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SEASON ENDS AT ERIEAU

Conclusion of the Delightful Holiday at the Popular Summer Resort—Moving in

Praise for Enterprise and Efficiency of Railroad—Many Improvements Contemplated

The Erieau season is over. Yesterday saw the end of the summer railroad service, and the afternoon trains were crowded with cottagers returning to home and avocation after a delightful season at the popular summer resort.

In many respects the past summer has been the most pleasant in the history of Erieau. The cottages have all been filled; boating, fishing and bathing were new and popular, and the forming of the cottagers into an organization for the mutual benefit of their property and the community—with the co-operation of the Boarding Council—means progress, and rapid progress, for the charming summer place. The work on the piers, under the supervision of Contractor R. M. Paxton, is proceeding rapidly, and is proving a decided acquisition. That the claims of Erieau are receiving deserved attention and recognition is evidenced in the amount of property now being purchased and the building operations in contemplation for next spring, when several new cottages are to make their appearance.

Considerable of the credit for the development and increased interest manifested must be ascribed to the energy and enterprise of the Pere Marquette Railroad, which assisted very materially in the season's pleasure. General Passenger Agent H. F. Moeller and Trainmaster J. R. Gilhousa deserve the many encomiums they are receiving on the unexcelled train service provided—a service which, if continued next season, will bring to the railroad the recognition of a greatly increased patronage, which it deserves. In Conductor A. McGarvey and Baggageman Dave Stevenson travellers were also favored with two most courteous and efficient officials—men who do credit to their calling. Not a hitch nor an accident occurred all season, notwithstanding the picnic crowds, the special service and the many exceptional situations which must have been so capably met.

Erieau promises even bigger and better things for next season. The proposal to establish a police village will be discussed and already arrangements have been completed for new sidewalks, pleasant arbors and other acquisitions so delightful in the ideal summer resort.

VISIT DOVER

Windsor Electric Line Confer With Township Council—To Build Bridge Over Thames

Five representatives of the Windsor, Chatham & London electric road visited Dover South and held a short consultation with the Township Council yesterday. They purpose building a bridge over the River Thames and running their line through a portion of the Township.

The grading for the line is already under way from Windsor to Tecumseh.

ROUND WORLD

His Honor Judge Bell Returns From Tour Around the Globe—A Splendid Trip

His honor Judge Bell and Mrs. Bell returned on Sunday, having completed a trip that seldom falls to the lot of anyone—a tour around the globe.

A cordial welcome awaited the travellers from many friends. His honor, who has not yet reassumed his judicial duties, has been busy all day extending and receiving greetings. His friends say the judge looks somewhat thinner, but he declares he has been enjoying the best of health.

Judge Bell has had many interesting experiences—and an account of his unique trip would prove exceedingly entertaining to all. The Planet hopes to prevail upon his honor to favor the readers of this journal.

THE OPENING OF SCHOOL

Many Pupils are in Attendance at Educational Institutes After the Holidays

Classes Are Arranged and Preparations Made for the Terms' Work—Many Improvements Made to the Schools.

To-day is a day of mingled sorrow and rejoicing—all caused from the fact that it is the opening day of school.

It is needless to say who are the sad ones, for, after a pleasant holiday of eight weeks it is no easy matter for the young mind to content itself with the former routine of school life. Some of them appear happy this morning but the majority of them are not so clever in hiding their true feelings and emotions. The parents are rejoicing, for, in many cases, the holidays have not been a time of recreation for them and they are once more relieved of many cares and worries by turning over the responsibility for the welfare of their small charges, to the Public school teachers. The teachers have also been having a pleasant holiday, but then in Chatham we have such excellent teachers, and they take such an interest in their work that they are glad to be back. Many of them have been looking eagerly forward to the opening day and a smile of satisfaction went the rounds this morning when the money cheques were handed out. The stationer wears the happy grin that won't come off, for this is his harvest, while new books are needed.

At the Public schools the opening day was a busy one and was taken up chiefly in placing the scholars in their different rooms and providing them with a list of the books they will require for the coming term.

At McKeough school there were about 350 pupils in attendance. This number will be increased very materially as the term progresses. There were 60 in the kindergarten room after all promotions were made. All of the teachers were at their posts bright and early. It is expected that there will be an entrance class of 40 this year. The school has undergone many changes and improvements in the sanitary arrangements and is in a bright healthy condition.

