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### Perth County Notes.

The I. O. F. of Staffa, intend holding a ball and supper in a short time.  
 Newton is going to have a gala day this fall on or about the first of October.  
 H. Jack, of Newton, shipped a car load of hogs to Toronto, on Friday 11th inst.  
 The Anderson people are talking of starting a literary society for enjoyment during the fall and winter months.  
 The attendance at the St. Marys Collegiate Institute is over 160. This is an increase on last year at this time.  
 An unusually large number from Mitchell and vicinity attended the Industrial Exhibition at Toronto last week.  
 The Edison General Electric Company have closed a contract for a complete incandescent plant for the Classic C. flour mill.  
 Wm. J. Hamilton, of Milverton, has left for Montreal and will enter McGill College to complete himself for the ministry.  
 There are cases of diphtheria in three families in Stratford but it has not been found necessary to close the schools.  
 The amount of water consumed in Stratford Saturday, Sept. 12, according to the Water Supply Co's register, was 455,192 gallons.  
 J. H. Flagg, the champion temperance advocate of Canada, is attending the annual meeting of the council of the Dominion Alliance, now in session at Toronto.  
 The Rev. A. H. Drum, of Avonton, was married at Georgetown on Sept. 10. On his arrival home a reception was tendered him by the congregation at the Temperance Hall.  
 St. Marys papers should shut down on ministers blowing their own horn. So much self praise lowers the dignity of the pulpit, as well as exposes the weakness of the individual.—Mitchell Advocate.  
 Wm. Dunbar, of Newton, had the misfortune of having his hand badly lacerated on Thursday, Sept. 17, while unloading peas at Mr. Davidson's with the hay fork. He had it caught in the pulley.  
 The "Patent Reversible Harrow Tooth and Clip" swindler has been in Milverton vicinity and in consequence W. H. Dorland and Mr. Upton have been relieved of some of their hard earned cash.  
 Mr. Osier has been retained by the petitioner against Mr. Trow's election in South Perth. Curious revelations will come to light at the trial, in which many prominent men in Mitchell, Stratford, and St. Marys will figure.  
 The lumber business under Wm. McDonald's efficient management has grown to such proportions that he is now having a siding run into his yard at Newton for the better accommodation of himself and his customers. Up to the present date he has unloaded between thirty and forty car loads here this season.  
 Rev. Robert Kerr, Rector of St. George's church, St. Catharines, who is well and favorably known in Mitchell, will preach harvest thanksgiving sermons in Trinity church, Mitchell, on Sunday, Sept. 27. The church will be decorated with grain, fruit, etc., for the occasion. Next evening a festival will be held in the town hall, at which interesting addresses will be given.  
 In Kinkora, on Monday morning, Aug. 31, Patrick Collins, in his ninetieth year, succumbed to an illness that had troubled him for a number of years. He came to this country in 1839, and settled on lot 1, con. 4, Logan, the following year. The respect and esteem in which he was held was evinced by the large concourse of friends and neighbors who assembled to pay the last tribute to one who was always ready to lend a hand to his fellow beings. His family numbered four, only two of whom survive—Michael Collins and Mrs. E. Brown.  
 Mrs. Agnes Hay, formerly of Fullarton, relict of the late Wm. Hay, died at Elderslie, near Paisley, on Aug. 22. Deceased and her husband came to Canada in 1821, and settled in the township of Dalhousie, where they remained over twenty years, and then left and went to what was called the Huron tract, when her husband died, having bought 200 acres in the township of Fullarton; she then lived with her oldest son, William. In the meantime a son and daughter went to Paisley and engaged in business and a few years after she went with her son who bought some land in Elderslie.  
 The Revising Barrister for South Perth has fixed the following dates for courts in connection with the revision of the Dominion voters' lists for this riding:—Fullarton, at township hall, on Tuesday, Oct. 6th. Hibbert, at township hall, on Thursday, Oct. 8th. Downie, at township hall, on Saturday, Oct. 10th. Mitchell, at town hall, on Monday, Oct. 12th. Osborne, at township hall, on Tuesday, Oct. 13th. Blanchard, at township hall, on Wednesday, Oct. 14th. St. Marys, at fire hall, on Friday, Oct. 16th. The last day for giving notice for additions to or removals from the lists are:—Downie, Sept. 26th; Mitchell, 28th; Osborne, 29th; Blanchard, 30th; St. Marys, Oct. 2nd. All notices to be sent to E. Sidney Smith, revising barrister, Stratford, and notices have also to be sent to all names appealed against.

