

# NEIGHBOURHOOD NEWS BANTERING.

CULLED FROM OUR EXCHANGES AND BOILED DOWN FOR GAZETTE READERS.

## HURON.

There is a great demand for tenements in Wingham.

Crosley & Hunter, the famous revivalists, will commence a series of meetings in Wingham on May 1st.

Rev. Mr. Hartley, of Bluevale, has been quite ill lately with a grippé.

Mr. Wm. Reith met with a fatal accident near Exeter last week. While driving along the road his horse became frightened and turning suddenly upset the buggy throwing him out and injuring him internally so that he died the next morning. Deceased had reached the age of 74 years and was highly respected.

Robt Morris, one of the pioneers of Hibbert township, died two weeks ago.

Alex Craigie, a young man who left Goderich a couple of weeks ago to take a position as wheelman on the steamer John V. Moran, was hurt on Tuesday of last week in Detroit while fitting out the steamer. He was in the act of overhauling some anchor chains when he slipped and fell into the chain bunkers and hurt himself so that he had to quit work. He arrived home on Thursday, and is doing as well as can be expected.

On Friday afternoon, 8th inst., Mr. B. Herrington, of Hullett township, met with a bad accident. They were running a turnip cutter, by horse-power, at Mr. Little's, and for some reason or other it did not work all right. Mr. Herrington had casually come over, and seeing that something was wrong, he was trying to keep the belt from running, off, when, without any warning, the machine flew into pieces, a piece of the knife striking Herrington on the arm and inflicting a severe flesh wound.

A very disastrous fire occurred on the premises of Messrs. Ratz Brothers, Khiva, on Tuesday 5th inst. On the morning of the 5th there was every indication of rain, and Mr. Ratz, thinking to take advantage of it, set fire to rubbish piles around the mill, expecting at the same time the rain to prevent the fire from spreading; but unfortunately the rain was light and a heavy wind arose, carrying fire to the barn and other small buildings on the premises, which were soon a mass of ruins. Then taking its course across the road it ignited the barn belonging to Dennis Collins, also the out-buildings, and soon all was burned to the ground, including a team of horses, several pigs, buggy, cutter, mower, hay, grain, in fact all their contents.

## PERTH.

Mitchell will hold a grand demonstration on Queen's birthday.

On the basis of the census of 1891 Stratford is entitled to four additional hotel licenses. Listowel and Milverton will, owing to a decrease in population, lose one each. The commissioners will meet on Saturday, 23rd inst., to consider the new applications.

Mr. Alexander Jack, of Millbank, happened with a serious accident a few days ago, while taking out timber for a barn. Getting too close to another chopper his axe struck Mr. Jack on the arm, making a terrible gash. The doctor was called and Mr. Jack is doing as well as can be expected.

Mr. Adam Bell, of the Dairy School, Tavistock, and Mr. T. B. Miller, assistant dairy inspector and instructor, were at Elma cheese factory, Atwood, several days last week, inaugurating the system of milk tests by which the patrons are to be paid for their milk according to the butter fat as shown on the Babcock tester.

Rev. Wilfrid Lindsay has been formally installed pastor of the congregational Church, in Stratford.

There died at Milverton on Friday, 8th inst., Mr. Wm. Kerr, one of the best known and most respected farmers of the township of Mornington. Mr. Kerr had always been in good health, and was one of the last men who would have been expected to take such a sudden departure. He was just 42 on the morning of his death, having died within an hour of the time of his birth.

A petition has been filed against the return of Wm. Pridham, M. P. for South Perth.

## WELLINGTON.

Mt. Forest will have a soda water factory soon.

Dr. McWilliams, of Drayton, has lost two brothers since Christmas, his youngest having died recently in Hespelet.

Andrew A. Goetz, for seven years proprietor of the Queenshotel, Stratford, has leased the American hotel there, and takes possession May 1st.

