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Science now comes to the front with a substitute for coal. A French engineer, Paul D'Humy, knows how to solidify petroleum. He reduces it into small cubes, which, when burned give out intense heat. These burn only on the surface, give out no smoke or smell, and produce but low or three per cent. of ashes. The process is, of course, his own secret.

The finest grades of anthracite coal make at least 10 per cent. of ash, and bituminous coal fully 20 per cent. In this respect solidified petroleum has an immense advantage as a fuel sufficient to render it far preferable to coal. In household stoves, steamers or railroads and in manufacturing the removal of ash is an expensive item.

The new fuel is also far cheaper and far less bulky. A single ton of it, in blocks of whatever size may be wanted, represents at least thirty tons of coal, possibly nearer forty, and its cost to the consumer, as now figured out, will be only from \$5 to \$10 a ton.

It has still one other admirable quality. It requires very little draft to set it ablaze. A cubic inch of it will produce a light blue flame, and in a furnace it is larger in volume and a flame which with a strong draught will travel a long distance. The French inventor already made have proved that through oxygen it supplies the greatest heat obtainable.

From this it follows that its great value will be where enormous heat is required, where there must be great supplies of fuel and wherever every inch of space has value. Nowhere are these conditions more to be found than in the cases of warships, ocean steamers and the colossal steel factories that dot England and the United States. Ship designers are now greatly handicapped by the provision they are forced to make for the enormous quantities of coal required, and in some cases 2000 to 3000 tons of coal.

Then, too, every war vessel must stop frequently for coaling. This has entailed enormous expense. England has very nearly exhausted her coaling stations, the globe punctuated with coaling stations. The necessity of coal has started her in the face at every step of her foreign policy.

The space saved could be devoted to extra machinery, guns, ammunition and men, and it would at once relieve the present cramped quarters in which officers and others have to live on board of the ships of to-day. To the trans-Atlantic greyhound solidified petroleum would be a tremendous improvement. A big ocean liner now carries from 2500 to 3000 tons of coal a trip.

Compressed petrol is especially adapted for use in the manufacture of steel, for it contains no sulphur. It is used generally in the steel furnaces. About two and a half tons of coke are required to make a ton of steel, and the cost of this is from \$15.50 to \$16. To get the same quantity of unvarying intense heat, compressed petrol would cost only about \$1.50, equal to ten per cent. of the present cost.

D'Humy estimates that the production of the petroleum is now more than 3000 times in excess of the consumption, and that further supplies are available. D'Humy has made a gasolene fuel out of coal tar and pitch. This is also smokeless and cheap. Another device of his is a heating medium mixed with solid petroleum. Still another is a block of common oil for domestic use, a fuel that can be put into ashes of earth and burned in any ordinary kitchen range or grate. This fuel, it is understood, can be put on the market at a dollar a ton, a ton being equal in burning capacity to three tons of coal, which would cost in New York \$15. This fuel, it is smokeless, without smell and leaves practically no ashes at all.

Perhaps the most interesting one of D'Humy's inventions is his "ready refuge fire for soldiers on the march." Troops in bivouac often find it hard to gather sufficient wood for fires. D'Humy offers this in the form of solidified petroleum, to be cut into small cakes of an ounce or so each. These can be put into each soldier's knapsack. Each little block will stand burning for 60 minutes, and a quantity of five or six of these could be made to spring up all over a camp with practically no trouble at all.

Don't Let Strangers Kiss the Baby.

"Your baby is the most lovely that was ever born," writes Isabel A. Matton in January Ladies Home Journal, "but do not let strangers in their desire to express their admiration of it, kiss the little lips that cannot object, or clasp tightly in their arms the little body that is as yet so tender. So many little ones are injured by promiscuous kissing that the wise mother tells the nurse that once she knows that outsiders are permitted to kiss the baby her discharge without a reference will promptly follow. Hardhearted? No, indeed. Nurse must consider, first of all, her charge, even if, to the rest of the world, she is unwilling to display the baby entrusted to her care."

