

NEWS OF THE DISTRICT

TOFIELD.

Bulletin News Service. The old timers around Tofield were glad to see Jack Norris in their midst the other day. Jack used to hunt buffaloes on the hills around the town, so he says.

The Union C.E. Methodist and Presbyterian held its social at the house on Monday, 21st inst. It was a successful success.

Heartfelt sympathy is felt for Mr. and Mrs. Eaton, who arrived here only three weeks ago from Oklahoma, upon the death of their daughter, Gladie, aged about 13 years. Miss Eaton died from typhoid fever, contracted in the States before leaving.

Sincere regret is expressed for the death of Mr. Neal, the beloved wife of Mr. Harris Neal, who has been in the locality for a number of years.

A number of folk are sick about town from colds and the effects of chills.

Wake up, town fathers! What about the water supply?

It is rumored that there will be a Lutheran educational college near Band Hill shortly.

Consultations to Mr. P. B. Anderson upon the recovery of his little child.

The local agent of Massey-Harris is doing a roaring business.

All are sorry to hear Mr. H. Phillips' only child is ill.

Buildings in construction and contemplated are as follows: Guy Downs on Main street, is nearly finished; report says Mr. S. Hall will build on present P.O. and drug store site; splendid brick window covering block; Rev. R. Williams is building a new house south of town; I. B. Harper is thinking of building a palatial residence; Miss Kellnes, a large block on Main street south; N. Smith is proposing a large erection south of hardware store. "Go it Tofield," March 28th.

The local farmers are not getting hunting. They have been cutting wheat sown and are busy plowing.

Goose hunting has commenced. A party went out the other day, but the only geese that came back carried guns.

Mr. and Mrs. Billington were glad to seek again the sunshine of Alberta from the wintry blasts of Dakota.

Summer birds are quickly arriving. Mark Ferguson is expecting a boom in his trade, as he has secured a new stitching machine just installed.

Chris Hammond has opened a shop for all kinds of tin and light metal work and has secured a contract for erecting furnace, etc., of Ryley Hotel.

Sincere sympathy is felt for the family of Miss Tillie Dean, who is now ill.

The local W.R.U. has started a branch of the Royal Temperance Union.

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IRMA.

Bulletin News Service. On Thursday, March 17th, the Ladies' Aid in connection with the Methodist Church gave an Irish concert, which was very successful.

H. M. Rutledge, the following taking part: Mrs. Armstrong, song; Mr. Campbell, song; Mr. J. Tate, reading; the Misses Benwick, song; Mrs. Clark, instrumental; Mr. Glendinning, recitation; Mr. Clark, song; Mr. Ripley, recitation; T. O. Clark, reading; Mr. A. J. Fyrett, reading. Lunch was served by the ladies during an interval, and the program was continued as follows: Mrs. Clark, song; the Misses Benwick, duet; Mrs. Armstrong, song. After which a pleasant evening was brought to a close with the singing of the National Anthem.

On Wednesday the 16th, J. G. Clark had a very successful sale of horses and cattle, the auctioneer being J. W. Stuart.

D. A. M. McGeehan has purchased a very stylish black team.

H. S. Purvis left for Sedgewick on the 15th, with C. P. Purvis, druggist from Sedgewick, who has been up the business here for the present, with Mrs. Purvis and child and Miss Elliott.

Mrs. H. S. Purvis left to join her husband in Sedgewick on Tuesday last.

During the past week several home-steaders returned to their homes.

Amongst others were Mr. C. M. McLeod, Mr. and Mrs. Graydon, Mr. and Mrs. Shepard, Mr. and Mrs. T. Shaw and Mr. W. Clark.

Mr. Love has purchased a gasoline engine about.

Miss F. MacGregor opened the Strawberry Plains School some time ago as teacher.

During the past week many of the farmers commenced seeding.

The tennis court has afforded much amusement to the local enthusiasts during the past ten days.

J. G. Clark fell from a ladder on Friday last and broke his collar bone.

J. W. Stuart shipped in a car load of horses last week, which were sold on Saturday and fetched good prices.

Clifton Purvis visited his home from Saturday to Monday.

A meeting in connection with the local baseball club was held on Saturday.

Today building operations were commenced at Mr. D. Ambler's pool room and also Mr. Tolly's building, while last week Messrs. Stuart & Peterson erected a harness shop and implement shed.

The excavation for the basement of the new Methodist Church has just been finished and the building will start in the near future.

Born-To Mr. and Mrs. Ambler, a son.

Massey-Harris all-steel drill has a crane box that holds nearly five bushels.

