

THE VICINITY'S NEWS.

What the "British Whig" Correspondents Have to say on a Variety of Subjects.

From the "British Whig" Correspondents. Miss Barrett, of Barfield, has been the guest of James Hickey...

Point Road Notes. A heavy rain fell here on Tuesday. The steam thrashers are giving good satisfaction...

Point Road Notes. The scarlet fever is troubling a number of families here; no deaths as yet.

Point Road Notes. Sergt.-Major Morgans has purchased a house on Barfield and intends to reside here...

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MARCHING ON TO WAR.

Our Own People Up in Arms.—The Indian Ultimatum as Not Yet Delivered.

London, Oct. 17.—The Indian Government's ultimatum to King Theobald demands that the British Government's Envoy be given a fitting reception...

London, Oct. 17.—The soldiers serving in the Indian army, whose time of service has expired, have been ordered to remain in India until the settlement of the dispute between King Theobald, of Burmah and the government of India.

London, Oct. 20.—It is expected that 10,000 men, drawn from the Madras army, will be sent to Burmah.

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AMHERST ISLAND FAIR.

It Has Fine Weather, and is a Complete Success—Some of the remarkable Exhibits.

The annual fair of the Amherst Island Agricultural Society was held at Stella on Thursday, Oct. 15th.

There are 390,000 acres of assessed land in Lennox and Addington.

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DISTRICT DASHES.

What Neighboring Exchanges Have to Record of Passing Interest to Our Readers.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

TALK 'BOUT A BRIDGE.

Dear Sir, In the last letter of "One Who Knows," he makes out his case to his own satisfaction by positive assertions unattested.

He says that the by-laws notes are paid, and accuses me of knowing it. I had sworn my oath as Treasurer's word for saying that they were not paid, and he informed me that at the last meeting of the council he asked what he was going to do about the notes, and was told to do nothing.

Evidently they are in a quandry, not knowing whether to accept either notes or money at the present time from the uncertain feeling in the township.

Bridge statement he blames me for using the expression, "They are everlastingly getting money for their repairs." Those words are not mine; they are the Township Treasurer's; who ought to know more on such a matter than to be misled by every storm.

He passes over in his silence my assertion that no bridges have already been built at the expense of the township for the accommodation of that section, the last costing over \$500, or those bridges brought the travel of that section to the new bridge in the township, and its business and trade to the village of Battersea and to mitigate Battersea's loss of trade the idea has come to him that there will be a splendid opening for a first-class store at Brass Point.

Well, well, if the idea is not still in it at any rate rich to those who know the township, perceive that he still believes in low built bridges, yet he has never made any allusion to the low bridge I had previously referred to, which was washed away by water swells and freshets and cost the township as I have before stated over \$500 to replace.

It is objected to me, it is to obviate the necessity of appropriating the new bridge which he clearly sees will be an additional expense on the township. He refers to two government bridges that he thinks are "about four feet above the water and of a much longer span. Why, there would not be a head room in a skiff passing under, and they would be liable to every storm, and they would venture to put about four feet more to his estimate. I propose to lay a few facts before "One Who Knows" and what he calls the rest of the ratpayers of Storrington. With your permission I shall commence with a by-law, as it appears to be the best mode of proceeding.

It is enacted by the council of the corporation of the Township of Storrington, that this council maintain and keep in repair the statutory part of a contemplated bridge to be built by the Dominion Government from Brass Point in the Township of Storrington, in the Rideau Canal to the Township of Pittsburg in the County of Frontenac.

This is the whole by-law. Now, "One Who Knows" would like to make us believe we had nothing but the planning to keep in repair. What if span or buttment of the bridge gave away or settled down, or accident happened, it is the township's liability by law to maintain the bridge.

This was the argument used at the meeting in the Town Hall and which made the meeting so unanimously and earnestly opposed to so uncertain a liability. At that meeting a resolution was unanimously passed requesting the council to make the bridge liable to the government in the event of their building the bridge to assume its repairs. A committee was appointed at that meeting in the event of the council failing to carry out its request, to circulate a petition throughout the township requesting the government to assume its maintenance of the bridge.

This petition may very soon be circulated and will be as popular and one-sided as the meeting was. The council never requested the government to maintain the bridge or keep it in repair, never had any correspondence with the government, or any of its officials on the matter, and it is not to be given, before the by-law was passed, and not even since. They were merely asked by an interested resident, who brought them the engineers' report, to assume the liability, and they did so.

"One Who Knows" asserts that the government never asked to keep the bridge in repair, but does not state by whom. I have official authority for stating that they were never asked by the council of Storrington, and that is what made the Town Hall meeting so unanimously opposed to the by-law. He blames the treasurer with loss of interest to the township, and neglecting to look after the notes, whilst the treasurer states that the council gave him orders not to bother himself about them. Here is a clash to settle.

In conclusion, I wish to inform "One Who Knows" that I enjoy his grandiloquent and positive style in making out his case, and his pragmatic attacks are only amusing. I am sorry to say that this necessity is my last correspondence on the matter. The theme is almost exhausted and I leave the field all to himself.—Yours truly,

A. KATEFAVER.

THE TIME TO SOW 'BREE SEEDS.

Dear Sir, Will you allow me to call the attention of several of your readers as desire to beautify their farms by plantations of forest trees to the fact that the fall is the time to sow them, and that now, this having been a good seed year they can gather them in the woods in large quantities.

The following trees ripen their seeds in October, they may be gathered and prepared for sowing. Hard maple, ash-leaved maple, or as it is now called, Manitoba maple, sycamore, mountain ash, English and native ashes, basswood, brickthorn and hawthorn, locust, oak, hickory, walnut, butternut, beech, chestnut, pines and other evergreens.

