Priceville.

From our own correspondent.

The usual cattle fair was held in s place on the 16th inst., but was a success, owing to the heavy rm of the previous day, very few tle were brought out. For the me reason, very few buyers were esent.

The all-absorbing topic of the day the alledged attempt to hire a party burn the Commercial Hotel building. About a year ago a fire was covered in the stables of the Com rcial, but was extinguished with- t doing much damage, and was sup- sed to be the work of an incendiary. e perpetrator of the deed was not scovered. About two weeks ago a an of the name of Walker, from the ighborhood of Mt. Forest, came to e village and informed mine host of e Com. that Joseph Dennis of the rown Hotel, had, on the 7th inst., ied to bargain with him to fire the ommercial, relating circumstances, me and place; stating Dennis had fered him (Walker) $100.00 for so oing. He also stated Dennis inform- him that he had employed one Mc- laster to fire them a year ago, but at he had not made a job of it. rom what cause I know not, there as not prompt action taken to in- estigate the matter. Walker's state- ents leaking out, Dennis had him rested for defamation of character nd had him brought before Justices lack and Ghent, who committed him r trial at the approaching assizes at wen Sound. The court-room was rowded by residents of the village nd farmers of the surrounding ountry. The general opinion ex- ressed, is that Walker's story is too ell connected to be a fabrication. he affair should be probed to the ottom and the guilty parties brought justice.

A VALUABLE PATENT.

The most valuable discovery patent d in modern times is that of the best lood purifier and liver and kidney re- ulator known. We refer to Burdock Blood Bitters, which is making so any wonderful cures and bringing e blessed boon of health to so many eople.

Flesherton.

From our own correspondent.

Like the spring birds returning with eir new and beautiful plumes, with e returning spring are our merchants' ring Milliners again returning to village. We noticed some had rived a few days ago and since, we ice Miss Maud Richardson has an returned from the land of thers and flowers and we suppose s with her plumes for every body.

r. Stewart Bates, who has been ending the winter with friends in s vicinity, leaves this week for rt Arthur to prepare for navigationason. Mr. Bates is purser on one the boats on our northern lakes.

Rev. J. E. Bowes of Toronto, New Church" missionary, spent a few ys in our village last week and on day evening gave a lecture in the own Hall; Subject, "What is it to e? What is man's state after death? here is the spiritual world the home the departed?" 1st the speaker id death is simply the transition om one state of beeing to another ate of beeing the closing of the senses the physical beeing and opening of iritual senses, simply the withdrawel the spirit from its tenement the ysical frame. 2nd, the spirit after ath, the lectures claimed, was in e form of a man that we could not nceive of any entity without form at the physical material frame was e covering of the spirit form as a ove covers the hand that the spirit the real man. 3rd, that the abode departed spirits was not far distant space but as near us as to almost uch us, but that departed spirits uld no more see our physical aterial form than we with bodily es could see them; yet, they were ound us and near us altho' on what termed another plan of beeing at not infrequently as life is closing e departing are permitted to see eir friends who have passed into the rit world before them, &c. The ture closed without bringing any- ng before his audience either as w or original as they had been led expect. It was neither deep nor equent. However, as he neither arged entrance fee nor took up llection we can only thank him for s efforts to enlighten our darkness. r. Bowes gave the Swedenburg ed with some comments, after the ture sold a number of books, we ve not yet heard of any converts the faith.

WHAT WE MAY EXPECT.

Spring,
Summer,
Autumn,
And Winter,
Thaw in April,
Causing serious freshets,
Carring away numerous bridges,
So look to your cellars and save the contents.

Business to revive when spring opens.

An advance in farm produce all round.

The Assessor,
If he has not yet called;
And the majority to plead poverty.
And l—e considerable.
But the Assessment to raise all the same.

A full court at Flesherton next court day.

The skating rink to close,
And a roller rink opened e're long.

Building operations brisk in Markdale the coming summer.

Hay scearce and prices high.

Our subscription list continue to increase.

United States New Postal Law.

To take effect on and after July 1, 1885.

