

GRIMSBY AND BEAMSVILLE.

Temperance People Subscribe \$6,000 For Good Hotel.

Hockey Team Expects to be Strong This Year.

Christmas Entertainment and Various Social Events.

(From Times Reporter.)

Grimsbey, Dec. 24.—Mr. Bert Muir, Grand Forks, B.C., is visiting old friends here.

E. A. Lancaster, M.P., St. Kitts, was in town on Wednesday.

The local option people are said to have \$6,000 subscribed towards the building of a temperance hotel.

It looks like Reeve Mitchell, by acclamation again.

Next Tuesday night a public meeting will be held in the town hall against local option. F. G. H. Patton will have for his topic a comparison of the license system with that of local option. Mr. J. A. Livingston, "The Impossibility of Making Good Men by Law," and Mr. Mitchell will speak about "Hotel Accommodation."

Charles Wansbridge is home from Morden, Man.

Union Lodge, A. F. and A. M., attended the Methodist Church on Sunday afternoon for divine service.

Rev. A. I. Terry preached.

Mr. W. B. Russ, Queenston and Grimsby road superintendent, has gone to Indianapolis to spend the holidays with his sister.

The school of the Presbyterian Church had a pleasant Christmas entertainment last night. The children of the Baptist Church will have theirs to-morrow night.

Lennox Falconbridge, Chicago, will spend the next few days with his parents in town.

Rev. Isaac Couch, of Central Methodist Church, Hamilton, united in marriage at the parsonage on Saturday afternoon last Lloyd H. Shepherd, of Clinton Township, to Edna Kathleen Marsh, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Marsh, of Grimsby. Only the immediate relatives were present.

The hockey team expect to be getting some licks in before the week end. The aggregation should be as good as ever this year and a little faster than that of last. The boys will be without Chester Gibson, the good captain of other days, but there is some snappy material that should make good. The only seven in the league that will be formidable is the one from St. Kitts. The county town bunch played hockey last winter and were an aggressive outfit. With some of the old players still on deck it behooves the home team to keep everlastingly at it. The two Farrells and Flett can be depended upon to do their best as always, but White needs a little more ginger to keep the outfit in good working order.

Word comes from Calgary, Alta., telling of the wedding of a once well-known and popular Grimsby boy, Donald McKinnon, to Miss Bessie Smith, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Smyth, of Lucknow, Ont. The young lady had charge of the Meadow Creek School, at which place a big reception and dance took place for the new couple.

BEAMSVILLE.

Mr. E. A. Lancaster, M.P., of St. Kitts, was in town on Wednesday. He was in the city on his way to the annual meeting of the Agricultural Society here, and will be in the city on his way to the annual meeting of the Agricultural Society here, and will be in the city on his way to the annual meeting of the Agricultural Society here.

Assess Wrecked and Battered are spending Christmas in Toronto.

Ray Jordan will run at the Burlington road race on Saturday, and at St. Catharines on New Year's Day.

Mrs. David Finney and Miss Evelyn Gibson were in Beaverton on Wednesday.

The annual meeting of the Agricultural Society has been fixed for the afternoon of Thursday, Jan. 20, in the Town Hall.

Christmas trees and entertainments were well attended by scholars and parents on Wednesday night in the Presbyterian Church, and on Thursday evening, the Methodist school gave their usual pleasing cantata.

The Social Club have again decided to send out invitations for the members and their friends to a series of card parties, to begin on Jan. 14.

A citizen, well known in municipal circles, who returned from Dunville the other night, relates that on passing through Wellandport he saw a jack rabbit three feet high and four feet long running down the main street of that burg, and being chased by a pack of twenty hounds. He also says that the bunny stopped with a jerk in front of the Post Office, and, launching out with its back feet, broke the jaw of the nearest dog, and then ran for the bushes, getting clean away. He says the whole village were out to see the fun, and the street was packed the same as on fair day. As the worthy Councilor was coming all the way from Dunville, on a raw day, to his home in a local option town, those who listened to his tale do not doubt a word of it.

There does not seem to be any dearth of turkeys, geese and chickens on the butchers' stalls here, probably on account of the stiffness in prices. A lot of people will be content with other meat commodities this Christmas.

