

I AM AHEAD
ON THE NEWEST IMPROVED
FARM IMPLEMENTS.

Percival & Son's new Steel Harrow. The bulls, clips, teeth and whiffle-trees are all steel, and not a bolt in the whole harrow—the only steel whiffle-tree made.

Peter Hamilton's new Spring-tooth Cultivator, with his new improved Seeder, is ahead of anything in the market. Seeing is believing. Come and have a look.

The Cheapest Store in the County for

ALL KINDS OF BUILDING HARDWARE.

Always on hand, a large and varied stock of

Mixed Paints, Paint Oils & White Lead

all of the best quality.

Stoves, Tinware, &c., Cheap as the Cheapest.

If I can't please you in the above lines, it won't be of much use for anybody else to try.

Joseph Heard.

Fenelon Falls, March 15th, 1893.

Furniture,
Doors, Sash,
—AND—
UNDERTAKING,
—AT—
W. M'Keown's,
FRANCIS ST. WEST,
FENELON FALLS.

Having Secured a Stock
of the Latest Fashions in
Dress Goods, Delaines, Prints, Linings, Dress
Trimmings and Ladies' Underwear,
AND ALSO IN MILLINERY,
we have the Latest Fashions in Straw and
Wire Shapes, Ribbons, Flowers, Laces,
Silks, Nets, Tips, etc.
We would invite the Ladies, young
and old, to see them.
Latest styles in Dress and Mantle making.
ALL WORK GUARANTEED.
Eggs taken in exchange.
MRS. R. McDougall,
Fenelon Falls.

HERE YOU ARE!

I have on hand a number of Men's, Boys' and Youths'

OVER-COATS,

which I will sell

AT COST PRICES FOR CASH,

as I do not want to carry them over. Now is your time to get a good Over-coat cheap. These goods are

All New and of the Latest Styles,

and made by one of the best houses in the Dominion.

—ALSO—

A Large Stock of Boots and Shoes

at prices to suit the times.

Groceries, Crockery and Glass-ware.

A full line of the best goods to be had always on hand.

J. M'FARLAND,

Twomey's Block

Fenelon Falls, January 27th, 1893.

Agricultural Implements.

To the Farmers of Fenelon,
Verulam & Somerville.

I am still agent in this locality for

The Massey-Harris Co.,

and farmers will do well to call and see my line of goods before purchasing elsewhere. These goods need no comment on my part, as they have been in use for over 25 years and are this year fully abreast of the times in improvements.

Call and See Them

and be convinced for yourselves. My stock consists of

The Massey Harris New Wide Open Binder, 5 and 6 feet cut.

The Toronto Mower.

The Brantford Front and Rear Cut Mower.

The Wisner Combined Drill.

The Wisner Single Drill.

The Massey-Harris Cultivator in four sections, the best on wheels, with or without seed box and grass seed sower.

The Sharp's Rake.

Spring Tooth Harrows.

Ploughs etc. of my own make.

Thanking my numerous customers for past favors, I beg to assure them that I shall do my utmost to merit a continuance of their patronage.

THOS. ROBSON.

Fenelon Falls, March 8th, 1893.

The Fenelon Falls Gazette.

Friday, Sept'r 15th, 1893.

Poor Crops—Hard Times.

We are sorry to have to report that the hopes entertained early in the season of a good—or, at any rate average—all round harvest have not been realized, hay being the only farm product of which there is an abundant crop. The quality of the little wheat that escaped injury is said to be good, but so much was killed by the weevil or burned up by the heat at the wrong time that a great many of the farmers have not more than from three to five bushels to the acre, and some hardly enough to replace the seed that was sown. Oats will yield fairly well and so will peas, but they are very small. This is not a barley district and so little of it was sown that its success or failure was not a matter of very much importance, but a good many farmers sowed considerable rye, and as it will grow almost anywhere under almost any conditions and we have heard nothing about it, the probability is that it will turn out fairly well. This year buckwheat was planted much more extensively than heretofore, and early in the season it looked so thrifty that a very large yield was predicted, but later on the grasshoppers "went for it," and, it is said, left but little for the owners of the fields on which it was growing. Potatoes, as well as buckwheat, have been greatly injured by the hoppers as well as by their natural enemies, the Colorado beetles, and the growth of all kinds of roots and vegetables has lately been retarded by the want of rain.

