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NOTES.

The close of the South African war will have the effect of releasing ships aggregating five hundred thousand tons to commercial channels.

The number of Boers laying down their arms enables military men to assert that the British Army in South Africa has been fighting this resourceful foe of 80,000 strong.

Unprecedented snow storms have been experienced this month in South Africa. Trains have been stalled by six-foot drifts, telegraph wires broken down and traffic seriously impeded. Of course this is winter season over there.

A penalty of \$10 is imposed for any one who shall plant, cultivate, or sell the barberry shrub. Such shrubs already planted in any municipality be destroyed upon the requisition of the Minister of Agriculture and the owner of the plant shall be entitled to such compensation as the Minister may see fit to allow. Chap. 28.

The Presbyterian General Assembly has decided to reduce its membership one third. Formerly one clergyman in four with a layman for every clergyman comprised the Assembly; in future one in six will be the proportion, with corresponding elders. Toronto conference Methodist church has recommended a reduction of one-third to the General conference.

A local schoolmistress who has a dread of all kinds of contagious diseases sent a child home the other day because her mother was ill. The next morning the little girl presented herself at school with her little finger in her mouth, and a little hood swinging by the string, and said, "We've got a baby at our house, but mamma says I was to tell you it's not catching."

A new issue of counterfeit \$1 bills of the Dominion of Canada made its appearance at a branch of the Bank of Commerce. It is detected among many bills of a deposit by the genuine appearance of the paper upon which it was printed. The paper is an unusually good imitation, but lacks the crispness of a genuine bill. The coloring is good. The back of it is a good reproduction, but the face presents a blurred appearance. A peculiarity is that the numbering is the same as the counterfeit "twos" which made their appearance a short time ago.

For many years the centre of fishing operations in the northern section of the Georgian Bay has been at Squaw Island, some ten miles south of Killarney. The Dominion Fish Co. claim they have the island under lease from the Dominion Government and that the term of document gave them complete control of its shores. This is disputed and some of the fishermen who have been in the habit of going to the island for years and using it as a base are now doing so and disposing of their catch to an opposition concern, the Wolverton Fish Co. The Dominion Fish Co. naturally object to competitors using Squaw Island as a basis of operations, and some time ago gave a number of fishermen notice to move. No attention, however, was taken, and now write have been issued against All. Montgomery, D. Malcolm, T. Driver, J. Scobie and Mrs. Scobie, who conduct the boarding house. The case will come up for hearing at Gore Bay on Saturday, June 20th, unless an earlier date should be decided upon.

The schedule time for the Limited Express between Montreal and Vancouver has been reduced from 100 hours to 95. The C.P.R. is determined to make this still more popular, and hold the reputation of being the favorite route from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

Thomas Jones, Andrew Park and Ronald Claremont, three fishermen from Owen Sound, were picked up Saturday last by the steamer City of Collingwood about thirty miles from port. The trio had been clinging to their capsized boat from Wednesday noon till Saturday noon, and almost perished with exposure and hunger.

The immigration of farm hands from Great Britain to Canada, and especially to the province of Ontario, has been on an exceptionally large scale during the spring. The farm help problem promises to be a serious one this summer, owing to the large movement of agricultural hands to the Northwest and New Ontario. The reports from the immigration agents on the other side are to the effect that at least 2,000 men, representing a very desirable class of immigrants, can be secured this summer.

In financial and business circles the expansion of Canadian foreign trade is attracting continuous attention. In the first nine months of the current fiscal year the aggregate foreign trade of the Dominion was \$302,500,000, as compared with \$282,800,000 for the corresponding period last year. This is a most remarkable expansion, but the change is more strikingly shown by a comparison with the figures of five years ago, when the aggregate trade for the entire Dominion was only \$259,000,000.

As a remedy for the complaints and dissatisfaction with judges that always arise at fall fairs, and also for the inconvenience from clashing of dates, the Ontario Fruit Growers' Association has made a proposal to different groups of agricultural societies to arrange a schedule of dates for them and to supply judges from a distance who will make the rounds of a district and judge in their own special departments at all the fairs. Hariston, Palmerston and Listowel have agreed to the proposal.

The Scientific American of May 3rd gives an illustration of a cow-milking machine. The apparatus comprises a can provided with an air pump by which the air in the can may be exhausted to a certain degree of rarefaction, indicated by a vacuum gage at the top of the can. A flexible tube is connected at one end with the can and at the other end with the udder of the cow by means of four teat cups. As soon as a sufficient portion of the air has been exhausted from the can the teats are placed in the cups and the stop cocks opened which causes the teats to be drawn inward making an air-tight joint. The suction then draws the milk through the hose into the can.

