

THE WEEKLY ONTARIO AND BAY OF QUINTE CHRONICLE

BELLEVILLE, ONTARIO, THURSDAY, JANUARY 1, 1920

MORTON & HERITY, PROPRIETORS

MASONIC INSTALLATION AND RECEPTION TO RETURNED BRETHREN

New Officers of Moira, The Belleville and Eureka Lodges—Unique Function at Banquet at City Hall—Masonic Ex-Service Men Responded to Toast in Their Honor.

The Masonic Temple was the scene of the annual installation of officers of Monday afternoon. The Deputy Grand Master of the order, R. W. Bro. W. N. Ponton, was the installing officer and was assisted by R. W. Bro. J. Newton, a senior warden, and R. W. Bro. C. J. Symons, district deputy, as junior wardens. These taking part in the ceremonies were V. W. Bro. W. O. Adams, V. W. Bro. John McIntosh, R. W. Bro. H. F. Ketcheson, Bro. W. J. Diamond, Wor. Bro. James Peck, W. Bro. Barragar and others. R. W. Bro. H. J. Clarke conferred the past master's degree.

A pleasing feature of the installation was the presentation of past master's jewels to the retiring masters of Moira and the Belleville Lodges—Wor. Bro. Wm. Cook and Wor. Bro. A. E. Thrasher.

The newly installed officers are as follows:

- Moira Lodge, No. 11.**
W. M.—J. W. Kinross.
I. P. M.—Wm. Cook.
S. W.—F. W. Frost.
J. W.—W. O. Swayne.
Chaplain—David Price.
Treasurer—Wm. McGill.
Sec'y—R. Wor. Bro. John Newton.
Senior Deacon—A. J. Boyes.
Junior Deacon—H. J. Hall.
Organist—F. Robinson.
B. of O.—Wor. Bro. John McIntosh.
Inside Guard—A. E. Barlow.
Senior Steward—C. A. Payne.
Junior Steward—L. R. Butchay.
Tyler—C. F. Cochrane.
- The Belleville Lodge, No. 123.**
W. M.—J. O. R. McCurdy.
I. P. M.—A. E. Thrasher.
S. W.—W. J. Hume.
J. W.—Allan Schryver.
Chaplain—T. D. Ruston.
Treasurer—A. McGill.
Secretary—D. Barragar.
S. D.—M. Mackey.
J. D.—I. Stephenson.
Organist—Ernest Wheatley.
D. of O.—W. O. Adams.
I. G.—F. H. Cheshier.
S. S.—A. Boyes.
J. S.—H. B. Clarke.
Tyler—W. D. Embury.
- Eureka Lodge, No. 285.**
W. M.—J. O. Herby.
I. P. M.—Dr. Morley A. Day.
S. W.—Leon E. Walmesley.
J. W.—H. O. Stewart.
Chaplain—Dr. C. T. Scott.
Treas.—H. W. Ackerman.
Sec'y—W. J. Diamond.
S. D.—Ernest T. Thompson.
J. D.—Samuel F. McGuire.
Organist—W. B. Riggs.
D. of O.—Richard McCrudden.
I. G.—E. M. Fisk.
S. S.—Wm. B. Doolittle.
J. S.—Ronald S. Lewis.
Tyler—E. E. O. Bonisteel.

Banquet at City Hall.
At seven o'clock last evening a unique function took place at the city hall, the occasion being the annual St. John's Day banquet, which was this year in honor of the returned Freemasons from France and Belgium. A large number of soldier craftsmen were present as guests.

R. W. Bro. H. F. Ketcheson was chairman of the proceedings. With him at the head table sat the representatives of Grand Lodge and the new and past masters of the three lodges. The accommodation had been made for over four hundred and it was entirely taken up. The tables were decorated with ferns and Masonic emblems, while on the walls hung flags.

The tables were heavily laden with cold meats and salads, cakes, pies, fruit, cheese, olives and many other edibles.

