

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

Executors' Sale—William Creelman.
For Sale—Jos. Mundy.
Painting Lessons—Miss Jennie Seager.

The Liberal.

RICHMOND HILL, Thursday, Sept. 1, '02

START AT ONCE.

The High School opened on Monday with a fair attendance, but we are in a position to know that many pupils who purpose attending this quarter were not in their places the first week. Absenting one's self at the beginning of a term is a mistake, and often leads to bad results. The school fees are put at a certain rate per term, therefore those attending should endeavor to get full value for their money. We fear that parents as well as pupils are sometimes inclined to be careless with respect to the point at issue. Candidates for teachers' certificates often fail in their examinations by only a few marks, and parents cannot see why it is necessary to spend a whole year in making up what is needed probably in one subject only. They should not forget that next year the papers set might be altogether of a different and more difficult nature, in which case no time can safely be wasted. Besides, making only a pass should not be the only ambition of those starting in a profession.

Regular attendance at school is of great importance. Boys and girls who attend irregularly cannot be expected to keep pace with those who are present to receive instruction five days of every week. If a pupil fall behind in his class the ground lost is not easily covered. And if it be necessary to attend regularly during the year, it is just as important that the pupil should be on hand on the very day of the opening. It is at the beginning of the term that the teachers classify their pupils, and give them general instructions as to what is expected of them. By all means let those who purpose attending school during the year just entered upon, start work at once, as a month home now might mean the loss of next year's examination.

Last week we inserted a letter over the signature of Mr. Corkery, which letter stated that a horse belonging to Mr. Musselman, one of Thornhill's respected citizens, had been accidentally killed on the highway, and referred to the escape of the driver by "remarkable agility." We regret having inserted the letter, as we learn from Mr. Corkery that the signature was a forgery. He says he neither wrote the letter nor knew anything of it until he saw it in print. We also learn that the letter contained scarcely a particle of truth. Unfortunately for the owner the horse was killed, but it was by running against a barbed wire fence while in a pasture field. Although no person is injured by the publication of the article, we look upon it as a very poor joke, and trust we will not be again deceived by anonymous writers whose object is to annoy peaceable citizens.

Headford.

Harvesting is about over in this locality and threshing is now having its innings with good results, the grain in many instances yielding beyond expectation and gladdening the hearts of the industrious tillers of Mother Earth.

Mrs. Nancy Horner is erecting a new addition to her dwelling house and improving the appearance of her farm, and no doubt the structure will be completed soon as the work is being performed by capable workmen.

Mr. David Hislop, our enterprising miller has recently sold a considerable amount of pork in Toronto market, where it is a good price at present.

Mr. John Badgerow and wife of Toronto were visiting their friends here on Wednesday last.

Mrs. Layless has been very ill lately but we are glad to report her as being somewhat better.

Mr. Robert Craig and his son Frank are doing the mason work at the new Lutheran church at Buttonville.

We can now announce that our stage company consisting of three pieces and many subdivisions has opened a stand on the mill road where free exhibitions of unexcelled capacity are given at almost all hours and free of charge. Owing to one of the performers having recently fallen from the trapeze there has been no public exhibition at Coburn's Museum for a couple of nights, but everything will be in readiness for this week when the company will be able to entertain the public the same as usual without any extra charge.

On Tuesday night last about 9 o'clock the barns and stable belonging to Messrs. Robert and James French, on the 6th concession of Markham, south of Unionville, were struck and burnt by lightning. The fluid seemed to descend in the form of a huge ball of fire which soon enveloped the buildings. The horses and implements were saved and also the house which is of brick. Amount of damage is heavy as most of the crop had been gathered in, and will total \$3000; insured for \$1800.

A few evenings ago two young men a short distance from here thought they must have a nice little set-to and try their muscular action by way of raising a little excitement, so at the hour appointed the contestants chose their stations and bared their sunburnt arms in sight of Mars where they could be viewed by the keen-eyed inhabitants of that great luminary only 35 millions of miles distant. A prominent professional man umpired the battle which was closed in four rounds standard time. The palm was awarded to Sullivan, our Mitchell being weak from loss of blood and receiving a mouse on each eye.

