

Philipville

July 16.—Bishop Spratt, of Kingston, visited the R. C. church here Sunday morning. The members of this parish were out in full force to listen to him, and at the close of the service, he shook hands with many of his old friends.

The rain during the past week was a boon to this section. It has delayed the hoeing and put back the hay to some extent, but in most cases, the hay is still growing and the bottom is filling up with white clover.

Mrs. John Flynn, of Buffalo, N.Y., is paying an extended visit here with her sister, Mrs. Judy Downey and other friends. It is ten years since her last visit.

Mrs. M. Judd, of Toledo, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. Dorway, for a few days.

Owing to the swarms of Hessian flies on the cows, they are falling off in the flow of milk.

Charleston

Mrs. Mack, New York, is at her summer home here. Her son Robert who has been a summer visitor here for many years is in the army.

Among the recent guests at Foster's hotel were: Mr. and Mrs. Birmingham, Prescott; Mr. Williams, Beck, and Harrison, of Toronto; W. A. Lewis, Brockville.

Miss Helen Troy, Ottawa, has sent in her resignation as teacher of our school. Miss Mina Prichard, Athens, has been engaged to take her place.

The members of the Charleston Lake Association met at Foster's hotel on Saturday evening for the purpose of transacting business. Three new members were added, viz, Mr. Williams, Mr. Boech and Mr. Harrison.

Miss Slack, Sand Bay, and Miss Sweet, Lyndhurst, were recent visitors.

Soperton

Mrs. E. Stevens, Fairfield East, visited her sister, Mrs. Thompson also friends at Philipville.

Mrs. G. Gray spent Friday with Forfar friends.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Suffer were called to Greenbush on Friday owing to the illness of their granddaughter little Elsie Forsythe, who is much improved now.

E. J. Suffer, R. Thompson, W. B. Danby and W. Earl attended the celebration at Kingston July 12.

Mrs. McConkey who has been ill for the past month is improving slowly.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Livingstone, Athens, were recent guests at the latter's home, Mr. P. Jarvis, also Mr. and Mrs. F. Whitmore visited at Wm. Halladay's.

Mrs. Hanna is spending a few days with Athens friends.

Haying operations have commenced in this section.

Sherwood Springs
Master Alex Eligh, Brockville, spent a few days last week with his aunt, Mrs. Annie Eligh.

Mr. Harry Darling has several Indians helping him with his strawberry crop.

A number of the farmers have started haying and report an excellent crop so far.

Several from here attended the Sunday afternoon service at Butter- nut Bay, conducted by Rev. Saunders, who is spending the summer there.

Mr. and Mrs. George Stewart spent Sunday last at Riverside with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. S. McDougall, Brockville, motored here on Sunday and spent a short time at Mrs. A. Eligh's.

Mr. Ira Miller, Mallorytown, has dispensed with his meat wagon and is using his new Overland car on his rounds.

Letters were received recently from Ptes. Allan Clow and Mort Hodge. They are still in England and enjoying good health.

Junetown

Miss Evelyn Knight, Brockville, is the guest of Miss Beatrice Avery.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Franklin, Mrs. Wm. Flood and Miss Evelyn Bradford motored to Brockville on Saturday last.

Mrs. Charles Baile and Miss Orma Mulvaugh spent the week-end with relatives in Lansdowne.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Graham spent Sunday at Mr. T. Guild's, Andersburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Fortune, Mr. Harold Fortune, and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Green motored to Newboro on Sunday and spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton.

Miss Gladys Brown, Caintown, was the guest of Miss Fern Warren last

week.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Whaley and daughter, of Athens, were visitors at Mr. Robert Fortunes on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Flood and children spent one afternoon last week with friends in Athens.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Truesdell, Mallorytown, were visiting at Mr. J. B. Ferguson's on Saturday last.

Mrs. Zaccheus Purvis and Miss Helen Purvis, Lyn, are visiting at Mr. Eli Tennant's.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Green, Kilkenny Street, spent the week-end at Mr. Francis Fortune's.

Mrs. Edwin Summers, Mallorytown, was visiting at Mr. Thomas Franklin's one day last week.

Miss Janet and Mr. W. H. Ferguson spent Wednesday last at Mr. John Ferguson's, Dulcemaine.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wooding, Toronto, are spending a couple of weeks at Mr. Herbert Scott's.

Miss Evelyn Bradford, Mallorytown, spent the week-end with Mrs. Harry Franklin.

Mrs. James Heribson has returned from a week's visit with friends in Brockville.

Dogs Wear License Tags.

Brockville police have announced that if all dogs in that town are not wearing license tags within three days the owners will be summoned.

Reopening Day Fixed.—The public schools of Ontario will reopen for the autumn term on Tuesday, September 4th, according to the decision of the Department of Education. Several applications were received from employers of labor asking for an extension of the vacation period in order to give the student a chance to help out with the harvest, but it was not thought advisable to extend the period.

