

NEWS OF NEIGHBORS

WHAT WHIG CORRESPONDENTS TELL US.

The Tidings From Various Points in Eastern Ontario—What They Are Doing and What They Are Saying.

Westport News.

Westport, Dec. 7.—Sidney J. Sully made a business trip to Ottawa last week. Mrs. W. J. Wing was called to Kingston on Monday owing to the illness of her daughter. Mrs. S. V. White, A. B. C. Diet left on Tuesday for Calgary, Alta. A party of C.P.R. surveyors are at work a short distance north of Westport.

Doings at Verona.

Verona, Dec. 7.—Mr. and Mrs. John Irish, arrived from Vennechar. Monday, for a visit amongst friends here. John Burleigh, and G. Simpson, Odessa, were visitors at Wesley Burleigh's, over Sunday. The section men interfered the remains of the horses killed on Monday. James Craig, is getting the rink in readiness for skating. The Ladies' Aid meeting was held at the M. E. parsonage, to-day. A Card had several calves killed by the train last week.

At Yonge Mills.

Yonge Mills, Dec. 7.—Preparations are being made for an entertainment in the Stone church. Miss Mary Purvis spent last week in Brockville. R. H. Phillips and J. T. Tennant (Caintown), called on friends here last week. Miss Agnes Clow, and Miss Forrester, Malorytown, called on friends here yesterday. Frederick Robinson has returned home after spending the summer near North Bay. Ezra Shipman, Rockport, is spending a few weeks at A. McLean's.

Death of a Lady.

Landowne, Dec. 8.—We regret to announce the death of Mrs. James Rudd, widow of the late Henry Rudd, which occurred last night, at the home of her sister, Mrs. W. H. Foley, after a few days' illness of heart trouble. Just last Sunday she came out from Tilley to reside here with her sister in their new home. The funeral will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday, to the Methodist church. Mrs. John Stoops, who has been ill for some weeks, underwent an operation, yesterday, for abscess. She is doing as well as can be expected. Mrs. Archie Greer, Lynn, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. E. E. Johnson. T. W. Bradley is seriously ill.

Preacher Kicked by Horse.

Selby, Dec. 7.—A number from here attended the funeral of the late Rural Dean Dibb at Napane on Monday. Mrs. Sexsmith and daughter, of Empey Hill, have moved in L. V. Storm's house and Mrs. G. Hudgin and family have moved in Miss A. Sexsmith's house. G. Paul is buying cattle. Mrs. N. Hunt spent last week at Hay Bay. Mr. Downs met with a painful accident last week, getting kicked by his horse. Mrs. L. James spent a few days last week with her brother at Leinster. F. L. Hooper, of Napane, occupied the pulpit last Sunday night in the absence of Rev. Mr. Downs. J. Quigley called on friends here this week. Mrs. C. Arnold spent a few days with her daughter, who is ill.

Presentation at Bell Rock.

Bell Rock, Dec. 7.—A pleasant time was spent last Saturday evening at the home of Mrs. H. A. Martin, when a number of her friends and neighbors called to bid her farewell and express their regret over her removal from the village. A short address was read and a purse of money presented to her as a token of the high esteem in which she is held, as a kind neighbor and faithful worker in the church and Sunday school. The funeral of the late William Yorkie was held in the Methodist church here on the 1st inst. The service was conducted by Rev. B. Pearce, Verona. Daniel Romero, who was so seriously injured on Monday by the K. & P. railway train, at the Verona crossing, appears a little better. Mr. and Mrs. N. Drader visited at Frank Clark's on Tuesday.

Budget from Parham.

Parham, Dec. 8.—Miss Lillian Killin

A Mother's Sacrifice

Made in kindness is often an injustice to herself and to her family.

It is a common thing for mothers to sacrifice comfort, strength, and sometimes life itself, for their family. So common, indeed, that little notice is taken of it.

If anyone else is tired or weak or ill, mother waits on them. But there is no time for mother to be sick or to get the much-needed rest. So she neglects her ailments until she gets beyond the reach of human aid.

