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Elma Farmers' Fire Ins. Co.

A meeting of the directors was held at Atwood, on the 15th inst. Members all present except Mr. Rothwell. Since last report applications for insurance received and accepted amounting to the sum of \$21,900. Next meeting to be held on the 27th May next.

ROBERT CLELAND, Sec'y.

ACROSTIC.

Spring has come and once again
Upon the earth descends the rain,
Bringing moisture to the grain.
Songs, the robins sweetly sing,
Carols make the woodlands ring,
Focusing all, as on they wing,
In the early spring the trees
Budding forth in buds and leaves,
Even time—a scented breeze.

Forward, quietly, creeps the grass,
Over all it tries to pass,
Richly dressing each morass.

Time has come for shining share,
Haste, and lay the furrows fair,
Each exposed to balmy air.

Beautiful the gentle showers,
Exquisite the leafy bowers,
Earth is robed in brilliant flowers.

—Violet Snow.

Berlin, April 12, 1890.

Huron County Notes.

Credit has a veterinary surgeon.
Paul Reid, Ashfield, has 41 colonies of bees.

The Hensallites are booming Equal Rights.

Exeter brass band has added new instruments to their stock.

Goderich let Clinton beat them at a shooting match. Score 51 to 52.

Fifty-four graves were dug in the Wingham cemetery during the past winter.

Preparations are in progress for the usual loyal celebration of the Queen's Birthday at Exeter.

The Goderich Signal threatens to show up the Town Council if they don't quit their "monkey work."

A meeting was held to consider the advisability of bonusing a mill to be erected in Molesworth.

Charles Irwin, late of Goderich, and grandson of Mrs. Chas. McIntosh, is editor of an Idaho paper.

Clinton town dads are giving \$30 to aid in arranging preliminaries for the Orange demonstration next 12th of July.

Mr. Chas. Johnston, of East Wawanosh, sold his farm containing 100 acres, the other day, to Archie Bryges for \$4,200.

John Underworth, of Greenway, is the happy owner of a hen that lays eggs that weigh 4 oz., and measure $3\frac{1}{2}$ to $6\frac{1}{2}$ in. in circumference.

W. H. Hastings, barrister, who has been practising at Seaford, for three or four years, intends removing to Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Charlie Shannon, of McKenzie's hard ware store, Goderich, shot a crane 4 feet 8 inches in height, and five feet 8 inches from tip to tip of wing.

One day recently three colts owned by David Milne, Ethel, got on the track below the station a short time before the noon train was due. When the train came along one of them ran ahead of it and jumped over both cattle guards at Lake's crossing and kept ahead to the next sideway.

The Secretary of the Junior Huron Lacrosse Club, Goderich, has received the following letter from Sir John Macdonald:—"E. RUSSELL, OTTAWA. Sir John Macdonald presents his compliments to the Junior Huron Lacrosse Club, and desires to thank them for their courtesy in sending him a card of admission to their matches for the year.

Among those who have graduated at the Ontario Veterinary College, we find the names of the following persons from this county: W. R. Carr, Westfield; Peter Cook, Clinton; Joseph Goley, Wingham; J. W. Nagle, Saltford. We also notice the name of J. W. Elliott, of Aberdeen, Dakota. This person is an old Goderich township boy. J. F. Mine, passed the Primary Examination.

Miss Williams, evangelist, who is at present laboring in Brucefield, will commence a series of evangelistic services in the Methodist church, Kippen, on Sabbath 20th inst. Services at 2.30 and 7.30 p. m. A goodly number from this neighborhood have attended several of the meetings at Brucefield and have been delighted as well as profited. As Miss Williams is possessed of more than ordinary talent, we trust that those who have not heard her will avail themselves of these opportunities.

BULL SOLD.—James Elliott, of Turnberry township, near Bluevale, has disposed of his Holstein bull calf, "Bluevale Chief," to S. Cameron, of Stanley near Brucefield, for the sum of \$100. "Bluevale Chief" was calved in February 1889, and is a splendid animal of his breed and Mr. Cameron is to be congratulated on his purchase. This breed of animals have become very popular with all who have tried them and give the best satisfaction. Mr. Elliott has a fine herd, and is rapidly coming to the front as a breeder of Holsteins.

Washington Letter.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, April 14, 1890.