The orchestra was led by Mr. Ernest Wheatley at the piano and furnished music during the banquet.

last "To Our Returned Brethren From Overseas," W. Bro. Fairbankment was the speaker of the evening and he was received with musical honors and cheers, which shook the building.

Mr. Parliament said this was the proudest moment of his life. The best in Masonry had been called out and was cemented in the most beautiful music and song.

He opened with a patriotic line of thought, telling of Britain's sacrifice and heroic spirit and that of the Dominions. Canada's citizen soldiers nobly upheld the honor of the land as the best soldiers of the world. We did not know the herculean tasks they could perform and little realized the deep love of country that impelled them. Every message across the cables brought news of added stories to Canadian arms. Fifteen thousand Freemasons went overseas from Ontario and three hundred from this district. Eighteen of these noble three hundred sleep across the sea. What an honor it was to be represented in the greatest war in history for the protection of the home and friends.

Our duty is not done until every returned soldier is re-established in civil life.

New Era Davens.
Have not the returned men changed our view point? The new era has dawned. We have missed the lessons of the war if we do not inculcate the principles of sacrifice and service. Time may destroy bronze monuments, but the monument erected by our soldiers shall never be destroyed. We do not pay our 50,000 fallen a true tribute unless we make this a greater and better Canada. It is ours to develop this country and build up a citizenship in this part of North America that will be a bulwark of British institutions and principles against the next great day. Let us see that the proper type of immigrant who is allowed in.

Woman's Service.
Mr. Parliament paid a compliment to the heroic service of women in the war by giving up their seats and brothers for service. A nation that puts its women on a high plane need not fear the future.

The pledge of the returned men was received with the song, "Soldiers of the King."

Bro. Harry McKay sang with much feeling, "Little Mother of Mine."

There were a very large representation of returned soldier Masons present. The chairman selected twelve to respond.

Major Ponton Speaks.
Major R. D. Ponton declared the honor done the returned boys would long live in their memory. British veterans in the past had not been treated justly. The G.W.V.A. is striving to merge the returned men into the citizen. There are in Belleville over 1,100 returned men. They have been steady and law-abiding. He thought the presidency of the G.W.V.A. equal to any honor that could be conferred.

A Chance to Make Good.
Major J. McCorkell said the pal got no sympathy when his comrade fell when he mourned. This is the kind of man who is returning. He does not want sympathy and doesn't ask for it. The major told how the boys were making good in civilian life. "Give them a chance to make good. I'll stake my life on any chap that ever served in France that he will make good," said Major McCorkell in closing, amid applause.

Bro. John McIntosh, Jr., thanked the Masons for the fine social evening and the compliments paid the returned men.

Bro. James Booth sang, "Tommy Lads" and "The Floral Dance" as encore.

Bro. Lieut. Chas. Payne said that he felt the government was doing everything possible to assist returned men. It is hard to satisfy every one. It is well to leave this matter to the Dominion Government. Mr. Payne expressed the appreciation of overseas Masons for what their lodges had done for them.

Other Addresses.
Bro. Major C. F. Wallbridge made a happy speech telling of his experience in British lodges.

Bro. Harry A. Thompson gave two trombone solos with orchestral accompaniment.

Bro. Harry Dawkins spoke a few words as did Bro. Sergt. Instructor

Stole Cheque and Cashed it

New Cheque Dodge By Stranger—
Youth Lands in Jail.

The police answered a call to Mr. Sims' barber shop on Front Street yesterday afternoon and arrested Robert Allan Williams, aged 20 years, who could not give a good account of himself. Williams was suspected of having stolen a \$50 cheque belonging to Mr. M. V. North and a pair of gloves from Mr. J. Watts' barber shop. It seems Williams, who is an American, went to Watts' shop and was believed to have stolen a cheque from a pocket of Mr. North's coat and a pair of Mr. Watts' gloves. He made efforts to cash the cheque and finally succeeded. A clerk in Mr. Henry Stewart's shop cashed the cheque. Williams the change after his purchase of some socks. Williams then went to Mr. Sims' shop and made an effort to change some of his clothes. This led to his arrest.