Askes for Hens.

Coal ashes for dusting; make the best material when run through a fine sieve, removing the larger clinkers, but leaving many small bits which the hens like, as well as gravel. Rub the ashes from the stove while warm and after spreading on the dusting floor or box scatter a small quantity of pyrethrum or insect powder over it. Scud which has been wet with a weak solution of carbolic acid is also a very able dusting material and will relieve poultry of lice.

The Hen.

"Help!" she shrieked.
"He clutched wildly his throat."
"He clutched his throat until his wife came and tied his four-in-hand for him, after which he quietly finished his dinner."—Detroit Tribune.

MATABELELAND GOLD

THE FORTUZE HUNTERS LABOR UNDER ADVERSE CONDITIONS.

Matabeleland, 29th January.
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POCKET LIGHT.

A Flash Light Lamp Is a Valuable Pocket Light.

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RELIGION OF THE ARMENIANS.

They Say Their Ancestors Were Christians.

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TRAINING A HAWK.

The Process Is Slow and Gradual—Kneak and Practice Necessary.

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ODD HAPPENINGS.

A Record of Quaint Things and Rare Events Chronicled in the New-Parier.

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THE CHEESE QUESTION

Combination Advocated to Secure Better Prices—What Successes of July Cheese—The Results of Branding.

DEAR SIR,—Permit me through the columns of your paper to say a few words to my brother farmers representing our breed and butter, which we toil so hard to obtain.

I noticed an item in last week's Reporter in reference to a movement being made throughout Eastern Ontario to dispose of our cheeses in a more profitable manner than it has been in the past, by sending salesmen to the old country, thereby getting nearer to the consumer.

In the preliminary notes of last week Dr. Brantage has given notice of a bill, regarding the making and branding of cheeses.

Should the measure become law, cheese will be branded with a government stamp, which I firmly believe is the first step that should be taken towards holding the good reputation of Canadian cheese and getting the price according therefor.

Dr. Montague should be encouraged by every farmer who is very patriotic to show you the reasons why. Canadian cheese in the old country stands A No. 1—the best in the market—where I saw it retailing at an average of 20 cts per pound.

Under the present mode of handling, when the prices are very low, as in the past season, let our factories hold their cheese, and what is the result? They cannot raise the market one iota, as orders for Canadian cheese can be filled with cheese from the United States.

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ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, TOLEDO

The Fifth Anniversary of This Church Held on Monday Evening, 27th inst.—A Large Crowd, Good Entertainment, and an Enjoyable Time.

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THE REPORTER COUNTY NEWS.

INTERESTING LETTERS FROM OUR STAFF OF CORRESPONDENTS.

A Budget of News and Gossip. Personal Intelligence. Anecdotes. Every-thing Well Mixed Up.

UNION VALLEY.

Monday, Jan. 27.—Sawing and drawing wood is all the go around here at present.

WASHERBURN'S CORNERS.

Monday, Jan. 27.—Our school is prospering under the able management of Mr. Herb Sherman, this being his third year.

A few days ago a brand new visitor came to Mr. Wet Earl's, and it came to stay, which causes Wet to feel proud.

Last week Mr. John L. Green sold his blood trolley for a good figure.

Master Ford Moulton, through a misfortune to his hip has found it necessary for the last four years to keep the limb continually strapped in a steel frame to keep it in its proper position.

A few days ago it was permanently removed, he being so far recovered that every hope is entertained that he will be permanently cured.

So far this winter cattle have done exceedingly well. The mild weather has been favorable on food, which is none too plenty this season.

On account of the scarcity of snow, business has been very dull in this section, but the heavy fall of the season has put business to boom with all the old-time vigor that our hardy settlers are noted for.

Our William is their man.

FAIRFIELD EAST.