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Mrs. H. A. Loynes, nurse, Phillipsburg, Que., writes: "I was all run down and could not do my own work. Everything I ate made me sick. In nursing others I had seen the good results of Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Food and resolved to try it. As a result of this treatment I have gained ten pounds, do my own work alone, and feel like an entirely different person."

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If what you just ate is souring on your stomach or lies like a lump of lead, refusing to digest, or you belch gas and acetate sour, undigested food, or have a feeling of dizziness, heartburn, fullness, nausea, bad taste in mouth and stomach headache—this is indigestion.

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Get some now, this minute, and forever rid yourself of stomach trouble and indigestion.

has returned from a visit to Westport. William Black, Sr., is quite ill. Rev. R. D. Finlayson, gave an excellent address in the Methodist church on Sabbath evening. Rev. A. W. Stewart took his work at Sharbot Lake. Miss Myrtle Smith has organized a class in music at Mountain Grove. A reception service was held in the Methodist church last Friday night, when a number united with the church as a result of the special services just closed. The children are practicing for the annual Christmas entertainment. Miss Lillian Black, of Sydenham High School, was home over Sunday. Messrs. Smith and Gates, of Westbrooke, are guests of the former's son, G. A. Smith. James Davison and little daughter, of Oconto, spent Monday at George Killins'. Miss Florence Walker, teacher at Wagarville, was the guest of Miss Myrtle Smith on Saturday. Misses Nellie Smith and Bessie Clow, of Sydenham High School, spent a few days at home recently. Rev. A. W. Stewart is in Sharbot Lake, to-day, attending a meeting of the executive to arrange for the annual Sunday school convention in January.

WALKS 2,800 MILES AT 98.

Man Twice Walks From New Orleans to Frisco.

Mobile, Ala., Dec. 9.—Footsore, weary and discouraged, Frank Schrom, who is within two years of the century mark in age, has given up the quest of his daughters, which led him to walk from New Orleans to San Francisco and back to this city. He will enter a home for aged men in this city, there to end his days.

"Yes," he said on reaching this city, "I have given up the search. I am ninety-eight years old, and I can walk no longer."

The old man was led to start on his journey last January by a letter from his daughters, who were in San Francisco, and who wrote to him to come to them. He had been separated from them many years. His banking business in Galveston was destroyed, and he had lost all his worldly possessions in the great storm. His daughters knew nothing of this, and thought the old man was still wealthy, otherwise it is believed they would have sent him money. Too proud to seek assistance, Schrom set out to walk to them, only to find when he had reached the Golden Gate city that they had moved, leaving no trace behind them.

SEEKS A CHANGE.

Wants the Tariff Removed From Meats.

Washington, Dec. 9.—Representative Sulzer, (democrat, N.Y.), has leaped into the arena with an assault on the high cost of living in the shape of a bill proposing the reduction of tariff duties on meat and cattle. "They are selling American meat, shipped to Europe on the hoof or in cold storage, in London, Paris and Berlin for prices that are from eight to fifteen cents a pound lower than the prices for similar meats in American cities," he declared. "When they can do that I see no reason for a duty on meat and cattle I am going to fight to a finish for this bill."

RESIGNS AFTER 25 YEARS.

City Engineer of St. Thomas Will Practice Privately.

St. Thomas, Ont., Dec. 9.—James A. Bell, who has been the city engineer of St. Thomas for the past twenty-five years, has resigned and will devote all his time to county work and private practice.

Mr. Bell notified the city, nearly a year ago, that he wished to leave the city's services, and Mason H. Baker, who was appointed assistant, will probably be appointed to fill Mr. Bell's position.

Ballinger Vindicated.

Washington, Dec. 9.—Vindicating Secretary of the Interior Ballinger upon all the charges brought against him, and condemning his accusers as having been inspired by a deep feeling of animosity, built upon a supposed difference in policy respecting conservation, a majority of the congressional committee which investigated the so-called Ballinger-Pinchot case submitted its report to congress.

C. T. Brooks & Co. Xmas crackers.

Ensnarques table decorations and per- for- mance for weeks, at Gilbert's. At the rate of a dollar a word we would rather write than be president. Most wives seem to think their husbands are made of "dust."

