EMEE FIRE-SWEPT EARLY LAST FRIDAY

tire Started in Stinson's Tinware Shop and Spread to Adjoining Premises-Loss about \$10,000-Effective Work of Local Fire Brigade and Citizens Prevented a Conflagration-Peterborough Brigade Not Needed.

From Our Own Correspondent.) OMEMEE, Dec. 13th .- The citizens of Omemee are in gloom; over the disstrous fire which visited the village the morning. The last conflagranon occurred about ten years aizo. The fire originated in the rear of n Stinson's tin warehouse, and looks ed as if it might have started from giores, but those who were there at and last night left no trace of fire. there not being one cent of insurance

the devouring tlames spread to the hall, less partly covered. men forming the fire engine and appared.

bucket brigades were directed to sav ing the Mechanics' Institute building adjoining John McCrea's beautiful brick residence. That both these we're saved reflects great credit to the fire fighters. The Peterooro brigade were telephoned for, but the request was cancelled when it was the local brigade had the flames under control.

The losses are as follows; D. Sting son's stock, total loss; Mrs. Norris, \$1000 on brick house only, no insurance on contents; Geo. Griffin, loss partly covered by insurance; A. Laidley, loss partly covered; Masonic

adming buildings - Mrs. Norris' Much regret and sorrow is felt for brick building and Geo. Griffin's tai- the Norris family, who were unsucbe snop-and all the efforts of the cessful in saving even their wearing

"Go West, Young Man," There is Still Time

former Lindsay Boy's Advice to the Enterprising Youth of Victoria County---Land is Still Cheap, But the Opportunity to Secure it is Passing.

McGeough, of Brandon, Man., son of countless ages, judging from Md. M. H. McGeough, of this town, for the following interesting and enauspects. Wesfeel certain that it will

To the young man-In a few years mamong all of grown up boys, old folks; you have also, perhaps, too much help, and the question ones to your mind-what about the future ! Your neighbor's farm is too high priced, unless you wish to spend bition to rent a neighboring farm and give the owner the fruits of your labor in rent. Go into busibes, then? Business is already overdone there,-why not, then, get hold of some land in the West, and let it not only furnish you a home, out also increase in value, till the first thing you know you find yourself

with a nice little bank account? TO-DAY LAND IS CHEAP Don't waste your time in those thickly settled countries looking for something to "turn up," Get in be-

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

fore it's too late. Get the virgin

prairie: those fertile, gently rolling

the matter of the Estate of CLARK BIRCHARD, late of the Township o Mariposa, in the County of Victoria, Farmer, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to 48.0. 1897. Char. 129, Sec. 38, that all freditors and persons having claims wainst the estate of the said Clark Birthard, who died on or about the 23rd day of October, A.D. 1907, are requested on or before the

Iwenty-first Day of December, A. D. 1907,

wend by post prepaid or deliver to the Edersigned Solicitors for the Executors of the estate of the said deceased, their names, addresses and description, full Particulars of their claims and accounts, and the nature of the securities, if any,

And further, take notice that after the said 21st day of December, 1907, the said Executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they have the said assets or any part thereof to any erson or person, of whose claim notice the time of such distribution. Dated at Liv dsay this 27th day of November, A.D. 1907.

MeDIARMID & WEEKS, . Dale, Alexander McKay and John

NOTICE

The Davidson Grist Mill is now open to the public. Chopping done for five cents a bag, for cleaned grain. GEORGE DAVIDSON. Little Britain.

