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The death took place on Thursday last of Helen Bernice, the three months old twin of Pastor Weinbach.

Mr. and Mrs. U. Angst and Mrs. Heist left on Tuesday for Michigan.

Miss Levina Coutts, of Hamilton, a niece of Mrs. H. Eckenswiler, died in this village at the age of 18 years. The cause of the young lady's death was tuberculosis.

Mrs. Geo. Bald and son of Sebringville, are visiting at the residence of Rev. O. Weinbach.

Miss Maud Kiemmer spent the past week with friends at Port Elgin.

Miss Lillie Maurer spent Sunday in Neustadt.

Listowel and Green River will play off for the intermediate football championship of Ontario, at Toronto on Saturday afternoon.

Grand Trunk Time Table

Trains leave Mildmay station as follows:

GOING SOUTH	GOING NORTH
Express.....7.31 a.m.	Express.....5.55 a.m.
Express.....11.37 a.m.	Express.....1.43 p.m.
Express.....2.52 p.m.	Express.....6.54 p.m.

The 7.31 a.m. and 1.43 p.m. trains carry mail.

LOCAL & PERSONAL

To-day is Election Day. Poll your vote early.

John A. Buhlman is visiting friends in Michigan this week.

Miss Tillie Schmidt went to Toronto on Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Fink attended the Ayton fall fair.

Mr. Ben Kloepfer of Guelph spent Sunday with his parents here.

Peter Thompson of Terra Nova, lumber dealer, is in town this week.

Mr. Chas. Haines was at Chesley this week visiting his sister, Mrs. Matt. Johnston, who has been very ill.

Alex Schumacher of Culross has leased Geo. Lambert's house in the west end, and will move to Mildmay next week.

Mr. John Coutts Sr., lightning rod sales agent for R. Trench of Teeswater, is home this week nursing a sprained knee.

The ladies are cordially invited to the Fall Opening of Millinery and dress goods at John Hunstein's on Friday and Saturday.

W. J. Pomeroy left on Tuesday morning for Elbow, Sask., to look after some business. He will be away for about a month.

August Wilke of Huntingfield is spending a week with relatives at Chicago. George Johnston of that concession left on Tuesday for the West.

Mr. J. O. Lethbridge left last Saturday for Calgary, where he was transferred by the Merchants Bank. He took a boat from Owen Sound to Fort William.

Returning Office Connell of Lucknow was in town last Friday superintending the printing of the ballots for the federal election, which was done at the local printing office.

Mrs. E. Witter came home last Saturday from the Walkerton hospital, having recovered from her illness with typhoid fever. She is still very weak, but is doing nicely.

Miss Ida Berry, of Carberry, Man., daughter of Mr. Edmund Berry, who formerly owned and operated a woollen mill here, is spending a few weeks renewing acquaintances at Mildmay.

Constable Briggs of Walkerton was in town on Tuesday notifying jrymen that their services will not be required at the Fall Assizes at Walkerton, there being no cases slated for this court.

The nomination meeting at Walkerton last Thursday afternoon, was rather a tame affair. The candidates addressed the meeting, which was not largely attended, and very little enthusiasm was aroused.

Mr. Louis Braun, who has been spending the past six months with his sons at St. Paul, and Alberta, returned home yesterday, feeling well and hearty after his extended trip. His daughter, Miss Catharine, has also returned to Mildmay.

Hunter Bridge & Boiler Co. of Kincardine, have placed the iron superstructure on the Moltke bridge, and the Wagner bridge on the 30th sidroad, and the concrete covers will be put on at once. This will be welcome news to the long-suffering public.

Mr. Fred Eifert completed the erection of his new house last week, and is now comfortably settled in his new quarters. The new house is a fine large frame residence, finished in modern style, and is a credit to that locality. Mrs. W. H. Scott of Buffalo, who has been here for the past two weeks, returned home on Saturday, with her son Ira, who spent the summer here.



Forced to Sell.

In order to make room for the enormous stock of New Wall Papers which I ordered for next season, I am bound to clear out all the Wall Papers on hand at astonishing low prices. So now if you want a bargain call at J. Schuett's furniture store and make a Selection.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Pletsch spent Sunday with friends in Hanover.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wendt of Wroxeter visited Mildmay friends on Sunday.

Miss Georgie Taylor, teachers at Fulton's Mills, visited friends here on Saturday.

G. J. Dickison of Carrick won six prizes with his horses at the Hanover fair last week.

Rev. A. R. Gibson attended the meeting of the Saugueney Presbytery at Harrison on Tuesday.

