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**J. H. GUNTHER,**  
Watch Specialist,  
Goldsmith's Hall,  
Main St., Listowel.  
Two Doors East of Post Office.

### Town Talk.

THE Birchall excitement has subsided.

MISS ANNIE ERSKINE, of Monkton, is spending a few days this week with relatives and friends in the village.

It was a blood-thirsty country editor who announced to his readers that "a number of deaths are unavoidably postponed."

An exchange says: "If the clerk of the weather will oblige us with a good old-fashioned winter this year, the country is safe in spite of McKinley."

The man who reads the paper, And sponges as he goes, Will never reach that happy land Where milk and honey flows.

THE annual meeting of the Ontario branch of the Dominion Alliance will be held in Toronto, on Dec. 11 and 12. The various railroads grant return tickets to delegates at a fare and a third.

SOME of our readers are inclined to believe that Monkton is a veritable Pompeii after reading the interesting narrative given by our scribe from week to week. The manner in which he is unearthing the buried past is a wonder to the oldest inhabitant.

It is worthy of remark that the first message to London on Friday, Nov. 14, from the yard at Woodstock, occupied just one minute and a quarter in transmission. The American manager of the French Cable Co. says this is the best time that has ever been made for that distance.

WHEN you have an item of news send it to this office. It may seem not worth repeating, but its publication will interest somebody. We are always pleased to have news for publication from all quarters. Many matters which are known, we would like to mention, pass unnoticed, because not communicated to us.

THE meteorological authorities promise us at least a week of Indian summer weather before the month ends, and then a storm which will usher in the winter. If it could be arranged that frost and snow should come on Dec. 1st and continue three months, there would be general rejoicing in Canada. There is nothing like an old time winter for stimulating business.

DR. SINCLAIR, M. D., M. A., L. C. P. S. O., M. C. P. S. M., of Toronto, specialist for the treatment of all chronic diseases, private diseases, diseases of the brain and nerves, diseases of the heart and lungs, and diseases of women successfully treated. The doctor is well and favorably known, and will be at Iorger's Hotel, on Friday, Nov. 28th. Let the sufferers call on him. Consultation free.

THANKS.—The following complimentary reference to our Pioneer Number from Rev. W. H. Harvey, B. A., Guelph, is one of many we are in receipt of from prominent individuals in various parts of the province:—I am in receipt of the Pioneer number of your valuable paper, and I wish to drop you a line to express my appreciation of it and of your paper generally. It affords me no little satisfaction to see my village—for I yet look upon myself as belonging to Atwood—in possession of so valuable newspaper as your journal. It is certainly my ideal of what a local newspaper ought to be. Its spicy, well-gathered items of local news cannot fail to interest; its able, impartial editorials, on all leading subjects, cannot fail to satisfy, and its healthy moral tone cannot fail to benefit. It comes to me each week like a messenger from home, and no paper, among my somewhat extensive list, do I sit down to read with so much pleasure and interest as *THE ATWOOD BEE*. I hope your list of subscribers may treble with the coming year, and indeed I should like to see *THE BEE* in every home within a radius of twenty miles at least of Atwood. I shall not be slow in renewing when my subscription expires.

THE BEE will be sent to any address until the end of the year 1891 for \$1 cash.

THE revival services, in connection with the Methodist church, commenced last Friday evening. The interest is increasing.

NOTICE.—Any person wishing to use the Atwood Town Hall may do so by applying to Wm. Forrest, Atwood, Ont. 42-4 in

A GREEN label on your paper means that "your subscription has expired," and unless renewed within two weeks after being notified the paper will be discontinued.

THE Stratford Herald moved into its new premises last week. The Dingman boys are hustlers, and the Herald is a boon to the Classic city and an honor to Canadian journalism.

WE see by the Acton Free Press that Dr. French's dental office in Brantford was totally destroyed by fire on Wednesday morning, Nov. 12. Mr. French taught school in this locality some years ago, and his loss will be sincerely regretted by his numerous friends here.

THE Brantford Expositor, of the 19th inst., says:—The many friends of Dr. L. E. Rice, who were sorry to hear last summer that he was forced to give up his practice in Detroit through ill health, will be glad to learn that his health has improved, and that he has found a good opening at Atwood, Ont.