Referee John Young, of Abingdon, has made the following awards in the Clinton township good roads contest:

Division 1, sub-division—James Moyer, Robert F. Martin, W. H. Moyer, Isaac G. Culp.

Sub-division—J. B. Parker, Wilson House, Delos Tufford, Darius Ryckman.

Division No. 2, sub-division—Emerson H. Culp, Byron Eckhardt, Harper Moyer, Clayton Culp.

Sub-division—Jacob M. Wismer, Richard Love, Philip Hoffman, Emory Holloway, John G. Moyer (the last two share fourth prize).

Division No. 3, sub-division—Sylvester Wismer, Herbert Cosby.

Sub-division—Angus Stewart, Paul Marlatt, Delbert Grobb.

Division No. 4, sub-division—Andrew Culp, W. E. Tufford.

Sub-division—Paul Merritt.

Pick your Council from the following, who will likely be nominated on Monday night: Wm. Shultz, Geo. Smith, Norman Smart, Geo. Bartlett, Geo. Konkko, Wm. Lounsbury, Wm. Jerome, E. L. Jeannett, Peter Robertson.

Mr. M. F. Rittenhouse, Chicago, is spending a few days with friends along the lake, Vinland.

Will T. R. Gilmore run for the big chair in the township?

November report of school No. 1, Clinton township.

Senior fourth—Lila Elley, Dora Crown.

Senior third—Lulu Culp, Orpha House, Clarence Konkko, Ernest Fountain, Gordon Tufford.

Junior third—Della Culp, Lance Tufford.

Senior second—Mae Liscomb, Gladys Culp, Sadie Tufford, Albert Konkko, Howard Culp, Harry Parker, Alvin Reid.

Part second—Gladys Culp, Marena Tufford, Eva Thornton, Sylvester House.

Senior part first—Freddie Culp, Roy Thornton.

Junior part first (a)—Verna Elley, Hugh Fountain, Elma Tufford, Clara Broadman, George Lucy.

Junior part first (b)—Simeon House, Violet Whittaker, Willie Martin, Jack Lucy.

Honor roll—Lila Elley, Lulu Culp, Orpha House, Gladys Culp, Freddie Culp, Eva Thornton, Albert Konkko, Della Culp, Mae Liscomb, Clarence Konkko, Sadie Tufford, Sylvester House, Dora Crown, Marena Tufford, Ernest Fountain.

The factory by-law should not have one vote against it.

NEW BREWERY.

There has been a great deal of talk pro and con relative to the establishment of an independent brewery here ever since the syndicate merged in one company the two old plants now in operation. Nothing of a definite character developed, however, until the People's Brewery, limited, put in an appearance.

There is no question now but what an independent plant will be built here and will be delivering its products in the spring. The new company is styled The People's Brewery, limited, and will operate on what is known as the co-operative plan. Breweries operating on this plan have been a big success in the United States and England for years, and there are no reasons why it should not prove so here. The co-operative plan is one where there are hundreds of stockholders instead of a close corporation. The new company has not only the co-operation of numerous stockholders among Hamiltonians, but has the additional advantage of having nearly two-thirds of the hotel men as shareholders. The benefit of this is obvious. The hotel men will naturally patronize a plant in which they have a financial interest, and the hundreds who are not hotel men will most certainly patronize those places in which the product of their brewery is sold, thus obtaining the benefits of co-operation in its highest sense. The company is erecting a thoroughly modern plant. It is being equipped with the latest patterns of machinery for the making of the highest quality of malted beverages at the lowest cost. The buildings are of brick, steel and concrete construction, five stories high, sanitary, fireproof, and cover one-half of a city block. The machinery will be operated by electricity. The location of this plant in Hamilton should be welcomed, especially at this time, as it will give employment to a large number of laborers all winter. It is no secret that breweries are large income earners, and the company's stock proposition from an investment standpoint should appeal to all those who have a little money they can invest where it will not only be safe, but yield a handsome return. The company has offices in the Provident Loan building. George Watson is president and Fred A. Lee is secretary-treasurer.

Underground Moving Sidewalk.

(Chicago Tribune.)

There is a prospect that New York will try to solve a portion of the street congestion problem by putting into operation an underground moving sidewalk.

