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East Middlesex.

The Liberals Hold Their Annual Meeting.

Mr John Gilson Elected President—The Other Officers.

East Middlesex was well represented at the annual meeting of the Liberal Association of that riding, held on Saturday afternoon, in the Liberal Club rooms, here. Enthusiasm and heartiness characterized the meeting, and it was evident that during the coming year there would be active co-operation of the members.

President E. Ironsides, of Ilderton, occupied the chair, and the usual routine business was disposed of with dispatch. Then followed the election of officers. Mr. John Gilson, who made such a gallant fight in the Conservative stronghold of East Middlesex, was unanimously elected president, and Mr. John H. Elliott, Westminster, vice-president.

The vice-presidents chosen for each division were: S. B. Gorwell, London township; James Murray, Westminster; Alf Bayley, Nissouri; A. McConnell, North Dorchester; J. C. Dennis, South Dorchester; Dennis Collins, London West; Alex. Shambleau, East London.

Mr. Gilson was escorted to the chair, and gracefully announced his appreciation of the honor. The general feeling among the members was one of satisfaction that Mr. Gilson had accepted the position. "No Liberal candidate in the riding ever put up a more plucky fight," said Mr. George Cairncross.

Among those present besides the names already mentioned were: Messrs. Mark Ashman, R. W. Jackson, Alex. Smibert, W. C. Cowan, C. Fisher, Wheaton Ashman, Wm. Crunnican, Squire Lacey, A. Black, G. Durand, D. Ferguson and others.

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GENERALLY FAIR—LITTLE COLDER.

Toronto, Feb. 14—11 p.m.—The pressure is below the normal throughout the greater part of the Dominion. The weather has been generally fair from the lake region eastward, and comparatively mild in Ontario and parts of Nova Scotia.

Minimum and maximum temperatures:

Calgary, 2 below-26; Edmonton, 4-28; Qu'Appelle, 4 below-10; Winnipeg, 4 below-8; Port Arthur, 20-26; Toronto, 22-39; Ottawa, 2 below-20; Montreal, 4-20; Quebec, 4-18; Halifax, 16-40.

PROBABILITIES.

Toronto, Feb. 15—1 a.m.—Probabilities for 24 hours for lower lakes region: Generally fair; light local snow; a little lower temperature.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the observatory on Saturday were 25 above and 3 below; on Sunday, 34.5 above and 15 above.

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A Local Budget

—Friday was the last day for the redemption of county lands sold for taxes on Feb. 12, 1896. Few of the lots were redeemed. The next sale (32 lots) will be held on March 25.

—The children's carnival, held at Blackfriars rink on Saturday afternoon was a very successful affair. The prizes for costumes were as follows: First, Howard Bryce, Colored Clown; second, Land Douglas, as an Irishman. There was a large party present, and the ice was fine.

—The orchestra of Dundas Street Center Methodist Sunday school promises a musical treat tomorrow evening in the church lecture room. They will be assisted by some of the best local vocal talent, and those who attend may be assured of an enjoyable evening.

—A most enjoyable time was spent at the residence of Mr. Walter Brown, of Hyde Park, Wednesday evening, when about 125 of his friends and neighbors assembled together for a sociable evening. After a programme was rendered, consisting of music, readings and recitations, etc., the Ladies' Aid of the Methodist Church had prepared a very nice lunch, which was enjoyed by all. A very liberal collection was taken in aid of the Ladies' Aid Society. The crowd dispersed after tendering the host and hostess a vote of thanks for their hospitality.

—Alluding to the death of Thomas Charles White, G. T. R. fireman, of St. Thomas, the Times says: Deceased was a well known baseball player, and was a member of the Browns and Y. M. C. A. teams. Last summer, while participating in a match of Atlantic Park, it is thought he overheated himself, and he was taken with a fever. He was removed to the Amasa Wood Hospital, and for a long time he was in a very low condition. Just previous to Christmas, however, he had so far recovered as to be able to go to his home. A couple of weeks ago he took a walk of a couple of blocks and contracted a bad cold. He gradually grew worse, death resulting, as above stated. "Tommy" White was a bright young fellow, who had a host of friends, and patrons of ball games will recollect his clever playing at second base. Besides his parents deceased leaves three brothers, William, jun., G. T. R. train dispatcher, London; Benjamin, Southern Pacific Railway, Del Raro, Texas; E. W., at home, and two sisters.

