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MARKDALE, FEBRUARY 14, 1901.

BEEF SUGAR.

An industry that promises to become one of the most important in the province is that of the production of sugar beet. It has been demonstrated that conditions are favorable to the growth of material and efforts are now being made to have the industry protected in its infancy so that a good healthy growth may be attained.

Delegates from all parts of Ontario assembled at the annual convention of the Ontario Beet Sugar Association held in Toronto last week, and it was noticeable greater enthusiasm prevailed than on any former occasion. Mingled with the delegates were representatives from Municipal Councils and Boards of Trade, and it was unanimously decided that the time had come for the actual establishment of the beet sugar industry in the province. Already factories are projected at Aylmer, Chatham, Warieton, Welland and several other points, and if the Government will assure reasonable encouragement a start will be made immediately.

Both Governments will be interviewed at once and it is anticipated there will be no difficulty in having the requests of the deputations granted. Dr. Spry has also given notice of a bill to provide a bounty on beet sugar manufactured in the province for the next ten years. Should the industry receive the necessary encouragement it will involve an outlay of millions of dollars and will also provide a new source of revenue for the Canadian farmer.

THE CONSERVATIVE LEADER.

One of the important political events of the past week was the selection of Mr. R. L. Borden, K.C., member for Halifax, N.S., as leader of the Opposition, which was done at a caucus held by the party in Ottawa last week. Mr. Borden was reluctant to accept the honor but the wishes of his friends prevailed. He has undoubted ability and his experience as a member and as a lawyer will aid him greatly in the task he has undertaken. He was born at Grand Pre, N.S., in 1854, and was educated at Acadia Villa Academy, Horton, subsequently becoming professor in the Glenwood Institute in New Jersey. On his return to Nova Scotia he adopted law as a profession and was called to the bar in 1873. He practised for some time in Kentville

N.S., and later returned to Halifax, where he became the law partner of the late Sir John Thompson, then of Mr. Justice Graham, and later of Sir C. H. Tupper. He is now head of the firm of Borden and Ritchie. In 1890 he was created a Queen's counsel, and has been engaged in several important cases. He was returned to the House of Commons in the general elections of 1896 for Halifax. He will have complete charge of the affairs of the Opposition during the session just entered upon, and will have ample opportunity to sustain the confidence his friends have placed in him.

NOTES.

Baron Curzon, Viceroy of India, says that five hundred pounds has already been subscribed in his country towards the erecting of a national memorial to the late Queen Victoria. Some of the native Princes have made most munificent offers.

Gen. Mercier, of the French Senate, who has the invading of England on the brain, during a discussion in that chamber on the naval budget, again advanced his pet hobby. He moved that an appropriation of fifty thousand dollars be made to build large and small steamers with which, in case of war, to carry troops across the channel and land them on the enemy's shores. As yet Gen. Mercier's plans have not even been considered and the time the Minister of Marine intimated that his advice regarding defence measures was not required. The proposition was not entertained.

The latest account of the killing of the Boer peace envoy is contained in a Bloemfontein telegram, in which an unnamed ex-burglar from Pionstad, who is said to be a prominent and influential man, is quoted as saying that Commandant Froneman shot Morgaandaal at the instigation of Gen. De Wet. When De Wet's force was moving camp, Froneman found Morgaandaal and another prisoner named Muller standing beside a cart which had munitions to draw it. Froneman asked them why Wessels, the peace convays, and they had not inspanned. Morgaandaal replied that they had been ordered to await mules. Froneman immediately struck him with a sjambok over the head and face and said: "I have a good mind to shoot you." Gen. De Wet, who was standing by overheard this remark, and said: "Why don't you?" Froneman thereupon shot Morgaandaal through the body. The latter fell, but revived for a while, only to die later. Wessels was shot subsequently at Klipfontein. No details of his shooting are given.

The Toronto Telegram says:—Politicians and newspaper men who stay up at night to make the farther right greatly outnumber the unselfish advisers of any other class in the community.

