

Holstein.

(Our own correspondent.)

Editor's Note.—Owing to the Dollar Day advertising in our last issue necessitating publishing on Wednesday instead of Thursday, the following correspondence was unavoidably crowded out.

The St. Patrick's social in the Methodist Church last Friday evening was quite a success. A varied programme was rendered. The proceeds amounted to \$26.85.

A few days ago Mrs. Walter Morrison received the sad news of the death of her daughter, Minnie (Mrs. Frank Coney), in Wolf Point, Montana.

Herbert Moore has leased a farm near Nenagh and moved there last week.

Mrs. G. S. Scott and Miss Ruby are spending a few days in Owen Sound.

As some young people were passing the home of Mr. James Boakes last Sunday, they noticed a neighboring chimney on fire. They ran to his house to give the alarm. They could get no response from within. The door not being locked, they entered, and still getting no response, one of them went to his bedroom, where they found that the spark of life had fled. Dr. Sneath was at once summoned and stated that he had been dead about one and a half hours. He had been up to Dromore the night before, returning about 11 o'clock. Jim lived alone when at home and was a willing helper to those who required his assistance. His age is about 65 years. The funeral took place on Wednesday.

Another of the pioneers of this township passed away on Wednesday morning in the person of Mrs. George Bunston, at the age of 69 years. She was the daughter of the late James Dundas. Several years ago she married Mr. George Bunston. They resided for a time near Mount Forest, moving afterwards to the Sterne farm near Dromore, thence to Hanover, where Mr. Bunston died about four years ago. About two years ago Mrs. Bunston moved to this village. She has been in rather poor health for the past three years, her disease being of a fatty nature. So far as we are aware she has no near relatives alive. The funeral will take place on Friday, undertaker McMillan having charge thereof.

Police Magistrate Creasor and Crown Attorney Dyre of Owen Sound were here in connection with a case of assault, the principals being from South Egremont. The decision was deferred.

Mr. George Hostetter made a business trip to Toronto last week.

Jim O'Connell's sale on Tuesday passed off fairly well, prices ranging about as usual.

Darkies' Corners.

(Our own correspondent.)

Mr. James Hopkins' many friends are sorry to hear of his very serious illness. We hope he will soon be better.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kellar and little son spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. S. Patterson.

Our teacher, Miss Marietta Park, was forced to take a few holidays on account of illness.

Mr. W. G. Lawrence is having a sale on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robins, Varney, expect to move up to the farm soon that has been recently vacated by Mr. D. McKechnie. We welcome them to our neighborhood.

Mr. Alfred Schenk, Fairbairn, visited recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. Patterson.

After five weeks' rest, the telephones have come to life.

Wood bees are the order of the day. Mr. Arthur Lawrence, with his sawing outfit, and also the Company engine with Mr. T. Binnie's saw, are doing the work.

DOUBLE TRAGEDY AT STAYNER

The town of Stayner, nine miles south of Collingwood, was the scene of a terrible double tragedy Wednesday night of last week when Thomas Watson, aged 40 years, shot and killed his wife, aged 35, and afterwards killed himself.

The shooting occurred in their home on the main street, to which they had moved but the day previous and it is thought to have taken place between 11 and 12 o'clock Wednesday night. No one heard the shooting, the four children of the dead man and woman being asleep, and it was not until Thursday morning that the tragedy was discovered by the eldest of the children, a twelve-year-old boy.

Upon arising he was horrified to find his mother lying dead on her bed with the side of her face shot away. The father's body was found in the bath-room, with a double-barrelled shotgun, which evidently had been used, lying on the floor beside the body.

Watson was a druggist and had

been in business for a number of years. He recently disposed of his drugstore and it is said had been worrying over the matter. Mrs. Watson was a daughter of J. Clark, former Grand Trunk agent at Stayner.

STAR'S WEEKLY PROGRAM IS BETTER THAN EVER

Friday and Saturday of this week, and Wednesday and Thursday of next will be "special" days at the Veteran Star Theatre, their usual good program being even better than usual on these occasions. On Friday and Saturday of this week, in connection with their usual show, an extra attraction will be the ceremony of Princess Mary's marriage in motion pictures. As the most of us were unable to go to Lunnon town in person to see this happy and important empire event, the motion picture version will probably be the only method of observing just what did go on. In addition to the wedding film, the usual Mutt and Jeff comedy and the five reel feature will be shown as usual.

