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TO ADVERTISERS.

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Local Notices.

All advance notices in the local columns of THE SIGNAL *of meetings or entertainments at which an admission fee is charged, or from which a pecuniary benefit is derived, must be paid for at the rate of one cent per word each insertion, no charge less than twenty-five cents. Where advertisements of entertainments are inserted a brief local will be given free.*

BORN.

AUSTIN—At Kingsbridge, on Dec. 29th, the wife of Mr P Austin, of a daughter.

ROBINSON—On the 3rd of January, the wife of James Robinson, of a daughter.

HORTON—On the 29th of Dec., 1889, the wife of A. Horton, Leeburn, of a son.

MARRIED.

MCLEOD—MCDONALD—In Ashfield, on the 25th inst., Miss Cassie McDonald, daughter of Rev K. McDonald, to Mr John McLeod, of Chicago.

JOHNSTON—MCLEAN—In Ashfield, on the 25th inst, Ellen McLean, daughter of Donald McLean, Isle of Skye, to William Johnston, of the same place, all of Ashfield.

DIED.

RHYNAS—In Goderich, on the 9th Jan., Francis George, youngest son of the late George Rhynas, aged three months.

The funeral will take place from his mother's residence, East-st., on Saturday, at 3 p.m.

LAWSON—In Colborne, on Jan. 9th, Catherine Elizabeth Lawson, second daughter of David Lawson, aged 12 years, 8 months and 5 days.

The funeral will take place from her father's residence, lot 2, Lake Road Shore West, on Saturday, Jan. 11th, at 2 o'clock p.m., to Maitland cemetery.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Mortgage Sale—E. N. Lewis.
Estray Heifer—Jas. McManus.
Rosaderma—H. Spencer Case.
Annual Meeting—Horace Horton.
Medical Dispensary—W. C. Goode.
System Renovator—J. M. McLeod.
Winter Millinery—The Misses Boland.
To Farmers—R. S. Williams, John Kernighan.
Notice to Contractors—Sam'l Lewis, D. Johnston, Jas. Robertson.

TOWN TOPICS.

"A chiel's amang ye, takin' notes,
An' faith he'll prent it."

Geo. Stewart continues to turn out the latest styles of photography at his parlor studio, corner Hamilton-st and Square.

A GOOD PRESENT.—The most useful gift you can make is to give a Wirt Pen. Apply to D. McGillicuddy, agent, Goderich.

If you don't want to get la grippe, you had better get some of the excellent underwear and overwear of F. & A. Pridham, the fashionable tailors.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union meet in the basement of North-st Meth church every Tuesday afternoon. Prayermeeting at 2.30, business meeting at 3.

For handsome mouldings, beautiful artotypes and photos that cannot be surpassed, the place to get them is at R. R. Sallows', and the time is any time during business hours. He can satisfy you.

The snow will bring sleighing, and that will enable farmers to move stoves. Just notice here that Saunders and Son are sole agents for the E. & C. Gurney Co's standard stoves and ranges, and that they carry a large stock on hand, and further that they are giving extra fine prices. Every stove is guaranteed a perfect baker. Call and see them at the cheapest house under the sun.

BRIEFLETS.

Mr Bedford Richardson has returned to Toronto.

Mr John Nairn, jr., returned to Detroit on Monday.

Miss Mary Ashley, of Detroit, is home visiting her parents in Goderich.

Miss F. Williams was confined to the house by indisposition during the week.

Mrs F Harding and son, of London, are at present visiting Mrs I. Coates, of this town.

Mr Geo Morris, of Guelph, was visiting old friends in the circular town the last week.

Mr D. Donaldson, of Sarnia, was visiting at the maternal residence on New Year's day.

Dr McDonagh will be in Goderich for consultation on the first Saturday of every month.

Mr Will Green, of Kincardine, is visiting friends and relatives in Goderich and vicinity.

Mrs G. Bissett, accompanied by her children, left last week to join her husband in Chicago.

Miss M. G. Robertson left for Essex Centre on Monday last to resume charge of her school there.

Knox Church Band of Hope will meet on Saturday, Jan. 11th, at 3 o'clock. All are invited to be present.

Miss Mabel McKnight, of Stratford, returned home last Tuesday after a ten days' visit to friends in Goderich.

Miss Price presided at the organ at St George's church last Sunday morning and evening in a most satisfactory manner.

Mr and Mrs Nelson, of St Thomas, were the past week visiting at the residence of the lady's mother, Mrs Stephen Yates.

