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### Clifford.

Mr. Ed. Werner has accepted a situation in a Stratford barber shop, and left for that city on Wednesday of last week.

The baseball season opened up here on Tuesday night with a game between Harriston and Clifford juniors. The visitors were no match for the home team, as at the end of the seventh innings the score stood 14 to 0.

The scarlet fever patients have now dwindled down to one house with two children affected, one of these almost entirely recovered. The village had quite a siege of it for three months, but fortunately all were mild attacks, and no deaths occurred.

Ex-Commissioner John McMillan met with a serious accident recently which has laid him up for a little while. While hauling a load of straw from one barn to the other, he slipped and fell from the load, dislocating his shoulder.

### CON. 10 CARRICK.

Irvin Schneider has taken a position as travelling salesman for a London Stock Food company.

Miss Julia Diebolt and her sister, Susan of Neustadt, were home on Sunday.

Henry Wiseman and wife were at Ayton on Wednesday on business.

Fred. Schmidt of Ayton visited his mother here over Sunday.

Frank F. Schmidt, the auctioneer, has finished planting his potatoes, and is now looking for a big yield.

Judge Barrett and Clarence Smith of Walkerton, passed this way on Tuesday en route to the fishing reserves in Normanby.

Lieut. Col. A. E. Belcher, Mayor of progressive Southampton, is Returning Officer in North Bruce. That is his compensation for defeat in convention.

Neustadt lost another old resident in the person of Mrs. Schurman, who died on Sunday after a long illness, with dropsy, and was interred in St. Paul's cemetery, Normanby, Rev. Neudoerffer officiating. Her age was 58 years.

An elderly lady, Miss Young, living alone at Clifton, near Otley, Yorks, was recently found dead in bed. The lady had two pet cats which were found sitting at the table looking at the body of their late mistress.

We note in a report of the names of the successful graduates of Toronto University the name of D. J. Huether, of Neustadt, as having passed his third year with honors in Analytical and Applied chemistry.

### FORMOSA.

Dr. Clapp was around shaking hands on Tuesday.

BORN—In Formosa on Thursday, May 14th, to Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Benninger, a daughter.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Kieffer died on Friday and was buried on Sunday afternoon at the R. C. Cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Korman of the Hartley House, Walkerton, spent Sunday in town.

Messrs. J. B. Goetz and Philip Oehring were in Walkerton on business on Monday.

Harry Hauck of Walkerton spent Sunday in town.

Our base ball team have been engaged to play the Clifford team at the Victoria Day celebration at Mildmay.

### A Slaughter of the Innocent.

Mr. Rory McDonald, jr., of the 8th line, Culross, has no use for dogs, especially of the hound variety, these days. This is because of an experience he had last Monday morning with a couple of these marauders, said to have had their headquarters in Teeswater. On this morning Mr. McDonald found that two hounds were among his sheep, and on investigation discovered that no less than fifteen lambs—nine of them purebred Oxfords—had been worried to death. He and his hired man securing guns, took after the hounds and after an exciting hunt succeeded in putting one of them where he will find no lambs to kill.

The loss to Mr. McDonald is serious, as the purebred lambs are estimated at estimated at a value of something like \$15 each. It is said, however, that the owners of the hounds are known and there will be, no doubt, a dividing up of the loss.

This, though much the worst case, is not the only one of sheep-killing by dogs recently reported. Mr. John McAllister of the 2nd line is said to have been a loser, as is also Mr. John Hill of the 6th line. The crimes are all laid to Teeswater hounds, and whether or not that is right certain it is that Teeswater has hounds enough to kill all the sheep and lambs in South Bruce before fall.

So serious has this matter of sheep worrying by dogs become throughout the province that the Government has seen fit to issue an annual bulletin on the subject, and it is a matter of astonishment the amount of mischief that is being done—the number of sheep killed each year running up into the thousands. One would think that it is the work of wolves in a new country. Every time that it is possible to identify the dogs the case should be pushed to the limit against the owner as he is in fairness the one who should bear the loss.—Teeswater News.

### BORN.

SEIGNER—In Carrick, on May 17th, to Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Seigner, a daughter.

