

News From Eastern Ontario Points

Gananogue

(By Our Own Correspondent.) Dec. 27.—There will be no election here as the mayor, reeve, deputy reeve, five councillors, school trustees and water works commissioners go in by acclamation as the other nominees failed to file their declarations of qualification. One Councillor will have to be elected later. Out of the twelve nominated only five complied with the law, and were declared elected by acclamation. The other one cannot be even chosen until the first meeting of the new Council which will have to issue an order for another nomination meeting. Two of the old Council have dropped out, Charles K. Wright and George K. Taylor. The personnel of the Council for 1916 will be: Mayor—Fergus J. O'Connor, M.D. Deputy—David Duling. Council—William J. Wilson, Councillors—James H. Carr, Francis Keyes, George Dowsley, Geo. S. Cowan, and William Pratt. Water Commissioners—William Edwards, Jr., J. Arthur Jackson, George Toner and John Paul. School Trustees—Charles A. Watt, E. P. Wright, and J. A. Jackson. A Co., 59th Battalion, had a most excellent spread for dinner and supper on Christmas day with enough left over for all day Sunday and then some for Monday. Capt. W. L. Grant, O. C. A. Co., 59th Battalion gave an excellent address at the evening service in St. Andrew's Church yesterday and was greeted by a large attendance. Active service in the military centres has furnished a large number of holiday visitors in Gananogue. Among them are: Keith Donevan, Barrie; Douglas Ryan, Toronto; Douglas Peck, R.M.C., Kingston; Major S. A. McKenzie, O.C., 32nd Battery, Kingston; Charles A. Peacor, Robert Benson, Michael Dillon, John Baker, John Pelow, Frederick Brennan, Wilfrid Lalonde, Walter Truesdell, and others. The halls of learning and other educational institutions have also furnished their quota: Miss Kathleen Boyle, teacher at Sheaville; Miss Marcella Phillips, pupil of St. Joseph's College, Leamington; Miss Agnes Johnston, of the teaching staff of Queen's; Kenneth Johnston, student of Queen's; Nellie Lake, teacher Sudbury public school; James Bevins teacher at Maple Grove; Pearl Webster teacher Front of Leeds and Lansdowne; Alice Smith, Ottawa Normal School; Leonard Thompson and Sadie Anglin, Peterborough Normal School; Hazel Wilson, Varsity, Kathleen Kirke, teacher near Delta. In recognition of her services in training those taking part in the sacred cantata, "Santa's Christmas Bargain," the Young Ladies Bible Class of Grace Church presented a beautiful pearl and gold handled umbrella to Mrs. C. H. Haines. In the different churches of the town, five programmes of Christmas selections were rendered throughout yesterday. William Haines, Oshawa, who is visiting relatives in town, rendered a splendid solo in Grace Church yesterday at the morning service. A number from this section attended the silver wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. DeWolfe at Lansdowne on Friday evening. The following are holidaying here for a short time: R. B. Beaumont, Toronto; Ross and Clarence Pennock, Toronto; Susie McKellar, Montreal; Edward Root, Ottawa; Elsie Kenny, Montreal; John London, Montreal; J. Henderson, Montreal; Mrs. Ralph, Osgoode. Out of town for the holiday season are Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Scott and family and Mr. and Mrs. George Scott and family at Sunbury, Oscar W. Sheets and family at Kingston,

Henry Beaverstock at Montreal, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Jackson, Perth. Dec. 28.—Sergeant Bugler Thomas R. Willis of the 75th Battalion, Toronto, a former solo cornetist in the Citizens' Band, is spending a short fortnight with local friends. Deputy Reeve William J. Wilson attended the nomination meeting for the Front of Leeds and Lansdowne township in Lansdowne yesterday afternoon. The township would like to have the affair go by acclamation but Lansdowne wants the reeve elected by ballot. Mr. and Mrs. William J. Webster, Trenton, and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Webster, Syracuse, N.Y., who have been spending the past week with local relatives, left for home yesterday. The Mission Band of Grace Church, in charge of Miss A. Maude Green, is furnishing the entertainment of "A" Company of the 59th Battalion at the Grace Church recreation room this week. One of the local medical practitioners has made the estimate that there are over a thousand persons laid up with colds at the present time. Lieut. MacDowell, recruiting officer of the 156th Leeds and Grenville Battalion, is meeting with quite fair success in this section. So far about twenty are wearing the yellow sleeve band of the regiment. Mrs. John B. MacMurphy suffered a paralytic stroke at the family residence, Stone street, on Christmas night and has been in an unconscious condition ever since. Very slight hopes are entertained for her recovery. Rev. P. F. Sinclair, Toronto, will conduct both morning and evening services in St. Andrew's Church on Sunday next. Rev. George W. and Mrs. Dustin, Lanark, are spending a short time in town with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William T. Dustin, Garden street.

