

TOWN TOPICS.

A child's amusey up, taking notes. An' faith he'll print it.

FINE TAILORING.—New goods, new patterns, at close prices. B. MACDONALD.

When pleasure comes to Goderich one of the first places they acquire for is Geo. Stewart's photograph gallery. He always uses them well.

When the mercury in the thermometer is bulging away up in the nineties, and you are at your wit's end to get comfortable, go to F. & A. Fridham's and invest in one of their cheap summer suits.

The dry weather has taken the color out of the grass and dimmed the verdure to a great extent, but the finest photographs are still turned out by R. Salovey at his studio, Montreal street and Square.

TO FRUIT GROWERS.—Saunders & Son want 1000 bush of plums, for which they will pay the highest price in cash. Pick your fruit carefully, and bring it to town in boxes or baskets, and it will pay you. Don't bring fruit in bags. Remember the place, West street, next door to the post office.

The Cash Store you can buy 15 pounds of raw sugar for only \$1.00 cash. I have a fine lot of tea, I am making a specialty of. Try them. Groceries of all kinds fresh and good. Crockery and glassware of all kinds, and will not be undermold. Call and inspect goods. No trouble to show goods. H. Old, the grocer, Square.

Tug Wilson was in town last week visiting old scenes.

Fred Jones, of London, is the guest of his cousin, Miss Bonamy.

Mrs. Geo. Cox is spending a few days with friends in Windsor, Ont.

Miss Kathleen E. Ball left on Monday to visit friends in the Forest city.

Miss Lily McKeown, of Clinton, is the guest of Miss Alice Buchanan.

Mrs. Shrigley and daughter, of Toronto, are the guests of Mrs. Edwards.

Miss Jen Bonamy is visiting at Lucknow, the guest of Rev. T. E. Nugent.

Mrs. T. McGillivuddy and two of her children are visiting friends in Brussels.

Miss May Cooper, of Brussels, is the guest of her cousin, Miss Marion Grant.

Mrs. Powell and children, of Paris, are visiting Mrs. E. J. Brown, North street.

We are pleased to learn that F. Jordan is recovering from his recent severe illness.

The Benmillier people are asking for tenders for enlarging their passage. See ad.

S. P. Hall, B.A., and Mrs. Hall, are enjoying holidays away down in the Hoosier State.

Miss McIntyre, of Toronto, was visiting at the residence of C. F. Straubel during the week.

F. F. Lawrence and Neil Campbell were attending Grand Lodge of L.O.O.F. at London this week.

E. S. Booth, of Toronto, who has been visiting at Rose Garland Cottage, has returned to the city.

Harry and Bert Revell, of Toronto, have been the guest of the Misses McGillivuddy during the week.

Miss Annie Hineks, who has been spending her vacation under the parental roof, has returned to Toronto.

Wm. D. Cox is spending his holidays in Windsor, with his uncle and aunt, and in Essex Centre, with Fred. Wile.

Mrs. Doty, of Chicago, who has been visiting friends in Goderich for the past few weeks, leaves today for her western home.

Mr. and Mrs. John Yates, of Chicago, left for home Thursday, after spending four pleasant weeks with relatives in this section.

By misprint in our local of the Niagara excursion the date was stated August 31, when it should have been August 21.

Miss Aggie Ferguson, of Detroit, is the guest of Miss Weston, and is renewing old acquaintance in the town of her nativity.

Mrs. A. G. McIntosh, of London, sister of Dr. C. Strachan, received severe injuries by being thrown out of a buggy last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Corwell, of Detroit, are spending a few weeks in town, and are the guests of Mrs. Matheson, mother of Mrs. Corwell.

Council meeting failed to connect Friday evening, owing to lack of quorum. It was adjourned to Monday evening following.

J. T. Garrow came home from his trip Friday last. He reports having spent a pleasant time, and believes the recreation had a beneficial effect.

By announcement in another column it will be seen that Prof. Clarke will next week open out a first-class musical emporium on West street.

Dr. Breen, of New York, and Mr. McGuire, of Boston, were in town last week, and guests of their cousin, Mr. Luby, of the Huron Road.

Mrs. Hurrell and Miss Middleton, of Ottawa, Miss Agnes Ross and the Misses McKicking, town, left on Sunday for an extended tour round the lakes.

Dr. M. Nicholson, the West street dentist, makes the preservation of the natural teeth a specialty. Gas administered from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. for the painless extraction of teeth.

Rev. John Young, M.A., of Colborne, who has recently returned from a two years' course in the colleges of Edinburgh, Scotland, will preach in Knox church next Sabbath evening.