The McKinley tariff bill will be introduced in the House to-day. Its provisions are already pretty well known. The chief merit claimed for it by its friends is that it will reduce the revenues of the Government, some say \$40,000,000, some say \$60,000,000 annually, at the same time affording a maximum of protection to our infant phenomenon industries. This reduction, however, is contingent. It depends on the way in which the increased duties which are levied on many articles and products operate. If they serve to keep out altogether certain foreign articles which under the present relatively low tariff rates are imported in large quantities or largely reduce the importation of them, then, of course, the revenues will fall off. Otherwise the revenues will remain about where they are, and the only effect of the bill will be to make millions of Americans pay more than they are now paying for the articles in question—notably woollens, carpets, shoes, and gloves—while a few hundred manufacturers will pocket increased profits. And this in all probability will be the way the thing will work. It has worked that way again and again in the past. But this result will not cause great grief to the men who framed the bill. They delight in giving the manufacturers, the monopolists, and the trustings, increased revenues. Another Presidential campaign approaches; more "fat" will have to be "fried" out of the protected plutocrats to meet its expenses. But, sad to relate, the interests of all the "fat" yielders are no more the same than are the interests of the different sections of the country. And although Mr. McKinley and his associates have spent many weary days and nights in anxious thought and prayerful struggle they have not been able to satisfy everyone. The task was difficult and they will bring in their bill with a chorus of protests and denunciations going up against it from conflicting interests within the party. But Mr. Reed has said that the bill will pass, and what Mr. Reed says goes in the present House of Representatives, not by a large but by an entire safe majority.

The proposition formulated by the committee on banking of the Pan-American Conference for the establishment of an international bank under a United States charter, with branches or agencies in the several countries represented, is of a practical and business-like character. With international arbitration for the amicable adjustment of any misunderstandings or difficulties that may arise between the American governments, and the necessary banking facilities at home for the transaction of their business—facilities for which they now have to make a circuitous trip to another continent at a serious disadvantage—the establishment of reciprocity on terms mutually beneficial to all cannot be delayed.

The hotels, which have been crowded to overflowing for the past two weeks, are beginning to resume their normal and customary appearance of being just comfortably full—of guests, mind you. The principal arrivals are of gentlemen who want to impress large sections of their views on the ways and means committee with respect to the tariff. As one of them remarked: "The ways and means committee seems unusually unpliant, I cannot help thinking that something is being held back. I believe that party policy of protection is being held up as a shield, while the kernel will be found lodged in the State Department in the form of a gigantic scheme of reciprocity or free trade with all America to defeat the Democratic cry for tariff reform by out-Heroding Herod."

It were but an imperfect tribute to such a man as Samuel J. Randall to speak of his death, which occurred at dawn yesterday morning, as a loss to any particular cause or party only. Mr. Randall possessed, in a remarkable degree, the qualities of a great leader, but he never utilized the advantages of leadership to his own personal aggrandizement, nor even in the heat of aggressive partisan warfare lost sight of the public good. In the performance of every trust reposed in him he was guided by a conscientious sense of duty that knew no shadow of turning under any pressure of circumstances, and that recoiled from default as from a crime.

It is expected that the battle ships which were knocked out of the naval appropriation bill by the committee of the whole will be restored by the House. One-third of a Congressman's time, and nobody knows how much money, are devoted to his constituents who want office and insist upon his getting it for them.

The crew the democratic newspapers are indulging in at present is not the kind that may have to be eaten later. The regular Lenten season of penance and self-denial is over, but we now have a supplementary season of suffering. The tariff debate will soon begin.

The Vegetable Garden.

It is a matter of surprise that farmers and others in this country pay so little attention to the cultivation of a vegetable garden. Not one farmer in a hundred has anything approaching a rotation of vegetables—say from the early part of May through the successive months of summer and fall. The average garden consists of but two or three