Monday, Jan. 20.—Mrs. Welter Smith, who has had a stroke of paralysis, we are glad to be able to say is very much better, under the skilful treatment of Dr. M. B. Cornell.

Mrs. John Sturgeon of Glen Hill has returned home after spending a few days visiting her son, R. J. Sturgeon of this place.

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Mrs. Henry McNeil acting as best man and Miss Chapman assisting the bride. After partaking of the sumptuous repast which had been prepared by the hostess, the company of about 70 spent a very enjoyable evening and returned to their several homes all wishing the happy couple long life and prosperity.

ADDISON.

Monday, Jan. 20.—Mr. Charles Gray has been on the sick list for a few days, but is improving.

Mr. Charles Hayes of Lynn assisted at the Experimental Farm at Mt. Pleasant for a few days last week.

Miss Perkins of Glen Hill paid our village a short visit on Sunday last. Go it, Eddy, a faint heart never won a fair life.

The Rev. Mr. Pimlott is conducting revival services at Greenbush for a few weeks. We wish him success.

Mr. Payson Hewitt and lady of Kitely paid our village a short visit on Sunday last.

Mr. Henry Knox and his sister Hannah are spending winter weeks with their many friends in this section.

Mr. William Gibson and lady will occupy Glenwood cottage on King st. for this season.

Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Langdon of Charleston Place were guests of Mayor Langdon of Mt. Royal for a few days last week.

One evening last week the kind and genial host and hostess of the Model Farm at Mt. Pleasant gave a reception to a few of the elite and fashionable of our village and vicinity. Quite a number received the invitation gladly and early in the evening several were seen wending their way in that direction, where a very pleasant time was spent in games and other amusement.

Several important topics were discussed, such as the silo and its advantages, the best breeds of swine for early market, the right kind of corn for profit to the farmer to keep, and about midnight the party broke up, sorry to part, hoping to soon meet again.

The Rev. Mr. Lawson of North Augusta delivered a missionary sermon in our church on Sabbath evening last.

Mr. Lawson is always welcome in our village.

Mr. Robert Barlow of Glossville is on the sick list. We hope it will prove serious.

Our woodyard is now ready for the reception of our yearly supply. Those who purpose bringing in wood on account of funds accumulating, will find money on real estate the very lowest rate—\$12,000 on—ADJ. CRAWLEY, Athens, Ont.

Several new and second-hand cutters of latest styles for sale at a bargain, and will exchange for hard maple cord or stove wood. Apply to WILLIAM ASKIN, Wm. Layng's old stand, Athens.

CASH—\$800.00 worth of crockery china and glassware at Bankrupt prices Sale continues for a short time only—T. W. DENNIS, Tea Store and China Hall, Brookville, Ont., nearly opposite the Revere house.

LOCAL SUMMARY.

ATHENS AND NEIGHBORING LOCALITIES BRIEFLY WRITTEN UP.

Events as Seen by Our Ketcher of the Pen.—Local Announcements.—Bottled Right Down.

There are 27 inmates at the Industrial Home.

Miss E. Blackman of Seely's Bay is visiting friends in Athens this week.

Mr. S. Y. Bullis has his pig engine in position and nearly ready for getting up steam.

The managers of the Combination Rink will hold a fancy dress carnival on the rink in the near future.

A song service was held at the Industrial Home on Sunday last conducted by Citizens of Athens.

Miss Adda Hunt will enter the Brockville General Hospital shortly to take the course of a trained nurse.

S. Y. Bullis has a large gang of men and teams hauling wood and logs from his timber limits to his mill in the village.

The first good sleighing of the season drew out a large number of the citizens who had or could procure rigs on Sunday last.

Gordon A. McClary left last week for a three months' trip in the Ottawa district in the interests of J. F. Lamb & Son's proprietary medicines.

At the next meeting of the village council a petition praying for the enactment of a by-law compelling owners of village lots to keep the snow cleared from the sidewalks will be presented.

