

Correspondence.

HOLSTEIN.

Mr. and Mrs. Shannon visited at Mrs. S's brother's, Mr. David Naismith the past week.

Mrs. Geo. Freeman and children are at present visiting her brother and sister at Penconning, Michigan.

Dr. James McKenzie, of Dakota, spent a few days last week with his brother N. D. McKenzie.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Vance, of River view, visited friends in this neighborhood last week.

Miss Mary Mann, of Murdoch, was the guest of her cousin Miss Mary Main, for a few days last week.

Mrs. Wm. Amos and Mrs. Wm. Main visited the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. McMeekin, at Merritt on Wednesday last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Cameron are at present attending the Conference of the Later Day Saints which met in St. Mary's on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ross, Mrs. A. Jamieson and Master Rossie, of Mt. Forest, enjoyed the hospitality of N. D. McKenzie on Saturday.

Wm. Barton, of the Soo Michigan, formerly of this locality, visited his sister Mrs. John Smith last week.

Veterinary Surgeon A. Seim is at present quite ill but hopes soon to hear of his recovery.

James Main and wife, of Lake View, visited at the former's father's, N. Main, on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hudson and children, of Arthur were guests at the parsonage over Sunday.

R. Robertson was in Southampton on business the latter part of last week.

Mrs. W. T. Brown and Mrs. Wm. Kedley visited at A. Allason on Wednesday last.

Mrs. W. S. Horsburgh is spending this week with friends in Mt. Forest.

Ira Pennock has been erecting an addition to his store which will make it more convenient for his tenant Wm. Wallace.

GLENELG CENTRE.

Our statute labor went by very quietly here. We had a good pathmaster.

John McDonald, from Durham, was visiting at the Centre lately.

Prayer meetings held in the School House are largely attended.

Archie McLean, Scotch Town, lately sold a horse to Sam Orchard for the big sum of \$80.

John Beaton and Donnie Graham are going down to the Old Settlement. We wish them health and strength for their future work.

Charles Kennedy, of the Gravel, was slightly ill of late.

Mr. and Mrs. McGillivray, of Bentinck, and Mr. and Mrs. Patterson of the Town Line, visited in this settlement last Sunday.

Katie McCormick and her uncle Mr. McLean and a store clerk, all from Walkerton, were visiting at Dun. McCormick's on Sunday.

John McDonald paid a flying trip to Markdale last Sunday.

Mr. Alex. McDonald, of Markdale, is among us at present.

Chas. McDonald was visiting at the Centre last Sunday all the way from Egrement.

IRISH LALE.

Misses Maggie and Janie Hartford, of Owen Sound, are on a visit to their grandfather, Mr. Joe McEaney and other friends.

Mrs. Thos. Winters and her 3 charming little children, of Toronto, are rusticated at her mother's, Mrs. O'Hearn.

Mr. Thomas Sullivan is delivering to-day at Markdale Station five head of cattle for which he received the sum of \$105.

Messrs Bob and White Anderson and their sister Miss Nellie from Haley's Corners, also Mr. P. J. Sullivan spent Sunday afternoon pleasantly at Mr. Stephen Kelly's.

Mr. J. McKay, who holds a responsible position in Toronto Asylum, is spending his vacation in Glenelg. He is the guest of the O'Hanly family on the Stn.

Mr. John Butler has recently purchased a new top buggy and was testing its merits and demerits Sunday afternoon. He was calling on Traverton friends and came home via Pomona School.

Mr. Edward Sullivan Sr. and Mr. Ed. Sullivan, Jr., were the guests of the Misses Mary and Annie Haley, Traverton, Sunday last.

Numerous buyers and peddlars are constantly seen now-a-days. The latest is a gentleman from England who will buy all kinds of farm produce and pay a liberal price for the same. His system of transacting business, however, does not meet with the farmers' approval.

The great annual fete, viz. the Irish Lake picnic is over and was an unparalleled success. The weather was propitious, the crowd large and sceneable and an efficient committee managed every thing systematically and exerted their best efforts to effect a pleasant termination which they accomplished successfully.