1—Sealed letter to go anywhere in the United States for 2 cents on each full ounce or fraction of an ounce, instead of one half an ounce. Any letter not over one full ounce for 2 cents; over 1 ounce and up to 2 ounces, 4 conts, and so on. The full ounce weight will apply to drop letters delivered for one cent where the carrier system is not in operation.

2—Registered newspapers, sent by publishers or by news-dealers, *one cent per pound*, to include regular and specimen copies.—Other papers sent by any one, one cent for each 4 ounces or fraction of 4 ounces.

3—Articles in newspapers *may be marked* with pen or pencil to call attention to them, but no words or figures can be used. This is not *now* allowed to publishers sending papers by pound rates.

4—A special stamp (costing 10 cents) put upon a letter going to any place having 4,000 population, according to the U. S. Census, and to other places that may be hereafter specially designated by the Department, will be immediately delivered by a special messenger, and a receipt taken for it by the messenger; provided the recipient lives within two miles of the Post office, or its sub stations in large cities. Letters arriving after midnight not thus delivered.

Another Illicit Still Seized.

Last Wednesday Inland Revenue officer, R. A. Hartley, received information to the effect that an illicit still was in operation in the Township of Tossorontio, a few miles from Lisle on the N. & N. Ry. On Tursday he proceeded with Constables Greer and H. Neelands to ferret out the matter. They had little or no trouble as Constable Greer was well acquainted with the locality. Everything was found as represented, the still in operation and the operator, Chas. R. Cherry, in the act of making ready for manufacture. They arrested Cherry, who it appears was formerly a hotel-keeper in the township of Nottawasaga and had been refused a license by the commissioners last year. The officers seized the still, worm and appurtenances and destroyed them. The prisoner was brought to Barrie the same night and placed in gaol. The following day he appeared before Mayor Sewrey and Mr. John Laird, J. P. He acknowledged the charge and said he had been led into it by others. He was fined $100 and thirty days in gaol.

This is the second still seized by these officers and the conviction of the owner secured inside of a fortnight and they are keeping a sharpe look out for similar stills said to be in operation in the county.—Barrie *Gazette*.

Rev. J. G. Fallis, Dutton, certifies; "For some years my wife has been troubled with Dyspepsia, and has tried one thing after another recommended but with little or no effect till advise to give McGregor's Speedy Cure a trial. Since taking the first bottle I have noticed a decided improvement, and can with confidence recommend it to be one of, if not the best medicine extant for Dyspepsia. This invaluable medicine for Liver Complaint, Indigestion, Kidney Complaint, is purely vegetable. Sold at Hill Bro's. Trial bottles given free.

Monthly Fairs.

Markdale—Saturday before Flesherton.

Chatsworth—[illegible] Durham.

Dundalk—[illegible] Orangeville.

Flesherton—Monday before Orangeville.

Orangeville—The second Thursday in each month.

Mount Forest—Third Wednesday in each month.

Priceville—Monday before Durham

Durham—Third Tuesday in each month.

Hanover—Monday before Durham.

Walkerton—Last Wednesday in every month.

A THIEF got badly sold in Toronto recently. He was attracted by the display of wealth in the window of a broker's office, a bowl filled with gold coin being particularly coveted by him. He stayed around till an opportunity when few were passing, when he broke a pane of the window, grabbed the bowl and made off. He had not ran many steps, however, till he discovered that the bowl was of rubber, with the top gilded in imitation of coins. It is needless to say he immediately dropped it; and now has to exercise his ingenuity to keep out of the clutches of the police, having made himself a felon for the possession of a sham.

A DECIDED HIT.

Hagyard's Yellow Oil touches the right spot every time when applied for rheumatism, neuralgia, pain, soreness or lameness, and internally for colds, sore throat, etc., it is equally infallible.

ACCIDENT.—On Sunday afternoon as the C. P. R. snow plough was clearing the track after the storm of the morning, when between Williamsford and Berkeley, it struck a man who was walking on the track. His right arm was broken in two places, and his shoulder severley crushed. He was a tinsmith from Fort Wayne, Indiana, and was tramping from Markdale to Owen Sound, intending to work at R. P. Butchart's. It was a narrow escape, for had he not been seen by the conductor, who happened just then to look out, he would have been buried im the snow, and would probably have died before anything was known of the accident. He was brought here and placed in the gaol, where his injuries was attended to.—O. S. *Times*.