### Huron County Notes.

Morris Branch fall show will be held at Blyth on Oct. 8th and 9th.  
 Ethel has a new ivory stable now, managed by Ephraim Cober. He keeps three horses and outfits.  
 Bluevale is to have a gala day on Sept. 26th. Liberal prizes will be given for baseball, football and other sports.  
 We regret to learn of the death of Henry Waters, of Egmondville, which occurred on Tuesday night of last week.  
 Miss Marie Casson, daughter of Rev. Mr. Casson, Seaford, left the other day for Cobourg, where she is taking a term at the Ladies' College.  
 On Sunday, Sept. 13, while moving about the house, Mrs. Mountcastle, of Clinton, had the misfortune to fall down and break her thigh bone.  
 Mr. Black, who has so successfully operated the grist mill at Gorrie, has bought the Wroeter mill and commenced operations last week.  
 Charles Chisholm, who went to St. Thomas with the Goderich volunteers, won the prize for the best target marksman in the said company. Bravo, Charlie.  
 Messrs. Duff and Stewart, of Bluevale, have manufactured about 80,000 broom handles for Mr. Thompson, of Teeswater. It takes a good deal of rattling to make 80,000 sticks smooth.  
 Mrs. M. Raymann, sr., of Cranbrook, died very suddenly Sept. 11. She was at one of the neighbors the evening before and on her way home took a paralytic stroke and died next day about noon.  
 Eleven Councils of the Order of Royal Templars of Temperance of the county of Huron were represented at a meeting for the formation of a District Council held in the Oddfellows hall, Seaford, last week.  
 We are pleased to learn that H. I. Strang, B. A., the well-known and popular head master of the Goderich High school, was elected a life member of the West Huron Teachers' Convention, held at Clinton last week.  
 It is said, to the disgrace of Morris township that two women who were living in the same house had a hand-to-hand fight not long since and the husband of one of the pugilists was an onlooker. This is surely not an evidence of the enlightenment of the 19th century.  
 When returning from church Sunday evening, Sept. 13, a vicious horse grabbed a prominent East Wawanosh lady by the shoulder and shook her till unconscious before the owner could get it under control. The young lady did not receive any dangerous wounds, but she thinks she had an exceedingly narrow escape from mortal injury.  
 Here is a novel penalty. Information was laid by the officers of the Salvation Army, Clinton, against a youth named Cassels, on a charge of disturbing the services. The case came up before Reeve Manning, who found the prisoner guilty, but instead of imposing the customary fine, he made him pay the costs and take the pledge to remain sober, a fine to be levied if at any time while in town the prisoner violates his pledge.  
 The editor of the Expositor has to thank Robert Jamieson, the genial proprietor of the Golden Lin store, Seaford, for a "sprig of shillaly," in the shape of a genuine black thorn cane, direct from Ireland, which Mr. Jamieson brought with him on his recent return from the old country. We presume it is intended as a convenient and convenient instrument with which to pound political economy into the craniums of recalcitrant Tories at election times.  
 The price of eggs in England is of importance now that the American market has been closed to us. D. D. Wilson, of Seaford, recently sold a consignment in England, so a special cable dispatch stated, at 8 shillings per long 100 (10 dozen), about 10 cents per dozen. It must not be forgotten, however, that eggs in that market are graded according to size, and the consignment in question was graded as firsts, weighing from 16 to 17 pounds per dozen. At the same time seconds were sold at 16 cents; these weighing less than 8 to a pound at 14 cents, and small eggs (the greater part of our spring product) at as low as 11 cents per dozen. While shippers can save themselves and generally make a profit on the larger sized eggs, such profits are swallowed up by the loss of 3 cents or more on the large number of small sized eggs.  
 The action of Ronald vs. the town of Sault Ste. Marie, which was tried at the spring chancery sittings at Goderich, will be remembered as of general interest. It was an action by J. D. Ronald, the well known Brussels manufacturer, for \$6,200, the price of a steam fire engine and its appliances and interest thereon, or in the alternative for specific performance of an agreement to purchase the engine by delivering debentures, etc. The learned judge, Mr. Robertson, delivered judgment in Toronto recently, in which he holds that under the original resolutions and the acceptance of the engine and the defendants having treated and dealt with it as their own, the contract became executed and the defendants are liable for the purchase money. Judgment for the plaintiff upon the debentures with costs. Garrow, Q. C., for the plaintiff. Idington, Q. C., and Farewell (Sault Ste. Marie) for the defendants.