Rev. B. J. Watters returned from Cacouns, Monday evening, looking as if his stay down in the sister province had not in any way disagreed with him. We are glad to welcome him back.

Elijah Moore and G. N. Davis are visiting Jean Baptiste in Montreal. At one time Mr. Moore was a resident of the Metropolitan city. They also propose to take a trip to the Old Country.

Wm. Seymour, of Detroit, formerly of Goderich, came to town Thursday last, and spent a few days with his friends, who were visiting friends in town for the past month. He was well received by his old business associates.

As we go to press there is a case against James Sanderson, bus driver of the Albion hotel, for stealing a keg of beef from R. B. Hodge Saturday evening. They say there was a high old time down at the stable, South-st., Sunday last.

A Colborne correspondent informs us that Robert Morris, formerly of Colborne, but now of Galesburg, Dakota, has just completed a handsome frame house, and is looking wistfully towards the east to get some wise young woman to share it with him.

The protracted drouth is fast killing out our young shade trees. The attention of the street inspector and residents is generally called to the fact that an occasional paifal of water properly placed would even yet save many of the perishing trees.

William Sharman was stricken with a paralytic stroke Sunday evening last, and fears were entertained for his recovery. We are pleased to hear that he is improving, and that his friends hope he will yet rally, although his age—84 years—is somewhat against him.

About twelve cars of excursionists—some 800—from Seaforth and Clinton were in town Thursday last. The excursion was under the auspices of the Methodist and Presbyterian bodies of Seaforth, and the Episcopalians of Clinton. A very pleasant time was spent.

The house of Rev. J. H. Carson, the newly appointed incumbent of Waterloo street Methodist church, Stratford, was entered a few nights ago and a number of eatables stolen, among which was a layer of wedding cake (the gentleman was lately married), some pies, a pudding and a few glass cans of fruit.

Colborne fall show will be held at Smith's Hill on Tuesday and Wednesday, September 28th and 29th. Last year the show was held only one day, but the directors have been encouraged to hold it two days this year. The funds from the members' lists amount to about \$375. The directors are laying out for a big time at this fall show.

W. H. Ridley, who has been a prominent business man in town for the past few years, will close up his store in Goderich at the end of August. He is now taking a health trip down east, but the Goderich business will be continued until the end of the month. The goods in stock must be closed out at and below cost during the next few weeks.

I shall be absent next week attending the annual convention of the Canadian photographic association in Toronto for the purpose of obtaining the latest ideas and information on the art photographical. My studio will be open as usual under the able management of my assistant, Mr. T. Brophy, who will give his careful attention to all sittings.

Rev. C. H. Goble, vicar of Georgetown, appears to be in green pastures. He writes:—"I like this circuit very much. It is not to be beaten in our conference. Of the warm reception and kindly treatment by the friends too much cannot be said. The SIGNAL comes out as old friend. So far as success here. It is vigorously enforced."

MARINE NEWS.—The schooner Enterprise, of Port Albert, was in port last Saturday. The schooner Pinarof, with a cargo of salt in barrels, arrived in port on Sunday morning. The schooner Kolffage arrived last week from Wallaseburg with a cargo of staves, and unloaded at the dock. The schooner Garibaldi, with lumber for Secord & Co., reached harbor last Saturday.

R. S. Chilton, American Consular Agent at this port, left for St. Catharines on Thursday to act as one of the pallbearers at the funeral of the late Sheriff Woodhill, who died there on Wednesday. Deceased, we are informed, was a hearty, genial man of kindly disposition and great benevolence. He will be sadly missed by those who had the privilege of friendly relations with him.

Under the new laws of Ontario, the shooting season will begin on the 15th of August. After that day woodcock may be shot; snipe, rail, golden plover, grouse pheasants, partridge prairie chickens ducks and other waterfowl, and hares after the 1st of September. Deer may not lawfully be shot till after the 15th of October. No quail may be shot in 1886 or 1887, and no wild turkey till after 1888.

The employees of the North American Chemical Salt Works on Saturday last made up a purse of \$17.50 to help defray the expenses of the funeral of the late Malcolm Sinclair, who was drowned in the harbor that day. The brother of the drowned boy worked for the North American Co., and it is gratifying to notice that his fellow-workers expressed sympathy to him, and his family in no tangible a manner.

FOUR DAY EXCURSION.—Don't miss the great annual excursion to Niagara Falls and Grimsby Camp on Aug. 21st. The best trip of the season. Those who wish to remain over Sunday can spend a day at the Falls, and go to Grimsby Camp and hear Talmage and Chaplain McCabe on Sunday. This is a rare chance, and crowds are going to take it in. Come along. Train leaves Goderich at 7:00 a.m. Tickets only \$2.