The Anderson and Haley families held a very pleasant party at Mr. S. Kelly's on Tuesday evening last.

VI KERS.

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TOP CLIFF.

Miss Aggie Sullivan, of Maple Grove, was visiting at Mr. Patrick Sullivan's last week.

We have been requested to notice an omission in the last Balsam Valley report in connection with the visit of Miss Sarah McIntyre to B. V. Why did he fail to note the presence of a third party in the person of Miss Janet McEachern?

Master Doug McPhail and Duncan McDonald both of whom are but 12 years of age should be classed among the pedestrians of note. They left Priceville at four o'clock and walked to Durham and back in 5 hrs. making in all from their respective homes about 27 miles.

THE QUEEN TO CANADIANS.

Buckingham Palace, Tuesday 11 a. m. Governor General of Canada.

"From my heart I thank my beloved people. May God bless them."

VICTORIA R & I.

This was received at Ottawa at 8.12 a. m. of our time and immediately Lord Aberdeen sent off the following:

Government House, Ottawa, 6.12 a. m. (11.22 a. m. Greenwich time.)

To the Queen, London:

The Queen's most gracious and touching message this moment received, shall be immediately made known to your Majesty's people throughout the Dominion, and will stir afresh hearts already full. On this memorable day we offer the glad tribute of loyal devotion and affectionate homage, God save and bless the Queen.

GOVERNOR GENERAL.

These messages have been wired all over, and Mayor Calder has given them to the press.

Mr. N. McIntyre of your town has a full gang of timber men at work in this neighborhood at present.

Mr. Hugh McDonald has bought a fine grey mare from Mr. Jas. Eccles of Egrement for the sum of \$46.

Mr. Archibald McCusig has erected a fine bell tower on the academy which does credit to his ingenuity.

We were justly proud of our South line boys. One evening lately we attended the barn raising at McFadden's, which having been finished in good time the stalwart youths amused themselves by putting the stone and throwing the sledge. Messrs. Charles McKinnon and Alex. McDonald came out victorious with the stone, while Mr. Dave McDonald completely outclassed the Proton boys throwing the sledge.

Mr. Abraham Hooper is busy at present building a home for the foundation of his barn. The Richie Bros. have the contract of erecting the wall and have it about half finished. Mr. Henry Hooper is also engaged in building the stone foundation for a brick residence which he intends to erect this summer.

Mr. Donald McCanuel, of Bruce county is at present visiting friends and relations around here also Mr. Gilbert McQueen is visiting at Mr. Neil McCanuel's, Sandale.

YELLOW VALLEY.

The annual Balsam Valley picnic is to be held in Dave McIntyre's bush on Tuesday, June 29th. A first class dancing platform 12x38 is prepared for the occasion also a good lengthy program is in readiness for the great event. The McDonald Brothers, of Priceville, are engaged by the committee to furnish music with violin and bagpipes. Come one come all and swell the crowd and bring your best girl or fellow along. We will be pleased to see you all. This picnic is free to all remember. The date, Tuesday, June 29th. Performance commences at 1 o'clock sharp, programme at 6 o'clock.

Miss Lizzie Ernest has returned home from Toronto where she has been for a couple of months receiving treatment for her eyes. She is fully recovered and she gives due credit to Dr. Reeves, of Toronto.

Miss Sara E. Ferguson has returned home from Proton Station where she has been for the last six months. Sara is a general favorite among all.

COUNTY COUNCIL.

Council met on Monday night. All the members present. After the Warden's address and some minor business adjournment was made to Tuesday afternoon.

On Tuesday afternoon several communications and accounts were presented and referred to the appropriate committees for action.

Unimportant reports dealing chiefly with accounts presented for payment, were read by the chairman at Finance and Printing, Messrs Binnie and Sing, and were adopted.

With regard to the heating of county buildings the County Property committee, Mr. McDonald chairman, reported:

1. That the inequality between the cost of heating our county buildings and that of heating other county buildings of nearly similar class and capacity is not so great as to warrant any radical change being made in our present system, inasmuch as any probable saving that might be effected by a change (about which saving there is serious doubt) would very possibly be counterbalanced by the cost of reconstructing the present system.

