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News From the North, East, South and West.

ALVINSTON

A quiet but pretty wedding took place at St. Mathew's church on Thursday morning, when Catherine eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Bindner, was united in marriage to Henry Edwin Peirce, of Saginaw, Mich., Rev. Fr. Kelly officiating. The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, looked charming in fog duvetyn dress, with hat and shoes to match. The bride's sister, Gretna Bindner, of Detroit, acted as bridesmaid and wore an almond canton crepe dress with maline hat and shoes to match. Raymond Carpenter, of was best man. During the signing of the register Miss B. Hoban sang very sweetly "Ave Maria." Afthe ceremony about eighty guests sat down to a sumptuous wedding breakfast at Hotel Columbia, after which the young couple left for their home in Saginaw. Among the out-oftown guests present were: Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Bindner, C. J. Bindner and Miss Katharine Dudley of London: Miss Geraldine Cameron and the Misses J. and B. Hoban of Petrolea: Mr. and Mrs. East and Loretta Bindner, Sarnia; Miss Alice Carbet, Brantford; Rev. Fr. Finn and sister. West Lorne; Gretna Bindner. St. Mary's Hospital, Detroit; Mr. and Mrs. George Sills, Seaforth.

The Ladies' Guild of St. John's church held a successful bazaar and home-made baking sale on Saturday afternoon. The sum of \$170 was

Miss Corine Howe, of Walkers, spent the weekend with friends in

Miss Mary Wescott spent the week end at her home in Glencoe. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Slaght and family left on Wednesday for Hamilton where they will make their future

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IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

In sunny California this winter, hundreds of Canadians will again revel in the beauty of the orange groves, the pepper tree and palms in that land of perpetual summer.

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PETROLEA

A telegram to Mr. W. G. Fraser on Saturday night from the manager of the Dominion Express Co., Winnipeg conveyed the glad news that Mr. Fraser's daughter, who was stricken blind a couple of weeks ago, was able to see objects moving before her eyes. The doctors are hopeful that her sight might yet be saved.

A meeting of the directors of the . & E. Agricultural Society was held in the agricultural office on Saturday afternoon to consider the financial report of the treasurer. The figures show a deficit for this year. Another meeting is called for next Saturday.

The annual meeting of the Women's Auxiliary of the C.E.E. Hospital was held at the home of the president, Mrs. McIntosh on Tuesday, Nov. 27, The various reports were read. The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Mrs. Wm McIntosh; 1st vice president, Mrs. W. Prett; 2nd vice president, Mrs. C.P. Pearson, Treasurer, Mrs. Horace Mc-Dougall, Secretary, Mrs. J. A. Lan-

G. A. Drummond, mayor-elect: George A. Morris, reeve-elect; the members of the Board of Education, B. Wilson, W. B. Smith, and Dr. Dunfield, and W. C. Raynor, hydro-commissioner-elect, all take their respective places in the civic govern-ment of Petrolea for 1924 by acclamation, while the rest of the municipal offices were the subject of one of the keenest election fights, Monday, seen here in years. J. A. Shaunessey was here in years. J. A. Shaules, elected to the office of deputy reeve, while the new Council is composed of Andrew Elliott, Ernest Preslin, Edward Fletcher, Harrison Corey, Edward Fletcher, Harrison Corey, George Finlayson and George Carl-Frederick Vinehouse was elected to the office of water commission.

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FOREST

A social gathering was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Proctor when a number of the members of Endeavor Rebekah lodge met there to honor one of their members, Mrs. Archie Campbell (Jennie Gray) a recent bride. An address was read by Mrs. Alex. Jamieson and silver cutlery was presented by Mrs. Chris. Wall. Refreshments were served by

\$11.40 fees Board of Health; G. Sutherland \$20 Brand drain by-law; N. Shepherd \$5, C. Shepherd \$7.00 and A. D. Donald \$2 assisting engineer on Coultis drain; Alex Littageov \$4 repair bridge 17 sideroad; John Sitter \$5.50 for gravel; O. Walden \$10 commission on bridges; Thos. Ross \$3.50 drawing gravel and tile to Wadsworth darin, and R. J. Stewlard \$40 Brand drain by-law; N. Shepherd \$5, C. Shepherd \$7.00 and A. D. Donald \$2 assisting engineer on Coultis drain; Alex Littageov \$4 repair bridge 17 sideroad; John Sitter \$5.50 for gravel; O. Walden \$10 commission on bridges; Thos. Ross \$3.50 drawing gravel and tile to Wadsworth darin, and R. J. Stewlard \$40 Brand \$40 Bran Wall. Refreshments were served by the hostess and a very pleasant time

The Forest Fruit Growers' Associ-The Forest Fruit Growers' Association have finished their shipping of apples for the season, the last carload leaving on Monday. This year has been the banner year for the local association the largest amount of apples shipped any year passing through their hands. In all 8,920 barrels were packed, besides 5 carloads of bulk apples. The bulk of the apples went to Northern Ontario and the Northwest but there carloads were Northwest, but three carloads were exported to Europe.