### Logan.

Next Sunday Rev. Mr. Brandon will deliver an address to the children. Subject, "Gathering honey."  
 Mrs. Davey, accompanied by her daughter, Miss Emma, spent last week visiting friends and attending the fair in Goderich.  
 A meeting of the Missouri Synod is to be held in the Lutheran church on the 6th con. It is to be continued all this week and some twenty ministers are expected to be present.  
 The following persons from this locality attended the Industrial last week: Richard Wilkinson and wife, John Prueter and wife, and Adam Kistner. Mr. Wilkinson has continued his trip, going to Muskoka, where he is visiting friends for a short time.  
 A very successful Sabbath school entertainment was held in the Logan church on Tuesday evening last. Rev. Mr. Tully and Mr. Nethercott, of Mitchell school work; Mr. Hord gave one of his select readings, and besides other recitations well rendered, the choir poured forth in its usual hearty manner, altogether making a very enjoyable evening. The receipts netted \$31.  
 Mrs. Pride, of Atwood, who has been ill at her mother's for some time has regained her usual health.  
 A number of people from around here attended the opening of the new Lutheran church at Monkton last Sunday.  
 A new bridge is being built across the creek on Mr. Struthers' side road. At present the road is scarcely passable.  
 John Whitney, who was one of the old residents of Mornington, died last Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Whitney had suffered for more than two years from cancer, as well as a complication of other diseases, all of which he bore with Christian fortitude and patience. His whole life, indeed, in health as well as in illness, being an example of Christian rectitude. The deceased came to Poole from the eastern provinces in the year 1848. He was twice married, his first wife being a Miss Hunter, a sister of Mrs. Wm. Scott, of Poole, and his second a Miss Coulter, of Milverton. A family of two sons and one daughter survive him. For years before his death deceased was a devoted and consistent member of the Methodist church and his death is generally regretted.

### Brussels.

Two cents on the dollar will be the rate of taxation in Brussels this year.  
 Edison's wonderful phonograph will be one of the attractions of the East Huron fall fair.  
 Workmen are building the stone wing walls at the south end of the iron bridge at Brussels.  
 East Huron fall fair at Brussels on Thursday and Friday, Oct. 1st and 2nd. Don't forget the dates.  
 Melville church W. F. M. S. recently dispatched a box of clothing valued at \$50 to the Indian missions in the Northwest.  
 Rev. John Ross, B. A., is preaching an interesting series of sermons on Sabbath evenings on the mountains of the Bible.  
 A. Kenig moved into the new American hotel last week and is getting nicely settled in his very comfortable quarters.  
 W. Roddick was away on a holiday outing to Oshawa, Cobourg, Rochester, and "round" and got back on Tuesday of last week.  
 Miss Maggie, eldest daughter of D. Stewart, is now filling the position of precentor in the Mount Forest Presbyterian church, with great acceptance.  
 George Crooks expects to become a resident of Brussels next spring and with that intention has purchased a house and lot from T. Watson, sr., of Harriston.  
 On Thursday, Sept. 17, a match took place here between Brussels and Seaford gun clubs, seven men on a side. The shooting averaged well, seaford winning by 4 birds.  
 Brussels football team went to Hensall on Wednesday of last week and played a match with the home club and associates at their fall fair. The result was a draw, 1 to 1.  
 A telegram was received here on Tuesday, Sept. 8, intimating that Wm. Rivers, who resides on his farm in West Oxford, near Woodstock, had been suddenly killed. He was a younger brother of Samuel Rivers, of this place.  
 On Sunday, 27th inst., at 3 p. m., the members of Court Princess Alexandra, C. O. F., together with visiting brethren will march from the Lodge room to the Methodist church, where Rev. G. F. Salton will preach the annual Society sermon.  
 On Tuesday, Sept. 8, Wm. Ward, brother to Mrs. John Hill and Bishop Ward, of this place, died at his home at St. Paul, Nebraska, aged 51 years. The deceased had been ailing for the past ten years and his death was not altogether unexpected from his disease. Mr. Ward was a resident of Brussels at one time, marrying a Miss Johnson here. She and nine children survive him.

