

Local Notes

The village schools reopened on Monday last with a marked increase of attendance at both institutions. This is the term that ends with the departmental exams, and day after day and night after night a lot of hard plugging will be done by industrious students. The much desired exams are not an un-mixed evil; for as an incentive to diligence and hard study they are a decided success. The supreme test only two weeks away will inspire to study those upon whom both law and precept have had no effect.

The time that pike and suckers could be legally speared expired on Monday last, and it is needless to say that full advantage was taken of the Government's indulgence. The open season did not last long enough to usher in the sucker "run," but during the latter part of last week a large number of pike were taken in the shallow bays of Charleston lake. Mr. E. Curry headed the list with a catch of twenty-six. Note—Since writing the foregoing, the spearing season has been extended to April 30th.

"Children's Day," as observed by the Methodist church of Delta is an event the annual occurrence of which is anticipated with pleased interest by the people of that village and vicinity. This year the anniversary will be observed on May the 12th, and all the Sabbath schools of Delta circuit, including the Baptist S. S., are invited to be present to take part in the proceedings. Meetings will be held at 10 a. m. and 7 p. m. Those announced to take part in the programme are Miss A. B. Chamberlain, Mrs. E. E. Gallagher, Rev. E. McJannet, Rev. D. Earl, Messrs. C. M. Singleton, and N. L. Massey.

Our townsman, Mr. A. E. Donovan, recently returned to Halifax from a trip to New York and Washington evidently possessed of some few pointers as to what fully befitted the entourage of an Athenian abroad, as witness the following from the Acaadian R-order of April 12th: "A. E. Donovan, of the New York Mutual Life, has purchased from Robert Caie a handsome pair of thoroughbred hackneys by Sea Gull out of Black Bess. They are both chestnuts, very stylish, and will make fine additions to the horseflesh of this city."

As a result of the action of Kingston school board in ordering that all children be vaccinated, two hundred pupils of the city schools are enjoying a holiday. The Kingston News terms the order a farce in as much as the teachers are not also included in the order. Whether it be farcical or not, the board's order is in harmony with the action of the boards of health in this vicinity and the town of Brookville. It is evident that not only children are not to be considered when steps are being taken to prevent the threatened invasion of disease. Adults are equally liable to contract disease, and why not force them to be vaccinated? The reason is obvious.

Shot His Toes Off.

Harry Blanchard, Malloytown, who teaches school on Grenadier Island, was the victim of an unlucky accident recently. He was preparing to go duck hunting, and while waiting for a companion, rested the muzzle of the gun on his foot. It was accidentally discharged, blowing off a portion of several toes. The large toe will have to be amputated.

Johnston—Hull

A very pretty wedding was celebrated on the eve of April the 10th at Christ church, Athens, when the Rev. Rural Dean Wright performed the marriage service for Mr. William Johnston of Gananogue and Miss Edith Hull. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Martha, while her brother, Albert, did the honors for the groom. After the ceremony they drove to the home of the bride's parents where a sumptuous supper awaited them and a very pleasant evening was spent. The bride and groom were the recipients of a select number of elegant presents from intimate friends. They will take up their future home near Gananogue.

Ordination and Induction.

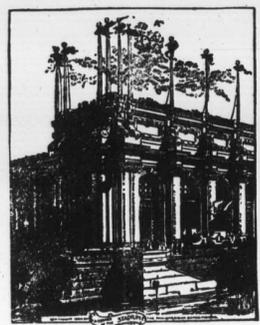
In St. Paul's Presbyterian church on Tuesday evening, representative of the Brockville Presbytery ordained the Rev. J. R. Frizzell, B. A., and inducted him into the charge of the Athens and Toledo Presbyterian churches. It was an impressive service conducted by an assemblage of able, scholarly ministers, and it was witnessed by a large congregation. The sermon was preached by Rev. Bryan of Westport; Rev. Mr. Daly of Lyn, moderator during the vacancy, narrated the steps leading up to the ordination of Frizzell; the ordination service followed; then Rev. Mr. Strachan of Brockville addressed the preacher and Mr. Daly the people. A pleasing feature of the excellent choral service rendered during the evening was a solo, "The Holy City" given by Mrs. Frizzell.

