

Town and Vicinity.

LOCAL JOTTINGS.

Read the Steel-Simpson Co's. advt. Highest price paid for wool. G. Mickie. Special prices on Hammocks this week at Routledge & Co's.

There will be no service in the Church of the Advent on Sunday next.

Special sale of shoes Friday and Saturday at Steel-Simpson Co's.

The Salvation Army are holding their annual picnic at Rondeau Park today.

"Bug Death" kills the bugs, feeds the plant. For sale by Tape & Cameron.

Chatham bowlers play a scheduled game with the locals on the lawns here Friday.

To RENT—Cottage at Terrace Beach from 1st of August. Apply to Jefferies & Smith.

"Joker" Hicks played goal for Chatham in the lacrosse match at Blenheim on July 12th.

Willie Rettenmier, a nine year old Dart boy, passed the recent entrance examinations.

Thamesville and Ridgetown juniors will play lacrosse on Victoria Park at 6.30 this evening.

You have just three more days to take advantage of the Steel-Simpson Co's clothing sale.

Rev. Dr. Warner, of Alma Ladies College, St. Thomas, preached in the Ridgetown Methodist church on Sunday last.

The Ridgetown Epworth League have engaged two large tents which they will occupy at the Summer School to be held at Terrace Beach.

Mrs. Hammel entertained her Sunday school class at Terrace Beach on Monday afternoon last. The scholars enjoyed the outing immensely.

An alarm was sent in to the fire department from Leitch's mills Saturday night, but fortunately the blaze was extinguished without their aid.

Now is the time your garden is bothered by insects. Call at Tape & Cameron's and get a package of "Bug Death;" it is a complete insect destroyer.

The personage is undergoing a decided improvement in the line of having the house painted. The work is being done by T. S. Agar, Ridgetown.—Monitor.

William Simpson, Church street, is making further improvements to his residence by building an addition in the rear and erecting a verandah on the south side.

Another large shipment of fine Japanese china just to hand; lots of big values in this lot. Beautiful cups and saucers at 15c, 20c, 25c, 30c to \$1 each. Routledge & Co.

For Sale.—The property on the corner of Main street and Victoria avenue; also one coal stove and heating and cooking stoves, bedroom carpets, etc. Mrs. M. J. Golden.

County Commissioner Reycraft, who purchased the building back of the market from the Beaton estate, has had it moved onto his Victoria avenue property where he will use it for a barn.

The ladies of the Baptist church will give a fruit and ice cream social on Mr. Hancock's lawn on Friday evening, July 22, commencing at 7 p. m. Good music will be furnished. Admission 15c.

Get your sealers at Steel-Simpson Co's and have the best.

Duncan Graham, a well to do farmer of Orford, has purchased a nice residence from Jas. Byfield at Highgate. Mr. Graham and his wife intend to remove to their new home in the near future.

A little spiritus of camphor put into the water will prevent the face from looking greasy this warm weather. In warm weather bathe with diluted vinegar; it is cooling and makes the skin soft.

In the recent examinations in the Toronto College of Music, Miss Florence A. S. Munro, passed the second year piano examination, and also the "Senior Rudiments" examination with first class honors.

Rev. J. M. Harrison, the first president of Alberta, Methodist Conference, is a son of E. B. Harrison, Esq., of Ridgetown, Ont., who for forty years was engaged in educational work in the county of Kent.

Be sure you have a good supply of Dutch Fabric Notepaper before starting on your vacation. Special this week 10c per quire. Envelopes to match 10c package. Three quires in pad 25c each. Routledge & Co.

The London Advertiser's Strathroy correspondent says that Messrs Hambley and Coutts have erected a very fine Scotch granite monument at Palmyra in memory of the late Hon. David Mills, Minister of Justice.

H. A. Hoffman, proprietor of the Harold Street Poultry Yards, has received an order from the government experimental farm for eleven of his thoroughbred chickens. The birds will be shipped to South Africa.

Louisiana Purchase Exposition, St. Louis, Mo., April 30th to Nov. 30th, 1904. For the above excursions tickets are now on sale at the M. C. R. Rate, Ridgetown to St. Louis and return \$16.05, good to return within 15 days from date of sale.

THE PLAINDEALER and Family Herald and Weekly Star Montreal will each be sent to new subscribers to January 1st, 1905, for 75c. Those who are already taking THE PLAINDEALER may have the Family Herald and Weekly Star sent to their address until January 1st, 1905, by forwarding 40c to this office.

At Berlin Saturday the Scots football club, senior champions of the Toronto

League, defeated Galt, senior champions of the W. F. A., by two goals to 1 for the championship of Ontario. W. A. Hogston, a former member of the Ridgetown club, played on the forward line for the Scots.