DIED IN ERNESTOWN.

She Had Spent Her Whole Life in Township. Odessa, Dec. 27.—Mrs. Absalom Stover, Odessa, passed away on Dec. 12th, after several weeks' illness. Her maiden name was Lovina Hartman. She was a highly respected resident, who had spent her life in Ernestown; her age being seventy-four years and six months. Deceased was a member of the Methodist Church, and died as she lived, a true follower of Jesus Christ, in whom she commended herself hours before her death, waiting for the Master to call her home to be at rest. She was a good neighbor and kind friend. Besides her adopted son, she leaves two others to mourn her loss, Mr. L. Hartman, of Camden East, and Mr. S. D. Hartman, of Ernestown. Her husband and son predeceased her several years ago. The funeral service was conducted at her residence on Dec. 14th by her pastor, Rev. Mr. Barnes, Odessa. The remains were taken to Camden East to await interment in the spring.

POSTMASTER AND WIFE CELEBRATE

Golden Wedding Of Millbrook Couple Fittingly Observed. Millbrook, Dec. 28.—Mr. and Mrs. William Vance celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. Of the family only one son, Mr. Arthur Vance, of Winnipeg, was unable to be present. For forty-eight years Mr. and Mrs. Vance have been residents of Millbrook. For more than forty years Mr. Vance has been postmaster. One son, George, senior judge of Simcoe county, and four daughters, Misses Allie and Lottie, at home, Mrs. Elliott, Fort Erie, and Mrs. Calling, Toronto, were present. On New Year's day Mr. and Mrs. Vance will hold a reception.

THE DISTRICT NEWS

CLIPPED FROM THE WHIG'S MANY BRIGHT EXCHANGES.

In Brief Form the Events in the Country About Kingston Are Told—Full of Interest to Many.

Miss Letta Scriver, organist of the Methodist Church, Newburgh, was giving a linen shower in view of her coming marriage to George Paul. Mrs. S. Holden, Calabogie, sustained serious injuries one day last week by falling down the cellar stairs. Two injuries were broken and the knee cap injured. The Camden Township Liberal-Conservative Association has been organized thus: Reeve, Thomas J. Cook; Deputy Reeve, H. Armstrong; Wardens, Herbert Wagar, James Warner and Capt. Johnson Hannah. A County Medical Association has been formed, to be known as the Lennox and Addington Medical Society, with the following executive officers: Dr. Cowan, President; Dr. Vrooman, Vice-President; Dr. Macaulay, Secretary-Treasurer; Dr. Campbell, Dr. Mabey.

MOST PECULIAR CASE

Looking For Place For Griffith Man Gone Insane.