We regret that lack of time bars our making a more extended reference to this most important event in the life of a pastor and his people. The congregation of St. Paul's, while laboring under somewhat adverse conditions, have done well, and the people of Athens generally wish for them and the pastor they have chosen a constantly increasing measure of prosperity.

THE STADIUM.

Greatest Year in Athletics at Pan-American Exposition.

During the Exposition of 1901 at Buffalo the greatest athletic sporting carnival that ever took place in America will be held. For the purpose of this grand carnival the largest sporting arena ever erected in America is to be built. It is to be known as the Stadium and will cover nearly ten acres, having a seating capacity of 12,000. It will be supplied with numerous en-



CORNER OF THE STADIUM.

trances and broad aisles, so that the comfort of the spectators will be assured. The large space beneath the seats will be used for exhibits, being the equivalent of a very large building. The arena will contain a quarter mile track and ample room for the various pageants and exhibitions of live stock, automobiles, farm and road machinery, vehicles, etc. At the western end of the Stadium is a large ornamental building, which forms the main entrance to this grand arena.

EXPOSITION NOTES.

Brief Items Relating to Progress of the Pan-American.

The Chittenden Pottery Company, has been granted the exclusive privilege of selling pottery at the Exposition. Frederick Law Olmstead, who advocates the abolishment of billboards because of their inartistic and ugly character, is the landscape architect who laid out Delaware Park, Buffalo, a part of which is to be used for the Pan-American Exposition in 1901.

We have only admiration for the courage, enterprise, liberality and energy displayed by the city at the foot of the lake in preparing for the great Exposition which is to be held next year. If ever success was earned, Buffalo has earned it. The city deserves to be filled with visitors during the life of the Pan-American Exposition and to reap a rich harvest of honor, glory and substantial gains.—Cleveland Leader.

"We have never advertised the resources of our state half enough," says The Times-Democrat of New Orleans in an article upon the Pan-American Exposition, in which it urges an adequate representation of the resources of Louisiana. The same may be said of other states, and the opportunity now offered by Buffalo is of exceptional value.

The enthusiasm and interest displayed by the people of southern California in the preparation of their great display of products for the Pan-American Exposition present a lesson and an example for all citizens to contemplate. American enterprise seems to have a very high development in "the glorious climate of California." The Californians purpose to make a very large and effective display.

One of the most conspicuous features of the Niagara Falls landscape now is a mammoth sign handsomely lettered thus: "Pan-American Exposition, Buffalo, N. Y., 1901." There are several similar signboards placed where thousands of people passing and re-passing upon the great railroads may in this way have their attention called to the great event of next year which so vitally interests all the states and countries of the western hemisphere.

ARGENTINE REPUBLIC.

Will Be Represented by a Fine Building and Exhibit at Buffalo.

The Argentine Republic will have a building and exhibit at the Pan-American Exposition in Buffalo next summer which will represent fittingly the progressive institutions and commercial and industrial prosperity of that South American republic. The sum of \$30,000 has been appropriated by the Argentine government for this purpose. Argentine merchants, and especially those of Buenos Ayres, appreciate the importance of representation at the Pan-American. Many agricultural and industrial organizations are notifying the minister of agriculture that they intend to send exhibits. It is probable the government will have its exhibit at the Paris exposition brought to Buffalo at the close of the French fair.

