NEWS AND VIEWS FROM OUR AMELIASBURG CORRESPONDENT

Hesitation About Enlistment—The Proposed Amendments to the Liquor License Act—The Sabbath School Convention—The Parliamentary Speakership—Report That Canning Factories May Not Operate This Coming Season.

Have the Germans made a raid on Canada or has there been a shower of metrons mistaken for an attack? If anything of a serious nature has taken place why not call out the militia? I am informed from a reliable source that not a single man or officer of some of our militia regiments have volunteered for active service in the Third Contingent. If this be the case possibly some of these gallant men would not hesitate to show thier loyalty, if there was no chance of getting hurt. We scarcely know how to apologize for the action of some of our volunteers after all the complements that have been bestowed upon them in the past. To think that after putting the country to an expenditure of $3,000 or more for annual drill of each regiment and that so few have had pluck enough to come forward and offer their services with the least hope of being accepted, takes the wind out of us completely. What is all this fus and feathers for anyway? There is too much of the soap-box loyalty about this. It reminds us very much of a story that is told of an officer at one time who was always blustering around and blowing about his bravery—if only given a chance to display it. The time came at last when an engagement with the enemy the next morning was beyond a doubt. This very brave officer went out among his men the night before dressed in his best to offer encouragement to his men before going to battle. "Now men," says he, "by the early dawn, many of you will have to face your baptism of fire, let me urge you to be steady, and do nothing which will reflect anything short of the most gallent conduct and bravery as soldiers. The fight will be a disperate one and we are sure to be forced to retreat. Let us put up a good fight anyway and then get under cover as soon as possible. As I am a little lame and may have some difficulty in keeping up to you when you retreat I will start on ahead now and you will likely overtake me." We very much fear there are too many officers and men in Ontario of the stamp of the officer referred to. The soldier whether he be an officer or private who for the sake of show or what hon or there may be in it, brings expense upon the country in time of peace and then when his services are required in time of war shows the whitefeather and becomes chicken-hearted, brings dishonor upon the uniform he has strutted about in, and subjects himself to the contempt and scorn of those who have made no hollow display of their loyalty, but have shown themselves to be a credit to their country and an honor to their king.

The Provincial Legislature is now in session and we are told that no serious party mangling is likely to echo through the chamber. Well! what a pity it could not always be this way. Not for one moment do we think that any government will be likely to conduct the affairs of state so well that they will not at some time and perhaps often require a little tempering from the opposition. But we do believe there is too often a great deal of time wasted and very little good accomplished, saying nothing about the enormous expense saddled upon the country by both parties in trifling to prove the earth is flat. We are given to understand that at the present session some stralting amendments will be introduced to the License Act. As this Act is generally remodelled each session most pepple would be disappointed if some change was not made, in this or the Municipal act or -the Ditches and Water course act. It is rumored the county license boards are to be done away with and a commission appointed at the expense of the Province, to deal with the whole matter of licenses. Perhaps it will be a great improvement over the present system..

It will have one decided advantage in its favor and that is a cosy and comfartable situation accompanied by a good salary for about three good men who have been longing to do something for their party or have the party do something for them, and the Government will be relieved from being harasssed year after year to provide for them in some way. Then if the act is amended so that every fellow who finds it more agreeable than really necessary to take a LITTLE, for his stomack's sake has to procure a license to drink intoxicating liquors, and pay a license fee for the same and wear a badge or some authorized emblem approved by the department it will greatly assist the wholesale and retail sellers in not riotating the law by selling to those not legally intitled to receive. There apppears to be a good deal to recommend this amendment. Of course the act will likely provide a penately for any license holder allowing anunlicensed person to procure a drink on his badge or emblem. While the sellers will also be liable to conviction for selling to a person who does not exhibit his badge. No doubt Mr. Hanna has all the details carefully studied out and the temperance forces will always be able to distinguish the sheep from the goats by the tag. We have not heard what design will be adopted for the badge, bbut in an probability it will be something in the form of a cork-screw, with the Provincial Coat of Arms.