W. D. MITCHELL has kindly consented to give an address, descriptive of his trip from "California to Texas," next Friday evening at the Y. P. C. A., of the Presbyterian church. This address will doubtless prove instructive and highly interesting. A debate will also be a leading feature of the evening's program.

HOPE FOR THE MISSIONARY.—Our friend, the six foot bachelor editor of the Banner undertakes in his last issue to bring us in reference to an item which appeared in these columns some weeks ago, concluding that our Bible did not correspond with his. Of course, by mistake, we quoted the 7th instead of the 3rd Commandment, but who would have dreamed by perusing the Banner columns that its editor possessed a copy of the Bible. My how lonesome the Good Book will feel in Clmie's library. The good people of Listowel may lift up their drooping heads, be glad and rejoice, now that the Bible has an opportunity of shedding its radiant light into the hitherto dark and dingy Banner sanctum.

A WIFE who knows many wives says:—"Some husbands, when they get home at night tell their wives all about the business of the day, and about their bank account, and about the people they met, and about what was spoken of, and about everything else. Other husbands never tell their wives about their doings during the day, never speak of the state of their finances, and never refer to their business in their households. The wife of such a husband knows nothing of his affairs, and is apt to be upset by bad news or crushed by finding out that he is on the road to ruin. From what I have known through my acquaintance with many families for long years I am ready to say that a husband should always tell his wife about his business and about the affairs of the day."

THE Guelph Mercury is advocating a desirable reform as follows:—"Now that the winter season is drawing on it would save a great deal of loss of time and injury to health if there was a definite understanding that the hour advertised for a funeral was the hour at which the hearse would start from the house. If clergymen and undertakers were prompt they could, without much trouble, remedy the grievance complained of. To facilitate matters also, the Mercury will endeavor, with the assistance of those whose melancholy duty it may be to insert such notices to give both the hour of starting the service and also the hour at which the funeral will leave the house, so that friends will be able to govern themselves accordingly, and will not be compelled to shiver round in the cold half perished, owing to negligence and delay. We believe the clergymen, undertakers and cabmen are anxious to do what is right, and sometimes the fault lies in other directions. An untried effort would improve things vastly."

THERE is no more honorable profession than that of a schoolmaster, and many of our ablest bishops have been head masters of Public Schools, as, indeed, was the present Archbishop of Canterbury. The schoolmaster's business is not merely to pump indiscrimination into the juvenile brain—for so many hours a day—the three R's, some geography, classics and mathematics; and to keep the mental reservoir full until examination day. Although a master, he must remain a perpetual student of juvenile human nature. Some brains receive rapidly, but leak deplorably. Others absorb and retain, but become clogged when crammed; and there are brains which require educational nutriment to be administered, a teaspoonful at a time, just as a doctor administers beef tea when his patient's interior is in an obstinate condition. Then there is the question—discipline, mental and corporeal, the effects of which are so useful in after life, and which is in many cases only applied at school. Many of us have lived long enough to bear our old schoolmasters in affectionate remembrance, although they did smack us terribly at times. Even a committee of matrons, including those who are well versed in the scientific application of the "single," or the "slaps," at home, would recommend (within certain limits, of course, and when their own olive branches are not immediately concerned) a rigid enforcement of discipline during school hours. It is a question whether schoolmasters or schoolmistresses, who understand and faithfully practice their profession, receive as much pay or as many thanks as they deserve.

MISS AGGIE LOCHHEAD left last Saturday for an extended visit to her brother, W. Lochhead, B. A., Gat. We wish her a pleasant visit in the stone town.

MISS ANNIE GORDON, who is at present attending the Mitchell Model, has secured a school near Mount Forest. Annie is a good scholar and we anticipate that she will make her mark as a teacher.

THE Woodstock Standard says:—J. F. Hellmuth, of London, Birchall's lawyer, has sued the Mail for damages, because of certain statements contained in Birchall's story reflecting upon him. If this suit goes to trial there will be, it is said, interesting disclosures.

THOSE in arrears for THE BEE will do us a much needed favor by calling and settling up their indebtedness at once. We do not purpose dunning persistently as the individual accounts are so small that there is no excuse whatever why they should not be promptly settled. Call in and see how you stand, or, if at a distance, remit by mail.