Buffalo's Mayor and the Exposition. The Hon. Conrad Diehl, mayor of Buffalo, the home of the Pan-American Exposition, has great faith in the success of the enterprise and is more than pleased with the progress that is being made on the work of construction. He says: "I frequently drive out there and look over the buildings. It is phenomenal the rapidity with which the work is carried forward. The men who are directing the Exposition affairs are shrewd calculators, and they are going to make this enterprise the wonder of the world. Outsiders are becoming enthusiastic over it. Thousands of people who did not go to the World's fair at Chicago will come to the Pan-American. Let everybody prepare to receive them and give them a good time."

HUMAN FACES.

An Artist Says They're the Easiest Things in the World to Draw.

"It is a very singular fact," said a local artist, "that the human face is the easiest thing to draw in the world. One who had never tried would naturally suppose that the exact reverse would be the case, for the reason that there is nothing in nature so many and in a sense of the word so varied. It is a trite saying, you know, that it would be impossible to find two men on earth who look exactly alike, and none of us need be told that there is always a mysterious something that differentiates the faces with which we are familiar from every other face we ever encounter.

"But for all that," the artist went on, "the human features in the abstract can be suggested with an ease that is astonishing. Scrawl a wavy line with a few irregular zigzags, made absolutely without purpose, and you have done the trick. Anybody with the slightest talent for drawing will transform it into a face in a twinkling by the addition of a dot for an eye and possibly a small quirk for a nostril. One of the zigzags does duty as a forehead, another becomes a nose, and two or three more form a mouth or a chin. It is very curious and makes a good game. More than once I have amused myself by covering a sheet of paper with aimless scribbles and then going over them and developing the faces. They would exhibit all sorts of characters—fierce, foolish, pompous, jovial, stupid, cunning, bland, scheming. No two were ever alike, and some of them were strikingly realistic. Several years ago a northern newspaper man made what he thought was a remarkable discovery—merely that a small wad of paper placed on a table near a lighted lamp would almost invariably cast a shadow that would form the outlines of a grotesque face. It was really a very curious thing for it to do anything else, but he wrote several articles on the subject and fancied he had struck a big thing until some artist friend told him different. The readiness with which the vague patterns of old wall paper lend themselves to the forming of queer, leering faces is another bit of evidence to sustain my point.

"You will understand, of course, that I have no reference to portrait work. That is extremely, supremely difficult, and the ability to catch a likeness is pretty nearly a gift from the gods. I am speaking simply of more or less distorted lines that nevertheless promptly suggest the human face. It is not so with the lower animals. To make a picture that anybody will recognize at once as a horse, a dog or a cow requires a good deal of skill and technical knowledge. A cat is still harder. There are many eminent artists who could not draw a cat from memory to save their immortal souls."

A GIRL AND A PORTRAIT.

An Instance of the Influence of Heredity at a Picture Gallery.

Doctors disagree as to the influence of heredity. Some hold that a great deal hinges upon it; others believe the contrary. Some of the authentic stories told to exemplify this mysterious bond between ancestors and descendants are very curious. There was a loan collection of old portraits exhibited in London lately, and a young girl was among the visitors. She was an orphan and wealthy, but without near relatives and was often heard to complain of the loneliness of her position. As she passed through the gallery one particular portrait attracted her attention, and she went back to it more than once. Her companion saw in it nothing but the commonplace painting of a middle aged man in the costume of the latter part of the last century. "It is such a nice, kind face," said the girl rather wistfully. "I imagine my father might have looked like that had he lived."

As most of the pictures were ticketed the visitors had purchased no catalogue, but before going away Miss B. bought one at the entrance and made a last visit to the portrait for which she felt so

strong an attraction. To her astonishment she found the very same likeness to its number and learned on inquiry that the original was one of her direct ancestors.

Another occult coincidence or psychological phenomenon happened a few years ago to a southern statesman and financier whose family has always been of rank in his native state. This gentleman was overhauling old documents and letters which had been stored in a musty chest for years and intended to publish whatever might be of historic value and interest.

To his surprise he unfolded a letter yellow and time stained which was written in his own peculiar handwriting, or seemed to have been written by him, although the date was two generations before his birth. The signature of the surname, which was the same as his own, was so markedly characteristic that he could scarcely believe his own hand did not pen the letters. So it sometimes happens that handwriting as well as features and character is handed down in families.

