

HOLLAND CENTRE

(Special to The Standard.) After several weeks of anxious waiting on the part of the people of Holland Centre, and especially those who have loved ones in the 147th Battalion, the first letters were received on Tuesday of last week, letting them know that the Battalion had safely arrived in England and that they were comfortably quartered at Shoreham Camp on the outskirts of Shoreham-on-the-Sea, Sussex County, England.

Mr. John Hiltz and family, who had been visiting friends for two weeks in Midland and Peterborough returned last Monday.

Mr. M. Howey was in the village all day on Thursday, the 7th inst., receiving taxes and carried away a well-filled satchel of money.

Mr. James Buddeon, of Chatsworth, was in the village on Friday of last week.

Mr. E. J. Shirdan, of the Old Hegel Co., of Toronto, is here inspecting lumber for the firm. He has purchased over 10 car loads from Hamilton Bros. of this place.

Mr. Dan Murdoch, Section Foreman, who was laid up for two weeks with lame hand, are glad to say is able to be at work again.

Mr. John McEachnie, who had been relieving Mr. Murdoch on the railway, returned to his home in Markdale on Monday of last week.

Electors of Officers:

At the Annual Meeting of Local Orange Lodge No. 710, Holland Centre, Dec. 11th, the following officers were elected:

P.M. — H. Sargent.

W.M. — Jas. Gunn.

D.M. — A. Erwin.

Chaplain — C. Price.

R. St. — Frank Brighton.

F. St. — E. Berries.

Treas. — Alex. Shute.

D.C. — A. Stevenson.

Loc. — D. Telford.

I. T. — J. Walker.

D. T. — Jas. Crowther.

Committee — Jas. McMillen.

J. Widdon — J. E. Ervin.

J. Murdoch.

VANDELEUR

(Special to The Standard.) Mrs. Sid Gilbert has received word that her husband, Pte. Sid Gilbert of the 160th Batt., is dangerously ill in England.

During the severe electrical storm, which passed over this community on Monday evening of last week, Mr. Geo. Hutchinson's barn was struck by lightning, but was not fired.

Mrs. A. E. Myles of Kimberley accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Henry, of British Columbia, visited friends here recently.

A number from here attended the Anniversary services in the Markdale Methodist church on Sunday and also the Flower Supper on Monday evening.

The Sons of Temperance are having their Picnic Social on Friday evening of this week, Dec. 15th, in the school house.

RIVERDALE

(Special to The Standard.) Only ten days till Christmas. Mrs. A. Torrie, of Strathtavon, visited her parental home here, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Irwin were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Wiley, of Woodhouse on the first of the week.

Mr. E. Cutting has been engaged carpentering in Markdale and suburbs, during the past month.

An electrical storm of exceptional violence, considering the season of the year, passed over this vicinity last week. If late autumn thunderstorms prognosticate mild weather the sign is right for a juicy Christmas.

It's a long way to Tipperary, but it will only be a delightfully short drive to Riverdale Box Social on Thursday evening. Don't be a joy killer. Come and get your share of a good thing.

10 CENT. "CASCARETS" IF BILIOUS OR COSTIVE

For Sick Headache, Sour Stomach, Sluggish Liver and Bowels—They work while you sleep.

Furred Tongue, Bad Taste, Indigestion, Sallow Skin and Miserable Headaches come from a torpid liver and clogged bowels which cause your stomach to become filled with undigested food, which causes indigestion, our cases, bad breath, yellow skin, mental fears, everything that is horrible and nauseating. A Cascaret tonight will give your constipated bowels a thorough cleanse and straighten you out by morning. They work while you sleep. 10-cent box from your druggist will keep you feeling good for months.

NEWS FROM SURROUNDING TOWNSHIPS BY STAFF REPORTERS

TRAVERSTON

(Special to The Standard.)

After four months sojourn in our midst, Miss Clara Nelson returned to the parental home in Puslinch on Saturday. Clara is a general favourite.

During the electric storm of last week, the chimney on Zion, was struck by a bolt that descended into the choir loft, smashing a glass on a suspended lamp and dividing, struck the opposite corners, ripping off some plaster. It knocked quite a corner of the chimney.

