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February Carpet and Wall Paper Sale.

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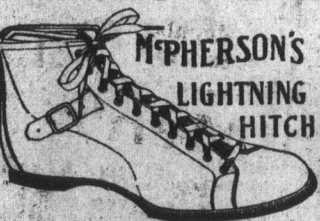
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FARMERS' INSTITUTES

Meetings Will be Held in Kent and Essex During February

Addresses will be Delivered by Major Sheppard and Anson Groh—Of Benefit to Farmers

The Department of Agriculture at Toronto, has announced the dates of the meetings of the Farmers' Institutes to be held throughout the Province during the month of February.

These meetings are always well attended by the farmers and much interest is manifested in the discussions which they bring about. They are, as a result, the source of untold benefit to the yeomen of the Province.

The meetings for Kent and Essex will be held at Union Hall, Raleigh, Feb. 19; Gibson's Hall, Wheatley, Feb. 20 and 21; Town Hall, Essex, Feb. 22; Town Hall, Harrow, Feb. 23; Town Hall, Amherstburg, Feb. 24. Major J. Sheppard and Anson Groh, two prominent agriculturists, will be the speakers at these meetings.

A prominent feature in connection with the meetings in many instances is the formation of Farmers' Clubs. It is proposed that the farmers in each riding band themselves together for the purpose of holding meetings, say once a month, at those seasons of the year when their farming operations will allow. These meetings will be arranged for and carried out entirely by local men, and any expense in connection therewith shall be borne by a collection of fee from those who attend the meetings. It is the intention of the Department to furnish outlines of lessons for these clubs together with references and other information.

Meetings of this nature will no doubt prove of much value to the localities concerned and will also enable the speakers who are sent out annually from the Department to have much more interesting and profitable meetings, as the members who have taken a part in the monthly meetings will, no doubt, be ready with questions and prepared to enter into the discussions.

It is expected that a number of places will be organized during February.

BROKE THROUGH

Young Boy Narrowly Escapes Drowning in the creek—Warnings are Unheeded

Joseph Jenkins had a narrow escape from drowning while skating on the creek behind the army yesterday afternoon. While executing some fancy figures with his skates he found a thin stretch of ice and broke through.

Luckily for him his cries brought a prompt rescuer, in the person of Albert Vandusen, of Simmons' barber shop, who, with some difficulty, extricated the boy from his perilous position.

In spite of recent warnings from both press and public, skaters are not exercising as much care in their selection of ice as they should, and if they persist in skating near mill outlets, bridges and other dangerous places, we can predict more skating fatalities.

HAMEL DUSTY

William Franklin Hamel, manager of ex-Ald. English's billiard parlors and barber shop, Windsor, and Miss Mary Lavinia Dusty, of Tilbury, formerly in the employ of Bartlett, MacDonald & Gow, were married last night Tuesday at the home of the bride, Rev. Mr. Ball, of the Methodist church, Tilbury, performed the ceremony.

The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Agnes Dusty, while William Hamel, of Windsor, was best man. It was a quiet home wedding, only the immediate relatives and friends of the contracting parties being present. After the ceremony a wedding dinner was served and Mr. and Mrs. Hamel left during the afternoon for an eastern trip. On their return they will reside at the home of Mrs. Foster, Windsor avenue and London street, Windsor, where Mr. Hamel has boarded for a number of years.

Mr. and Mrs. Hamel have a large circle of friends in Windsor, but few knew of the date of their wedding and the announcement of the ceremony will be a pleasant surprise.

New Camp Site

Ottawa, Feb. 10.—An official of the Militia Department stated yesterday that there is no warrant for the statement that it had given up the idea of acquiring new training grounds at Pine Plains in Simcoe County in favor of a site near Toronto.

Snow Ties Up Cellarier.

Shamokin, Pa., Feb. 10.—Five thousand men and boys were rendered idle yesterday owing to the majority of the cellarieries in this region being compelled to suspend on account of a snow blockade. More than 15 inches of snow fell.