Messrs. Richard Schuett and Adam Koebel are painting Ezra Schmidt's residence on the 9th concession.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Voigt are spending a couple of weeks with friends and relatives at West Branch, Mich.

John Butler wants a carload of potatoes by the 28th of September, and is paying the highest cash prices for same.

George Reebe, the Maidstone farmer who murdered his wife, returned to his home and committed suicide by stabbing.

Fifteen boys and fourteen girls received the sacrament of first Holy Communion at the Sacred Heart church on Sunday morning.

LOST—In Southern part of Carrick, Sept. 10th, a pair of nose glasses. Finder will kindly return them to this office and receive reward.

Andrew Rome, who spent the past four months visiting at Guelph and Toronto, was in town a couple of days this week, en route to his home at Teeswater.

Andrew Schmidt was at Chesley this week acting as a judge of grain and roots at the fall show. He says that there was a very small showing of grain, and many of the exhibits were of last year's growth.

Rev. A. R. Gibson, pastor of the Presbyterian church, on Sunday morning announced his intention of taking a course at Knox College, Toronto, which will mean his temporary absence from the charge here, for several months. He goes to Toronto about the 1st of Oct.

Harvest Home.

Harvest home services will be held in the Evangelical church, Mildmay, on Sunday October 1st. A special sermon will be delivered in the morning, and an interesting program will be given in the evening. On Monday evening following the Ladies Aid will hold a Harvest Home Supper in the town hall, after which an excellent program will be rendered. Watch for posters.

Badly Injured.

Mrs. (Dr.) Wilson received a phone message on Saturday from Stratford informing her of a serious accident which befell her father, Mr. J. M. Wilson of that city. On leaving his office in the second storey of the Worth block, on Friday evening, he slipped on some banana peel, and fell down a long flight of stairs. He was picked up unconscious and carried to his residence, where upon a doctor's examination it was found that he had sustained a fracture of several ribs, and many bruises and cuts about his head and face. For several days his condition was very precarious, but he is now progressing favorably.

Correction.

In Class R. of the prize list of Carrick fall show, an error appears. The prizes offered for collection of field roots should read \$2.00 and \$1.00 instead of \$1.00 and 75c. Intending exhibitors will please take note of this correction.

Cider Mill.

Herrgott Bros. announce that their cider mill will be open on Wednesday and Thursday of each week until further notice, for the manufacture of cider, apple butter and jelly. A new machine has been installed this year, which will enable them to do better work than ever.

Hardware Bargains.

Jos. Kunkel now has a full stock of hardware, which he is selling at prices that will open your eyes. The following comprise a part of his stock:—Stoves, tinware, graniteware, paints, oils, gasoline, wire fencing, forks, shovels, shelf hardware &c. Buy your next hardware from Jos. Kunkel.

Contracts to Let.

The contract of erecting concrete abutments for a bridge on the 25th sidroad, con. 14, Carrick, will be let on Friday afternoon, 22nd inst, at 3 o'clock. Contract for cutting and widening Grub's hill, opposite lot 22, con. 2, will be let on Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock, and the contract of cutting and widening hill on Blind Line, Con. 3, opposite to W. J. Taylors, on same afternoon at 5 o'clock.

Plans Adopted.

A meeting of the building committee for the new R. C. Church, was held on Wednesday evening of last week. A Toronto architect submitted plans for the new edifice, which, we understand, were so favorably considered by the committee, that a motion to adopt the plans was unanimously carried. The construction work will be commenced next spring.

It's A Hot Fight.

The election campaign which draws to a close to-day was probably the hottest fight ever experienced in Canada. The extremists on both sides are constantly losing their tempers, and in many cases words fail utterly. Last week two Harrison citizens fought over politics, and on Tuesday two Tara politicians fought desperately on the street. It was a short campaign, but it was plenty long enough.

Injured His Hand.

Adam Fink met with an accident at Schwalm's factory last Saturday, which he will always have cause to remember. He was operating a shaper, and was trimming up a small board when his hand slipped and came into contact with the knife. The index finger of the right hand was gashed and crushed so badly the broken fragments of the bone protruded through the wound. The knuckle of the finger was so badly injured that it had to be removed. So Adam will always have a stiff finger. The injury will lay him off work for a month or six weeks, and he will never have the proper use of his hand again. Adam will have to cast a left-handed ballot to-day.

Two Of a Kind, and Others.

