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While strolling through a field on his farm in Euphrasia township one day last week, Mr. J. Knoll espied what he thought to be a young porcupine—sunning himself on a slight mound. Creeping quietly up to the animal, Mr. Knoll quickly despatched it with a club and to his surprise found it to be a jet black groundhog. We believe this to be the first ever known to exist in these parts, as the closest enquiry made from old timers fails to reveal another such colored animal.—Markdale Standard.
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FLESHERTON.
During last week, the annual election of officers in the Methodist church took place as follows: Epworth League—Hon. Pres. Rev. H. E. Wellwood; Pres. Miss Wallace; 1st Vice Pres., Mrs. R.H. Moore; 2nd Vice Pres., Mrs. R.H. Wright; 4th Vice Pres., Harold Karstedt; 5th Vice Pres., Miss Thurston; Rec. Sec., Miss Edna Patton; Cor. Sec., Miss Switzer; Treas., Miss Ella Karstedt; Organists, Miss Karstedt and Miss Patton. Ladies Aid—Pres. Mrs. Jos. Clinton; 1st Vice Pres., Mrs. Geo. Mitchell; 2nd Vice Pres., Mrs. W. J. Boyd; Treas., Mrs. W. Moore; Rec. Sec., Mrs. W.H. Bunt; Asst. Mrs. R. Moore; Parsonage com., Mrs. John Hales, Mrs. Harry Wilson. Over \$100 were raised during the year. Sunday School—Supt., W.H. Bunt; Asst., Mrs. Clinton; Sec., H. Karstedt; Asst., Roy McCauley; Librarian, T.A. Blakely; Treas., T. Clayton; Organist, Miss Ella Karstedt; Asst., Miss Lillian Bunt; Teachers, Mrs. Clinton, Bible Class; Mrs. R.H. Wright, Mrs. W. Moore, Mrs. Bunt, Miss Kate Bellamy, Miss Florence Thurston, Miss Lillian Armstrong. Quarterly Official Board—Stewards, W. H. Bunt; Rec. Steward, W. A. Armstrong; Robt. Waller, Robt. Richardson, T.A. Blakely, Lundy Johnston and Howard Graham. Representative to District meeting, Wm. Buchanan. The Rev. Mr. Wellwood who is closing his third year of successful labor here, was extended a unanimous invitation to return for next Conference year.
Mr. Wm. Sharp was at the Soo last week attending the funeral of his brother, John, which took place upon the arrival of the deceased's daughter from California. Mr. Sharp was employed at a blast furnace, and while at work was suddenly suffocated by gas, through excessive leakage from a main pipe. Two other men at the same time, Mr. W.S. Wilcock, who has been attending Toronto University, is to be congratulated upon his success in the recent science examinations, having passed with honors in his exam. on mining engineering. Will is home now on a holiday.
At the inaugural meeting of the village council last week, Mr. W. H. Thurston was appointed clerk, and Mr. Thos. Clayton treasurer.
At the Methodist church on Sunday evening, the service was appropriate to Mother's Day, now so widely known throughout Christendom. The sermon by the pastor was based on some of the Saviour's last words on the cross, "Behold thy Mother." Dr. Murray sang very effectively a solo fitting the sermon. The pulpit was decorated with flowering plants, and the emblem of purity was worn by many in the congregation.
At the week night service in the Methodist church last week, Inspector Huff and Mr. Bert Armstrong were visitors, and took part in the service. Mr. Huff gave a thoughtful address on Bible teaching and training of the young.
The snowstorm, to-day, Monday, which has whitened mother earth, gives spring a wintry aspect, and is a chilling, both for the bursting flowers and budding trees. But history repeats itself. Twenty-nine years ago to-day, made memorable by the funeral of the late Miss Effie VanDusen, to Chatsworth, almost as inseasonable weather prevailed.
By a newly letter received last week from our old friend, S. A. Thompson, of Strongfield, Sask., formerly of Artemesia, we learn that seeding in the west is far in advance of that here. Mr. Thompson commenced on the 11th of April, and at the time of writing was well-nigh through with 400 acres sown. Mr. Thompson and family are enjoying life in Saskatchewan.
We had a glimpse at Inspector Campbell's new auto car, with which he was becoming acquainted on his trip here last week, and we pronounce it a beauty. Mr. Campbell, who was accompanied by Dr. Jamieson, M.P.P., and Mr. Patton, made a brief call on Rev. H.E. and Mrs. Wellwood, at the parsonage.
