

COUNTRY NOTES

Sights and Sensations of the Rural Districts.

Kingsley and Claudy.

Another month comes around and we again take the pleasure of letting the JOURNAL readers know of the comings, goings and doings of our friends.

We are sorry to hear that Harry Tucker had the misfortune to cut his foot while cutting cordwood for John Williams.

Mr. Wm. Hartney of Fredericton, paid a short visit to his friends in Claudie. Miss Agnes McGinn has returned from Boston. Mrs. Wm. McGinn, who has been visiting friends at Fredericton, has returned home. We are anxiously awaiting a return of the boys, Willie McCann, who has been very seriously ill from congestion of the lungs, is, through the skilful treatment of Dr. Seery, able to be around on his feet again. We were very sorry to hear that Robert Chapman, formerly of Claudie but now of Nashwaaksis, had the bad luck to lose a valuable four-year-old colt from horse ail.

A phantom horse and sleigh with three occupants, struck a house at the end of Claudie roads about two weeks ago, where an aged and respectable couple live alone. Hearing bells they ran to the door to see who they might be, when a horse flew past and running back of the house became firmly lodged in a snow bank at which the driver jumped out and with out a word turned the horse, and ringing out an unearthly yell that scared the bears in their dens, danced a hornpipe down the road and disappeared in the distance, leaving the inmates of the house to wonder if their visitor was a ghost or an escaped lunatic.

The many friends of the Rev. Father McDevitt, in this place, were deeply grieved to hear of his death.

There is about to be a tug-of-war between two young ladies for the affections of a young gentleman.

Miss Jennie Burns is visiting at her home in Kingsley.

WOLFIE.

Zealand Station.

As we presumed the long talked of Telephone is to be a sure thing; running from Fredericton to Woodstock, extending through the pleasant valley of Keswick. No doubt it will fill a long-felt want and prove a boon to our merchants and business men in general.

Now if the people here at Zealand, could be accommodated with a daily mail, they would be willing to do without the 'Phone. It seems strange, the Zealand office almost within a stone's throw of C. P. R. station, has to put up with a twice a week cart and horse system, and in stormy weather and bad roads, not that often. Like the son of man, he cometh when we knoweth not. When people have any mailing to do they have to resort to Stone Ridge office or Smith's Corner, being three miles each way. Now if that is a fair deal we would like to know the reason why?

Now introducing the Telephone seems like putting the cart before the horse, however, it is a move in the right direction, and we feel like encouraging it; trusting in the future for a better mail system and also trusting in the hand of Providence to some day remove the source of all evil in

the person of an old crank, then we would feel assured of having justice done us.

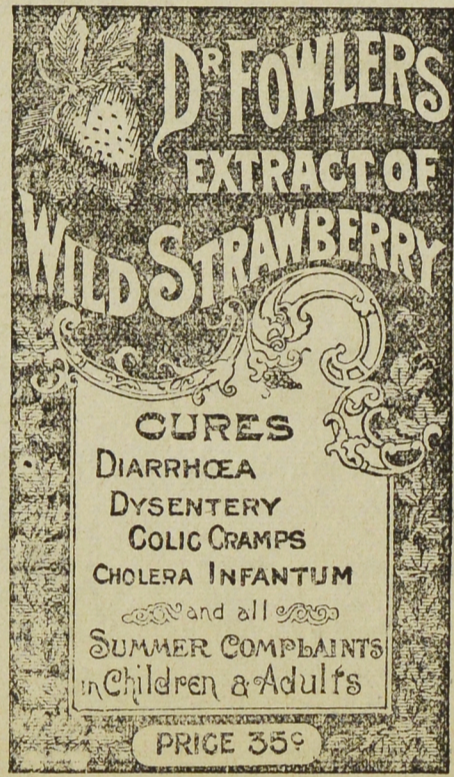
Most of our young men have returned from the lumber woods. Now for wedding bells.

Joshiway's silo, beneath his kitchen, is transformed into a full fledged ice house, he is soliciting orders for the coming summer.

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