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The Watchman THURSDAY, JULY 21st, 1898.

DISTRICT NEWS, BURNED RIVER

CHEAP GOODS.—The stock of Mr. James Bick, general merchant of this place, has been bought at a low rate on the dollar by W. A. Robinson, who will sell the same at your own prices. The stock is fresh and well assorted, and the goods must be sold during the next thirty days no matter what they bring.

NORLAND

EXAMS.—Mr. R. Wagar, our enterprising teacher, contributed six pupils to the examinations at Fenelon Falls. We wish them success. HOLIDAYING.—Miss Meta Woodcock is visiting friends at Oakwood and Lindsay. Mr. and Mrs. W. Wilson spent a few days of last week in Lindsay. Quite a number from Norland attended the celebration in Lindsay on July 12th. There was no trouble getting Wm. Adair and Jas. A. Wakelin (district master of L.O.L.) up to the morning of the 12th, so delighted were they with the thoughts of going to Lindsay to celebrate the day. Mr. and Mrs. C. Woodcock visited Victoria Road station last week.

HIGHLAND GROVE—CARDIFF

THE 12TH at DEER LAKE.—The people of Leafield, Highland Grove and Deer Lake spent a very pleasant day in Ennis Grove, there being a picnic of the Church of England in union with the Orangemen's celebration. The day was opened with a grand procession. After the dinner the people were called to order to listen to addresses by Mr. James Shea and the Rev. Vance and Lewis. Mr. Robert Dickson occupied the chair. All delivered very suitable addresses, which were highly appreciated by those present. The rest of the afternoon was spent in foot-ball and foot-races, the day closing with a grand concert at night. The proceeds were in aid of the English church. FROST.—The late frost has done considerable damage throughout this section.

OAKWOOD

THE EARLIEST OF THE SEASON.—The farmers are in the whirl of harvest, but our friend John Dames had a threshing machine busy at work on Saturday, 16th. We believe this is the first threshing that has been done in the vicinity of Oakwood this season.

OUR CHEESE FACTORY.—We are all pleased at the success of our new industry. Our cheesemaker is a first-class up-to-date man, and has so far given the best of satisfaction.

A TERRIBLE CALAMITY.—Do not be too anxious dear reader. We have not been visited with any special visitation of angry Providence; it is only that the venerable, fustian, correspondent of the Post fails to get some of his childish effusions inserted in that paper. Of course the world of letters suffers an irretrievable loss when any of his writings happens to go into the waste basket.

OUR FAITHFUL DUTY.—It is our painful duty to chronicle the death of Charles Eck, who spent most of his life in this place. The deceased was born in York state, U.S.A., in the year 1813, and came to Canada when he was a young man, settling first at Oakawa. He afterwards came to Mariposa, residing at Taylor's Corners until a few years ago, when he moved to Wm. James', north of our village, where he died. He was a member of the Bible Christian church until the union, when he became connected with the Methodist church, and was a very devoted member.

He was a brother of Daniel Eck, at one time a harness maker and tanner in this locality; also of Thomas Eck of Oakawa. Thus one by one the old settlers pass away until we have very few of the pioneers left. Mr. King, south of our village, and Mr. Pattarson are all of the old residents that we know of, and are settled on their land and are on it now. And thus it is, and always was, one generation succeeds another, some passing

away in honor, some otherwise, but they must go, and their works do follow them.

ON THE SICK LIST.—We learned from a resident who lives a short distance from our village that H. H. Copeland is on the sick list. He is one of the early settlers, who endured the hardships of a settler's life. At present he is as well as could be expected considering his age and complications, and will no doubt mark several more ballots at the Dominion elections. At least this is the hope of his heart friends.

VISITORS.—Mrs. G. Nightmyre of Prince Edward county spent a couple of months visiting friends here. Mrs. S. Reazin of Lindsay spent a couple of weeks here, the guest of Mrs. Malon Weldon. Miss Ada Weldon of Little Britain is the guest of Miss Pearl Bowers.

