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FAIR IS POSTPONED.

Frankville Exhibition Not to be Held This Year—Week of Rain Militated Against Second Day.

Continuous showers were the reason for calling off the second day of Frankville Exhibition which had been postponed from Friday to Saturday, until next year. The judging had been completed, and the exhibits were more numerous and of higher quality than ever before. But the weather showed no sign of clearing, and the directorate decided to pay all indebtedness and prizes in full and hope for more favorable circumstances in 1918. The fact that the Society is meeting its obligations so satisfactorily speaks well for the management. The exhibitors will be satisfied, and the people who would have attended the second day will understand that bad weather is an occurrence which must be endured. The Board are very optimistic over next year's fair and will make every effort for its success.

PRESBYTERIAN ANNIVERSARY

Successful Annual Event with Fine Sermons and Music on Sunday—Tea and Lecture Monday Night.

Rev. D. M. MacLeod, B.A., of Lyn, preached fine sermons in St Paul's church morning and evening of Sunday. At the latter service, which members of the other churches were able to attend, Mr. MacLeod took as his subject the oft-repeated query, "Is it worth while?" meaning of course the sacrifices of great men who gave up everything we treasure most in the service of some great cause. An unusually clear exposition, his sermon was heard with great interest.

Miss Davison, Delta, sang solos at these services and at the lecture the following evening. Her clear, rich soprano voice is always a delight to Athenians who envy their neighboring village her possession.

"The pleasures of life," an exhaustive psychological lecture by Rev. R. M. Hamilton, B.A., of Brockville, was heard by a large congregation who had been well served at the vegetable tea in the basement. Mr. Hamilton gave many philosophical and humorous views on the subject which is one so broad that the audience felt that he had indeed handled it well.

At the close, Mr. J. Thompson and Rev. Mr. Usher expressed the thanks of the Presbyterian people to those who had helped to make the anniversary the success it was.

COMMERCIAL TRAVELER DIES IN SMITH'S FALLS.

Smith's Falls, October 11.—Death came suddenly and presumably without warning to Mr Thos. Noble, at the Hotel Rideau last night. He was a traveler for Armour & Co., of Hamilton, had been "on the road" for many years, and was well and favorably known in all the country between Toronto and Ottawa. He came to the hotel Rideau from the nine-o'clock train last night, and when he registered, the proprietor greeted him and in reply to the usual enquiry about his health, he said he was first rate except that he had been suffering a bit during the day from indigestion. Soon after registering, he went up to his room, but made a mistake and went into the room next to the one assigned him. This had been given to another traveler, and when the latter went up to it about midnight, he found Mr Noble lying dead upon the floor. His order book, pipe and tobacco were beside him as if he had been about to go downstairs to write up his orders when he was stricken. Dr. Gray was summoned and pronounced the cause of death to have been heart failure. No inquest was deemed necessary, and the body was taken to Marsh's undertaking rooms to await removal to the home of deceased in Toronto.

Appeal for Feathers Is Splendidly Answered.

The Reporter wishes to thank the ladies who so generously responded to the request for feathers for the pillows Miss Hunt is making for the Canadian General Hospital No. 3 in France. The women of Canada are doing much to win the war. Hospital supplies mean the saving of innumerable lives.

FIELD DAY OF A. H. S.

Excellent Athletic Meet of All Forms in School.

Postponed on account of bad weather from Friday last, the Athens High School Field Day was held very successfully on the campus yesterday in spite of the inevitable showers.

The students showed splendid spirit and a fair amount of physical ability. The group contests of the forms were the most exciting events. The boys' Junior Medal was won by Rupert Burchell, the girls' Junior Medal by Beryl Davis, and the boys' Senior Medal by G. Drummond. The girls' senior medal was won in a very close competition by Miss C. Miller. Form III Sr. won the Shield, getting the highest number of points.

Why Tuesday happened to be a comparatively favorable day, is one of the wonders of this autumn of cloudy skies, rainy days, and muddy earth. Although the threatened downpour did not come, a shower in the morning and one at noon showed that Jupiter Pluvius was not in any too bright a mood. The wind was cold and searching, and track suits were supplemented with overcoats between the events. To overcome the slippery condition of the ground for the jumps, sand and ashes were used.

The girls did much for the success of the meet by entering so wholeheartedly into all the events.

The indoor baseball game on the campus was watched by a crowd of decidedly partisan spectators who saw Jr. III sadly defeat a team from the remainder of the school. It reminded one of the Athens ball team in its palmy days doing things to Phillipsville and Jasper. George Drummond, School Champion Many points in the county are represented by the students in the school field day, and this year Toledo claims the honor of sending a champion. George Drummond, with a number of points to the good, holds the senior boys' medal. His performance was consistently good, especially in the high jump, when he barely defeated Kilborn by clearing the bar at five feet. This is good jumping for a high school.

Prize Winners.

The prize winners in the various events were:

Girls
50 yd. dash—Jr., L. Guttridge, Sr., L. Burchell.
Sack race—Jr., V. Topping, Sr., F. Rahmer.
3-Legged Race—Jr., L. Guttridge and K. McAvoy, Sr., L. Danby and C. Miller.
Needle Race—Jr., B. Davis, Sr., N. Mulvena.
Peanut Race—Jr., M. Bulger, Sr., E. Guttridge.