Most townspeople know that it is to have to put up with butter of a quality that would drive you to wonder, if suicide is not, after all, sometimes justifiable. But even their hardened feelings would be staggered by meeting with anything quite so bad as this, which is told by an ex-colonel:—It has remained for Drayton to have the baddest butter bunco game that was ever worked, and the episode has become a sensation. Mrs. Walker, wife of a farmer near Drayton, covered a lot of binder twine, rags, pork rinds, rotten cabbage and other refuse with a paste of butter, and sold the same to a Drayton merchant as good butter. The fraud was discovered, and when Mr. Walker was confronted with it he denied having known anything about it. His wife, however, admitted that she was alone to blame. She had committed these vile felonies on Drayton.

**Watters Falls**  
It is arranged that the District Division of the Sons of Temperance will meet here in the C. O. C. Hall on Tuesday, June 24th. About fifty delegates are expected, also the Grand Worthy Patriarch will be present. A public temperance meeting will be held in the evening at which a silver collection will be taken at the door.

Thos. Ferris, of Sullivan, was the guest of his brother, Achaeson Ferris, of this place, for a few days last week. Garden parties are the order of the day.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Proud, of Desboro, were entertained by the former's brother, T. G., and family here for a few days of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelly, of Meaford, were callers at Mr. Barker's on Friday last.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Sturgeon, of Rocklyn, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Proud here on Friday last.

A pretty June Wedding took place at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. T. Barker, of this place, on Thursday, June 12th, at 9 a. m., when Miss Maud M. Delerec, daughter of Mrs. Jas. H. Delerec, was united in marriage to Rev. S. T. Tucker, B. A., of the Bay of Quinte Conference. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Wm. Tucker, of Toronto, father of the groom, assisted by the Rev. C. W. Reynolds, of this place, in the presence of a few most intimate friends. The groom was supported by the Rev. T. W. Ruddell, B. A., of Toronto. The bride was becomingly attired in her travelling costume of pearl grey broadcloth, with cream silk waist and carried a beautiful bouquet of bridal roses. The bride-maid, Miss Stella Delerec, sister of the bride, was attired in pale blue Jimmy trimmed with black velvet baby ribbon, and also carried a bouquet of roses. Miss Allie Barker, niece of the bride rendered the wedding march. The bride was given away by her brother-in-law, Mr. T. Barker. After partaking of a dainty wedding breakfast in the dining room, which was decorated with honeyuckle for the occasion, the happy couple left for London, Bay City and Toronto after which they will settle at Coe Hill, Ont. We all join in wishing them the best that life has to give.

And still the wedding bells ring. Next!

**Ninth Line, Euphrasia.**  
In another week camp meetings will be in progress on our line.

A new straw shed was successfully raised on the premises of W. Irwin on Wednesday last, for which a stone foundation had previously been constructed. On the same day several of our citizens participated in the pleasures of the Guelph excursion.

We are sorry that Rev. Mr. Sparling is to be removed to another field of labor.

**Wodehouse**  
Mr. Birch has been afflicted with the grippe lately.

Miss Neely, of Brantford, is visiting at Mrs. Chas. Morwood's.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Carruthers and family drove to Shallow Lake on Saturday afternoon. Mrs. C. with the children are to remain with her sister, Mrs. J. A. Rourke, for a few weeks.

Mr. C. brought home a few black and rock bass and pike, the result of his stroll on the Sauble near Shallow Lake on Monday.

We are very much disappointed at the final draft of conference; Mr. Sparling having only been here one year, we hoped to have him a full term.

The Rev. Mr. Fyde will be stationed near Tara this year.

**Kimberley**  
Mr. Ben Smith is on the sick list again.

Mr. Wm. Best, sr., of Woodford, is visiting his daughter, Mrs. C. Knott.

Master Walter Isaac while playing base ball fell on a stone and cut his shin to the bone. Dr. Shultis, of Heathcote, put eight stitches in it.

Quite a number of our citizens went to Guelph on the 11th inst.

Mr. George Knott is working at his uncle's, Mr. Robt. Wiley.

Mr. Richard Fawcett is laid up with a sore ankle.

Mr. John Fawcett is drawing stone for his new house.

Mr. Frank Weber is preparing for a new house.

Mr. F. T. Carr, of Eugenia, preached here last Sunday instead of Rev. Mr. White.

Mr. Wm. Harris turned out a lot of fine wagon boxes last week.

Mr. Joseph Chapman was united in marriage to Miss Eva Lister, oldest daughter of Mr. Albert Lister.

Mr. George Curry has sold out the butcher business to Mr. George Stnair.

Mr. Elgin Cook, of Epping, visited Mr. C. Knott on Sunday.

Mr. Melvin Harris visited home on Sunday.

Miss Vera Alexander visited her brother, John Alexander, lately.