Hamberlin's Stomach and Liver Tablets invariably bring relief to women suffering from chronic constipation, headache, indigestion, nervousness, salivary gland and dyspepsia. Sold by all dealers.

MELLOWDA' E.

Bulletin News Service. W. J. Johnston and son Frank, have returned from Edmonton where they have been for the winter, bringing with them a brother of Mr. Johnston and his wife from South Dakota. All the residents hope they intend taking up a homestead here.

J. W. Harris is busy building a new house he has completed.

Mrs. O. C. Blake has gone out to Edmonton to join her husband. They intend to return about June 1st.

If the weather continues a few days longer as it has for the past few weeks, the people of this district will be seeing.

Miss Olive Johnston has gone to Edmonton for a visit.

John Neat and Leonard Smith have just returned from Edmonton with supplies for the summer.

Glee club practice has been discontinued until after the busy season.

The basket social and masquerade ball March 15th was not so largely attended as was hoped for on account of the breaking up of the roads.

The next meeting was arranged to be held on July 24th at 10 a.m. at the home of Wm. MacOwan, Wabamun.

Wabamun, April 1st.

FORT SASKATCHEWAN.

Bulletin News Service. A social in connection with the Epworth League was held in the Methodist church here Tuesday evening. A pleasant time was spent with readings and recitations. An interesting feature of the evening was guessing the names of books in character. After an enjoyable program, supper was served to the guests; novelty menu cards were used. The gathering was for a fortnight for the young people of the school children.

A special sitting of the district court was held Wednesday in the new court house, presided over by Judge Taylor. The case of Hoffman, Brecheisen vs. up for hearing. This is an appeal from the decision of the magistrate.

The judge held the conviction to be of an account of excessive costs and so quashed the same.

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Mrs. W. A. Chambers and Mrs. Emer were visitors to the Capital Wednesday.

Mr. M. J. Williams, the manager of the Union Bank, has arrived and taken over his duties.

The school of St. George's church are at home to their friends and are serving tea in the rectory today from four until five o'clock.

Fort Saskatchewan, April 1st.

MINISTIK LAKE.

Bulletin News Service. Under the auspices of the Methodist church a social concert was given in the school house, got up by Mr. Chillum, the minister in charge of the mission, he was also assisted by several willing workers in the neighborhood. The chair was taken by Mr. Cooper, the Presbyterian minister of this district. A long and varied program was much enjoyed by all, which consisted of vocal and instrumental music, readings, recitations and dialogues. At the conclusion of the first half of the program some refreshments of great variety were served, given by the ladies of the district. Mrs. Eva and Miss Jessie Ferguson had charge of this part of the program and assisted by Mrs. M. G. McBean, Mrs. Poole, Mr. Cooper, Mr. Chillum, Mr. R. George, Mr. E. Snyder, Mr. Stanley George and Master H. Bachelder.

Some of the young bachelors are putting up new houses preparing to take in partners to share the joys of homesteading. Charlie Oliver, A. Boss, Robert Swabey and Stanley George are amongst the number.

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LASSEN.

Bulletin News Service. The gun club had a visit to Watergen on Saturday last to shoot for the Calgary Bowing cup, which is open to all clubs in Alberta excepting Calgary and Edmonton. The cup, which was formerly held by Ponoka and Red Deer, has been in the possession of the Watergen team for nearly three years. Although unable to bring back the trophy to Lassen the boys made a good showing, scoring 54 birds out of a 75-bird shoot. Watergen with a score of 61, still keeping possession of the cup. The combined score of the two teams on Saturday last was the highest yet made for the trophy. Lassen was represented by Messrs. J. Lastron, J. Olson, C. Dahl, J. Johnson and E. Birch.

Messrs. Zwickhoff & West have their hardware store now running with a full line of goods.

The first construction and grading camp on the G. T. R. is situated three miles south of town. Three more grading machines are expected this week and work on the right-of-way will be rushed forward from now on. One camp remains in town to complete the work in and near Lassen, left over from last fall.

Mr. Johnston, from Daysland, was in town this week purchasing a lot on Main street. He contemplated building a store at once.

Ploughing has started in full swing throughout the district during the last week and seeding will be finished unusually early this spring.

J. Grandy, of the De Laval Separator Co., was in town this week, accompanied by Sancy Aleckson, the agent for the company in Camrose.

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WABAMUN.

A council meeting of the I. D. No. 27-28-29, was held at the home of Wm. Stephenson, Lac Ste Anne on Saturday, March 26th. Members present

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