Rev. T. C. Brown, a former well known pastor of the Methodist church, Athens, will preach an anniversary sermon in the Methodist church on Sunday, Feb. 9th, and lecture on the following Monday evening.

The movement to establish a library for the benefit of the inmates of the Industrial Home is being actively put into shape by some of our charitable citizens. The idea is a good one and we trust gentlemen having the matter in charge to be as successful as they wish to be.

Byron W. Loverin of Greenbush planted \$2 worth of Mammoth Early Flint corn, purchased from C. Stowell of Addison, last spring. He harvested over two bushels of shelled corn, besides having an immense crop of stalks for silo purposes. He will take orders for seed from this variety to be delivered during the month of March, while the supply lasts.

Miss Alice Connors, the oldest inhabitant of Delta, passed peacefully away on Wednesday, Jan. 22nd, at the ripe old age of 84 years. She leaves four daughters and two sons to mourn her loss. The funeral was held in the Methodist church on Friday, 24th. Rev. Mr. Poyser delivered an able discourse from the 3rd chapter, 17th verse. The remains were taken to the vault to await interment.

Saturday's Times has in it another long letter from Mr. Geo. Taylor M.P. relative to the oleo-margarine legislation of ten years ago. At the end of his letter Mr. Taylor challenges Mr. Balm M.P., to discuss the question at Delta before a committee and suggests that the speaker against whom the committee may decide shall forfeit \$25 to be donated to the Agricultural Society of the township of Huskisson. That Society will be in luck if it ever gets that \$25. Perhaps, however, the luck may not be so great if the members of the Society are expected to listen to all the discussion.

The session of Division Court held in Delta last Wednesday was a decided contrast to the court held here the day before. At Athens there was hardly anything to engage the attention of the court but at Delta there was a full day's work, there being over twenty contested cases for trial. Judge Reynolds said that he had never before seen a case so to be done required expedition, and accordingly as each case was called a couple of witnesses would be sworn at once and the arguments of counsel restricted to pure and unadulterated business. In this manner the largest docket was fully disposed of.

Lockport had three cases of horse drowning last Tuesday. Abel Root who lives near the head of Grenadier Island, led his team out to water and made a dash along on the ice and broke through. His father's team was stuck in the ice, and they ran them into the barn and started to try to rescue the runaway. While they were getting them out as they succeeded in doing, the team that was put in the barn was seen making for the river, the doors apparently having been left open. They dashed in and were drowned, in spite of all efforts to rescue them. But this is not all. Rockport has a trotting course laid out on the ice, and on Tuesday afternoon the flyers were being spooled, including "Gloacester" a promising youngster owned by Andrew Reid. The cutter struck a ridge and upset, throwing the driver off, and the horse dashed into the open water and was drowned. Next morning the carcass was pulled out with the cutter, and all that Mr. Reid has are the hide, the shoes, and the memory of his trotter.

Death of Miss M.J. Kennedy. With deep regret we chronicle the death of Miss M.J. Kennedy, daughter in our church on Sabbath evening last. Miss Kennedy took place in Athens on the 20th inst., surrounded by her parents, kind brothers and sister, and many of immediate friends and acquaintances. The funeral took place on Wednesday, 22nd inst., to the church of St. Denis and was the first since the new church was opened. High mass was celebrated at 10 a.m. by the Rev. Father Kelly, and an appropriate sermon was preached. At 9 a.m. all the seats in the church were filled and standing room was at a premium. It is said by those who are worthy of credence that over 400 persons filled the church to witness the service. Father Kelly, by request of all gentlemen to vacate the pews in order to allow sittings to the crowds of ladies who were standing and kneeling in aisles. The priest also took all children from the seats and located them in the gallery. The obsequies being ended, the funeral procession reformed and proceeded to Philipville vault, where the body was deposited. Our sympathies are with the family.—Com.

Money to loan by E. Rowson, Elgin at Athens, Ont.

Miss N. Wilcox of Brookville is in Athens this week the guest of Mrs. E. S. Clow.

