

ABRAHAM FAIR AND SQUARE

SPRING DRESS GOODS CLOTHING SHOES

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All Departments are well represented in the shipments of Spring Goods opened this week. If you're interested in What is New take a walk through the store. It will be time well spent.

SHOES

This week we have opened a shipment of Men's Fine Patent Colt Bluchers, also Mens Patent and Willow Tan Calf Oxfords in Lace and Buttoned. We have also received our shipment of Men's Heavy Plow Shoes in English kip, Urns Calf. Come in and we'll fix you up.

What about that new Suit of Clothes?

Come and pick it out. It's here.

NEW ENGLISH PRINTS

If you want a print that will wash and wear longer than any you ever bought try "Potters." We import it from the west of old London. It has stood the test for three quarters of a century and its better than ever to-day.

Flouncing Embroidery and Skirting

Special values in wide Embroidery Flouncing at 50c and 65c. Very special 45 inch skirting embroidery in a variety of dainty designs. Marked for quick sale Brown 235, V McCluskin 168A.

News from the

Wash Goods Section

Among the new materials you will find Crepe, Crepe Voile, Ratine, Crinkle Bedford Cords, Gingham, etc., in the wanted shades. It's not too early to think about these. It will be a pleasure to show you what is new.

Do you like good Coffee?

If you're particular it's you we're looking for. We think our special Blend 40c Coffee is just a little better than anything you have used. Try a half pound and you'll be a steady customer.

THE J. D. ABRAHAM CO. The Store that Always Satisfies

During the Season of Lent we will keep a supply of all kinds of FISH. We receive a FRESH SUPPLY every few days

THE J. D. ABRAHAM CO. The Store that Sets the Pace

FREE FARMS For Far-Sighted Farmers

There are now open to entry 125,000 free homesteads in Western Canada. The bulk of these are located along or near the CANADIAN NORTHERN RAILWAY which is recognized in the West as the

Pioneer Farmer's Railway

From March 3rd to the end of October, Homeseekers Excursion tickets are on sale every Tuesday and are good to return within two months from date of issue. Prior to August these tickets may be extended for two months on payment of \$5.00 to Agent at destination for each month or part thereof. Stop over permitted at any Canadian Northern Station West of Port Arthur.

Some Canadian Northern Publications

"Forty five Vital Questions," "Peace River, Alberta and How to Reach it," "Western Canada has a Home for You," "Thirty five Thousand Free Homesteads."

For Tourist Car accommodation and all particulars in addition to above publications, apply to your nearest G. N. R. Agent, or to General Passenger Department, 85 King Street East, Toronto, Ont.

HOLSTEIN LEADER

ORCHARD

Wedding bells have been ringing. Chas Keller took to himself a wife in the person of Miss Walls, of Durham. Congratulations Chas.

Mr Albert Hoeflin is home visiting his parents.

Chas. Wilson is moving to his new home. We are sorry to lose Mr and Mrs Wilson. Our loss will be some one else's gain.

Mrs Pinder and Norma spent Sunday in Varnay.

Miss Mabel Hopkins is visiting her cousin, Mrs J. Brown.

We are sorry to hear of the serious illness of Mrs Walls. We hope to hear soon of her recovery.

The choir is proposing having a concert or a social in the near future.

Mr G. N. Rattle is going in strong in the hennery business. Success to G. N.

DROMORE

Mr and Mrs W. Strachan, Toronto, spent the week end with her brothers Messrs John and Dan Eccles.

Miss Margaret Louttit, Mount Forest, B. C., spent Saturday with her friend, Miss Nellie Atchison.

Mr W. Bryden, Conn, accompanied by Mr Nichol, Manitoba, spent Sunday at the home of John Renton.

Mr and Mrs H. T. Steves, Mt. Forest, visited with Mr D. Christie on Thursday.

Miss Jennie and Mary Mutch, Toronto, spent Saturday with Miss Nellie Atchison.

We understand Mr D. Christie has disposed of his valuable property to Mr Finlay Clark.

Miss Marg. Petty, Varnay, and Miss V. Crawford, Yeovil, spent the week end with Miss B. Lohian and attended the I. O. F. Rally in Russell Hall.

SOUTH BEND

Dr. John McKenzie, of Superior Jet, New Ontario, visited his cousin, Mrs John Durant, recently.