RETURNS HOME

Wilfred Brennan Does not Care for North West—Saw Many Chathamites

Wilfred Brennan, Patterson avenue, has returned from a short trip to the Northwest. He left Chatham about two weeks ago with McLeod and Clarence Chrysler, but says he had enough of the West in the two weeks he was there. In Winnipeg it was 40 degrees below zero and in St. Paul 22. He had his car frozen in Winnipeg.

"During the time I was in Winnipeg," said Mr. Brennan to The Planet, "I saw a number of Chatham boys. Geo. James is looking real well, and Charlie and Fred Bogart have both got good positions. Burney Weldon is looking the same as ever and is working for a large furniture establishment. Will Coyle, another old Chatham boy, hailed me on the street one day. W. D. Wallace, another old Chatham resident, is doing well in the hedge fence business."

"They can all stay in Winnipeg if they want to," said Mr. Brennan, "but Chatham is plenty cold enough for me."

FRANCE IS UNANIMOUS

Entire Nation United With Reference to Policing Morocco.

Semi-Official Temps Says "The Hour Has Arrived For the Protection of the Special Rights of France," and, "With the Knowledge That the Whole Country Is Behind It," the Government Will Take Firm Stand.

Paris, Feb. 10.—The semi-official Temps yesterday afternoon referring to the Moroccan situation, said: "There appears to be no doubt that the public opinion in France is unanimous with reference to policing Morocco. The interests of the others being safeguarded, the hour has arrived for the protection of the special rights of France. No doubt the Government with the knowledge that the whole country is behind it will take a firm stand during the discussion of this delicate point at the conference."

United States to the Rescue. London, Feb. 10.—The Statist, one of the leading financial weeklies of Great Britain, deals this week with the Algerian conference in a long leader. The article predicts a failure to reach a conclusion satisfactory to France, and consequently, continued uneasiness in the commercial world, while at the same time the writer believes that war will not result. The point of the Statist's conclusions is that the United States alone can save the situation by the policing of Morocco.

Contraband Arms. Algiers, Feb. 10.—The Moroccan delegates have received the reply of the Sultan regarding the proposed regulations for the suppression of trade in contraband and arms.

The Sultan approves of the regulations except wherein they provide for the destruction of confiscated military weapons.

He demands that serviceable arms shall be used for the equipment of Moroccan troops, and those useless for military purposes be sold abroad, the proceeds going to the Moroccan treasury.

The reply will be communicated to the conference to-day.

NOT WITH CASTRO.

Venezuelan Troops May Desert If Hostilities Break Out.

Willemstad, Island of Curacao, Feb. 10.—A traveler who arrived here from Venezuela said: "President Castro is busily engaged in enlisting throughout the republic, and in other ways preparing for war. Generals in each state have been commissioned, and orders have been given to call the recruits to the colors. Information from the best sources indicates that the people do not support President Castro. On all sides are heard expressions of a desire to revolt and overthrow the President's Government as soon as the French blockade is declared."

"A well-informed Venezuelan told me that the troops will desert their colors, as they have all been compelled to join the army, voluntary enlistment being unknown in Venezuela. Puerto Cabello and La Guaira are the only ports capable of making a slight defense. The former has two modern six-inch guns, and the latter has four modern six-inch guns, with the usual display of old Spanish pieces, which would be blown to pieces at the first shots."

Have Rifles, But No Practice. "It is doubted whether President Castro can raise more than 16,000 men who will take the field with any show of spirit. The men are armed with Mauser rifles, but they never practice shooting. They have 20,000,000 rounds of ball cartridge and a few mountain guns. The Venezuelan navy consists of five small craft concentrated at La Guaira."

Well-posted persons express fear that the French citizens in Venezuela will be in great danger if war breaks out. President Castro is of a revengeful nature, and the inhabitants of the country are at his mercy."