ARKONA

Mr. and Mrs. Raeburn of Stratford are visiting Mr. and Mrs. S. Burnham Mrs. Phillips of Port Colbourne is

visiting her cousin Mrs. A. W. Augustine, who is very ill.

A large consignment of dolls just arrived from Santa Claus, consisting of dolls of all sizes. Some can walk and talk. Come and see them.—

The young people of the Epworth League were invited to Zion Methodist church last Friday evening and in spite of wet weather and muddy roads about thirty-five from Arkona ventured forth. Watford League was also well represented and together with Zion there were over one hundred present. An intersting Epworth League Service was conducted by the president of the Watford League Harper, several from Watford and Arkona assisting on the program, after which a social time was enjoyed by all. The evening was concluded by a dainty lunch and all were of the opinion that the Zion young people were splendid enter tainers.

Mr. Harold Eastman of Burks Falls delivered an illustrated address on Home Missions in the Baptist church last Wednesday evening. It was very interesting. We are always pleased to have Harold with us. Mrs. Fred Jackson and Mrs. Robt.

Crawford attended the funeral of the sister Miss Currie, of Sarnia, of the intestines through the passage this week.

next Sunday evening, Dec. 9th, in the Baptist church. The sermon will

be deliverd in song, with solos, quartettes, duets, etc. All welcome. Mrs. Samuel Carr of Sarnia visited her parents Mr. and rMs. Thos. Pressey last week.

BOSANOUET COUNCIL

Council met on Monday, Nov. 26 All the members present. Minutes of last meeting confirmed. The following orders were given :- Forest Standard \$4.40 ads, posting voters lists and judges court, \$1.70 ad. Elliot-Mc-Bryan drain; H. J. Pettypiece, \$5.50 ads Court of Revision Roll and judges court: Dr. Logie \$17 attendance on Walter Goodacre at Sarnia Hospital: P. Marrison \$18. pest inspector; Mun. World \$18.81 for cash book; H. J. Petty-piece, ad re Shawana drain \$2.70; Geo. A. McCubbin \$182, survey etc., Shawana drain, \$45 survey etc., Brandon drain, \$35 survey etc., Gray drain, \$25 plan etc, Clark gravel pit, \$4 for plan of Canada Co. drain for Dept. of Public Works, \$5 examining Mud Creek drain, \$12 examining Hill James Barr \$300 work on drain; Elliott-McBryan drain; James Bell \$15.50 and John Williamson \$25 for gravel; B.B. Dann \$291.15 building bridge 27 sideroad, \$223.90 building bridge on Decker road and \$27.30 for cement: D. W. Anderson \$43.80 for gravel; G. Sutherland \$12 to pay witness fees Clark vs. Bosanquet; Broderick Bros \$5000.00 work on Canada Co. drain; Wm. Gregg \$3.50 for tile con. 2; W. Bryant \$15.50 printing Brand drain by-laws, \$5.75 for order books and \$3.75 envelopes for the collector; Wm. Jennings, \$15 refund of assessment on lot 38 S.B. con.; Chas. Shepherd \$4 serving copies of Brand drain by-law; James Stubbs \$34.60 for gravel; Wesley Davidson \$12.75 work on Lake road and \$22.80 for gravel; John Shipley \$10 rent of eer on Gray drain; N. Sitter \$7.80, G. Sutherland \$7.80 and Thos. Ross

A by-law was passed appointing poll clerks etc, for the ensuing municipal elections. A pro rata by-law was passed for the extension of the Grav drain and the by-law for the repair of the Brand drain was finally

Council adjourned to meet on December 15th at 9 a.m. Geo. Sutherland, Clerk.

CORONER'S JURY HELD TOPPING RESPONSIBLE

The verdict of the jury impaneled by Coroner Wilson at London last Friday night to investigate the events transpired at the home of Geo. which Cook, York street, London, on Nov. 23rd, when Miss Geraldine Durstan was mortally wounded was "That the deceased Geraldine Durstan came to her death by gunshot wounds

at the hands of Clarence Topping. The inquest was held in the police station when the circumstances preceding and following the shooting told in detail and at some were length by Mr. and Mrs. Cook, Police Constable Walter Harpur, who ex changed shots with Topping at the time of the occurrence, and Dr. Homer Black, the physician who was summond to attend the wounded

roung ladies. The youthful alleged slaver of the girl was present. His appearance was in striking contrast to that pre when he appeared in police sented court Friday morning. His hair was neatly brushed and his attitude was anything but dejected. He sat in the prisoner's bor unmoved and showed but casual interest in the testimony At times his gaze rested on the wit ness, but for the most part he stared directly ahead of him. His flushed face was the only indication of his inner emotions.

Dr. Homer Black, who conducted the post-mortem examination, testified to finding two bullet holes to the right of the abdomen and the two bullets located on either side of the spinal column. Death was due, he said to peritonitis, caused by perforations of the leaden missiles.