The Post stands indepted to Mr. M. prairies nave been 'lying here for geological composition of the The great wealth of lignite coal which is found so abundantly, in Almaging letter relative to Western berta tells of bygone centuries when those how flat prairies were covered emourage many the young men of with dense forest. The rocky ledges the county who may be in doubt as and the hills form a chapter in proto the advisability of leaving Onta- file, telling of a glacial period, which accounts for the deep, rich, black Bear Editor,-Having been re- loam, formed of several layers of quested by several of your Lindsay debris, worn and washed down from maders to give my opinion upon the the mountain side. These provinces prospects and advantages of a Wes- have passed their glacial period, their tern settler. I take this opportunity buffalo periods, their Indian periods of expressing my views. Although, their cold and dry periods, and Nais a subject already widely dis- ture can no fonger afford to have cassed, there is always much left un- these great energies wasted, the flowtouched. Perchance these few words ers unesen and unplucked by little from my own limited experience and fair hands, and the fragrance of mowledge may tend to enlighten these millions and millions of flowsome of the "poys" who have the ers hourished early by the lovely beart and courage to pack up and | warm Chinook. The country is now go secking their fortune in this glor- | ripe for the actual settler, who can ons and abundant land we call "the enjoy the domestic products of the soil. There has never been a time in the history of the Canadian Northwest when a man who hopes to own a farm must act so promptly as now. Only a few short years and it will be too late. The tide of immigration westward was never exceeded before. The Americans of the Dakotas and Central States are selling their farms and rushing to the Canadian West. Take, for instance, a man who comes the rest of your life paying for it, here and buys a farm, say for ten or and you certainly have too much am- fifteen dollars per acre, breaks it and seeds, and the same season, pays for ais farm out of that crop. Railways are branching out everywhere, and most of the pioneer homestead-

> Passing from the actual farmer, this country affords excellent opportunities for the professional and business men and women, more especially to land investors. Land is cheap at ten dollars per acre-this makes it possible for the poor man to become rich, the rich man more prosperous, while at the same time this does not, as some people might suppose, breed indolence, but on contrary, stimulates action to such a degree that some have to restrain themselves lest they forget the pleasures and recreations in life, which are so plentiful here, and which you ary other previous year. If you call

can well afford to enjoy. The winter is said to be a drawback, but no-it is really an advantage. People have a chance to cultivate themselves socially and intellectually, and gather around their cheerful Tiresides in the good old way. Others permanently settled have the opportunity in winter to revisit old scenes in the east or eisewhere. The unequal distribution of sex has been a serious drawback in former years, but during the last two years the number of women doubled, homes are being established on little knolls, where the lone coyote used to stand and howl in despair, and howl again to hear his own echo. Towns are springing up where bands of scouts had their camp fires, their buffalo hunts and pow wews, the ranching districts resolving into school districts, etc. For example, take the town of Lanigan, Sask., two hundred miles northwest of here. shall not have been received by them at | Where 18 months ago was bare prairie now stands a town, containing its stores-furniture, groceries, ary goods and hardware, its good hotel accommodation, its school and Board ty of Victoria, Solicitors for Richard of Trade, and roundhouse, This is an example of western push and energy. Dundas, Executors of said Estate. Before many years have passed all the opportunities will be over and those that accepted them will be enjoying the fruits of their youthful

> with the country." M. McGEOUGH, Ir.

labors in comfort and contentment.

My advice coincides with "Greeley's" .-

"Go west, young man, and grow up

Brandon, Man., Dec. 11th, '07,

COMMUNICATIONS

LOCAL OPTION IN FENELON.

(To the Editor of The Post.) Efr.-The local option by-law was carries in the township of Fenelone in January, 1905, and came in force the following January. The law has buen fairly well enforced, and the results have been very satisfactory, Nice out of ten of the residents of the village of Camoray are prepared to testify to the remarkable improvement in the order of our village, White under license it frequently harpened that the peaceable residents would be disturbed in their homes and kept awake through the night by disturbances on the street; now our village is as quiet and orderly as any

in the country. iness is all that could be desired. The

garties have been fined for so-doing, or out of it, that could have done but we do not claim that what may it so well. Personally, I am not in way has not been a tithe or a twent it necessary-providing, of course, tieth part of what was sold during that some means can los adopted to a similar period under license. A dranken man is never seen in our town to their own interests, and to village, and if any are ever made d) unk they are carefully stowed away and cared for that they are an any

