

COUNTY CURRENCY

Items of Interest from over the County.

A Weekly Digest of the County News served up by the Editors of "The Signal," Fish and Ponds, Clipped and Condensed from Every Section.

Miss Stewart, Bluevale, who was very severely burned about the neck and face on days ago, is rapidly recovering.

A youth named Reynolds, who is engaged in the Doherty organ festival, had the fingers of his right hand cut to the bone by a circular saw.

Mrs Taylor, of Manitoba, is on a visit to Mrs McLeod, Clinton, Mrs Taylor's other; it is fourteen years since they have seen each other.

Mr Brown, son of Mr Alfred Brown, formerly reeve of the township of Morris, but now of Dakota, is visiting friends in this section.

The pupils and teachers of the institution, Clinton, and a few others combined last week presented Mr S. W. Perry with a handsome set of furs and also Matthew Henry's Commentary.

Rev Mr Smith and family, Clinton, moved to Hamilton last week. His successor as pastor of the Baptist church will be not known.

The mild weather of the present season is shown by the fact that the wild flowers are found in full bloom. On the 17th a damsel was found on the road on the 2nd concession, Stanley, in full bloom.

French Joe, Wingham, is walking a kick from a bandaged head, the result of a fall from a broncho pony. Joe can accomplish great feats, but, notwithstanding, a broncho can knock him flat.

Mr John Brennan, Wingham, went up Chesley on Monday last week. He is negotiating with that village for a site for a tannery.

One night, lately, Mr George Shipley, Clinton, lost a good milch cow by death. Examination showed that it had been hooked in the loin by another cow, which was the cause of death.

Mr Harry Beattie, Searthur, who has been attending the teacher's training school at Strathroy, has returned home. He has secured a position as assistant teacher in the Brantford Collegiate Institute.

Messrs. Farmer Bros., Exeter, made a private offer to the barterists selling for the mortgagee of a part of the Pickard estate, of \$6,000 for 100 acres of land adjoining the village. It is possible that their offer will be accepted.

David McLean, Kippewick, has bought the old Bell estate for \$11,300; it was bought by the late owner, three years ago, for over \$14,000. Mr Butts, of the London road, who sold his farm for a good figure, \$7,500, and intends living in the rest of his days.

The next meeting of the East Huron Normal Institute will be held at Wexford, on January 13th and 14th. Prof. James, of the Ontario Agricultural College; G. C. Caster, and R. Gibson, of Delaware, are expected to be in attendance in addition to the local supply. A public meeting will be held on the evening of the first day.

We understand that Mr S. W. Perry, Clinton, has been appointed examiner in ancient history for Victoria College, Cobourg. This is quite a compliment to this gentleman. The position, we believe, is largely honorary, having no salary attached to it, and will not interfere with his usual duties.

Wilson's Ointment is used by Physicians.

The Winnipeg Sun of Dec. 11th says: W. A. Ducker, of the C. P. R. land department, was married yesterday to Miss Mary O. Lamont, of Brussels, Ont. The ceremony was performed by Rev Hugh Pedley, and after it was over the newly-wedded couple left for Vancouver, where the honeymoon will be spent.

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HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

Sour Cream Pie.—One cup sour cream, one cup of sugar, three eggs; use the white of one egg for frosting and season with lemon.

Sausage Omelet.—Cut thin slices off a round of sausage, place in a frying pan with a little butter, and pour over six eggs beaten and mixed with pepper and salt.

Coffee Icing.—Take half a pound of fresh butter and quarter pound of powdered sugar, and beat them to a cream in a bowl, adding drop by drop during the process half a teaspoonful of the strongest coffee that can be made.

Irish Stew.—Chop fine one pint of cold boiled beef and one pint of potatoes; add water to cover and boil until the potatoes are tender; season with salt and pepper and thicken with two tablespoonfuls of flour rubbed smooth in cold water.

Cabbage Salad.—To one quart of chopped cabbage add the yolks of two eggs, one teaspoonful of sugar, two teaspoonfuls of ground mustard, one teaspoonful of salt, one-half teaspoon of black pepper, one cup of vinegar, two tablespoonfuls of butter, boiled together five minutes.

