

CHURCHES.

EVANGELICAL.—Services 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sabbath School at 2 p.m. John D. Miller Superintendent. Cottage prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30. Young People's meeting Tuesday evening at 7:30. Choir practice Friday evening at 8 o'clock. Rev. Mr. Finkbeiner Pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN.—Services 10:30 a.m. Sabbath School 9:30 a.m. J. H. Moore, Superintendent. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Rev. Mr. Davidson, Pastor.

R. C. CHURCH. Sacred Heart of Jesus.—Rev. Father Halm. Services every Sunday, alternatively at 8:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. Vespers every other Sunday at 3 p.m. Sunday School at 2:30 p.m. every other Sunday.

GERMAN LUTHERAN.—Pastor, P. Mueller, Ph. D. Services: every 2nd, 4th and 6th Sunday of each month 2:30 p.m. Every 3rd Sunday at 10:30 a.m. Sunday School at 1:30 p.m. Every 3rd Sunday at 9:30 p.m.

METHODIST.—Services 10:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sabbath School 2:30 p.m. G. Curle, Superintendent. Prayer meeting, Thursday 8 p.m. Rev. R. KREPER, B. A., Pastor.

SOCIETIES.

C. M. B. A. No. 70—meets in their hall on the evening of the second and fourth Thursday in each month. H. KEBLAN, Pres. A. GIBSLER, Sec.

C. O. F.—Court Mildmay No. 195, meets in their hall the second and last Thursdays in each month. Visitors always welcome. John McGavin C. R. M. Pillsinger, Secy.

C. O. C. F. No. 165—meets in the Forester's Hall the second and fourth Mondays in each month, at 8 p.m. Jno. D. MILLER, Coun. F. C. JASPER, Rec.

A. O. U. W. 416, meets in the Foresters' Hall, the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays in each month. JOHN MCGAVIN M. W. J. N. SCHEFTER Rec. JOHN MCGAVIN M. W. J. N. SCHEFTER Rec.

I. O. F.—Meets on the last Wednesday of each month. J. W. WARD, C. R. Wm. JOHNSTON, Rec. Sec.

K. O. T. M. Unity Tent No. 101, meets in Foresters' Hall, on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month. W. McCULLOCH Com. M. JASPER, R. K.

Grand Trunk Time Table.

Trains leave Mildmay station as follows:

GOING SOUTH	GOING NORTH
Mixed..... 7 33 "	Mixed..... 1 50 p.m.
Mixed..... 10 a.m.	Express..... 10 15 p.m.

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

—Ontario Legislature opened yesterday.

—Jos. Diebolt has been laid of work for the past month with the grip, but is now recovering.

—On account of the blizzard which arose so suddenly last Thursday afternoon, the carnival was again postponed.

—Dr. R. E. Clapp left this morning for the General Hospital, Guelph, to be present while the operation is performed on Henry Eckel.

—Mrs. M. Hoefling and family have moved back to town and now occupy a house on Simpson street. Mr. Hoefling is still working at his trade in Waterloo.

—200 or 300 cords of all kinds wood wanted in exchange for harness, blankets, robes, etc., on account. All past due accounts must be settled at once. L. A. HINSPERGER.

—Auction Sale—Of live stock, implements, etc., on the premises of R. J. Morrison, Elora Road, on Tuesday, Feb. 14th. Sale to commence at one o'clock sharp. Jacob J. Weinert, auctioneer.

For SALE—That desirable property on Absalom Street, known as the Murray estate, opposite the foundry. For further particulars apply to the proprietor, Wm. McGavin, Mildmay.

—Messrs. Thos. and Stephen Hinsperger left on Wednesday morning for North Dakota, where they intend to remain. Steve will be greatly missed by the football and baseball clubs of the town.

—Miss Mae Herringer, our obliging post office clerk, has secured a position in the post office at Kincairdine, and left for that place on Monday. Mae will be greatly missed by her many friends here.

—Geo. A. Lobsinger of the 13th is having an Auction Sale on Tuesday, February 21st, and intends moving to Mildmay about March 1st. Mr. Lobsinger was born and raised in this township and we are pleased to learn that it is his intention to reside here permanently.

We are sorry to report the death of Mr. Lorenz Koehmstedt, of Carrick, which took place last Friday at noon. Deceased has been living with his son, Joseph, on the 6th Con. for many years. He went out to Dakota a few years ago to visit relatives, and since his return about a year ago, he did not enjoy good health, and gradually sank until last Friday, when death claimed him. He was 72 years of age and was well respected throughout the township. The funeral on Monday morning to the R. C. cemetery was largely attended.

—The Carrick Branch Agricultural Fall Show will be held on Thursday, September 21st.

—C Liesemer is having his hardware store enlarged by taking out the partition at the back. When completed, it will be a very spacious and attractive store.

—Henry Eckel went to Guelph on Monday to the General hospital, where he will have an operation performed to cure him of appendicitis. We hope soon to see Mr. Eckel return in good health.

—Henry Kohl had Wm. Kloefer arraigned before Jas. Johnston, J. P., on Monday, charged with taking a beach tree out of complainant's bush. Mr. Kloefer was found guilty and was fined \$1 and costs and the price of the tree.

—The death of Ernest Schultz, who has been living at Kaufmann's on the 6th, took place last Tuesday, Jan. 24th, at the age of 72 years. He was amongst the earliest settlers of this township. The funeral took place last Thursday.

—The death of Mrs. Wm. Harrison, sr., of the 6th con. took place on Sunday morning last. The cause of her death was old age, she having reached the ripe age of 88 years and 8 months. She was one of the earliest settlers of Carrick. The funeral took place on Tuesday to the Balaklava cemetery.

