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LOCAL NEWS.

Rain, Rain, Rain,

Good crops, but poor harvest weather.

The Methodist S. S. Picnic on Wednesday, yesterday. The Presbyterian S. S. picnic to-day.

Mr. W. H. Lee, found a stalk of buckwheat in his field last week, measuring 6 ft, 2 inches.

We have before us a copy of the Grenfell Sun Assn. N. W. T., from which we learn that Ada and Albert Morrison, formerly of this vicinity have been successful in passing the recent third class Teachers' Exam.

Ayer's Ague Care is an antidote for malaria and all malarial diseases, whether generated by swamp or sewer. Neither quinine, arsenic, nor any other injurious drug enters into the composition of this remedy. Warranted to cure fever and ague.

We have in our office a couple of samples of copper ore taken from mines near Sudbury that are owned by Mr. Oliver of Priceville. The specimen is said to yield 460 lbs of copper and \$5 worth of gold to the ton. Silver and nickel are also found in it. Mr. Oliver has also some very valuable state quarries in his claims.

"What in—Wabigoon—has become of my paper? says a Wabigoon subscriber to the Flesherston Advance. The Editor in his comment writes:—"We do not wish to cast any reflections on Wabigoon, but would like to ask the writer if he means to insinuate that it is synonymous with the other bad place." What an evil mind the Advance man must have to put a bad construction on such an innocent remark. We can't see anything wrong about it, but to the pure all things are pure. Better spell it out in full from h to l so that we'll know what you mean brother Thurston.

The report that the Ontario elections were likely to be sprung on us in November next has been laughed at by Mr. Hardy, who claims to have no knowledge of such intentions. Whether sincere or not, the Reformers are beginning to stir and we think it time the Conservatives were buckling on their armor for the fight. A Conservative Government in Toronto and a Reform Government at Ottawa would only be a reversal of the oft expressed opinion of the Hon. Mr. McWat. That is his past opinion what is it now?

Mr. William Wright of Flesherston Station, who has just returned from a trip to Rossland called at our sanctum on Thursday last and gave us many interesting items about the famous golden city. Though only two or three years old the growth of the place is phenomenal, the estimated population at present being between eight and ten thousand. The buildings are mostly wooden and as no insurance is granted by the companies, any destruction by fire will be purely accidental. Owing to the number of speculators, looking for chances to sell claims and the unemployed looking for work the town has an idly-busy appearance but the money in circulation comes chiefly from visitors and speculators rather than from the mining industries. Laborers are plentiful, but work is scarce and many would gladly leave if they had only the means to do so. Property rose rapidly to fabulous prices, and the buildings are mostly of a flimsy nature. The school accommodation is insufficient for the rapidly increasing population and churches and other available places are used for school purposes. The disposition to do unto others as you would not that they should do unto you causes Mr. Wright to think it impossible for an honest man to live there long and retain his honesty. The cost of living is not so high as reports would lead us to believe. A good meal can be had for twenty five cents and a comfortable bed for fifty cents a night. Many of the miners are leaving for Klondyke. His caution saved him from getting into the hands of a Chicago shark on his homeward trip.

Inspector Campbell, Mr. McFarlane and Miss McDonald are at present in Sunny France.

The meeting of the British Association is now being held in Toronto.

We have on exhibition in our office a corn stalk, ten feet three inches in length, grown by Mr. Chas. Brown of this town. Who can beat it?

Dr. Hunter, a native of Clarksburg, who has been practising his profession in Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., died on Sunday the 8th inst. from a dose of carbolic acid, taken by mistake.

You will find a box of Ayer's Pills an excellent travelling companion. For costiveness, indigestion, sick headache, and nausea, they are prompt, safe, and efficacious. Taken in season, they may prevent serious illness and vexatious delay and disappointment.

Mr. James Morrison, of Grenfell Assn., speaking of the crops says:—"The wheat crop in this district is fairly good, but ripening too rapidly owing to dry weather. I cut one field on the 2nd of August and the rest will be ready shortly. The oat crop is a failure and hay is very light."

A COUPLE of lads drove a livery horse down to Kimberly on Sunday to visit the campers. When preparing to return they collared a farmers nag, instead of their own, and never knew the difference until the liveryman pointed out the fact to them. This necessitated a second trip down the Beaver to straighten things out.—Flesherston Advance.

