

## LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

## SCHUBERT CHOIR

The Schubert Choir held a social evening at their rehearsal rooms last night. Refreshments were served by the ladies and arrangements completed for their coming concert in the Presbyterian Church, Paris.

## IS HONORED

At the annual meeting of the Ontario Bar Association, Mr. W. S. Howarth, K.C., of this city, was one of the members elected to the council.

## A LONG RUN

Wheels have made their appearance once more after some twelve weeks of continuous sleighing—almost a record.

## COL. ASHTON HONORED

The name of Col. E. C. Ashton of this city appeared this morning in a list of Canadians brought to the notice of the Secretary of State for valuable service in connection with the war.

## ST. ANDREW'S Y. P. G.

One of the most interesting meetings of the year was held last night at the St. Andrew's Y. P. G. The Vice-President, Mr. A. Jull, being in the chair. The topic "Canadian Men and Women of Letters," was dealt with by Miss J. Lee in a most interesting manner. Selections being read from the works of Robert Service, Arthur Stringer, Norah Holm, and "Kit."

## FEW VACANT HOUSES.

City assessor A. G. Ludlow reports a serious shortage of vacant houses in the city, and this morning stated that there was not one habitable house in Brantford that was not occupied. The high price of building material is blamed for the lack of new houses, and he suggests that the city follow the example of other municipalities, and offer an exemption from taxation for a few years on all newly erected houses.

## SURPRISE PARTY

On Thursday evening last, Miss Margaret Birkett was pleasantly surprised at her home on West street by a number of friends, meeting her at the door as she was about to leave. The evening was enjoyably spent in games and music, after which refreshments were served, and the guests departed in the wee small hours of the morning.

## THE BANTAMS

The local recruiting depot for the 216th Bantam battalion is to be moved a few doors west of their

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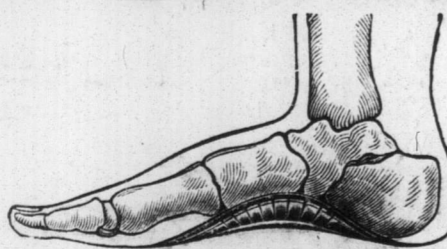
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## LOCAL PRINTERS FAST HOCKEYISTS

## Says Hamilton Herald on Subject of Recent Visit There

(Hamilton Herald)  
Brantford was always noted for being a fast town and the printers up there are faster than one would expect to find in such a city. They are so fast, in fact, that Barney Oldfield would have to take their dust. They came to Hamilton twenty-five strong on Saturday afternoon, and it was anything they overlooked in the hockey game with the Hamilton printers, it was not noticeable. They trimmed the local type-stickers by a score of 9 to 2, and showed speed all the way through that stamped them as dangerous contenders for the Stanley cup. And it must be remembered that this was human, and not "steam" power, for the steam passed out on September 16 last, and since that time stimulants have been out of order in all the best circles.

While the visitors showed up like champions on the ice, they were not so successful on the bowling alleys, as the Hamilton printers won three of the four games played.

After the sports, the visitors and their hosts adjourned to the Court House hotel, where a banquet was held, with George I. Campbell acting as toastmaster. An excellent supper was served, after which the types were entertained by speeches, music and songs. In the hockey game the teams lined up as follows:

Brantford—Casselman, goal; Shaw and Schmitt, defence; Cassidy, Donohue, McGowan and Kuntz, forwards.

Hamilton—Bush, goal; King and Taylor, defence; Askew, Allen, O'Neill and Jamieson, forwards.

Referee—"Skinny" Woods.  
The committee in charge consisted of George Zimmerman, Rome Taylor and James T. Bonner.

