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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor of the Review:

Kindly permit me through the columns of 'Review' to express a little comment regarding funeral occasions as in our little vision we see it. We attended recently the funeral of a respected citizen, whom we are sure rested his hope in God. Previous to the beginning of the service, the undertaker requested all who wished, to move around to the front door, which was responded to heartily by the large crowd of friends and neighbors of deceased. Now, Mr Editor, in our humble way of thinking, we have always contended that if there is any place where a minister should excel it is at a funeral where you will see people attend, some of whom may never enter a church door, at it was on this occasion and where all the circumstances tend to cause men to stop and think.

While we do not advocate eulogizing the dead, yet for the sake of the living, where the life of deceased would justify holding up as an example, we believe it is pardonable making a simple personal application to all within hearing tends to cause man to remember for puny man is so prone to forget fact which our Saviour understood, judging by the numerous times in the Bible we are warned to remember that we too are frail and mortal.

In this instance the service was very good—away above the average, yet from urging a personal warning, it lacked somewhat, lifting men up to God. We do not offer this little comment in a criticizing mood but rather in the spirit of helpfulness, and if small, practical suggestion, "Observer"

CRAWFORD

Visitors at Mr Andrew Hastie's on Sunday were Mrs Brown and J. D. Mrs J. Doble and Frank Bobzener, Owen Sound; Miss Christine Bobzener, R. N., Toronto and Mr and Mrs Russel Galbraith, Chatsworth. Mr and Mrs Robt McCallin and family, were guests of Mr and Mrs Arthur Redford, Haberneth, Sunday. Mr Wilbur Anderson with mother and sister Miss Mabel, visited recently with Mr and Mrs Wm Corlett, of Sullivan Tp.

Mr and Mrs Will Campbell and Mr and Mrs Frank Twamley, with their families, were visitors Sunday with Mr and Mrs Harold Lawrence, Egremont Tp.

Mr and Mrs Edgar Boyce and children, motored to Cruikshank Tuesday evening, to attend a reunion of the Fiddis family, at the home of Mrs W. MacDonald (nee Daisy Fiddis).

Anniversary Entertainment

Tuesday evening, Oct 18, Crawford church was again filled for the anniversary entertainment. The pastor, Rev Mr Heenev was chairman and opened the program with hymn and prayer. The following excellent numbers were given: Two vocal selections by the Elmwood quartette, solos by Mrs Galloway, Miss Ina, Dolphin and Miss Annie Smith; recitations by Gordon Mervyn, B. A., Miss Irene Curtis and a dialogue by Mr. Ernie Brigham and Miss Mildred Henderson; mouth organ and guitar music by Harvey Smith. Splendid addresses were given by Rev Galloway, Mr Gordon Mervyn and Mr John MacDonald. On behalf of congregation, Rev Mr Heenev expressed their appreciation of the assistance given them by all those who took part in the program, as well as the Mulock and Lamliash people who so kindly withdrew their church services the Sunday previous. At the close, lunch was served.

ROCKY SAUGEEN

Mrs Geo. A. Turnbull (Sr.) of South Bentinck, spent last week with her brother, Mr Wm. Hill, who has been in poor health due to the after effects of having teeth pulled which were affected with pyorrhea.

Mr and Mrs L. McLean spent a day this week with the latter's sister, Mrs Neil Livingstone, Glasgow.

Mr and Mrs Lance Rumble and son Bobby, also Mr and Mrs Anderson, all of Toronto, were guests with Mr and Mrs Robt. Lawson, for a few days last week.

Mr and Mrs Bert Barber of Varney visited one day last week with Mr Wm. Hill.

Mr Allister Lawrence, Tilbury, is spending his vacation at his home.

Mrs George Scheurmann is spending a few days with her brother, Mr Wm. Hill.

Mr and Mrs Malcolm McKechnie and daughter Joan, were guests recently with friends in Hamilton.

