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## TOWN AND DISTRICT.

There is a probability that Woodstock will have a new curling rink this coming winter.

John Macdonald, 63, died at the House of Refuge Saturday morning. He was a resident of Norwich.

The case against J. W. Haylow, of the Brown House, Norwich, of illegally selling liquor, was dismissed on Friday.

The North End base ball team will play their last game of the season on Saturday, Oct. 22nd, with the Junior Shamrocks.

The death occurred Sunday, of Nellie, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Battersby, of West Oxford, aged five months.

John Koot, hotel-keeper, Drumbo, was fined \$50 and costs by Magistrate Ball, of Woodstock, on Friday, for selling liquor without a license.

Woodstock council has decided to submit the question of the abolition of the ward system in that city to the vote of the ratepayers at the January elections.

Mr. T. A. Bishop has received from the Government a deed for the south half of lot No. 2, in the 5th concession of the Township of Britton. Mr. Bishop is a '66 veteran.

Monahan & Wright, portrait artists, will start delivering portraits on Oct. 17th. All orders in Ingersoll and vicinity will be delivered within the next five weeks.

At the Thamesford fair Thursday Mr. R. A. Skinner won first for best single turnout. W. F. Johnston took second with his carriage team.

Mr. W. H. Dundess, better known as "Jack," has purchased the grocery business of Mr. A. J. Loughed, Queen street east, Hamilton. He will, therefore, not return to the West.

The market Saturday was well attended. Prices as follows were realized: Eggs, 20c per doz; butter, 20c to 23c per pound; ducks, 60 to 80c per pair; chickens, 40 to 75c per pair.

"Uncle Tom's Cabin" was the attraction at the town hall Wednesday. There was a large audience and while the performance was enjoyed it was not up to the highest standard.

Mr. E. H. A. Watson, for some time with the insurance firm of Ormsby & Clapp, of Woodstock, has accepted a position on the teaching staff of the Jamieson avenue collegiate institute, Toronto.

Mr. Geo. H. Tudhope, of Woodstock, who lately disposed of his grocery business, has been appointed to responsible position in the advertising department of the T. Eaton Co., of Toronto.

The officers of Princess Louise Circle, Compensated as follows were present at the regular meeting Thursday evening, Oct. 20. Refreshments will be served by officers.

While making the run into town Tuesday the car trolley car collided with the repair car, near the woolen mill. Both cars were damaged, the fender being torn off one. No one was injured.

Ass. Gordon, Esq., K.C., Ottawa and Mrs. Gordon, Dominion Superintendent of Evangelistic Work W.C.T.U., will bring a series of special meetings in King street Methodist church on the first Sunday in November.

At the county convention held this week in Norwich, Salford W. C. T. U. became the proud possessor, for this year, of the prize for best poultry, which was offered to the union in the county contributing the most towards missionary work.

The fire brigade made a midnight run Sunday night to the residence of J. W. Clark, Carroll street. A chimney blaze threatened the destruction of the house, but it was extinguished by the use of the chemicals before any serious damage resulted.

Mr. G. A. Ineson will exhibit thirteen of his celebrated Buff Rocks at the St. Louis Exposition. The birds will be sent as far as London on Friday and on Saturday they will be placed in a car furnished by the Government for Canadian poultry-men, and sent on to the Fair.

A flat car left the track at the O. P. R. yard Wednesday and toppled over the embankment near the Brown Company's lumber yard. The car was badly damaged and the trucks had been removed. The accident occurred when some shunting was being done.

The first Provincial Fruit, Flower and Boney exhibition will be held in Toronto on November 15 to 19 inclusive, in granite block, Church street. The annual meetings of the Ontario Fruit Growers' Association and also Ontario Beekeepers' Association will be held during the exhibition. Cheap rates will be given on all the rail ways.

Chief Winterhault, of Berlin, has received a message from the police of Niagara Falls, in connection with the arrest of Chas. Powley, formerly of Berlin, along with E. J. Thomas, alias Thomas Kelly, on a charge of "flim-flaming." The message asked for information as to whether Powley had a record in Berlin. There is nothing on the Berlin police records against him.

The beautiful premium picture entitled "THE PRINCESS AT WORK" given this year with the Family Herald and Weekly Star, of Montreal, is already being distributed and is creating immense enthusiasm. The Family Herald publishers have certainly secured a most popular and handsome picture for their subscribers. The picture is absolutely free to all yearly subscribers, and is alone a big dollar's worth.

## THE DEE INQUEST AGAIN ADJOURNED

The Analysis of the Stomach Not Yet Completed.

THE REPORT OF THE POST MORTEM

The Evidence Adduced Last Night—

Mrs. Dee Identified by Lorne R.

Tune who Testified that he

Sold Her Strychnine

on August Fifth.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

For over four hours last night, in the town hall at Salford, the coroner's jury listened to evidence touching the death of William Dee. The excitement, which the inquest resumed at a few minutes past seven o'clock the hall was crowded to suffocation. There were probably a score of more who were unable to gain admission and many of these took up their stand at the different windows where they remained until an adjournment was made about 11:30 o'clock. Of those present quite a number were from Ingersoll. Crown Attorney R. N. Ball, of Woodstock, attended in the interests of the Crown and Mr. J. L. Patterson was present on behalf of Mrs. Dee.