—Mr. N.O. Williams, of Governor, N. Y., has been visiting Athens during the past week.

—It is said that a new livery business is to be established in Athens in the near future.

Mr. A. Patterson of the firm of Lewis & Patterson, Brookville, went Sunday at the family home, Reid street.

Mr. W. Kerfoot and Miss Ida Kerfoot of Smith's Falls spent Sunday in Athens, guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. Boyce.

The tenders for the stock and book debts of Mott & Robison were opened on Wednesday last. Mr. R. J. Seymour getting the lot, and Weldon Mott of Lyle the book debts.

Quarterly services will be held in the Methodist church on Sabbath next, the sacrament and love feast following the morning service, which will commence at 10 o'clock. The Official Board will meet on the following Monday evening.

On Tuesday last Mr. R. R. Phillips, License Inspector, was in Athens visiting the crowd of bidders assembled at the auction sale at the Armstrong House. On Friday afternoon Mr. Phillips returned to his home at Caledonia after having been engaged at the auction sale at the Armstrong House. He was accompanied by his many friends in Athens.

The well known contractor and builder, N. W. Hollbrook, who is now at Schenectady, N. Y., writes the Reporter, when renewing his subscription, that he will be on deck at Athens as soon as building operations commence in the spring.

—Owing to the storm on Friday evening, it was impossible to play the hockey match arranged between the Brockville club and the Elgin club. In the afternoon the Brockville team put in an appearance, but by night it was apparent to all that play would be simply impossible.

Parties having thoroughbred stock for sale should advertise in the Reporter, as we have the largest variety of stock cuts in the province and a large number to suit the description of the animal can make one at short notice. Nothing adds more to the attractiveness of an ad than a good descriptive cut at the head. See the stock ads in this issue.

On Saturday last we noticed in the village Mr. Charles Murphy who lately suffered severely from several hemorrhages caused by the extraction of one of his teeth. Charlie looks pretty well bleached out from loss of blood. However he thinks he has the plug in for good this time, and he very reasonably hopes to be as well as ever in a short time.

The mortgage sale of the hotel property in Athens and Charleston, belonging to the estate of the late Adam Armstrong, took place on Thursday evening last. A large crowd was present but the bidding was entirely at the head of the parade.

The Armstrong House was struck off by Nathan D. McVeigh, liveyman, for the sum of \$9,650, and Cedar Park Hotel, at Charleston lake, brought \$2,100, the purchaser being R. Bowie, brewer, Brookville.

Mr. Jonathan Abrams, tax collector for Leeds, has a hen which he brought with him from Edinburgh, when he moved into Leeds 27 years ago. It is a common breed speckled hen, and has had no particular care. Through extreme age it has lost its voice, and is dull of hearing, but eats its allowance of grain equally with the other fowl. Its days of usefulness as a hen have long since passed; but as a venerable specimen it is unrivalled in this locality.

When the village collector returned his roll to the clerk last week, there was only a small balance reported as uncollected. Since then all has been paid into the treasury except \$11.15, and this will very likely be paid in this week. We are pleased to also say that there is not a dollar in back taxes remaining unpaid, excepting one small amount and that will be paid in a few days. Is there another municipality in the district that can make a like showing?

Attention is directed to the double column advt. of D. W. Downey on this page. Mr. D. W. Downey is a believer in the efficacy of printers' ink, having been a constant advertiser in the Reporter since its inception over ten years ago. The enlarging of his ad. to six times its former size is proof positive that he considers the Reporter a good medium to reach the rural population of these Counties. Keep your eye on what he says in the space he has taken, as he will have something worthy the attention of the advertiser. Mr. Downey always says what he means and means what he says.