Rocky Saugeen U.F.W.O. Club

The monthly meeting of the Rocky Saugeen U.F.W.O. Club met at the home of Mrs Nicholas Melosh. There was a good attendance of members and several visitors. The meeting opened in the usual way. Roll call was answered by "Something to be thankful for." After the usual business was dealt with, it was decided to hold a social evening at the home of Mrs Angus McArthur on Nov. 4th for Club members and their families. After community singing and question drawing, Mrs Robt. Lawson gave a humorous reading. Dr. Royden Burnett was present and gave a talk, which was both interesting and instructive. The next meeting which is the annual meeting, will be held at the home of Mrs T. Young. After the meeting adjourned, Mrs. Melosh

and assistants served a dainty lunch.

Rocky Saugeen W.M.S. held their Thankoffering in the church on Oct. 7th, with a large number of ladies present. Mrs John McKechnie conducted the meeting; Mrs J. Boyd read the scripture lesson.

Miss Christie from Holstein was present and spoke from the 9th chap of John—the blind man restored to his sight. Her address was very inspiring and contained many beautiful thoughts. A vote of thanks was tendered her at close. Mrs Vessie sang a solo, "If ever I love Thee, my Jesus tis now." Mrs G. Boyd closed with prayer.

HAMPDEN

We are sort of handicapped on account of service in getting out our budget of items in this remote corner, that we have almost forgotten we must move still a little faster and forget about Blue Monday and be thankful for the many blessings we have.

October 10—Thanksgiving, passed off quietly in this district.

Mr Elmer Martin's threshing outfit from Hanover is moving out this Monday after being in and around for the past two weeks and more. The belated buckwheat and flax prolonged the job as the midnight showers sort of dampened the grain making the stook threshing rather a catch operation.

Born, on Monday, Oct 10, to Mr. and Mrs Albert Kraft, a son.

Messrs J. Burrell and C. Rudolph, Hanover, were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs E O Hickling.

Mr and Mrs Wilbert Blyth, Varney, visited with Mrs Sharp recently.

A few from this part attended the funeral on Saturday of the late Jas. Turnbull.

A number of the farmers around the Corners are taking their surplus apples to Molke, to have apple butter made for winter consumption and are well pleased with the sample they get in return.

Potato pecking was in order last week. Some have fair crops while others blame the exceeding wet season for the diseased ones.

The blizzard that visited us last Wednesday was just a little previous warning of winter—we think.

AMONG THE CHURCHES

PRESYTERIAN W. M. S.

The October meeting of the Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church, was held at the home of Mrs J. H. McFadyen, the Mount Forest W.M.S. as their guests.

Mrs Patterson, the president, opened the meeting with hymn 571. Mrs Cummings, Mt Forest, led in prayer. The scripture lesson was read by Mrs Kellar, Tim. 1. Mrs Patterson then voiced words of welcome to the Mt Forest ladies. The life of the late Dr Caroline MacDonald was given by Mrs Grant. A scripture verse on Thanksgiving was the response to the roll call. Mrs T. M. McFadden sang a beautiful solo. Mrs Armstrong sang a solo. Mrs Armstrong attended in Toronto. She asked if our Society would share in the aid of the Budget deficit and Extension fund of the church. The members consenting, Mrs Burgess was appointed the key-woman. After the singing of hymn 423, Mrs Derby led in prayer.

The meeting was brought to a close by repeating the Lord's Prayer in unison. Tea was served by Mrs McFadyen and her assistants.

QUEEN ST Y. W. A.

The Young Women's Auxiliary of Queen St United Church met at home of Mrs M. Steinacher on Oct. 13. The meeting was presided over by Miss Kathleen Milne and opened with the usual devotional exercises, followed by a paper 'Spirit of Home Missions' by Miss K. M. Firth. Miss Margaret Storey gave a reading on 'Thanksgiving.' Interesting articles on 'Missionary and Maintenance work in Canada were read on Newfoundland and Maritime provinces by Miss Annie Campbell; on Quebec by Mrs. Davis; on Ontario by Miss Abbie McLean and on B. C. by Miss E. Kinne. Miss Myrtle Lawrence gave a fine paper on 'The New Day,' taken from the story book of Korea. A talk on missionary wives in India, was given by Mrs N. A. Stauffer. Mrs. Almaek closed the meeting with a few words of prayer. Mrs Steinacher served lunch.