To-morrow and Saturday night the popular cinema star Pearl White will be here in the big William Fox production "The Thief," based on Henri Bernstein's greatest play.

Miss White has added to her fame since she joined the William Fox forces and abandoned her serial career. Her dramatic features have been picked with care. These new pictures have in them real Pearl White thrills, that are just as enjoyable—and sometimes as breathtaking—as the "continued next week" serials.

The Thief is full of mystery. Until the end of the play no one can tell who the culprit is. It is understood that William Fox disregarded the expense element in his aim to give Miss White the best picture she has yet made. The scenario was written by Max Marcin and Paul H. Sloane, and Charles Giblyn directed the picture.

On Wednesday and Thursday evenings of next week, Little "Breezy" Eason, the four-year-old wonder child of the screen, will be the principal attraction in his latest Universal photodrama "The Big Adventure." The comedy on this occasion will be a side-splitting one, "Rubbing It In."

In "The Big Adventure," little "Breezy" appears as a waif of the city streets who leaves a brutal father and goes to the country on a freight train, accompanied only by his faithful dog, Mickey. He captures a gang of bandits, unites lovers and grins his way through five reels of snappy drama to a finish that will strike a particularly happy chord on the heartstrings of those who see it. "Breezy" Eason is the son of Reaves Eason, who directed the picture. The youngster made his first important screen appearance in "Pink Tights" with Gladys Walton.

His work was so appealing that he was selected by Carl Laemmle for a feature role in "Two Kinds of Love." "Patches," a story which James Edward Hungerford drew with much subtle power of heart interest, was selected as his first starring vehicle, and produced under the title "The Big Adventure."

Foremost in the cast is Gertrude Olmstead, the little girl who entered filmdom on a wave of popularity as the favorite of the Elke of America in their recent beauty contest.

NORMANBY FARMER HAD AN EXCITING EXPERIENCE

(Mt. Forest Confederate.)

Mr. Alfred Ammerman of Normanby is thankful that he is alive today. On St. Patrick's Day he was driving a team of lifey colts that were hitched to the wagon for the first time. The wagon was without a box and Mr. Ammerman was sitting on some boards. The colts got frightened when they drew the wagon over a piece of ice and they ran away over the rough field. Mr. Ammerman was dragged forward until he was drawn or bounced over the double-tree and fell between the front wheels. He still clung to the lines and was hauled over the rough frozen ground. Eventually the team ran on a pond, breaking through the ice. The water was two or three feet deep, but the colts plunged through with the wagon over Mr. Ammerman still clinging to the lines, but when they got their front feet on a stone pile at the other side of the pond they came to a standstill, and Mr. Ammerman got out of his awkward predicament. His son and a neighbor, Mr. Sam Moore, saw the thrilling occurrence, and ran up expecting to find him killed. At first he thought he wasn't hurt at all, but later he felt severely the effects of bumps and strains and bruises, and the cold bath, from which he has not yet quite recovered.

4,480 SCHOOL DISTRICTS

There are in Saskatchewan to-day 4,480 school districts, 90 of which were established last year. There are 39 consolidated districts.

SOME MORE "HYDRO" NEWS

The letter below, reprinted from the March 15 edition of The Evening Echo, Halifax, Nova Scotia, may not concern directly the readers of The Chronicle, but it certainly makes interesting reading. According to it, the city of St. John, N.B., is "holding out" for a "definite" price of 1 cent per K.W.H. and are likely to get it. The autocratic action of the Ontario Hydro Commission with the municipality of Fort William will also remind Durhambites of days of not so very long ago. With St. John getting a "definite" price of one cent per K.W.H., and Durham and other Ontario municipalities under a "cost" system paying 10 cents for the same service—well, what does it look like to you, gentle reader? Is the Ontario Hydro Commission putting something over or is our electricity of a superior kind and worth nine cents more per K.W.H. than the stuff they sell down in the Bluenose country? Here is the letter as it appeared in The Echo and it is worth reading:

To the Editor of The Evening Echo: Sir: Will you please state as a matter of news that I have received a letter within a day or two from Mayor Schofield, of St. John, stating that the City Council and citizens have refused to enter into a cost contract as proposed by the Hydro-Electric Commission and have insisted upon a definite price per K.W.H. for the current and a guaranteed quantity.

As a result the Commission have been compelled to abandon the cost plan and have offered the city a rate of 1.2 cents per K.W.H. with the understanding that legislative authority will be obtained to enable the Commission to make such a contract with the city. The city are holding out for a lower price. What it is not stated in the Mayor's letter but presumably they want a price of about one cent per K.W.H. and a guaranteed quantity and apparently they are going to get both.