Miss Lavina Rawn, we are sorry to hear, is very ill. Her sister, Mrs Horsburg of Brampton, is visiting her.

Mr Smithers, a former esteemed resident here now of Brampton, visited at Mr B. F. Sharp's and other friends last week.

Mrs Wm. Kellew, a pioneer of Egremont, who is now living with her son Mr P. Kellew, is, we regret to hear, in feeble health.

March did indeed come in like a lion and we hope will go out like a lamb.

We hear that Miss Weir, our teacher, intends leaving us at Easter. We hope she will change her mind.

We extend sympathy to the family of the late Mr Coburn, who resided for some time at the Bend and passed to the better land recently. at his home in Holstein, after a lingering illness, borne with Christian fortitude.

FOR SALE

Cotton Seed Meal Pumps Oil Cake Gasoline Engines Molasses Meal Fatline Meal

James Myers Christie Block, Holstein

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

"Scenes in the Union Depot" is the name of a play which the Women's Institute are staging in the Agricultural Hall on March 6th. Over a score of people are in the cast.

Mr John Manary wishes to use the columns of the Leader to thank the Holstein fire-fighters for their services in turning out to fight the fire which burned his livery barn. The "general John" was at a loss how he was to thank every body individually, so we permitted to act as his sponsor.

Mr James Brown of Regina, who is now leading the simple life around Hamilton next week on Tuesday and Wednesday to visit in Brantford.

Mr James Kennedy has handed his Holstein friends a surprise when on Wednesday of last week, he was married in Mount Forest to Miss Kate Stewart of that town, but formerly of the 10th con. of Egremont. The newly weds left the following day for the west, where the groom has been previously employed in Lumsden.

Rev. Dr. Marsh is billed to give astronomical lectures in Guelph and Hamilton next week on Tuesday and Friday respectively.

Mr Wm. Orchard, of London, is a visitor among relatives in the village.

Mr James McClocklin and Chas. Chislett, from Fisherton, were visitors at the former's brother here last week.

Miss Nellie Philip is having a new piano placed in her home.

Mr and Mrs Dorgan returned to Passman, Sask., on Tuesday, after spending some time at her parents, Mr and Mrs McGillivray, in the township.

As a preventive to a possible spread of the fever in the village, the school was closed down on Tuesday afternoon and thoroughly disinfected. The patients of the malady are improving nicely.

Mr Andrew Seim, of Mount Forest, is assisting in Mr Hunter's store for a few days.

Mrs Whetam, of Mount Forest, is visiting her daughter, Mrs Hershey.

Misses Mary Mutch and Mabel Gillies were visitors in Durham for a few days.

A load of young people attended the carnival in Mount Forest on Friday night and spent a gala evening.

The council meets on Thursday, when the new township treasurer will be appointed. There is said to be several applying for the position.

A piece of rubber placed in the stove of the town hall on Tuesday last was instrumental in having the mystic A. G. Woods Company pack their trunks and leave the village next day. They had phoned for a week's visit behind the local footlights, but the frost, reception committee, sent them packing to Durham, where they spent the rest of the week.

Holstein School Report.

SENIOR DIVISION Those marked 'a' missed one or more exams.

Se 4th - Total 425. Viola Cameron 344, Irene Drumm 307, Florence Main 296, H Baird 231, A Aikien 209.

Golden Wedding of Mr. and Mrs. John Fairbairn.

Interest in Egremont township on Thursday last circled at the home of Mr and Mrs John Fairbairn, Sr., when this worthy couple celebrated the fiftieth jubilee of their marriage day. Ideal weather was presented and under such auspices as this as well as the uniqueness of the event, a sixty-six people who graced the table seated at this function passed a memorable day.

Five of the six surviving children of Mr and Mrs Fairbairn were present as well as eleven merry grandchildren. The sons are William and John of Egremont and Robert, a druggist in Windsor, while Mrs J. W. Eby of Guelph, Mrs John Canfield, Egremont and Mrs W. J. Littlewell of Iowa are daughters. The last named was unable to attend.

Three daughters have passed away. Besides the family and immediate relatives, the guests consisted of a large number of neighbors, who partook of the cup of good cheer and wished much joy to the bride and groom.

