

Mr. R. JUNKIN, General Agent for Life, Brockville.
 The amount due me as the beneficiary of Policy No. 12,769 in the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada, upon the life of my late husband, John Frederick Chow, who died on the 12th of July, 1899, is \$20,000.00. You are their General Agent here, are deserving of great praise for such promptness in settling my claim in so short a time. Allow me to thank you for your kindness and courtesy in this matter. Your insurance Company is a safe and commendable one indeed.
 Yours truly,
 EMILY S. CLOW.

R. JUNKIN, A. JAMES,
 General Agent, Brockville. Agent at Athens.

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COUNTY NEWS.

INTERESTING LETTERS FROM OUR STAFF OF CORRESPONDENTS.
A Budget of News and Gossip.—Personal Intelligence—A Little of Everything well Mixed up.
ELBE MILLS.
 MONDAY, JAN. 14.—There is no school here yet for the want of a teacher.
 Mr. Jas. Weaver has engaged with Messrs. Bates & Brown as cheesemaker for the ensuing year.
 It is reported that Mr. Jas. Gibson intends removing to Addison in the spring. This is regretted by all here as Mr. Gibson and family are highly esteemed by their neighbors.

ELGIN.
 FRIDAY, JAN. 4.—The New England Tea, which took place on New Year's Night, was a grand success.
 Mr. H. E. Warren, who has been teaching school in Ottawa, has been home spending his holidays. He returned to duty.

Mr. Elmer Halladay, of Manitoba, is visiting his old friends here.
 P. W. Brown went to his school on Thursday. He teaches at Chantry.
 Our old teachers, J. H. Sexton and Miss Baker, are going to remain another year here.

ADDISON.
 MONDAY, JAN. 7.—Miss Hester Witale has been engaged to teach school in New Dublin for the coming year.
 Miss Rhoda Knapp, Plum Hollow, got our village a short visit last week. She is a general favorite with the young folks here.
 Mr. Walter Lewis has leased his farm to Mr. Gibson, of Elbe Mills. Miss Viola Witale is spending a few days with friends at Clark's Crossing. There was quite a commotion in the quiet village of Brownstown the other evening, it being the annual ice cream social, at the residence of Mr. Franklin Wilke, composed of the elite of the village and suburbs.
 Mrs. Armstrong and daughter, of Brockville, spent a few days with her mother, Mrs. Poulah, of this place.
 Mr. Fields, of Mallorytown, has been engaged to impart instruction to the youths of our village, for the coming year.

DELLA.
 It is again our painful duty to chronicle the death of two of our old and much respected citizens in the persons of E. Hicock and Mr. Allyn. They will be missed very much, but one great consolation is their end was peace.
 In business life Della is booming and we hope will continue to do so at least for the coming year. As we succeeded in electing two Della men to represent us in the Council, now is the time, men, next year you might not be in a position.
 A dentist has struck our town. Now, girls, get your mouths fixed up and don't be going around with a bag of salt to your head.
 Mr. Eaton has quit the livery business. He will let no man drive his rigs now.
 G. N. Young's horses are picking up again. They caught grief election time. George says if they had election once a month he would put in an extra stock of horses.
 Our new church is nearly completed.

GREENBUSH.
 WEDNESDAY, JAN. 9.—Peace has been restored and the "little brown bug" found. That man in the "North Star," mentioned by your occasional reporter, assisted very kindly to sample the contents. It was pronounced by the "expert" to be deficient in quantity, but fit quality to be up to the standard bug juice of the present day.
 Olds Bros. have remodelled their saw and shingle mill, and are now ready to do first class work in all their branches.
 O. A. Willoughby, blacksmith, has invested a calf sharpener for horse shoes. It is said by competent judges to excel anything of the kind hitherto invented. Oiler has applied for a patent.
 Last evening a very enthusiastic Scott Act meeting was held in the C. M. Church here. Some telling speeches were delivered by visiting ministers and others. The W.C.T.U., of Athens, rendered some valuable assistance.

The public school trustees, from an advertisement in the Daily Globe, received some twenty-five applications as teachers for 1899. The board, however, secured the services of Mrs. H. L. Kerr, of this place, at a salary of \$300 per annum. No courting the village school marks this year.
CAINTOWN.
 Miss Jennie Bowser has been made the recipient of the following address by her pupils at Caintown:
 Dear Teacher.—Another year has rolled around which brings to our minds the sad reality of our parting. As year after year rolls past we are waiting and watching for the merry Christmas dinner, with the joyful memories of the past, yet the sad feelings of separation from our teachers make us sorrowful, reminding us that in the midst of pleasure sorrow abounds. And at this moment, with our bright anticipation for the coming Christmas, so near at hand, our heads are bowed in sorrow to know that we are on the eve of separation from one whose counsel has always been high and noble, one that has always done all in her power to instruct and cultivate our minds to higher attainments, to fit us, not only to rock the

mighty universe in the cradle of perfection, but also, what is still better, by her precepts and example, has pointed us with unerring finger to that better land beyond, where parting shall be no more.

Now, dear and kind teacher, as a remembrance of the respect we owe you, we present you with this small token which please accept in kind remembrance of those who love you; and for any pain and sorrow we may have thoughtlessly given you in our youthful impulses, we ask your forgiveness.
 We now bid you good-bye, and when meeting and parting in this world is over may it be our good fortune to meet you in the better world beyond where parting shall be no more.
 "Though in distant lands we sigh,
 Far from beneath the hostile sky,
 Though the deep beneath us roll,
 Friendship shall still be true and bold,
 Still in fancy's rich domain,
 O'er shall we meet again!"

