

...SOCIETY...

Mrs. Frank D. Laurie and Miss Edith Ball are visiting in Toronto.

Mrs. Douglas Glass, King St., entertained a few friends at five o'clock on Friday afternoon.

Mrs. M. Houston entertained last Saturday afternoon for her guests, Mrs. Robt. Ferguson, of St. Thomas.

Miss Ermatinger, Stanley Ave., gave a luncheon on Wednesday last for Miss Gordon, of Wallaceburg.

Mrs. William Gordon, King St., entertained a few of her friends at seven o'clock on Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. W. E. McKenough was the hostess yesterday at a seven-hour musicale party, given in honor of her sister, Mrs. Beaumont Jarvis, of Toronto.

Mrs. D. S. Paterson, Stanley, is giving a humble party Saturday afternoon, in honor of Mrs. E. F. Stephenson, of Winnipeg, and Mrs. G. E. Scholfield.

Mrs. Robert Ferguson and daughter, Miss Jean Ferguson, of Port Stanley, who have been visiting at the residence of Judge Houston, Victoria Ave., returned home yesterday.

Miss Jessie Harper entertained last evening in honor of Miss Mabel Shaw, of Toronto. The party was a small but pleasant one, as Miss Harper's entertainments always are.

The Macaulay Club will hold their annual dinner on Friday evening, February 19th. The special committee appointed at the last meeting of the club met yesterday afternoon and so decided.

Mrs. James, of Bloor St. West, gave a delightful tea yesterday in honor of her guest, an old school friend, Mrs. F. D. Laurie, Chatham. All present were ex-pupils of the Bishop Strachan School. — Toronto Globe.

Mrs. and Miss Davies, Victoria Ave., gave a charming tea in honor of Mrs. Geo. P. Scholfield, on Wednesday afternoon last. Mrs. Scholfield looked exceedingly pretty in green broad cloth. Among the guests were, Mrs. Geo. T. McKenough, Mrs. W. E. McKenough, Mrs. Jarvis, Mrs. Mabel Shaw, Mrs. W. E. Wispin, Mrs. Wm. Ball, Mrs. D. S. Paterson, Mrs. Skey, Mrs. Wm. A. Campbell, Mrs. Waddell, Mrs. Lane and Miss McKenough. The assistants were Misses Ball and Complin.

BELL-MACDONALD.

A charming but quiet house wedding, of interest to Maple City society, was solemnized in this city on Wednesday afternoon, when Miss Grace Macdonald, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Macdonald, was united in marriage to Dr. Charles Cameron Bell, eldest son of Archibald Bell, senior judge of Kent County. The ceremony took place at the residence of the bride's parents, Raleigh street.

The drawing room was handsomely decorated for the occasion with ferns and other seasonable foliage, and the wedding service of the Baptist church was performed by the Rev. J. J. Ross in front of a bank of ferns and palms. Miss Mabel Shaw, Toronto, cousin of the bride, was bridesmaid, and Dr. A. J. McKenzie, Toronto, was groomsmen.

The bride presented a very pretty appearance in a wedding dress of white silk chiffon over white tulle, trimmed with lace, and carried a bouquet of white roses tied with white chiffon. In her hair the bride wore the traditional orange blossoms. The bridesmaid, Miss Mabel Shaw, presented a charming picture in a handsome gown of white silk crepe de Paris, with trimmings of ivory lace, and carried pink roses tied with pink chiffon. Miss Shaw also wore a large white picture hat.

After a dainty wedding dinner, Mr. and Mrs. Bell left on the G. T. E. express for New York and other western points.

The bride's going away gown was of green broadcloth, with hat to match.

The young couple, were the recipients of many beautiful gifts, amongst which was a silver tea service from the Delta Union Society, of Toronto University, of which fraternity Mr. Bell was one of the founders.