The Ritchie Bros are progressing rapidly on the foundation of the new McIntyre Block. Mr. Ochsard who has the contract for excavating is rushing his part of the contract to keep out of their way. The obstruction of the sidewalk is unsightly but will be cheerfully borne with for the sake of the improvement. More work is still needed to give employment to our idle young men.

A serious poisoning accident occurred in Mt. Forest on Monday evening last. The family of Mr. King the G. T. R. operator had canned salmon for supper. During the night his five children became ill and though medical aid was summoned two little ones aged three and six died on Tuesday morning. The remaining three though still living are in a very precarious condition.

The Fall Exhibition of the South Grey Agricultural Society will be held in Durham on the 28th and 29th of Sept. Judging from the prize list which is now out we predict a very successful affair. One dollar paid before the first day of Sept., entitles to membership. The Secretary Mr. McKenzie, Durham, will be prepared to receive entries on and after the 1st of Sept., by mail or otherwise.

The following list gives the names of successful candidates who wrote on Form II Examination in Durham:—Form II.—J. R. Collinson, J. W. Firth, T. Firth (honors), M. N. Gordon, F. Graham, L. R. M. Johnston, J. F. Lunney, E. C. McKechnie, W. A. Matthews, W. J. Ritchie, J. C. Sibley (honors), R. D. Sutherland, Part I.—Form II.—M. Caldwell, L. A. B. Grier, B. Park. Of the above candidates Messrs. J. W. Firth, J. Firth, E. C. McKechnie and W. J. Ritchie were trained by Mr. J. A. Graham, of Edge Hill, and L. A. B. Grier is a pupil of Mr. W. J. Blakeston, of Priceville. These two teachers deserve special credit as the work is really beyond the limit required in ungraded public schools, but shows their ability in preparing candidates for the higher examinations. Mr. Allan has the honor of preparing the remaining candidates, who succeeded in taking eight full primary certificates, and two Part I, Form II certificates. This together with twenty eight, out of thirty one for Form I Examination shows the efficiency of Principal Allan, and any comment on the result is not necessary. Out of five candidates sent up by Mr. Graham four took full primary certificates.

Mr. GEO. HENDERSON, well known here, died in Owen Sound Jail last week.

Walkerton beat Kincardine in the baseball match at Palmerston, Tuesday. Score 17-5.

—Still a few second-hand reapers, binders and plows for sale cheap at Livingston's show rooms, lower town.

Bullivant, the companion of Whitney the smallpox patient has developed conclusive symptoms of smallpox and has been removed to the Isolation Hospital.

The Toronto Exhibition posters put up in Rochester have been mutilated by the hoodlums of that city cutting out the Queen's picture. The better class of Americans disapprove the act.

The Church of England Annual Sunday School Picnic, held in the Saugeen Park on Thursday last was well attended and an enjoyable afternoon was spent. The usual picnic sports and refreshments constituted the program.

THE Corner stone of the Royal Victoria Jubilee Hall or Municipal Building of Walkerton, which is to cost \$12000 was laid on Friday last. The ceremony was performed under the auspices of the Grand Lodge of Canada, A. F. & A. M., Bro. Wm. Gibson, M. P., Grand Master, presiding.

Durham Model School will re-open on September 2nd. Those who have obtained a Fall Primary Certificate, or a higher standing, and who will be eighteen years of age before the close of the term may be admitted. Any who purpose attending should notify me on or before the 24th inst., stating exact age and certificate.—Thos. Allan.

TUESDAY was Fair day though the day was not fair. It is only fair to say that buyers who paid their fare to attend the fair with the intention of buying a fair number and paying fair prices didn't get a fair chance. The fair, by fair people has been pronounced a slim affair as few cattle were offered and few purchases made.

A SERIOUS accident occurred on the Grand Trunk between Hanover and Neustadt on Tuesday morning last. A freight running north, was unobserved by a gang of section men on a lorry near a curve. Seeing the train approach, an attempt was made to remove the lorry but before it could be done the train was upon them, and the section boss, Mr. Smith, of Ayton, was killed.

On Sunday last the Rev. Mr. Jansen intimated that the hour fixed for funerals in future would be the time the procession would leave the house, the service commencing half an hour earlier, Mr. Jansen's object being to obviate the necessity of friends who attended the funeral of the deceased being obliged to remain outside during inclement weather.