### Donegal.

Try THE BEE for the balance of the year. 25c. only.  
 David Edgar, wife and family, of Ayr, were visiting friends in this vicinity last week.  
 Everybody is busy threshing this weather and comments on the big yields of grain are numerous.  
 J. T. Anderson, S. Taggart, G. Henry, and a number of others are attending the Western Fair this week.  
 We were shown the other evening three very large cucumbers whose respective lengths were 23 1/4 inches, 22 1/4 and 18 inches. Their weights were 3 lbs. 4 oz., 3 lbs. 5 oz., and 2 lbs. 2 oz. The three giving a total length of 5 ft. 3 1/2 in., and weighing 8 lbs. 11 oz. They were the property of Miss A. Aldred, and were of the English Manchester variety. Miss Aldred also reports taking 124 from a bed occupying less than 20 square feet of ground and they are yet producing.

### Stratford.

There are 2,451 voters in this city.  
 The boulevarding about the city never looked handsomer.  
 People who changed their light underclothing for winter wear are sorry they did so now.  
 The arresting of a number of young lads for stealing plums had a wholesome effect upon others so inclined.  
 Archie McIntosh, of Listowel, was the purchaser of the American house, this city, Wednesday, the consideration being \$7,100.  
 N. P. Buckingham, B. A., a clever young man, and son of Wm. Buckingham, has decided to engage in the practice of his profession as a barrister and solicitor at Boissevain, Man.  
 A lady of this city is the proud possessor of a clock, all of the works of which are made of wood, that is 150 years old. It is quite a curiosity and keeps excellent time.  
 While working about some machinery in Porteous & McLagan's furniture factory, Stratford, on Saturday Sept. 12, a boy named Martin Seiferle had two fingers on his right hand taken off.  
 The truant officer is making it quite interesting for those children who prefer playing "poke" to going to school. One or two of them have been locked up in the coop and others will be served in a like manner.  
 W. C. Babcock, of Stratford, has just heard from W. H. Mithman, that the official reports place the probable output of winter apples this year in Prince Edward County alone at a 1/4 million barrels. The buyers there are paying 80c. per barrel.  
 Vinson Stephano, an Italian scissor-grinder, who has labored in Stratford and vicinity for the past six years in that useful capacity, left on Saturday, Sept. 12, for "Sunny Italy," where he will engage in evangelistic work among his countrymen.  
 It is reported that W. A. Miller, formerly a brakeman employed on the G. T. R. here, was killed out on the Montana Central Railroad recently. He was a young man of bright promise and his untimely demise is much to be regretted.  
 Preachers are as a rule very canny. Now they are denouncing the boodlers in great shape, but it is worthy of note that they were mum on the subject of Ottawa boodling until the Quebec scandal came up. The fact that both parties were implicated gave them courage.  
 Mrs. Duncan, an elderly woman was struck by an incoming train on the Goderich track Wednesday morning and was knocked insensible. She was picked up and carried to her home and medical aid summoned, but to no avail. Her skull was fractured. She is not expected to recover.

### The Progress of Prohibition.

The following extract is from the report of the Executive Committee of the Ontario Branch of the Dominion Alliance: "The present position of the prohibition cause in the Province of Ontario and in the Dominion of Canada is of deep interest and grave importance. By far the greater part of Canada and a very large proportion of our population are under prohibitory laws. Nearly every branch of the Christian Church, at every representative gathering makes strong declarations in favor of total prohibition. The number of personal abstainers is very great. Our per capita consumption of liquor is remarkably small. Temperance sentiment against the liquor traffic is growing steadily in strength and extent. In the year 1875 there were in Ontario 6,185 persons licensed to sell strong drink. In the year 1890, notwithstanding an increased population, the number was only 3,560. The history of the Scott Act in this Province, notwithstanding the difficulties in the way of its enforcement, stands out to-day a magnificent object lesson to the world on the advantages of prohibitory law. We have great reason for gratitude at the success that has crowned our efforts, an abundant incentive to determined and persistent work on every hope. We are in confidence that before long the legalized drink traffic, the disgrace that attends it, and many of the evils that follow in its train, will have become a thing of the past."

