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FROM NOW UNTIL CHRISTMAS.

A full line of Dr. Hess's Stock Food on hand. No trouble to show goods.

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Shop old stand next door to Commercial Hotel.

BORN.

STROEDER—In Carrick on Feb. 22, to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Stroeder, a daughter.

SCHMIDT—In Carrick, on Feb. 22, to Mr. and Frank Schmidt, a son.

VOGAN—In Howick, on Sunday, Feb. 23 to Mr. and Mrs. D. Vogan, a daughter.

HIS VALENTINE.

The curious epistle published below was received on St. Valentine's Day by a bachelor friend of the editor who evidently has been neglecting his opportunities and failing to live up to the ideal of at least one of his fair friends. It was handed us for publication by way of acknowledging its receipt and with the hope that the writer would follow up the campaign so vigorously opened. The recipient would like the writer to know that her kindness is appreciated and that he has no intention of putting up the money. The letter follows:—

Oldmaidsville, Lonesome County,
Leap year—1908.

My dear and most respected Sir,
I send you this your love to stir.
You know I promised first of all,
To make on you my maiden call.
Your heart and hand I ask in haste,
And hope you grant my fond request,
And send me back without delay
An answer saying "Yes or Nay."
And if your heart does not incline
With me in wedlock hands to join,
The Leap Year claim you must obey,
And down a 5 pound note must pay,
Likewise, Sir, a handsome dress
I ask no more—I'll take no less.
You'll think my letter rather funny
But I must have a man or money.
So after long consideration,
Of the great inclination,
To become a relation,
I thought by speedy navigation,
To change my habitation
To a new situation.
If this application
Should merit your approbation,
You would confer an obligation
From generation to generation.
An answer to this oration
Would relieve my palpitation
And give me consolation.
Yours in desperation,
Miss Observation.

—Dr. Clapp, M. P. P. will likely have a bill before the Legislature to give any county so desiring, the power to prohibit the use of automobiles on country roads during certain days of the week, say Saturday, Sunday and Monday. This bill is the result of lengthy petitions from Dr. Clapp's constituents in Brant township.—Star.

FORMOSA.

There was a pretty fair attendance at Graf's ball last Thursday.

Mr. Tony Voisin of Culross has been laid up for some time with a slight stroke of paralysis.

Mr. Isidore Groerer will take part in a concert to be held in the Enniskillen school house on Friday night. The Formosa orchestra will also assist.

Mr. Wm. Weiler of Guelph is spending a few weeks at his home here on account of the pipe foundry where he is employed having been shut down.

Fred Brick and Tony Graf opened up their butcher business on Saturday in the building formerly used as a harness shop in the centre of the village.

Chas. and Henry Mosack, who have been running the Morgan house in Kindardine, are reported to have sold out. Henry intends moving to Formosa.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Heisz returned from their honeymoon trip last week, and commenced house keeping in their house near the brewery.

YOKISSIPPI CLUB.

The Yokissippi Mutual Improvement Society held Monday evening, Feb. 24, was largely attended. The debate, "Resolved that Reading is more Educational than Travelling" was well handled. Mr. George McKee, Misses Bethea Darling and Jean Inglis supported the affirmative, while Mr. George Lowry, Misses Janet Inglis and Mabel McKee took the negative. The judges, Messrs. W. Peterman, P. Doig and A. Darling, gave their decision in favor of the affirmative. A good musical programme was also much enjoyed. This Society, although quite recently organized has become quite popular, having now a membership of almost sixty. It was unanimously agreed by the members to hold the meetings weekly for the balance of the winter instead of fortnightly as heretofore. The debate for next Monday evening is "Resolved that local option is preferable to the license law."

THE INSPECTOR'S HOLIDAY.

The following was written by one of the pupils of the Mildmay public school:—

The Inspector as we know comes and visits the school twice a year to see how things are going on and how the teachers are getting along. The last time the Inspector came the Mildmay P. S. he found the teachers doing good work, which pleased him very much, so much that he granted us a half holiday to take whenever we thought would be suitable to have a good half day's sport.

The principal, Mr. Kidd thought of a bright idea, which was to secure the rink whenever we thought would be suitable for the occasion. To this all the scholars agreed and declared that we would take it on Wednesday, 19th of February.