At the Separate school there were

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PLEASED PATRONS THROUG GRAND AND SOUND PRAISES ON PARADA

Delightful Program for Inauguration Night—Charming and Unique Features Which Called Forth Many Plaudits—Those Who Took Part

Bright and catching "Parada" made its initial appearance at the Grand last night. Nothing but enthusiastic praise was heard of the performance. Gorgeous costumes, bright, scintillating music, seductive dances and rhythmic drills contributed to an ensemble which has never before been approached in a like entertainment in the history of Chatham.

The success is doubly a laudable one considering the short time allowed for preparation. In two short weeks this pleasing effect has been obtained. Those two weeks, however, have been redundant of indefatigable and tireless effort on the part of those directing and directed. The Ladies of the Hospital, who had the courage to undertake the affair, deserve the greatest praise for their enterprise, as do those who have so cheerfully and ungrudgingly given their time and services. Capt. Eddy and his able assistants, Misses Beck and Emery, fully deserve the commendations that were so freely accorded performance by last night's audience.

With the exception of Friday, a performance will be given every evening this week, with a matinee on Saturday. It is hoped that the public will accord these performances the support they most undoubtedly deserve.

The curtain rang up sharp at 8 o'clock upon a tableau of all nations, consisting of all the performers. The effect was greatly enhanced by the lighting and scenic effects. Immediately following this came the fairies' dance. These little tots looked charmingly sweet in their spangled white dresses and met with rounds of applause, which they repaid to with a sedateness worthy of the most-seasoned performers.

MANHATTAN.

This, the succeeding chorus, was composed of four young men dressed as dudes in frock coats and silk hats, having, as partners, four other young gentlemen dressed as ladies. The first couple consisted of D. Fearman and Miss Lewis, gowned in sombre black with a heliotrope sash and daisy hat.

Following this couple came Myrtle and Miss "Frankie" Dennis, in a cream Paris creation with hat and hair to match. Next came Harry Pritchard with two charming young "not out," one hanging on either arm—Misses Garnet Montgomery and "Duke" Koffage. Both young ladies were very chic and showed their maidenly charms to great advantage in low neck and short sleeves effects. Owing to some oversight Miss Montgomery's pompadour did not arrive in time for the performance. Harold McDonald sang the solo part, looking every inch the part he was to play, while the others displayed their charms.

The Japanese drill was next put on, D. Fearman making a most capable Mikado, with Miss Ruby McKenzie, a dainty tot, as his mistress of ceremonies. The Geisha girls of the chorus were kimono-gowned and ably portrayed the inhabitants of the Flowery Kingdom.

THE CINDYS.

Headed by Miss May Peate, the soloist, a bevy of yellow costumed young ladies with picture hats sang the seductive refrain of "I'm waiting for you, Cindy." The song was accompanied by a lithe and graceful dance.

THE NEWSBOYS.

Fifteen boys, all appropriately dressed for the part, performed this drill, Edwin McDonald taking the solo "Sweet Mamie O'Hooley."

THE IMPERIALS.

These had a suggestive name and quite lived up to it. Miss Edith Holmes took Miss Smith's part at the last moment, rendering the management under a debt of gratitude to her.

THE DAISIES.

proved to be one of the most taking choruses. Perhaps this is explained by the fact that Miss Kathleen O'Hara was in the title role, singing the solo part. When Miss Ruby Gordon's voice forsook her, through a severe cold, Miss O'Hara cheerfully assumed the former young lady's roles in addition to her own, an act of generosity entailing much hard and hurried practice. Miss O'Hara has not

been heard by a Chatham audience for some time and the surpassing sweetness and range of her voice both surprised and delighted. Her rendition of "Listen to the Band," in the Hussar chorus, was delightful. She also took the role of the Gypsy Queen with infinite ability and grace.

THE FLORAL ARCH.

This was a drill composed of twenty cute young misses with gowns and arches beautifully flower trimmed.

PART II.

A Night In Camp.

A section of the 24th Regiment took part in this, a tableau much enhanced by the judicious use of lighting and stage effects.

PART III.

Was descriptive of a Gypsy camp, the home of a Gypsy bride, this part being taken by Miss O'Hara.

