

Correspondence.

Spicy News Items Gathered by Gazette Correspondents.

TO EDITOR QUEENS COUNTY GAZETTE.

A great many of our farmers have a totally wrong conception of what their education should be in order that they may know how to farm, and have it done practically as well as scientifically. They imagine that to be educated means to have a wide knowledge of reading, writing, spelling and arithmetic, and some higher branches. These are all well in their place, and are a necessary part of every man's education. All these forms may be termed the fundamental part of their education. These, however, should not be looked upon or considered in any sense as completing it. A thorough training in these is good (the writer is poorly trained), and after they are acquired a very much broader field opens up to one's view. This is a field large in extent, one which affords every person a chance to educate himself along the line that will best fit him to make a grand success of the calling which he has chosen. This the farmer has to do as well as the professional man if he expects to keep pace with the agricultural world. It is just as important in these days that we young men should have and receive a training that will enable us to practice it. The practical value of an education for the farmer in the sciences pertaining to his occupation is shown very clearly by men who have that education. The educated man so handles his farm that he can earn fifty dollars per month while the uneducated man earns fifteen to twenty. Many of our uneducated farmers are content with their own each producing twenty-five dollars worth of products per year, while the educated man is only content with about seventy dollars in the same time; the uneducated farmer is content with a profit of fifteen dollars per acre (of the land cultivated), while the educated man wants fifty dollars at least. The practical value of an education for the farmer cannot be underestimated in any way. The farmer who knows nothing about the higher branches of agriculture, or has not received a thorough training in the best methods of practicing his calling, will not make a success of his business. He will not be able to make the most out of his farm.

I find there is a great tendency to retrograde, and instead of the farm becoming more valuable it is growing less in value. It will lose its productive powers if proper methods are not followed in maintaining and keeping up the fertility of the soil. There is no branch of farming that will respond to skill and advanced training in the best methods more than will the dairy. How is this? Simply by the farmer getting a thorough knowledge and training in the breeding, caring for, and above all the feeding of his cows to enable them to produce to their utmost capacity. The same will apply to all branches of farming. We have got to keep up the proper fertility in our soils for them to produce to their utmost capacity. We apply our barn-yard manures to keep up the fertility of our lands, never giving it a moment's consideration of what it contains, or if it is deficient in any of the elements that are necessary to the growth of vegetation. Most of us do not even consider what it is we are carrying away from our farm in our hay and grain and fruits and what goes to make up the bone and muscle of our animals. We do not consider that we are taking from the soil its phosphates (phosphoric acid) year after year, and that a very small amount of that which is taken is returned through the medium of our barn-yard manures. Do not misunderstand, I do not wish to underestimate the value of barn-yard manure, but simply to get you to realize that it is deficient in bone forming elements, and that you have got to add phosphate of lime to keep up the supply of phosphoric acid for your crops. We want to get the farmers educated up to the fact that in the feeding of grain and fodder to the animals on their farms that they utilize the phosphate of lime for the building and maintenance of bone. The farm is supplying the bone of the animals and people on our farms and in the cities, and by so doing our farms are becoming weakened in their phosphates, and the farmers begin to realize there is something wanting which barn-yard manures do not supply. Thomas-Phosphate Powder can supply this great want. It is the only practical soil manure known to science to-day for this purpose.

It is for this reason that I want to see more education among the farmers, so that they will learn to know that the only practical way of supplying their lands with phosphoric acid is by using Alberts' Thomas-Phosphate Powder.

Yours truly,

AJAX.

Kingsville, Ont., Nov. 1st., 1898.

Sypher's Cove.

Nov. 9th.—The majority of farmers in this place, have finished their fall ploughing. Some of the young people have gone to the lumberwoods, which makes it rather dull for the remaining young folks.

A very pleasant evening was spent at the residence of Mr. John T. Sypher, Oct. 31st. A goodly number were present and Mr. Sypher, in his usual genial manner, did everything to render an enjoyable evening for his guests. Games of various kinds were indulged in during the first part of the evening. Later on, the table was spread with a plentiful supply of good things in which all heartily participated.