Knox church S. S. picnic on the flats by the river side was a thoroughly enjoyable affair, and was well conducted. A series of games was taken part in by the scholars, after which refreshments were served. A number of tents had been secured for purposes of shelter from the sun, and a large boat gave an outing to many who liked sitting during the afternoon. No mishap occurred during the day to mar the even tenor of the proceedings.

BOY DROWNED.—Saturday last while three or four boys were playing in a boat near the check water at the harbor, one of them named Malcolm Sinclair fell overboard, and was drowned. The other boys, as soon as their companion disappeared in the water, became frightened and ran away, after giving the alarm. Robt. Campbell, the lighthouse keeper, and others immediately set about dragging for the body, which was recovered in about 20 minutes, but unfortunately resuscitation proved unavailing. The lad was son of widow Sinclair, who lives near the R. R. station.

A vestry meeting of St. George's church was held Monday evening in connection with the re-engagement of Rev. W. Johnson, whose year of pastorate had expired. On motion it was unanimously decided to retain the Rev. gentleman at his present salary until the beginning of the next church year at Easter. Rev. Mr. Johnson has proved to be an earnest and painstaking pastor, and we rejoice to learn that his Christian character and faithful work is thoroughly appreciated by the people amongst whom he labors.

The following refers to a townsfolk well-known to many of our gentlemen, and who is no other than the dutiful son-in-law of our esteemed townsman, C. F. Straubel. It gerry-manders any fish yarn we have come across this season: S. T. Baetelo, who accompanied the Hon. Oliver Mowat to be a witness at a coroner's inquest as private secretary, reports having caught 237 speckled trout in four hours in Mirror Lake. They varied from six inches to one foot in length. He accompanies this statement with a declaration made under the set for the judicial sittings of voluntary and extra judicial oaths.

DEATH OF A FORMER RESIDENT.—Mrs. Robt. Henderson was called away about a fortnight ago to attend the deathbed of her brother, Duane McTavish, who died in Wingham on Thursday, July 29th. He had been ailing for a number of years, never having rallied from the loss of an arm in Scott & Bell's factory, about five years ago. He died as a Christian. Mr. McTavish was a carpenter by occupation, and at one time resided in Goderich. He was a member of the Presbyterian church, and was respected by all who knew him. The officiating clergyman at the funeral paid a high tribute to his Christian worth.

The organ recital, given in Knox church, on Thursday evening last, was a grand success, notwithstanding fully one-third of the choir being absent. The singing of the anthems was well rendered by the choir. Mrs. Clarke's solo (The Better Land) was splendidly sung. Mrs. Porter deserves great credit for the manner in which she took the alto parts. She sang well, and her solos were rendered very effectively. ("O, Fair Dove") was splendidly sung. Knox church may well be proud of such a voice. We hear Knox church is preparing for the best concert ever given in Goderich, under Prof. Clarke. Mr. McGillivray who took the tenor parts, also announced the program for the choir.

FIRE.—About 2 a. m. Wednesday morning a fire broke out in the large frame building on the corner of Victoria and North streets, and which was formerly occupied as a boarding house by Wm. Arthur. Notwithstanding excellent work done by the firemen and engine, the best that could be done was to save the Armstrong property adjoining and hinder the fire from spreading. A portion of the premises was occupied by Messrs. Morris & Sterling, implement agents, and nearly all their stock of machines was consumed. There was an insurance on the premises of about \$900. Morrow & Sterling had no insurance. The origin of the fire is unknown, but it is supposed to be the work of an incendiary.

The arms of the consulates were draped during the week by order of U. S. Secretary of State in memory of the late William Hunter, the second assistant in the State Department, who died in New York on the 10th of July. An American exchange thus refers to deceased:—"The death of the venerable William Hunter leaves a void in the State Department which will not be likely to be filled. With the experience of fifty-seven years in service in the Department, he was an invaluable associate of the Secretary. Even twenty years ago, when the office of second assistant was created expressly for him, he was regarded as an encyclopedia of our diplomatic affairs, and his value has not only increased, but he was a major to any rules for the management of appointments, for he was so useful that no party could spare him. This is the highest testimonial."

"GRIP'S" GREAT SUPPLEMENT.—With its Midsummer Number, our facitious contemporary Grip, has issued a magnificent supplement, in the form of a lithograph plate, 18 x 24 inches, a group of Conservative Leaders in Canada. The picture is as fine as a photograph, and is well worth framing. The likenesses and autographs are accurate. He was a major to any rules for the management of appointments, for he was so useful that no party could spare him. This is the highest testimonial."

