

SUGGESTIONS OF VITAL INTEREST TO CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS

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DISTRICT AND GENERAL

A pioneer of Strathroy district was removed by the death on Dec. 4th of Martha Jane Moore, widow of the late James S. Graham, for many years a resident of Metcalfe. The deceased was born in Elgin county and went to Metcalfe township fifty years ago. The country at that time was a dense wilderness of forest and there were only two stores where Strathroy now stands.

Mrs. Isabella Ramsey died at her home in Dutton a few days ago in her 90th year. She was born in Scotland and came to Dunwich when a young girl. After her marriage to her first husband, D. Hyndman, she lived west of Campbellton, where she suffered a trying affliction in the death of her husband, and also the loss of two children who were drowned at the same time in a well. Afterwards she went to St. Thomas, where she resided for several years, coming to Dutton over twenty years ago, where her second husband, Mr. Ramsey, died.

Dates for the mid-summer examinations next year have been fixed by the Ontario department of education for June, instead of July as heretofore, with a view to having the examinations over before the hot weather begins. Following the Christmas vacation this year the schools will re-open on the Easter holidays. The examinations will be held from April 2 to April 11, inclusive, and the mid-summer holidays from June 20 to August 31 in the public schools and until September 6 in the high schools.

Several men on the fishing outfit of Koehler Bros., Clearville, had a narrow escape from drowning one day last week when the engines in the two motor boats froze up while out on the lake. After considerable work the engine in one boat was started and all but three men who were on the scow were taken ashore. The wind by this time had reached such a velocity that a side of the scow was blown in, causing it to ship water; and only by bailing steadily were they able to keep afloat until the scow drifted ashore some distance from dock—Highgate Monitor.

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CRINAN

The Farmers' Club held its regular meeting in the hall on Thursday evening. A good program was given by local talent. T. W. Dykes was named chairman and filled the position very ably. The program consisted of a debate, "Resolved that the proposed provincial highway is a benefit to the country." The affirmative was taken by Bruce Dobson and Miss H. Johnston, and the negative by H. Urquhart and Duncan Johnson. The judges, Mrs. T. W. Dykes, W. S. Stalker and F. McGregor, decided the debate in favor of the affirmative. Besides the debate, Frank McGregor gave a splendid address and Messrs. Nethercott and McMurphy gave instrumental selections. Mrs. T. W. Dykes and Misses Bella McRae and Jessie Carmichael were named a committee to prepare a program for the next meeting, which will be held on Dec. 26. A feature of the meeting will be a debate by all present on the subject, "Resolved that the district representatives do not earn their salaries." An interesting meeting is promised.

Miss Margaret Jenner spent Sunday with Miss Grace McIntyre. Mrs. M. Thomas is visiting in Detroit.

J. A. Matheson is in Toronto at the U. F. O. convention as a delegate from the Crinan club.

D. K. Andrews is in the field as councillor for 1920.

Mr. and Mrs. P. D. McRae spent Wednesday in London.

Quite a number attended the dance in West Lorne Thursday evening.

Cottage prayer meeting was held at the home of Peter Johnson, con. 4, on Wednesday afternoon.

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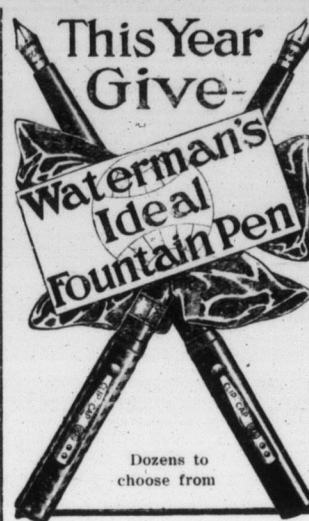
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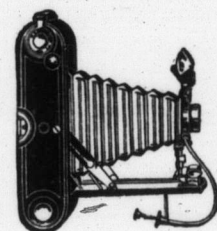
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LACK OF PUBLIC INTEREST

At certain stated seasons of the year it is the rule of our citizens to display an unusual interest in matters that periodically present themselves for consideration. The pros and cons are freely discussed, becoming the chief topics of conversation about town for two or three weeks. Everyone believes he is really interested while the matter is under discussion, but after the first excitement has died away, interest wanes, and for the remainder of the year it becomes practically impossible to interest the average citizen in the work of public bodies.

Everyone takes an interest in the election of a new council, but once the election is over, the average citizen goes his way and forgets that such a public body exists. The thought of attending a meeting now and then never enters his head. Or the board of trade, at the time of its annual meeting and election, brings no end of pseudo interest. Annual dues are paid with or without coaxing, and then the average business man finds that on the nights set for meetings he has something else of importance to attend to, or he has spent so many evenings at other business that he "really needs an evening at home."