Among the guests from a distance were, Mrs. and Mrs. W. H. Shaw, Mrs. Mabel Shaw, and Miss Margaret Shaw, Toronto; Miss Isabel Butterworth, Windsor; and Mr. and Mrs. J. Ross, London.

On their return from their wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. Bell will take up their residence on William St.

The Ladies' Assisting Society of the Public General Hospital will take charge of the Austin Store next Friday and Saturday, and they will receive 10 per cent. of all the sales. The proceeds of this sale are in aid of the new Maternity Ward to be erected this year. This sale has caused quite a little commotion in social circles. Nearly all the society leaders of this city are interested and there is quite rivalry amongst the leaders as to who shall be the most successful. The sale is looked forward to with considerable pleasure by the ladies and they expect their friends to lend their aid. The following ladies have consented to take charge of the different departments of Mr. Austin's Store on the 12th and 13th of February:—

Floor Walkers — Mrs. Stegmann, Mrs. S. F. Gardner, Mrs. S. T. Martin.

Dress Goods — Mrs. W. E. Rispen, Mrs. S. Glenn, Mrs. W. R. Phillimore.

Gloves — Mrs. W. E. Merritt.

Corsets — Mrs. J. M. Pike.

Handkerchiefs — Mrs. D. R. McGarvin.

Ribbons — Mrs. W. R. London.

Embroidery and Lace — Mrs. Wm. Ball.

Buttons and Hosiery — Mrs. G. B. Merritt.

Staple Department — Mrs. M. Campbell, Mrs. C. C. Young, Mrs. C. Austen, Mrs. Drader, Mrs. Morley.

Clothing and Gents' Furnishings — Mrs. J. Hadley, Mrs. W. Seane, Mrs. J. H. Bogart, Mrs. B. Taylor.

Furniture — Mrs. McLean, Mrs. N. H. Stevens.

Cutlery and Crockery — Mrs. H. Smith, Mrs. Kingsmill.

White Wear and Suits — Mrs. W. Hadley, Mrs. W. H. Taylor, Mrs. Duncan.

Parcels — Mrs. Coublidick, Mrs. Seane, Mrs. B. Fleming.

Chairs — Mrs. McKenough, Mrs. J. C. Pritchard.

Lunch Room — Mrs. McKenough, Mrs. S. Stephenson, Mrs. T. K. Holmes, Mrs. S. McKay, Mrs. Wm. Young, Mrs. Dunn, Mrs. Oldershaw.

Candy Table — Mrs. S. McGregor.

These young ladies will be assisting in serving refreshments — Misses Edith Holmes, Mary McKenough, Helen Rispen, Riva Stegmann, Vera Hayward, Aggie Phillimore, Edith Hall, Jessie Wilson, Alice Greening.

The following menu will be served:—Hot oyster stew, crackers and celery, cold meat, hot baked beans, bread and butter, sandwiches, cake, coffee and tea.

SATCHEL OF THE SATELLITE

The grip is no respecter of persons. It even attacked the Satellite.

Everybody is going to Robin Hood. The tickets are selling like everything. Plan opens Tuesday morning.

The residents of Selkirk street who on the road put the ashes that stopped the loads of logs are now looking out for the by-law cop.

Judging by the weather, the bear didn't see his shadow on Tuesday, and by now is probably a shadder and wiser brum.

This rain ought to do for the railroads what the snow plow has failed to do, and trains may be expected to be running on schedule time again.

President McKenough's last words, "What I am Robin Hood has made me, God bless it."

Lieut. O. L. Lewis in February, 1904, wrote from the London military school, "Life without Robin Hood would be a dismal thing."

Everybody remembers that line in Mayor McKenough's inaugural address, "I shall tread in the foot-steps of my illustrious predecessor and also shall see Robin Hood."

Adj. Col. Collett, replying to a speech of Lieut. Fraser's, declared, "In the historic phrase of that illustrious soldier, the Duke of Wellington, I have but one lamp by which my feet are guided—Robin Hood."

