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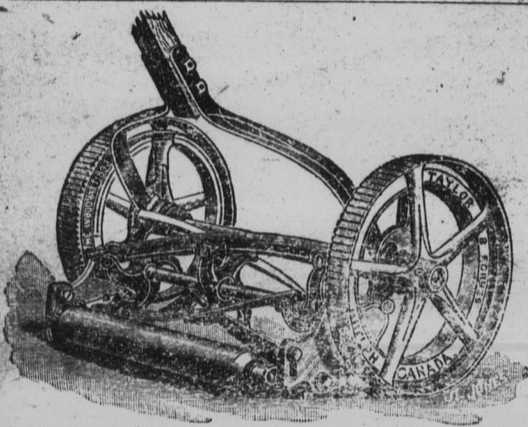
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Additional Locals.

—Ernest Wheeler, who has been employed in the barber shop here for the past three months, has gone to Toronto.

—Mrs. Charles Jasper, who has been very ill this week, is improving. We are glad to learn that Mrs. George Culliton is also recovering from her very serious illness.

—The Carrick Council meets in the Town Hall, Mildmay, on Monday, June 29th.

The Provincial Immigration Office at Winnipeg has begun to estimate on the help which will be required for the coming harvest in the West. The figures are 24,000 men and 5000 women.

—Jacob Palm is getting in a carload of cement this week from the Hanover factory.

—The Clifford Celebration Committee has an advt. on this page. Read it.

—Mrs. A. M. Gabel and children, and Mrs. Schmidt of West Toronto, are visiting this week at Dr. Doering's.

—Thomas Hickling's barn on the 10th concession was badly shattered by lightning on Monday evening.

Constable Ezra Briggs of Walkerton was married at Hanover on Thursday last to Mrs. M. Wilder of Badaxe, Michigan.

—Mrs. Robertson and her daughter Ruth, went to Hamilton on Tuesday to attend the graduating exercises at Lorretto Academy. Miss Bessie Robertson is one of this year's graduates from this institution.

On account of continued trouble in one of his legs, the Hon. John Charlton has had to have it amputated. Miss Agnes Muir of Port Elgin has been nursing him for the last five months.

Judging from the indications it looks as if Kincardine would have a local option campaign there at the municipal elections.

—Ernest Zinn is mourning the loss of his time-honored straw hat. He was out in last Friday evening's wind storm, which blew his hat off and carried it in the direction of Balaclava. Mr. Zinn made long and diligent search for his hat, but up to date has found no further trace of it.

FATAL RAILWAY ACCIDENT.

Engineer Allward of Southampton, instantly killed.

A fatal railway wreck occurred on this division of the Grand Trunk Railway on Monday evening, about three miles south of Mildmay,—opposite John Voelzing's farm. The wreck was the result of a washout caused by one of the most violent rainstorms ever experienced in the Township of Carrick.

The intense heat on Monday and the humidity of the atmosphere were generally regarded as storm-breeders, but nothing more than a summer shower was looked for. The rain came on about 7.30, and increased in violence for the next hour, the rain falling in torrents. In the vicinity of the scene of the wreck, something akin to a cloudburst must have happened. About thirty rods south of where the accident occurred, a small stream crosses the railroad by means of a culvert. This stream was so swollen by the downpour that the water overflowed its banks and made its way along the railway track and over the flats. On the west side of the track is a field sloping upwards from the railway, and the water came down with such force as to wash away the ballast and undermine the line for a distance of several rods. As a result the rails were completely buried in sand and water to a depth of about three feet.

The evening passenger train composed of engine, two baggage and four passenger cars, carrying 125 passengers, many returning from the Model Farm excursion, left Clifford at 9.17 p.m. on its northward journey to Mildmay. All went well until this inundated portion of the track was reached, and the engineer, Mr. William Allward, on noticing the water, instantly reversed, and whistled for brakes. The train dashed through the water, and the miraculous part of it was that the engine crossed the dangerous part in safety, and had reached solid ground, but when the tender and baggage car jumped the rails, turning the engine on its side. The engineer, seeing the danger, shouted to the fireman to jump, but he himself stuck to the post, and paid his life as a penalty to his devotion to duty.

Fireman O'Keeler and baggageman Boudy promptly secured a lantern and began to search for the engineer, and found him pinioned under the tender, which had been badly wrecked. They succeeded in pulling him out from beneath the wreck, but life was extinct.