The Annual Sabbath School Association for this township was held on the 9th inst., at Victoria church and was largely attended afternoon and evening by the Sabbath school workers of this place. Mr. Fred Ward, of Consecon, president, occupied the chair and discharged the duties of his position in a highly creditable and satisfactory manner. Splendid addresses were delivered by Rev's L. Williams, Hoare of this place and Smith of Belleville. Mr. D. V. Sinclair also gave a good address at the close of the afternoon session the ladies furnished an excellent tea in the basement. The convention was a great great success, the most unsatisfactory thing in regards to the proceedings which could easily be remedied was the lack of moonlight night. If the association in the future would arrange the date of meeting when the nights were right it would be a great convenience, especially when the raods are bad as they were this year.

The young men here have gone into hockey this winter with greater vein than heretofore. Roblin's Mills team appear to be the champions, having defeated Rednersville and Rossmore. There was some bloodshed, but we are pleased to say, accidentally, but the damage done was about as successful as though it had been premediated. It's a great game but any game in which the players have to die to win, or die in the attempt to win is not a fit game for even the members of the militia to play at.

There appears to be a well founded report that the Dominion Government and the Provincial Governments will likely adopt the same system if electing the speakers of the house on the English plan, to hold office for life. This is a splendid idea and will likely be approved of as heartily as electing men to the Senate. The most objectionable feature in connection with the scheme will be that as elections are not always certain there is not likely tobe a very strong desire for the speakers to live the alloted term of years. However, we suppose this might be overcome if the speaker would retire and accept a position in the Senate and permit some other one to take his place, for a reasonable length of time until another vacancy in the Senate, occurred,. provided always the right party was in power—and the change did not interfere with thegood and welfare of the country (party).

There appears to be some uncertainty as to wheter the canning factories will operate in same districts this year. This is much to be regretted as many farmers will miss this source of revenue. This cause, we learn, is both the grocer and manufacturer. Mr. O. Reddick has been quite ill, but we are pleased to report he is look like come in the near future and recovering

Misses Annie and Mabel Bone and Mr. Bone spent Friday with Mr. L. Bell's

Mr. R. Redner and MissRedner spent Sunday with Mr. L. Bell and family

We are sorry to report that Miss Ella Bell is quite ill again.

Rev. Mr. Sharpe was visiting and calling on the sick in the neighborhood on Friday of last week.

HAROLD.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bailey and Mrs H. Y. Archer spent Sunday at Mr. John Bailey's

Messrs. C. Lloyd, A. H. Bailey and G. T. Belshaw finished moving the household effects of Mr. James Bailey to Belleville on Saturday.

Mr. Alex Tanner spent Sunday at Springbrook.

Mrs. H. Courtney of Manitoba is visiting at W. Courtney's

Mr. A. Hagerman elisted on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. David Cotton spent Sunday at Mrs. Brown's

Mrs. Alex. McDonald passed away on Saturday

Mr. and Mrs. Richard spent the week-end visiting friends in Sidney

Mr. and Mrs. W. Wood spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs D. Sarles

Mrs. John Martin who has been ill is improving.

BIG ISLAND.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Furtelle and son Clifford spent Sunday evening the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sprague

Mr. and Mrs. W. Peck are visiting friends at Brighton

Mr. R. Dunning had the misfortune to cut his foot badly while splitting wood. We hope he will be around soon

Mr. and Mrs. G. Barragar were callers at R. Dunning's Sunday afternoon

Those who took dinner at Clayton Sprague's on Thursday evening were Mr. and Mrs. W. Goodmurphy, Mr. and Mrs. D. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. W. Peck, Mr. and Mrs. H. Moran, Mr and Mrs. G. Barragar.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kerr are visiting friends a tMilford

Mr. W. Cole, our new cheese maker is moving to his home at the factory

Quite a few were out breaking roads on Monday

HALLOWAY.