Mrs. A. GORDON and family removed to Sudbury, Algoma district, this week, where they purpose making their future home. Mr. Gordon has been away in the Western States for some time. We regret having to lose this estimable family, and only voice the sentiment of the community by wishing them happiness and continued prosperity in their new home in the far north.

THE following extract from a letter received from Rev. Robt. Henderson, of Bayfield, says:—THE BEE Pioneer Number is a great credit to the editor, the thriving village of Atwood, and indeed to all concerned. It indicates, in an unmistakable manner, quite an amount of pluck, courage, determination and enterprise. I suppose it is scarcely necessary to say that Atwood justly feels a little proud of the Pioneer BEE, at least I expect she does.

THE Department of Education have decided that after the close of the present year there shall be one instead of two examinations annually for the admission of pupils into the High Schools. The High School inspectors have for several years expressed their opinion that there should be but one examination; nearly all the High School masters and a considerable number of Public School masters hold the same view; and it was strongly expressed in a resolution passed at the annual meeting of the school trustees of the province.

WELCOME HOME.—W. R. Erskine and bride returned home Saturday evening last from their wedding trip. They were greeted at the station by a large concourse of townspeople, and the stirring airs by the band made the scene one not soon to be forgotten by the recipients of the honor thus paid them. At their new residence, which was brilliantly lighted and made cosy for the occasion, the lively strains of music were kept up until the assembly disbanded, leaving the young couple to enjoy the blessings of their new life in quietness and peace.

THE cheese—1,000 boxes—from the Elma Cheese Co's factory, was sold last week. The price received was 10c. per pound. 750 boxes of the lot were shipped last week and the balance will be put aboard the cars shortly. The hogs were also disposed of, which practically closes the factory's work for this season. We are anticipating in the near future an interesting report of the factory's work from the Secretary, Wm. Lochhead. Similar reports from the Donegal, Monkton and Newry factories would be read with profit to the patrons and our readers generally.

OUR Gun Club had a match with the Brussels ninnyrods last Friday, the score resulting in favor of Atwood by ten birds. Following are the contestants of the respective clubs: Brussels—J. Ross, D. Ross, A. J. Lowick, Dr. Warwick, A. Dames, R. Watt, Dr. Strachan, J. Ballantyne, Dr. McNaughton, and E. Melson. Atwood—R. Brooks, J. Sanders, A. Cameron, J. Irwin, J. Hanna, T. Fullarton, J. Struthers, J. Stewart, A. Smith and J. Priest. Referees and scorers, W. M. Sinclair and J. A. Roe. A return match will be shofthere to-day, (Friday) Nov. 28th. The Brussels boys used our club like princes, and tendered them an oyster supper in the evening.

AUXILIARY PUBLISHING Co.—We neglected to mention that the beautiful pink paper (so much admired by the press) used in our Pioneer Number was purchased from the well-known and obliging firm, the Auxiliary Publishing Company, Toronto. This noted and reputable firm supply the "insides" or "patents" for 15 Canadian weekly newspapers. S. Frank Wilson, the able editor of Truth and manager of the firm, has furnished the paper for THE BEE since its inception, and we have found him ever obliging, even going out of his way in his efforts to please, and the fact that we have more than doubled our circulation in six months goes to prove that both the paper itself and the reading matter meet with general satisfaction. It is a well-known fact to publishers that it is impossible to make a clean, readable print without a first-class quality of paper.

THE Waterford Star says: About 12 years ago F. W. Merchant, then a young man about twenty, was engaged as assistant at Port Dover High School, at the rate of \$250 a year, which was afterwards increased to \$500. During the three years he remained there he completed his college course by self-study, and received his M. A. degree. He then went to Ingersoll as high school assistant, salary \$600. In a year he returned to Port Dover as principal at a salary of \$750. He next went to Aylmer High School at a salary of \$900. In a few months he returned to Ingersoll as head master, salary \$1,200. Last year he became principal of Owen Sound Collegiate Institute, salary \$1,500. This year he went to Stratford Collegiate Institute as principal at a salary of \$1,800; and now he has received the position of head master of London Collegiate Institute at a salary of \$2,000.

SUBSCRIPTIONS for this paper must be paid strictly in advance.

MISS HALPENNY, of Trowbridge, was the guest of Miss Maggie Pelton last Sunday.

