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LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Lots of men have two spare tires and no spare cash.

The family reunion and picnic is very popular just now.

Any man who contends that this is a summerless summer is evidently primed for a hot climate.

A. D. Hone has the painting of the Murby residence for A. Weller & Co. Toronto.

Half price sale of Gingham and House dresses, Bungalow Aprons and Slipovers. 100 to choose from.—Swift's.

Don't waste time finding fault with yourself, that is what your neighbors are for.

In the days before the motor car the bull was considered the most dangerous thing with horns.

We now have some very special prices in dinner sets. Don't miss this opportunity.—McCormick & Paul.

Miss Minielly will open some new sport hats Saturday afternoon. Balance of stock later. Come and see them.

A dozen young men from here volunteered for the military camp at Rock Glen and are now enjoying the pleasures of camp life there.

Several auto loads from here attended the Chautauqua at Strathroy Tuesday and Wednesday. The entertainments were good and well patronized.

The Alvinston Free Press has installed a Linotype machine. All newspaper offices in Lambton are now equipped with type setting and casting machines.

This is a fast age. In the old days many a man killed himself trying to drink up his farm; now he can do the same thing in a day's time with a single bottle of bootleg whiskey.

The famous comedian Walter Heirs will be presented in his new mirth provoking comedy "Mr. Billings Spends His Dime" at the Lyceum To-night. There isn't a sad or slow second in this love farce.

Fannie Hurst's superb new cosmopolitan picture "The Nth Commandment" a big human story with tremendous heart appeal by the author of "Humoresque" will be presented at the Lyceum next Thursday.

Don't be afraid to brag up your municipality and its officials. If worthy they deserve it and if not it might stimulate to large activities and better work. Boquets are better than brickbats.

During August we will make to order by the Art Tailoring, your choice of 90 suit lengths. We have a special price for first class cut, style and finish. Suits will be delivered from 20th to end of August.—Swift, Sons & Co.

Elsewhere in this issue will be found a communication from the pen of Mr. James Craig on "How the Navoo road got its name." It will be found of interest to many of our readers, especially to the older ones.

We acknowledge receipt of prize list of the eleventh annual show of flowers and fruit of the Saskatoon Horticultural Society from Mr. A.R. Brown, Botanist, secretary of the Society. The show will be held for three days next week.

A grass fire on Gold street caused the calling out of the fire brigade on Monday about one o'clock, the fire encroaching dangerously close to the buildings. A few minutes drenching with the fire hose soon put it out. Were is not for our waterworks system we would be in a sad plight this unusually dry summer.

The autos of Mr. Nelson Hawn of Watford and Mr. Rogers of Kerwood collided on a narrow piece of road a couple of miles out of town one evening last week, with the result that each car lost a wheel and had to be taken to the repair shop. Fortunately the occupants of the cars got off with a severe shaking up and were brought home by the repair man.

A former resident of Watford, Mrs. Wm. Clutterbuck, passed away at the home of her son, Dr. Herbert E. Clutterbuck, Toronto, on Monday at the advanced age of 83 years. Funeral service was held in Toronto on Tuesday evening and the body brought to Watford Wednesday morning. On arrival here of the 12.40 train the funeral proceeded to Watford cemetery where she was laid at rest beside her husband who died here over 20 years ago. Rev. W. K. Hager, pastor of the Methodist church here, of which the family were devout and consistent members, conducted the commitment service. Mrs. Clutterbuck is survived by two sons, Dr. H. E. of Toronto and James G. of Lakewood, Ohio.

Harold Smith of London, appeared before Magistrate Trueman at Strathroy on Thursday on a charge of failing to provide for his wife, Sophie, who resides in Strathroy with her four small children. The magistrate suspended sentence on the understanding that Smith pay his wife $10 a week for the next three months and then $8 a week until April, 1924. After that the payments will revert to $10 a week. If Smith fails to keep up with his payments he will face a term in jail.

"Men", writes a master plumber's wife, "have entirely too high an opinion of themselves when you consider that ,according to scientific investigations, the ingredients of the average man are: Fat enough for several bars of soap. Iron for a medium sized nail. Sugar enough to fill a shaker. Lime enough to whitewash a chicken coop of small size. Sufficient phosphorus to make heads for a handful of matches, and a few other things, which altogether are worth about 98 cents.

Kincardine had an Old Boys reunion a couple of weeks ago and the Reporter of that town published an excellent souvenir number to commemorate the event, which was a credit to the publisher and a booster for the town. An Old Boys Reunion would be an excellent thing for Watford and would be attended by a very large number of former residents of this district. It is 16 years since the last one was held here and it was the greatest success of any celebration ever held in Watford. Who will set the ball rolling for another one next year, Watford's jubilee year?

