

PERSONAL

Miss Rita Irwin is in Toronto and will return Tuesday.

Mr. Eric Kelly returned to Montreal on Tuesday.

Miss Cora Wilson is spending her vacation in Toronto.

Miss Katie Bell Black of Chesley was in town Saturday.

Mrs. John Potter, and Mrs. E. E. Clancy, of Niagara Falls, N. Y., are visiting Mrs. Thos. Brown.

Miss Inez Redford of Hanover is spending a few days with her young friends in town.

Mrs. J. H. Harding and two children are visiting at her parental home at Hillsburg.

Miss Agnes Wakefield has accepted a position as stenographer in J. P. Telford's office.

Mrs. Thurston, wife of Mr. W. H. Thurston of the Flesherston Advance, gave us a brief call on Monday.

Mrs. David Allen and daughter, Ada, have returned from a six weeks' visit with friends at Hopeville and Fairbairn.

Mrs. O'Neil and son, Arol, and Miss Coventry, of Georgetown, spent the first of the week with Mr. and Mrs. John McCoskery.

Mrs. Wesley Forester and two children, Harry and Ina, of Edmonton, are visiting her mother, Mrs. Geo. Watt. They expect to remain about a month.

Mr. Arthur Smith left yesterday afternoon for Denver, Colorado. For some time his health has not been good, and he hopes for benefit through a change of climate.

Mrs. J. Bauer and children have returned from visiting in Berlin. Mrs. Hogaboom and Miss Hogaboom, of Toronto, are guests of Mrs. Kelly.

DARKIES' CORNERS.

Mrs. Adam Weir and daughter, Helen, of Owen Sound, visited last week with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Weir and other relatives.

The Red Cross Workers met at the home of Mrs. Jos Atkinson. Besides a lot of knitting done, four shirts and 24 pillow cases were made and 12 towels hemmed. Collection \$1.60.

Miss Edna M. Ritchie left on Monday to visit friends in Toronto.

Mr. Jas. Wilson is building a fine henhouse, to replace the one burned some time ago.

Mrs. John McGirr and Mrs. Cardwell spent Friday with their uncle Mr. Fred Noble, Egremont.

Miss Little of Dundalk visited last week with Mr. and Mrs. W. Weir.

Misses Agnes and Annie McGirr of town were among the visitors at No. 9 Sabbath school, Sunday.

Misses Bessie and Jean Weir of Egremont spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. Weir.

Pte. John Davis of the 14th Battalion spent Sunday at Mr. Jos. Atkinson's.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Atkinson spent over the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Patterson, Dornoch.

Miss Hannah McAuliffe of town accompanied by a gentleman friend, visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. J. McFadden.

Miss Nina McFadden and a friend spent Sunday at her home in the burg.

EDGE HILL.

Mrs. Burrell of Walkerton is visiting Miss Mary A. Edge.

Miss Frederica Staples is home, after a two weeks' visit with her grandmother, Mrs. Jas. Staples at Markdale.

Mr. W. Pinder of Orchard was visiting his uncle, Mr. Thos. Greenwood on Monday.

Mr. Geo. Ritchie has disposed of his organ and has purchased a new Dominion piano from Mr. Robt. Smith of Durham.

Mrs. Anderson and little daughter, Francis, are spending a few days this week in Toronto.

Miss Black of Chesley spent last week with her cousin, Miss Kate McFadden.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Firth and family returned this week to their home in Lindsay, after a pleasant vacation at their respective homes here.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Firth and family of the 8th concession were visiting at Mr. John D. McFadden's the first of the week. Miss Kathleen remained for a week's visit at the hospitable home.

A large number from this part were invited to a party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Brown, Egremont, on Wednesday evening. The weather was clear, bright and delightfully cool, and the party was thoroughly enjoyed by all who were present.

Mr. and Mrs. McKinnon, Miss Black and Mr. Schaab motored over from Chesley on Sunday and enjoyed a visit with the McFadden family.

It may be the world owes us a living, but our experience teaches that we have to scratch for it.

Israel Webber died in Toronto on the 26th of August, at the age of 113 years. He was a native of Russia.

A man with the rheumatism joined the Christian Scientists. He was asked six months later, "Did Christian Science cure you of rheumatism?" "No," but rheumatism cured me of Christian Science."—Life.