RETURNED.—Mrs. John Coad and family have returned from the city. THUNDER STORM.—During the thunder storm that passed over here Tuesday, the 19th, the house of Mr. George Flurey was struck by lightning. No serious damage was done. Also the barn of Mr. John Dames, the barn and wall being damaged. Neither buildings were set on fire.

YOUNG HARNESS MAKER.—A young son arrived at Mr. Edward Woods' a few days ago. Edward seems very happy. BERRY-PICKERS.—Mr. William Thorn-dike and family took their annual trip to the Rocks last Friday. They report the trip rather a failure.

LITTLE BRITAIN

SPECIAL TO THE WATCHMAN. PERSONAL.—George Henderson of Toronto is spending his holidays at his father's. Miss Maggie Glenn and her friend Mrs. Robertson of Fort William have returned from a pleasure trip to Niagara Falls and Buffalo. Mrs. Elliott and family of Hamilton are spending their summer at the cozy home of her father, Mr. James Blewitt. Mr. Elliott remained behind at Toronto three weeks, for the examination of the papers of the candidates for the teaching staff, being chairman of the board. Mrs. Blewitt's niece of Oshawa is spending a week's vacation with her. Mr. Wm. Dix of Chicago arrived at the old homestead, accompanied by his wife, last week. He was enroute from Washington. They will spend a few weeks at his father's. Mrs. Frouse and daughter Lizzie have returned from a two month's visit at Windsor and Detroit. They were accompanied by the daughter of Dr. Prouse, who is to spend her summer with her grandma. J. F. Maunder and Mrs. G. W. Prouse went on the excursion Tuesday to Quebec. They intend visiting their brother-in-law, Rev. Mr. Allen. Miss Ada Yeo left on Tuesday for an extended visit with her sister in Manitoba. Mrs. I. Wallis returned home on Monday from her northern trip. Rev. A. Dalvo and Mrs. Tremere are visiting friends at Bobcaygeon. Mr. and Mrs. Wickett of Salem were guests at Mr. J. Yeo's on Sunday.

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FINDING THE RANGE.

HOW BIG COAST DEFENSE GUNS ARE ACCURATELY AIMED.