Williams this morning pleaded guilty to stealing the cheque and gloves and to forgery of Mr. North's name. He was remanded for judgment and sentence until Jan. 13th, 1920.

Frederick W. Mooney Gets Out On Bail

Magistrate Takes Lenient View of Man's Charge in Connection with Death of Wesley Huftman.

(From The Ontario's Ottawa Correspondent.)
OTTAWA, Dec. 30.—After a brief preliminary hearing of the evidence, Frederick W. Mooney, 41 Concord street, Ottawa, charged with manslaughter in connection with the death of Wesley Clayton of Hodgson town, Belleville, was bound over to the Police Court today to stand trial on a charge of manslaughter in the grand jury at the winter assizes opening here on January 15, bring in a true bill against Mooney, he will have to stand trial.

The evidence adduced at today's hearing was in effect the same as the inquest a week ago when the coroner's jury found that Mooney did not shoot with intent to kill.

Mr. John Patton was the first witness called. To Crown Attorney Ritchie, prosecuting, he told the story of having received the telephone message from Mooney to the effect that someone was trying to enter his cleaning and dyeing plant at the corner of Concord street and Greenfield avenue on the night of December 12. He had gone there immediately and had seen one man running away. His effort to catch the man proved futile. Mr. Mooney had informed him that another man was in the yard. He saw Clayton on the gate and seized him by the foot. Clayton jerked his foot loose and at that moment Mr. Patton heard the report of a rifle shot. Clayton fell to the ground. Witness went to telephone for the police and when he returned the injured man had been carried to a neighboring house and first aid rendered.

Alex Mooney, son of the accused, told of hearing his father say that someone was breaking into the front door of the house and saw two men trying the windows.

Dr. Herbert Moffatt, who attended Clayton in St. Luke's Hospital, from the time he was injured till his death explained the cause of death. He also stated that Clayton's father had absolutely refused to allow any surgical operation to be performed on the youth, and that it was only through persistent entreaty that he allowed surgical work that was absolutely necessary to be performed.

To Dr. Gordon Henderson, Dr. Moffatt said that he had seen the contents of Clayton's pockets and they included a screw driver, an empty bottle that had contained oil, and other small tools.

Sergt. Cunningham, of the Ottawa police, told of being called to the scene of the shooting and of applying first aid to Clayton's wound.

Dr. Gordon Henderson, defending Mooney, in summing up the evidence said that he did not think it of a nature to warrant a criminal and asked in lieu of a dismissal of the charge that Magistrate Askwith have Mooney bound over on bail \$5,000 each. Mr. Patton stood Crown Attorney Ritchie's bondsman for one surety.

Ranney's Falls To Be Developed

City Clerk Holmes today received the following communication relating to the development of Ranney's Falls on the Trent River which the city council urged:

Belleville, Dec. 29th, 1919.
J. Wilfred Holmes,
City Clerk,
Belleville, Ont.

Dear Sir,—
With further reference to your letter of Dec. 19th re resolution of the city council we beg to advise that the matter was laid before the chief engineer and we have received the following advice from him:

"An order-in-council has been approved authorizing the expenditure of the necessary funds to develop Ranney's Falls. Instructions have been issued by the Commission to the engineering departments to prepare designs, specifications and to call for tenders and the necessary equipment at the earliest possible date so as to be able to commence development in the spring."

The engineer further advises that this action was taken by the Commission some time ago.

Yours very respectfully,
Signed,—
Hydro Electric Power Com. Ontario
Oswald H. Scott,
Local Manager.

Those Who Have Filed Qualifications

Those who have qualified up to 5 o'clock this afternoon for civic office are:

For Mayor
William Bates Riggs, Automobile Dealer.