We are pleased to learn that the smallpox scare is pretty well vanished

Mr. and Mrs Thomas Carter spent last Sunday visiting near Stirling

DDeath has visited our midst and claimed for its victim Mr. Charles Irvine. Much sympathy is extended to the bereaved friends

Mr. Frank Spencer has purchased a Ford car

Mr. and Mrs Willie Tufts and little son of Foxboro visited the former's parents on Sunday last.

Several of our ladies attended the Women's Institute last Thursday. A dainty lunch was provided by the hostess

Miss Mabel Bird of Foxboro spent a couple of days recently with her sister, Mrs. C. Wilson

The lecture which was given here in the Methodist church last Thursday evening by Rev. A. R. Sanderson of Belleville on the war was very much appreciated.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cadman spent Sunday under the parental roof at Scott's Settlement

Mrs. George Rose is spending a few weeks vistiing her daughters in Pr. Edward county

Mr. and Mrs. A. Salisbury entertained a few of their friends one evening last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lowery spent Sunday at Mr. T. J. Kelly's

The farmers of this locality are busy hauling logs to the saw-mill here

Mr. Sydmer Bird spent Monday with his parents at Wallbridge

The friends of Mr. T. Kelly, jr., are glad to see him looking so well after undergoing an operation for appendicitis in Belleville hospital.

Mrs. W. Lidster spent the first part oft he week with her parents near Springbrook

Lagrippe is making its annual call through our vicinity

Miss Flossie Wright visited her sister Tillie in Belleville recently.

Mr. Edward Carter has returned home after spending a week with friends at Northport, Prince Edward County

IVANHOE.

Feb. 15—Some of the farmers in this locality have been busy getting in their supply of ice.

Rev. Mr. Hall of Stirling spent one day last week making pastoral calls in our neighborhood

Mr. Glover and sister of Queensboro visited friends here over Sunday

Mrs. John Wood has returned home after spending a few weeks with her daughter, Mrs. F. Blackburn of Healey Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Brough spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs Wm. Snaw.

A load of young people from Beulah league and a number from the Madoc league attended a meeting at Hazard's Corners last Wednesday evening in the interest of the Forward Movement. The ladies of the congregation served lunch and a very enjoyable evening was spent

Rev. J. R. Bick was in Cloyne on Sunday taking charge of the work there while Mr. Trumpour of that place occupied the pulpit here.

Miss Stella Mitz spent Sunday evening with her friend Miss E. Parker

Mrs. John Clement gave a valentine party to a number of the young people here on Monday evening

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Jeffrey visited friends in Rawdon on Sunday

Mr. James Benson, Sr., who has been so seriously ill is improving

FOXBORO.

Miss Flora Wooton of Winnipeg visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Wickett and also her grandfather, Mr. D. Wickett on Thursday last.

Miss Stella Davis is visiting friends at Madoc Junction

Mrs. Embury of Gilead is visiting at the home of Mrs. T. B. Reynolds

The Misses Ivy and Flossie Stapley of Madoc Junction are visiting at the home of their sister, Mrs. W. Cook.

Mrs. J. Stewart visited her sister, Mrs. Davis on Friday last

Mr. Joe Gowsell, Mr. Arthur Walt and Mr. Earl Prentice spent Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. Neil Davis

Mr. and Mrs. G. McCoy and little daughter Mary were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. Hetherington on Sunday last

Miss Grace McDonnell spent Sunday at the home of Miss A. Clarke

Mr. Jones, our pastor occupied the pulpit in the Methodist church last Sunday morning.

The annual league convention was held in the Methodist church here today.

Sleeplessness.—Sleep is the great restorer and to be deprived of it is vital oss. Whatever may be the cause of it, indigestion, nervous derangement or mental worry, try a coures of Parmelee's Vegetable Pills. By regulating the action of the stomach, where the trouble lies, they will restore normal conditions and healthful sleep will follow. They exert a sedative froce upon the nerves and where there is unrst thy bring rest.

FRANKFORD.

Frankford, Feb. 16.—Rev. and Mrs Byers were in town making calls on Tuesday.

