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NOTES FROM THE RURAL DISTRICTS

HOWLAND RIDGE

Howland Ridge, July 28—The weather for the past week has been very fine and the farmers are getting along fine haying.

Mrs. Herbert Crouse who has been on the sick list we are glad to say she is able to be around again.

The people of this place are glad to say that Mr. Harry Moor makes frequent trips to Mr. Cromwell Greenlaw's.

Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Lester wear a smiling face—it's a bouncing baby girl.

Mrs. Henry Greenlaw made a call on Mrs. George Meade, and family recently.

We are sorry to say that Messrs. Johnny Flemming and Mr. Henry Greenlaw have left this place for a while.

Miss Bessie Crouse made a sort call on her sister-in-law Mrs. Jerry Crouse recently.

Raspberrying seems to be the order of the day.

LOWER HAINESVILLE

Lower Hainesville, July 21—The farmers in this section of the country have commenced haying, they report hay a very light crop in most places again this season.

The death occurred at Pinder, York County on July 11th of Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Bruce. The little one was badly scalded on Thursday, July 16, and though suffering intensely he lingered until Saturday morning when death relieved his sufferings, and he went to be with Jesus who has said "Suffer the little children to come unto me and forbid them not for this is the Kingdom of Heaven." The remains were brought here and tenderly laid to rest in the cemetery. Rev. E. W. Lester conducted the funeral services at 2.30 p.m. on Sunday and preached a very touching sermon from the above mentioned text. Mrs. Bruce was formerly Miss Stella Allen of this place and the sympathy of the entire community goes out to the bereaved parents.

Mr. and Mrs. James Coney and the Misses Francis and Hattie Haines of Marysville drove to this place on Saturday and spent Sunday with

friends here.

Mrs. Miles Elliott has been visiting friends at Marysville and St. Mary's. Mr. Sterling Brewer who recently returned from the Victoria Hospital, is we are glad to say improving quite rapidly.

Earl and Violet Foreman have returned from Victoria where they have been visiting their cousin, Mrs. D. E. Nixon.

Messrs. Frank and Arleigh White have built a fine new barn this summer.

MAUGERVILLE

Maugerville, July 26—Mr. Charles Leo McCluskey, formerly of Hambleton W. Va., who has been the guest of his uncle Denis and Harry Mc. Cluskey left for his home at Bath, Me.

The Misses Spencer, New York are guests of Miss Annie Masee.

Among the summer guests at McCluskey's hotel are: Mrs. John Munro Brookline and sister, Miss Collins, Boston; Mrs. W. E. Farrell, three children and maid, Fredericton; Mrs. McCann and son of St. John; Mrs. Kelly, son and daughter, St. John.

Mr. John Rush was the guest of Messrs. Mike and Jerry Coakley of Minto.

Misses Grace Smith and Estahrooks of Gibson are visiting Mrs. William Powers.

Mrs. George A. Perley and sister Mrs. Slipp, who is here from the West are renewing acquaintances in Woodstock and vicinity.

SMITHFIELD

Smithfield, July 29—The weather for the past few weeks has been very fine and the farmers are busy haying.

We are sorry to hear that Mr. Ray Dykeman has lost a very fine colt.

Mr. David Essensa has hired a man from Boston for haying.

Mr. Willie Beateau is haying for Mr. James Essensa.

Mr. Frank Feeney is working for Mr. David Essensa.

Mr. Chas. Ross is running a boarding house this summer.

Mr. Allen Myshrahl has returned again to renew old acquaintances.

Mr. John McDermott of McAdam

passed through this place recently after visiting his parents.

Miss Alice Myshrahl has been visiting friends of this place for the past two weeks.

LOWER CAVERHILL.

Lower Caverhill, July 25—We are having very good growing weather now and the farmers are kept busy. Many have commenced haying. The herds, grass and clover will compare very favorably with other years.

The usual number of summer tourists are visiting friends here.

Mrs. Wm. Graham of Eureka, Cal., and her daughter, Mrs. Burns, Seattle, Wash., were spending a few days at Mr. James Clarke's recently.