During the summer parties interested on the diquor traffic circulated a petition for repeal, and after, months of canvassing, have succeeded in becuring the requisite 25 -per cent. Our Council has rassed the repeal byt. law, and it will be voted on the first Monday in January. We believe that our citizens will rise in the might of their manhood and sustain our present freedom from the liquor traffic by a larger majority than before. Some of our most thoughtful ertizens, who could not support locar retion three years ago, are so convinced of its value that they will

trartily support it now. We call upon all our electors who 1000 order and sooriety, and who value our gresent business prosperity, to rally to the rolls on January 6th and bury this repeat by-law under such a shower of pure and honest votes that it shall not be heard of again for many years to come. -A RATEPAYER. Yours, ebc.,

Fenelon, Dec. 11th.

LOCAL OPTION IN FENLON.

(To the Editor of The Post.) Sir,-I just want to say a few, ple of this municipality that he tew words regarding a letter I saw Fchelon township. I do not think the part of those men who have been the person knew what he was talking strutting up and down Kent-st. for shout when he says the viilage is the last six weeks, outtonholing evberefitted by it; anyway, he was ery ratepayer and exacting promises ashamed to sign his or her name to from them to be placed in an office

af store, and one hardware store, and Yours, etc., the two blacksmith shops do not get as much work now as one did when there was license in the village. The storckeepers are grumiling about hard times; they sent out their abcounts months earlier this fall than that benefitted, I fall to see it. The writer spoke about drinking men not being seen in the village any more,) if there are any such, they are hiddeny away. I defy any person to roint out one instance where I ever hid a drunk away. As for drunks, I have seen lots of themi come right from Lindsay and other places and sit out on my platform and pass the bottle from one to the other. They have the privilege of warming themselves at my fire and using my yards and shed, and go out on the street and drink their liquor. If you call that honest, fair play for me, I fail to see it. As for canvassing for months to get my patition, I was only out two days, and I could have got as many more if I drove half as much as the temperance peo-

rife are doing. Now, all I ask is a good, fair election-if I win I will live up to the law, and if every hotel would do that there would be no use for local op-On the sixth of January, if every man votes the way he feels, I will get more than 1 out of 10 in the village of Camoray.-Thanking you, Mr, Editor, I remain, yours, etc., R. GRIFFIS.

Cambray, Dec. 14th.

SELECT REPRESENTATIVE MEN (To the Editor of The Post.) Sir,-It is high time the working men should join hands and agree that they will vote for the candidates for Too many past Councils have had soling out that the remainder, lort concert in the LO.O.F. hall, Miss O' Mrs. J. Bickler and her daughter, ter."

our hard earned dollars.

men run for the Council? It is astonishing that heavy ratepayers should be willing to allow the town be run to the dogs by men who are here to-day and some place else tomorrow. Why can't we get merchants and mechanics and property owners to full the Councils .- Yours, etc.,

LABOR UNIONIST. Lindsay, Dec. 16th.

ABOUT THE MAYORALTY

CANDIDATES. (To the Editor of The Post.) Mr. Editor,-I attended the meeting of the Board of Trade, on Friday evening, and although the attendance was not large, all classes were fair-The effect of local option on ous- ly well represented. I was pleased irdeen with the very able manner in only lousiness that has been curtail- which this most important subject ed is the business of selling intoxicath was discussed from the different ing drink; all others have been bent points of view. The gentlemen inclitted. We have one of the best | texted certainly deserve the thanks funished and best managed general of the ratepayers of this municipalstores in many miles around, and the lity for the able manner, in which they business is growing rapidly. In the placed this question before the meetdays of hoense, men have been known | ing. From Mr. James Graham, of to enter our parroom with \$50 on course, a great deal was expected on \$60 in their pocket, and come out account of his long experience on with less than \$10. This money now | county matters, and he centainly conflows in other channels. In those vinced all who had the pleasure of cays men were known to spend a listening to him, that he had a comgreat deal of cash over the bar, while plete grasp of municipal affairs, Mr. they were owing our business men J. D. Flavelle likewise held his own, accounts that could not be collectioned his side of the case was most admirably placed before the audience. We do not pretend that no liquor | I do not think there is another man has locen sold in our township, for in this county, either in the Council have been sold in a sty, sneaking favor of separation, nor do I think oren the eyes of the people of this convince them that if they do not want to pe imposed upon and want to receive fair treatment at the bands of the County Council, it is slosolutely necessary to send firstclass trained men to represent them. At the last election Mr. Grahami, after ten years' service, was defeated by Mr. Begg. A large majority of ratepayers placed Mr. Bezg in the very honorable position of reeve of the most important municipality of the whole county. One would naturally suppose that Mr. Begg would at once apply himself to County Council work with a detrmination to

