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THE CORNER STONE LAID

Copies Of Local Newspapers
And Data Were Placed
In It

A CROWD WITNESSED IT

The centre stone which will hold up the pillars of the new market hall was raised and re-laid by workmen yesterday afternoon. The event passed off quietly, and was witnessed by a dozen or so spectators, among whom were some of the members of the City Council.

Ald. Charles Austin and Ald. William Potter officiated, the former tapping the stone, as a signal that it had been duly laid, and the latter placing newspapers, signatures and other data of the day in the cavity below the stone.

The following statement along with a list of the members of the governing bodies of the city, was placed under the stone:

"To whom it may concern:
This centre stone was re-laid Sept. 6th, 1906, at four o'clock in the afternoon.

The stone was re-laid by Hugh Gallagher & Sons, workmen, and John G. MacKenzie's, workmen, both contractors being present.

The plans and specifications for the new market hall were prepared by Architect J. L. Wilson & Son, and the work was done during the regime of Mayor W. S. Marshall.

Ald. William Potter being chairman of the Property committee of the City Council, under whose supervision the work was done."

Copies of both local papers fresh from the press were also put in the box containing what will some day perhaps be looked upon as relics.

The Planet, somehow, as is its usual wont, when the box was lowered, was noticed to be at the top.

"Are you going to put the Planet and the Banner together in that box?" asked Officer Tom Groves, who was among the "also present."

"Do you suppose they will lie there together in peace?"

"Oh, there's no question about that," was the cruel retort of Ald. Austin. "They'll lie anyway—in or out."

Then with a chuckle of satisfaction, Ald. Austin proceeded to cram the two unsuspecting newspapers into the box.

Ald. Stone arrived on the scene in time to witness the last sad rites. He had a few pieces of money he was anxious to get under the stone, but he was too late, and he had to satisfy himself with a few off-hand remarks on how imposing the new building would look when completed.

"That stone will not be taken up for twenty years at the least," said Ald. Potter, "and I doubt if it will be moved in that time, as I think if the people decide on putting up a new civic building they will build some place else. No, I am satisfied that the new building will stand there for over twenty or twenty-five years without being molested."

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REV. DR. J. R. BATTISBY IS ANSWERED BY CHURCHMAN

He Says The English Church Ritual Was Introduced
In The Presbyterian Church In Scotland To Save
The Few—Those Wicked Auto Drivers

The following letter from "Churchman" has been handed to The Planet for publication, in answer to the statements of Rev. Dr. J. R. Battisby as published in last evening's issue. The letter needs no explanation.

Dear Sir,—I was not surprised that Rev. Dr. Battisby found such a condition of affairs in Scotland with regard to attendance at religious meetings on Sunday. Unfortunately, it is not confined to Scotland, but is more or less common in all lands. The Sunday is fast becoming a day of pleasure, rather than a day "holy unto the Lord." I think he strikes the keynote of the reason when he speaks of bicycles, motor cycles and automobiles as the most attractive means for the desecration of the Lord's day.

Are not the same things, especially the latter, becoming the curse of this country? Where is the man, even in this city, who owns an auto, and has been in church with his family this summer? I doubt if there is one. No; Sunday is the day

to try the machine over some new route and to show his friends how she can go.

So far from the ritual of the Church of England driving people away, I understand it has been introduced to save the few. The old-time service of the Presbyterians is so cold and dry that few of the younger generation at least, could be induced to listen to it. In Canada and the United States it is the same, and a liturgy is now being introduced in nearly all the city churches and is meeting with marked favor.

It is not the services, it is the spirit of the age that is keeping people from the House of God on the Lord's day. Men are lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God; they have set up their idol in their hearts and there is no fear of God before their eyes. "Shall I not visit for these things," said the Lord, and shall not my soul be avenged on such a nation as this."

Yours,
CHURCHMAN.

JUST A FEW MONTHS LATE

Galt People Are Just Now
Noticing Peculiar Western
Light

NO SOLUTION IS GIVEN

The Galt Reformer is puzzling itself over the appearance of the strange light in the western horizon. This was the light which was drawn attention to in The Planet in the early summer months, and over which Dan Anquetil and J. C. Wantless had quite a newspaper controversy, the former claiming that it was the evening star Venus, while the latter held that it was a balloon. The Galt people are alike slow in noticing things, but no one has been so slow in noticing this light as the Galt Reformer. The following is what the Galt Reformer has to say about the strange light:

"Have you seen the balloon? Every night for a week or more keen observers of the heavens have noticed in the western horizon what has every appearance of a large sized electric light."