A PLANT OF RARE VIRTUES.

Is the common and well-known Burdock. It is one of the best blood purifiers and kidney regulators in the vegetable world, and the compound known as Burdock Blood Bitters possesses wonderful power in diseases of the blood, liver and kidneys and stomach.

Windows should always be so constructed that they may be opened at both top and bottom, and where a sleeping room is small, a few inches of space at top and bottom to let foul air out and admit fresh, will never do any harm unless the occupant of the room is very extremely delicate. Some imagine that night air is deadly. Let me ask whether it is more deadly to breathe pure night air than impure night air? and whether it is not night air that a person breaths at night, whether the window is open or not? the only difference being that when night air comes in fresh from the outside it is comparatively pure, whereas when the window is tightely closed the air inside from being breathed over and over again is more or less poisonous.

A HEARTY RECOMMENDATION.

Jacob A. Empey, of Cannamore, states that he has taken Burdock Blood Bitters with great benefit in a lingering complaint, and adds that he would gladly recommend it to all.

RESCUED.—On Tuesday night last while Rev. T. Grandy drove along the 9th line Euphrasia, on his way home he discovered a man in the snow dead drunk, but apparently quite comfortable. Mr. G. secured assistance and removed him to a neighbor's house where he was cared for. Had he not been picked up he would certainly have been frozen to death before morning.

The boss ov the *Confederate* sez he is agoin too set tips his self as he sees how. We hev sum ho the coy- [illegible] to doo likewise.

What Variety of Potatoes to Plant.

If you want potatoes [illegible] possible, select the b[illegible] you can find. The gem [illegible] is good enough and [illegible] The Beauty of Hebron [illegible] and there are a d[illegible] any one of which, if you happen to have it, will ripen about as early, and give satisfaction. If any one tell you he has a potato that will ripen two weeks earlier than the Rose or the Beauty of Hebron, and yield so much again per acre, tell him that it is a most valuable variety, and that he had better plant all he has got, and not sell a tuber to anyone else for seed. For early potatoes, plant in good, rich, mellow soil as soon as the frost is out of the ground. You can hardly plant too early. Until the plants appear, severe frost will not hurt them. When the plants are up, a frost will sometimes destroy the crop, or at any rate, seriously retard or injure it. A piece of paper, or a light covering of soil will save the plant. For winter potatoes, select a variety that possesses at least four points, viz: quality, vigorous growth of leaves to resist the potato bugs, a good keeper, and productiveness.

When the potatoe bugs first appeared, everybody planted early varieties of potatoes, in hopes of getting ahead of the bugs. Now that he know how to keep the bugs in check, we can plant later kinds. As a rule, the early varieties cannot yield as well as the later sorts, which have a longer season to grow in; or if they do in exceptional cases, it is probably owing to unusual richness of land. On ordinary land, other things being equal, a late variety will yield better, and keep better (the next spring), than the early varieties. A late variety of potato should be planted as early as the soil can be got into good condition. If you do not wish to plant early—or perhaps we had better say, if you are behind with your work, and cannot plant as early as you wish, plant an early variety. The later you plant, the earlier should be the variety planted. The same principal, or rule as to planting, applies to cabbages, cauliflowers, tomatoes, cucumbers, melons, turnips, corn, beans, peas, etc. The earlier the variety, that is, the quicker it matures, the later can it be sown or planted.—*American Agriculturist for April.*

IMPORTANT.

When you visit or leave New York City, save Baggage Express and Carriage hire and stop at the Grand Union Hotel, opposite the Grand Central Depot. Elegant rooms fitted up at a cost of one million dollars, reduced at $1.00 and upwards per day. European plan, Elevator, Resturant supplied with the best. Horse cars, stages and elevated railroad to all depots. Families can live better for less money at the Grand Union Hotel than at any other first class hotel in the city.