### HICK'S FORECASTS FOR MAY.

Prof. Hicks' forecasts are to hand, and we condense them for the benefit of our readers. From 19th to 22nd, is not especially threatening, but the blending of the Mars and Venus periods with Jupiter and Saturn should cause watchfulness. Warmer weather and falling barometer will appear in the west by the 23rd and 24th, followed closely by cloudiness and storms of rain, wind and thunder. As these storm conditions move eastward they will grow in extent and violence, and on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, the 25th, 26th and 27th, storms may reasonably be expected to assume very threatening, if not tornadoic forms. This is one of the periods in which a good barometer will prove inestimably important and valuable. A reactionary storm period is central on 30th and 31st. If storms continue from the last period over the 29th, they will take on renewed energy during the last three days of the month.

The standing of the parties in the Ontario Legislature at present is: conservatives 72, liberals 24, independents 2. In the next Legislature, there will be 106 members.

### LAKELET.

There is a lot of seeding to do in this vicinity. In some cases the work will not be completed this week even should weather remain favorable. It is getting late enough and the growth these days is first-class.

Tom Bennett, the versatile Irishman, is round our burg these days. Tom is getting stiff and is getting much the worse of the wear, but his tongue is as incisive as ever. "A foine fellow" is the way he describes the Ed. of the Gazette, and the cognomen he has for him is in keeping with the respect he has for him. We forget it now, the name of some great English general and that of a Scotch lord hyphenated to make it complete. The rest of us are not so fortunate. Such nick-names and how appropriate,—only a genius could think of them.

Mr. Currie, Lib. candidate for North Huron, spent a week in Howick and left a very favorable impression. He is a typical farmer living in East Wawanosh, warden of Huron in 1907, and County Councillor and Reeve for years. Many think even with the handicap that his chances for winning out are excellent. His opponent, Mr. Musgrove of Wingham, is a good chap, too, and the orange vote will go his way strong. However, many electors are indignant at this gerrymander and there is no telling how the vote may go.

Mr. Schwalm of your town gets \$955.00 for the work he is to do on the school next holidays. He should make a good job as he is an experienced contractor. Last week the trustees let the job of putting a wire fence around the yard to Chas. Hubbard, sold the old fence to Wm. Gadke. W. Demmerling was given the contract of erecting the pole for the new flag which the government has sent to all the schools. The trustees are determined to make a job of the school and surroundings, and that's right. Past school boards left the whole thing go till now everything has to be attended to, and all interested should lend the trustees every assistance and encouragement possible.

Mr. Fred Gadke, brother of Wm. Gadke here and purposes buying out his brother Wm. There is a prodigious kick among the farmers whose farms border on the lake owing to Mr. Gadke not letting the water off at the dam as the water is overflowing their lands, and then they say the new bridge across the lake is submerged in water.

Mr. Bushfield is out with his wagon these days and is getting eggs galore. With eggs at 15c and 16c per dozen there is no better paying animal on the farm than the good laying hen.

### A SUBMERGED PRESBYTERIAN.

At the close of one of the recent Chapman-Alexander revival services in Philadelphia, the minister of a certain church went down the aisle, according to his custom, to greet the strangers in the congregation. "I don't think you are a member of our church?" said he to one as he warmly shook his hand. "No, sir," replied the stranger. "Well, you will not think me unduly curious if I ask to what denomination you belong?" asked the minister. "I'm really what you might call a submerged Presbyterian." "A submerged Presbyterian?" exclaimed the minister. "I should be glad if you would explain." "Well, I was brought up a Presbyterian, my wife is a Methodist, my eldest daughter is a Baptist, my son is the organist at a Unitarian church, my second daughter sings in an Episcopal choir, and my youngest goes to a Congregational Sunday school." "But," said the minister, aghast, "you contribute, doubtless, to some church?" "Yes; I contribute to all of them," was the answer; "that's what submerged means."

And after all the talk about the so-called "Elijah" Dowie hoarding up so much money, it appears he was really worth only \$1200.

A Connecticut surgeon proposes to save the drowning by working the heart artificially.

John Russell and John Ferguson of Walkerton, charged with robbing E. A. Stoutenburg, will be tried by Judge Barrett on Wednesday next. They are at present lodged in jail.

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