### COMMUNICATIONS.

#### Poultry for Profit.

To the Editor of THE BEE.  
 DEAR SIR.—Which is the most profitable breed of poultry for this climate? Well, now, I am going to give you my opinion on the matter this week and I hope somebody will be kind enough to give me their opinion next week. I have had a good deal of experience with poultry and have found out that there are crosses which are as good if not better than any breed by itself. Now the Brahmas are a good large fowl for the table, but they eat too much and take too much of their time up in setting, instead of laying. The Leghorns and Spanish are too small and hard to fatten and are too tender to stand the winter. The Games are easy kept, always fat, splendid layers and very hardy. Plymouths are about the same as the Games only smaller; but taking it all through, I think the Games crossed with any other breed, can cap them all, and if people would try this, they would find a great difference both in the laying and size.

POULTRYMAN.  
 Listowel, Sept. 21st, 1891.

#### The Methodist Ecumenical Council.

Forty-five million Methodists will be represented in the Ecumenical Council that is to convene in Washington from Oct. 7 to 20. It will be the second such great council in the history of the church, the first having been held in London ten years ago. At the coming one in Washington 500 delegates will be present, 300 from America, 200 from the rest of the world. This proportion represents the relative numbers of adherents of the church of John Wesley in the eastern and western worlds. The great council that is to meet is in no sense authoritative, but deliberative. The power that it wields will be a moral power, but it will be none the less felt. The council has piled up for itself a large pyramid of work. It will endeavor to discuss and make recommendations on all the general leading questions of the day and those of the Methodist church in particular. Among these burning topics, so to speak, are the Women Question; the Labor and Capital Subject; Romanism, Its Present Position as a Political and Religious Power; the Church and Temperance Reform; the Bible and Modern Criticism; Marriage and Divorce, and the Church and Scientific Thought. These are not a quarter of the topics laid out for this council to settle. If these learned and devout men succeed in disposing satisfactorily of even one or two of them, they will do more than all the rest of the world has been able to accomplish.

#### Additional Local Items.

THE Kingsville Reporter tells of a man catching eight fish with four lifts of the line. Guess he was "lyin."  
 ATWOOD grain and produce market is beginning to boom. Farmers know where they get the top price and satisfactory dealing.  
 DR. PARKE, of Listowel, was the doctor consulted by Dr. Rice on James Stewart's case, on Dr. Rutherford, as reported last week.  
 You need a new winter suit of clothes or an overcoat, don't you? Call on Currie, he carries a splendid stock of tweeds and worsteds.  
 THE Rev. J. F. Park, Rector of Christ's church, Listowel, will preach a special sermon on confirmation in St. Alban's church next Sunday evening, at 7 o'clock.  
 THE August cheese from the various factories in this locality was shipped Wednesday, 10c. per pound was realized. Newry factory, we understand, receiving a slight advance on this price.  
 OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES uttered the immortal saying, "It was better to be seventy years young than forty years old." The doctor himself now has the great happiness of showing to the world what it is to be eighty-two years young.  
 S. H. HARDING, Principal of the Public school, was in Stratford last Saturday. Mr. Harding is Secretary Treasurer of the North Perth Teachers' Association and was helping to arrange the program for the meeting that is soon to be held.  
 THE Monetary Times handles the Patrons of Industry stores roughly. It says: "For eighteen months A. E. Brasher has been endeavoring to establish himself as a general storekeeper in Lucknow, but without success. He appears to have bid too much for trade when he offered the Patrons of Industry a special discount. This probably swamped his profits and he has now assigned."  
 R. H. KNOX, Science Master in the Georgetown school, will accept our thanks for a neatly gotten up copy of the first calendar of the Ontario School of Elocution and Oratory, Toronto. His talented sister, Miss Agnes Knox, is a member of the faculty for the session 1891-2. We have never had the pleasure of listening to Miss Knox, but from reading the eulogistic press notices, we would not hesitate designating her the Queen of Elocution.