Mr. Horace Brothwell got a sudden call last week to his home at Millbrook, by the illness of his father.
Mr. George McTavish has returned from Toronto, to resume his studies in high school.
Mrs. A.S. VanDusen has gone to the city to visit for a couple of weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Douglas.
Mr. M.K. Richardson went to Lucknow on Monday to spend a day or two with his daughter, Mrs. Tate.
Rev. Mr. Wellwood was at Markdale on Monday attending a meeting of the executive of the Owen Sound district Leagues. Mr. Wellwood, and Rev. Mr. Campbell, of Eugenia, will exchange pulpits next Sunday.
Miss May Robson, of Ebdorale, visited Mrs. Dr. Murray last week. Mrs. Holman is visiting her son near Portlaw.
Mrs. W. Badgerow, of Dundalk, paid friends a short visit last week.
Mr. Frank Chard has rented the old John Wright farm, east of the village.
Mr. Alex. Stewart has been under Dr. Carter's care with a severe attack of rheumatism, but is now improving.
The Cranbrook, B.C. Herald, reports Mr. Richard Russell now leader of the excellent band of that town. Richard, a former Flesherton boy, like his father, J.G., is a jeweller, and chip off the old block in musical lines, as can be seen by the position he now fills. Mr. Russell's youngest son is also a cornetist, and took a leading part in a Choral Society concert at Parkhill a few evenings ago.

HOLSTEIN.
Rev. Mr. Hampson, of the Varney circuit preached on the Holstein circuit last Sabbath, the Rev. A.E. Marshall, B.A., being on the Varney

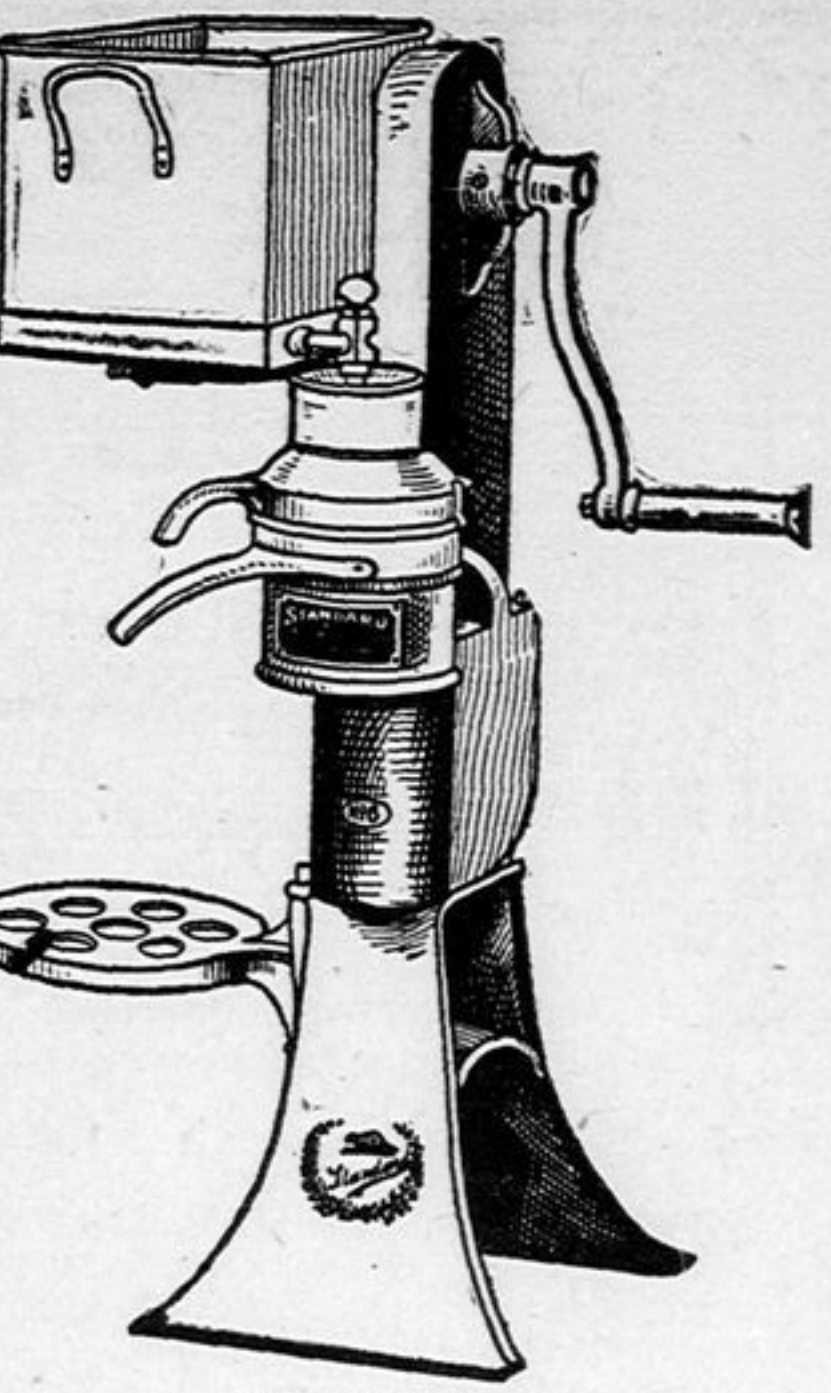
circuit conducting the sacramental services.