"The old storekeeper down in the country, who gave up keeping Turkey Red because the women insisted on buying all he had as fast as he got it, must be related to the New Hampshire merchant of whom the Boston Globe tells," says the Youth's Companion. There is nothing he liked so well to do as to lie back in an old arm chair on the elm-shaded porch of his store and whistle a green willow stick. One very hot afternoon, just as he got his jack-knife out, a boy appeared upon the scene with a gallon jug. "Can I get a gallon of molasses?" he inquired. "O hum!" growled the storekeeper, showing considerable temper. "Confound it! Nobody else in town's got molasses to sell but me, I suppose." With this stinging rebuke he went in and filled the jug. These men are of the same temperament as the merchants who do not advertise because they already have all they can do.

A Big Success.

That no form of entertainment takes so well at Mildmay as a teaming, was pretty clearly demonstrated on Tuesday evening, when the Ladies Aid of the Methodist Church held their annual entertainment. Supper was served in the basement of the church from 6 to 8 o'clock, and when the large crowd that assembled to partake of the good things arose from the tables their faces fairly glistened with satisfaction. After tea, an excellent program was given by the auditorium of the church. Interesting addresses were delivered by Rev. M. J. Wilson, of Walkerton, and Rev's. Wittich, Ferguson and Gibson of Mildmay. Miss Zinkan of Southampton contributed several recitations which delighted the audience, and Mr. J. W. Berry and Mrs. Geo. Lambert rendered several solos which were heartily applauded. Taken altogether it was a successful and delightful evening. The proceeds amounted to about \$50.

You are invited to the millinery opening at Miss Schurter's on Friday and Saturday.

Special Prizes.

W. H. Huck is offering a list of special prizes at the Mildmay fall show for spring colts got by his horse, Pioneer. The following prizes will be paid:—1st \$4 00; 2nd \$3 00; 3rd \$2 00; 4th \$1 00.

Auction Sale.

Mrs. Reitzel will offer for sale by public auction on Saturday, the 7th day of October, all her household furniture, live stock, grain &c, at lot 23, con. C, Carrick, half mile north of Mildmay. See bills for particulars.

Hemlock Lumber.

Thomson & Finley of Terra Nova have shipped four car loads of hemlock lumber to Mildmay and have appointed John G. Weber as their local sales agent. Good quality lumber at very reasonable prices.

Card of Thanks.

Please allow me, through the columns of the Gazette to convey my thanks to the Canadian Order of Foresters, for their prompt settlement of insurance and sick benefit claim of my late husband, amounting to \$1086. This claim was settled within thirteen days, after the notification of the society.

Bought Cargill Livery.

Mr. Frank Cronin of Ambleside last Friday purchased the Cargill livery business from Mrs. Geo. Duffy, and assumes possession on Sept. 28th. The price agreed upon is about \$4300. Mr. Cronin is a popular young fellow and a careful business man and will undoubtedly make a success of his new venture.

Farewell Sermon.

Rev. J. S. McMillan of Belmore preached his farewell sermon in McIntosh and Belmore Presbyterian churches on Sunday. Large congregations were present to hear his farewell message, and many regrets were expressed at his intended departure. Mr. McMillan will move to Toronto for the winter.

Johnston—Freeland.

The marriage of Mr. Chas. Johnston, assistant divisional engineer on the Canadian Northern Railway, and son of Mrs. Jas. Johnston of this village, took place quietly at Parry Sound on Tuesday afternoon of this week, to Miss Olive Beatrice Freeland, of that town. The Rev. Mr. Mahaffy officiated. Mr. and Mrs. Johnston will probably take up residence at Ottawa. Charlie's many friends here extend congratulations.

Enjoyed Their Visit.

Messrs. George and Joseph Kunkel returned home on Monday evening, having spent a pleasant month with friends and relatives in the west. The former went as far as Rosetown, Sask., where he has two sons, and Jos. Kunkel went as far as Banff and Edmonton. At the former place he took a number of sulphur baths, which drove the rheumatism from his system. He found the crops excellent in Alberta, and cutting is well advanced, and threshing is in progress. He brought home some barley and oat stalks grown on the farm of his brother-in-law, Mr. W. S. Durrer, near Didsbury, which indicate that the crop in that section was exceptionally heavy. The hail did considerable damage in that part of the province, but Mr. Durrer had only a few acres destroyed.

BORN.

WEBER—In Carrick on Sunday Sept. 17th to Mr. and Mrs. Jos. L. Weber a daughter.

WAGNER—In Carrick on Monday, Sept. 19th, to Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Wagner a son.

