

The Rockwood Review.

In the early days of May Mr. Patrick Crimmins, for many years an attendant in Rockwood Hospital, passed away at a ripe old age. Mr. Crimmins was among the first of Rockwood's employees, and is deeply regretted by all who knew him.

Kildeer Plover were found sitting on eggs well incubated on April 30th. This is unusually early. The birds are extremely artful in leaving their nests, and the eggs are so much like the stones in the fields that they are difficult to find.

Dr. C. K. Clarke went to Toronto on May 2nd, on business connected with tuberculosis in the Rockwood herd of milch cows.

The people who willingly shut their eyes to the dangers encountered in drinking tuberculous milk, lay themselves open to severe criticism, particularly if they are the parents of delicate children. The dangers are not imaginary, and those who realize what the ravages of consumption are every year, should join in the work of exterminating the most dread disease of modern life. The frightfully contagious nature of the tubercle bacillus in cattle, should be object lesson vivid enough for the ordinary observer. Why any of the public should wish to shut their eyes to well established facts is a matter of surprise, and if the old adage, an ounce of prevention is better than a pound of cure, should ever be applied the present is the occasion. The first dairyman who proves that his herd is free from tubercle, by having the tuberculin test applied by a qualified inspector, will be rewarded by the patronage of the progressive part of the public.

Chewinks (Towhee Buntings), have been comparatively common this spring. They are somewhat rare visitors about Kingston.

The sympathy of the whole community has gone out to Mr. and Mrs. S. Stephenson in the loss of their infant daughter.

On Saturday evening, May 7th, a rather serious accident occurred at Beechgrove. Miss Fanny Geddes (Nurse), was coming down stairs with a lighted lamp when she tripped and fell. In a moment she was enveloped in flames, and had her foot and hands severely burned. She acted with great presence of mind, and although her clothing was in flames, succeeded in tearing off the blazing garments. Mr. James Lawless was on the spot immediately, and by aid of the fire hose promptly subdued the fire, which was rapidly attaining serious proportions.

DIED.—At Woodstone Cottage, on Thursday, May 5th, 1898, Elizabeth C. Stephenson, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Stephenson.

Mr. L. Palmer of the Smithsonian Institution, Washington, has decided that the variety of white-rumped Shrike breeding here, is quite distinct from other varieties found in America, and has decided to give it the name ludovicianus migrans.

Red-winged Vireos came on May 5th, and Catbirds and Brown Thrashers at the end of April. The great migration of white-throated Sparrows occurred about May 2nd, the plaintive recommendation to "Sow-wheat Peeverly, Peeverly, Peeverly," being heard everywhere.