

The News from Arkell

Saw Mill and Farm to Let,

for a term of three years or more. There are about fifty acres of land cleared, and the Saw Mill is in good working order, with about 300 saw logs now lying near, to be cut on shares. Rent moderate, and one-half to be taken in labour on the farm, if wished. Further particulars may be known on application to Thomas Arkell, Lots 7 and 8, in the 9th Concession of Puslinch, better known as "The Plains".

Puslinch

March 25th 1847.

The Queen's Birthday in Puslinch Plains

June 3rd 1864.

Her Majesty's Birthday was celebrated by the people of Puslinch Plains with becoming loyalty, and a number of games and athletic sports were indulged in, for which the following prizes were awarded:

Foot race of 400 yards, time of 56 seconds, P. Black, winner.

Standing jump, 10 feet, 1 inch, P. Hume.

Foot race of 200 yards, time of 23 seconds, P. Petty.

Running hop-step-jump, 35 feet, 10 inches, T. Hume.

Foot race of 100 yards, time 13 seconds, P. Black.

High jump, 4 feet, 8 inches, A. Black.

Running jump, 16 feet, 1 inch, P. Hume.

Race, blindfolded, 100 yards, E. Wakefield.

Standing high jump, 3 feet, 8 inches, J. Black.

Pole jump, 9 feet, 9 inches, A. Black.

Throwing the stone, 23 feet, 5 inches, J. Smith.

Wheelbarrow race, 100 yards, E. Petty.

Throwing the sledge, 32 feet, 5 inches, G. Ingles.

Sack race, 100 yards, P. Petty.

Game of quoits, J. Black.

Steeple chase, T. Wakefield.

Race for boys, 200 yards, R. Campbell.

Race for boys, under 12 years, 100 yards, J. McRobbie.

Race for men over 40 years, R. Edwards.

Horse race, S. Nulty. (possibly McNulty)

Trotting match, D. King.

from the Guelph Mercury newspaper

Soirée at Puslinch Plains

November 28th 1867.

A soirée will be held in the School House at Arkell on Thursday evening, the 5th of December. The proceeds are to be appropriated to aid the Section Library, and such a laudable object deserves to be shown marks of particular favour. Even a small sum supplemented by an equal amount, which the Department of Education grants, may be the means of bringing much valuable knowledge, which might otherwise be unattained, within the range of many a locality. The Reverend Messrs. Torrance, Hogg, Little, Howie, and Campbell, and P. Gow, Esq., M.L.A., will deliver addresses on the occasion. Tickets only 25 cents.

Puslinch Plains Soirée

December 11th 1867.

The fruit soirée, which we noticed two weeks ago, came off at the Plains on Thursday night last and was well attended. Mr. McLellan, teacher in the section, occupied the chair, and excellent and interesting addresses were given by Reverend Messrs. Hogg and Howie, of Guelph, and Campbell of Rockwood, and Mr. McLean, teacher, Puslinch. We are glad to hear that the large sum of \$31.85 was realized, which sum is to be applied in aid of the school library.

Local News Items – Arkell

February 26th 1869.

A social tea meeting took place at Puslinch Plains on the afternoon of the 18th instant, when Miss E. Battersby was presented with a fruit basket and butter cooler of electro plate, as a token of the respect in which she is held by the choir and congregation of the church there, having been a member of the choir for the last four years.

Nearly Choked to Death

Saturday December 23rd 1876.

On Friday evening, a little child, daughter of Mr. Andrew Laing, of Arkell, nearly met her death by being choked with a piece of meat that she had been chewing. When the child had partially swallowed the meat and it had become stuck in her throat and she was fast smothering, her father was called from the slaughterhouse, only a few yards distant. He at once ran and seized the child by the legs and striking her sharply on the back with the palm of his hand, the piece of meat was coughed up.

from the Guelph Mercury newspaper

English Church, Puslinch

January 27th 1877.

The congregation at Puslinch is to have its new organ opened tomorrow by Miss Geddes, and several members of the choir are to assist. The collection is to be devoted to a small balance still due on the organ.

Destruction of the Caulfield Mills

September 17th 1877.

On Sunday morning, shortly after one o' clock, several people in Guelph noticed a bright light east of the town, and taking into consideration the hour and the fact that no glare in the heavens had been seen in that direction earlier in the evening, the conclusion was arrived at that a fire of more than ordinary dimensions was in progress in that direction. An hour thereafter the light had disappeared, and those who had been watching it intently, retired to their couches.

On Sunday evening, it was stated that the saw and grist mills situated about three and a half miles from the town had been burned down during the preceding night. This at once explained the ominous glare of the preceding evening.

After enquiries being made, the following particulars in regard to the affair have been gleaned. Mr. Jas. Caulfield, the proprietor of the mills, had the flouring mills leased to Messrs. Cordiner and Haigh, and ran the saw mill himself when the manufacture of lumber was carried on.

The fire was noticed shortly after one o' clock, and the alarm was instantly given. When the fire was first noticed, it was running up the side of the sawmill, and this fact almost conclusively shows that incendiaries must have been at work, inasmuch as no light had been in that particular portion of the premises for some time where the fire originated. The flames spread with such great rapidity that when people in the neighbourhood were aroused, nothing out of the mill could be saved, notwithstanding the fact that the flour was near the front door of the mills. The buildings were contiguous to each other, which ensured their rapid demolition after the fire had once got a headway.

The bridge that crosses the river at the mills was on fire but the exertions of those present saved it. The loss sustained by Mr. Caulfield, the owner of the property, is fully \$8,000, on which there is not a cent of insurance, the policy having been allowed to lapse a short time ago. Messrs. Cordiner and Haigh's loss will be over \$1,500 on 120 barrels of flour, 220 bags of flour ready for shipment, and about 150 bushels of wheat. There was no insurance on this either.

The millers worked until about eight o' clock on Saturday night, but there was no light at any time in the quarter of the buildings where the fire originated. We have been informed that Mr. Haigh will leave for England within a week or two, to procure money to again invest in the milling business in this neighbourhood.

Concert in Arkell

December 23rd 1878.

On Thursday night, a concert was given in Arkell under the auspices of the Independent Order of Good Templars, assisted by the dramatic company of Refuge Lodge, of Guelph. There was a good attendance. Miss Bunyan opened the entertainment with an instrumental selection, which was executed in her usual first-class manner.

The drama of "The Stumbling Block" was then placed on the boards and acted with good effect. Mr. Beirnes, as the Deacon's son, and Mrs. Beirnes, as the Deacon's adopted daughter, acted their roles to good advantage, as did also Mr. Woodburn as Barney, the servant, Miss Noble as Norah, Mr. Howie as Deacon, and Messrs. Hunt, Heys, and Scott as the three erring brothers.

Recitations were given by Messrs. Scott, Young, and Beirnes, and a duet by Mr. and Mrs. Beirnes, all of which were well received. Songs were given by Messrs. Beirnes and Young and Mrs. Beirnes. The farce of "Aladden" and the dialogues "Remember Benson" and "The Wrangling Pair" were well produced. "God Save the Queen" was then sung, bringing to a close an entertainment of a very agreeable and pleasing character.

Picnic at Arkell

July 10th 1880.

The public school children at Arkell marked the close of the school for the summer holidays by a picnic on Friday afternoon and a cherry festival in the evening. There was a large turnout, including many pupils whom Mr. McLaren, teacher of the Arkell School, had formerly taught. Besides a programme of music, which was effectively carried out, there were a few speeches delivered, bearing on educational matters. Among the speakers was Reverend Dr. Wardrope. The affair was a success in every way, but the attendance at the festival would have been larger but for the rain.

Fires in Puslinch

August 23rd 1880.

About ten o' clock on Saturday night, the old Plaister Hotel, on the farm of F. W. Stone, on Puslinch Plains, owned by Mr. George King, was destroyed, together with a barn and sheds adjacent. The fire originated in the barn, and it, being of wooden material, was soon consumed. The flames spread to the log building, which used to be the hotel, and although a number of persons had collected about the place, nothing could be done to stay the progress of the flames. Fortunately, the house was unoccupied and the barn was empty. The loss is estimated at \$250, for which sum, it is insured.

About four o' clock on Sunday morning, persons in the neighbourhood were again alarmed by a fire, on the farm of William Haines, on the opposite side of the road from the recent fire. An old log house, almost worthless, and unoccupied, had become ignited, it was thought by many, from a spark from the other buildings. Some neighbours, however, who reached the spot first, said that they saw three men removing the fence from the front of the burning building, immediately after the fire had been started. As soon as the former began to approach the place, the three men ran towards the bush, and it is supposed that they are responsible for the destruction of all the buildings.

New Flouring Mill

August 25th 1880.

The old Caulfield mill of Puslinch, burned some time ago, is being rebuilt by Mr. William Haines. The walls of the first storey are made of stone, the upper part of the building being frame. On Tuesday, the frame was raised by over seventy of the neighbours and friends of Mr. Haines, without an accident. There will only be one run of stones placed in the mill at present. The farmers of that neighbourhood will be glad when the mill is re-opened.

Local News

November 11th 1880.

This week, Mr. Henry Arkell, of Puslinch, sold a fine Cotswold ram to Mr. Francis Rawson, of Guelph Township, at a good figure.

Arrival of Sheep from England

July 18th 1881.

Mr. Peter Arkell, of Teeswater, arrived in Guelph, on the 16th, from England, with a cargo of 50 sheep, consisting of purebred Cotswolds and Oxford-downs, all from noted flocks. He brought 26 for himself, 21 for Mr. H. Arkell, of Arkell, and 6 for Mr. Stone, of Guelph.

Sale of Cotswold

August 4th 1881.

Henry Arkell, of Arkell, has again made a good sale of three purebred Cotswold ewes to Mr. Wm. Privett, of Greensburg, Decatur County, Indiana. Also, two Cotswold ewes to Mr. Thos. Arkell, of Arkell.

Local News — Arkell

October 3rd 1881.

Henry Arkell, of Arkell, has again made a good sale of fine bred sheep, consisting of nine imported Oxforddowns to Mr. Mossom Boyd, of Bobcaygeon, also, two Cotswold yearling ewes to R. H. Thompson, of Paisley, and one Cotswold ram lamb to R. and W. Thomas, of Nassagaweya.

Local News — Arkell

October 14th 1881.

Mr. Henry Arkell has been awarded the silver butter dish, given by Mr. Joseph Kidd as a special prize for the highest aggregate cash value of animals or field products gaining first prizes at Puslinch Show and exhibited by one exhibitor.

Sale of Stock

February 9th 1882.

Henry Arkell, of Arkell, has been making a number of sales lately, consisting of both Cotswold and Oxford-down sheep:

Ten Cotswolds, all imported, to Henry Iles, of Eramosa.

Cotswold ram lambs to the following: Wm. Rae, John Iles, James Petty, and Wm. Hume, all of Arkell, R. H. Thomas and James Watson, of Nassagaweya, and H. Wharton, of Eramosa, and to John Arkell, six ewes.

One Oxforddown ram lamb to W. H. Rollins, Henry Iles, and one to Peter Arkell, of Teeswater.

For the Old Country

May 17th 1882.

Messrs. Henry Arkell and John Iles, of Puslinch, left a few days ago on a trip to the Old Country. The former intends to import a large number of sheep for himself and Mr. Peter Arkell, of Teeswater. He has had considerable experience in that line, is considered a first class judge, and fanciers of pure bred stock can rely on getting from him superior animals of good pedigrees. He intends returning in three months. Mr. Iles has been in poor health for some time, and goes for the benefit of change. It is hoped that the trip will prove beneficial and that he will return fully restored to health.

Sad Drowning Accident

July 15th 1882.

There were several reports current in the city this forenoon with reference to a drowning accident which occurred last evening, one of which said that a young lady belonging to a dancing party had lost her life in the Eramosa River, near Paradise, while another stated that the sorry event had taken place in a pond near Arkell Village, Puslinch. Enquiry proved that unhappily the rumours were too well founded, and that the latter place was where the lamentable accident transpired. The victim is Miss Isabella Ritchie, aged 20, whose parents reside on Gwynne Street, this city, but who was employed in the woollen factory of Joseph Cartlige, near Arkell Village.

The facts of the accident as related by the deceased's brother, Andrew Ritchie, are these: Last evening, Miss Ritchie, in company with Miss Cartlige, aged about 15, and Mr. W. Cartlige, the latter's brother, aged about 21, went for a boat ride on the Mill Pond. This pond has its origin in a small spring and the water is damned back to supply power for the woollen factory. In size, it is not more than 60 yards square, but has a considerable depth in some places. The boat was a flat bottomed one, about 4 feet across and 9 feet in length, and was only made a week ago. It appears that after the three just named had been out some time, and when very near the middle of the pond, one of them turned around to ask another of the party to sing something. This action caused the boat to tilt so much that the water rushed in at the side. All of the occupants, in their efforts to get into position again, moved to the opposite side, and this was kept up until the boat filled and in a moment all were struggling in the water. Both of the young ladies clung to Cartlige and he made a noble effort to save them, but it was of no avail. He soon became so much exhausted that he sank himself.

Some of the people in the neighbourhood, having observed the accident or hearing the cries of the unfortunate party, came to their assistance as soon as possible. A raft was procured and taken out to the struggling victims. They succeeded in rescuing young Cartlige and his sister, but Miss Ritchie had sunk and, in the darkness, they could not see her body. The two persons rescued were quite unconscious and it was feared for a time that they would not survive, but by a dint of proper treatment and the application of restoratives, both soon showed signs of life and today are quite themselves again.

Owing to the weeds growing in the bottom of the pond, which prevented dredging, and to the darkness, it was found impossible to do anything then to recover the body of poor Miss Ritchie. The night was spent in sleepless anxiety, waiting for daylight. About six o' clock this morning, the boat was taken to the spot where the accident occurred, and the body was then seen distinctly, lying in about eight feet of water. It was taken ashore and brought to the home of her parents this afternoon. The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon.

Dr. Herod, the coroner, on being informed of the facts of the accident, did not deem an inquest necessary.

Importation of Stock

August 7th 1882.

Messrs. Henry Arkell and John Isles, of Puslinch, who have been spending the last two months in England, arrived out by the steamer, Buenos Ayres, of the Allan Line, on Tuesday, and reached Guelph on Sunday morning.

Mr. Arkell brought with him 96 Oxford Down and Cotswold sheep, 2 Berkshire pigs, a white donkey, 2 parrots, and a magpie. Thirty-four of the Oxford Downs and one of the Berkshire pigs were for his brother, Mr. Peter Arkell, the remainder of the sheep being for himself, and the other pig, for Mr. John Hewer. Five of the sheep were known as the "Royal", having taken the "royal" prize at Reading and first prize at all of the other shows where they were exhibited in England. All the stock arrived in good condition with the exception of two ewes, one of the "Royal" pen, which died on the road, and another, since its arrival.

Mr. Arkell attended the first shows in England and picked the choice stock from them. He is certainly deserving of credit for the trouble and expense that he has gone to in making these excellent importations.

Sale of Sheep

August 12th 1882.

Henry Arkell, of Arkell Village, has just sold to Wm. D. Privett, of Greenburg, Indiana, five yearling Cotswold rams and ten Cotswold ewes, some of the latter belonging to the lot lately imported by him. He has also sold an Oxford Down ram to John Arkell for \$75.

Local News — Arkell

September 7th 1882.

The first load of spring wheat of the season was brought into the market this morning by Mr. H. Arkell, of Puslinch. It was purchased for Mr. Spence, miller, at \$1.04 per bushel.

Sales of Sheep

January 24th 1883.

Henry Arkell, of Arkell, has recently made the following sales of Cotswold sheep: To Wm. Privett, of Greensburg, Indiana, ten ewes and five rams, to John Moore, of Halton, two imported ewes, to Thomas Hume, of Burnbrae, two imported ewes and one imported ram, to Valentine Vitch (or Vetch, possibly), of Woodstock, one ram lamb, to John Kirby, of Guelph Township, one ram lamb, to L. J. Lewis, of Copenhagen, New York, one ram lamb, and to Augustus Derrick, of Merrickville, one ram lamb.

Also, the following Oxford Downs: seven ewes and one ram to Henry Longworth, of Prince Edward Island Model Farm, one ram and two ewes to John MacKenzie, of Presque Isle, one ram and two ewes to F. W. Wood, of Sarnia, one ram and one ewe to John F. Knight, of Philipville, one ram to J. & W. Nutt, of Salem, and one ram to A. Preston, of Newboro.

School Picnic at Arkell

July 9th 1883.

The public examination in the Arkell School took place on Thursday last in the presence of the trustees and a larger number of adults than usually turn out on such occasions. The proceedings were of a most interesting character, gave the utmost satisfaction to those present, and reflected great credit on the teacher, Mr. McKenzie, and his pupils. The day following the examination, the annual picnic was held in Mr. Rudd's bush, where about two hundred people, old and young, assembled to take part in the festivities. In addition to the usual games, which were entered into and enjoyed in full, and the spread of good things liberally supplied by the ladies, the following programme was carried out:

Song "The Old Musician and His Harp" by the pupils, dialogue "A Sell" by Masters T. Cook, T. Arkell and J. Petty, "Jane Elmwood" by the pupils, dialogue "The Way They Kept the Secret" by Misses A. Iles, E. E. Hume, J. Rudd, M. Nichols, N. M. Rudd, A. Tolton, and J. Decker, and Master A. Philips, Hymn "We're Sailing for Home" by the pupils and Misses M. A. Laing and E. Bell, debate "Which was the greatest general, Napoleon Bonaparte or Andrew Jackson?" by Masters P. Iles, T. Hume, J. Land, and A. F. McKenzie, hymn "Memories of Galilee" by Misses Laing and Bell and the pupils, dialogue "Mrs. Sniffle's Confession" by Miss N. Bell and Master A. F. McKenzie, reading "The Quack Doctor" by Mr. Longley, hymn "Beulah Land" by Misses Laing and Bell, dialogue "The Tea Party" by Misses A. Goodings, J. Arkell, R. Carter, and R. Petty, dialogue "Beauties of Gossip" by Misses E. Hume, R. Murray, M. Grieve, and E. Carter, hymn "The River of Life" by Misses Laing and Bell, recitation by Mr. Longley entitled "The Arab and His Steed".

"God Save the Queen".

Miss E. Laing presided at the organ, which was kindly brought for the occasion by Mr. Andrew Laing.

Farnham Church

August 31st 1883.

There was a Harvest Festival in this church, near Arkell, last evening, in which the choir of St. George's Church took the musical services. The church itself was adorned with excellent taste with fruits, flowers, and specimens of grain. After prayers and appropriate hymns, there were addresses by the Archdeacon and Mr. Irving. Then followed a choice selection of anthems and hymns, Miss Geddes presiding at the organ, and Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Higham, Miss Foster, and Miss Miller taking the solos and duets. The church was completely filled with a highly appreciative audience. Among the visitors from town was Mr. J. M. Bond.

An offertory was taken up for improvements in the church, and a purse presented by Miss Herbert to Miss Mary Sanders, as a mark of the congregation's appreciation of her services in presiding at the organ through the previous year. At the close, the choir and visitors from Guelph were invited to a very handsome and most abundant supper, provided by members of the congregation, at the residence of Mr. Herbert, near the church. An hour or two were spent there very pleasantly, and it was getting close to the small hours when the parties got back to their homes from their very pleasant outing.

Sheep Sold

October 15th 1883.

Mr. Henry Arkell, of Arkell Village, recently sold five Cotswold ewes to Wm. Privett, of Greensburg, Indiana, and six imported show ewes, same breed, to Frank Wilson, of Jackson, Michigan. Both lots were shown at Toledo, Indianapolis, and St. Louis, and were highly successful as prize takers.

Sabbath School Anniversary

January 9th 1884.