Boys
Broad Jump—Jr., R. Burchell, Sr., J. Kilborne.
Hop, Step and Jump—Jr., L. Taylor, Sr., G. Drummond.
100 yd. Dash—Jr., R. Burchell, Sr., J. Kilborne.
High Jump—Jr., R. Burchell, Sr., G. Drummond.
220 yd. Dash (open)—G. Drummond.
Bicycle Race (1/2 mile)—A. Swayne.
P. S. Girls' 50 yd. Dash—D. Mulvena.
P. S. Boys' 100 yd. Dash—K. Bulford.

Officials

Rev W. G. Swayne officiated as referee in a most capable manner, being assisted by Messrs. Parish, Kendrick, Percival and Rev. Vickery as judges. Mr. E. C. Tribute kept the records, long jump of 17 feet, 2 inches, by J. Kilborne and the high jump of 5 feet by George Drummond.

The prizes were presented by some of the prominent men of Athens, the medals for championships to be given at the Commencement by the teachers, and the school is presenting the Challenge Shield. It is intended to have a social evening for the students on Thursday evening when the prizes will be presented.

News of the Front.

Keith McLaughlin is in the 3rd Military School in France, acting as an instructor.

Manly Berney will be invalided home soon.

Will Speak on Missions.

On Sunday, the 28th, Miss Parker of Brockville, will speak at both services in the Methodist church.

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NAPOLEON HOWE

On Thursday, October 11, Napoleon Howe, of Athens passed away at his home a mile east of the village. He had enjoyed excellent health until recently. About four months previous to his death, while visiting a son at Westport, he was threatened with a stroke of paralysis. Since that time he had suffered two shocks from the last of which he never rallied.

Mr. Howe was born 65 years ago in the township of Kitley near Lake Elolida, where he resided until about thirty years ago, when he removed to the locality where he died. In the year 1875 he married Eliza Ann Johnson, of Toledo, Ont. Besides his wife, he leaves to mourn his loss, one daughter and three sons, Miss Addie B. Howe, Willard, Delorma, and Charles Clifford, of Athens, and Rev. J. Bertram, of Westport, and a large circle of friends and neighbors.

Mr. Howe was a successful farmer. He was a consistent member of the Methodist Church all his life and a member of the A.O.U.W. The community has lost a Christian gentleman of able worth, and the wife and family a devoted husband and loving father.

The funeral was conducted by his pastor, Rev. T. J. Vickery, in the Methodist church, Athens, on Saturday afternoon.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

Anglicans Meet at Lyndhurst.

A most interesting and helpful Sunday School Convention for the Deanery of Leeds was held at Lyndhurst on Wednesday, October 10, Rural Dean Swayne presiding. St. Luke's church was well filled by an enthusiastic and interested delegation from most of the parishes. The morning session was taken up with the propounding and answering of many Sunday School problems of a practical nature. After dinner, Dr. J. L. Carroll, of Brockville, gave a most instructive blackboard address on "Class Organization and Work with the Boys of the 'Teen Age.'" Dr. Carroll gave many helpful pointers. Another splendid address was given by Mr. Burchell, Principal of the Athens High School, on "The Influence of the Sunday School on Child Life." It was an inspiration to have such addresses by laymen who themselves are leaders in Sunday School work.

Rev Canon Bedford-Jones gave an excellent resume of the last meeting of the Sunday School Commission, featuring some of the new schemes. The outstanding feature of the meeting was the large part taken in the discussions by the laity present. Including the clergy, there were 65 present.

A strong body of officers were elected, consisting of Mr. Burchell, President, Miss Graham, Lyndhurst, Secretary, Mrs. Frye, Delta, Treasurer, Dr. Carroll, Mrs. Butler, Gananoque, Mr. McComb, Newboro, Rev. H. H. Bedford-Jones, Rev. Mr. Hall, Newboro, were appointed as Secretaries of Class Organization, Infant Classes and Font Roll, Missions, Teacher Training and the Home Department respectively. Arrangements were made for regular meetings of the executive and for the holding of a two-days' conference next year at Athens.

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MISS ELIZABETH PERCIVAL

There passed away at the home of her brother, Mr John Percival, of Glen Buell, on October 12, 1917, Miss Elizabeth Percival, at the age of 95 years. Surviving her are her brother and one sister, Mrs. W. Davis, of Frankville.

The funeral service was held at the Methodist church, Glen Buell, and interment was made at New Dublin.

Rev Dr. Meyers of Lyn conducted the services. The pall-bearers were Mortimer and W. Davis, Wm. and David Forth, Watson and John Percival.

Saturday's Market.

The market Saturday morning in the county town was not as large as usual, and prices asked in many cases were exorbitant. Potatoes sold at 80 cents a bushel; corn at 15 cents a dozen; eggs at 45-50 and 52 cents a dozen; apples and tomatoes, 80 cents a bushel; chickens, \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50 a pair; lamb, 15, 13 cents a pound; pumpkins, five cents each; and onions 80 cents a bushel.

Dies in Brockville.

Simon F. Ferguson, a resident of Gananoque, passed away in Brockville Saturday, October 6, at the age of 69 years. The deceased, who had lived in Gananoque all his life, leaves a widow, two sons and one daughter: Richard W. Ferguson, Brockville; Fraser Ferguson, at home; and Mrs. George Bell, of Leeds. The deceased was a Methodist. The body was taken to Gananoque for burial.

NOTICE

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