BROOKE

Miss Jessie Rose, London, is spending this week with her aunt, Mrs. Walter Annett.

Farm lands on the sixth concesion will be sold under a mortgage at the Roche House, Watford, on Saturday, Sept. 8th. See ad.

In the report of the Middle School examinations published last week, Olive Leach should have been given 2nd in Latin composition instead of 3rd. The list was published as received from Principal Cameron.

Dr. and Mrs. R. N. Gubbins and son Robert, Ceresto, Mich., spent a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Annett, and also visited other friends and acquaintances in this vicinity.

Mr. Robert J. Johnston of Brooke passed away Wednesday morning August 1st. Deceased had been in ill health for the past year, but it was thought that he was recovering until a few days before his death when he was again stricken. He was a man who took an active interest in municipal affairs and was well and favorably known throughout the township. He had been a resident of Brooke for a number of years, and prior to that had resided with his family in Euphemia. The funeral was held to the Alvinston cemetery on Friday afternoon and was largely attended. He is survived by his widow and one son, Russell.

WARWICK

Miss Elgeretta Jones has returned from a visit with her brother at Acton.

Mr. Warren Jones, wife and son, Acton, are spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Jones, fourth line.

A garden party will be held on the grounds of St. Paul's church, Wisbeach, Friday, Aug. 24th. Program provided by London's Renowned Scotch Entertainers. A full evening's enjoyment assured. Admission adults 35c, children 25c. Rrefeshment booth on the grounds.

A meeting of the ratepayers and those interested in Warwick Village School Fair will be held in the Town Hall, Warwick on Thursday evening August 23rd to make further arrangements for the Fair. The Women's Institute request that representatives be sent from the different sections.

The Kelowa, B.C. Courier of July says: "A party from Coleville, Sask., consisting of Messrs. Harry Mitten, general merchant, George Close, rancher, Reeve Donald Laing and Jack Brent, secretary-treasurer of the municipality there, motored through Kelowa last week on their way to Vancouver. Mr. Brent renewed acquaintance with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. S. McKenzie, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Morris, and Mrs. Geo. A. Meikle, who are old Watford, Ont,, friends, and Mr. Close was driven around the district by Mr. Geo. Rowcliffe, an old Thedford, Ont., friend."

DELIGHTFULLY COOL WEATHER FOR STRATHROY CHAUTAUQUA

The big Six-Day Program at Strathroy Chautauqua is now in full swing and with the turn to cooler weather, is being well patronized from this district, on account of Strathroy being the only town in the district holding Chautauqua programs this year.

The following is the program for Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Monday evenings:

Thursday—"Cappy Ricks," the great comedy drama.

Friday — Concert by Lieurance's Brass choir; Lecture, "The Basis of Liberty," by Frank Preston Johnson.

Saturday—"Gretchen of Holland" by the Montague Light Opera Singers

Monday—Capps' Male Quartet; Entertainment Recital by Everett Kemp.

PERSONAL

Mrs. Cowan, Sarnia, spent the weekend with Mrs. W. S. Fuller.

Mrs. P. J. Dodds and son Avery are spending a few days in London.

Mrs. R. C. McLeay and two children, Mimico, are guests at Mr. Wm. McLeay's

Dr. E. D. Hicks, Wallaceburg, is spending a few days under the parental roof.

Mrs. H. J. Shaw is visiting her son Sidney Shaw, and daughter, Mrs. Jack Burns of London.

Mrs. M. J. Mitchell and granddaughter, Miss Marjory Hicks, are visiting friends at Talbotville.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Taylor are holidaying for a couple of weeks at the Lake View Hotel, Grand Bend.

Misses Elizabeth and Alice Aitken are spending their vacation with their sister, Louise M. Aitken.

Bert Taylor and his friend, H. G. McMillan, of Guelph, spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sillence and sons, Toledo, spent over Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Nash.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Niddery and daughters, Mildred and Doris, from Forest, spent Sunday at W. R. Earley's.

Mrs. W. C. Aylesworth and baby Phyllis are spending a couple of weeks with the former's parents in Petrolea.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Gillett and Mr. and Mrs. Hosey, of London, visited Mrs. H. F. Aylesworth on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Charles and Miss Helen Todd of Atkins, Mich., were guests at the home of Mr. D. Watt this week.

Dr. and Mrs. Ed. Kenward, son and daughter, Lacom, Ill., are visiting the former's mother, Mrs. F. Kenward.