NOT A METHODIST MINISTER.

The authorities of the Methodist Church have investigated the statement that Rev. Andrew Hope, now being sued for breach of promise of marriage, is a Methodist minister, and authorize the announcement that he is not now and never was a minister in the Methodist Church.

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LAW SCHOOL EXAMINATIONS.

The Law School examinations will be held this year as follows: First year, beginning on Tuesday, April 27; second and third years, beginning on Tuesday, May 4, at 9:45 am.

NO MORE "ALL ABOARD."

The familiar signal, "All aboard," used for starting trains, is being done away with by the Grand Trunk Railway, and substituted by a small steam whistle alongside the engineer in the cab of the locomotive, which is connected with each passenger car by pipes somewhat similar to the air brake pipes. It is not necessary now for a conductor of a train to signal the engineer by the hand method; he can blow the little whistle without going outside of the car. The whistle takes the place of the bell cord, as well as a means of drawing the attention of the driver to any breakage in his train.

MASONIC GRAND OFFICERS.

The newly elected Grand Z of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, Michael Walsh, of Ingersoll, announces that the following appointments to office have been made by him: S. Brown, Toronto, grand first assistant sojourner; William Parker, Ingersoll, grand second assistant sojourner; J. B. Nixon, Toronto, grand lecturer; E. Miller, Kincardine, grand sword bearer; John Sinclair, Petrolea, grand master first veil; Judge Corlut Locke, Morden, Man., grand master second veil; Robert Magness, Hamilton, grand master third veil; J. C. Brown, Orangeville, grand master fourth veil; C. J. Wensley, Campbellford, grand standard bearer; S. A. Luke, Ottawa, grand director of ceremonies; William Elliott, Mitchell, grand organist; D. Spence, Peterboro, grand pursuivant; A. A. Campbell, London, grand steward; D. Robertson, Eglinton, grand steward; W. J. Hallet, Barrie, grand steward; D. Cochran, Ridgetown, grand steward.

A BIRTHDAY PARTY.

Mr. William Kelly, of South London, who is one of the pioneer farmers of this county, having spent over 40 years in the vicinity of London, celebrated his 70th birthday on Thursday evening by inviting his near relatives to a birthday party. Mr. Kelly gave notice that he expected no presents, but his sons and son-in-law could not let the occasion pass without showing the love they had for him, and just before supper was announced his son Albert read a neatly-worded address and presented him with a large picture of his three sons, Frank and Albert, of Talbotville, and John, of Lambeth, and their wives, and his son-in-law, Mr. John Thornicroft, and his wife, of Lambeth. The picture was handsomely framed, and will be highly prized. Mr. Kelly feelingly replied to the kind remarks, and, needless to say, he was a proud father to have his children around him. Among those present were Mr. Kelly's sister, Mrs. Barnes, of London, and her two daughters, Mrs. James McLaren and Mrs. Gilbert Coombes, accompanied by their husbands. The good things provided for the occasion were thoroughly enjoyed, and a pleasant evening spent. Mr. Kelly received many congratulations and wishes that his life might be spared for many years to come.

PLAYED GOOD HOCKEY.

The Medical Students Defeat the Asylum Seven.

A rattling game of hockey was played on the asylum grounds on Saturday afternoon between the medical students and the asylum. The medicos won by 7 to 2, but every goal was stubbornly fought for, and some great hockey playing was shown on both sides. Mr. Will Martin was the referee, and the goal judges and time-keepers were George Angus and J. Hill. The teams were:

ASYLUM.	POSITIONS.	MEDS.
E. P. Bucke	Goal	J. Ferguson
F. Reid	Point	G. Windsor
F. Snyder	Cover Point	C. T. Pigot
G. Sippi	Forwards	S. Thomson
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The tooth of a mastodon in an almost complete state of preservation has been recently unearthed. It weighed 14 pounds 12 ounces, and measured 10 inches by 6, and is pure ivory.

THE MEDICINE FOR LIVER AND KIDNEY COMPLAINT.—Mr. Victor Auger, Ottawa, writes: "I take great pleasure in recommending to the general public Parmelee's Pills as a cure for Liver and Kidney complaint. I have doctored for the last three years with leading physicians, and have taken many medicines that were recommended to me without relief, but after taking eight of Parmelee's Pills I was quite relieved, and now I feel as free from the disease as before I was troubled."

