WESTERN ONTARIO.

BRANT.

George Wallace, J. P., Wilsonville, dropped dead on Monday while talking on the road. He was deputy reeve of his township and a prominent Reformer.

The Burford fall fair will be held on Oct. 15 and 16.

The Burford A. O. U. W. and the township Sunday School Association are arranging jointly for an excursion to Port Stanley on or about Aug. 27.

ELGIN.

Tramps entered the house of A. Campbell, farmer, Dunwich, the other day and stole $350 which was in Mr. Campbell's coat pocket hanging in the hall.

Young & Thompson, of Port Stanley, had $500 worth of nets destroyed by the heavy blow of last week.

H. F. Jell, of Rodney, has issued a writ for $1,000 damages for slander against M. McCallum, of Bothwell, on behalf of Mr. F. Osler, of Rodney.

D. H. Taylor, of Dutton, has purchased the machinery of a saw mill at Comber and is removing it to Dutton to be used in connection with the stave mill.

Rev. H. A. Percival, a recent graduate of Knox College, who was lately given a call by the Aylmer Presbyterian Church, has also received a call from the Scotch Presbyterian Church, Hampden, N. Y.

The repainting of the G. T. R. station at St. Thomas, will be finished in a day or two.

On Wednesday afternoon Mr. Pettit, St. Thomas, while working on the farm of James Meek, Southwold, had a finger broken by a kick of a horse.

Randall Cline has made an assignment to Wm. Warnock, jun., Aylmer.

Miss Maggie McFarlane, of Cowal, has been engaged as teacher of the Union Public School.

Brown Bros., Port Stanley, on Wednesday captured 8,750 pounds of fish in one net.

Mrs. Jas. Grafton, West Lorne, died a few days ago, aged 66. She had lived there twenty years.

Miss Dollie Weir, who was injured at Port Stanley with a swing on June 30, is recovering.

Thos. Hughes, jun., has graduated in law at the University of Ann Arbor, Mich.

The June cheese at Rosedale factory has been sold at 8½ cents per pound.

ESSEX

At Windsor Dr. Soper's family had a narrow escape from poisoning on Thursday, owing to the servant mistaking hellebore for white pepper and sprinkling the vegetables for dinner most liberally with it. Emetics were administered, and the family were soon out of danger. The life of Mrs. Soper was at one time despaired of.

John Milne is placing in the Essex Manufacturing Company's building a new 90 horse-power engine manufactured by Goldie & McCullough, of Galt. The engine is a monster, the flywheel being twelve feet in diameter. The cost will be about $2,000.

Peter Smith, of Chicago, wants to secure possession of his grandchild from Mrs. Edward McMahon. He had a daughter married to E. J. McMahon, Chicago. The first Mrs. McMahon died, leaving this child. McMahon then married the present Mrs. McMahon. McMahon has since died, and Peter Smith wants the custody of his daughter's child. A report of Mrs. McMahon's escapaed down at Chappell's last spring was published, and Smith alleges that she is not a proper person to look after the child.

MIDDLESEX.

Leave has been granted to East Williams congregation and West Williams to have calls moderated in, if necessary, before next ordinary meeting of Presbytery; and the moderators were instructed to discharge that duty if called upon.

The annual excursion to Port Stanley of the Sunday schools of Thamesville, Bothwell, Newbury and Glencoe takes place on July 23.

A young man employed by a farmer in Delaware started for the home of his parents Sunday morning with his employer's horse and buggy. When returning in the evening he stopped at a friend's house for a short time, tying his horse to the fence, and went into the house. On coming out he was surprised to see a man jump into his rig and drive away. Thinking it was a joke, and the man would return, he waited for some time. Then he took another horse and started in pursuit. The horse was found unhitched from the buggy and tied in a mill yard.

Mrs. K. Baker, Delaware, has gone with her children to spend the summer with friends in Manitoba.

The Hunter and Crossley church in Dorcher is nearly completed and will be dedicated by the above named evangelists on Aug. 1.

OXFORD.

A Princeton magistrate has fined a young man of that village $5 and costs for asking a young lady the question, "How's tricks to-night?" The case is to be appealed.

Mr. Bert Field, of Detroit, son of Dr. Field, P.M., Woodstock, was married on Wednesday to Miss Edith Coventry, of Woodstock.

As John Ormiston was leaving the Woodstock postoffice the other day, he was suddenly stricken with paralysis in the right side. The attack was serious enough to almost deprive him of the use of either his right arm or his left foot. A rig was secured and he was driven home.

P. J. G. Dugit has been appointed deputy registrar of Oxford, to succeed the late Mr. Whitehead.

East Zorra Agricultural Society will build a new 40x165 foot show building this year.

Rev. Mr. Oliver, Indiana, is home on a visit to his father, ex-Reeve Oliver, of Blenheim, and will preach in the Presbyterian Church, Princeton, on Sunday.

The Plattsville flour mill is running night and day.

Douglas Lillico, jun., Blenheim, one morning last week found one of his best horses with its leg broken. He thinks it must have been kicked by one of the other horses. This is the third horse he has lost this summer.

PERTH.

John George Weltz, Milverton, died last week, aged 76.

An athletic association for Stratford is proposed.

Wills probated in Perth show that Chas. Dickinson, St. Marys, left $12,983 and $7,540 in real estate; Conrad King, South Easthope, left $12,850; John Myers, Stratford, $4,030; John Rupert, North Easthope, $2,537; Augustus Duncan, Mitchell, $2,375, and Jas. Hill, Hibbert, $2,000.

Chas. Abraham, a clever journalist, has sold his interest in the Stratford Beacon to J. B. Stephens, late of the Walkerton Telescope. The Beacon has made a splendid start in Stratford, and will doubtless continue to prosper under its new proprietorship, O'Beirne & Stevens, as it has done heretofore.