Taking the poorness of the crops into consideration, it is no wonder that the farmers as a class are depressed in spirits and look gloomily forward to a still further induration of the already hard times; but we wonder how many, or how few, of them really think of and realize the fact that a partial, if not a total, remedy for their impecuniosity is in their own hands. They cannot, by taking thought, control the weather or add a bushel to the product of a field; but they can, if they will, do away with the greater part of the indirect taxation that does more to keep them poor than unpropitious seasons and insect foes. Said a resident of Fenelon in our hearing the other day, "I do think the farmers are by long odds the biggest fools in the community, or they would never vote the way they do, election after election, for a continuation of the burden that is grinding them to death." The man who made the remark is a farmer himself, and if the majority, instead of the minority, of his fellow farmers could see as clearly as he can "where the shoe pinches," there would soon be an end to their troubles.

Drouths and clouds of grasshoppers are occasional evils, and the perennial potato bugs can be fought and well-nigh conquered with Paris green; but the farmer is taxed almost to insolvency for the benefit of the producers of a majority of the articles he has to buy, and is practically excluded from what would be his best market for the things he has to sell, simply because he has not the wit, though he possesses the power, to kill the trade policy from which he suffers and which on every general election day lies at the mercy of his vote.

Protectionist Errors.

The Toronto News having expressed regret that \$200,000 worth of canned beef is annually imported into Canada from the States instead of being put up in the Dominion, a writer, who signs himself Diogenes, replies in a letter that the News admits to be "an able argument in favor of free trade principles," and knocks the bottom out of the idea that Canada would gain anything by canning beef herself instead of taking it in exchange for various products of her labor. His argument, which might almost have been taken from Henry George's "Free Trade and Protection," a little book that every farmer should read, is as follows:

"At present we receive \$200,000 worth of beef yearly from the United States. They do not make a present of it to us; they do not send it on credit, and we certainly do not send them gold for it. Then what do they take? Why, goods; goods that we have produced in Canada—grain, lumber, fish and manufactures of certain kinds—goods to the value of \$200,000, all the result of Canadian labor. Suppose, instead of importing the \$200,000 worth of beef, we produce it in Canada, what happens? Not an increase of \$200,000 in the productions of Canada, but simply the diversion of the labor for the production of goods sent in exchange for the beef, to the direct production of the beef here, for it is apparent on its face that if we do not take the \$200,000 worth of beef from the Americans they will not receive from us the \$200,000 worth of produce we have been in the habit of sending them for the beef. Now, the reason that we have bought the American beef is that they produce it cheaper than we can here, or than we can buy it from any other source, and the reason they have taken our goods is that they have found those particular articles we have sent them for the beef cheaper than they can get them anywhere else. Imagine a government trying to upset or overcome the physical law that "Motion seeks the line of least resistance." Yet we Canadians think nothing of a government that tries to overcome the counterpart of the law in economics that trade follows the line of least resistance, which is that, untrammelled, we buy in the cheapest and sell in the dearest market.

"I cannot see that Canada would be any better off producing \$200,000 worth of beef than in producing that value in other articles which we now export to the United States in exchange for the beef, and which forms part of the \$50,000,000 worth which we annually ship to that country. We cannot have our cake and eat it, and we cannot stop importing without also stopping exporting, and it seems to me even in the eyes of the protectionist the last condition would be worse than the first."

The Swing Bridge.

On Friday last the first consignment of the superstructure (consisting of two girders) of the new bridge arrived at the Falls, and a couple of hours later one of them had been got into place and now extends from the abutment on the south side of the river to the centre of the first pier. The other girder, a much lighter, because much shorter, one was brought across the river and will lie aside for some little time, as neither the abutment nor the pier on which it is to rest has yet been commenced. The masons are now working at the third pier from the south side of the south side of the river, and as soon as it is finished two more girders will arrive. To look at these immense masses of iron, anybody would naturally think it would be a tremendous job to transfer them from the cars to the piers and abutments, but the men sent with them understand their work and handle them with surprising ease. The girders will be all the same width and will of course be flush with each other at the top; but the longer they are the deeper and heavier they are, and will not all match at the bottom, which, however, is of no consequence except as far as looks are concerned. The two girders already here were in stock. The shorter, 28 feet long, was made at Toronto; the other, 43 feet long, was made in England. The others are being made at Lachine, and it is expected that two of them will be here in about a fortnight.

Powles's Corners.

Correspondence of the Gazette.

Mr. John Moore has purchased 130 acres of land from Mr. John Knox, and will take possession next March.