## CLEVER DEBATE AT IMMANUEL CHURCH

## "Resolved That Luther Did More for Civilization Than Columbus."

The B.Y.P.U. of Immanuel Baptist Church last evening conducted a most successful debate upon the subject, "Resolved That Martin Luther did more for civilization than Christopher Columbus." The affirmative side was represented by Messrs. George Johnson, Wm. Brown and Harold Ford, and the negative by Messrs. J. L. Burton, Percy Domville, and Miss Helen McIntyre and Miss Irene Grantham. The course of the debate showed no small amount of careful research upon the part of both sides, and was cleverly conducted throughout. The negative was very nearly victorious, but by a masterful closing rebuttal, Mr. George Johnson saved the day, and the result was pronounced a tie by the judges, Rev. David Alexander, Mr. O'Connor and Miss Murray. Music was rendered during the evening and a most enjoyable time spent by all.

## GOING OVERSEAS

Military division No. 2 is to be depleted of about three thousand six hundred men, four more battalions, each over nine hundred strong, having been warned for overseas. Among the 216th Bantam battalion, in which unit there are a large number of local men. Instructions to this effect were received yesterday at district headquarters, Toronto, from Ottawa. In addition to the 216th battalion, Lt. Col. P. L. Burton, the 164th Halton and Dufferin battalion, under Lt. Col. Percy Domville; the 177th of Barrie and Simcoe, under Lt. Col. J. B. McPhee; the 227th of Sault Ste. Marie, under Lt. Col. C. H. L. Jones, will also be leaving, they having been recommended as prepared for overseas service by General Logie.

## CHICAGO LIVE STOCK

By Courier Leased Stock  
Chicago, Feb. 27.—Cattle receipts 6,000, market, steady, native beef cattle \$7.90 to \$12.15; stockers and feeders \$6.35 to \$9.20; cows and heifers \$5.25 to \$10.25; calves \$5.75 to \$12.50; hogs receipts 20,000, market, strong, light \$12.40 to \$13.20; mixed \$12.90 to \$13.25; heavy \$12.85 to \$13.30; rough \$12.85 to \$12.95; pigs \$10.00 to \$11.15; bulk of sales \$13.00 to \$13.20; sheep, receipts, 10,000, market weak, wethers \$10.85 to \$12.10; lambs native \$12.10 to \$14.50.

## ENCOURAGING SUCCESS.

The Canadian Oil Fields Limited, report very encouraging success in their work of organization for the development of the new oil fields in Grey County. The samples of oil on exhibition at the offices of the company, (Heyd Block, George St.), are creating an intense and widespread interest, and considerable quantities of the company's stock now selling at only 40 cents per share, are being disposed of. Development work, it is stated, will be commenced very shortly, and all the present indications point to the property of the company developing into one of the greatest wealth producing enterprises of the day.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

## LAID AT REST

## Funeral of the Late Major Wilkes

The funeral of the late Major Wilkes took place yesterday afternoon from the residence of his brother, Mr. George H. Wilkes, Chatham St., to Greenwood cemetery.

There was a large attendance of relatives and representative citizens. The military element was in evidence in the fact that all the pallbearers were former members of the Dufferin Rifles, of which deceased at one time held command. Officers in attendance from the 215th Battalion were Major Sweet, Major Joyce, Lieut. Gundy, Lieut. Lyle, Lieut. Flowerday, and Lieut. Sweet. Four of the 215th Buglers under charge of Sergt. Dickson, marched near the hearse.

Ven. Archdeacon MacKenzie and Rev. Mr. Fotheringham, rector of Grace Church, officiated at the house and grave.

The pall bearers were, Lt.-Col. Muir, Major Hamilton, Major Sweet, Major T. H. Jones, Capt. Andrews, Capt. S. A. Jones.

The floral tributes were exceedingly beautiful, including wreaths from the officers of the Dufferin Rifles, the officers of the Court of King's Bench, Winnipeg and the Bible Study Class of the Congregational Church.

The remains were interred in the family plot in Greenwood cemetery and at the conclusion of the solemn service the bugles sounded the "Last Post" most impressively.

