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North Perth Reform Convention

CONVENTION TO NOMINATE CANDIDATES CALLED FOR APRIL 24, AT MILVERTON.

We have seen larger gatherings of Reformers in North Perth than that of Tuesday of last week, at Milverton, but none more earnest or enthusiastic in the work which called them together. Many of the old-timers, the battle-scarred veterans of many fierce political fights, were unfortunately absent, but a goodly number of the earnest Reformers were to the fore, flanked by several young, active and determined workers, enthusiastic in the cause of reform and good government. Indeed, considering the deplorable state of the roads and that the meeting was simply for the purpose of re-organizing the association, the wonder is the attendance was so large; every municipality in the riding except Ellice and Wallace being represented, some of them largely.

Dr. Parke, of Listowel, the retiring president of the Association, called the meeting to order shortly after noon and gave a brief, stirring speech on the political issues of the day. He forcibly contrasted the able, wise, and judicious management of affairs by the Mowat Government, with the extravagant, reckless boodling conduct of the Ottawa Cabinet.

The business of the meeting was then proceeded with. Dr. Parke declined reelection and J. A. Hacking, Listowel, was elected 1st vice president, and Wm. Climie, Listowel, re-elected secretary-treasurer. The following were appointed vice-presidents for the several municipalities:—Erza Webber, for Wallace; Wm. Livingstone, Milverton; Edward Brown, Ellice; Wm. Shearer, Elma; Adam Austin, Listowel; Henry Doering, Mornington; James Prindle, Logan; George Hyde, North Easthope; G. G. McPherson, Stratford.

A CONVENTION APPOINTED.

It was unanimously resolved to hold a convention for the nomination of candidates for the House of Commons and Legislature, on Thursday, the 24th of April, at Milverton, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon.

HON. OLIVER MOWAT'S GOOD GOVERNMENT.

The following resolution was put to the meeting and declared carried amid hearty applause:—

Moved by J. W. Scott, banker, Listowel, seconded by Dr. Johnson, ex-reeve of Mornington, that this meeting desires to express their high appreciation of the conduct of public affairs by the Government of Hon. Oliver Mowat, and also for their determined fight for the autonomy of the Province.

THE GALLANT BAND AT OTTAWA.

Moved by Dr. Parke, Listowel, seconded by J. E. Harding, Q. C., Stratford,—That this meeting express its confidence in the Opposition in the House of Commons in their gallant fight for good government.

A hearty vote of thanks to the officers of the past year closed the proceedings.—Beacon.

Woman's Foreign Missions.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—THE ANNUAL MEETING.

HAMILTON, April 8.—Over 600 delegates from every part of Ontario were in attendance at the fourteenth annual meeting of the Woman's Foreign Society of the Presbyterian church at Hamilton last week.

After devotional services conducted by the president, Mrs. Ewart of Toronto, assisted by Mrs. Carruthers (Kirkwall) and Mrs. Fletcher (Thames-road), Mrs. Lyle of Hamilton, delivered an address of welcome on behalf of the Hamilton ladies. Mrs. Farrell of Smith's Falls made a speech in reply. The president delivered her annual address, referring to the work of the society. Letters of greeting were received from societies in New York, Philadelphia and Halifax. Reports were read from a large number of Presbyterian societies.

The annual reports were also presented. In the foreign missionaries' report interesting summaries were given of the work of the missions to the Indians in the Northwest (seven missionaries in charge of nineteen reserves), the missions to Formosa, Honan, Central India, Trinidad, New Hebrides, Demerara (British Guiana).

The home Secretary's report gives the strength of the society as follows: Number of Presbyterian societies, 25; number of new auxiliaries, 50; number of new mission bands, 176; total number of branches, 613; auxiliary membership, 10,299; mission band membership, 4,869; total membership, 15,168; life members added during the year, 81; total number of life members, 391.

The report of the treasurer, Elizabeth McClelland, showed receipts, including \$23,311.88 balance from last year, of \$63,314.97, of which amount the Hamilton society contributed \$2,606.71. The expenditure was about \$31,106.59. Of the expenditures about \$26,885 was paid Dr. Reid for foreign mission work.