Sheatown

Sheatown, July 16.—Mr. Thomas Hudson and sister Miss Nellie, of Charleston, are Sunday visitors at John Cox's.

Mr. John Cox has replaced his barn recently struck by lightning.

Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Shea spent Saturday in Brockville.

Miss Agnes Cox spent last Sunday in Brockville with her sister, Miss Mary Cox.

Mr. Leonard Cox and Herman Shea, spent last night in Athens.

Miss Mary Cox, of Brockville, is spending her holidays at her home here.

Mr. A. Morris sawed wood one day last week for Mr. Michael Cox.

Mr. Herman Shea spent Sunday at Charleston Lake.

Mr. James Shea intends going to Brockville this week.

Miss Anna Keyes has returned home after spending a few days in Gananoque the guest of Miss Boyle.

Mr. Leo Keyes, of Kingston, was a week-end visitor at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Keyes.

Mr. Manford Leeder, of Caintown, spent Sunday in Toledo the guest of his brother, Cleveland.

Miss Aggie Cox has sufficiently recovered from an attack of appendicitis, so as to be able to be around again.

Several of the farmers in this vicinity have commenced haying.

Master Hilary and Harry Oliver, of Montreal, are spending their holidays here with their uncle, Mr. John Cox.

Miss Eulalia Flood is visiting friends in Gananoque.

Sunday visitors at Mr. William Flood's include, Mr. and Mrs. D. Leeder, Mr. Manford Leeder, of Caintown, Mr. Thomas Hudson, of Charleston, and Miss Aggie Cox and Miss Mary Cox, of Sheatown.

DATES OF FALL FAIRS

Appended are the dates of most of the fall fairs in this district for 1917:—

- Brockville, Aug. 20-23.
- Almonte, Sept. 17-19.
- Arnprior, Sept. 17-19.
- Avonmore, Sept. 18 and 19.
- Belleville, Sept. 3 and 4.
- Carp, Oct. 3 and 4.
- Cobden, Sept. 25 and 26.
- Cornwall, Sept. 6-8.
- Delta, Sept. 17-19.
- Frankville, Oct. 11 and 12.
- Kemptville, Aug. 24 and 25.
- Kingston, Sept. 25-27.
- Lanark, Sept. 13-14.
- Lansdowne, Sept. 20-21.
- Lombardy, Sept. 8.
- Maxville, Sept. 27 and 28.
- Morrisburg, Aug. 1-3.
- Merrickville, Sept. 18-19.
- Napanee, Sept. 12 and 13.
- Ottawa, Sept. 8-17.
- Pakenham, Sept. 18 and 19.
- Perth, Sept. 5-7.
- Picton, Sept. 18-20.
- Prescott, Sept. 18-20.
- Renfrew, Sept. 19-21.
- Richmond, Sept. 20-22.
- South Mountain, Sept. 13 and 14.
- Spencerville, Sept. 25 and 26.
- Toronto, Aug. 25-Sept. 10.
- Winchester, Aug. 29 and 30.

A. E. DONOVAN APPEALS TO STRIKERS.

The Toronto papers of Friday contained long reports of the big strike meeting of the Toronto Street Railway in the Star Theatre at which Mr. McGarry, Mr. Ferguson, A. E. Donovan, M.P.P.; R. Z. Orr, international treasurer of the Union; Mayor Church, Chairman James Scott, Aids Gibbon and Robbins, the members of the men's committee and the older employees of the company fought for acceptance of the Railway Company's offer of an advance of six cents an hour pending consideration of grievances by Conciliation Board.

In the end, the offer was accepted and the change of sentiment during the meeting was almost entirely due to the appeals by the above speakers. Of interest is it to Athenians that Mr. Donovan, a former boy, should take his place in affairs of as great importance. The Toronto Mail says of him:

Mr. A. E. Donovan, M. P. P., put the men in pleasant mood. With all the skill of an experienced orator he told anecdotes, which spiced with pleasant wit, his statement of the situation which the men held at their pleasure. He told them that the public had remained with them in sympathy up to the present juncture, but that more than an immediate advance in wages would be effected by their decision. The public reserved its right to judge of so important a decision and that the refusal of the men would seriously affect the opinions and sympathy of 500,000 of their fellow-citizens who had for two days, borne with patience a situation which the men could now relieve.

"You have substantially gained a victory," he said in conclusion "Do not be carried away by too much enthusiasm for self. Think of those 800 or 900 gallant fellows who went from your barns to fight in France and Flanders. Consider the hardships, the risks and privations they are bearing. Be inspired by the same spirit of service and sacrifice and do not shirk some sacrifice, but serve as they are serving for now is not the time to hold the individual comfort before the public convenience."