varieties instead of fifteen or twenty, and these few kinds generally come in a month or six weeks later than the market gardeners around towns and cities have them. At a very small outlay every farmer, or any one who has a piece of ground, could have a succession of vegetables from May until May again. In the first place, an acre of ground or so should be devoted to vegetables on the farm. This plot of land should be thoroughly manured, drained and kept in first class trim, with regard to cultivation and the eradication of weeds. This spot should receive from eight to ten cord of well rotted manure each year with all the hardwood ashes that can be obtained. The land should be manured in the fall, if possible, and ploughed. This will give a chance for the nutritive elements to be thoroughly with the soil, and the plant food made available. When this land has been got into proper tith, the whole succession of garden vegetables may be put in, with the same ease as in a field of roots or corn. Lettuce, early peas, spinach, parsnips, radishes, early carrots, onions, early turnips, etc., may be put in with the same drill that puts in the mangel crop. Then early peas and beans, by taking out every second tube in a grain drill, can be planted with no more trouble than putting in acres of grain and early corn; and squashes may be as expeditiously sown by taking out two tubes in a drill. One man and a team of horses with the proper implements mentioned could easily plant the vegetables in a day. If this acre of land were measured in its productiveness, it would exceed in profit more than any ten acres devoted to anything else. An acre of land with seasonal vegetables, would be the mainstay of a farmer's living, and the other ninety-nine acres could be applied to profitable grain, stock and fruit raising.

The quantity that can be raised on an acre of fertile land is something prodigious, and not only could the land owner feed a large family from this source, but he might make profitable sales of the surplus in our central markets. Especially where near a canning and pickling establishment, he would have ready sale for green corn, tomatoes, green beans, peas, cauliflowers, cucumbers, etc. In the different New England States at the present time, but for their canning factories, the farmers there could not live, as the majority of their farms have ceased to yield a profitable return in grain and stock. And now they are buying Canadian ashes and superphosphates—keeping up their fertility at our expense and making productive farms out of impoverished soil by going into "truck farming," as they call it—raising vegetables and fruit, selling in local markets and to canning factories. This latter phase of the subject is merely showing the possibilities of this branch of rural industry as a profitable investment, rather than that a good vegetable garden is a necessity in itself to every family. In a hygienic point of view, the different courses or rotations of vegetables that may be raised at such a small outlay of capital and labor, contain the medicinal virtues of the whole vegetable pharmacopoeia. Carrots and parsnips have a powerful influence on the kidneys; so has spinach and lettuce, besides being tonic and laxative. Celery is a powerful nerve, whilst onions act on the pulmonary organs. Tomatoes act mechanically upon the bowels, and their acid chemically upon the liver. There is a strong sentiment setting in in favor of a more liberal vegetable diet for the prolongation of life.

Ethel.

Mrs. Watt, of Dakota, is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. Simpson.

We have received news of the safe arrival of A. Eckmier and R. Carr in Vancouver.

J. McKelvey and R. Barr have placed neat fences in front of their respective residences.

Since the roads have dried again our village has assumed quite a lively appearance.

J. Knight, who has been sick for some time with inflammation of the lungs, is again convalescent.

Wm. McLister, having disposed of his farm, will occupy the house lately vacated by J. Elliott.

Old Mr. Tomkins is real poorly this Spring. The old gentleman is over 80 years of age and has grown quite childish.

R. Lang, the contractor for the new hotel, is pushing his work. The cellar is excavated and the masons are busy erecting the walls.

W. Milne has arranged with T. Davidson to take charge of his new mill in Carrick. He moved there on Wednesday of last week.

We were pleased to receive a short note from our mutual friend and former resident, Charles Dobson, of Solomon City, Kansas. He says they have had an open winter too and a cold, backward Spring, but a fine shower of rain now put a new face on everything. They are all well.

For one year and a half the flock at the Presbyterian church in Waterdown have been without a shepherd. Recently Rev. T. G. Thompson, of Vancouver, B. C., was called to the vacancy and he accepted. Tuesday afternoon he was inducted into his new charge. Rev. Dr. Laing, of Dundas; Rev. Mr. Cameron, of Strabane; Rev. S. W. Fisher, of West Flamboro'; and Rev. Mr. Abraham, of Burlington, assisted at the pleasing ceremonies. A tea and concert was held when the new minister was welcomed by his congregation.

The Presbyterian Church.

MEETING OF THE SYNOD OF HAMILTON AND LONDON—REV. A. McLEAN, OF BLYTH, ELECTED MODERATOR.

The Synod of Hamilton and London of the Presbyterian church began its session Monday evening 21st inst., in St. Andrew's church, Windsor. There was a good congregation present; and a fair proportion of ministers and elders. The retiring moderator, Rev. George Cuthbertson, of Wyoming, preached the opening sermon, taking for his text Psalm cxxviii, 3, 6, 7. His theme was which he argued from the following propositions:—First, the religious upbringing of children has its foundation in nature; second, in repeated and oft-expressed scriptural injunctions; third, in its foundation in the divine covenant and relation; fourth, in its foundation in the divine promise; fifth, in its warrant and foundation in the fact that it is God's means for the preservation and perpetuation of His Church upon the earth.

