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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 1890.

THE NEWS AT HOME.

Mostly of a Local Character, and Every Item Interesting.

Little Local Brieflets.

—Thanksgiving day was quietly observed last Thursday.

—The shooting match last Thursday was quite a success.

—Special services will commence in the Methodist church next Sunday.

—The old Glove Factory property was not sold at the auction sale on Saturday, $1,300 was the highest bid.

—The members of the Salvation Army throughout the world are observing this week as one of special self-denial.

—The little two year-old son of Mr. Alex. Bell, of Nassagaweya, whose injuries were noted in last issue of the FREE PRESS, died on Friday.

—Messrs. Ashley & Lane have purchased the butchering business of Messrs. Wakefield Bros. They are energetic young men and will continue business in the old stand.

—English papers report that five feet of snow had fallen in Quebec before the 25th of October, and that consequently the farmers were unable to secure their crops. Poor frozen Canada!

—J. P. Marshall M.D.S., D.D.S., L.D.S. Dentist, will be at the Campbell House every Friday. Special attention to the preservation of the natural teeth. Highest grades of artificial teeth. Perfect fit guaranteed.

—"Our Little Ones and the Nursery" for the present month is the first number of a new volume. This is a good opportunity for subscribing for this beautiful magazine for children, 15c. per month, and can be had of any bookseller or of the Russell Pub. Co., Boston, Mass.

—Mr. Edward Dynes, of this place, has completed his contract for removing the east and west wings of the Exhibition hall, at Guelph. One has been divided and has been turned into a grand stand, the other has been attached to the Horticultural building and will be used as a carriage building.

—Attention is directed to the article, "A Free Home" elsewhere in this issue. This seems to afford an excellent chance to obtain a free home or a cash prize, as it is no difficult matter for readers to detect mistakes in a printed publication. The company making this offer is financially able to carry out all its promises.

—The death is announced of George Burkett Robinson, son of Dr. Robinson, of Brampton, at the age of 15 years and ten months. The deceased was attending the Upper Canada College, Toronto, and feeling unwell returned home. It was soon manifest that he was suffering from an attack of typhoid fever, from which, notwithstanding the best care and attention, he died.

Sad Death in Erin.

The death of Mrs. Chas. Alexandre, of the township of Moore, Lambton Co., daughter of the late George Martin, Erin, which occurred last week while on a visit to her mother, was a circumstance of great sadness. For several weeks her sufferings were intense, but she bore them with christian patience until God called her home. Her end was peace. Her remains were interred at Churchill, and Rev. Mr. Brownstahl, of Everton, preached an able and instructive sermon on the occasion from Job 14: 14. Mrs. Alexandre leaves a sorrowing husband and two little ones.

Another Idea for a Social.

The Guelph *Herald* says:—A box social was held in the R. T. of T. hall Friday night, under the auspices of Royal City Council, R. T. of T. There was a large attendance of members of the Order and their friends. Each lady supplied a box of choice edibles, to which she attached her card and they were sold by auction to the young men. The purchaser had to find the owner of the card and act as her escort for the balance of the evening. At the conclusion of the sale an adjournment was made to the ante-room, where the edibles were dissected. The entertainment proved a social and financial success.

A Successful Temperance Meeting.

The open meeting held by the Royal Templars of Temperance last Friday evening in the town hall was a successful effort. The chair was taken at 8 o'clock and acceptably filled by Mr. James L. Warren, S.C. The choruses sung by the choir were impressive, entertaining and well rendered. The quartette by Misses Hemstreet and Laing and Messrs. Mann and Williams was very good. Although the committee failed in the attempt to obtain an outside speaker, that part of the programme was well filled by the excellent speeches delivered by the Rev. J. W. Rae and Rev. Dr. Gifford. They spoke in a very straightforward and forcible manner in regard to evil of intemperance. The members of this Council feel satisfied that they can now hold successful meetings which the people will attend after the large number present on this occasion. The council intends holding other meetings during the winter.

A Lesson For Farmers.

