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What is Going on all Around Us.

LATEST NEWS FROM THE LEADING CENTRES OF KENT AND ESSEX.

SOUTH BUXTON.

John B. Robbins has purchased 30 acres of the Lee farm from Judge Bell.

The roads are in a terrible condition.

Seeding has commenced, but the late rains have put a stop to the work for a few days.

James Ross has returned from a two weeks' visit in Kingston.

FLETCHER.

A. G. Robertson spent Saturday in Chatham.

Mrs. Mary Hawkins is visiting relatives and friends in Kingsville.

John Green, of Dresden, is around buying hogs.

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TUPPERVILLE.

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KENT BRIDGE.

Miss McBrayne leaves this week for Detroit.

Geo. L. Shaw, who left last week for Detroit, expects to be away for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Worth, attended the Masonic banquet at London on Monday evening.

E. P. Langford is forming a stock company to manufacture and handle his patent dump wagon box.

Mr. French, reeve of Camden, and Mr. Smith, councillor, have placed indigent Lipp in the hospital at Chatham for an operation. His feet were badly frozen.

Della, beloved daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bingley Shaw, died at her home on Wednesday, 17th inst.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Mustard on Saturday, assisted by Rev. Mr. Hussey, at Knox church.

The remains were interred in the Shaw burying ground, this being the second death in the family in a week.

Mr. Shaw is very poorly. The family have the sympathy of all to their loss and bereavement.

In the absence of the minister Mr. Rieborough, of Camden, conducted services Sunday evening in the Methodist church.

EAST FRANKLIN.

The ice in the Sydenham river here is so thin that it is dangerous to cross.

The average attendance at the school has been quite small during the past few weeks, on account of the unsafe crossing.

A. Brown, of Sarnia, is visiting friends here.

Miss Muriel Wooliver, who has been visiting her grand-parents here for the last few weeks, returned to her home in Wallaceburg.

T. Allen is erecting a new home dwelling on his farm here.

W. Birmingham intends building an addition to his house in the near future.

J. Richardson attended the Grand Orange meeting in Palmerston last week. His wife and family accompanied him as far as St. Thomas, where they will remain a few days with friends.

Mr. Somerville moved from here last week and has taken up his abode in Wallaceburg.

There was a surprise party at C. Mickle's recently. A very pleasant evening was spent.

Mr. DeWolfe intends putting up a fine brick house this spring.

Miss Annie Shaw has returned home from Toronto.

J. Tassie, sr., is laid up with injuries received from a vicious animal.

The farmers are all busily engaged sowing fire-weed for the summer.

Miss F. Richardson left last week on an extended visit with friends in Bathurst.

We are sorry to state that Mrs.

Allen, sr., is very low.

Cottage prayer meeting will be held at Mr. S. Smith's on Tuesday night.

Everybody is welcome.

There is still talk of a new school-house on the south side of the river.

Our request should be granted.

Mr. Stewart is slowly improving.

Pretty early J. Mickle, sr., did the first seeding here on Friday last.

VAN HORN.

Paul Gerber, sr., has returned home after a visit with friends at Niagara Falls.

Miss Maud Coughlin, who has been visiting her mother in Chicago for the past few months, has returned home.

Miss Annie and Barbara Lachine were the guests of Miss Powell on Friday last.

Geo. House has disposed of his fine team of horses at a handsome price.

CHATHAM TOWNSHIP.

A dear little girl has come to make a prolonged visit at Mr. Robert Britton's on the 4th con., Chatham township.

Bruce Weaver spent Sunday at the home of his father.

Miss Ethel Weaver has recovered from a serious illness.

Mrs. Ward family have moved to Algoma. Previous to her departure she gave a party to her friends and neighbors, which was largely attended.

She is now settling in a log cabin built as a token of their high esteem.

Mrs. Joseph Weaver is very seriously ill.

Mrs. James Cormode has recovered her usual health.

A DOON TO CYCLISTS.

A bottle of Hagyard's Yellow Oil should be in every cyclist's kit, as it is the most effective remedy for Sprains, Bruises, Cuts, Stiff Joints, Contractions of the Muscles, Cramps in the legs, etc.

SEVENTH CON., CHATHAM TP.

W. M. Bond and J. Ball have returned home after spending a week with friends in Oshawa.

W. M. See had a sawing bee last Friday, which was largely attended.

Owen Gallagher intends raising trotting stock.

Owing to the bad roads times are dull.

A Johnson was the guest of Miss Ida Bond Sunday evening.

Michael Clary has sold his farm and intends going east.

Thomas Johnson will leave for Kiondike the tenth of April.

LIDOTTE.

Thomas Johnson leaves for the Kiondike next Tuesday.

Mrs. Wm. Bowers has returned from visiting friends in Toronto.

W. Bond and John Ball have been taking advantage of the cheap rates to visit friends and relatives in Oshawa.

Miss Agnes Newcombe, of Chatham, has been engaged as assistant teacher in our school.

We are glad to hear that Mary McRobb, who was kicked by a horse, is improving.

John McInnes lost a valuable horse through its getting entangled in its halter.

John Oliver has cut down the largest poplar tree standing in front of his place.

A large number of pike have been caught in the creeks.

Prayer meeting was held at the house of Robert Cummings last Friday evening.

The literary society will hold their meeting to-night (Tuesday).

Mrs. Morden has taken one of the children of Mr. Graham.

H. Hayward was married last week to Miss Chandler.

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If you would wear your door-bell ring Without the fright that duns bestow, And gladly see the postman bring A letter strange—pay as you go.

If you without a blush would meet And greet each person high or low, If you would proudly walk the street And have none barred—pay as you go.

If you with independent pride Would say that not a man you owe, If you would not be forced to hide And lie and cringe—pay as you go.