2. That the present system with some minor changes therein enumerated be continued as it is.

The committee also recommended that the front doors of the court house be repaired or remodelled so as to exclude drafts and that the chairman be authorized to have the steam pipes and boxing leading to the registry office unenclosed and if necessary taken up, boxed in and generally repaired with a view to economizing steam. The report was adopted as read.

A deputation representing the General and Marine Hospital, consisting Rev. Mr. Aruill, Ex-Mayor McLachlan and Dr. Cameron waited on the council, and after dwelling upon the good work being done by that institution for both town and country, asking that the council clear off the existing indebtedness of about \$1000 at present hampering the work of the hospital.

The deputation was attentively listened to and a committee was appointed to confer with the hospital authorities and report to the council.

Mayor Thompson and Mr. John McKenzie, Piquette Isle, representing the Beet Sugar Manufacturing Company, addressed the council, explaining what had already been done towards establishing this important industry in the County of Grey, and asking that the council appoint from amongst their number, gentlemen who would certify as to the quantity of beets in the acre as to the quantity of beets in the acre produced by the farmers this year in different sections of the country. This

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step was deemed advisable in order that accurate statistics might be obtained and certified to by persons of the highest standing. To be laid before the German capitalists now interesting themselves in the scheme. The council listened attentively to the deputation and action will be taken on the matter.

The principal matter dealt with on Wednesday afternoon was the equalization of the assessment of the several local municipalities. This matter came up in Report No. 2 of Finance committee, presented by Mr. Binnie, which recommended that the assessment be as follows:—Artemesia, \$1,140,000; Bentinck, 1,235,000; Egrement, 1,300,000; Derby, 749,000; Egrement, 1,345,000; Emphrasia, 1,170,000; Glenelg, 900,000; Holland, 930,000; Keppel, 681,000; Normanby, 1,570,000; Osprey, 650,000; Proton, 830,000; Sarawak, 226,000; St. Vincent, 1,220,000; Sullivan, 1,214,000; Sydenham, 1,230,000; Owen Sound, 1,640,000; Meaford, 446,000; Durham, 200,000; Thornbury, 100,000; Markdale, 135,000; Dundalk, 115,000. Total \$19,463,000.

On motion of Mr. Bishop, the council went into committee of the whole on this report, Mr. Sing in the chair. Mr. Bishop, seconded by Mr. Gordon, moved that the figures be referred back to the Finance committee for further consideration. Mr. Bishop said it was in contemplation that the committee should have some kind of valuation of the county every five years. There had been a valuation as far back as 1883, and though slight changes were made in 1884 and 1885 this valuation had remained the basis of the assessment until 1888. In 1888 Owen Sound was assessed at \$1,300,000, and in '89 was raised to \$2,300,000, a half million being added to the assessment of this town on mere guess work. The other municipalities had not been raised in anything like the same proportion. Since 1889 the assessment of all the municipalities had been reduced 30 per cent, but the result was still most unfair to Owen Sound, as this town should never have been raised so high in 1889. Mr. Bishop maintained that the outside valuation of the town at present should not be more than \$1,200,000.

Mr. Bishop's position was opposed by Messrs McCallum, McDonald, Quince, Binnie, and Richardson chiefly on the ground that the rapid growth and prosperity of Owen Sound justified keeping the assessment at the figures brought in. The motion to refer the figures back was lost, only Messrs Bishop and Gordon voting therefor.

The Grey Rifle Association, represented by Messrs J. F. McCallum, C. C. Pearce and W. P. Telford Jr. applied for a grant of \$25 towards the prize list of their annual competitions, and the matter was referred to the Finance Committee.

Mr. Brown inquired whether the county or the townships were responsible for the maintenance of a certain bridge on the town line of St. Vincent and Sydenham, now badly out of repair. He was informed by Messrs Binnie and Gordon that legally the county was responsible, but that an understanding had been come to a few years ago that the township would maintain such bridges.

At Thursday afternoon's session, amongst the matters discussed were the finances of the county and a proposal to hold the December session in Durham. The balance of our report will appear next Tuesday.—O. S. Sun.

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