

Country Talk.

Britton.

Mr. Sanderson had the misfortune to break his collar bone while driving home from Listowel last week. It appears the horse took fright and threw him out with the above result.

Ethel.

This week Mr. Davis attended his ministerial examination at Mitchell.

In the absence of Rev. D. B. McRae last Sunday his pulpit was occupied by Rev. Mr. Thompson.

Rev. T. G. Thompson has accepted a unanimous call to Waterdown and the induction will take place on Tuesday of this week. The Presbyterians of that town are to be congratulated on their choice.

David Milne's sale of stock, &c., recently was a decided success. Although the roads were desperately bad persons came from near and far as Mr. Milne's reputation is so well known for keeping nothing but the best.

Listowel.

House cleaning has begun which will give exercise to the willing.

Board of Trade met in their chambers last Monday. Important business was discussed.

Listowel has some nice locations for retiring farmers to build on and make their residence here.

The C. O. F. of all the surrounding districts intend holding a monster demonstration some time in June next.

Listowel Arbor day is on May 1st. We hope every one will do their best in decorating the place by tree planting.

The sun is doing wonderful work in drying up the roads around town, and the townspeople are beginning to get their gardening tools in shape.

The entertainment given last Friday in the Mechanics' Institute reading rooms was a complete success. The rooms were as full as could be, scarcely standing room could be obtained.

The Listowel I. O. O. F. intend giving a free concert on the 24th of this month in their beautiful hall. It will likely be a grand treat; also the Town Band intends giving a concert early in May. We are looking ahead for a rare treat.

Adam Austin received last week a basket of vegetables from his son Thos. in New Orleans. There were full grown potatoes, cabbages lettuce, beets, radish, turnips, and oranges all grown in the open air, bought in New Orleans market.

Listowel is bound to go ahead. Hess Bros. and Co. have now completed their chair factory and have started to manufacture chairs which will add to the already large business they do. It is rumored that they want 50 more hands in their chair department.

We have received word, that John Taylor, formerly resident in town, has passed the final examination of the Philadelphia School of Medicine, and is therefore now a full-pledged medic. He passed with high marks over 90 per cent. average. We congratulate him on his course, and wish him abundant success.

John Donovan, the gentlemanly bartender at the Arlington, left town early Saturday morning, telling the proprietor that he wanted to visit his father. He however gathered all his traps into his trunk and slid out the back way, forgetting in the meantime to arrange with a number of trades people about town to whom he owed a balance on clothes. He obtained on Friday a rubber coat from John Riggs, and on Saturday Riggs swore out a warrant for obtaining it under false pretences and Constable Woods went down to Toronto and brought his man back Wednesday night. The case has not been tried yet. Mr. Riggs is determined to convince people that if they want his goods they must expect to pay for them.

The Royal Templar Life Boat Crew have just completed a very successful revival of the temperance interest in the town. The meetings, which started a week ago, have been fully sustained through the entire time, and last night twenty-three members were added to the local council through the efforts of the team. Prof. I. T. Mills, the leader, is a speaker and elocutionist of a high order and has the rare faculty of holding his audience spell-bound. In his recitation of the Life Boat, Old Actor's Story, and the Relief of Lucknow, etc., he surpassed himself. Mr. McDonald is truly a sweet singer, his solos were thrilling and his duets with Mrs. McDonald and Mr. Mills were loudly encored. Mrs. McDonald is a very forcible speaker, and on every occasion when she addressed the meeting, was listened to with wrapt attention, especially her address on the "Broken Down Dude." The hearty good will of all go with them. May they visit our town again is the wish of all who heard them.

Newry.

R. K. Hall spent Sunday in the village.

W. Humphreys is having his house repaired inside, Wm. Gilchrist being the contractor.

Richard Gray has returned from Stratford where he spent the winter in the employ of Mr. White, pork packer.

The fair here on Tuesday was a success as far as a crowd of people goes but the display of animals was very meagre.

Judging by the stack of Bets that arrive at the post office Friday mornings we believe that THE BEE has the largest circulation at this office of any paper in the county. The people here appreciate a good article.

Mr. Kellor, has the Crystal Palace torn down and nothing remains but the pillars which supported the structure. We think that a mistake has been made in not having the ruins photographed and preserved in our museum.