Pembroke, Dec. 28.—A case which shows that even under the wise provisions of our laws hardships are inevitable came under the observation of the Observer last week. A young man named Aubrey, who for about a year conducted a pool-room in Pembroke, but who for some time past has been living at Camel Church, in Griffith township, after a day's illness last week became mentally deranged and it was found necessary to remove him somewhere for treatment. Not being familiar with the law, his friends took him out of the municipality without any committal papers which would admit him to an hospital for the insane, and when they reached Calabogie the authorities there refused to have anything to do with the case and advised taking him to Ottawa hospital. This they did next day, but he had been only half an hour in the hospital when he became violent, and it was found necessary to remove him to the police station. The authorities there, finding that he came from Renfrew county, then ordered that he be removed to Pembroke, because this was the county to which he belonged. Word ahead that they were coming, and on arrival here were met by the Chief of Police, who had orders not to permit them to leave the station, for the town had several times lately been called upon to bear the expenses connected with the removal of insane persons from other parts. Ignorant of the law, their feeling when they found that this was a welcome-awaits them here can be imagined. They could not return home—a twelve-mile drive from Calabogie—with their patient in such a condition, and where would they had been travelling with him practically two days and two nights in a country the boasts of its civilization, and yet they could find no place for him or no authorities to take action.—The man had taken absolutely no nourishment from Tuesday until Friday, and his condition was somewhat alarming. They were almost at the point of desperation, when some townspeople went to them in the station and after endeavoring in vain to have something done here advised them to take him direct to Kingston next day. They had no papers, but in any case they would be in the course, determined that they would not return with him. They started Saturday morning, but as yet we have not learned what difficulties they encountered there or whether they succeeded in gaining admittance for him to Rockwood Hospital.

30,000 Aliens Interned on Isle of Man

There are almost 30,000 aliens of military age interned on the Isle of Man, all men, and they are being supported by the Government at an approximate cost of 10 shillings per capita weekly. Elaborate camps, with modern sewage systems, have been constructed, and a beginning has been made in educating the shops, where idleness can be turned into industry. In time all the interned aliens may be brought here. There are almost 4,000 at Alexandra Palace in London still. There are no longer any interned at Primley, near Aldershot. There are still many thousands of Germans and Austrians who have not been interned, and all have a chance of appearing before a tribunal established for the purpose of deciding whether internment is desirable. They were intended to be repatriated with their Home Government through the American Embassy, which still maintains two men at the former home of Prince Lichnowsky, in Carlton Terrace. For many months these two men have been Edward G. Spence and Leonard G. Littlefield, of Providence, Rhode Island. The agitation calling for the wholesale internment of enemy aliens which a part of the London press carried on most vigorously last year, has now died down, and there appears to be general opinion that the Home Office is not handling this difficult problem fairly and successfully.

SURNAMES WHICH INDICATE TRADES.

Curious names of obsolete trades are to be met with in medieval records. Some obsolete names of trades survive in surnames, such as Webster, Lister, Walker. In the fourteenth century the weaver was known as the "webster," the dyer was the "lyster," and the workman who trod the cloth in the dye-vat was the "dyer." The "arkwright" made the arks or chests in which clothes or meal were stored, and the smith was frequently dubbed the "faber," this latter being one of the rare cases in which the Latin translation of a craft has become a common name. When the "coteler" had forged an edged tool the "blomster" finished it off, or put the bloom on the "chapman" traveled with goods from door to door, and the "coke" baked coals and sold them.

CHURCHILL'S STICK.

One of Mr. Winston Churchill's greatest treasures is the gold-mounted cane that was given him by King Edward as a wedding present. Once Mr. Churchill, when staying in Paris, left the cane in a railway train. It cost him a lengthy telegram and a big fee for a special messenger to recover it.

A GARDENER PEER.

Lord Redesdale, whose memoirs are arousing so much attention in Britain, is one of the greatest living authorities on horticulture. He is responsible for the present state of the gardens at Buckingham Palace which work he took up at the special request of King Edward.

FOA IN BURMA.

Most of the tea raised in Burma is pickled and eaten as a condiment.

Henry Pignon and Mrs. N. P. Fleming were united in marriage on Dec. 22nd at Belleville. W. W. Adams was elected Reeve of Newburgh. New Year's Cards. Uglow's.

SUPPRESSED PAPERS.

When Offices Have Been Raided for Seditious Utterances.

The recent suspension of the London newspaper, The Globe, has caused a sensation throughout Britain. Under a regulation of the Defence of the Realm Act dealing with the circulation of seditious utterances, and military authorities raided that newspaper office and put an end in the meantime to the activities of the old-established journal. At the height of the suffragette agitation in this country, about two and a half years ago, the police suppressed The Suffragette, the official organ of the militant suffragettes. More recently the authorities prohibited the insertion of certain articles in a labor paper. In January, four years ago, a publication entitled The Liberator was seized in Sobo. This was published in the interests of the anarchists. The suppression of the journal was followed by the arrest of the editor on a criminal charge. Four years before that a raid was made on newspapers in a somewhat similar paper which was published in the East-end of London. The journal was called The Red Flag of Anarchy, and while it was confiscated no arrests followed.

