

MANILLA.

Special to The Warder

SIGNS.—Many spring birds among them. The festive crow and robin have again appeared in our midst. The merry sleigh bells on our roads have again given place to the wheels.

LA GRIPPE is very prevalent in our village at the present time.

ILL.—We are pleased to know Miss Johnston, who has been ill for some, was up a short while for the first time Saturday..... Mr. Hy. Glendenning, who has been laid aside for the last two months with a broken leg, is improving very nicely, under the skillful treatment of Dr. McPhail of this place, and will soon be among us again.

WANTED at once, a good barber, as the roads are breaking up and two of our young men will not be able to go to Lindsay twice a week for a shave. Apply at once.

PERSONAL.—Miss E. Broad and Matty Dixon returned to their homes last week, after a month's visit with friends in town, looking much better of their trip..... Mr. Ernest Perry left for Toronto Monday morning and intends remaining there for some time.

GRASS RIVER VALLEY.

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Our esteemed friends, Mr. William Frye & Bros., have erected a very fine shingle mill, and have been running a gang of men all winter taking out material. They intend to run it all summer which will be a great boom to this locality.

WOOD BEE.—Mrs. John Taylor had a wood bee and all the boys of the neighborhood turned out and got her up her summer wood. Of course they spent a very pleasant evening.

The canal is progressing favorably and will be finished in a couple of months. It has been a boon to this part of the country.

PERSONALS.—Mr. T. Wright has commenced work in the sugar bush. We wish him much success..... Mr. David Wright met with a slight fracture of his leg in the bush, but we are glad to say he is progressing favorably..... We are glad to hear that Mr. W. Jones is recovering nicely from a very severe attack of inflammation of the lungs, under the skillful treatment of Dr. Blanchard..... Mr. George Taylor of Midland City has been here visiting his sister, Mrs. Miles Haggareth, and attending business..... Mr. Harry Webster has returned home after being away for a year at Little Britain. We are glad to see his smiling face home again.

The foregoing has been received from an unknown young friend. We have departed from our usual rule in publishing it as there was no name attached. We will be glad to hear from our fair correspondent, but name must be given, not necessarily, however, for publication.

With the spring comes the usual number of moveups around town. Nearly a dozen families have moved recently.

A new swindle is being worked in a number of towns by two confederates in this manner: One of them goes into a store and purchases a small article, paying with a bill which has previously been marked. Picking up his change he departs. In a few minutes the other enters and turns a cigar; after standing around a few minutes he asks the clerk for his change. The swindler insists that he has paid and remembers it very distinctly, because the bill he gave the clerk had a very peculiar mark upon it, which he describes. The clerk looks to the till finds the bill as described, gives him his change and apologizes for detaining him.

Fire at Port Hope.

Port Hope, March 27.—What might have proved a serious fire occurred here to-night in the Port Hope carpet manufacturing company's establishment on Mill street about 7 o'clock. William Daynard; and a number of the night force had just commenced work on the top flat when Daynard's lamp exploded, setting fire to the east end of the flat. Before the fire brigade arrived on the scene the flames had gained a considerable headway, breaking out through the roof in many places. Daynard was badly burned by flying oil. The damage to stock, machinery and building will amount to between \$1,200 and \$2,000, covered by insurance.

Y.M.C.A. Notes.

An "at home" will be given shortly in Dr. Clarke's house. Details will be given later.

A debate between the junior members of the Y.M.C.A. and the boys' brigade of St. Paul's church, will take place in the Y.M.C.A. rooms on Thursday evening.

We would ask all your readers to remember our men's meeting on Sunday afternoon at 4 15. All men are invited to hear a bright, practical address and good music.

A meeting of the athletic committee will be held this week for the purpose of organizing and planning the summer's sports.

Students meeting takes place Thursday evening from 4 15 to 5 o'clock, at which an address will be given by Mr. A. Harvey.

Provincial secretary Cole paid our association a visit on Tuesday of this week. He left on the evening train for Toronto.

