

BLITH'S CORNERS.

Now that the result of the election battle has been fought and the result made known we must in the first place congratulate Mr Ed on the election of "your man" with so substantial a majority. We feel ourselves that he will be a man capable of giving a good account of himself in "the House" especially so if he follows along those lines which lead to the greater independence of party and to which he has pledged himself to do. He will do well to bear in mind that his action in Parliament will be very closely scrutinized on which the verdict in the next campaign will be largely founded. Did you get a plug bat for advertising so well Mr Editor? If not we think you richly deserve one.

Mr Wm Marshall who was so unfortunate as to have his right arm taken off a couple of inches below the elbow by being caught at the gear of a wheel of Mr Robt Smith's steam thrasher while engaged thrashing on the farm of Mr Geo Marshall, is we are pleased to hear progressing favorably.

Mr John Marshall has made such a rapid recovery from the operation performed on him for appendicitis that he is able to supervise the thrashing on his farm on Wednesday last, just a little over four weeks entirely off duty. 'Twas the election brought Jack around so quick.

Mr Quinton Pettigrew who has been dangerously ill now well nearly a year, is, we regret to say, not making any progress towards recovery.

Mr Hutchison, who rented the Colin Blith estate for a term of years, has been busily engaged in ploughing all fall. He returned home to Allan Park last week where he intends to remain for the winter and in the spring will move onto his farm. He is spoken of as being a likely neighbor, much to be desired and therefore we take much pleasure in joining with the rest of the neighbors in welcoming Mr and Mrs Hutchison to our neighborhood.

Mr Ed Hoy who is noted for having fine turkeys was so unfortunate as to lose 19 one night some time ago. They had strolled away through the fields as usual one day and roosted near the swamp and next morning only one poor straggling turkey succeeded in getting home. Mr Hoy in going to look for the rest next morning found them all lying with the blood sucked out of them. It was quite a loss as Ed purchased the male of this flock in the spring for \$7.00.

Miss Olive Thompson went to Mount Forest last week where she intends to remain for some time and now there are lonely hearts to cherish while the days go by.

Mrs Robt Pettigrew has returned from her trip to the west and we are informed that "she was not much struck on the country."

Mr Jas Watson has made extensive improvements in his house this fall by taking off the old roof and building the wall another story higher which will make a decided improvement both for looks and room when completed. We look forward to "stirring times" if the lot falls to Bert to finish it.

Thrashing in this neighborhood has been pretty well completed. Mr Robt Smith with his steamer and wind-stacker has succeeded in advertising himself pretty well by the good work done and labor saved and should be able to visit us in another year he will no doubt do a rushing business.

EDGE HILL.

The prayer meeting held in the Grange Hall last Wednesday by the Rev Mr Farquharson was well attended.

Mr Ronald Martin and sister Miss Mary of the 6th and Mr Arch McLellan and sister Miss Mary of Scotch Town visited at Mr D McFayden's one evening last week.

Miss Martha E Firth arrived home from Rochester last Friday. Pleased to see her looking so well.

A number from around here attended the social in the lower school last week and report a good time.

Mr Don Graham, of Kamloops, B. C., and cousin Miss M McKechnie, of Pricerville, visited at Mr D McFayden's one day last week.

Mr W R Edge visited friends in Walkerton for a few days last week. Pleased to hear that James McCracken, Sr., is improving.

A very enjoyable time was spent at the hospitable home of Mr and Mrs J H McFayden last Tuesday evening when a large number of the neighbors gathered and had one of the old-fashioned good times. Among them were Mr Dan McGregor, of Lethbridge, Alta, who was pleased to meet all his old friends and have a chat about bygone days.

We understand Mr Wm Ritchie is engaged as teacher in S S No 10 for the coming year.

The Edge Hill Union Sunday School held their annual social last Friday in the Grange Hall for the closing of the Sunday School. After tea the chair was ably filled by Mr R T Edwards of Traverston, which position he fills in good style. The program consisted of songs and recitations by the children and an excellent reading was given by Miss A Scott entitled "A Second Trial." Some good music was given by Mr George Ritchie on his violin and was heartily enjoyed. Votes of thanks were tendered to the ladies and chairman and to the teachers and officers of the Sunday School, after which the meeting was brought to a close by singing the National Anthem. A treat of candies was given to the children just before the closing.

Mr D L McGregor left Monday for his home in Lethbridge, Alta, after a visit of two weeks with his sister Mrs D McFayden of the Avenue.

The members of the Edge Hill beef ring held their annual closing meeting last Tuesday night and got everything in shape for the coming year.

Mr Jno Ector purchased 10 lbs of potatoes in 1903 from Agent C C McFayden and this year from second planting raised 150 bushels of good tubers. The variety is Early Fortune, and Colin thinks this yield can not be surpassed. Great success has also followed the Prince Royal oat seed supplied by C. C.

