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LOCAL MENTION

Miss Mary Featherston is visiting with relatives in Toronto.

Mrs. Robert Bell (nee Nona Raspberry) of Montreal, is visiting at the parental home.

Mrs. W. J. McKee, of Christie, is visiting her mother, Mrs. D. Ribson who is very ill.

Mr. Frank Slater is confined to his bed with a heavy cold, and is under the doctor's care.

Mr. A. B. Cooper, principal of the High school, and family are moving into Mr. Rymal's house on Nelson street.

The teachers of the High and Public schools were the guests of Miss Ruth McGregor at afternoon tea on Tuesday last.

Reeve and Mrs. R. Smith entertained a number of their friends on Friday evening last. Progressive euchre was indulged in and a most enjoyable evening spent.

The Ladies of St. Thomas R. C. Church will hold their third Progressive Euchre party on Monday evening at 8 o'clock in the Assembly hall of the church. Progressive euchre will be the program for the evening. Refreshments will be served and an enjoyable evening is promised to all who attend.

The Rev. Mr. Roach of the Church of Ascension, Hamilton, conducted the services in Grace church on Sunday afternoon last, and delivered an able discourse on the Forward Movement. On Sunday next the Rev. Canon Spencer, of Hamilton, will have charge of the services, and will continue in charge of the parish until the Rector, Rev. Mr. Leake, returns from Florida.

Commencing next Monday the Public Library will be open every afternoon from 1 to 5.30, and on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday evenings from 7 to 9. Miss Muriel Atkins has been engaged as permanent Librarian. The present Library Board is making every effort to give the people of this village and vicinity a library with first class service, and are deserving of the loyal support of every citizen.

The Women's Institute will meet at the home of Miss Inksetter on Wednesday afternoon. Papers by Mrs. J. Anderson on "Making the Home a Better Place in Which to Live" and by Mrs. W. G. Spence on "Infectious and Contagious Diseases and Should Children be exposed to them". Current Events by Mrs. T. Allen and music by Mrs. J. Attridge and Mrs. Geo. Nicholson will be part of the afternoon program.

A very pleasing event took place on Friday last when a committee from the Corn club waited on his worship Reeve Smith and presented him with a choice collection of grain on the Club's farm, also with a life membership certificate. The Reeve, although taken by surprise, briefly thanked the committee for the valuable gift and for the life certificate. He assured them that he had always taken a deep interest in the Club's affairs, and would always continue to do so. He appreciated the good work done by the Club in past years and predicted that they would be the means of solving the vexed question of how to combat the high cost of living.

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that a By-law was passed by the Corporation of the Village of Waterdown on the 12th day of January 1920, providing for the issue of Debentures to the amount of \$20,000 for the building and equipping a Memorial Hall in the village of Waterdown in honor of our fallen heroes, and the said By-law was registered in the Registry Office on Thursday, Jan. 15th, 1920.

Any motion to quash or set aside said By-law, or any part thereof, must be made within Three months after the first publication of this notice, and cannot be made thereafter.

Dated this 22nd day of January, 1920.

J. C. MEDLAR,
Clerk.

TWO FAMOUS GRAVES.

Charles O'Malley is Buried in Toronto Cemetery.

Two graves of special literary interest are to be found in Canada, each linking us up with the British Isles. One is to be seen in the Necropolis, in Toronto, where rests the dust of the original of Lever's Charles O'Malley. The covering is an unique one—a coffin-shaped stone of Irish granite, decorated at the corners with shamrocks beautifully worked in bas-relief. It bears the following inscription, now nearly undecipherable:

"Francis Gettings Keogh Cohortis XXIX. Dux Obiit. Jan. 19. MDCCCLIV. Aetatis suae lx."

Keogh, as an officer in an Irish regiment, is said to have had such a remarkable series of experiences that Lever utilized them as his famous character in the rattling and rollicking story of "Charles O'Malley," in which, according to a Saturday Reviewer, "pistol shots circulated as freely as claret, the one being generally a consequence of the other."

Keogh retired from the army and went to the United States after the book appeared, living with friends in Buffalo. A then resident of Toronto, Matthew Codd, took a deep interest in Keogh, either from a personal knowledge of the family, or knowing that he was the original of the O'Malley character. When Keogh fell ill in Buffalo, Codd had him brought to Toronto, where he died, and was buried in the Codd plot.

This reminder of Lever recalls the visit of the novelist to Canada, when he walked through the streets of Quebec, clad in moccasins and feathers, in addition to his ordinary attire.

The other grave of literary interest happens to be in Quebec.

In the historic Protestant Cemetery adjoining St. Matthew's Church, is the tomb of Thomas Scott, the oldest brother of Sir Walter.

Many references to his brother, Thomas, occur in the various "Lives and Letters" of the Knight of Abbotsford. During his school days in Edinburgh Thomas acted as guardian of his younger and physically weaker brother, and they stood side by side in the scraps that marked Scottish high school life late in the eighteenth century. After recounting one of these boyish adventures Sir Walter wrote: "Of five brothers, all healthy and promising, in a degree far beyond one whose infancy was visited by personal infirmity, and whose health after this period seemed long very precarious, I am, nevertheless, the only survivor. The best-loved, and the best deserving to be loved, died before his day in a distant and foreign land."

The "distant and foreign land" was Canada, where Thomas Scott was stationed, in Quebec, as paymaster of the 70th Regiment.

It will be remembered that Thomas was for long thought to be the author of the Waverley Novels. One of Sir Walter's letters to "My dear Tom" reads: "I cannot acquiesce in your plan of settling in Canada. Should you remain there, you must consider your family as settlers in that state, and as I cannot believe that it will remain very long separated from America, I should almost think this equal to depriving them of the advantages of British subjects." Sir Walter was certainly no prophet in this matter. Thomas ended his days in the distant colony, as a British subject, and his tomb is one of the many interesting links between the Mother Country and her Western daughter.

H. A. Cody.

Good, clean, wholesome novels, unique in plot and abounding in action, adventure, are the productions of H. A. Cody. His early experience as a missionary in the Yukon district supplied him with material which he uses so successfully as the background of his books of western life. As a clergyman who enters into the activities and daily problems of his community he has, in other stories, helped to show the place of the preacher and the church in the life of the people.

Rev. Hiram Alfred Cody was born in New Brunswick in 1872, ordained to the Anglican priesthood in 1898, missionary and rector in the Yukon district for six years. Since then he has been rector of St. James' Church at St. John, N.B.

Indians Died from "Flu."

Five thousand Indians succumbed to the epidemic of the "flu" during the fall and winter of 1918 is the statement of the deputy superintendent general of Indian affairs.

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