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TWO GOOD THINGS FOR TO-MORROW

First---Bed Spreads

Only 28 of them altogether, so you must come early to get one. They are made in Manchester, of fine soft cotton, the style is honeycomb and the designs are good. They are full large double bed size, soft firm finish, easy to launder, and are worth regular \$1.35 each, on sale to-morrow at

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Second---Embroideries

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SUCCESSFUL ANNIVERSARY

Services At First Presbyterian Church Were Largely Attended

AN ELOQUENT PREACHER

It is seldom the people of Chatham ever have the opportunity to listen to two such able, eloquent and earnest preachers as those preached by Rev. Mr. McDonald, of Toronto, in the First Presbyterian Church yesterday.

It was the church anniversary, and it is safe to say that two more successful services have never been held in the Maple City. Rev. Mr. McDonald, who is editor of The Globe, is one of the ablest preachers in the Presbyterian Church in Canada, and his sermons were listened to with much interest and edification.

In the morning he gave a masterly address on "For How Much Does the Church Count," and dwelt upon the place of the church in the world of men, and the place and power of the church in the making of a nation.

In the evening not a seat in the church was unoccupied. Mr. McDonald gave an excellent sermon on "A Soul's Surprise at itself"—first, its surprise at its capacity for sin; second, its surprise at its capacity for service, and last, its surprise at its capacity for saintliness.

The musical part of the service was excellent under the able direction of Organist John Smith. In the morning, besides an excellent anthem, a solo was sung in excellent voice by Miss Lucy McKellar, and in the evening the solo parts in the anthem were sung by Miss Peate and Mr. Wilfrid Smith. Wilfrid Smith also sang a solo and a quartette selection was given by Misses Smith and Peate and Messrs. W. M. and John R. Smith.

Mr. John Smith deserves great credit for the excellent work he is accomplishing in this church, not only as an organist but as a director.

POLICE COURT

The man who was arrested by P. C. Groves at the Driving Park for being drunk and disorderly was fined \$7 in the Police Court this morning. The man who, it is alleged, interfered with Mr. Groves when he was making the arrest elected to be tried by a jury.

Charlie Stevens, who is charged by Peter Pizer with assault, was again remanded to see if he can raise the money. The case will come up again in a week's time.

In this case the assault was made in the Miles Hotel, as has been previously stated in this journal, and not on the street as was first reported. Pizer was not arrested as was the only one arrested and the information was laid by Mr. Pizer.

When the case came up a week ago Stevens agreed to settle the matter by paying Pizer \$50 damages and also agreed to pay Pizer's doctor bill and the costs of the court. Up to the present he has been unable to raise the money. If the money is not forthcoming by next Monday the case will go to trial.

ELEVATOR SLIDES

Peculiar Accident to Oglivie's at Port Arthur Friday and Saturday.

Port Arthur, May 28.—The Oglivie Co's grain elevator at Port William, which was erected two years ago started to slide into the river about 9 o'clock Friday night, but Saturday it was found that the elevator had only moved about 15 feet from its foundation. The building is now stationary, and the bins and machinery intact. A large force of men were soon at work removing the grain. The loss will not exceed \$250,000 or \$275,000, as in reconstruction a large proportion of the material will be available.

The elevator was on a pile foundation, which was driven to the rocks, and was tested and loaded to its full capacity the past two seasons, and up to the time of the sudden collapse showed no signs of weakness.

Owing to the nature of the accident, there is no insurance recoverable.

TAILOR'S WON

The local merchant tailors won out in their assessment appeal before Judge Dowling at Court of Revision this morning. The tailors were, under the new assessment law, brought under the manufacturer's tax of 60 per cent, while they contended that they should only be assessed as retailers.

The Court gave decision that the tailors were retailers, and as such they should only be assessed 35 per cent, instead of 60.

True merit is like a river—the deeper it is the less noise it makes.

The man who knows his limitations is better off than the man who doesn't know he has any.

CALLED TO REST RALEIGH OIL BOOM

James Pickard's Death Was Hastened by the Demise of His Mother

James Pickard, of this city, passed away at his brother's residence, Howard Tp., on Saturday night, after a lingering illness, at the age of 40 years.

The deceased had been very much upset since the death of his mother about four months ago, and grief over her loss was one of the chief causes of his demise.

He left Chatham on a visit to Howard Tp. several weeks ago, and while there he was attacked by sickness from which he never recovered. The remains were brought home to Chatham this morning and are now lying in his sister's home on Queen St.