At the meeting of the Public School Board on Friday evening last, Miss Stevenson was engaged to fill the vacancy on the staff caused by the resignation of Miss Golden, and the Supply Committee was empowered to have necessary repairs made to the school grounds and building.

In the 2.25 pace at Preston Thursday William Merrifield's Capt. Redford took first money in straight heats, the time being 2.23 1/2, 2.23 1/2, 2.22 1/2. The purse was \$250. Capt. Redford also took third money in the 2.19 class Friday. Mr. Merrifield will start Capt. at the Petrolia races this week.

Geo. Lario, formerly of the International hotel, Tilbury, has entered suit in division court against W. A. Johnson and David Smith, managers of last year's Tilbury baseball team for \$35, board for "Fatty" Early and "Sammy" Lee, members of last year's team. The defendants deny that they became responsible for the boardbill.

The Sunday school picnic of the Baptist church held at Rondeau Park on Wednesday last proved a most enjoyable outing. During the day two baptisms were performed by Rev. Wm. Spencer, the pastor. The services in the church on Sunday last were well attended and in the evening nine more candidates were immersed and received into the church.

The Kings Daughters met at the residence of Mrs. C. E. Dauphin Wednesday evening and presented Miss Golden, who leaves shortly for California, with a manicure set. Miss Golden has been an active worker in the Church of the Advent and will be much missed by the congregation who will wish her every success and happiness in her western home.

An old pioneer and close weather observer said the other day:—When you can go out and pick wild strawberries and on the same day and in the same field, pick ripe raspberries, the winter comin' is bound to be unusually hard. You may smile, young man, but mark what I tell you, look out for next winter. I get in plenty of fuel and get your wife to patch up your overcoat."

The twelfth annual basket picnic of Howard council will be held at Provincial Park, Rondeau, on Thursday, July 28th. Although the Reeve has not issued a proclamation of a public holiday throughout the township, he hopes all will avail themselves of the opportunity of meeting in a social way. Music will be furnished by Ridgetown Citizens Band during afternoon and evening. In the afternoon there will be baseball and football games and other amusements.

children, who have been visiting with Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Westland.

Mr. Edwin McDonald, of Chatham, is spending a week with his uncle, Mr. H. J. McDonald, Broadway.

Mr. James Gilles, of Bridgeport, Conn., is here on a short visit to his aunt, Mrs. P. B. Campbell.

Miss Maggie Stewart, of Tilbury, is spending a couple of weeks in town as guest of Mrs. W. H. McMackon.

Mrs. Sarah McKenzie, mother of Mr. John McKenzie, is taking baths for rheumatism at the Chatham Sanitarium.

Miss Nettie Sumner, of the Bell Telephone Co's office, is on a two weeks visit at London, Strathroy and Delaware.

Mr. Malcolm Campbell, 10th concession, who has been seriously ill for some time, was able to be up town last week.

Mr. A. Maurette, who has been in the employ of Mr. J. Porter, for the past three years, left on Monday for his home at Alliston.

Miss Mildred Purcell has left Simcoe for Ridgetown, where she will spend the summer with her brother, Mr. H. W. Purcell.

Mr. and Mrs. McKendry and family, of Toronto, are guests of Mrs. McKendry's sister, Mrs. Walter Mills, Erie street south.

Miss Lizzie Walker, who has been engaged as head milliner with a firm in Lawton, Mich., is spending the holidays at her home in Highgate.

Miss Jeanette McGregor, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Robt. Hepburn, at Muirkirk, for the past month, has returned home.

Mr. A. P. Ridley, of the Traders Bank staff, is on a two weeks' holiday, part of which will be spent in Toronto and the remainder in Detroit.

Mr. David Whyte is in Toronto reading examination papers at the educational department. Mrs. Whyte is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Reycraft.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Thayer and family, of Ridgetown, formerly of Aylmer, are visiting relatives and friends in this section for a few weeks.—Aylmer Express.

Rev. W. F. Brownlee and Miss Frances left Monday to spend a few weeks in the Adirondacks, where Mr. Brownlee will have charge of a parish during the interim.

Mr. Floyd Gossell and the Misses Logan, of Highgate, and Mr. Frank Gossell, of the Molsons Bank staff, Ridgetown, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hart, Shedden.

Mr. P. C. Gesner has accepted a situation in a large drug store, next to the King Edward Hotel in Toronto, and leaves for that place Friday. Percy's many friends will wish him success in the Queen City.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Hugar left Sunday for St. Louis where they will do the World's Fair, after which they will visit friends at Aberdeen, South Dakota. Upon their return they go to St. Thomas in which city they will make their future home.