NOTICE.—All paties indebted to the late firm of Sargent & Burnside are hereby notified to call and settle and save costs.

I had for years been a miserable sufferer from Dyspepsia, and tried all known remedies and the best medical skill of my acquaintance, but still grew worse, until unable to eat any thing without great suffering, or do any kind of work. I began to think there was no hope for me, and that I must surely die; when, like a drowning man catching at a straw, I determined to give McGregor's Speedy Cure a trial, I at once began to improve so rapidly that in two months I was as well as I had ever been in my life.—WM. EVERS LEAMINGTON. Sold by Hill Bro's. Free trial bottles 6

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Recognizing the principle adopted by all intelligent breeders that, however well-bred animals may be said to be, if their pedigrees are not recorded, and cannot be authentically given, they should be valued only as grades, I will sell all imported stock at *Grade Prices* when I cannot furnish with the animal sold pedigree verified by the official French certificate of its number and record in the Stud Book in France. 140 Page Catalogue sent free. It is illustrated with six Prize Horses of the Exhibition of the Societe Hippique Percheronne of France. [illegible] purchased by M. W. Dunham, and drawn from life by Rosa Bonheur, the most famous of all animal painters.

Fluid Lightning is simply a marvellous Rheumatic Remedy. I was for two months a cripple, unable to get out of the house from Sciatica. One bottle gave me instant relief, and placed me on my feet again. I have driven fourteen miles to-day (something I could not possibly have done were it not for Fluid Lightning) for the express purpose of procuring another bottle. So says Wm. Evans, Stayner. Only 25 cents per bottle. Sold by Hill Bro's.

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A RARE CHANCE.

A CHOICE VILLAGE LOT in Markdale for sale, opposite the STANDARD office, Mill Street. Has a comfortable dwelling house, shop and stable and good well. A small payment will be taken down and balance to suit purchaser at a low rate of interest. For further particulars apply at this office, or to
WM. WALKER,
232-39* Markdale P. O.

ESTRAY SHEEP.

CAME to the premises of the subscriber about the 11th Oct. last, a ewe and lamb. Having been unable up to the present to find an owner I take this way of finding one. The owner is requested to prove property, pay expences and take them away
MRS. WYVILL,
135-37. Markdale, P. O.

BAKERY FOR SALE.

BUSINESS AND PREMISES for sale Cheap, being 1-fifth acre on Mill Street, opposite STANDARD office, with large roughcast two story house and bake oven, good stable and never-failing well of spring water. This is an excellent opening for a pushing man. Terms and further particulars can be had by applying on the premises.
MRS. MONTGOMERY,
234-36 Markdale P. O.

Farm for Sale.

160 acres, being lots 42 and 43 second range West of Toronto and Sydenham road, Holland, about 100 acres cleared and in good state of cultivation, ballance well timbered with Maple, Beech and Hemlock, and about 10 acres cedar swamp. Good roughcast house 22x33 with stone cellar, frame barn 40x60 and good out houses, all with stone foundations. Good young orchard bearing. The farm is well watered, two good wells, one at the house, a fine spring creek croses the farm near the rear. Only two miles from the thriving village of Williamsford, a station on the T. G. & B. branch of the C. P. R.

This is a rare chance, and terms will be made very easy. For futher particulars apply on the premises to
FRANCIS McCANN,
230-44 Williamsford P. O.

Farm to Sell or Rent.

North ½ lot 16 con. 11, Holland, 100 acres, 70 acres cleared. 4½ miles from Williamsford Station and 3 from Berkeley, only 60 rods from School and post office. On the premises there are a good log house with frame kitchen and a well near the house, and log barn. Will be sold on easy terms, small payment down, and good time given for the balance, or will be rented for five years, and improvement taken for part rent.
Apply to JAMES BRUCE,
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FARM FOR SALE.

5 MILES from Markdale station, on the C. P. R. Lot 9, Con. 11, Glenelg, containing 100 acres, 60 cleared, balance good timber; well watered; stone house and frame barns; soil clay loam; well fenced and in a good state of cultivation. Apply on the premises to
GEO. STODDART,
[illegible] Traverston P. O.