Miss Gibson, of Campbellford, is visiting at Mrs. and Miss Bowen's.

Miss Flossie Heath, of Harold, is staying with Mrs. G. E. Sine as Mrs. Welbourn is very ill.

The regular meeting of the Ladies' Aid was held at the Parsonage, on Thursday afternoon. A very large crowd being present there being fifty four members and visitors. The most plessing feature of the afternoon was the reading of an address and the presentation of an autograph quilt to Mrs. (Rev.) Batstone. The following was the address:

Frankford, Feb. 11, 1915.

Dear Mrs. Batstone:

It is with feelings of joy that we have met together at your home this afternoon of pleasure that we have this another opportunity of meeting as a Ladies' Aid Society at the Parsonage, perhaps for the last time, while you are in our midst, as the 4 year term is wearing its close and according to the rules of our General Conference we can hardly expect you to remain another four years.

We desire to assure you of our regard for, and of the respect and esteem in which you are always, and ever will be held by the people you have known as neighbors and as members of the Church.

You have entered deeply into our lives, you have shown a spirit of kindness courtesy, and fidelity, in all the relations you have had with us, as a society and in return you have won our deepest love and respect. We have appreciated you greatly in our Ladies' Aid in our social means of grace and in all the services of our church.

We pray that your life may be deeply blest and divinely guided, and as a token of our love esteem, we wish to present to you this quilt, and to express the desire that in the future years it may bring to you many happy recollections of your life in Frankford

Signed on behalf of the Ladies' Aid of Frankford—Mrs. W. H. Weese, president—Committee, Mrs. Albert Munn, Mrs. S. W. Meyers.

The concert held on Friday night in aid of our public library was very largely attended. The program was good and the night being fine the people took advantage of them. The proceeds of the evening amounted to $82.50.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Herman of Trenton, spent the week-end with their parents intown.

MOIRA.

Moira, Feb. 15—Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Salisbury and family of Tweed, spent Sunday with Mrs. P. J. Salisbury.

A number of friends of Mr. and Mrs. D. Thompson were very pleasantly entertained at their home on Thursday evening last.

Miss May Herity, of Belleviille, spent Sunday at her home here.

Mrs. Sam Fargey, of West Huntingdon, is visiting her mother, Mrs. J. English.

Mrs. M. J. Morton has returned home after spending a couple of weeks with her daughters, Mrs. John Kingston, of Chapman and Mrs. Will Richardson, of Tweed.

No service was held in our church here on Sunday evening, on account of the rain.

Dr. and Mrs. Harrison, of Madoc, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Herity, on Sunday last.

Mr. Amos Ham, of Gilmour, has returned home after spending the past few days with his sister, Mrs. John Emerson.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas Ketcheson visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Haggerty, on Monday last.

Miss Hazel Salisbury is home again after spending a few days with her uncle, Mr. Frank Foster.

Mr and Mrs. Ed Harrison have moved into their new home lately occupied by Mr. S. H. Brown.

Miss Evelyn Salisbury spent Sunday with her friend, Miss Evelyn Emerson.

Mrs. Frank Vandewater entertained the ladies of the W. M. S. at her home last Wednesday afternoon. All report a very pleasant time.

HALSTON.

Halston, Feb. 16.—A good congregation was at quarterly service at Mt. Pleasant, Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Mount, Mr. and Mrs. R. Gibson spent one night last week at Mr. W. McCreary's

Miss Margaret Moult has returned home after nursing Mrs. Ketcheson of Phillipston.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Crawford and Miss Hazel, visited a tTheodore Park's on Wednesday evening.

Mrs. R. F. Elliott spent last week with her father, Mr. W. Martin, of White Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Ruttan, of the 3rd line, spent Friday at Mr. W. McCraary's.

Dora Baldrick has returned home after visiting her aunt, Mrs. Cook, of Belleville.

Miss Lily Wilson is visiting her sister, Mrs. B. Colden.

WALLBRIDGE.

