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COUNTY CURRENCY.

Items of Interest from over the County.

A Weekly Digest of the County News Served up to Suit Readers of "The Signal." Pith and Point, Clipped and Condensed from Every Section.

Mr Will Malloch, Clinton, who has been dangerously ill for some time, continues to improve, though slowly.

Mr John Dunkin, of Stanley, left recently for the Old Country to bring out some more Shropshiredown sheep.

Mr James Crich, of the West End, Tuckersmith, had a valuable young mare killed by lightning on Tuesday night, 3rd inst.

Dr Ferguson, a young medical practitioner, has opened an office in the house formerly occupied by Dr. Hanover, of Seaforth.

The first vote polled in No. 1, Stanley, was by an old gentleman named James Gilmour, aged 95 years, and the vote was polled for Mr Bishop.

Mr J McMurtrie, of Kippen, left on Tuesday of last week to spend a few months in the Old Country visiting the friends and scenes of his youth.

Mr Noble Cluff, jr., who has been in foreign parts for several years, has returned to Seaforth on a visit to his mother and other friends.

Mr Lucas, Blyth, left last week for Calgary, with another load of horses. He was accompanied by Messrs James Emigh and R. Howard, jr.

The Seaforth Methodist church last week purchased a Bell Chapel organ for use in the Sabbath school and other church meetings held in the basement.

A horse belonging to Mr Doherty, Clinton, while running in a field recently, got badly cut by a barb wire fence, over twenty stitches being put in its breast alone.

Mr Wm. Nesbitt, Summerhill, had the misfortune to sprain his ankle severely last week while playing foot-ball. We hope to see him able to use the injured part before long.

Mr E. Swarts, Holmesville, lost a valuable horse on Tuesday night of last week. The horse was found dead in the field on Wednesday morning. It is supposed to have been struck by lightning.

On Monday evening, 2nd inst., a select party gathered at the residence of Mr N. H. Young, Blyth, for the object of celebrating the china wedding anniversary of that estimable gentleman and wife.

The imported mare bought by Alex. Delgatty from Wm Barrie, of Morris, and shipped to the West a few weeks ago to the purchaser, died a day or so after reaching her destination. It will be a heavy loss to Mr Delgatty.

Mr and Mrs James Scott leave Seaforth this week for Manitoba, where they will spend a couple of months. Mr Scott will combine business with pleasure, while Mrs Scott intends visiting friends and enjoying herself.

Mrs T. J. Watt, of Bluevale, was cleaning her windows and had a platform built to stand on, when she made a misstep and fell backwards, spraining her back; she has been confined to her bed since under the care of a doctor.

On Sunday, June 1st, while Mr Sol. Hards and family, Zurich, were out driving, the horse by some means got frightened and ran away, smashing the shafts and slightly damaging the top. Happily none of the occupants of the rig were hurt.

The editor of the Brussels *Post* advertises money to loan. Yes, editors generally have money to lend, for we have quite a lot out, though it is not bearing interest. But we are afraid that we shall never get some of ours unless we sue for it.—Clinton New Era.

A farmer on the 2nd con., Hullett, has an oak churn which he got made in Harpurhey, and which he carried home on his back, a distance of six miles, 34 years ago Monday, June 2nd. This churn has been in constant use ever since, and is likely to last many years yet.

Mrs W. J. Dawson, daughter of Mrs Smith, Seaforth, had a narrow escape from a terrible fate recently at Seattle, Washington Territory. She was riding on a car on the cable road, of which her husband is superintendent, when a collision took place and during the accident she received such injuries as to endanger her life. Later news, however, reports her recovering.

H. Dennis, Brussels, is laid up with an attack of typhoid fever.

Mr H. Happel, Zurich, has moved with his family to Berlin, where he will make his home. He still has an interest in the flax mill at Zurich.

The water tank in the garret of Mr D. D. Wilson's residence, Seaforth, overflowed during the heavy rainstorm on Tuesday night of last week. Considerable damage was done to the interior of the house. The overflow pipes by some means became closed, thus causing the tank to fill up and run over.

The three young men in Hullett who were so seriously injured three weeks ago are still living. Young Hamilton manifests signs of improvement, and is commencing to have some feeling in his lower extremities, but the other two are not any better and are still completely paralyzed from the small of the back downwards.