It proved to be a suitable day, good and cold so that the ice was the best of the season. We got on the ice at half-past one in the afternoon and had a good game of hockey lasting for about a half an hour. Then we stopped a half an hour so as to give the girls a chance skate. Then we went at the hockey again keeping the same sides all the way through. It was pretty rough and sides were about equal. When the game was about half done the score was 3 to 1, but the other side soon caught up making the score 6 to 6, neither side winning. We then had another half hour's skating till four o'clock came and then went home quite contented and pleased after the good afternoon's sport.

—Mrs. J. O. Hymmen is in Toronto this week.

—W. W. Beitz, has leased the American hotel at Fergus. Mr. Beitz has been living in Guelph since leaving here.

—Bishop Dowling has announced the following changes in the Hamilton diocese:—Rev. J. Kelly from Walkerton to Mount Forest; Rev. Dr. Walter from Markdale to Walkerton; Rev. A. J. Savage from Hamilton to Markdale.

—Mr. Robert Morrison, travelling agent for the Toronto World was in town a couple of days this week. He is a son of R. J. Morrison, the implement agent.

LAKELET.

Still it snows and blows and blusters, roads are heavy, bush work impossible and every one wishing for the time to come when the snow will be taken in the state of affairs round here.

Mr. Alex. Clegg is having an auction sale on Friday, 28th inst., on the old Carson homestead. G. W. Walker of Gorrie will be auctioneer. Mr. Clegg is going west.

Quite a number from this vicinity are invited to the Hockley—Scott wedding on Wednesday at Drew station. Both of the contracting parties are well known here, the prospective groom having worked for a number of years with Mr. J. J. Gregg, and the bride-to-be lived right in the suburbs till they moved to Drew Station a few years ago.

Judge Doyle who presided at the appeal suit of R. Ferguson against the award of the engineer on what is known as the Ruttan drain gave his decision the other day and sustains the engineer's award.

Miss Edna Bushfield, teacher in Minotownship, was up to see her parents on Friday and Saturday, returning on Sunday. Miss Dobson, teacher here, after a stay of three weeks, got to her home on Friday night and returned Sunday evening. Miss Maud Bushfield of the Wingham High School came home on Friday and will remain to help in the store. Miss Maggie Bushfield left for Toronto on Monday to attend the millinery openings there.

The old chopper in the mill here played out and a new one was ordered three weeks ago, but it has not yet arrived. As a consequence the mill is closed and the farmers are forced to go to Clifford and Fordwich with their grain to get it chopped.

Hugh Douglass sold 6 nice cattle to Mr. Trench of Gorrie last week at \$4.25 per cwt., and Hy. Dickett two at \$4.35 per cwt. These are the best sales we have heard, and we think the price low enough for good cattle.

Mr. Jas. Wright, who took the contract of delivering the stones at the school, is working at them, but owing to the deep snow and the ice coated stones, the work is exceedingly disagreeable.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Hamilton, jr., of Gorrie, came up on Saturday night and spent Sunday at the home of R. G. Nay.

Mr. Bushfield sold a cow to Jno. Lewis of Clifford the other day at \$45.00. She is a good one and well worth the money.

AMENDMENT TO THE ELECTION LAW.

A new election law has been introduced into the Legislature which repeals all previous legislation dealing with this matter. The chief object in the law is to make the Ontario election legislation correspond with that of the Dominion and to provide the same machinery for elections in both cases. The language of the Act has been made as simple as possible. The Dominion secret ballot has been adopted without change or modification, the poll book as formerly used has been abolished, and for a substitute the polling list is extracted from a certified copy of the revised voters' list; this last is to be final, and the person whose name does not appear has no vote, thus doing away with the tendered ballot. The franchise is to be extended to Indians other than those living on reserves. The temporary absence of a voter from home, even if not in pursuance of his occupation, will not disqualify him. Applications for or a promise of a Government job is to be made a corrupt practice. It is also to be made a corrupt act to supply conveyances, which are ordinarily used for hire, for the carrying of voters to the polls.

Additional Locals.

—John Hunstein went to Toronto this week.

—During this period of big snowstorms and bad roads, those who can manipulate snowshoes are very fortunate. Some Carrick young men use this method of going to see their sweethearts. A farmer on the 2nd concession came across some snowshoe tracks last Sunday and followed them through fields and woods and over creeks, but could not tell whether they came from the B line or the 10th concession.—Com.