Mr J. Gordon, wife and child, of St Thomas, were the past week visiting at the residence of the gentleman's parents, Mr and Mrs D. Gordon.

Mrs James Miller, Maple-st., has recovered from her recent severe indisposition.

Mrs Robert Wilson, Maple-st., was the recipient of very many valuable Christmas and New Year's gift presented by her friends at home and abroad.

Dr M Nicholson, the West-st dentist, makes the preservation of the natural teeth a specialty. Gas administered from 9 a. m. for the painless extraction of teeth.

We are requested to contradict the rumor that a son of Mr Magnus Swanson was afflicted with diphtheria. The lad has recovered from his recent slight indisposition.

Mrs W. S. Jamieson and family returned to their home at Niagara on Monday, after visiting at the residence of the former's parents, Mr and Mrs John Acheson.

Miss Dolly Weston left town on Tuesday last to visit her sister, Mrs Mann, in St. Paul, Minnesota. She intends to make a two weeks' stay over at Chicago on her way thither.

Mr Marlton will shortly lay the keel of a fishing tug. Mr M has already got a large portion of the frame work ready, so that the work will proceed rapidly as soon as the keel is laid.

Persons wishing to improve their memories or strengthen their power of attention should send to Prof. Loisette, 237 Fifth Ave., N. Y., for his prospectus post free, as advertised in another column. 10-tf

ANOTHER Q. C.—Our townsman, Mr E Campion, was the recipient of a New Year's present in the shape of a silk gown from Sir John Macdonald during the week. Hereafter his address will be "Edmund Campion, Q. C." Goderich is keeping up with the procession.

MISSIONARY ANNIVERSARY. — The anniversary missionary sermons of the Victoria-st Methodist church will be preached next Sunday by the Rev T. Wesley Cosens, of Seaforth. This young minister has abilities above the average, and also has the reputation of being one of the best young preachers of the Guelph Conference.

The Royal Templars of Temperance supper and concert is deferred to 21st inst., to perfect the arrangements. The public may expect an entertainment of unusual merit, as the names on the program will include the best local talent of the town. Look out for posters next week. Members' meeting next Tuesday in the Hall as usual.

PUBLIC SCHOOL OPENING.—The public schools opened Tuesday with the following teachers for 1890: Principal, R. Park, and Misses Blair, Sharman, Allie Sharman, A. Campbell and M. Cooke, Central. Principal, Miss F. Williams, and Miss Addison, St David's ward; Principal, Miss Burritt, and Miss McLean, St Patrick's ward; Principal, Miss Watson, and Miss Aikenhead, St Andrew's ward.

GOT A GOOD POSITION.—We congratulate our townsman, Mr A. McD. Allan, on his appointment to the position of outside manager of the Imperial Produce Company, of Toronto, a position which his business ability and tact well qualify him to fill. This company is formed for the purpose of carrying on a brokerage and commission business, acting between the producers and the consuming markets of both the United Kingdom and Greater Britain, including our local markets.

THINGS ARE NOT WHAT THEY SEEM.—Along about noon on polling day, Dr Whitely drove furiously to the poll with the redoubtable John Sheehan in his carriage. Mr Proudfoot and some friends were standing on the sidewalk as John and the Doctor drove past, and John's humorsome phiz had more than its usual fun in it. Shortly after the close of the poll, and when Proudfoot's election was assured, Sheehan hove in sight, and remarked to the reeve in his own persuasive style, "Misther Proudfut; shure appayrinces war agin me today, so they wor; but, Misther Proudfut, appayrinces is often desaitful." And those who remembered seeing John driven in state by the Doctor in the forenoon, joined in the laugh at the witty sally of the jovial Hibernian.

REV MR RICHARDSON AND THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC.—The downpour of rain last Sabbath evening thinned the congregation at North-st Methodist church, but the service was one of more than usual interest. The preacher took for a text 2nd Chronicles, 15: 8, from which he showed the depravity of human nature as exhibited in the old forms of idol worship. Then he showed the evil of our modern "National Drink Idol:"—(1) It is expensive—it destroys over two million bushels of grain and wastes $32,000,000 of our money annually. (2) It is fascinating—the convivality of the treating system frequently drags to ruin our brightest and best. (3) The example of men high in authority helps to make drinking popular; (4) The worship of this drink idol is demoralizing; (5) It is as much the duty of our Government to destroy this drink idol as it was for king Asa to put down the idol worship of his time. (6) The pulpits will continue to educate towards prohibition; (7) Good men in all churches and true temperance men on both sides of politics should unite on this one question. Prohibition, said the preacher, could be carried now if we were united. At the close of the sermon over seventy signed the total abstinence pledge. There will be a temperance prayermeeting in North-st. church once a quarter, when the pledge book will be presented for signatures.