Mr. John Stumph, Mrs. Bearss and family returned from Elmira on Friday where they had a most enjoyable time at the reunion.

Robt. W. Chambers, who has been visiting his cousin, Jack Hathaway, Palmerston, for the past month returned home Monday.

Dr. and Mrs. H. E. Clutterbuck and Mr. and Mrs. David White, Toronto, attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Wm. Clutterbuck here on Wednesday.

Mrs. J. A. McKinlay, who has been visiting relatives and old friends in this vicinity for several weeks, returned to her home in Weston this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Reid and family, London, visited at Mr. Charles Mansfield's, Front st., on Sunday. Miss Marion Reid remained for the week.

Miss Levee of New Denver, B.C., paid her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Taylor, a very delightful visit on her way home from England.

Mr. and Mrs. James Leddry and son, Leo, and Leonard Bedard of Detroit spent Thursday night at Mrs. Leddry's sister's, Mrs. Wm. Phair, on their way to London and Niagara Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Clare Dodds and daughter, Bernice, and Mr. George Dodds, Toronto, who visited relatives here last week, returned home by motor Sunday accompanied by Miss Rita Dodds.

Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Gilliland, Duluth, are visiting relatives and renewing old acquaintances here this week. They motored from Duluth to Toronto. It is eight years since they visited Watford.

Dr. and Mrs. Friend Elliot motored from Chicago and will spend a couple of weeks with the former's parents and brother. Mr. Alex Elliot, who has been spending a week in Chicago, returned home with them.

CHOP STUFF

Among the Adelaide farmers who have threshed their wheat John McNabb had a return of 36 bushels the highest yet reported. Alfred Cuddy was not far behind, with 34 bushels per acre.

While playing about the house on Monday the ten year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Gould of Florence had the misfortune to run the points of a table fork into the white of his eye. While badly hurt it is thought that the eyesight will not be injured.

The little 3-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Holland, Leamington, who was badly scalded on Wednesday of last week, by a pail of hot water falling on her, died from the effects of same Thursday night.

After an illness extending for some time, Mrs. Alex. Anderson of Ailsa Craig, passed away on Friday afternoon. Deceased had the misfortune to fall about 10 days ago, fracturing one of her limbs and gradually grew weaker.

Running unnoticed in front of her father's binder, Verna Fowler, 3 years old, daughter of William Fowler, Bayham farmer, was so badly injured that it was necessary to amputate her right leg between the knee and ankle.

When Earle Dew and Miss Irene Lowrie of the 10th line, Plympton, were driving home in a buggy from the Ford picnic at Bright's Grove on Wednesday evening, a car driven by a young man of Enniskillen ran into their buggy, smashed it up, upset the occupants, and frightened the horse into running away. Miss Lowrie received slight injuries, her face being badly scratched and her body bruised.

About half-past four o'clock Wednesday morning the barn of Dan McAlpine lot 20, gore of Ekfrid, was destroyed by fire; cause unknown. The barn contained the season's crop as far as harvested, one cow, two calves, two horses, about ninety hens, automobile and buggy, all of which were consumed. The loss will be in the neighborhood of $3000, with some insurance.

While standing in the doorway of his confectionary store, Thamesville, last Friday morning, Mr. Wm. Bambridge noticed a large black snake crawling along the sidewalk. He killed the reptile and upon measuring it found it to be four feet long. It is thought that the snake had wended its way through the town sewer and come up to the surface from the intake in front of Mr. Bambridge's store.

While working in the gravel pit near Ruthven, the men unearthed an old clay pot that has all the appearance of being hundreds of years old. Lorne Neville has sent the old relic to a Toronto museum where it will be examined by experts. Hundreds of flint arrow heads have also been found close by, which looks as if the place had been held by a tribe of Indians who passed to the happy hunting grounds many hundreds of years ago.

Fire believed to have been caused by spontaneous combustion completely destroyed the barn on the rented farm of Joseph Brady near Cairngorm, Monday. The fire broke out about two o'clock. The building, which was about 30x65 feet, contained the whole of this year's crop, including 25 loads of hay, 500 bushels of oats and 100 bushels of wheat. No one had been near the place for several days. The loss is estimated at over $5,000, with insurance of $1500.

Hearing that her father, David Dobson of Wiarton who had married for the second time, had gone to the House of Refuge at Walkerton, his daughter, Mrs. Boyd Simpson of Vancouver jumped on the train and crossed over the continent to take her father out of the home for aged indigents. The lady prior to her marriage, was a high school teacher, and remembering the hand that had toiled for her in other and better days, she lost no time in hurrying hitherward on hearing the drift of events.

