

THREE-CORNERED FIGHT
LIKELY AT WOODSTOCKPrincipal Interest Will Be In Mayoralty
Contest.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
WOODSTOCK, Dec. 14.—A three-cornered fight for the mayoralty is likely to provide the only interest in the local elections. Clifford Kemp, mayor for two years, has decided not to run. Ald. West, chairman of the finance committee, and Ald. Paul are definite candidates, and J. G. McBeath, mayor in 1913, has practically decided to run again. So far only three new candidates for aldermanic honors have entered the field, and several of the present members of the council have indicated their intention of dropping out. This year the city reverts to the ward system, and the number of aldermen is increased to six.

CLOVER IS FINE CROP
IN WYOMING DISTRICTFour Bushels to the Load Threshed in
Some Places.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
WYOMING, Dec. 14.—Farmers in this vicinity are busy threshing their clover, and in almost every instance it has been a bumper yield; in several instances four bushels to the load. The open fall has saved the situation for farmers who had little feed, as the cattle remained almost a month longer in pasture, thus saving ensilage and grain.

Mrs. John Robb, who had been ill for some years, died at her home last evening. Besides her husband she leaves one daughter, Mrs. William John Canton, of the London road, and four sons, James and Dymart of Sarnia, and William and Sam at home.

MANY WITHOUT HEAT WHEN
GAS PRESSURE GOES DOWNHotels Were Unable to Serve Hot Meals
In Woodstock.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
WOODSTOCK, Dec. 14.—Although the gas company is negotiating to supply natural gas to London, many stores and offices where gas is used for cooking were without heat at all, and some of the hotels were unable to serve hot meals today. The demand, owing to the cold weather, resulted in the pressure falling.

TILLSONBURG LANDS
BIG BRANCH FACTORYNew York Firm Will Employ 100 Men
In the Spring.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
TILLSONBURG, Dec. 14.—The Huntley Manufacturing Company of Silver Creek, New York, builders of cereal milling machinery and canning factory supplies, have purchased the property of the Tillsonburg Electric Car Company for a cost consideration, a portion of the original amount already being in the hands of Secretary W. McQuire. The firm will begin alterations and improvements at once, and will be employing 50 hands in six weeks' time. In the spring a much larger addition will be built and will then employ over 100 hands. At the present time 300 men are employed in the American factory.

Thousands of dollars worth of Canadian orders are in the company's books waiting to be filled. The board of trade is conducting an aggressive campaign for new industries and more factories are expected to locate here shortly. Houses are very scarce.

CLOSING OF SALOONS
HAS BEEN BENEFICIAL,
DECLARES GRAND JURYOnly One Commitment for
Drunkenness Since Sept. 16.

MILITARY CASE HEARD

Farmer Dismissed on Charge
of Aiding His Son to
Desert.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
ST. THOMAS, Dec. 14.—The grand jury, made its presentation to His Honor Judge Collier at the conclusion of the sittings of the county court this evening.

The jury found only one prisoner confined in the county jail. An unusual circumstance at this season of the year. "We understand that only one prisoner has been committed for drunkenness since September 16 last, and that the number of prisoners committed to the jail has been largely lessened owing to the enactment of the Ontario temperance act of the Legislature. The municipalities give the Government officials every assistance possible in the enforcement of this law as the history of the last two months has shown its beneficial effects."

At the session of the county court Thursday, the case against R. Fleming of Orwell, and Constable Cruickshank, charged with aiding and abetting a farmer's son to desert from the Canadian army, was dismissed.

The younger Fleming joined the 81st Battalion, and shortly afterwards left without leave. He was traced to his father's home, and a warrant was issued for his detention, but the constable arrived at the house too late to make the arrest. The information was laid by Lieut. Yorke-Hardy, the recruiting officer for St. Thomas.

The judge held that sufficient evidence had not been produced to show that the father assisted the boy to desert the unit.

The case against the constable was dismissed by the grand jury failing to return a true bill.

To Beautify Park.
Plans for the permanent beautification of Pinafore Park which have been secured by the Horticultural Society, are ready and will be presented to the council in a few days.

Liquor Dealer Is
Warned That Law
Is Being Violated

Former Sarnia Man Has Been
Snapping From Port Huron.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
SARNIA, Dec. 14.—C. H. Fugh, who formerly conducted a liquor store in this city, and who is conducting a mail order business in Port Huron and advertising in local papers, and shipping liquor to Canada, has been notified by the prosecutor of that city that he is violating the laws of the state, and a continuance of that practice will bring on proceedings against him.

The civil docket of the county court was concluded before Judge MacKay today. In the case of McKay and Josh, the plaintiff, McKay, was awarded \$80.46, the defendant to pay costs. Action was brought for \$200 damages, the plaintiff claiming he was forced into the ditch by defendant's auto.

Woman's Evidence.
Mrs. Josh, who was in the car with her husband, swore that the cars did not touch when they passed, and that when their car approached the plaintiff's auto, and endeavored to pass, the plaintiff increased his speed. Her husband also increased speed, and went by at 20 miles per hour. John Josh corroborated this.

Fred Stonehouse, proprietor of a garage in Petrolia, and A. B. Baines, an automobile mechanic, also gave evidence in regard to the possibility of a car being forced into the ditch by such an accident, and other professional evidence as had been experienced by them in their business.

