

## NEWS FROM OXFORD, N. S.

May 15—Saturday 11th inst. was the day set apart as "Clean Up Day" by our Civic Fathers, and the citizens certainly made thorough investigation of their back yards for old cans etc., which has not only added to the leanlier appearance, but also to the sanitary conditions of our pretty town.

The Misses E. Estella and Margaret McDougall are spending a few days visiting friends in New Glasgow.

Private Logan Swan, recently returned from the battlefield of France and Flanders, was in town on Monday in route from Halifax to his home in Wentworth. He was the guest of Councillor M. A. Swain, James St. Mr. George McPhie, now working in Trenton, spent a few days in town recently.

Despite the increased cost of all building materials, yet some new houses are being erected in town this year. Mr. James Horton, is nearing the completion of a nice dwelling upon Waverley St., which he began last autumn. While Mr. J. S. Hickman is rushing forward his nice residence on James St. Messrs. Robt. Colburn and Curry Schurman have the contract of building the latter.

We are pleased to learn that Mr. and Mrs. Amos Miller, who have been very ill for some time, are both again recovering their usual health.

Messrs. Kempton Chapman and Arthur De Wolfe, who have been students at Mt. Allison College for the past year have just returned to their homes after the closing exercises, as, owing to a large number of the students going out to work on farms the term was brought to a close much earlier than heretofore.

Miss Georgie Boone who has recently returned from Halifax, has accepted the position of Clerk in the Oxford Book Store.

The lumbermen, who met with losses in the heavy conflagration at Oxford Jet, last Friday night were Robt. M. Baxter, River Philip; whose lumber formed nearly one half of total destroyed, C. O. Black, and Miner McElmon, Oxford, and Wilbert & Keirer Thompson of Little River, in all nearly one million feet went up in smoke within a few hours.

Messrs. Dunfield & Co., Lumber Merchants, Halifax, had purchased the Baxter lot for reconstruction work in Halifax which was to be shipped away in the near future. It seems very unfortunate that so large a quantity of first class merchantable lumber should be thus destroyed. It had it not been for the aid of the Apparatus from Oxford and the stirring work of the gallant firemen and those who assisted them the entire stock of lumber, consisting of about three million feet, would have been utterly consumed with probably a number of the nearby buildings and Railway Station.

On Wednesday afternoon fire started in the barn owned by Trueman W. Thompson on Waverley St., and though the firemen with their usual alacrity were soon upon the scene, a very strong wind had so rapidly increased the conflagration that they at once saw that the building was doomed. They turned their attention to saving the dwelling house, and other houses that were near and in danger from cinders flying before the wind. A cow was got out by Mr. Thompson's boy, Master Clifford but all the contents, consisting of a quantity of hay 50 bushels Oats, some feed, three new Cream Separators, and some other machinery were all destroyed. No insurance, only a small sum upon the barn. The many friends of Mr. Thompson will regret to hear of his loss.

Miss Hilda A. Thompson, has this week entered the employ of the Bank of Nova Scotia, as a member of the staff in the branch located here.

Mr. A. J. LeLasheur, of St. John was in town on Wednesday, in interests of his.

Mrs. Ira Simpson and little daughter Elizabeth are visiting friends in Pugwash, and Wallace Bridge, for a few days.

Mr. W. E. Langille, who represents the Singer Sewing Machine Co. in his territory was in town on his usual monthly trip this week.

Mrs. H. Colburn, who for many years has conducted a restaurant on Main St., has removed from the Davis & Swan Block to the old Waverley House, where she will continue to conduct a first class house or table boarders only having decided to discontinue the transient business of a restaurant.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Parker, of Halifax were in town this week, guests of the Oxford House. Mr. Parker is here on business connected with their firm the Scotia Woodworkers, Ltd.

Miss Ripley, one of the teaching staff, spent the week end at her home in Maccan.