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A POPULAR MARRIAGE

Two Blenheim Young
People Happily Linked
For Life

A VERY SAD ACCIDENT

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Blenheim, Sept. 6.—The marriage took place of two very highly respected young people yesterday at 1.30 p. m., at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. John Gordon, when their youngest daughter, Miss Evelyn, was united in marriage to Algonquin G. (Non) eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Shillington. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. W. Holmes, in the presence of a few relatives of both families. The bride wore cream silk dotted ecru, very prettily trimmed and carried a bouquet of roses. Both bride and groom were unattended. After congratulations were tendered the newly married couple, a luncheon was served. The bride and groom were the recipients of many handsome presents. Mr. and Mrs. Shillington left at 3.30 for Chatham to take the Grand Trunk train for the Muskoka Lake District. On their return they will reside on the corner of McGregor St. and Gravel Road. The bride's travelling dress was navy blue chiffon brocade with hat to match. The Planet joins with a host of friends in wishing the young couple every happiness.

W. E. Hardley, London, was a Blenheim visitor yesterday.

A very pleasant day was spent on Monday by the members of the Bowling Club here. A rink tournament was held, five rinks being mustered. H. M. Winters, skip, A. G. Shillington, W. J. O'Brien and Mr. Seargeant won 1st prize. R. L. Gosnell, skip, P. S. Shillington, James Rutherford and J. M. Denholm won the booby prize.

In the doubles, 1st prize was won by J. W. Shillington and George Taylor, 2nd by E. Williams and W. R. Greenwood.

A very sad accident happened to Mr. W. Gage, 8th concession, near English's School House, on Tuesday. The night before he had drawn in a load of beans, and on Tuesday morning he was unloading them. He was alone and in some way was hurt. His wife, who was alone in the house, noticed the horses standing longer than usual and ran out to see what was the matter, and found her husband lying unconscious on a heap of rails. Dr. Langford, of Blenheim, was summoned and examination found that three ribs were broken, and it is thought penetrated the heart. The bereaved widow and family have the sympathy of the whole neighborhood. Mr. Gage only bought the farm from Mr. W. Mead last spring.

TO THE WESTERN FAIR.

Always a popular outing. Rate of single fare in effect good going Sept. 8th to 14th, and excursion rates on Sept. 15th and 16th. All tickets valid returning until Sept. 17th. Further information at Grand Trunk offices.

Well No. 2 on the H. Scott farm was shot on Tuesday last week and is about a five barrel well.

The Chas. Campbell well No. 2 for the Coote syndicate was shot on Thursday at noon of last week and by Friday night at eight o'clock 386 barrels of oil had been sold from the well and piped to the cars at Merlin station. It is estimated the well is good for between 400 and 500 barrels. The depth of the well is 1,408 feet.

The Sinclair well for the Central Oil & Gas Co. is producing at the rate of about 40 barrels per day.

The D. Halliday well for the Coote syndicate is down about 1,100 feet and it is expected will be brought in next week.

The Central Oil & Gas Co. are putting in six or seven new rigs this week. Two are on their own 100 acres recently purchased from Jas. Campbell, and are being operated by Alex. Ayers and J. Hill respectively, and two rigs on the James Campbell home farm are being contracted by H. Bowman and C. Cole.

Well No. 1 on the J. W. Campbell farm was given a second shot last week, which materially increased its flow.

The Glenwood oil syndicate, consisting of the Ainslies, of Comber, J. N. Halliday, of Merlin, W. J. Moffatt, of Tilbury, and others, commenced boring yesterday on the farm of P. Nelson, lot 12, concession 11, Tilbury East. This company have 550 acres under lease, beside private property belonging to members of the company.

SWEETHEARTS BEWARE

Augusta, Ga., Sept. 5.—Miss May Bryant, a pretty girl of Granville, S. C., is dying. A week ago she went walking with her lover, Theodore Barton, and when she returned her cheek was bleeding. She said that she had scratched a pimple. Blood poison developed.

Yesterday the girl confessed that the wound was inflicted by her lover while he was kissing her.

"Theo. kissed me," said the girl, "and playfully bit my cheek. He bit harder than he intended and caused the wound."

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PEACHES

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