Miss Mary Alexander visited her aunt, Mrs. W. H. Abernethy, of Rocklyn, a few days ago.

Mr. E. Smith has a new kitchen up.

**Meaford Road**  
Mr. James Brodie spent a week last week with Brantford friends on his way home from attendance at the Supreme Grand Orange Lodge meeting in Niagara.

Mr. John Boland attended the Grand Lodge of the Canadian Order of Foresters in Owen Sound last week.

Mr. T. Hutchinson, of Uxbridge, has been visiting with his brothers, George and William, during the last two weeks.

Messrs. William Buchanan, John Weber and George Wright spent last week in Owen Sound acting in the capacity of jurymen.

Mr. F. T. Carr, of Eugenia, very ably filled the pulpit in the Wesley Church for the Rev. Mr. Wilson on Sabbath last.

Quite a number from around here took in the excursion to Guelph last week.

Since the election we notice that Mr. J. M. D. sports a new top buggy and covered bus.

**Lilly Oak**  
Crop prospects are very promising just now.

Mr. Jim Grant has returned from the hospital. He looks thin, but is able to get about with the aid of crutches. He is likely to have a stiff ankle.

Mr. John Nixon is a prosperous stock farmer. He recently received \$80 for a yearling heifer and two-year-old steer.

Mr. Willaw's fireman has gone to Caledon East to work on the farm for his uncle, and is to get \$27 a month for the summer.

Statute labor now.

Our teacher, Miss Campbell, is about to leave our school. It's a case of money I'll bet, perhaps matri-mony.

**Harkaway**  
Mrs. Eseline, of Tilsonburg, is visiting her sister, Mrs. R. F. Staples.

Master Ross Wiley, of Toronto, is visiting at his uncle's, Mr. William Wiley.

Mr. and Mrs. Lowell, of Grand Valley, spent last week at Mrs. L.'s home, Mr. R. F. Staples.

Miss Martha Basset has returned home.

Mr. Stephens and Mr. Catchpole, of Owen Sound, spent Sunday with friends in the neighborhood.

Miss Cameron, of Grand Valley, is visiting her friend, Miss Bethel Staples.

Miss Bredner, of Owen Sound, is visiting at Mr. Jos. Hawken's.

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**Baby Carriages \$7.00 and upwards.**  
**Parlor Suits \$20.00 and upwards.**  
**Rocking Chairs for the old ladies, \$1.00 and up.**  
**Easy Chairs for the old gentlemen, \$1 and up.**

The above are only a few of the bargains in stock which is a large one and daily being added to. I wish to get acquainted with you so call and see me and get prices.

**John Chapman, Markdale.**

**F. T. HILL & CO.**

Goods on "Athabasca" slightly Damaged by Water

This boat loaded with merchandise for Western buyers was disabled in the waters of the Georgian Bay resulting in a slight damage to the cargo by fresh water only. We fortunately secured a large portion of this when sold by the insurance companies a few days ago, and our SECOND consignment goes on sale Thursday morning of this week. Prices will be from ONE-THIRD to ONE-HALF less than regular. Damage in some cases scarcely perceptible. This will be a buying opportunity that may not come your way again in a long time. Here are partial details:

**\$1.00 Black Satin Blouses for only 59 cts.**  
36 Ladies Blouses (aniline black) made of extra fine quality materials, soft collar, assorted sizes and absolutely perfect fitting. Scarcely one in the whole lot is even marked, but we bought them cheap and they must go. One dollar goods for only 59

**35c. Navy Flannel (all wool) only 18 cts.**  
125 yards extra fine, fast dye, Navy Flannel, full width and extra heavy, a line not sold in the regular way anywhere for less than 35c., on sale now at 18

**25c. Childs Undershirts, each 9 cts.**  
60 Childs Knitted Wool Undershirts, well finished and thoroughly satisfactory wearers. These goods will be picked up quickly as they are scarcely soiled. Each only 9

**\$2.00 to 3.25 White Wool Blankets at 1.38, 1.90 and 2.25.**  
One case beautiful White Wool Blankets, (assorted sizes), not damaged as regards wear and only sufficient to make them sell at a very low price. These goods are easily worn from one-third to one-half more money and afford an unequalled buying opportunity to people who are now disposing of their wool. \$2.00 blanket for \$1.38, 2.75 blankets for 1.90, 3.25 blankets for 2.25

**20 pair Grey Wool Blankets at 1.48 pair.**  
These goods are well-thoroughly wet—the wettest of the lot, otherwise they are unimpaired, extra large and thoroughly good wearing blankets, worth up to 2.35 per pair. On sale at only 1.48

