

LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Found—A fountain pen. Tribune office.

Beautiful, warm, spring weather set in on April 21, but it didn't last.

Mr. Wm. Malloy has received an invitation to a dinner to be given in June at Toronto University. He was a student there back in 1870, graduating in arts that year.

Last week Ab. Brown sold his farm of 80 acres on the 9th concession of Whitechurch, (Bloomington), occupied by Douglas Booth, to Mr. Louis Tindall of Altona, for \$7,000.

A number of people through habit no doubt, continue to place revenue stamps on cheques of \$5 and under. This is a mistake, only cheques for amounts exceeding \$5 require the government stamp.

The attention of our readers is called to the automobile page in this issue, bearing special announcements from several of the firms selling medium priced cars in this territory. See page 7.

A. E. Booth, whose farm adjoins Stouffville, sowed a field of spring grain on Thursday afternoon last week, and thereby established a record for being one of the first local farmers to get started on the land this spring.

In the Tribune's report of the United Church congregational meeting it stated that Mr. Geo. Dowswell was elected as one of the stewards. This was an error. The item should have included the name of Mr. A. E. Booth who was elected to this office.

The entertainment given under the auspices of the Public Library by the Victoria Square Dramatic Club in Ratcliff's hall on Friday evening last was very successful from every point of view. The audience completely filled the hall and followed the program with intense interest from the opening of the play to the end of the entertainment. "The Old Codger" is a real good play with an interesting plot and some fine character delineation, particularly that of the Old Codger, himself. Where all those who took part in it did so well it would be invidious to mention the acting of anyone in particular. The other artists also made fine contributions to the program. The contralto solo singing of Miss McCague was greatly enjoyed. Miss Marguerite Brown, the elocutionist, is especially good in her interpretation of the eccentricities of childhood, and Mr. Edgar Wall, accompanying himself on the violin, was a great favorite, particularly with the younger folk in the audience. The Victoria Square Dramatic Club have made such a reputation for themselves in Stouffville as will ensure for them a full house should they come again.

The chilly weather which set in over the week-end had a very discouraging effect on our sick people, who are longing for warm, sun-shiny days.

The household effects of Mrs. Ab. Hisey which was to have been held at the home, half mile east of Altona on Saturday last, was postponed owing to the heavy rainfall that day. It will now be held on Saturday, May 1st, rain or shine under cover.

The Ringwood Garage which recently went into the manufacture of automobile batteries, is meeting with good success with their new low-priced battery. The firm is reliable and stand behind their guarantee, which should be an added advantage to local purchasers of batteries. The Ringwood Garage is being remodeled inside.

The stretch of road on Main st. in the vicinity of the Presbyterian church which is always rough every spring, is particularly bad this year, and is scarcely fit to travel over. When will action be taken to properly fix this bad spot?

This is the time of year when more damage can be done to lawns than can be repaired during the whole season, by people who carelessly trample across the lawns leaving foot prints deep and muddy, that the householder finds it hard to fill up. The sod is easily broken and the grass roots destroyed. Take a minute longer and keep to the paths for the sake of future beauty.

A travelling show struck town last week and played at the Auditorium for two nights, this being the second company to hit here this spring. Mr. Garnet Eckardt, a talented musician on the violin was one of the performers, being a member of the former Eckardt-Bell Ringers, so well and favorably known through here a few years ago. One of the chief attractions in last week's show was the work of Kuba, the hypnotist. By way of advertising he put a lady member of their company to sleep under hypnotism in Lewis' store window at noon hour on Wednesday, and she remained there until 9.30 in the evening. On Thursday one of the troop was again placed in the window going through the performance of turning out a washing, at which he labored harder than any nigger for over three hours. Several town boys participated in the first nights performance and judging from street talk, provided the main part of the night's performance. Since their experience under this spell Bur Hill has decided to join the fire brigade, and the entire quartette of Fred Morden, Allan McConnochie, Harry Yake and Wilbur Hill, may qualify as experienced speelers at the Toronto Exhibition Mid-way.