Dejected in appearance, his eyes constantly on the floor except for the few brief moments that he faced the magistrate, Clarence Topping, 23 years old, who, a week ago inflicted fatal injuries on Geraldine Durstan, 18 years of age, because she rejected his suit, and was responsible for the shooting of Viola McNaughton, aged 19, appeared before Magistrate Grayin police court Friday morning and was remanded to jail for another week without ceremony.

DEATH OF THOMAS STEADMAN

Thomas Steadman, one of the oldest,, if not the oldest, residents of Lambton County, passed away at his home on the town line of Plympton Saturday. He was born within a mile of the present homestead, 82 years ago, and had practically lived within two miles of his hirthplace all his life. He had cleared up in all over 1,000 acres of land. He was the eldest son of the late Robert Steadman and Mary Ann Oliver, and claimed to be the fourth white child born in the township of Plympton. His grandfather was born in Ireland, and in coming to Canada was stationed at the port of Sarnia in a military capacity.

Owing to his father's lameness Mr. Steadman took charge of the family business at 13 years of age. He married at 24, and lived at the old home for years. They moved to Enniskillen, then to Wyoming, where he resided three years, and then moved to the present farm, which is known as the Steadman Home-

The late Mr. Steadman was municipal veteran, having served on the Enniskillen council for 16 years as reeve and deputy reeve, and by virtue of his office was also a county councillor. He was a staunch member of the Methodist church.

He is survived by six sons, Thomas A. Steadman of Lambeth; Joseph R. and David M. of Petrolea; F. Ellerby and Willbur of the town ground to store tile; N. Sitter \$3.00 line, and Roy of Thorold, and four Monday from the homestead, with daughters, Mrs. W. B. Smith, Petrol-interment at Hillsdall with daughters, Mrs. W. B. Smith, Petrol-ea; Mrs. A.J. McKenney, Woodstock; Mrs. Adam Clark, Woodstock, and Is Your ad. in this paper this week?

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ing, etc. When making arrangements for the trip south, consult any agent of the Canadian National Railways for particulars of service. Winter tourist fares are now in effect, valid to return up to June 15th, and good for stopover at all important points

Autumn Weddings

SPARLING-SMITH

The home of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Smith, Warwick, was the scene of a pretty wedding on Wednesday, Nov. 28, at 12 o'clock when their daughter Mary Margaret Jean, was married to John E. Sparling of Plympton.

The ceremony which took place beneath a bower of evergreens interspersed with white mums and graced with a white bell, was conducted by Rev. R. Johnson. Miss Mildred Brent played Mendelssohn's wedding march as the bridal couple took their places. The bride wore a graceful gown of orchid crepe Romaine with corsage boquet of violets. During the signing of the register Miss Mildred Brent sang "Until".

Following the ceremony a delicious wedding luncheon was served to about forty guests. The diningroom was tastefully decorated with pink and white, and the tables with vases of white mums.

Mr. and Mrs. Sparling left later on a honeymoon trip to London, the bride travelling in a navy poiret twill suit, with gray duvetyn hat and gloves to match.

Among the guests were firends from London, Watford and Sarnia.

RANKIN-WELLS

The marriage took place quietly at the Methodist parsonage, Forest, on Tuesday evening, Nov. 27th, when Annie Matilda, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Burton Wells of Bosanquet was joined in holy bonds of wedlock to Mr. William D. Rankin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Rankin of Forest, the Rev. S. Anderson, pastor of the church, officiating. They were unattended, the bride being married in her travelling suit of navy blue poiret twill, with grey panne velvet hat, shoes and gloves to match. She carried a boquet of roses and lily of the valley and wore the groom's gift, a dainty wrist watch. After the ceremony they left by motor for Hamilton, Niagara Falls and other eastern points. Upon their return they will reside in A. G. Ross' residence on John street.

WESTGATE_REID

A very pretty wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Reid McGillvray Township at high noon on Wednesday, Nov. 28th, when their eldest daughter, Murie Eloise, was united in marriage th Frederick John Westgate, of Detroit Mich., son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Westgate of Watford, Rev. F. Bing. ham of Parkhill, officiating. The bride entered the room on the arm of her father, and took her place under a large white bell that was suspended from the ceiling with festoons of white. She wore a very becoming dress of Egyptian blue silk crepe, and was attended by Miss Susie Westgate, sister of the groom, while Mr. Gordon Patterson of Sarnia, acted as gromsman. At the of the ceremony a very dainty luncheon was served. prettily decorated with pink carnations and ferns. The guests present were: Mrs. Stokes of Sarnia, grandmother of the bride; Mr. and Mrs Westgate of Watford, father and mother of the groom; Miss Susie Westgate, also of Watford; Miss Noreen Reid of Detroit; Mr. Gordon Pattersan of Sarvice, Mr. Patterson of Sarnia; Mr. Roger Thorner of Sarnia and Mr. and Mrs T. Bingham of Parkhill. The young couple received many handsome and useful present. They left on a motor trip to

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Mrs. John Wilson, town line; two brothers, William of Pidgeon, Mich. and Albert of Bad Axe, Mich., and one sister, Mrs. Cornelius Medcalfe of Glenrae. The funeral was held or

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