During the afternoon Coroner Neff was advised by wire that the analysis of the stomach would not be completed for a week and another adjournment of this inquest was therefore necessary. Mrs. Dee, in company with her mother, Mrs. Allan, of Beeton, and other relatives, occupied a seat on the south-east side of the hall. Her head was bowed most of the time and only when friends gathered about her after adjournment was she called upon to say a word. Mrs. Dee was brought to Ingersoll from the Woodstock jail on the five o'clock trolley car by Chief Wright and later was driven to Salford by that officer.

The most important features of the sitting were the reading of the report of the post mortem examination and the evidence of Lorne R. Tune, who identified Mrs. Dee and testified that on August fifth last he had sold her fifteen grains of strychnine. In all five witnesses were examined, after which an adjournment was made until Tuesday evening next at seven o'clock.

On returning to Ingersoll, Mrs. Dee spent the remainder of the night in the lockup and at 10 o'clock this morning she appeared before the magistrate and was remanded to jail until two o'clock next Wednesday afternoon.

THE EVIDENCE.

Mrs. Ransom Harris, the first witness said that she was present at the residence of Wm. Dee on the morning of his death. She arrived there about an hour and a half after his death. He was lying on his back on the floor at that time and his hands were drawn up to his sides. There were three present Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Piper, Mrs. Robt. Stockdale Dr. Coleridge and Geo. Harris. Those present called on Mr. Dee having died from strychnine. Dr. Coleridge saying that strychnine had caused his death. Witness was never in Mrs. Dee's house until that morning. She had heard rumors to the effect that Mr. and Mrs. Dee had quarrels. She had never heard until Monday morning last of any threats having been made by either Mr. or Mrs. Dee.

The crown attorney—"Was Mrs. Dee present when you were there?"

"Yes, she said very little."

"What was her condition?"

"She was in a state of mind that she was becoming the fate of her husband."

"Yes, she was, but she did not appear to take it as hard as I thought she would."

"Did she say anything about him?"

"Yes, she said he had stated that it was his breakfast that had made him ill."

"What did he say had made him ill?"

"She said that he had stated that the cake had not tasted good."

"What did she say about her husband's condition before he ate his breakfast?"

"She said he was well, but that he complained of feeling ill shortly after eating his breakfast."

Mr. Patterson—"About these rumors, as to how Mr. and Mrs. Dee lived together, have you any further knowledge other than what you heard?"

"No."

"What did you hear say that they quarrelled?"

"Mrs. Jas. Kennedy."

From what witness had heard the trouble in the Dee home was chiefly on account of Mrs. Dee, not doing sufficient work to please her husband.

Dr. McKay, who, assisted by Dr. Coleridge, performed the post mortem examination, of the body of Wm. Dee, presented the report thereon, and was examined at some length.

Coroner—"In your opinion, Doctor, what was the cause of death?"

"From the history of the attack, the length of illness and the conditions found, I would be inclined to think he died from some poison."

"Could you specify that poison?"

"Not without a chemical test. The conditions probably resembled strychnine more than any other. The condition of the blood might be produced by one of several poisons."

"Was there anything else about the

condition of the body that would be sufficient to cause death?"

"We could find no evidence of such. About the only thing would be the adhesions to the pleura. They were of old standing, but there was not sufficient there to have caused his death."

"In your opinion then, it was a poison that caused his death?"

"Yes."

The crown attorney—"Is the condition of the limbs you have mentioned indicative of poison?"

"Yes; of strychnine."

The dilation of the eyes, witness stated was also a factor in case of death from poison.

Witness went on to say that no disease had been discovered that could have caused death.

Foreman—"Is there any disease that might have caused death?"

"Yes, he might have died from some disease, but in such an event the conditions would have been different at the post mortem examination."

To Mr. Patterson-witness said he had no recollection of the pockets of the deceased having been examined.

The body was markedly arched, a condition that exists in the case of strychnine poisoning. There was no way of telling exactly how much of the poison might have been taken. It was also possible that death might have resulted from strychnine and no trace of it be found in the stomach.

One grain of strychnine, witness said, was sufficient to cause death.

"If Mr. Dee had got a large dose of strychnine at breakfast would ten minutes have elapsed before he was taken ill?"

"Yes; but it would depend greatly upon what his breakfast consisted of."

Witness said it was possible that enough strychnine could be taken in a cup of tea to cause death, although the tea would be very bitter, and it was hardly likely that more than one swallow of it would be taken.

He saw no indications of poison so far as the stomach was concerned. He had sent the stomach, together with other portions of the body to the Dominion analyst for examination.

"Was there strangulation?"

"No; death was not due to that."

