

Country Talk.

Ethel.

The frosty nights are not improving the fall wheat any in this section.

On Friday evening of last week Rev. Dr. Henderson, of Listowel, delivered a lecture in the Methodist church on "Love, courtship and matrimony."

Grey.

The recent rains have been of great benefit to the grass and crops.

Hugh Stewart, 16th con., is rebuilding and remodeling his barn with the object of securing more room.

Angus Carmichael has put up a new dwelling house on his father's place and intends moving into it this week.

Some of the fall wheat is in poor condition. Farmers are getting tired of failure after failure in this crop. The best thing they can do is to stop growing it altogether.

John Clarke, of the 17th con., who was over to Michigan a couple or three weeks ago looking for work has returned on account of the scarcity of that article at fair wages in that state, and is at present employed in the neighborhood of Woodstock, Ontario.

Thos. Hislop, an old and highly respected former resident of this township, is here on a visit from Manitoba where he has spent the past eight years. The prairie province appears to agree well with Mr. Hislop if appearances are not terribly deceitful.

A rather unpleasant accident befell Enock Clarke, of the 17th concession, one day recently. While working his span of colts one of them became annoyed at a bee or something and started back, bringing the doubletrees against the other's legs and so frightened the other that he kicked viciously at Enock and struck him with such force on the leg and shoulder that the latter was dislocated. He drove out to Brussels at once and had it attended to.

Listowel.

George Wright, butcher, purchased from J. Livingstone, two calves 3½ months old. One of them weighed 730 lbs. and the other 750 lbs. and must say both calves were nourished by one cow.

Constable Bulmer's son Guy, a lad about 12, while wrestling on Wednesday night fell on his right arm and broke the bone. He was driven home and the bone set. He stood it remarkably well.

A meeting of the Lacrosse Club was held Thursday evening May 8th, when the following officers were elected: President, H. B. Morphy; Vice President, Wm. Climie, Sec.-Treasurer, W.H. Climie; Captain, W. Wright.

The trout-fishing season is fairly started and some nice baskets have been brought in from local streams. Roy Hacking caught a beauty about 18 inches long. It broke his pole and covered Roy with mud and glory.

If you would spend a profitable and pleasant time, reserve the evening of Tuesday, June 3rd, to attend the eclectic representation of Christian Missions to be held in the Congregational church on that date, by the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor.

Thomas Fordyce, whose family suffered so heavily a loss by the death of his wife a short time ago, has sustained a further very severe bereavement by the death, on Monday of last week, of his eldest daughter, Maggie. She was his main hope in his brave struggle to keep the comforts of a home for his family, and her death in the seventeenth year of her age has elicited very wide and deep sympathy. She was buried beside the still fresh grave of her mother on Wednesday.

Morris.

Frank Baines has raised his barn and is having stone stabling built under it. R. Sparling, formerly a school teacher in this township, is in the field as independent Conservative candidate in Algoma.

The man Smith, who was laid up with a sore foot, was removed to Listowel, where he has friends. He is progressing favorably.

Some of the farmers in this township who have farms along the river are pestered both on week days and Sundays with a gang of Brusselites, hounds &c., foraging through their property, firing off guns, pulling down fences, frightening stock and endangering life. If a full stop is not put to it there will be some arrests for trespass very shortly.

WELL DONE.—A. Reid, R. C. A., of Toronto, son of Adam Reid of this township, is winning fresh laurels in the world of art. Mr. Reid has just finished two pictures which are attracting a great deal of attention. In giving a description of them a late issue of the Toronto Mail says some complimentary things of Mr. Reid and his productions. We make the following extract: "The saying that good Americans when they die go to Paris has been somewhat paralleled by the persistency with which artist after artist has drifted away from Canada when his fame has extended in another hemisphere. It may be hoped that however strong the temptations to Mr. Reid from the historical homes of art he may remain with us many a year to paint the Canadian life which his brush so deftly illustrates. His pictures are poems of the life that goes on around us, and they are such that no Canadian need be ashamed of them when he sees them placed side by side with the works of the masters of other lands. A votary of art for art's sake, Mr. Reid paints with conscientious care, an industry and truth that are worthy of the highest praise. He is one of the little band of artists who are working not so much as for money as because they are born to be artists, and must carry out their mission. It is altogether agreeable to find a worker who can be truthfully praised, and who, having struggled through years of hard labor and obscurity, is coming to the fame he has so justly earned." Mr. Reid has sold a number of pictures this year ranging from \$500 to \$2,000.