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The entertainment held in the Temperance Hall on Friday evening the 26th, was quite successful. The attendance was good in spite of the state of the weather. The only drawback was that some of those who were to take part in the programme were unable to attend, but the eloquent and stirring addresses delivered by Revs J. C. Speer and J. H. Oliver completely filled any blank which occurred. Bro. Harland, C. T., occupied the chair. The entertainment was opened by singing the Opening Ode, after which the quartette sang "The World is moving on," which was well received. The chairman then called upon Rev. J. C. Speer to address the meeting. Mr. Speer upon rising said he was much pleased at having the pleasure of again addressing the society. He went on to explain the origin of the different kinds of liquors and the effect produced by them. He also quoted figures showing the amount spent in liquor as against the amount contributed to help on God's cause in our land. Taking the United States as an example he pointed out that that country had spent \$1,100,000,000 in liquors and had contributed only \$70,000,000 for religious purposes. In speaking of compensation he said it was not necessary to compensate hotel keepers but as a matter of expediency it might be done. In conclusion he wished the lodge here God speed in their work and retired in favor of, as he said, "the speaker of the evening, Mr. Oliver." A violin solo by Mr. H. J. Brown was heartily encored, after which the chairman called upon Mr. Oliver to address the meeting. Mr. Oliver made some very happy remarks regarding the speaker of the evening. He stated that if he made a speech on any subject it ought to be a temperance speech. He very ably pictured the evils of the Liquor Traffic and dealt with the argument very often brought forward, "That if you leave liquor alone it won't hurt you." This argument he showed to be absurd and proved it by relating circumstances from his own experience. He took up the question of revenue and showed how immaterial was the revenue of \$6,000,000 in comparison with the 4,000 precious souls who are yearly passing into a drunkard's grave. He agreed with Mr. Speer that there is too much party spirit in Canada to admit of any chance of a prohibitory law and that both parties are under the influence of the liquor men. In concluding he also wished the lodge God speed in the good work. While the collection was being taken up Mr. Speer addressed the meeting in regard to the prohibition party which has since been organized. The National Anthem was then sung and the meeting dispersed.

The members of Rising Star lodge intend taking in the picnic on the 6th of September. Final arrangements will be made next Saturday evening.

Report has it that some of our young men are exceedingly pi(e)ous.

Mr. J. C. Jenkins is busy taking stock and removing into his new store, which is now completed.

Miss Annie Sheppard, of Richmond Hill is visiting at Long Lane Farm.

Rev. Messrs. Speer and Oliver were guests at Long Lane Farm on Friday.

Miss A. McKinnon and Mr. W. Trudgeon have returned from Michigan where they were visiting relatives.

Miss Jessie Brown has gone to Newmarket to attend the Model School.

Mrs. Wilson and son from Illinois are visiting relatives here.

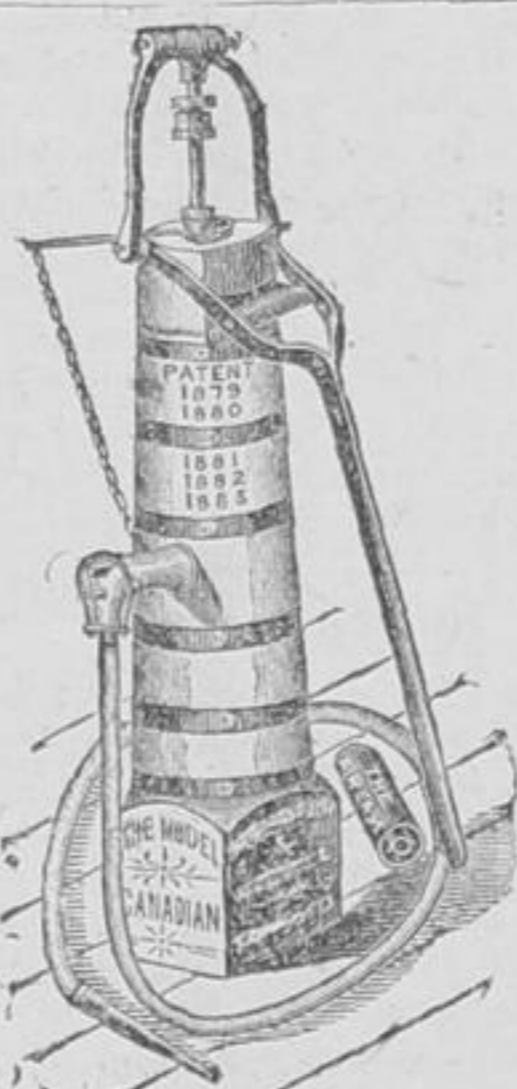
A new paper has been started in connection with the Temperance Lodge, called "The Rising Star Journal." Mr. E. J. Hitchcock is editor, and Mr. G. A. McCague sub editor.

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