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Vicinity Chips.

Characteristics of the Past Week Carefully Culled for the Curious.

Hear us yip:
Oh, La Grip,
When you start on the rip
Next time, give us the tip,
And we'll suddenly skip
With a flop and a flip
Where the frost does not nip
And where you can't take ship;
Where malariarl fever, lions, tigers, elephants, scorpions, and a million other deadly things run at large, but where you infernal aches are unheard of La grippe.

Mr. A. Perkins, of Toronto, has been visiting friends here during the past week.

It is stated that nearly every family on the 4th line, Artemesia, is fighting with la grippe.

The Advance was in error in saying that County Council met last week. It met on Tuesday of this week.

The best Fullcloth in Artemesia, made of fine wool, double and twist yarn throughout, selling cheap at the Flesherton Woollen Factory.

Diphtheria is prevalent on the gravel road between Flesherton and Maxwell. Two children belonging to Geo. Fisher have died from the disease.

I. B. Lucas, barrister, of the firm Bishop & Lucas, Owen Sound, is at the office of Wm. Lucas & Co., in Markdale, every Friday, and in Dundalk every Saturday.

The Mt. Forest Representative was five years old last week. It cut its wisdom teeth when about one week old, and has shown signs of vigorous health ever since.

Mr. J.G. Keefer, late of the Forest Free Press, has, in conjunction with a Mr. Milloy of the same place, purchased the Stouffville Tribune. We offer our congrat's.

On Wednesday of last week a snowstorm commenced here which gave us the first good sleighing in weeks. Thursdry, Friday and Saturdav the great staple selling article was wood. It came in with a rush which was quite audible.

We notice by the Enterprise that Mr. J. O. Stinson, son of D. Stinson, Esq., near Flesherton, has purchased the drug business in Chesley lately owned by W. R. Pentland. Mr. Stinson's motto is "Excelsior," and he is "gittin' thar."

Messrs. McCullough & Graham, lately of Markdale, have leased the shop owned by Mr. T. W. Wilson, and at present occupied by Mr. Chas. Bellamy, and will carry on an extensive pump manufacturing business. Mr. Wilson purposes putting in steam power into his own shop, of which more in the hereafter.

The social gathering held at the Methodist parsonage on Friday evening last was a very pleasant affair. The house was filled with a jolly crowd of young and old people who enjoyed themselves heartily until a late hour. Quite a handsome sum was added to the funds of the Ladies' Aid.

It will be of interest to the public to learn that Mr. J. H. Heard has secured the services of one of the best horseshoers in Canada—one who has had large experience and can be relied upon. Mr. Heard has also secured the agency for the Stevens improved spring tooth harrow. This harrow is claimed to be the best harrow manufactured for general use. Call and examine them.

House Burned.

News comes from Melancthon of a fatal fire which occurred in that township on Saturday evening. Full particulars have not been received, but from what we can learn it appears that the house belonged to a gentleman named Leader. The father and mother were absent from the house, leaving two small children at home, when the house took fire and burned down, the two children becoming a prey to the flames.

Elocution.

Miss Smith, one of Toronto's popular elocutionists, graduate of Philadelphia College of Elocution, will give an entertainment in the Town Hall, Flesherton, under the auspices of Flesherton Presbyterian church choir, on Friday evening, Feb. 7. Miss Smith is a daughter of the late Rev. John Smith, who was well and favorably known while here a few years ago. The entertainment will consist of readings and recitations, interspersed with music by the Glee Club. We bespeak for Miss Smith a hearty reception. Admission 15 cents.

La grip has been getting in some mighty fine specimens of work around here during the past two weeks. The Advance man himself was confined to the house for eleven days, three of which were worried through in bed. Bro. Fawcett of the Streetsville Review has been there and knows all about it. The Durham Review staff were all sick last week, and were only able to issue a half sheet. So you see the *creme de la creme* of society are quite as subject to its influenz-a as the *canaille*. Ahem!

"Broken Shackles," which we referred to in these colums a couple of weeks ago, is a very entertaining story of negro life in the States previous to emancipation. The hero removed to Canada, settling in the first instance on the old Durham Road, about five miles from Flesherton, and from thence removed to Owen Sound, where he is at present living. From these circumstances we feel assured that the book will prove entertaining reading in this vicinity. It is on sale at W. Richardson's drug store, and we would advise our readers to purchase a copy.

Auction Sales.

An auction sale of horse, harness, sleigh, wagon, and other articles will be held at the residence of A. J. Parker, Flesherton, on cattle fair day, Feb. 10.

