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There will be sold by public auction on Wednesday, May 30th, 1900, commencing at 2 o'clock in Mrs. Garner's new block opposite the Central Drug Store, household goods as follows: 1 square Krutzmann piano; 1 piano stool; 1 sideboard (quarter oak); 1 oak extension dining table; 1 oak hat stand; 4 rockers, cane chairs, kitchen chairs, 1 cherry table with drop leaves, 4 small tables, 1 walnut bedstead, 2 commodes, 1 set bed springs, 1 chamber set, 1 square book stand, 1 lounge chair; Brussels hall and stair carpet, wool bed room carpet, Japanese matting, 1 range (steel lined), 1 gas range, 1 parlor stove, 1 gas heater, 1 brass student's lamp, hanging lamp, bracket lamp, hand lamp, 1 sofa rug, 1 table cover, electric plate, pictures, 1 China tea set, glassware, stoneware, granite ware, rubber door mat, kitchen utensils, step ladder, garden tools, curtain poles and rings, trays and other articles too numerous to mention.

Bonnie Castle Property to be Sold by Public Auction.

Andrew Thomson, Jr., Auctioneer, has received instructions from Mrs. J. W. Carpenter, who is leaving the city, to sell her beautiful residence, known as Bonnie Castle, on Elizabeth Street, opposite the residence of John Reeve, Esq., barrister, on Thursday, May 31st, 1900, at 2 o'clock p.m.

The building is a large, two-story frame house, containing hall, parlor, drawing room, dining room, kitchen, pantry, summer kitchen and five large bedrooms, with closets, large verandas, front and rear, outside cellar, large cement cistern and an ever flowing well of water; large lot, containing peach, pear, plum, cherry and apple trees, and abundance of small fruit and large grape arbor.

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THEY ALL SWEAR

Perfect Innocence in Connection With the West Elgin Frauds

Liberal Organizers and Others Testify—A Mysterious Woman in Black.

Toronto, May 23.—At the West Elgin election investigation here the Liberal organizers who were in the riding during the election campaign, Alex. Smith, James Vance, and J. J. Bell, were examined.

Mr. Smith, secretary of the Ontario Liberal Association, said he was in West Elgin part of the time during the election at the request of Mr. MacNish. He looked after the meetings, speakers, etc., and understood Mr. Preston was looking after the organization in St. Thomas and neighboring divisions. His work was limited to the township of Dunwich, and he spent most of his time in Dutton.

"You are aware," said Mr. Watson, "that serious charges have been made and reflections cast upon you? What have you to say with respect to these matters?"

"I had nothing to do with it," replied Mr. Smith. Witness declared he never knew Pritchett, O'Gorman, Lewis, Cahill, Bole nor Kelly, and knew nothing whatever about them being in the riding. He said he could give no information whatever that would lead to an understanding of the person of those men in the riding. He declared he had nothing whatever to do with the appointment of deputy returning officers.

In reply to Mr. Watson, witness said the statements in Pritchett's most recent affidavits regarding West Elgin, South Ontario and Brockville, Ontario, Pritchett charged that he had met witness in Whitby on nomination day and also at the Commercial Hotel there. Witness denied these charges, first, because he had been in East Wellington on nomination day, and second because there was no Commercial Hotel in Whitby. As to the charge that he had paid Pritchett money in the presence of one Brant, he had no hesitation in saying that the statement was utterly without foundation. He had never even met Pritchett in any election, and had never given him a dollar in his life.

Several witnesses described Bole's conduct, and the order for the appointment of the threshing machine gang as deputies were traced to a mysterious woman in black who brought them to the Liberal committee rooms in blank, to be signed by Mr. MacNish.

Yesterday afternoon the commissioners heard John O'Gorman's evidence. He denied all Pritchett's affidavit which connected him with any election irregularities.

A CARD.

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DISTRICT MEETING

Of the Methodist Church Very Well Attended.

Missions Reported Progressing—The Twentieth Century Fund—Those Present.

The annual gathering of the Chatham District of the Methodist Church opened yesterday afternoon. There were present, Dr. Hannon, chairman of the District, and Rev. Messrs. W. H. Locke, of the Victoria Ave. Methodist dist church; Redmond, of Charing Cross, Rice, of Blenheim, Clark, of Cedar Springs, Galloway, of Dresden, Edwards, of Rutherford, Knolls, of Tupperville, Walker, Louisville, Haylock, Baldwin, Dr. Cook, Wallaceburg, and Johnson, of Dawn Mills. The Rev. Mr. Clark, of Cedar Springs was elected secretary. Considerable business of a routine nature was transacted, this session being devoted to an examination of ministerial character.

WEDNESDAY'S SESSION.

The district convened again in the Sunday school hall of Park St. Methodist Church this morning, the chairman, Rev. Dr. Hannon, presiding. There were present the following delegates:—

Chatham—Park St., Rev. Jas. Hannon, D. D., and Samuel Barfoot; Victoria Ave., Rev. H. W. Locke and J. E. Humphrey.

Charing Cross—Rev. R. Redmond and Elias Harvey.

Blenheim—Rev. J. P. Rice, Ph. B., and T. B. Shillington.

Cedar Springs—Rev. C. F. Clarke and J. B. Clark.

Milton—Rev. S. McVitty and I. E. Simpson.

Tilbury Centre—Rev. T. R. McNair and C. F. Smith.

