

District Dashes

Miss L. Burton, of Chatham, is the guest of Miss Anne Timbers—Merlin Mirror.

Over 40 applications were received for the position of principal of the Leamington public school. G. A. Campbell, of Drayton, was selected at a salary of \$925.

The Kent bean crop never looked better and the growers are anticipating a bountiful harvest. Corn, while what later than usual, also promises an average yield.—Thamesville Herald.

Rev. A. E. Haydon, B. A., B. Th., will be among us again on the 31st of July, after a month's absence, with the "band" who will give a grand work in saving souls. It is needless to say that he will be welcomed back, by his many friends in Dresden.—Dresden Standard.

A very pretty wedding took place on Wednesday afternoon at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Tull, of the Eau Claire, South Hurwich, when their second daughter, Miss Maud, was married to Enoch Broadbent, merchant, of South Buxton.—Merlin Mirror.

While cutting hay on Tuesday, Mr. Donald McCallum, 13th con., Chatham township, narrowly escaped serious injury. He had an occasion to fix something about the harness when the horses started and before he could get out of the way he was caught in the knives but luckily escaped with a few cuts on his legs and feet.

Our sister town of Thamesville has taken fresh hold of things and is bound to go to the front. Three important by-laws were carried by the citizens of Thamesville on Monday, and we sincerely wish that all the enterprises favored turned out paying investments.—Ridgeway Dominion.

The rate of taxation for the county of Essex will be increased this year from 1-3-4 mills to 2 mills. The finances of the county have been in a bad way for some years owing to the council adopting a low rate of taxation and it has been decided to make the increase this year and to wipe out all liabilities that should be paid for out of the general fund.—Merlin Mirror.

As the season advances the prospects for a record crop of sugar beets grows bright. The crop itself is good and is well advanced. The farmers are taking special care of the crop this year. They are learning to care for them properly and this is a great feature. The results will be such as to amply repay them for their time and labor. In the vicinity of Wallaceburg the crop is especially good and is well advanced. The same reports came from other points and the management are confidently looking forward to a very successful season's run.—Wallaceburg Herald.

Compare the good-looking and well-dressed crowd to be seen in any Ontario town on a gathering of 20-25 years ago and the contrast is remarkable. There was a time when the rural visitors to the city could be picked out a block. Now they are as well roomed and set up as their metropolitan cousins. They are quick to adopt the latest vogue and have the advantage of the ruddy health that accompanies fresh air and outdoor exercise. The Ruben and the maid are now mere fictions of the burlesque stage.

A Petrolia correspondent writes us that the well lately struck on the Sanders farm, on the 10th line of Moore, owned by Mr. John D. Noble, mayor of Petrolia, is flowing at the rate of about fifty barrels a day. The drillers had to move their rig off, and have started another well on the Sanders farm and are using the gas from the flowing well for fuel. Mr. C. H. Chapman, of Sarnia, who has charge of the leasing for Mr. Noble, has placed two drilling rigs on the 8th concession, one on Mr. C. Broughton's place and one on Holmes Bros' farm. This will be a valuable test for this territory. The Petrolia Torpedo Co.'s well is pumping about fifty barrels a day. Land is at a premium in that locality.

DUNDONALD'S FUTURE

Ottawa, Ont., July 29. — There is reason to believe that Lord Dundonald will return to Canada after a couple of weeks' stay in England. A few days ago a well-known Ottawa man tried to purchase Lord Dundonald's team of grays. He spoke to an officer of his lordship's household, who, after making inquiries, informed the would-be purchaser that Lord Dundonald had given orders that no changes were to be made at Crichton lodge. The house will be kept running as usual, the officer added.

It is stated in Ottawa that Lord Dundonald will return to Canada within a month. No definite confirmation can be obtained for this report, but it is clearly the general's intention to pay Canada a visit in the near future.

Some go as far as to say that his lordship is going to England simply in fulfillment of a military order, and that having satisfied the calls of discipline he will resign from the army, return to Canada and perhaps run for a constituency.

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A fine complexion often is false on the very face of it.

CONSCIENCE MONEY

Port Huron Times: Collector Avery received last week a donation of \$30, which has been forwarded to the conscience fund at Washington. The gentleman who furnished the funds enclosed the amount of \$30 in clean and crisp bills, but signed no name to his letter. His explanation was to the effect that he some years ago imported a horse from Sarnia to the United States without paying the duty. After the lapse of years he woke up to the conviction that his deed was not becoming a Christian or an American citizen. The value of the horse was given as being \$30.