The annual anniversary meeting of the Arkell Methodist Sabbath School was held in the church there on Tuesday evening and was well attended, the church being comfortably filled. After all had been provided with a bountiful tea, Mr. A. O. Bucham took the chair. Addresses were then delivered by Reverends J. G. Scott, W. Bryers, J. W. Sparling, and Messrs. Tolton and Daniels. The report of the school was read by the superintendent, Mr. Daniels. A reading was given by Miss Husband and several dialogues and recitations by the school children.

The choir of the Dublin Street Methodist Church furnished a splendid programme of music, solos being given by Miss Oldham, Mrs. Savage, Messrs. Golds, Wheatley, and Yule, a trio by the same three gentlemen, and with Miss Huxley playing all of the accompaniment in a very pleasing manner. Altogether, the programme was thoroughly appreciated by the audience and the meeting concluded with the customary votes of thanks to those through whose efforts so enjoyable an entertainment was presented.

from the Hespeler Herald newspaper

Arkell Woollen Mills

February 20th 1885.

Messrs. Ward and McMurchy, the energetic proprietors of the Arkell Woollen Mills, are about making a new departure, and are adding to their knitting yarn machinery, facilities for manufacturing hosiery. It is understood that the firm has already received orders for over 2,000 dozen pairs. The number of hands employed will now amount to about twenty.

Social at Arkell

May 26th 1885.

The people of Arkell celebrated the Queen's Birthday, May 25th, by giving a lawn social at the residence of Mrs. Starkey. Shortly after four o' clock, a large gathering assembled, composed of Methodists and Presbyterians, and others, from Guelph, Nassagaweya, and elsewhere. A very enjoyable time was spent, the young folks in games of croquet, ball, et cetera, while the old folks indulged in social chat. Refreshments of a first class kind, such as the ladies of Arkell can furnish, were served by the ladies of the church. The proceeds were large, notwithstanding that only a silver collection was taken. It is expected that after conference that the Arkell appointment will be set off from the Rockwood circuit and united with the Paisley Street Church, Guelph, when it will be regularly supplied with service every Sunday afternoon. The membership is small but the Arkell Methodists are true and loyal to the church, and it is to be hoped that under the new order of things that they will enjoy great prosperity.

Picnic in Arkell

July 4th 1885.

The annual picnic in connection with the day school at Arkell was held yesterday afternoon in Mr. Rudd's orchard. The turnout of parents and children and those interested in the prosperity of the school was large. The enjoyment of the afternoon was considerably marred towards five o' clock by a heavy rainfall that continued for some time. Notwithstanding this, the scholars enjoyed themselves greatly. In the evening, an entertainment was given, consisting of readings, recitations, et cetera, which was largely attended. A lengthy programme was most successfully carried out. Credit is due to Mr. McKenzie, teacher, for his share in getting up the pleasant entertainment for the scholars, and to the ladies for providing a sumptuous supply of good things, especially calculated to tempt the appetites of scholars, and even the older people.

Sales

December 23rd 1885.

Henry Arkell has recently made the following sales: Oxford Down ram lamb to John C. Wright, of Prince Edward Island, one to Henry Bailey, of Victoria County, and one to Leslie Ellis, of Dundas. Also, a pair of yearling Oxford ewes to D. P. Campbell, of Prescott.

Local News – Arkell

January 2nd 1886.

The pupils of Arkell Public School are again to the front in the entrance examination. The two highest on the list of passed candidates are Miss Hume and Miss Murray, both from that school. A year ago, Miss Iles, from the same school, made the highest number of marks. The people of Marden are to be congratulated on having secured the services of such an able and successful teacher as Mr. MacKenzie has proven himself to be in Arkell.

Local News – Arkell

August 30th 1886.

Henry Arkell sold, the other day, an Oxford-Down ram to Wm. Young, of Sarnia, at a good figure. Frank Wilson, of Jackson, Michigan, is looking after the purchase of pure bred Cotswolds. He remarked to Mr. Henry Arkell that he considered that Cotswolds would be in demand in the States this year.

Sales of Sheep

September 21st 1886.

H. Arkell sold to Smith Evans, of Gourock, an Oxford Down ram, a ram lamb to W. G. Shanly, of Petersburg, a ram lamb to James Tabb, of Goderich, two yearling ewes and two ewe lambs to Anthony Jonson, of Jarvis, three aged ewes, prize takers at Toronto, to G. H. Pugsley, of Lockport, N.Y., to be exhibited in the United States, to Thomas Temple, M.P., of Fredericton, N.B., one yearling ram and one yearling ewe and one ewe lamb and ram to Wm. Young, of Sarnia.

Arkell Woollen Mills Burned

November 13th 1886.

About four o' clock this morning, one of the lady employees of the Arkell Woollen Mills, owned by Mr. Thomas Arkell, and rented by Messrs. McMurchy and Hillis, discovered them to be on fire. She gave the alarm immediately but it was too late, as by this time, the mill was nearly consumed, the roof having fallen in, and all that remained of the structure were the stone walls and a few upright posts of the building. The building was three stories high and stoves were used on each flat, and the theory is that the fire arose from one of the stoves.

Mr. Thos. Arkell will be the heaviest loser. He values the building at \$1,500 and the machinery, most of which belongs to him, at \$4,000. He was insured by Mr. Evans in the Waterloo Mutual for \$2,500, consequently his loss will be about \$3,000.

McMurchy and Hillis' loss will also be considerable. It is only a few weeks since they moved their knitting factory on Quebec Street to the premises at Arkell. All of the machines are destroyed, together with quite a quantity of woollen goods, principally hosiery manufactured by them, yarn, et cetera. McMurchy and Hillis were insured in the Huron and Middlesex Co. for \$700. The actual loss for these gentlemen has not been ascertained, but it is understood that the insurance will fall short of covering it. This fire will throw some sixteen hands out of employment, principally women.

Stock Sales

November 15th 1886.

Henry Arkell, of Arkell, has made the following sales recently: to E. B. Hill, of Union, Oregon, 2 Oxford Down yearling rams, one imported Cotswold ram, one ram and two ewe lambs, one two-year-old ewe and one yearling ewe. To Andrew Gilmour, of Huntington, Quebec, 1 yearling Oxford Down ram and two imported ewes. To James Kennedy, of Eramosa, an Oxford Down ram lamb, and a sow and ten pigs to George & Son, of Crampton, Ontario.

Stock Sales

December 10th 1886.

Henry Arkell has sold to Mr. J. L. Campbell, of Simcoe, two Oxford Down ewes, and to Geo. Hampson, of Eden Mills, a registered Berkshire sow.

Arkell Woollen Mills

January 14th 1887.

Messrs. McMurchy and Hillis, whose woollen mill at Arkell was burned lately, have leased a mill at Huttonville, near Brampton, and will remove there at once.

Mr. Goldie's Meeting at Arkell

February 5th 1887.

Mr. Goldie held a meeting last night at Arkell. With some difficulty, the friends of Mr. Innes discovered there was to be a meeting and decided to put in an appearance. Accordingly, at the appointed hour, Mr. Robert Mitchell and Mr. G. W. Field appeared on the scene. Mr. Goldie appeared about 8 o' clock, surrounded by Col. MacDonald, Mr. W. A. McLean, and a gentleman from Toronto named Frost, who came to enlighten the farmers of Puslinch as to how they should vote. It was a matter of some curiosity at first as to what Mr. Goldie could require of him, being already seconded by Messrs. McLean and MacDonald, but as the meeting progressed the impression prevailed that this gentleman came to deal with the shadier deeds of the Government, about which Messrs. MacDonald and McLean did not care to commit themselves.

The meeting was well attended, Mr. Henry Arkell occupying the chair. After some consultation, the four in command decided to allow Mr. Field the usual half hour given to the opposition at Conservative meetings, Mr. Mitchell declining to divide the time. About fourteen of the city brigade accompanied Mr. Goldie in order to cheer at proper places and interrupt the opposition as much as possible in the extended time granted them. The chairman, however, declined to be a partner in their tactics, and the respectable part of the Conservatives of the place, frowning them down, they at last took refuge in silence.

Mr. McLean opened the meeting and dealt chiefly with the claims of the Government to support, on account of the National Policy, the Canadian Pacific Railway, and their action with regard to Riel. Mr. McLean spoke with his usual ability, but his speech fell flat on the audience, as Conservatives, though many of them are, they are not prepared to endorse the Ministers on these points.

Mr. Goldie followed, dealing for an hour with the National Policy. He endeavoured to show that Mr. Blake's accession to power meant the removal of all duties on wheat and flour and ruin to the community, himself included. He spent a considerable time trying to clear up his advocacy of reducing the tariff on wheat to five cents in 1882, but admitted he did second a resolution to that effect at the Miller's Convention. He invited an expression of opinion from the meeting and a gentleman responded, saying that a tax on grain was a fraud.

Mr. Field made the most of his half hour by answering the arguments advanced by the other speakers. He pointed out the reason why the tariff could not be materially interfered with by any Government and denied that the farmer had ever benefited from the great National Policy, in any event. He dealt with Mr. Goldie's admission as to what he did at the Miller's Convention and pointed out that Mr. Goldie had himself declared that in a year of scarcity he had seconded a resolution to reduce the tax on wheat to five cents per bushel, while he came there that night as the farmer's friend to uphold the National Policy. The speaker, amid ringing cheers, denounced the cry of disloyalty raised against Reformers because of the attitude of Mr. Laurier on Northwest affairs, and declared that this cry came with especial bad grace from men who were the followers and associates of those who threw rotten eggs at Lord Elgin, burned the Parliament Buildings, and some of whom fled the country with a £500 bounty on their heads. Time being up, Mr. Field retired amid loud cheers.

Col. MacDonald replied, passing over the charges of corruptions against Sir John as mere trifles, sure to be urged against any government. He defended Mr. Goldie's wheat transaction and claimed that Sir John ought to be allowed another five years.

Mr. Frost followed for about two hours, recapitulating to a large extent what had been said, but as your reporter had left that gentleman to a rapidly diminishing crowd, he is unable to give the substance of his speech.

At the close, it is reputed that the Conservatives, fearing to move a resolution, called for three cheers for their candidate. These were answered by tigers for Mr. Blake and Mr. Innes, and the meeting broke up.

Local News – Arkell

March 8th 1887.

Mr. Henry Arkell, of Arkell, has sold to Mr. George Atkinson, of Marden, his fine Durham bull, “Oliver Twist”, for a good figure. This is a first class animal, and his appearance in Marden will improve the stock in that district.

Concert at Arkell

March 12th 1887.

By special request, a concert of vocal and instrumental music will be given in the school house, Arkell, by the fine choir of St. Andrew’s Church, on Monday evening next, at 8 o’ clock. Teams will convey parties there and back, free, leaving the school room of the church at 7 p.m. Tickets of admission to concert only 15 cents.

Henry Arkell’s Surplus Sale

October 4th 1887.

On Wednesday, 12th October, Mr. Henry Arkell, of Arkell, will offer for sale a number of pure bred Shorthorn and grade cattle, Cotswold and Oxford Down sheep, Berkshire pigs, and a few horses. Mr. Arkell, as is well known, breeds only first class animals. References to the advertisement in another column will show what he offers for sale.

Henry Arkell's Sale

October 13th 1887.

Mr. Henry Arkell's sale of surplus stock at his farm at Arkell, on Wednesday, was well attended, quite a number of buyers being present from this district, and some of the stock was bought to go to British Columbia. The stock offered consisted of sixteen head of cattle, grades and Durhams, sixty sheep, Oxford-downs and Cotswolds, and twenty-one pigs. The prices offered for the cattle and sheep were on the whole good, but the pigs were sold low. As Mr. Arkell had advertised that there would be no reserve, he honourably allowed some stock to go under its value. Considering the times, the sale was successful and it was ably conducted by Messrs. Ingram and Heffernan.

Stock Sales

November 20th 1888.

Mr. Henry Arkell, of Arkell, has sold to W. B. Watt, of Salem, one shearling Oxforddown ram for \$20, to John Crowell, of Barrington, Nova Scotia, a two-year-old Oxforddown ram and a yearling Oxforddown ram for \$60, to Henry Trender, of Simcoe, a Cotswold ram lamb for \$20, to W. Young, of Brigdon, a Shorthorn bull calf for \$80 and two Oxforddown ewe lambs for \$40, and to W. D. Palmer, of Charlottetown, P.E.I., a Berkshire boar for \$15.

The Arkell Tea Meeting

January 21st 1889.

A tea meeting will be held in the Methodist Church, Arkell, tomorrow evening. Paisley Street Church choir will furnish music, assisted by several of the best singers of the city. A carryall will leave the Star Store, Quebec Street, at 6:15 p.m. Those going please report there by noon Tuesday. Return tickets 25 cents.

Col. MacDonald's Meeting at Arkell

May 24th 1890.

The chair was taken by Mr. Henry Arkell, who discharged his duties in an impartial manner. The audience was a large one, the comfortable schoolhouse being filled to the doors.

Col. MacDonald spoke first, dealing entirely with the surplus. The Colonel now admits that there is a surplus, although one of this orator's speeches depends for its strength on the bold assertion that the surplus is a myth, but the Colonel adds that the Mowat Government did not create the surplus but has merely preserved it. Therefore, the Colonel says, Mowat should not get credit for it.

Mr. W. H. Wardrope then appeared on behalf of Mr. Guthrie, and was well received. For three quarters of an hour, the time allotted to him by the Colonel, Mr. Wardrope held the undivided attention of the audience, not only answering Col. MacDonald's arguments, but also giving many valid reasons why the Mowat Government should be sustained. He sat down amidst the applause of those present.

Col. MacDonald again spoke and for more than an hour he received a good hearing. He attacked the Mowat Government and he attacked Mr. Wardrope personally. He seems to be becoming more pugnacious as the political battle advances, and there is yet hope that he may infuse some life into his meetings before the 5th of June. He closed his address by venturing to remark, in a hurried manner, that whatever his own fate might be, Mr. Meredith would certainly be returned as Premier of this Province. This statement, like a number of others, was received with an incredulous smile. Three cheers for the Queen, Mr. Mowat, and Mr. Guthrie brought the meeting to a close. Mr. Guthrie's prospects in this section are bright.

Mr. Guthrie's Meeting at Arkell

May 29th 1890.

One of the best meetings of the campaign was held last night at Arkell. The schoolhouse was completely filled, over 200 being present. A pleasant feature was that of about twenty ladies gracing the meeting with their presence. Mr. Duncan Gilchrist occupied the chair and performed the duties satisfactorily. Mr. Guthrie was assisted by Dr. Stirton, while Mr. W. A. McLean represented Col. MacDonald. Dr. Stirton opened the meeting with an able twenty minutes speech dealing with the financial condition of the Province, the timber limits, and other matters of government policy. Mr. McLean followed and for three quarters of an hour extolled the advantages of Mr. Meredith's platform. A number of boys from the Tory committee were there to keep the speaker's courage up.

Mr. Guthrie was enthusiastically received and gave one of the most convincing and admirable addresses that he has yet delivered in this contest. For over an hour and a half, he held the rapt attention of every elector, and exposed thoroughly all of the false charges that are being raised.

At the conclusion, a resolution in favour of Mr. Guthrie and Mr. Mowat was passed without a dissenting voice. The usual cheers brought the meeting to a close.

Arkell Mills

The Farmers' Home

Having leased this mill for a number of years, I am prepared to do first class work in all lines of the trade. Chopping 5 cents per bag. Wheat grinding a specialty. Give me a trial.

Robert Welsford, Proprietor.

June 20th 1890.

Picnic at Arkell

June 30th 1890.

The annual picnic, in connection with the public school at Arkell, took place on Friday afternoon, at the School House. There was a very large attendance of scholars, parents, and visiting friends, the company altogether being the largest ever present at this annual gathering.

The proceedings began by a short examination of the pupils by the teacher, Mr. Wm. J. Kilgour, assisted by Miss Davidson. The young people acquitted themselves admirably, showing the excellent training that they had received from their able and indefatigable teacher.

A sumptuous repast, with lemonade, was then served to the children on the playground, and the parents and the visitors were supplied with tea and refreshments in the school house.

The Reverend James Kilgour then gave an interesting address, in the course of which he narrated some varied reminiscences of his official connection with the public schools in South Wellington while he was an inspector.

A capital programme of vocal and instrumental music, dialogues, and recitations was then gone through by the scholars, assisted by several ladies from a distance. The different pieces were well rendered and elicited the heartiest applause. "Auld Lang Syne" and "God Save the Queen" wound up this most successful and pleasant picnic.

Imported Sheep

July 31st 1890.

Henry Arkell, of Arkell, has recently sold to George MacKerrow, of Sussex, Wisconsin, four Oxford down rams and eight ewes. They are all for show purposes and will be exhibited at the leading fairs in the United States. Mr. Arkell has last week received two very fine ram lambs, Oxford downs, from England, through Mr. Jas. Main, of Milton. They will be available for service this fall, of which, due notice will be given in The Mercury.

Notice — Warning

November 3rd 1890.

Notice is hereby given that any person or persons found hunting or shooting on the undersigned's properties will be prosecuted according to law, and all dogs, especially hunters' dogs, will be shot.

John Bell Lot 13, Rear Concession 10

John Murray Lot 13, Front Concession 10 and Rear 9

James Hume Lot 12, Front Concession 10 and Rear 9

William Rae, Lot 11, Rear Concession 9

Isaac Hume, Lot 10, Rear Concession 10

Thomas Hume, Lot 12, Rear Concession 10

Hector Gilchrist, Lot 14, Rear Concession 9 and Front 9

David Atkinson, Lot 14, Front Concession 10.

Arkell, November 3rd 1890.

The Arkell Mill Gone

January 12th 1891.

On Saturday evening, a reflection of fire was observed in the direction of Arkell. Inquiry disclosed that it was "Arkell Mills", familiarly known as "Caulfield's Mills", owned by Wm. T. Haines, and rented by Robert Welsford. At six o' clock, when Mr. Welsford went to supper, everything appeared to be all right. At seven o' clock, when feeding the horses, he observed fire issuing from the basement of the mill, near the water wheel. He sent another man after the key, which was in the house, and ran to the mill. Seeing that the fire had gained considerable headway, he forced the door, hoping to secure his book and save what property he could. In this, he failed. The opening of the door gave vent to the flame, and in a trice, the interior of the wooden structure was one mass of flames and was consumed in a very short time.

As regards the value of the mill, it is a known fact that not long ago Mr. Haines asked \$8,000 for it. So far as can be learned, he has only an insurance of \$1,000. Mr. Welsford has no insurance. His loss may be \$300, \$400, or over, not including the chopping belonging to the farmers. The origin of the fire is unknown, and cannot be accounted for, unless from heated machinery.

Reform Meeting at Arkell

March 4th 1891.

Mr. G. W. Field and Dr. Stirton held a meeting in the Arkell schoolhouse last night in the interest of Mr. Innes. There was a very large attendance, the school being completely filled, and many ladies being present. Mr. Rae was chairman and performed the duties very satisfactorily.

Dr. Stirton was the first speaker and spoke for an hour, dealing fully and effectively with the important questions now before the electorate.

Mr. MacNamara, of Toronto, followed, for Mr. Goldie, and took his full three quarters of an hour, adducing the old arguments, which had little effect.

He was followed by Mr. Field in an able speech of an hour, completely refuting all the Tory assertions and wound up an excellent address by a strong appeal for the Liberal candidate and party.

At the close, a strong resolution, moved by Mr. Murray, seconded by Mr. Hume, in favour of the Liberal policy was carried by a large majority.

A vote of thanks to the chairman and cheers for the Queen, Mr. Innes, and Mr. Laurier brought one of the most successful meetings held during this campaign to a close.

Local News – Arkell

March 16th 1891.

Mr. Henry Arkell has recently sold one Shorthorn bull to Valentine Vetch, of Woodstock, one to James Baptist, of Mildmay, and one to James Swanston, of Holstein, all at good prices. These animals were advertised in the “Weekly Mercury”.