Fourteen-year-old Queenie Anscombe, formerly an inmate of the Dr. Barnardo Home, Toronto, perished in flames, which totally destroyed the farm dwelling of Orville Harwood, concession eight, Township of Raleigh Friday morning, which occurred when she attempted to bolster up the flames of the kitchen stove with coal oil. The little girl had been with the Harwood family only 10 weeks, her main duties being to care for the three children of Orville Harwood, while he and his wife worked the farm. She was the only person in the house at the time.

John French of Malden found in his field last week a stalk of corn that measured 12 feet 9 inches and is yet growing.

Rev. W. McConnell, Leamington, has accepted the position of Dominion organizer for the Presbyterian Church Association, an organization opposed to church union.

Mrs. J. A. Rice, widow of the late J. A. Rice, Wyoming, passed away at her home on Wednesday morning. Her husband predeceased her a year ago last May. He was a well-known hardware merchant. Mrs. Rice has been suffering from cancer for the last eight years.

George Tilly, a provincial traffic officer, who is at present patrolling the Longwoods Road between Delaware and Wardsville, laid a number of complaints under the Motor Vehicles Act before Police Magistrate Morrison the past week, convictions being registered in sixteen cases and nearly $200 collected in fines and costs.

The Amherstburg Echo is glad to announce that the experiment that A. A. Icenhour has been carrying on for some time in the auto factory from a new machine of his own invention has proved successful even beyond his most sanguine expectations. The mayor and council were called in to observe a weekend demonstration, and witnessed the making of a sheet of glass of purest color, transparency and perfect surface, proving beyond the shadow of a doubt that Mr. Icenhour has a machine that is bound to revolutionize the glass making industry and using the natural product found in such abundance at Amherstburg, we hope will result in the establishment and development of a manufacturing industry here of great importance to the whole community and district. Mr. Icenhour has experienced the usual annoying delays and discouraging setbacks, but these have only served to sweeten the success that has resulted from his efforts.

OFF FOR WINNIPEG

W. S. Fuller, C.P.R. agent, ticketed the following people to Winnipeg on the Harvesters' Excursion Wednesday, Aug. 15th., Albert Johnston, Stanley MacLachlan, R. F. Blashill, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Edgar, R. G. Janes, Geo. Moore, J. N. Campbell, Frances Parker, Stanley Healey, Reta Healey, E. Gibbs, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mansfield, Thos. Prangley, Harold Jamieson, Wilfred Jamieson and Wm. Bettridge.

C. W. Vail, C.N.R. agent, ticketed the following:—Jas. B. Parker, Mr. and Mrs. A. DeClark; Geo. F. Hall, Clayton Edwards, Archie B. Hart, Ray S. Burman, Ivan Fitzsimons, A. Butler, Geo. Morris, P. D. Hart, Clare Manders, Jas. McClung, Wm. Kerr, J. C. Gilliland, Ben Doan, Earl Roberts, C. Carter, Fred McManus, Jack Higgins, Mrs. Jack Higgins, V. Westgate, G. A. Westgate, Mr. and Mrs. W. Elliot, Thos. Patterson.

W. I. ANNUAL PICNIC

On Thursday, Aug. 9th, at the home of the 1st vice president, Mrs. J. D. Brown, and on the spacious and beautiful lawn, gay with bright flags and streamers, pretty flowers etc, was featured the Women's Institute Annual picnic. Many of the ladies with their families and friends being present. The business of regular meeting was conducted in the usual form, after which Mrs. Leigh in her ever pleasing manner sang a solo "That Sweetheart Boy of Mine." Various lively and amusing sports were then participated in by the crowd. The picture contest proved quite exciting and ended with Mrs. (Dr.) Newell and Mrs. A. Mitchell winning first prize and Mrs. Willoughby and Mrs. Adams as a close second.

The weight guessing showed some clever thinking as four ladies, viz., Mrs. Keller, Mrs. Hay, Mrs. S. Saunders and Miss Waugh each gave correct answer.

In apple and spoon race much skill was displayed with Mrs. Kinnell reaching goal first and Mrs. Leigh second.

In guessing number of beans many answers caused much amusement, others quite well thought out, with Mrs. Millar winning first and Mrs. Stephenson second.

Many other games and races were held and a social time spent, and a very tasty and refreshing lunch served by hostess and her assistants.

With the singing of "God Save The King" the company dispersed, each thinking "it were good to have been here."