Baked Apples.—One quart of pared and quartered apples, two thirds cupful sugar, one quarter cupful of butter, two cupfuls of water. Put the apples in a baking dish, sprinkle with sugar, and after breaking the better into bits, put all over the top. Add the water and bake slowly for one hour, or until the apples are tender.

Crumb Pudding.—One quart of sweet milk, one pint of bread crumbs, three-quarters of a cup of sugar, yolks of four eggs, butter size of an egg, flavor with lemon; bake in a slow oven and when done spread over a layer of jelly, white the whites of the eggs to a froth, add one cup of powdered sugar; pour over the jelly and bake to a light brown. Serve cold.

Worn Out and Run Down.

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The Bronchitis.

Very romantic was the love story of Robert Browning and Elizabeth Barrett. Each had heard of the other; each admired the other's work. But Miss Barrett was an invalid, and had a father of the worst expecially made for romantic affairs; a curmudgeon and violent, who was opposed to all givings in marriage so far as his own offspring was concerned. Robert Browning succeeded in obtaining an interview with the poetess, and after that they were declared his love. Before such courage everything had to yield, and in 1846 he carried away his bride to Italy. There began the Florentine life concerning which so much has been written. From the wife's side we have "Casa Guidi Windows"; from the husband's many lovely poems of Italy, such as "Two in the Campagna," and other pieces in "Men and Women," "Pippa Passes," and a host more. Mrs Browning collected her love poems under the title of "Sonnets from the Portuguese," her husband having once alluded to her as "his Portuguese." In Florence their only child was born. He is the painter, Robert Barrett Browning, who married Miss Coddington, of New York.

In 1861 Robert Browning lost his wife, and thereafter changed his whole manner of living. Having mourned her several years, he found that social life was a necessity. Thenceforward he seldom failed to spend the season in London, where he became one of the most familiar personages in the great city.—N. Y. Times.

In accordance with Mr Browning's wish, he is to sleep at the side of his wife, in a cemetery at Florence.

Burdick's Linctament Cures Distemper.

He Overdid It.

An eccentric clergyman, in Cornwall, had been much annoyed by the way the members of his congregation had got into of looking round to take stock of later comers. After enduring the annoyance for some time, he said, on entering the reading desk one day: "Brethren, I regret to see that your attention is called away from your religious duties by your very natural desire to see who comes in behind you. I propose, henceforth, to save you the trouble by naming each person who may enter, and I hope that the service will be allowed to proceed without interruption." He then began: "Dear beloved," but paused half way to interpolate, "Farmer Stubbins with his wife and daughter."

Farmer Stubbins looked rather surprised, but the minister, with perfect gravity, resumed his exhortation. Presently he again paused. "Sam Curtis and William Diggle." The astonished congregation kept their eyes studiously on their books. The service proceeded in the most orderly manner, the parson interrupting himself every now and then to name some new comer. At last he said, with the same perfect gravity: "Mrs Symons of the Red Lion, in a tow bonnet." In a moment he felt his mistake, but it was too late. Every female head in the congregation had turned around.

Mr Sam'l Fanson and family, Exeter, have been ill for a few weeks of malarial fever.

One day recently Andy Thompson was driving down Main-st., Exeter, with a horse and light wagon. He had only a narrow board on the vehicle, whereon was a box of glass. The horse became fractious, the boy got frightened and tumbled off, taking the glass with him, which was smashed to atoms. Andy was not hurt, although by hanging on to the lines the wagon wheel went over him two or three times, and the horse was secured before any further damage was done.

Some Rules of Life.

Not to intrude any advice unasked. To aim at cheerfulness without levity. Never to dispute if you can fairly avoid it.

Never show levity when the people are engaged in worship. Never judge a person's character by external appearance.

Say as little as possible of yourself and those who are near to you. Never affect to be witty, or just so to wound the feelings of another.

Never court the favor of the rich by flattery either their vanities or vices. Never dispute with a man more than 70 years of age, nor a woman, nor an enthusiast.

Never ridicule sacred things, or who others may esteem to be such, however absurd they appear to be.

Never think the worse of another on account of his differing with you in politics or religious opinions.

Always take the part of an absent person who is censured in company, so far as truth and propriety will allow.

Never to resent a supposed injury till you know the views and motives of the author of it, nor on any occasion to retaliate.

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