Wallbridge, Feb. 16.—The W.M.S spent a social evening last week at the home of Mrs. C. F. Chisholm. Rev. and Mrs. Wilson, of Cannifton, added interest to the evening's entertainment. After the program, lunch was served by the ladies.

Mr. David and Miss Margueret Graham visited relatives in Murray, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Sharpe spent a few days last week, with Mr. and Mrs. Martin Foster at North Port.

Miss Maud Sine, of Belleville, is visiting at the home of her uncle, Mr. B. Sine.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bailey, of Harold, spent over Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Ketcehson

Quite a number from here attended the League convention at Foxboro on Monday. Mr. Lorne Reddick and Mr Wm Sine, were the delegates from our league.

The monthly meeting of the Women's Institute will be held at the home of Mrs. C. J. Massey on Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 24th. Mrs. (Rev.) L. M. Sharpe gives the tipic.

Miss Gladys Redner, of Peterboro, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Howard Ketcheson.

MARSH HILL.

Marsh Hill, Feb. 16.—The debate under the auspices of the W.M.S. of the Marsh Hill church last week, was a source of unusual interest and attraction. The subject under discussion was resolved: That professionals life is preferable to the agricultural.

The debaters were:

Affirmatives, Miss Ora Shaw, M.A., Miss S. Denyes and Miss Ethel Adams.

Negatives, Messrs Councillor M. Finkle, Earl Prentice, Wm. Shaw, all of Foxboro.

The chair was most efficiently filled by Dr. Dan Faulkner, Foxboro, assisted by Mrs. S. C. Gay, district organizer of W.M.S. The judges were. Mrs. Prest, Mr. C. Gay and R. N. Bird, recording steward of Foxboro circuit.

There was music, choruses, sextettes, quartettes and solos as well as reading sof high order rendered by Miss Robbins and Miss Edna Mitts, who captured everyone present with their winsome eloquence. Mr. Richmond, student in charge of Baptist church, Sidney, was present and spoke a few words. Rev. J. Miller McCormack, Supt. of Camp Missions in Canada made a brief address. Among ohters who took part were Mrs. Henderson of Foxboro, Miss Kathleen Shibley, Miss Shaw, and Rev. W. W. Jones. The success of the entertainment was due to Mrs. Chas Vanderwater and her active committee.

The orchestra from the Stone church was in attendance and added much to the pleasureableness of the evening. When the judges brought in their report it was found that the negotive had won by a fair margin.

BASKET BALL

An effort will be made to secure two teams for the city basketball league from each Sunday school, Junior and Intermediate. The juniors will include boys, 15 years old and under, or thereabout, the intermediates 16 to 18 years.

Sunday schools entering teams in either division should do so by next Monday night, when a meeting will be held at the Y.M.C.A. to draw up a schedule.

Yours may be entered with Chas. Brook, 78 Victoria avenue.

Games will be played on Y.M.C.A. gymn. floor on Friday nights.

In addition to the superintendents in each Sunday school, the following representative older boy or young man were mentioned as being interested in the promotion of this league: Baptist, Stanley Nurse; St Andrews, Chas Brook, John St. Hugh, Rogers; Bridge street, F. S. Deacon; Holloway, W. Wallison; Tabernacle, Mr. Newton Thompson; Christ church. Mr. Griffiths.

Busy Trenton

OUR daily news letter from this thriving town furnished by The Ontario's special representative.

THE latest news of the town and surrounding neighborhood is given in an interesting manner

Trenton, Feb. 16.—While visiting Western Ontario lately we were struck with the many fine silos to be seen in connection with nearly every barn in the county of Oxford. The Elgin, Kent, Essex and Oxford county farmers claim that they can work their land right up to the fence corners, while down here it is a frequent occurrence to find a farm where only about 25 acres out of the 100 is fit for cultivation. We do not think the farmer in Eastern Ontario gets as much out of his labor on the farm as do his western brethren, but he has a pleasanter and less strenuous life. The quiet life seems to suit the natives of this part of the country.