BOOTHVILLE.

Thrashing is over and past for 1904. The grain yield in this part was very good and roots and potatoes also gave good returns, a very few of the latter being affected with rot.

John Campbell has purchased a farm in Arthur township for the fine sum of \$6,800. The price shows that it is an up-to-date farm.

Miss May Clark left for Toronto last week and Bob is lonely.

We are proud to have in our neighborhood a talented and accomplished musician and music teacher in the person of Mrs Willie Haw. She is a composer of music as well and has a large number of pupils.

James Marshall had an experience last week which he won't soon forget. While returning home through Mr Williams' swamp at dark he saw some dark object ahead of him, and coming nearer, to his horror he saw it was a bear. He stood still for a few minutes—the bear raised on his hind legs, uttered a deep growl and turned off the road into the swamp, much to Mr Marshall's relief.

Johnnie Hill went to Normanby last week to see his brother-in-law William Marshall, who had his hand taken off in a thrashing machine two weeks ago. This neighborhood where Mr Marshall is well known, was sorry to hear of the sad accident.

Dugald McCannel paid a visit to his sister, Mrs. Jas. Gardiner on the 10th concession, who is improving after her operation.

Donald McFarlane visited Boothville friends on Sunday.

Neil A McQueen, while in Durham a few days ago made a horse trade with the Ryan bros. Both parties satisfied. 'Nuff sed.

It was a quiet election campaign but the result is very gratifying to the bulk of the people here. Mr Miller grew in favor as he became better acquainted and it will be no surprise to see him become a growing man in Parliament.

WARNING.

All persons are strictly forbidden shooting, hunting or running dogs on lots No 38, 39, S. D. R., also lots No 39, N. D. R., and lots No 50, 60, 61, 2nd con. S. D. R., Lot No 59, con 1, N D R, Bentinck. Don't ask permits; this means you.

WM. GRIERSON, ROBT. LINDSAY, JNO BAILEY.

ONTARIO FRUIT FOR THE WEST.

A prominent fruit grower in the Niagara district, Mr Robert Thompson of St Catharines, who has just returned from a trip through the fruit section of British Columbia reports that though fruit growers and fruit growing is a new industry through British Columbia the British Columbia growers can teach their Ontario competitors many valuable lessons, especially in the packing of apples. In this connection, the fruit division of the Dominion Department of Agriculture proposes making a special exhibit at the November Fruit, Flower and Honey show in Toronto, of the various varieties of British Columbia fruit packed by the growers themselves. Similarly the other provinces of Nova Scotia and Quebec will be represented. The matter is one of importance to Ontario fruit growers as they are meeting with keen competition in the western markets from British Columbia, and in the markets of Great Britain from the Nova Scotia fruit.

Growing the Rhubarb in the Cellar in Winter.

Most farmers who have a garden at all usually have a good supply of the old fashioned pie plant or rhubarb. This vigorous growing plant provides a wholesome substitute for fruit early in the spring before strawberries come in. It is not generally known, however, that it can be made to produce its crop in an ordinary cellar during the winter, when it would probably be more appreciated than when grown in the usual way in the garden in the spring.

The rhubarb plant makes its most vigorous growth under natural conditions in the spring, when its large leaves store up in the thick fleshy roots a large amount of nutriment for the production of seed during the summer and growth early next season. To get the best roots for winter forcing it is well to allow the plants to make their full growth with little or no cropping of the leaves the previous season, and above all not to allow them to exhaust themselves by throwing up seed stalks. The more liberally the plants are manured and the better they are cultivated, the stronger the roots become and the better the crop they will give when forced in the cellar.

In preparing the roots for the cellar they should be dug up late in the fall, just before the ground freezes hard. They should then be left where they will be exposed to severe freezing for three or four weeks. If placed under cover in open shed, or where they will not be buried in snow, it will be all the easier to get at them when it is time to take them to the cellar. About Christmas time they may be put in the cellar and should be banked with earth to keep the roots moist. Care should be taken that the plants are set right side up, as at that season it is sometimes difficult to tell which side of the ball of earth the crowns are on. In the course of a few days the roots will thaw out, and usually enough moisture is thus accumulated to keep them fresh for some time. They should be watched however, as they need watering once or twice during the winter to keep the soil moist. The warmer the cellar, the more quickly growth will start, but for the best results a rather low temperature, about the same as that in which potatoes are kept, is best. In a partially lighted cellar the leaf blades will expand very little and all the strength of the roots will go to the development of the stalks. If the cellar is light it is well to darken the part where the plants are kept. If the roots are strong and vigorous, stalks one and a half to two feet in length and two inches in diameter will be produced with little or no expansion of the leaf blade at the top. When grown thus in the dark, none of the chlorophyll or green coloring matter of the leaf develops and the stalks are bleached to a pinky white. When cooked and made into sauce or pies, they turn a beautiful pink color and are much finer in appearance and flavor than stalks which are grown in the ordinary way in the garden. Cropping may begin as soon as the roots have exhausted themselves after which they should be thrown out as they are of little use for growing again.