The report of the county promotion examination may be looked for about Monday as nearly all the examiners have sent in their reports.

Will Gray left on Wednesday for Horrygrove to look after the building of a factory which is to replace the one in which he worked for eight years.

John Morrison has had the nucleus of the sidewalk. We know of none in the village or neighborhood who have not promised to assist in having it completed. Young Coulter has graded about 30 rods of it.

Elma.

Wm. Bristow and wife, of Parkhill, were the guests of Wm. Bartja, 15th con., last week.

Albert Quipp's sale on the 10th ult., was well attended and moderate prices were realized. C. H. Merryfield was the auctioneer.

A horse belonging to Thos. Cockwill, of the 16th concession, dropped dead in the stable of T. E. Hammond, 14th con., Saturday of last week.

Robert Smith, of the 17th con., intends building a large bank barn on his farm which will greatly improve the appearance of that section.

David Ferguson, 15th con., was at Stratford, on the 9th inst., as a witness on the Barker-Middleditch law suit. He arrived home on the 10th inst.

Wm. Jolly, 14th concession, is raising, enlarging and otherwise improving his barn this coming summer which will greatly improve the property.

The many friends of John Healy will be pained to learn of his death at his home, 14th con., Logan, which took place on the 9th inst. Deceased was a consistent Roman Catholic and was at one time member of the Logan council. He was highly respected by all who had the pleasure of his acquaintance and his death will be deeply regretted by his large circle of friends and acquaintances.

S. S. No. 2.—The following is the relative standing of those who took the highest number of marks in their respective classes during the month of March:—Fifth Class—Nettie Hargreaves, Roland Jickling, George Bray, George Wilson. Senior Fourth—Nellie Newbigging, Lillie Forman, Jane Thompson, Maria Douglas. Senior Third—Ida Keith, Hester Jickling, Agnes Shearer, Maggie Hamilton. Junior Third—Charlie Douglas, Lottie Stewart, Tena Shearer, Minnie Jenkins. Senior Second—Jessie Keith, Ettie Hay, Jennie Cleland, Sarah A. Boyd.

ELOPED.—The people of the 12th con. were much surprised when it was learned that one of our best known young ladies had left with a young gentleman for parts unknown. There is rather a romantic tale in connection with her life while here. Some three years ago she got acquainted with a young married man who was living near here, and shortly afterwards she removed to a neighboring town and while there several letters passed between them. Their correspondence was brought to a sudden close, however, by one of her letters falling into the hands of his wife. The next person to fall a victim to her charms was a very respectable young man, now a resident of the Prairie Province. A year ago last winter he met, and to all appearance, won the affections of this fair damsel, and after using up her poor father's wood and coal oil he left for his home in the west, with the promise that she would join him in a year's time. On the platform at Atwood station they parted, and her lamentations were loud, but scarcely had the smoke of the train, which carried lover No. 2, cleared away when No. 3 made his appearance. They met, and who will not say that it was "love at first sight?" and from that time they were in each others company much. Last fall he left for Port Huron where he resided until a month ago, when he returned to his home near here. Her father forbid him come to the house, but the two love-sick swains were not to be parted in this way and so they met in other places, and it is supposed arranged to take their flight together. However, when she got on the train at Brussels he was there to meet her. The affair has created quite a ripple of excitement in this locality.

Brussels.

J. T. Pepper has been on the poorly list this week.

Rev. R. Paul preached at Londesboro' last Sabbath.

Tom Hill, and Alex. Hood rusticated in Wingham last Sunday.

R. S. Pelton, of THE BEE, was in town Sunday visiting old friends.

East Huron Spring Show will be held in Brussels to-day (Friday).

Misses Edith Hill and Lizzie Thompson spent Sunday in Wingham.

Miss Aggie Hamilton, of Atwood, was the guest of Miss Roddick last Sabbath.

Rev. J. Ross, B. A., and Rev. G. B. Howie, L. A., exchanged pulpits last Sabbath.

Wm. Bishop, of Beachville, was in town Thursday. He appears well suited with his new home.