Mr Jas. Strachan spent a few days in Amberly this week.

Mr W. A. Colborne left town yesterday to visit his father at Paisley.

Mr A. M. Robertson left on Saturday to take charge of a school near Auburn.

The High School opened with the following staff: head master H. I. Strang, B.A., A. J. Moore, B.A., S. P. Halls, B.A., P. Currie and Miss Charles.

The editor of the Wingham *Advance* and he of the Brussels *Post* recently received a Christmas turkey each. The other county editors got the "goose."

MISSIONARY MEETING.—The Rev A. E Russ, M. A., a returned missionary from the Pacific coast, will preach next Sabbath in North-st Methodist church.

DONATIONS TO THE POOR.—Among the donations to the poor during the holiday season was the gift of 50 lbs of meat to every church in town by Mr Wm. Bawden, and 100 lbs of flour to the needy of Knox church by Mr Hutchison, of the Big Mill.

The Goderich High School is booming. The attendance is 160 already, with more to come. There has been a large addition to the upper classes. Miss Charles, the recently appointed Modern Language teacher, has entered on her duties, and has made a most favorable impression.

Mr S. H. Clark, the distinguished reader, and his wife, Mrs Annie Fralick Clark, well-known in the eastern part of the Province as a singer, have been engaged to give a night of readings and song early in February for the H. S. Literary Society. Further particulars anon.

A CHANCE FOR A BUST.—Dr Richardson informs us that one day this week certain parties of predatory instincts got access to his dental rooms in the Opera House block, and abstracted a bust of Sir Walter Scott and two statuettes entitled "Mamma" and "Papa." A bust of Sir John was allowed to remain. If the party or parties will call again during business hours they may take the bust of Sir John, and no questions will be asked.

HERE'S A CHANCE FOR LIBEL, SURE — A gentleman who once enjoyed great parliamentary honors in the county of Huron, and a very clever scholar at the same time, writes a very indistinct hand. At one time a letter written by him had to be read before a court of justice. The clerk labored with it for a long while, and finally, in despair, handed it over to the author of the same, who was at a loss to read his own manuscript. This gentleman does not stand alone in the learned and great who in many cases could not read what they had written.—Wingham cor. Clinton New Era.

THE CAMEL AND THE DEACON.

The nominations now are made,
The candidates are ready,
The working pipes are now all laid,
The voters may get heady;
So we must hustle round, you know,
And every vote be seekin';
Get up and be a hustler.
Said the Camel to the Deacon.

I don't think that would be the thing—
You know it might miscarry,
And then it's "in the soup" I'd be,
And Proudfoot mightn't tarry;
He'd jump on me with both his feet
And do what any man will,
He'd slit my wizand, very neat,
Said the Deacon to the Camel.

Now Deacon, have you lost your head,
Or are you only funning?
That you're afraid if you're found out
That Proudfoot would go gunning.
And lift your scalp off from your head,
All gory and all reekin';
I thought of sterner stuff you're made,
Said the Camel to the Deacon.

Oh! Camel bold, you've got me cold,
When thus you do upbraid me;
It's mighty sudden, I'll take hold,
Now that you'll not gainsaid be.
Remember that in days of yore—
And Eighty-seven can tell—
Round brave Kintail I made them sore,
Said the Deacon to the Camel.

With that they both bent down to work,
From door to door they hurried,
And not one was allowed to shirk—
Each Tory vote was worried;
And none were to their judgement left,
And none allowed to weaken,
You've got to vote, or we'll be cleft,
Said the Camel and the Deacon.

Election day it came and went;
At 5 o'clock the poll closed,
The Camel to the Deacon sent,
But found the vote was foreclosed.
For Smith and Proudfoot on that night
Had heard full more than one tell
Of the little game to win the fight,
By the Deacon and the Camel.

MORAL.

Come all yez, in St. David's,
St. George's, Patrick's, Andrew's,
And listen to the warning
That's to you from this bad news:
Whene'er on politics you're bent,
Be sure there's no one peekin'
Or to McGinty you'll be sent
Like the Camel and the Deacon.