Mr Geo. Brownett, one of the pioneer settlers of Stanley township, died somewhat unexpectedly at his residence, Bayfield road, Saturday, May 31st. His death was caused by inflammation of the lungs. He had lived in the county for about 40 years. In religion he leaned to the Presbyterian church, he was highly respected and leaves a wife and family. He lost two sons by sudden death some time ago.

There is no doubt but it pays to raise and keep nothing but the best grade of stock. As an example of this Peter Robertson, con. 9, Grey, sold four head of cattle that had been fattening since Feb. 1st to cattle dealer Scott that scaled 3,750 pounds. The lot was made up of one yearling, 2 two-year-olds and one cow. The price received was 5 cents per pound, so that the seller pocketed $187. 50. That must surely pay better than trying to grow fall wheat and missing a crop every few years.

A certain man and his son, who live about three miles from Holmesville, drove to the political meeting Saturday evening, the 31st May, but the meeting being held too long for the man he went out and, instead of taking his own horse, he got a ride with a neighbor. When the meeting was over the son came out and, supposing that his father had taken the horse, walked home only to find that he had too walk back the three miles again, but they say when he did get the horse he did it up *brown*.

It was mentioned a couple of weeks ago that Mr Chas. Carter, Clinton, was suffering from an attack of paralysis. This being his second attack it was feared that he would not survive it, and unfortunately the fear was realized, for on Thursday, 29th May, he died. He was well known in the vicinity, having been born on the Huron road, Tuckersmith, and residing in Clinton most of his life. For about 6 years he was farm foreman for Messrs Ransford. He leaves a wife and 6 children, 4 boys and 2 girls, the latter being Mrs E. Fowler, Manitoba, and Mrs Gillespie, of Chippewa, Mich.

The sad intelligence of the death of Mr Thos. Hendry, formerly of Seaforth, but latterly of Soule, Huron county, Mich., was received Thursday, May 29th. He died on Wednesday, May 28th, after a lingering illness of cancer in the stomach. Mr Hendry was long a resident of Seaforth, previous to his removal to Michigan last fall, and enjoyed the esteem of all who had the pleasure of his acquaintance. He was a consistent member of the Methodist church, and, during his residence at Seaforth, took an active part in church work. He was also a member of the order of Royal Templars, and held a beneficiary certificate for $2,000.

A despatch from Lexington, Mich., dated June 2, says: "John Douglass came to Crosswell Friday to work for Paupet, the tailor. He was under the influence of liquor all the time he was there. About four o'clock Saturday afternoon he went to Deadie's drug store for laudanum, but was refused. He then went to Graham's drug store and said he had a sore leg which pained him considerably, and wanted a small quantity of laudanum to bathe it. They gave it to him. He then went to the Franklin House and sat writing and scribbling until bed time. About 6 o'clock yesterday morning the proprietor rapped at his door, but got no reply. He then broke in the door and found Douglass dead. The bottle with a few drops of laudanum left was found in his room. He left a letter addressed to his wife, Elsie Douglass, Exeter, Ont., saying: "I am going to another land, farewell I am dying among strangers. JOHN A. DOUGLASS." His body was taken to Haist's undertaking establishment. His wife was telegraphed for."

WEEKLY NEWS LETTER.

EXTRAORDINARY ABDUCTION CASE, ENDING IN SHOOTING.

A Cleveland Woman Chases her Unfaithful Husband and Abducted Child Through Canada—The Great Toronto Strike Over Latest Election Gossip.

TORONTO, June 8.—The Battle is over at last. The Provincial elections of 1890 are finished as far as Ontario is concerned, and people will settle down again to business and—pleasure. Four weeks hard work, days of intense excitement and Mowat rules again. He secures the same majority practically as he controlled during the last Parliament.

According to the latest news received by the Tory papers however, they claim that the majority has been reduced from 24 to 17. The Liberal papers claim that the majority is the same if not over. Several of the elections were so close, that a re-count has been necessary, and the exact majority therefore cannot be positively known for several days. Two Cabinet Ministers however were beaten at the polls and new men will reign in their stead. The elections in Nova Scotia and Ontario are just over, and now the tug of war will come next week in Quebec.