Rough on the Child.

A man in Haslingdean, England, who recently applied for a certificate exempting his child from vaccination, quite staggered the clerk with the Christian name of the child, whereupon he explained that the name would be found in "Hisah," eighth chapter, second verse. The clerk looked up the Old Testament and in Isaiah found the name Maher-shalal-hash-baz. "That's it," said the applicant and thoughtfully explained that he and his wife had come across it in the Bible and thought it aristocratic and therefore chose it. The clerk suggested that John was a more popular name among the aristocracy, and the applicant accepted the suggestion so far as to say that "their next" should be named John, but this would have to be Maher-shalal-hash-baz.

Alaska Not Barren.

It is a popular impression that Alaska is a frozen zone and that the soil is barren and worthless. This is a mistake. The sun is hot, the snow molten and enriches the earth, and the soil in the valleys is fertile and productive. Wheat, corn, oats, barley, buckwheat, flaxseed and a considerable variety of vegetables and forage plants can be successfully grown in many parts of the territory.

Impervious.

She—There isn't one man in a million who would be so mean to his wife and children as you are. He—Now, that's what I admire in you, dear. You have such a head for figures!

Put Your Best Foot First. People who habitually depreciate themselves, who keep their best stock on the top shelf and put their worst goods in the windows, may expect to be taken at their own valuation. One of the ingredients of success in this age of competition is an unwavering self confidence, and another is a habit of making the most of whatever talent or acquisition is one's own and therefore an element of advantage. This is very different from mere conceit, from vanity and blustering. For the carrying on of life agreeably, for intercourse with society and for daily happiness we should cultivate the accomplishment which puts the best foot first.—Collier's Weekly.

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USING THE FRYING PAN.

One of the Secrets Not Understood by Every Cook.

A fair sized basin should be filled with good dripping for the cook's use when frying, but if the dripping be not available at the moment two pounds of beef suet make an excellent substitute.

When frying is required, put all the dripping from the "bath" into a large iron saucepan without a lid and let it melt. At first the fat will bubble and make a noise, but it is not fit to use until quite still and quiet, with a faint blue smoke rising from it. Put rissoles, cutlets, potato chips or whatever is to be fried into a wire frying basket and then plunge it into the fat, completely immersing the contents. This is the great secret of success. The basket has a handle by which it may be lifted up to see how long to fry.

A very short time suffices for the cooking of fish or meat like rissoles. They should be taken out when a golden brown, as they become a little darker afterward. Always put them on crumpled kitchen paper in front of the fire to drain and keep hot while the others are frying. Only a few can be cooked at once, as they must not touch one another in the basket.

If one is frying cutlets, it is better, after cooking for a few moments, to draw the saucepan to the side of the stove, thereby lowering the intense heat. Otherwise the cutlets might not cook thoroughly, but be overdone on the outside and underdone inside.

Orange, apple or any kind of fritters may be cooked as above. The moment the fat is finished with place it, if possible, outside the house to cool, as thus the fumes go off, no smell remaining to pervade the house. Then take a strainer and strain the fat back into the "bath," where it remains. This fat can be used over and over again and, with a little dripping added now and then, should last for a year. So there is no extravagance in using plenty of fat every time anything is fried.

Quantities of butter, lard and dripping are wasted by many a cook who throws all away every time she fries, whereas if the "bath of fat" be kept it is always ready for use in the shortest time and does its work well. It fries crisply and dry instead of in the greasy manner so often seen. The faint blue smoke must be perceived and waited for. Without that and a complete absence of bubbling and noise success will not be obtained.