STILL AFTER 'EM

Windsor, July 29.—The fines imposed on a number of local hotel men for selling liquor after hours have evidently not had the desired effect. Six local hotelmen have been served by License Inspector Baccard with notices to appear in court and answer to charges of selling liquor after hours.

John Hartnet of the British American hotel is charged with selling last Sunday while Thomas Robinson, of the Detroit Exchange, Joseph Pratt, of the Woodbine; J. J. Guittard, of the Savoy; Baptiste Ducharme, of the Windsor House; and G. C. Peters, of the Horseshoe, have been complained against for selling after hours Saturday night, July 23rd.

ALBOROUGH OLD BOYS'

The "Aldborough old boys" held their annual picnic and reunion at their civic holiday and about 5,000 people were present at the lake side to have a day's enjoyment. The program was a good one and consisted of music by Rodney and West Lorne brass band, Highland bag pipes by D. McMillan, Duttan; Scotch dances, speeches, games and sports of different kinds. P. Stalker acted as chairman and speeches were delivered by County Police Magistrate Hunt, John A. McKillop, A. D. McGugan, D. B. McColl, Dr. Dorland, J. D. Shaw, S. B. Morris and others. The Eberle orchestra furnished music for dancing in the evening. The prize and championship of Aldborough for baseball went to the West Lorne club, who played a strong game. Timothy Mullen got prize of a cane for oldest man on the grounds, aged 88, and Mrs. John Lee, aged 86, received silk shawl for oldest lady on the grounds. The games of all kinds, open only to residents of Aldborough, were well contested. The day was an ideal one for a picnic and hundreds of people from the Townships of West Elgin, Orford and Howard were present, and everybody was well pleased with the day's proceedings.

LIFE AND DEATH.

So he dies for his faith. That is fine— More than most of us do, But say, can you add to that line That he lived for it, too?

In his death he bore witness at last As a martyr to truth, Did his life do the same in the past From the days of his youth?

It is easy to die. Men have died For a wish or a whim— From bravado or passion or pride, 'Was it harder for him?

But to live—every day to live out All the truth that he dreamt, While his friends met his conduct with doubt

Was it thus that he plodded ahead, Never turning aside? Then we'll talk of the life that he led,

Never mind how he died. —Ernest Crosby.

THINGS THAT NEVER DIE.

The memory of a clasping hand, The pressure of a kiss, And all the trifles, sweet and frail, That make up love's first bliss; If, with a firm, unchanging faith, And holy trust and high, Those hands have clasped, those lips have met— These things shall never die.

The cruel and the bitter word, That wounded as it fell; The chilling want of sympathy We feel, but never tell; The hard repulse that chills the heart, Whose hopes are bounding high, In an unending record kept— These things shall never die. —Charles Dickens.

WAIT FOR AUGUST 15TH.

On August 15th, West Shore Railroad will run a cheap excursion to New York for \$9.00, return from Suspension Bridge and Buffalo. Tickets good 15 days for return, with privilege of trip on Hudson River between Albany and New York. Last excursion of season to New York. Excellent chance to visit Manhattan Beach, Coney Island, etc. Write Louis Drago, 69 1-2 Yonge street, Toronto, for particulars.

CANADA'S PRIDE.

The famous "International Limited" leaves Chatham at 9:08 p. m. for Detroit, Chicago and St. Louis. It carries Cafe Parlor Car, serving meals at popular prices, and through Pullman to Chicago and the Great World's Fair, St. Louis.

It is necessary to reserve accommodation in advance at Grand Trunk City, 115 King St., or Depot Ticket Office. W. E. Rispin, Agent, Chatham.

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Failures are often God's fitting for future success.

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LIEUT.-COL. MERRITT.

Splendid and Unique Military Career of the New Commander of the Governor-General's Bodyguard.

Among the recent changes announced in The Militia Gazette is that of the Governor-General's Body Guard, the command of which passes from Lieut.-Colonel Clarence A. Denison to Major Wm. Hamilton Merritt. Though there is a break in a family command, for the first time, yet the military traditions of the country should be fully maintained by the present commanding officer, whose family took a leading part in the French war, the revolutionary war and the war of 1812, 13 and 14. The Historical Record of the regiment sets forth these facts and the editor, Capt. E. J. Chambers, now of Ottawa, gives the following as a record: Major Merritt entered the G. G. B. G. as a trooper of the 28th of October, 1882, Second Lieutenant Feb. 29, 1884; Lieutenant 6th of June, 1884; Captain, May 31st, 1889; Major, second in command, June 11th, 1898; was appointed Adjutant August 2nd, 1899, and acted as such for some nine years, including service as acting Adjutant in Northwest campaign, 1885. He was in command of the party which captured the Sioux Chief, White Cap, and his band. When the South African war broke out he went at his own expense to Cape Town and offered his services and was appointed a squadron commander in 1st Brabant's Horse, he also was at different periods of his service second in command of 2nd Brabant's Horse and A. C. C. to Gen. Sir E. Y. Brabant, K.C.B., C.M.G., and Colonel Dalgleish, C.B., his successor in command of the colonial division.