Auction Sale—Of farm stock, implements, etc., on the premises of Geo. A. Lobsinger, lot 23, con. 13, Carrick, on Tuesday, February 21, at 1 o'clock p. m. Mr. Lobsinger wishes to state that he is proprietor of everything that is mentioned on the bills. J. J. Weinert, Auctioneer.

—During the year 1898 the number of registrations of births, deaths and marriages in the township of Carrick was 199. There were 130 births, 40 deaths and 29 marriages. The death rate this year promises to exceed that of last year, as ten deaths, or one-fourth of last year's total, have been registered during the month of January.

—The literary and social entertainment in the Methodist church on Tuesday evening, under the auspices of the Y. P. S. C. E., was largely attended, and the program was equal to the occasion. Besides the readings, and vocal and instrumental music, two excellent addresses were given. Mr. Ward read a very interesting and well prepared paper on the life of Gladstone, and Dr. Macklin gave a history of the life of the great German statesman, Bismarck, which was greatly appreciated. After the program the audience repaired to the basement where refreshments were served. A load of young people from Clifford were also in attendance.

—We learn that the Gore District Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Galt is returning its members twenty per cent. of the premiums paid in 1898. That this is the ninth year, consecutively, in which refunds have been made is surely proof sufficient of the economy exercised and the excellent general management of the Company, as well as that it does not insure everybody and everything. That its charter permits it to hold only \$100,000 in cash, after making allowance for unearned premiums is the secret of the annual divide made amongst the members. It is now the oldest Mutual Fire Co. in the Dominion, and has done faithful service in the Western part of Ontario. Available assets of \$385,000, is more than ample security for the business carried, and the Company's claim for consideration is based on a past successful experience of sixty years, not hope in a future, which with Fire Insurance Companies is very uncertain, and the ideal seldom realized. Mr. Robert Cunningham, of this place, has been identified with the "Gore" for twenty-five years, and represents Guelph and North-Western Ontario.—Guelph Mercury. The agent at Mildmay for the above company is Jas. Johnston.

Uncle Sam's standing army is to be increased to 100,000 men, leaving the President authority to reduce the size of infantry companies and cavalry troops to 60 men each, thus fixing a minimum of about 50,000 enlisted. The bill authorizing this change passed the House on Tuesday by a vote of 168 to 125. There are several important provisions in the bill, one of which is to exclude the appointment of civilians to positions in the engineer corps, one to abolish canteens and the sale of liquors in camps, and one to strike out the provisions for additional pay for commanders serving in the West Indies, the Philippines and Alaska.

News from Manila.

The following is a letter received by Mr. G. Kuefeman from Ferdinand J. Hinsperger, written in Manila, Philippine Islands, on November 27, 1899:—

"As I have a little leisure time, I thought I would send you a few lines to let you know about these islands, and especially about the early campaigning. When we arrived in this bay we were laid up for a week before we could land, which proved very disagreeable, after having been on the water for thirty-two days. We landed in a town by the name of Cavite, and we were a joyful crew then. The first campaigning was done here and the sights we saw were something terrible to think of, and I think this was one of the hardest places for the American soldiers to pass. Aguinaldo's insurgents held the upper part of the town at the time. The Catholic schools were pressed into service for hospital services for the Philippines. The financial resources of these hospitals, and "chow" were evidently a low water mark, for poor wretches confined there by the fortunes of war were hardly more than lying skeletons. When one passed along Calle Arsenal emaciated hands were stretched eagerly through the grating, crying piteously for help. It was very hard for the Americans to pass by without responding to the appeals and all the Americans gave as liberally as possible to better the condition of the famishing men.

We are now waiting for word to be sent home, and although the boys are taking sick one by one, I have not been to the hospital yet, but very few in the company have't.

United States are still sending out volunteers to the Philippine Islands. There are several towns to be taken yet, and I can't see how we are to get home before our time is up, and we will do well to manage it then.

We have had trouble off and on with the insurgents here. Several of our boys have been picked off by some unknown insurgent, but we have driven them out of the city and I think we are free from trouble from that source. If the insurgents had been allowed to enter the city, there would not have been a single Spaniard left, as the insurgents were bound to make a clean sweep, and that is what caused the trouble after the battle. At Cavite, before Dewey could land his troops, the insurgents murdered a priest, and cleaned every church in the town of everything worth carrying away. They commenced to murder the Spaniards when Dewey landed, and after a short battle the Spaniards were in American possession.

And woe to those poor individuals that get across the American line. They are sure to get murdered by the insurgents. The insurgents have not laid down their arms yet, and trouble is expected before this is done.

Well, as I have to clean up for general inspection to-morrow, I will have to bring my letter to a close. I have been in poor health ever since the battle, but I am improving now. If ever war breaks out again, I will consider the matter more seriously before I go out again.

Yours truly,
FERDINAND J. HINSPERGER.

Two young men, Harry Jackson and James Millon, who were arrested at Hepworth a couple of weeks ago for complicity in the burglaries recently committed in Owen Sound, had their preliminary examination this week at the Police Court, as they have elected to be tried by a jury. The different charges are for burglarizing the offices W. H. Smith and H. E. Smith and the Grand Trunk freight office; theft of an overcoat from Thos. Braham, and two other charges of theft from Samuel Wyce. Jackson and Millon disappeared from town immediately after the burglaries mentioned, and this strengthened the suspicion which the police entertained that they were the guilty parties, and after some tracing up of clues and tracing them here and there, they were arrested by Constable Creighton at Hepworth on the above date. The police claim to have sufficient evidence to convict them, but this of course remains to be seen. Only a short time ago Millon was tried, along with his brother, for a theft of clothing at Holland Centre, and was acquitted, although clothing which he was wearing when arrested was identified as the garments which had been stolen.

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