The board of estimate has recommended to the public service commission that the plan be tried in Forty-fourth street, between Ninth and Second Avenues. An obstacle in the way is the matter of grade to be used, that of the new subway running north and south, now having been determined upon.

The idea of underground sidewalks, stationary or movable, with arcade shops below the surface of the street, has often been discussed, but no city has yet dared to experiment with it. For one thing, the mechanism and the arrangements for ingress and egress have not been deemed satisfactory, but it is now declared that these difficulties have been overcome and that a system has been discovered to which no objection can be made.

In the problem of actual street traffic the congestion of the footways has been lost sight of, but it is of great importance. To-day in Chicago the pedestrian has almost as much difficulty in making his way as does the driver of a vehicle. We have yet to cope with the subway proposition and the engineers who have the matter in hand might do well to watch the experiment in New York, for the problem of footways is likely to grow more complicated with each year.

Amusements

The Savor, with one of the most pleasing bills seen at the popular Merrick street house this season, will make a strong bid to-day and to-morrow for the patronage of the big holiday crowds. Special arrangements have been made for Christmas. To-morrow afternoon a continuous performance will be given from 1 o'clock until 5 o'clock in the afternoon and from 7 o'clock until 10.30 at night. An exceptionally pleasing bill has been provided. A screamingly funny comic entitled, "She Took Mother's Advice," will be featured, and the balance of the four thousand feet of film, which is shown at every performance, will include a number of pictures particularly appropriate to the Christmas season. The feature picture tells the story of a pretty young bride, who following her mother's advice implicitly, pretends admiration of every present her husband makes her, fearing that if she criticizes his purchases, he will become discouraged and stop making gifts. Dresses out of fashion, hats that have long since passed out of style, spectacles and dogs, pictures and other atrocities are showered upon her by her husband. She declares everything to be "just the thing," although she detests dogs and the dresses cause her anguish. Scope is provided for a series of very funny situations before a mother-in-law arrives on the job and prevents the breaking of what gave promise to being a happy home. One of the Christmas pictures is entitled, "The Man With the Dolls." It is a picture story that will delight the little folks and appeal to adults. Vaudeville specialties and illustrated songs will, as usual, be included in the programme. It looks like a very pleasing combination and should draw big business to-night and to-morrow.

"THE BLUE MOUSE" COMING.

The much heralded and long talked of farce that has been the sensation of two continents, "The Blue Mouse," will be the attraction at the Grand early in January. This will be the original Lyric Theatre, New York, production, headed by the famous Canadian comedienne, Mabel Harrison, and Harry Conner, the farce comedy favorite, supported by the original cast. The company will play but a few cities, and this will be the only opportunity for the theatregoers of Hamilton to see the same company that played for one year in New York City and for six months in Chicago.

"The Blue Mouse" is an adaptation from the German by the late American dramatist, Clyde Fitch, and is considered his funniest play, even funnier than his other farce, "Girls." It is said that the author, who staged the piece, carefully eliminated all features which so often characterize French and German farces as "naughty."

"ST. ELMO"

"Something new" is a phrase which may properly sum up the Vaughan Glaser presentation of "St. Elmo" at the Grand Opera House two nights, beginning Monday, Jan. 3, with matinee on Tuesday.

The play represents an innovation in that it presents a departure from the ordinary lines of drama, being rather a play depending on many refinements of acting not usually called out in plays offered at popular priced houses.

The story of Mrs. Augusta Evans Wilson, long familiar to readers, plays much upon the sympathy, and the dramatization does likewise, and the interest is constant. St. Elmo is a exile upon the surface of his nature. Bitter experience of life has made him assume a distrust of all save his mother. Into his life, filled with unhappiness, comes the love of a girl, who is pure and true. She hates the hard cynicism which St. Elmo has built about himself, but underneath this she sees, half despite herself, his better nature. This task set for the turbulent, fiery young man is to sheer off the dress of his nature. This he does and wins the girl. Mr. Glaser as St. Elmo is in all respects equal to the role. He has both strength and a reserve necessary to the portrayal of the character. His interpretation of the real nature of St. Elmo is very well one. Miss Courtenay is seen as Ena Earle, the girl who effects the redemption of the hero of the drama. These two are surrounded by a more than capable cast.