Miss Cordingly, of Palmerston, was the guest of Mrs. R. Burrows and Miss Bride, over Sunday.
Mr. Jas. Murdock, scale inspector, was in the village officially part of last week.
Wes Seaman was up from Mount Forest this week, having recovered from his recent illness.
Jas. W. Brown, of Regina, is at his old home here again. He came for the purpose of assisting his father in the erection of the new residence, now under way of construction.
The Orangemen of the L. O. L. here purpose holding a monster picnic in the park here on the 3rd of June, King's birthday.
The creamery commenced operations on Wednesday. This is somewhat earlier than on former years.
Quite a severe snowstorm raged here all day Monday. This is quite a change from the delightful weather of the past week. History repeats itself is verified in the fact that 63 years ago, on the 13th day of May, just such a storm was on.
The official Quarterly Board of the Methodist church met last Friday evening, and wound up the year's business. An application will be made to the District meeting for a change of service. Holstein and Yeovil forming a circuit, with two services at Holstein each Sunday.
Mr. Alex. Cameron, of Oklahoma, arrived here on Wednesday, on account of the illness of his brother, who had passed away before he arrived. Alex. is spending a few days with friends before he returns home.
Mr. Orchard is improving his premises by an addition to his place. Richard Irwin lost another valuable horse on Sunday.
ORCHARD.
Mr. Jas. Ball visited his sister, Mrs. John Thompson, of Blyth's Corners, on Sunday last.
Mr. and Mrs. Pust have treated themselves to a new organ.
The re-organization of the Sunday school took place on Sunday evening, when the following officers and teachers were elected: Supt., and Bible Class teacher, Mr. W. Dickson; 2nd Intermediate, Miss Lulu Bradley; 1st Int., Mrs. Jas. Brown; Infant classes, Mrs. W. T. Pinder and Mrs. Jas. Mark; Sec. Treas., Miss Grace Pinder; Organist, Miss Flossie Mark; Collector of Offerings, Master Ridverse Pinder.
Mr. John Kirby attended the funeral of his uncle, Mr. Jas. Gordon, of the Corners, last week.
Friday last, May 10th, was observed as Arbor Day at the school here, when the teacher and pupils with some outside assistance, planted a row of fine maple trees along the front of the school yard and fixed things up in general.
We thought the automobile nuisance would be overcome in this part of the country, on account of the bridge at Dodds' mills being down, but still they come, and one poor unfortunate got stuck while trying to ford the river, and had to be pulled out.
There's a wire suspension foot-bridge over the river that's worth while going to see.
Sorry to learn that Miss Henrietta Keller is ill.
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Sr Primer—R. Davis.
Sr Primer—G. Lindsay.
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TRAVERTON.
Many readers of the Chronicle enjoyed immensely the editor's humorous items in last week's issue. Do it again.
Miss Jessie Peters arrived at the Martin homestead on Tuesday of last week, after spending the winter in Toronto.
Mr. Dave Davis was the guest of his sister, Mrs. R. Webber, of Hutton Hill, last week.
It's a rare thing to find a man of his years so active as is Mr. Richard Jack, of town, who was out last week calling on the old neighborhood and friends. He is in his 86th year.
We regret very much having to report Mr. Dave Young, of Townsend's Lake, is seriously ill.
Mr. James Morrison accompanied his brother William to Guelph on Thursday of last week, and on the following morning they attended the funeral of Mrs. Wm. Morrison's brother, a man in life's prime. We extend our sympathy. They returned home Friday evening.