After the sermon the Synod was regularly constituted for business, and the clerk, Dr. Cochrane, called the roll and gave a statement of the changes during the year in the different presbyteries. The election of moderator was then proceeded with, when, on motion of A. Macdonald, seconded by A. F. Tully, Rev. Archibald McLean, of Blyth, was unanimously elected.

The usual committees on bills and overtures on Presbytery records, on commissions of elders, licensing of students and for the auditing of the treasurer's books were then appointed, and a hearty vote of thanks given to the retiring moderator for his excellent sermon and his conduct in the chair at the previous Synod.

The Synod then adjourned to meet in the morning at 9 o'clock. There is a large amount of business before the court. Tuesday evening is to be spent in conference, with addresses by leading ministers, and on Wednesday the ladies of the congregation entertain the Synod to dinner, at which all the Presbyterian ministers of Detroit have been invited, and other friends.

Donegal.

A. McKenzie, formerly of Carthage, our new cheese-maker, has arrived in the village. He comes highly recommended and will no doubt do good work.

The first barn raising occurred on the farm of Joseph McCracken, just east of the village, on Saturday. The ease and rapidity with which the frame was put together testify to the good workmanship of the contractor, Mr. Mathews, of Mornington.

All the pupils of our school—34 in number—who wrote at the late promotion examination have been made happy by the result. They deserve credit for their steady work under discouraging circumstances. Mr. Ratcliffe has given good satisfaction in this section, and has proven himself to be a painstaking and efficient teacher.

Newry.

Standing of the pupils in S. S. No. 5, Newry, on the Promotion Examination held April 2nd. Promotion to Fifth Class—John Fullerton 34, Jas. Morrison 34, Jas. Danbrook 31, Jno. Farrell 31. To Senior Fourth—Kittie Allison 35, Edith Alexander, Cyrus Harvey, Charles McMane (all equal) 34, James Dickson 34, Minnie Johnston 28, Fred Wynn 22, Robert McMane 24. To Junior Fourth—Barbara McIntyre 35, James Gilmer 22, Minnie Chisholm 21, Fred Danbrook 27, Maggie Fullerton 26, Michael Richardson 24. To Senior Third—Willie Holmes 22, Albert Morrison 24, Alex. Dickson 19.

In Senior Fourth—John Fullerton stands first in arithmetic, literature, geography and writing. In Junior Fourth—Charles McMane first in history, Cyrus Harvey arithmetic, Kittie Allison spelling, Edith Alexander literature, geography and writing. In Senior Third—Barbara McIntyre first in grammar, literature, geography, spelling, Michael Richardson arithmetic, history. In Junior Third—Wm. Holmes first in arithmetic, grammar, spelling. A prize was awarded to the pupil standing first in the class. Fred Danbrook, James Simpson, Willie Morrison, Mervin Morrison, Laura Simpson, Annie Danbrook were awarded prizes for having attended the full number of days from Jan. 1st to April 3rd.

W. G. MORRISON, Teacher.

Bornholm.

The Misses Davey and Woollacott returned home last week from Mitchell where they have spent the winter dress-making.

August Rose, of Detroit, spent last week at home visiting his parents and friends. Canada has no charms for August now. His sister, Lizzie, returned to Detroit with him on Saturday.

A number of young folks assembled at the house of Herman Bauer, 10th con., on Tuesday evening of last week, to say farewell to him and his family who take their departure for Minnesota, on Wednesday of this week.

Ploughing and seeding are the most prevalent things here at present. The fall wheat is looking well, but it is feared that if the frosts, which have visited us for the last two or three nights, continue, much damage will be done to the crop.

The quarterly meeting of Monkton circuit will be held at the Bethesda appointment on Sunday, May 4th. A large attendance is expected to be present and the choir is making special preparation, so that something good may be expected in the music line.

Carthage.

J. W. Scott, banker, of Listowel, paid a flying visit to this village last week.

J. W. Ferguson, of Grand Valley, has purchased the residence of John Ingram.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Gray, of Atwood, were visiting at Mr. Johnston's one day last week.

Alex. McKenzie has removed with his family to Donegal, where he is engaged as cheese maker for the coming season.