THE "BURNING BUSH."

A Wonderful Plant Whose Vapor May Be Set Aflame.

The "burning bush," which is known to botanists as the Dictamnus fraxinella, is regarded as one of the most wonderful plants in the world. This plant is native to western Asia, though it is now found in some gardens of the temperate zone. In connection with the dictamnus it is rather remarkable that the species is common where the incident of Moses and the burning bush is said to have occurred.

A great many people who grow the plant are quite unaware of its strange habits. As a matter of fact, the dictamnus secretes a fragrant essential oil in great abundance, which, botanists say, is produced in especially large quantities by the flower stems, in warm weather volatilizing so that the air surrounding the plant is impregnated. Further, this vapor is highly inflammable, and if a naked flame is brought near to the plant the fumes at once take fire with a most singular result. The whole plant is surrounded with crackling, shooting flames reddish in color and leaving a highly aromatic odor behind them. The burning bush does not seem to be injured in any way by the fire, for the flames do not actually come into contact with the plant itself.

Several conditions are needful if the experiment with the burning bush is to be a success. Thus it is essential that the air should be very dry and warm; also that there should be practically no wind. The best effects are secured only just after the opening of the flowers. It will be realized that these conditions cannot always be relied upon. A plan has recently been devised by means of which the inflammable nature of the vapors given out by the dictamnus may be shown with startling effect.

A strong plant of the burning bush is raised in a pot. At the time when the flowers are just reaching perfection the plant is placed in a glass jar or a case. This is closely covered for some hours before the time of the experiment. On removing the cover a light is held over the plant, when there is at once a tremendous outburst of flame. So great may be the rush of fire that the experimenter is cautioned to keep his face away from the top of the jar, as a serious burn is not by any means out of the question. After an interval of an hour or so with the jar or case closed up the experiment may be repeated with similar results.—Denver News.

Old Time Oratory Unpopular.
The definition of "oratory" is difficult, but in the public mind that form of public speaking called "oratory" is either amusing or offensive. It is suggestive of the mouthing and ranting of some old time tragedian who roared and belted on the stage. The public of today will stand for eloquence which bears the mark of sincerity, but the old form of "oration" with gestures of practiced grace, frequent allusion to Greek and Roman history and plentiful quotations from the poets no longer stir men to great depths or heights.—Exchange.

THE GLORIOUS TWELFTH

Members of the Orange Lodges of the district attended a splendid celebration of the Glorious Twelfth in the Limestone City. From early morning until the time for the parade, the lodges, accompanied by many bands, arrived in the city, and a conservative estimate placed the number of visitors to the city at four thousand.

Among the lodges in the parade were: L.O.L. Nos. 6, 577, and 352 of Kingston; L.O.L. No. 1, O.Y.B., No. 282, Brockville; L.O.L. No. 995, Verona; L.O.L. No. 496, Picadilly; L.O. No. 440, Sydenham; L.O.L. No. 481, Portsmouth; L.O.L. No. 1080, Petworth; L.O.L. No. 841, Glenvale; L.O.L. No. 1269, Frontenac; L.O.L. No. 1801, Battersea; L.O.L. No. 912, Woodburn; L.O.L. No. 331, Athens; L.O.L. No. 50, Roebuck; L.O.L. No. 14, Addison; L.O.L. No. 233, South Lake; L.O.L. No. 26, Lansdowne; L.O.L. No. 331, Inverary; L.O.L. No. 51, Gananoque; L.O.L. No. 365, Sunbury; L.O.L. No. 709, Pine Hill.

Ridiculous Story

Rev. A. B. Morrison, who conducted service for the Orangemen of Pittsburg at Sand Hill Presbyterian church on Sunday, spoke to a large congregation. In his address, he commented on the rumor which had gained such wide circulation that a Roman Catholic priest in this district had received a piano case full of rifles. He said that while the priest had been accused by some resi-

not being too strongly in of the Allies' cause he con- of the story simply nonsense. There could be no civilization if the liberty of the individual was not to some extent curtailed for the benefit of the whole state, Mr. Morrison told the Orangemen. In the case of Quebec, the people were opposing the will of the majority and were pulling down the pillars of their civilization. Mr. Morrison said that tolerance and broad-mindedness should govern all Orangemen, especially in considering such stories as that of the piano case of rifles.

Carleton Place Theft.

On July 13th the dry-goods store of W. W. Taber and the confectionery store of R. E. Keyes at Carleton Place were entered by some person or persons unknown. Nothing was taken from either store, excepting a roll of "shinplasters" amounting to about \$75.00 which Mr. Taber had been years collecting.

Her Idea.

"What, buying cigars for your husband? I shouldn't think you'd encourage him in the filthy habit."
"I'm not. I'm buying them to discourage him."

Logic.

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