

The Transcript.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1917

Newbury

Messrs. Alfred Owens of the North-west and Arthur Owens of Denfield spent the week-end with their nephew, Dr. A. P. Owens.

Warren Miller and Miss Price were married on Wednesday last. Cameron, son of John G. Bayne, who has been attending Normal school at London, spent a few days at his home here last week. He left on Friday for Toronto to take a special course at the Dental College of three or six months, after which he will join the dental corps leaving for overseas in the summer. The corps will work in the British Army. Cameron has shown ability in school and we feel sure he will make us proud of him some day.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Hanna entertained the dramatic club on Friday evening.

The high cost of living is coming home to the village very forcibly in the matter of electric light. Coal being so high, has increased the expense considerably. Therefore a meeting of the ratepayers is being called for Friday, 16th, in the town hall at 8 o'clock. It should be the duty of every ratepayer to attend this meeting and offer suggestions as to ways and means.

D. Stalker got a car of coal on Monday. Fifty-one tons were loaded in the record-breaking time of a little over four hours.

The Red Cross shipped to Hyman Hall 20 pairs of socks and 12 shirts this week. The social evening Feb. 12th will be to raise more money. Help the cause along.

OKDALE.

Mrs. Henry Mawlam and Miss Ena Mawlam were Chatham visitors Saturday last.

Miss Lancaster of Edsmills was the guest of Mrs. Samuel Stewards on Sunday last.

Mr. and Mrs. John Summers spent Sunday with Mrs. Eljah Willie, Cairo.

Mrs. George Rae was visiting in Port Huron last week.

Wardsville

The High School will hold their annual concert on Wednesday, Feb. 14th. A good program will be given by Will Sheppard, soloist, of Detroit; Miss Cora Capes, elocutionist, of Bridgen, assisted by the pupils of the school.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Sloan spent a few days last week in Toronto.

Fred Connelly of the Royal Bank is away on his holidays.

Miss Florence Winters spent Sunday with Mrs. E. Pickering.

Miss Beatrice Turk entertained the Methodist church choir on Wednesday evening last week.

Pte. J. Humphrey of the 21st Highland Battalion, Windsor, is visiting his grandparents here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Sloan spent over Sunday at his father's.

Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator has the largest sale of any similar preparation sold in Canada. It always gives satisfaction by restoring health to the little folks.

SHEPHERD.

Poor b'ar huntin' fer 'nother six week. Business is dull at the flour mills these days.

J. D. Dobbyn and W. A. Edwards caught a saw-fish in the river last week.

The jitneys here are still on the side-track.

Joe Vosberg is bedfast with a serious case of quinsy.

L. H. Badgley is home, after a vacation in Detroit.

Mrs. J. H. Powell is a Chatham visitor.

Charlie Lewis has returned to the West.

One of our neighbors is moving in on "easy street," having found a foot of untrodden beans in the bottom of his hay mow.

H. C. Moorehouse was a Chatham visitor last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Vosberg are visiting in Bridgen.

(Horse buyers are thicker than June bugs in May.)

School is closed, the teacher, Miss Long, being called home to the bedside of her father at Elderton.

Miss Edith Dobbyn slipped and fell Sunday, dislocating her shoulder and breaking her arm.

J. H. Powell and sister, Mrs. Jas. Dobbyn, attended their uncle's funeral in Forest last week.

Mrs. Elizabeth Wilson, a life-long resident, passed away peacefully last week at the home of her niece, Mrs. Joe McLaughlin. Deceased has been an invalid for years, yet those who remember her earlier days spoke enthusiastically of her bright, happy disposition and kindly deeds and actions.

The "boys"—"old boys"—are negotiating a purchase of the Foresters' Hall or some suitable building for a club room and concert hall.

An agitation is again under way to remodel Florence circuit, putting Florence, Croton and Huffs together, and Fancher, Sunnyside and Sutherland, each group under an ordained man. This scheme looks good and would be vastly instrumental in the "good work" besides re-opening Sunnyside church, but as it is likely to not pay financially the scheme will be thrown out.

Help for Asthma. Neglect gives asthma a great advantage. The trouble, once it has secured a foothold, fastens its grip on the bronchial passages tenaciously. Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Asthma Remedy is daily curing cases of asthma of long standing. Years of suffering, however, might have been prevented had the remedy been used when the trouble was in its first stages. Do not neglect asthma, but use this preparation at once.

Kilmartin.

Mac and Jennie McAlpine of Dutton returned home on Monday after spending a few days with friends here.