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Miss McKinnon, teacher in Grade four department of our schools, enjoyed the week end holiday at her home in Londonderry.

Mr. J. S. Hickman, is rapidly pushing along the work on his new residence which he is erecting on James St., which when completed will add much to the appearance of this already pretty street of our town.

## HILDEN COL. CO.

May 20—Mrs. Walter Shieble, who has been keeping house for Mr. Edy Tupper, the past winter, has moved to Bible Hill.

Mr. Burton Rath's family have moved from Truro to their farm at Hilden. We welcome those good people back.

Mrs. Murphy Mrs. C. H. S. Clarke and Mrs. Sydney Irwin spent the afternoon of the 15th at Mrs. Jno. Irwins.

Rev. Mr. McKay preached here Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Allister Taggart, who was badly hurt, with the wood saw, is improving slowly, at Victoria General Hospital Halifax.

Mr. Sydney Irwin, Mr. and Mrs. Murphy and Mr. Tupper and Miss Mae attended the ordination of Mr. James Forbes at Bass River, on the 19th. Mr. Forbes, was formerly pastor of this place.

Miss McKinnon, and Miss Bayer of Truro were guests of Mrs. Lehwess quite recently.

There are rumors of a family going to move in the cottage of Mr. Alfred Edwards.

Mr. Leslie Waller and wife are visiting at Mr. McCully Bryson's.

Mrs. Bryson, who has been on the sick list all winter, is improving.

Her many friends, are glad to see her out again.

Jno. Harvey, and Charlie Wynn, are engaged with Mr. Dan Taggart, this Spring.

Mrs. Jas. Hingley, who has been ill, is somewhat better.

Everybody reports a good seeding but a few showers of rain would not be a miss.

## GINGER BREAD.

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## LOWER SELMA HANTS CO.

May 18—A Red Cross tea and dance was held at the home of Mr. S. A. Smith, on Thursday evening, May 16th; a very enjoyable evening was spent and the sum of \$23.00 was realized.

Mrs. A. H. MacPhee, Stoneham, Mass., and Mrs. E. H. Corey, of N. T. have returned to their homes, after spending two weeks with their mother, Mrs. John Barrow.

Guy Faulkner has returned home from Economy, to help his brother with the farming.

Frank Anthony spent the week-end with his parents, here, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Anthony.

Our teacher, Miss Mabel Custance made a short trip by auto to her home in Rawdon.

Benjamin Boate photographed the school last week.

A number of the boys here are waiting to be called to the colors.

The Red Cross met this week at Mrs. D. Neil's and meets next week at Mrs. Capt. Spicer's.

Charlie McKelil has returned to his home here, after spending the winter in the shipyard at Canning.

Capt. Spicer is making great improvements on his farm this Spring.

Mr. H. Baron is farming for Mr. B. Boate.

The Schr. Charlotte S. is loading lumber here for J. Chapman.

There passed away at her home here May 10th Mrs. John Barron aged 81 years. Mrs. Barron had been ill for several months and her passing away was not unexpected. In her immediate family she leaves four daughters and two sons; Mrs. F. S. Dingwell, Brooklyn, Mass; Mrs. A. H. MacPhee, Stoneham, Mass; Mrs. E. H. Corey, N. Y., and Mrs. F. S. Lovett, Lowell, Mass; Harden Barron, Lower Selma and Harry Barron, Portland, Maine.

The funeral was held May 12th; interment in Presbyterian Cemetery. Rev. C. A. M. Earle, conducted the service. She will be much missed by all her friends. Her nephew, John H. Wright, with his wife from Nine Mile River, attended the funeral.

Our Canvasser, Miss Lena Spicer, collected \$47.60 for Y. M. C. A. work. The above speaks well for the people of Lower Selma, who are not found wanting when asked to contribute to any good cause and we cannot do too much for the boys who are giving their lives for us on the battlefields of Europe.

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Clifford Toole, Londonderry Station, spent the 18th in Amherst.