125 yards Filled cloth, 60c. quality, per yard 45 cts.  
72 Mens Ribbed Wool Drawers, 45 cent quality, only 29 cts.  
10 dozen extra fine, pure wool Mens Shirts and drawers, the one dollar quality at each 68 cts.  
6 dozen Ladies Fine Wool Vests, long sleeves, 55 cent quality, each only 39 cts.  
144 Mens Pure Wool Shirts and drawers, 55c. quality, each only 39 cts.  
68 yards Feather Ticking, 14c. quality, only 10 cts.  
25 Boys' Suits, worth up to 2.35, only 1.48  
20 Boys' Vests, worth 50c., only 25 cts.  
37 Boys' Coats, assorted sizes, worth up to 1.75 each, only 87 cts.  
1600 yards Scotch Ginghams, beautiful assortment of patterns, excellent dyes and colorings and splendid wearers. These goods open up without a mark, per yard only 4

As proof of the above values being far below wholesale prices, we need only state that opposition merchants have endeavored to secure them from us for retail purposes. Come as early as you can Thursday morning—the selections then will be at their best.

**Hand Saws less than 1 price.**  
50 best quality Hand Saws, slightly rusted, not a bit the worse for ordinary use. These are the \$1.75 to \$2.25 quality, and they're going out very fast at 1.15, before unheard-of price, each for your choice 98

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**FLESHERTON HAPPENING**  
(By our own Correspondent.)

An event of interest to many of our readers was reported in the Globe Friday last as follows: "On Wednesday, June 11th, at the residence of Rev. Walter Ayers, 29 Bruce St., London, a double wedding took place when his two daughters were married to Miss Mamie Ayers, of Miss Crawford, of Sarnia, and Miss Ayers to Dr. R. H. Henderson, of Toronto. The ceremony was performed at 1 o'clock in the afternoon by the bride's father, Rev. W. A. Ayers, in the presence of a large number of friends. The sweet strains of the choruses from Lohengrin, played by Joseph Blackburn, of Flesherton, announced the presence of the bride and groom, who were presented by their father, Mr. Fred Ayers, of Grand River. Both brides were in white tulle. The brides wore white mousseline de soie, and they carried bouquets of white roses. The bridesmaids were Miss Mary Davidson, of Toronto, in white tulle and white liberty silk, and they carried bouquets of pink roses. The floral decorations were pink and white, and were artistically arranged. Dr. Henderson presented his bride with a gold watch, appropriately engraved and a fluted diamond chain. The bridesmaid he gave a crescent of pearls. Mr. Henderson presented his bride with a crescent of pearls, and to her mother he gave a very pretty hoop of gold. Crawford's groomsmen were W. E. McCann, of London, and Henderson's groomsmen were W. Paul, L. D. S., of Toronto, the dejeuner Mr. and Mrs. Henderson left to spend their honeymoon in eastern provinces, and Dr. Henderson will visit the eastern provinces returning in about three weeks at home at 235 Carlton street. The bride's travelling suit was navy blue broadcloth, trimmed with white moire. Mr. and Mrs. Henderson will reside in Sarnia, a guest present from Toronto, Mrs. Sarnia, Grand Rapids, and other places.

Death visited several homes last week. On Monday, Mrs. Egan, of Ceylon, was buried. On Tuesday Mrs. R. J. Wilson, of Eugenia, passed away at their home at the early age of 82. A very large funeral followed, and remains to the Meaford road on Thursday. Rev. Mr. Thompson, officiating. Three sons and two daughters survive him. On Saturday Mr. Hawkin departed this life at his home on the 8th con., Artemesia, 8 years. The funeral took place at Salem cemetery on Monday, officiating. A widow, four sons and daughters survive the deceased. Jones and Mr. Hawkin were the earliest settlers in Artemesia.

Mr. J. Runstadler lost a horse with inflammation of the eye of his fine egg wagon team. About a dozen from this vicinity took in the excursion to Owen Sound last Friday. A much larger number went on Saturday to the Model Farm at Guelph. Mrs. Fred Nicholson occupied the Methodist pulpit very acceptably on Sabbath last, giving a well-prepared, impressive discourse. Mr. M. son preached in the evening usual edifying and acceptable.

Rev. F. G. Kargate, has a new store on the corner of Main and Front streets. The store is a fine plate glass front, presents an attractive appearance within.

Rev. Mr. Huff spent Sunday at Mr. Cooke, and from July preached an interesting sermon at the Baptist church in the morning.

Rev. A. and Mrs. Cook, of St. Catharines, and Messrs. Jas. and Chas. G. visited to the annual meeting of the Owen Sound Baptist Association at Flesherton last week. Mr. Cooke was one of the speakers, and dealt with his beautiful people's Mission to the Province of Ontario, returned last week, returning from a small box district in all 63 cases have been returned.