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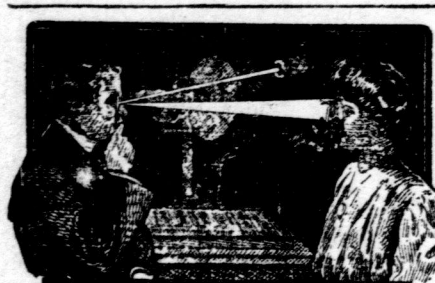
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City and District

Local Shriners Pleased.

The news that Dr. W. L. Alexander has been chosen as the illustrious pontentate of Ismailia Temple, Buffalo, will be heard with pleasure by local Shriners, who had the pleasure of meeting him here. Last March Dr. Alexander attended the gathering of the Moose Shriners, and made one of the best addresses given at the banquet. At that time he was high priest and prophet of Ismailia Temple.

Mr. Exley Leaving.

Mr. Edward H. Exley, manager for the last two years of the Goulay, Winter & Leeming Piano Company's branch, in this city, has resigned his position, and leaves on Feb. 1 for Indianapolis, where he will be manager for a large retail store. During his residence in this city Mr. Exley has made a host of friends, who will wish him every success.

Mr. Saunders Lectures on Birds.

Sarnia Observer: An audience that filled the schoolroom of the Central Methodist Church assembled last evening to hear Mr. W. E. Saunders of London, deliver a lecture on birds. A large proportion of the audience consisted of pupils from the collegiate and public schools, and the close attention they gave to the lecture showed how deeply they were interested in this most fascinating of nature studies. Mr. Saunders held the interest of his audience unforgotten for the best part of two hours, during which he pointed out with the aid of specimens of each class of birds the peculiarities of their structure, plumage, habits and song, and no doubt awakening in the minds of many in the audience, both old and young, an interest in a subject that is apt to be neglected and uncultivated. The thanks of the meeting were tendered to Mr. Saunders by Mr. Craswell, principal of Sarnia Collegiate, who, as chairman, also introduced the lecturer. The lecture was under the auspices of the Round Table Club.

WILLIAM JONES
AGAIN CHAIRMAN

Will Preside Over the Water Commission of 1909.

Mr. William Jones was re-elected chairman of the water commission at the organization meeting of the board yesterday afternoon.

When the meeting opened Commissioner F. J. Darch moved that Mr. Jones be named as chairman. Mayor Stevely endorsed the motion.

Mr. Jones, however, expressed his willingness to retire in favor of Commissioner Darch, but the latter declared that he would not accept, and Mr. Jones was elected.

Other than electing the chairman and passing the regular accounts there was nothing done by the commissioners.

Those present were Chairman Jones, Commissioner Darch, Mayor Stevely, Engineer Moore and Secretary Ellwood.

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ABERDEEN ASS'N

ELECTS OFFICERS

Miss Kirkpatrick Was Chosen President for the Year.

The ninth annual meeting of the London branch of the Aberdeen Association was held yesterday in the city hall. Reports showed a very prosperous year's work, and they take this opportunity to express their grateful thanks to all who have sent in literature or in any way helped in this matter to isolated settlers in outlying districts of Canada.

The election of officers resulted as follows: Hon. presidents, Mrs. A. Beck, Mrs. Boomer, Mrs. S. Stevely; president, Miss Kirkpatrick; hon. vice-presidents, Mrs. Yarker, Mrs. J. Hale, Mrs. J. Marshall, Mrs. Lawson; vice-presidents, Miss M. Fraser, Mrs. W. E. Saunders, Miss Gordon, Miss Manigault; treasurer, Miss Waugh; recording secretary, Miss Jeffrey; corresponding secretary, Miss McMillan; convenor rooms committee, Mrs. Jerdon; convenor parcel committee, Miss Boyd.

THE SILVER NORTH

Cobalt, Lorraine, Larder Lake and Gowganda.

Travelers returning from the great mineral fields of the north are more enthusiastic than ever regarding the permanency of the silver camp. Traffic was never better and steadily on the increase. One hundred and fifty teams are now employed daily in moving passengers, freight and supplies to the new Gowganda finds from Earlton, Englehart and Charlton. It is only 18 miles from Charlton to Elk Lake, where there are 22 mines, and from Elk Lake to Gowganda 32 miles.

Leaving Toronto 10:15 p.m. daily on the Grand Trunk "Cobalt Special," Elk Lake can be reached the next afternoon, via Cobalt, Haliburton, New Liskeard and the new line, and this will continue to be the best way.

The Ontario Government are being strongly urged to push on the extension of their line from Charlton, which will open up this rich territory. Full information can be obtained by writing J. D. McDonald, district passenger agent, G. T. R., Toronto, 62k.

SHOEMEN CONVENCED.