W. C. Mikel, barrister-at-law
For Alderman
Jameson Bone, Manager
Alfred Hunter, Inspector
J. Harry DeMarsh, Plumber
Robert David Adams, G.T.R. clerk
William Rufus Tobias, Wensley,
C. T. R. Engineer
Daniel Vincent Doyle, Contractor
R. D. Ponton, barrister-at-law
Ed. A. Kellaway, Grocer
Mr. Mack Robertson has declined to stand as candidate for Trustee for Sanson Ward.

TO HOLD ON AS LONG AS POSSIBLE.
OTTAWA, Dec. 30.—There will be no Dominion general election before 1922 or possibly 1923 is the decision of Dominion Government.

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Will assure brisk Year End selling for us—and Worth-While savings for you

Special No. 1

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Reduced from \$27.50 and \$32.50 to

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All new Coat Modes reflect the latest tendencies. There are Coats only at prices shown in shades of Grey, Taupe, Navy. Splendid fashionable fabrics have the new shapes with belted styles.

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\$23.75

Special No. 2

Millinery

Our Entire Stock of Trimmed and Untrimmed Winter Hats Reduced to

1/2 Price



What could be more timely for you than a half-price sale of smart new Winter Millinery? Yet that is exactly what we offer. There will be no exceptions, every trimmed hat and untrimmed shape in our showrooms to go at a 50% reduction. They are all charming modes developed of Dovetyn, Velour, Velvet, Plush, Felt, etc., and at this half-price reduction, every model is a remarkable bargain. Come in and see them on the Second Floor.

The Ritchie Co. Ltd.

C. P. R. to Receive One of German Liners

MONTREAL, Dec. 30.—The Str. "Prinz Friedrich Wilhelm," one of the seven German liners handed over to the British government by the U. S. is to be transferred to the Canadian Pacific ocean service, according to announcement today.

THE BRITISH LIBRARY

THREE ARRESTS MADE TODAY FOR SALE OF WOOD ALCOHOL WHISKEY

Nearly One Hundred Deaths Follow in the Wake of Poisonous Whiskey Supplied From New York—Heavy Death Toll in New England.

(Special 4 p.m. Despatch from Canadian Press Ltd.) NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Adolph Panarelli, a Manhattan liquor dealer, John Romanelli, a Brooklyn undertaker and Samuel Saleby, a Brooklyn druggist have been arrested by authorities and this morning faced charges before a U. S. Commissioner in connection with the selling of wood alcohol as whiskey through five states in the last ten days, death and blindness following in its wake.

TWELVE NOMINATED FOR MAYOR, THIRTY-SIX FOR ALDERMEN

Five Wards Return Public School Trustees By Acclamation—Addresses By Mayoralty Candidates.

City Nominations. Mayor H. F. Ketcheson, proposed by H. N. Simmons. Aldermanic Nominations. Mackenzie Robertson, proposed by R. D. Ponton, seconded by Ald. C. Hanna.

Public School Trustees. Foster Ward—J. A. Higgins (acclamation) proposed by R. Adams, seconded by A. F. Hunter.

Considerable interest was manifested in the civic nominations today with twelve nominations for mayor and 36 for aldermen. The council chamber was well filled.

City Clerk Holmes occupied the chair from 11 to 12 during which time some of the nominees addressed the electors.

Mr. W. C. Mikel on coming forward said, if elected he proposed to use his efforts in conjunction with the members of the council and the citizens generally along the following lines:

labor. It will give labor more time to improve and more money to save and to spend. If labor has more money to spend, the merchant, the doctor, the lawyer and the Church will get more money from labor and the banks will get more depositors.

Bay Bridge. The Bay Bridge is morphologically designed to be treated as a government highway than an ordinary piece of road.

Rising Tide of Progress. It is said "there is a tide in the affairs of men which taken at the flood leads on to fortune."

Improve the Bay Bridge. The lower part of the Bay of Quinte has very deep water but owing to the water in the upper part of the Bay being shallower, the big boats cannot come into our beautiful bay and we are deprived of boat shipping and the possibility of establishing a shipbuilding industry here.