—RATZ.

AUCTION SALES.

All parties getting their sale bills printed at this office will get a free notice inserted in this list up to the time of sale.

A sale of household furniture will take place at Storey's old stand, Hamilton-st., on Saturday, Jan. 11th, at 1 o'clock p.m. No reserve. John Knox, auctioneer.

Chattel mortgage sale of effects at the marble works, Hamilton-st., Goderich, on Wednesday, Jan. 15th, at 1 o'clock p. m. Terms cash. John Knox, auctioneer.

THE ELECTIONS.

Results in Town and County—The Changes in Town.

The Dunganron Roorback on Reeve Proudfoot Falls of Effect—Deputy-Reeve Smith Does not Get Crowded Out.

The elections are over, and we're all glad they are. The fight for the Goderich reeveships was the feature in town. It was thought that at any rate the reeve as well as the mayor would be elected by acclamation, but early in the season His Honor of Keewatin, with a few chosen friends, quietly organized opposition to Mr Proudfoot, and at the proper time Dr Whitely was trotted up to the judges' stand to take part in the race. To this THE SIGNAL would not object if the candidates were allowed to run on their merits; but a systematic effort was made at the last minute, when no chance for rebuttal was possible, to handicap Mr Proudfoot by the publication and dissemination of false and misleading allegations against him. Fortunately the people of Goderich are not gudgeons and don't swallow everything thrown to them at the last minute, whether it be clothed in halting verbiage in a party newspaper controlled by a clique, or in the fervid oratory and fiery invective of an apostle of Blackstone. The charge against Proudfoot went off with a loud sound, but there was no bullet in the gun, and while the man at whose head it was levelled escaped unscathed, the fellows who held the weapon to their shoulders received a terrible "kick." The rockets and Chinese lanterns prepared to celebrate the Doctor's victory were not used and cad be had at a discount for cash.

The fight between deputy-reeve Smith and Mr McLean was a keen one, but although the latter was "quite a worker," and worked hard, the plucky little deputy led the procession from start to finish.

In St Andrew's ward the old members were elected.

In St Patrick's ward Messrs Holt, Pridham and Sloane headed the poll, the former taking the largest vote ever given by the ward.

THE VOTE IN TOWN.

FOR REEVE No 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Proudfoot.. 31	42	68	56	52	58	31	—339
Whitely.... 62	50	39	23	30	62	41	—307

Proudfoot's majority 32

FOR DEPUTY.							
Smith 42	47	58	40	43	60	40	—330
McLean .. 52	45	48	38	39	62	29	—314

Smith's majority..... 16

ST. ANDREW'S WARD.

Cantelon	83	52—135
Naftel	84	50—134
Reid	78	55—133
Strachan	71	33—104

ST. PATRICK'S WARD.

Holt	82	78—160
Pridham	74	49—123
Sloane	59	36— 95
McKenzie.....	56	38— 94

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
For cows..	75	37	38	53	47	71	47	—368
Against ...	16	24	53	17	23	51	20	—204

Majority for cows..... 164

The Council for 1890 is:—Mayor Butler, Reeve Proudfoot and Deputy-Reeve Smith. Councillors—St. Andrew's—Naftel, Cantelon and Reid; St. David's—Humber, Murney and Thompson; St. George's—Campion, Dunlop and Nicholson; St. Patrick's—Holt, Pridham and Sloane.

COLBORNE.

DEPUTY-REEVE.

	Benmiller	Saltford	Carlow	Leebrook	Total
Jos. Heatherington	11	23	69	64	—167
A. Malloy.....	97	50	69	25	—241
COUNCILLORS.					
N. Johns.....	88	51	70	18	—227
Jas. Taylor	35	44	66	81	—226
A. Young.....	55	23	96	34	—208
Thos. Good.....	49	40	31	21	—141
J. O. Stewart....	15	23	22	23	— 93
John Varcoe	12	5	55	18	— 90

The vote on the cow question was 280 to 100 against shutting them up.

WEST WAWANOSH.

REEVE.

	1	2	3	4	
Johnston, Jas....	53	76	47	49	—225
Stuart, Alex.	55	33	61	61	—210

Majority for Johnston.....— 15

DEPUTY-REEVE.

Lockhart, R.....	30	64	65	77	—236
Bowers, John....	78	42	42	37	—199

Majority for Lockhart.....— 37

For councillors — Thos. Todd, Jas. Gibson, Wm. Bailey were elected by acclamation.