Turnberry.

P. Campbell, of this township, is visiting friends in Wellesley this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Campbell, of Rosshill, were visiting friends in and about Turnberry last week.

Revival services have reopened in the Methodist church, Salem, as the people have now finished seeding and can therefore find time to attend.

Mr. Lethorn, of the B. line, has his new brick residence in the course of erection. When completed it will add greatly to the appearance of his farm.

T. Gibson and his opponent, A. Musgrove, candidates for the Local House, addressed the electors in a meeting held in Bluevale Friday last. Both gentlemen gave able and stirring addresses, each giving his own views regarding provincial matters. Speeches were also given by several other gentlemen of both parties.

Elma.

Question of the day: "How are you going to spend the 24th."

The cheese factory at Silver Corners, under the management of Jas. Morrison, is now under full power, and manufacturing every day from five to ten cheese.

It will be noticed that there are a considerable number of cattle pasturing on the roadside, trampling in ditches and destroying shade trees along the highway.

The season for seeding is almost gone and yet there are very many farmers who have not finished owing to the quantity of rain that has fallen during the past two weeks.

Since the young gentlemen of Atwood and vicinity have organized a Mock Parliament let the people of literary taste attend and help make it a success. There is nothing that develops the mind more than an evening well spent at a society of this kind.

Christopher Skinn, lot 14, con. 12, has purchased a pure bred Jersey bull calf from G. A. Deadman, of Brussels, and will therefore introduce this valuable breed into this section. A. H. Wynn, of Newry, is also the happy possessor of a pure bred cow, purchased from Mr. Deadman.

Stratford.

A young man who has been engaged for several weeks at a central barber's shop in the city left unexpectedly last week, forgetting to settle up a month's board bill.

There is some talk of the G. T. R. fireman's tournament being held here this year. The G. T. R. firemen have laid a track down on their property on Patrick street, where they practise.

Farmers took advantage of the rise in wheat, and over 2,000 bushels were sold at \$1.04 one day recently on the market here. A rise of twenty cents took place from eight to ten days.

Assessor Sharman has completed his labors and returned his roll. He gives the real property at \$4,153,730; personal and income at, \$264,425; less exemptions, \$549,900; net assessment, \$3,873,255. The population is found to be, 9,906, an increase of 500 over last year.

The derrick of the Natural Gas Co. will go up before the 24th of May, sure, so at least Mr. Kerr, the foreman of construction, says. A letter received by Secretary Mowat from Mr. Mook, the contractor, states that the work will be pushed forward with all possible speed.

The Stratford board of Aldermen held a special session Tuesday evening of last week, to consider the question of inviting the camp to the classic city this year. After discussing the cost of the former camp and the probable cost this year it was decided on motion of Ald. Harding and Ahrens, to refer the matter to a special committee who would report at an adjourned meeting of council on Thursday evening. Ald. Dunsmore considered the cost too great and recommended that no effort be made to secure the camp this year. He thought the figure would reach nearly \$1,500, which was out of all proportion to the benefits received by the citizens. Ald. Harding and Ahrens favored a moderate appropriation, and thought many citizens would assist with subscriptions to bear a fair proportion of the expense.

Brussels.

Miss Flossy Sellery is on the sick list. Geo. Baker has purchased the Pinder lot just north of the river. He has seeded it down.

Miss Isa M. Swann, of Glencoe, formerly of Brussels, is visiting her sister Mrs. S. Sellery.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Whelpton, of Ethel, were visiting her sister, Mrs. W. A. Calbeck, Tuesday.