Red River Valley.

Dear Johnston,—

The great Red River Valley is wonderfully productive and easily cultivated, and fortunate is the farmer who has many broad acres of its deep alluvial soil.

As you are aware the Red River of the north, forms the boundary line between Dakota and Minnesota, and Grand Forks, N. D., gets its name from the junction of the Red River of the North and Red Lake River which rises in Minnesota, and thus joined form a stream large enough to float flat bottomed boats laden with grain either to or from here and Winnipeg, Manitoba, and when the improvement is made which is now under consideration by the Dominion Government, and if reciprocity should become a reality between the two great nations, grain and other commodities may be carried from Grand Forks by water to Hudson's Bay thru Lake Winnipeg and Nelson River, and from there be shipped by large boats to England and other parts of Europe, and thus give easy and cheap transportation

for the hundreds of millions of bushels of grain that will be grown in this great valley which is over 60 miles wide and over 300 miles long, speaking only of the portion already under cultivation and a goodly part of which extends north beyond the boundary line and into Manitoba. It is simply marvellous what this soil will produce in grains, grasses, fruits and vegetables if they are given fair attention and cultivation. The soil in the valley is almost jet black and runs down for several feet, and the surface is mostly level with cooleys or small streams here and there to make sufficient drainage, but the greatest drawback I notice is that farmers have too much land—more than they can cultivate to the best advantage, and the day will come when they will have to divide up into smaller holdings and also prepare for more diversified farming, for now they are skimming lightly over the surface and most of them not getting over two thirds crop of what they might have with more careful manipulation of the soil.

They hold all manner of sizes of ranches from the great Dalrymple farm of 30,000 acres to a quarter section, 160 acres of land, but the larger areas owned by stock companies are being divided into smaller farms as the land is now rapidly improving in value and the companies have made fortunes in holding large blocks and working them.

Many will do farmers own and cultivate from a section (640 acres) to two sections and lots of them crop three or four sections, several of my own relatives cultivating two to three sections.

Crops were put in last spring in good condition about this part although the season was a little later than usual but the dry May and June retarded its growth somewhat until the July and early August moisture made all the crops come forward rapidly, and made them the most promising for several years, but the black rust caused by the rains struck the wheat about the middle of August and at once cut down both the average per acre and the fine sample which was maturing in the head.

Cutting began about the 4th of August and was in full swing about the 10th and about half done by the 15th, and should have been fully completed by the 25th of August, but showers of a few days intervals kept late cutting back and has hindered threshing very much, and I doubt if there is over one third of the threshing done at this writing, although there have been three days of fair weather, now, but started to rain again this afternoon, which will likely delay for 2 days at least. A fortunate thing for the farmers is that the weather has kept cool, and the grain has not sprouted in the shocks to any extent, that I have noticed while motoring over the county about here, and have kept in close touch with the conditions and progress of cutting, shocking and threshing the crops, which is certainly very interesting here where everything is carried on in such a large scale in connection with farming.

Four horses attached abreast to a binder will cut 25 acres daily, and it is a common thing to see three or four such outfits following each other on a farm, and in fact the same on a great many farms may be seen from nearly any direction one may look. I also saw both steam and gasoline engines, drawing five binders at once, and such an outfit will cut 100 acres per day. One engine driver and one man sitting on each binder to guide it and signal by rope to engineer, if anything goes wrong and wants to stop, etc.

The grain is all shocked as soon as it is cut and stands to await the steam or gasoline threshing outfit, which soon comes along with their complete outfit and crew of men and about six pairs of horses and wagons with large racks, and they place the machine in the centre of about 75 acres of wheat, and draw the sheaves from shocks, and a load is drawn up on each side of the cylinder on an arrangement which cuts the bands and carries them forward and runs thru as fast as both can throw them in, while the grain is elevated about fifteen feet in a spout, and every bushel weighed separately and then released and run down another spout and drops into a large wagon box, and as soon as loaded is hauled away to railway elevators or other storage granaries which requires 3 or 4 teams more than those hauling sheaves.

A good machine will thresh and deliver from 2,500 to 3,000 bushels of wheat in a day and gives 10c per bushel for his work but he provides all the men and teams to deliver the wheat into the farmer's wagon, and has boarding houses on wheels with him and boards the men and feeds the horses. What is averaging from 18 to 25 and some as high as 30 bushels per acre—some as low as 12 to 15. General average about 20 bushels, but the sample not up to standard.

Yours very truly,
J. S. Milne.