give the people some valuable iservice for the honor conferred upon him, but he evidently does not appreciate those honors, or he places a very high estimate on his services for the short term of one year, in the County Council, for we find him now - just when he ought to know something about County Council workdrosping out of that position at the suggestion of a few wholimagine they are the whole town, and running for the position of Mayor, and by his actions compelling the ratepayers to send another new man to the County Council. This is not good pusiness, and Mr. Begg should ask himself what service he has given to the peo-

should expect so much from them. in The Post concerning local option in Would it not be more becoming on Omemee on Saturday last, for which they do not Lossess When there was a licensed house the fast qualifications, to wait unin Cambray there were two general til after nomination and give the inshel, one parper shop and a sales a chance to say who they want to restable, now there is only one gener- present them for the next years -RATEPAYER.

THE M. H. O'S REPORT.

Lindsay, Dec. 14th.

(To the Editor of The Post.) Dear Mr. Editor,-In :Wednesday's issue of The Post your head lines read, "Strange Action of Nurse-Refused to be Vaccinated-Contracted the Disease - Was Permitted to New, Mr. Editor, there is one thing

apparent to my mind, and that is crass stupidity on the part of the Health Officer, Dr. McAlpine, for allewing a nurse-although she may have had smallcox, and, perchance may have been vaccinated a year or two ago-to enter a smallpox house without an attempt at vaccination, There is no wriggling out of the matter by saying the nurse refused there are other nurses. There is one thing evident, and that is, the town is muleted for cost of an additional smallpox case that could have been avoided. Not only that, but we pay an officer for our protection from the ravages of infectious for some time, but is precovering. disease, and also as a preventive against financial loss that the town suffers thereby. This we have not acceived in a proper manner. We are indebted to Alderman McLean for bringing this matter to the attention of the Council. It is all very well for the Health Officer, in his report, to draw a herring across the scent by referring to his ideas about antitexin. What we really want from the Health Officer is an intelligent interest in the infectious cases that

come under his jurisdiction, Dr. McAipine can tell us that 42 races of typhoid fever were treated at the Ross Memorial Hospital, but only 20 cases were reported by the

members who don't own one foot of twenty-two cases, must have been property in the town, and we need from outside points. Here again not think they care how they spend | Dr. BirAlpine has not done what he is paid for. He need not be in doubt Why on earth don't more business shout the twenty-two cases, and should not be in doubt. A neglectied case of typhoid this fall from a sanitary point of view, may lead to a hetoed of infection in the same tocality next year. There was never, in my recollection, more typhoid cases in town than in the year, 1907.

Mr. Editor, I have trespassed on your space to show how imperpectsly we are served in this matter. The only other recommendation I have to make is to elect men like Alderman McLean, who can see matters in their true light, and fill the office of Medical Health Officer for this town by a competent man .- Yours, etc., PRO. BONO PUBLICO.

Lindsay, Dec. 13th.

Correspondents' Newsy Letters :

CRESSWELL.