Dr. Coleridge agreed with the report of the post mortem examination and also corroborated the evidence of Dr. McKay. Witness did not remember his arrival. "What is the matter with him?" Witness said that Dee was in such a condition when he arrived that it was impossible to use a stomach pump. He recognized that the patient was in a dying condition and whatever was to be done had to be done hurriedly. He then gave him an hypodermic injection.

Dr. Coleridge reviewed his evidence previously given, mentioning especially what Mrs. Dee had said to him on being questioned immediately after the death. Witness said that Mrs. Dee had told him that she loved her husband and that she did not want him to die.

She, however, admitted that they had quarrelled, and went on to say that they had some trouble nearly every day. Witness said that Mrs. Dee had told him that she loved her husband and that she did not want him to die.

Foreman—"What led you to say that?"

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REPORT OF POST MORTEM EXAMINATION.

The following is a copy of the report of the post mortem examination read by Dr. McKay:

Examination of the body of Wm. Dee, of the Township of Derham, in the County of Oxford.

Assisted by Dr. Coleridge, of Ingersoll, I made a post mortem examination of this body, on Oct. 11, 1904.

Witness did not see Mrs. Dee give her husband anything. He said she remained over her husband a great deal and was whispering to him. Mrs. Dee spoke of a bitter taste and said he guessed it was due to some cake he had eaten. Mrs. Dee then said the cake had been purchased. The cake was then brought out and Mrs. Dee said that he did not get any of what was brought out, that there were three or four pieces of the same cake on another plate, which he had eaten for his breakfast. Witness saw a goblet on the kitchen table out of which Mrs. Dee had said she tried to give her husband some sweetened milk. There was a piece of rubber tube in the goblet through which she had tried to give him the medicine.

Foreman—"When you first went to the Dee home did you say that he was poisoned?"

"Yes, sir."

"What led you to say that?"

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Witness was resting on the shoulders and hips, showing marked curving of the body forwards. The muscles of the arms and hands were severely contracted, hands clinched and the toes curved inwards, feet arched and the muscles of the legs were also firmly contracted and rigid. Commenced the examination at ten a. m. about 24 hours after death. Abdomen was very much distended, and some mucus found about the mouth.

HEAD.—On opening the skull the membranes were congested; the vessels were full of dark fluid blood. The brain substance was also congested but otherwise healthy.

The spinal column was then examined and the same condition of the membranes was found as in the skull, the cord was examined and appeared to be normal.

We next examined the thoracic cavity. Found adhesions to the pleura of both sides, but more on the right than on the left side. The lungs, especially the lower lobes, were found to be very much congested, but otherwise normal.

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HEART.—The next organ examined. The position normal, no appearance of disease in the pericardium. The right side of the heart normal with about one-half drachm of dark fluid blood in the right ventricle. All the valves were examined, and we could find no trace of disease whatever. The left side contained about 1-2 ounce of dark, uncoagulated blood. Coronary arteries heavy, no fatty deposit on the walls of the heart, and

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On both sides of the thorax we found between the layers of pleura in contact with the diaphragm, very strong adhesions.

ABDOMEN next examined. Stomach and the greater part of the intestines were distended to a considerable extent. No marks of inflammation on the outer coats of either, some staining on the duodenum, of a greenish color, possibly from the contact of the gall bladder. Gall bladder contained two ounces of bile, but it gave no indication of disease. Appendix healthy and at the lower end of the ileum we found a Diverticulum (Mickles).

We examined all the other organs, viz: the spleen, slightly enlarged, pancreas, both kidneys, ureter, bladder, suprarenal capsules, liver, and all other structures and found no indication of disease.

The left kidney and ureter with the bladder, the urine contained in it was also placed in a jar and sealed.

Witness exclaimed, "My, you're poisoned, Bill!"

Witness opened all the doors as quickly as possible and then went out to the road and signalled for Mrs. Kennedy. When Mrs. Kennedy arrived she too thought the man was poisoned and said that he should be given some mustard or something else as soon as possible. By this time Mrs. Dee came in and said that she wanted to put the sick man on the lounge and Mrs. Dee objected saying she thought it better for him to remain on the floor. Witness stated that she would not have him moved until the doctor came if he had fallen into a hog-pen."

Witness could not say as to whether Mrs. Dee was actuated by kindness in refusing to have her husband moved on to the lounge. Shortly after this witness went to Salford to telephone for a doctor. When he returned to the Dee home he found Mrs. Piper there along with Mrs. Kennedy. Mr. Dee, he thought, was worse by this time. "When I first went in," said witness, "he said that about two weeks before he had had an attack very much the same, and that friends came in with some whiskey, some of which was given to him, which made him feel better."

Mrs. Dee had also stated to witness that he felt real well when he came home that morning and he believed he had eaten something that did not agree with him. He further said that if he did not get help soon he could not stand the pain. He also complained of his limbs becoming stiff. Witness said that he had removed Mr. Dee's shoes. He also said that when he felt Mr. Dee's feet to see if they were cold it caused him to shake all over. The coroner pointed out to the jury that this was very important evidence, adding that in the case of a frog poisoned with strychnine, the legs would immediately cause it to shake.

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