All these may be said to have their seeds and nuts ripe for collecting any time now. It would be better, however, to wait till after the first frost, and then select some sunny day, dry and warm, being more comfortable for the work and likely to give the seeds a better start.

The maple and ash seeds should be stored in a cool dry place till the time for sowing. Seeds having a pulp covering will require brushing with a hoe or mangle through the hands the pulp matter then washed off and the seeds partially dried. Mixing with sand will facilitate the sowing process. Efforts should be made to sow everything in the tree line in the fall, that being nature's time. For the seed beds select soil as light as possible. It can hardly be too sandy. We should sow in drills the same as for root crops, cover the seed twice the depth of the drill and tread it firmly down. After this is done the drill should be covered with a good mulching of manure, leaves or straw. In the spring, if thought too bulky, some of this could be raked off.

Next summer, from a small bed thus treated, you will obtain thousands of young plants, of any variety you desire, and these transplanted on the next season, will soon be fine young trees, far better rooted, and therefore more likely to live when finally planted out than forest seedlings. With evergreens it often takes a year longer than with deciduous trees.—Yours, etc.,

R. W. PHIPPS.

WILSON SITTINGS.

Farmers have been busy improving the fine weather in gathering in the apples, potatoes and roots. The Saved Army have been trying to engage the Grange Hall, but as yet have received no satisfactory answer.

A BAR-TENDER'S WIFE.

The Disappearance of a Pretty Woman Who Dreamed About Her Old Lover.

Schenectady, Oct. 20.—In the autumn of 1888 Thomas B. Reeves came from Saratoga and opened a restaurant, patronized by Union College students.

He brought with him his wife, a blonde, just out of her teens. Mrs. Reeves became a regular attendant at the First Reformed Church. She told friends that her husband beat her mercilessly.

Six weeks ago she packed her trunks, and taking her little boy with her, started for Syracuse, where her parents live. A few days after her departure Mr. Reeves received a postal card stating that she had arrived home safely.

The card bore the Syracuse postoffice stamp, which Mr. Reeves received no tidings from his wife. At the expiration of that time he decided to pay her a visit. On reaching his wife's parents he learned that she had not been there and that no news whatever had been received from her.

Six weeks have gone since she left Schenectady, and nothing has been heard from her. Two brothers are clerical men of the Episcopal Church. It is on account of her family that her strange disappearance has so long been kept a secret. Previous to her marriage it is said that a young man in the western part of the state was greatly attached to her, and that the sentiment was returned.

The deserted husband thinks she may have left him to join the lover of her younger days.

"I never saw this man," said Mr. Reeves, and I do not know that she has seen him since our marriage. I do not even know where he lives. In the past six months Mary's disposition has undergone a complete change. It is kindness to say that she was out of her mind. Our life was not pleasant. She used to dream about this fellow, but I thought her dreams were only passing fancies. Now it seems reasonable to believe she has gone with him, but of this I have no proof.

Catholicity in Westport.

Strangers visiting the village of Westport, in Leeds county, are astonished at the progress church affairs are making in that retired but picturesque locality.

Rev. Father Stanton, the zealous and tireless pastor, has recently formed a separate school section, whose pupils have already made marked progress. He is building a handsome two-story brick school for their accommodation; he has almost completed a large convent building, and has one of the best churches in the county. Evidently Father Stanton knows what is best to be done and the best way of doing it.—London Record.

Notwithstanding previous complaints we are assured that the lime kiln built on the Perth road where young Lyons was recently injured, by falling over with his machine, has not yet been repaired. Immediate attention will be needed for the public good.

THE RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

The annual matches of the Kingston Rifle Association were begun Tuesday at the house, Barfield. The wind blew stiffly across the range, and the riflemen did not do so good work as they expected. To-day the wind was more favorable, although what is known as a "fish-tale" breeze was blowing.

THE FIRST MATCH.

Ranges, 200, 500 and 600 yards. Five rounds fired at each range.

PTS. PRIZES.

Sergt. W. Hora, 14th Batt. .... 56 7/8  
Sergt. A. Hora, K.R.A. .... 56 3/4  
Sergt. Hume, K.R.A. .... 55 5  
Corp. Hilton, 49th Batt. .... 55 5  
Sergt. Baillie, 47th Batt. .... 54 5  
Sergt. Swain, K.R.A. .... 49 4  
Sergt. Miller, 47th Batt. .... 48 4  
Sergt. Fairbairn, 41st Batt. .... 44 4  
Pte. Kilmer, 49th Batt. .... 44 4  
W. J. Watson, K.R.A. .... 43 4  
Pte. W. Swain, 14th Batt. .... 38 4  
Sergt. Morgans, R.M.C. .... 34 3  
Capt. D. Strachan, 16th Batt. .... 33 3  
Lieut. Strachan, K.R.A. .... 33 3  
Sergt. Fairbairn, 41st Batt. .... 32 3  
Pte. Milligan, 14th Batt. .... 32 3  
Lieut. Shield, G.F.B. .... 30 3  
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Lieut. Kent, K.R.F.B. .... 23 3

THE CARBURETTOR MATCH.

Ranges, 400 and 500 yds. Five rounds fired at each range.

PTS. PRIZES.

W. J. Watson, K.R.A. .... 42 8/7  
Sergt. N. Hora, 14th Batt. .... 42 6  
A. Hora, K.R.A. .... 41 5  
Lieut. Asselstine, 41st Batt. .... 40 4  
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Sergt. W. L. Hora, of the 14th Batt., won the aggregate by a score of 155 points. The battalion match did not fill.

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THE NAMES OF THE PRIZE-WINNERS—LISTS THAT HAVE A FINE APPEARANCE.

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