Music was furnished by Messrs. J. T. Sypher and Geo. Akerly.

Mr. W. S. Butler took a prominent part in the amusements of the evening. Mr. A. J. Doyle supplied candy, etc., for the company.

Messrs. Geo. Robinson and Elias Sypher have started a large mining operation, and will be able to supply people with as good coal as can be obtained in Newcastle or vicinity.

Mr. Leslie Butler while out gunning a few days ago, killed three partridge and a wild duck at one shot, the duck was swimming in a pond near by. Mr. Butler is not always so successful with his game. A short time ago he set a trap for a bear and caught a wild cat, which he thought possible to take home alive. He so far succeeded as to wrap his coat around it and get it from the trap, when it began to claw and scratch so viciously that he had to let it go.

Miss Lizzie Albright, of Fredericton,

is visiting at Mr. J. Doyle's.

Miss Ellen Stuart, who has charge of the school here is highly appreciated. Inspector Bridges called on her school a few ago and expressed himself greatly pleased with the way it was conducted.

One evening last week a number of young people were agreeably entertained at Mr. W. S. Butler's.

We are pleased to learn that Mr. Sidney Butler who has been suffering for some time from a severe attack of rheumatism has so far recovered as to be able to work again in his little foundry.

One of our young men has nothing to sigh for (Sypher) now, as we believe Newcastle again possesses its attraction for him.

No Right to Ugliness.

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Lower Salmon Creek.

Nov. 6.—The death of Mr. Harvey Barton which occurred Oct. 28th has cast a gloom over this settlement.

The Sacrament of the Lord's supper was observed in the Presbyterian church at this place on Sunday. Owing to the wet weather there was not many attendants.

Miss Lizzie Harper has gone to attend college at Halifax.

Quietness now reigns in this locality as most of the lumbermen have again resumed their winter's work.

Mrs. Walter Hargrove of Lakeville is spending a few weeks with her relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Gale of Young's Cove spent Sunday with her parents.

Messrs Henry and Geo. DeForest of Waterford, paid this place a flying visit last week, being the guests of Mr. Samuel Baird.

Mr. Willie Porter, who was home from Boston to attend his sister's wedding, left by Stm. May Queen on Oct. 27th, accompanied by Miss Alice Stevens, who intends spending the winter with her uncle Mr. Hugh McRae.

Mr. John Watson and Mrs. Maggie Fiddler were married at the manse by Rev. D. McD. Clark, Oct. 20th.

A quiet wedding took place at the home of Mr. Wm. Porter, Oct. 26th, when his daughter Clara was united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Isaac Hutchinson of Red Bank. Rev. D. McD. Clarke performed the ceremony.

His Life Was Saved.

Mr. J. E. Lilly, a prominent citizen of Hannibal, Mo., lately had a wonderful deliverance from a frightful death. In telling of it he says: "I was taken with Typhoid Fever, that ran into Pneumonia. My lungs became hardened. I was so weak I couldn't even sit up in bed. Nothing helped me. I expected to soon die of Consumption, when I heard of Dr. King's New Discovery. One bottle gave great relief. I continued to use it, and am now well and strong. I can't say too much in its praise." This marvellous medicine is the surest and quickest cure in the world for all Throat and Lung Trouble. 50 cents and \$1.00, at any Drug Store; every bottle guaranteed.

Douglas Harbor.

Nov. 14.—The weather? Well there is no particular weather lately. That is, none worth mentioning, and the roars are very good considering all the rain we have had this fall.

The farmers are still busy ploughing and some expect to be through by January.

Indications, savoring of superstition tells us we will have a mild winter. The sportsmen say the partridges' legs are not feathered as much as usual.

Many of these birds have been killed in this section during the past season, and unless the law is enforced preventing sportsmen hunting with dogs, these fine game birds will soon become extinct. We sincerely hope that at the next meeting of the Legislature proper steps may be taken to prevent this wanton slaughter.