The Many Mathematical Problems Involved and the Great Rapidity With Which They Must Be Solved in Locating the Moving Target. A reporter for the Boston Herald gives this interesting account of a talk with one of the regular army officers at Fort Hamilton, in Boston harbor: "In the days of the civil war ranges were so very short that the gunner had no difficulty in seeing his target and laying his gun directly upon it. Wind and speed of target cut no account because the projectile had not enough time to act to make any appreciable difference. But now when firing at a target eight miles away all of these things make themselves felt. There is the rifling in the bore, which gives the projectile the rotation necessary to keep it from tumbling and which will in our service carry the projectile to the right. Then the direction and force of the wind, the direction and speed of target, the temperature and barometric pressure of the air, which affect the resistance of the air to passage of the projectile, the kind of powder and weight of projectile. All these things have to be taken into account, and they each vary under all sorts of conditions, so that they can only be figured out for each particular shot at the time the gun is fired. "Most of this information must be worked out from data obtained from firing tests and must be thoroughly assimilated by the expert artillerist. Then by taking observations at the time of firing they can be obtained from which results can be computed. "The most important part of the operation is of course to locate the target. The invention which has enabled us to do this is something wholly American—a development of our regular army. This invention is the range finder. It looks a simple affair—a tall modern tower, with a substantial foundation built on a commanding height and connected with the guns, perhaps half a mile distant, by telephone. At the top is a large telescope, adjusted on a polished steel circular table. A dial on the telescope frame is clogged with the edge of the circular table and gives at any instant the direct reading in azimuth. Another dial is so arranged that elevation or depression of the telescope gives its indicator a corresponding movement. This is like the ordinary transit fitted to read vertical angles, but in this case instead of reading angles of depression distances are indicated in yards to the point where the line of sight pierces the water. An adjustment corrects for height of tide. "It is only necessary, then, to point our telescope at the water line of the ship and read directly azimuth and distance. These are rapidly transmitted by telephone to the guns and plotted on a piece of drawing paper. Three of these observations, 20 seconds apart, are plotted, and the gun has to be fired 80 seconds after the last observation is taken or at the end of two minutes total time. We have the location of the target at three different times. It is now necessary to compute where it will be at the end of the 80 seconds. "A vessel running 12 knots an hour will pass over 1,200 feet in one minute or 1,800 feet in 80 seconds, so that if we fired at the point where she was at the last observation we might miss her 1,800 feet or some fraction of that, depending on her direction of sailing with reference to us. If we fired point blank, i. e. aiming right at her, we would miss as much as she would pass over in the time of flight of the projectile. This for a 10,000 yard range might be 20 seconds. "We have now the position of the target at a given future instant, but it is referred to the position of the range tower. We must now correct our data to refer to the gun's position. There we are ready to make corrections for drift due to rifling, effect of wind, condition of atmosphere and abnormal powder and projectile. The gun is laid with the resulting data by means of degrees and minutes marked on the traverse circle of the gun platform and elevation arc on the side of the carriage, and we are ready to fire. It is necessary to allow for the time of flight of the projectile to reach the target at the end of the 80 seconds, so the guns must be fired that long ahead of time. "When you consider that all of this work must be done in 80 seconds, you see that one has to count his time by fractions of seconds to work like an automaton. No longer time can be allowed for computation, etc., as unpractised men increase as about the fifth power of the time. "The aiming of the gun is all science now and needs experts. The firing and loading are the only work which the untrained mind can find work at, and even in these things, you understand, there is need of coolness and experience, for these fellows are delicate machines, after all, and are worked by levers, have electrical appliances and in other ways too precious to trust to untrained hands. "This may not sound so dreadful here in the calm of a peaceful afternoon. But imagine looking up sines and cosines, plotting accurate curves from mathematical data under a hail of projectile, with shells and bombs bursting around you. Fancy placidly sitting at a table and plotting the range tower, which a wily directed shot may cut away from beneath you, and your hand must not tremble, your mind must not be distracted! "The civilian seemed rather impressed. He could only venture timidly that it did seem as if there were great odds against the ships. "So there are. But they have advantages too. In the Japanese-Chinese war the Japs, being clever, got ahead of the Chinese predictions of their position by running ahead full speed and then suddenly sneaking up, so that the Chinese gunners began to grasp that they were being changed the tactics and would advance slowly at first, then suddenly crowd on all steam and speed away, leaving the gunners far behind. "Oh! Then you can get around the 'absolute scientific accuracy?' "The artillery officer laughed. "Yes, but you must remember the Japs were dealing with the Chinese. We know how to overcome that. How! Oh, but that's telling!"

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MERRY MOMENTS.

The Modern Casabianca. The boy stood on the back yard fence, Whence all but him had fled. The flames that lit his father's barn Shone round him like the shed. A bunch of orange in his hand, Two others in his hat, With piteous accents loud he cried, "I never thought of that!" The flames flew wild, new thick, new hot, They lit upon the hat, They fired those crackers in his hand, And on those in his hat. There came a burst of thunder sound— "The boy! Oh, where was he? Ask of the winds that strove around His fragments on the sand! A top, a knife, three matches and Some fish-bones and some yam— The relics of that dreadful boy— Who burnt his father's barn!"—V. W.

A Diplomatic Problem.

"Did you call for me?" inquired the diplomat. "Yes," replied the European monarch. "We must convey to these Americans and to our own subjects the impression that we are a fearless, aggressive and dictatorial government which is going to have things its own way every time." "Yes?" "And what I want your advice about is how to do this without annoying any other government so that it may lose its temper."—Washington Star.