On the Continent it has been quite common and the editor published the insertion of information considered to be contrary to public policy. In official-riden Germany it was the rule for certain newspapers to be provided with men especially chosen for the purpose of insuring them. These men nominally acted as reporters, but made a business of going to prison. Prosecutions for insulting the Kaiser were of quite a common occurrence. One of the most remarkable cases of the suppression of a paper in Britain was in 1881, at the time of the assassination of the Czar, Alexander of Russia. Although the paper was published in London, it was printed in German, under the title of "Freiheit," and had a considerable circulation amongst anarchists of the Continent. Its editor was a man named Johann Most. The "Freiheit" glorified the hideous crime which had been perpetrated in St. Petersburg, attempting to whitewash the assassins. Moreover, it strongly advocated that similar disposal of other reigning monarchs. Our authorities considered that the publication of such a paper was against the interests of civilization, and so it was suppressed.

Most was arrested and placed on trial in connection with a very long series of crimes. He was found guilty, and sentenced to imprisonment with hard labor for sixteen months. After his imprisonment he sought refuge in New York, where he died. The "Lord Sahib." The late Sir George White was wonderful in the way of taking exercise, and when Commander-in-Chief of India used to run his staff off their legs when going for exercise round the various roads in the neighborhood of Simla. There is a tunnel by which the main road goes through the hillsides at one spot, but it is so narrow that a policeman is stationed at each end to keep the traffic going alternately one way or the other. On the occasion of a large garden-party, according to Sir Robert Baden-Powell, in his book, "Indian Memories (Jenkins); when all the rank and fashion of Simla in their rickshaws were about to pass through the tunnel, the policeman stopped them and held up the traffic, for the new had spread that the Lord Sahib was coming through. The "Lord Sahib" is the title given by the natives both to the Viceroy and to the Commander-in-Chief. Everybody waited expectantly to see one or the other of these magnates riding through with all his glittering staff, instead of which there came from the tunnel a single, solitary figure—a tall, thin man in a singlet and breeches, standing in more senses than one, and not a little startled to find himself in the presence of Simla's society, collected as it to receive him. It was Sir George White.

WIFE FOR TWENTY SEELLINGS.

A Newfoundland Dog Was Thrown in to Make a Bargain.

It was long a popular belief among the farmers in England that if a man sold his wife at public auction such a sale had all the legality of a regular divorce. The latest case of the kind on record occurred in 1832. John Thompson, a farmer, had been married for three years and he and his wife agreed to separate. Thompson brought his wife into the town of Carlisle and by the bellman announced he was about to sell her. At midday Thompson placed his wife on a large oak chair with a rope of halter of straw about her neck. He then made this announcement: "Gentlemen, I have to offer to your notice my wife, Mary Anne Thompson, otherwise Williams, whom I mean to sell to the highest and fairest bidder. It is her wish as well as mine to part forever. "She has been to me only a jorm serpent. I took her for my comfort, the good of my home; but she became my tormentor, a domestic curse, a night invasion and a daily devil. "I speak truth from my heart when I say: May God deliver us from troublesome wives and frolicsome women! Avoid them as you would a mad dog, a roaring lion, a loaded pistol, cholera morbus, Mount Etna, or any other pestiferous thing in Nature. "Now I have shown you of her dark faults and failings, I will introduce the bright and sunny side of her, and explain her qualifications and goodness. She can read novels and milk cows, she can laugh and weep with the same ease that you could take a glass of ale when thirsty. Indeed, gentlemen, she recommends me of what the poet says of women in general: Heaven gave to women the peculiar To laugh to weep, to cheat the human race. "She can make butter and scold the maid, she can sing Moore's melodies and plait her folds and caps; she cannot make rum, gin, or whiskey, but she is a good judge of the quality of each from long experience in buying them. I therefore offer her, with all her perfections and imperfections, for the sum of fifty shillings. "The woman was finally sold to one Henry Mears for the sum of twenty shillings, and a Newfoundland dog, Man and wife parted in perfect good temper, Mears and the woman going one way, Thompson and the dog another.