Charles Barkey, reports that he has bought his brother William out, and will handle the orchard in connection with the farm located at Altona.

What about the annual clean-up week, which the council inaugurated last year? Surely it was popular enough to be repeated. April 24th was observed for this purpose last year.

There was the usual market last Thursday with prices still weakening for farm produce. Butter sold at from 33 to 35c. according to quality, and eggs went at 23c. or 25c. for stamped ones. Buyers stated that the egg market may go still lower.

The electric fixtures including the two electric pillars at the entrance to Stouffville's new post office building are now installed, and the building is practically completed and ready for occupancy, excepting for the placing of the interior fittings. So far they have not yet arrived in town and we understand the factory has not completed turning out the order.

J. Yake, Jeweler and real estate agent, wishes to announce that he is now in shape to receive customers at his new stand over Button's hardware—or rather at the old stand. Watches, clocks and jewelry repaired properly. Being of a lazy disposition he prefers more sales in real estate than other lines of work, but will endeavor to keep up both branches. He also has some genuine bargains in watches and clocks. He's at home any old time, so call at your leisure. There's a comfortable chair waiting for you.

At the Junior Farmers' Judging Competition held at Newmarket last week, fifty young men and thirty-two young ladies participated. Among the winners were Miss Della Steckley of Stouffville district who came seventh, and Miss Winnifred Nichol of Gormley, 10th, in the entire class of 32. Miss Jean Stouffer of Ringwood won fourth prize in class 2, Nutrition, and Miss M. Snider of Vandorf, third in sewing class. In the aggregate standing in the junior boys' classes Floyd Steckley came first, Murray Clendenning third, and Norman Steckley fifth. Each of these boys were awarded a silver medal donated by Warden Pearson.

On Tuesday of last week the second sale of the household effects of the late Annie Brillinger was held at Bethesda which completed the auction of one of the biggest sales of household dry goods ever held in Whitechurch. Among the chief items of sale was a large pile of quilts on which skillful needle work had been done. While their were probably fifty or more of these bed covers, every one was disposed of at prices from \$1.50 to \$8 each. Some of these were estimated to be nearly 70 years old, but had never done any service. Among the relics of furniture was a sideboard estimated to have been made 140 years ago, having once been in possession of Miss Brillinger's grandmother.

Mr. Byron Beebe, said to be the oldest smithy in this part of the country still actively engaged at the work, is back at the forge again after being laid up with influenza for a couple of weeks. It is just 50 years this summer since he embarked in the blacksmith game, and he has wielded the hammer in this behalf continuously until the present time. Thirty-four years ago he established his present shop in Stouffville, and is therefore, perhaps the dean of the local business men. In all his experience, handling hundreds of horses from the high spirited rancher to the old nag whose carcass was about as dead as a bone yard, Mr. Beebe was only deceived in an animal once and was kicked in the leg that time. But, as he explains, he was young and "green" then. His friends are glad to see our townsman back at his accustomed place again.

Some towns are troubled with petty thieving, and it evidently is far reaching enough to interfere with the millinery establishments. The Walkerton Times tells of such an experience. In that town when it says: "Considerable pilfering has been going on among the stores of Walkerton and the guilty parties seem to have been getting by with impunity. Very recently two young girls from the neighboring concessions stepped into Best's ladies' wear store here and during a time when the management was in the rear waiting on a customer they annexed a ready-to-wear hat apiece and walked off without going through the formality of paying. The matter was reported to the police, but rather than put the girls to the publicity of a trial, the management of the store undertook to get a quiet settlement of the affair which culminated in the young ladies walking in on Wednesday of this week and settling for the annexed headgear. Others who have been pulling off similar stunts, however, may not fare so well if caught later with the goods."