The deceased was born in Duart, Ont., and came to Chatham ten years ago. He was a member of the Park St. Methodist Church, and was well-known and esteemed in this city. His father, predeceased his mother and the relatives left to mourn his loss are Dougall Roberts, Detroit; Henry, of Detroit; John of Howard Tp.; brothers; and Mrs. John Burgess, his sister, of Queen St.

He was a member of the Sons of England, who will attend the funeral, which takes place to-morrow afternoon from Mrs. Burgess' residence, Queen St., to the Maple Leaf Cemetery.

FARMERS' PHONES

The Farmers in Tilbury West have written to the G. N. W. Telegraph Company in Toronto, asking for a price on the discarded poles of the company in that section. The poles are still standing, but the lines of wires have been removed by the company to put along the G. T. R. tracks. They wish the poles to be used for private exchange. The farmers in this neighborhood are 'phone enthusiasts, and have been working on plans for a 'phoning system for some time past.

BITTEN BY A DOG

There is Still Much Complaint About Tagless Canines Running at Large

In spite of the dog tag regulations, extra vigilance on the part of the police, dog poisoners and the general campaign of citizens against the "dog nuisance," the unruly canines of the city are still a nuisance.

After a couple of weeks of unusual quiet, fresh complaints from all parts of the city are increasing in number every day. On Thursday last a child was bitten on the leg by a dog who, like to conduct their respective back yards until daybreak and they start in at their old games again. It seems disgraceful that a bunch of bad dogs should be able to terrorize a whole neighborhood by their carryings on. The number of dogs in the city is still on the increase and worried ratepayers are still waiting for some one to suggest a feasible remedy for the trouble.

"The dogs in this neighborhood are a great trouble," said a resident of Murray street this morning to a Planet representative. "They congregate in gangs of anywhere from 10 to 20 in the day time and fight and squabble until night, when they howl to each other from their respective back yards until daybreak and they start in at their old games again. It seems disgraceful that a bunch of bad dogs should be able to terrorize a whole neighborhood by their carryings on." The number of dogs in the city is still on the increase and worried ratepayers are still waiting for some one to suggest a feasible remedy for the trouble.

A TALENTED SINGER

Roy Glassford, the clever young son of Mr. and Mrs. John Glassford, of this city, sang a solo, "Simply Thy Cross I Cling," in Christ Church last evening. Roy is one of the very best boy sopranos that Chatham has ever turned out and gives promise of becoming a famous singer. He has a remarkably pure soprano voice, high and clear, and sings with excellent style and expression. His solo last evening was greatly enjoyed by every member of the congregation.

THE GRIM REAPER

The death occurred yesterday of Mrs. Josie Blonde Milner, daughter of Mrs. John D. Blonde, Harwich, and wife of John Milner, at her home in this city. The deceased was 51 years of age and a most highly respected citizen and her death will be sincerely mourned by a host of friends in the city and vicinity. She leaves three sons and one daughter to mourn her loss.

The funeral will take place from the family residence, Richmond street, to-morrow morning to St. Joseph's church, and thence to St. Anthony's cemetery.

The Field in This Township May be Opened up in the Near Future

It is said that owing to the finding of some good gas and oil wells between Merlin and Fletcher, in Raleigh Township, County of Kent, that a great rush has been made for leases all through that township, especially in the vicinities of Merlin, Baxton and Sandson. Nearly twenty big rigs are at work. Many people expect deep oil to be found in the vicinity of the gusher of three or four years ago. It looks as though Chatham stood a good chance to have another oil boom.

On last Thursday Petrolia Torpedoes, Limited, shot a gas well near Hagersville. The well was tested before the shot and was good for 75,000 cubic feet a day. Some time after the shot it was tested again and its production had been increased to 200,000. This goes to show that nitro-glycerine is as necessary for gas as it is for oil wells.

Wm. Millar, Jr., struck a well a few days ago on his farm, 6th and 7th sideroad in the 12th concession, Moore, that is good for 30 barrels a day. It has created quite a stir in that locality.—Petrolia Topic.

VISIT OF INSPECTOR

The Hon. Nelson Monteith, Minister of Agriculture, accompanied by Dr. Anderson, visited a number of fruit and vegetable farms in the vicinity of Leamington on Tuesday. Mr. Monteith wished to become familiar with the existing conditions and learn something of the possibilities of this section and its suitability for experimental stations. He does not depend upon hearsay, but wants to make personal observation and become thoroughly conversant with the necessities of the fruit and vegetable growers.