Just before the fatal word was given, Cabot of Calgary, turned to the hangman and said, "The thought that to-morrow I may not hear of Robin Hood, unmurders me."

Richard, Coeur de Lion, King of England, said, "I have lived till I met you Robin Hood, now let me die."

King John said, "Had I but served Robin Hood so faithfully as I served my king brother, I would never have had to sign the Magna Carta."

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MONTREAL

DISTRICT DOINGS. THAMESVILLE

Feb. 5.—Mrs. A. Langford and little daughter, Margaret, spent the day in town the guest of Mrs. James Ferguson.

The Detroit curlers visited our local team last night, on their way home from Toronto, where they have been playing for the Ontario Tankard, the local team winning.

Wm. Buchanan, of London, was in town to-day.

The Art Culture Club met to-day at the home of Miss Hare. A goodly number were in attendance, and the papers, though few, were thoroughly enjoyed by all. Particularly to be commended was the paper by Mrs. R. N. Fraser, on "The Lives of Mr. and Mrs. Browning," whose interesting love story imbued grace and sweetness from her reading of it. The papers on "The Life and Works of J. M. W. Turner," given by Mrs. Johnston and Miss Albertson, were excellent, and gave a clear knowledge of that artist's characteristics and power as a landscape painter.

Mrs. Robt. Dye left yesterday for a month's visit to eastern points.

Mrs. Will Sheppard returned to her home at Bethford yesterday.

T. W. Sims, editor of the Thamesville Herald, is attending the Press Association at Toronto.

DRESDEN

Feb. 5.—Jas. Barnie has returned home from B. Rina, where he has been working in the sugar factory.

Mrs. Henry Carley and Miss Lena Green returned on Wednesday from a visit with Windsor and Detroit friends.

Miss McKerrall is visiting relatives in Chatham, where she has been working in the sugar factory.

Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Broad returned last Saturday from Durand, Mich. They were accompanied by their son Robert, who has just recovered from a severe attack of typhoid.

Another assembly was given by the young men of the town on Wednesday evening, and the usual enjoyable time was spent by all in attendance.

Mrs. G. A. Miller gave a dinner party to a number of friends on Monday evening.

The Presbyterian choir attended the tea-meeting at Croton on Monday night, giving the major part of the program. A number of young people from our town took in the event.

LeRoy Miller, of Florence, visited in town Wednesday and Thursday.

The evangelistic services being held in the Methodist church here have been very successful up to date.

Next week Mr. Bond will be assisted by the Rev. Mr. Kerr, of Ridgeway.

Alex. McRitchie, of Port Lambton, attended the young men's assembly given Wednesday night.

Dresden ladies who have been mourning the death of good dressmakers in our town, will no longer have any cause to complain. Mr. Aiken has installed a dressmaking department in his shop, to be conducted by Miss Mabel McKay, who is well and favorably known to the women of Dresden. Miss Edith Wainmaker, who has had a large experience in Detroit, will also open up a shop over Mr. Lawrence's store, in about two weeks' time.

Owing to the Lyceum Course number on Monday evening the plan for Robin Hood will open TUESDAY MORNING, not Monday morning, as previously announced.

FLETCHER.

A very enjoyable time was spent at the dancing party given by Wm. Finn on Friday evening.

John Murphy, of North Columbia, is visiting his parents here.

Mrs. W. Kearns was the guest of Mrs. Minor last week.

Miss Lily Murphy, of Detroit, is spending a few days at her home here.

The dancing party given by Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Kearns on Thursday evening was a grand success.

Joe LaFave was the guest of A. Audlett on Sunday.

KENT BRIDGE.

Messrs. Brown and Fritz, of Thamesville, spent Sunday in the village.

Orford Langford, of the Ridgeway C. C. G. was home on Sunday.

The annual meeting of the M. E. Society, Knox church, was held on Friday. Election of officers took place.

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On Tuesday, to the wife of John E. Sherman, a daughter.