KNOX W. M. S.

The W. M. S. of Knox United Church, met in the schoolroom of the church on Thursday, Oct. 13. Mrs J. Mather presiding. The meeting opened with Hymn 140 and the Lord's Prayer in unison. After business, the bible reading, Psalm 72, was taken by Mrs Mather. Mrs Allan offered prayer and Mrs A. H. Jackson read the Devotional Leaflet 'The Woman of Tact,' Abigail, the wife of Nabal. The roll call was answered with a text on 'Praise.' The topic 'His Dominion of Canada' by Rev Edmund Oliver, was in charge of Mrs Robert Macfarlane, Mrs McIlraith and Miss McGirr. Miss McGirr gave the introduction to the subject; Mrs Macfarlane spoke of the author and Mrs McIlraith on 'Our Heritage' and of those men who had first introduced Christianity into our land and made the work so much more possible for us to continue. Hymn 648 was sung and Mrs John Bell closed the meeting with prayer.

First Six Ministers to Latona (Dornoch) Congregation



James Cameron, William Graham, Archibald McDiarmid, W. W. Aitchison, John Little, N. A. McDonald

75 Years of Church Life at Latona

(Owen Sound Sun-Times)

The history of Latona Presbyterian Church, Dornoch, dates back as far as that of the community itself. The early settlers found themselves isolated from other settled parts for the country to the south as far as Ferguson was a wilderness and as far north as Owen Sound. Some of the early settlers chopped a clearance for a road, way as far as the Lime Kill Hill, O. Sound, and the Garafraza was opened for travel about 1846. The very earliest settlers were John Jessman, John McIntosh, John Smith and Joseph Byers. These families settled before 1842 and were joined the next year by George and John Skene. New families arrived in the district every summer and by 1857, the year the church was erected, the following families were represented: Corlett, Campbell, Morrison, Ledingham, Duncan, McClung, Riddell, Robertson, McDonald, Murray, Blue, Boyle and Henderson. These hardy pioneers endured many hardships and privations in erecting their homes and clearing the land. They missed the church of the "home land" and though they had neither pastor nor place of worship, they did not neglect the family altar. In 1848 services were held each Sabbath under the leadership of Jas. Ledingham, assisted by James Smith

at whose home the meetings for a time were held. They were carried along the same line as the Sunday School, with old and young attending. Classes were organized with Alexander Smith and George Ledingham assisting in the teaching. At some of these meetings, Mr J. Ledingham read a sermon and for those who appreciated the Gaelic language, Mr Smith led in a Gaelic prayer. Occasionally a missionary visited the field and this was a day of great rejoicing.

In the year 1850 Mr McPherson, a young man from Antrim, Ireland, conducted services at home of Wm Buchanan, north of Williamsford and the following summer he conducted services at Dornoch, Latona School and Tobermory, at the home of Mr Boyd. Mr McKinnon, a missionary to Owen Sound, occasionally visited the field and the Presbytery of Hamilton considered working these two stations together, but no action was taken.

The cause was growing and it was felt the work should be better organized. The union of Rocky Saugeen and Sullivan South was contemplated, but owing to the fact that a central site was not agreed upon, this proposition was dropped. At this time, 1856, a cause was growing very rapidly to the north at Johnstown, now Chatsworth, and they were looking for a settled minister. Representatives of the two mission fields met and agreed to unite and form a new congregation. A petition was presented to the Hamilton Presbytery on July 14, 1857, asking that the work be organized and for the privilege of calling a minister. A committee of Presbytery was appointed to visit the field and report back. At the Sept. meeting a Rev Mr Inglis who visited the field asked the Presbytery to appoint an interim moderator to ordain elders and moderate in a call. Rev A. McLean of East Puslinch was appointed to the work. In November a very unanimous call was presented, in favor of James Cameron, a graduate student of Knox College. As Mr Cameron desired to return to Scotland it was agreed to defer his induction until his return. Mr Cameron was inducted into the charge of Johnstown and Sullivan South on Feb. 16, 1859.