**AUDITORIUM THEATRE
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FRIDAY and SATURDAY

April 30th and May 1st

HOUSE PETERS, in "RAFFLES"
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Comedy—"Teaching for Revenge"
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Chapter 2 of the serial "Perils of the Wild" "The Flaming Jungle"

Trout fishing opens on Saturday.

Special Sale of Millinery for Friday and Saturday of this week. Mrs. M. E. Watts.

Toronto returns to daylight saving time on May 2nd. Time pieces will be advanced then by one hour in the Queen City.

B. E. Beebe has taken over the agency for Wilkinson plow shears and plows, formerly held by late N. E. Smith. Full stock of points on hand.

Owing to the large patronage last Sunday, the Stouffville-Toronto bus service required to large busses to handle the heavy passenger traffic on the return trip in the evening.

The Stouffville Band has been engaged to furnish the music for the Richmond Hill Spring Fair on May 24th. Some effort should be made to secure suitable uniforms for our band.

Mr. John Urquhart received a telegram last week-end informing him of the death of his brother, Hector Urquhart, who was killed in an accident. At time of going to press no further information had been received concerning the nature of the accident.

Mrs. Jas. Hand is mourning the loss of her brother-in-law, Robert Taylor, beloved husband of Charlotte Mahaffy, who died on Sunday at his late home in Toronto. The funeral took place to Brampton cemetery on Tuesday. The deceased was quite well known in town, having visited here on many occasions, and general regret is expressed at his passing away.

According to changes in the summer time-table just issued by the Canadian National Railways there is not likely to be any noticeable change on the local line. It was hoped that the company would see fit to place a gas or electric car on this line, and a deputation from Uxbridge which waited on the officials last fall, were given some hope of this; but according to the changes this is not to be. No effort, it seems, is to be put forth, to counteract the business lost to the local railway line by reason of the bus service inaugurated between Stouffville and Toronto.

Mrs. H. Hodgson of Church street south, was called to Toronto last week owing to the illness of her sister, Mrs. Mary Clark, who passed away on Saturday in her 87th year. The late Mrs. Clark was born in Pickering, a daughter of the late James Middleton, one of the pioneer settlers of the district. Upon her marriage to the late Alex. Clark, they located in the Grand Valley district where they created a homestead. After half a century there they moved to Vancouver early in the present century, where they remained until Mr. Clark's death in 1907. Since then Mrs. Clark has resided in Toronto. Mrs. Clark was a member of the Latter Day Saints, and is survived by eleven children, forty grandchildren, and 22 great grandchildren. She is also survived by three sisters and three brothers, namely, Mrs. Spears of Claremont, Mrs. Geo. Bowers and Mrs. H. Hodgson of Stouffville, Jas. Middleton of Orillia, John of Toronto and George of Toronto, Sask. The funeral on Monday took place to Whitevale cemetery.

In the death of Ann Williamson relict of the late Milton Kester on Saturday afternoon, April 24, 1926, Stouffville's oldest citizen is dead, for Mrs. Kester was in her 93rd year. She was a bright, active woman until a couple of weeks prior to her death, and was able to read the newspaper without aid of glasses. After her marriage to the late Milton Kester who died 29 years ago, she resided on the farm east of Stouffville now occupied by Milton Harris. To them were born four children, but only two survive, both widowed daughters, Mrs. A. Reesor and Mrs. S. B. Hoover. She is also survived by nine grandchildren and eight great grandchildren. The late Mr. and Mrs. Kester retired to Stouffville from the farm 31 years ago and built the house in which both of them died, adjoining the public school. Mrs. Kester is the last of a family of seven children, and the funeral from the late home on Tuesday afternoon was largely attended by many of the older residents of the town who were acquainted with the deceased in her more active days. She was a Methodist in religion, and the service was taken by Rev. H. S. Warren.

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A meeting of all interested in baseball for this season is called for Monday evening, May 3rd, in old council chamber at 8 p.m.

Joseph P. Downey, fifteen years superintendent at the Ontario Hospital, Orillia and known throughout the province, died on Monday.

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