Dean Starr, of Kingston, was the speaker at last night's meeting of the Canadian Club. For an hour and a half this brilliant orator held his audience spell-bound. We were not able to be present but our "Scout" took in every word of the Dean's address and pronounced it the best yet.

Last Sunday the Cadets attended St. George's Church in a body, the occassion being a special service in connection with the Belgian Relief.

Mr. H. A. Thomson and Arthur, returned from a week's visit to St. Thomas and other Western Ontario points, last evening.

For several years certain iniquitous matters (which have been common property of the rumor-mongers) ended, through the agency, we believe, of the Children's Aid Society, in police court proceedings. We began to think that the authorities of Trenton never intended to take cognizance of the state of affairs existing, and we are glad that the Children's Aid Society has done something to right matters. We are told that one of the very prominent members of the present council has stated that the authorities, this year at least, will see that the police do their duty. And this we have heard before At the present time we have a good police force and the Chief will do his part if not interfered with. Again we would remark that no police force should be handled by the Council but by a Police Commission.

The Secreary of the Board of Trade received notice to-day that the Board of Railway Commissroners would take up the Trenton interswitching matter at Ottawa on Tuesday, March 2nd, 1915.

The men of the 2nd Contingent mobilized at London are ready to take their places in the transportatinn trains any day now. It looks as though the 2nd Contingent would soon be on theeir way to the front.

The High School concert to be given in the Opera House to-night promises to be a great success. The house is already sold out.

The Kirk-Moore Company, commission dealers, have opened an office over the store of Robert Robertson, Front Street.

R. S. Kemp "The Fair" will occupy a portion of the Sutcliffe block shortly

THIRD LINE THURLOW.

A great many changes have taken place last week on this line—Mr. F. Pope has moved to the 5th con and Wm. Latta has partially moved on his farm, Mr G. M. Campbell moved to DDeseronto and Mr. J. Carscallen has bought and moved on his place, Mr. Albert Loucks moved on Mr. Stanley Walker's farm.

Mr. J. Grills and Mr. G. Campbell had successful sales and our popular auctioneer of this line, Mr. J. L. Palmer secured good prices.

Miss Pear Dean is slowly improving

An enjoyable time was spent at the two surprise parties held at Messrs. Grills and Mr. G. Campbell's

Rev. Mr. Wilson gave us an excellent sermon at Bethany church on Sunday

This fine weather reminds us that spring is approaching

THE HILL

Mrs. Albert Spencer is spending a few days in Belleville with her father, Mr. Munns, who is very ill.

EIGHTH LINE THURLOW

Roads are getting better since they have been opened as a result of the big snow storm last week.

Mr. A. C. Tummon spent a few days under the parental roof this week.

Our boys will have sport since skating is ended they have been spending some of the past evenings in boxing.

Checkers is still being played in our eighth line culb. The final games were played last Monday evening, when one of our popular young men, Mr. Eddie Emmerson won the championship from Mr. John Ray who has held it for the past eleven years.

Owing to the heavy snow storm the agitation of our school sidewalk has been dropped for the present.

Our teacher, J. M. Carl and Mr. H L. Tummon, spent Sunday at Mr. Carl's home in Sidney.

Mrs. Joseph Phillips spent Friday last with her daughter, Mrs. Percy Caverly of this vicinity.

Mr. Ralph Sills is able to be out after being confined to the house for a wee kas the result of a cut foot.

Mr. Dennis Murphy was the guest of Robert Wright last Friday evening

Mr. Harison Phillips spent a few days at th home of Mr. John Ray last week as a result of the snow storm.

Mr. Hector Ray has been helping Mr. Wm. Montgomery cut wood for the past few days.

Robert J. Gordon and Nelson Howard have returned after being snowbound in Norwood.

We have new neighbors in our vicinity. Mr. Edgar Smith and family.

Mr. Robt. Bunnett is hauling fertilizer to his farm. His neighbors expect to see some scientific farming.