(From Our Own Correspondent.) On Thursday of last week, while chtaping wood, Mr. Simon Noble had the misfortune to have one of hist eyes injured. A chip, flew from the axe, striking the eyeoall, inflicting a nasty wound. We hope the injury may not be serious. Mr. Chas. Bott made a business trip

to Toronto on Saturday last. We are pleased to note that our teacher, Miss McKinnon, has been reengaged for the coming year.

Mr. Wilbert Davidson spent Sunday with friends at Salem. M. Chas. Thomas, grain buyer, re-

ports a lousy season, Don't forget when in the village to call on Mr. C. Bott, merchant, His stock of Christmas goods is unexcell-

MILLERSMITH-NORTH EMILY. Our old correspondent has not been heard from in a flong time, still we are pleased to know he is yet!

ativ and as jolly as ever. We are glad to see the ground covered with the beautiful again, and to bear the merry jingle of the bells. They seem to say that Christman is

What about our municipal election? Are we to have the same council again, or not? Many are sorry ito hear that Mr. Lewis is dropping out of the reeveship for the coming year. | + The Conservatives of this community have appointed four delegates who will attend the convention on Thurs-

day in Lindsay. Mr. John McMullen has about finis bed his new house, and when comgilcted it will be a credit to him-

seif and community. Many of our young people expect to attend the concert and Christman tree at Dunsford next Monday night. Mr. David Stinson, the tinsmith, of Omemee, who is well known here, sustained a great loss on Friday last in the fire at Omemee. Many of his friends in this locality will symrathize with him.

Mr. John Ashmore attended the annual Board of Health meeting in

LITTLE BRITAIN. (From Our Own Correspondent.) Our village is all astir preparing for the Christmas and New Year's

enteriainments. On Monday evening, Dec. 3rd, the Junior Epworth League will have a etcies - one hardware, one shoe telligent people of this municipality free concert and Christmas tree in the lecture room of the Methodisti church. A splendid programme is being prepared by the little people, and great interest prevails.

Last Surday evening the singing in the Methodist church was especially fine. A chorus of malle voices delighted the large audience, and the gastor, Rev. J. E. Moore, Ph.B. greathed a strong sermon on "Manily Gictiness', from the words, "He shall be great in the sight of the Lord and shall drink neither wine nor strong drink." Next Sunday evenirg the singing will be rendered by a chorus of female voices.

Dr. H. E. Moore and C. Thompson, banker, were in Toronto this week on

There will be a big Christmas mar ket this week. The morning service at Little Britain Methodist church has been

charged from 10 o'clock to 10.30. The celebrated New Year's tea in the Little Britain Methodist church will be held in the basement as usual. All the neighboring ministers have been invitted to give addresses. Mrs. (Rev.) Metherell has been ill

Miss Merritt, our school teacher goes to her home at Millbrook for Christmes.

J. Hughes, an English shoe maker, is doing some good work. See his hand-made shoes. Rev. J. E. Moore is conducting revivai meetings at Valentia.

Mr. Mitchell's little boy proke his arm last week. Dr. Hall and (Dr. Moore reduced the fracture. The fine new Western bank is now open and doing business, Mr. J. Sandoe, of Washburn Us-

Mand, have returned to the village, and have rented the Blewett prop On Christmas night the Senior Epworth League will hold their annual MEET ME AT WAKELY'S.

CHRISTMAS NOVELTIES GALORE.

You are invited to make this store your headquarters while in town. See the preparations we have made for you and don't get your parcels lost, have them "checked" here free of charge.

NOVELTIES

Pretty Dolls, Perfumes Beaded Bags, Purses, Work Baskets Cushions Handkerchief Holders @ Brushes Photo Holders Mirrors Neck Laces Beauty Pins Cushion Tops.

LINEN SECTION

Centre Pieces Tray Cloths Doylies Napkins, Dresser Scarfs Shams Table Cloths Towels Quilts.

LADIES' DEPARTMENT

Fancy Collars Belts Parasols Gloves Golf Coats Silk Waists Eancy Aprons Handkerchiefs Holly Ribbons Motor Scarts Clouds

MEN'S DEPT.