Spiced Cranberry Jelly.

With cranberries still on hand a nice spiced jelly can be made to serve with meats. Cook the apples without peeling until tender. Strain through a jelly bag, add vinegar to taste with cloves and cinnamon. Cook 20 minutes, add an equal quantity of sugar that has been heated in the oven, boil five minutes, skim and turn in glasses.

The Right House

"HAMILTON'S FAVORITE SHOPPING PLACE"

For Last Minute Needs Come Here

THOMAS C. Watkins, Limited, will "see its first Christmas" on Saturday. By that time a reorganized and rejuvenated firm and its loyal employees will have passed through the greatest selling days—the severest test—in other words, of the quality of its merchandise and the efficiency of its service—that have ever come to a store in Hamilton.

It is not in a boastful strain that we say that we have passed through the terrific selling and serving test of the last three weeks in a successful and most creditable manner. We mention it because it is good for Hamilton for such things to be known. Among other things a city is judged by its greatest store.

This leads us naturally to the thought: What a wonderful institution, what a glory to Hamilton!—will be The Right House of Christmas 1910, when its great six storey addition with its many, many, new features and greater space, will have been occupied. To our patrons and our organization we wish

A MERRY, MERRY CHRISTMAS

Winter Coats at Reduced Prices

Second Floor—
\$8.50, formerly \$12.00, \$14.50, \$15.00 \$12.50, formerly \$14.00 and \$15.00
\$10.00, formerly \$12.50 to \$13.50 \$19.50, formerly \$22.00, \$25.00 to \$28.50

Our entire stock of new Winter Coats goes on sale on Monday morning at greatly reduced prices—prices which have been cut to bring about a quick clearance of these lines.

We have decided not to wait until January to start our great annual sale of these Coats and accordingly it starts on Monday. Remember date through the intervening days—it will mean money to you. Monday morning of all times will be the date upon which to buy coats.

Ladies' and Misses' Black and Colored Coats, semi-fitting in style and trimmed with self, braid and buttons. The lengths vary from 45 to 48 to 60 inches.

These are made of Beaver, Cheviots and Tweeds. The collars are of the coat texture, regular values are \$14.00 and \$15.00. The sale price is \$8.50 and \$10.00.

CHILDREN'S BLANKET COATS

These warm coats in red and blue are of our regular \$6.50 and \$7.50 value, but are marked for this Coat Sale at \$4.50 and \$5.00.

RUBBERIZED RAINCOATS

LADIES' RUBBERIZED SILK AND SATIN RAINCOATS

Rain coats in the semi-fitting style and loose back. The lengths are 54 to 60 inches and lar values are \$14.00 and \$15.00. The sale price is \$8.50 and \$10.00.

Included in this great sale will be an odd line of Ladies' Black Loose Coats of our regular \$6.50 to \$8.50 value. The sale price is \$4.50 and \$5.00.

Monday's Sale of Odd Furs

Second Floor—
SEVERAL odd pieces of good quality Furs will go on sale for the first time on Monday morning at greatly reduced prices.

We want to see these odd pieces speedily cleared:

3 Japanese Mink Stoles, formerly \$15.00, for \$7.50 each

3 Black Persian Paw Stoles, formerly \$15.00, for \$7.50 each

3 Marmot Stoles, formerly \$7.00, for \$3.50 each

1 French Coony Stole, formerly \$6.50, for \$3.25 each

1 Black 'Possum Ruffs, formerly \$6.00, for \$3.00 each

1 Black Russian Lamb Muff, formerly \$6.00, for \$3.00 each

1 Western Sable Storm Collar, formerly \$27.50, for \$13.75 each

1 Japanese Martin Muff, formerly \$3.00, for \$1.50 each

1 Black 'Possum Muff, formerly \$8.00, for \$4.00 each

1 Persian Paw Set, formerly \$22.50, for \$11.25 each

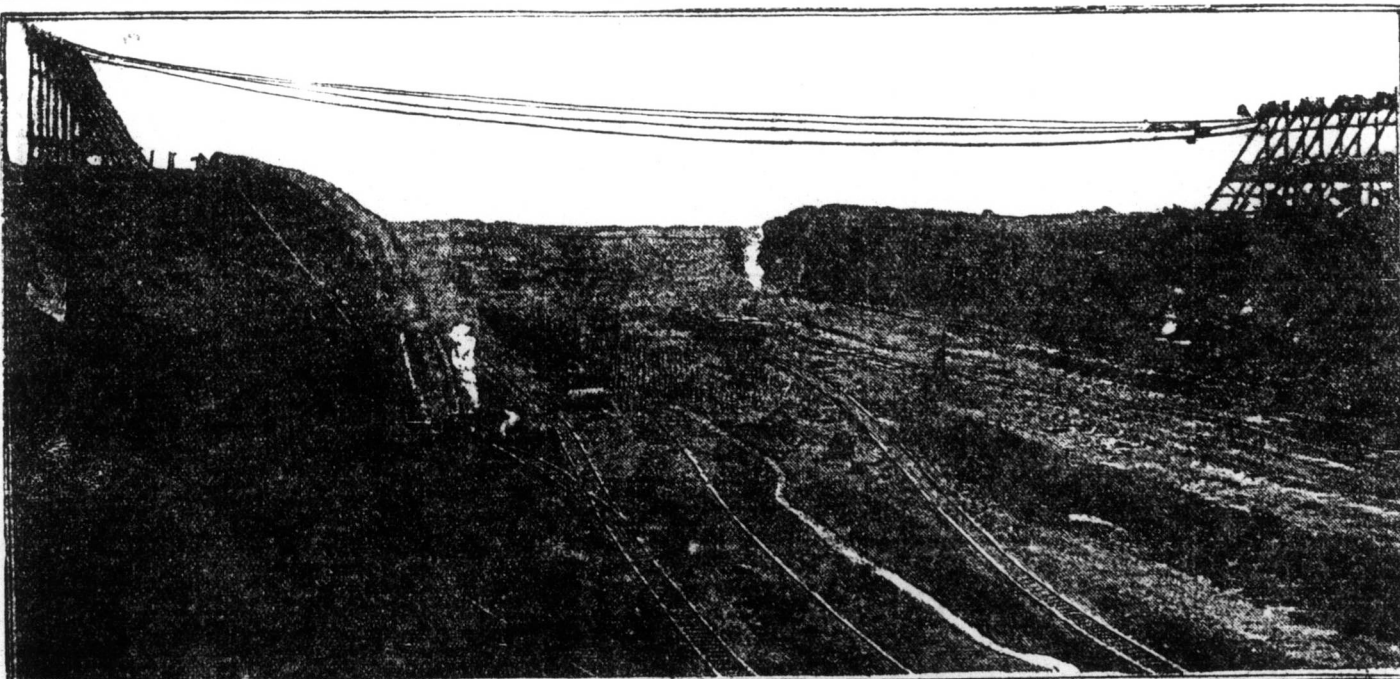
We have also many other pieces that will interest you.

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NEW PICTURE FROM THE PANAMA CANAL—GATUN DAM TO-DAY.

Here is the very latest photograph taken down on the Panama Canal, where the American people's money is being used by the carload to bring forth gigantic transformations of nature. The picture shows the progress to-day of the work where the Gatun dam will finally stand. When completed, this piece of work will be the monumental engineering feat of the whole project. The photograph shows how a mountain of earth and rock has been dug and blasted out, leaving a great valley. The next step will be to build the dam, which will be a mountain of concrete and granite, intended to hold back a lake of water, through which the ships of the world will pass.

The anchors for the mammoth wire transmission machinery are shown on each side of the big cut. About the middle of the picture are shown the stakes or anchors for the beginning of the concrete work. It's a job for giants, this Gatun Dam, and giant minds and giant American workmen are directing the task.

CLOCKS THAT STRIKE 13.

Timepieces Without Hands—Ancient Horologist's Queer Devices.

In Worsley, Lancashire, are two clocks which never strike, one being arranged to strike thirteen at 1 a. m. and 1 p. m. One of them is over the Earl of Ellesmere's newly constructed entrance to Worsley Hall, and is the original which the Duke of Bridgewater had placed in the tower in his Worsley depot.