The snowstorm of Monday was an unwelcome guest, and should frost follow, will cause heavy damage to fruit buds. The ice must not be out of the upper lakes yet. It will delay the tail-end of seeding a couple of days.
Mother's Day was duly observed at Zion. Big bouquets of white lilies adorned the altar table, the sermon of Rev. R.W. Wright bore on the topic, and white flowers were worn by most of the congregation.

RIVERDALE.
Seeding is about wound up in this part. A few have not finished yet. The acreage sown seems to be about equal to that of last year. Grain that was sown early is coming up nicely, and the warm showers of Saturday and Sunday have made quite a fresh appearance on the fall wheat and meadows.

The first barn raising of the season was that of Mr. Will Atkinson, on the Farr farm, on Monday of last week. Messrs. Jas. Eden and Wm. Haas have the contract. The raising was done by block and tackle which is quite an improvement on the old way of raising with pike poles.
Sabbath school opened a week ago Sunday, with a good attendance. A collection was taken up in aid of the Chinese Famine Fund amounting to \$2.30.
The masons have completed the stone foundation for the addition to Mr. Jos Atkinson's barn. Lorenz brothers, of Lamlash, had the contract. It is a first-class job.
Mr. Thos. Whitmore is engaged with framer Ben. Sharp for the summer.
Miss Annie Collier came home from Toronto last week.
The baseball season is here again and the boys are holding a meeting on Tuesday night to make preparations for the summer.
The warm showers of Sunday have turned into a genuine snow storm, and to-day, Monday, is quite like winter.
VARNEY.
Well, here we are again, after a few weeks' absence. We have been so very busy, and news seemed scarce, and hard to hunt up. Now, to start off with, we will say a little about the seeding, which has been the order of business for the past few weeks, and is still, with a good many. A few, of course, are through, others will be a week or ten days yet. The weather has been excellent for seeding, and the land in good shape, and we think we never saw a faster growth than we had last week; everything began to look beautiful and the nice rains of Saturday afternoon and Sunday made the appearance of the country look still better, until Monday morning about eight o'clock, when it began to storm, and kept it up until about four p.m., which gave things a different appearance. I am satisfied there was all of six inches fell but if the frost does not come too heavy, the snow will do no harm, and if not, it bids fair for good crops. The fall wheat is picking up well, and the meadows are looking as if we would have a good hay crop. The spring grain has been got in in good shape, and I am satisfied that if man does the planting well, God will give him an increase.
J. R. Richardson has treated the front of his sore to a coat of metallic siding, which gives it a bright and cheery appearance.
R. J. Eden also treated his home to a new roof. Bob intends to keep dry at least at nights. He wasn't like the negro, whose house leaked very bad, and when asked why he did not fix, said that when the weather was fine, he did not need it, and when it was raining, he couldn't.
Miss Eva Blyth has started to teach music, and Miss Audrey Hoy is her first pupil.
We have sheared our sheep, and we suppose they won't appreciate having their coats off this weather. But we believe they did when we did it.
Arbor Day was duly observed at our school, and I can tell you the teachers and scholars must have worked, for things never looked neater and cleaner than they do this year. They deserve credit for what they did.
Geo. M. Leeson, of Varney, visited Sunday before last in Mount Forest with his mother and sister, who have just returned from a visit to some of the rest of the family in Indiana.
Miss Maggie McLaughlin, who is living in Durham now, spent Sunday before last with her parents here.
Nearly everybody from our village attended the funeral of Mr. Jas. Gordon on Monday of last week. Mr. Gordon was an honorary member of Varney L.O.L. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved friends, Mrs. R.J. Eden, Mrs. Wm. Long, and Mrs. Alf. McCabe, who all mourn the loss of a father.
We also extend our sympathy to Mrs. R. Morrison, who is mourning the loss by death of a brother, Mr. Cameron, from the U.S., who was over attending the funeral of his brother is visiting his sister, Mrs. Morrison.
Miss Beatrice Richardson is under the doctor's care at the present time with an ulcerated eye, which has been bothering her for the past two weeks.
Rev. Mr. Marshall, of Holstein, preached in Varney last Sunday night, and administered the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. He also attended the quarterly Board meeting on Monday.
Rev. Mr. Hampson drove down home on Monday evening and will attend the Mt. Forest District meeting on Tuesday and Wednesday. He will return on Thursday.
Your humble scribe was appointed delegate for the Varney Circuit and will attend District meeting in Mt. Forest on Wednesday. There are some prospects of Orchard being united with Varney and Ebenzer next year, and if so a motion was carried unanimously at Board meeting asking the District meeting to use their influence at Conference next year, which would meet with the approval of all the residents in and around Varney.