New York, Jan. 13.—The adoption of a declaration in favor of free trade in hides, but for retention of the protective tariff on finished shoes, and of a resolution calling upon Congress to enact a law against adulterations in leather, marked the second day of the fourth annual convention of the National Boot and Shoe Manufacturers' Association in the Hotel Astor here today.

President John H. Hanan declared in his speech that the duty on shoes was more necessary now than for some time past because manufacturers of shoes in foreign countries pay only from one-third to one-half less than the wages in this country, while enjoying the benefits of American machinery and the methods of and systems learned from skilled instructors sent from this country, which made the United States the foremost shoemaking country in the world.

Mr. Hanan also made a protest against secret size markings in shoes, which he declared enabled dishonest dealers to substitute one size for another, often to the disadvantage of the customer.

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LIVELY AMUSEMENT

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Local Collegiate and Port Huron

Girls Play Ball.

Sarnia, Jan. 12.—A great schedule of sport is arranged for Wednesday evening, when, as a prelude to the indoor ball game S. C. Is. vs. Kelly's Knickerbockers, two girls' basketball teams from the Collegiate Institute will perform.

The S. C. I. girls have played Port Huron High School several times, and made a good showing, and will put on a game in the opera house Wednesday evening, starting at 7:30. The basketball game will commence sharp at 8:30. Miss Proctor and Miss Yard will captain the basketball teams, and Mr. Moffatt and Miss Lott will be the officials.

In last night's ball game in the City League the Watson Togs defeated the Mill Enders by a score of 16 to 14. The Togs put Bob Finch on the slab, who was found for 20 hits. The Mill Enders outbatted the other fellows all the way, but their work in the field was bad, eight errors being their share. Alf Corrick and Johnston, who were bingles apiece, Fred Stanley and "Digger" Finch satisfactorily umpired the game.

Mrs. Johnson, of this town, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Richard Holland, at Port Talbot.

The customs office at the Pere Marquette Railway depot has been connected by telephone.

Catherine, daughter of the late James Kane, died on Monday at the family home, 10th line, Moore.

On the 5th inst. there was a very pretty wedding at the residence of Mrs. George Hardy, fourth line, when her daughter, Miss H. Eliza, was married to Mr. James S. Johnston, London.

Canon Davis performed the ceremony. Her sister, Miss Jessie, who is bridesmaid, wore a pale blue eolienne and carried white chrysanthemums. Mr. John Brown supported the groom, and Miss Lottie Kewley played Lohengrin's Bridal Chorus.

FELL FROM CAR.

Toronto, Jan. 13.—Bert Sherrin, a Grand Trunk freight conductor of Port Hope, died at Grace Hospital, this morning, of concussion of the brain.

He was brought to the hospital on Sunday to be attended for a broken arm sustained in a fall from the nose of a freight car. At that time there were no marks of wounds on his head, and the doctors who examined him came to the conclusion that he was all right so far as his head was concerned. A few hours after being admitted to the hospital, however, he lapsed into unconsciousness and never recovered.

Life is so short that it is the worst of stupidity to waste an hour of it.

WAS EASILY MESMERIZED.

Petersburg, W. Va., Jan. 13.—Rev. J. W. Carmichael wrote his brother, M. C. Carmichael, of this place, in a letter: "I have now shipped you a little package containing some things. If any of these can be published so that it might help a little in this living."

It is stated here that as a boy the dead man was often easily mesmerized, and that he had a horror of hypnotism.

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STAR SHARPS
ON THE TRAIL

Venerable Planet, Mysteriously Influenced, Staggers Across the Heavens.

Boston, Jan. 12.—A celestial disturbance which audience is said to have beguiled both Neptune and Uranus out of the carved and narrow paths of their orbits around the sun is being hunted down by the astronomical sleuths at Harvard University. The identity of the malefactor is shrouded in much mystery. In fact, no one has been found yet who can swear that he ever had a good look at it. But the star sharps say that it is a new planet, the ninth member of the earth's sidereal family—and the black sheep.

Suspicion that something was wrong began as far back as 1842, when the French astronomer, Leverrier, observed shocking conduct on the part of Uranus. Late at night he observed that planet wabbling wildly in his diurnal course toward the horizon. Astronomer Galle was put on the trail, and half an hour later his telescope picked up the wabbling one and a mysterious stranger. This stranger proved to be Neptune.

This scandal was hushed up (although the addition of a new member to the family was never satisfactorily accounted for), but the astronomers continued to keep a pretty sharp eye on Uranus and his lively companion.

Pair Stagger Across the Sky.
A few weeks ago Prof. W. S. Pickering, of Harvard, who for the purposes of this story may be called the planetary chief of detectives, noticed that the previous pair were wabbling again. Both staggered perceptibly as they straggled across the heavens and the actions of Neptune were little short of shameful.

Without waiting more—and worse—developments, Prof. Pickering put both the offenders under espionage. Furthermore—as a precaution and a warning—he got both the stragglers in tow and "mugged" them with a sidereal camera.