Under Mr Cameron's able leadership the congregation grew rapidly and in 1867 it was found necessary to enlarge the church at Sullivan South. The congregation at Chatsworth had become strong enough to support a minister and feeling that they needed all the minister's time to look after their growing work, they petitioned the Owen Sound Presbytery for separation. This was granted and Mr Cameron was given his choice of field of service, he deciding to remain in Chatsworth. At the time of disjunction Presbytery recommended that the Sullivan South church be known as Latona Presbyterian church. This was agreed upon at a congregational meeting upon motion of David Dunn and Francis Boyle.

After the separation with Chatsworth, Williamsford and Latona formed a charge until 1880, when this union was dissolved and Rocky Saugeen became the other point in the charge. After a long vacancy, the Rev Archibald McDiarmid was called in 1874 to lead the congregation in spiritual things. That year the manse was built at Dornoch. Mr McDiarmid started the weekly prayer meeting. Under his able leadership, the congregation advanced greatly. Mr McDiarmid was followed by Rev. John Little, who was called from the graduating class of Knox College in 1893. During his pastorate the W.P.M. Society became the centre of new religious interest and all departments felt the impulse of new life when the Y. P. Society was formed. Rev. Wm Graham was the next called and inducted. During his pastorate the new church was erected, and stands to-day as a fine tribute to the labors of pastor and people. The corner stones were laid on June 30, 1901, by Rev Dr Somerville, Owen Sound and George Ledingham, Sr. Rev R. P. Mackay, Toronto, Mr. Graham resigned in March 1903 and Rev W. W. Aitchison was called to the work. After a pastorate of two years, Mr Aitchison accepted a call to the West. Rev N. A. McDonald then became pastor of the congregation and during his leadership the congregation celebrated the jubilee services of the church. Mr McDonald remained as pastor until 1910. He was followed in the work by Rev N. Stevenson, 1911 to 1913. Rev Mr Sillars was the next pastor and during his period two important events took place. First the building of the tower at the front of the church in 1920 as a memorial to the one who gave his life on the battle field and as a tribute to the boys of the community who served in the Great War. The second was the vote on church union, when the congregation voted to remain true to the "faith of their fathers." Mr Sillars resigned in June 1925 and the congregation found themselves face to face with readjustment. The charge remained intact but other congregations needed strengthening, so Rocky Saugeen linked with Durham while Latona, Williamsford and St. Andrews, Chatsworth, formed a charge.

Rev W. A. McWilliam was called in Sept. 1925 and gave four years of valuable leadership during the period of adjustment. The present pastor, Rev J. R. Greig was ordained and inducted April 22, 1930.

Gaelic and English services were conducted during the pastorates of Mr Cameron and Mr McDiarmid, but 75th anniversary, a Gaelic service was held at Latona. At this 75th anniversary, a Gaelic service will be held in honor of the early settlers who helped to found the church and build it. There are a number of original families in the congregation who can still "talk the two talks."

Latona Congregation Make History

(Continued from Page 1)

Monday night's social function and fowl supper put a finishing touch to the 75th anniversary. It was a reminiscent night and early pioneers and their struggles were recalled by their sons and grandsons. The committee were fortunate in having with them on this occasion, several of the "old boys" of the church, Rev. R. B. Ledingham, Weston; Cameron McIntosh, M. P., North Battleford; Dr. J. L. Smith, Durham; Rev T. Mills, a former pastor, now of Shelburne. A letter was read by the pastor, Rev. J. R. Greig, from James Home Cameron, Toronto, son of the first minister of the church, conveying greetings and recalling happy memories of early childhood. The aforementioned "old boys" all gave reminiscent speeches and commended the present generation to abide in the faith of their forefathers, who "have made the desert to blossom as the rose." Mr Angus McIntosh, teacher, and a grandson of the earliest Dornoch pioneer, gave a wonderful resume of the section and its citizenship. Mr Wm. Smith of the present Session, in detail, gave a resume of the former pastors and elders of the church.

Rev. Mr Armstrong, Durham, conveyed greetings of the Durham congregation.

