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Came Through Vimy Ridge.

France, April 22nd, 1917
Dear Brother and Sister:—

I now take the pleasure in answering your kind and most welcome letter, to let you know that I am quite well, hoping this will find you the same. Well, I suppose you have heard all about the big battle at Vimy Ridge, that the Canadians took part in. Well, I got through it all without scratch, but believe me, it was some thing I will never forget. The sight was certainly grand to see, but, what pleased me most was to see old Fritz beating it and us after him.

We are having a few days rest after the big fight. The weather has been very wet, with a few odd snowstorms, is awfully muddy as a result, but the last few days have been lovely.

I come over here in August, 1916, and and I hope the war will be over before August 1917.

Your loving brother,
L. Corp. H. Harrison.

CARLSRUHE.

We are sorry to report the death of Mrs. Anthony Himmelspach, which took place last Saturday evening. The deceased had been ailing since the death of her son a year ago, which caused her a general breakdown, although she had always been able to attend to her household duties until last Friday morning about 10 o'clock when she was stricken with severe pains, and, in spite of all medical and best attendance, nothing could be done to relieve her suffering, and death came the following evening at 7 o'clock. The deceased was 68 years and 9 mos. of age and was of a kind-hearted disposition, and the grief-stricken family have the sympathy of the whole community. She leaves to mourn her death her sorrowing husband, three sons, and one daughter, namely, Frank a Gull Lake, John and James at home, and Mrs. Peter Grub of Buffalo. She leaves also three brothers, John Ruetz of Walkerton, Frank and Henry of Mildmay. Though the weather was very unavourable the funeral which took place on Tuesday, was largely attended by friends and neighbors. Rev. A. Montag officiated at the funeral.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Schumacher of Walkerton visited friends here on Sunday.

A collection was taken up here in the church on Sunday and all Catholic Diocesis in Canada for the relief of the sufferers in Galicia and Bukowana who are in great distress which was caused by the war, as it has been invaded several times since the beginning of the war. In Rev. Father Lenhard's parish nearly \$40 have been collected.

Charles Schwan, Jos. Montag, John Wand, and Jos. Poechman made a business trip to Ayton, Mt. Forest, and Holstein last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Ruetz from Walkerton were guests at George Zettler's on Sunday.

A Quiet wedding took place here on May 22nd, when Miss Susanna Oberle, oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. X. Oberle, gave her hand to Albert Grub, son of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Grub of Deemerton. The bride's attendant was Miss Henrietta Oberle, and Louis Grub ably supported the groom. After a short wedding trip, they will reside on the groom's farm near Deemerton. We extend congratulations.

The Carrick Council will sit as a Court of Revision in the Town Hall, Mildmay, on Monday next.

Hydro Power Coming?

We learn that the Hydro Power Commission engineers have been at Walkerton taking a valuation of the local Company's plant, with a view to purchasing same. It is the Aim of the Commission to supply quite a number of the surrounding towns with power for this source.

Collar Bone Fractured.

Eddie Hergott, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hergott, had his collar bone fractured last Thursday, while playing blind man's buff with some other lads. He did not complain until the next day, when the pain was more than he could endure. Dr. Wilson reduced the fracture, and the patient is recovering nicely.

No Surplus Potatoes Here.

Two farmers from Macton were here this week looking for potatoes for seed purposes. They needed 300 bags for their immediate vicinity, their crops in 1916 being a complete failure. Unfortunately, there are no spare potatoes here, in fact, not enough for home use. The visitors, therefore, had to return home empty-handed.

How Pte. Renwick was Killed.

The following is an extract of a letter written by Pte. Roscoe Mahoney, a member of the 161st (Huron) Battalion, to a friend in Mildmay:—"I now take the pleasure of writing you a few lines, as I have not heard from you for some time. I am enjoying the very best of health, but I can't say the same for the rest of the boys. Frank Renwick was killed the other night coming out of the line. All the boys from around home that were in our company, are all gone between killed and wounded, so it leaves me all alone, but I guess I will have to make the best of it.

I suppose you read all about the big battle at Vimy Ridge. I certainly opened my eyes when I waked over the battle field the next day. I saw things there that I will never forget.

Well, I do not know what more to write this time. I am all upset since I saw Frank get killed. I sure felt lost without him, as he and I always chummed together since we came to France.

FORMOSA.

Miss Georgina Bruder of Greenock spent Sunday here with her sister, Mrs. Chas. Waechter.

Messrs. B. Beingessner, Alphonse Zimmer, John Goetz, Oswald Beingessner, and Philip Weiler attended the funeral of Jacob Goetz at Ripley last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Olheiser and a few friends of Kitchener spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Hundt.

On Tuesday the marriage of Miss Opperman and Isidore Gfoerer took place here.

Mrs. Jos. Trautman Jr. spent a few days in Ambleside last week.

Mr. Ambrose Bildstein of Chepstow and Miss Amelia Casganette of Riversdale Sundayed at the former's home here.

On Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock the burial of the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Meyer took place in the R. C. cemetery here.

NEUSTADT

Mr. Gideon Evers left on Monday for Elmira where he has secured a position as machinist in the Colonial Knitting Co.

Rev. Naemachi of Niagara Falls preached in St. Peter's Lutheran Church here on Sunday.

Quite a number of people from town attended the funeral of Mrs. Anthony Himmelspach on Tuesday.

Mrs. Wm. Lang spent a few days in Deemerton.

Mrs. H. A. Higgins returned home from the Guelph General Hospital last week. She is recovering very nicely.

Mr. Herb Weinart of Listowel spent Sunday at his home here.

Mrs. James Fairweather returned home from Drayton after spending a week down there.

Mr. Henry Dunnemen was taken to the Bruce County Hospital last week. At time of writing he is reported as doing nicely.

The ball held last Thursday evening was a grand success. A very large crowd attended, it being represented by Dunkeld, Chepstow, Cargill, Walkerton, Carlsruhe, Hanover, Chesley, Ayton, Alsfeldt, Moltke, Mildmay and Deemerton. Everybody admits that for a swell time Neustadt is the best place. Everybody reported an excellent time and the committee wishes to give hearty thanks. This was the largest crowd ever at a dance in Neustadt. Waechter's orchestra furnished the music throughout the evening.

MOLTKE.

Mr. Wm. Dore of Wingham delivered two loads of buggies to Mr. Jno. Ruhl, our local agent of Moltke.

Mr. and Mrs. John S. Bactz and Jus. Kaufman spent a few days with friends in Brant.

Pte. Cecil Cooper of near Harriston paid our burg a flying visit on Monday of last week.

The electric storm which came our way on Sat. did a considerable bit of damage in tearing down trees, and fences. A bolt of lightning struck the barn of Fred Herr, who had a narrow escape being only a few yards from the barn at present time unhitching a team from the land roller. The horses turned and ran away, but not very much damage was done.

Mrs. Ed. Helwig of Walkerton spent a few days with her sister Miss Nora Weltz. Quite a few expect to spend the 24th in Mildmay.