Old Boys' Reunion. The Old Boys' Reunions in the past were very successful. They gave opportunities for former residents of Belleville to not only revisit the scenes of earlier and happier days and have family reunions but also to see many former friends who had also left Belleville.

Gravel Road. This Xmas was one of the quietest there has been for many years. There was piles of snow in the fence corners but none on the road for sleighs.

Labor Conditions. He said if labor conditions are improved the whole community is improved. An eight hour day and better pay will benefit the conditions of

grounds for the public. Ald. Woodley declared that if he stood he would favor progress, walks and sewers. He was out for the laboring class. There were all kinds of candidates—featherweights, lightweights, heavyweights but no U.F.O.

Our debenture debt is \$1,432,500. Our taxes for all purposes, this year exclusive of cement sidewalks, sewers, street watering, street lighting and street pavements amount to 38 3-10 mills or only 1 7-10 mills less than 4 cents on the dollar of your assessment.

Having recovered from his illness Chief Thomas Portland returned from Toronto Monday evening and at once resumed his police duties.

Mr. H. Marsalec spent the weekend visiting his sister Miss Pansy Marsalec at Toronto.

Mr. R. S. Richardson left for Windsor this week to spend the holidays with her daughter Mrs. G. Lawton.

Miss Lloyd New York City arrived home yesterday to spend two weeks with her mother, Mrs. R. W. Lloyd.

Mr. D. Foster returned home to Napanee after making a prolonged stay with her son, Mr. T. D. Foster, in the old country. While in her 80th birthday. At a tea given in her honor, old and new friends joined in wishing her many more years of health and happiness.

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decorations of the school room and the great large tree. Mr. Murphy furnished music for the drill and in between the acts.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Murphy are rejoicing over the arrival of a boy. Congratulations. Mrs. Jas. Toppings and son Frank spent Tuesday in Deseronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank McAlpine, Montreal, spent Xmas at his father's, Mr. Pat. McAlpine.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Clark spent Xmas with friends at Morrisburg.

Mr. A. McGuinness is spending the holidays in the western cities.

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NEW YEAR'S. Is only a short way off now so shop early and get the choice of all things for New Years Gifts. We are fully equipped in all lines. Here Are a Few: China, Berry Sets, Biscuit Jars, Jardineres, Sugar and Creams, Fancy Cups and Saucers, Cut Glass, Brouze Images and Silverware, Child's China Set, Dolls, Books, Games, Toys, Child's Wool Sets, Ladies' Tea Aprons, Camisoles, Walsts, new every day, Boudoir Caps, Kimonos, Sweater Coats, Ladies' Undershirts, French Ivory in Mirrors, Jewel Boxes, Etc, Silk Hose, Ladies' Handkerchiefs, Table Runners, Middy Ties, Doilies, Table Covers, Table Cloths, Skirt Lengths, Waist Lengths, Men's Shirts, Mitts, Sox, Ties, Handkerchiefs. And other articles too numerous to mention. At McIntosh Bros.

A Happy New Year to All. FINDLAY & PHILBIN. Successors to THE W. D. HANLEY CO. PHONE 812 329 FRONT ST.

The Shelter Annual Santa Claus Fund. Inspiring Sermons by Prof. Morrison. Yesterday I paid a visit to a home, or what goes under the name of home, in this city and found a mother and five children living in one room, very little fire, poorly furnished, one bed and a mattress thrown on the floor. They had had no breakfast, had no Xmas dinner, no oranges, no apples, no candy and no Father Xmas. The clothes in which the children were dressed to take them to the Shelter were miserable rags and it is to help us to carry on this kind of work, removing children from bad surroundings, neglected conditions and placing them in good comfortable homes and our Shelter door is open night or day to receive such as these little ones, but it takes money to keep the work moving. Will you not then give? Even though it may be a little it will be thankfully received. We need the money and you can supply the need. The Finance Committee kindly acknowledge the following donations to the above fund: Previously acknowledged \$1,486.03. Primary Dept. Bridge St. \$1.50. S.S. 2.00. John Harb 2.00. W. H. Waller 2.00. S.S. No. 3, Dunganon, 1.00. per Miss G. Thompson 2.00. Mrs. J. B. Boyce 2.00. S.S. No. 2 Tyndinaga. 1.00. per Miss Milling 2.00. A. W. Dickens 2.00. B. O. Scott 2.00. Chief Newton 1.00. Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Deacon 10.00. Mrs. H. A. Lennox 1.00. S.S. No. 16 Rawdon. 2.00. per Miss Reid 2.00. Miss L. A. Lavole 3.00. Mrs. J. D. McIntyre 3.00. Geo. Ellis 1.00. W. S. Cook 2.00. Mrs. Geo. Reynolds 2.00. Total \$1,529.53. Yours respectfully, Thos. D. Ruston.