Toques

Neckwear Gloves Neckscarfs Suspenders Handkerchiefs Shirts sUmbrella Hats and Caps.

FUR DEPARTMENT

Fur Collars, Ruffs, Stoles, Muffs, Caps, Fur Coats, Fur lined Coats-Greatly Reduced.

Greatly Reduced J. W. Wakely One Door East of Dominion

Millinery Half

For Christmas Buyers.

It's not a task, but a pleasure, to choose gifts in al" Quality Shop" like this. Just spend half an hour here and the problem will be solved. BUT CHRISTMAS IS NEAR. So don't procrastinate, make your selection now and we will keep it for you.

BRUSHES-Hair, Military, separate and in cases; Cloth, Hat, Bonnet, Hand, etc., in genuine Ebony, Foxwood, etc., all prices.

DISPLAY SETTS-In Brush. Comb and Mirror, also Brush and Comb Combinations, fitted by ourselves from choice stock in any kind of goods, \$2.00 to 20.00. LEATHER COODS-In Collar and

Cuff, Shaving Setts, Purses, Wallets, Coin Purses, etc. ALLICATOR COODS-In Handkerchief, Glove or Tie Cases, Music

Rolls, Bags, Purses, etc., \$2.00 to

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LEATHER BACS-A superior line in Real Seal, Walrus, etc., suitable for the girl, mother or grandmother \$1.00 to \$5.00.

FANCY BACK COMBS-The largest variety of high grade Combs ever shown inftown, these are exclusive in design and can not be duplicated, \$1.00 to \$5.00.

LOWNEY'S CHOCOLATES-America's tamous confection, in beautiful holiday boxes, 35e to \$5 00.

RAZORS make a handsome and useful gift to father, brother or sweetheart. We have the best kinds; Carbo Magnetic, Gillett's Safety, Auto Strop Safety, \$2.00 to \$5.00.

MIRRORS-As usual a superb asassortment, witable for shaving and the toilet, with heavy glass, in Ebony, Foxwoods, etc., 50e to

COME WITH THE CROWD TO

Dunoon's Drug Store.

Brian, of Whitley Ladies' College, el- | Miss Jessie, dressmaker, have moved ocutionist, has been engaged, and a to Kirkfield. Both will be greatly fine programme is in readiness. Mrs. (Rev.) Moore will spend Christmas at a family gathering talt

ELDON STATION

Sandford.

(From Our Own Correspondent.). Miss Flora Morrison left on Friday for Hamilton. Flora is quite a favorite, and will be greatly missed

Mr. Alex McEachern, who has been visiting his aunt, Mrs. McKenzie, of Orillia, returned on Saturday. We are pleased to see that Master Alf. Maybee, who has been very sick, is now rapidly recovering under the careful treatment of Dr. Gal-

loway, of Woodville. -We are sorry to lose from our neighborhood and church Mr. and Mrs. Charles McDonald, also Mrs. Bailey, who, having sold their farm here, have retired to Woodville. We are sorry to learn of the ill-

ness of Mrs. R. Grant, but hope to hear of her recovery. called on friends here on Sunday.

missed by all here. Go to McLean's for your Christmas

goods. All at right prices.

It is with deep regret that we have to chronicle the death of Mrs. F. McEachern, who died on Dec. 5th, after a very short illness. Mrs. Mc-Eachern was one of the early settlers of this place. She was a member of the Presbyterian church here for years, was a kind neighbor, friend and mother, and was well liked by all who knew her. She leaves five sons and two daughters to mourn her loss. Her remains were interred in the Argyle cemetry.

She Knew the Formula.

(Harper's Weekly.) A stranger approached a little girl who was somewhat accustomed to interviews, with the usual question, "What's your name, sittle giri."

The little girl, without looking up from her sand-pile, replied; "My name is Edith, and I'm four. She's my littie sister; her name's Mildred, and the's two. I don't want to go with Mr. Walter Miller, of Balsover, you and be your little girl, and I know you can't steal my little sis-