Dugald Secord and his aunt, Mrs. McIntyre, have returned here after spending a number of days in Detroit.

Peter McGregor of Brandon arrived last week and will spend the remainder of the winter here.

Dan A. McKellar has returned from a visit to his sister, Mrs. Cornfoot, Mount Elgin.

Margaret Little, who is attending Normal School in London, spent the week-end at her home here.

D. C. McTavish is getting material on the ground to enlarge his barn.

Communion service will be held in Burns' church next Sunday. Preparatory services on Friday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Young people's meeting was held on Wednesday evening of last week, when a good program was rendered, including a debate, "Resolved that conscription would be beneficial for Canada." The affirmative was upheld by A. F. Munroe and Dougald McAlpine and the negative by Fred McGill and J. A. McGregor. The debate, on account of the subject being so much discussed at the present time, proved very interesting. Decision was given for the affirmative.

BETHEL-METCALFE.

The Willing Workers of this place will paper the church at an early date. Mr. Fees has been engaged to do the work.

The next meeting of the Bethel Red Cross Club will be with Mrs. Cyrus Henry on Thursday afternoon, Feb. 15, from 2 p. m. until 4 p. m.

Miss Winnie Eddie spent Saturday and Sunday in London with her sister, Miss Jessie.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Moore spent Sunday with Mrs. Moore's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stevenson, Glen Oak.

Three letters have been received by members of the Bethel Red Cross Club recently from boys on active service in France. In each case a note was put in the toe of a sock and a reply asked for. One was to Mrs. Charles Oide, from John Harrison, sergeant-major 3rd sec. 3rd Can. div., B. E. F., France. Major Harrison thanked Mrs. Oide for a much needed pair of socks and asked for another pair in the near future.

Another letter was to Miss Grace Boyd, from Pte. Walter Stevenson, No. 6120, B. E. F., 15 Can. Batt., France. Pte. Stevenson was glad to get the socks and said if the Canadian ladies realized the "bit" they were doing to help on this great war, they would not begrudge their time in knitting socks. Another letter was received by Miss Vera Towers, from Corp. Frank Sefton, No. 83024, 3rd Can. Div., B. E. F., France.

Corp. Sefton was very thankful for the socks and said the boys were very much in need of underclothing and socks this time of the year. Letters like that we know come right from where the socks are needed, are very encouraging for all those who are knitting or sewing for those on active service, and make us feel as though we are helping on a bit, also that some of our socks are getting to France and not to lumbermen or teamsters as those disinterested people and those who do not care to help us will persist in saying.

One dose of Miller's Worm Powders will clear the stomach and bowels of worms, so that the child will no more be troubled by their ravages. The powders are sweet to the taste and no child will object to taking them. They are non-injurious in their composition, and while in some cases they may cause vomiting, that must not be taken as a sign that they are non-seating, but as an indication of their effective work.

WALKERS.

A number of our residents attended a wedding reception at Joseph Blain's on Friday night.

D. A. McLachlan of Fleming, Sask., is visiting his many friends in this vicinity.

The ladies of Walkers Patriotic Society met at the home of Mrs. Angus McCallum on Wednesday last. Mrs. Peter McNeil, president, called the meeting to order and Miss Wrin, secretary, read the minutes of last meeting, also a very encouraging letter from Hyman Hall, acknowledging receipt of splendid shipment. Seven new members were enrolled. A very successful meeting was brought to a close by singing "God Save Our King." The next meeting of the society will be held Feb. 14th at the home of Mrs. J. Denning.

Jack Kennedy and Andrew Conor, real estate dealers of Alvinston, made a flying trip to our burg on Friday last.

Jim Burley and daughter Margaret attended the play "Suffragettes' Convention" at Alvinston on Tuesday evening.

700 Bushels Wheat From 20 Acres.

HENRY FRAZER, Forest, Ontario, says: "I have used your Homestead Fertilizer for four years with good results. Last Fall I sowed 20 acres of wheat with no other dressing, 200 pounds to the acre. The yield was 35 bushels per acre. My neighbor did not use fertilizer and his wheat only will yield about 20 bushels per acre. My wheat wintered better, filled better, consequently produced more bushels."

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JOHN R. ALLISON, Park Hill, Ontario, says: "I have used Homestead Bone Black Fertilizer for the last three years and I find it pays. I use it in connection with manure and clover and I would not sow wheat without it."