The Newmarket *Era* says:—Two of Mr. Mulock's cattle having died very mysteriously an examination of the stomach was made which revealed the probable cause of death. The cattle had been fed partly on cut straw and a quantity of undigested binding twine had collected, clogging up the principal digestive organ. This shows that care should be exercised in collecting the twine at the time of threshing as it may cause a good deal of trouble and loss.

Knox Church Social.

The Social under the auspices of Knox Church Ladies' Aid given by Mrs. Joseph and Robert Holmes, Mrs. A. Cook and Mrs. A. Campbell came off on Thursday evening in the Town Hall and was well attended, considering the condition of the roads and darkness of the night. The coffee and eatables were all that could be desired, particularly the pumpkin pies, which were pronounced A. 1. by those who seemed to have the capacity to judge. This part of the evening's programme was dispensed in the room ordinarily occupied by the municipal aldermen and it was noticed that some were telling the official chairs; just a sort of warming up preparatory to the annual "Free for all" that the people of Acton tolerate. Wishing to retire from the refreshment room we found two ways of exit, one by the lock-up cells, which we thought well to avoid judging that our digestive apparatus would work to better advantage where there was more room. The other way was inclined to, as a tempting-looking dessert plate, supported by a lady's hand, seemed to say "This way out." Proceeding upstairs to the hall a very pleasant evening was spent in listening to an address on "Our Pleasant Places" by the Rev. W. Mullan, of Fergus, who had exchanged places with Rev. J. W. Rae. Although differing somewhat in stature these gentlemen had contrived to occupy each other's places for the evening. Mr. Mullan is always welcome to an Acton audience. His easy style and off-hand remarks always lead up to some idea that is fine and touching. An address from Dr. Gifford, and suitable music by the choir added to the evening's pleasure. Mr. D. Henderson occupied the chair in his usual acceptable manner. Proceeds about $25.00.

Successful Anniversary Services.

The anniversary services in the Methodist church on Sunday and Monday were attended with gratifying success. The inclemency of the weather did not hinder large congregations from assembling on Sunday to hear the services of Rev. Dr. Hannon. The Dr. is a plain, practical preacher, and he is determined that his hearers shall listen to the gospel in its purity. Both his sermons were able expositions of the word, and were thoroughly interesting. The congregation of Knox church attended the evening service, and of course a very large audience was the result. Rev. Mr. Rae assisted with the service. On Monday evening the "New England Supper" and entertainment under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid was held. The efforts of the ladies were crowned with success. The arrangement and appearance of the supper tables in the lecture room was perfect and they presented a most attractive and appetizing aspect. The menu was superior to that presented at any previous anniversary service and included cold turkey, goose and duck, chicken pie, baked beans, pumpkin pie and all the toothsome etceteras unusually found at such a time. The large crowd enjoyed the "New England Supper," and as Dr. Hannon remarked, "If evidence at the table are to be taken as reliable, the people here are an energetic people and determined to accomplish something." It was nearly nine o'clock before the musical and literary programme was opened. It included brief addresses by Rev. Dr. Hannon and Rev. Thos. Geo, Georgetown, a number of eleoutionary selections by Miss Webb, a solo by Mrs. Geo, several orchestral selections by Miss Moore and Messrs. Hill, Brown and Moorehead, and several anthems by the choir. The entertainment was enjoyable and the persons named rendered their several parts with general satisfaction. Rev. Dr. Gifford presided, and to him is due much of the success which attended the services. The proceeds of the anniversary amounted to $83.

"Sweet Rest in Heaven."

