

NEWS AND VIEWS FROM OUR AMELIASBURG CORRESPONDENT

Great preparations are being made by the two evaporators in this place for evaporating onions on an extensive scale in a few days. It is reported that these factories are being operated for the purpose of assisting Mr. R. J. Graham of Belleville in completing a large contract which he has with the government for supplying war supplies for the men on active service. While the contract will embrace other vegetables, largely for the purpose of furnishing vegetable soup, the evaporators here will likely confine their work up to onions alone which after being dried will likely be canned up at Mr. Graham's war-house at Belleville. It is estimated that sufficient produce will be handled to operate the factories for three months or longer which means a good deal of work for those who desire it. At the Rednersville evaporator between 30 and 40 hands will be employed—mostly women. Just what the effect on the atmosphere will be, can only be imagined, when these factories are in full blast. It is not likely the fragrance will be of the most pleasant character, but W. K. Ostrom is seriously considering whether it will affect the milk of his Jersey Cow.

On the 12th inst. a meeting will be held by the Farmers Club to consider the advantages to be desired from co-operation in buying supplies for the house and farm and the selling of all farm products. A gentleman from Toronto is expected to be present who will be well qualified to speak upon the many advantages to be derived from such an organization. We are heartily in sympathy with the farmers uniting the same as other professions, but we are not in sympathy with any movement which will have as a distant feature of the programme the buying of goods at home on account and sending the cash away to departmental houses or other wholesale supply houses. Belleville furnishes an excellent market for about everything the farmers grow, and in justice to the merchants of that city or any other merchant, whether in the city or not the same opportunity should be afforded them of disposing their goods for cash. In fact they are entitled to the preference of selling when they become the chief purchasers. We have repeatedly said that few merchants if given a cash order but would be able to do as well by their customers as could be done away from home. The money would be put in circulation where it belongs and would assist in building up home business and home markets in place of that of outsiders who did not contribute in any way to local improvement or taxation.

On the 15th inst. a fruit meeting will be held at Rednersville where a discussion will be given on the systems of packing fruit to the best advantage for home and foreign markets, the care of fruit trees, etc. This should prove a very profitable meeting to a number in this place who are particularly interested in this business.

So much has been said in the past about the great care that should be taken in the proper packing of fruit to insure good prices, that any further comment at this time is unnecessary. We can only hope the meeting will be largely attended and possibly some who may now think they know all about the business may be able to learn something new.

The legislature is about to make some amendments to the Telephone Act. This session and no doubt this has been brought about by subscribers not getting the accommodation they have felt they were entitled to. It is pretty generally understood that subscribers may have their grievances redressed into by reference to the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board if they chose to make application in the regular way. The Telephone Companies may be at fault sometimes but they are not always to blame. The subscribers too often act as

though they owned the line or had some undisputed right to hold the line as long as they liked and say about anything they felt like saying simply because they happened to pay for the yearly rental of a phone. It may not be known that the Railway Board may approve of regulations made by all Telephone Cos. for the purpose of preventing willful interference or interruption of conversations and messages and any person violating any such regulations shall incur a penalty not exceeding \$25.00. A few convictions under this head might do a great deal towards improving much of the Telephone Service especially in the Country. Then some Companies imagining they can switch subscribers on and off just to suit themselves and give service to just about who ever they see fit. The act distinctly says "whenever any person makes application to any Company for telephone service such Company shall furnish such telephone service upon such terms and conditions as may be directed by the Board." This makes it very clear that any person may have telephone connection if they desire it on compliance with the ruling of the Board. The whole matter can be very easily solved. If the Telephone Co's will not grant you service make applications to the Ontario Railway Board and if your complaint is one worthy of consideration there will be no difficulty in securing the service. The Board will not permit any subscriber to violate the rules of any Co's which they have approved. Neither will they permit any Co's to say who shall or shall not have telephone service, provided all are willing and do comply with the rules of the Company which they have approved.