Personals

August 5th 1891.

Mr. George S. Jefferson, of Arkell, has left for the Northwest.

Mr. J. W. Willoughby and wife, of Toronto, are visiting friends at Arkell.

Mr. John Hutton, a retired carpenter, of Arkell, has left for Algoma, where he intends spending the remainder of his days, with his people. Mr. Hutton is an old resident in this section and carried on a blacksmith and wagon maker’s shop in Guelph over twenty years ago.

H. Arkell’s Sheep

August 25th 1891.

Henry Arkell, Arkell, Ontario, has just received through Mr. James Main, of Boyne, a fine importation of Oxford Down sheep, consisting of first, second, and third prize ram and ewe lambs at the Royal Show, England, also, the second prize and highly commended yearling ewes at the same place, seventeen in all. Mr. Arkell intends exhibiting at Toronto, Montreal, and Ottawa. Mr. Arkell has also made some good sales of home bred stock, to Geo. MacKerrow, of Sussex, Wisconsin, a fine show

lot of seven rams, six yearling ewes, and seven ram lambs, to Samuel Hays, of Alderly, Wisconsin, ten ewes, to Grant F. Campbell, of Pittsfield, Ohio, one yearling and five ram lambs, two ewes, and six ewe lambs, to Frank Harding, of Wenkesby, Wisconsin, one yearling ram, two yearling ewes, and two ewe lambs, and to L. W. Coté, of Bic, Quebec, one ram lamb and two ewe lambs. He also shipped a number of Shorthorns to various parts.

The Arkell News

August 29th 1891.

Mr. John Cook, of Arkell Mills, has had a new dress put in the chopper, and is now ready to do work equal to any mill in the vicinity, and as cheap.

Local News – Arkell

October 5th 1891.

Mr. Henry Arkell, of Arkell, returned home yesterday morning by the C.P.R., with his prize sheep, from the Montreal and Ottawa exhibitions.

First Wool

May 10th 1892.

The first wool of the season was bought yesterday by James Hower, 500 lbs. of unwashed Oxford Down, from Henry Arkell, of Arkell. He paid 13 cents per pound for it. The prices of wool at present on the market are as follows: Fine wool, 20 to 21 cents, coarse wool, 17 to 18 cents, unwashed wool, 10 to 12 cents pre pound. The season is a little backward at present. When rightly opened, prices will advance on all classes of wool.

The Local News

July 16th 1892.

The First Baptist Church will hold its annual Sunday School picnic at Mr. Isles' bush, Arkell, on Thursday, going by the C.P.R., at 1:30 p.m.

Imported Oxforddowns

September 1st 1892.

On Friday last, there arrived in Guelph a choice importation of forty-two Oxforddown sheep from Great Britain. The lot was chosen by Mr. James Main, of Milton, at the Old Country shows this year and were for the following parties: Smith Evans, of Gourock, Henry Arkell, of Arkell, Herbert Wright, of Guelph, and James Tolton, of Walkerton. They were all obtained from the best breeders and many of them were prize winners. The lot does credit to Mr. Main's judgement.

Local News — Arkell

September 8th 1892.

Henry Arkell, of Arkell, shipped, today, a carload of Oxford sheep to a gentleman in the States. He purchased nine sheep from A. A. Armstrong to make up the load.

Local News

November 8th 1892.

Messrs. H. Arkell, of Arkell, and H. Wright, of Paisley Block, shipped to Chicago, yesterday, a carload of 140 Oxford-down ram lambs. They are destined for a big sheep ranch in the West.

Oxford Down Sales

August 8th 1893.

Among Mr. Henry Arkell's June and July sales may be mentioned the following: Thirty-six head to George McKerrow, of Sussex, Wisconsin, twenty head to S. W. Hayes, of Wisconsin, to Mr. Grant, of Campbell, Ohio, and B. W. Harvey, of Indiana, each a show lot of his own fitting. Mr. Arkell has orders for a number more later on. He intends to exhibit at all the leading shows in Canada and will also send fifteen head to the World's Fair.

Oxford Down Importations

August 8th 1893.

The imported sheep, purchased by Mr. James Main for Mr. Henry Arkell, of Arkell, have arrived in good condition and in good shape all round. Among them are first prize ram lambs, at the Royal Show and at the Bath and West of England Show, also second prize at the Bath and West of England Show, and first prize ewe lambs at Oxfordshire. No ewe lambs were shown at the Royal Show this year. Mr. Main claims that he has bought Mr. Arkell, by all odds, the best lot of lambs in England. Mr. Arkell has also a number of extra yearling ewes.

Purchase of Sheep

September 16th 1893.

Messrs. Jones and Savage, of Wyoming, who have a flock of 12,000 sheep there, have been in this section for a couple of weeks, purchasing Oxford Downs to cross with their sheep, for wool producing purposes. They have bought about 150 in this section, of the finest animals that they could procure, from such well known breeders as Messrs. H. Arkell, Davidson, Cochrane, J. Watson, Day, and others. Mr. Jones has been in the sheep business for over twenty years, and he states that he has never seen a finer lot of sheep than those owned by Mr. Arkell, nor never met a more gentlemanly man to deal with. This is a credit to Mr. Arkell and to the county.

Local news — Arkell

September 21st 1893.

Mr. Henry Arkell shipped his prize sheep, yesterday, by the C.P.R., to Chicago.

Presentation at Arkell

October 31st 1893.

The members of the Sabbath School class taught by Miss Maggie Murray, No. 1, Puslinch, met at her home on Saturday, spent a pleasant afternoon, and presented her with the following address, accompanied by a handsome china fruit set, water pitcher, cup and saucer:

To Miss Maggie Murray:

Dear Teacher, – We, the members of your Sabbath School class, wish to remind you that you have taught us for many seasons, and during that time you have been faithful at your post of duty. Therefore, on account of the esteem in which you are held by the members of your class, we would ask you to accept this present, not on account of its value, but as a token of our regard for you. We hope that you may long be spared to teach, as you have so faithfully taught us in the past.

Signed,

Annie Hume, Grace Murray, Mary McLaren,
Mamie Beattie, Janet Hardie, & Lizzie Fisher.

Miss Murray was entirely taken by surprise, and in the absence of her father, replied on her own behalf to the flattering address.

Henry Arkell's Prizes

January 10th 1894.

From the "Farmer's Advocate" – Mr. Henry Arkell, of Arkell, Ontario, writes under date of December 20th 1893, "My Oxford Downs are doing well. I have an abundance of oats, roots, and well-cured clover hay. Prospects are bright for carrying stock through the winter in good shape. I have sold my share the past season in spite of hard times. My sales to different parts in Canada and the United States are too numerous to mention, in all, about two hundred head of rams and ewes, both English and Canadian bred. My flock won at the World's Fair nine prizes with ten entries. With another exhibit, made by me, at the leading Canadian fairs, including Toronto, London, and Ottawa, I won twenty first prizes, ten second, and five third. I also won the Cooper Cup offered at the Fat Stock Show, Guelph, for best sheep on the grounds." Mr. Arkell speaks highly of the Advocate as an advertising medium.

Special Notices

July 6th 1894.

Mr. Henry Arkell, of Arkell, has a fine, big field of rye that stands over 7 feet in height.

Exchange of Sheep

October 17th 1894.

This morning, Henry Arkell received from Mr. J. Hinds, of Dutton, seven head of Oxford Down sheep, all first class animals in every respect. Mr. Arkell sold to Mr. Hinds, lately, a noted Royal and World's Fair winning ram, "Royal Warwick", at a good price.

The Arkell Items

January 14th 1895.

At last! — The long looked forward to "Oyster Supper" by the "Hills Baseball Club" is now a thing of the past. It was held on Tuesday evening, January 8th, at the very commodious and comfortable house of our Township Councillor, Mr. James Hume. The evening was everything that could be desired, hence the large gathering of invited guests, of young ladies and gentlemen, and of older ladies and gentlemen, all able to be present and enjoy the hospitality of the host and hostess. Supper was served at half past seven. There were oysters cold and oysters hot, besides all the other good things that the ladies could think of baking, and which were very much relished by nearly all. After supper, the young folks began "tripping the light fantastic", while the older folks enjoyed themselves in social chat and jokes, for many a joke had they. Before the large company dispersed, oysters again were served, so that none of the "laughing ones" were left. The party broke up in the wee sma' hours, all declaring that they had spent a most enjoyable evening, and wishing the "Hills Boys" every success during the coming season.

The O'Banyoun Jubilee Singers gave a concert in the Methodist Church on Wednesday evening to quite a large gathering. Their singing was good, but a little too loud for a small house.

Miss Kate Murray, daughter of Mr. John Murray, who has been teaching the Clyde School, in Beverly, for the past three years, with so much success, left on Thursday last for Rochester, New York, to go in training as a nurse in one of the hospitals there. She joins her sister, Maggie, who has also been in training at the same institution for the past nine months. We wish Kate every success.

A Change — The recent fall of snow has made a wonderful change around here. Now, the sleigh bells are jingling and the cutters are flying past, which makes everybody feel a little more lively and acts as a kind of tonic to the “hard times”.

Mr. Peter Laing began his old job as driver for the milk Patrons of this vicinity, this week. He is to make daily trips to the O.A.C. creamery. The farmers will do well to feed their cows on the very best, but not turnips, so that they may have the best of it while it lasts.

Appreciated — The beautiful calendars from the Mercury newspaper were received some time ago, also some from the Mercantile Fire Insurance Co., and in order that none should be without a calendar, Mr. T. J. Day has sent out a batch and they have been distributed to the scholars to carry home.

Mr. Walter Knox, of Allanford, has been visiting friends in the village this week.

A little visitor has come to stay with Mr. and Mrs. O. Daniels, a daughter.

The News of Arkell

January 30th 1895.

The friends of Mr. Jas. Laing will be pleased to learn that since last report he has been slowly improving, and hopes of his recovery are now more certain.

Quite a number from here drove to Guelph, on Thursday evening last, to attend the reception tendered General Booth, of the Salvation Army, and to listen to his address. All who went were highly pleased and delighted with the General's remarks.

Miss Daniels, accompanied by her father, drove to Nelson, last Tuesday, to attend the marriage of a friend of hers, on Wednesday. They returned home on Thursday, feeling none the worse from their long drive.

The Storm – One of the severest storms that has visited this district for many a year came on us on Friday afternoon, so that by Saturday morning, the roads were nearly blocked up. Many who wished to go to the city were prevented from doing so. The trains were about two hours late. The storm did not abate and by Sunday morning the roads were completely blocked. Not a rig ventured out during the whole day. The Concession lines were the worst drifted. Monday morning, nearly every pathmaster and his men were out shovelling the roads, trying to make them passable. Sleighing will not be so good again this season. During the storm it has been very cold, the thermometer showing zero and below it most of the time.

Mr. Middleton, mail carrier, was unable to come through on Monday. We had to do without our mail much to our dislike during these exciting times of “Dissolution” or “Session”, which? We hope to be prepared for either.

Mr. John Murray has completed his contract for hauling wood to the school. The price was \$2.75 per cord. Next on the programme will be tenders for sawing and splitting.

Accident – What might have been a serious accident happened on Monday to Mr. Robert Rodgers, of Arkell, while chopping in the woods of Mr. John Phillips, of Nassagaweya. A number of small trees had become fastened down under some larger ones, and in cutting one of these loose, it rebounded with great force, striking Robert on the mouth, loosening some of his teeth and cutting his lips quite badly. He was insensible for some time. He returned to his father’s home in the afternoon.

Arkell Items

February 4th 1895.

The weather has still been cold. The roads are being pretty well broken in most places. Strangers travelling will need to be very careful in driving, as in a great many places the fields have to be resorted to, or they might lose their way, especially at night.

Notwithstanding the bad state of the roads, sleigh riding parties seemed to be the rage last week. There was a large party at Mr. Denis’ place on Tuesday evening, and another surprise party at Mr. John Bell’s on Thursday evening. From both places, the report is an excellent time was spent, all returning home well pleased.

A very large sleigh load, twenty-five, from here, drove to Eden Mills on Friday evening to attend a concert given by the R. T. of T. (Royal Templars of Temperance), of that place. They were very much pleased with the entertainment. All speak highly of the manner in which the concert was conducted.

Two young ladies and a gentleman from Aberfoyle were spending an evening here last week, and on their way home the cutter was unkind enough to upset and throw them into the snow. By the time that they knew where they were, the horse and cutter were on their way home to Aberfoyle. After a little brushing and considering, the trio started in pursuit, arriving home somewhat fatigued. "Pleasure is frequently bought with pain." We hope that they are none the worse. Their horse was found next morning, starving and shivering in a snow bank, beyond its home.

Mr. Murray, who was unfortunate enough to cut his foot a week or so ago, is doing as well as can be expected, though not able to be out yet.

Mr. Robert Rogers, who had the experience with the tree, is nearly all right again.

We are sorry to report the serious illness of Mrs. William Rae.

We are pleased to learn that the reported additional cases of smallpox at the O.A.C. and city have turned out to be a natural sickness and rash attending vaccination.

Our milk patrons were a little put about last week on account of no milk being wanted at the creamery for a couple of days. This, no doubt, was caused by the "boys" not being able to handle it with "their arms", and so as to give them a rest.

The funeral of the late F. W. Stone was attended by a number of his friends from here on Friday last. Mr. Stone was the owner of a large tract of land in this vicinity. He kept a large herd of his purebred Herefords here all the time. Another "landmark" gone.

The Arkell Items

February 12th 1895.

The weather seems to be the great subject for talk, and rightly so, for no such weather has ever been experienced in the recollection of the oldest settler. Since last report, we have passed through the coldest time yet, 26 below zero, Fahrenheit. Nearly every cellar has had a visit from the stern Jack Frost, spoiling everything that he touched. Cellars that have never been entered before could not resist him this time, turnips and potatoes being the articles chiefly frozen. The roads are again very much blocked, scarcely any traffic on them now. This has put a stop to wood hauling et cetera.

Two large carryall loads from the city passed through here on Wednesday evening last, going in an easterly direction. We learned that they arrived at their destination safely. After enjoying themselves for some time, they started for home, but did not have such a pleasant return trip. One of the sleighs upset, but no great damage was done. Driving at night now is still more dangerous.

Mrs. Davidson, of Doon, who had been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Oliver Daniels, returned home last Saturday.

Frozen ears, cheeks, and fingers have become quite common of late. One little boy on his way to school got three fingers on each hand and his two thumbs very badly frozen. They could have been broken like a pipe stem. We learned that the teacher applied something to them, and that in the course of half an hour or so, the little fellow was smiling as if nothing had happened.

Our mail carrier failed to put in an appearance on Friday, Saturday, and Monday. Surely he must be losing some of his accustomed grit, in not coming through the storm. Happily, Mr. Wm. Watson brought the mail out on Saturday, and Mr. H. Arkell, on Monday, or we would be in total ignorance of what is going on in the world or at Ottawa. Dissolution seems almost certain now, and election in April, so the wiseacres have it.

Despite the bad roads, the cold weather, and the times, another party was held at Mr. Thos. Tolton's, last week.

Mr. John Hume, son of Mr. D. Hume, who returned from Manitoba last fall, after a severe illness, is again quite poorly.

We were paid a flying visit from a lady and gentleman from Clinton this week. They appeared to have a difficulty in finding a suitable place for an evening's lodging. They finally lodged in the school house. They say that they walked all the way, and that they are making for Toronto, where they have friends. We trust that they may find them and remain with them.

Trains have been very irregular on our line, on account of the storm. No train on Monday going West till two p.m.

Arkell Items

February 19th 1895.

We are back again to the usual state of the weather, but the roads are still very bad for driving. There are so many pitch holes that fast driving is out of the question.

The people around here are now busy putting in their summer supply of ice. They are getting it on the river. The ice is the best ever taken, being two feet thick and perfectly clear and pure.

Mr. Robert Anderson has just finished the digging and cribbing of a well. He was successful in getting a very strong-flowing spring.

While a little child of Mr. Isaac Hume's was playing around on the floor one day last week, he let one end of a chain, that he had in his hand, slip into his mouth and down his throat. On trying to remove it, the end link, which was partly open, became fastened in the membrane at the back of the mouth and throat and could not be got out without the aid of a doctor, who soon relieved the child. We learn that the little one is as well as ever again.

A number from here attended the tea meeting at No. 10 on Friday night. As is quite customary on such occasions, a number of the best speakers failed to materialize. However, they had a good programme, and above all, an excellent tea, for which the ladies of that section are noted.

There is to be an entertainment in the school house here on Thursday Feb. 21st, at 8 o' clock p.m. It is got up by the Arkell Good Templars. They are to be assisted by members of the R. T. of T., of Eden Mills, who are going to give a drama entitled "The Last Loaf", and a glee club from the city. A good time is anticipated and the fee is small, 15 cents for adults and 10 cents for children. A large crowd is looked for.

Another large party was held at Mr. Walter Cook's, in this village, on Thursday evening last. It is needless to say that the company had a good time, the "light fantastic" coming in for a big share of it. The party was kept up till away in the morning.

Mr. and Mrs. John Grieve are moving from our village today, Monday, to take up their residence in their own house at Eden Mills. We are very sorry to lose them from our midst, but what will be our loss will be Eden's gain. We wish them many years of health and happiness.

The Arkell Items
February 26th 1895.

Miss Nettie Fraser, who had been staying with her relations for the past year and a half, left for her home in Algoma, last Thursday, by the C.P.R.

The concert, which was advertised to take place in the schoolhouse here, did not come off, owing to the stormy weather and the bad state of the roads. However, it is announced to come off on Thursday of this week, if the elements will allow. There is to be a good programme, so come one and all, and fill the house.

Another large party was held one evening last week at Mr. Hugh Wharton's, Eramosa. Three large sleigh-loads from here attended. On the way home, some of them had an experience in the snow banks.

One morning last week, about nine o' clock, a farmer, living about a couple of miles south of here, saw what he thought was a "a gang of shovellers on the road, trying to open it up for traffic", but on a closer observation, saw that it was a band of young ladies and gentlemen, who had discarded their sleighs and were trying to wade their way north through the snow. He did not know how long they had been at it, but supposed that they were returning from a party that was held the evening before, far below "The Hills". Our village blacksmith must have been one of their number, as the shop was minus the blacksmith till near noon. "They little dreamt, when they set out, of running such a rig." We hear of no serious results, only some colds.

The sudden news of the serious accident to Mr. Peter Mahon reached here on Tuesday last. The still greater, sudden and sad, intelligence of his death was heralded around on Saturday. Mr. M. had a great number of admirers around here, as he always took a very active part in anything that pertained to the farmer. He will be greatly missed by a large circle of friends. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family in this, their hour of sorrow.

There is a great deal of sickness here just now, such as heavy colds and very sore throats. The weather, no doubt, has had a good deal to do in causing so much sickness.

Mr. Alex Cook, in the village, is suffering from an attack of pleuro-pneumonia.

Mr. Geo. Nichols, who has been poorly for a couple of weeks, is able to be around again.

The Arkell Items

March 4th 1895.

The weather has been very changeable for the past week. We have had a heavy thaw, which made the roads very bad. Then again, it froze up and everything was icy, and again, today, Monday, it has been blowing and snowing a blizzard and very cold. The roads are in danger of being blocked.

Sickness is very prevalent. We are sorry to report that old Mrs. Watson, of the village, has been suffering from a severe cold and cough, for some weeks past. Last week, she was attacked with inflammation of the lung. We are pleased to say that she is holding her own, and if nothing unforeseen occurs, we look for her speedy recovery. James, a son of Mrs. John Murray, is recovering slowly from an attack of pneumonia. Mr. Geo. Lamb, son of Mr. Robt. Lamb, is also very sick with bronchitis and inflammation of the lungs.

