

GRIMSBY AND BEAMSVILLE.

A Suspicious Fire Near Grimsby Park Last Week.

Municipal Affairs Are Very Quiet Around Grimsby.

But In Beamsville There Will Be Warm Contests.

(Special Wire to the Times.)

Beamsville, Nov. 6.—Some probable candidates for municipal honors at the coming elections look like Reeve Davis and A. E. Hoshal for the chief chair, Cyrus Russ, William Shultz, William Jerome, J. P. Osborne, George Bartlett, Jas. Hobden, Sidney Bissie and William Everett, for the council.

Miss Myrtle Tufford was hostess at a pleasant shower yesterday afternoon in honor of Miss Olive Hoshal, whose wedding takes place on Wednesday.

Mr. Robert Shepherd, living at the Thirtieth, sold his four acres of fine fruit land, with residence, to a Toronto party. The consideration was \$7,000.

Niagara-on-the-Lake has secured a principal for their High School at a salary of \$950. Both Beamsville and Grimsby are offering from \$1,200 to \$1,400.

Sheriff Dawson, St. Kitts, was in town on departmental business yesterday.

The Social Club are making arrangements to hold one of their popular dances on Friday, November 26.

Revenue from the Beamsville post office for the past year was \$3,518. The combined revenues of the Thorold and Merrittville offices was only \$4,872.

Mr. and Mrs. David Finney have reached their home in Winnipeg after an extended honeymoon.

The mud-slinging contest is only a few weeks away.

Mr. and Mrs. Kent Whipple, with their family, are leaving for Savannah, N. Y., next week, where they will make their future home.

The election slogan will likely be, "Let Davis finish his job." Mrs. Wallace Walker and Miss Mabel Walker are visiting relatives in Sarnia.

Mr. H. Bull, of Grimsby, will open up a branch of his shoe repairing business in the Cause block.

Mrs. Steele, Dundas, gave a highly interesting address before the Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church on Wednesday evening in the school room. Refreshments were afterwards served. There was a particularly gratifying attendance.

S. M. Culp has been re-elected a director of the Niagara District Fruit Growers' Association.

Citizens in general regret the removal of the McEntee family to Toronto next week.

The following officers for the year 1909-10 were elected at the eighth annual meeting of the Social Club: President, J. P. Osborne; Vice-President, L. B. Tufford; Treasurer, Dr. W. Orin; Secretary, J. A. Sinclair; Executive Committee, W. D. Fairbrother, Dr. C. J. Freeman, Newton Gossett, John Amis.

At Miss Taylor's tea on Tuesday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Marshall, before her leaving to spend the winter in England, were: Mrs. C. E. Riggins, Misses Riggins, Mrs. W. R. Woodland, Mrs. Geo. Greves, Mrs. C. H. Prudhomme, Mrs. Sinclair, Miss Sinclair, Mrs. Storr, Misses Lookwood, Mrs. W. D. Fairbrother, Miss Robinson, Miss Bradt, Mrs. Stone, Mrs. A. Davidson, Mrs. Osborne, Mrs. Fairfield, Mrs. and Miss Kerr, Mrs. A. J. McArthur, Miss Phyllis Andrews and others.

A number of friends of Mr. and Mrs. John Wismer were enjoyably entertained at the home of these genial hosts on Friday night.

A very large number of pupils are in town to attend the winter sessions of the Disciple Bible school.

To-morrow in the church: Baptist, Rev. Dr. Thomas at both services; Presbyterian, Rev. Dr. McIntyre, morning and evening; St. Alban's, morning subject, "Forgiveness"; Methodist, a native missionary from Japan, Z. Ono, will conduct the services.

Dr. N. R. Pentland, lately of Burford, has taken the medical practice of Dr. Lawson, and with Miss Pentland have arrived here.

The grand concert in the Methodist Church next Thursday evening should be well worthy of a bumper audience.