A public meeting was held this evening in the Central church, at which Rev. Dr. Wardrop presided. Addresses were delivered by Rev. John Wilkie and Rev. A. Winchester, two returned missionaries, Rev. P. of McLaren, Rev. D. A. Fletcher and others.

The Making of Butter on the Farm.

BY MISS AGNES B. BAIRD, CHESTERFIELD, ONT.

We think winter is the best time to make butter as the weather is more suitable, the butter can be shipped more satisfactorily and the price is usually much higher. To begin with, men must keep the stables clean and comfortable. As soon as the milk is drawn it should be strained, and by adding warm water brought up to the temperature of 95 degrees, and then set in water at 40 degrees. In twenty-four hours skim it and strain the cream into the cream can, stirring it thoroughly every time more is added. Do not keep the cream longer than three days. It should be kept sweet until twenty-four hours before churning, when it should be raised to 70 degrees, to have it slightly acid when churned. Before starting to churn strain the cream through a strainer cloth, as to much care cannot be taken to have the butter clean and sweet. Start to churn at 62 degrees, gradually raising to 64 degrees by the time the butter comes in small granules. Add a dipperful of cold water to separate the butter from the buttermilk, and after letting it stand a few minutes, draw off the buttermilk. Now put a cold water washing until the water comes off perfectly clear. Use $\frac{3}{4}$ oz. of the best dairy salt to a pound of butter, turning the churn slowly until thoroughly mixed. Let it stand in the butter tub two or three hours, to allow the salt to dissolve and then work it slightly on the butter worker, taking care not to overwork it. Bring the lever down straight rather than slanting, so as not to break the grain. If it is to be consumed immediately, put it up in pound punts, having a print for the purpose. Wrap it in parchment paper, and ship it to a reliable man, and get cash for it rather than trade it off at the store.

Huron County Notes.

The contract for the interior fittings on the new Government buildings at Goderich has been awarded to Messrs. Tambling & Jones, of London, at \$1,100. Garth & Co., of Montreal, will put in the hot water heating apparatus for \$1,000.

At a recent meeting of Stanley Sun Grange an interesting discussion took place on the poor house question, on the conclusion of which it was resolved "that in the opinion of this Grange it is desirable to have a poor house established in this county."

A. R. Smith, of Brussels, got the contract for supplying the quarry stone for the Clinton bridge. He gets \$12 per cord delivered at Brussels station. The stone in A. R. Smith's quarry was considered the best in four counties, therefore he got the preference.

The Hullet Grange held their annual social in Bell's Hall, Lonsdale, on the evening of the 27th ult. They spent a very pleasant social evening. Refreshments were served as usual and in abundance, and a most interesting musical and literary program was given.

James Webster, of Lonsdale, has sold a 14 months old short horn bull to Mr. Leiper, of the 10th concession of Hullet, for \$138. He is a very superior animal, and Mr. Leiper's enterprise is deserving of success and should receive the liberal support of his neighbors.

Jacob Schweitzer has sold his farm, Lot No. 14, on the 1st concession of Colborne, containing 80 acres to Wm. Blake, for the sum of \$2,500 cash. Mr. Schweitzer has bought another farm of 208 acres in Niagara township, near the Suspension Bridge, for the sum of \$7,500.

The death on Thursday, April 3rd, of Mrs. Witte, sr., at the residence of her son, London Road, Tuckersmith, removes one who has "watched the current of events" for many years. Deceased came of old U. E. Loyalist stock, and was born in the county of Leeds, where she resided until she came west with her son a few years ago. For 44 years she has been a widow. She had good health usually, but about a year ago sustained a stroke of paralysis, which left her weakened, and which returned and was the immediate cause of her death a week ago. For a great many years she has been a zealous and consistent member of the Methodist church and "her lamp was kept brightly burning."

A meeting of the East Huron License Commissioners was held recently at Brussels to deal with the applications for hotel licenses for the incoming license year. The new applicants for licenses for hotels not holding licenses last year are Isaac Gill, of Ethel, and G. Zilliox, Henfryn. It is thought by a good many people that this meeting of the Commissioners should always be held in a public hall and entirely separate from any hotel, owing to the nature of the meeting and the business that might come before the board. A great deal has been said of late about the Ontario Government and their officials showing favor to their friends in the question of license. In East Huron out of the 26 applicants but five are Reformers. Two hotels licensed last year were burned during the year and not rebuilt, hence the number of applicants are the same as in 1889. There are no applications for shop license in the riding.