Musical selections were given by Owen Sound and Durham talent. Mr Boorman of St Andrews' Church, O. Sound, rendered solos, as did also Messrs Colquhoun and Dedrick; trombone solo, Mr Wagborne, all from O. Sound. From Durham were soloists, tributed by Mrs T. M. McFadden and Miss Elizabeth Harding and a solo by Rev. Mr Greig.

\$50 were the receipts of the Sunday services and \$100 on Monday night.

Bentinck Council

Pursuant to adjournment, Council met on Oct 3, members all present, excepting Mr Turnbull. Communications were received and read. Letters from railway companies asking that council relieve them of keeping cattle guards at township crossings.

McCaslin—Bailey: That we as a council, do not consent to the removal of cattle guards at railway crossings of Bentinck, Car.

McCaslin—Grierson: That sheep claims be paid to Chas Bailey, 1 sheep \$8; W Wright, insp, 150; S. G. Hopkins, insp, \$1.50. Car.

Grierson—McCaslin: That all accounts, including voucher No. 8, as presented, be passed and cheques issued by treasurer. Car.

By-law No 159, providing for nomination, election and officials was read and passed. Nomination Day, Friday, Nov 25. Dep. Returning Officers and poll clerks:

No. 1, H R Riddell, Jas. Walsh; No. 2, Donald McLean, Dan McLean; No. 3, W G McCulloch, T. Milligan; No. 4, And. Park, Douglas Donnelly; No. 5, Jas. Fursman, Ed. Rehkopf; No. 6, Doug McDonald, Jno. Glave; No. 7, W. Henderson, D. J. Hewitson; No. 8, Geo Wright, Mark Mervyn

McCaslin—Bailey: That a by-law be introduced to submit to the ratepayers at the regular municipal elections the question of continuing the present system of road construction and maintenance or reverting to statute labor. By-law No 160. Car.

Grierson—McCaslin: That by-law No 160 be read a first and second time. Car.

Bailey—McCaslin: That bylaw No. 160 be read a third time and finally passed. Car.

Accounts paid: Jas Hewitson, weed insp. \$3.75; One meeting council \$12.50; D. J. MacDonald, com. \$1.25. Voucher No. 8

Pay Sheet Accounts

Percy Ledingham \$102.70; Archie Watson \$29.60; Lawson Hopkins \$24.50; Joe E. Purvis 26.80; Ferd Breutigam \$20; Wes. Carlton 36.80; Nor. McDonald 22.40; Philip Schmidt \$23.40; Geo Alexander \$27; Herb Schmitt \$6.80; Geo Mervyn \$21; Wm A Patterson \$9; Nelson Redford \$3.15; W. Bemann \$14.90; F. Twamley \$12.30; Chris Wiermier \$10.60; W N Campbell \$73.20; Jas Stinson \$15; S. C. Vickers \$28.30; F. Schmitt, \$39.20; P. Krauter \$19; Elmer Hatton \$10; D J Hewitson \$10; Norman McDonald, bridge \$12; Doug. Hastie, drawing tile \$3; Hy Patterson, Hopkins' bridge \$278.30; H. Patterson, salary, \$72; Jno. Mills, gravel \$8.40; Wes. Charlton, gravel \$7; J. White, gravel 30c; Alex Campbell, gravel \$3.50; T. Stinson, gravel \$1.50; Jas McEoughall, gravel \$2.10; W J McNaughton, tile \$30; Joe Dirstein, tile \$14.40; Ingot Iron Co., tile \$46.60; Jas Crutchley, wire fence \$3.75; D A McDonald, wire fence \$23.25; Chas Klages, wire fence \$9.75; Geo Hastie, wire fence \$6.25; Con Cotter, wire fence \$20; Herb Cross, cement and pipe \$295.98; H M Hazlett, wire and nails \$4.03; H M. Hazlett, spikes \$1.60.

Council adjourned, to meet Monday, 14th day November for general business.

J H. CHITTICK, Clerk

The outbreak at Porcupine Penitentiary proves that there is an unsatisfactory condition of affairs existing there. Prisoners are prisoners and should have the same equality.