The stage had a very weird appearance as the curtain rang up, with the Gypsy chorus, recumbent, scattered about amid woodland scenery. Slowly the day dawned, Miss O'Hara singing "The Gypsy Queen's Declaration," in a voice rich and true. The chorus was costumed appropriately, both boys and girls appearing like reprints from some passionate Gypsy tale—the girls with bright beaded dresses with scarves to match; the male members of the chorus looking very bandit-like and ferocious.

Before the assembled Gypsy camp little Beatrice Gooden recited "In Petite Minuette," a tale of the days of our grandmothers. This dainty little Miss captivated the audience with her tale and the manner of its portrayal. Miss Muriel Hennessy, whose stage presence is of the best, sang "Jane From Maine," and Miss Amy Boles, the possessor of a sweet voice, sang "The Moon, the Coon and the Little Octoroon," a refreshing piece of melody to the accompaniment of a graceful pirouette. The scene closed with Gypsy revelries and a rollicking dance.

PART IV.

The final part of the program opened with the Fleur de lis chorus, participated in by nine charmingly costumed young society ladies, with Miss Iva Stegman singing the solo. Continued on Page 8.

LOOKS HOPEFUL

Large American Industry May Establish Canadian Branch in Chatham—Employs 500 Hands

Verily Chatham's fame has gone abroad in the land! The latest manifestation of this acknowledged truth is the decided possibility that a large American industry may locate a Canadian branch in Chatham.

In order that other cities may not bid for the acquisition the name of the concern is withheld. It is, however, an industry not at present represented in Chatham, and will employ about 200 hands. The Mayor is in correspondence with the officials. The Canadian representative of the firm stated in his last letter that the management were strongly prejudiced in favor of Chatham and that they would visit the city the next time they were in Canada. By the way, let's get after the electric lighting service and get it fixed up before they arrive.

DASHED ON TO DEATH

Speeding Through Blinding Storm on Motor Car a Blenheimite Crashes Into Locomotive

Husband Came from Erieau to Chatham, Where He Heard the Sad News—Bride of Two Months Only

London, Sept. 4.—Blinded by a driving rainstorm, James Vadden, head lineman for the C. P. R. Telegraph Company, and Mrs. Wm. Dean, wife of Vadden's step-son, ran into C. P. R. engine No. 933, while riding to the city on a railway gasoline motor car Saturday night at 7.55, and were both instantly killed.

The engine was backing to Newbury in charge of Engineer George Rodgers, and Vadden and Mrs. Dean were fleeing through the storm, which caught them while they were on a ride for pleasure.

Wm. Dean, formerly of this city, now of Blenheim, is likely at the present time, in his yacht sailing for Port Stanley, and the news of the accident has not reached him.

Mrs. Dean was married only two months ago. Saturday morning she left Blenheim. Continued on Page Four.

SWEPT TO DEATH BY WILD WAVE

Sad Tragedy at Erieau by Which Herbert Dawson of Romney, Lost His Life

Was on the Dump Scow When Tempest Struck Him—Was Swept Away Ere Help Came

Erieau paid her sombre toll with the rest to yesterday's tempest, which swept its death-dealing devastation over all the inland lakes—and Herbert Dawson, of Romney, a young employe at the dredging near the piers, was borne away by the gale.

The unfortunate young man was on the dump scow which was being towed out into the lake. The sea was wild and heavy, and a great wave broke over the scow, sweeping him seaward. The tow-line was cut immediately and the tug Michael Davitt endeavored to find the man, without success. The scow meanwhile drifted on shore, where it was beached and badly broken up.

SPLENDID CONCERT

A very largely attended and most successful tea meeting was held in the Union Hall, Tapperville, last evening. The harvest home services of this church were held on Sunday and the social part of the festivities followed, to close up a very successful year's work for this church under the guidance of their able pastor, Rev. Mr. Moorehouse.

The ladies of the church also deserve great credit for the capable manner in which they managed the social. Every comfort was provided for.

The musical part of the program was provided by the Christ Church male quartet—Messrs. Angus, W. M. Smith, John R. Smith, and Wilson. The quartet supplied the whole program of music and universal satisfaction and delight was plainly manifested.

The proceeds of the evening were large and highly satisfactory to the church.

NEW TELEPHONE CONNECTION.

The line of the Bell Telephone Company from Windsor to Essex has lately been extended to Leamington, and it is worth noting that there is now a direct circuit from Windsor to Leamington.

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