The telegraphic message from Toronto last Friday morning announcing the death of Miss Augusta Nicklin created not only consternation but wide-spread sorrow in our midst. The death of this most highly esteemed young lady took place under peculiarly sad circumstances. For some months Miss Nicklin has been troubled with a tumor which was gradually but most certainly enlarging and causing her constant pain and anxiety. Upon the advice of her physician she went to St. John's hospital, Toronto, to have the tumor removed. A partially successful operation was performed on Monday, 3rd inst., and for several days she was reported to be doing well and no danger was anticipated. On Thursday night, however, she took a sudden change for the worse, and rapidly sank until Friday morning when she peacefully bid adieu to the things of this world to be "eternally shut in" with the Saviour she loved, and had for many years faithfully endeavored to serve. The remains were brought to Acton on Friday afternoon where they were met by hundreds of sorrowing friends and companions. Miss Nicklin was one of the sweetest dispositioned characters we have ever met and was beloved by all who knew her. Her life was one of great usefulness. For many years she filled the position of organist in the Methodist church here with marked ability and universal acceptance. Her services were also of value to the Sabbath School. During a residence of several years in Guelph she was a teacher in Dublin St. Sunday School, and last Christmas her services added much to the success of the anniversary entertainment here. She was a member of the Epworth League and the last service she attended in Acton was the prayer and praise service of the League three weeks ago. Miss Nicklin was not a stranger to suffering. About eight years ago she was afflicted with a white swelling in the left knee and for nearly two years was confined to her room, but her implicit trust in Jesus gave her strength to endure with patience and during that lengthened period many of our citizens felt it to be a benediction to spend an occasional half-hour with her. Her many young friends here and elsewhere are stirred with an emotion of profound grief at the event. The funeral took place on Sunday afternoon and in the absence of Rev. Dr. Gifford the services were conducted by Rev. Dr. Hannon, of Guelph. Rev. J. W. Rae preached the sermon from Rev. 1: 3. His excellent discourse contained much consolation to the sorrowing family of the deceased and was not without earnest exhortation to the unsaved. Notwithstanding the dreary rain the church was filled to the doors. The Royal Templars of Temperance attended the funeral of their deceased sister in a body and their presence and demeanor indicated heartfelt sympathy for the bereaved family. Interment took place at Fairview Cemetery.

—Council meeting next Monday evening.

THE COUNTRY AROUND.

News Items Supplied by Correspondents and Exchanges.

ERIN.

The Sunday services in the Erin English church during the winter months', will be conducted regularly by students from Wycliffe College, Toronto.

A grand concert will be held under the auspices of the A. O. U. W. Erin Lodge, in the Blue Ribbon Hall, on Monday evening, Nov. 24th. Mr. Jas. Fox and other Toronto celebrities will be present to render a programme for the occasion.

A very interesting and enjoyable Parlor Social was held at the residence of Mr. Gartley, of Ballinafad, in behalf of the Methodist church of that village on Wednesday evening, Oct. 29th. There was a very large attendance.

One day last week a young man named McEachern, who lives with Mr. Wm. Warne, fourth line, Erin, had the misfortune to almost completely sever the thumb of his left hand, while chopping. Dr. Lowry was called and stitched the injured member.

BURLINGTON

W. France, sr., it is reported has left for a visit to his friends in the Old Country.

Mr. J. C. Smith, who has been away buying apples, returned home last Saturday. He is said to have handled 40,000 barrels this season.

The repairs being done to the crossings in the Village betoken the approach of the civic elections.

Thanksgiving Day was quietly observed in town. Services were held in the Presbyterian and in the Methodist churches in the morning, and in the English Church school-house in the evening, and a Thanksgiving supper in the Methodist school-house in the evening.

Mr. Waldie and family have removed to Rosedale, Toronto.

The High School movement is very popular with those who have growing families. If Waterdown has stood one for years Burlington should not sink under the burden.—*Budget.*

GEORGETOWN.

November Fair on Friday last.

The weather for the past week has been a combination of rain, hail, sleet, snow and mud. Considerable damage was done by the fierce gale of Sunday.

The Misses McLean, of Milton, are visiting relatives here.

The Rev. A. H. Drumm has asked and been granted a leave of absence from his charge here owing to ill health.

Mr. H. Veasey, of the Bank of Hamilton, Toronto, spent Sunday in town.

At the Baptist church on Sunday the pulpit was occupied by Prof. Welton, of McMaster University, Toronto. The audiences were not large, which was to be much regretted, as Georgetown audiences are rarely entertained with men of such calibre.

The publicans were casting "corner eyes" at Bro. Brothers, who paid our town an official visit on Saturday.