BAND CONCERT

The first open air band concert in the city this season will be held in Tecumseh Park this evening. The Regimental Band is now in good shape, and it is expected that tonight's performance will be a very enjoyable one.

The concert this evening is being given by the members of the band in aid of Mrs. Frank Vendessal and her family, who will be leaving for their home in Antwerp shortly. During the course of the program a silver collection will be taken up from those present who are willing to help in the charitable cause. All of the money collected will be handed over to Mrs. Vendessal.

Bandmaster Harry Philip and other members of the band have interested themselves all along in Mrs. Vendessal's cause, having already secured transportation for the widow and her family.

CASTRO RESIGNED

Announces That He Has Permanently Retired From Presidency.

New York, May 28.—The Herald has the following cable from Caracas, Venezuela: Taking advantage of the fact that to-day is the anniversary of the restoration, when as a victorious general he entered Venezuela at the head of his army, former President Castro, published a proclamation entitled, "An Offering to My Fatherland," announcing that he has decided permanently to retire to private life and sacrifice his personality to save his party and the nation from fatal consequences arising through the jealousies and passions fomented by the prohibition of the spontaneous proposition of the press and public to demand his return to the Presidency.

He expresses gratitude to his friends, and adds that he will always be at the service of his country in case of unexpected international complications. Public sentiment is astounded, and already there are rumors of a popular manifestation to demand his return to power.

SMASHED THE BUGGY

Shortly after half-past one Saturday afternoon the buggy of Mr. Brown, a colored farmer residing a few miles out of the city, was run into in front of the Rankin House by a trolley car which was backing up King street.

The hind wheel of the vehicle was smashed and the occupants had to jump for safety.

It's because riches have wings that so very many who inherit fortunes become high-flyers.

TO IMPROVE THE PARK

P. H. Bowyer, M. P. P. Secures Promise From Minister in this Respect

GOVERNMENT PROPERTY

The following article appeared in the Ridgetown Dominion in reference to the recent visit of Hon. Mr. Cochrane to Government Park:

Hon. F. Cochrane, Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines, who paid his first visit to Rond Eau Park on Thursday, was greatly pleased with that delightful spot. After inspecting the building at the picnic grounds and taking a peep at the deer, wild geese and pheasants, he drove up through the forest and expressed surprise at the splendid quality and the variety of the timber he found there. Dr. Clark, Chief of the Forestry Department, who accompanied the Minister, measured one giant sycamore and the verdict was, "over six feet in diameter."

Ranger Gardiner handsomely entertained the party which, besides the Minister and Dr. Clark, included B. Willson and P. H. Bowyer.

Before leaving Hon. Mr. Cochrane, with regret, decided that the old dock must suffice for the present season. To build a temporary dock would only be a waste of money. The \$1,000 voted for a dock was not sufficient to complete a substantial structure. This coming fall and winter timber will be got out for the construction of a substantial new dock early next spring. The dock will extend to fairly deep water and will have a broad flat end providing a shelter for boats. The T will be formed of a cribwork filled with stone. Two other crabs will be sunk at intervals before spiles will be used to support the shore portion of the dock. In the words of the Minister he intends to "build a dock that will stay built," even if the sum voted must be doubled or more.

It was decided, however, that the old refreshment stand, so long an eyesore and disgrace to the park, will be replaced by a suitable and more commodious building. The proposed structure in the main will be 25 x 30 feet, two storeys high, with cottage roofs. On two sides of the building there will be a ten foot veranda. At the rear of the building will be a one storey 15 x 25 addition, to serve as a kitchen. It is hoped to have this building completed by Dominion Day.

It was also decided that \$300 be spent on the Park road, which has commenced to show signs of wear and tear.

Additional seats and benches will be placed about the picnic grounds. Hon. Mr. Cochrane was quite in sympathy with the local member's desire to do all possible within reason for the improvement of the park, and looks forward with interest to the time when the proposed electric railway will be in operation.

CARD OF THANKS

A. M. Ripley, manager Kent County House of Refuge, wishes to thank James A. Robinson, musical director of the A. O. F. orchestra, for a number of suitable selections of music furnished by himself and orchestra in connection with the service held on Sunday afternoon conducted by Messrs. H. Dennis and K. C. G. Dryer.

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