## Mrs. Robbins

The funeral of the late Mrs. Robbins of Goderich took place on Saturday afternoon from the home of her mother, Mrs. Young, 19 Edgerton St., to Greenwood cemetery. The services were in charge of Rev. J. W. Gordon, pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church. A large number of sorrowing friends and relatives of the deceased were in attendance. The many beautiful floral tributes received included the following:

Pillow, husband; wreaths, mother and sisters, Mrs. Robbins and family; crescent, uncle Will; wreath, Mr. and Mrs. Willman, Mr. and Mrs. Hollinrake; anchor, Mr. and Mrs. Ridda (Hamilton); cross, Wm. Paterson Co. Ltd., employees chocolate room; gates ajar, Graham Bros. and employees.

Sprays, employees of Wm. Paterson & Son Co. Ltd., Mr. and Mrs. M. Wilke, Mr. and Mrs. Wilfong and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Edgar, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Kieley, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McClure, Mr. and Mrs. Witmer and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Steadman, The Wm. Paterson Co. Limited, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Munn, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Grier, Mr. and Mrs. Denton, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Dewar, Mr. and Mrs. Aiken and Gertrude, Mrs. Cook and Mabel, Mr. and Mrs. Fritch, Mr. and Mrs. Palmer.

Sprays, Cousin Louis, Mrs. Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Coulbeck, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hampel, Lady Macabees, Mrs. Paterson and Mrs. Chittenden, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Livingstone, Mr. and Mrs. John McHutchison, Mr. and Mrs. Chris. Sutherland, Mr. and Mrs. R. Beattie, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Sigman, Mrs. Geo. Miller and Mrs. Chris. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. F. Vinall, Miss Maher, Dorie Lodge, A. F. and A. M. Mrs. Billings, Penzance, Ont., Mrs. Roszelle, Fenwick, Ont.

The following were out of town visitors at the funeral:

From Dunnville, Ont., Mrs. Jo'in A. Schofield, and Miss Schofield, Mrs. Henry D. Fuller, Alex. and Josie.

From Goderich, Ont., Mrs. W. F. Clark, Miss Anger, Mrs. Nicol.

## Mrs. Bowers

Kincardine, Feb. 27.—The funeral of the late Mrs. Wm. Bowers took place yesterday from the G. T. R. station, the remains being brought



## SOCIAL and PERSONAL

The Courier is always pleased to use items of personal interest. Phone 180.

Miss Ruth Farrar of Hamilton is the guest of Miss Alice Lahey.

Mrs. McLeod will leave this afternoon for Moose Jaw, where she will spend a few months before her return to the city.



GROVER ALEXANDER  
The famous American pitcher, who has signed a contract with the Philadelphia National Club at a reported salary of \$12,500 a year.

from Toronto for interment in the local cemetery.

Mrs. Bowers was born in Smith's Falls, Ont., her maiden name being Mary Ann Collins. She was in her 85th year. She is survived by two sons, Rev. A. C. Bowers, of Berkle, Cal., and five daughters, Mrs. J. Hawke, Moosejaw, Sask.; Mrs. H. M. Hunt, Winnipeg, Man.; Mrs. Geo. Swan, Ottawa; Mrs. D. Mahaffy, Montreal, and Mrs. H. A. Grainger, Toronto. Rev. Mr. Bowers and Mr. Grainger accompanied the remains to Kincardine.

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W. H. Hearst, Minister of Agriculture

## BUSINESS MEN OF HAMILTON HERE

## Fraternal Club Visit Paid to This City Last Evening; A Fine Time

A great social success was scored at the Y. M. C. A. last night when the Business Men's Club of Hamilton paid a fraternal visit to the local organization and were tendered a royal welcome. Over thirty visitors took in the trip, arriving here on the 5.40 radial car where they were met by a deputation from the Brantford club, and conducted to the banquet hall at the "Y" where a sumptuous repast was served by the ladies. It was a merry gathering indeed, numbering in all about sixty or seventy, who sat down to the tables, heavily laden with dainties, to which, in short order they did full justice.

