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Jewellery! Jewellery!

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Eugenia.

Although the weather keeps showery, yet seeding is progressing and it will be mostly finished this week. Vegetation is coming along. Cattle will soon pick up their living. Feed has hung out very well for such a long season of stable feeding.

Mrs. Marshall of Meaford is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Fred Pedlar of "Summerhill farm."

Mrs. Carr spent the past week visiting friends in Toronto.

Mr. Tom McKee met with a severe accident when working at Wm. Fisher's barn. He cut his leg so that it required several stitches, and splintered the bone.

Miss Barnacall of Toronto is visiting her sister, Mrs. Boyle, for a few days.

Mr. Ben Carruthers, who has been visiting his brother here for some time past, has returned to the Sault. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Walton, who have been visiting friends here, have also returned to their home at the Sault.

Mrs. Pedlar, who was visiting her daughter, Mrs. Hoath of Elsinore, has returned home. Mrs. Hoath's little daughter still remains very ill from lung trouble.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Williams are delighted to welcome them back to their home, Eugenia. Long may Jake make the anvil ring in his new shop.

Our ladies are now in their glory, with duster and broom, at house cleaning.

Proton Station

Mrs. A. Colgan and Miss Flo Roome spent a few days last week with friends in Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Badgerow spent Sunday at Bethel.

Misses Ida and Clara Binnie, Flesherton, Sundayed under the parental roof.

Mr. Angus Pickett spent a few days last week at his home in West Toronto.

Mr. Alex. McLean spent Sunday with Bethel friends.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Talbot, Wareham, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wright.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Armstrong are moving to their new home in Dundalk. Mr. English, of Ceylon, will take possession here in a few days.

Hatherton

The farmers are wearing broad smiles and whistling merry tunes since the fine weather has set in.

Mr. Joseph Winters, who makes his home with his brother, John S., and who has been feeling unwell for some time, was suddenly taken with a paralytic stroke a couple of weeks ago while out in the barn. Dr. Ryckman was hastily summoned, but held out very little hope for his recovery, his left side being paralyzed and he was rendered almost speechless. The many friends sympathise with Joe in his affliction.

Mrs. Sinclair of Dundalk and Mr. Seeley of Stayner visited their brother, Mr. J. Winters, who is ill, last week.

Mrs. D. Gordon is very ill with an attack of the grippe, but we trust she will soon be around again.

Miss Alice Field has again started her music class for the summer.

Mrs. J. Winters, sr., has returned from a lengthy visit with her daughter, Mrs. R. Seeley, who, we are pleased to learn, is improving nicely after a serious illness. Mr. R. Seeley accompanied his mother-in-law home last Saturday, returning Sunday.

Mr. R. Kinnear, Maxwell's popular young merchant, took his first trip with his egg wagon last Tuesday.

The endless prayer chain is again on its rounds, your correspondent getting no less than three letters with the request to send nine copies of the prayer to nine of my friends, which makes 27 copies to write and 54 cents to expend in stamps, and I am likely to get a number more. While I admit the prayer is all right, I do not believe in filling the government treasury, and I think doing a little home missionary work would be much more acceptable in the sight of God.

Mr. T. Grummot of Honeywood, accompanied by his auntie, Miss Edith Mills, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jess Grummot.

East Mountain

The weather has been nice and warm of late. If this week still remains fine seeding will be well advanced, although not many this year will finish by the 24th.

Miss Cora Martin came home from Owen Sound Thursday, and will remain for a while.

Mrs. Walton is in a fair way to recovery. Her many friends are glad to see her able to go around again.

Miss Verna Gorley was home from Flesherton for a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Walton and baby returned to the Sault Saturday.

Ceylon

On account of the illness of Rev. Mr. Kipp we had no church service here last Sunday.

Mr. John English has moved to Proton Station to take charge of the hotel there. We wish him success.

Mr. H. Bennett expects his wife and family to arrive about the end of the week. They will occupy the premises vacated by Mr. J. English.

Mr. John McDonald and Mr. T. A. Gilchrist are improving their places by putting new fences in front of their lots. May others follow suit.

Mr. Fred Rutledge and bride are visiting at the former's parental home here.

Miss Brown of Glenelg and a friend are visiting the former's sister, Mrs. Wm. Hargrave.

Kimberley.

Born—At Kimberley on Saturday, May the 8th, to Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Reid, a daughter.

Mr. Chas. E. Stuart visited friends near Heathcote during the past week.

Mr. Henry Hurd has returned home after a visit with Toronto friends.

Mr. Lyness Fawcett left for Gowganda on Saturday, where he has a position with Stuart Bros. of that place.

Mr. Emerson Brown of Clarksburg was in town during the past week.

Mrs. E. C. Hamell attended the funeral of her brother,in-law, the late Mr. Lightfoot, at Toronto on Wednesday of last week. Mr. John Plewes attended the same funeral

Messrs. Clifford Camack, Oliver Irwin and Fred Thompson left for Gowganda recently.

Very changeable weather here at present.