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King's Evil

That is Scrofula. No disease is older. No disease is really responsible for a larger mortality. Consumption is commonly its outgrowth. There is no excuse for neglecting it, it makes its presence known by so many signs, such as glandular tumors, cutaneous eruptions, inflamed eyelids, sore ears, rickets, catarrh, wasting and general debility. Children of J. W. McGinn, Woodstock, Ont., had scrofula sore so bad they could not attend school for three months. When different kinds of medicines had been used to no purpose whatever, these sufferers were cured, according to Mr. McGinn's voluntary testimonial, by

Flood's Sarsaparilla

which has effected the most wonderful, radical and permanent cures of scrofula in old and young.

LEGISLATIVE.

The sweetest song has never been sung, the biggest fish is still uncaught, and the ideal tax law has yet to convince a legislative body.—New York World.

Kidnaping children in order to extort money from their parents ought to be made a capital offense, and offenders should promptly follow conviction.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

To the legislature: Doubt every bill that creates a new institution, establishes a new commission or board, calls into being a new officer or increases salaries.

THE PRESS.

If you do not like vice and crime, change the light. If you look into a mirror and see a dirty face, do you wash the face of the mirror?

I do not want a press which shows up the virtues of humanity and not the faults, but let us have more truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth.—Dr. Lyman Abbott.

Despite the defects of the American press it holds up a mirror of the whole world's affairs. The mirror may not be the right kind, but its tendency is to lead the people to self consciousness.

THE COOKBOOK.

Do not pat or smooth down mashed potatoes, as it makes them heavy.

A delicious cake filling is made from chopped figs mixed with crabapple or apple jelly. Scraps of plain or puff paste trimmed from patties or pies may be sprinkled with grated cheese and made into cheese straws.

Chopped orange peel added to mince meat gives the meat a pleasant flavor. Two fresh peels will season about eight quarts of mince meat.

FIN, FEATHER AND FUR.

A kangaroo consumes as much grass as six sheep. There are but 900,000 left in Australia.

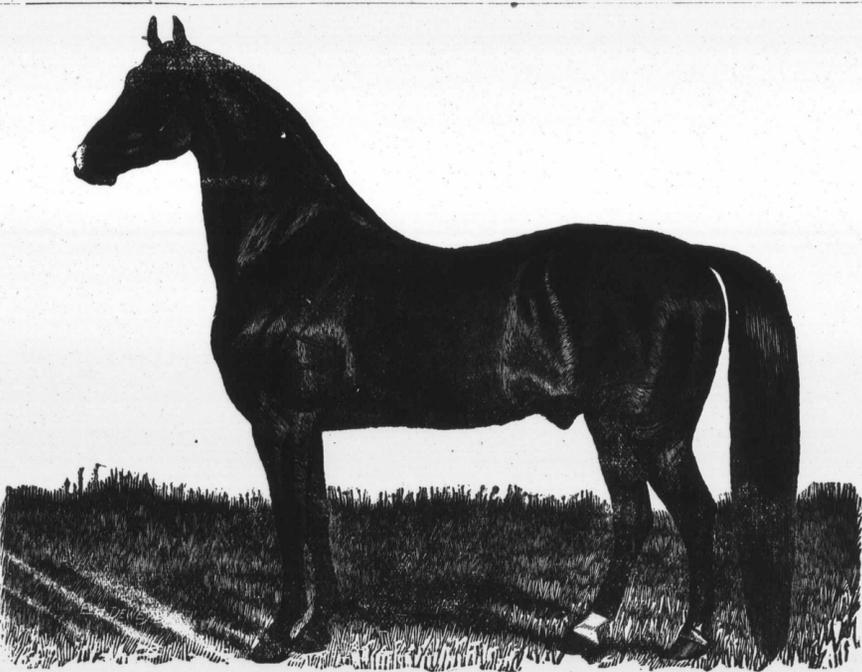
Sparrows have a strange antipathy for robins, and sometimes they become actively antagonistic to them.

The rarest fish in British waters is the ribbon fish. Only 16 specimens have been recorded in the last century. It is an inhabitant of the great depths of the ocean.

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