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From Our Own Correspondent

A bad accident happened to T. Conron, son of A. J. Conron, on Monday, 23rd, when cutting saw logs for J. Irwin. A tree split and fell back 27 feet and struck him on the head, cutting it badly. Drs. Park and Scott were hastily summoned and attended to the wound. Tom is doing as well as can be expected. Mr. Irwin and J. Sample, who were with him, had a narrow escape from being struck, too.

Mr. John Ottewell, 12th line, suffered a bad accident on Saturday last. He was unloading logs from his sleigh when one log fell off and struck him on the leg, breaking the bone near the ankle. Dr. Park was sent for and set the broken limb.

Ira intends running the saw mill day and night this season, so Beversham will have electric light this summer.

Mr. William Mullen was united in marriage to Miss Maggie Sinclair, on Wednesday, 28th, at Miss Sinclair's home on townline Osprey and Collingwood. We wish the young couple a happy voyage through life.

Markdale

From Our Own Correspondent.

Mr. J. H. Lever is getting the material on the ground, preparatory to building a residence.

Mr. J. E. McLeod and family, formerly of East Mountain, are visiting their many friends in this vicinity, before taking their departure for Michigan.

Master Gordon Hill, son of Mr. S. Hill, merchant, and Master Herb Lamb, son of ex-Councillor Lamb of Glenelg, left on Monday morning for Manitoba. May success attend you, boys.

Mrs Watson, a very fleshy lady of Glenelg, was so unfortunate as to fall down cellar in R. H. Bens n and Co's. store on Friday afternoon. Had it not been for the steps leading to the cellar, which broke the fall, it might have ended fatally, but there does not appear to be anything serious more than a very bad shaking up. She was taken home on Saturday.

Mr. Joseph Trelford, who has been in the employ of his brother, Ed., hardware merchant of this town, for the past six years, is launching out in business in the rising village of Proton. We wish him every success in his new venture and we congratulate Proton on securing such desirable citizens as Mr. and Mrs. Trelford, for our loss will be Proton's gain.

At time of writing this, Tuesday afternoon, we learn with regret that Mr. Andrew Fogarty, of the City Hotel is very low, the end being expected at any moment.

Priceville

From Our Own Correspondent

A few days ago Miss T. McDonald of the South line, Glenelg, lost $9 out of her pocket on her way home from this village. As the bills were in an envelope it was feared that the wind had blown it away. However, a day or so after the misfortune Miss M. Hincks picked up the missing envelope with contents intact.

Mr. M. Riley paid a business visit to the Queen City a few days ago. On his return he brought back with him a handsome Whaley & Royce piano for his daughter, Miss Maud.

For the last week Mrs. E. Grier of Priceville has been attending her mother, Mrs. Hunter of Bunessan, who, at the present writing, is not expected to live.

Dr. Sweetman of Toronto, who is on his way to California, paid a visit to Mr. C. C. James last Thursday. The doctor was very much pleased to find Miss Bertha James improving so satisfactorily.

Mr. Richard Walters returned to Toronto last Monday after a two week's visit at home.

The Revs. Jos. Ward, B. D., and J. S. Humphreys of Flesherton and Priceville, respectively, exchanged pulpits last Sunday.

The eyes of our Millers are beginning to twinkle at the sight of the water rising in the dam. It reminds of a stanza we have read which runs something like this:

"Our jolly young sawmiller how
he will laugh!
When he sees the mill dam rise,
Our jolly young sawmiller how
he will laugh!
Till the tears fill both his eyes."

We are glad to see Veterinary Surgeon McIntyre around again after over a week's illness.

A number of young people from this burg attended a cobweb party at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Blakeston on Wednesday evening of last week. They spent a very pleasant evening.

If anyone in this vicinity is habitually troubled with melancholia we would strongly advise them to call on D. and A. They have a sure cure for all kinds of "lumps." Particulars given on application.

Sugar-making has commenced but we haven't heard of a good "run" as yet. We expect, however, camps will be in full swing this week if the weather is favorable.

Messrs Alex. Cameron and C. E. Watson left for Brampton last Tuesday morning for the summer's work. We wish the boys good success.

Messrs. Thomas Conkey and Duncan McRae have gone to our county town in search of employment. We trust the boys will get good situations.

A number of our citizens attended the Patriotic Concert held at Ceylon last week, and judging from their report the Ceylonians must have given one of the best entertainments of the season.

Port Law

From Our Own Correspondent

This community has again been rudely reminded of the transitoriness of this life and that here we cannot aye remain. Mr. Geo. Johnston, whom we reported last week as being ill with inflammation of the lungs, succumbed to the malady on Wednesday, March 28th, after a few day's illness, aged 29 years and 10 months, having been born on the farm on which he died. George will be missed very much in the neighborhood. He was good hearted, ready to assist a neighbor, and honorable in his dealings. His two sisters, who were dependant upon him, and the eldest of whom is now receiving medical attention, have our deepest sympathy.