TURNERVILLE.

Mr. Houston, of concession 6, Chatham Township, has the contract of moving the warehouse from Ennet station to Chatham Centre.

A new store has been opened in our town, by Messrs. Mox, G. E. Parsey, a call when you come to town.

The quarterly meeting of the Dawn Mills circuit will be held in the Lindsay Road church next Sunday night. Rev. Mr. Taylor preached a very able sermon in the Lindsay Road church on Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Weaver, of concession

6, Chatham Township, were the guests of Mrs. Thomas Shaw last week.

The Turnerville m. l., which has been closed for some time, has started up again.

Mrs. Thomas Buckingham is very sick.

The Methodist people are building a new shed at the Lindsay Road church. This is what was needed.

The friends and neighbors met at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Peters, concession 9, Chatham Township, on Thursday night of last week and spent a pleasant evening. As Mr. and Mrs. Peters are about to leave this neighborhood they were presented with two beautiful chairs.

FLORENCE.

Miss Anna Ockert has returned after several weeks visit at Chatham and Northwood.

Mr. and Mrs. John Webster spent Sunday with Dr. Charteris and family, Chatham.

Mr. Eugene Walker and family moved into their new residence last week. Mr. Bert Scarlett takes possession of the property vacated by Mr. Walker.

A number attended anniversary services at Croton Jubilee church on Sunday last. Rev. Mr. Barton, of Courtwright, officiated.

Rev. John Baird's lecture and Limerick views, "John Bunyan and the Pilgrim's Progress," in the Methodist church, were especially practical and edifying. His clear and interesting were wonderfully clear and illustrative.

An enjoyable evening was spent on the 22nd ult., when the members of the Zone Threshing Co. with their wives and families, met at the home of Mr. Thomas Trotter and gave him a genuine surprise.

The company was founded 33 years ago, and Mr. Trotter has remained a faithful member during that time. After partaking of oysters and other delicacies, Mr. Trotter presented with an address and handsome overcoat.

The remainder of the evening was spent in games, music, speeches, etc.

The funeral services of the late Mr. Wm. Ockert were conducted from the family residence on Friday, the 29th ult. An impressive sermon was preached by Rev. Mr. Little, assisted by Rev. Mr. McMullen. Although she had been ill for two years with a lingering disease, which she bore with Christian faith and patience, her death came quite unexpectedly, and makes a sad loss in the home circle. She leaves a sorrowing husband and one young daughter, to which the community extend their sympathy in their sad bereavement.

District Dashes

Strathroy girls have organized a hockey team.

Miss E. Tillson, of Chatham, is here for a few days, visiting her sister, Ridgeway, Ontario.

Wm. Mayor, a well known resident of Ridgeway, 65 years of age, was found dead in bed on Wednesday morning.

There were 60,463 evictions for non-payment of rent in New York City in 1903, twenty times as many as ever known in Ireland.

Right Rev. F. P. McEvay, D. D., Bishop of London, will solemnly dedicate the new St. Paul's R. C. church, Thamesville on Feb. 7.

Reports from Port Stanley are to the effect that Lake Erie was this winter frozen clear across, something that has seldom happened in recent years.

Winnipeg's population is placed at 77,304, an increase of 13,744 over the past twelve years. The population has doubled within thirteen years.

Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Broad, of Chatham Tp., who have been at Durand, Mich., have returned home. They were accompanied by their son Robt., who has been quite ill with typhoid fever.

His many friends will learn with regret that Mr. W. H. Ellsworth has decided to leave Ridgeway and move to the Western States. Mr. Ellsworth was a resident of Ridgeway for over twenty years. — Ridgeway Democrat.

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BABY HELD FOR RENT

"I want a revlevin for my baby."

Justice Bradwell looked up in astonishment at Mrs. John Fleming in Chicago yesterday afternoon when he heard this request.