A prohibitory cattle law is being agitated in this place. The petition, which we hear, is largely signed will of course be laid before the County Council at the next annual meeting. We wish it every success.

There is a prospect of the "May Queen" running another week, and trade at the Harbor still continues brisk. Up to this time the steamer has made fifty-seven trips during the season, and has carried an unusual amount of freight. Two hundred and fourteen barrels at one time were shipped from our own wharf.

The "apple peeling" at Mrs McFarlin's proved a great success. The attendance was large and a vast quantity of apples were soon hung up to dry while the peelings flew thick and fast.

The popular "pumpkin pie" was then served in liberal quantities. After this games were indulged in until the "wee sma' hours." One young man received a severe contusion on the head from a belated apple, tho' his case is not dangerous. All were unanimous in thanking Mrs. McFarlin for a very enjoyable evening.

On Tuesday last, in the Methodist church at Scotchtown, the Rev. Herbert

Moore of Maine, who was here on a visit to his friends, preached to a large and appreciative congregation.

Iron Bound Cove.

Mr. Edward McDonough, our well-known lumberman, started for the woods on Monday last.

This place seems very lonely since the young men have all gone to the woods, and we will heartily welcome them back to spend Christmas with us.

Miss Sarah Harrison is spending a few weeks with friends in Fredericton, and will be heartily welcome back.

Mr. Alex. Brogan, of Chipman, has gone to Marysville to visit friends.

Messrs. James and Frank Duffie were the guests of Mr. Edward McDonough one evening last week.

Dances are quite prevalent here. During the present week there has been one at Jack Armstrong's, and one at James McNeill's.

Miss Susie Gallagher has gone to the States.

Chipman.

Nov. 14.—The remains of Harry F. Fowler, who was accidentally shot at North Stratford, N. H., last Tuesday, arrived here on the Central line last Friday, with Arthur Higgins in charge. The deceased, who was 24 years of age, was the second son of Mr. John Fowler, of Salmon Creek. He left here a couple of months ago for New Hampshire woods, where he was employed as cook in a lumber camp when he met his death so unexpectedly. Tuesday being election day in the United States, the men were all away with the exception of young Fowler, who went gunning in the forenoon, and was found dead about 2 o'clock in the afternoon, (by one of the men who returned to camp), pierced in the breast by heavy shot, with the gun lying near the body when discovered. The funeral took place on Saturday forenoon from his father's residence, and the body was laid to rest in Red Bank cemetery, Rev. D. McD. Clarke officiating.

The Stm. May Queen made its last trip to Salmon River last Wednesday and took its final departure on Thursday morning—being 56 round trips for the season as against 55 trips for the previous year.

Our esteemed townsman, Harry King, took a well-deserved vacation last week, when he visited the land of Evangeline, where his mother and the rest of the family at present reside. Before resuming business Harry intends to make a short visit to friends in the city of St. John, where he is well and favorably known.

John Amos Hudlin, the colored prisoner, who last week made a dash for liberty in escaping from Sydney County jail, was also fleeing for his life, from a foul prison cell unit for any human being without endangering his health, according to the declaration of the learned Judge in his address to the Jury last October, when the above prisoner was sentenced to six months in jail and to pay a fine of \$150, or remain in jail till it was paid at the expiration of the six months.

There are three counts in the indictment against Hudlin. First, interfering with the Sheriff in the discharge of his duty. Second, assaulting the Sheriff. Third, theft of the cultivator seized by the Sheriff. The Jury returned a verdict of "guilty" on the first count, and "not guilty" on the second and third counts with a strong recommendation to mercy. The prisoner's counsel A. W. Baird, Esq., presented in court a petition numerously signed on his client's behalf.

Dr. James H. King, son of Senator King, who left here a year ago for British Columbia has secured a lucrative position on the medical staff in connection with the C. P. R., on the Pacific coast. When Dr. King first went west he had a fine imposed on him for practicing without license, but later he stood a rigid examination before the Board of examiners appointed by the medical council of British Columbia, and is now practicing his profession in the Kootenay district at the Crows Nest pass.