The Misses Grace and Jean Toole are visiting in Belmont.

Mr. John Bailey, Folly Mt., lost a fine mare recently.

Rev. F. Scoates, Belmont, preached here on the evening of the 19th. Rev. Mr. Francis at the Station, Rev. Father Graham and Church of England Curate also held service here on Sunday. Mr. Scoates spent Sunday at Londonderry also.

News comes today of the death of Mrs. David Smith. Tho Mrs. Smith, has been in failing health for some time her death comes as a great shock to her many friends and relatives.

Mr. Smith is one of the prosperous and best known farmers of East Village and the sympathy of this and the surrounding community will go out to him and the sons and daughters, in their sad bereavement. The sons and daughters in the immediate family left to mourn a kind and loving mother are Wilbert, and Scott, at home, and Arnold in France; Ada in the West, Clara in U.S. and Margaret at home. Mrs. Smith was a woman of sterling character and leaves many friends to mourn.

It is with the deepest regret we hear of the death of Murray Robertson of Gulf Shore. He leaves beside a large circle of friends to mourn his early death a wife (Miss Annie Elderkin) of Apple River and four children. Capt. Ira Elderkin, Belmont, is a brother to Mrs. Robertson.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank George were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alison Crowe, Folly Mt. on Sunday.

The long expected car of slag has arrived and men and teams are busy hauling it to their farms.

Housecleaning is in full swing now and many changes are being made to both the outside and inside of many homes hereabouts.

## SAILOR.

**Oil for Toothache.**—There is no pain so acute and distressing as toothache. When you have so unwelcome a visitor apply Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil according to directions and you will find immediate relief. It touches the nerve with soothing effect and the pain departs at once. That it will ease toothache is another fine quality of this Oil, showing the many uses it has.

**STEWIACKE, COL. CO.**

May 20—Mr. Edwin Crowe, son of Mr. Milton Crowe, who has enlisted in the Royal Flying Corps, will leave for Toronto this week.

Miss Annie Brenton went to New Glasgow a few days ago to visit Mrs. Snider.

Mr. and Mrs. Ettinger, Georgefield, Hants Co., were in town for a few days, recently, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Brenton.

John Crawford Sr., is ill at his home.

Mr. Roy Bates has been in Halifax for a few days.

Mrs. Horn, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Thos. Donaldson, has returned to Elmsdale to be with her daughter, Miss Horn, who is ill with pneumonia.

Mr. J. W. Glover motored a "fishing party" to Upper Stewiacke, Thursday evening.

The funeral of the late Captain Richard Watson of Riverside was held Wednesday p. m. Interment in Pine Grove cemetery, Stewiacke East.

Mr. and Mrs. George Dickie of Middle Stewiacke and baby Marion motored to town Wednesday p. m. returning home that evening.

**BORN.**

May 15th, to Mr. and Mrs. William G. Ervin, a son.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Mosher, are visiting Mrs. Mosher's sisters, Mrs. James Gahan of South Branch and Mrs. John Fleck of Middle Stewiacke.

Mrs. L. C. Cummings left on a trip to Trenton, N. J. on Thursday last. She was accompanied by her little niece, Lila Bruce, who will visit her parents in that place. Mrs. Cummings expects to be absent from home about four weeks.

Mr. Edward Howe and Mr. G. F. Marshall, who are working at Carpenter work in Halifax, spent Sunday at their homes here.

Mrs. William Dickinson is visiting her sister, Mrs. Edward Howe.

Mr. Isaac Irving spent Sunday in Town.

Miss Hazel Murray of Pictou town is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. J. K. Ervin.

Mrs. J. R. Robertson is spending a few days in Truro.

Mrs. Jas. Miller, Truro is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Weaver.

Rev. D. C. Ross, preached in Sydney, C. B., in Sunday last and will be present at the convention of the Temperance Alliance and Social service to be held in that city in Monday of this week.