Mr. Bob. Macleod, of the Bank of Hamilton, here, is at work again after spending some weeks' holidays at his home in Aurora.

The educational sermons in the Methodist Church here were preached on Sunday by the Rev. Dr. Willoughby, of Toronto. The Rev. gentleman though suffering from an affliction which almost entirely deprives him of his eyesight is, nevertheless, one of the most powerful preachers in the conference, and for fifty minutes he held his audience's closest attention. Owing to the bad state of the weather and to the small number present it was decided to postpone the collection until a few Sundays later when Dr. Willoughby will again occupy the pulpit.

Mr. Jas. Hillis and wife, of Kingsville, Ont., are visiting at Mrs. Hillis' home, Mr. Henry Gane's. Mrs. Hillis will remain some time owing to ill health.

Among those we noticed in town on Thanksgiving Day helping to demolish Thanksgiving turkeys were:—Mr. A. Nevins, of Milton; Mr. Will McLeod, of Milton; Mr. J. McLeod and two friends from Toronto, Miss Cassie Ballantyne, Mr. Rodgers and Mr. Jim Ballantyne, of Toronto; Mr. Norman McBeth, of Toronto, Mr. Will McGuire, of Toronto; Mr. Will Carrick, of Hamilton; and among those who spent the day at other points were Miss Ansley and sister at Guelph, Miss Lizzie Heartwell at Toronto and Mr. C. M. Clark at London.

November Fair on Friday was one of the best this berg has ever seen in a long time. There were heaps of pigs, poultry, potatoes and people, while buyers were innumerable. Pigs and sheep seemed to be the staple articles, but what other stock was on hand went well. Altogether the town had quite a busy day—for a wonder!

Miss Josey Williams, of Chicago, Ill., is visiting Canuck friends and relatives.

Mr. John Gane has moved into his stylish new quarters in the old Belisle stand, Clark Block, and, we understand Mr. Belisle will occupy the store just vacated by Mr. Gane.

On Friday last a number of dogs started a ruction on Main street, which resulted in Hugh Matthews' dog "Watch" getting his leg broken. Dr. Auld reduced the fracture by a dose of lead from a ".44" calibre.

Thanksgiving Day was appropriately observed in town, the usual services being held in St. George's church, while the other congregations of the place assembled at the Congregational church where a pleasant service was conducted by Revs. Love, Norson and Patton.

At Division Court held here on Friday his Honor, Judge Miller, presided. Only a small docket, principally of interpleader actions came up for hearing, so that the court was concluded at noon.

The second open meeting of the Royal Templars was a success in every way, though the hall was not crowded. A fine programme, literary and musical, was rendered, and for upwards of 30 minutes the Rev. Joseph Fennell held the closest attention of his hearers by his pointed, thoughtful and earnest remarks. The choir of the Methodist church furnished the musical part in a most acceptable manner, and the literary part was contributed by Mrs. L. B. Bennett and Messrs. J. W. Kennedy and F. Gilchriese.

Altogether the programme rendered was the best so far, and we bespeak a crowded house for this Order when next they come before the public.

A Bread and Butter party, the first of the season was given in the town hall on Wednesday evening. We haven't heard as yet who were there but presume it was well attended as people will do almost anything now a-days for the "elomarginised" staff of life.

Judgement has been given in Laird Bros' High School dismissing the action with costs.

It looked like a truce to see the enemy boldly enter the Bennett House on Tuesday but, no, it was only an assault upon the citadel which was carried by storm, and now that the war has been pushed to the very gates, what next?

BRONTE.

The 7 p.m. express on Friday from Hamilton for Toronto when passing Bronte Friday ran into the side of an east-bound freight train, which was standing partly foul of the main line, throwing the express engine into the ditch, damaging the baggage cars on passenger train and doing considerable damage to several cars on the freight train. The driver and fireman, both Hamilton men, were slightly injured. A wrecking train was sent out from Toronto and also a relief train at 9.10, and the passengers were taken to Toronto at 12.30. None of them were injured beyond a shaking up.

LIMEHOUSE.