CHEERFULNESS.

Written for THE BEE.

Cheerfulness is like the bright summer day with its blooming flowers and scented balmy breeze, when nature's dress is one of beauty. In the home where cheerfulness prevails all are happy, they have a light trimmed and burning of which the despondent know nothing. Persons of a cheerful disposition have many friends and always shine in society. Their manner and conversation are free and easy, and not only this but their imagination is clear and their judgment undisturbed. They are polite and obliging and consequently awaken similar feelings in those with whom they meet. This genial disposition penetrates the hearts of all who come in contact with it, making them happier, thereby increasing the happiness of all. This happiness depends not on what one has but on what one is. He who is of a cheerful spirit will be cheerful in all his privations. He who is of a complaining spirit will never lack occasions of complaining. It is not one's possessions or one's surroundings, but one's way of looking at his possessions and surroundings that settles the question of one's cheerfulness, wherever he is, or whatever he has. Times may be hard but wearing a sad countenance will make them no easier; burdens may be many and heavy, long faces will make them no fewer or lighter. Avoid continual worry over sorrows and troubles. These will surely come, but brightened by the hopeful news of a cheerful disposition they appear less formidable and depressing. Cheerfulness has a very beneficial effect, not upon the mind only, but also upon the body. The depressed, low spirited, repining patient will occupy the sick room much longer than one of a lively disposition. Away with your dull, depressing, sober-faced nurse, banish them from the sick room, and give us the cheerful, hopeful, pleasant-faced women, who shed a ray of brightness on all around them; cause the air to appear more balmy, the sky more clear and even the sunshine more beautiful. How many weary feet would lighten and quicken from a smile and a word of cheer. Realizing all the happiness that results from cheerfulness, let us endeavor, no matter how dark and dull the gloom may be, to help at least to brighten it by our smiles and cheerfulness and remember that this trait of character is inseparable from true earnestness.

Always cheerful, always cheerful,
Grieving is a folly sure;
Smile, and do not be so tearful,
Smiles, we all seem to endure.

Bury trouble, care, and sorrow,
If long faces, we must wear,
Keep! O keep them till to-morrow,
They'll not spoil, we're all aware.

When the clouds are dark and dreary,
Songs and laughter should be heard,
Cheering both the aged and weary,
For our troubles be prepared.

VELVET SNOW.
Berlin, April 12, 1890.

How to Conduct a Newspaper.

The venerable newspaper man, Chas. A. Dana, in a recent speech gave the following rules for newspapers:

1. Get the news, and get all the news, and get nothing but truth.
2. Copy nothing from another publication without credit.
3. Never print an interview without the knowledge and consent of the party interviewed.
4. Never print a paid advertisement as news.
5. Let every advertisement appear as an advertisement. No sailing under false colors.
6. Never attack the weaker or defenseless, either by argument or ridicule, unless there is some absolute public necessity for doing so.
7. Fight for your opinions, but don't believe they contain the whole truth or the only truth.
8. Support your party if you have one but don't think all the good men are in it and all the bad ones outside of it.
9. Above all know and believe that humanity is advancing and that there is progress in human life and human affairs, and that as sure as God lives the future will be greater and better than the present or the past.

Carthage.

Mrs. J. H. Ferguson, of Grand Valley, is visiting friends here.

Mrs. D. McLaughlin, of Dorking, has been visiting friends in this vicinity during the past week.

We are pleased to learn that John Taggart is again able to be around after a severe attack of the grippe.

E. McConkey, of the 14th con., had the misfortune to have one of his fingers taken off in George Hewitt's saw mill.

The fall wheat in this neighborhood, although somewhat damaged in consequence of the open winter, still promises to be a fair crop.

The majority of the farmers in this vicinity are busily engaged in making maple sugar. Among others engaged in this pleasant work was a young lady who made her way to the woods for the purpose of extracting the sweet viand from the maples. After going through the necessary performance and getting no return for her labor she concluded she had tapped basswood, which proved to be true.

ELMA SPRING SHOW.