ROY CALDER IN A BATTLE

Mr. A. H. Jackson received a letter from Gunner Roy Calder, who has been in action at the front, and saw enough fire-works to last him for a long time. He was in good spirits, and the letter from first to last had a patriotic ring about it. In speaking of the gas used by the Germans he belittles its war power, as the gas helmets are such a protection that the gas causes little damage. His idea of a bombardment is a reality now. This is what he says about it: "I certainly never had any idea what a bombardment was until last night. Just try to imagine a front of six or seven miles, backed with heavy guns and all firing at the same time. It was a steady fire, with no intermissions for about five hours, and you certainly saw some great fire works. I'll not want to go to see any more for weeks if I get out of this. It is a great attraction to watch it, just like watching a big building on fire."

The letter was from "somewhere in Belgium" and was dated the 10th of August. We are glad to learn he is well and enjoying himself.

TRAVERTON.

The harvest is past. From seed-time until garnering has been the shortest season in at least 25 years.

Pte. Ivan Edwards spent Saturday at the parental home, and then left to spend until Monday month with friends in Owen Sound.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Blair and Master George were guests of kindred at Markdale the first of the week.

A goodly number have their fall wheat sown. The acreage will be about the same as in former years.

A telegram came to Mrs. George Blair a week ago from Mr. and Mrs. John Black of Minnesota, announcing the death of their 14-year-old son, Russell, from accidental drowning. Mr. and Mrs. Black formerly lived on the 8th concession. Glenelg and then many friends hereabouts were grieved to learn of the sorrow that had come to their home.

Three threshing outfits began the season's work this week across the centre of the township. Mr. S. Hill with a new outfit, on the 8th concession; the O'Neil Bros. have purchased a new self-feeding separator from Mt. Forest, and begin at home on the 4th concession, while Mr. McGillivray makes the shaves over on the 2nd. The number of loads of grain on each farm is just about half of what it bulked up last year. The oats won't make too heavy meal for porridge.

A week ago Sunday evening, Charlie Smith of Ebdordale was operated on by Dr. Macdonald of St. Catharines, assisted by Drs. D. and D. B. Jamieson of town, for appendicitis. The case was a most critical one, but with clever medical care and good nursing, he is, up to the present time, gradually recovering. W. J. Greenwood, Councillor Peart and sons and other neighbors, cut the grain and snugly housed it.

Zion trustee board have let the contract of papering and re-painting the church to Messrs. C. Elvidge and Geo. Fumaux of town. Work begins September 4.

Mr. H. J. Snell most acceptably filled Zion's pulpit on Sunday afternoon, and the song sung by Messrs. Mistle, Glass and Saunders will long re-echo in the memories of those present. Many, many are the expressions of regret of our people when they learn that Mr. H. McCrae had broken his wrist cranking the auto, prior to their leaving town.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. McFadden and Missy Gladys, of Wilder's Lake were over to the Cook homestead on Monday. They brought back Miss Evalena and her brother, Cliff, who have spent part of the holidays with them.

Messrs. Donald and Archie McArthur of the 10th concession went west on the big excursion leaving from Markdale.

Electricity as a street illuminant was introduced to Canada at the Canadian National Exhibition, 1892.

As early as 1882 a State deputation from Ohio visited the Canadian National Exhibition looking for pointers, and they have been coming from various States ever since, many of the United States' fairs, being modelled along Toronto lines.

VOTERS LIST 1916

Municipality of the Town of Durham in the County of Grey

NOTICE is hereby given that I have transmitted or delivered to the persons mentioned in Sections 8 and 9 of the Ontario Voters List Act the copies required by said Sections to be so transmitted or delivered of the list, made pursuant to said Act of all persons appearing by the last revised Assessment Roll of the said Municipality, to be entitled to vote in the said Municipality, at elections for members of the Legislative Assembly and at Municipal Elections, and that said list was first posted up at my office at Durham on the 25th day of August, 1916, and remains there for inspection.

Electors are called upon to examine the said list and if any omissions or any other errors are found therein, to take immediate proceedings to have the said errors corrected according to law.

Dated at Durham the 25th day of August, 1916.