An auction sale of farm stock and implements will be held to-morrow (Friday) on the farm of Mr. Silas Leslie, lot 26 and 27, 1st range S.D.R., Artemesia.

Credit auction sale of farm stock and implements on lot 24 and 25, con. 3, N. D.R., Artemesia, the property of the late Adam Muir. Tenders are also asked for the drawing of about 200 cords of wood from the farm to Flesherton station. For further particulars see bills.

A Sure Cure.

The following has been found to be a sure cure for la grippe. It is our own invention, but is not copyrighted. When you feel the disease coming on procure an electric battery of about 1000 candle power and attach it to each pole of your spinal vertebrae. Let the machine out to its full capacity and the chills will immediately disappear. Next tie a mustard plaster over your forehead and leave it there forty-eight hours, or until the headache subsides, using in the meantime six feather beds—three below you and three above. At the end of forty-eight hours swallow 1½ oz. red pepper diluted in a quart of castor oil with a pinch of livid croton oil as flavoring. If, inside of three days, no effect is apparent from this treatment, you should make your will and send for a doctor, but in ninety-nine cases out of a hundred the services of a physician will not be required if these directions are carefully followed.

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To our Subscribers.

The special announcement which appeared in our column some time since, announcing a special arrangement with Dr. B. J. Kendall Co., of Enosburgh Falls, Vt., publishers of "A Treatise on the Horse and his Diseases," whereby our subscribers were enabled to obtain a copy of that valuable work free by sending their address to B. J. Kendall Co., (and enclosing a two-cent stamp for mailing same) is renewed for a limited period. We trust all will avail themselves of this opportunity of obtaining this valuable book. To every lover of the horse it is indispensable, as it treats in a simple manner all the diseases, which afflict this noble animal. Its phenominal sale throughout United States and Canada, make it a standard authority. *Mention this paper when sending for treatise.*

Markdale's Latest News.

From our own Correspondent.

W. J. McFarland, reeve, is attending County Council this week. His name will appear among the candidates for the wardenship of the county.

The toboggan slide is again in operation, and everything "goes." Our reeve tried it on Monday night with two pretty girls to see him through safely. 5 rides for 10cts. and a toboggan supplied by the club. Transient and home patronage solicited.

Armstrong Bros. are securing quite a large supply of fine logs for lumber and cheese box purposes. In fact there is quite a boom at present in wood, square timber, tan bark, ties, posts and block poles.

Miss Minnie Lucas and Miss Emma Bell attended one of the fashionable, high toned, winter assemblies at Owen Sound last Friday evening. Lawyer "Ike" Lucas was the gentleman escort. They report an enjoyable evening's association with the "Sound" elite.

Miss Mamie Bowes, who has been primary department teacher here during the past three years, leaves this week for a Ladies' Seminary in Hamilton, there to complete her studies in art work and music. It is not likely we will enjoy her presence here again, as her parents will, ere long, remove to Toronto. Our social circle will lose one of its most attractive and pleasant members by her departure. We trust she will yet secure an M. L.

The school contract for 40 cords of wood was secured by Mr R. Shore, and he is busy placing it at present.

Methodist quarterly services next Sunday, and business meeting of official quarterly board on Monday following, at 2 p.m. The ecclesiastical year is fast closing, and the next move will be May district meeting.

The aims, object, etc., of the White Cross and White Shield movements were fully explained at an after meeting Sunday night, in the Methodist church, by Prof. Dike. His plain remarks to both sexes were, no doubt, on the line of truth and for the future weal of all, but most country villages, and ours in particular, from what I have heard, think these movements for greater social and personal purity should be confined to the great centres of sin, like towns and cities. "'Tis strange, 'tis passing strange," how we all hate to be confronted by the stark naked truth that we are not as personally and socially pure as physical and social laws demand us to be. ANON.

White twill union sheeting selling off cheap at the Flesherton Woollen Factory.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria

Singhampton.

Correspondence to The Advance

Several of our citizens are down with la grip, but so far without any fatalities. We have not yet met a single one pleased with having it.

Mr. Samuel Taylor has secured the reappointment of assessor for Osprey for this year.

Our Sunday School holds its annual entertainment on Feb. 14th.

No sleighing yet, and in consequence biz. extremely dull.

About Christmas a roving resident of Dundalk was united in the bonds of matrimony to a fair young lady near here and every thing was lovely until a lady from the neighborhood of Maxwell called upon the Rev. at the parsonage requesting particulars of the marriage, which was furnished her. When she realized that she had lost "Charley," she became frantic, ennumerating his deceptions, etc., and declared that on one occasion she advanced $50.00 to liberate her at one time lover from Owen Sound jail. She vowed that she would make it hot for him, and we guess she did, as Charley and his spouse started at once on their bridal tour, taking in Michigan en route.