Last Tuesday the Elma Agricultural Society held their annual Spring Show at Newry. The weather was all that could be desired, and the attendance large, but the exhibit was not as large as in former years, possibly owing to the heavy roads which prevented many from bringing stock from a distance. The animals exhibited were first-class and proved conclusively that our farmers understand the secret of raising stock that will demand a high figure in any market. Below is the prize list:

Horses.—Heavy Draught—Imported Clydesdale, 1st, L. McNeil, "Challenger;" 2nd, J. L. Turnbull, "Sir Patrick."

Heavy Draught—Canadian, colt, 3 years or under, 1st, James McKenzie, "Sandy Scott."

English Shire Stallion—1st, Jno. Gray, "Waverly."

General Purpose—1st, John Nelson, "Oxford King;" 2nd, R. Roe, "Young Beaufort."

Agricultural Stallion—1st, Edward Henry, "Prince o' Giel."

Thoroughbred Blood—1st, Kidd Bros., "Tenbroeck."

Sweepstakes—"Tenbroeck."

BULLS.—Durham—3 years and over, 1st, Robt. Ford, "Primrose King."

Durham—2 years, 1st, John Love, "Prince of Cloverland;" 2nd, Jas. Currie.

Holstein—1 year old, 1st, V. Loeger, "Norman."

Sweepstakes—"Prince of Cloverland."

Turnberry.

Taffy pulls are now the order of the evenings.

O. Currie, who has been working for the past year on the Huron plantation, Louisiana, has returned.

The wood bees are now at an end. There has been one almost every day for the past two weeks.

Plowing commenced here on April 7. Many of the farmers have most of their sod upturned and ready for the seed.

John Gemmill's family are expected to return before long. It appears that Turnberry suits their tastes much better than the sunny South.

The Methodists of Bluevale are preparing to build a grand church during this season. A large quantity of the material is now on the ground and work will soon commence.

On account of illness the Rev. Mr. Hartly has been unable to attend to his duties in Bluevale and at Eadie's church. It is to be hoped that the rev. gentleman will soon be seen in the pulpit again. Mr. Herbert, preacher in the Bluevale Presbyterian church, has also been unable to attend to the singing, yet the young people are equal to the occasion since they have the aid of the organ.

Grey.

SUCCESSFUL EXAMINATION.—A very successful public examination was held in S. S. No. 8, on Thursday, April 3rd. C. Bowerman, the popular and painstaking teacher, was highly honored by a host of friends. Notwithstanding the condition of the roads fully 50 visitors, besides a number of ex-pupils, enjoyed the pleasure of being present. The walls were hung with appropriate mottoes which inspire the scholars to climb, rung by rung, up the ladder of success and fame until their achievements become the admiration of friends and foes alike. The teacher was assisted by Misses Ellen A. McNeil, Mary McNair, Cecilia Calder, Mary Perrie and W. O. McTaggart, Principal of Ethel, H. Fowler, J. L. Pickard, R. F. Cameron and J. M. Robertson. The several classes were examined by the above mentioned teachers in a searching and comprehensive manner. The answers obtained from the pupils were proof of careful and thorough training by their instructor. The boys and girls showed a wonderful power of comprehension. This is the result of wise training which tends to draw forth, to elevate, and to enable their minds. The bell having chimed in the noon hour, the ladies supplied all the visitors and scholars with delicious edibles. All partook freely, some thinking an hour too short to empty the many filled baskets. When work was resumed and the classes well tested a spelling match changed the scene. Miss Mary McNair gave out the words. The spelling done by the pupils was good and loudly applauded by the people. Ellen Shields and Daniel McNeil were the last to fall before a foul. Rev. C. Davis, minister at Ethel, was shown to the chair, and he admirably filled it. The program, literary and musical, was pleasing, interesting and entertaining. The part played by the pupils was an honor to themselves and teacher. Geo. Forrest and wife delighted the audience by singing a couple of Scottish songs. The parents and teachers present congratulated Mr. Bowerman on his success. He is an ornament to the section and the high and noble calling to which he belongs. He has done good work in S. S. No. 8. Two of his ex-pupils are in the teaching profession, and shine as beacon lights to train and guide the young. Those who have faithfully labored in training intelligent and improved minds for the future duties of the life to come shall be rewarded in heaven. All wished Mr. and Mrs. and Ada W. Bowerman peace and prosperity in S. S. No. 8.