Following the repast, sparkling after dinner speeches of greetings and appreciation were given. Mr. O. Morris, president of the local business men's class in a brief address of welcome, extended a welcome to the Hamilton men, and expressed his pleasure at seeing so many present. He extended to them the freedom of the city, and while he was not in a position to present to them the keys of the city hall, he granted the full privilege of inspecting it from the exterior, and advised the visitors to examine it well and closely before their return.

## Athletics

Representing the sports phase of the club, the Rev. G. A. Woodside in a brief speech marked by his characteristic humor, complimented the ladies on their splendid catering to the "inner man" and also congratulated the gentlemen present on their seeming sense of justice in partaking of the supper. Referring to the physical department of Y.M.C.A. work, the speaker thought that its most important function was not solely to develop prowess in sports, but to improve the social aspect of the lives of those whom it affected. The need in athletics was to impress on those participating that it was not necessary to be a thug, or a cheat, nor was it essential to indulge in profanity to be a successful sportsman. He thought that if through the instrumentality of the Y. M. C. A. gentlemanly tactics could be introduced into sports, that a great good would be accomplished. Concluding, he reminded his hearers, that it required a good man to lose a hard fought contest, and was one that whoever won, in the evening would be thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Mr. George Mosely, physical director of the institution, briefly welcomed the visitors, and promised them a battle royal in each of the games to follow. He proposed three cheers for the ladies, which were given with good will.

On behalf of the Hamilton men, Mr. Ward acknowledged the hearty welcome that had been accorded them and concurred in the remarks of Mr. Woodside, giving it as his opinion, that gentlemanly instincts should govern athletics.

## Appreciation

Mr. Johnson, President of the Hamilton club was also called upon, and expressed his appreciation of the hearty manner in which he and his fellow visitors had been received, and hoped within a short time to be able to return the hospitality which had been extended to them last night, upon the occasion of the return visit of the Brantford business men.

Mr. Carson, another popular member of the Hamilton organization expressed like sentiments and assured the Brantford men of a good time on the occasion of their return visit.

During the banquet splendid music was furnished by the Brant Orchestra, their selections being heartily applauded. The hostesses who were in charge for the evening were Mesdames, W. S. Bowers, Morris, James, Hope, Lancourt, Jarvis and Hughes and Miss Morris.

The locals were highly successful in the sports contests which followed, winning four out of six games played in basketball and volleyball. Four games were played in volleyball, of which Brantford won three, by the scores of 11-6; 11-4 and 11-7, while the visitors copped one, 11-7. In basketball the results were even, Hamilton winning the first game 25-20, while Brantford came right back in the second contest and secured a victory, 12-4.

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## COMING EVENTS

**BRANTFORD CHORAL SOCIETY**  
—First rehearsal, Willard Hall, Thursday, March 1st, 8 o'clock. Bring "Messiah" books. New work not yet to hand. All singers cordially invited.

**ANNUAL REUNION OF MEMBERS and friends of Women's Hospital Aid** will be held in Conservatory of Music, Nelson St., on Wednesday from 3 to 6. Refreshments and short program. No charges. All friends in city and country cordially invited.

## Too Late to Classify

**LOST**—A sheep-lined coat, on the Cockshutt Road, between Almas Bakery and Tutela Heights Corner. Reward. Return to Almas Bakery.

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**WANTED**—Teamster. Apply at Parker's Flour and Feed Store, Dalhousie street. M/3

**MECHANICS WANTED**—Carpenter used to factory and mill repair work. Apply Machine shop, Penmans Limited, Paris. M/3

## DEATH NOTICES

**BULL**—In Walkerville, Monday, Feb. 26, Joseph Bull, formerly of Brantford. Funeral to take place in Walkerville, Wednesday, Feb. 28th, at 2 p.m.

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Dated this 10th day of February, 1917.  
C. S. TAPSCOTT, Brantford, Solicitor for Executors.