CORE. No Blame For It. "From the find that the purely accident there can be the railway employees." The paragraph of Coroner Dr. evening at the into the death on Dec. 20th, G.T.R. engine east of Corby, Carney cond of witnesses, the G.T.R. appeared in Conductor been in the over nine years the "extra" Belleville, St. Peterborough, Hoard's, T. engine and the Belleville. "What was the accident?" "I felt the crossing." The train car lengths a The whistling crossing and board until a "I saw the ditch on the There were p hind the van left hand sid farther west ducer noted on his back the other on both men w the best thing them in the One walked a other was w were brought and take "Was there between you on the scene) with the wh "None was "How fast time of the a "About 15 From the grade coming is a clear view west, said w railway. "I asked to if they had bell. He co heard the wh had they see George H charge of the train was in The accident a.m. The tr to stop until The maximum was 20 miles large super-h van's fireman side from wh approached. Of the deck a seat, when he engine was a the crossing train has a along this line railway line. ing. There v snow, but not view. The fire The engineer emergency an "six car length engine was, ing on his s caboose went past the ho stopped. The jar just as he The whistl board west of The engine charged him "not having" "I did a possible, with "Do you lo dangerous on "I could ne The crossing "Your tra much noise?" "No. There bell was ring Hector F. evidence show "firing" for "spare list." engine severa Hannivan and

January

HARRY BALLANCE

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley St. was bereaved by the death of a young boy, William Harry. The child was a bright and loving child, and had been ill for a long time and serious disease on Sunday. He died at the Kingston hospital...

Holiday Season

It goes each year. We have the real holiday spirit. The Christmas tree is the center of the home. The children are excited and the atmosphere is festive...

Entertainment

Bridge St. Church. The Epworth League was the main attraction. The choir gave a fine performance and the service was well attended...

Parliament, M.P.P.

Prospective Speaker, Nelson, M.P.P., is of U.E.L. He has been active in the community and is expected to be a strong voice in the House of Commons...

VETERANS' CHILDREN RECEIVE GIFTS FROM SANTA CLAUS

Nearly Six Hundred Kiddies Carry Away Parcels From Huge Christmas Tree—First Event of the Kind.

Never in the history of Belleville have so many children been made happy at a Christmas tree as the six hundred or so of kiddies who were the recipients of gifts from the saint of ruddy cheeks and flowing snowy locks, Santa Claus, at the G.W.V.A. Christmas function in the Griffin Opera House yesterday afternoon...

A Christmas Legend. I like that old sweet legend Not found in Holy writ And which John or Matthew Had made Bible out of it. But, though it is not a gospel, There is no law to hold The heart from growing better That hears the story told...

Major Ponton publicly expressed the veterans' gratitude to the children for the generous contributions. "May I now express the appreciation of every returned soldier for all that has been done for us!" Miss Christina Turney, a daughter of a gallant comrade, proved herself a real platform artist and entertainer with a brilliant future...

Elizabeth Stuart Phelps. The bird of earth had gone. I like to think for playmate We have the Lord Christ still And that still above our weakness He works his mighty will...