If the Canadian farmer is not just reeking with affluence his poverty cannot be explained by any scarcity of editorial and political recipes for attaining wealth.

Politicians do not weep large tears in the agony of long speeches on behalf of the down-trodden bankers. There are no able editors to tell the broker how to escape the bailiff. The farmer is in every body's thoughts. The politicians are all willing to weep over him and let him sweat on his own behalf, and agriculture is advanced by leaps and bounds since Jos Killings first started the farmer on the road to wealth in these immortal lines:—
He who by farmin' would get rich
Must dig and hoe, and plant, and sitch.
Work hard awl day, sleep hard w' white
Save every cent and not get tith.

District News

Contributed by our able staff of Correspondents.

Kimberley

Master Everett Stafford, a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Stafford, fell from a high chair and sustained a broken bone in his arm.
Mr. Hugh Smith has been nursing a severe cold recently.
Mr. Tom Reid has finished a first-class pair of bobolights for Mr. Wm. Kerr.
Mr. Alex. Fawcett and Mr. Thomas Hawkins have each lost a valuable dog recently.
Mr. Taylor Abercrombie and his sister, Miss Rachel, start for British Columbia on the 12th inst. with Mr. and Mrs. J. Bothwell, who are returning home after a few weeks' tour in Ontario; where they have been visiting friends.

Saw logs are arriving at our shingle and lumber mills at a rapid rate.
The following letter of condolence was handed to the bereaved relatives of the late Mr. J. M. Thurston by his former brothers of L.O.L. No. 1340:
To Mrs. J. M. THURSTON AND FAMILY:
Dear Madam:—At the last regular meeting of L.O.L. No. 1340 the undersigned were instructed to forward to you a letter of condolence saying to you and your family the sincere and heartfelt sympathy of the members of this lodge in your sad bereavement in the loss of your dear and loving father. In 1890 he was created a Queen's counsel, and has been engaged in several important cases. He was returned to the House of Commons in the general elections of 1896 for Halifax. He will have complete charge of the affairs of the Opposition during the session just entered upon, and will have ample opportunity to sustain the confidence his friends have placed in him.

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Goring

Mr. Rodger Milson, who has been living in St. Vincent for the last few years, has moved out to the old McInnes farm, which he bought from Mr. Fred Lemmon. We welcome him back.
Will Ellis is away with his team sawing at Mountain Lake. We understand that that is somewhere beyond Egypt.

Professor — has been here. He is a good canvasser and can find anything with a head on and a dollar in the pocket. He leaves the head but he generally gets the dollar.
There is a great deal of sickness about here this winter.

Our blacksmith, Mr. P. Sparling has been confined to bed for several days. We hope he will soon be around again.
Mrs. Kirkpatrick, sr., is also ill and partially helpless from the effects of a stroke which she had on Saturday. She is some better and we hope will soon be in her usual health.
Mrs. John McLeann took sick while on a visit to her daughter in Collingwood township three weeks ago and was quite low for a few days, but is recovering nicely and hopes to be able to come home in a week or two.

Mrs. Wm. Wright has rented the Sandy Morrison farm and will move on in the spring.

Rocklvin

Feb. 9.—Wedding bells in the near future. Particulars next week.

A load of our young people drove up to Mrs. A. Crabtree's last Friday evening and spent a very enjoyable time until a very early hour in the morning.
Miss Maggie Gould spent a few days at the parental home, Markdale, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Breadner left on Tuesday for Brampton where they will spend a few weeks among friends before leaving for their new home in Manitoba.
The lecture given last Thursday evening by Dr. McLaren at Temple Hill was splendid, being instructive and entertaining. The attendance was not very large however.

The "sleigh that holds sixteen" drove to Fairmount one evening last week and report a splendid time.

Miss Minnie Black and Miss Dove Cook, of Epping, spent Saturday and Sunday of last week with Rocklvin friends.