J. Stewart, of the Seaforth Collegiate Institute, was visiting on the 16th con- during the past week.

The Exeter Advocate makes the following reference to a brother of C. Bowerman:—We are sorry to learn of the illness of A. Bowerman, who is at present in Chicago studying dentistry. He had just passed his first examination when taken ill, and little hopes were entertained of his recovery, but up to the time of writing he had slightly recovered. He was last summer studying under H. L. Billings, dentist, of this place.

Stratford.

NATURAL GAS.—The secretary reports that the subscription from the stockholders due on the 10th inst. are nearly all paid. This is a splendid showing considering the scarcity of money at the present time. The contractor shipped the engine, boiler and drills on Thursday last and arrived in the city himself Tuesday to begin the erection of the engine house and derrick, which will be about 74 ft. high.

The fire alarm was sounded at about 1.30 Saturday morning. The brigade turned out quickly but it was ten minutes before a team arrived. Fortunately the fire, which was in the residence of Moore Varnar, Rebecca street, was got under control with a couple of pails of water and when the brigade did arrive their services were not needed. What the result of such a delay would have been in case of a serious fire is obvious.

Mornington.

Miss Struthers, of the Stratford Collegiate Institute, spent her Easter vacation under the parental roof.

Thomas Wilson and Mr. Tilly, the former of Atwood, and the latter of Stratford, were visiting old acquaintances around Milverton last week.

The different teachers around Milverton, paid a visit to Stratford last Saturday to ascertain the result of the promotion examination held on Thursday the 3rd. They anticipate glorious results.

The Milverton Literary Society held its weekly meeting on Monday last. A large and appreciative audience in attendance. The meeting was opened by an instrumental selection by Miss Livingstone, then a song by Messrs. Holmes, McCloy and Messrs. Holmes, Wilson and McCloy, which was well received by the audience. The debate followed, the subject, "Resolved that the franchise be extended to women." The affirmative was supported by Acheson Parke, Munroe and Curtis, the negative by Hamilton, Torrance, Munro and Weir. The speeches were interspersed by a duet by Mr. and Mrs. Loath; a song, entitled "Jingle Bells," by Messrs. McCloy and Wilson, and a good selection on the violin by Mr. Stuart, of Millbank, after which the deciding committee, composed of Messrs. Hamilton, Wilson, and Davidson, gave their verdict in favor of the negative, which received the applause of the audience. Instrumental music followed, and a song, entitled "Allow me to move a vote of thanks," which closed the evening's treat.

Donegal.

The Misses Johnston were spending their Easter vacation in Listowel. They returned on Friday.

John Candler jr., who cut his foot so badly a short time ago, is now able to get around with the aid of a stick.

Quite a number of the pupils of our school are carrying long faces this week owing to the delay of the examiners in getting out the promotion lists last Saturday as promised. We hope they will not grow longer still when the report does reach them.

D. McLellan, who was home on a visit to his parents during the Easter vacation, left for Goderich on Monday to resume his studies at the High School in that town. Dave is certain to give a good account of himself at the mid-summer examinations.

ORANGE BLOSSOMS.—More than seventy guests assembled at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Gray, on Wednesday evening of last week, to witness the marriage of their daughter Elsie to Wilson Little, of this place. The ceremony was duly solemnized by their pastor, Rev. A. Hedderson, M. A. The assembled company then did ample justice to the bountiful supply of good things furnished for the delectation of the inner-man on the joyful occasion by the hostess. After the groaning tables were removed the lively strains of violins soon had the younger portion of the company tripping their way gaily through the intricacies of the mazy dance, and not a few of the older, made young again by such a festive scene, engaged heartily in a dance or two to show the youngsters how dancing was performed in their young days. Other amusements fell in with their due share of participation and were carried forward with glee and joviality until an early hour in the morning. Judging the popularity of the young couple just starting in wedded life by the numerous and valuable presents which were showered upon them by their friends one must place it very high indeed. THE BEE joins in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Little a happy and prosperous journey side by side through life with many of its joys and none of its sorrows.