PERSONAL POINTERS.

Mr. John Reycraft was a Chatham visitor Saturday.

Mr. Russel Clark has accepted a position in Detroit.

Miss Foreman, of Chatham, is a guest of Miss Edna Steel.

Mr. Walter Peattie, of Guelph, is here on a week's holiday.

Mrs. Hess, of Detroit, is a guest of her sister, Mrs. L. Thatcher.

Mr. H. Bradshaw, of Stratford, is on a visit to friends in this district.

Miss Elizabeth Wilson is visiting at Strathroy for a couple of weeks.

Mr. L. J. Reycraft was in St. Thomas yesterday on professional business.

Mrs. Neil Shaw, of Egmondville, is visiting her sister, Mrs. E. A. Taylor.

Miss Della Coyne, of Detroit, is a guest of her friend, Miss Ida Mitton.

Mr. W. A. Gossell leaves tonight on a business trip to the Canadian West.

Mr. Robert Middleitch, of Detroit, spent over Sunday at his old home here.

Miss Ruth and Miss Palmer, of the Craig store, are holidaying at Rondeau.

Miss Russell, of Beaver College, Penn. is on a visit to her sister, Mrs. A. Mills.

Mrs. (Rev.) J. Wilson and Hugh returned from Walsingham on Saturday last.

Mr. John Munro has decided to take up banking and has joined the Molsons staff.

Principal J. G. Little, of the R. C. I., is in Toronto reading examination papers.

Mrs. K. R. Cameron is spending a few days at Erieau, the guest of Mrs. Sheldon.

Miss Jessie M. Mitchell, of London, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. J. M. Sheldon, at Erieau.

Mr. C. Chapman has returned from a two weeks' holiday at his old home in Ailsa Craig.

Mrs. C. A. Dunkley has returned from a month's visit with friends at Brownsville.

Mrs. C. H. Pike and sister, of Walkerville, are guests of Mrs. John Armstrong, King street.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Scafe and Miss Queenie are among the cottagers at Terrace Beach.

Messrs. W. E. Lake and Ernest Taylor are occupying a cottage at Rondeau Park.

Dr. and Mrs. Carron, of Detroit, are guests of Mr. W. W. Mitton. They came over in their automobile.

Mr. Wm. Mitton has returned home after spending two months with his son Elgin, at Vanwert, Ohio.

Editor C. H. Gordon, of the Dresden Standard, came over Sunday, returning Monday with Mrs. Gordon and the

SOME RECENT MARRIAGES.

July 11.—Thomas H. Harris to Flora Collison, both of Romney.

July 11.—Mayme Foster, of Kingsville, to G. A. Hayes, of Port Stanley.

July 11.—Charles Labadie, of Tilbury west, to Ellen Duquette, of Tilbury north.

July 6.—Rev. Mr. Hare, of Botany, performed the ceremony at the wedding of Eva Street and Robert Buller, jr., two of Howard's best known and most popular young people. The wedding presents were all beautiful. Perhaps the finest was a costly silver tea set given by Henry Buller. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Findlay McKersaer, Mr. and Mrs. John McMillan, Howard, and Mr. and Mrs. John McIntyre and Master Norma, of Detroit.

BIRTHS.

MITTON—In Ridgetown, on Saturday, July 16th, 1904, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mitton, Marsh street.

MEAD—In Ridgetown, on July 14th, 1904, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Mead.

YOUNG—In Ridgetown, on Tuesday, July 19, 1904, to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Young, a son.

Toronto Fair Entries.

Entries for the live stock at the Canadian National Exhibition of Toronto close on August 8th, and for grain and field roots, honey, etc., on Monday, August 15th, for poultry and pet stock on Saturday, August 20th, and for dogs on Monday, August 16th. Particulars of the thirty-five thousand dollars given in prizes and premiums will be found in the handsome souvenir prize list, which can be had on application to J. O. Orr, 70 King Street east, Toronto.

THE PLAINDEALER office is thoroughly equipped for turning out up-to-date printing of every description. Just now we are showing some beautiful wedding stationery. Call and see samples. Printing done while you wait.

LAST WEEK OF OUR.....

Great Clothing Sale

SATURDAY Night at 10 o'clock will close our Great Discount Clothing Sale and we will for the next three days make it an object for those who have Summer Clothing needs to provide to buy now, irrespective of immediate requirements. We are also going to give you an opportunity on Friday and Saturday to buy some lines of Men's Hats, Shirts and Shoes at about half their value.