It is said that his grace had the clock made to strike the "unlucky" number so as to warn his workmen that it was time to return to work after dinner, some of them having excused themselves for being late on the ground that they could not hear it strike one. This recalls the incident when the big clock of the Houses of Parliament saved a man's life.

A soldier in the reign of William and Mary was condemned by court-martial for falling asleep while on duty on the terrace at Windsor. He stoutly denied the charge, says the London Globe, and solemnly declared that he heard Old Tom (the predecessor of Big Ben) strike thirteen instead of twelve. The officers laughed at the idea, but while the man was lying in prison awaiting execution several persons came forward and swore that the clock actually did strike thirteen, whereupon the soldier was pardoned and released.

Well, Cathedral contains the most interesting and the oldest self-striking clock in the whole world. It was constructed by Peter Lightfoot, a monk, in 1320, and embraces many devices which testify to the ancient horologist's ingenuity. Several celestial and terrestrial bodies are incorporated in interesting movement and relationship. They indicate the hours of the day, the age of the moon, and the position of the planets and the tides.

When the clock strikes the hour horsemen, fully armed, dash out of two gateways in opposite directions and charge vigorously. They strike with their lances as they pass as many times as correspond with the number of the hour. A little distance away, seated on a high perch, is a quaint figure, which kicks the quarters on two bells placed above his feet, and strikes the hours on a bell. The dial of the clock is divided into twenty-four hours, and shows the phases of the moon and a map of the heavens.

An oddity in clocks is the invention of a Frenchman, M. Paul Cornu. It consists of a dial mounted above a reservoir and having a sort of a seesaw mounted upon its support. The reservoir holds sufficient alcohol to last for a month, and this serves as fuel for a small flame which burns at the end. The heat from the flame causes the air to expand in the bulb of the seesaw directly above it. As a result the seesaw moves every five seconds. This movement is the sole motive power which actuates the hands.

In Switzerland clocks are now being made which do not require hands and faces. The timepieces stand in the hall, and you press a button, when by means of the photographic internal arrangements it calls out "half past five," or "five minutes to nine," as the case may be.

A Munich professor has invented a remarkable sickroom clock. When a button is pressed an electric lamp behind the dial throws the shadow of the hours and hands, magnified, upon the ceiling, so that invalids can see at a glance without craning their necks or putting themselves to any inconvenience.

A German shoemaker spent fifteen years of his leisure moments in constructing a clock of the grandfather type nearly six feet high, made entirely of solid brass, wheels, pointers, case and every detail are exclusively of brass. The most remarkable fact is that it is reported to keep perfect time, though the durability of this strange piece of mechanism is a matter of doubt.

In Car is the proud possessor of a unique clock which records not merely the passing seconds, minutes and hours, but he days, weeks months and years. The clock was invented and manufactured by two peasants, who presented it to the Emperor as a token of their loyalty. In St. Petersburg too is to be found a clock having ninety-five faces, indicating simultaneously the time at thirty different spots on the earth's surface besides the movements of the earth and planets.

In the Kurpark at Interlaken may be seen a clock constructed of flowers. The plants are arranged in a sort of mosaic and the hour and seconds and minutes are made of colored cactus plants. The works of the clock, hidden beneath the roots of the plants, move the hands over the face as the minutes and hours go by, and this novel timepiece does its duty as accurately as if erected in some imposing tower.

The Final Test.

Never had a cross word
With his life wife,
Never told a fish tale,
In his mortal life.

Never blamed the weather—
Be it rain or sun;
Never ran for office,
Though they tried to make him run!

Never in a poker game
Was the feller found;
Never snored in meetin'
When they passed the hat around.

In a world so sinful
Seemed ashamed to roam;
Hein' jest so perfect
The angels called him home!

But still there were some people
Who had the heart to say
Satan singed his feathers
When he tried to fly away.

—Atlanta Constitution

Wigg—Scribbler's stories all have such sad endings. Wagg—Yes, they generally find their way into the waste basket.

A Chicago paper has discovered that going into politics will make women's feet larger.

Hate furrows the brow.—French.

Xmas Insurance

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CASCARETS—no box—week's treatment. All druggists. Biggest seller in the world. Million boxes a month.