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ARKONA

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Dickson spent the week end in London.

There was a second regular flow of sugar sap last week in this district, of which not a few availed themselves.

Mrs. Eldred Pressey and little son, now of London, are the guests of Mr. Thomas Pressey. Mr. Pressey has purchased a retail grocery business in London.

A two weeks' course sewing school has been opened by the Keyser's Corners Women's Institute. A lady instructor from the Department, Toronto, has been secured for the course.

Barney Morningstar, preparatory to moving from his property recently sold to Mr. Vies, held a sale of stock, etc., on Saturday. He managed to sell a very good place purchased from Mrs. S. Smith.

Two special sermons by Rev. Charles W. King, Sunday; 11 a.m., "The All-Abounding Grace," 7 p.m., "Daniel's 100-to-the-Acre Stand." Song service adapted to the theme. Bible School, 10 a.m., classes for everybody and everybody welcome.

The vestry of St. Stephen's church, Arkona, met on Tuesday evening, April 6th, at 8 o'clock with the Rev. J. H. Whealen in the chair. The warden's report was presented by F. Sercombe, showing a small credit balance. The report of the Ladies' Guild was presented by Mrs. Otten, showing a credit balance of \$36. The report of the Sunday School was presented by Miss Edith Waterman which likewise showed a credit balance.

The election of officers for the ensuing year followed: The rector reappointed Mr. F. Sercombe as his warden; Mr. J. McColl was elected people's warden. Mr. D. Wilson was appointed lay representative to Synod with Mr. F. Sercombe as substitute.

Regular meeting of Council was held April 6th. Members all present. Minutes of former meeting read and adopted.

Ready—Johnson, that we accept Thos. Grogan's offer of \$17 for rent of far grounds for the season of 1920.—Carried.

Eastman—Johnson, that by consent of Dr. Huffman, Dr. Boles is to receive whole of year's salary at M.O.H. and that Dr. Boles be appointed M.O.H. at salary of \$15 per year.—Carried.

Ready—Herrington, that following accounts be paid:—Dr. Huffman, phone and discharging \$4.80; John McColl, 1 day's grading \$8; J. S. McEllor, 3 months' ringing bell \$15; Jasper White, 2 days shovelling snow \$5; S. Wilcox 1 1/2 days \$3.75; School Board salaries for March \$250; Geo. Donaldson 1 day scraping and gravel \$9; W. Hare, trip to Parkhill with delegates \$4; R. G. Power Co., lighting \$156.70; Robt. Ross, timber for West bridge (1919) \$70.

Eastman—Johnson, that the action taken by Reeve re granting school board \$100 since last meeting be sanctioned.—Carried.

R. REID CRAWFORD, Clerk.

INTERESTING ADDRESS BY RETURNED MISSIONARY

The people were keenly interested in Miss Eva McLeish's address on Sunday evening last in the Baptist church. Miss McLeish told how some seven years ago in a sudden and unexpected way the call of God came to her with an impression through the text: "Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I show thee." This never left her, in spite of her misgivings as to fitness and ability for so great an undertaking. Darkest India was the new country for her, but notwithstanding the separations, hardships and dangers involved, she had never regretted the move. Miss McLeish told also of the great hardships endured and self-sacrifice made by both high-cast and other converts from heathenism. When making open confession of Christ by baptism they at once lost caste, friends, property—all. Their person and lives were threatened and that by their own heathen relatives. Yet they proved remarkably fearless and faithful under the power of the Gospel. She also told of the persistence and patience required when it came to teaching young converts from heathenism the laws and advantages of cleanliness and morality, of Christian stewardship and Sabbath observance, all new to them. The native church membership was led from the start to the time their incomes to the great blessing of all concerned. The Forward Movement in India, Miss McLeish said, had already taken possession of the Telugu churches in a wonderful way of revival grace. In this the native members took an active part. The missionaries, getting them to memorize such texts as John 3:16 and an appropriate gospel hymn, would then send them out into the near villages to repeat the glad news.

CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

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HOUSECLEANING TIME

In the Spring a Woman's Fancy Turns That Way.

She Finds the Work Fascinating— Some Very Practical Hints as to Doing the Job — Recipes for Cleaning and Polishing.

