

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The latest triumph of science, which is said to have been practically accomplished, is that of one person being able to read the thoughts of another. This is really the very worst we ever heard of. It will turn this old world upside down in about a minute. Dear, oh dear, what a surprise some men will get when they see, or hear, of the mean things their wives are thinking about them, and how happy the women will be to know of the nice things their husbands are thinking of them all the time.

Matters in connection with the building of the Aylmer, London and North Shore Electric Road have been making wonderful advances during the past few weeks and it is now a certainty that the road will be built during the summer of 1903. The company have secured the services of Mr. W. Warnock as trustee, and he will have absolute control of all the money received from the sale of the bonds, \$1,000,000 worth of which are now in his possession, and it will be his duty to see that every dollar of this money is used in the construction and equipment of the road. There will be no watered stock and no promoters' shares given away, but the whole scheme will be carried out on sound business principles and the fact of Mr. Warnock being trustee for the funds makes this a certainty beyond the shadow of a doubt. If electric roads of this kind can be made to pay, as they have in every instance, even where the stock is largely watered, this road must pay its shareholders big dividends. The interest is guaranteed for the first two years, and no electric road on this continent runs for 42 miles through such good farming country. The fact that Mr. Warnock having been practically put in control of the funds of the Co. will give the people of this section, who know him, more confidence in the scheme than any other one thing that could be done and he will have no trouble in disposing of seventy-five or one hundred thousand dollars worth of these bonds to parties living in this section of the country, as no bonus or other special favors are being asked. The Co. have secured the services of Mr. E. W. Davis as accountant and financial secretary, who will have a desk in Mr. Warnock's office, which will be the head office of the Co. until the road is completed. He will move to town at once and commence his duties.

THE NOMINATIONS.

This year will see a scrap for municipal honors both in Aylmer and Malahide, while the district in which both municipalities are located for County Council purposes, has elected its representatives by acclamation, in the persons of Mr. Oscar McKenney and Mr. Wm. Rockey, who will make first-class men for the position.

In Aylmer, Mr. W. S. Caron was elected mayor by acclamation. His long and faithful service in the council entitles him to the position and we have no doubt he will fill the position with credit to himself and benefit to the town. There are nine men in the field for councillors, and it will not be difficult to pick out six good men for the position. Only one member of the old council is running, viz: Mr. R. C. McKenney, so that in any case it will be almost a new council. Those in the field are Alvin Cronk, Chas. E. Clarke, J. B. Hambridge, W. R. Hare, D. Marshall, R. McKenney, Newton Newell, Dr. F. W. Smith, Chas. Watson.

MALAHIDE.

A red hot fight is on for the reeveship between Jas. Lane, Wm. J. Lindsay and Chas. W. Wonnacott, and the choice of councillors lies between John L. Brown, Jabez Cohoon, Wm. T. Hare, John W. Matthews, David A. McConnell, John H. Pressey, Chas. Timpany and O. L. Westover.

COUNTY COUNCILLORS.

District No. 1—S B Morris, A D McColl, D J McPherson
No. 2—A Leitch and E McKeller, elected by acclamation.
No. 3—W Jackson, A Turner and A Elise.
No. 4—D F Thompson, W F Luton, James McKenzie.
No. 5—Oscar McKenney and W Rockey, elected by acclamation.
No. 6—D Ferguson, A Stokes, Mr Wilson, South Dorchester, and David Stratton, Bayham.

VIENNA.

There will be no election in Vienna the following having been elected by acclamation: Reeve, E. H. Suffer; councillors, C. W. Chute, W. Brasher and F. Brown.

YARMOUTH.

For Reeve: Chas. A. Chase, Arthur

Tansley, Granville H. Haight, Wm. Padon and Walter Lewis. For councillors: Chas. L. Sprague, W. F. Hepburn, Geo. Shepherd, H. C. Ferguson, Chas. E. Locke, Geo. A. Gilbert, Lewis E. Close and R. F. Francis. All those nominated for reeveship, with the exception of Messrs. Chase and Tansley, withdrew. Mr. Close withdrew as nominee for councillor.

Births.