The October public school report, giving first six pupils in each division:

Senior fourth, honors—Helen Whipple, James Lister, Frank Sussner, Hazel Ready, Harry Reid, Sam Bartlett, Doris Strup, Douglas Stewart.

First class—Bella Bartlett, Flossie Culp, Romaine Dean, Lizzie Robertson, Room third, honors—Harry Lewis, Rena McAllister, Charlie Trevelyan, Paul Andrews, Myra Delbert Keith, Clayton McIntire, Alice Holden, Gladys Bissie.

Junior third, honors—Violet Tufford, Norman Southward.

Pass—Nellie McPherson, Cora Coleman, Annie Barker, Flossie Konkle, Room second, class first, pass—Kathleen Tufford, Eddie Ryckman, Clifford Bartlett, Albert Hillier, Albert Hitchen, Rex Anderson, Wesley Adams, Vera Gibson, Vera Tufford, Percy Anderson, James Manson, Emily Kennedy.

Room first, class second, honors—Jane Bentley, Dolly Allan, Lorraine Bissie, Della Davey, Kathleen Jemmett, Harding Jones.

Pass—Alice McPherson, Grace Southward, Myrtle Ketter, Gladys Lounsbury, Howard Boughner.

First B—Winifred Anderson, Nora Huntman, Doreen Kennedy, Vance Tufford, George Seymour, Willie Miller.

First A—Lena Adams, Tinnie Allen, Margaret Fairfield, Grace Kendal, Alice Vaughan, Lela Jones.

Report of school section No. 2, Clinton, Miss Pearl Henderson, teacher:

Class four—Daniel Wismer, Winnie Moore, Earl Spiece, Violet Wills, Gordon Honsberger.

Class three—Myrtle Wismer, Hazel Ruble.

tion on the staff of the Listowel branch.

GRIMSBY AND DISTRICT.

Major H. L. Roberts is again a director of the Niagara District Fruit Growers' Association.

A report of Mr. Harry Griffith's condition is giving a good deal of pleasure to his friends.

A once popular Grimsby young lady, Miss Beulah Nelles, now of New York, was lately married in the Church of St. Bartholomew, that city, by Rev. Sydney Usher, to Mr. Mahon Armstrong, Mrs. Armstrong was the youngest daughter of the late postmaster, H. E. Nelles, and had a host of acquaintances in this town who will wish her well.

Beginning a week from next Wednesday night, the directors of the Winona Institute Hall have made arrangements for a series of vaudeville entertainments that will comprise only high-class entertainers. There are to be five of these evenings running throughout the winter.

The football team for next week will be the Bull-Fairbrother wedding in St. Andrew's Church.

On Saturday last at Lake Lodge Mrs. W. J. Drope, Mrs. H. Fleming and Mrs. J. Unwin were hostesses at a kitchen shower for Miss Fairbrother. Mrs. Pottinger, Mrs. H. Baker, Mrs. A. Burland, Miss Metcalfe and Miss Woolverton were very attentive assistants in the tea.

It will certainly be with feelings akin to pain that Mr. and Mrs. James Smith of Mapleton Lodge, leave this good town. Another presentation took place in the Presbyterian Church on Monday night, when two chairs were given them by the congregation, with an appropriate address.

W. Bro. F. J. McEellan, District Deputy, Royal Arch Masons, Niagara-on-the-Lake, paid a fraternal visit to the local chapter on Monday night. He was tendered a banquet by the craft at Madoc's restaurant.

The postoffice here turned in \$4,573 as receipts to the department during the past year.

There will be a hockey club in Grimsby this winter, so Beamsville had better get warmed up early. There will be a different tale to tell this season from that of last year.

A postponed meeting of the W. C. T. U. takes place on Tuesday afternoon. George Pearson, North Grimsby town, is on the Bank of Hamilton staff.