Our assessors are still on the trail The convenor for the soldier's aid in this section, Mrs. M. Tummon has received a large amount of yarn which is being knit into sodliers' socks by the ladies of this vicintiy.

People in this vicinity are becoming alarmed about the smallpox and Zion's church and school has been closed.

Our assessors who have travelled a great deal of the townships lately, say the raods are in need of more snow.

Mr. Wm. Ray and family spent last Sunday at Robt Elliott,s of Halstead.

Dennis Murphy and Nelson Howard, spent a few days visiting in Norwood.

Mr. Wm. Montgomery, who is about to move into a neighboring district, had a wood bee on his new place last Thursday and in the evening gave a very enjoyable time to a number of his neighbors.

Mr. Eddie Emmerson and Mr. Jack Shibley spent last Sunday afternoon and evening with friends on the 9th line.

Many of our farmers are doing their raod work so as to avoid the rush in spring's work.

Mr. Robert Gordon of Blessington, spent Sunday last at the home of R. J. Goreo, of this vicinity.

Mr. Erle Denyes has been rather looking after the goods which have arrived for our farmers' Club.

Mrs. Mathew Tummon is on the sick list but is improving.

Mrs. R. J. Gordon took sick rather suddingly last Thursday evening and had to send for her husband who was spending the evening with Mr. Wm. Montgomery.

Mr. E. Alexander and wife of Hillier, were the guests of Mr. Robert Bunnett last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ray and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bunnett took tea at the home of Mr. Wm. Montgomery, last Saturday evening.

As R. J. Gordon and Wm. Montgomery are about to leave this vicinity, a Friday afternoon entertainment was given by the school in the school house in honor of the departing schoolmates. A debate was given by the V. Class entitled. "Resolved that the world is growing better" Mr. Z. Palmer and Miss Evelyn Phillips ably defended the affimative Mr. Jack Shibly and Miss Emma Sills the negative The judges, Rev A. C. Huffman, Mrs. Wm. Sherry and Mr. Wallace Sills gave the decision in favor of the affimative scoring by a margin of one qoint.

Small remembrances were given to the departing pupils and a very appropriate address read as follows:

To the Departing Ones:

The world and its people are continually changing in this great era, and in our little vicinity, we are about to lose some of our most beloved schoolmates. It is not only this, but we are losing some who have helped to hold up the honor and standard of efficency in our rural school.

You wil be greatly missed by us for two reasons.—First, because vacancies owing to pour departure will not be filled, and second, because of your tact, ability, and characteristic features, which have gained for you honor in the school and love of your fellow-students.

We are confident the teacher or teachers who receive such tactful pupils into their schools as we are about to part with, will certainly be as proud of you in the coming future will endeavour to keep yourselves at the 100 per cent. mark, not so particularly for yourselves, but as an ideal example for the many eyes, who are daily watching you, so they may be brought nearer the standard as a result of your character and ability which you possess.

We ask you to kindly accept these small gifts as a remembrance of this school who are sorry to have you depart but hope you will make as valiant an impression among your future schoolmates as you have done in S. S. No. 16, Thurlow.

Signed on behalf of your teacher, J. M. Carl and schoolmates.

Miss Maggie Carman Montgomery, spent last Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. Emmerson Lott.

Mr. Hurbert Carl and Miss Evelyn Phillips nearly had a serious accident as a result of a rail across the lane of Mr. George Bunnett.

Our teacher gave an enjoyable time to his entrance and fifth classes last Friday evening at the home of Mr. M. Tummon.

Many of the pupils of S. S. No. 16, are learning to write newspaper editorials.

Tickets going to New York and all eastern points.; To Chicago and all western points. S. Burrows, C.P.R. Agent.

War Review of the Week

ANOTHER week of the war sees no radical change in the relative positions of the opposing forces. Although, there have been some interesting changes of scene and a few sidelights which point to a terrific resumption of activities within a few weeks.

The German pressure on the Russian troops defending the approach to Warsaw has proven a flat failure and comparative quiet reigns in the region which for the past three months has seen the most desperate fighting in the history of the war.