His Royal Highness, the Duke of Connaught and party are travelling eastward on their way home. They have been enthusiastically welcomed in Montreal and Ottawa, where big receptions were tendered them, and by the end of the week they will be steaming across the ocean.

The whole country seems to have been visited by a terrific storm or succession of storms last week. Much damage was done throughout the province. A large number of places were struck by lightning. Barns and houses were burnt and several lives were lost. It was one of the worst storms this part of the country has experienced for many years. The rainfall was tremendous, and floods, disastrous in many cases are reported on all sides.

A sensation much talked of, was the arrival in Toronto last week of Mrs. Cowles, of Cleveland, Ohio and a party of relatives and friends. They are searching for Eugene H. Cowles who abducted his child from his wife's care some days ago. He and his wife are separated. Cowles, while bidding his nine year-old daughter good-bye on the railway platform at Cleveland suddenly seized her in his arms, jumped on the train and disappeared. He arrived in Toronto three or four days ago, and put up at the best hotel. He must have got scent of the pursuers who were so hot on his trail, for he disappeared again the night before his wife and her friends arrived. He was traced to Niagara, St. Catharines, Toronto and was believed to be either in Ottawa or Montreal. Mrs. Cowles followed to Montreal and here ascertained that her fugitive husband and abducted child were in town. The child had been placed in a convent by the father for safety. The wife and her brother encountered Cowles on St. James Street. Through their lawyers an amicable settlement was expected. On meeting, however, Mr. Cowles attempted to draw his revolver, with the probable intention of killing his wife. Her brother, however, was too quick and had the drop on him. Cowles was shot in the neck. He was conveyed to the hospital. Mrs. Cowles brother told his story to the police, and gave himself up on the charge of shooting with the intent to kill. He will likely get off. Mr. Cowles is not mortally wounded. The rescuing party have not yet succeeded in getting hold of the child. Application however has been made to the courts, and they will decide the matter. Thus comes to an end, one of the the most extraordinary and sensational cases of recent times. Mr. Cowles, it is stated, was very dissolute, and formed intimacies with several women, one of whom accompanied him to Europe as his wife. Mrs. Cowles has an application in for absolute divorce.

The Minister of Agriculture has received a letter from the Liverpool, England agent of the department. He states that the Old Country, will likely be the future market for Canadian barley, a number of leading grain importers in England having stated on being shown samples of Canadian barley, that provided such grain could be shipped over there an unlimited market would be open for it.

At last the great strike which has been troubling Toronto for so long has been declared off. The agreement has only just been arrived at. The strike was one of the biggest of its kind ever witnessed in Toronto. It has extended over four months. The bricklayers were receiving 33½ cents per hour and demanded 36. They practically secured their wants as the bosses have agreed to give them 35 cents per hour for the first year and 36 cents per hour for the remaining four years. The wage question is thus settled happily for the next five years at least.

A sad story comes from Hamilton. The Methodist Conference has been in full session there, for the last few days. Rev. George Kennedy, of Ingersoll, 75 years of age, who has been 30 years in active service in the Methodist Church was expelled for alleged immorality. It seems that Mr Kennedy has a wife and family. They are, however, separated. During the winter of 1888 Mr. Kennedy feeling lonely wanted a housekeeper who would be more of a companion to him than a servant. He secured one through an advertisement. His wife he had not heard from for many long years. He says that he thought she was dead. His housekeeper would not stay with him unless he married her. His story was told, and they were married. But he says, she was his wife in name only. None of the marital duties were performed, and she was a companion to him only. His first wife, however, was not dead and hence an ugly story has crept up, which finally has led to his expulsion from the ministry. Mr. Kennedy avers that he is penniless, that he has not been guilty of any immoral conduct. It is seeming cruel to cast such an old man, not far from the grave, out into the world, without subsistence or sympathy. Several leading ministers spoke on his behalf and urged that one or two years suspension would be sufficient. But the fiat went forth, and he is expelled.

Next week will witness the opening of military camps all over Canada for the annual drill. The gallant soldier boys will put in 12 days hard work, beginning from the 17th inst. Sir Frederick Middleton will as usual inspect all the camps.

The first games in the Amateur Lacrosse Championship League of Canada were played on Saturday. In Toronto, the Queen City downed Ottawa by 5 games to 1, while Cornwall beat Montreal by 3 to 1.