Promissory Notes. A very important decision has been given in the Appeal Court at Toronto connected with promissory notes. The case was between Postmaster Elford of Essex and S. Collison, banker, Leamington. The latter held a note for \$7000 endorsed by Elford, and Collison did not notify him of its maturity for six years and eleven months, but renewed negotiations with the giver. Had the note run for another month the decision has been reversed by the higher court with costs upon the defendant. The decision declares that if a man endorses a note and the giver of the note fails to pay it and the endorser is not responsible if negotiations on the note have been renewed without the endorser's knowledge between the holder and the giver of the note.

The Ontario Editor. A friend writes us the following, and says he thinks it is worthy serious consideration: "A child is born, the doctor in attendance gets \$10; the editor notes it and gets 0; it is christened and the minister gets \$5, and the editor writes it and gets \$25 to \$30; it marries, and the minister gets another fee, the editor gets a piece of cake or 0.00. In the course of time it dies, the doctor gets from \$7 to \$100 and the minister perhaps gets another \$5, the editor prints the notice of death and an obituary two columns long, a set of resolutions of some lodge or organization to which the deceased belonged, and he receives \$500, and then has the privilege of running a free card of thanks and a lot of poetry besides."

The Chicago Times-Herald of Jan. 19th contained the following paragraph, concerning a former well known and favored local gentleman, "Dr. H. B. Bates and Dr. Laura Cowgill Bates, of 278 Marshall street, Chicago, celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage yesterday. Many of their old friends were present, and they occasioned an enjoyable one." The Reporter congratulates.

—Property owners in this village should remember that there are only two water tanks built for protection against fire. Last week a large portion of the town of Newcastle was burned, and though Athens has been many years exceptionally fortunate for fire protection, the village should consider that in winter time extra fires have necessarily to be kept up and consequently the danger of being burned out is increased. In the matter of fire protection the village should consider that in winter time extra fires have necessarily to be kept up and consequently the danger of being burned out is increased. In the matter of fire protection the village should consider that in winter time extra fires have necessarily to be kept up and consequently the danger of being burned out is increased. In the matter of fire protection the village should consider that in winter time extra fires have necessarily to be kept up and consequently the danger of being burned out is increased.

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—The Bank of Montreal has received from the Caribbees, British Columbia, the second largest block of gold, the Caribbees having made the New York assay office. It is in the form of a sugar loaf, weighs 245 ounces, and is valued at \$143,750.

There is likely to be a considerable rise in grain prices at Wintchester. A contract has been entered into by the Caribbees for 50,000 bushels of wheat at 95 cents and 50,000 bushels of barley at 85 cents, both to be delivered in the Winnipeg Grain Exchange at prices of 50 to 10 cents.

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BOOTS AND SHOES - Reduced About One-Third

PRICES NEARLY CUT IN TWO AT D. W. DOWNEY'S

ONE PRICE BARGAIN CASH SHOE HOUSE KING ST., BROCKVILLE

We have several thousand dollars too much Stock and must sell before the 1st of March to make room for Spring Shoes. We don't keep goods until they get out of date, and this is the way we take for clear them out.

Women's Croquet Rubbers for sale at 25 cents. Men's Sandal Rubbers for sale at 40 cents. Men's Wool Lined Rubbers for sale at 45 cents.

Men's Wool Lined Overshoes for sale at 85 cents. Infants' Button and Lace Shoes reduced to 25 cents. Infants' Slippers and Moccasins reduced to 25 cents.

Ladies' Lace and Button Shoes reduced to 1.50. Ladies' Lace and Button Shoes reduced to 2.00. Ladies' Kid Button Boots reduced to 79 cents.

Ladies' Felt Gaiter Boots reduced to 75 cents. Ladies' Felt Slippers reduced to 40 cents. Ladies' Tweed Slippers, 2 pair for sale at 25 cents.

Ladies' Carpet Slippers for sale at 20 cents. Men's Felt, Lace, Gaiter and Buckle Boots, plain and fox-d, for sale at 1.50. Men's Fine Lace and Congress Boots reduced to 1.00.