Your Feversham cor. came down solid upon three young men from here who visited that place one Sunday evening lately and acted in an unbecoming manner. If they were guilty of the conduct implied, and we do not doubt this, we are glad that they have been exposed, but we take exception at your cor. holding them up as a fair representation of our young men. Your cor. well knows to the contrary. He classes them as "wolves." Evidently as those animals never feel so content as when in a pack, hence the desire of our three to visit their companions whose headquarters are in the town to our west, where it may be said they became members of the "pack" during a previous prolonged stay while working at a contract there. The visit of these three must have been acceptable at headquarters, as a return visit of the pack was made last Sunday, which, if they are a true representation of Feversham, (we cannot think they are) from all such good Lord deliver us. They arrived per special stage just as the worshippers were going to church, and with one exception the pack satisfied their spirit (ual) desires elsewhere sipping their favorite beverage with a great relish, which left them in a condition better imagined than described, taking great delight in adding to their disgrace by their hideous howls. Your cor. classed the three as being suitable visitors on week days. We cannot honestly return the compliment, as the pack from the west did not display sufficient intelligence or civilization to warrant another like exhibition outside of a prize ring or menagerie. We want their visits in this condition no more, and if they come, publicity will be given their names which at this time we withold.

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When the Czar travels, a little vanguard is sent in advance, consisting of two lock smiths, two carpenters and two masons, all of them being married men, born in the Imperial service, and devotedly attached to their august master. Their duties are to examine walls, floors, chimneys, fire-places, locks and furniture in every room occupied by the Czar. The chimneys in particular are the objects of special attention, in order that no infernal machine shall be concealed in them.

Some time ago The Youth's Companion offered $5,000 in prizes for the three best stores for girles, the three best stories for boys, and three best stories of adventure. The recent awarding of the prizes brings out the curious fact that only one well-known story-writer, Elizabeth Stuart Phelps, appears among the prize winners. Another suggestive fact is that two of the prizes for stories for girls were won by men, and two of the prizes for stories for boys were won by women. This would seem to indicate that men can write the best stories for women and vice verse, although this inference is hardly borne out by other facts.

General News.

Mr. Stanley writes to a friend: "My hair is like snow; but it is the crown of a busy period, and I wear it with regret as the gift of time."

The sentance of a year's imprisonment imposed on Johann Most, the New York anarchist, for language used in a speech denouncing the hanging of the Chicago anarchists, has been confirmed by the Supreme Court.

Divorce in Canada.

It is certainly remarkable that, whilst in Egland a Divorce Court has been established since 1857, no such tribunal would be tolerated in Canada. In that dependency divorce can only be obtained from the Legislature, and parlimentary procedure has been made the subject of a treatise by a Canadian barrister, Mr. Gemmill, which has just reached our hands. A greater contrast than that between England and Canada exists between Canada and the United States. In the latter divorces are easily obtained, the result being that, since 1867, 3,281,613 have been decreed in the United States as against 116 in Canada. The Canadians seem very jealous of confining the jurisdiction over the subjects of marriage and divorce. The Governor-General's instructions previous to 1878 directed him positively not to assent to Her Majesty's name "to any Bill for the divorce of persons joined together in holy matrimony." In accordance with these instructions, between 1867 and 1878 inclusive, eleven Divorce Bills were reserved, though they were afterwards sanctioned by the Queen in Council. These instructions were originally framed for Provinces possessing powers and privileges inferior to those granted to Canada by the Constitutional Act of 1867. These instructions, as well as the commissions of the Governors General, were accordingly changed in 1878 in conformity with suggestions made by Mr. Blake, while Minister of Justice, in valuable State papers relating to our constitutional privileges. The reserved power of disallowance which Her Majesty in Council possesses under the law is now considered quite sufficient for all possible emergencies. Consequently all Divorce Bills are assented to, with other Bills at the close of a session of Parliament, and become law in due form—the power of disallowance not being exercised in cases where the Parliament of Canada has full jurisdiction. The clause in the former royal instructions, requiring that certain classes of Bills should be reserved for Her Majesty's approval, was omitted—as stated by the Secretary of State for the Colonies at the time—"because Her Majesty's Government thought it inadvisable that the instructions should contain anything which could be interpreted as limiting or defining the legislative powers conferred in 1867 on the Dominion Parliament."—*Law Times.*

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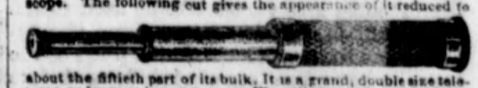

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