We are sorry to report Mr. Samuel Thompson, who has been on the sick list for some time, very low.

Mr. Jacob Thompson visited his sister, Mrs. Chas. Wickens, here, during the past week.

Mr. William Brewer has gone to London.

Football is the order of the day.

Swinton Pak.

Arbor day was duly observed at the public school here, last Friday. Trees were planted, yards cleaned and an evergreen motto placed in the school, "Knowledge is Power."

Mr. D. McCormick has dissolved partnership with Mr. J. H. Richardson on lot 10, con. 14.

Mrs. Hargrave is visiting her daughter, who is sick at Orillia.

Sunday school reopened at the Presbyterian church on May 2nd, with Mr. Jas. Patton as Superintendent.

A well attended prayer meeting was held at Mrs. Hardy's home last Monday evening.

Mr. McKechnie of Hopeville, had a monument erected on the family plot, here, last Thursday.

Miss Alma Schell visited at her home at Beaver over Sunday.

Mr. D. Ferguson is confined to his bed with la grippe.

Honor Rolls.

Report of S. S. No. 11, Osprey, for April. Names in order of merit.

Class 5—Viva Scilley.

Class 4 sr—Emily Scilley, Nellie Jamieson, Mabel Young.

Class 3 sr—Alfie Down, (Louie Winters and Percy Lougheed) equal, Winnie Scilley, Millie Parker, Nelson Arnott, Hartley Arnott.

Class 2 sr—Mary Parker, Alice Winters, Harold Lougheed, Lily Arnott, Alvin Grummet, John Winters, Bertie Young.

Part 2 sr—Earnie Hardy, Hugh Parker, Wilma Down, Hanna Scilley, Willie Winters, Lily Hardy.

Part 1 sr—Gertie Grummet, Vi Lougheed, Eva Arnott, Julia Winters.

Part 1 jr—Addie Grummet, Isabel Winters, Jennie Winters, Adrian Demens, Minnie Demens, Norman Parker.

I. B. Lillico, Teacher,

Report of Eugenia P. S., for April.

Class 4—L. Fisher, Elsie Armstrong.

Class 3 sr.—A. Wilson, E. Campbell, L. Hislop, F. Plantt, M. Campbell, M. Park.

Class 3 jr—H. McLean, C. Fisher, C. Park.

Class 2 sr—J. Armstrong, D. Wilson, M. Williams, W, Wilson, C. Williams.

Class 2 jr—W. Latimer, W. Williams.

Part 2 sr—B. Armstrong, L. Pedlar, R. Leopard, M. Park.

Part 2 jr—W. Armstrong, G. Field, W, Fisher, G. Wilson, W. Walker, M. Hanley.

Part 1 sr—G. Large, J. Williams.

Part 1 jr—H. Hanley.

Miss K. Calder, Teacher.

Owen Sound.

The freight workers in the C. P. R. sheds at Owen Sound have in the past been getting $1.50 for a day of 10 hours and they want $2.00 or 20c per hour. Friday last, not getting their request complied with, work ceased and the men went on strike.

The liquidator states that a reorganization of the Canadian Portland Cement Company, Wiarton, has been effected and that the company will resume operations at once. The assets of the concern are placed at $500,000 and an additional $100,000 has been subscribed to put the company on a good working basis.

After two hours discussion Monday morning the Canadian Pacific Railway strikers declared that they would not accept any offer of arbitration and adjourned until the afternoon, when their solicitor, H. E. Sampson, presented the offer of the company to allow the question to go to arbitration, waiving claim to the 30 days' notice, take all the striking men back and not discharge any without just cause. A ballot was taken, and by a vote of 98 to 68 it was decided to accept the proposition. The company also agreed not to press the Police Court prosecutions instituted against about 40 of the strikers for violating their agreement. To-night a considerable number of the men are at work, and it is probable that the whole staff will be at work in the morning. The local force of police and special constables was augmented this morning by about forty specials, who were under Provincial Detective Greer, Superintendent Oborne and Solicitor Armour were here representing the company.

It is possible that the 31st Regiment will camp here this summer. Some time ago the announcement was made by the Militia Department that several regiments would go into camp at regimental headquarters, and it is practically certain that the Greys will be among the number. The presence of about 350 men camped on the outskirts of the town—camp will probably be pitched at the rifle ranges—should mean something for the town in a business way, besides giving the citizens an opportunity to see the troops in action. Training will begin June 1st and will last for twelve days.

The Government is about to send a commission to Great Britain and Denmark to study the bacon industry.