Mr. Alex Cook, who by last report was suffering from a severe attack of pleuro pneumonia, died on Thursday, at 6 p.m., after an illness of only five days. Alex was an inoffensive, good-living man, never interfering in any person's business but his own. He was a regular attendant at the Methodist Sunday School and Church. He will be greatly missed by all in the village, as he was scarcely ever away from home. The friends in the vicinity join in extending their sympathy to the bereaved family and the aged and much respected father in their bereavement. This is another warning of the uncertainty of life. Truly, it has been said "in the midst of life, we are in death". The funeral took place on Saturday afternoon, at 2 o' clock, to Farnham Cemetery. There was a short service at the house. The funeral sermon was preached in the Methodist Church, here, on Sunday evening, by the regular pastor, Reverend F. M. Mathers, who took for his text these words, "If any man will do His will, he shall know of the doctrine whether it be of God or whether I speak of myself". There was a good congregation present to listen to the able remarks of Mr. Mathers.

We have also to record the death of an aged lady, Mrs. Wm. McDonald, which took place on Saturday morning, at the home of Mr. W. G. Leslie. The deceased had made her home here for the past thirteen years, being an aunt to Mrs. Leslie. The funeral took place on Monday, at 2 p.m.. Service was held by the Reverend Mr. Robertson, of Duff's Church, assisted by Mr. Ironside, of Schaw. The body was taken to Crown Cemetery, near Morriston, for interment.

The concert, given by the Good Templars here, was held in the schoolhouse on Thursday evening, as announced. The crowd was not as large as expected, owing to bad roads and death in the village. The "Bell" jubilee singers, from Guelph, sang a great number of times, very acceptably. They responded quite freely to every encore. "The Last Loaf", by a number of ladies and gentlemen from Eden Mills, although long, was very well rendered, taking into consideration the bad colds from which all, or nearly all, were suffering. The talent was all borrowed, except the chairman, with his timely little speeches and bits. There were solos, vocal and instrumental.

The Sunday School teachers and scholars intend holding a tea meeting in the church, about the 19th of this month, so get yourselves ready for it.

The News of Arkell

March 25th 1895.

Those reported so very sick are now all on the way of recovery, and are doing well since the warm days have come.

The great banks of snow will soon be a thing of the past if the weather continues for a few more days. The thaw has been gradual and has taken the snow off so steadily that no flooding is anticipated now. The sleighing is completely spoiled. The fields are nearly bare.

Quite a number of people from here attended the sale last Thursday at "Moreton Lodge Farm". They report stock as selling very cheaply, the farms not selling at all. The "NP" has not increased farm property very much.

The farmers can rest contented now, as there will be no election for some time to come. The session of Parliament opens April 18th.

Inspector Craig was a visitor at the school one day last week, and reported things as quite satisfactory. The scholars are busy, preparing for the "Promotion Examination" next week.

We have quite a checker player in this locality. Any person desirous of trying his hand with him has nothing to do but come this way. We learn that he can do up some of the "city cracks" in short notice. This checker man of ours is quite a hand at handling wood too.

The regular annual Sunday School tea meeting was held in the Methodist Church last Tuesday evening. The gathering was very good, taking into consideration the roads and the number sick. The amount realized was about \$15 to the good, which sum is to be applied for the getting of books for the library of the school. After all had been served from the baskets, a lengthy programme was gone through, consisting of recitations and dialogues by the scholars, instrumental music by the Paisley Street Methodist Church Orchestra, and speeches by the Reverends Mathers and J. McBean, Mr. Terrell, of Guelph, and the Superintendent of the School, Mr. Daniels. Everything passed off well.

This week will finish the milk business with the farmers, for the present season, at the O.A.C.. The drivers will not be sorry, as the roads are very heavy for their horses. They have had a fairly good season.

Arkell Items

April 1st 1895.

Reverend Mr. Sellery, M.A., B.D., pastor of the Dublin Street Methodist Church, Guelph, is to preach an educational sermon here next Sunday afternoon at 8 o' clock. All desirous of hearing this somewhat celebrated divine will have an opportunity of doing so then.

Mrs. D. McEdwards, of Morriston, returned home on Saturday last after spending over a week with her relatives here.

The roads are still very dangerous in some places for wheeling. The pathmasters would do well to look after the bad parts so as to prevent an accident – hence a loss to the municipality.

We have had quite an ice storm. The trees are heavily laden with ice. It is to be hoped that the wind will not prove so disastrous to trees as it was two years ago on April 20th.

Promotion examinations are on Friday of this week. Candidates are required to be in their places at 8:45 a.m. Miss Keenan, of S.S. No. 2 is to conduct the exams here, while Mr. Kilgour goes to S.S. No. 10.

We are sorry to hear of the death of Miss Nellie Burgess, which took place March 28th last, near Baltimore, Maryland, where she had gone in November, with her mother, to see if the change would be of any benefit to her. Her lungs had become affected to some little extent, and the change was proposed by the doctors to help to tide over the months of a Canadian winter. But even the climate of that southeastern state was too much for her, and she succumbed to that terrible disease on the above date. Miss Burgess had been quite a sufferer in her time, although quite young, in her twenties. About two years ago, she underwent the dangerous operation in the Guelph general Hospital of having an inward abscess removed from her. She came through safely and looked well for some time after, until her lungs became affected. Mr. and Mrs. Ariss, of this village, her uncle and aunt, where Miss Nellie had spent many a happy day, feel keenly her death. They have the sympathy of their friends here in their bereavement. She will be greatly missed by her associates and companions, as she was a young lady with a superior disposition and Christian character, always taking an active part in everything that appertained to good.

We also learn of the death of Mrs. Henry Arkell's grandmother, old Mrs. Black, which took place in Aberfoyle this Monday morning, at the very advanced age of nearly one hundred years.

The able and manly speech delivered by Mr. G. B. Ryan, merchant, Guelph, at the open meeting of the Young Men's Liberals Club a few weeks or so ago, and reported in The Mercury, has been widely read by all who take the paper. Even some of the ladies who are of a political caste have not been slow to digest the facts contained therein, and are anxiously looking forward to the time when they shall be able to buy two dresses for the price of one, as now under the high tariff, and all other dry goods in proportionately lower prices.

Arkell Items

April 9th 1895.

The magic wand of spring is doing its work nicely. The large snow banks are nearly all gone. The roads are becoming a little more passable. No floods of any account.

A farmer living not far from here had ten or twelve bushels of peas stolen about two weeks ago, also a bag of chopped stuff. Some person or persons thought that they had a better right to them than the owner, and so took them.

Easter will soon be here. Boys and girls are wearing more pleased countenances as it approaches. The mischievous boy will be busy hiding away the eggs. The school will have a holiday on Friday and Monday.

James T. Kilgour has been confined to bed since Saturday with an attack of pleurisy and other complications somewhat of a serious nature. He will not be able to attend the G.C.I. for some little time.

Mrs. Andrew Laing is still quite poorly. We hope that when the nice spring days come she may improve and be able to be around again.

Not many from here attended the fair of last week, owing to the bad condition of the roads.

The Arkell Correspondence

May 6th 1895.

The dry weather in this locality is beginning to tell upon the fall wheat. In some places, large spots are quite dead, apparently. A good shower would liven it up a great deal. Other things are looking well and growing very fast. The trees are nearly in full leaf. Seeding is done.

Mr. James McLean, carpenter, of Morriston, raised Mr. John Arkell's barn last week, so, now, the masons are busily engaged in building the foundation under it. Mr. McLean was very successful. He completed the job in a little over two days.

On Friday evening, May 3rd, Professor Dean, of the O.A.C., Guelph, gave a very instructive address on "Dairying in Ontario", in the school house here, to quite a large and representative gathering. He gave some valuable advice in regard to the feeding, selecting, and care of the cow. He said to get pure and good milk, cows must be fed on good feed. Nothing pays like dairying to the farmer, as the land is not robbed of that which goes to keep the soil in good condition. He thought that a great many farmers in Ontario were trying to work too much land. They were land poor, as it is called, and not working any of it well enough. It would decidedly pay to have less land and to work it better. Our country could support, and better support, twice as many people as it now does, if such an idea were acted upon. Prof. Dean is a very enjoyable lecturer to listen to. He greatly pleased and amused his audience at times, with his timely jokes. Mrs. Dean accompanied him. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered him just before he took his departure.

W. B. Cockburn was at the meeting, referred to above, and gave an idea how he was going to carry on his creamery at Sodom. It is to be in full, running order by Monday, the 13th.

Mr. Peter Laing has secured the contract of hauling the milk from this part to Mr. Cockburn's creamery.

Mr. John Bell commenced taking milk to the Rockwood cheese factory, last week.

The Arkell baseball team had its first practice game on Saturday evening. After quite a number of home runs had been made, and some were made on three strikes, they felt as if they could not let the 24th pass without challenging some team, so Aberfoyle was telephoned to, the result being that our team plays there on the 24th.

The Arkell News

May 14th 1895.

Mr. Andrew Laing has just had completed one of those steel framed windmills, over the well lately dug by the Elliott brothers, of Morriston. Mr. Hartley, of Guelph, was the agent who sold the pump. Pipes are being laid from the well to the house and barn. The "Dr." is getting things handy in his old days.

Quite a number from "The Hills" passed through here on Sunday afternoon to attend the funeral of Mr. Robt. Beattie, who had been living in Guelph for the past three or four years, and where also he had died. Mr. B. was a resident for a long time of School Section No. 10, where he was widely known and respected as one of the pioneers of Puslinch.

We are having a big snowstorm from the east this Tuesday morning.

Arkell Notes

May 21st 1895.

The extent of the damage done by the continuous frost of the past week is now more definitely known. Some of the grain has suffered to quite an extent, such as barley and peas, and the clover, too. The late fruit has not suffered so far, and even the early fruit does not seem to be completely destroyed. The cool days and the beautiful rain of Saturday have done much toward making everything look better. Another hard frost visited us again this (Monday) morning, with ice a quarter of an inch thick.

The farmers who get their salt from the Ontario Salt Works, Kincardine, are now getting their annual supply from the city, today.

The masons who are building the foundation under Mr. Arkell's barn are getting along nicely; they are about half-completed with their job.

Mrs. Robertson, daughter of Mr. Rodger here, who has been confined to the Guelph General Hospital for some time back, is not doing as well as her friends would like. Fears are entertained that she will have to undergo another operation. We trust that this may not be needed, and that she may be spared to her young family.

Mr. John Hume, C. P. guard, of Toronto, who was so severely injured by a train, shortly before Christmas last year, is spending a short vacation with his brother, Mr. Jas. Hume, Councillor, and other friends around. He is not totally recovered from his accident, although he had been back to his work for a short time again.

Prospects for the 24th look a little gloomy on account of the cold weather. Still, a number from here intend going to the city to see the sports there. Others talk of spending the day in Eden Mills, where sports are to be held. Some others propose going with their baseball team to Aberfoyle, to see them play a game there, with the Clippers of that place. There is some talk of "The Hills" club playing here on the forenoon of the 24th, to give our club some practice and points, before their afternoon tussle with the Clippers.

The old familiar sound of "Any fresh fish" was distinctly heard on the cold air this morning. It has nearly the same sharp ring that it used to have. Mr. Law says that he was told that there is any amount of ice up in the northern lakes; that will account for some of our cold weather.

Mr. P. Laing has had one week's experience of hauling milk to Sodom. His hours are long; he begins by six in the morning and does not finish till about seven in the evening. He thinks that after a while things will be better.

The great pile of logs at Scott's Mill is fast becoming smaller; about one half of them have been cut up. The mill is running full time.

We were visited this Tuesday morning with the most disastrous frost yet, nearly half an inch of solid ice, and the sun shining brightly, which will do an immense amount of damage.

Arkell Items

May 28th 1895.

Mrs. Robertson is still very low. The family has some hope yet of her recovery.

Mr. Robert Lamb met with a serious accident on the 24th. He was returning from Eden Mills to his home, and on descending the big hill near Eden, the harness gave way and allowed the buggy to run against the horse's heels, causing the horse to run away, and throwing Mr. Lamb out of the rig, injuring him considerably about the hips. He was not able to be taken home for some time. We learn that he is doing as well as could be expected for an old man, and hope that he may soon be able to attend to his building operations.

The 24th has come and gone. The elements were exceedingly kind in giving us such a pleasant day, warm and breezy. Quite a number of the young gentlemen and their ladies went to the city to see the ball game between Springfield and the Maple Leafs, and were not a little disappointed at the game put up by the Leafs.

Our baseball team went to Aberfoyle, as announced, to play the local team there. After a lengthy game, resulting in 34 to 25 runs, against us, the club was kindly entertained by giving the players their suppers. In the evening, they enjoyed themselves by keeping time to the sounds of "Barney", until a late hour. Arkell versus "The Hills", Saturday afternoon, in one of Mr. Jas. Hume's fields.

While a telephone man was clipping the limbs from some high trees, near here, last week, he fell, alighting on a fence and injuring his side badly.

Mr. Harry Goodings, an old school boy of the Arkell School, was married last Wednesday, in Toronto, where he holds a responsible position as book-keeper in a large firm, to a Miss Graham, of that city. We wish them success and happiness through life.

Miss Rachel Ann Petty and a lady friend of hers, from Hamilton, spent the 24th and a few days after, visiting in and around Arkell. They left for home again on Monday.

Quite an excitement was caused in the village on Monday forenoon, when one of Mr. W. Watson's horses, attached to a sulky, went running down the road, minus the driver. The horse trotted down the side of the road until it came to the railway track, where it suddenly turned as if to go up the track, but instead stood looking over the fence right by the track. At this moment, the 9:30 C.P. R. train was coming down within a few hundred yards of it. Mr. Watson, in the meantime, had mounted one of his other horses and galloped to the spot, where he dismounted, and at the risk of his life, rushed in between the train and the horse, and caught the animal by the head and held it safely till the train passed. Everything was safe again. This might have proved a very serious accident. The excitement was high among the onlookers, while it lasted. The whole affair did not occupy five minutes.

Arkell Items

June 5th 1895.

We have once more been ushered into the very warm weather, 95 degrees in the shade some days. It is exceedingly dry. The crops are suffering very much. The hay crop will be very light. We are pleased to notice that the pear crop, green, in some parts is not entirely destroyed.

One of our young men, Mr. Henry Haines, through the recommendation of Prof. Dean, of the O.A.C., Guelph, has secured a good position in the Drumbo cheese factory for some time. He left for his place on Saturday last.

Friday afternoon, as the 6 p.m. C.P.R. train was going through to the city, one of Mr. W. Gooding's cows questioned its right of way, and although the train whistled and whistled, it never moved till the engine struck it full force and tossed it eight or tens yards before it touched the ground again, and as a matter of course, killed it instantly. The cow was thoroughbred and had been lately bought from the herd of the late F. W. Stone. This will be quite a loss to Mr. G.

Old Mr. Lamb, who was so severely injured on his way to Eden Mills on the 24th of May, has been very poorly. The hot weather is very trying on him.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hume, councillor, celebrated their silver wedding last Friday. The invited guests consisted only of their immediate relatives. The wedding supper was served about 6 o' clock. The presents were varied, useful, numerous, and handsome. The older folks wended their way home early in the night, leaving the younger ones to enjoy themselves till away on in the morning. Mrs. Hume was brought up in Paisley Block, Guelph Township, but since her marriage to Mr. Hume, twenty-five years ago, has lived here, where Mr. H. has always been a much respected resident of Puslinch. We wish them continued happiness and health until they reach their golden wedding, and finally, to enjoy the great marriage feast which is prepared for all of those who love the appearance of the Master on High.

The baseball match between our club and "The Hills", on Saturday afternoon, in Mr. McFarlane's field, proved very exciting to the large gathering assembled to witness the game. Our club proved the victors, and only for a few costly errors in the fifth and sixth innings, the defeat of "The Hills" club would have been disastrous indeed. Mr. Laing came along with his milk wagon at the right time and served the players with cream and good buttermilk, which helped to enliven and strengthen them. The Hills took their defeat in a somewhat awkward manner. Our boys returned home at about 8 in the evening, feeling jubilant but very hungry.

The News from Arkell

June 8th 1895.

Fine Wool – Henry Arkell, of Arkell, has just received from Mr. Robert Jones, Fort Steele, Wyoming, a sample of wool, the result of a cross between Oxford rams and Merino ewes, which is a grand quality. Mr. Jones is very pleased with his experiment and claims to get top price for his lambs. Mr. Arkell sold him a carload of Oxfords in September 1893 and another car lot last December. Mr. Jones says that they are the coming sheep for Western ranges. Mr. Arkell has also had a visit from another old customer, Mr. Aaron Bardwell, Fargo, New York, and sold him some very fine show sheep. He intends exhibiting them at New York State Fair and a number of other large fairs this season. This is the third sale that Mr. Arkell has made to Mr. Bardwell.

Mr. Hugh Black arrived home from Cook's Mill on Tuesday night. Every effort has been made to recover the body of his son, but without avail. He left a search party in the neighbourhood.

Arkell Items

June 19th 1895.

The dry weather is one great topic of discussion. The hay crop is almost sure to be a failure if rain does not come soon, but the spring crops look remarkably well.

The masons have completed their building operations at Mr. Arkell's barn. The work done looks exceedingly well. The farmers are now busy getting everything into shape.

We are sorry to hear that old Mr. Lamb, who was so badly injured last May, was more seriously hurt than was at first supposed. His thigh bone was fractured and it will be some time before he will be able to attend to his building operations again.

We are pleased to hear that the trustees of our school have purchased one of "Caxton's Charts", for school purposes, and have placed it in the hands of the teacher, for use.

Aberfoyle Clippers play our boys here next Saturday afternoon in one of Mr. Leslie's fields, near the village. A good game is expected.

A large number from here purpose attending the Sunday School picnic from Chalmers' Church, Guelph, today, Tuesday, in the grove of Mr. John Iles' farm, close by the C.P.R. track.

Those who attended the garden party at Moffat, at Mr. Gillies', report a pleasant time. This is grand weather for the smithy. He is very busy tire setting. It is harvest time for him.

Mr. W. J. Laing has the contract for the filling of the bank to the foundation of Mr. Arkell's barn. We are pretty sure that the checkers will get a rest during that time.

Arkell Items

July 2nd 1895.

Three or four loads of young ladies and gentlemen went to Puslinch Lake last Wednesday on a picnic excursion. The day was fine, a nice rain having fallen in their absence, laying the dust nicely for the return trip. They report having spent a very pleasant time. The boats and everything at the lake are all in first class order. No accidents of any kind occurred to mar the pleasure, save a boat dipping and taking in a little water, to the annoyance of some of the ladies, who got a little wet. Other picnics to the lake are spoken of in the near future.

A great number from here and vicinity attended the closing exercises at the O. A. College on Saturday. They were delighted with everything that they saw and heard. They were pleased to see and hear the Lieut.-Governor, the Hon. G. H. Kirkpatrick, and the Hon. John Dryden, Minister of Agriculture, and what pleased as much as anything was the examining and looking through the different buildings on the Farm, including the hennery, the dairy, the flowers and plants, and the stables, all making the remark how clean and tidy everything was. They were also very much taken up with and interested in the lunch provided by the College.

Dominion Day was passed off in its usual way. As there were no games or sport of any kind held here, nearly all went elsewhere for amusement, some going to Morriston to take in the sports that were being held there. A good day was spent at that place. Others went to Eden Mills to see a game of baseball between that club and our boys. The game was an easy victory for Arkell. The score was away up, both sides together scoring nearly a century.

Miss M. Laing, who has been visiting friends up in the northern counties of Ontario, returned last week, and is now a guest at her uncle's, Mr. Andrew Laing.

The small boy and girl will scarcely know what to do with themselves now, as the holidays have come to them.

Jas. T. Kilgour is writing at his examination for junior leaving. He expects to get through by next Wednesday afternoon.

Dr. McEdwards, of Thedford, spent the First visiting his sister, Mrs. W. J. Kilgour, and mother in Morryston. The Dr. returned this Tuesday afternoon.