YONKERS, AUG. 7.—Tilden's remains were placed in the parlour of this morning. The general public were admitted, and the people came by scores. Among them were many prominent persons. The body was attired in a suit of full dress with a pink in the buttonhole. The features, while showing some emaciation, did not suggest the dead had undergone any extended or considerable physical suffering. The pall-bearers were Samuel J. Randall, John Bigelow, Dan. Manning, Smith M. Weed, Charles A. Dana, Dr. George L. Miller, Wm. Allen Tucker, Daniel Magone, J. B. Trevor, Dr. Charles E. Simmons and Aaron J. Vanderpool.

At 9.40 a. m. President Cleveland reached the mansion. He was accompanied by Secretary of War Endicott and the funeral secretary, Lamont. Rev. Dr. Tucker, from Andover, Mass.; read the funeral prayer of the Presbyterian Church and the choir of Madison avenue Presbyterian church sang "Abide with Me."

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After this address, Miss Antonio Hesse sang very effectively "O Sweetly Solemn Thought," and Dr. Tucker made a few more remarks. The choir sang "Beyond the Smiling and Weeping," and the casket was then closed. As the casket was borne through the hall the choir sang "Rock of Ages." Eight of Mr. Tilden's employees carried the body. The President and his secretaries, Gov. Hill, Mayor Grace and delegations followed in carriages. Along the three-mile route to Yonkers the sides of the road were alive with people. The services at the grave were of the simplest kind.

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The funeral will take place from her late residence, corner of Cambria Road and Elgin-st., on Friday, Aug. 13th, at 3 o'clock p.m. Friends and acquaintances will please accept this intimation.

Blusvale. Quite a number of the leading temperance men attended the convention held in Wrozeater on Tuesday.

Blusvale school has been repaired and now presents a very fair sight to the casual observer.

Mr. Roberts, who for some time has been carrying on what appeared a thriving business in Blusvale, left for parts unknown, neglecting to leave his address. He leaves a large number of creditors to mourn his loss.

Henry McHardy, who was reported to have gone to Seesforth, has returned and is now in control of Duff's team which is working at the bridge.

Poles are being laid on the wayside for the purpose of putting up telephone wires from Blusvale to Wingham. Hope they don't forget Blusvale is the oldest.

Wm. Messer, one of the scientific business men of Blusvale, has been repairing his storehouse, and also putting up a new verandah in front of his store.

Jan Timmins, of the post office, has been adding to the beauty of his building by having a couple of flags floating from the front corners.

Mr. Duff and family, a teacher from near Seesforth, have been visiting friends near here.

Rev. A. Y. Hartley delivered the first of a series of sermons on social questions on Sunday last. The duties of husbands being the subject.

Rev. J. S. Cook and wife left last week for a few days' holidays. They intend going to Montreal on their trip.

The early morning train which ran only every other day has been put on every day.

We are getting lively here between bridge and telephones. Blusvale may yet cast aloft to the wind and soar up into regions where villages have no name and only towns are counted, but these glorious expectations have so far been void. But hope on, dream on, the work may yet be accomplished.

Port Albert. T. R. Hawkins has returned from a visit to Detroit and Gesto.

Mrs. Mahaffy visited friends in Toronto last week.

Miss A. Burrows spent a few days in the village this week, the guest of Miss O'Connor.

Miss Jessie Stephenson, of Detroit, is visiting her mother and brother here.

Stella Erwin, the little daughter of George Erwin, is recovering from an attack of scarletina. Dr. Reese is in attendance.

Our bridge will soon be ready for the iron work, the abutments being almost completed.

Mr. Mahaffy is still busy shipping lumber, cutting staves, &c. The lowness of the water here does not keep our enterprising J. P. idle.

Colborne. TEMPERANCE MASS MEETING.—A mass meeting for the purpose of the Canadian Temperance Alliance, at the church, Colborne, commencing at 7.30 p. m., on Monday, Aug. 16th. Addresses will be given by the Rev. Mr. Kestle, pastor of Zion church; Rev. Mr. Young, Smith's Hill; Rev. John McGillivray, Goderich. The addresses will be interspersed by appropriate music by Zion church choir. A silver collection will be taken up. All are cordially invited.