Under cover of a violent attack at Belimow, Gen. von Hindenburg got the major part of his forces away last week, and planted them in East Prussia, where he hoped by rapid action to bring about another Tannenburg in the East Prussian marshes. The Russians have, however, evaded the trap which was baited for them. They have retired to Lyck with a loss of 29,000 prisoners, according to Berlin's announcement. The Russians admit that one of their corps was not quick enough in retiring to avoid loss. At Lyck, a few miles within the German frontier, the Russians turned upon the pursuing Germans and inflicted "heavy losses" upon them. It would seem that the Russians do not intend to continue their retirement as far within their own territory as they did after Tannenburg. In the northern part of East Prussia, along the Memel, they are not retiring at all, but have an eighty-mile long front, from Niemen to Tilsit, where they are masters of the German flank. Once intrenched they will repeat the story of the Bzura-Rawka lines, where the more vigorously the Germans attack the better the Grand Duke Nicholas will be pleased, for the German losses are enormously greater than those of the Russians under such circumstances. The grand duke is following the same plan of campaign in the defiles of the Carpathians. In the vicinity of the Uszok Pass for two weeks the Russian army has occupied a strongly-entrenched hill position, in the attempt to capture which and clear the way to Lemberg the Germans have lost many thousands of men. Sunday's report from Petrograd says the Germans have abandoned their efforts, and have been forced back into the Wyszikow Pass. The Austrians farther west have had no luck at all, and during the past twenty-four hours another thousand of them have been captured, making 16,000 since they tried to cross the Dukla Pass two weeks ago. They are doing well however, in Bukowina, and claim to have re-occupied almost all the chief towns and captured many thousands of Russians. Vienna likes to read stories of that sort, and in this case there is at least a basis of truth in the report.

Along the western front the fighting has been confined for the most part to the Argonne forest country and to Alsace, where the German fear of invasion is greatest. Elsewhere artillery duels have formed the greater part of the struggle. Sunday's despatches, however, gave signs of a new phase which betokens German activity in advance of the approach of spring. On Sunday Berlin issued a statement that "to the north of Pont-a-Mousson we took the village of Norroy from the French, and captured Hill 365, situated to the west of that village. Two officers and 151 men were taken prisoners." The French official statement last night admitted the loss of Norroy, in these words: "In the region of Pont-a-Mousson we delivered counter-attacks against the enemy, who had occupied Norroy, and who had obtained a footing on the neighboring heights. The struggle still continues." The bridge at Mousson over the Moselle is one of the chief means of entering France from German Lorraine. The river there is very narrow, and several important roads through a difficult hill country converge upon Pont-a-Mousson. The French have been working their way up the left bank of the Moselle toward Metz, and a few weeks ago were so close to German territory that they were able to bombard Arnaville, almost within the circle of the defences of Metz. Norroy, which the Germans have now taken, is fully six miles farther than Arnaville from Metz, and is on the left bank of the river, a short two miles from Pont-a-Mousson. Artillery planted on the range of hills southwest of Norroy would command the principal road between the Moselle and the Meuse, south of that from Metz and Verdun, which is still in the hands of the Germans. If the Kaiser's troops can maintain their hold upon the hills around Norroy they will greatly interfere with the French communications in a region where there is a very large force of men to be fed and provided with ammunition.

In the meantime, the eye-witness with the British forces reports the increasing superiority of the allies' artillery over that of the Germans, and military observers look for a general advance of the French, British, and Belgian troops in March. Reinforcements continue to pour into the reserve lines, among them the advance guard of the Canadian Expeditionary Force, which at last accounts was at Rouen.

Britain has taken prompt action against the submarine blockade. On Friday, Feb. 12, thirty-four British airmen set out against Zeebrugge, Ostend, Blankenburghe, and Bruges. All of them German submarine bases, and on their return reported having done great damage.

The Turks have again been met by British troops, this time at Tor, away down on the Gulf of Suez, near the southerly end of the Sinai peninsula. The Turks were completely annihilated.