REV. F. H. PARKE, rector of Christ church, Listowel, will preach in St. Alban's church next Sabbath, at 7 p. m. Rev. Mr. St. Yates takes his work at Listowel.

REMEMBER the sale of R. Graham's hotel property, farm stock and implements next Thursday, Dec. 4; at 1 p. m. The list of stock, terms, etc., appears in this issue.

THE Postoffice Department have accepted the tender of George Kort, of Logan, for carrying the mail over the Mitchell stage route for 1891, at a salary of \$425, which is \$279 less than Jos. McKoy received last year. This sum is altogether too low for the mail contract considering the necessary outlay for horses, rig, horseshoeing, etc. During the long period Mr. McKoy has carried Her Majesty's mail over this route he has given universal satisfaction.

THE most distinguishing point in Mr. Stanley's appearance is his hair, which is plentiful and very nearly white. There is a carelessness about him which is quite natural after his many years with the savage tribes of Africa. He likes to lounge and to stick his hands in his pockets. The other day, when he took a walk with his chaming wife, Mr. Stanley sauntered along very much as if his feet were unaccustomed to pavements. He wore no gloves, and one of his hands was partly concealed in a trousers pocket. But when Mr. Stanley is talking about Africa with a group of interested listeners his earnestness and intense feeling become very apparent. During a recent conversation which lasted an hour Mr. Stanley became so absorbed in his subject that his cigar went out five times.

BRUSSELS was blessed (?) with another disastrous conflagration last Saturday morning resulting in the total destruction of the American hotel and three adjacent general stores. As usual, there was considerable bungling in connection with the fire engine, and we are told half an hour elapsed from the time the alarm was given until a stream of water was made to play on the flames. We have, during our six years residence in Brussels, witnessed seven fires, and in almost every instance "something went wrong" with the engine or firemen. This is not intended as a reflection on the efficiency of the Ronald engine, but upon the slipshod management of the Fire Co. It is a painful fact that Brussels—the headquarters of the famous Ronald fire engine works—is visited with more fires than any town in Western Ontario, and stranger still, there is scarcely ever a building saved, and as a consequence the insurance rate in that village is considerably higher than in many places, with similar protection, in the Province.

NOT US.—There is a joke going the rounds at the expense of a modest young newspaper man in a neighboring town, which is so good that it ought to be true. The young man in question, it appears, was recently invited to a party at a residence where the home had recently been blessed with an addition to the family. Accompanied by his best girl, he met his kind hostess at the door; and after the usual salutation, asked after the welfare of the baby. The lady was suffering from a cold, which made her slightly deaf, and she mistakenly supposed that the young man was enquiring about her cold. She replied that though she usually had one every winter, this was the worst one she had ever had; it kept her awake at nights a good deal at first and confined her to her bed. Then noticing that the scribe was getting pale and nervous she said she could tell by his looks that he was going to have one just like hers, and she asked him to go and lie down. The paper came out as usual next week, but the editor has given up enquiring about babies.

Auction Sales.  
THURSDAY, DEC. 4TH.—Hotel, farm stock and implements, in Atwood, at 1 p. m. sharp. A. Morrison, auctioneer; R. Graham, proprietor.

Atwood Market.

Fall Wheat	80	85
Spring Wheat	80	82
Barley	35	42
Oats	35	36
Peas	56	57
Pork	5 00	5 20
Hides per lb	4	4 1/2
Sheep skins, each	50	80
Wood, 2 ft.	1 15	1 50
Potatoes per bag	40	45
Butter per lb	14	15
Eggs per doz.	48	20

### Church Directory.

EPISCOPALIAN.  
Preaching every Sabbath as follows: Henfry, 11 a.m.; Trowbridge, 3 p.m.; Atwood, 7 p.m.; Sabbath School at 3 p.m. REV. E. ST. YATES, Incumbent.

BAPTIST.  
Preaching every Sabbath at 3:00 p. m. Sabbath School at 2:00 p. m. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening, at 8 o'clock. REV. D. DACK, Pastor.