Then a special watch was put on Neptune. The professor was pretty sure that that planet had not learned his bad habits from the known members of the solar system. By keeping him constantly in view and casting an inquiring eye at Uranus occasionally he became convinced of this and then, recalling to mind the exploit of Leverrier and Galle, began hunting for the seductive stranger.

Neptune in Bad Company.
This is the theory—the astronomers call it a regular hypothesis—that Prof. Pickering is working on.

"Neptune is not going out of his orbit of his own accord. Even putting the worst construction on his past conduct will not account for his present extraneous movements. Uranus is not to blame. Therefore Neptune has either fallen into bad company or he has an 'affinity' problem: Find the affinity."

When one considers the extent of the universe this problem of "finding Neptune's affinity" might be thought something of a job. However, these astronomers are pretty acute. Prof. Pickering says he is not only sure that there is a new planet somewhere far off on the edge of space, but that he is pretty certain that it is of the twelfth or thirteenth magnitude.

Strangest of all, the professor declares that he believes he has discovered the spot in the heavens where Neptune's bad company "hangs out."

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Hot on Offender's Trail.

Now a planet of the twelfth or thirteenth magnitude will leave a trail on a telescopic photographer's plate. Knowing this, Prof. Pickering has a camera constantly levelled at the spot in the sky where he says the new planet is. The very minute it appears and begins exercising its hypnotic influence on Neptune, it will be "mugged."

In the meantime Rev. Joel H. Metcalf, of Taunton, who has made a name for himself by picking erratic asteroids out of the Milky Way, has been put on the job as special investigator. He is working with a 12-inch double photographic telescope and has already succeeded in getting some remarkably clear photographs in some of which may be hidden the picture of the celestial disturber.

If the disturber is found it has been suggested that it be given the name of "Harvard."

CLACHAN.

Clachan, Jan. 12.—Miss Dunn, Ellwood, has secured a situation in Bothwell.

Miss Alice Wolner has returned to Michigan.

Miss Minnie Campbell spent a day of last week with friends in Clachan. Duncan Patterson was here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Johnston spent Sunday at the home of Mr. Robert Johnston.

BELMONT.

Belmont, Jan. 12.—Miss Minnie Walker left on Monday for Detroit to spend a month with her brother, Dr. J. A. Walker.

Mrs. Harry Hollinghead, of Dutton, is the guest of her mother, Mrs. John Walker, of this district.

Mrs. Dougald Brown is seriously ill.

A child of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Taylor, aged six years, is dangerously ill with appendicitis.

Duncan McColl, of Edmonton, Alberta, has come home to spend the winter at Glanworth with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Duncan McColl.

Rev. J. W. Orr has arrived at his home at Dorchester Station from Toronto, where he had gone for treatment for heart trouble. He had to be carried from the express train to the cab, and to the manse.

Donald Ross, of Dorchester Station, is in a critical condition.

James Nichol has returned from Southern Alberta, to spend the winter at Dorchester Station, with his aged parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Nichol.

The condition of Miss J. Hamby, Dorchester Station, has changed for the worse.

RIDGETOWN.

Ridgetown, Jan. 13.—Mr. E. Leibner, principal of the high school at Dutton, spent the holiday season with relatives here and at Morpeth.

Mrs. Milton of the public school staff spent the holidays with friends and relatives in Chatham.

The merchants of this town have agreed to close their stores at 6 o'clock each evening excepting Saturday, during the months of January, February and March. No doubt this will be a beneficial change.

The Salvation Army held a very successful entertainment in the town hall on Friday night, when the building was filled to the doors. A good programme was rendered, to the delight of the large audience.

Miss Hazel Wilkinson of Morpeth, has left for Toronto to attend the Conservatory of Music. Before going away she was presented with a purse of money and an appreciative address. Miss Wilkinson is an accomplished musician, and will be much

CHINESE BOYCOTT

GERMAN TRADERS

Reinforcements May Be Sent to

Kiao-Chau District if

Protest Fails.

Berlin, Jan. 12.—Alarming news, which is greatly worrying the German colonial department, has been received from Kiao-chau, and it may be necessary to send strong military reinforcements to the district if the protests made to the Chinese Government should not prove effective.

In an article in the Kiao-chau Post, which has just reached this country, bitter complaint is made that "schools, streets and railways, shipping trade, cotton goods, petroleum and village schoolmasters even in the whole of the coast districts are falling or threatened to fall under the ban of the guardians of the national honor."

The Post says that the anti-German movement is especially deplorable, because it is encouraged by the Chinese merchants' guilds, powerful organizations which have practically the whole trade of China in their hands. One immediate consequence of the boycott is, it states, that the shipment of Chinese imports from Shanghai to Tientsin has almost ceased, and the Chinese dealers seem disposed to boycott Tientsin altogether.

The Kreuz Zeitung states that it would be a grievous mistake to underestimate this boycott movement, particularly as it has a political background, and not to take in time the most energetic measures against it.

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