Next Sunday, at 7 p.m., in the Methodist Church here, the regular pastor, Reverend Mr. Mathers, is going to address the children specially, as this is what is called Children's Day. A large attendance is hoped for.

Local News – Arkell

July 2nd 1895.

Colonel Burtch of "The American Sheep-breeder" magazine, of Chicago, paid this newspaper office a visit on Saturday. He is on a visit to this section of the country, being the guest of Mr. Henry Arkell, and is visiting all the noted sheep breeders in the Province.

Arkell Items

July 23rd 1895.

The farmers are now busy with their fall wheat. Some of the fields are very good while others are only fair. It appears to have been badly winter killed in spots. We are being favoured with rain nearly every day. The grass on the sides of the road is now quite green again.

Mr. Robt. Laing, accompanied by his wife, daughter, and son-in-law, Mr. Augustus Stiles, from the city of Omaha, came on a visit last week to his brother, Mr. Andrew Laing, and friends. They have been visiting friends in Corwhin and Campbellville since coming. Mr. Stiles and family purpose returning this week, as he holds an important position on one of the many railroads leading into the city of Omaha. Mr. Robert and wife will remain longer.

A certain doctor had quite an experience in getting a horse of another certain person, Bill, to stand on its feet. The doctor was called in to find out, if possible, what ailed the animal, for despite all of the persuasion that the owner could give, he could not get it to budge. But it was not long before the physician found the cause of its refusal to rise, simply lack of strength. Consequently, Mr. Bill was ordered to go and get some ropes from the neighbouring farmers, but after travelling miles he was always met with refusal. As a last resort the owner took his lines, and after several breaks, the poor brute was got upon its feet and steadied by a number of men, who had gathered by this time, to the

orchard where it might procure good food. We did not learn whether the "Cindic" passed sentence on the owner or not. The neighbours did not surely act the part of the Good Samaritan to their neighbour.

A great many went to the city on Saturday, in consequence of the rain on Friday evening. They report a large market and lots of fruit. Prices high, for fruit especially.

On the evening of Saturday, a number drove into the city to see and hear the performance given by the Kickapoo Indians. They were not very enthusiastic over it. A number of young men would like to become acquainted with that young lady who handled the bucksaw so well.

It was "The Hills" club that was defeated a week ago and not the Hillsburgh club, as reported. The Misses Murray, Maggie and Kate, are home on a visit to their old home and friends. Old Mr. Lamb, who was so severely hurt last May, is now able to drive around and call on the sick and afflicted, and attend to some minor chores.

Mr. Fizer, the whitewasher, from the city, is attending to the cleaning of the walls of the schoolhouse here this week.

Friday evening is again the regular night for the meeting of the P. of I (possibly Patrons of Industry). Those who were absent last night missed what we are all working for. Come and get some this week — those who are entitled.

The young ladies of Arkell and vicinity spent a pleasant afternoon at Mrs. D. Gordon's, last Friday. A family gathering, along with a few selected friends, was held at Mr. Andrew Laing's last night, Monday. A pleasant time was spent.

Arkell Items

August 6th 1895.

The fall wheat and barley harvest is now nearly over here. The crop of straw will be a little lighter than in former years but the sample and yield will be very fair. The farmers are now busy with their pea and oat harvest.

Master Will Kilgour, of Arthur, is visiting his cousins here this week.

A baseball club of boys from the city, known as the Aetnas, came out here on Friday afternoon to play our schoolboys. At the end of five innings, our boys had given them three coats of the medicine, the score standing 21 to 9 in favour of Arkell, with an innings to spare. The game closed.

The boys got something to eat and started homeward, saying, "We will bring out a team that can beat you".

Mrs. Caulfield and one of her sons from Mount Forest are visiting friends around here. They are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Iles.

Another team of ball players from the city, made up of Aetnas, Alerts, and others, drove out here on Saturday afternoon to play our regular team. There was a large crowd of excited spectators. The game was called at 4:20 p.m. and lasted until 6 p.m. There was some very clever playing on both sides, as each was blanked four times. In the ninth innings, the score standing 15 to 13 against us, and with one man out, and two other chances to retire the side, which were missed, the Guelph boys added ten more to their score, which left it as follows:

Aetnas – 3 – 1 – 0 – 7 – 4 – 0 – 0 – 0 – 10 = 25

Arkell – 3 – 0 – 2 – 0 – 2 – 2 – 4 – 0 – 0 = 13

The visiting team players were great kickers, and chewers, at the umpire's decisions, although most of the spectators thought that they had got the better of it in some very close calls. However, everything passed off nicely, and the ladies served them and their friends to an excellent lunch, something to chew at, at which none offered to kick.

Some from this neighbourhood took in the Y.M.L. Club's excursion to Toronto and the Falls on Monday, but by far the greater number went to the city to witness the great ball match between the Leafs and the Galts, for the first time this year. They were all well pleased indeed at the result of the game. They were rewarded with seeing one of the finest games of ball that they ever saw. We think that we shall not play the Leafs this season, after yesterday's performance.

A heavy thunder and lightning storm passed over here early this Tuesday morning. We hear of no damage being done to either crops or buildings.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Laing left today for their home in Omaha.

Arkell Correspondence

August 13th 1895.

The cool weather of a week ago was followed by a very hot spell, and was accompanied by considerable rain.

Fall wheat that has been threshed is turning out between ten and twenty bushels to the acre, and is not a very plump sample in many cases. Some oats that have been threshed have turned out between thirty and forty bushels.

The little boys' baseball club that came from the city was called "The White Washers", hence the reference to the three coats of the medicine.

Some went to Galt to see the game between the Champions of Canadian and the local team there, and came home completely disgusted with the game. A few more games like that would entirely destroy all pleasure there is in witnessing the game.

Mrs. George Watson went last week on a visit to her parental home, near Durham.

Mrs. James Laing and two of her daughters are paying a visit to friends in the village this week. They report that the country looks very much greener here than in the neighbourhood of St. Mary's, where they live.

Miss Jennie E. Kilgour, of Arthur, is visiting relatives in the village this week.

Five or six young men from this locality left this Tuesday morning by C.P.R. excursion train to Manitoba and the great Northwest, to labour in the harvest fields out there. We hope that they shall find labour and return replenished.

James T. Kilgour left yesterday morning on an extended visit to his uncle, Dr. D. McEdwards, of Thedford, and will visit other points of interest before his return.

The country boys and girls will have to face the realities of life again next week. Holidays are over. Schools open on Monday. Let there be a full turnout to commence this term. Teachers do not like to instruct empty benches.

The outside of the Methodist Church is being repainted this week. Mr. L. Pickett has the contract.

The Arkell Items

August 20th 1895.

Messrs. Laing and Blair are doing some big threshing around. One day, last week, on the farm of Mr. James Petty, they threshed one hundred and thirty bushels of oats in half an hour. Who can beat this?

A wild thunder and lightning storm visited this community on Saturday afternoon between four and five o' clock. It did great damage to the fences and trees. It also blew nearly all of the apples that there are, off, and worse still, it unroofed two barns in this locality. One of these is Mr. Wm. J. Rudd's barn in the village, here, and the other is Mr. Hector Gilchrist's, two miles below the village. Singular, it is to state that these same two barns suffered the same fate some nine years ago. Mr. Gilchrist's loss will be quite an item, as the whole roof is either off or destroyed, while only a small part of Mr. Rudd's was blown off, and was carried nearly fifty yards.

Quite a number from here went to the city on Saturday to witness the tussle between the Maple Leafs and the Galt team, and were caught in the rain.

Mr. James T. Kilgour has been successful in passing his junior leaving examination. His name appears in the Guelph list.

The public school opened here on Monday, with a good turnout, as usual.

Mr. Henry Arkell is still making extensive sales of his high-classed Oxford-down sheep to gentlemen from Ohio, Indiana, and other parts of the United States.

Another young man, Mr. John Hume, son of Mr. David Hume, leaves this Tuesday morning, for Manitoba, where he goes to work in an elevator.

Arkell Items

September 3rd 1895.

William John Laing, assisted by two other men, one day last week on the farm of Mr. John Philip, drew in eighteen large loads of peas, the product of a ten acre field, in four and one half hours. It is needless to say that Willie John could be seen the next morning walking about like a man of sixty or seventy.

Nearly every person and their children, if they had any, attended the great procession of the Sells Brothers last Friday morning in Guelph, and no doubt, a great many saw the fine performance under the large canvas. All report a very fine procession and good performances and came home delighted with everything that they saw and heard.

Mrs. James Laing, of St. Mary's, who has been visiting with her sister here for the past three weeks returned home this week accompanied by two of her daughters who had also been here visiting their cousins and others.

Mrs. George Watson returned to the village last week after spending two or three weeks visiting friends in the County of Grey. The report of the bad crops in certain townships in that county is correct, so we learn from Mrs. W. Some of the other townships have fairly good crops.

Some little excitement was created in the village one night last week when the occupants of one of the houses were awakened by very loud rapping at their front door. Robbers and burglars were thought of. The good man of the house was up instantly and demanded from the intruder his name and business, neither of which he would give. In a moment, the ladies, who were not too frightened, were up and running round from place to place, and at last one popped her head out of the window and saw a well dressed man standing there. She reported to the others within, when, in an instant, one of them called out, "It is my husband," calling him by name, and down the stairs she flew, the door was unbolted, the stranger was admitted, and it is needless to say that the pulsations of the rest of the household soon began to assume their former condition, and all was quiet.

We learn that the photographers of the city had some opposition to their business in the circus tent last Friday. Quite a number from this neighbourhood had their photos taken, but we have not learned whether they were well taken or not. Some had to stay in one position for nearly half an hour, while the operator quietly decamped amid the loud laughter of the delighted audience.

Mr. W. T. Nichols, accompanied by his little daughter, Edna, and his niece, Miss Nellie Watson, returned to his home in Mimico, on Saturday.

Mr. Jas. F. Kilgour returned home today, Monday, after a three weeks' holiday tour, having visited Thedford, Grand Bend, Port Franks, Sarnia, Port Huron, Ailsa Craig, Forest, and St. Mary's. He was the guest of his uncle, Dr. McEdwards, of Thedford, most of the time.

The Arkell baseball team is billed to Aberfoyle, Saturday next, on the grounds of the latter.

Water is very scarce in some of the wells around here. Some of the farmers have to draw water for their cattle. Cool and dry are the prevailing features of the elements with us.

The News from Arkell

September 9th 1895.

One day last week, a little son of Mr. King fell into a hole in the ground about ten feet deep and came out safely, but the next day he was playing about and jumped into a sand hole about three feet deep and broke his thigh bone. The boy is doing well under Dr. Lindsay's care.

Captain David McFarlane, of Parry Sound, is paying a short visit to his daughter, Mrs. Henry Arkell. He arrived on Monday from Rochester where he had been visiting his brother whom he had not seen for twenty-five years.

Mr. George Nichols and his daughter, Mrs. Wm. Watson, left on Saturday for Toronto, where they purpose taking in the sights of the great Industrial Fair.

There was no game of ball played in Aberfoyle on Saturday as the latter club could not get off work to play.

The Misses Maggie and Kate Murray, daughters of Mr. John Murray, left on Monday for Rochester to resume their former occupations as nurses in a hospital there.

Mr. White, the carpenter, is now busy at Mr. Laing's house in the village.

We have had two or three good showers of rain lately, which were much needed.

Some are off from here to the Toronto show today.

Guelph Mercury newspaper

Presentation to Mr. W. J. Kilgour

October 8th 1895.

On Monday afternoon, to the complete surprise of the teacher, Mr. Kilgour, the scholars of the Arkell Public School presented him with a very valuable and elegant pair of gold spectacles as a mark of the respect and affection which they entertain towards him, after having taught the Arkell School for the past ten years. The following address was read by Miss Annie Leslie and the presentation was made by Master Leonard Laing:

Dear Teacher:

Having heard, with regret, your decision to sever your connection with this section, as teacher in our school, we, your pupils, could not think of letting you depart without in some way expressing our regard for you as both teacher and friend. You have been our teacher for so long that very few of us have known any other, nor have we wished for a change. We would now ask you to accept these spectacles, not on account of their value, but as a slight token of our feelings towards you personally. May you be long spared to use them, and wherever you go, you bear with you the kindly remembrance of your old pupils of School Section No. 1.

Signed on behalf of the scholars,

Flossie Leslie, Lena Daniels, Ethel Gordon, Annie Arkell, Jennie Reid,
Willie Watson, Geo. Rodgers, Herbert Bell, John Watson, & Geo. Orme.

Mr. Kilgour made a very feeling reply, and thanked the scholars very kindly for their valuable present and hoped that the same friendly feelings would exist between them and their new teacher.

Presentation to Mr. W. J. Kilgour
Receives high praise as inspiring choir leader
October 8th 1895.

Tuesday evening, October 1st 1895, will long be remembered by the Kilgour family, of Arkell, as one of the most pleasant evenings spent in the village. At about half past eight o' clock, over forty of the village people and the vicinity took possession of the house, after having laden the table with their groaning baskets of good things. After a short time of confusion, the meeting was called to order, when the following address was read by Reverend Mr. Mathers, and the presentation made of an elegant easy chair by Miss Annie Daniels and Mr. James Petty.

Mr. W. J. Kilgour:

Dear Friend: — We are called upon to put something on paper which will be in harmony with this mysterious gathering. What note shall first be struck that the machinery of our thoughts be set in motion? That, of itself, has caused some perplexity, when so much should be said just now. We will not say how much we love you, for that might be embarrassing to you, but will rather touch upon your art, as we have had to do with you in such connection.

The highest form of art is music. Imperishable Italy may make the canvas glow in Geiotts' "Last Supper" or in the "Ecce Homo" of Titian. Greece, classic Greece, may boast her Phidias and Rome her Michael Angelo, as their magic tracery is preserved in perishable marble. Babylon, great Babylon, may herald its praises for grotesque headlines in architecture, upon which their bounding tigers...(portion of text missing)...vaulted roofs, and circular lintels, but never shall we settle the account for the songs of a Jenny Lind, a Beethoven's Symphonies, or with the Troubadours of France. It has been reserved for music to capture the human heart, and happy is the man who feels this art coursing his veins and trembling in his fingers, and thrice grateful should be the people who are lead into the harmonic world by either his voice or his hand. Such has our retiring choral done for our less musical selves.

Edmund Burke said, for the ears of France, that the age of chivalry has gone, and if it has, the age of music has not followed it.

Our gathering tonight speaks eloquently in another direction.

The leader of our choir for the last five years is in a large measure responsible for our increasing love of the harmony of sweet sounds, and it is with feelings akin to sadness that we are forced to contemplate his removal from our midst. His faithfulness and efficiency are worthy of mention in this gathering, and no matter what changes may come to us all, the kindest remembrance shall be cherished toward you, sir, and your estimable wife and sprightly family.

This chair, which we have pleasure in presenting to you, and which we beg you to accept, is the standing record of our good wish and sympathy for you all.

May we all believe that in your new sphere and home that you and your interesting family may have abundant cause for thanksgiving to that kindly Providence that shapes all destiny.

Signed on behalf of the Methodist people and their friends,
Miss Ida Decker & Miss Annie Daniels

Mr. Kilgour made a suitable reply to so flattering an address, thanking all present for their kind feelings and good wishes for his and his family's future welfare. He would long bear in mind the many happy meetings spent in their midst.

Speeches were now in order and all went to show the high estimation in which Mr. and Mrs. Kilgour and family were held. The baskets were now unloaded and partaken of, and the rest of the evening was spent in conversation, singing, and instrumental music, and finally, the goodbye came, never to meet under similar circumstances again in this life.

Mr. Kilgour has been teaching for the past twenty-six years, having taught twenty-five years in Puslinch, in School Sections Nos. 12, 8, and 1, respectively.

The News from Arkell

October 17th 1895.

Mr. Henry Arkell returned on Wednesday from a trip to Wyoming, Montana, and North Dakota, where he has been visiting his old sheep customers. He took with him 63 yearling Oxford Down shearling rams. Those sheep are coming to the front fast in these countries. He was much pleased with the trip and the sections that he went through, but he prefers Ontario, and thinks that any man doing well here should remain.

from the Guelph Mercury newspaper

Arkell Correspondence

November 4th 1895.

Mr. Peter Hume, of Belwood, was visiting his old home and friends. He looks hale and hearty.

Mr. E. and F. Bell have gone to Muskoka on a hunting expedition. They have three brothers there. They intend remaining for some time.

Mr. Walter Cook has finished pulling and topping a 15 acre field of turnips on Mr. H. Arkell's farm. He is in his 78th year and wonderfully smart for his years.

Special meetings are being held by the Reverend Mr. Mathers in the Methodist Church of this place. They will continue for a week or two.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Kilgour and their little daughter, Maudie, paid a flying visit to their old friends in Arkell. We were all glad to see their familiar faces.

Mrs. Wm. T. Tolton is visiting friends in Muskoka.

Mr. Wm. Watson, butcher, lost a valuable two-year-old colt the other day.

Arkell Correspondence

November 11th 1895.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Arkell have left for Hamilton and St. Ann's to visit friends there.

Miss Eliza Decker left here Saturday evening to visit her sister in Toronto.

Mrs. Glassford, of Guelph, is visiting friends here, and intends spending a few days.

Mrs. Barnett, of Eden Mills, is spending a few days with her friends at Arkell.

Mr. David Hume had two colts struck with the engine on the C.P.R. track between Arkell and Corwhin, the other day. One was killed and the other was so badly cut that it will have to be destroyed. It will be quite a loss for Mr. Hume.

Mr. A. Laing has finished his house on King Street. It adds a good deal to the appearance of the street.

Arkell Items

November 20th 1895.

Mr. Hugh Reed and family have moved to Galt. Mrs. Reed will be greatly missed in the Sabbath School here.

Mrs. David Hume left for Hamilton on Saturday, visiting friends there.

Miss Ariss, of Guelph, was visiting at her uncle's, Jas. Ariss.

Miss Maggie Little was visiting friends here.

Mr. Mathers is still conducting his special services in this place.

Mr. David Hume's loss will not be so great, as was expected. The colt, that was so badly cut, will recover.

Sheep Sales

November 27th 1895.

Mr. Henry Arkell, of Arkell states that his sales of Oxforddown sheep this year have been fairly good. The demand was fair but prices not up to former years. He has sent over 250 head to the United States. Forty of those were show sheep and the balance were for breeding and range purposes.

Among his Canadian sales were six yearling ewes to Mr. Rennie of the O.A.C., ten to Stanstead, Quebec, five to R. Black, and four to James Starkey, of Arkell. One ram was sent to each of the following: Smith Evans, of Gourock, Valentine Dynes, of Riberry, Wm. Fry, of Sutton, Waldric Humel, of St. Pie, Allan Sherman, of Fermilla, Peter Lundy, of Chatsworth, John Knox, of Wroxeter, Alex McKee, of Teeswater, Alex MacKenzie, of Campbellville, Charles Rennie, of Eden Mills, Archibald Cameron, of Campbellville, Hugh Wharton, of Eramosa, H. Humphries, of Hastings, Crastor Scott, James Starkey, both of Arkell, J. Laing, of Corwhin, Stephen Barbaree, of Nassagaweya, four to D. McCrae, of Guelph, two ewes and one ram to Robert McNaught, of Parry Sound, one ram to Andrew Elliot, of Kelso, John Tawse, of Aberfoyle, and Wm. Alderson, of Guelph.

The News from Arkell Village

December 2nd 1895.

The heavy fall of snow of Sunday night has brightened up things considerably and made good sleighing. The merry jingle of the sleigh bells is to be heard.

The home of Mr. W. Green was visited by a surprise party last evening. They took advantage of the fine night and good sleighing.

Mr. John Murray has commenced to take out the foundation of his new house, of which Mr. Robert Lamb has the contract. The front is to be of granite stone.