GODERICH TOWNSHIP.—For Reeve—John Cox, 315; Gabriel Elliott, 213. For councillors—Thos. Churchill, 261; Samuel Sturdy, 242; Jas. H. Elliott, 205; Geo. A. Cooper, 187.

Sleigh makers say there's snow profit in their business this winter.

Miss Clara Porter, of Turnberry, is visiting friends in Goderich.

The next Horse Fair will be held in Seaforth on Wednesday, the 15th inst.

A Teacher from Goderich Esteemed.

During the past year Miss Nellie Tighe, of Goderich has taught the school at Mount Carmel, and it will be satisfactory to her many friends in Goderich to know that she is highly valued in her present field of labor, as witness the following from her pupils and trustees:

DEAR TEACHER,—It is with glad hearts we hear you are going to remain amongst us, and if we have in any way caused you trouble or annoyance, we are now compelled by the kind and endearing manner which you have always shown towards us to ask your forgiveness, and as you are to remain longer among us we will show you by our actions what we cannot now express in words. It would be needless to speak of the great service you have done us while teaching here; for we all recognize your abilities as a teacher, and the uniform kindness which you have always shown, even in enforcing the school rules and regulations, has left a deep impression on our hearts not soon to be effaced. This little gift please accept as a token of love from all of us, and we only ask this of you: when you look at it think of us. Wishing you every happiness, and that Heaven's choicest blessing may ever be thine,

We remain
Your loving pupils.

Moved by Ad. McIlhargey and seconded by T. Coughlin, M.P., that a most cordial vote of thanks be given to our teacher, Miss Tighe, for the very efficient and successful manner she has conducted our school for the past year, and that this motion be recorded in the minutes of this meeting.

BENMILLER.

From our own correspondent.

Rain continues to fall in this locality in great quantities.

Mr Joshua Moore and Miss Nettie Gledhill were united in the holy bonds of matrimony, by the Rev J. Harris, on New Year's day.

Miss Craigie is teaching in the lower division of No. 2 school. Mr Thos. Elliott has charge of the senior room.

Mr Emanuel Mohring has removed from his residence here and moved into a hotel in Lucknow, which was formerly occupied by Mr Isaac Martin.

PARAMOUNT.

From our own correspondent.

Mrs A. Towle and family are at present visiting at St. Mary's.

Mrs Philip Tennison presented her husband last week with a fine baby boy.

A gentleman from Toronto is expected to lecture in the Temperance Hall here shortly.

Mr Angus McInnis lost one of his horses last week. The animal seemed apparently all right at night, and was found dead in the morning.

Mr Harry Horton, of Toronto, enjoyed a few days' visit with us this week. Harry looks as if city life fully agreed with him.

Miss Johnston, the retiring school teacher in this section, was presented with a handsome gold ring by her pupils on examination day.

John Davis and Peter Murdock have returned from the Michigan lumber woods. They report times dull there at present owing to the scarcity of snow.

Two of the oldest residents of Ashfield died here recently, Mr Malcolm Morrison, of the 12th con., Ashfield, aged over eighty, and Mrs McPhail, of the same place, aged over one hundred.

Mr Calvin Callander, of Parkersburg, West Virginia, has been visiting in Clinton.

Half a million people in the city and suburbs of Vienna, or 42 per cent of the population, have suffered from influenza.

A constable went to arrest T V Powderly the other day, but found the master workman suffering from influenza and let him alone.

The case against county constable Davis, of Blyth, for interfering with a bailiff in the discharge of his duty, came before His Honor Judge Toms on Saturday last, and in the absence of the plaintiff's solicitor was adjourned to the sessions on April 1st.

Prof. E. Stone Wiggins, the weather prophet, offers an ingenious theory for the outbreak of *la grippe* or Russian influenza. He says it is caused by the excessive carbon in the atmosphere, generated by the earthquake which originated last year in Japan and which slowly moved east around the globe.

A number of schools in Turnberry are changing teachers. Mr Cornyn leaves No. 3 to attend the University. Mr Hartley leaves No. 5 to take charge of a school in Culross, and is succeeded by Miss Porter. Mr Blackwell leaves No. 5 for No. 5, Morris, and is succeeded by Mr Will Hartley, of Belmore. Mr Shortreed, of No. 9, goes to Elsinore, in Bruce county. Mr McLaughlin leaves the union school on the 9th con., having got a better position elsewhere.