D. Calbeck, of Goderich, was in town several days this week owing to the illness of his niece, Ida Calbeck.

Rev. S. Sellery, B. A., H. D., gave an address at the Y. P. G. A. meeting in Melville church last Monday evening.

Miss Mary Olliver arrived home last Saturday after a visit of some weeks with her sister Mrs. Jno. Leckie in Toronto.

Two of our lacrosse players were having a practice throw on Turiberry street on Good Friday when the ball found its way through one of the large panes of glass in J. Jones' jewelry store. Four dollars paid for the fun.

It is rumored that Rev. G. B. Howie, L. A., intends resigning his position as pastor of Knox church in this place shortly. The reverend gentleman will soon be two years in Brussels. What his intentions are for the future we have not learned.

Mrs. Dr. McNaughtan left for Kansas last Tuesday on a visit to her father and sister.

John Pelton, of Atwood, was in town Sunday. Jack has an attraction inside of the town limits. I won't tell though.

Rev. S. Sellery, B. A., H. D., went to Mitchell Tuesday to attend the examination of the young ministers of the Guelph Conference. He is one of the examiners.

On Tuesday, April 1st, A. Hunter, J. P., E. E. Wade and R. L. Taylor, of Brussels, went to Detroit to meet A. Veal, who absconded from that village a few weeks ago, to secure his evidence in connection with the recent sale of furniture, &c. Mr. Hunter is the commissioner, Mr. Wade represents the creditors and Mr. Taylor went in behalf of Miss Montgomery the claimant.

A meeting was called at the American hotel, on Thursday evening last for the purpose of organizing a Gun Club, and a most enthusiastic gathering was the result. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President W. M. Sinclair; Vice-President, James T. Ross; Sec. Treas., A. Cously. In addition the usual committees for the drafting of by-laws and general management of the Club were also appointed. The Club starts with a membership of about 30, with the prospects of adding to their number about 10 or 15 more. The Club hope to have an early opportunity of burning powder with your Atwood nimrods.

DIED.—The stroke of paralysis which Samuel Pearson received recently resulted in his death on Tuesday afternoon of last week. He never thoroughly passed during the time of his illness and aused quietly away. The deceased was an old resident of Brussels, having resided here for upwards of thirty years. He was honest as the day is long and was a very kind neighbor. In his earlier years he lived in Mitchell where he was engaged in the boot and shoe business. He worked at his trade for a number of years here Mrs. Pearson and six daughters survive him. The daughters are Mrs. Shannon, Mrs. Fralick and Mrs. Hargard, of Manitoba; Mrs. Holland Mrs. Pelton, of Port Huron, and Mrs. Dennis, of McKillop. The funeral of the deceased took place on Thursday afternoon, Rev. S. Sellery, B. A., H. D., conducting the service. Thus one by one our old residents and pioneers are leaving us. Mr. Pearson would have been 68 years of age had he lived until the 16th of next month. The family have the sympathy of the community in their bereavement.

Poolo.

The farmers of this section of the country have commenced plowing.

Miss Struthers, of Stratford Collegiate Institute, spent a few days with her parents last week.

Owing to the extremely disagreeable weather last Wednesday evening very few of the members of the I. O. G. T. lodge ventured out, and in consequence the contemplated program fell through.

Trowbridge.

W. F. Mann, of Minnedosa, is visiting friends in this locality.

Stephen Wilcott has gone to Denver to spend the summer months.

Miss Ducilla Mann, who has spent the last three years in Neepawa, Man., returned home last week.

James McCrae did a rushing business in the chopping line on Saturday. He was kept busy till late at night.

Andrew Thompson returned last week from his trip to the Northwest. Mr. Thompson enjoyed his trip and reports very favorably of the country out there.

Morris.

It is reported that Wm. Wilkinson has purchased the Rozell farm, containing 108 acres, for \$2,610. It must surely be a bargain at that figure.

A man named Smith, residing near Brussels, had the misfortune to inflict an ugly cut in his foot with an axe the other day while chopping.

At a taffy party in this township on Good Friday a Brussels young lady had the misfortune to lose one of her teeth while wrestling with a chunk of taffy.

Mrs. John Somerville, of Morris, has a goose that is making a record by laying eggs, some of which measure 9 1/2 x 12 in. The goose that beats that will have to stay up at night.

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