Obituary. P. C. VAN ALLEN. Peter Cornelius VanAllen passed away at 5.40 o'clock last evening at his home, 323 Front Street. He had not been well recently. A few days ago he was taken seriously ill...

IN MEMORIAM. KING. In loving memory of Louis F. King, who died at Shannonville, December 26th, 1918. We loved her, yes we loved her, But Jesus loved her more And He has sweetly called her To yonder shining shore...

County and District

Chinaman of Trenton Fined at Brockville Friday

A SLIGHT BLAZE. Man From the West Had to Show Vaccination Marks at Montreal. Youthful Trio Arrested. During the past few weeks a regular epidemic of petty thieving has been carried on in several office buildings in the vicinity of Court House Avenue...

Seven Cases Missing. District Attorney James C. Dolan, of Gouverneur, N.Y., is investigating the disappearance of seven cases of whiskey and a suitcase of goods from the third floor of the Norman Hotel, Ogdensburg, a few nights ago. The liquor was stored in a room in the hotel for the private use of Joseph H. Norman, the proprietor...

Former Perth Lady Injured. Miss Lillie Stone, formerly of Perth, but now of Los Angeles, Cal., had a narrow escape from serious accident a few weeks ago. She was riding in a street car when, at the intersection of two streets, two cars collided...

Looking for Gravel Pit. The Canadian Pacific Railway has a number of men digging upon and testing a number of farms in the township of South Gower for gravel suitable for ballast. It was some time ago rumored that the C.P.R. intended opening a gravel pit a short distance from their Prescott branch a few miles from the Fort Town...

Old Document Found. A document of the year 1821 bearing the unmistakable signs of its age but with the writing still legible, was found a few days ago by John S. Stewart, caretaker of the court house. It is a return of the population of the township of Wolford in the above year, the total being 470, and is signed by J. H. Davies, town clerk...

Struck by Train, Dies. James O'Brien, aged 45, address unknown, was struck by the Grand Trunk express train No. 6 while crossing the tracks at Pointe Claire, Que., at 8.30 o'clock last night, suffering such injuries that he died later in the Montreal General Hospital. O'Brien had his skull fractured and other injuries. He was crossing between an eastbound and a westbound train when struck by No. 6, which took him to Montreal—Brockville Recorder and Times.

Had to Show His Arm. A Kingston man, who was in Montreal on Thursday, states that a man from the west was "held up" for his vaccination certificate. The man produced the certificate but the authorities were not satisfied with the piece of pasteboard (evidently having some doubt), and they made the fellow take off his coat and show the scratch made on his arm.

Few Vessels Harbored at Ogdensburg. Ogdensburg, N.Y., is harboring the smallest number of boats this winter in many years. The principal cause is the La Follette law, which drove the Rutland Transit Company there out of business and compelled many steamboat owners to change to Canadian registry. Twelve steamers, eight barges, four tugs and two dredges have sought winter quarters there.

Night Train Was Stalled. The train on the Grand Trunk from Montreal on Friday night was stalled near Rideau station from 3.10 till 5.30 on Friday morning, owing to trouble with the engine. Quite a number of Kingston travellers were on board, and they had quite a three some wait, but then accidents will happen, and they were eventually landed safely in Kingston.

Turned the First Sod. In speaking at the banquet tendered by the retiring chairman of the Board of Education at Kingston, a week ago, the secretary, John Macdonald, made reference to some of the old-time members of the board. It is of interest to note that Henry Hunter, the well-known contractor, was a member of the board thirty years ago. He was chairman of the property committee when Victoria school was built, and had the honor of turning the first sod for this school with a handsome speech presented to him for that occasion. He still has the spade in his possession, and is very proud of it.

More Boats Harbored. Lem Som, a Chinaman of Trenton, was fined \$206.60 at police court in Brockville on Friday for an infraction of the Ontario Temperance Act. When the International Limited arrived at Brockville License Inspectors Faber and Sykes and County Constable Frank Sisk conducted a search which resulted in twelve bottles of liquor being seized. No arrests were made.