W. B. VOLLET, Clerk of Durham.

PRUSSIAN GUARD FAILS

Climax of Hun Attacks at Thiepval—Bad Weather Now

London despatches on Sunday said: Bad weather has set in all along the Western front, and evidently activity is small on both sides. But it is clear that the pressure has not been in the least relaxed and the year's greatest battles will come in September and October. The British, it was officially reported to-day, have taken 200 yards of a German trench in the vicinity of Hazentin-le-Petit, and have made a slight advance northwest of Ghinchy. The French report nothing but the defeat of several German charges at scattered points along their whole front. Three attacks were made by the Germans Saturday night against French positions in Vaux-Chapitre Wood, northeast of Verdun, and one in the Apremont Forest in Lorraine. These assaults were repulsed.

On Saturday night the German counter-attack on new British positions at Thiepval was the heaviest the Germans had made since the offensive began. The German sent the Prussian Guard in wave after wave against the new-wave trenches held by the Wiltshires and Worcesters. Nothing fiercer ever occurred on the Western front than the struggle of the British to keep what they had gained. There was an unceasing fire on the heads of the English county regiments holding the positions, which the Germans expected to take at any cost. Dawn this morning found the British battalions still in possession of the trench.

London reported on Friday: A new success was won by the British army during the night on the Somme front. By a strong attack in the Guillemont sector they advanced their front several hundred yards on both sides of the Guillemont-Piers road, bringing it on even terms with the French advance through Maurepas. To the north the British extended their trench progress along the Leipzig salient, taking an additional 300 yards of strongly defended positions. Meanwhile, the French, by strong artillery fire, were repulsing German counter-attacks south of Maurepas. Military experts attach great importance to the capture of Maurepas by the French. It brings their advance within two miles of Combles, which powerfully fortified town they are steadily flanking.

RUSSIAN OFFENSIVES

Advances in Carpathian and Asiatic Campaigns—Mush Retaken

Petrograd despatches on Sunday said: Russian troops in the Carpathians have made a further advance in the vicinity of the Hungarian border. The War Office to-day announced the capture of positions three miles northeast of Koverla mountain on the frontier. The Russian army in the Caucasus, whose recently inaugurated offensive movement has resulted in the recapture of considerable amount of territory from the Turks, is said by the War Office to have made a further advance in the direction of Diarbekr.

Petrograd reported on Saturday: The Turkish attempt to encircle the left flank of the Russian Caucasian army appears to have received a crushing blow from the troops of Grand Duke Nicholas in the region of Lake Van. The initiative now appears again to be with the Russians at all important points in Asia Minor, and now that the Turkish offensive on the left flank has been stopped, Grand Duke Nicholas can continue his march toward Asia Minor.

An official report issued in Petrograd on Friday said: "Our troops, pressing the enemy in the region to the west of Lake Van, captured Mush, where they took some prisoners. In the battle fought in the region of Rachtia and in the direction of Mosul we surrounded portions of the Turkish division and took prisoner the whole of the Eleventh Turkish Regiment, consisting of the Commander, 56 officers and 1,600 of the rank and file, as well as nearly all of the remnants of the Tenth Turkish Regiment."

ITALY VS. GERMANY

Rome Declares War—May Aid France—Ends Strange Situation

Rome despatches on Sunday said: Following a meeting of the Cabinet to-day an official announcement of a state of war between Italy and Germany from August 28th was made. A statement, giving the reasons for the action was given out by Baron Sonnino, Minister of Foreign Affairs. It says, in part: "The hostile acts of Germany toward Italy have become more frequent. Suffice it to mention the persistent military aid rendered to Austria and the constant participation of German officers, soldiers and sailors in the war against Italy. Owing to German help Austria-Hungary was enabled to concentrate her maximum effort against Italy."

The official announcement aroused great enthusiasm here. Cheering crowds are parading the streets, applauding the Government's decision. The declaration will make it possible to employ Italian troops against the Germans in France if General Joffre deems such a measure advisable. Italy's declaration brings to an end one of the strangest situations recorded in the history of nations: The unnatural retention of peace between these countries for more than two years after the outbreak of the European conflict, which burst the Triple Alliance and which resulted on May 23, 1915, in an open break with Austria-Hungary, Germany's ally.

Splendid Air Raids

A squadron of the Entente allies' aeroplanes bombarded the neighborhood of Ghent, Friday morning, according to The Echo Belge. There was a terrific explosion shattering windows throughout the city caused by the blowing up of an ammunition depot. A little later a second explosion equally severe, was heard. An ammunition depot at Meirebeke also was blown up, and a Zeppelin was seriously damaged.

NEW INDUSTRY IN SIGHT.

