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THE OLD HOME TOWN PAPER

It is a notable fact that with all the wonderful things that have been written about the so-called "country newspaper" very few of them realize all their possibilities, or what an influence they are in the world.

It is also a notable fact that very few of the readers of those papers realize what a loss it would be to them and to the world if the "country paper" should cease to exist.

The large papers, with immense circulations tell of "world happenings" as they understand them, and display heads telling of the latest scandals, prize fights, and the misfortunes of humanity.

But, it remains for the "local paper," the "country weekly," the "home town paper" to really give the news of the world, or that of Mr. Common People and his wife.

It is time that the country newspaper should do something to place itself on a higher plane, and also make some noise. Just one paper to start something would not amount to much, but if the 15,000 country papers would join the chorus, a noise that would go around the world would be the result.

Some time ago I was going through some trade paper, or bulletin of a state press association, or something of that kind, and noted that somebody wrote that it might be a good idea to have a "Subscribe for Your Home Town Paper Week." I smiled at the idea at first, but some way the idea stuck, and then I started to find out who originated the idea, but the paper was lost.

The publisher who thought of the idea just let it go at that, but I decided that it should not die, so at once asked all the trade papers, printers' magazines and the great printers' supply houses what they thought of the idea.

The officers of the National Editorial Association were written to and in fact some two hundred letters were sent out.

The result was that everyone wrote that the idea was just the thing, and by common consent it was decided that the week of November 7 to 12 be adopted as the week to be known as "Subscribe for Your Home Town Paper Week."

It is now up to the newspapers of the country, the home town papers, to see the wonderful possibilities of such a week, where in every locality readers will be asked to subscribe for the local weekly, and in addition to the home town paper where they were born—if they were not born where they now live.

In this way, every home town paper will help every other home town paper, and by concentrating the efforts to one week, or to three or four weeks, the home town paper will receive the publicity it is entitled to.

The home town paper is ever ready to "boost" for the other fellow, to print item after item about this and that kind of a day or week—the time has come for it to boost and blow its bugle for itself, to print several columns about itself and all home town papers, to put on a campaign of publicity, and take advantage of what other papers will do.

In other words, throw its hat into the ring, and put up a fight that will get it somewhere instead of sitting on the side line and holler' for the other fellow.

—R. T. Porte.

The worms that infest children from their birth are of two kinds, those that find lodgement in the stomach and those that are found in the intestines. The latter are the most destructive, as they cling to the walls of the intestines and if not exterminated with work have there. Miller's Worm Expellers dislodge both kinds and while expelling them from the system serve to repair the damage they have caused.

News your friends forget to write to you; news about the folks you are interested in; the current history of your native town; it is all in Your Home Town Paper. Subscribe today.

HANSFORD—ARMSTRONG

A quiet wedding took place, Wednesday, September 28th, at the Methodist parsonage, Alvinston, Rev. B. Snell officiating, when Miss Lila Fern Hansford, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Hansford, Inwood, became the bride of Mr. Charles M. Armstrong, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Armstrong, Bothwell. The bride looked charming in a suit of navy blue tricotine with georgette blouse, and hat of brown hatters plush. After the ceremony the young couple left for Toronto and Caledon. On their return they will reside on the groom's farm in Euphemia township.

THE LATE DONALD MCGIBBON

The late Donald McGibbon whose death occurred in Bracebridge Sept. 21st, and who was widely known throughout the northern part of the county of Lambton for over a quarter of a century as the proprietor of the Rock Glen Mills, was born in the parish of Killin, Perthshire, Scotland, one and one-half miles from Taymouth Castle, on Jan. 22, 1832, and was nearly ninety years old at the time of his death.

He was a son of the late John McGibbon of Halton Co., and his wife Isabella McCallum. When 14 months old he set sail with his parents from Greenock and after a stormy voyage of three months arrived in Canada, where his father reached the county of Halton in June, settling upon a mountain farm in the Township of Nassagaweya. Here, his boyhood days were spent.

Upon reaching manhood he was induced to try his fortunes in the Canada Company's Tract, first in the township of Wawanosh and afterward in the township of Bosanquet, which, after a short absence in St. Thomas, he chose as the permanent place of his life's activities. In 1873 he purchased the Rock Glen Mills situated in that well-known beauty spot of Lambton County and for the next 27 years operated a hive of industry until the system of custom milling gave way to the more modern method of exchange.

During this period the place was visited by many thousands of people from all over Western Canada as well as from the U. S., and was celebrated alike for its scenic charm and the facilities it offered for geological research.

Many hundreds of people who were then young will remember the delightful skating parties on the old pond, its swimming holes, its fishing and its shooting—now also all gone to decay.

In 1900 Mr. McGibbon retired to the town of Forest where he resided until the death of his wife, Isabella Cameron, in 1908. In the year 1909 he went to Edmonton, Alta., and for ten years lived with his two sons. For the past two years he lived in Bracebridge.

Nine of a family are left to mourn his loss: Dr. Geo. C. McGibbon of Honeywood, Ont.; Dr. P. B. McGibbon, M.P., of Bracebridge; Dr. Donald McGibbon, of Los Angeles, Cal.; Drs. Salton and James of Edmonton, Alta.; Mrs. Jas. De Treville of New Orleans, La.; Mrs. (Dr.) E. B. Blain, of Hamilton, Miss Kate McGibbon of Toronto. Alex McGibbon of Vancouver, B. C., is a child of a former marriage. The deceased was a brother of the late Finlay McGibbon, founder of the McGibbon Lumber Co., of Sarnia, the late Judge McGibbon of Peel, John McGibbon, ex-warden of Halton Co., and of Archibald McGibbon of Milton. He belonged to a strong Scottish conservative family and was a staunch upholder of the National church of his native land.