Dr. Barrett's vacant house, situated on his fruit farm, near Grimsby Park, was found to be burning inside on Saturday morning last. Smoke was coming out from underneath the shingles when noticed. By good hard work neighbors hauled the door and found the place dense with smoke, although no flames could be seen. The origin of the fire seems of a freakish nature, as the house had not been occupied for nearly a month. A half-filled oil can was found in the place near a bunch of hay and other combustible material. There was insurance on the residence. Detective Bleakley has investigated at the instigation of the insurance companies. This property was sold some time ago by Dr. Gesner to Dr. Barrett, and the sale was aired in the courts a little over two weeks ago. Mr. Justice Meredith, however, found the sale was made in good faith and without misrepresentation. The farm is mostly red clay, and it is reported sold for \$1,000 an acre, for eleven acres.

Mr. Jas. Ferguson, Parker, Pa., was the guest of Mrs. J. Scott, Winona, during the past week.

At the present time it looks like unanimous for the present Reeve and Council for another term, if they are at all anxious for the honors. Grimsby has had the boom can tied on pretty securely this year, thanks to able administration in her municipal affairs.

The following is the public school report for the past month. The first six pupils in each class and division are given:

Fourth form, senior—G. Smith, A. Grout, A. Snettinger, C. VanDyke, A. Wadde, C. Smye.

Fourth form, junior—K. Liddle, H. Clark, D. Konkle, G. Phillips, H. Whitaker, R. Durham.

Third form, senior—A. Farrell, W. Bodden, Geo. Walker, M. Bonham, E. Martin, E. Fisher.

Third form, junior—E. Marsh, N. Snettinger, G. Wismer, B. Ross, M. Mitchell, M. Flock.

Senior honors—G. Walker, E. Ross, M. Bonham, R. Chambers, L. VanDyke, V. House, A. Farrell, N. Rutherford, W. Bodden.

Third form, senior—H. Walker, R. Wilson, S. Ockenden, E. LePage, E. House, E. Camps.

Third form, junior—H. Standland, R. Hall, E. Wilson, C. Farrow, M. Hand, H. Chambers.

Part two—H. Smith, G. Farrell, M. Walker, R. Alexander, F. Norton, V. Vaughan.

Junior honors, fourth class—J. Wentworth, E. LePage, H. Stewart, E. Miller, R. Coulson, E. Coulson.

Third class—K. House, D. Ross, E. Walker, E. Dorety, R. Moore, F. W. Warner.

Second class—L. Terryberry, H. Game, J. Chamberlain, E. Camps, E. Patterson, J. McVicar.

First class—A. Schafer, A. Grout, D. Bromley, H. Liddle, B. Snettinger, R. Dalgleish.

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Society

Mrs. E. V. Wright, Freeman place, gave a delightful buffet luncheon on Tuesday in honor of the season's debutantes. It was a Halloween party, the decorations being of pumpkins filled with yellow chrysanthemums, one centering each of the small tables at which lunch was served. Among those present were Miss Phyllis Hendrie, Miss Mary Haslett, Miss Emma Vallance, Miss Constance Mills, Miss Dorothy Gates, Miss Isabel Scott, Miss Violet Crerar, Miss Vera Millard, Miss Muriel Cartwright, Miss Muriel Hoodless, Miss Charlotte Balfour, Miss Kate Thomson, Miss Jean McLaren, Miss Constance Turnbull, Miss Dorothy Powis, Miss Strathmore Findlay, Miss Meta Bankier, Miss Marjorie Bristol, Miss Marjorie Hamilton (Dundas).

Mrs. D. S. Gillies entertained informally at the tea hour on Tuesday afternoon for Mrs. Nicholson, London, Eng., who was the guest of Mrs. Hendrie at the Holmstead.

Mr. and Mrs. James R. Gillies have returned from England.

Mrs. Waddie, Aberdeen avenue, was hostess of a bridge party on Tuesday afternoon, when the ladies present included Mrs. Counsell, Mrs. C. S. Wilcox, Mrs. Murtin, Mrs. Matthew Wright, Mrs. Denholm Burns, Mrs. W. H. Shambrook, Mrs. Bostwick, Mrs. King, Mrs. Arthur Rowe, Mrs. J. H. Herring, Mrs. Clime, Mrs. G. Robertson, Mrs. G. Fearman, Mrs. Marshall, Mrs. R. O. Mackay, Mrs. Hillman, Mrs. Clark, Miss Clark.