One at a Time.

Paris, Feb. 10.—The solution of the Venezuelan difficulty, according to authoritative information, will go over until the conclusion of the Moroccan conference.

It is better to run the risk of wasting your sympathy than to hoard it.

SOLD LIQUOR IN THAMESVILLE

Two Men fined for Breaking the Law in Local Option Town

It is Said that Thamesville is not Dry Yet—Warrant for one Witness who Failed to Appear

Thamesville, Feb. 9.—Before Wm. Ingalls, J. P., to-day, License Inspector Boon brought action against Martin Carlisle, Edward Payne, Wm. Bambridge and Wm. McDonald, of this town, who were charged with selling liquor without a license.

Over twenty witnesses were examined, but all, without exception, stated they had not purchased, nor been given any liquor by Bambridge or McDonald.

No case could be proven against them, and both were dismissed.

Carlisle and Payne were found guilty and were each fined \$50 and costs, amounting to \$65.45 and \$67.75 respectively.

This makes six different parties that have been brought up on the charge of selling liquor since local option went into effect last May, all having been convicted except these two to-day.

It is said Thamesville is not dry even yet, and opinions are much more divided as to whether option has done the town good or harm. Mr. Ingalls received the appointment of J. P. a few months ago, having been appointed with a view to his taking these cases up.

Previous to this they had to be tried in Chatham, as the local magistrate would not act.

J. Gordon Dalgetty, of Sombra, was summoned to attend, but failed to appear, and Crown Attorney Smith asked for a warrant for his arrest.

He and another Sombra gentleman came here on January 25 for the purpose of investigating the effect of local option, and it is claimed they reported having bought whiskey freely in Thamesville.

THE CURLERS

Chatham Rinks Were Received With Much Enthusiasm in Winnipeg

The Manitoba Free Press of Feb. 6th contains a photograph of W. R. London, who is with the Chatham curlers in Winnipeg. It is accompanied by the following comment:—

"The men from the east are a lively looking aggregation and will doubtless give a good account of themselves in the great 'spiel'. They are all eminently jolly fellows, as good to meet off the ice as they will no doubt prove popular competitors by the tee. Mr. Gray, the skip of one of the Chatham rinks, and president of the Chatham curling club, said to a Free Press reporter last night that the Chatham men had had no curling this year. The weather had been very mild in the southern peninsula and there had been no ice for the 'roarin' game.' 'This is curling weather, all right,' said another Chatham veteran: 'when I came down the street I thought the mosquitoes were stinging my cheeks, but I found out it was the frost.' The eastern men are all enthusiastic over the bonspiel, and last night most of them sought their downy couches at an early hour so as to be fit for the games this morning."

"The Winnipeg bonspiel has become a very popular feature with Ontario curlers. The rinks from Ontario include many of the representative business men of that province and their presence here is a tribute to the intrinsic worth of Manitoba's greatest winter event. With the Chatham curlers are Manson Campbell, president of the M. Campbell Co., Ltd.; W. St. London, general manager of the Chatham Wagon Co.; Robert Gray, president of the Wm. Gray & Sons Co., Ltd., manufacturers of carriages and sleighs; Frank E. Fisher, secretary of the same company; J. W. Aitken, secretary of the Chatham curling club, captain of the Chatham cricket club, and secretary of the gun club of the Maple City; W. D. Sheldon, water commissioner, and H. Gillis, a crack skip."

Disorderly Parliament Dissolved.

Lisbon, Feb. 10.—King Charles yesterday, as a result of the recent disorderly scenes and obstruction in the Chamber of Deputies, signed a decree, which was subsequently read in the chamber ordering the dissolution of Parliament.

Earl Grey's Son Engaged.

London, Feb. 10.—From Johannesburg comes the announcement of the engagement of Lady Palmer, daughter of Earl Selborne, to Viscount Hawick, son of Earl Grey, Governor-General of Canada.

