutherland of Priceville, will be leaving next week for his new appointment in the lower Province. Many teachers will enjoy the Easter holidays at their respective homes and elsewhere.

We notice fall wheat having a good appearance. Fall ploughing is getting pretty hard and dry, and takes an extra stroke of the cultivator to make it fit for sowing.

That was a good history of Durham given by young Miss Grant in last week's Review.

ZION

Mrs Jackson and son Bob, attended the funeral of Mrs J's aunt, Mrs. Dean, of near Galt, Sat Wednesday. Mrs J. Atkinson of near Durham, is visiting her daughter, Mrs J. R. Edwards.

Messrs Wilbert and Arch Greenwood spent the first of the week in Mt Forest.

Mr and Mrs Ivan Edwards, Shelburne, spent Good Friday with his parents, and Miss Mina Edwards returned with them Friday evening.

Mrs Will Timmins is returning home this Monday after her operation in Durham Hospital a few weeks ago. Miss Jean Clark is spending this

week with her cousin, Miss Blanche McKechnie, Glenelg.

Misses Jennie Davis and Gladys Firth spent a day last week with Mrs Harold Lawrence, North Egremont.

Miss Catherine Timmins is visiting this week with friends in Durham.

SCOTCHTOWN

Mr and Mrs P. J. Haley visited at Mrs M. McMillan's Sunday evening. Miss Flora McMillan returned home after nursing her sister, Mrs Lawrence McKeown who has been ill with grip the past couple of weeks.

Miss Velma Carter is visiting at her home in Owen Sound over the holiday.

Mr and Mrs Hugh McInnis, Guelph are visiting over the holiday with Mrs W. H. Arrowood.

Mr Jno. Morrison, Toronto, holidayed with his sister Mrs P. J. Haley Messrs Walter and Frank Dunbar, of Toronto and Detroit are visiting their parents, Mr and Mrs Jas Dunbar, 4th con.

Congratulations to Mr and Mrs H. Beaton on the birth of a son.

Mrs O. H. Shepherd and daughter Eileen returned to their home in Toronto to the last of the week.

Mr and Mrs J. J. Black visited at E. J. Sullivan's Sunday.

HOPEVILLE

Mr Wm McEachnie had the grader at work last week and made a very marked improvement on the roads.

Messrs Robt. Stewart and Fred Christie have exchanged their old cars for better ones.

Mr and Mrs Chas Wale entertained their friends an evening last week.

Mrs Chas Wale was in Toronto on Tuesday last.

One of Mr Ainslie McPhail's fine boys' team got so badly kicked it had to be shot.

Mr Geo. Gilkes' house now occupied by Mr Jno. Bittorf nearly fell in a fire in the chimney.

The timely assistance of neighbors saved the building and the real cause of a war while that war is proceeding. There was a huge indemnity exacted from China after the Boxer rebellion, amounting to 67,000,000 pounds.

MR. YOUNG (Weyburn): Will the hon. member permit a question? In the opinion of the hon. member, Canada would never be able to defend herself while trying to be in a position to defend herself?

Miss MACPHAIL: No, I do not think so. But I think that if Great Britain had been as anxious about her Christianity as she was about the opium—not all of Gt. Britain but the ruling faction—China would not have to defend herself while trying to get rid of something harmful to her own people. Who gave us the right to trot around the world settling the difficulties and quarrels or imaginary difficulties of the different countries? I have often wondered about that.

It was not at that time that the 5 per cent customs tax was imposed, but rather that the foreign powers undertook the administration of the Customs after the Boxer rebellion. They collected the customs and used the money thus collected as a guarantee of the indemnity turning the surplus over to whatever governmental body they chose. By controlling the customs they controlled trade; they would not allow an increase in that tariff. Fancy how the hon. member for Frontenac-Addington (Mr Edwards) and the hon. member for Kingston (Mr Ross) would feel if U. States controlled our customs tariff and would not allow us to raise it higher than 5 per cent.

The hon. member for Kingston had said in his voice when he said that in my letter and I stated that living conditions in the factories were horrible. At this point I wish to quote at some length from the Globe, even at the risk of wearying the House: I do not weary it very much. The Globe is now very much interested in my letter and I want to recall the things I printed in earlier days. The Globe of March 5, 1923, contains the following:

"A hopeful sign in China is the demand of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce in Shanghai for higher standards of human welfare in industry. The chamber urges all firms and factories to employ no children under 12, to permit one day's rest in seven and to safeguard the health of the workers by limiting working hours, improving sanitary conditions and installing safety devices for machinery."