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| <h3>Men's Straw Hats.</h3> <p>In the very latest shapes, very fine soft braid, full range of sizes, regular \$1.50 and \$1.75, Friday and Saturday \$1.00</p> | <h3>Men's Fine American Shoes.</h3> <p>The celebrated Florsheim Shoe made in Chicago, in Russia calf, Soudan Kid, Mocco Calf and Orome, Goodyear Welt, Oaktan soles, sizes 6 to 9, reg. \$4.50, Friday and Saturday..... \$ 3.50</p> |
| <h3>Men's Fancy Colored Shirts.</h3> <p>About four dozen in soft and laundered fronts, made of fine imported cambrics detached link cuffs, perfect fitting, sizes 14 1/2 to 17, regular 75c and \$1.00 Friday and Saturday..... 50c</p> | <h3>Ladies' Oxford Tie Shoes.</h3> <p>In Dongola Kid, McKay sewn, sizes 2 1/2, 3, 4 and 4 1/2 only, regular \$1.25, Friday and Saturday..... 75c</p> |
| <h3>New Wash Ties.</h3> <p>Men's New Web Wash Ties, in fancy stripes and checks, correct width, ideal tie for hot weather, very special 10c each, or..... 3 for 25c</p> | <h3>Ladies' Dongola Kid Lace and Button Shoes, patent and self tip, McKay sewn, sizes 2 1/2 to 7, regular \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75, Friday and Saturday..... \$ 1.00</h3> |
| <h3>Men's Summer Underwear.</h3> <p>Men's Fancy Stripes Shirts with drawers to match, regular 30 and 35c value, Friday and Saturday..... 25c</p> | <h3>Ladies' Summer Vests.</h3> <p>In fine light weight yarn, bleached and unbleached, full range of sizes, in quarter sleeve and sleeveless, splendid value at..... 5, 10, 13, 15, 20 and 25c</p> |
| <h3>Men's Balbriggan Underwear.</h3> <p>French neck, two thread yarn, satin trim, full range of sizes from 34 to 44, with drawers to match, grand value, at per garment..... 50c</p> | <h3>Children's Summer Vests.</h3> <p>We were fortunate in receiving another lot of Children's Vests this week, quarter sleeve, bleached yarn, all sizes, at..... 8, 9, and 10c</p> |
| <h3>Shoe Bargain.</h3> <p>Men's Box Calf and Dongola Kid Bals., some of them Goodyear, full range of sizes from 6 to 11, regular \$2.50 value, Friday and Saturday..... \$ 2.00</p> | <h3>Agents for Blue Ribbon TEA</h3> |

Steel-Simpson Co.

IMPORTING RETAILERS, RIDGETOWN, ONT.

WANT COLUMN.

GLASSES LOST.—Silver frame, between Northway's store and Paenog's Jewellery store, on evening of June 28th. Finder will kindly leave same at this office.

SHAWL LOST.—Shoulder shawl, grey, edged with black, between John McKenzie's and A. B. Morden's, by way of 10th concession. Finder will oblige by leaving same with Mrs. A. B. Morden, 11th concession.

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When your eyesight is poor, to buy a pair of those 1 1/4 gold fitted eyeglasses, warranted 15 years at \$4.00.

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Good time see my line of the best make of American watches, only the best in ladies' and gentlemen's. Also a complete line of chains and locket. My stock of watches, clocks and jewelry was never larger than now.

Jas. E. Nelson
Watchmaker and Optician. Opposite Hotel Anderson.

Hurrah

For the Picnic

You can find everything of the choicest and cleanest at the Palace Stores. Boiled ham, jelly, veal, corned beef, bologna, New England ham, All sold by the Pound. The largest assortment of canned meats, pickles and fancy cakes in town.

Palace Grocery
Eli Gillings, Prop.

Feed Beans

We have just received a carload of feed beans (700 bushels) which we are selling at 60c per bu.

Sugar Beet Tools.—We can also supply Sugar Beet Tools of all kinds at bottom prices.

...Portland Cement...

We sell the celebrated Portland Cement, which we keep constantly in stock. London Fence Machine and wire of all kinds. Get your seeds from us and get the best.

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The Traders Bank of Canada

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| Capital paid up..... | \$ 1,500,000.00 |
| Assets over..... | 12,000,000.00 |
| Reserve account..... | 350,000.00 |

RIDGETOWN BRANCH

Savings Bank Department. Special Notice to Farmers.

Sums of \$1 and upwards received on deposit and interest allowed at 3% per annum compounded half yearly.

DEPOSIT RECEIPTS

Advances made to responsible farmers on their own names. Sale notes cashed or collected. General banking business transacted.

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