Several weddings are in contemplation this fall. If they come off it will be a great saving to shoe leather.

That traction engine that has passed through here is a great thing to scare horses on the road. Some people have had to drive into barnyards to wait till the pesky thing would go by.

Mr. Thomas Daniel had the misfor-

tune to lose a cow a short time ago. The animal got mired in a beaver meadow, and although Dr. Mason was sent for and did his best to save her life, his efforts were in vain.

Our school is under full sail again, Mr. A. Smitheram wielding the birch as principal, though it is only in extremely bad cases that the rod does duty in teaching the young idea. Miss Annie Gillis has charge of the juvenile department.

It is very unpleasant for the minister to have to speak from the pulpit about bad behavior, as he had to do a short time ago. Pupils returning from the Sunday school should not go into any person's orchard and take forbidden fruit, as they did on the 3rd and 10th of this month.

DENTAL.—Mr. Neelands, dentist, will be unable to make his regular monthly visit to Fenelon Falls on Tuesday next, on account of other engagements.

DON'T MISS the Cosgrove Concert on Thursday evening next. Come prepared to enjoy a good laugh.

NEW GOODS.—Mrs. R. McDougall returned from Toronto last Saturday with a nice stock of fall goods, including a choice assortment of pattern hats. Call and see them, and you are sure to find something to suit you.

Monster Sale

of Boots and Shoes. Balance of summer stock selling regardless of cost. Thousands of dollars' worth to be sold as less than cost to market them. Don't miss the opportunity of a lifetime.

JOHNSTON & SISSON,

The Monster Shoe Store,

Lindsay.

TUESDAY NEXT.—Don't forget that Tuesday next, the 19th inst., is to be observed as a civic holiday in Fenelon Falls, and that the *Crandella* will run an excursion to Chemong Park under the auspices of Maple Leaf True Blue Lodge No. 42. It is to be hoped that no one from the country will come to the village that day in the expectation of doing business, as the stores will be all closed and they will be disappointed. After the bills were printed and circulated the village band was engaged for the occasion.

MR. HARRY W. FAY, a renowned comic singer, will render the latest songs of the day in an amusing manner, at the Cosgrove Concert Thursday evening next.

THE TRAVELLING DAIRY.—On Tuesday, the 3rd of October, (three weeks from Tuesday next,) the travelling dairy from the Agricultural College will visit Fenelon Falls, and an advertisement in another column of this week's *Gazette* gives the farmers and their wives good reasons for attending the meeting. It is admitted without dissent that the dairy has done a great deal of good wherever it has been, and we hope our friends in the country will turn out in force and give it a warm welcome. Interesting lectures will be delivered by W. L. Carlyle, B. S. A., and J. A. McTavish, Esq., and to see the Babcock tester in operation and have its working fully explained will well repay all who are present for their time and trouble.

THE LINDSAY CENTRAL.—The eleventh annual Central Exhibition of the various societies in the County of Victoria will be held in Lindsay on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, September 27th, 28th and 29th, and \$3,000 will be given in prizes. There will be the usual "speeding in the ring," otherwise racing—which will absorb about \$400 in prize money, and prizes will also be given to lady drivers and double team competitors. A new feature this year will be a performance, each afternoon, of Prof. L. J. Hopper's troupe of trained dogs valued (by him) at \$10,000. There will be a base-ball match, town vs country, for a silver cup on the afternoon of the first day, a grand display of fireworks on the evening of the 28th, and acrobatic, trapeze and wire-walking every day before or after the dog show.

THE FAVORITES RETURN.—Under the auspices of the C. O. F., the well known Cosgrove Family Concert Company will give an entertainment in Dickson's hall, on Thursday evening next. Admission 25c, children 15c.

GOVERNMENT WORK.—The work of rebuilding the old piers (nearly a dozen in number) between the falls and the head of the Fenelon river was commenced last week, under the foremanship of Mr. Frank Bell, and now booms three feet six inches wide are to extend from pier to pier from the slide to the railroad bridge. The foundations of the old piers, which are nearly or quite as good as ever, will be left, but all the old timber above water will be replaced by new, and two or three entirely new piers will be built. The work will probably take at least six weeks; but if a new sluice be put in the dam, of which there is some talk, the job will last considerably longer. The square hemlock for the piers and the pine timber and planks for the booms are all being cut at the Pulp Mill Co.'s sawmill on the shore of Cameron lake.