The outlook at present for steamboat accommodation on the bay this week and is not very encouraging. It is reported that the North King will not go on her old route and it has not been decided whether either the Varuna or Brockville will be on the Trenton and Picton route. This is very much to be regretted. While there may not be enough traffic to warrant a double service, it would almost seem that one daily boat could be made to pay if run for the accommodation of the public. It is no wonder traffic has fallen off when it is considered the very unsatisfactory service given the last couple of seasons. No one appeared to know when the boats were going to run. If a passenger took the boat to Picton he was seldom sure whether he could get back the same day or not. Such an arrangement cannot be expected to increase passenger traffic on the boats, but must drive travel to the trains. It is reported that the C.P.R. has been considering the proposition of placing a boat on this route and it has also been rumored that some private individuals were seriously considering the purchase of the Varuna for that purpose. It is to be hoped however, that if a boat is placed on the route she will be run on time as near as possible and regularly, then those who would be glad to patronize such a service will have some encouragement for doing so.

ITEMS FROM POINT ANNE.

Happenings During the Past Week in This Thriving Village. Miss Edna Bradshaw spent the week end the guest of Miss Meta Bryant, Bay View Cottage. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. May and Mrs. May's mother Mrs. Lowery have returned home after an extended visit with relatives at Picton and Brighton. Mr. Robert Carr was removed to the Belleville hospital suffering from pneumonia. We all hope for a speedy recovery. Mr. Orley Hart is ill from la grippe. Miss Oral Jackson entertained a few of her friends to a skating party on Wednesday evening in honor of her friend Miss Lela Weese of Belleville. Mrs. Frank Graham was the guest of her mother Mrs. Will McDonald for a few days. Miss Bessie Laughlin

of Marlbank is spending a few weeks at the home of her sister Mrs. J. Murphy. A number of young people attended the concert held at the Kingston Road Church on Thursday evening. Mr. Max Denmark of Belleville spent Wednesday of last week at the home of Mrs. Joe Jackson. Mrs. Orley Hart had the misfortune while returning from church to fall and break her left arm. Miss Lulu Sanson of Trenton spent the week end with her friend Mrs. W. C. King. Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Smith have returned from Trenton accompanied by their grand-daughter Fay Smith. The Ladies Aid of the Methodist church held a successful social evening on March 5th at the home of Mrs. Joe Jackson. A splendid programme was rendered and later in the evening dainty refreshments were served. Mrs. Henry G. Thompson was the guest of Mrs. John Ballantyne at Belleville on Thursday last. Mr. Herbert Van Order is visiting at his father's home in Kingston. Mr. John Hart and Mr. Henry McDonald are attending the Ontario Business College at Belleville.

LOST VALUABLE COW.

Resident of Turner Settlement Was Unfortunate—Other Items From This Village. Miss Minnie Barker has been visiting in this neighborhood for the past week and has been the guest of Miss B. Guffin and Mrs. L. D. Reid. We are sorry to learn of Mrs. Leonard Ward's sickness but trust she will soon recover. Mr. Claude Fairman of Toronto was a visitor at Mr. W. E. Guffin's on Friday last. The Chatterbox Women's Institute purposes holding an open meeting on Thursday evening, March 11th in the Marsh Hill Methodist church. An excellent programme is under preparation, and an enjoyable time is anticipated. Refreshments will be served and an offering taken. We are pleased to report a good attendance at church last Sunday evening and welcome the visitors from the sixth concession and Holloway. Miss Ethel Hough visited Miss Pearl Herman of Stirling last week and Miss Herman is now returning the visit. Rev. E. Church and lady friend of Colborne are visiting at Mr. W. B. Tufts. Mr. Leonard Preat had the misfortune to lose a sick cow on Tuesday last.

ENTERTAINED FRIENDS

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Treverton of Halston Make Ideal Hosts. There was a good congregation at Mt. Pleasant Sunday night. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Treverton, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McCrae and Mr. and Mrs. A. Gibson visited at Mr. S. Moults one evening last week. Mr. Wilbert and Miss Laura Sherry, Mr. Miller and Miss Edna Parks spent Wednesday evening at Mr. R. Elliott's. Mrs. Bert Langabeer and Miss Lizzie Kerr visited at Theodore Park's on Friday last. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Treverton entertained a number of their friends on Thursday night and everyone present declared Mr. and Mrs. Treverton ideal host and hostess. Miss Maggie Glass spent Sunday with Miss Edna Laronsen of Gilead. Mrs. Theodore Parks and Mrs. Bert Langabeer spent the week end with friends in Belleville. Mr. C. Carleton of Hungerford called on his sister Mrs. Sherry one day last week.