Physicians often recommended prunes as a remedy for inflammation of the stomach, for their soothing and cooling properties.

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City Church Circles

Askin Street Methodists Celebrate Their Anniversary.

India Relief Fund Circular Read — A New Organist—Other Notes.

Anniversary services were held yesterday at the Askin Street Methodist Church. Rev. E. N. Baker, M.A., B.D., of Chatham, preached morning and evening. In the morning his sermon was especially to young men, and was a plain talk, earnest and evangelical, based on Christ's answer to Nicodemus, telling him to sell all that he had and give to the poor, if he would be saved. Mr. Baker said the greatest scandal to the Christian Church today was that while many rolled in luxury there were those about them who suffered because they had not the bare necessities of life.

The offerings during the day, which were liberal, were applied to the reduction of the debt on recent improvements to the church. This evening a teameeting is to be held, and following the repast a choice programme of speeches and music will be given.

The financial statement of the trustee board for the year has been issued, and shows the amounts received for the recent church improvments to be $791 83. During the year the Ladies' Aid contributed $203 96; pew rents amounted to $906 51; sale of old seats, $140; plate collections, $592 64; lawn social, $50 87. Of the sums expended $432 17 went for repairs, $927 70 for furniture, $215 19 for sundries, $429 50 for organist and janitor, and $314 36 for interest. A cash balance of $142 77 remained from 1895, and the sum now on hand is $357 36.

CHURCH NOTES.

A volunteer fund for the relief of the famine-stricken people of India has been started in St. James' Presbyterian Church.

The anniversary of the dedication of Adelaide Street Baptist Church will be the occasion of special services, the first Sunday in March.

Collections in aid of the home mission fund were taken up in the Congregational Churches yesterday.

Rev. W. J. Clark, First Presbyterian Church, exchanged pulpits yesterday with Rev. R. J. Hunter, B.A., of Zion Church, Ridgetown. Mr. Hunter preached very acceptable sermons.

The circular issued by the India famine fund committee was read in a large number of the city churches yesterday. The Bishop of Huron has named Feb. 21 as a day for receiving subscriptions throughout the diocese.

Rev. Thomas Wilson, King Street Presbyterian Church, has asked his congregation to contribute liberally to the famine fund. He stated that he wanted every man in employment to give a day's wages; every man out of work to do without the luxuries of life for a week and give the sum thus saved to the fund; and every railroad employe belonging to the church to contribute the amount earned by a round trip. Mr. Wilson promised to make a personal contribution of a day's salary.

Fifty-two members were added to the First Methodist Church membership roll at a reception service held last night. Of this number 20 were received on profession of faith, and the remainder by letter. It was announced that next Sunday the collections of the day would be in aid of famine-stricken India.

Mr. W. A. Bleuthner has been appointed organist and choir master of the First Congregational Church, to succeed Mr. E. J. Forsythe. He began his duties yesterday.

Elder Evans, of this city, is organizing a branch of the Later Day Saints in Toronto.

Sergt.-Major Schoof addressed several hundred young men yesterday at the Auditorium. His remarks were very interesting. The Imperial quartet—Messrs. McDonald, Dalton, Collins and Lockhart—and a large orchestra formed pleasant features of the meeting. Mr. James Cresswell gave a violin solo, with Mr. W. H. Hewlett acting as accompanist. In the evening Major Schoof preached at the Colborne Street Methodist Church.

Fever and Ague and Bilious Derangements are positively cured by the use of Parmelee's Pills. They not only cleanse the stomach and bowels from all bilious matter, but they open the excretory vessels, causing them to pour copious effusions from the blood into the bowels, after which the corrupted mass is thrown out by the natural passage of the body. They are used as a general family medicine with the best results

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The Lehigh Valley Railroad, in connection with the Grand Trunk Railway, have the fast through-running train service between Toronto, Hamilton, London and principal points in Ontario, to New York city. Only line running Pullman buffet sleeping cars. Time two hours ahead of all other lines.

Passengers for Europe via this line are landed in New York at Desbrosses or Cortlandt streets, in close proximity to all European steamship docks. Don't fail to ask for tickets and sleeping-car accommodation via Lehigh Valley route, at all Grand Trunk city and station offices.

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Western Ontario.

Sale of the Messner Stock at 75 Cents on the Dollar.