The Feldspar and Clay Products Limited, Warton, is the name of a new company which was recently incorporated with an authorized capital of \$1,500,000. This has been the outcome of negotiations carried on for the purchase of the cement plant. The engineer of the company was in town over the week end and in conversation with The Echo he informed us that they had purchased the plant and everything owned by the Crown Portland Cement Company.

It is the intention of this new company to manufacture potash the importation of which has been shut off by the war. Before the war, potash sold in the United States at from \$40 to \$100 per ton; to-day, it sells for \$460 per ton and twice that amount can be obtained for it. He claims that already they have orders for 50 tons per day, so if 50 is multiplied by \$460 it will be seen that the gross earnings of this new plant will be \$23,000 per day and when this is again multiplied by 300 days in the year you have a pretty big sum. The man is handled by an ordinary concern, even by a newspaper after it has raised the rates to \$150 per year.

The company will get their raw material near Parry Sound, where they have purchased 500 acres containing feldspar. This has been analyzed and goes 13.5 per cent. of potash. The highest analysis is 16 per cent., while rock yielding 1 per cent. has been worked to a good profit.

This company hope to get to work soon, and when they get started will require 150 men. When told that it might be difficult now to obtain so much labor, he replied that it would not be difficult because they would pay the wages. The machinery for the plant is ready to ship, and in fact he told The Echo some of it is on the way already. The stockholders of the company live in New York, Buffalo, Los Angeles, Washington Toronto and Berlin.

This is a big proposition and should it materialize it would be a big thing for the town, and the town would give this company all the consideration in its power. In the meantime we await their coming with pleasure and our pleasure shall be unbounded when we see them at work, employing 150 hands.—Warton Echo.

CORNER CONCERNS.

Thrashing is now in full swing in this neighborhood. Mr. Roy Lawrence, with the outfit recently purchased from Mr. John Vessie, is the thrasher, and is doing good work. Jack Vessie has retired, after continuous service for over 30 years. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lennox visited his sister near Glascoot Sunday. At one time we would have reported that as a journey, but now, with an auto, it is like going

to visit a next door neighbor's.

Miss Reta Barbour spent last week with her aunt in Teeswater. On Monday afternoon a sensation was caused on the road in front of Smith brothers, when Mr. Oscar Hahn was passing at high speed in his auto and ran over a sow belonging to Mr. Wm. Lawrence, injuring her possibly fatally and dragging her some distance before he could stop the machine. The noise, dust and bustle of the affair so frightened a horse of Mr. Thos. Tucker, Ebenezer, that it became unmanageable and broke the buggy, so he had to borrow one to take him on his journey. Fortunately, there was no harm done but what money can repair. No human lives were lost, we are glad to say, and we hope the speeding autoists will learn a lesson so that Col. Dennison's suggestion of "hanging" will not have to be put in force in Durham.—We omit our correspondent's obituary of George Lawrence, as we reproduce elsewhere the account given in the North Battleford (Sask.), News—Editor.

Durham Horticultural Society

Notice

The directors of the above society have decided not to hold an exhibition of flowers, etc., during the present season. Parties interested will please accept this intimation.

CHRIS. FIRTH, Secretary-Treasurer

Cockerels for Sale

50 BARRED ROCK COCKERELS and 50 White Rock cockerels for sale at \$1.00 each.—Wm. Macdonald, Durham. 8316

Auction Sale

Of Horses, Carriages and Stock in Trade

The undersigned will offer for sale by public auction on the premises known as Caldwell's Livery Stable, on Thursday, the 14th of September, 1916, at the hour of 2 o'clock in the afternoon, the complete outfit of the Livery Stable, consisting of:

7 horses, 4 sets double harness, 8 sets single harness, 11 single buggies, 3 double livery wagons, 1 surrey wagon, 6 single cutters, 2 double bobsleighs, 13 robes, halters, blankets, and a large number of small tools and implements used in connection with the business.

Terms of Sale—All sums of \$10 and under, cash; over that amount eight months' credit on approved joint notes, with interest at six per cent.

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Boys' kip blucher	\$1.85	You can get women's double E last in dongola while they last at the old price	2.35
Boys' split blucher	2.10	Misses' dongola button, (a snap)	\$1.65
Boys' chrome blucher	2.35	Misses' box calf school shoe	1.75
		Misses' heavy chrome blucher	2.10

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