Joseph Laird has closed up his barber shop and proposes trying his fortune in Michigan, so it is stated.

Rev. S. Sellery, B. A., B. D., Rev. R. Paul and W. H. Kerr were at Teeswater this week attending the district meeting.

Lorne Hunter is sick with typhoid fever in Toronto. Mrs. Alex. Hunter, his mother, went down to nurse him last Saturday.

It is stated that Wm. Roddick has purchased the store now occupied by Messrs. Ferguson & Gibson and will use it for a paint shop.

Decision was given in the Veal furniture case last Monday. Miss Montgomery retains possession of the goods, and is awarded \$20 damages and costs.

Rumor says that the postoffice may be removed to the frame building near the bridge. If our citizens have anything to say about location a very emphatic "No!" will be the response as far as the above proposition is concerned.

MARBLE WORKS.—Messrs. Seale & Hoover, Marble Works, of St. Mary's, have opened a shop in the block opposite the woolen mill, Brussels, where they will keep a stock of marble and granite suitable for monuments, grave stones, &c.

Earnest W. Gerry is on the sick list. Mr. Cavanaugh, L. D. S., of Toronto, is in town.

J. J. Creighton was home from Palmerston for Sunday.

E. M. Pepper, of Hamilton, is visiting his brother, J. T.

Communion in Knox church last Sabbath, conducted by Rev. Mr. Linton, B. D., of Teeswater.

All are expecting a treat in connection with the entertainment next Friday evening when the Cosgrove family will appear.

J. J. Denman, Mr. Martin and Dr. Graham have been improving the appearance of their several premises by new wire fences.

A very interesting and instructive address was given at the Y. P. C. A. of the Methodist church last Monday evening by the president, Geo. Rogers. Subject: "Temperance."

Poole.

Rev. Mr. Mills, of Mitchell Methodist church, preached here last Sabbath evening.

It is expected that the Honeygrove cheese factory will be in running order by next Monday.

Poole has acquired a new resident in the person of Mr. Smith, of Dorling. Mr. Smith occupies the residence formerly occupied by Mr. Rankin.

Bornholm.

Miss Lizzie Kistner, of Mitchell, spent Sunday at home.

A Jarmuth returned to Chicago on Thursday, after a two weeks' visit at his home.

Ascension Day was observed here among the Lutherans, service being held in their church. The Brod-hagen school was also closed.

Inflammation of the lungs is quite prevalent here among the children. F. Jacobs lost one child by it, and three others in the neighborhood are not expected to recover.

Some light fingered person or persons, who are evidently hungry or else anxious to enrich themselves, are visiting the farmers smoke-houses in the vicinity; the same thing was practised last fall, but it will not likely be carried to any great extent this spring, as the people are on the watch and will likely make short work of any suspicious-looking person they find prowling around during the night.

Black leg has appeared among cattle in sections of Scotch county, near Amsterdam, N. Y. One farmer at Sharon Hill, Jacob L. Kilty, lost seven cows last week. The rapid spread of the disease causes great alarm.

50c. SECURES THE BEE FROM NOW TO JAN 1, 1891.

NOTICE.

The undersigned will be at the school house in S. S. No. 5, Elma, on Monday, May 26th, at 7 o'clock p.m., to let the building of Ten Rods of Fence on north side of said school ground.

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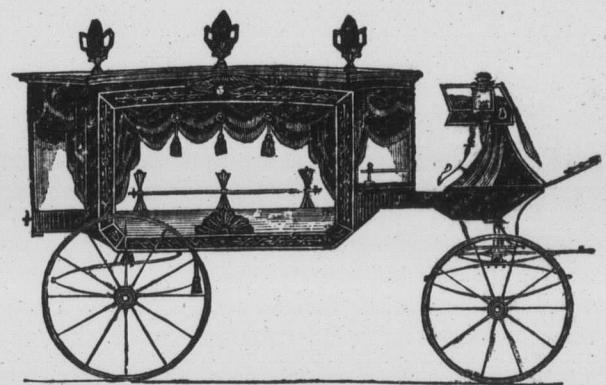
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