Menard Road

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Loughed were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. Buchanan last week.

Mr. Wm. Davis, after a month's visit with his son J. M. and others, has returned to his home near Gananoque. On Thursday last the day school scholars and teachers were treated to a sleigh ride to Markdale. There were some six sleigh loads of them, and by the cheering and other noises kept up they seemed to enjoy themselves to their heart's content. On arriving in Markdale they were, after getting warmed, treated to candies, and seemed to have the freedom of the town.
Straws almost always show which way the wind blows, and from present appearances wedding bells will soon be

ringing out a joyous peal in this immediate neighborhood.

Those who prophesied a dearth of snow this winter had better change their tactics in that line.

Mr. Eldon and Miss Elsie Brodie, of the town line, Sundayed with their brother Ephraim last Sabbath.
Mrs. Robert Wright has been on the sick list for some time. We hope that she will soon be restored to her usual good health.

Mr. J. Warling has been laid up for some time with la grippe.
Mrs. G. Pritchard has also been ailing for some time.

The Holly Brothers had a successful wood bee last week.

Maxwell

News is rather scarce around here at present.
Mr. Fred Field returned home on Wednesday of last week.

We are pleased to mention that Mrs. Wm. Guy is recovering from her severe illness.

There will be a missionary sermon preached in the Methodist church here this week from next Sunday evening. Dr. Stephens, of Toronto, will occupy the pulpit.

Special services are being continued in the Methodist Church here this week. Mrs. (Rev.) Douglas is assisting the Rev. Mr. Douglas in these meetings.

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Eugenia

One night last week a nice party of ladies met at the residence of Mrs. A. Hislop in the valley to present her daughter, Mrs. James Walker, with a beautiful easy chair. The meeting would have been much larger had not the night been very stormy. Mrs. Walker nee Della Hislop has been secretary to the Ladies Aid ever since it was organized and it was resolved by the Ladies to present her with some tangible proof of their respect for her and their appreciation of her valuable services for such a long time. Mrs. Walker was highly pleased with her present and a very pleasant time was spent.

The annual entertainment of our Orange Lodge was given in the lodge room last Wednesday night. As usual the hall was more than crowded, many having to stand nearly all the time.
Mr. James G. Carson ably discharged the duties of the chair. The chief attraction was Eddie Piggott, comic singer. Vaudeville string band, did their part well and were much admired.
Robert John sang "I want to be a Soldier" which was well received. Proceeds over forty dollars, which will leave a balance of fifteen dollars after all expenses are paid. Miss Christie, of Pleslierton, presided at the organ in her usual masterly style.

Walters Falls

Almost every home in this vicinity has one or more victims of la grippe.
The Forresters of Walters Falls and their friends had their annual fowl supper on Wednesday evening, 6th inst., in the C. O. F. hall. About seventy partook of a sumptuous meal, after which the evening was spent in games and dancing up to the midnight hour, when the gathering dispersed, each and all expressing themselves as having spent a very enjoyable evening.

Messrs. Joseph Ramsey and Fred Bye, of Silcot, Sydenham, were the guests of Mr. George Watson for a few days last week.

Miss Lizzie Lemon, of Meaford, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. J. Senbrook, of this place.

Mr. Byron Ormery left on Monday for Owen Sound, where he has secured a job as teamster.

Wodehouse

The recent heavy snow falls have made wood and log hauling a difficult task.

We notice that the Jubilee Singers are about to take Thornbury in, which they will do to perfection.

We are sorry to have to chronicle the death of little Mary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Proctor of Caledon East, which occurred on Friday last. The cause of death was pneumonia. Her remains were brought on the noon train to Markdale and met there by a number of sorrowing friends and relatives, and was then conveyed to the Wodehouse burying ground for interment. The deceased was an only daughter, eight years and six months old.

Several of our young stalwarts are talking of going to the west coast in a few weeks.

Mrs. Wm. Carruthers is recovering.