Wm. Stubbs, for many years mail carrier between Drayton and Glenallan died recently after a long and severe

attack of sciatica in his 66th year of age. Rev. Dr. Torrance, late P. S. Inspector, Guelph, was tendered on Thursday week an address and a handsome cabinet from the staff of the Collegiate Institute and the local P. S. teachers.

Out of seven ewes belonging to Jas. McNaughton, Guelph tp., three of them have had three lambs each and the other four two lambs each making 17 in all this season, of the Oxford Down stock.

The Wallace tp. assessor completed this year's work over a week ago.

The Mt. Forest H. S. Board have decided to charge a fee of one dollar for the Entrance Examination.

A five-year old son of Andrew Brown, Clifford, fell into the mill pond and was rescued just in time to save life. One minute more in the water would have made it impossible to resuscitate him.

An elevator, school house, church, and several dwellings will be erected in Grand Valley this summer.

## BRUCE.

Hanover capitalists have subscribed the stock necessary for the establishment of a felt goods factory. Operation will be commenced at once.

Campbell Bros., of Collingwood, have leased Clement's flour mill, Walkerton, and take possession May 1st.

A case of suicide occurred two miles from Neustadt on Tuesday, 12th inst.

The victim, one Mrs. John Kaufman, hanged herself with binder twine on a hook in the ceiling above the kitchen stove at 9 o'clock a. m. while alone in the house. Her husband was splitting firewood in front of the door. Mrs. Kaufman has been ailing all winter.

Mr. Kaufman's first wife died suddenly and mysteriously 19 years ago this month. This woman was her sister, and was living with them at the time.

Immediately after the first wife's death her sister married Mr. Kaufman.

The Sheriff has appointed Mr. Fred Kleist Turnkey of the Walkerton jail.

The late John Erdman held the position for 14 years. Germans evidently stand well with the sheriff, his late gaoler and turnkey were both Germans.

Mr. Kleish speaks both German and English which will make him useful as an interpreter both in jail and courts.

It is likely that this was a consideration with the Sheriff in giving him the position.

The citizens of Neustadt were greatly shocked on Tuesday morning to hear of the sudden death of Mr. Gee. Kalbfleisch, retired merchant of that burg. The deceased had been ailing for some time with an affection of the heart.

A young lady was standing on the railroad track at the Chesley station last Friday with her back to the engine which was shunting at the time. Her dangerous position was noticed by Mr. R. B. Clement, of Walkerton, who made a rush and succeeded in pushing her off the track in front of him, the passing engine brushing his coat as it thundered by.

## Swamp Whisky.

On Wednesday morning of last week A. Cavan, Collector of Inland Revenue for Stratford District, and Constable F. Scott, of Brussels, made a descent on the premises of Conrad Engel, 12th con., near Cranbrook, charged him with having an illicit still in his cellar. He pleaded guilty and the visitors secured a still, built in brick, a copper worm, several tubs, some ground malt, five gallons of molasses and 20 gallons of spirits. Engel had worked the still during the past winter. He was arrested and brought before Alex. Hunter and John McCrae, J. P. of Brussels, and was fined \$100 and costs and sentenced to one month's confinement in Goderich jail with hard labor. Mr. Scott accompanied him to the county town on the forenoon train. A younger brother, named Andrew, was arrested as an accomplice but the charges were withdrawn and he was allowed his liberty. It is supposed that other parties were interested in the manufacture but their names are not made public as yet. It rather knocks the profits off the business when Mr. Cavan's visit is paid for. Engel is a quiet, hard-working young fellow and was a most unlikely person to be engaged in illicit distilling. He would not say where he secured the necessary apparatus.—Brussels Post.

The writ has been issued for a new election in East York, rendered necessary by the death of the member, Hon. Alexander Mackenzie. Nominations will be held May 4th and election May 11th. Mr. John F. Davidson, merchant, Unionville, has been appointed returning officer.

James Crawford fell in a fit on the Welland railway track between St. Catharines and Port Dalhousie on Saturday night. His body was found on Sunday.

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