

COUNTY CURRENCY.

Newsletters from Correspondents and Items from Other Sources.

A Weekly Digest of the County News served up in the most palatable and readable form. Fish and Fowl, Clipped and Condensed from Every Section.

ASHFIELD.

From our own correspondent. The farmers are busy with their apples about closing.

Mr. Wm. Stothers has sold his farm on the 10th to Mrs. Money.

Alex. McLean has rented Patrick Bowler's farm for a term of five years.

The frequent showers of late have made the fall wheat present a beautiful appearance.

Rev. Mr. Green occupied the pulpits of Hope and Zion churches last Sabbath very acceptably.

Mr. Good, father of Mrs. E. Andrews, was seriously injured but we hope to hear of his speedy recovery.

Rev. Mr. Leach preached his farewell sermon last Sabbath to a large congregation in the Lanes' church.

Miss Bella Hackett has returned home from Warton, where she had been on a visit most of the summer.

Miss M. Hunter of 12th con., has been re-engaged at an increased salary in Lockton Public School.

Mr. Edward Andrew has returned from Manitoba. He reports the wheat is certainly injured by the frost in a great many places.

The district Sabbath school convention in connection with the Ashfield circuit, will be held in Blake's hall on Friday commencing at 9.30 a.m.

The annual Sabbath school convention in connection with the Methodist church, Ashfield circuit, was held in Blake's hall on Friday last and was a success, although the weather was not very favorable.

Messrs. Whitley & Edwards, of Goderich, have inconned a large number of the farmers in this township by not taking their winter apples after their setting buying them.

They stopped packing apples on Friday. A number of lawsuits are threatened as a number of farmers will lose heavily if they don't succeed in getting their apples away.

LEEBURN.

From our own correspondent. Peter Gunn, of the Maitland concession visited friends on Butternut Row this week.

A BIGGER ONE.—Mr. John Linklate has a potato which weighs 2 1/2 pounds, which makes the one spoken of in Dunlop items take a stand back in the shade.

Percy Stuart was in Bayfield at the fall fair recently held there, and had the pleasure of meeting a former resident in Mathew Bates, whom he had to answer many questions about old friends and they had a grand talk over their boyhood days on Butternut Row.

Communion service will be held on the second Sunday in November. As this is the first service held here since he undertook the work of pastor here, we hope to see a good turnout to partake of the rite. All those who wish to join in it for the first time are requested to see Rev. Mr. Anderson on Sunday next after service.

An entertainment will be held in the temperance hall on Monday evening by the members of the Band of Hope, who will give a good program, with an address from Rev. J. A. Anderson, of Goderich. The proceedings will start at eight sharp. Doors opened at 7 p.m. We hope to see a good turnout to hear our juvenile workers in the good cause of temperance. Admission 10c.

The recent meeting of the District Lodge No. 24, I.O.G.T., held at Blyth on the 18th inst., was attended by S. B. Williams, Geo. Fulford, E. Horton and A. Cumming as delegates from the I.O.G.T. No. 213. Addresses were given by the G.W.O.T. of the I.O.G.T., J. MacMullen and F. S. Spence, of Toronto, who were present. Also from Bro. Dawson, of Kincardine, who during this year has organized several new lodges in this county.

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Division Court was held here on Saturday, 20th inst. before Hon. Judge Day. He had not much to do, as so much of which was settled by the parties concerned.

We are sorry to have to state that Miss Libby Hamilton, daughter of Mr. John Hamilton, West Wawanosh is very ill. We hope she will soon recover. We deeply sympathize with Mr. Hamilton in his sore afflictions in his family.

It will be pleasing for the rate-payers and others in this School Section to know that Mr. Geo. Woods principal of Duncannon School, and who has taught in said School for three years and some months is re-engaged at an increased salary for the year 1889, thereby evincing that his services as teacher are duly appreciated. Mr. Woods is an energetic, painstaking and successful teacher. We approve of remunerating a good teacher.

A very pleasant evening was spent in the house of Mr. Isaac Hamilton, township of Ashfield on Tuesday, the 23rd inst., as on that evening quite a number of relatives, friends, and others presented themselves to witness the joyous event of uniting in the bonds of matrimony between Mr. Samuel Pentland, son of Mr. Mr. Pentland and Miss Maria Hamlin, all of Ashfield. We wish them success and congratulate the young couple in the happy event.