Sports.

Mr. Jack Taylor of Morgan's drug store will ride the 'Comet' this year.

Mr. W. H. Wilson of 'The Post' has invested in a new Dominion wheel.

Mr. A. S. Parkins will try to break local records this year on a Stearns' wheel.

Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Gough will be among those who will ride Hyslop's this year.

Messrs. Ab Palen and Frank Dingle will be among the number of riders this year, having secured Clevelands.

At present it does not look as if baseball will be much in evidence in town this year, at least the local fans have been quiet so far.

It is said that lacrosse will be played in town this season. It is the intention to enter into the junior or intermediate league.

Mr. B. Martin, of the telephone exchange, has joined the ranks of the bicycle agents, having secured the right to sell the well known Gaudron wheel.

Frank Snyder, who formerly played with the Lindsay baseball club, has been signed by the London Alerts for 1897 as catcher. He played with London in 1896 and with Guelph in 1895.

Although it is very early in the season yet the bicycle mania has already taken possession of many of the young people of town, and the local agents are talking morning and evening to admiring groups of coming bicyclists.

A meeting of the Lindsay cricket club will be held on Monday evening in the Y.M.C.A. parlors at 8 o'clock for the purpose of re-organizing and electing officers for the season of 1897. After such a successful season last year the club should be in a flourishing condition this year. As in curling, so in cricket, let Lindsay take a prominent place in the province.

Don't Crowd.

Don't crowd! this world is large enough
For you as well as me;
The doors of art are open wide,
The realm of thought is free.
Of all earth's places, you are right
To choose the best you can,
Provided that you do not try
To crowd some other man.

What matter though you scarce can count
Your piles of golden ore,
While he can hardly strive to keep
Gaunt famine from his door?
Of willing hands and honest hearts
Alone should men be proud!
Then give him all the room he needs,
And never try to crowd.

Don't crowd, proud miss, your dainty silk
Will glisten none the less
Because it comes in contact with
A beggar's tattered dress;
This lovely world was never made
For you and me alone:
A pauper has a right to tread
The pathway to the throne.

Don't crowd the good from out your heart
By fostering all that's bad,
But give to every virtue room—
The best that may be had;
Be each day's record such a one
That you may well be proud;
Give each his right, give each his room
And never try to crowd.

Alice Cary.

The Fight in Quebec.

Montreal, March 28.—Although the provincial elections do not come off until the 11th of May, the campaign is already in full swing. Prime minister Flynn, who a few months ago was little known in this district, is now as well known to the rank and file of the conservative party as were Chapleau, Taillon and other leaders in their time, and the prime minister's worst political enemies admit that he has quickly developed into a clear-headed, sagacious and popular leader of men. Like Waddington, he speaks English better than the English, and French better than the French, and although the fact is not generally known, Mr. Flynn came within an ace of being a member of the present house of commons, where he certainly would have taken a foremost place. It is no secret that at the very moment the lieutenant-governor sent for Mr. Flynn to form a new administration at Quebec, he was making preparations to leave for the county of Gaspe, where he intended being Sir Charles Tupper's candidate for the federal parliament. So if Sir Adolphe Chapleau's choice had fallen upon another man for the premiership Gaspe would no doubt be represented to-day by another than the eloquent Mr. Rudolph Lemieux. The chances are that all the ministers will be re-elected by good majorities, as they are every one of them fighting men. The premier is being opposed in Gaspe by a newspaper man, and a clever one at that, in the person of Mr. Charles Marcell of the Star. He has adopted the novel method of reaching the hearts of the Gaspe electorate by sending his photograph to every "free and independent" in the constituency, and although it is presumed that Charley will lose his deposit, his willingness to sacrifice himself on the altar of his country is most commendable.

The Peterborough county christian endeavors held their annual county convention on April 10th in Peterborough. Mr. E. A. Hardy B. A. of town, president of the Dominion christian endeavors, has been invited to be in attendance and take part in the discussions and deliver an address.