Some of the coffee substitutes were curious. Some consisted of one hundred per cent of roasted oats, including chaff. It was sold as coffee substitute. The sweeping of the barn-floor after threshing would make this mixture. Most of the substitutes contained, of course, chicory, also roasted peas, and other roasted grains. They were called substitutes, and for those who like that sort of beverage, these substitutes would make the very beverage they like. On the whole, too, evaporated apples were found to be satisfactory, but some samples contained too much water, and others stood the test well, but some of the lime juice was below the standard. To Run Lights All Winter. Beginning with the winter of 1916-17, the Marine Department proposes to have lighthouse keepers remain in the principal lighthouses on Lake Huron throughout the winter to keep the lights burning as a guide to vessels coming down from Port Arthur as late as possible in the season. Every possible provision will be made for their comfort. The last of light-keepers of this season have left their posts several days later than usual. New Year's Cards. Uglow's. The death took place at Prescott on Monday of F. Leslie. He had been ill for a few days of pneumonia. He was about sixty years of age and leaves a wife and family. Samuel G. Spence, an Arnprior carpenter, has been for some time working on a new kind of artillery shell. He now has it sufficiently perfected to place it before the military authorities. It is reported at Salonika that King Constantine has asked Venizelos to become premier of Greece. The War Office reported the destruction of two small German posts in the Riga district. Prince Egon Hohenlohe Schillingfurst, son of the former German chancellor, is dead. British troops continue to pour into Salonika.

FOOD ADULTERATION.

Department of Inland Revenue is Doing a Big Work.

The Federal Department of Inland Revenue that collects the excise duties on spirituous and malt liquors and on tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes, manufactured within the Dominion, is also charged with detecting the adulteration of our food products, and of punishing those guilty of adulteration. Considerable is done in the work of detection. Laboratories are maintained at a number of places where samples of foodstuffs are analyzed, and the record of this work fills a large blue book issued annually by the Department. Something is done in the work of detection, but comparatively little in the work of punishment. Following up detection by the punishment of violators of the law. Adulteration will not be stopped until adulterating has been made an unprofitable business by the imposition of fines upon the guilty persons. What measure of success has attended the work of detection can be ascertained by a perusal of the report of the Department recently issued. For instance, take ground ginger, a simple article of seasoning, wholesome, agreeable, and in almost universal use. What did the inspectors of the Inland Revenue Department find with respect to this article? In the Inland Revenue District of the Eastern Townships fifteen samples of ground ginger were analyzed, and six were found adulterated—that is, forty per cent, which is bad enough. In the District of Montreal fifteen samples were also examined, and seven were found adulterated, which is worse still. In the District of Kingston fifteen were examined, and all except one were pronounced genuine. In Toronto all were found genuine, and Victoria had as good a record. The law now requires that honey should be honey, that is, the product of the work of bees operating upon the nectar of flowers, but honey is adulterated by feeding the bees cane sugar, and the inspectors find many samples of extracted or strained honey not up to the mark. Against some sample examined the inspectors wrote: "Ash high; is not honey"; "Excess cane sugar; is not honey." Heavy means for the sum of twenty shillings, and a Newfoundland dog, Man and wife parted in perfect good temper, Mears and the woman going one way, Thompson and the dog another.

Dr. Alex. W. RICHARDSON Having been requested by citizens to accept the nomination for Mayor for 1916 has consented and requests all citizens who believe his election would be in the best interests of the city to give him their vote and hearty support.

Your Vote and Influence Respectfully Solicited for Mayor For 1916 J.S.R. McCann TO THE ELECTORS OF FRONTENAC WARD: Your vote and influence is respectfully solicited to elect me as alderman for one year term.

John King FRONTENAC WARD To the Electors: Ladies and Gentlemen,—I respectfully solicit your votes and influence to elect me as alderman for the three year term. GEO. CLARK WRIGHT. VICTORIA WARD. Vote for PERCY B. CHOWN. Alderman for Victoria Ward.