A fatal accident occurred between here and Georgetown on Sunday morning, by which John Wright, a brakeman on a special freight train lost his life. He was on a train which left Toronto about midnight. The train had reached Georgetown and when near Limehouse it was found that a couple of cars were off the rails and also that Wright was missing. A couple of the trainmen started back in search, and found his mangled remains on the track, near the seventh line, both arms torn off, his lamp in the middle of the track. It is supposed while passing between two cars he missed his footing and slipped and that his body had thrown the cars off the track. The train ran to the yard here with the trucks of the two cars on the top. The remains were taken to Toronto. A wife and child are left to mourn his loss.

MILTON.

Mr. Watson, of Toronto, will assist Rev. Rural Dean MacKenzie as curate of Grace Church until Christmas.

On Monday afternoon, Mr. D. Roblin, teacher of the Milton band, who is a carpenter by trade, and was working at the new Knox Church, fell about twenty-six feet from a scaffold at the east corner of the new building. He struck a scantling near the ground and broke his collar bone. He was also cut and otherwise injured and suffers a good deal of pain, but we are happy to say that his condition is not considered serious and that it is expected that his recovery will be only a matter of time. His fall was caused by his stepping on a short board which was not properly fastened to the scaffold and slipped.—*Champion.*

A sad fatal accident, the result of playing with fire arms, occurred at the home of Mrs. McColl, near Campbellville, on Monday. Two orphan children, Allen and Oscar Anderson, aged seven and five years, sons of the late Wm. Anderson, living with their grandmother, Mrs. McColl, while left alone in the house for a few minutes undertook to load a rifle. Oscar was sitting on a chair holding the muzzle of the rifle against his breast while Allen put in the cartridge, and while in this position the shot was fired. The ball entered the breast went through the body and the back of the chair and out of the open door. Allen immediately ran out of the house and gave the alarm, and when some neighbors arrived they found Oscar still sitting on the chair, quite dead.

OAKVILLE.

Thanksgiving services were held in all the churches here last Thursday morning. In the evening a musical and literary entertainment was given under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. Tea was served from 7.30 to 8.30, after which Rev. Mr. Williamson took the chair. Every part of the programme was rendered in a highly entertaining manner. The event of the evening was the presentation of an autograph quilt to the President, Mrs. Wm. McCraney. The following address was read by Miss Lucy M. Anderson, Mrs. (Rev.) Williamson, presenting the quilt. Mrs. Warcup, responded on Mrs. McCraney's behalf in well-chosen words:—

"DEAR AND MUCH BELOVED PRESIDENT.—It is with mingled feelings of joy and sorrow that we add this link to the programme chain this evening. Sorrow, inexpressibly sad, yet sublime, because of white wings breathed to the effect, that the time may be looming up in the near future, when you shall be called upon to sever your connection with our Union. Joy, exulting and gladsome, because we are, at this time, able to show not only yourself, but your many friends, that we have truly appreciated your services. Year after year you have been re-elected President, because we have felt that the progress of our Union was almost exclusively due to your efficient qualifications for that responsible position. You have striven hard to do your part in making pure the fountain of that great deep of evil—intemperance, and we as co-workers with you, are encouraged by the thought that its seething tides will not forever roll, nor yet, swell in endless surges. The pathway has not been one of perpetual sunshine, but when clouds have arisen, you have faced them with christian patience and fortitude. A good cause, laudable in its pure form, makes a courageous heart. You have bravely combatted difficulties, and courageously encountered disappointments. At the same time, your courage has been properly restrained and well directed, which fact has enabled you to achieve deeds worthy to be achieved, and manifested the source from which all true courage emanates. We would remember your much respected husband, Mr. McCraney. His efforts to do good in the temperance cause have been unremitting and incessant. He has proved himself to be a true veteran and a real philanthropist. And, we would not forget the branches of your family tree. They are scattered. Some are near. Some are far distant. Both we hold in kindliest and pleasing remembrances, as well as those branches, which have been cut down by sorrow's sharp pruning knife. As an emblem, a suggestive token, of the deep gratitude of your christian sisters, will you kindly, dear President, accept of this autograph quilt. In looking at the names thereon may you be inspired by the thought that those whom they represent will ever retain your memory in grateful remembrance, and should the veil of separation come between you and those many familiar faces, which the names will bring before the retina of your mind, either by distance of miles, or the summons of death's angel, may you realize that when a few more years have rolled into the unreturning past, that, "if faithful unto death," we shall meet again in Heaven, there to go no more out forever. When years cease to revolve, when days dawn no more, when the sun shall know his everlasting setting, when the moon withdraws the lustre of her shining planets, and time itself shall be spent as an exhausted lamp, may you, dear President, then know what sublime prospects unfold themselves to the eye of Christian faith."