Five or six inches of snow fell here on Thursday night and on Friday it snowed and rained alternately, which has been followed by frosty weather making good sleighing ever since.

Salmon River.

Nov. 18.—The farmers of this place have nearly all gone to the woods, consequently the place bears rather a deserted appearance.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Brown returned on Thursday from Richibucto where they were spending their honeymoon, and have gone to their new home on Big Forks.

Miss Rebecca Lamb and Miss Agnes Fulton have gone to St. John for the winter.

Mr. Moses Moore of Jerusalem, Queens Co., made a short visit among friends at Fulton Brook last week.

Rev. Mr. Clark held service at Upper Mills on Sunday last, but owing to the rain very few got out, and he was unable to keep his appointment at Big Forks.

Quite a number gathered at the Middle school house on the evening of Thursday, Nov. 3, to listen to an interesting and educational entertainment given by Miss Ben-Oliel, of Palestine, on the costumes, customs and manners of the people of that country.

The Chipman correspondent no doubt meant well when he, in last week's

paper, stated that Mr. Isaac Murray had taken to himself a wife, but we are led to think it a mistake, since the young lady named as such has lately gone away, while he is still here, looking as happy as ever, which he would hardly do had she been his wife—unless family troubles had commenced somewhat sooner than they usually do and they thought best to separate.

As Mr. Joe Lamb and two young ladies were driving down the road last Sunday in the midst of a heavy rainstorm he noticed a large biped crouching beneath the boughs of a tree near the road. He, much surprised at the sight of such a rarity, drew up his horse so that he might learn more of the object. As luck would have it one of the party was pretty well versed in Ornithology, and, after a close inspection, pronounced it a rare species of the "Red Bird" family. As Mr. Lamb is blessed with a tenderer heart than most of his sex, he did not offer to molest the poor thing, nor would he allow one of the young ladies to do so, though to prevent her was rather an arduous task. The bird grew tired of standing beneath the tree, however, and Mr. Geo. Fulton, whose home was quite near, saw it soaring about quite near his house, and, being a very active man, succeeded with little difficulty in capturing it alive. It is a magnificent bird, measuring about six feet from tip to toe, and those who have never seen one of that species may satisfy their curiosity by calling on Mr. Fulton who takes great pleasure in exhibiting his prize.

Miss Nettie Ward spent Saturday and Sunday with friends at Salmon Creek.

Miss Letitia Smith, who has been away for some time, returned home on Tuesday last.

The Forks school opened Nov. 1 under the management of Miss Dunn.

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Cambridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Silas Dakin, of Digby, N. S. will remain with Mrs. Dakin's mother, Mrs. Elanora Black during the winter.

Rev. Grant Corey, will preach at Macdonald's Corner, Narrows and Mill Cove churches on Sunday the 29th inst.

Mr. Blackburn who has been trying to do evangelistic work in this section for the last month has taken his departure.

Mr. John McD. Belyea, started for Boston this morning. He will remain there several weeks visiting his son, Dr. F. S. Belyea and other friends.

Miss Elsie Branscombe, of North End, St. John, is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. W. H. White.

Dr. H. E. Bulyea intends to remove to Gagetown next week where he will remain for a few weeks practicing his profession.

Miss Susie O. Macdonald is the guest of Miss Lizzie R. McLean.

Special meetings have been held at Macdonald's Corner during the last week the result of which four have expressed their desire to lead new lives.

Messrs. McKenzie and Steeves have a crew of men engaged repairing the bridge across the Robinson brook.

Rejoicing is heard everywhere in this section over the success of Mr. Harry Vail.

Mr. Fred MacAlpine of Upper Hampstead and Mr. Fred Ebbett of Lower Gagetown, visited friends at Lower Cambridge on the 13th inst.

Mr. Jacob Carpenter has moved into his new house. This new cottage reflects great credit on the builder, Mr. Willie Snodgrass of Young's Cove.

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