(Contributed by Ontario Department of Agriculture, Toronto.)

HOUSECLEANING for the most part is fascinating work, that is, after we pass the cellar. After all, this is really the most important part of the house and should receive first consideration in the spring. Probably it will never be known how much of the low state of vitality found in some families is to be charged to filthy, ventilated, badly-lighted, poorly-drained cellars, where decaying vegetables are kept, sending its foul germ-laden air to every part of the house. If vegetables are stored in the cellar they should be carefully picked over and all growth and decayed ones removed. In addition to thoroughly cleaning, the walls should be whitewashed, and if the cellar is at all damp, it is well to keep a metal or earthen receptacle containing unslaked lime constantly present. Not a day should pass without the cellar being properly aired. In the very hot summer days, the windows should be opened every night and closed during the day. The reason for this is, that the outdoor air in the daytime is much warmer than in the cellar. This warm, moist-laden air enters the cooler atmosphere of the cellar, and the moisture condenses and rests on all surfaces making the cellar damp and warm. By opening the windows at night and closing them in the daytime the cellar is kept dry, pure and clean. It is well, too, before leaving the cellar to see that the screens are placed properly in the windows—screens of fine wire netting to prevent flies, or insects entering. We cannot emphasize too emphatically the need for proper protection against flies. More diseases are caused by flies than we are wont to believe, and while doing the spring cleaning it is well to see that each room is screened properly to prevent the entrance of flies.

If we attend to the little things before we start the actual cleaning, such as sorting and cleaning drawers, putting away furs, winter curtains, extra blankets, etc., and laying in a supply of cleaning materials, this will save a lot of time. It has been customary to envy the home with new furniture (which we have longed to discard for years) to transform into something new. What could be more fascinating than the painting of chairs, tables and other furniture in cedar to have it harmonize with the walls, the drapery, the woodwork, and the floor.

It is not only that a floor looks much better if it is painted or polished, but it saves time and energy in cleaning. The rough surface collects greasy moisture, dust settles in it and soon grimey discolored and unhealthy conditions exist. Pine floors are hard to keep clean. The following methods of treating them may be of value:

1st. Spread over the floor strips of old sheeting; to this add two coats of paint. This will secure a very satisfactory border for the floor and the centre may be covered with a rug.

2nd. Apply a coat of linseed oil. Then fill cracks with "Crack and Crevice Filler," and apply an oak stain and two coats of floor finish.

It is difficult to say which rooms in the house should receive the most careful consideration. The bedroom is important because it is in the bedroom the person should receive that perfect sleep which will insure physical and mental strength.

The kitchen, too, is important, because here the woman spends a great deal of her time. It will be found most satisfactory to have linoleum placed on the kitchen floor. This is easily kept clean, and is soft, warm, elastic and wears well. There should be nothing in the kitchen which cannot be washed. The furniture, walls, etc., should be washable. While cleaning this spring it is especially important that we should see that all the utensils which are being used constantly should be in a convenient place, and if possible, closed cupboards should be placed in the kitchen. The following recipes and information may be found of value in doing the spring cleaning:

Washing Windows.—Always dust first and clean the woodwork before the glass. The glass may be washed with warm water and soap, ammonia, or kerosene, or whitening and ammonia. In washing wring the cloth almost dry, rinse off the window, and dry with a soft cloth and polish with a soft paper or cloth.

Painted Woodwork.—Wash in warm soapy water with a soft cloth, doing a little at a time and drying as you go along. For light painted wood use whitening paste.

Vanished Woodwork.—If very soiled use soap and water. Dry very thoroughly and then rub with am-

monia or kerosene. To use kerosene just dampen the cloth and after rubbing on the varnished woodwork rub again with a dry cloth. If not, you will find a white glow will result.

Dustless Dusters.—Dip the cheese cloth in a mixture made from 1/2 cup melted paraffin.

Note.—These dusters may be washed several times before they require to be dipped again.

There are many helpful suggestions for cleaning, and labor-saving devices appearing in weekly papers and magazines from time to time. It is a good plan to cut these out, place them in a labelled envelope or box for future use.—Miss D. M. Sutherland, Women's Institutes Branch.