The Misses Stevens, dressmakers, have returned to Arkell. They have opened up in a part of Mr. A. Laing's house.

Mr. David Hume lost the other colt that was cut so badly with the engine on the C.P.R. Mr. Hume had the fence viewers examining the railroad fence.

Mrs. Mathers, of Aberfoyle, spent a few days with Miss Petty and visiting friends of this place.

The Arkell News

December 29th 1895.

Miss Bell Starkey spent the Christmas in Parkdale, with her sister, Mrs. Willoughby. She had a very pleasant time while in the city. She called on Mr. John Hume, C. P. guard, and found him very much improved, with great hopes of his speedy recovery.

Miss Starkey returned on Wednesday and brought her two nieces, Maggie and Mary Cockburn, with her. The little girls look well.

The school meeting on Wednesday passed off as usual, in a quiet and pleasant manner. Mr. David Hume was re-elected as trustee. Tenders for wood will be out shortly.

The sick – Mrs. Andrew Laing is still confined to bed most of the time; her improvement is very slow. Bad colds are the rule in nearly every house.

Mrs. Peter Petty presented her husband with a fine Christmas box, a big, buxom daughter. Mother and baby are doing nicely.

Our storekeeper is kept quite busy at present, dealing out Christmas presents et cetera. The blacksmith is anxiously looking for icy roads, so that his business might brighten up a little for the new year.

Mr. Peter Laing, our enterprising townsman, has just completed a \$250 job for the township council, clearing out the fallen timber in the river near Mr. Sorby's.

The Arkell villagers were a little taken by surprise by the report of the marriage of one of her fair daughters to a Mr. Ruber, a smart, young man in the employ of Mr. F. W. Stone.

The public school will re-open for the new term on Thursday January 3rd.

We hear that there was a small "Patron" meeting last night, few in numbers, but strong in spirit.

Miss Phoebe Petty returned last week, after an absence of nearly four weeks, visiting friends and relatives in and around Orangeville. The visit, no doubt, did her good, as she looks much improved by her stay away.

Some of our young folk and "The "Hills" spent a very pleasant evening in the home of Mr. Amos, of Guelph Township. They came home in the wee small hours of morning.

Mr. James Elliott, of Morriston, has just completed digging a sixty-foot well for Mr. Andrew Laing; they got water.

Mrs. W. J. Kilgour returned from Morriston on Wednesday evening, where she had gone to see her mother, who fell on Monday and broke both bones in her forearm. Mrs. McEdwards is doing nicely.

There is talk now that the "laughing oyster" will have to suffer some of these fine nights, though after a delay of some weeks.

The News of Arkell

January 7th 1896.

The tea meeting, held here on New Year's Eve in the Methodist Church, was a grand success. There was a very good turnout, considering the weather. Mr. Bruels, our teacher, took great pains in training the children for the occasion.

School Trustees — A public meeting of the School Trustees and the ratepayers was held Thursday last. Mr. John Murray was elected for the incoming year, Mr. D. Gordon, retiring.

Mrs. Calvin, from Durham, made a short visit to her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Watson, also Miss Anderson, late of Victoria, British Columbia.

James Florence and Donald and Edna Kilgour spent their holidays with old friends in Arkell.

Mrs. Tyson and Mrs. Caulfield, of Guelph, paid a flying visit to friends of this place.

The Arkell Village News

March 3rd 1896.

Death has claimed from among us a promising young man, Willie A. Hume, who has been suffering for some time with typhoid fever. He was doing nicely under Dr. Cowan until a week ago, when a relapse set in, and in spite of all that could be done, passed away on Sunday evening, 8:30. The family will have the sincere sympathy of their many friends in their sad bereavement.

Mrs. Duther returned to her home in Manitoba, after spending a few months visiting her father and other friends of this place.

Mr. John Cook returned home from Cataract, where he has been working for some length of time.

P. A. Hume has so far recovered as to be able to return home from the General Hospital.

Miss R. A. Petty, of Hamilton, is visiting at her uncle's, Mr. Jas. Petty, of this place.

The farmers are busy, laying in their summer's supply of ice. It is from 18 to 20 inches thick.

Mr. Ed Bell has returned from Jarvis, where he has been for some time.

Mr. Wm. G. Leslie is giving up farming. The sale of his farm stock and implements takes place next Monday.

The Reverend Mr. Harvey delivered his famous lecture on Thursday evening last. It was very much appreciated by all those who had the privilege of hearing him.

The Village News from Arkell

April 6th 1896.

Mr. Jas. Scott has been confined to the house for some time. We are glad to hear that he is so far recovered as to be around again.

Mrs. Hammond and her sister of Galt spent the Easter holidays with their grandmother, Mrs. Starkey, of this place.

The Misses Stevenson have returned after an absence of some weeks, on account of family bereavement.

Mr. Jas. Bruels, school teacher, spent the Easter holidays with friends at Holland Landing.

Miss Ariss, of Guelph, was visiting her uncle, Mr. Jas. Ariss, of this place, who has been confined to the house with an attack of bronchitis.

Bull for Sale

April 1896.

A registered Shorthorn bull calf, 11 months old, colour red, good animal.

Price to suit the times.

Henry Arkell

Arkell, Ont.

The Arkell Village News

May 26th 1896.

The celebration of the 24th was held on Monday May 25th and passed very quietly around here. There was to have been a game of baseball between "The Dauntless", of Guelph and our boys. Quite a number turned out to witness it, but the Guelph boys never showed up. We suppose the storm prevented them. The little boys had their usual sport with firecrackers and fireworks in the evening.

Mr. W. J. Kilgour and family spent May 25th visiting friends in Arkell. We were glad to see them. Miss Clara Willoughby, of Toronto, Mrs. Hammond and her sister, Miss Maggie Eakett, of Galt, were visiting their grandmother, Mrs. Starkey, of this place. Miss Mary Bell returned home on Saturday. She intends leaving for British Columbia very soon.

We are glad to learn that Mrs. J. Iles is improving after being laid up for some time. Mrs. J. McNeelan and Mrs. Anderson, of Guelph, were visiting their parents of this place. Robt. Laing, of St. Mary's paid a visit to friends of this place. Mr. James Scott lost a valuable horse a few days ago. It was only sick two _____. It will be quite a loss.

Sunday evening a terrible wind and storm passed over the village, lasting ____ hours. It was very much needed.

The Village News from Arkell

June 2nd 1896.

Miss Mary Scott returned home from Hamilton after spending a few days visiting her sister and other friends. Miss Anna Daniels returned home after spending two months with friends in Doon and Galt.

There was a game of baseball played here on Saturday between Arkell and "The Dauntless", of Guelph. The Guelph boys came out victorious.

Last Sunday being children's day, Reverend Mr. Mathers gave a very able discourse, taking for his text "Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow". The church was nicely decorated with flowers.

Mr. Stewart and family, of Hamilton, were visiting Mr. Henry Arkell of this place. Mrs. David Scott and family left here last week to join her husband in their new home in Cambra Township, where Mr. Scott has bought a farm.

Mrs. Reverend Nixon and children, of Hawkston, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Bell, of this place. Miss Petty left on Monday for Hamilton, accompanied by Mrs. Mathers, of Aberfoyle, where they intend staying a week, visiting friends there.

The News from Arkell

July 7th 1896.

Mr. Murray, of Dunholm, Scotland, and Miss Ross, of Guelph, were visiting at Mr. H. Arkell's. Mr. Geo. Calvert, of Durham, was visiting his daughter, Mrs. Geo. Watson. A meeting of the Wardrobe Auxiliaries in connection with W.F.M.S. (Women's Foreign Missionary Society) had a very pleasant and profitable meeting at the home of Mrs. Wm. Watson, Arkell.

Mrs. T. Nichols and family are visiting at Mr. Geo. Nichols and at other friends of this place. Miss Hendley and Miss Anderson, of Guelph, were visiting friends in Arkell.

Death has visited the home of Mr. Thos. Arkell and taken from there his little daughter Clara. Mr. and Mrs. Arkell will have the sympathy of their many friends in their sad bereavement.

Fruits of nearly all kinds will be abundant here this season. Haying is about over, the crop generally is very light. Harvest is about beginning. There are some fine fields of wheat, in fact, every kind of grain is looking well and indicates an unusually good harvest. The grasshoppers have done considerable damage, but the welcome rain and cool weather have stayed their ravages somewhat.

Master Reggie Arkell has gone on a six weeks' trip to his grandparents in Parry Sound. Three pupils of this school, Misses Ethel Gordon and Edna Goodings, and Chas. Onley, were writing Entrance and P.L. Examinations last week.

The stone work of Mr. John Murray's residence is about completed. When finished, this will be one of the finest dwellings of the township, and will reflect much credit upon our local artisans.

What next? "Dame Rumour" says our genial son of Vulcan is to join the Benedicts at an early date. Welcome to our mystic circle young man!

Mr. Thos. Arkell's new brick house is being rapidly pushed forward. It is a fine, substantial building and will add much to the appearance of his farm and the vicinity.

If the pathmaster, Mr. McMillan, or the Township Council would fix the road on Victoria Hill, it would confer a great favour on farmers and others passing to the city from this way.

A baseball team from the city played our junior team on the 1st and were beaten by 26 to 4. They seemed better kickers, football men, than players. Come again boys. The girls here are practising for a game.

Dominion Day passed off quietly. After watching Messrs. Ariss and Grieves work until tired, nearly all went home or to Eden.

Politics are lulling. The "X" in and the "X" out of the disc seems to affect Canada as much as the X-rays. The ballot paper must be sadly defective or our people fearfully stupid. The ballot should have been explained at every booth.

The Village of Arkell News

July 28th 1896.

A very quiet wedding took place at the home of Mr. James Hume, it being the marriage of his eldest daughter, Eliza, to Mr. Walter Grieve. Miss Jenny, sister of the bride, acted as bridesmaid, while the groom was assisted by his brother, Peter. The bridal party left by the 6:30 train, going east amidst showers of rice and old boots.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Kilgour, of Guelph, were visiting at Mr. James Storey's. Miss Maggie Little, of Guelph, was visiting friends here. Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Davidson, of Teeswater, are visiting friends here and other places. Mrs. Barnett, of Eden Mills, was visiting friends of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Ariss, of British Columbia, were visiting their uncle, Mr. James Ariss, of this place. Miss R. A. Petty, Miss Ruby and Harry Chillman, of Hamilton, are visiting at Mr. James Petty's and other friends. Miss Nellie Hume left to visit friends in Preston. Mr. John Grieve, of Clifford, is visiting at Mr. Peter Orme's and other friends. Little Nellie Watson is visiting at Mr. W. J. Kilgour's, at Guelph. Miss Bessie Laing, of St. Mary's, is visiting friends here and elsewhere.

The Arkell News

August 11th 1896.

Mr. John Wood and family, of Hamilton, were visiting at Mr. James Scott's, of this place. Mrs. Dicks returned to her home in London after spending a month visiting Mr. John Bell and other friends of Arkell. Miss Florence Willoughby, of Toronto, was visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Starkey, and other friends.

Mr. James Scott has returned home from Hamilton, where he spent a few days with his daughter, Mrs. Wood, and renewing old acquaintances. Miss Cartlidge spent a few days with Miss Carter, of this place. Mrs. Wm. Harwood has left to visit friends in Rockwood. She expects to be away for a few weeks.

Misses Maggie and Kate Murray, of Rockwood, are spending their holidays with their parents here. Mr. John Hume, guard at the Central Prison, Toronto, is visiting his brother, James, and other friends.

The News from Arkell

September 1st 1896.

Mrs. Willoughby and her little daughter, of Toronto, left for home after spending two weeks visiting her mother and other friends of this place. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Watson, of Guelph, were visiting friends in Arkell. Miss Nancy and Daisy Caulfield, of Guelph, spent a few days visiting friends here. Mrs. Tyson, of Guelph, paid a flying visit to friends in Arkell.

We are glad to hear that Mrs. J. Iles is improving, and hope to see her around again in a short time. Mrs. H. Arkell returned home after spending a few days with friends in Teeswater. Mr. Victor Laing, of St. Mary's, returned home after spending a few days visiting friends here and other places.

Band Concert – The Salvation Army, of Guelph, paid a visit to Arkell and treated us to some fine music. They took up a silver collection in aid of their harvest home.

Baseball – A baseball game was played between “The Hills” and Paisley Block. “The Hills” came out victorious.

Mr. and Mrs. James Ariss left for Hamilton, where they expect to stay for a few days. Miss Florence Kilgour, of Guelph, returned home after spending a few weeks among her old schoolmates of this place.

The Village News from Arkell

September 21st 1896.

The Misses Murray, who have been holidaying under their parental roof for some weeks, returned to Rochester on Wednesday. Mr. John Iles has spent a week renewing old acquaintances at Mount Forest and Egremont, returning on Saturday, feeling much better over his pleasant trip.

Mr. Jones, a sheep dealer from Wyoming is staying at Mr. Henry Arkell's. We hear that he has bought quite extensively.

Miss Gilchrist is on a visit to friends in Galt. Mrs. J. Bell has returned from a few weeks' stay with her daughter, Reverend Mrs. Nickson, of Hawkston. The Misses Grieve, B. Cook, and Mrs. Rodgers' two daughters were in the village over Sunday.

Mr. Wood, of Rockwood, paid the village his annual visit this week. Such an interesting person cannot but give great pleasure to his many friends here.

The volunteers returned on Saturday, looking none the worse for their outing. They report a pleasant time.

The gospel meeting in the schoolhouse on Monday night was fairly attended. Mr. Pearson, who is a very pleasant speaker, may have a larger audience on Wednesday nights and Sunday afternoon.

A good number attended the Guelph show. Those who exhibited succeeded in carrying off a fairly good number of prizes. Our township fair is the next attraction, a municipal holiday, a township friendly gathering, most profitable of all.

Reverend Mr. Mathers delivered two really excellent addresses during the last two Sabbaths. He is generally good, but these were exceptionally so.

Mrs. George Watson and Rosy spent a week in the city visiting friends.

The Arkell Village News

October 27th 1896.

Mrs. Peter Arkell and daughter, of Teeswater, are visiting at Mr. Henry Arkell's and other friends. Miss A. Calvert, of Guelph, was visiting friends here last week.

Mr. Jas. Hume, Glen, while driving to church on Sunday met with what might have been a very serious accident. The horses shied, throwing his wife and daughter over the back of the democrat. Mrs. Hume struck her head and remained unconscious for some time. The daughter got a bad shaking up.

Miss Mabel McFarlane is confined to bed with a severe attack of quinsy. Mr. George Grear, possibly Grier, late of Thamesford, paid a visit to his brother-in-law, Mr. Wm. G. Leslie, last week. A Bible Society meeting was held here last Thursday evening, conducted by the Reverend Dr. Torrance. Mr. Pearson is continuing his evangelical services here all this week. Mr. Geo. Watson has got in part of his fall and winter goods and expects the balance in a few days.

The News from Arkell

November 17th 1896.

We are glad to hear that Mrs. A. Laing is improving. We hope that she will soon be around as usual.

Miss Campbell left for Teeswater to visit friends there.

Mr. R. Rodger is home from Manitoba, where he has been working for the summer. He reports times pretty good out there. The boys all seem to like Arkell best.

Mrs. Tyson, of Guelph, is visiting friends at Arkell.

Mrs. W. J. Kilgour, of Guelph, and her two little daughters are visiting their friends here.

Mr. David King Senior has returned from Algoma, where he has been living with his son, Thomas, for the last two years. The old man looks hale and hearty.

Mrs. Wm. Bell and family have returned from Wiarton, where they have spent the summer.

Sheep worried – Mr. George Lamb had his flock of sheep destroyed by dogs. Nineteen of them had to be disposed of, and others may yet have to be destroyed. It will be a great loss to Mr. Lamb. The farmers should be very careful of their flocks of sheep at this time of year. There are so many hunters going through the country with packs of hounds. There were some of these seen the next morning, covered with blood.

Mr. Henry Arkell intends shipping two or three train cars of sheep to Wyoming, U.S.A., in a day or two, via the G.T.R. (Grand Trunk Railway).

Sheep Breeders from Wyoming

November 27th 1896.

Mr. Robt. Jones and Mr. Andrew Johnson, of Rawlins, Wyoming, have made their second trip to Guelph this year, purchasing sheep from Mr. Henry Arkell, the noted Oxforddown breeder. On this occasion, they will take with them about 240 head. Mr. Jones is one of the largest sheep ranchers in Wyoming.

Arkell Public School

December 29th 1896.

The Arkell Public School concert on the 22nd instant, for a Public School Library Fund, was a decided success. Considering the very stormy night, the attendance was large. Mr. John Murray, Secretary-Treasurer of the School Board, ably presided over the gathering. The programme, though lengthy, requiring over three hours, was interesting throughout. The pupils did themselves much credit and vied with the experienced outside talent in delighting the audience in their various plays.

The Jolly Clackers, the Good Night Drill, and the dialogues stormed the house. Messrs. Hewer, of Guelph, and Strachan, of Rockwood, brought forth continued rounds of applause. Mr. Howard, of Guelph, and Mr. O'Nesta, of S.S. No. 10, gave several excellent instrumental selections that were encored and encored. Miss Inglis gave a couple of recitations in good style and they were well received. The Misses Strachan, of Rockwood, and Law, of Guelph, rendered the accompaniments most satisfactorily.

No efforts were spared to provide an excellent evening's amusement, and trust the public may show its appreciation by its attendance in future similar efforts, when the weather scowls less fiercely upon us.

Great credit is due to Mr. Jas. Breuls for getting up the entertainment and carrying it out.

The Arkell News

January 5th 1897.

New Year's Day passed off very quietly. There were very few people out and no amusement of any kind was going on.

Mrs. McFarlane and Mrs. Starkey spent New Year's Day with Mr. and Mrs. D. Graham, of Guelph.

Mrs. Wood and family, from Hamilton, were visiting her father, Mr. Jas. Scott, of this place.

Mr. Wm. Hume, of Elora, is visiting his uncle, Mr. D. Hume.

Amid rain and flying mud, the municipal battle for 1897, for Puslinch Township, was fought. The chief centre of interest seemed to be in the Reeve, but the Council had its part. It was a hard fought election, resulting in Scott, Hume, McKenzie, McPherson, and Gilchrist holding the fort. A crowd of anxious ratepayers assembled at Mr. Watson's telephone office for word from the front, until about 8 p.m., when all wended home with merry hearts, and vice versa.

The Arkell News

January 13th 1897.

Mrs. G. Calvert, from Durham, was visiting her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Watson. We are glad to hear that Mr. Thos. Arkell is improving. He has been confined to the house for some time. We are sorry to hear that Mrs. Thos. Carter Senior is seriously ill, and we trust that she may soon recover.

Miss Ritchie, of Eden Mills, was visiting friends in Arkell this week. Mrs. Geo. Ruper, possibly Ruber, is home for a few days with her parent, Mr. W. T. Tolton.

The annual baseball supper was held at Mr. P. Orme's on Thursday evening last. It was very largely attended and thoroughly enjoyed. After partaking of a bountiful repast, provided by the ladies, and the tripping of the light fantastic toe, the party broke up amid the early morning hours.

A noise being heard at the door of Mr. Jas. Hume, (of the Glen), Miss Jennie went to welcome the visitor. Imagine her surprise upon opening the door to find a large owl preparatory to carrying off one of her favourite ducks. She accordingly caught Mr. Owl by the tail, who still held on to his prey, until she made further inquiries as to his species and business with her fowls. She retained his owliship until Mr. Wm. Rae, who found it a rare specimen and wished it for his collection, purchased it. In taking it home, it got its talons fastened into his fingers and side, and was about dealing with him as with the ducks. In calling for assistance, Mr. Jno. Murray appeared on the scene and with much difficulty extricated him from his perilous position.