Mrs. Napier's condition is still serious.

Mrs. Hemphill, who has been very ill, is we understand, somewhat improved.

Mrs. F. W. Nicholson is confined to her bed with a severe attack of erysipelas.

Mr. W. T. McKee is suffering from eczema on his hand.

Mrs Geo., Miss Mary and Mr. John Beecroft have returned from a visit with friends in Nottawasaga. Miss Mary is suffering from what is supposed to be a severe cold.

Mrs. Miller of Stayner visited her sister-in-law, Mrs. McLean, recently.

Messrs W. G. Jamieson and Thomas Haney visited Collingwood last week.

Mrs. McLean accompanied her sister, Miss Porteous, to the Owen Sound hospital on Thursday last, returning the same day. We understand encouraging news has been received from Miss Porteous, who has been an invalid for the past four years.

Building operations promise to be universally brisk the coming summer. Messrs. J. A. Thompson, Francis Arnott, Jno. Winters and Jno. Corrigan are each making all necessary preparations for the erection of large frame barns, and Mr. Geo. McMaster has the material on the ground for a new brick house.

Old Sol appears to have the contract again of removing the snow from the fields and roads, and the way he has warmed up to his work the last few days would indicate that his job will soon be completed.

"And soon reviving plants and flowers
Anew shall deck the plain;
The trees shall hear the voice of spring
And flourish green again."

The Late Robt. Gilray, J. P.

A striking instance of an ideal life of usefulness was brought to a close when Mr. Robert Gilray, Epping, one of Euphrasia's oldest and most highly respected residents passed away on Monday evening last at eight o'clock. Although not considered seriously ill, the end was not unexpected, as his extremely old age had been accompanied by gradual weakening of the constitution and his friends had noticed lately that he was failing rapidly. He was not, however, at any time confined to bed, but always able to move about and join with the family at meal time and in social converse, his joke and habitual cheerfulness serving always to dispel the cares and worries of life. The morning previous to his death he expressed a desire to go to the barn, and was taken in a cutter. Remaining for a short time, he returned to the house and was suddenly stricken with paralysis, and remained in an unconscious condition until eight o'clock., when the spirit took its flight.

Mr. Gilray, though a thorough Scotchman, was a Canadian by birth, having been born in the year 1816 in Montreal, where his father was serving as a veterinary surgeon in the British army. His father's regiment having been recalled to Scotland, Robert was taken, when but three years old to the "land o' the heather," where he remained until the year 1846, when he decided to immigrate to Canada, having in the meantime married the daughter of a prominent Highland Scotchman. After coming to Canada deceased spent about nine years in the townships of Vaughan and Reach, coming to Euphrasia in the year 1855 and subsequently settling on the farm on which he died, in 1860. In religion Mr. Gilray was a Methodist, having become connected with that body at the age of thirty, and having during the remainder of his life devoted a great deal of time to a study of the Scripture and preaching the gospel. He was also a great Sunday school worker, having been superintendent of different schools for many years. In politics deceased was a Reformer, though never a bitter partizan, but was in everything, politics included, liberal in his views; while in matters relating to the prosperity of the country or the well-being of its people he took an active and leading interest. He had also been for many years a justice of the peace. Of the sixteen members of his family, eleven are left to mourn the loss of a kind and sympathetic father. Three died in infancy, while Annie died sixteen years ago and Jennie six years ago. Mrs. McMaster resides at Toronto Junction; James, New York; John, Colorado; Thomas, Euphrasia; Rev. Alex., Toronto; Robert, who is a twin brother of Jennie, Chicago; Mrs. Yoemans, Euphrasia; William, Toronto; Alice, Toronto; Mattie, Epping; and Mrs. Wright, Vandeleur.—Thornbury Herald.

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END NOT IN SIGHT

A special despatch to the Mail and Empire says:—The prospects of an early ending of the war in South Africa are not so bright as they seemed a few days ago. The extension of the campaign into the African autumn, with the prospect of it lasting until midwinter, has seriously altered the British plans. No preparations had been made by the War Office for a winter campaign, and the cold weather equipment of the troops is only now going out. The heavy autumn rains have turned the country into a quagmire. The horses are exhausted and the heavy guns have moved scarcely a mile daily. It is said that Gen. Roberts recalled Gen. Methuen from the attempt to relieve Mafeking, and that Col. Baden-Powell has been left to work out his own salvation. Nearly 100,000 men, it is computed, will be necessary to keep up communications when the march from Bloemfontein to Pretoria is undertaken.

It is now clear that there is plenty of resistance left in the Boers. They, in fact, have been acting on the aggressive for several days past. It is now accepted as a first principle by the British commanders that their troops, to be successful, must be overwhelmingly superior in numbers to the enemy. It is obvious, therefore, that Lord Roberts has no men to spare for the accomplishment of his task, although the total British troops in South Africa amounted to 200,000, while the Boers number only 40,000.

The British are still far from masters of the situation, and the most difficult work of the war is still to be accomplished.