COMMERCIAL UNION MEETING.—A meeting to discuss the question of Commercial Union was held in the township hall, on Friday afternoon last. Mr. John Kerrigan, the president of the West Huron Farmers' Institute, occupied the chair, and explained that invitations had been sent to Mr. Charlton and Dr. Macdonald M.P.'s to speak in favor of the question, and to Mr. Robt. Porter and Hon. James Young to take the negative side. None of the speakers were present at the meeting except Dr. Macdonald M.P., but he proved to be a host in himself, and delivered an address, extending over two hours and a half, which has never been excelled in this section. No summary could do justice to the manner in which the eloquent representative of East Huron dealt with the question from the stand of the farmer, the lumberman, the fisherman, the miner and the mechanic. He showed conclusively that in the interest of every class unrestricted reciprocity and a wider market was the necessity of the hour. The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the brilliant speaker, moved by Mr. D. McGillivuddy, of Goderich, and seconded by Mr. Chas. Girvin, ex-warden of Huron.

PORT ALBERT

From our own correspondent. Mr. William Yrooman has gone to live at Sheppardton. He is sorry to say we are minus of a good neighbor.

Mr. David Johnston has rented the farm of Mr. George Hawkins. Mr. Hawkins intends going to Manitoba to live. We don't think there will be many wet eyes after him.

A very pleasant evening was spent at Mr. John McBride's last week though the evening was not very pleasant a large crowd assembled and they tipped the light fantastic until daylight.

PARAMOUNT.

From our own correspondent. Our old teacher, Harry Horton, was in our midst last week. Toronto must agree with him, as he has lost none of his old time cheerfulness.

The anniversary services of Hope church were held on Sunday, Oct. 19th. The pulpit both morning and evening was occupied by Rev. J. Green, Licknow.

A pleasing event took place in our midst Wednesday last, by which Miss Kate McKenzie was united in the bonds of matrimony to Mr. Kenneth McLeod, of Lucknow. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. McQueen, of Ripley, in the presence of a large number of friends and acquaintances. The evening was spent in amusements, Mr. E. Richards, our well-known comedian, keeping all in the best of humor. The happy bride, who was the recipient of numerous handsome presents, takes up her abode in Lucknow, followed by the best wishes of the best wishes of her many friends.

The annual teaming was held in Hope church on Monday evening, Oct. 17th. Although the weather was not favorable, a large number of friends who, by their appearance showed that the entertainment of the evening was appreciated. The speakers were Rev. Mr. Green, Lucknow, Rev. Mr. Carson, Whitechurch, and J. Webster, of Pine Ridge, who delivered very interesting addresses. The musical part of the teaming was rendered by the Bethel choir in the usual good style. The singing fairly excelled themselves in the production of the good things with which the tables were loaded. The proceeds amounted to \$45.

BLUEVALE

From our own correspondent. Too late for last week. Chas. Walmaley gave the town a flying visit one day last week.

Rev. Mr. McGibbon is holding protracted meetings in Johnstons church, Morris, this week.

As Mrs. Agar was carrying apples down cellar one day this week, she slipped and badly sprained her ankle. It is hoped that Mrs. Agar will soon be around again.

John Elliott returned from Manitoba on Saturday. Mr. Elliott has been visiting there a month and seems to think well of the country. It is his intention to return in the spring.

Thos. Farrow ex-M.P. is shipping apples in this neighborhood. Mr. Farrow is a very popular man among the farmers just now. Every success is wished him in his undertakings.

Rev. Mr. Jones supplied the Bluevale Presbyterian church on Sunday morning last. A large congregation listened with deep attention to Mr. Jones. Rev. A. Y. Hartley, pastor, was preaching in Lucknow.

Rev. G. B. Howie, Brussels, lectured in the Presbyterian church on Thursday last week. The lecture included a trip from here to Joppa and thence to Bethlehem. The nature and appearance of the country was described. The dress and manners of the people were all dealt upon. It was very instructive, intensely amusing and entertaining.

BRUSSELS.

Last Saturday a telegram was received by Capt. Stretton, from Urbridge, announcing the decease of his father at the advanced age of 88 years. Mr. Stretton and (Mrs. John) Moorey went east on the noon train. The funeral took place on Tuesday. Old Mrs. Stretton died about a year ago.

Monday Morning last week Andrew Currie, sr., passed away. He had been bothered for months with his stomach, but, being a man of iron constitution, he did not take to his bed until a few weeks previous to his decease. He was a generous, honest-going man, who had

AUBURN.

From our own correspondent. Master Dick Down's, of Clinton, is the guest of his uncle, Mr. Wm. Towles, of this place.

Mrs. Welsh, of Duncannon, visited friends here last week.