The New York Supreme Court affirmed the conviction and sentence of ex-Sheriff Flack, who surreptitiously procured a divorce from his wife. Mrs. Flack has been granted an absolute divorce with an alimony of $25 per week.

At the session of the Boot and Shoe Worker's International Association at Buffalo, N.Y., Charles Irish, of Hamilton, Ont., was elected president and H. J. Sheffington, New York, secretary. An executive committee was elected, of which Richard Burke, of Toronto, is a member

PARAMOUNT.

From our own correspondent.

The crops in this section of the country are looking well, and prospects are good for a bountiful harvest.

Mrs Ruben Tiffin attended the funeral of her nephew Joseph, son of John and Jeanette Taylor, of Galt.

Mr Wm. Doyle is at present at Dublin, where his cousin is seriously ill.

Paramount cheese factory is turning out twenty cheese per day at present.

Dew Drop Temperance lodge purchased a new organ, which will add greatly to the entertainment. We wish old Dew Drop every success in its new enterprise.

On Wednesday last the remains of Ann, the beloved wife of John McKenzie, of Paramount, were laid in their last resting place in Kinloss cemetery. Over a year ago Mrs McKenzie, while attending communion services, fell down a stairway in the house of a friend, and was taken up a helpless invalid and so remained unable to help herself in any way till death relieved her on Monday last. Mrs McKenzie was a woman highly respected by all who knew her. The funeral was one of the largest ever seen in this part of the country.

GREY.

From our own correspondent.

Bees are doing well this weather.

A big yield of fruit is looked for.

Road work will soon be here. The roads are very much in need of repairs owing to the open winter.

We have had a good share of wet weather lately, but not so much as in other places. The heaviest storms went to the north and south of us.

July 1st, Canada's own holiday, will soon be here. How and where are you going to spend the day? is now the question.

Hay promises to be a heavy crop in this section. Spring grains are growing rapidly. There is a great diversity in the fall wheat crop. Some fields are excellent, while others will be very light.

The elections being over everybody has settled down to work again.

Geo. Forrest has a cat which has become very much interested in a brood of chickens. On one occasion pussy took several of the little chicks to another part of the stable and was there caring for them most tenderly. It now carries food and puts it down for them to eat.

DUNGANNON.

From our own correspondent.

Mrs Jas. McMath is seriously ill. We hope to hear of her recovery soon.

Now that the elections are over, business begins to assume its former activity.

The three Hurons, which were doomed, still float under the Reform banner, in spite of recent predictions.

We are being favored with genial and copious showers of rain, which are causing the crops to grow rapidly.

It will now be in order for our friend in Clinton to repair his clock, so that it will keep more correct time than hitherto.

The directors of the West Wawanosh Mutual Fire Insurance Co. held their monthly meeting in the court room here on Tuesday. A number of applications were made and considered.

Miss Emma Pentland, daughter of the late Mr R. Pentland, who has been living in Baltimore, U. S., for some time past, came home on Saturday last and is now residing with her mother.

Our popular township clerk, Mr R. K. Miller, having furnished the pathmasters with their road lists, the next thing in order will be statute labour. Now, boys, get your spades, shovels, etc., in order.

On election day we were visited with a very heavy hail storm, such as had not before been experienced by the oldest settlers in this vicinity. However, it was not so destructive here as in other localities.

The farmers and others are quite buoyant in view of the cheering prospects of an abundant crop. Should Jack Frost keep in his den, and kind Providence continue his blessing, there will be an abundance of everything.

Mr Geo. Jones, who has been working with Mr S. Struthers, at the smithy, for upwards of two years, has left our village, having got a position at Westfield with Mr Robt. Ramsay of that place. George will be much missed by the young people, especially some of the fair sex, as he was a great favorite. His character is unblemished and, being a young man of good department and steady habits, we wish him the best of success.

On Tuesday of last week Mr S. Pentland, of this village, wound up the clock of single life and entered into the solemn bonds of matrimony, by taking to himself a wife partner, the fair one being the youngest daughter of Mr I. Hamlin, of the township of Ashfield, also the last unmarried of the family. We wish the young couple a prosperous and happy union. The regular Thursday visits, we presume, will now and in the future be abandoned.

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