While connected with the colonial division, Major Merritt took part in the following general engagements: Labuscagny, Nek, Allival, Nartu, Wepener, Wittebergen, Lieliefontein, Veredof, Schoolplatz, Magato's Nek, Doornhoek, Kwagafontein and Cyterfontein. In an official record of services, issued after the breaking-up of the colonial division, Brigadier-General Sir E. Y. Brabant, reported that Major Merritt's conduct "gave entire satisfaction" to his commanding officers, and, further, that he performed his duties "with zeal and ability."

On the colonial division being broken up Major Merritt returned to Europe and Captain Chambers goes on to state "December 29th, 1900, Major Merritt applied to the War Office for permission to raise in Canada a corps of light horse, 600 strong. His Majesty's Government were willing and anxious to have "the Canadian Rangers," raised by Major Merritt at the earliest possible moment after February 15, 1901. On the date in question the Under Secretary of State for War wrote the Under Secretary of State for the Colonies requesting him to inform Mr. Secretary Chamberlain, that, if he concurs and if the Canadian Government agree, Mr. Brodick is prepared to accept this (Major Merritt's) offer." The conditions of organization provided that the selection of officers and men should be in the hands of Major Merritt.

Feb. 20, 1901, the Colonial office wrote Major Merritt, transmitting a copy of the War Office letter and adding: "A copy of this letter has been forwarded to the Governor-General of Canada with an intimation that if his Ministers see no objection and are willing to assist in the manner indicated, His Majesty's Government will be glad to avail themselves of your offer."

It is doubtful if there is another case where the British Government authorized a Canadian officer to raise a corps in Canada entirely at the Imperial expense, and further giving that officer the right to choose his own officers and men. The final outcome of the matter was the despatch of 20, 1901, the Colonial office to South Africa in January, 1902, under the conditions originally agreed upon by the War Office, except that the Government of Canada selected the officers and men.

Canada's Representatives.

The following have been appointed to represent the Presbyterian Church in Canada at the Council of the Presbyterian Alliance, which met in Liverpool on June 26: Rev. Principal Caven, D.D., Toronto; Rev. H. K. Warden, D.D., Toronto; Rev. Principal Patrick, D.D., Winnipeg, Man.; Rev. G. M. Milligan, D.D., Toronto; Rev. Alfred Gandier, B.D., Toronto; Rev. Principal Scrimger, B.D., Montreal, Que.; Rev. W. T. Hurd, D.D., Ottawa; Rev. B. H. Fletcher, D.D., Hamilton; Rev. D. G. McQueen, B.A., Edmonton, Alta.; Rev. R. N. Grant, D.D., Orillia; Rev. John McKay, B.A., Montreal, Que.; Rev. D. J. Fraser, B.D., I.L.D., St. John, N.B.; Rev. J. G. Shearer, B.A., Toronto; Rev. Wm. Beattie, Coburg; Rev. J. C. Herdman, D.D., Calgary, Alta.; Rev. J. S. Black, D.D., Halifax, N.S.; Rev. W. D. Reid, B.D., Montreal; Rev. R. E. Knowles, B.A., Galt; Rev. J. E. Ducloux, B.A., Valleyfield, Que.; Hon. Judge Forbes, St. John, N.B.; Walter Paul, Montreal; David Morris, Montreal; J. K. Macdonald, Toronto; Hon. C. B. Campbell, Winnipeg; James Craig, Montreal; George Hay, Ottawa; D. D. Wilson, Seaforth; Rev. J. A. Macdonald, Toronto.

Home Precepts to Boys' Letters.

In their "composition" exercises boys often make statements which on the face of them are the expression of some pretense of teaching emanating from home—not from school. In the following extract—taken from a lad's essay on "Cleanliness"—the teaching of the mother does as plainly appear as if she herself had guided the child's pen: "We should always keep ourselves clean in case of an accident in the street. If you was run over, and you hurt your leg badly, you would be undrest by the doctor, and you would be disgraced all down the street if you was unclean. If you was to fall over and cut your hand, the 1st thing is to wash your hand well, and get all the bits of dirt out,

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