Regular prices 2.00, 2.50, and \$3.00. Regular prices 3.00, 3.50 and \$4.00. Regular prices 2.00, 2.50, and \$3.00.

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NOTICE Canadian Express Co.

Inform the general public that they have opened an office in the Village of Athens, appointing Mr. H. B. Knowles as Agent.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to section 34, Chapter III of the Revised Statutes of Ontario, that persons having claims against the estate of Lewis Stevens, late of the township of Bassett in the County of Leeds, Yeoman, deceased, who died on or about the 24th day of June A.D. 1895, and all persons having claims against the estate of William Stevens, late of the Township of Bassett, Yeoman, deceased, who died on or about the 22nd day of August A.D. 1895, are hereby required to send by post to the undersigned...

One-halt Bottle of South American Rheumatic Cure and Obtained Relief in a Few Days.

J. H. Garrett, a prominent politician of Liverpool, N.S., makes for the benefit of the public, the following statement: "I was greatly troubled with rheumatic pains for a number of years. On several occasions I could not walk, nor even put my feet to the floor. I tried every thing and all local physicians, but my suffering continued. At last I was prevailed upon to try South American Rheumatic Cure. I obtained perfect relief before I had taken a half-bottle of the remedy, and to-day regard it the only radical cure for rheumatism." Sold by J. P. Lamb, Brookville, Jan. 22nd, A.D. 1896.

For Sale or To Let

A good dwelling on Church street, nine rooms, with summer kitchen and woodshed, good cellar, barn, and good orchard. Terms apply to Mrs. W. M. McLEAN, or to A. J. A. M. Insurance Agents, Athens.

Notice.

The undersigned having bought out the interest of Jas. Leecher in the Boot and Shoe shop carried on by him in the Dowley Block, Athens, will continue the business in the name of Leecher and Co., under the name and management of W. M. DAVIS, Athens, Jan. 27, 1896.

Found

On the 21st of Jan., a medium sized, black and white Hound, owner can have same by paying expenses. ALBERT KAVANAGH, Athens, Jan. 25th, 1896.

Notice to Creditors.

In the matter of the Estate of Thomas Joseph Rodgers, deceased.

Pursuant to R.S.O. chapter III and amendments thereof, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against the Estate of Thomas Joseph Rodgers, deceased, who died on or about the 24th day of February, A.D. 1895, are hereby required to send by post to the undersigned...

Miss E. M. Richards

Dress and Mantle Making. Satisfactory work guaranteed. Apprentices wanted. Rooms over P. W. White's store.

For Sale or To Rent.

A good house and lot for sale or to rent on Willow street in Block B, containing over half an acre of land and a large barn and outbuildings. Terms apply to Mr. J. H. McLEAN, or to A. J. A. M. Insurance Agents, Athens.

NOTICE

Any person applying for rooms can obtain same by writing to Mrs. Cook, opposite High school.

House For Sale.

The subscriber, having decided to remove from Athens, offers for sale his two-story frame house with 2 1/2 acres of land attached, near the E. & W. station. The house has masonry roof, its covering is well finished. There is a small barn and a good well on the premises. Terms apply to Mr. CHAR. F. KER, Athens, Dec. 23rd, 1895.

D. G. PEAT, V. S.

Honor Graduate of Ontario Veterinary College, Toronto. Office in the Greenbank Veterinary Shop. Calls for the treatment of all domestic animals promptly and accurately. Residence at Gamba House or communicate by telephone or telegraph.

For Sale Cheap

Six young Berkshire Pigs, three young Berk County Sows, three young Berkshire Boars, registered pedigree with all their papers, including a ring for the young lady who acquires them. Price \$100.00. Terms apply to Mr. J. H. McLEAN, or to A. J. A. M. Insurance Agents, Athens.

Farm For Sale.

The farm known as the Armstrong farm, just below the Village of Athens, being a part of one of the original townships of Ontario, bounded on the north by the incorporated Village of Athens, containing 280 acres of good land. There