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J. W. GREGG, Foldens, Ontario, says: "I used one hundred and fifty pounds of Homestead Fertilizer on fourteen rows of turnips, testing it with fourteen rows of unfertilized, and realized fifty-five bushels of profit from the fertilized ground. All the ground was otherwise treated alike."

Write Michigan Carbon Works, Detroit, for free book and particulars about their Homestead Bone Black Fertilizer.

Appin

Appin baseball club will have a box social at the Town Hall on Wednesday evening, Feb. 14th, at which a program of exceptional merit will be given by the Guy Lombardo family of London.

Hear Dr. Zivitz in Appin Town Hall on Friday, February 16th, at 2 o'clock. Subject, "Crop Production in 1917."

F. Huston, who has conducted a grain and produce business here for the past six years, has disposed of it to R. E. C. McDonald and has purchased a grocery business in London, the transfer to take place some time in April.

A large open car of coal containing fifty tons arrived here Tuesday morning and was unloaded in one hour and fifteen minutes.

Cairo.

Mrs. Jean Beattie, who was taken ill on Saturday, January 27th, died on the following Tuesday, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Alfred Wehlann. Messages were sent to Paisley to her son and daughter, but before their arrival their mother had passed away. Service was held at her late home on Wednesday evening, conducted by Rev. Mr. Malcolm of Newbury, previous to her being removed to Allensford for interment. Another son, William Beattie of Toronto, arrived after the service. Mrs. Beattie will be missed by her friends and neighbors. She was a devout Christian and possessed a loving and cheerful disposition, which endeared her to all with whom she came into contact.

Miss Ethel Gardiner of Newbury has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. R. Macaulay, during the past week.

Harvey Annett is on a visit to friends at Windsor and Detroit.

Jean McKeown, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. McKeown, is suffering from a severe cold, but at writing is somewhat improved.

W. D. Smith of Aberfeldy called on friends here during the week.

Charles Tanner of Rodney arrived on Friday and is the guest of his nephew, Will, Tanner.

Mrs. D. M. Smith is suffering from a severe cold, which prevented her from attending church on Sunday to hear Mr. Myers' second discourse on Revelations which is so interesting and instructive.

A CAREFULLY PREPARED PILL.—Much time and attention were expended in the experimenting with the ingredients that enter into the composition of Parmelee's Vegetable Pills before they were brought to the state in which they were first offered to the public. Whatever other pills may be, Parmelee's Vegetable Pills are the result of much expert study, and all persons suffering from dyspepsia or disordered liver and kidneys may confidently accept them as being what they are represented to be.

Strathburn

Miss Waitie Quigley of Wardsville was the guest of Mrs. E. T. Currie last week.

A number from here attended the patriotic dance at Geo. Coad's.

Miss Agnes Nethercott of Big Bend and Miss Mary Webster of Dutton were the guests of Mrs. D. Snider Sunday.

Alfred Gould of London has been around the last few days hunting for a team.

School Reports.

The following is the report in per cent. of S. S. No. 7, Moss, for January:

Sr. IV.—Allan McLean 78.

Sr. III.—J. D. Gillis 81, Elsie Seaton 81, Grace Seaton 80, Willie Muske 80.

II.—Helen Gillies 88, Harry Turner 73, Robert Seaton 70, Annie Turner 63, Willie Benson 63, Alton McVicar 60.

Sr. I.—Jane Gates 88, Marion Armstrong 77, Archibald Gates 81.

Jr. I.—Dan Armstrong 75, Clarence Scott 75, Marguerite McVicar 75, Geo. Turner 74, Willie Scott 74, Violet Gates 60, Florence McLean absent.

Primer, A.—Velma McNaughton, Irene McLarty, Bessie McVicar, Jean King, Willie Turner, Etta Scott.

Primer, B.—Edith Jones, Teacher.

Following is the report in per cent. for S. S. No. 9, Moss, for the month of January:

Sr. IV.—Lillian Henderson 79.

Sr. III.—Alma Henderson 73, Jessie Mitchell 64, Albert Munroe 58.

II.—Verna Henderson 80, Hector McLean 80, Maggie Livingstone 79, Vera Henderson 78, Catherine Mitchell 60.

I.—Johanna Mitchell 90.

R. GUBBINS, Teacher.

No Handicap at All.

"It seems to me this lot is a long way from the car line," remarked the prospective purchaser, a "little doubtfully."

"Why, that's an actual advantage," responded the gentlemanly agent engaged in making the sale. "When you reach the car in the morning you are already halfway to your office, and coming home at night you have a nice walk to give you an appetite for dinner."

