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The Scott Tragedy

Capt. Robert F. Scott and his little band of heroic explorers after attaining the goal of their ambition perished on the way home, where honor and fame awaited them. To live to enjoy the fruits of victory was denied the men who carried the banner of England to the southern extremity of the earth.

The details of the tragedy are meagre, but the records found on the bodies of the dead men prove that the expedition had succeeded. Although a Norwegian had beaten them to the pole, the English party duplicated the feat of those who went before them and reached the hut which the Norwegians had erected and where they had placed the flag of their country as a witness to the success of their labors.

It is feared that C. C. Wright, the Toronto man who accompanied the expedition as chemist, is among the lost. Mr. Wright's friends in this country will not yet abandon hope for his safety and all Canadians will feel a pardonable pride in the fact that one of their number took a prominent part in a work so arduous even while they grieve that in the undertaking Canada's representative may have sacrificed his life.

NOTE AND COMMENT.

Last year's Canadian beans are reported to be of an inferior grade and it is expected that a good deal of the crop will remain on holders' hands. The yield in Ontario last year was 1,182,132 bushels, against 898,212 bushels the year previous.

An exchange says: If some of our judges were as particular in defining and handing out justice according to the intent of the law as they are in construing the fine points in English so as to interpret some laws contrary to their intent, honest people would rejoice and rogues would tremble.

During the last few weeks the wholesale price of tea has advanced 1½ cents per pound wholesale, and the retail price is soon to be raised. The chief cause of the jump in price is said by the importers to be a scarcity of supply. In the matter of total consumption of tea per annum, last year Canada got away with thirty-eight million pounds. Of this quantity, thirty million pounds were imported from Ceylon and India, and the balance from China and Japan. But twenty years ago the latter countries were the chief lands exporting tea.

There are always more fires during a cold snap than at any other time of the year, due to householders piling on fuel before going to bed and leaving the drafts on to keep the house warm. The result is in many cases that chimneys become overheated, or defects in the stoves show up, and fire breaks out, often occasioning great loss of property and sometimes of life. Greatest care should be used in attending stoves at this time of the year. Again it has come to the notice of insurance adjusters that some people keep gasoline on their premises without going through the formalities of obtaining a permit, which invalidates the insurance. This should not be done.

In order to prevent misapprehensions that have sometimes caused disappointment and irritation, some modifications have been made this year by the Minister of Education and the universities concerned in the regulations governing the matriculation examinations to the end that the Minister of Education is not responsible for the examinations; but a Matriculation Board consisting of representatives of the universities of Toronto, Queen's and McMaster. It appoints the persons who set and read the papers, and it controls the results in all respects. As some misunderstanding exists on this last point, it has been thought well to make clear to candidates and others interested that appeals and other matters arising out of the examinations are decided by the Board and not by the Minister.

The little daughter of Mrs. C. Nesbit, of Kertch, was buried on Thursday. The child has been a sufferer for two years, the result of an attack of meningitis, which was followed by a general decline.

CHOP STUFF.

James McLelland, Adelaide, is dead, aged 70 years.

The ice in Sarnia Bay is the clearest in years and is about a foot thick.

The boat race between Sarnia and Detroit will be raised the coming season.

G. A. Hadden's photo gallery at Brigid, was destroyed by fire lately. Loss \$500.

The Border Chapter, Daughters of the Empire will build a sanitarium for tubercular patients at Union, near Kingsville.

The engagement is announced of Miss Florence Smith, only daughter of the late Frank Smith and Mrs. Smith, of Sarnia, to John Coulson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Coulson, of Toronto.

The Presbyterians of Beechwood, who are now about to dispose of the old frame building, which has been their place of worship for many years, intend to erect this summer, a beautiful and commodious new church, the cost of which will likely reach \$10,000.

The death occurred at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John McCaw on the 10th concession, Enniskillen, of Mrs. Ferguson, for many years a resident of Alvington. She had reached the ripe age of 79 years. The funeral was held to Alvington cemetery on Saturday.

R. W. Fawcett, architect, has been instructed by the Theford public school board to get out plans and specifications and supervise the erection of a two-roomed school, one storey and basement, so arranged with play rooms and heating plant, and on ground floor class rooms, and two teachers' rooms.

The recently organized board of trade, which aims to benefit Wyoming in any way possible, is advertising for a veterinary surgeon. Wyoming had a vet. some time ago, but since he moved away a great deal of inconvenience has been experienced by the people of the district.

An accident, which might have been fatal, happened to a 15 year old son of Mrs. Dennis Ryan, of the 4th line, Enniskillen, last week. The fly wheel of an engine, at work, burst and one of the pieces struck the boy on the arm and shoulder, crushing the arm so bad that it had to be amputated, and breaking the shoulder blade. At last accounts he was doing as well as could be expected.

The Strathroy hospital board has decided to proceed towards putting the Manson property in suitable condition for the opening of the proposed hospital. The back portion of the fine old residence will be torn down and there will be erected in its place, a two story brick addition, providing ample accommodation for kitchen and laundry, which will be located in the basement.