In Mr. Ross's absence the pulpit of St. Andrew's church was filled very acceptably by Rev. Mr. Thompson of Durham, Pictou Co., at both morning and evening services, and at Shar-

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We are sorry to lose from our midst, a number of the young men, who have been called to the colors. They leave on Wednesday for Aldershot.

We hear much talk of a Red Cross Concert by the school. Keep on with the good work; the need is great.

Cars are getting plentiful in our vicinity. Two new ones have recently been purchased by Mr. Hunter Putnam and Mr. Harry Elliott.

The Lower Onslow Sunday School has an unusually large attendance this year. Much credit is due to the Superintendent, Mr. Asa Higgins.

One of our young men recently gave us a pleasant surprise, when he brot home "his Bonnie Bride". We gladly welcome her to our community and wish both Mr. and Mrs. Higgins a very happy wedded life.

**COME AND GO.**

**UPPER STEWIACKE, COL. CO.**

May 20th—The many friends of Miss Hannah Logan will regret to know that owing to ill health she has been obliged to give up her position in Toronto. Miss Logan is at present in Muskoka, where we sincerely hope that rest and good treatment will restore her usual good health.

The Misses Jean and Maude Flemmeing, and sister, Mrs. Ernest have rented rooms in Mrs. Matilda Fulton's house for the summer. Miss Jean is employed in H. T. Fulton's store and Miss Maude is an up-to-date dressmaker, an acquisition, much needed in our town.

Mr. David Bentley has purchased the William MacManus property and moved his family last week.

Mr. Luther Fulton, Boston, has bought Mr. Bentley's farm in Pembroke.

Mr. and Mrs. William Patterson and baby, Lynn, drove thru to Camden, Saturday evening to spend Sunday with Mrs. Patterson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henderson.

Miss Thelma Bryant, grand-daughter, of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Fulton, has arrived from Boston to spend the summer at the "Stratheona".

Mrs. Clifford Hull and baby, Donald, are spending a few weeks with her parent, Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Fulton.

Rev. and Mrs. McLeod left Upper Stewiacke last week for their home in Prince Edward Island. Friends were sorry to have them leave but glad to know that Mr. McLeod's health permitted him to make the tiresome journey satisfactorily.

Miss Clare Logan, teacher in Meadowdale, spent the week-end with her friend Miss Annie M. F. Johnson, Newton Mills.

The members of the Mission Band presented their teacher, Mrs. Graham Gammel, with a life membership Card in their Society.

Mrs. Harold Durning and baby, Beulah, Halifax, are visiting friends, in Stewiacke.

**ASK FOR MINARD'S AND TAKE NO OTHER.**

Watch the advt. of G. O. Fulton Limited on last page, and see what they are offering until end of May. One Curtain pole free, it will pay any one going to Truro to call in and secure some of the values they are offering.

Just received Ten cases of the very best silver Tip matches manufactured by We may have to buy war stamp for all we have in stock any time and advise our customers to buy now at 20c pkg. New price will be 40c Ryan Bros.

During the course of his 1917 report Mr. John Kenney, New Brunswick Factories Inspector has the following: I desire to make special mention of an establishment that is engaged in the manufacture of Food Products. the J. A. Marven, Limited, Moncton, Westmorland County. This business was started about ten years ago in a small wooden building. In order to meet the ever increasing demand for their goods it became compulsory for this Company to seek larger quarters, which they did by purchasing the large brick building situated on the corner of King and Harper Streets formerly known as the Dominion Textile Company. This building covers six acres of ground and has a floor space of 74,000 square feet. It has been fitted up at a large expense and equipped with a sufficient quantity of the latest machinery for the turning out of their products in large quantities. This firm manufactures 125 different varieties of biscuits, in addition to a number of different kinds of cake. They also manufacture their own jam, buying the raw material and manufacturing it to the finished product. Every care is taken