Mrs. John S. Hendrie gave a buffet luncheon on Wednesday for Mrs. Hendrie Leggat.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Garthshore are giving a bridge party on Monday evening at their new home on Markland street.

Dr. Ingersoll Olmsted has gone to England.

Miss Lily Bristol is visiting Mrs. Edmund Bristol in Toronto, and was present at the charity ball at the Prince George on Thursday evening.

Mrs. John Moodie, Main street, east, is giving an at-home next Tuesday afternoon to introduce her daughter, Miss Mamie Moodie.

Mrs. F. E. Backus, entertained at bridge on Wednesday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Hendrie Leggat, Vancouver. The prizes were won by Mrs. H. H. Champ and Miss Bell, others present being Mrs. John W. Eastwood, Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Alex. Garthshore, Mrs. Bradley, Mrs. P. H. Alexander, Mrs. George Rennie, Mrs. James Gillard, Mrs. R. L. Innes, Mrs. Nesbitt, Mrs. W. R. Mills, Mrs. Hawkins, Miss Phyllis Hendrie, Mrs. W. R. Marshall, Mrs. R. A. Robertson, Mrs. Percy Dumville.

Mrs. Algernon Woolverton, Bay street south, has returned from Virginia Hot Springs.

Mrs. James Gillard has sent out cards for a luncheon on Wednesday, Nov. 10, a bridge party on Thursday afternoon, Nov. 11.

Mrs. Frank Wanner, Freeman Place, entertained at luncheon on Thursday and on Friday her daughter, Miss Helen Wanner, gave a luncheon for debutantes.

Mrs. Graham, Markland street, was hostess of a tea on Thursday afternoon that was one of the many charming affairs given during the week. Beautiful American Beauty roses in 141 vases adorned the drawing room, and formed the tea table decorations. Mrs. Marshall and Mrs. J. H. Herring poured out the tea and coffee, assisted by Mrs. A. Robertson, Mrs. Stewart, the Misses Eleanor Laidlaw, a few of those present being Mrs. Lyle, Mrs. Southam, Mrs. Zealand, Mrs. Howell, Mrs. Alex. Atkinson, Mrs. R. O. MacKay, Mrs. Atkinson, Miss Moore, Mrs. Fenwick, Mrs. R. L. Innes, Miss Nora Cowdry (Toronto), Mrs. Kenneth Bethune, Mrs. Raw, Mrs. J. W. Nesbitt, Mrs. Fred Walker, Mrs. John Moodie, Mrs. Mary Moodie, Mrs. T. H. Husband, Mrs. W. R. Marshall, Mrs. Alex. Garthshore, Mrs. James Gov.

Mr. and Mrs. Nicholson, who have been guests at the Holmstead, left this week on their return to England.

Mrs. Alex. Zimmerman is giving a bridge afternoon on Monday for Mrs. Hendrie Leggat.

Mrs. George F. Glasco left this week for a trip to England.

Mrs. Graham, Markland street, entertained at bridge on Friday evening.

The Misses Hobson, Bay street south, are giving a luncheon next Wednesday.

Miss Lillian Ahearn, Ottawa, is spending the week end with Mrs. Southam, "Pinehurst."

Mrs. H. H. Champ, Undercliffe, assisted by her mother, Mrs. Gillard, and sister, Mrs. Hendrie Leggat, gave a bridge party on Friday afternoon, when the prizes were won by Mrs. George Rennie, and Mrs. R. S. Morris. Among others present were: Mrs. Southam, Mrs. Almon Abbott, Mrs. Leggat, Mrs. Hillman, Mrs. Simonds, Mrs. Connolly, Mrs. Mrs. Brayne, Mrs. Hoodless, Mrs. George Beckett, Mrs. F. W. Walker, Mrs. Grantman, Mrs. J. H. Herring, Mrs. Wanner, Mrs. James Gillard, Mrs. J. M. Young, Mrs. James White, Miss Emma Hillier, Mrs. Murtin, Mrs. Carey, Mrs. Ernest Lazier, Mrs. Huerner Mullin, Mrs. Denholm Burns, Mrs. W. R. Mills, Mrs. Alex. Garthshore, Mrs. Percy Dumville, Mrs. Dean, Mrs. J. J. Morrison, Miss Hobson, Mrs. C. J. Jones, Mrs. Calder.