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LOVERS OF BARGAINS. Look at Some of our Prices— Muslins, 5c., worth 10c. Prints, 8c., worth 12 1/2c. Dress Goods at Half Price. Gingham at Cost Price. Tweeds—Wonderful Value. THE ABOVE PRICES ARE FOR CASH ONLY. THE GOODS MUST BE SOLD To make room for the Largest and Best Fall Stock we have ever shown. JAS. A. REID & BRO. Jordan's Block, Goderich, 23rd July, 1886.

New Advertisements This Week. Industrial Fair—H. J. Hill. Store to Rent—Mrs. H. Cooke. Tenders Wanted—Isaac Fisher. New Music Store—Prof. Clarke. Coming to Goderich—White Truck. State of Lands for Texas—W. J. Horton. Agents Wanted—Walton & Lighthour. Gazetteer and History of Canada—J. Lovell.

Dentistry. M. NICHOLSON, D.D.S. DENTAL ROOMS. Eighth door below the Post Office, West-st., Goderich. 2025-17.

W. L. WOOLVERTON, L.D.S. Office—Opp. Post Office, North St., Goderich. Charges moderate. All work warranted. 1899.

The People's Column. AGENTS TO REPRESENT A First-class English accident and plate-glass insurance company in cities and towns throughout the Province of Ontario. WILSON & LIGHTBOWN, Chief Agents, 1, Victoria street, Toronto. 2026-11.

TENDERS WANTED. Tenders will be received up to 12 o'clock, noon, on Saturday, Aug. 23rd, for building an addition to the Parsonage at Benmillier. Plans and specifications can be seen at my residence, Lot 6, Col. E. Colborne, at any time before 6 o'clock, P. M. Office Address in Goderich. (Signed) ISAAC FISHER. Benmillier, Aug. 12th, 1886. 2026-23.

TENDERS FOR PAINTING ST. Patrick's Ward School will be received by the undersigned up to the 15th day of August. The tenders to be made in blue ink, white, and the work to have two good solid coats of color will be a light drab. GEO. SWANSON. 2026-12.

MANUAL OF CORRESPONDENCE.—One of the most practical and most useful books published; every teacher should have a copy; no school should be without it; it contains exercises in capital letters, abbreviations, punctuation, errors in English, common letters, beautifully engraved, and price 50 cents. C. O'DEA, Arcade, Toronto. 2025-23.

PROF. W. M. CLARKE, (Organist and Choir master of Knox Church), Teacher of Voice and Instrumental Music, Goderich, Ont. Terms Moderate. P. O. Box 266. 2026-17.

MUSIC.—MISS OOKER, AFTER 14 years study of music, is prepared to receive pupils for any instrument less than a year. Terms:—\$5 per quarter. 2026-17.

SHORTHAND.—ISAAC PITMAN'S PHONOGRAPHY. The most popular system taught. Instruction books for sale at this office. Every boy and girl should learn shorthand. 2004.

Strayed Animals. COW LOST.—FROM THE PREMISES of Wm. McLean, Nelson, Ont. last Thursday evening, a fine dark red cow, with short thick horns turned upward a little, \$5 reward will be given for any information leading to its recovery by the proprietor, Wm. McLEAN. 2026-17.

REWARD—STRAYED CATTLE. Strayed from Lot 20, Con. 3, East of Wawanosh, Ont. One heifer three years old, with red and white, some people might call her a roan, with nice straight horns. One two year old heifer, red with white on her face and white spot on her side, and a small white spot on her face, with a split in his left ear. One year-old red steer with white hairs through his sides, and a small horned heifer, the body mostly white with red hairs through it, the neck mostly red, with a white stripe down her face. Any information concerning these animals that will lead to their recovery will receive a reward of \$5. JOHN G. WILSON, Blyth P.O. 2026-17.

CAME ON THE PREMISES OF the subscriber, lot 3, con. of Colborne, on or about the 28th of June, three head of cattle, one pair of year old steers, one white with a red neck, and the other red and white, and a two year old heifer, red and white. The owner is requested to bring them away, and expenses and taken them away. MRS. JOHN GLEN, Carlow, Ont. 2026-41.

For Sale or to Let. STORE TO RENT.—THAT WELL-SITUATED store, on the Square, at present occupied by Miss Graham, as a millinery store. Possession on the 1st of October next. Apply to MRS. H. COOKE, North street. 2026-17.

FARM TO RENT.—A GOOD FARM to rent, one mile from Kintail. One hundred acres, all cleared and new, free from stumps, and a breakage of about 20 acres upon it with the land on the bank of the lake. Barn and stable and a new dwelling house in the premises. Terms five years. MICHAEL DALTON, Kintail P.O., Ont. 2026-17.

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