STOP THAT COUGH

Why cough, cough, cough when you can get almost any known remedy for COUGHS, COLDS and LA GRIPPE from us.

Turner's White Pine Expectorant

There's nothing better. It has cured others. It will cure you. Convince yourself by trying it.

W. TURNER & CO.,

MARKDALE.

from a two week's siege of la grippe.
Bombardier, W. J. Moore, of Acton, Ont., who served in the army in S. A. as a gunner and died in Pretoria in December last, was nephew of Mrs. John Ward of this place, being a brother's son. His father, Thos. Moore, has held the position of principal of Acton school for 20 years. The Acton people are about to erect a large monument to the memory of their young friend and comrade.

The Clarksburg Reflector announces that Mr. R. D. Carruthers has been appointed census commissioner for East Grey.

CAID OF THANKS.—I wish publicly to thank all those who assisted so kindly and well in cutting wood during my stay in the hospital and since my return home. I might say I owe with a little care to be entirely well in a few weeks time. Yours respectfully, R. W. Breadner.

A Tribute.
The following appeared in the Mail and Empire on Saturday from Rev. J. R. Nowell, as a tribute to the Earl of Dufferin and Ava:

We mourn today our Empress-Queen, whose glorious sway of empire and benediction like a golden link between the East and West which is to be, and yet, amid the nations great, At heart, at heart, at heart, To him whose star once ruled as chief In our horizon of the West.

Two hours which passed so quickly— Came to our west land o'er the sea, To grace the courts of Rideau hall. But years since then have hastened on, And many a treasure since has gone, Which time and age can never redeem.

O, when a desolate domain, Has life's fair garden-ground become; To tell of peace, joy, and home! Still, I live abides, and over the scene Of desolation sheds a light, Which penetrates whatever has been, And fills the gathering clouds of night.

Friend of my country, far away, We turn our gaze across the sea; And high and proud, thy day by day, Are still with thee—successful with thee.

Had to Conquer or Die.
"I was just about gone," writes Mrs. Rosa Richardson, of Laurial Springs, N. O. "I had Consumption so bad that the best doctors said I could not live more than a month, but I began to use Dr. King's New Discovery and was wholly cured by seven bottles and was now stout and well." It's an unrivaled life-saver in Consumption, Pneumonia, La Grippe and Bronchitis; infallible for Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Hay Fever, Croup, or whooping cough. Guaranteed bottles 50c. and 1.00. Trial bottles free at R. L. Stephen's drug store.

Queen Victoria's Death.
There never was such interest aroused over the death of one monarch and the accession of another as in the case of Victoria and Edward VII. The Family Herald and Weekly Star, of Montreal, is being widely complimented on the splendid way it reported and treated of these two important events. No other paper on the American Continent even approached the Family Herald and Weekly Star in the completeness of its reports and profuseness of its illustrations. The circulation of the Family Herald is increasing by leaps and bounds. It is no wonder. A paper that is so superbly equipped for all emergencies deserves success.

Best Remedy in the World for Catarrh.
Miss Bessie McK. Kennedy, of Kingston, N. B., says: "I have used Catarrhose for Catarrh and think it the best remedy in the world for that disease." Catarrhose is a new scientific treatment that cures Catarrh, asthma, bronchitis and irritable throat. Very pleasant and effective to use, containing no deleterious drugs. Catarrhose is for sale sent for the stamps by N. C. Polson & Co., Kingston Ont., Proprietors.

Require the Nerve Tonic, Blood Enriching, Heart Sustaining Action of Miller's Heart and Nerve Pills.

It is well known that after any serious illness the heart and nerves are extremely weak and the blood greatly impoverished. For these conditions there is no remedy equal to Miller's Heart and Nerve Pills. It restores all the vital forces of the body which disease has impaired and weakened.