Miss Marjorie McPherson is in Montreal.

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D. Crerar, Miss Violet Crerar, Mrs. F. S. Glasco.

Mrs. Leggat and Miss Leggat have returned from Atlantic City.

Miss Nora Cowdry, Toronto, is staying out cards for a bridge party next Thursday evening.

Mrs. Ingersoll Olmsted is giving a bridge party next Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. George Rennie will be hostess at bridge on the same afternoon.

Miss Elsie Young, Oakbank, left early in the week for England, to stay for the winter.

Mrs. Frank MacKelcan, Toronto, is singing at the twilight musicale at the Century Church this afternoon.

Mrs. (Dr.) Ross, 403 King street east, was at home to her friends for the first time on Thursday afternoon. She was assisted in receiving by Mrs. J. T. Crawford and Miss Peene. The tea room, which was beautifully decorated with yellow chrysanthemums, was presided over by Mrs. J. W. Ross, Mrs. H. E. Dodd and Mrs. Wateley, assisted by Misses Ross and Richards. Mrs. Ross will be at home hereafter every first and third Thursday in the month.

Mrs. Fred W. Cross (formerly Miss Willmot S. Hutton) will receive for the first time since her marriage on Wednesday, November 10th, at 122 Hughson street south.

Mrs. Chas. C. McDonald, nee Dexter, will receive for the first time since her marriage on Tuesday afternoon, November 9th, at her home, 498 Main street east, and afterwards on the first Wednesday of each month.

Mrs. E. Bissonnette, of Toronto, announces the engagement of her youngest daughter, Blanche Marie, to Mr. Leslie Cross, wedding to take place quietly shortly before Christmas.

On Friday evening the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stevenson, 97 Augusta street, was the scene of a pleasant surprise to Mrs. Fred Cline (nee Torrance), when some of the friends of the bride gave her a kitchen shower. The poetical effusions accompanying the large and varied collection of household utensils caused much merriment. Several other brides present thoroughly enjoyed the position in which Mrs. Cline found herself, they also having passed through it gracefully. Dainty refreshments were served, and music brought the evening to a happy close.

The souvenir travel sale to be given by the Ladies' Aid Society of Central Presbyterian Church on Thursday will be the great social event of next week. Afternoon tea will be served, and a capital programme rendered in the evening.

Mrs. Ballard will not receive again until Mrs. Seully returns from her honeymoon trip, when they will receive together.

Mrs. Frank W. Sprules (Nellie Bishop) will hold her post-nuptial reception on Thursday, afternoon and evening, at her new home, 136 Argyle street, and afterwards on the fourth Thursday.

A very enjoyable afternoon tea was given by Mrs. Fred Jarvis, Wednesday afternoon, for her sister-in-law, Mrs. Arthur Jarvis, of Calgary. Mr. Jarvis was assisted in receiving by her mother, Mrs. Laing, and her sister, Mrs. E. J. Leith. In the tea-room, Misses Ruby Chilmann, Belle Jarvis, Georgia Stafford and Marjorie Davis, looked after the guests. During the afternoon Miss Stafford delighted everyone with several solos.

Mrs. W. C. Thompson, nee Truesdale, received for the first time since her marriage at her new home, Herkimer street, on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons. Mrs. Thompson, wearing her lovely wedding gown of white duchess satin, with point lace trimmings, received her guests, assisted by Mrs. George Thompson, in black silk dress, and large black hat. Miss