If you at night would soundly rest And wake without the sense of woe That makes you nervous and depressed, And won't shake off—pay as you go.

If you would have a bank account And greet each person high or low, For rainy days and watch it grow, And always have a snug amount, About your clothes—pay as you go.

Pay as you go—go as you pay—And earth will Heaven be below—But if you will try the other way It will be hell. Pay as you go.

ART OF CHAPERONING

IT HAS BECOME A PROFITABLE OCCUPATION FOR WOMEN.

Some of the Discouraging Points—The Wealthiest Girls Pay Generously, But Are Most Troublesome to Manage—Some Amusing Experiences.

Chaperoning a party of girls to Europe has become a profitable occupation for women of culture and intelligence, and the number of women doing this increases every year.

There was a time when a young woman with an ambition to travel was obliged to remain at home because her father had not the time to take a prolonged vacation, and the mother did not like to break up the home by going without her husband.

The reliable chaperone solved the problem, and it is a very common thing nowadays for a party of girls to go abroad with some one besides their parents.

Chaperoning a party abroad is not as easy as it appears, according to a woman who has taken many parties during the last ten years, although it is easier than it was the first year. The business details are care.

There is the looking ahead far enough to get desirable rooms engaged, compartments reserved, carriages ready and everything planned so that it will run smoothly.

Then there are the girls themselves. It takes a good deal of tact and sympathy to get along with a band of young women for a year or two. They must have a good time within proper bounds. To accomplish this the chaperone must know custom of society in every country so the girls will not sin against the proprieties of any nation. It depends, too, upon what the girls go abroad for.

If a girl is enthusiastic over what is to be learned by travel, she is a joy to her chaperone, but if she goes merely for the fun of it, she can cause her chaperone all sorts of trouble. Some of the wealthiest girls are, as a rule, the most troublesome, because, to them, a trip abroad is not an event of a life time, but only another new and exciting way of passing the time.

"Once I went abroad for a year with one girl," said a New York chaperone recently, relating her experiences to a Sun reporter. "She was the wealthiest girl in—well, I'll not tell you what State, but she was from the West. Her father offered me \$5,000 and my expenses if I would take charge of her for a year. As to our expenses, he didn't put any limit upon them, so I thought the thing was too good to be refused. When the daughter came to Washington, I decided I would have no trouble. She was remarkably pretty. Her manners were almost as impossible as her clothes, but I could replace the clothes and reform the manners. She seemed good-natured and rather shy. We sailed for Europe, and on the steamer I had a foretaste of the wrath to come. That girl flirted with every one, from a Hindoo prince to the cabin boys. I couldn't take my eyes off her for a moment but she would do something to cause gossip; and yet when I talked with her she seemed so grieved and contrite that I thought the child really didn't know better. We got through England pretty well, except one night at Cambridge, when I was ill and she slipped out and went rowing on the Cam with a young collegian who had dined at the table with us. When we reached the continent my grief began. Some way or other, wherever we went rumors of the girl's wealth arrived before us. The papers told fabulous stories about it, we were fairly besieged with beggars and tradespeople and fortune hunters. In Paris I simply earned my bread by the sweat of my brow. My charges set all the American colony gossiping, and finally one night announced to me that she was engaged to a penniless but good-looking German attaché of unsavory reputation. We left the next morning, and I endured tears and reproaches until we were settled in Berlin and the German officers effected a cure. We were visiting Baron de M. and his wife and we all kept sharp watch upon the men who flocked to the house. But one day the girl came to me in tears and told me mademoiselle was planning to elope that night with the Baron's private secretary. Naturally, we stopped that, and I cabled to the girl's father, breaking up the agreement, and asking whether I should take his daughter home. He answered that he would come for her, and we went to Nice to wait for him. The night before he was to arrive he went to bed early. He came at 6 in the morning, went to her room, and found a note beginning: 'Dearest Papa: When you read this I'll be the happiest of girls and a princess.' She had married an Italian prince, in debt up to his ears, and with no redeeming feature save a pair of black eyes. How did her father take it? He swore eloquently, but he forgave her, and he certainly behaved royally in regard to me."

Another chaperone tells of an experience she had with six girls when traveling in Italy. One of them got the measles and the keeper of the inn where they were staying thought the young woman had smallpox and told the party they would have to leave his hotel. The chaperone didn't know what to do, so she went to a priest—the only person to whom a traveler in a small Italian town can appeal when in trouble, and he found a place for the party in a convent near by. The sisters were very kind and the sick girl was soon well enough to resume her journey.

One of the great troubles in chaperoning is that no two of the party ever want to do the same thing and it takes a great deal of patience to arrange matters satisfactorily. Notwithstanding the inconvenience, however, many a woman would never see Europe if she didn't go as a chaperone, and many girls would be obliged to remain at home if it were not for the chaperone arrangement.

A Perpendicular Farm. Julian Hawthorne writes of "A Tropic Climax," describing one of his experiences in Jamaica, for the Century. Mr. Hawthorne says: The land up here is doubtless government land, which sells for about fifty cents an acre. If, however, it is measured on the horizontal, such an estate as this must come cheap indeed; for I don't believe the horizontal extent of this plantation, which might have had an area of a quarter of an acre, was more than fifteen or twenty feet. It is a perpendicular region. The most convenient way to operate such holdings would be to rig a derrick to the top, and swing the man with the hoe by a rope in front of his field of labor. He would have to be careful in gathering his produce, lest it would escape his grasp, and roll half a mile down into the depths of the valley.



When a young woman starts out in married life with a modest home containing just the bare necessities, she pictures herself in the future the mistress of a stately mansion, containing the comforts and luxuries of life and all the luxuries of life and all the luxuries of life.

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