SAVAGE—At Aylmer, on Tuesday, Dec. 30th, the wife of A. Sylvester Savage, of a son.

A FEAST THAT FAILED.

The Story of a Raccoon That Was Not Served For Breakfast.

It is within the memory of many people that the custom of schoolteachers "boarding around" was the usual thing in country districts. Although a custom which teachers seldom liked, it is doubtful if many of them had as hard a time as a young schoolmaster who described his experience in the New England Galaxy for 1917. The article was written by Leonard Apthorp, then an undergraduate of Bowdoin college. The young schoolmaster was to receive \$15 a month and his board.

From the first day I perceived that I was at board on speculation and at the mercy of a close calculation, he writes. One day the whole dinner consisted of a single dumpling, which they called a pudding, and five sausages, which in cooking shrank to the size of pipestems. There were five of us at table.

A few days afterward, on my return from school, my eyes were delighted by the sight of an animal I had never seen before. It was a raccoon, which the young man, Jonathan, had killed and brought home in triumph. When skinned, he seemed to be one entire mass of fat and of a most delicate whiteness. I was overjoyed and went to bed early to dream of delicious steaks which the morrow would bring.

Long before daylight I heard the family stirring, and the alacrity of quick footsteps and the repeated opening and shutting of doors all gave assurance of the coming holiday.

I was soon ready for breakfast, and when seated at table I observed that the place of Jonathan was vacant.

"Where is Jonathan?" I asked.

"Gone to market," said they.

"Market! What market, pray? I did not know there was any market in these parts."

"Oh, yes," they said, "he is gone to—about thirty miles to the southward of us."

"And what has called him up so early to go to market?"

"He is gone," said they, "to sell his raccoon."

PICKINGS FROM FICTION.

The fool's ear was made for the knave's tongue.—Ramaswami's "Indian Fables."

Bad habits are leeches that would suck a Hercules to effeminacy.—"A Speckled Bird."

Money buys things, and love wins things; power takes things.—"Fame For a Woman."

Duty is what we think about when ill or are reminded of by creditors.—Davidson's "Dumas."

When a man ceases to make love to his wife, some other man begins.—"Fables For the Elite."

People whose lives are anything but a joke are usually content with the smallest jests.—"The Vultures."

Mothers personify circumstances to children. We are symbols to them of baffling, cramping fate.—"The Rescue."

A woman is like unto a volcano, which, even when inactive, is palpitating to spit forth its fire and which, when it does vent its fury, bursts the bounds of its late enforced suppression.—"The Woeing of Wistaria."

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

Dr. and Mrs. Luton, of Grand Rapids Mich., are spending a few days in town the guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Lyon.

Mr and Mrs Geo Tibbitts, of Washington, spent Christmas with his parents here.

Mr and Mrs Chas Burrell, of Toronto spent Christmas with Mr and Mrs L E Fairbanks.

The pulpit of Knox church was occupied last Sunday both morning and evening by the Rev. Thos. Wilson, of London.

Mr. W. Adams shipped a car load of hogs to the Farmers' Co-operative Packing House, at Brantford, on Tuesday last.

Miss Risdon will be in town on Wednesday next to make arrangements for the coming term. She should have a larger class than ever before. There is no better teacher in Canada, and there is, in our opinion, no music like that of the violin.

Dr. Charles Eaton, of Cleveland will deliver his great lecture on "The New Imperialism" in the Baptist church here, Jan. 22nd. The citizens of Aylmer and vicinity are to be congratulated on the privilege they will have of hearing this unique orator. This is your opportunity. Do not miss it.

The annual meeting of the Public School board was held on Wednesday last when the following trustees were elected: J. L. Lambert, Chas. Timpany and W. C. Bingham. Mr. Dan Bradley was the retiring trustee, and was urged by the meeting to take the

position again, but declined, and his wishes were complied with, much to the regret of all.

Mr. Jas. C. Taylor has entered into partnership with Mr. W. Conn in the hardware business, and will take hold of the work as soon as he can arrange to vacate his present position. Mr. Taylor is well known throughout this whole section as a good citizen and an honorable business man, and everyone will be glad to see him located in Aylmer once more. We have no doubt of the success of the new firm.