The Arkell Village News

January 26th 1897.

Mr. Angus Grieve, of Detroit, and his sister, Mary, of Guelph, were visiting their brother, Walter, and other friends of this place.

Mrs. Wood, of Guelph, was visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Rodger.

Mr. Wm. Harwood returned home after spending three weeks visiting friends in Eramosa, Rockwood, and Acton.

Mr. and Mrs. McCartney, of Dumfries, were visiting at the home of Mr. John Murray, last week.

The cold snap and sleighing have made things more lively.

The News of Arkell

February 9th 1897.

Miss Mabel McFarlane returned home after spending a few weeks visiting friends in Hamilton.

Mrs. Wilson, of Fergus, is visiting her sister, Mrs. D. Gordon, of this place.

Miss Annie Daniels returned home after spending a few weeks visiting friends in Nelson and other places.

Mrs. Stickney and son, from Pilkington, and also Miss Coxhead, of Toronto, were visiting at the home of Mr. George Nichols and other friends, of this place.

Death has claimed from among us an old and respected resident, in the person of Miss Eliza Burgess, widow of the late James Burgess, after about a week's illness. She passed peacefully away on Friday, at the residence of her son, Mr. Wm. Herbert, in the 90th year of her age. The deceased was a sister of Mr. George Nichols, of this village.

We are sorry to hear of the serious illness of Mrs. Jane Petty's little children, Lizzie and Frankie, and hope to hear of their recovering soon.

Miss Orme, of Eden Mills, is visiting at the home of Mr. John Iles.

Mr. Wm. T. Haines, who has been confined to the house for some time from an attack of quinsy, is also on the mend.

The farmers are taking the advantage of good sleighing and have commenced drawing their logs to the sawmill.

**Pupils who have obtained over 50 per cent of 175 marks in arithmetic and geography are:
Fourth Senior: Lena Daniels – 134, Findlay Murray – 134, Jennie Hume – 113, Ethel Gordon – 111,
Annie Arkell – 97, Flossie Leslie – 95.**

Fourth Junior: Herbert Bell – 145, John Watson – 106, Moses Harwood – 90.

Third Senior: Clara Gordon – 173, Nellie Watson – 150, Bert Petty – 140, Harvie Watson – 123, Harvie Bell – 89.

Arkell Village News

February 23rd 1897.

Mr. Henry Nichols, from Manitoba, is visiting friends and renewing old acquaintances in and around Arkell. He intends leaving for his home about the 1st of March. Mr. Nichols is taking back with him a carload of horses.

A social gathering was held at the home of Mr. James Scott. They report spending an enjoyable evening.

Miss Maggie Murray, from Rochester, is home on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Murray.

Miss Petty left here on Friday for Hamilton to visit friends there.

A cottage prayer meeting was held at Mr. John Murray's on Tuesday evening of last week. Service was conducted by the Reverend Dr. Wardrope. The Dr. was accompanied by Mr. James Laidlaw. They spent Wednesday visiting friends in and around Arkell. We all enjoyed their visit very much.

Camp Holyrood

Thursday February 25th 1897.

About forty members of Camp Holyrood, Sons of Scotland, and friends assembled at the Western Hotel last evening and drove out to the residence of Mr. Peter Orme, Arkell, who had kindly invited the Camp to spend an evening with his family. Piper McNeil was present, and, to the stirring strains of the pipes, the merry party left the city.

On their way out, they serenaded Mr. George Watson, Mayor of Arkell, as he is often called. The residence of Mr. Orme was reached about 8:30, when the visitors received a hearty welcome. After all had got their wraps off and were made comfortable, the party commenced to enjoy themselves in various ways, dancing and music being among the chief attractions, Scotch, of course, predominating.

It was half-past three before the company broke up, and even at that hour, Mr. and Mrs. Orme were sorry to part with their guests, and they were about as sorry to leave, but time called them away.

Before leaving Mr. Alex Cordiner, Chief, seconded by Mr. James Law, Past Chief, moved a hearty vote of thanks to the genial and considerate host and hostess, which was unanimously carried and

emphasis given to it by the hearty singing of "He's a jolly good fellow and so is she". A suitable reply was made by Mr. Orme, who said that he and Mrs. Orme had much pleasure in welcoming them, and hoped that they would make another visit soon.

The Camp tenders thanks to Mr. D. McLaren for music on the violin and Mr. John McNeil, piper.

from the Guelph Mercury newspaper

The Arkell News

April 21st 1897.

Mr. and Mrs. Capt. McFarlane, our old, respected friends, accompanied by Mrs. McGown and her little daughter, from Owen Sound, paid a visit to their daughter, Mrs. H. Arkell, of this place. We were all glad to see them. Their time was so short that they had not time to visit many of their friends, as they would have liked. Mrs. Arkell, being so kind, invited all of their old acquaintances to spend Monday evening at her home. A most enjoyable time was spent. Mr. McFarlane, with his Scottish songs and funny stories, brought back old times of bygone days, fresh to their memories, which will never be forgotten.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Kilgour, of Guelph, spent Good Friday visiting friends in Arkell.

Mrs. Hammond and her sister, of Galt, were visiting their grandmother, Mrs. Starkey, of this place.

Miss Calvert, of Guelph, was visiting her sister, Mrs. George Watson.

Mr. Malcolm Gilchrist returned home from British Columbia, where he has been for some years. We are all sorry to hear that he is in such poor health, and are hoping that he will be benefited by the change.

Miss Violet Rodger returned home after spending a few weeks with her sister, Mrs. Robinson, in Guelph.

The Arkell News

May 11th 1897.

Miss Annie Daniels returned home after spending two months with her sister, Mrs. Fletcher, of Nassagaweya.

Mrs. Mann, of Bellhaven, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Bruels.

The friends of Mrs. Jas. Herbert will be glad to hear that she will soon be around again after her long illness.

Mr. David McClocklin, of Guelph, was visiting friends in Arkell.

The farmers are nearly through seeding. The country is beginning to look beautiful.

Presentation – A very pleasant event took place after the general prayer meeting on Wednesday evening in the Methodist Church. Miss Ida Decker, who was organist for a number of years, was presented with a beautiful Bible and hymn book, and an address as follows:

Dear Friend and Fellow Worker:

The present occasion affords us an opportunity of making some acknowledgement to you for the faithful service that you have rendered our church. As instrumental leader of our devotional songs, you taught the people to sing in tune and time. This you have tried to do for us, and our gratitude for such services will be lasting. Now that you have resigned the position that you graced for so long, we hope that you may still continue to be an interested helper in the musical services of our church. This Bible and hymn book, which we ask you to accept, besides bearing the blessed message of life, are given to you as the tokens of many grateful hearts that have been won by your fidelity to the important trust that you have so well discharged as organist through the years.

The address was read by Miss Petty and the presentation was made by Miss Daniels.

Arkell Village News

June 1st 1897.

The grain and hay fields hereabouts are looking well. Many farmers are busily engaged preparing their root plots. We hear that in many parts of the county a number of fields are yet unsown.

The Ladies' Aid met at Mrs. Decker's home, today, Tuesday. This organization is doing a good work, but would wider aims and donations not increase its stability and efficiency?

Miss Edith Cossidge has gone on a few weeks' visit to Orangeville. Miss Annie Leslie will preside at the organ in the Methodist Church during her absence.

There are no less than a baker's dozen of wheels in and near our village, and "One has come from Eden, fair Eden on the Speed".

And what shall Arkell have for the Diamond Jubilee on the 22nd instant? A picnic?

Miss Janet Amos has been spending a few days in the village sewing.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Watson and family have the heartfelt sympathy of all in the long and most serious illness of their little daughter, Ella, a bright, amiable little one, and much loved by all. As I write little or no hopes are entertained of her recovery. We trust kind Providence may spare the beautiful little flower for His garden here.

The Arkell Village News

June 7th 1897.

On Friday afternoon, all that was mortal of little Ella Watson was laid away, amid sympathizing and sorrowing friends. On Monday evening, a memorial service was held by Reverend Dr. Wardrope. The Reverend Dr.'s address teemed with bright assurances of immortality and that God doeth all things well. Earth hath no sorrows that Heaven cannot heal,

We hear again the calling by that angelic band,
For Ella, so sweet, so loving, is come to that spirit land.

Her parents, like Rachel, weeping,
For her presence here below,
Have tears of joy in knowing,
She's gone where angels go.
Soon, soon, dear parents, watching,
That call shall come to you and me,
And will our bark be waiting
To sail o'er that crystal sea?
And how our hearts will gladden,
On passing those gates of Light,
We meet our blessed Saviour,
And Ella robed in white.

The continued wet and cold weather should check or end the grasshopper plague hereabouts. Trust it may have a similar effect upon the army worm.

We are glad to hear that Mr. P. Laing's children are somewhat better.

The boys have gone on their annual drill.

We are sorry to hear that Mr. Thomas Arkell is again confined to his room.

The Webb plea for damages at Aberfoyle failed to materialize.

The prayer meeting at Mr. Henry Arkell's was well attended. Reverend Dr. Wardrope would rather wear out than rust out in the service of his Master.

We are pleased to see Mr. MacNally and family able to be amongst us again.

Reverend Mr. Mathers is attending Conference. We are yet uncertain whom we are to have or where Mr. M. is stationed.

At Farnham Farm

June 1897.

The "American Sheepbreeder" magazine for June says, "Henry Arkell, of Arkell Ont., writes that the Oxfords at his "Farnham Farm" are looking fine, that the pastures are luxuriant, that the lambs are fast growing into big strong fellows, and that a carload of knobby Oxford ram lambs will be ready for some fortunate ranchman about the tenth of October." Henry has been over to Flint, Michigan, inspecting the Oxford Downs of the Genesee County Association, and reports a royal time with a lot of royal flock owners.

The News from Arkell

June 22nd 1897.

The public school is celebrating Her Majesty's Jubilee right royally, in the form of a picnic in Mr. Jno. Iles' grove. A good time is anticipated in songs, games, et cetera.

Mr. and Mrs. Winyard, of Selkirk, were visiting at Mr. James Starkey's and others here. Miss Irving, of Orangeville, is visiting at Mr. Jas. Retties (possibly, Petty's). Miss Edith Cossidge has returned from her trip up country, having enjoyed herself fully.

The Ladies' Aid purposes holding an "At Home" at Mr. Joseph Anderson's "Cedar Creek Farm", on Friday evening next. All are most cordially invited.

Mr. and Mrs. James Ramer, and Mrs. Macklem and children, of Stouffville, dropped off the York excursion, O.A.C., to visit their brother, Mr. Jas. A. Breuls.

Mr. Daniel Rudd took a run, an early morn jubilee run, on his wheel, to his old home here.

A parcel containing a pair of shoes got strayed into a buggy in the city on Monday night, and found its way to Arkell. Owner can have the same by dropping a card to the Postmaster at Arkell.

The News from Arkell

June 29th 1897.

The much needed rain came in copious showers on Monday night. The "At Home" at Mr. Anderson's was well attended and was a success financially and otherwise.

The Public School Jubilee picnic was well attended and all seemed to enjoy the afternoon outing. The Misses Decker, on returning from the picnic, narrowly escaped serious damages. Their horse, being frightened by some noise, became unmanageable and threw them out, giving them a bad shaking up and damaging the buggy greatly.

Several young fellows went through here on Monday looking for a young boy who had strayed away from home at Carlisle. They had traced him within a few miles of Arkell.

Miss B. Starkey has returned from a trip to Toronto. A number purpose attending the picnic at Eden Mills on Dominion Day. Mr. Nichols and his daughter, Mrs. Wm. Watson, and Master Arthur are on a visit to Mr. Watson's son at Woodville. Mrs. Breuls' mother returned to her home at Keswick, York County, after spending a couple months with her daughter here.

The News of Arkell

July 26th 1897.

The sad news reached here today, of the death of Mrs. David Adams, of New Westminster, British Columbia, formerly Miss May Bell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bell, of this place. Mrs. Adams went out there nine months ago to be married, and has been in poor health ever since going out there. She was a very popular young lady and was much thought of by all those who have had the pleasure of knowing her. May took a great interest in all church work. The whole community extends its heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved husband and family.

Mrs. Willoughby and her little daughter, Maggie, are visiting friends here.

Mr. James Breuls is visiting friends in Holland Landing.

Mrs. Sherlock, of Parkdale, accompanied by her two daughters, are visiting her sister, Mrs. Joseph Anderson, of this place.

Mrs. Nixon and family left for her home after spending a few weeks visiting her friends here.

Noted Breeders

July 29th 1897.

The name Arkell is known all over America and Mr. Henry Arkell is one of the best breeders of sheep on the continent. Today, Mr. Arkell shipped to Mr. Uriah Privett, of Greensburg, Indiana, 7 Oxford-down sheep, for show purposes. Mr. Privett is also a well known dealer and breeder of sheep. He has purchased from Mr. Arkell, during his 17 years' business relations, a large amount of stock. Mr. Privett also shipped from this city some Southdown and Cotswold sheep, purchased from Martin Symington and J. C. Snell, of Brampton.

Pure Bred Sheep

August 10th 1897.

Henry Arkell, of Arkell, has shipped to Professor Curtis, of Ames, Wyoming, two excellent Oxford Down ewe lambs, for the farm, also three yearling rams, two yearling ewes, two ram lambs, and two ewe lambs to G. J. Campbell, of Pittsfield, Ohio, all for show purposes. Mr. Arkell's stock evidently is appreciated on the other side of the border. This is the tenth year that he has supplied Mr. Campbell with his first-class breed of sheep, and he has so much faith in Mr. Arkell that all he has to do is to state what he wants, so that he has not been here for five years.

The Arkell News

August 11th 1897.

Mr. John McFarlane, of California, is here on his annual visit, accompanied by his niece, Mrs. Orr, and her little daughter. They are visiting at Mrs. D. McFarlane's and other friends.

Mrs. Willoughby returned home to Toronto after a few weeks visiting her mother and other friends. Mrs. Willoughby, of Doon, is visiting her sister, Mrs. O. Daniels, of this place. Mrs. Barnett returned home after spending a few days visiting friends in Arkell. Mr. and Mrs. McNeill, of Guelph, were visiting at Mr. Jno. Bell's, of this place. Mr. Dobson and his sister, of Toronto, are visiting at Mr. John Iles'.

Shipment of Sheep

September 16th 1897.

Henry Arkell, of Arkell, left this afternoon with 50 of the best Oxford ewes, weighing from 160 to 190 pounds, and three yearling rams, weighing 250 pounds each, that has ever left the County of Wellington. They are for E. Rife, of Rocksprings, Wyoming. The shipment also consists of three Lincoln rams and five ewes from Ernest Parkinson. Mr. Arkell will be away for about a month.

One Thousand in Gold

September 21st 1897.

Mr. H. Arkell, of Arkell, shipped, on Thursday, 67 thoroughbred Lincoln and Oxford sheep to Rich Springs, Wyoming. They were valued at \$1,000.

The News from the Village of Arkell

October 1st 1897.

Mr. and Mrs. Captain McFarlane, our old respected friends, accompanied by Mrs. McGown and her little daughter, from Parry Sound, paid a visit to their daughter, Mrs. Henry Arkell, of this place. We were all glad to see them. Their time was so short that they had not time to visit many of their friends, as they would have liked. Mrs. Arkell, being so kind, invited all their old acquaintances to spend Monday evening at her home. A most enjoyable time was spent. Mr. McFarlane, with his Scottish songs and funny stories, brought back old times of bygone days, fresh to their memories, which will never be forgotten.

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Mr. Malcolm Gilchrist returned home from British Columbia, where he has been for some years. We are all sorry to hear that he is in such poor health, and hoping that he will be benefited by the change.

Miss Violet Rodger returned home after spending a few weeks with her sister, Mrs. Robinson, in Guelph.

Improving

October 25th 1897.

The many friends of Mrs. Arkell, wife of Mr. Henry Arkell of Arkell, the well-known sheep breeder, will learn with pleasure that she is greatly improved, although not able yet to sit up in bed.

from the Guelph Mercury newspaper

Purchasing Sheep

October 25th 1897.

Mr. R. Jones of Fort Steele, Wyoming, is back to Guelph, on his annual visit to purchase sheep. He secured some 76 from Mr. Henry Arkell, the noted sheep breeder. This is Mr. Jones' fifth year in dealing with Mr. Arkell, and in that time he has purchased from him a great many sheep and their transactions have been of the most pleasant character. Mr. Jones leaves for his home at the above place tomorrow. (from the Guelph Mercury newspaper)

The Village News from Arkell

November 2nd 1897.

Mr. Jas. Scott has had an interesting, curious, and most uncommon circumstance in natural history. His cat, which had been deprived of her young, went to a neighbour's home and forcibly adopted one from her more fortunate cat neighbours. The foster parent and kidnapped offspring seem like a couple on their honeymoon.

The Rians Bros. have left here for their labours in Hamilton. Their labours here have been blessed as there has been a great awakening in Arkell. If the young men and women who have confessed Christ stand firm, what an ingathering, what a change would come over Arkell and vicinity in the next decade. It would be well for the young people to band themselves together in a Christian Endeavour Society. The Misses Morlock and brother, of Morriston, were in attendance at the meetings.

The Ladies' Aid met at Mrs. William Leslie's, today, Tuesday. The society is prospering nicely and is doing fine work. Mrs. D. Hume is spending a couple of weeks with friends in Teeswater. Mrs. Adams, of British Columbia, is at present on a visit to her sister, Reverend Mrs. Nickson, and her brothers at Burk's Falls. Miss Inglis, of Eden Mills, is visiting at Mr. Daniels'.

Henry Arkell

Sketch of Canada's Foremost Oxforddown Sheep Breeder

November 12th 1897.

Farming magazine for this month has an excellent portrait of this noted sheep breeder in Puslinch, with the following sketch of his life and his great success as a breeder of his famed Oxford Downs:

We have much pleasure in presenting to the readers of "Farming" this week a sketch of the life of Mr. Henry Arkell, of Farnham Farm, Arkell, Ontario. Mr. Arkell was born on the farm on which he now resides in 1854. He is the youngest son of the late Thomas Arkell, who settled on the present homestead in 1831, when it was a dense woods. Farnham Farm consists of 300 acres of well tilled land and is situated about five miles east of Guelph, near Arkell Station, on the Guelph branch of the C.P.R.

Mr. Arkell has come by his love of sheep honestly, for his father was a successful breeder of Cotswolds before him, and naturally as a boy he learned the successful methods followed by his father in handling sheep. When Mr. Arkell started for himself he bred Cotswolds for a time, and bred side by side with them, Oxford Down sheep. In 1882, he visited some of the best sheep farms in England, and made a selection of fifty head of Cotswolds and also fifty Oxfords from some of the best flocks in England. He kept both flocks on his farm for some years, but having an opportunity of disposing of his entire flock of Cotswolds at a good figure, he sold out, as he believed that his land was better adapted for raising Oxfords. Besides, he believed that he could do better by confining his efforts to Oxfords alone. Since then he has bred and handled them very extensively, gradually increasing his flock year by year. Last year he had on his farm over four hundred Oxford Down sheep of all ages.

Having been brought up among sheep, Mr. Arkell understands them thoroughly, and no doubt this knowledge, together with natural love of a good sheep, his good judgement, sound business sense, and personal supervision, for he is his own shepherd, have all contributed to place him in the front rank of sheep breeders in Canada. Mr. Arkell has been very successful in the show ring. For many years, his sheep swept everything before them at our larger shows. At the World's Fair at Chicago in 1893 he secured nine prizes with his Oxfords. The year before, he won a \$100 prize at Detroit for the ten best mutton sheep and the sweepstakes for the best ewe on the ground. Since 1893 he has not exhibited, although his sheep found their way to the front in the show ring on different occasions. He fits for show purposes between thirty and forty every year for his many customers.