All members of the Varney Grange should make an effort to be at the next meeting, May 31st, as they are going to talk about their annual picnic.
Cameron Lauder, who is on the cement marl plant in Hanover, visited his parental home in Varney on Saturday and Sunday.
Well, Mr. Editor, the automobiles are on the go again, but we have come off better in our village than you have in your town, as we have no mishaps to record as yet, and we hope we never will.

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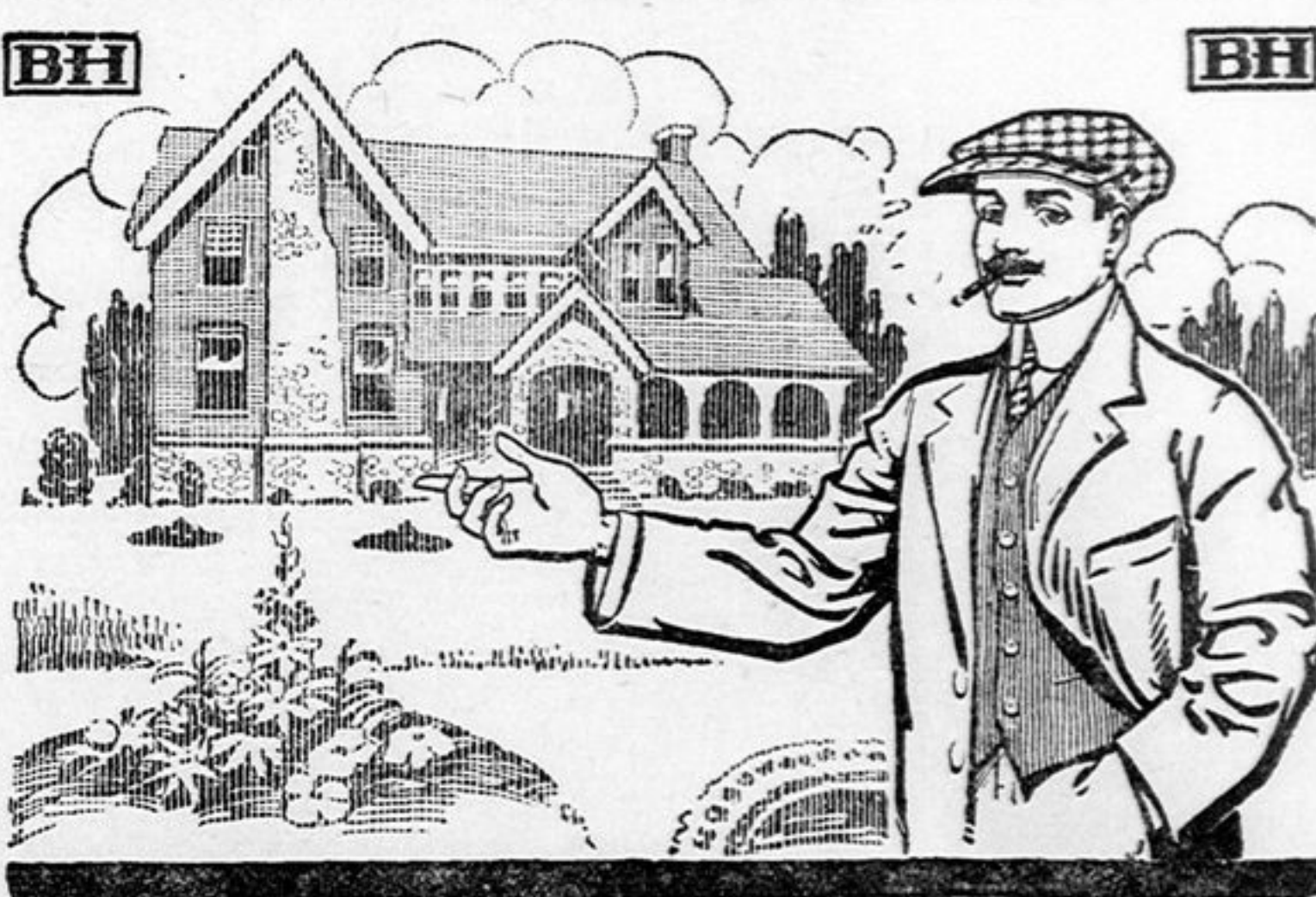
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