Signed on behalf of Union by its officers,
Mrs. Williamson,
Mrs. Gibson,
Mrs. L. M. Wright-Orr,
Miss Marion Plewes,
Miss Lucy M. Anderson.

Miss Stone, of Toronto, spent Sunday at the Parsonage.

Mr. Wm. Anderson, of this place, left last Saturday, for Palmerston, where he will visit relatives for a couple of weeks.

Dr. Brock, formerly of Guelph, decided to make Oakville his head-quarters a short time ago. Already, he has been favored with a liberal share of practice, and we bespeak for him, a very successful medical career in our midst. He expresses himself to be highly pleased with his new surroundings; his new "head quarters,"—although it is a lamentable fact, that his "heart-quarters" are elsewhere.

The Rev. D. V. Lucas, preached in the Methodist church, last Sunday. The subject of his discourse in the evening was the "Wines of the Bible." From it were gleaned many new thoughts on this important, but greatly misunderstood question. His morning's discourse was equally as profitable and interesting.

KNATCHBULL.

PAINFUL ACCIDENT.—The other day Mr. Nelson McLaughlin, took a shot gun to shoot a hawk, when by some means he slipped and fell thereby causing the gun to discharge the contents tearing away a portion of the thumb of the right hand. It was afterward found necessary the thumb at the first joint. It will be some time before he will be able to use his hand with comfort.

Miss Lizzie J., daughter of Mr. Jno. Kitching, Nassagaweya, is lying very ill at present suffering from some internal trouble Hopes are entertained that she may be restored to health in time.

Rev. Mr. Caldwell was unable to conduct services at his several appointments on the circuit last Sabbath being confined with some throat trouble.

QUATRA BRAS, S. S. NO. 2 ESQUESING.

Prizes obtained by pupils of the school at the Fall Fairs:—

1st for map drawing at Georgetown—Norman McDougall.

1st for writing at Georgetown, Lizzie Elliot.

1st for writing at Acton, Norman McDougall.

2nd for writing at Acton, Frank Stark.

2nd for pen and ink sketch at Milton, N. McDougall.

1st for writing (boy 14 and under) at Woodbridge, John Storey.

1st for writing (boy 12 and under) at Woodbridge, N. Winlow.

2nd for writing (boy 12 and under) at Woodbridge, N. McDougall.

1st for writing (boy 10 and under) at Woodbridge, A. McDougall.

1st for writing (girl 14 and under) at Woodbridge, Jeannie Elliot.

1st for writing (girl 12 and under) at Woodbridge, Lizzie Elliot.

1st for map drawing (girl and under) at Woodbridge, N. McDougall.

John Storey received the School Prize for Essays written for the Montreal *Witness*.

STANDING OF CLASSES FOR OCTOBER.

4TH CLASS.—H. Stark, A. McDougall, J. Storey, J. Green.

3RD CLASS.—Lizzie Elliot, A. Lawson, A. Joyce.

2ND CLASS.—A. McDougall, E. H. Winlow, M. Stark, C. Brooks.

PR. II CLASS.—R. Miller, J. W. Lawson, Louisa Hardy, J. Winlow.

PR. I 2ND CLASS.—W. A. Aitkin, J. W. Elliott, H. Dixon.

PR. I 1ST CLASS.—M. E. Stark, M. Hardy, C. Stark, H. McDougall.—H. W. Bell, Teacher.