The Tragedy of The Wheat Fields

An Interesting Letter Fom Mr. Carr

MR. EDITOR.—I have been several times requested by some of your readers to explain the cause and effect of the summer frosts on the wheat crop of this great northwestern part of our Canada. I will try to give a brief outline, according to the light I have through experience and observation, through your columns by your courtesy. This was recalled to my mind the other day, as I stood on the depot platform awaiting another train coming in. There were several men who were Ontario-bound. One of these engaged me in conversation and fired questions at me in a perfect fusilade like bullets from a quick-fire catapult, concerning the climate, country generally and the crops in particular. When he learned that I was from Ontario, some time ago, he called his fellows around, and let loose his loquacious tongue until he almost staggered me, explaining for his inquisitiveness that "Fowks couldn't mak hoot mich about t' country by joost riding through 't on t' keers." Well, no I replied; you must stop off and get out on the prairie and become somewhat familiar with the very particular and peculiar conditions of the country—soil and climate and usages of the people of a prairie land—all of which are essentially its own and vastly different from those features which obtain in the old Ontario or other bush lands. He asked especially about the summer frosts. It appears that this has become a vital issue in the minds of thinking men when spying out locations for future homes and agricultural operations. Well, I take it that the latitude and longitude of this north-western country, and its vast and peculiar topographical formation of plain and mountain and treeless expanse, has some considerable to do with its being so liable to summer frosts and the devastating electrical storms and hail. These coming at the latter part of August and September, and even sometimes in June and July, there is a critical time for the wheat crop from the time the wheat plant is in bloom until it is cut and in the stook. Frost coming then 4 degrees below freezing point will destroy the crop wherever it strikes. It comes in unexpected times and places. A day may be everything that is fine until just at nightfall is noticed a gradual falling of the temperature, an ominous cooling of the atmosphere, though no frost may fall until just before the dawning of the morning, as the darkest part of night is just before the dawn of light. So just then the frost gets in its awful work of havoc on the defenceless fields of wheat, and what might have been a 30-bushel per acre crop may be reduced to hen feed in one short hour. A peculiar feature also is that it settles in streaks over the country, streaks that escaped last year being frozen or hailed out this year. This nipping of the wheat heads whilst in bloom is just what happened, according to report, over in the Argentine Republic two or three months ago—another one of the great wheat producing countries of the world—the destruction of which stiffened the price of this Northwestern crop for even the inferior grades during the past winter and up to the present time, and not so much the cornering of the market by the now notorious Patten. Then, perhaps, there is another feature. The newness of the land, no doubt, may be a part of the cause of drawing the frost at undesirable seasons, and many "old timers" contend that as the soil becomes more generally broken up and cultivated the frost of summer will leave. As for my own opinion, it is that the geographical and topographical situation of the country is such that the climate will always be uncertain and unreliable as to summer frosts and hail storms. A land given to such sudden electric changes and atmosphere can never be depended on or a guarantee given by any government of a reasonable certainty what is or is not going to be the outcome of a season's work for the wheat farmer. And he is the man who is supposed to bread the world and should be in possession of the fullest and most reliable information obtainable as to the most favorable conditions or otherwise of country or climate to obtain the best results for his work.

In the five years that I have been here I have seen blocks of hundreds of acres of wheat that would have run 30 to 40 bushels to the acre had nothing untoward happened, that the owners never put in a reaper to cut, as it was frozen so badly that it would not pay the expenses. Yet "hope springs eternal," and 'tis expectation whirls the wheels along, fixes the career, expectant of the goal. Most people here are very optimistic that eventually the country will be one grand success.

Another prominent feature of the situation here in this central province of Saskatchewan is this so-called vast Regina plain, one vast level plain some 200 miles wide by 400 long, being almost absolutely devoid of any forestry protection, to break off the oft-recurring strong north and west winds and cold, which have their rise in the Rocky Mountains and often come sweeping down with relentless, pitiless fury, across these wide expanses of treeless plains, apparently gathering intensity and momentum with every mile.

—F. T. C.

To be concluded next week.

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Information re Purchasing of Hardware.

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110 Ladie's Fine quality white Embroidered turnover Collars, 10c kind for ..... 5c.
25 dozen plain white Cambrick Handkerchiefs, ladies size, while they last 5 for ..... 10c.
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The Proper Planting of Trees.

Most fruit men think they know how to plant fruit trees. The soil is properly prepared, a large hole is made, wide, but not deep, and the roots are carefully spread out in the proper way. Then the soil is put in carefully, and the whole is gently firmed with the foot. But the Duke of Bedford and Mr. Spencer U. Pickering have been experimenting at Woburn Experimental Fruit Farm, in England, and their investigations seem to show that the old method is all a mistake. They tell us that the right way to plant a tree is to make a small hole, double up the roots in any old way, throw in the soil, and then ram it down as though it were a gate-post. This would appear to be setting a premium upon carelessness, and yet they tell us that 59 per cent. of the trees they planted showed in favor of this latter method; 27 per. cent. showed no difference; and only 14 per cent. showed a difference in favor of the old and more careful method. It seemed as though the "ramming," i.e., the packing of the earth as in the fixing of a fence-post, led to a copious development of the small fibrous roots upon which the success of the tree depends so largely. These experiments, of course, are not the last word upon the subject, but it will doubtless stimulate similar investigations upon this continent, and it may possibly turn out that our old method of tree planting is not really scientific. Each fruit grower can try the experiment upon a small scale for himself, and we do not doubt that our enterprising Canadian horticulturists and farmers will soon test the value of the new theory.—Christian Guardian.

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