KERWOOD

The Misses Harrison of Brooke were Sunday callers.

Miss Alice Huddle of Petrolia, called on friends here recently.

Mrs. Ernest Tedball and little son, of Glencoe, spent a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Richardson.

Sacramental service will be held next Sunday morning, April 25th, in the Methodist Church. There will be no service in the evening.

The Mission Circle will meet at the home of Miss Thelma Brant on Saturday afternoon, April 24th. Each member is requested to bring others to swell the circle. An interesting program will be given.

At the last meeting of the Methodist Women's Missionary Auxiliary the following officers were elected:—President, Mrs. (Rev.) Brown; 1st vice, Mrs. Geo. Johnson; 2nd vice, Mrs. Frank Wright; rec.-sec., Mrs. W. Leacock; cor.-sec., Mrs. J. M. Brant; supt. of mite boxes, Mrs. J. H. Richardson; organist, Mrs. W. J. Langford; assistant, Mrs. A. Fuller; strangers sec., Mrs. J. Johnson; heralds for China, Mrs. Ethelstone Edgar; France, Mrs. Meredith Morgan; Japan, Mrs. Kerr; Home Missions, Mrs. Eldon Langford; Indian, Mrs. Marcom; supt. of literature, Mrs. Jas. Richardson.

MRS. L. D. OGDEN

DIES AFTER LONG ILLNESS

Mrs. L. D. Ogden passed away at her home in Deckerville, Mich., on Tuesday evening, April 6th, after an illness extending over a long period, at the age of 37 years, 8 months and 28 days. Mrs. Ogden, whose maiden name was Jennie E. Robertson, was born in Warwick Twp., July 8th, 1882, and came to Marion township with her parents about 1890, locating on a farm a mile east of Mills, Sept. 19, 1901. She was united in marriage to Leonard D. Ogden and to them one child, Erden Bernice, now five years old, was born. Besides her husband and daughter she is survived by her mother, Mrs. Alex. Robertson, and four sisters and two brothers:—Mrs. Robert Irving and Mrs. John Baughman of Deckerville; Mrs. Archie Noble, of Palm; Mrs. Geo. Doan, Inwood, and Albert and William of Deckerville. After her marriage Mr. and Mrs. Ogden resided at Mills until about seven years ago, when they moved to Deckerville, where they have made friends who deeply sympathize with the bereaved family in the loss of a kind and loving wife and mother, daughter, sister and friend. The funeral was held from the Methodist Episcopal church on Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock and the remains were interred in the Downing Cemetery, Rev. William Richards officiating. Those attending the funeral from a distance were Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Doan and daughter, Mrs. Robert Dawson, of Inwood, Ont.; M. E. Ward, Port Huron; Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Frost, Badaxe.

A DISTORTED PRESS REPORT

To the Editor of The Guide-Advocate:

My attention has been called to an inaccurate press report which appeared recently in daily newspapers concerning an address given by me at the Ontario Educational Association. The report credits me with having said that the Education Department is asleep at the switch, and that the Ontario system of education is a failure. Now, I never made such a statement, nor did I criticize the Education Department in any way. On the contrary I complimented the Government on its general attitude toward education, so far as this had been indicated.

In the course of my address I quoted the remarks of a prominent citizen of one of our cities, who after an absence of thirty years recently paid a visit to a country section in which he had lived and attended school when a boy. He noted with pride the wonderful improvements in the farms and farm homes, but was surprised to find that there had been absolutely no improvements in the school or school premises during the last quarter of a century. He therefore concluded the people of that community were asleep at the switch, so far as education is concerned.

In referring to the educational system of Ontario I quoted the remarks of certain critics who pronounced it a failure, but I stated that I entirely disagreed with much of this destructive criticism. I further added, that, while some more or less radical changes may be necessary to meet the needs of changed conditions, I believed few countries in the world had had a better system of education than that of Ontario during the last fifty years.

From this statement you will readily see that the distorted press report entirely misrepresented what I said. I would be very much pleased therefore if you would publish this letter in order that the wrong impression may be corrected as far as possible.

N. McDUGALL, I.P.S.

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