"About a year ago I had a severe attack of La Grippe which left my system in an exhausted condition. I could not regain strength and was very nervous and sleepless at night, and got up in the morning as tired as when I went to bed. I had no energy and was in a miserable state of health."
"Miller's Heart and Nerve Pills, which I got at Richard's Drug Store here, changed me from a condition of misery to good health. They built up my system, strengthened my nerves, restored my circulation, and I am now as well as I ever was. I can recommend them to any one suffering from the after effects of Grippie or any other severe illness."

Death of William Dundas.
The sudden death last Sunday morning of our respected citizen, Mr. William Dundas, cast a gloom over the village. Deceased had been failing in health for some time, having been afflicted with bronchitis and heart trouble for several years, but was otherwise in his usual state of health up to the hour of his demise with the exception of two or three days the latter part of last week when his complaint troubled him somewhat more than usual. During these last days he seemed to realize that the end was near as he expressed his belief that he was not going to survive, and his friends and physician were quite hopeful. He had been an active member of the Ancient Order of United Workmen for over thirteen years and the lodge turned out in large numbers together with representatives from Flesherton and Rocklvin lodges and under their supervision assisted by his pastor, the Rev. J. R. Nowell, the last rites were solemnized and respects paid to the remains of the departed. Mr. Nowell conducting the burial service at the house of mourning and the lodge officials at the grave. Deceased was sixty-four years old, and leaves a widow, three daughters and four sons to mourn the loss of husband and father.

LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS

St. Valentine's day.
Fest. last Monday on Main street and a fancy knit mitten. This day.

The annual meeting of the Canadian Press Association is being held Monday this week.

The saw mills are already being stocked with logs and the railway stations are with wood.

Mr. Jackson moved last week into a new and comfortable premises over the element warrens. He is to stay at Mr. Ed. Craig moved last week to the house vacated by W. Jack.

Some subscribers who pay in advance are entitled to our extra rate for 10 copies, Mail, News, Star and Sun, on when you visit a friend.

Mr. J. Wilson, of Goring, has possessed a stock of one of his bulls, to Mr. Goring, of Goring, worth \$140. He has two others he will sell at \$100. Typical thoroughbred and good as to equal their quality.

If you are wanting a viable 1 lb. good settlement ranging in price from 25 to 50 and the prices are such as will encourage you to buy two or three times as happy in the enjoyment of your pig. W. J. Shortell, Markdale.

Any amount of money to lend on mortgage security at the lowest rate of interest. Expenses low. No fees. Promptly advanced personally. No waiting for convenience of inspectors. L. Young, Markdale, (Appraiser for Canada Permanent Loan Company).

Mr. Andrew Brown, of Kingsville, lot 8, in 4, Ephrasia township, will sell by public auction on Wednesday, Feb. 14, his farm stock, implements, tools, etc., and under each crop the amount ten months credit or five percent off for cash. No reserve. Sale at 1 o'clock sharp. Geo. Naylor, auctioneer.

To Sale or to Rent.
A fine grass farm on the Third Line of the township of Osprey. Any party Lucas Wright & McVidie, Markdale.

For Sale.
A pure bred Shorthorn yearling old dark roan or would be a good colt by "Imlado Bill" sired by another, Jos. Buchanan, 50, Artesian.

The A. O. U. W.
District Grand Master Henry Duffin District has visited the officers in the 1st Division, Shelburne, Ontario, and held a grand lodge at Rocklvin, Ontario, at Cedarville. The condition of the lodge is in a very prosperous condition in this district. Some members have been initiated this year, having initiated 100 members. Mr. Hanbury has still a number of members in this district.

Some Canadians Did It.
The forward part of the Canadian troops at the battle of Marston was largely instructed in following general Gordon to save his life. He has become accepted leader of the Globe is supplying a year's subscriptions with a program that is a noble scene. Their commander, Mr. Frederick Hamilton, and others who were eye-witnesses of this memorable battle, say it gives a new and intelligent idea of their position and that of the Boer camp. A copy of it can be seen at this office.

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