Assembling at the Fairbairn home started during the late hours of the afternoon and that comfortable "home" feeling soon permeated all as interest centered around the respected senior couple, endeared to all by their past and addresses were made by the following gentlemen: John Swanson, R. T. Dadds, J. D. Main, John McArthur, John Philip, John Canfield, John McEachern, Malcolm Campbell, Nicol McDougall, Geo. Sackett, Samuel Robb, James Calder, Geo. Hamilton, Chas. McInnes, Robt. Canfield, John Drummie, Fred Dillon and Hugh Sinclair.

At an appropriate interval the presentation of gifts to Mr and Mrs Fairbairn were made. In behalf of children Robert Fairbairn read an address and Mrs Eby presented her father with a gold watch and chain, while the mother received a neck scarf, a gold locket and chain and other pleasing remembrances. The guests present united in their efforts and named Mr Fairbairn with a gold-headed black ebony cane and gave to Mrs Fairbairn a gold headed umbrella. Mr Chas. McInnes read the address in behalf of the guests. A number of gold coins of handsome dimension were also given.

Mr and Mrs Fairbairn have lived their entire wedded life on the same farm and the first church service of the Fairbairn Presbyterian congregation was held in their house back in the 60's. Mr Fairbairn was born at Widespan, in the parish of Yetholm Roxburghshire, Scotland, on July 24, 1840. At the age of 18, he came to Canada and settled near Peterboro.

In 1861 he came to Egremont to reside and on Feb. 26, 1864, was united in marriage to Miss Margaret Morrison, who at that time lived in Peterboro.

Friends attending from a distance were Mrs Coburn's parents, Mr and Mrs Geo. Fulton and brother Alex Fulton and his wife, all from Clifford; Mr and Mrs Wm Johnston, of Berkeley and Mrs John Greaves, of Toronto; Messrs John and Wm. Coburn of Berkeley and Markdale, respectively.

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Mr John A. Swanson is very busy preparing to go to Spurling Man. We will miss him.

A very pleasant time was spent at the home of Mr and Mrs Fairbairn last Thursday, celebrating their golden wedding. If a proof of the blessings of matrimony is needed, let your readers ponder over those words. Those of the happy guests present were John D. Main, Robert Canfield and Frederick Dillon, each of these gentlemen being married to daughters of Mr and Mrs Fairbairn. The grim reaper bereaved them of their loved ones, but in the Providence of God, each of them are happily married again and were all present with their wives and children to mingle their joys as formerly and wish happiness and continued prosperity to their aged parents as in former days. Truly, love is the greatest power in heaven or earth.

Mr Alex Calder spent the week end with his brother Robert in Luth.

The young people spent Monday evening at the home of Mr and Mrs J. A. Swanson, as a kind of remembrance party before parting with them at least for a time.

Wedding bells are jingling. Will have particulars at time of next writing.

Rev. Dr. Marsh preached on Sabbath last from the words "For the Lord God is a Sun." His address is enlightening and revealed to his hearers a knowledge and description of the greatness of celestial bodies and by the greatness of the works of our Creator, magnified God the Creator of all things. He will conduct a pre-communion class in each of the churches for some weeks.

On Monday evening of next week, Dr. Marsh will give at Fairbairn Y. P. C. a lecture, illustrated by slides, about the Sun and will show upon canvas some of the marvellous photographs that he has taken of the heavenly bodies. We all expect to enjoy a pleasant and profitable time.

Some of our young people enjoyed the concert given by the Dromore Lodge, I. O. F. last Friday evening.

Our faithful mail carrier wisely refrained from exposing himself to the storm on Monday.

Jan. F. McInnes attended meeting of Saugeen Presbytery on Tuesday of this week.

IN MEMORIAM

Died at Niagara Falls, Ont., on Monday, Feb. 9th, Edward Wilson Murphy, aged 44 years. Mr Murphy at time of decease was Secretary of St. David's Mountain Spring Waters Co. of Niagara Falls. He was born June 25th, 1870, on the Island of Jamaica, British West Indies. By his father, Lieutenant Murphy, he was descended from a family who had large estates in England in the days of the Stuarts, which were confiscated during the reign of Sir Oliver Cromwell in the days of the Commonwealth. By his mother he inherited the blood of the Barons of Stotland and enjoyed residing the valorous deeds done by Sir David Bard, the hero of Serrangapatam in the days of the Indian Mutiny. He was highly educated and possessed a very retentive memory. Mr Murphy leaves to mourn, his wife at Niagara Falls, his aged mother in Birkenhead, England and his only sister, Mrs Allen, also of Birkenhead.