A Walkerton Prisoner Would Not Plead Till the Close of the Day—Cattle Die From Eating Spoiled Ensilage.

David Bertling, of Aylmer, accidentally shot himself in the left knee while handling a revolver on Sunday.

The Perth House of Refuge at Stratford, which has been opened for about one month now, has now some 35 inmates.

J. H. Jermyn, Indian agent at Cape Croker, has been dismissed. John McIvor, of McIvor, receives the appointment.

Mr. James Welsh, traveling baggage checker on the G. T. R., has been appointed baggage master at the Windsor station.

Mr. T. E. Merritt, of the Merchants' Bank, of Mitchell, will proceed to New York at sub-agent, replacing Mr. Harris, promoted to the head of the staff.

Mrs. M. L. Ryan, of Dresden, has sold the American Hotel, Forest, to J. G. Johnson, who has been manager and lessee for the past three years, for $4,000.

After a trial at Sarnia lasting several days, Judge Mackenzie on Saturday morning acquitted Harry Neil on the charges of incendiarism laid against him.

Wm. Adams, who was committed for trial at Chatham on a charge of robbing a hotel at Ridgetown, states that his accomplice, who escaped and is now on his way to Michigan, is a leper.

J. R. James & Co., general merchants, Alvinston, are asking an extension of time. The statement of the firm shows $10,000 liabilities and assets of $14,000. The firm was indebted to the McMaster estate to the extent of $2,100.

Hiram Woodworth and Wm. Rourk, laborers, from Colchester North, on a charge of stealing timber from the Cameron estate, Windsor, were each fined $12, although they protested their innocence. They will likely appeal to the County Court.

M. J. Wigle & Co., woolen manufacturers, Kingsmill, who recently were reported in financial difficulties, have made arrangements with their creditors to take over the stock in the mill, and they will continue the business. Their statement showed assets of $10,000, and liabilities of $15,000.

Mr. Wm. Steele, V.S., of Stratford, was called out into Downie early on Friday to the farm of Mr. Alex. Strathdee, to attend some cattle there. He found the stock suffering from acute indigestion, caused by eating spoiled ensilage. Three of the animals died during the day, and a number of others are in a serious condition. Mr. Strathdee had the misfortune to lose four horses last year from the same cause.

W. Bobier, the young Walkerton law student who haunted the Attorney-General's department at Toronto, saying that he had committed perjury, and was taken to Walkerton for trial, was given a month in jail by Judge Klein. In the police magistrate's office Bobier exhibited signs of mental aberration, and would not plead to the indictment until the sun went down. He kept all waiting until the day was closing, and then pleaded guilty.

The death occurred last week at his residence, River road, Southwold, of one of the oldest residents of Elgin—William Francis, age 80 years. Besides a widow, deceased leaves twelve children: John D., Shedden; William, Chicago; George, Southwold; Robert, New Sarum; Mrs. S. Hathaway, Yarmouth; Mrs. W. Guest, Bay City, Mich.; James, United States; Willington, at home; Miss Nettie, Cleveland; Miss Eva, at home; Arthur, at home; Charles, Chicago. Deceased was a staunch Reformer. He was born in Ontario, and had resided on the same farm in Southwold for the past 48 years. He was buried on Sunday in St. Thomas cemetery.

Before the stock of F. X. Messner, of Formosa, was sold on Friday at Walkerton, the insolvent addressed the audience, and asked them, and particularly Messrs. Schwartz & Fedy, not to bid against him. By adopting this course he would get a chance to earn something to pay the premiums on his policies, and finally pay all his debts. The bidding started at 40 cents and advanced rapidly 1 cent at a time. After a while the bids dropped to a quarter of a cent advance, until 75 cents was bid, when Mr. Schwartz, who was the opposition bidder, said, "Let him have it," and it was knocked down to the Messrs. Messner.

DIED JUST IN TIME.

"Poor Mrs. Scattles! Dead only three weeks and her husband has already another wife."

"Poor thing! How fortunate it was for her that she died before he married the second time."

ABSURD.

"These reporters never loose an opportunity to be facetious, do they?"

"What is it now."

"Why, this paper says that after the museum closed, the armless wonder led a hand-to-mouth existence."—Detroit News.