Over a week ago, Messrs. Edward Darcy, John Quilligan, Mr. Sweeny and D. McArthur returned from the western wheat fields.

The Traverston "items" of twenty-five years ago in last week's Standard proved very interesting reading to the sons and daughters of the bachelors of those days. We don't know whether their daddies saw as much fun in them or not. One thing is sure, your scribe should be superannuated! He is getting to be a dry old dogger.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. McFadden and Miss Gladys Wilder of Lakefield visited the Cook homestead the first of the week.

Plucking bees are prevalent these days and to see a half dozen fair ones at the doomy task is a lesson in elbow action.

On Wednesday evening of last week, over eighty nearby neighbors, old and young, gathered at the cosy, old home of Mr. John McNally of the 6th Con., giving them quite a surprise. Mr. and Mrs. McNally and Miss Ena are leaving the farm this week to re-

side Durham and the gathering was for the expression of esteem, respect and high regard in which they are held and to show in a tangible way, some slight appreciation of their many, many acts of kindness and usefulness in the many lines of life to the community.

Your scribe called the crowd to order when all were assembled and read an address, that spoke in no uncertain terms of the regret that is felt at the severing of ties so strong, of Mr. McNally's work in the church, the school, the social and in municipal life, it dwelt on his activities and progressive ness which are widely known.

Mr. Thomas Gilray, of Brooklyn, is busy drilling a well for Mr. John Stitt these days.

Mr. Dougall Smith of Hawkesbury was at Mr. J. L. Paterson's, Tuesday, receiving taxes from those who wished to pay them.

Mrs. J. D. Robertson entertained a number of young people on Monday evening.

We are pleased to learn that Mrs. R. Murray who has been ill, is recovering.

GORING

(Special to The Standard.)

We are sorry to report the severe illness of Mrs. Williamson.

At the Epworth League on Fri-

day night, the pastor, Mr. Elliott,

gave a splendid address on "The Layer of Foundations."

Mrs. McLaughlin visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. T. Neely.

The Christmas entertainments have an important place in our minds just now. Keep the one at the school house on Friday night, in mind.

HEATHCOTE

(Special to The Standard.)

Miss Mable Young visited with

friends in Fairmount over the weekend.

Miss Laura Wilson and Miss Fern Hutchinson collected for the Bible Society fund on Friday.

Rev. Mr. Young, accompanied by Mr. Hall, visited with friends in Mentford on Friday.

Miss Myrtle Ellison, of Toronto, visited in town during the week.

Heathcote W. L. held their monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. J. L. White on Wednesday, Dec. 6.

Five new telephones were installed in our burg last week.

Mr. Matthew Ellis commenced work in Collingwood this week.

The Presbyterian Sunday School will hold a Xmas. tree in the church on Thursday, Dec. 21.

Mr. Wm. Milne and Mr. Ernest Banden and Pte. Jones

have been engaged in Mr. Isaac Lougheed's bush, Fairmount for the past week.

The Methodist Auxiliary met in the church on Thursday afternoon.

The sad news of the death of Mr. John Hewgill, of Moosomin reached our village on Friday last. He was driving his automobile, when it overturned and was killed, in a head-on collision.

Mr. Ed. Graham has gone to Toronto for the winter.

Mrs. Morgan has moved to her new residence, vacated by Mr. Mr. Jake Williams and George

Hewgill, of this village.

WINTER TOURS IN FLORIDA, LOUISIANA, MISSISSIPPI, etc.

The Canadian Pacific Railway offers particularly good service to Detroit, where direct connection is made for Florida via Cincinnati and Atlanta Cal., Jacksonville, Florida is reached second morning after leaving Detroit. The Canadian Pacific Michigan Central Route will be found the ideal line to Chicago, where direct connection is made for the Southern States. New Orleans is reached second morning after leaving Toronto. The Dining, Parlor and Sleeping Car Service between Toronto, Detroit and Chicago is up-to-date in every particular. Connecting lines also operate through sleeping and dining cars. Those contemplating a trip of any nature will receive full information from any Canadian Pacific Agent or W. B. Howard, District Passenger Agent, Toronto. 75-6

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