"JOLLY EIGHT" TO HAVE DANCE

In Ameliasburg—Other News From the Fourth Concession. There are a considerable number ill here. Mrs. R. L. Vancott and Mr. O. Hennessy both being under the doctor's care. Mr. A. Blakely made a business trip to Cobourg Monday. Mr. D. Whitney has rented his house to Mr. K. Cross. Mrs. R. Parliament spent last week at her grandparents in Bloomfield. Miss Neva Carnie visited her aunt, Mrs. H. Huycke, Saturday. Mrs. B. Brown and Mrs. R. Parliament were in Belleville Saturday. Mr. McDonald of Trenton has returned to his home after a week's visit with his daughter, Mrs. Dolan. Mrs. Abraham Wood gave a delightful party to her young friends, Friday evening. Mr. and Mrs. B. Fox of Rednersville visited here last week. Mr. and Mrs. S. Vancott made Mr. W. Wannamaker a visit Sunday. "The Jolly Eight" have issued invitations for a St. Patrick's dance in Ameliasburg. We understand the club intend making it the Social event of the season. Mr. and Mrs. N. Gibson and baby Harry visited Mrs. A. Wood recently. Mrs. N. Orser and son of Thurlow spent Sunday here with the former's parents. Mr. C. Carrite and Mr. F. Hennessy were in Trenton Tuesday. Mr. M. Wood and Miss Wood visited at B. Brown's Monday. Mrs. Charles Sager spent last week with her daughter Mrs. Murphy in Conesecon. Mr. and Mrs. S. Vancott were guests of Mr. M. Goodings Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. B. Brown spent a recent evening at Wm. Morton's, Melville. Mr. Roy Parliament is in Picton acting as juryman at County

Wellington Items

Wellington, March 12.—We hear Wellington will have a number of vacant houses if no canning factory runs. Some of our good citizens will have to leave us we fear. All are indeed sorry. As provisions are soaring higher we notice that there are more out of work, yet we are glad to say that the farmers are giving them work in the country. Always glad to see our boys and girls home over Sunday from Picton Collegiate. They are a happy bunch. Mr. Stevens of Buffalo N. Y. is in town on Brick Business. Miss Phillips of Toronto will spend Easter here. Mr. L. W. Clarke was in Picton the other day in attendance at a funeral of an old school mate. Mr. George Webster was in Picton a day last week. Capt. H. McDonald is in London Ont. He expects to go with the overseas contingent to fight for his country. Our merchant tailor is very busy. A wedding, we hear is to take place near the middle of March. Mrs. and Mrs. J. C. Vanhorne will be home in April from Philadelphia where they spent the winter with their daughters Mrs. H. A. Shords. All will be glad to see our friends who spent winter away, home again in April. Part of the white house is vacated and now ready to rent. Mr. Fred Norton will take a farm to work, we hear soon. All our farmers are now securing men to work for them as no canning factory will be here this summer. W. W. Fitzgerald contractor, and men, are busy fixing up rooms for our new milliner to open up. All hope that 200 scholars may be reached at the Methodist Sabbath School before the summer is over. 177 were present last Sunday. Our young people would like a few more to join their league. Come along and join us. A little early yet but a few are cleaning house. Mr. Kenneth McQuaid and family are moving to Mellett Foster Farm in the country. Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Gibson are moving into Edgar Noxans tenement house. Our school boys and girls are out with roller skates on our Front street. Mrs. Harris has arrived home from a visit at West Lake. Mr. Archer of East Wellington has opened up his home for R. W. A. Young. Miss Mable Young will return to Toronto again to take her old position. Are we to have two bakeries here? Indications point to that now. The two Miss Fosters of Cold Creek are visitors of their aunt Mrs. H. H. Pest. Wednesdays a large number go to Picton instead of Saturdays. Mrs. A. M. Osbourne and Mrs. William McCullough were in Belleville last week. Mr. W. Peters takes a number to various places in his auto. Our next meeting of the W. M. S. in April will be held in the basement of the Methodist Church. Easter service will be held at our Methodist church here in the morning and the