An Elephant's Trunk

is a very dangerous thing, especially if the elephant is not in very good humor. In that case, however, it is the owner of the trunk who is to blame for any damage that may be done, whereas, in the case of a person's trunk, it partly depends on the humor of the railroad employes, but to a much greater extent on the kind and quality of trunk.

If at some time you are on a trip, when you get off at the station and find that your trunk has broken open and the contents strewn round on the platform, don't blame the railroad. They are not to blame if you bought the trunk from an inexperienced dealer who does not understand what qualities a trunk should possess to stand the wear and tear of a journey. We buy from the best makers in Canada, and can guarantee every Trunk or Valise. For a few days we are giving 20 per cent discount off marked prices.

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HOW THE CHINOOK COMES.

Even the Cattle in Montana Recognize the First Breath of the Benign Wind.

United States Weather Review.

Picture to yourself a wild waste of snow, wind-beaten and blizzard-furrowed until the vast expanse resembles a billowy white sea. The frigid air, blowing half a gale, is filled with needle-like snow and ice crystals which sting the flesh like the bites of poisonous insects, and sift through the finest crevices. The sun, low down in the southern horizon, looks like a frozen globe, with halves, crescents and bright prismatic bars encircling it.

Great herds of range cattle, which roam at will and thrive on the nutritious grasses indigenous to the northern slope, wander aimlessly here and there, or more frequently drift with the wind, in vain attempts to find food and shelter, moaning in distress from cold and hunger, their noses hung with bloody icicles, their legs galled and bleeding from breaking the hard snow crust as they travel.—they appeal to the hardest heart for pity. It is sure death for human beings to be caught out in one of these awful blizzards, with the temperature down to 30 or 50 degrees below zero, unless rescue is speedy. Yet, such conditions frequently exist in this latitude, as they did for fifteen days in November, 1896, when it seemed as if the elements had conspired to bring about another ice age, and annihilate every living thing.

Would the "chinook" never come? The wind veered and backed, now howling as if in dersion, and anon becoming calm as if in contemplation of the desolation on the face of nature, while the poor dumb animals continued their ceaseless tramp, crying with pain and starvation. At last, on Dec. 1, about the hour of sunset, there was a change, which experienced plainsmen interpreted as favorable to the coming of the warm southwest wind. At sunset the temperature was only 12 degrees, the air scarcely in motion, but occasionally seeming to descend from overhead. Over the mountains in the southwest a great bank of black clouds hung, dark and awesome, whose wide expanse was unbroken by line or break; only at the upper edge the curled and serrated cloud, blown into tatters by wind, was seen to be the advance courier of the long-prayed-for "chinook." How eagerly we watched its approach! How we strained our hearing for the first welcome sigh of the gentle breath! But it was not until 11:35 p.m. that the first influence was felt. First, a puff of heat, summer-like in comparison with what had existed for two weeks, and we run to our instrument shelter to observe the temperature. Up goes the mercury, 34 degrees in seven minutes. Now the wind has come with a 25 mile velocity. Now the cattle stop traveling, and with muzzles turned toward the wind, low with satisfaction. Weary with two weeks' standing on their feet, they lie down in the snow, for they know that their salvation has come; that now their bodies will not freeze to the ground.

The wind increases in strength and warmth; it blows now in one steady roar; the temperature has risen to 38 degrees, the great expanse of snow, 30 inches deep on a level, is becoming damp and honeycombed by the hot wind, and we retire, satisfied that the "chinook" is a genuine and lasting one.

Twelve hours afterward there are bare brown hills everywhere; the plains are covered with floods of water. In a few days the wind will evaporate the moisture, and the roads will be dry and hard. Were it not for the "chinook" winds the northern slope country would not be habitable, nor could domestic animals survive the winters.

STILL IN HIS PRIME.

North Hastings' Oldest Inhabitant Hale and Hearty.

Josias Moore, of Bancroft, Ont., one of the oldest and best-known residents of Hastings county, can boast of wonderful health and vigor for his age.

"Although I am over 84 years of age," he says, "I feel as young as ever I did."

Mr. Moore, however, had a narrow escape from death about a year ago. "I was so bad with indigestion," he writes, "that the doctors gave me up. I tried various alleged remedies, but found them no good. One day our popular druggist, F. C. Humphries, sent me a sample of Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, to try. The result was marvelous. After taking two I was able to get up. Then I sent for a box. I could soon eat anything. In a short time I was able to walk two miles, to Bancroft and back, with ease."

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