All the cars left the track except the two rear coaches, and the passengers thought at first that they had been landed into Sieling's mill pond, owing to the depth of water in which the train was standing. After a time, however, the water receded, and quite a number of the passengers were able to wade through and make their way to this village. None of the passengers were injured, beyond a rather severe shaking up.

Fireman J. O'Keeler sustained some slight injuries from the accident and indeed his escape from fatal injury was nothing short of miraculous. The baggageman, E. Boudy, had his arm badly bruised by the trunks which were thrown about the car when the crash came.

As soon as the confusion was over Conductor F. Broad telegraphed to Palmerston for medical assistance, which was soon forthcoming. The passengers were taken from the coaches in the rain and transferred to a special train, which took them to Clifford.

The remains of Mr. Allward were brought to Mildmay on a hand-car and taken to J. F. Schuett's undertaking rooms, where they remained until seven o'clock in the morning, when an inquest was held. It happened that Coronor Dr. Porter and Constable Briggs of Walkerton were on board the train, and Mr. Briggs had a jury empanelled by 6.30 in the morning. The jury, with J. A. Johnston as foreman, viewed the remains of the unfortunate engineer, and adjourned to meet again at the Commercial hotel on Friday afternoon, at 3.30. Deceased was 57 years old, and leaves a widow, one son and one daughter. The son is an engineer on the Michigan Central, running out of Windsor. The remains were taken to Southampton on Tuesday afternoon, and will be interred at Woodstock to-day.

The auxiliary train from Palmerston

came up on Tuesday forenoon, and had the track cleared and repaired by noon. Great crowds visited the scene of the disaster during the day.

That the loss of life is so small is providential, as the train was running at a high rate of speed and the washout was complete.

Leopold Kramer, councillor, who was on this train, declares that if the passenger coaches had turned over on their sides, the passengers would certainly have been drowned, owing to the depth of water which covered the track.

A USEFUL POLITICIAN.

Mr. Peter H. McKenzie, the present Chairman of the committee on Agriculture and Colonization, is one of the most quietly useful of the whole body of Parliamentarians. He seldom trespasses on the time of the House in talking to Hansard for campaign purposes, and in this respect sets an example that might well be followed by others who are perhaps more gifted with a time-consuming fecundity of words. Common sense, integrity and a sincere desire to advance the interests of the country as a whole by facilitating without any undue waste of words the real business of Parliament are his distinguishing characteristics. Political expediency takes a second place with him to common-sense methods in promoting honest and good government. During his tenure of the Chairmanship of the Agriculture Committee he has endeavored to keep politics out of the proceedings of the committee, as far as possible, and has guided their deliberations into the more peaceful and useful channels of promoting a more general knowledge of the science and art of agriculture. A farmer himself, he has stood throughout his Parliamentary career for the welfare of the whole farming community of Canada, leaving to the "talkers" in the House a clear field for political debate and the manufacture of campaign material.

As his name indicates, Mr. McKenzie is of clear Scotch descent. He was born at Puslinch, Ont., where he spent practically his whole life. His first essay into the political field was in 1896, when he was Liberal candidate for West Bruce, but was defeated by the Patron candidate. At the last general elections he was elected to the Commons for South Bruce. He is President of the Lucknow Agricultural Society and President of the South Bruce Farmers' Institute.—Globe.

BORN.

KUPFERSCHMIDT—In Carrick, on June 20th, to Mr. and Mrs. Julius Kupferschmidt, a son.

FORMOSA.

Mr. Joseph Siefert is visiting at Jno. Hundt's.

Mr. C. Weiler is building an addition to his saw mill.

Anselm Hartlieb left on Monday to live with his children in Berlin.

Quite a number from here took advantage of the excursion to Guelph on Saturday. Most of them spent Sunday in Berlin and returned Monday.

Mrs. Jos. Fedy had the misfortune of falling down stairs last week and breaking her collar bone. She was attended by Dr. Garrity and is doing nicely.

The baseball game between Salem and Formosa last Thursday ended with the score of 9 to 6 in favor of our boys. Mr. F. Heisz umpired the game.

Mr. Richards of the Warton marble works, put up a fine monument last Monday in memory of the late Sebastian Lehman in the Formosa cemetery.

Charles Johnston, aged 12, of St. Catharines attacked his step father with an axe, and also struck his mother.

It is stated that 10,000 less Canadian cattle were shipped to Britain thus far in 1908 than in the same time in the previous year. As a consequence meat prices have advanced.