ROCKWOOD.

Mr. Jas. Watson, of Eden Mills, has sold his roadster horse, Crown Eclipse, to a Mr. Mitchell, Midlands, Mich., for a good figure.

I. W. Farries & Co. have shipped a couple of carloads of potatoes from Altou for the other side. They intend buying more as there is considerably better profit in handling potatoes than turnips at the present time.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Strange, Mr. and Mrs. John Jago and Mr. Mac. Farrish, of Toronto, was among the many visitors to Rockwood on Thanksgiving day.

Everybody who could carry and owned or could borrow a gun was out shooting on Thursday. We have not heard of any great slaughter and presume as is usual that there were many more shooters than shot.

A prominent stock breeder of Algoma bought last week from Mr. John Taylor, a two-year-old heavy draught stallion and a bull calf and from Peter Stewart a heifer calf both thorough bred. He evidently knew where to come for good stock.

The Eramosa Plowing Match was held on Thanksgiving day on the farm of Mr. Robt. Conway near Guelph. The entries were not so numerous as last year but still there was very close competition in all classes and the match on the whole was a great success and Mr. John McQueen, President, is congratulating himself and the management generally. There was a large turnout of spectators about four or five hundred being present.

The Band Concert on Wednesday evening was quite a success but it is to be regretted that it was not more largely attended, particularly as the great number of performers came from Toronto for only expenses, as a compliment to the band, and Mr. Fred Strange. The talent collectively was exceptionally fine and it isn't often we have the privilege as well as pleasure of hearing so good a concert in Rockwood. Miss Pringle, who has a very sweet soprano voice, rendered her numbers including "Angels Serenade" and the old songs "No Sir!" and "The song that reached my heart" with taste and care. The German professors, R. Mahr, A. Anderson and E. Mahr, violin, viola and cello, respectively, were excellent especially in their concerted pieces. Mr. Frank Brazor, of Guelph, delighted the audience. He is so well known as a bass soloist that he needs no commendation. Mr. Fred Strange, although not as good as on some former occasions, was well appreciated.

We of the back seats think it a pity that the instrumentalists did not allow themselves to relax slightly occasionally and give something not quite so high class, which we could have understood better and thus more readily appreciated.

Barn Burned.

On Sunday evening as our citizens were leaving the churches after service a brilliant reflection was to be seen in the western horizon and a fire was thought to be in progress two or three miles away. The fire was over ten miles away, however, being the barn on Mr. Dan. Cummins' place, lot 2, con. 10, Puslinch, close to the Guelph Township line. There was no one living on the farm at the time, and the presumption is that it was set on fire. A quantity of hay was burned.

A Word About Roads.

The road through Streetsville known as Queen street, is just now coming in for a goodly share of attention from the travelling public. "Its the worst road in the county," said one man to us on Monday. They don't seem to put the right kind of gravel on it—too much clay and not enough stone, as it were.—Streetsville *Review.* What is said about Streetsville's highway is also being said of Acton's, with perhaps a trifle more vehemence. When the Council of 1888 built Mill Street's road bed they expected to have one of the finest streets in the country. The past few weeks has proven it to be one of the maddest and most unsatisfactory pieces of road to be found, almost as bad as those of the back townships. Of course there are many who are ready to say, "I told you so," but that is not unusual. It is now evident, however, that if the stone had been broken as the contract called for and gravel been used for a covering instead of clay, the result would have been different. As it is, the street presents a worse appearance now than ever before since incorporation. The new road bed put in on Main Street this year gives evidence of being a superior piece of work. It is at present a much better street than Mill, but time only will tell whether it will continue so or not. Councillors Smith and Kenney claim they possess the secret for building good roads

-WINTER-

The colder weather touches you, you draw the curtains earlier, the fire blazes in the grate, or upon the hearth, you overhaul last Winter's wardrobe and think of needed things for comfort. If warm Underwear or Hosiery is deficient, you make note of it, and you then need to add another note concerning G. B. RYAN & Co's as the headquarters for reliable Winter Goods.

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