The funeral services were conducted by the Rev. Mr. Ratcliffe of Arkona, and burial took place in the family plot of the village cemetery, on Saturday, Sept. 24th, in the presence of the immediate relatives and friends.

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FISHER—STOREY

At St. James' Methodist church, Simcoe, on September 28th, at 8.30 o'clock, the marriage of Nettie Jean only daughter of Mr. James Storey, 52 Victoria st., Simcoe, became the winsome bride of Mr. Henry James Fisher, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fisher of Cobourg. The nuptial knot was tied by Rev. D. A. Moir in the presence of the immediate friends and relatives of the bride and groom.

The bride, who wore a travelling suit of tailored navy tricotine with a corsage bouquet of orchids and Ophelia roses, and a very becoming burnt henna hat and veil, was given in marriage by her father. The bridesmaid was Miss Olive Beatrice Corbett of St. Catharines, who wore a suit of tan velour fur trimmed with tangerine hat and pink roses as a corsage.

Mr. Stanley Fisher, brother of the groom, acting as groomsman in a capable manner. The groom's gifts were to the bride a carved gold wrist watch, to the bridesmaid a gold bargin with sapphire setting and to the groomsman gold cuff links. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Fisher left amid showers of confetti and good wishes by motor for Detroit and Cleveland. The happy young couple will reside at their new home on King street west, Cobourg.

The bride is a niece of Mrs. Swanton Chambers, 4th line, Warwick.

REAVELY—PIKE

A pretty autumn wedding was solemnized on Wednesday, Sept. 21st, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Benj. Pike, Strathroy, when their eldest daughter Reta Caroline, was married to Fred Lloyd Reavely of Windsor, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Reavely, of Thamesford. Rev. Rural Dean Robinson, officiating. Only the immediate relatives were included among the guests. To the strains of the Lohengrin Bridal Chorus, played by Mrs. Thos. McFarlane, sister of the groom, the bride entered the drawingroom with her father, taking her place beneath a bell hanging from an arch of cedar, dotted with snowdrops and banked with ferns and white asters. The bride looked charming in her travelling suit of brown broadcloth with beaver trimmings and feather hat to match, also wearing a corsage bouquet of Ophelia roses and orchids. The young couple were unattended. Mrs. Pike, mother of the bride, was becomingly gowned in black taffeta with point lace, and Mrs. Reavely, mother of the groom, wore a handsome dress of black charmeuse with jet trimmings. After the ceremony and signing of the register dainty refreshments were served. Miss Bertha Morgan, cousin of the bride, wearing robin's egg blue satin, and Miss Olga Creiger, Strathroy, in a pretty shell pink gown, were assistants. The dining-room was daintily decorated in pink and white. Later Mr. and Mrs. Reavely left for Hamilton, Toronto, Niagara Falls and other Eastern points. On their return they will reside in Windsor.

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THOMAS CONBOY DEAD

Thomas Conboy, a well-known resident of the London Road, Plympton Township for sixty-six years died of old age in the Hospital, Petrolia, on Saturday night, at the age of 87 years. Deceased was born in County Sligo, Ireland. His father died when he was an infant and the other members of the family, mother, three sons and three daughters emigrated to Canada in 1852 and came to Moore township remaining there for three years. They then moved to the homestead on London road where during the intervening years the family one after another died until only Thomas was left. Until a few months ago deceased had always enjoyed good health. In their younger days the brothers were noted for their industry and their shrewd bargaining and amassed a considerable fortune. The only immediate relatives are two nephews, William Conboy of Petrolia and James of Toronto. The funeral was held from Christ church, on Monday afternoon, Canon Hill being in charge of the services and the remains were interred in Wyoming cemetery. The pall bearers were Messrs. J. B. Dale, R. S. Jackson, T. J. Rainsberry, J. A. Wilson, Wm. Willoughby and W. H. Dowling.

THE LATE JOHN SPEARMAN

The death of John Spearman, of Inwood, occurred at the home of his son-in-law, James Deans, of Brooke, on Friday, Sept. 23rd, after only a few days' illness. Deceased was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Spearman, of Forest and Bosanquet. He was married to Mary Agnes Smillie, of Hensall, who survives him with one daughter, Mrs. Deans, and one son, James Albert, of Enniskillen. Two brothers and five sisters also survive viz.—H. A. Spearman, reeve of Forest; James, of Bosanquet; Mrs. Jane McCordic, of Forest; Mrs. Thos. Bailey and Mrs. John Silk, of Inwood Mrs. John Sterrett and Mrs. E. Michaels, of Corunna. The funeral took place Sunday from Mr. Deans' home to Alvinston cemetery, the services being conducted by Revs. McVivar and Lamont. The bearers were Robert Alderman, Geo. Deans, Wm. McAuliff, John Turner, Jos. Morley, and Thomas Monroe. Mr. Spearman was in his 63rd year. His death is particularly sad in that his wife has been ill for some weeks and is still in a serious condition. She was taken ill while on a visit to her daughter and had to remain there, and it was while there to see his wife that Mr. Spearman was taken down.

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