Talkative Witnesses.
The joint action of James Donald and Susan Donald against Milton Williams of Oil Springs was heard. The two claims amounted to \$1,100.32 for promissory notes, board, wages, service, etc. The judge left it in the hands of the solicitors after hearing a large amount of evidence. If they are unable to agree, a decision will be rendered.

Plaintiff's attorney offered settlement at \$500, and defendant's at \$200, each party to pay their own costs, but they were unable to agree.

This case was described by the court as a family mix-up, and owing to the garrulity of the witnesses, the judge threatened several times to stop the hearing and rule the witnesses out of court.

At the conclusion of the session the name of Robert Webb of Petrolia was struck of the list of county constables.

ACCEPT RESIGNATION
OF CHAPLAIN HINDSON

[Special to The Advertiser.]
GUELPH, Dec. 14.—At the business meeting of the Woolwich Street Baptist Church tonight, the resignation of the pastor, Rev. Chaplain Hindson, was accepted. When Mr. Hindson first became chaplain of the Wellington Battalion, he handed his resignation to the church, but was granted six months' leave of absence. At the expiration of this period he again tendered it, and it was accepted. Rev. Dr. Gordon has been supplying here in the meantime, but has left for Montreal. A call may be extended to him to become pastor, but he is still connected with the Baptist College at Brandon, Man., having been granted leave of absence there when he came east in May.

MAY SETTLE TROUBLE.
[Special to The Advertiser.]

OTTAWA, Dec. 14.—The dispute between the Port Macquarie Railway and its maintenance of way employees may be adjusted without a conciliation board. The company it is announced has made an offer to its men which may be accepted.

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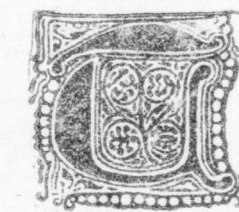


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STOCK JUDGING CONTEST
AT HARROW WELL ATTENDED

[Special to The Advertiser.]
HARROW, Dec. 14.—Tuesday and Wednesday of this week a stock judging contest was held here conducted by Messrs John Gardhouse of Weston and R. L. Stevenson of Ancaster. The stock chosen were dairy cows, heifers, horses and sheep. The instruction given by the two experts proved invaluable to the young farmers of this district.

The regular meeting of the Women's Institute was held in the L.O.O.F. Hall yesterday afternoon, with Mrs. I. C. Pastorius, the president, in the chair. The principal feature of the afternoon was an address by Mrs. Dr. Annie Backus of Aylmer, who spoke on "The Healthy Child."

At the evening session Mr. Barnett, late manager of the experimental farm here, presided. Dr. Annie Backus gave an address on "The Duty of Women in War Time." Mr. W. F. Kidd of Toronto spoke on the best kinds of fruits to cultivate in South Colchester. Miss Jean Hilton rendered two piano selections.

The golfers have donated \$20 out of the money taken in at the patriotic

concert to the Women's Institute for patriotic purposes. Over \$7,000 were paid in taxes, out of over \$11,000 on the roll, on Wednesday night.

Vernon Ross has passed his third year exam in dentistry. He is home just now sick with jaundice, interfering with his Christmas examinations.

Ex-Reeve James Turnbull of Grey Township, while working in the stable, received a kick from a horse, that broke his leg above the knee.

A debate is to be held at Moncrieff on the subject, "Resolved that the next session of Dominion Parliament of Canada should pass a conscription law."

Alex Ellis is dangerously ill with pneumonia. As he is upwards of 80 years of age his case is critical. His wife is also ill.

There is a coal shortage here, and as a result fuel is being brought from neighboring towns at a big advance on the usual prices.

A TRENCH DITTY.
[New York Sun.]
Here is one of the songs which is popular at the British front:

"The bells of Hell go ting-a-ling-a-ling For you, but not for me.
For men the angels sing-a-ling-a-ling They've got the goods for me.
O Death, where is thy sting-a-ling-a-ling."

O Grave, thy victims? The bells of Hell go ting-a-ling-a-ling For you but not for me."

RUMANIA'S COMFORT.
[New York Sun.]
The Rumanians may comfort themselves with the thought that the Serbians were down and out, but are now doing big stunts in Macedonia.

BIG INCREASE IN INDIAN OCEAN FREIGHTS.
Teas, during the past seven weeks have advanced at the auctions in London, Calcutta and Colombo, from six to ten cents a pound. In addition to this, sea freights have advanced two and one-half cents a pound. Inevitably this means dearer tea for the consumer, but "SALADA" so far, has only advanced five cents a pound and whatever the price at any time, the quality will always remain exactly the same.

SWALLOW-FOSTER.
[Special to The Advertiser.]
WHALLEN, Dec. 14.—A pretty wedding took place on Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Swallow at Woodham, when their youngest daughter, Maud, was united in marriage to Fred Foster, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Foster, from near Granton.

The bride wore white silk with bridal veil, and her going-away dress was blue cloth, with hat to match. About sixty guests were present.

After a short honeymoon at Brantford and eastern points, Mr. and Mrs. Foster will reside on the groom's fine farm near Granton.

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