We would suggest that our readers try growing two or three roots this winter, and let us know the results next spring.

FRESH GROceries always arriving. Goods delivered to all parts of the town.

Butter, Eggs and Fowl wanted—every day in the week Highest Prices paid either in Cash or Produce.

Alex. Russell THE BIG STORE Alex. Russell

We want your Fowl

As we have several large orders, which we are duty bound to fill next week. Help us to do this and receive in return the highest prices ever paid in Durham or vicinity. We are in a position to do this, as we have a good market for our Fowl.

How do the following strike you for SATURDAY BARGAINS

- 15c WRAPPERETTES, Saturday..... 10c
25c WOOL HOSE, Saturday..... 15c
\$1 CORSETS, 50 pr, the very newest styles fitted with hose supports, Sat..69c

Grocery Hints for Saturday, the 19th:

- 7 lbs RICE for..... 25c
5 lbs CURRANTS for..... 25c
4 lbs McDonald TOBACCO..... 25c
1c pkg SWISS FOOD..... 12c

Alex. Russell.

THE PEOPLE'S STORE

Furs! Furs! Furs!

The largest stock to select from, the best quality, and the lowest priced accordingly in town.

GENTLEMEN—See our Coon, Fur-lined, Wombats, Astrachan, Bear-skin and other varieties of Fur Coats

- Ladies' Astrachan Jackets in good varieties.
Ladies' Fur Capes, Caperines, Boas, and other Neck Furs.
Ladies' and Girls' Gauntlets, in gray and black Astrachan and Persian Lamb.
Ladies' and Men's Fur Caps of every description.

More New Overcoats

just arrived, making our stock most complete in this line. Come early and get the advantage of a good choice. We will just mention right here that we have the largest stock of Rubber Footwear in town. We can furnish you with a complete Winter Outfit.

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Butter, Eggs and Fowl wanted—every day in the week Highest Prices paid either in Cash or Produce.

Robt. Burnett.

THE PEOPLE'S STORE

Durham School

Staff and Equipment. The school is thoroughly equipped in teaching ability, in chemical and electrical supplies and fittings, &c., for full Junior Leaving and Matriculation work. The following competent staff are in charge: THOS. ALLAN, 1st Class Certificate, Principal. MISS L. M. FOLYER, B. A., Classics and Moderns. J. H. SMITH, B. A., Mathematics and Science.

Intending Students should enter at the beginning of the term if possible. Board can be obtained at reasonable rates. Durham is a healthy and attractive town, making it a most desirable place for residence. FEES: \$1 per month in advance.

Wm. Johnston, Jr., Chairman. C. Ramago, Secretary.

THOROBRED DURHAM BULL.

For Service at Jas. Falkingham's near Agricultural Grounds. Terms \$1.00. JAS. FALKINGHAM.

FARM FOR SALE.

Lots 32 x 33, Con. 2 S. D. R., containing 100 acres more or less. About 50 acres cleared and in good state of cultivation for all kinds of crops. Remaining 10 acres hard wood bush. Four miles from Pricerville, 2 1/2 miles from school. On farm are two good wells, Brick House 30 x 22, with kitchen 17 x 23, cellar and all conveniences. Good bank barn 50 x 65, splendid stabling. Title good. Easy terms of payment to suit purchaser. Apply if by post to Pricerville P. O. or on the premises to Wm. McLeod, Sr., Prop.

Ayer's Hair Vigor advertisement with text: You can depend on Ayer's Hair Vigor to restore color to your gray hair, every time. Follow directions and it never fails to do this work. It stops falling of the hair, also. There's great satisfaction in knowing you are not going to be disappointed. Isn't that so? Fading Hair

ELLIOTT Business College advertisement with text: Has recently been asked to fill positions \$50, \$60 or \$80 a month. It pays to get the best training. Winter Term opens Jan. 2. Hand some catalogue free. W. J. ELLIOTT, Principal.

30 Days' Sale advertisement with text: OF CLOTHING, SUITS, AND OVERCOATS... For the next 30 days, we will sell all Suits and Overcoats at such prices as will make them go. We want the money; you want the goods; let us trade and be mutually benefited.

C. L. Grant advertisement with text: Some Snaps in Children's Shoes

LOOK UP! advertisement for International Correspondence Schools, Box 799, Scranton, Pa. List of professions including Mechanical Engineer, Architect, etc. Includes image of a man's head and contact info for D. J. McMinn.

Vertical advertisement strip on the right edge with various category headers like Mill, Snap, Ladies, Men's, etc.