Mr. G. Story McLaughlin and family of Van Buren, Mo., are spending the summer at Mr. Henry O. Jewett's.

Miss Beatrice King is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. M. Clarke during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson and Conn. and Mrs. I. C. Morrison were the guests of Mr. Henry Prescott on Sunday last.

J. E. Haynes and his brother-in-law, Mr. Frank Oliver, enjoyed a pleasant outing with Mt. Charles V. Pickard at Indian Brook Lake.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Ballett will be pleased to note their arrival home from the west.

Miss Vera Coope and Sherman Jones who were taken to Victoria Hospital to be operated upon for appendicitis, are improving rapidly.

Mr. Herbert Caverhill, who has been laid up with a sore hand, is now doing nicely under the skilful treatment of Dr. Jewett.

Deer and moose are reported plentiful, also partridge, which will bring many sportsmen into our woods during the hunting season.

Mr. Joseph Anderson made a flying trip to Fredericton on Thursday last with his handsome team of driving horses.

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Protecting the Roads

Italy is drafting and will enforce a series of regulations covering the width of wheel rims to be allowed on highways.

Dentists Cannot Advertise

In Tasmania dentists are forbidden by law from any form of advertising.

New Shoe Device

Ball and socket fasteners have been patented to hold tongues of shoes in place.

Telephones in Canada

There is a telephone for every 15.2 persons in Canada, according to official figures.

Oil Wells for Spain

Promising surface indications of petroleum deposits in Spain have led the government to investigate the discoveries.

It is quite possible for a man to sow wild oats until they become tame.

The Kaiser has forbidden his officers to deal with marriage brokers.

Portugal makes ability to read and write a requirement for suffrage.

Most of the cocoa imported into the United States is produced in the West Indies and Central and South America.

Only seven weddings have taken place in Gloucester Cathedral in fifty-two years.

MARVELOUS INSTINCT OF WILD ANIMALS

New Method of Study and Experimenting Used by Nature Students

The French possess a curious institution in the form of an institute of zoological psychology established in a farm near Paris. This station comprises meadows and barnyards, a pond to the bottom of the pond, stocked with fish. Then, too, there are spacious buildings, including modern stables, a riding school, stalls for isolating animals under special observation, an aquarium and a laboratory. A dove-cote is placed upon the roof of the main building.

As evidencing the desire of the French naturalists to study the habits of living creatures under natural conditions, it may be mentioned that a complete diving apparatus has been provided in which observers may descend to the bottom of the pond. There they may remain for hours until the fish become accustomed to their presence, and follow their natural impulses in playing and feeding. The under-water student thus is enabled to note their habits at first hand.

The other extreme of observation is the construction of sheltered platforms in the branches of trees, where students sit throughout the night armed with electric flashlights to watch the doings of owls, bats and nocturnal insects.

It is reported by a scientist that an important conclusion reached by the students is that some animals possess a special sense whereby they can detect the presence of water even though they cannot see it. For instance with sheep and cattle when being driven across country.

In a place where the presence of water was wholly unexpected the Australian noted some curious facts. The leading animals suddenly would lift their heads and draw long breaths. Then they would start for the beaten tracks and start running through the bush. Sometimes they would run for a mile and a half to two miles and could not be stopped by the drivers, their course invariably leading to a pond or spring hitherto unknown.

In France the experiments were made on a water rat. First its eyes were blinded by a bandage and then it was placed on a turntable, which was whirled round until all sense of direction must have been obliterated. Upon being released, without a moment's hesitation, it started directly for the pond, several hundred yards distant.

Frogs and toads were taken to a distance of three or four miles from water and liberated. It seemed to take them only a short time to find the water. One old blind toad showed the instinct in the same degree as the others.

Among the subjects of investigation is the sight of birds and the homing instincts of the carrier pigeon. Many members of the institution are inclined to consider this a phenomenon of far sight. They have been taking by triangulation the height to which birds soar and from that figuring out the radius of vision—they attain.

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