METHODIST.  
Preaching every Sabbath at 11 a. m. Each alternate Sabbath at 6:30 p. m. Sabbath School at 10 a. m. Prayer Meetings, Wednesday and Friday evenings, at 7:30. REV. D. ROGERS, Pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN.  
Preaching every Sabbath at 11 a. m.; Bible Class on Sabbath evening at 7:00. Sabbath School at 9:30 a. m. Prayer Meeting on Thursday evening at 7:00. Young People's Association meeting on Friday evening at 7:30. REV. A. HENDERSON, M. A., Pastor.

### Business Directory.

#### MEDICAL.

J. R. HAMILTON, M.D.C.M.  
Graduate of McGill University, Montreal. Member of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Ontario. Office—Opposite THE BEE office. Residence—Queen street; night messages to be left at residence.

L. E. RICE, M. D., C. M.  
Trinity University, Toronto; Fellow by examination of Trinity Medical College, Toronto; member of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Ontario; member of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Michigan; special attention given to the Diseases of Women and Children. For the present, office next door to the Atwood Bakery; residence at Graham's hotel, Atwood, Ont. Office hours: 10 to 12 a. m.; 1 to 2:30 p. m., and every evening to 8:30.

W. M. SINCLAIR,  
Solicitor, Conveyancer, Notary Public &c. Private funds to loan at lowest rates. Collections promptly attended to. Office—Iorger's Hotel, Atwood. Every Wednesday at 12:24 p. m., and remain until the 9:12 p. m. train.

#### LEGAL.

J. J. FOSTER, L. D. S.,  
Is using an Improved Electric Vibrator, Vitalized Air, or Gas, for the painless extracting of teeth. Satisfaction guaranteed. Office—in block south side of Main street bridge, Listowel.

#### DENTAL.

W. M. BRUCE, L. D. S., DENTIST,  
Is extracting teeth daily without pain through the aid of "The Electric Vibrator." The most satisfactory results are attained by the use of this wonderful instrument, for which he holds the exclusive right. References, &c., may be seen at his dental apartments, over Thompson Bros' store, Entrance, Main St., Listowel.

C. H. MERYFIELD,  
Licensed auctioneer for the County of Perth, Monkton, Ont. Rates moderate. For particulars apply at this office.

#### AUCTIONEERS.

ALEX. MORRISON,  
Licensed Auctioneer for Perth County. All sales at once to promptly and at moderate rates. Information with regard to dates may be had by applying at this office.

THOS. E. HAY,  
Licensed Auctioneer for the County of Perth. Rates moderate. Office—Over Lillo's bank, Listowel. All orders left at this office will be attended to promptly.

Money to Loan  
At Lowest Rates of Interest.

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COMMISSIONER IN THE I. C. J.;  
Real Estate Agent; Issuer of Marriage Licenses; Money to Lend on reasonable terms; Private Funds on hand; all work neatly and correctly done; Accounts Collected.  
Atwood, Nov. 11, 1890. 42-ly

### AUCTION

## SALE

OF A HOTEL,  
Farm Stock and Implements.

Alex. Morrison, Auctioneer, has received instructions from Richard Graham to sell by public auction, in

### ATWOOD, ON

Thursday, Dec. 4, '90,

His Fine Brick Hotel, known as the Elma Centre Hotel.

Also the following property:—1 aged Horse; 1 Mare, 7 years old, in foal to Tinbrook; 1 Mare, 5 years old, in foal to Oliver Wilkes; 1 Suckling Colt, bred of Carlyle; 1 Mare, 8 years old; 1 heavy draught suckling Colt; 1 two year old Colt; 1 three year old Stallion, bred of old Lord Haddock; 1 yearling colt, bred of Black Warrior; 10 Cows, supposed in calf; 4 two year old Heifers; 2 two year old Steers; 1 yearling Bull, and other stock to come in; 1 Democrat Wagon; 1 three-seated Carriage; 2 Buggies; 3 Cutters; 1 set Bow-Sleighs; 2 sets single Harness, &c.

Sale to Commence at 1 p. m., sharp.

TERMS FOR HOTEL:  
Hotel will be sold with or without furniture. Further particulars made known on day of sale, or on application to Richard Graham, on the premises.

TERMS FOR STOCK, &c.:  
All sums at and under \$5 cash; over that amount 12 months credit will be given on furnishing approved joint notes. 7 per cent. discount for cash and credit amounts.

A. MORRISON, R. GRAHAM,  
Auctioneer, Proprietor.