A recent meeting of Ben Nevis Camp the following resolution of condolence was passed to Mr R. Torry, who for some years has been Secretary of the Camp: "That this Camp place on record its sympathy with our Secretary, who, by sudden bereavement has been called upon to mourn the loss of his dearest earthly friend. His bereavement hope that in his loneliness and sorrow he may have divine consolation as he will have increased love and respect of his family and friends including the members of the Camp. Signed, T. C. Morton, Chief C. Ramage, Fin. Secy.

A BIG DISPLAY.—The prosperity of our farming community was in evidence on Tuesday last, when some dozens of farmers and farmers' wives came in by appointment to receive from agent A. B. McLellan the new and upon new Massey-Harris machinery ordered during the last 5 months. The goods included Binders, Mowers, Rakes, Cultivators, Disk Harrows, Ploughs, &c., in all the variety and excellence which has made the name of this firm known so wide. A short parade was held of 40 or 50 sheeps and their loads to din and purchasers were entertained to dinner at the three hotels. A photo was taken of the display now of some seven occurrences. Messrs Taylor, Rowan and A. B. McLellan, trading agents, were all present and Mr McLellan was thoroughly appreciative of the business given him by sturdy yeomen.

ADVERTISEMENTS

If you want Seed Oats, see our ad on page 5. Rob Roy Cereal Mills Co. Carr's Cough Cure never fails to effect a cure. 50c at Macfarlane's Drug Store.

YOUNG PIGS FOR SALE.—Apply at Lot 25 Con. 2, S. D. R., Guelph. B. & L. HASTINGS.

Mr Robt. Isaac, Dromore, has rented the Black residence, upper town, and will move in after his sale next week.

It pays to sow good seed. If you want something extra in Seed Oats, call at the Oatmeal Mill and see the Western Seed Oats they have for sale.

Markdale hockey team will be Durham's opponents at the rink on Thursday night. They have a fast line-up and will give the locals an exciting game. See it.

CHIEF TORRY REMAINS.—The resignation of the Fire and Light Commissioner of the Fire Brigade has resulted in continuing Mr R. Torry as Chief and his resignation is withdrawn accordingly.

A Tea and Social will be held at Varnay Methodist Church on Friday, March 13, at 8 p. m. A lecture will be given by Mr A. E. Miller "My Life and Experience as a Showman." Also vocal and instrumental music. Admission 15c and 10c.

A Concert will be held in the School House, S. S. No. 12, Egremont, on the evening of Friday, March 13. A good Play, "Old and New England" is being prepared. Spring Band in attendance. Comic Songs and other amusing features. Admission 5c and 10c.

The March Horse Fair, generally the biggest of the season, falls on Thursday, 19th inst. Good buyers are expected and Mr Black urges farmers not to have too high notions of value, as was plainly evidenced at last fair when buyers and sellers were often far apart.

Mr Gustave Esantari, of Prescott, who tried to get a \$10,000 retainer from the liquor party, for proposed services to them in the house is no longer M. P. P. He resigned on Tuesday and will have time to think of the wisdom of Providence in so arranging man's anatomy that he can't kick himself.

The Baptist congregation here have extended a call to Rev. Mr. Wylie of Clinton, which he has accepted and will take charge about the 1st Sunday in April. He has 5 children, two grown up and three at school. He is represented as having Rev. Mr. McGregg's style of preaching, forcible and eloquent.

During the Sunday storm two weeks ago, the chimney of Dr. Coatts' house at Agincourt was blown over and the gas from the furnace escaping over the house, made his sister, Mrs Farquhar, quite dizzy on arising in the morning. She fell against a rocker and cut her forehead, the Dr. having to sew up the wound. Robin is home from the Sick Children's Hospital, having so far recovered from the operation to his foot, as to go about on crutches.

EVENED UP WITH HANOVER.—Last Thursday's hockey game, the second with Hanover here, resulted in a reversal of the score, Durham winning by 8 to 3. After dropping the game three weeks ago, the locals were on their mettle and to ensure victory, played Murray Cowan, a hero of the gone battles, his first game this season. The puck was in Hanover territory practically the whole game, but the Hockey club treasury was enriched with the total proceeds.

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