Millions of Them.

Of course they were discussing the war. Nothing else is discussed now. "Well, they've cut another cable," said one. "So I see," returned the other. "Do you know that's an awfully puzzling thing to me?" "What is it?" "Why, when I read of the number of cables that have been cut and then hear of messages still being sent I can't help wondering how the troops ever got ashore anywhere without tripping over them."—Chicago Post.

A Victim.

This war has left me somewhat in the dump And threatens me with wreck. (I'd say that bill, but having not a stamp I cannot draw a check.) It seems to strike me in a thousand ways And hinders all my work. (I cannot make a note for thirty days, Being minus of the tax.) There's no escape—no sunny avenue For a poor soul—alas! (If only these red trading stamps will do, Perhaps my checks will pass.)—Atlanta Constitution.

As Logical as a Woman.

Mr. Wiggles—What is that queer looking musical instrument over there? Mr. Waggles (promptly)—That is a hewgag. Mr. Wiggles—How do you know it is a hewgag? Mr. Waggles—Because I don't know what a hewgag is, and I don't know what it is, and so it must be a hewgag.—Somerville Journal.

Know His Position.

Commercial Traveler (to boy who has answered the bell)—I want the boots. You're not the boots surely? Boy—No, sir, I'm the socks. Commercial Traveler—Socks! You impudent young rascal, what do you mean? Boy—Why, you see, sir, I'm under the boots.—Exchange.

Technically Expressed.

It was the festive foranna Of a printshop up the street Who essayed to be a searcher With a search so very fleet. And later, when he looked as though He'd met a western storm, "Twist throbs of pain he muttered, "I guess I've pined my form!"—Up to Date.

Not In It.

"How are you, Slickering? I haven't seen you for a long time. Didn't you go with the army?" "No. I've been in the Klondike region." "The Klondike? Where's that? Oh, I remember. It's somewhere up north, isn't it?"—Chicago Tribune.

Ovens Not Needed.

Bill—Public ovens are established on most of the residential streets of Japanese cities. Jill—Oh, well, I guess you can see people roasting right here on our residential streets if you want to look for 'em.—Yonkers Statesman.

Summer Valentines.

"This year their powers they employ With care to look about 'em And find the things they most enjoy That they may go without 'em."—Washington Star.

Similar.

"Waters' talk reminds me so much of a river." "It does run pretty steadily." "Yes, and though there is undoubtedly some connection between his head and his mouth, it is not apparent."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Her First Thought.

He—Rats climb the orange trees in southern Italy. She—Good gracious! What on earth do the women climb up on!—Yonkers Statesman.

He Could Still Win Battles.

He shot the general in the calf. The latter's smile grew brighter. "It doesn't stop," he gave a laugh—"My running the typewriter!"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

War Leaves.

"By the way," the man who never can remember asked, "what is that saying about bakers? Is it 13 to a baker's dozen or 15 ounces to the pound?"—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Force of Habit.

Private Casey (formerly of the metropolitan police)—Who goes there? Deserter—A friend. Private Casey—Friend be blown. Move on or O'll run yez in.—New York Truth.

Different.

"We might," exclaimed the Spaniard and, "With Europe having a little pull If we could fight an ironclad. As boldly as we fight a bull."—Washington Star.

Wanted to Avoid Her.

"Why did Frizzly change his mind about enlisting?" "He learned that his wife was going to Cuba as a Red Cross nurse."—Vim.

Chance and Erection.

While one will search the season over To find a magic four leaved clover, Another with not half the trouble Will plant a crop to bear him double. —Chicago Post.

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Leaves Lindsay at 10 a.m. Arrives at Sturgeon Point at 10.15 a.m. Arrives at Fenelon Falls at 10.30 a.m.

Leaves Fenelon Falls at 2.45. Arrives at Sturgeon Point at 3.00. Arrives at Lindsay at 3.15.

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