Fair Enough.

"You are the fourth tramp who has come here begging today," said the lady of the house, "and I'm all out of patience."

"I'm all-out o' vittles myself," replied the tramp. "Couldn't we make a trade?"—Exchange.

Handicapped.

"My dear, our automobile looks so cheap beside the one our neighbors have. We ought to get the latest make."

"I know we ought, but this is the only house I have to mortgage,"—Baltimore American.

LEGAL ROMANCES.

Court Cases Where the Unexpected Came as a Climax.

FACTS THAT RIVAL FICTION.

Some Trials in Which the Heavy Hand of the Law was Curiously Turned Aside From Inflicting Punishment Upon an Innocent Person.

As a rule, law proceedings are dry affairs, but there have been some wherein the facts rivaled the most romantic fiction.

About the middle of the eighteenth century a vessel arrived one day at an English port from India. The captain reported that, while sailing through the Indian ocean, one of his passengers, a man of wealth and rank, had been murdered, and then accused one of his passengers, a young brother of the murdered man, of the crime.

Though protesting his innocence, the accused was brought to trial. When put upon the stand the captain swore that about midnight on the evening of the murder, which was Christmas eve, he had seen the accused leave his own cabin, cross the deck along the side of the cabin of his brother and there enter. Shortly after, the captain testified, he heard the sounds of a struggle and then saw the accused emerge and return to his cabin. On going to the cabin of the elder brother he found him dead from strangulation. Under cross examination the captain said that he, himself, was concealed from the view of the accused man by the deep shadow cast by the sail in the light of a full moon, while the accused had been compelled to creep in the light for quite a distance, which rendered him perfectly recognizable. The second mate, who testified that he was with the captain, swore to the same facts.

There was no other evidence except the denial of the accused, who, it was shown, would profit largely by his brother's death. Just as the case was about to be given to the jury a man in the courtroom asked permission to put a single question to the captain.

"Now," said the stranger, when the captain had returned to the stand, "if you recognized the prisoner in the light of a full moon on last Christmas eve, how do you, who know something of astronomy, account for the fact that on last Christmas eve there occurred a total eclipse of the sun?"

Trapped thus in his own circumstantial lies, the captain broke down and confessed that he and the mate had been hired to commit the murder by a third relative, who, upon the death of the younger brother, would have fallen heir to both their estates.

In a celebrated court martial case which came up for trial in 1871 a young lieutenant was accused of having forged another man's name to a promissory note and obtained money on it. The accusing witness produced the note in question, which was written upon a sheet of blue ruled foolscap paper and bore a date of the year 1867.

Everything had gone against the defendant and the case was about to go to the jury, when the sweetheart of the lieutenant, who was sitting beside him at the trial, happened to pick up the note and hold it in such a way that a strong light from the window shone through the paper. There, to her joy, she read the watermark, "Swampscott Mills, 1869." In other words, the note purported to have been written on the paper two years before the paper had been manufactured.

The year 1869 figures in another strange lawsuit. In the year 1880 certain persons in New Mexico claimed a huge tract of hundreds of thousands of acres as the heirs of one Bartolomeo Baca, to whom, they alleged, the Spanish government had, in 1817, made a grant. They exhibited the deed of grant and sued to obtain possession.

On the trial the deed of grant stood every test of genuineness, and a decree was entered awarding the immense property to the claimants.

Some months afterward as John Waldron, the attorney for the Santa Fe railroad, who had been the principal loser, was reading a paper his eye rested on this little paragraph, "Aniline ink was invented in 1826 in Germany." As he read the thought flashed through his mind, "What kind of ink was the Baca land grant written in?"

By permission of the court he had a chemist make a quiet test of the ink of the grant, and when he read the chemist's report he called to a certain German chemist in Europe. Six months after, when the case was, by permission of the court, reopened on account of newly discovered evidence, a white-bearded stranger took the stand and in ten minutes sent the case of the Baca heirs out of court and the heirs themselves into the penitentiary by swearing that he was the inventor of aniline ink, that the invention was made in 1826, and that the ink in which the Bartolomeo Baca grant, dated 1817, was written, was aniline.—Case and Comment.

Too Big a Pill.

"What's that thing, doc?"

"That's the medicine ball I bought you."

"Then I'm afraid there is no hope for me."

"Why not?"

"I never can swallow that."—Youngstown Telegram.

Fireworks.

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