To Cure a Cold in one Day.

Take Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box.

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Advances made to farmers on their own notes at lowest current rates.

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\$1.00 Opens a savings bank account and every dollar deposited will earn 3 per cent. interest, compounded half yearly.

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Municipal Elections.

Having accepted a nomination for the position of Councillor for the Township of Malahide, and knowing that it will be utterly impossible to see each one of the electors personally in the short time between now and election day, I take this opportunity of soliciting the support of all who think I can fill the position with credit, and to the advantage of the township. This I will promise, to give each question as it comes up my very best consideration and judgment, without prejudice and without favor to any man or any particular section of the country.

Yours truly,
J. L. Brown

Farm for Sale.

100 acres of choice land, 18 acres timber (beech and maple), good two-storey brick house, cellar, stone wall foundation. Large frame barn, stable, granary, shed and cow stable, and pig pen. Three miles from St. Thomas, on Edgeware road, Yarmouth. This is an excellent farm, will be sold cheap and on easy terms. Apply to G. Roche, 215 Talbot street, St. Thomas, Ont.

Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Lakeview Cheese and Butter Co., Limited, will be held at the factory at Lakeview, on Saturday, Jan. 17, 1903, at 1 o'clock p.m., for receiving the annual report, election of officers, etc. Patrons as well as stockholders are requested to attend.

A. A. LESLIE, Pres. J. A. SEXTON, Sec.

Lakeview, Dec. 30, 1902.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the East Elgin District Agricultural Society will be held at the town hall, Aylmer, on WEDNESDAY, JAN. 21st, 1903, at 2 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of electing officers and arranging plans for the 1903 fair. There are several important questions to be settled at this meeting, including dates of holding fair, and number of days. All interested in the success of the fair are urged to be present.

A. A. LESLIE, Pres. D. H. PRICE, Sec.

Lakeview, Dec. 30, 1902.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Malahide Agricultural Society will be held at the town hall on WEDNESDAY, JAN. 14th, 1903, at 2 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year and transacting any other business that may come before the meeting.

F. LEESON, Pres. D. H. PRICE, Sec.

WANT COLUMN.

FOR SALE—Registered Short Horn Bulls and Cows. E. A. Garbutt, Stratford, Ont.

FARM FOR SALE.—Apply to F. H. Orris Springfield, Ont.

FIRST CLASS farm for sale in Dorchester 165 acres, brick house and good outbuildings. Possession any time. J. C. Dane.

THOROUGHbred Berkshire bear for sale cheap. Apply at this office.

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January will be the month for us to clear out all our winter goods at greatly reduced prices.

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In 98 lb. Cotton Sacks
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The Annual Winter Meeting of the
East Elgin
Farmers' Institute.

Will be held in the
Town Hall, Aylmer,
on
Monday & Tuesday, Jan. 12, 13

Sessions will be held daily at 10 a. m. and 1.30 p.m.

Mr. D. C. Anderson, of Rugby, will discuss the following subjects: Soil Cultivation; The Bacon Hog; Care of Grass Lands; Cattle Raising and Green Crops as Fertilizers.

Mr. Erland Lee, of Stoney Creek, will discuss Lessening the Effect of Drought on Crops; Breeding and Feeding the Dairy Herd; Corn and the Silo; Care of Milk for Factory or Creamery; Cream Separator and Butter Making on the Farm.

Mr. T. Hammond, of Aylmer, will also give an address on The Orchard and its Care.

The subjects to be discussed are of great interest to every farmer, and valuable information will be missed by all who fail to attend.

B. MARLATT, Pres.

F. LEESON, Sec.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Aylmer Horticultural Society will be held at town hall, Aylmer, on WEDNESDAY, JAN. 14th, 1903, at 7:30 p.m., for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year and transacting any other business that may come before the meeting.

M. HARRIS, Pres. D. H. PRICE, Sec.

Teacher Wanted.

Teacher wanted for School Sections 11 and 16, Malahide and Yarmouth, duties to commence first of year.
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