—McFarland & Son Markdale have the name of doing the largest business of any store north of Toronto and we have no reason to doubt it. They shipped last week direct to Liverpool, 500 tubs of butter containing upwards of 30,000 lbs all bot over their counter in ten weeks. They do an immense business and pay the highest prices for Farmer's Produce. It will pay you to give them a call when next in Markdale. 1

A Western Ontario newspaper recently sued a delinquent subscriber, and recovered judgment for seven years' subscription with costs amounting to \$24. The paper had been ordered stopped and the paper had been returned from the post office as refused, but the subscriber had not paid up arrearages and his name was continued in the books and paper mailed to his address. The decision of the court was that a subscriber remained a subscriber until all arrearages were paid.

A HEAVY hail storm, accompanied with wind and rain, passed over the country about two miles east of here on Sunday last. The ripe grain was badly threshed, orchards were injured and trees torn out of the roots. The storm seemed to run in a strip from South West to North East.

The government has just issued an emergency poster to Fruit Growers, warning them not to purchase fruit trees, or obtain buds, scions or nursery stock from the United States without a written guarantee from the State Entomologist, or other authorized official, that such stock has not been infested with the San Jose Scale. This insect is one of the most destructive pests of the South Western States, and its discovery in Ontario has led the government to warn nurserymen, fruit growers and the public generally to exercise vigilance against its increase.

We regret to announce the death of Prof. Collett of Allan Park, which occurred on Tuesday last. The deceased has been ill for a long time and his death was not unexpected. The funeral will take place to-day, Thursday at 2 p. m. from his late residence to St. George's cemetery, Hanover. Friends and acquaintances will please accept this notice. Though almost wholly unacquainted with the family of the deceased, and unable to give fuller particulars, we extend our sympathies to the bereaved ones. We hope to be furnished with fuller particulars next issue.

PURELY PERSONAL.

Mrs. Shortreed of Priceville was in town Monday.

Miss Tena Rose has returned home from Hamilton.

Miss Millie Hind left for Toronto Friday morning.

Mrs. (Rev.) Stewart is visiting friends in Brantford.

Mr. Frank Irwin returned on Saturday from his holiday trip to Detroit Chicago and elsewhere.

Mrs. Adam Robertson is visiting friends in Thornbury.

Miss Maggie Wallace is visiting her parents in Harriston.

Miss Sarah Woodland returned to Toronto on Saturday last.

Mrs. Walter Horn and children are visiting in Lucknow this week.

Miss Bella MacDougall is visiting friends in Grand Valley this week.

Miss Scott of Detroit was the guest of Miss Kate MacDougall on Sunday.

Mr. Wm. Wright, of Flesherston Station, was a welcome caller last week.

Mrs. John Livingston and family is visiting her mother and friends in Owen Sound this week.

Mr. Leighton and Miss Harriet Anderson visited friends in and around Hclstein on Sunday.

Mrs. J. D. Gunn and Miss Mable Hynman have returned from visiting friends in Shelburne.

Revs. Messrs. Burns, of Corinth, and Philemore, of Chesley, were in town Monday evening.

Mr. Chester Dies, representing Miller & Richard, Type Founders, Toronto, called on us on Monday last.

Rev. Mr. McGregor, Baptist Minister, will exchange pulpits next Sunday with Rev. Mr. Darroch, of Flesherston.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Mutrie and three children, of Grand Valley, were visiting last week at Mr. and Mrs. C. McDougalls.

Miss Gertie Kenney, accompanied by Miss Maggie Crawford, returned to her home in Mt. Forest on Saturday evening last.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Newton, of Olean, N. Y., and Mr. and Mrs. John Newton, of Stratford, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Sparling.

Mr. Jas. Allan, Tailor, of Flesherston, gave us a call as he passed through on his way to Thornbury, from visiting friends in Guelph and Mt. Forest.

A Snap IN CLOTHING.

We've got a lot of boys suits about 50 in all, in sizes from 22 to 29 which have to be cleared out by the 1st of next month. Most of them are three piece suits and they were sold at \$3, \$4, \$5. To make quick work of them we say

TWO DOLLARS.

For your choice. If you have any boy between 5 and 10 years old this is an opportunity of a lifetime.

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For this week we offer

SPECIALS IN DRESS GOODS.
SPECIALS IN CORSETS
SPECIALS IN BOOTS & SHOES.

New Fall Dress Goods arriving this week.

RAMSAY & MORLOCK.

CASH and ONE PRICE
Calder's Block : Lower Town