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Wm. Hay and his son Jim. left last week for Manitoba.

Mr. Stephen Boaks is now busy fixing up the garden belonging to the manse.

Geo. Cushnie, our popular teacher, spent his Easter holidays with his parents near Flesherton.

Mrs. J. Wilson and her son John, your new butter maker, were visiting friends in Markdale and vicinity last week.

We notice that John Snell sports a new bike this spring. You will be able to see her often now John.

Frank, James, and Miss Selina Coleridge spent their Easter holidays at their home at Greenside, and have now returned to their schools again.

Mrs. John Garson and her brother M. of Osprey, formerly of this place were visiting friends around here last week.

Miss Bessie Kennel, of Proton, visited her cousins, the Miss Renicks a few days last week.

We had quite a heavy shower of rain last Friday afternoon accompanied by some lightning which struck the end of Calvert's Photograph Gallery but did not do much damage.

J. Wilson is rushing things this spring. He says he has made and disposed of seven hand rollers besides other work. He is also doing a good business in the furniture line.

Another of our old land marks is gone to where there is no return, in the person of Mr. Wm. Hargrave who has been in delicate health for a number of years, and passed away last Friday evening at the ripe old age of 84. On Monday the corpse was placed in old Ebenezer cemetery.

Miss Mary Wells is leaving for Galt this week for the summer.

Miss Jennie Leith was a guest of Miss Mary Scott last Wednesday.

Say Wattie, we think J. L. must be a very agreeable companion to let you go over the HILLS on Sunday evening last. But look out J. is going on Thursday evening.

We understand that one of our young men is very uneasy over an item that appeared in one of our former budgets, thinking that it was him that was meant. All that we can say J. is that if the cap does not fit you need not wear it as there were no names mentioned.

Owing to a call to a new field of labor in Montreal, Rev. Mr. McVicar left last Thursday for his new home.

Mr. McVicar has spent the past five years amongst us. Pleasant and we trust profitable years to the most of the people attending his ministrations. We wish him and his amiable wife happiness and prosperity among their new parishioners.

Mr. McVicar's Auction Sale was well attended and realized good prices. Normanby was represented by Mr.

Watson, J. Watson, J. Marshall and others. Also the ladies of this vicinity turned out to say good-bye.

TO OUR CORRESPONDENTS.

We take this opportunity of thanking one and all for the valuable assistance so far rendered in keeping the paper newsy. Short personal items are always interesting to some. Your nearest neighbor may belittle an item which tells of Mr., Mrs. or Miss So and So, visiting with friends etc. These are just the items your friends in a distance are looking for in every issue of THE CHRONICLE and we trust that our readers outside will find this paper continuing to fill the bill. This is a local paper and so far as possible we shall endeavor to have inserted such items as will interest those who are interested in matters that transpire in our constituency. We can easily imagine how anxiously our readers in the States, British Columbia or Manitoba will scan the columns of the paper for news items from their respective homes and the homes of their friends and how disappointed they feel every time when they fail to find anything from that particular quarter. We therefore wish our correspondents to give us such items, as they themselves would like to read if a thousand miles from home and among strangers. Some will sneer at your budgets, but never mind. Many thanks for past favors; many thanks for an effort to adhere strictly to the truth, though we sometimes find persons who feel injured by personal references that we are confident were intended as mere jokes. You know your neighbors; deal with them according to your knowledge; if you know one that can't take a joke don't give it; it only opens the way for an imaginary grievance, and some are ready to imagine anything. On the whole everything has been going smoothly and our thanks are hereby tendered to all. Whenever you are out of stationery let us know and we'll supply you as soon as we can.

School Inspectors are troubled these days with queries about the municipal grant. There is no municipal grant, it having been abolished in the 1896 session of the Ontario Legislature. Instead thereof Township councils were authorized to increase the \$100 formerly raised for each single roomed school to \$150 and the \$150 raised for each double-roomed school to \$250. The amount should have been raised by the twp. councils in 1896.—Post.

OUR prophets, wise and otherwise, predict a failure in the grasshopper crop this year.

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