The ratepayers of Kingsville will vote on Monday, March 3rd, on a by-law to spend \$2,500 in purchase of a site for the Dominion Stove Co., and a loan of \$10,000 to the said company to build a factory in that town for the manufacture of stoves, the loan to be repayable in ten annual installments of \$1,000 each with interest at six per cent. The company is also to be exempt from taxes, except school taxes, for ten years.

BORN.

In Moore, on January 28th, 1913, to Mr. and Mrs. Russell Rivers, a son,—Harold LaVerne.

In Warwick, on Wednesday, February 12th, to Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Parker, a daughter,—Mary Velma.

In Warwick, on Thursday, February 13th 1913, to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Westgate, a son.

In Warwick, on Friday, February 14th, 1913, to Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Laird, a daughter.

In Enniskillen, on Tuesday, 25th ult., to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Kirkpatrick, a son.

In Brooke, on Saturday, February 4th, 1913, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Patterson, a daughter.

In Bosanquet, on Monday, February 10, to Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Ulsch, a daughter.

In Watford, on Sunday, February 16th, 1913, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lovell, a son.

MARRIED.

At the residence of the bride's father, Forest, on the 12th inst., by the Rev. Thomas Reuben Frayn, of Bosanquet, to Mayme, eldest daughter of Mr. Alex. Jamieson, formerly of the sixth con. Bosanquet.

At the Manse, Alvington, on February 15th, 1913, by Rev. R. G. McKay, M. A., James Gordon Doan, of Biggar, Sask., and Lela Maude McGregor, of Brooke.

DIED.

In Oil Springs, on Sunday, February 2nd, Florence Ida, fourth daughter of Wm. Gallaway, aged 21 years.

In Parkhill, on Saturday, February 8th, 1913, Mrs. Margaret McGraw, aged 75 years.

In Watford, on Wednesday, Feb. 19th, 1913, John Edwards, aged 54 years, 7 months. Funeral Friday at 3 p.m.

At Imperial, on February 15, 1913, Helen Campbell, relict of the late John B. More, of Winnipeg, Man., and eldest of the family of the late Colonel Campbell, of Watford, in her 81st year. Interment at Winnipeg, Feb. 18, 1913.

IN MEMORY

Died February 18th, 1904, Walter Copeland, aged 14 years, 6 months and 26 days.

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DR. WARNER CORNELL, the well-known eye, ear, nose and throat specialist of Port Huron, will resume his visits to Watford, and will be at the Roche Hotel on Friday afternoon, Jan. 24th, when he can be consulted on all diseases of those organs. Glasses properly fitted.

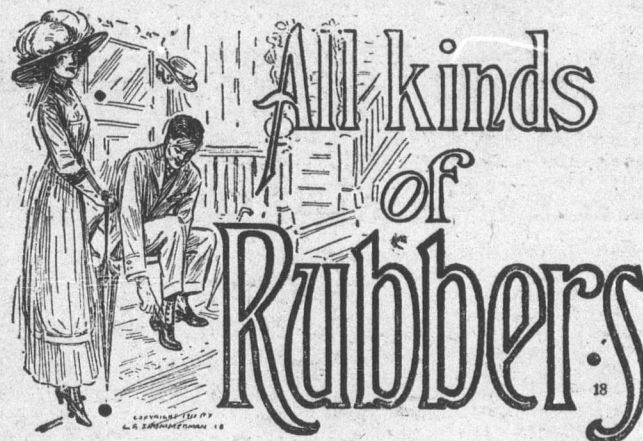
Too Many Agents

Judging from the number of travellers, canvassers and agents of all kinds that have been calling on Ridgetown business men recently, we have finally discovered the reason why labor is scarce and likewise the high cost of living. One-half the population of this fine country spends its time going about from place to place with a sample case or grip, riding in the best railway coaches and staying at the best hotels. The cost of this army of agents comes out of the consumers. From a set of books to the latest in floor mops the price is elevated to allow sufficient commission to support this well dressed glib tongued army, not one of whom adds a dollar a year to the wealth of the country. We quite recognize that a certain number of men must be employed as salesmen to call on local business men, but the agents on the road for countless ordinary household articles are legion in number. They dress well, live well and must laugh well at the gullibility of their patrons. They would fly from real work as from a pest.—Ridgetown Dominion.

Experimental Farms Report

The report of the Experimental Farms for the year ending March 31st, 1912, is out. Of all the many publications issued from time to time by the Department of Agriculture at Ottawa this annual report is by far the most comprehensive as it deals with practically every phase of Canadian agricultural activity ranging from the cultivation of fruits and ornamental plants to the growing and preserving of corn for stock food; from the hatching and rearing of fowls to the rearing and feeding of cattle, sheep and swine; from the management of bees to the protection of crops from insects and disease, and so on throughout the whole range of farming.

This report, which provides much useful matter for study during the winter months, is available to all who apply for copies to the Publications Branch, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, and is now being sent to all those on the mailing list of the Experimental Farms.



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