Victoria Ward TO THE ELECTORS: Ladies and Gentlemen: I have endeavored to serve you faithfully to the best of my ability for a number of years regardless of politics. If my course has some where near your expectations, respectfully solicit your votes and influence to elect me. C. J. GRAHAM. Rideau Ward For Alderman. Dr. C. C. Nash VICTORIA WARD TO THE ELECTORS. Having been requested to serve as Public School Trustee, I further respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

JOHN MACGILLIVRAY. To the Electors of VICTORIA WARD, Your vote is respectfully solicited to elect me as your representative of the Board of Education. J. F. MACDONALD. JOHN M. PATRICK Sewing Machines, Umbrellas, Suit Cases, Trunks, repaired and re-fitted. Saws filed, knives and blades sharpened, Razors honed. All makes of Firearms repaired promptly. Locks repaired; Keys fitted. All makes of Lawn Mowers sharpened and repaired. 149 Sydenham St.

WAR WILL BE DECIDED

IN FRANCE, IS LOVAT FRASER'S OPINION

The More The Germans Lure The Allies Away From France The Better They Serve Their Own Purpose Guard Egypt First. Lovat Fraser, in Daily Mail. First, I have urged again and again in these columns that, for a naval Power commanding the seas, the key of the East is Cairo, and the key-hole is the Suez Canal. Egypt and the Canal are for us, and therefore for our Allies, far more important than the Balkans, or the Dardanelles, or Constantinople, or Baghdad. I have scoffed at the people who have talked so much and so anxiously about our prestige in the East, of the character and foundations of which they seem to know nothing whatever. Let me tell them that for us, at this juncture, our prestige throughout the East, to its most distant islands, will stand or fall, not by failure or success at the Dardanelles, not by adventures in the Balkans, not by a minor thrust at Baghdad or in Syria, but more than anything else by our ability to hold the Suez Canal. The Suez Canal is our jugular vein. We must hold it or we are undone. Fail to hold it and to make it impregnable against attack and you will have trouble in India to-morrow, dismay throughout Australasia,

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and the instant collapse of our prestige in the Far East. Had the war so shaped itself at the outset that we decided not to use the Mediterranean route, the position would have been different. But having held the Canal different for sixteen months, we must run no risk of peril there now. Here, then, I venture to suggest, is a guiding principle upon which all our decisions regarding the Near East should turn. It does not necessarily mean a modification of our policy at the Dardanelles, or at Salonika, or on the Tigris, or anywhere else. These are matters on which I do not propose to offer any opinion. I am well aware of the submarine question and all that it implies. I only lay down this one consideration, which I believe to be the key to all our other problems.—Guard Egypt first, and let all other problems be dependent upon the guarding of Egypt.

SAY THEY ARE ON BRITISH BLACKLIST.

U. S. Mercantile and Manufacturing Concerns Assert They Are Suffering Losses.

London, Dec. 28.—Many American mercantile and manufacturing firms doing business in Great Britain are said to be suffering losses due to a "blacklist" which they assert the British Government maintains against neutral industries suspected of having affiliations with Great Britain's enemies. Official circles admit that firms suspected of actual trading with the Central Powers or their allies are the objects of suspicion and liable to meet with discriminatory treatment; but it is denied that simply because an American firm may have German stockholders it is placed in the same category as organizations which are known or suspected to be trading with an enemy country. It is indicated that such treatment would be quite impossible of enforcement without great injustice, for scarcely any large industrial organization is without stockholders of varied nationalities. Some of the American firms which are suffering as the result of the alleged quiet boycott complain that they are the victims of commercial blackmail levied by British rivals. One firm which already has suffered grievously has tried in vain to present the "blacklist" to the Government, protesting against the nature of the accusations against it.

"For Coughs and Colds," Gibson's Red Cross Cough Syrup works like magic. A contribution of \$135 has been made by the Presbyterian congregation of White Lake to the British Red Cross Society. "For Coughs and Colds" take Gibson's Red Cross Cough Syrup. W. J. Callaghan, Belleville, aged twenty-one years, died on Sunday. He was a blacksmith.

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