Sabbath School in the evening. All hope for a nice day. Robins, crows and blackbirds have made their appearance. Is spring here? Miss Becky Staley is at Smithfield and Brighton on a visit. Our Wellington young folks of the Epworth League gave a programme at Melville on Friday evening last. About 40 from here attended. A number will go up to Toronto for Easter. We are glad to report that Mrs. A. M. Haight is better after an attack of la grippe. Miss Allison our popular kindergarten teacher was at her home one day last week. Mr. Roy Fitzgerald is confined to the house with rheumatism. Mr. McElennon and Gerald Noxon were in Picton this week. Mr. N. Seris has wallpaper for sale at his grocery store. Mrs. Talk Handley and Bailey have arrived home from a visit at Toronto. Mrs. Roy Zuefelt was appointed delegate for the W. M. S. Methodist Branch meeting at Port Hope Ont. Edward Kidd M. D. made a professional call from Trenton last week. The stork left a fine baby boy with Mr. and Mrs. Will Garratt last Monday. Mrs. John J. Thompson is at Ottawa with Mrs. G. Thompson's for week's visit. Mr. and Mrs. Earle Burley are moving in their pretty cottage which they purchased from Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hubbs. We understand that Miss Mutton will open up millinery parlors here. Mrs. Fred McDonald and daughter of Saskatoon are visiting here. Mr. Archie Haight is in Toronto. He has entered as clerk in the Bank of Montreal. All give him best wishes. Mr. Hall of Toronto is manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia here during D. R. Platts absence at Toronto. Our dealer shipped hogs on Wednesday. Miss Elizabeth Blakely has arrived home from a visit in the country at the home of her brother. Mrs. Thompson of Toronto is the guest of her daughter Mrs. Earl Steley. Mrs. A. M. Dorland of Bloomfield was a guest of Mrs. McHaul last week. Rev. Mr. Archer was at Picton last week. We are very sorry to hear that Mrs. McHaul has been ill. All hope for a speedy recovery. Miss Mutton of Brighton is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John N. McDonald. Mr. Harry Bailey will shortly take up his home at North West. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hanly have moved to the George Raynor home on Noxon Avenue. Mrs. Hogle was unexpectedly called to Trenton a day last week on account of the illness of her father. Mrs. S. Barker of Bloomfield and daughter Mr. Dallas of New York, were recent visitors at A. McHaul's. Miss Emma and Florence Harnell are visitors at Demorestville Ont. Mr. W. McQuaid who has been very ill is slowly recovering. Mrs. Frank Gibson is also better after a severe illness. We are glad to see H. D. Young from Melville is in town.

Court.—Mrs. Smith of Coe Hill who has been spending some time with relatives here returned to her home, Friday. Messrs. Carrite, Price, Wyott and Whitney are all busy getting in their ice supply.

SURPRISE AND PRESENTATION.

Zion Sunday School Visited Mrs. Palmer and Spent Pleasant Evening. March 11.—A great many people of this place thought they were going to have sleighing again but the wise old weather man fooled them. Mr. and Mrs. Myron Hamley spent a day last week visiting friends on the Fourth line. Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Casey entertained a number of their friends on a evening last week. Mr. Herbert Sills spent last Wednesday evening with friends on the Fifth line. A couple of young sports spent Sunday afternoon and evening with relatives at Carmel. A large number of people from this line attended the surprise party at Mr. R. J. Gordon's. A very pleasant evening was spent at the home of Mrs. D. Palmer when her S. class gathered at her home on March 2nd to give her a surprise for her birthday, and presented Mrs. Palmer with a silver berry spoon. Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Gordon and family and Mr. and Mrs. Job Clapper and family spent Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Kennedy. Miss Keitha Caldwell has returned home after spending a week with friends in Belleville. Sawing wood seems to be the order of the day. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kennedy and little son spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Kennedy. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Denyes entertained some friends on Tuesday evening last. Mrs. Clapper of Belleville is spending a few days here with Mr. J. Clapper. Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Walt of Foxboro spent Sunday with the latter's brother Mr. Windsor Daffoe.

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