"I want a revlevin for my three-months-old child that J. Oscar Lewis has taken possession of, with my goods, because I owe him \$5 for rent," the woman continued. "He refuses to let me have the baby until I pay the money. My husband has consumption. He has gone to Arizona and may never come back. I can't pay the money. He can keep the goods, but I want my baby."

"This is an outrage," declared the justice to Constable Jim Small. "I can't revlevin a baby, but the man can be arrested for kidnapping, and he shall be, without delay."

A few hours later Lewis, keeper of a boarding house at 1634 Michigan avenue, was under arrest at the central station. He protested that he had no design of keeping the child.

Mrs. Fleming is the wife of a former employe of the Sherman house who became ill. He would recover his health, departed three months ago for Arizona.

A few days after Fleming departed the baby was born. Mrs. Fleming's relatives provided for her, but they were not able to do much. Her niece, a young girl, remained with her and managed to provide in part for the family by taking in sewing. Two weeks ago the three secured a room at Lewis' boarding house. They agreed to pay \$2.50 a week. The baby became sick, and they were unable to do more than provide for their food. The landlord demanded his rent on Monday, and when the mother said that she was unable to pay, he threatened to turn her out. She intended to keep the baby and goods, and offered him the furniture," said Mrs. Fleming. "But he said that he would just keep the baby until I raised the money." — Chicago Tribune.

RHODES' SCHOLARSHIPS

Application for Rhodes' scholarships has closed and there are nine names on the list: Three graduates, E. H. Oliver, B. A., of Eberts, formerly a student at the C. C. I. E. H. Paterson, B. A., Toronto, and H. G. Wallace, B. A., Toronto. Three fourth year students, G. B. Bryce, Toronto; T. B. McQuesten, Hamilton; and E. W. Wallace, Toronto, and three third year men, J. E. B. Bond and R. C. Reade, of Toronto, and B. A. Upshall, of Brampton. The names will be sent to the Oxford board, who will send out qualification examination papers.

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STUDIES BY ANGLO.

Florence, Italy, Feb. 5.—The management of the Uffizi gallery has discovered eight cartoons upon which are a score of sketches and studies by Michael Angelo. The studies include two nude figures supposed to have been intended for two of the twelve apostles he wished to paint in the Sistine chapel and two groups of figures used in his "deluge," in the same chapel. There are also architectural sketches.

WILL HE COME TO CANADA?

London, Feb. 5.—Joseph Chamberlain will start February 11 on a two months' holiday. He desires to say where he is going, because it is his desire to have a complete rest and not to be troubled with correspondence.

EXPLOSION ON A U. S. BATTLESHIP.

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 5.—The battleship Iowa, while testing her batteries on her way down the coast yesterday, blew off the muzzles or both eight-inch guns in her forward starboard turret. Flying fragments smashed one of the ship's whale boats. Both guns are fractured and the barrels are badly swollen. None of the crew was injured, and no damage outside that great was sustained by the vessel.

Washington, Feb. 5.—This second explosion on the Iowa within less than a year has cast a gloom over the officials of the United States navy department. The cause of explosion of the Panama last year, in which there was a loss of life and considerable damage to the ship, remains a mystery. The alarming feature of these two accidents is the apprehension growing in naval circles that older guns of the navy are not strong enough to permit the use of smokeless powder in them. It is declared that none of the guns on the Iowa has been fired much over 100 times.

A RAILWAY TO HUDSON BAY.

Winnipeg, Feb. 5.—The Manitoba grain growers' convention, in session here, passed the following resolution:—

"Whereas we believe that it is of the utmost importance that the farmers of Manitoba should receive the highest return possible for their crops, and realizing that this can only be secured by availing ourselves of the shortest, cheapest, and most natural outlet to the British market, we recommend the immediate construction of a railway to Hudson Bay."

The convention also passed strong resolutions in favor of government ownership and operation of railways, as well as protesting against the shortage of cars and other drawbacks of the present service.

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