The city of Fort William and the Ontario Hydro-Electric Commission are deadlocked at the present time on the same question. The Hydro Commission want the city to take the Nepigon power on a cost contract which the city have refused to enter into. Recently the Commission intimated that they would run distribution lines through the city and deliver the current direct to consumers. The city council have just passed a unanimous resolution notifying the commission if anything of the kind is attempted the city will cut down the poles. The city are insisting that they must receive a contract at a definite price.

The town of Prince Albert, Sask., was induced to go into the hydro enterprise on an estimated cost basis of \$1,200,000. The cost is already up to \$2,000,000 and the undertaking is not finished. The city is in financial difficulties and I understand has defaulted on its bonds. The Mayor writes rather sadly that the hydro undertaking is partly responsible for their troubles.

I will be glad to show these letters to your representative or any citizen who wishes to see them. JOHN-W. REGAN.

MARRIED

Noble—Alexander—At the Rectory, Durham, by Rev. F. G. Hardy, Isabella Alexander, eldest daughter of Mr. Alex. Alexander, Durham, to George August Noble, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Noble, Bentinck.

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GROUP GOVT. INEFFICIENT SAYS COL. CURRIE, M.P.

Speaking at the annual meeting of the South Essex Liberal-Conservative Association at Essex on Friday last, Col. Currie, M.P., the chief speaker said it was idle to say that business was good. There was too much unemployment and lack of economy in public expenditure, and taxes were too high. What the country needed was a strong party Government, not minority Government depending largely on groups. The old Liberal-Conservative party, the party of the National Policy, the party of the war and the party of the people was what was wanted.

He dealt briefly with Ontario politics, charging that the Drury Government was the greatest spendthrift party ever known and aimed with the big interests against public ownership and Hydro development. Their banking experiment was bound to prove a failure. Enforcement of the Temperance Act had been wanting. What was wanted was sane and sensible legislation to take the place of the present summary law. Referring to the "last party," he said the public was waiting anxiously to hear what the religious organizations were going to do about it.

Regarding Dominion affairs, he said that high freight rates were responsible for the present grave condition of business. Rates must either be lowered by the commission or the commission itself abolished and some other tribunal set up at Ottawa. The Farming group could never control anything. It would have to content itself with criticism. During the war Sir Thomas White imposed a 7 1/2 per cent. tax on foreign goods. Sir Henry Drayton abolished this good old national policy tax which would have brought in \$75,000,000 and substituted an income tax and sales tax which would not bring in \$40,000,000. He did not blame the coalition for experimental taxation. What they had now to do was to return the old Conservative party with its old national policy which had brought about the unity of Canada, a glorious heritage.

Willie—Paw, what is a barnacle? Paw—A barnacle is a hobo, who sleeps in barns, my son. Now, do your night work and don't bother me. I'm busy.

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TEA SHORTAGE MEANS HIGHER PRICES

During the war teas reached a very high level of cost largely owing to shortage of shipping. In 1919 and 1920, greatly increased production and unlimited shipping resulted in enormous quantities of tea reaching every market in the world, and a consequent fall in cost ensued. So serious did the situation become in India, Ceylon and Java that the various growers agreed to decrease their output during 1921 by 20 per cent. This agreement was kept and the world is now faced by a shortage of tea, which has resulted in the market climbing week by week for the last eighteen months until it has now reached a level fully 15 cents a pound over that of October 1920.

LICENSE MARKERS DEFECTIVE

Interviewed in reference to complaints being made in some parts of the Province about the quality of the markers given out with the 1922 motor licenses, W. A. MacLean, Deputy Minister for the Ontario Highways Department, stated that the authorities were replacing markers which

were discovered to be faulty. "We will exchange any defective markers," said the Deputy Minister. "To date this year we have replaced about one hundred. That number is about fifty more than the average for this time of the year." Due to the faulty laying on of the enamel, it is stated that some of the markers have become so badly rusted after a short period of use as to become almost illegible. The majority of complaints came from the Ottawa district, where it is stated that several car owners were threatened with prosecution for not having a legible license plate.

Sam Walkins, colored, was seeking a permit from a prohibition agent to buy wine.

"What do you want it for?" asked the agent.

"For sacriligious purposes, sir."

"For sacramental purposes."

"Dat's it, sir. An' de committee has done appointed me to get it."

"What kind of wine does your committee want?"

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