Walpole Island—Rev. J. F. J. Knight, Prob., and Wm. Keith.

Louisville—Rev. Jas. Walker and Albert Bedford.

Cover—Rev. J. J. Haylock.

Dresden—Rev. J. Galloway and Wm. Ward.

Dawn Mills—Rev. Geo. A. Johnson and W. A. Ward.

Wallaceburg—Rev. Jos. Clark, Ph. D., and A. B. Carscallen.

Tupperville—Rev. R. W. Knowles and Hyron Holmes.

Rice—Rev. Messrs. E. W. Edwards, B. A., and Wm. A. Walden, Geo. Heddon and Wm. Wells.

Walpole Island—Rev. Mahlon Pickard and Arthur Miskow.

After opening devotional exercises, led by Rev. Mr. McNair, Rev. C. F. Clarke was elected journal secretary and Rev. R. W. Knowles statistical secretary.

Rev. Dr. Cook and J. W. Humphrey were appointed to audit the schedules.

Rev. Mr. Pickard reported for Walpole Island mission, Rev. C. F. Clarke for the Cedar Springs mission, and Rev. Mr. Edwards for the Rutherford mission.

In regard to the Rutherford mission and Dr. Sutherland's suggestion that only one man be stationed on the field, it was decided on motion off Rev. J. P. Rice and Wm. Ward, "that having heard the report of the Rutherford mission, together with the supplementary statements of the pastor and others, and also having before us the suggestion of Dr. Sutherland as to the propriety of working the mission with one man as formerly, we hereby express our sincere gratification at the past year and firm conviction that the present course of employing two men on the work as the wise one, promising the best ultimate results to the church and missionary society."

Dr. Potts' report as to the district's work in connection with the 20th century fund was read and discussed. The circuits unreported to the Central Committee assumed the district meeting that they were working in the matter.

The conference adjourned shortly after noon.

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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

DEATHS.

McNAUGHTON—On Tuesday, 22nd May, 1900, at the residence of her father, city of Detroit, Mary Louise, only daughter of D. K. McNaughton, aged 23 years.

Funeral will be held from the G. T. R. Station, Chatham, on Thursday, 24th inst., at 2:30 p.m., to Maple Leaf Cemetery.

LOCAL BRIEFS

Bicycle repairs at Brisco's.

Mile. L. Mattilla, Palmist, Rating House.

Tennis, Golf and Baseball Ties at The 2 T's.

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To-morrow being a statutory holiday there will be no issue of The Daily Planet.

The contract for the painting of Harrison Hall has been awarded to Contractor Hildyeth.

Messrs. Frank and Howard Scott, Park Ave., left Tuesday morning for a few days outing at Pelee Island.

The regular monthly meeting of the Ladies of the Home for the Friendless will be held Friday at 3 p.m. in Harrison Hall.

New Flowing-end Neckwear for Ladies, at The 2 T's.

The attraction at the circus last night was not very large. The ring performance was very good, however.

Thursday being Ascension day there will be service in Holy Trinity Church at 10:30 a.m.

County Commissioner David Caughill, of Hurwich, fell from a load of hay yesterday and was quite severely injured.

Divine service will be held in Christ Church this evening at half-past seven. The service will be in keeping with the festival of the Ascension.

Thomas Gillies was charged at the police court this morning with the theft of two gold watches and a case from Louis VonGuten. Aid. Scane, the acting magistrate, remanded him.

A young business man coming to town would like board in a nice private family for two (Wednesday) evening from eight until ten. Silver collection.

Mrs. John Northwood, Head street, will give a tea in aid of the Indian Famine Fund this (Wednesday) evening from eight until ten. Silver collection.

Mr. and Mrs. R. MacAuliffe, of Detroit, and Miss Keller, of this city, will leave on Saturday for Annapolis, Md., where they will reside in future.

New Patriotic Neckwear at The 2 T's to-night.

The license commissioners will meet on Friday night to hear a deputation, of business men from North Chatham, who desire them to grant the Aberdeen Hotel a license. Country trade is gradually drifting away from the business men of the city, owing to the closing up of the hotel.

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Peter Robert, Emma street, has returned from St. Louis, where he was on a visit to his brother David. St. Louis is a fine city, he says, but it is impossible to get around it now owing to the street car strike. The other night when his brother David was riding home in a crowded car a bullet came through the window and just missed him.

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At the preachers' meeting held in J. P. Maines' office last evening it was decided to hold open air services every Sunday afternoon when practicable, one at the east end of Park avenue, the other on Woods' survey, north Chatham, one in the east end of the town will begin next Sunday at 3 p.m., the other later on in June. They will also assist the friends of Charters' and French's churches, Chatham township, in a grove meeting on Sunday, June 3rd, morning and afternoon. A similar grove service will be held at Bloomfield, Sunday, July 1st, and in the vicinity of Shrieves' school house, township of Raleigh, first Sunday in August. For further arrangements the meeting adjourned to Tuesday next at Mr. Maines' office.

Notice to Contractors.

Sealed, bulk or separate tenders will be received by the undersigned, marked "Tender" until noon 29th inst., for the several works required for the completion of new addition to our factory, including mason work, carpenter work and materials, painting and glazing, plumbing, gravel roofing, galvanized iron work, etc. Plans and specifications can be seen at the office of T. J. Rudy, Architect. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

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