PAWNED FOR DEBT

"Widespread Custom" in West Africa Discussed in the House of Commons

A question was asked by Sir George White in the House of Commons as to evidence given at the recent Nigeria Liquor Traffic Inquiry that "thousands of children are pawned by their parents for gin, and kept in a condition of domestic slavery for many years."

In reply, Colonel Seely, Under Secretary for the Colonies, said: "As regards the widespread custom throughout West Africa of pledging or pawning persons—not necessarily children—as security for debt, I cannot do better than quote from the recent report of a Committee, composed entirely of native gentlemen, on the laws and customs of the Yoruba country:—

"When a lender advances money to a borrower, he asks the latter to provide an acceptable surety, who is responsible in default of payment by the borrower. The borrower is drawn into service for the lender one day in the week, the service representing interest for the money advanced; he lives in his own house. But if a child is provided as a substitute, he is to live with and work for the lender as his child; the consideration of the loan being that the borrower is deprived of, and the lender enjoys the services of, the borrower's child. But by this arrangement the child does not become the slave of the lender. The child does not forfeit his rights and privileges as a free born. He can behave to the lender precisely in the same way as to his own father; indeed, he enjoys more freedom with the former, for he can at any time refuse to live with him. On the other hand the lender is responsible to the public authorities for injury to the health of the child and for his death."

"The custom, although not involving slavery, is discouraged as far as possible by the Government, and appears from the evidence of Father Cougard, a missionary of nineteen years' experience in the country, to be becoming less prevalent. Should cases occur in which the person pledged is put into a condition of servitude, the offenders are punishable under the law against slave dealing. Certain statements were made by witnesses before Sir Mackenzie Chalmers' Committee as to the pawning of children for gin, but no evidence whatever was put forward to show that the practice had more connection with debts for liquor than any other debts. Indeed one of the native witnesses, Bishop Johnson, questioned on this point, replied, 'People who drink certainly go into debt more than others, but the habit is general all over the country, whether they drink or not. It is an institution in the country.'

After twenty years' experience as an English farmer Miss V. Courtauld recommends any woman fond of country life to follow her lead. She advises them, however, to think seriously about it first. It was a "stagnant" hopeless, she said, for a woman to think of success unless she had practical knowledge and experience, sufficient capital, country tastes, perseverance, and a capacity for hard work. When she first told her father that she wanted to be a farmer, Miss Courtauld said he regarded the idea as he would have done had she suggested she should enter the Army. Curious reasons she proceeded, were given at that time why women should not farm. One was that they could not pinch fat beasts at market, and bargain for them over pint of beer in smoky inn tap rooms. Whether that was the way English farmers did their business fifty or sixty years ago she could not say. The idea that a woman could not attend market or go to sales and buy on her own account was quite erroneous. She had done so for many years, and had never met with anything but the greatest courtesy and consideration from her brother farmers. A woman who could manage in-door servants should be quite capable of controlling farm hands.

At Maldstone Assizes a man was charged with making a false declaration for the purpose of procuring a marriage. The accused, James Henry Norman, aged 37, traveller, made the acquaintance of a young woman, and representing that he was a bachelor, it was arranged that they should be married at a local chapel. When he was taxed with being married he strenuously denied it, and in support of his denial produced a forged telegram purporting to have come from a detective at Jersey, stating that it was a case of mistaken identity. The young woman, however, declined to marry him. She was about to receive a large legacy left her by a relative. His lordship, in passing sentence of twelve months' hard labor, said he had no doubt that the prisoner wanted to get hold of the young woman's money.

LOST HIS WEALTH

According to Reynolds's Newspaper, "there is serving behind the bar of a well-known New York hotel a young man whose name, if it were published, would create no little sensation among the elite of Glasgow. Only a few years ago he was a popular figure in Glasgow city, being the possessor of much wealth. He has managed to get rid of most of it, and, finding himself stranded, has become a bar-tender."

THIS BIRD CAN TALK

A Glasgow naturalist has at present an Australian love bird, which, in addition to whistling, can speak distinctly over 60 words. It has been brought up in the same room with a small dog, which it calls by name, and a talking parrot, whose every utterance it imitates.

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