One of the biggest failures that has ever occurred in Huron county, is announced today in the suspension and assignment of F. C. Rogers & Co., of Brussels, general storekeepers, provision and commission merchants. Rogers & Co. have been in business for a long time and have acquired a commercial name which is known all over Western Ontario. They will owe about $75,000. G. Birrell & Co., London, are creditors for a large amount.

COUNTY CURRENCY.

Items of Interest from over the County.

A Weekly Digest of the County News Served up to Suit Readers of "The Signal." Pith and Point, Clipped and Condensed from Every Section.

The population of Wroxeter was increased week before last to the tune of six girls.

Mr Hugh Thomson has returned from Moosejaw, and is now among his old friends in Stanley.

Miss Hannah Bryce, Turnberry, had a growth removed from her foot, and is now doing nicely.

Miss Aggie Rivers, Turnberry, has been laid up with an abscess for some time, and is still very low.

Mr Maitland Anderson, Kippen, has returned home from Michigan, after a sojourn of one year in that State.

Mr George Brown, of the 4th concession of Tuckersmith, who had his leg broken a short time ago, is again able to be about.

Mr Duncan Clarke, who has for the past two years been school teacher in Culross, near Teeswater, left last week for Winnipeg.

The business office of the Ontario Salt Association, which has been located at Clinton for the past year, will be removed to Seaforth for this year.

Mr Eldridge Kellam, Seaforth, has been engaged to teach in Trowbridge for the present year. He is a clever young man and will make a good teacher.

Miss Fowler, daughter of Mrs F. Fowler, of Harpurhey, returned home lately, having spent two years visiting friends in Oregon, Dakota and Manitoba.

Miss Jenny Barr, daughter of Rev Mr Barr, Seaforth, has received an appointment of assistant teacher in the Kincardine High School at a salary of $500 per year.

Mr A Kerr, who is well known in East Wawanosh, has purchased the Milne farm, on the 3rd line of Morris, containing 140 acres. The price paid was $5000.

Miss Minnie Cummings, eldest daughter of Mr James Cummings, of Tuckersmith, left last week for Sacramento, California, where she goes to reside with her brother.

The Turnbull farm, on the 2nd con. of Tuckersmith, has been sold to Mr Wm Ball, of the base line, Hullett, for a sum very close to $5000. It is a good farm and well worth every cent paid for it.

Mr Robt. McIntosh has sold his farm of 100 acres on the 7th con. to a gentleman from Waterloo for the sum of $5,500.00. Mr McIntosh has purchased another farm of 148 acres in Turnberry.

Mr George E. McTaggart, who has had charge of the White Oak cheese factory, Seaforth, for several seasons, has returned home for the winter. He takes charge of the same factory again next year.

A man named Brown, who had resided in Bayfield for a number of years, hanged himself on New Year's Day; his wife died several years ago. He leaves three grown up children, and no cause is known for the rash act.

All the pall-bearers at the funeral of the late John Grieve, of McKillop, came to this country with him in the same vessel 52 years ago. The circumstance of their all meeting together on the sad occasion was purely accidental.

Mr John Cummings, who was reported to have lost his life in a flood in California, is alive and well, although his trunk and other articles went down the stream. This young man is a son of Mr Jas. Cummings, of Tuckersmith.

As the section men of the G. T. R. were proceeding east from Seaforth station one day lately the handle of the "jigger" broke, throwing Mr R. Wilson on his back in front of the "jigger," which passed over him, injuring him severely.

The residence of Mr W Wise, Goderich township, was the scene of a happy event on Wednesday of last week, when his youngest daughter, Frances M., became the wife of Mr A H Plummer, son of S Plummer, Clinton, and a teacher in Hullett.

Mr Jas Leatherland, Seaforth, arrived home from the Northwest a few days ago. He spent the past eight months in Manitoba, also visiting Pembina county, Dakota, where he owns a good farm on which his tenant is prospering, being one of the few fortunate farmers who last season harvested a good crop.

A young man named Hanna, who has not been right in his mind for some time, and who was living with his mother, near Attwood, got away from his home on Christmas day without any boots, coat or hat on, and could not be found until next morning, when he was discovered lying dead in a creek. He had drowned himself.

On Tuesday, Dec. 31st, Miss Jenni Johnstone was united in matrimony Mr Richard Sutton, of Drayton, form railway agent in Wingham. Mr S is indeed a privileged person; in t place he has married a most e lady, in the second he has way holidays in which to enjoy moon, and a free ticket on whithersoever they like to