Patients Entertained. Thursday afternoon the K of C. Huts staff and lady helpers of Kingston paid a visit to the patients at Rockwood Hospital, taking with them candy, ice cream, cake and cigarettes for the soldier patients there. The afternoon was spent in playing games and a musical program was rendered with Miss L. Martin acting as accompanist. After the concert refreshments were served to the patients and cigarettes were distributed to them also. Those who visited the patients yesterday were Mrs. A. Martin, Mrs. F. Milo, Mrs. W. G. Bailey, Miss Sangster, Miss M. Barry and Miss L. Martin.

Address by Prof. Matheson. Problems which have been puzzling mathematicians since the days of Euclid were discussed by Prof. J. Matheson before the members of the Queen's Mathematics and Physics Club, Kingston, on Thursday afternoon. Among the problems described by Prof. Matheson were the duplication of the cube, the squaring of the circle and the trisection of an angle. Modern mathematics had shown, he said, that none of these were soluble by Euclid's methods. Mr. H. Rice presided.

County and District

Wedding Bells

LANGABER — BATHFORD. At Bridge Street Methodist Parsonage, Wednesday forenoon, there occurred the happy event of the marriage of Miss Luella B., eldest daughter of Mrs. B. Langaber, city, to Mr. Frank Langaber, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Langaber, Corbyville. Rev. Dr. Scott was the officiating minister, the bride and groom being unattended. At the conclusion of the marriage ceremony, the wedding party proceeded to the home of the bride's mother, Octavia street, where the usual festivities of the occasion were joyously indulged in, and congratulations and best wishes extended to the bride and groom by the assembled guests which she then and later received testified to the esteem and affection in which she is held. Upon their return Mr. and Mrs. Langaber will take up their residence near Corbyville, where the groom is engaged in farming, and whither the best wishes of their many friends for future happiness will follow them.

JEFFREY — BATEMAN. Christmas Day was an eventful one in the lives of two well-known and popular young people, Miss Ida Bateman, youngest daughter of Mr. Harry Bateman, Station street, and Mr. Harry M. Jeffrey, of Sidney, who were united in marriage at the Tabernacle Parsonage, Church St., by the Rev. W. Elliott, on Thursday afternoon at four o'clock. They left on the 5.07 train for Toronto and Hamilton and will make their home at Ottawa. The popularity of the young couple was evidenced by numerous and useful presents which included gifts from the Tabernacle Sunday school, the S. & Hyman Co., the girls from Suljan's and from girl friends. Their hosts of acquaintances will wish for them a happy wedded life.

Liquor Policy is Cause of Flutter. There was considerable commotion and excitement in and around the council room of the Ontario Cabinet consequent upon the announcement made that a bone-dry state of affairs was likely soon to obtain in the province. The first breeze blew when a deputation of the Citizens' Liberty League was ushered into the seats of the mighty. It was given out that the object of the visit was nothing more serious than a request for the recount of the referendum ballots, and this statement must, of course, be accepted in good faith. Still it would be surprising if "the topic of the hour" was not discussed, and if also the mission of the Liberty League should turn out to be a mere coincidence. The opportunity appeared too good to admit of such astute men passing it by when, as they claim, "the liberty of the subject is being threatened."

Temperance Advocates Too. The next move on the scene was the arrival of such distinguished men in the temperance world as J. D. Flavell, chairman of the Ontario License Board, Rev. Dr. Grant, "the fighting parson," and a few others of the water persuasion. They were taken in tow by Hon. H. C. Nixon, provincial secretary, who is the nominal head of the license department, and were soon within the charmed circle. What they said and did could not be dragged either out of them, the premier or any of his ministers. The visit certainly had nothing to do with finding seats for the three politically homeless ministers, and was far more likely to have had some reference to the threatened bone-dry situation. However, they came and went and outsiders were none the wiser. Only conclusions were drawn. The liquor situation was again discussed by the members of the cabinet upon whom it is safe to assume that considerable pressure is

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