Poole.

Misses Jennie and Jessie Dewar, of Berlin, are visiting their parents.

Quite a large consignment of beautiful flowering plants arrived at the Poole school yesterday, from Mr. Campbell's green house, in Stratford.

Mr. Magwood, a student from Guelph, preached here last Sunday evening to a large congregation. Mr. Magwood gives fair promise of ranking high amongst the ministerial orators at no distant date.

Turnberry.

Revival services are being held in the Methodist church, Salem Corners. Although it is a busy time of the year yet the people turn out in large numbers and great good is being done.

The pulpit of the Presbyterian church, Bluevale, was occupied by Rev. Mr. McQuarrie, of Wingham, Sunday, 13th inst., who gave his hearers an instructive as well as an eloquent sermon.

The family of John Gemmill has returned from Louisiana, where they have been residing for the past year. All the members of the family are in good health yet they declare that they like Turnberry better than Uncle Sam's domains.

Atwood Public School.

The following is the list of successful candidates at the recent promotion examinations for Atwood public school. Marks required—promotion to fifth 250, to senior fourth 230, to junior fourth 220:—

Fifth Class—Bella Irwin, 347; Annie Priest, 287; Geo. Longmire, 259.

Senior Fourth—Nellie Hoar, 369; Frances Reid, 352; Kate Priest, 322; Florence Stacy, 244; Wm. Wilson, 234.

Junior Fourth—Geo. Irwin, 347; Minnie Corrie, 295; Mayne Hamilton, 292; Robt. Morrison, 284; Robt. Nesbitt, 240; Ella Holmes, 228; Geo. Dunn, 222.

S. H. HARDING, Principal.

North Perth Licenses.

The License Commissioners for North Perth met last Tuesday afternoon and granted licenses as follows:

STRATFORD.—Taverns—A. A. Goetz, Queens; John Gray, Terrapin; W. A. Holmwood, Albion; J. Wilson, Central; J. Wilson, Wilson House; M. F. Sullivan, Stratford Hotel; J. W. Doyle, Windsor; J. M. Scott, Royal; Geo. Bookless, Cabinet; W. R. Shore, City (3 months); T. Hagarty, Commercial; J. O'Grady, Victoria; M. J. Dillon, Crown; J. M. Wilson, Mansion; P. Tobin, Ontario; R. M. Calder, Calder's; A. H. King, American; D. Matthew, Matthew's; J. Murphy, Dominion; L. D. Longhi & Co., G. T. R. refreshment rooms; P. F. Daly, Avon (deferred). Shops—J. Kennedy, J. Corcoran, Walsh Bros., O'Flaherty & Quirk.

NORTH EASTHOPE.—Taverns—C. R. Yost, Israel Eby, J. H. Kaller, John Mohr.

ELLICE.—Taverns—G. Scott, D. Hill, J. Brunner, John J. Harloff, C. Wicke (3 months).

MORNINGTON.—Taverns—H. Miller jr., John Engel, J. H. Ruthig, Sarah Hawthorne, Wm. Mitchell, C. Mulcahy, J. Adams, P. Friedman, Charles Donnelly, Philip Ruthig, Louis Smith, John Gropp.

MILVERTON.—Taverns—E. Gartung, J. S. Smith, C. Hasenpflug.

ELMA.—Taverns—Alf. Huggins, A. H. Wynn, V. Joeger, R. Graham.

WALLACE.—Taverns—M. Daum, J. G. Scott.

LISTOWEL.—Taverns—A. McIntosh, G. Zilliox, F. Zilliox, C. Zilliox, (three months), B. McQuay, W. McClary, P. Collison, A. M. Putland, Shop—J. Madill (3 months.)

The Keystone Watch Company, at Lancaster, Pa., assigned Tuesday. Liabilities \$83,000.

Lieut.-Col. Kerns has been re-nominated by the Conservatives of Halton for the Ontario Legislature.

The Conservatives of South Wentworth have unanimously endorsed the candidature of C. D. Potts for the Local election.

J. E. Robidoux, M. P. P. for Chateauguay, will be sworn in as Provincial Secretary of Quebec in place of Hon. Mr. Gagnon, named sheriff of Quebec.

Hon. A. M. Ross, Provincial Treasurer of Ontario, has informed his friends in Huron that he will not be a candidate for re-election in the forthcoming contest.