Miss Eliza Blair kindly acted as organist in the absence of her sister Miss Susie.

Mr. Frank Crabb, of Goderich, hardware merchant, paid a flying visit to our town one day last week.

Ed Dowell, formerly of Clinton now of this place, returned a few days ago from Toronto, where he learned the cutting business in connection with the tailoring line.

Mr. Henry Beadle, our townsman sold a colt the other day three months and a half old raised from his own horse, to Mr. Robt. McAllister of West Wawanosh for the handsome sum of \$110. This speaks well of "Sir Charles."

HILL'S GREEN.

Mr. John Jarrot has sold his farm containing 100 acres to his son William J., for the sum of \$7,000, and Mr. Jarrot has purchased Mr. W. Anson's farm containing 50 acres, for which he paid the neat sum of \$3,700; he intends to move there as soon as convenient; he fell heir to a great legacy left him by an uncle in England, for which he purposes to sail as soon as spring opens. His Hill's Green friends wish him a pleasant journey, and they therefore did not get out until he will return home safe, improved both physically and financially.

GODERICH TOWNSHIP

Mrs. Wm. Stirling has sold during the season 625 dozens of eggs, for which she has received the sum of \$90.

A BAO LOSS.—Stirling Bros., of Devil's Lake Dak., (sons of Wm. Stirling, Porter's Hill), recently met with a very bad loss. Their wheat was destroyed by the frost, and they therefore did not get out until the other day a running fire, which started from a thresher two miles away, destroyed all the oat and barley—about 1200 bushels—together with their hay. This is the second time they have been burned out and it comes pretty hard on them.

Mr. John Teiford, of Clinton, has traded his farm at Sandusky, Mich., for the farm of Geo. Graham in Goderich Township giving \$1000 to boot.

BIG WORK.—Mr. T. Calder threatened on the farm of Mr. Adam Douglas, of the 16th concession, one day last week 3150 bushels of grain consisting of wheat, barley and oats. John Gray and Adam Stein did the feeding. They threshed 450 bushels of the oats in two hours and a half.

SEAFOUR.

Mr. and Mrs. D. McNaught left Seaforth on Monday last for their home in Rapid City. During his visit to Ontario Mr. McNaught purchased a thoroughbred Hereford bull and two teifers to put on his ranch in Manitoba.

Mr. William Logan has purchased the well known driving horse owned by the late Mr. George Case, paying for him the sum of \$200. He intends sending him to his brother Robert in Manitoba. He is one of the best drivers in these parts.

Mr. W. M. Morris, of Mitchell, has leased a plot of ground from Mr. D. D. Wilson, and intends starting a market garden and greenhouse. He will remove to Seaforth, and as he thoroughly understands the business will no doubt do well.

Mr. Wm. J. Tough, of Stanley, a graduate of Seaford Collegiate Institute, has been engaged to teach the school in Section No. 1, Morris, for next year at a salary of \$400. The trustees of this school will find Mr. Tough a good and painstaking teacher and a very estimable young man.

BENMILLER.

The following from the Stratford Beacon, will be of interest to many readers of THE SIGNAL in this vicinity, as the parties referred to are well and favorably known here:—A very pleasant event took place Wednesday at the home of Mrs. A. Darst, Sebringville, when her daughter Lucy Maud was united in matrimony to Mr. Joseph Lobb of Holmesville, Ont. The bride was assisted by Miss Margaret Lobb, of Sebringville, and the groom by J. B. Darst, brother of the bride. A number of friends from a distance were present, and the numerous and handsome presents showed the high esteem in which the bride was held. The bridal party consisted of 40 in all, and will shortly return to their new home in Gowrie.

DUNLOP.

From our own correspondent. Miss Emily Hillier, of Goderich, spent last week here with friends.

ON THE HOR.—Some of the staff of the sick committee at the northern end of our Burgh had a busy time last week looking to the sick in their best. Three sick headaches a cut foot (which was skillfully dressed by one of the senior nurses) and five severe cases among the little folks, one of them having to send for a M. D. So far all are doing well. Mr. Heston, whom we mentioned last week, is still ill but progressing favorably.

A new stable is being built by the architect and his staff for A. A. Williams this week.

During last week as Willie Tobin, with one of his brothers, were chopping wood for home use the axe of his brother glanced off, striking Willie in the calf of the leg above the ankle which made a deep cut, the wound was skillfully dressed by one of the nurses of our sick committee, who promptly answered the summons of the messenger, and so far he is doing well.

BRUSSELS.