AFTER 30 YEARS

Word is Received From a man Named Goose Who Disappeared from Chatham Many Years Ago

Robert McNaughton, vice-president of the Harwich Conservative Association, has received a letter from a man who, it was supposed had been dead for about 25 years.

About forty years ago a man named Goose came to Kent and settled down on a farm. He married and had two children, a girl and a boy, the oldest of whom was five years old when their mother died. Shortly after his wife's death Mr. Goose disappeared and was never heard from. His friends and family gave him up for dead.

The two children were taken by Donald McNaughton, and the daughter married James Gordon, and is now living near Louisville.

Mr. Goose, in his letter to Robert McNaughton, stated that he had married again and is now living with his second family in Philadelphia. He asked for information concerning his family in Kent.

MAY AVERT THE STRIKE

Coal Barons to Confer With John Mitchell Feb. 15.

President David Wilcox, of the Delaware and Hudson Co., recalls various facts useful in properly sizing up the situation—Anthracite Operators Will Meet For Private Discussion Before the Conference.

New York, Feb. 10.—The Tribune says: The clerical staff in most of the offices of the anthracite coal carrying companies worked overtime yesterday in preparation for the coming conference with President Mitchell of the United Mine Workers, the result of which will decide whether or not there will be a strike.

All the coal presidents have replied to Mitchell's request for a conference agreeing to meet him here on Feb. 15. President David Wilcox of the Delaware and Hudson Co., yesterday made public the text of the letter which he wrote to John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers of America, concerning a conference between the mine workers and the operators to discuss the wage question which is to be held in this city Feb. 15.

Mr. Wilcox's Contentions. In his letter Mr. Wilcox assents to this date, and then declares that practically all the matters involved in the present discussion over the anthracite situation have already been adjudicated by the anthracite strike commission, which ended the last coal strike in 1902, and that this commission provides a conciliation board to adjust all questions arising under its award. This board, Mr. Wilcox says, is the proper body to take up any new appeal or claim of the miners, or if this board cannot adjust the trouble the appeal could be taken to the strike commission itself.

The demand of the miners is, he writes, for an increase of 12 1/2 per cent. in wages above the standard fixed by the strike commission, which he declares would amount approximately to 8 cents per ton of coal, or on the entire product about \$4,800,000 per annum. Such an increase would tend to advance the price of coal to consumers. Expires Next March.

Mr. Wilcox wrote: "It is true that the award of the strike commission ceases to be absolutely controlling as to future conditions after March 31, 1906, but its decision after protracted investigation must be regarded by all persons as conclusive in the absence of some new facts raising new questions."

A meeting of the operators of the anthracite roads is fixed for early next week to discuss among themselves their side of the coal controversy before going into the conference with the representatives of the miners on Feb. 15. The operators say they do not know the nature of the demands which will be made by them at the coming conference.

No Recognition of Union. President David Wilcox of the Delaware and Hudson Co., in discussing the letter sent by him Thursday to President Mitchell, said last night: "The letter was not in the nature of an ultimatum, and it is an individual letter only, expressing my own views, sent personally to Mitchell, in order that he may know where we stand. What the outcome of the conference will be I would not predict. We take it for granted that the officers of the union are not looking for a strike."

It is known that the union will not be recognized by the coal-carrying railroads if recognition means the closed shop. The coal presidents have already gone on record on this point.

Dolan Gets Order.

Pittsburg, Feb. 10.—Patrick Dolan, president of district No. 5, United Mine Workers of America, went into court yesterday and secured a temporary injunction restraining the delegates to the district convention now in session here from interfering with his powers as president of the district organization.

In the afternoon session of the convention bitter speeches were directed towards Dolan and Bellingham, neither officers, however, paying any attention to them. A resolution was unanimously passed branding President Dolan's action as "cowardly and unmanly," and a committee of three was appointed to make application to the court to have the injunction dissolved.

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