ESCOTT.
 SATURDAY, JAN. 12.—Mr. N. V. S. Mallory, of Sharbot Lake, is at home. Mr. C. N. Mallory, M. P., has gone to Frankville to take charge of his business.
 A Blue Ribbon Society has been started here for children, instead of a Band of Hope.
 Our genial blacksmith has rented his shop to Mr. Wm. Moxley who takes possession on Monday next. Mr. Thompson thinks of going to California for his health.

Where the "Dickettys" is our partner. Our church is not finished. Next Monday is to be a meeting of ladies to meet a deputation of the W. C. T. U., for purpose of organizing our men.
 We earnestly hope that all will come and help fight the cursed fiend, Alcohol.
 It is alarming the number of wedding bells we expect will ring in the near future.
 We understand that Mr. Delmer Dowley has produced a pretty good article. Handy man, and too bad leap year is past, isn't it girls? Escott is the home of genius. We can not only get up a string band, but we can make our own instruments. Already we have a violin zither and a tace viol.

JUNES II.
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EDITOR ATHENS REPORTER:
 Dear Sir.—My attention has been drawn to a certain position circulated for signatures for the repeal of the Scott Act, in the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville. I beg my readers to bear in mind that during the period from the time the Scott Act came in force up to the present the party of the Antis has been that there was more liquor sold and drunk than when the license Act was in force. If this theory was correct, why not let the Act alone? Why circulate a petition to repeal it, if the Antis were selling more liquor and doing a better business and sending more souls to ruin than before? I say again, why do the Antis want to repeal it? Oh, fellow countrymen, they must think us ignorant as the people in the jungles of Africa. When people become educated they can see the great arguments which exist against the manufacture and sale of alcohol, and can see that from the time it issues from the cooled and poisonous worm in the distillery until it empties into the hell of death, diabolism and crime, it is

demoralizing to every body that touches it. I do not believe that any person not excepting the 2 1/2 billion, can contemplate the subject for one moment without being proof against the traffic. All he has to do is to contemplate the wrecks on either side of the alcohol of death of the insanity, of the perversity, of the destitution, of the little children asking weeping wives for bread, of the men of genius it has wrecked, and of the man struggling with imaginary serpents, and he will see this devilish thing—and when you think of the jills, of the almshouses, of the prisons and of the scaffolds on either hand, and sometimes the pulpit, I do not wonder that every man pronounced against the still called alcohol. It must require great courage for the Antis to say that they are selling more liquor and doing a larger business, as above described, than when the license Act was in force. If Mr. Antis would read the presentment of the grand jury to the judge of the assizes held in the Town of Brockville, wherein the jailer's books for 1895 and 1896 were compared, he would find in the year 1895, under the license system, from the first day of May to the first day of October, there were 106 commitments for drunkenness, and in 1896, for the same period under the Scott Act, which is only a stepping stone prohibition, there were only 56 commitments for drunkenness, a gain of 50 in behalf of the Scott Act. I ask Mr. Antis's attention to the Brockville Times of Oct. 14, 1887, which says, "Statistics compared in referring to the committee for the year ending Sept. 30, 1885, it was learned that there were 214 committed during the year, while during the last year only 119 were committed. In 1884-5, the committee of persons being drunk and disorderly numbered 80, while the commitments for the same charge during the year that has just closed amounted to 24, a decrease of 70 per cent." Every man who votes against the Scott Act, which is a stepping stone to prohibition, has on his hands and forehead the blood of souls." When he sees that the Scott Act has done, and is not in force quite three years; and not equipped our prisons and reform our fellow beings at the rate of 70 per cent., which no license law has as yet done.

My fellow voters, can you cast your votes in favor of the motto: Temperance, which cuts down youth in its vigor, manhood in its strength and age in its weakness, and slays more of our fellow beings than any other cause,—war, slavery, gunpowder, railroads, and bridges, earth not excepted—and sinks them still lower than the drunkard's grave?

My fellow countrymen, upon whom rests the destiny of our beloved country, upon which the smiling of Heaven bestows with retarding gifts, can you vote for that monicker evil, which breaks the father's heart, bereaves the dotting mother, extinguishes natural affections, erases conjugal love, blasts filial attachments, blights parental hopes and brings grief and pain in sorrow to the grave. It produces weakness, not strength; sickness not health; death, not life. It makes wives widows; children, orphans; fathers, seniles; and all parents. It feeds cholera, typhoid fever, cholera, welcomes epidemics, invites cholera, imparts pestilence, and embraces corruption. It covers the land with misery, idleness, and crime. It engenders controversies, fosters the rancor, debases the rights, dishonors the statesman, disgraces the pulpit and disarms the patriot. It brings shame, not honor; terror, not happiness; despair, not hope; misery, not joy. It does this, and all because of a few drops of the vile liquor, known as the Grennan Hill, near the Stevens settlement, without the least trouble whatever.

Council matters are passing off very quickly. The deputy-reeves are on a still hunt.
 Our school trustees have secured Miss Mand Myers as teacher for S. S. No. 9, for the year 1899. Miss Myers has been a student at the Farmersville, now Athens, high school for the past three years.
 Report says that the members of the A.O.U.W., of this place, intend, in the near future, having an oyster supper. After the oysters they intend to treat the audience to some speeches, music, recitations, etc.
 I think, by the soft weather we are having at present, that the wheel which turns around the seasons, fall, winter, etc., has switched us off on the Pacific coast. The cattle are out all most every day grazing in the fields.
 A horse warming, or surprise party, was held at Alfred Williams' last Friday night. The crowd took their own oysters, etc., with them. Mr. Williams has just got settled in his new house built since the burning of the old one.