The condition is so general that one is led to ask whether it is really public interest that prompts periodical discussion, or whether mere amusement and diversion is the prompter for these unusual displays. If the latter, the lack of interest in the real work of the year can be readily understood, but it would appear an impossibility that citizens who evince so great an interest in such affairs at one season of the year should so soon and so completely forget their responsibilities for the remainder of the year's work.

"Take a lesson from us," said a distinguished citizen of the United States to a recent gathering of Canadians. "Go slow. We rushed ahead and filled our country up with all classes and conditions. Now we are sorry."

FORWARD MOVEMENT

The Inter-Church Forward Movement may be described as a great religious "get-together." Premier Drury happily explained its object when he spoke of it as the dropping of non-essentials so that all could combine on the one great fact of Christianity—Christ himself, as the most perfect example of all the virtues necessary to meet the difficulties of the hour. The movement grows naturally and inevitably out of the war—the war, which taught the need of sacrifice, of usefulness, of co-operation and sympathy—all those things for which true Christianity stands. Now that the war has passed, we cannot afford to allow the high and noble sentiments which it evoked to lapse. They must be caught and retained for the regeneration of society.

To reconcile the bitter antagonisms which are spoiling our lives today, the quarrels between class and class, the greedy demands, the unwilling concessions, the sordid materialism which is robbing human life of all its fresh and simple joy, there is only one resource—the heart must be touched by the spirit of the Divine. Earth, with all its cares, its struggles and strife, its insane hatreds and pursuits of phantom desires, what is it really worth without the refreshing influence of the "fruits of the spirit"? The churches have a great mission which it will take their united efforts to fulfill. No movement of recent times is of greater importance or more bright with promise than this Inter-Church Forward Movement which is making its appeal to the country's and the world's better self today.

BUY IN CANADA

The Canadian dollar is now worth only ninety-two cents in the United States. The fact is a humiliating one, but perhaps it will serve to drive home to Canadians the necessity of purchasing at home. The balance of trade is against us and so long as it remains so, it will detract from the value of our money across the border. The shortest way to be rid of this exasperating situation is to place every cent possible amongst the merchants of our country. That with greater production and thrift will fetch the monetary relations between the two nations back to normal. In very few lines of essential things is the product of the United States superior to that of Canada. Buy at home this Christmas and until the American exchange is forced down to where it should be, considering the prosperity and possibilities of this land.

"Daughters of Canada" is the name under which there has been launched in Toronto a new organization, whose basis of work is expressed as "a strong constructive campaign for the development of Canadianism."

The danger of fire from Christmas decorations at public gatherings and in the home is one that particular attention is just now being called to. Too much care cannot be exercised in the use of inflammable materials for decorating, especially where lights other than electric bulbs are in use.

Medical inspection in the schools is a matter that is being taken up quite generally over the province just now, mainly by the Women's Institutes. It has been adopted at Strathroy and elsewhere and no doubt is a good thing. The Women's Institute at Appin is making a strong effort to have medical inspection adopted in three of the schools in that district, and would like to have Glencoe make a move towards its adoption here. It is suggested that the matter be brought up at all the annual public school meetings and discussed as well at the municipal nomination meetings. An article on our first page this week deals with the subject.

When the statesman makes a speech he speaks to crowds, when his address appears in print he communicates with multitudes. The popular minister thunders his sermon to his own congregation, and the press proclaims it to the whole land. The great author or reads his laboriously written manuscript in the seclusion of his home, and the type sets it before the civilized world. The creators of an immense industrial or commercial enterprise plan successfully the scope and purpose of their undertaking, but until its merits have been set forth in the press would-be investors remain in ignorance of its existence. And so it is with the merchant. He, too, must depend for success upon publicity, which is always furnished him through the medium of the local paper.

THE LATE MRS. DUGALD MURRAY

The death occurred at her home, lot 7, River road, Ekfrid, on November 17 of Mrs. Dugald Murray, aged 88 years and 3 months. Mrs. Murray had been in failing health all summer, death being due to hardening of the arteries. Deceased was of a cheerful disposition and was highly esteemed. She was a member of the Presbyterian Church, joining the church early in life. She lived continuously for 63 years on the Murray homestead, that being the farm that the Murray family first settled on when coming from Scotland in the year 1832, but on the death of her son, the late Archie Murray, who died six years ago, she moved to the adjoining farm where she lived till her death. Her husband predeceased her fifteen years. They had ten of a family, three of whom are now living, two sons and one daughter. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. Mr. Elder and was largely attended. The bearers were Dan Fletcher, John McLellan, Alex. McKellar, Angus Fletcher, Nathaniel Urquhart and Henry McLellan.

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