WATERLOO.

The Town Council of Galt has advised Wentworth County Council that it will assist the latter body in its efforts to obtain control of the Dundas and Waterloo road.

Galt has organized a Poultry and Pet Stock Association, which is officered by the following gentlemen: President, Robert Minto; vice-president, A. McDonald; secretary and treasurer, C. Evans.

WELLINGTON.

Ralph Hewing, Mountsberg, raised a 58x100 foot barn a week ago.

The Elora High School Board on Monday selected a new head master from a list of sixteen applicants. The man chosen is Joseph A. Snell, B.A., who has been teaching in Mount Forest. He has high recommendations. His salary is $900.

THE PASTOR DANCED

When He Found a Villager's Lost Child,

But Skipped Away to Avoid the Mother's Kisses.

SAYBROOK, Conn., July 11.—The pretty village of Deep River, that nestles among the hills on the Connecticut River, has had a lost child wandering in the hills for two days, and rejoices that he has been found. The child, Max Miosky, the 4-year-old son of Max Miosky, a farm laborer, wandered from home last week, Tuesday afternoon, and at nightfall had not returned. His anxious parents hunted for him about the village for several hours, and then a band of neighbors joined in the search, which was continued ineffectually until midnight. At that time the Moiskys were nearly crazed with grief, but as the night was intensely dark, further search for the little one was abandoned until daylight. At break of day the hunt for Max was resumed, and almost all the men and boys in Deep River and some of the women, too, took part in it. The Miosky house is in the western part of the town, near the bank of Rogers' pond, and at the rear of the modest dwelling begins a great timber belt with tall trees and almost impenetrable copses that stretch unbroken from Deep River to the confines of Killingworth town. The search was made systematically, and the band which numbered 50 or 60 persons, hunted over every foot of the rural fields and pastures about the hamlet, and then entered the big wood.

All day Wednesday, Wednesday night and Thursday morning the people hunted faithfully but futilely, and then the wearied and spiritless band decided that it was useless to search further, arguing that either Max had perished in Rogers' Lake, or if he had gone into the timber belt he had already died of starvation or exposure.

But Pastor Reid, of the Deep River Baptist Church, who had been the undaunted and sanguine leader of the searching party, would not listen to the forebodings of his men. "No, no," said he, "don't give up hope yet. We shall find the lad." Thereupon the pastor strode into the woods again, and a part of the band, encouraged by his words, followed him, taking a different track. It was just 9 o'clock on Thursday, and the factory whistles in distant mill villages were still reaming the hour, when Mr. Reid, emerging from the thick timber into a grassy, closed dell, environed by tall wood, saw the small Miosky chap sitting contentedly on a log in the middle of the open space, eating his dinner of wild strawberries that he had gathered near his seat. Pastor Reid was so overjoyed by the happy ending of his search that the moment he set foot in the dell he performed a very lively jig in the green grass, whereat Max leaned back on his seat and laughed and chuckled.

A Deep River Baptist Church member, who was rig behind Mr. Reid avers that the pastor "flung his heels in a dance," and the member's reputation for veracity is good.

The fact that dancing is looked upon as an iniquity in Deep River, and that several persons have been "dropped" from the church roll of membership" because they indulged in the pastime is pretty conclusive evidence that Mr. Reid was considerably exhilarated over his discovery. After the jig the clergyman caught the lost boy in his arms, who, seated on Mr. Reid's shoulder, kept on munching wild strawberries as the pastor strode into the forest, homeward bound. The place where Max was found was five miles from his home in Deep River. Arrived at the Miosky dwelling both boy and pastor had a overwhelmingly warm reception from the happy and jubilant Mioskys. The whole Miosky family first hugged Max and then they hugged the clergyman, and finally hugged each other. Mrs. Miosky set out to kiss the pastor, but he slipped out the back door. The boy appeared to be none the worse on account of his adventure, and on July 4 he touched off firecrackers and torpedoes with the rest of the Deep River youngsters.

LIBERTINES LASHED.

An Old Soldier Does the Whipping at Montreal Jail.

MONTREAL, Que., July 11.—Wm. Robinson, Wm. Coony and James Davis received the first instalment of fifteen lashes on the bare back in the jail yard yesterday. An old soldier of the British army did the whipping, and did it severely. Even when groans and cries issued from the lips of the unhappy men he did not lighten the stroke. There was no time lost, and the whole affair was over in about twenty minutes.

Davis was the first man brought forward to receive punishment, and commenced to howl after the first stroke, but received the fifteen lashes without abatement on the part of the wielder of the "cat."

Coony was next brought to the whipping post, his face showing signs of mortal terror. Before he could be strapped to the post he suddenly started to climb it like a monkey, and reached the top, where he remained until dislodged a few minutes after. He was soon strapped in position, and on the second stroke he let out a yell, which only resulted in the old soldier's tightening his grip on the "cat" and finishing the number relentlessly.

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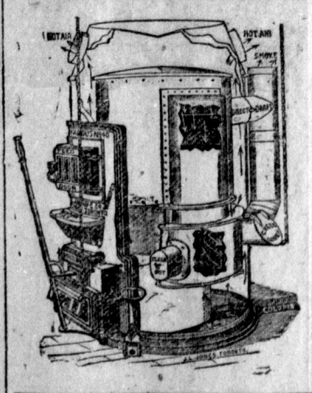
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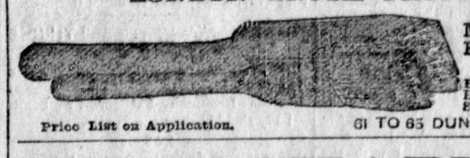
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