Then I come to the incident of the shooting of the Chinese students: this was just a year ago, and I think we can recall it. The Chinese students were protesting by a peaceful parade against conditions to be found in Japanese factories and they were shot down by Indian Police on the orders of British officers. The Indian police certainly would not have shot them down had it not been for the orders of their officers, so I think I am not very far from the truth when I say it was the British police. I was in error however, and I very gladly accept the correction. An inquiry was made into this shooting incident, because the Chinese made a charge that they had been shot down, which charge was found to be substantiated in a very long account which is to be found in the London Times of June 16, 1925.

Much more recently than that however, the anti-national forces in China as recently published in the new Leader of Feb. 6, 1927, shot down those who were opposed to them. Sir Percival Phillips writing to the Daily Mail of which he is correspondent, describes the happenings in the following words:

"The executions have been terribly inhuman. Pickets and agitators including ignorant coolies and spec-

Miss MacPhail Justifies her Letter

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der date of Dec. 22, 1857, I find the following: 'When we steamed up to Canton and saw the rich alluvial banks covered with luxuriant evidences of unrivalled industry and natural fertility, I thought bitterly of those who for the most selfish objects are tramping underfoot this ancient civilization.'

On December 9 he wrote: 'Nothing could be more contemptible than the origin of the existing quarrel. . . I have hardly alluded in my ultimatum to that wretched question of the 'Arrow' which is a scandal to us, and is so considered by all, except the few who are personally compromised.'

"Canton doomed to destruction, through the folly of its own rulers, and the vanity and levity of ours." On August 30 he wrote:

"This abominable East: abominable not so much in itself as because it is strewn all over with the record of our violence and fraud. And under the date of Nov. 6 he wrote:

"In our relations with China we have acted scandalously."

In regard to the Boxer rebellion, it is said I should have guarded myself by saying that it was really a civil war rather than a rebellion. How could it be a civil war with foreign powers backing one faction and exacting very heavy indemnities from the section whose army was defeated? I cannot see why we should call it a civil war, it is as true to say that crossing sacred ground with railroads aroused the Chinese people to anger as to say that the Boston tea party was the cause of the American revolutionary war, or that the greasing of bullets with cow fat was the cause of the Indian Mutiny, or that slavery was the real cause of the Civil War. There is no doubt that the Chinese were ignorant and that they did not understand the real causes of the war, but I may say to this House that the people of any country never understand the real causes of a war while that war is proceeding. There was a huge indemnity exacted from China after the Boxer rebellion, amounting to 67,000,000 pounds.

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tailed students, are quickly beheaded wherever they are found intimidating schoolmasters or scattering Cantonese leaflets. A runner is sent to summon the "execution patrol" which comes up with the headman swinging the bare blade. The culprit is forced to his knees as the soldiers keep the crowd back. A moment later his head is being fastened to a wooden cage, which is all ready and is nailed to a pole for the contemplation of the populace."

Further on the New Leader which is the official organ of the Labour party in England says and the words are in italics:

"This would not have happened if the British forces had not been massed at Shanghai."

I think I am only stating a fact when I state that Russia wisely withdrew and gave up her concessions, I said that did it wisely. I do not think she did it from virtuous motives: she made a virtue of necessity. I have an article here which was published in the Weekly News published in Winnipeg, Man., March 25, 1927 in which this statement is made:

"Russia was shrewd enough to make a virtue of necessity and gave up her privileges to China while the other powers were holding tight to theirs. Naturally the Chinese appreciated this move."

"Germany's privileges in China were taken away from her by the treaty of Versailles. As a consequence, tho' before the war Germany was probably the most unpopular western nation in China, German trade was thriving in that country, while British trade is at a standstill, and even American commerce seriously embarrassed."

I want to quote just one more paragraph: "The moment Western powers gave up special privileges and base their intercourse with China on commercial grounds, there will be an end to drives and boycotts and China will trade most with those who best meet her economic needs. Such at least is the doctrine of European Liberals."

I said in the letter that I wish Canada, which is a member of the League of Nations, would protest against the breaking of the peace of the world, or taking a chance at breaking the peace of the world, by the action of the powers in China.

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