The Americans are Mr. Arkell's best customers, and with the sheep men of the Western States, he has worked up an extensive trade. Last fall, Mr. Arkell took a trip among his customers in the Western States and saw for himself the results of the Oxford Down cross on the range sheep. The results have been wonderfully good, thus proving the adaptability of the Oxfords for crossing upon common sheep. The progeny from these range sheep are hardy, attain to a good size, mature quickly, and produce a good quality of wool.

Mr. Arkell was a director of the Puslinch Agricultural Society for seventeen years and President for one year. For five years, he was a director of the Guelph Central Exhibition, and for a like period, a director of the Fat Stock Show. His business has been growing so extensively of late, and as he is his own shepherd, looking personally after his flock, he has found it necessary to retire from all public positions and give his whole attention to his work. He still retains, however, his connection with the Dominion Sheep Breeders' Association, of which he is a director, and an enthusiastic member. The Superintendent of Farmers' Institutes has tried to secure Mr. Arkell's services as a delegate to the Farmers' Institute meetings to talk on sheep. He has a high appreciation of the work done by the Farmers' Institute system, and thinks that with it and with the help of such an agricultural paper as "Farming", the day is coming when the farmers of this country will be recognized as they ought to be, the very backbone of our fair Canada.

from the Guelph Mercury newspaper

The Arkell Village News

November 26th 1897.

Appearances indicate winter at our doors once more. Come when it may, not a few laggards will be caught, and not all on Dawson Trail.

Quite a number are still ploughing. It has been a beautiful autumn, but the early part was so dry, hence so much ploughing undone.

Some of the villagers are getting in their winter supply of coal. It is about \$6 per ton now.

The Salvation Army held forth here on Monday night. There was a large number of people in attendance and they seemed to enjoy themselves thoroughly.

Mrs. T. Petty's sale on Tuesday last was well attended and everything sold well. Mrs. Petty deserves credit for the excellent state in which her stock and implements were kept. She is one of the few female agriculturalists.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Easton are visiting at Mr. Andrew (Dr.) Laing's and at other friends in this vicinity. Mr. Easton was a resident of this place 20 years ago. He finds a great many changes from death and other causes.

The News from Arkell

December 7th 1897.

We are pleased to hear that Miss Mary Scott is entirely recovered from her recent severe illness. Our octogenarians of the village are somewhat under the weather these days. We trust that they may soon enjoy their usual good health.

Among the exhibitors at the Brantford Fat Stock Show, we are pleased to note that Mr. Walter Goodings is representing the Stone estate.

Patrick, Her Majesty's mail servant, is becoming quite an expert horseman.

The boys proclaim Geo. Jefferson the most fortunate young man on this line.

Only a short time till Christmas. What attractions are to make merry that festive season in this burgh?

Our village merchant – Winter goods are worthy your most careful examination, and the prices are right.

News of Arkell

December 14th 1897.

Much sympathy was felt at the death of Miss Alice Petrie, of Guelph, which was shown by the large attendance at the funeral from here.

Mr. Wm. C. Leslie attended the funeral of the late Allan Ironside, from Schaw Station to Toronto, on Saturday.

Mrs. Wm. Caulfield, of Egremont, is visiting at the home of Mr. John Ellis and other friends of this place.

Col. Burch, of Chicago, is visiting Mr. H. Arkell of this place.

Walter Green, our genial blacksmith, has been rather unfortunate of late. A short time ago, he had the misfortune to run a needle in his hand, which had to be extracted by a doctor, and now he has had one of his fingers nearly cut off, which has thrown him off work.

Miss Ida Decker represented this Sunday School at the convention held in Elora.

Mr. A. (Dr.) Laing had a pleasant family gathering on Saturday evening last, the occasion being his birthday. The family members were all home and presented him with a beautiful arm chair.

Arkell Boys in Vancouver

January 13th 1898.

Messrs. John and Hugh McFarlane, sons of Captain McFarlane, Parry Sound, formerly of Arkell, are in Vancouver, on their way to the Klondike. They spent the New Year with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Duthie. We wish the boys success.

The Arkell News

January 13th 1898.

Miss Edith Cossidge (or Coxridge) returned on Saturday evening from a two weeks' visit to friends in Elora. Miss Annie Leslie took her place as organist in the Methodist Choir during her absence.

Our son of Vulcan is a pretty good marksman. He thinks his canine target near Eden too dear. The public should thank him and pay the shot.

Jno. Hume, son of Mr. David Hume, is home from Brandon for a few weeks' visit. He feels, from 6 years experience, that he would prefer to live out west.

Miss Maggie Murray, of Rochester, is home on her holidays. Mrs. Calvert, of Durham, was visiting her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Watson, a few days last week. Miss Eliza Murray has returned from a visit among friends in Dumfries. Mrs. Woods, of Hamilton, has been visiting her father, Mr. Jas. Scott. Miss Mabel McFarlane has gone to visit her parents at Parry Sound. Miss Annie Daniels is visiting friends at Galt. Mrs. (Reverend) Nickson returned to her home in McKellar, on Monday.

We are sorry to hear that Mr. Henry Arkell is stricken with typhoid fever. He was taken to Guelph General Hospital in the ambulance on Monday. The family members have the heartfelt sympathy of all in their present severe troubles.

We are pleased to hear that Mr. J. Herbert, who has been under a doctor's care, is somewhat better.

The News of Arkell

January 25th 1898.

Mr. John Hume, son of David Hume, who underwent a very critical operation for some internal trouble, in the General Hospital, Guelph, is doing well. He will soon be around again.

Miss Ariss, of Guelph, is visiting at the home of her uncle, Jas. Ariss, of this place.

Mr. Joseph Bell has sold his farm to Mr. Peter Laing. It is Mr. Bell's intention to move to the village. We are pleased to know that he is still to remain in this place.

An "At Home", under the auspices of the Arkell division of the Ladies' Aid, will be held at the residence of Mr. P. Laing, at Arkell, on Thursday evening (tonight). All are most cordially invited to attend. A good time is anticipated.

Miss Murray has returned to Rochester, after spending her vacation under the parental roof.

The Hills boys' oyster supper and dance was well attended by the elite of the countryside, although the weather man "struck out", it being a rather foul evening for the occasion.

Mrs. Tolton received word of her niece's serious illness, at Galt. She went immediately to see her, but was not in time to see her alive.

The young men who participated in the drunken revel on Saturday night week, should have had more respect for themselves, their families, and the neighbourhood. Such performances on the public streets should not be tolerated, as their effects are fearfully demoralizing to the youth of the village. Had it taken place in the city, someone would have been in the cooler.

Grandpa Murray feels quite elated these days, and Bob is no less proud, although he feels that a "farm hand" should have been the first consideration.

We are sorry to hear that Mr. Arkell is not improving as nicely as could be desired. Trust it's only a temporary relapse.

We are sorry to hear that Mr. Wm. Alderson has rented his farm, and is about to move to Sault Ste. Marie. The Methodist Church will greatly miss his presence.

The Arkell News

February 3rd 1898.

The social at the home of Mr. Peter Laing on Thursday evening last was a success financially and otherwise, most especially otherwise. The Morlock Quartette, of Morriston, enlivened the proceedings with a number of choice selections, well rendered and well received. Mr. Wager, the gypsy fortune-teller was present. He thought that the bachelor trio of "Jims" was doomed to remain such, but he gave many of the maids, young and old, much encouragement.

Mr. P. Laing is making preparations for building a new barn next summer.

Mr. J. Herbert is yet quite ill, but improving somewhat. Mr. D. Gordon's children are getting better, and Messrs. John Hume and Henry Arkell are getting along quite nicely.

Mrs. Adams and her children purpose returning to their home in New Westminster, British Columbia, a week from Friday next. It is rumoured that Mr. Fern Bell, her brother, purposes accompanying her to her far western home.

Mr. James Laing and his sister, Ella, purpose taking a trip to friends at Simcoe, this week.

Mr. John Gordon is making ready to enlarge and place stone walls under his barns next summer.

But little interest is manifested as yet in the present political campaign ...(remainder of text illegible)

The News from Arkell

February 8th 1898.

Miss Sherwood, of Nelson, was visiting at Mr. A. Daniels' last week. Mr. James Laing and his sister, Nellie, are visiting friends in Simcoe. Mr. and Mrs. V. Leslie, of Schaw, are visiting his brother, Mr. William G. Leslie, of this place.

Miss Martha Stewart returned to Arkell after spending a few weeks at home with her parents. Mr. Thos. Carter has moved to his farm, which he purchased from Mrs. T. Petty. Mr. Ed Daniels, of Doon, is visiting his uncle, Mr. A. Daniels. Mrs. Swartou, of Michigan, is visiting her father, David Hume, Hills (of Corwhin Hills possibly).

We are glad to hear that Mr. H. Arkell is improving. We trust that he will soon be amongst us again.

Miss Annie Daniels has returned from a couple of weeks' visit with friends in Galt and Doon. Miss Phoebe Petty is visiting friends in Hamilton this week. Miss Annie Leslie has returned from visiting friends at Guelph and Aberfoyle.

We are sorry to hear that Miss Matilda Matthews is so seriously ill. Mrs. Capt. McFarlane, of Parry Sound, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Henry Arkell. It is reported that Mr. Wm. Alderson got seriously wounded in the head by one of his fiery steeds. A wedding is booked for on the near future and we may look for another at no distant date.

The Arkell News
February 15th 1898.

A big crowd is expected here at Mr. Mutrie's meeting on Saturday night next. The two Conservative candidates will have representatives, and a lively time is not an uncertainty quantity.

Mr. William Alderson and Mr. Joseph Bell, of this section, have auction sales on the 24th and 28th instants, respectively.

Mrs. Adams and family and her brother, Fern Bell, started for New Westminster, British Columbia, last Friday morning. Fern will be greatly missed, as he was a general favourite.

Our three patients at the General Hospital, and the others who have been on the sick list, are all nearing convalescence.

Now is your opportunity, gentlemen, to become acquainted with the aspirants for political honour. After 1st prox., 'twill be goodbye old friends for a season.

"To the Electors of South Wellington"

Another Puslinch Poet

**Support the man who does intend,
To prove the hardy farmer's friend,
And all their rights he will defend,
That's honest Johnnie Mutrie.**

**The Opposition they may blow,
Of this and that or so and so,
But more undaunted will we grow,
Supporting Johnnie Mutrie.**

**It's true St. John does talk quite big,
Of lumber deals and Humber pigs,
But then he is not worth a fig,
Compared with Johnnie Mutrie.**

**For doubtless Johnnie is the man,
To represent us everyone,
The Liberals all still hold the van,
Return brave Major Mutrie.**

"R. R."

News of Arkell
March 14th 1898.

Lots of mud these days. The roads are the worst for years. Spring seems in the air, but our seers predict some cold weather yet.

Mr. Joseph Bell has moved into the village, and will soon become acquainted with its ways.

Mr. Peter Orme has purchased the Haines farm of 300 acres, and purposes moving on it in the near future. Price \$9,900.

Mr. P. Laing has purchased and moved on the farm of Mr. Joseph Bell.

Messrs. Ed Coxsedge and Wm. Haines left on Friday morning, via C.P.R., for British Columbia. We trust they meet with good success in their new western home.

We are pleased to have Mr. Henry Arkell with us again, after some eight weeks in Guelph General Hospital, and also Mr. John Hume and Hilda Matthews, from the same institution.

Mr. J. C. Grant, of Aberfoyle, has moved on the Stone farm, on the Plains.

Mr. Isaac Hume is about renting his place and going out west to British Columbia. He has a sale on the 24th instant.

Mr. Geo. Watson has opened out his spring stock, and it is "All Right", and better the prices are "All Right".

A number of persons spent an evening with Mr. Wm. Alderson, before removing to his new home.

Reverend Dr. Scanlon filled Reverend Couch's place here on Sunday evening with a missionary address.

Mr. Crastor Scott sold a couple of horses lately at pretty good prices.

Mr. Thomas King, from Algoma, is visiting friends in and around Arkell. He is the same old Tom and looks the same as when he lived here some twenty years ago.

Since our last items, a very pleasant occurrence has taken place at the residence of Mr. Jas. Hume, but as the news is now somewhat common property, we will just say that the happy twain are domiciled in Nassagaweya, with the best wishes of their many friends in Puslinch.

Mrs. Wm. Haines purposes moving her family to Alberta, near Red Deer, in the course of a couple of weeks.

Reverend Wm. Savage, of Guelph, gave a lecture entitled "The Slums of London", last Wednesday evening, in the Methodist Church. Mr. Savage intends giving another shortly. We enjoyed his lecture very much.

The News from Arkell

March 22nd 1898.

Mr. John Hume, who has spent nearly three months here, returns to his home in Brandon on Friday.

Mr. (Dr.) A. Laing has returned from a week's visit to Uncle Sam, in York State. The Dr. looks as if he had not been thought a Spaniard.

Two of our boys had the ill fortune to be in the C.P.R. wreck out west, but fortunately escaped with only a slight shaking up.

Mr. Haines has a sale on Friday of this week, and he and family purpose moving to the west next week.

At a wood bee on the Hills, Mr. Stuart Hume had the misfortune to cut his foot, which will lay him up for a few days.

A telegraph message announced the sudden death of Mrs. Arkell, of Teeswater. Some of the friends from this village have gone to her burial.

All the young men have engaged for the summer, at good wages.

The Arkell News

April 9th 1898.

There was a fairly good crowd at Reverend Dr. Scanlon's lecture on Wednesday night. The lecture was a good one and should have been better patronized.

Misses Annie and Flossie Leslie have gone to Toronto to visit their aunts.

Mr. Henry Haines and his aunt, Miss Phoebe Petty, are on a visit to friends in Durham.

Mr. Thomas Nichols, son of Mr. George Nichols, of this place, of Woodville, spent a few days in the village lately. He is most certainly a son of the father.

A social and dance was held at the residence of Mr. James Scott on Wednesday evening last. All seemed to fully enjoy themselves.

Mr. W. T. Haines purposes remaining a resident of this vicinity for a year longer, having rented Mr. Peter Orme's farm and removed thereon.

Mr. Isaac Hume is on his way to New Westminster, British Columbia. We wish him success in his new home. Mrs. West and family are living with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert. Mr. West has rented Mr. Hume's farm and removed on it.

There has been much moving around Arkell this year, more than for many a year.

Mr. James A. Breuls and Irene have gone on an Easter trip to North York.

Mr. James Arriss (or Ariss), after 28 years business in Arkell, has emulated Mr. George Nichol's example, and retired, giving his business into younger hands. Mr. N. Pickett, of Eden Mills, has bought his shop business and residence, and will be prepared to carry on business in the old stand. Mr. Pickett comes well recommended and, no doubt, will do a good, steady business. Mr. James Ariss moves to Guelph in a few days. The ladies are anxious to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Pickett to their new home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Goodings paid a few days' visit to friends in Listowel and vicinity, last week.

The Arkell News

May 5th 1898.

Mrs. Geo. Duthie and her two little girls, from Vancouver B.C., are on an extended visit to her son, John Shelley, and other friends.

Mr. Adam Cook, from Algoma, is on a visit to his father and other friends.

We are all very sorry to hear of Miss Rosy Bell's illness. She was taken to the General Hospital for treatment.

We are glad to hear that Mrs. A. Herbert is slowly improving after a long illness.

Mrs. Dyson, of Guelph, paid a visit to Mrs. Peter Petty and other friends.

Mr. Whitney, manager, Bell Telephone Company, of Guelph, was out and removed the telephone from Arkell.

The Village News from Arkell

June 7th 1898.

Miss Rosy Bell, who has been treated in the Guelph General Hospital, returned home last week, much improved. Though still very weak, she is slowly, though surely, on the way to her former health.

A gang of men are busily engaged in filling in the Murray culvert. They are boarding with Mr. Murray.

Quite a number from here attended the Guelph Methodist Conference, on Sunday, in Guelph city churches.

Baseball seems to be dead here this season. The wheel has taken its place.

Reverend Mr. Nickson, of McKellar, is on a visit to his father-in-law, Mr. Jos. Bell. He returns to Toronto Conference on Tuesday, today.

A good number of the beeves are being sold at fair prices. Mr. Wm. Watson took a carload to Toronto last week.

A lodge of "Chosen Friends" was organized at Arkell last Friday night by Mr. Thos. Best. There is a score of charter members at present, all good men and true.

There is to be a garden party held at Mr. Jas. Starkey's lawn on Thursday afternoon, the 18th of June. It is to be the largest entertainment ever held in this neighbourhood. Miss Keating, of Guelph, and the ladies of Arkell are doing all that they can to make it a success. The very best talent has been secured, as well as the 30th Battalion band from the city.

News of Arkell

June 21st 1898.

Mrs. Nixon and family returned home to McKellar, after spending a few weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bell.

Miss Clara Willoughby, of Toronto, visited her grandmother, Mrs. Starkey.

Mrs. John Anderson, of Guelph, was visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Bell.

The Misses Maggie and Mary Cockburn returned home to Toronto, after spending a few weeks with friends here.

Mrs. W. J. Kilgour, of Guelph, spent a few days visiting friends around Arkell.

John Cox and family, of Toronto, was visiting at the home of Mr. John Iles and other friends.

The good people of Arkell, captained by Miss Keating, of Guelph, deserve the highest praise for their noble efforts in raising funds for the Guelph General Hospital. The success, financially and otherwise, exceeded the most sanguine expectations. The number present was about 800, and the proceeds, less expenses, were \$127, a magnificent sum to gladden the hearts of some fellow unfortunates. Our worthy M.P. purchased \$5 in tickets. A vote of thanks was tendered President Mills, Miss Keating, and all who participated in the same. All worked faithfully and well (excepting the scribe), but our worthy merchant and P.M. (possibly Post Master) worked like a Trojan and deserves a double vote. Mr. James Starkey makes an excellent host and Miss Belle, an equally good hostess. For further particulars, read the account of the event in another column. Why not make this an annual event?

The Arkell News

July 5th 1898.

The Presentation to Mr. Bruels

Dear Teacher — We, the pupils of this school, feel that we cannot allow you to depart from amongst us without showing, in some small way, our esteem for your kindness towards us, and so we ask you to accept this watch chain, not for its value, but as a token of respect. We wish you abundant success in your future home.

— signed on behalf of the scholars —

The address was read by Nellie Watson, and at the proper time G. B. Watson presented the chain. Mr. Bruels very feelingly replied, after which the scholars accompanied him to the station.

A great many people took advantage of the cheap fares. Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Scott and Miss King, of Owen Sound, were visitors at Mr. Jas. Scott's, of this place. Mrs. John Bell, of Brantford, paid a visit to Mr. John Bell. Miss R. Petty and Miss Chillman, of Hamilton, paid a visit to Mr. J. Petty. Peter Grieve, of Michigan, is home on a visit to his brother, Warren, and other friends.

Miss Annie Leslie returned home after a month's visit to friends in Hamilton. Mrs. H. Arkell and son returned home after spending a few days in Hamilton with friends.

Mrs. A. Herbert returned home from the General Hospital, where she has been under treatment for some time. Glad to know that she is improving.

Mr. Rutherford Rodger, stonemason, met with a painful accident. A large stone fell on his foot. He has been confined to the house for some time. A severe storm passed over here on Sunday afternoon. During the storm, Mr. John Iles' barn was struck by lightning, not much damage done. Mr. Peter Laing had one of his feet broken by a heavy timber falling on it. Mr. John Arkell erected a powerful windmill on his barn.

Arkell School Board has secured the services of Mr. Jas. McNair as successor to Mr. Jas. Bruels.

News of Arkell

July 19th 1898.

Mrs. O. Sweet and family, of Toronto, are visiting at Mr. W. T. Haines'.

Miss Annie Chipchase returned home from Toronto, after spending a few days visiting friends there.

Captain McFarlane, of Parry Harbour, is spending a few days with his daughter, Mrs. H. Arkell, at Farnham.

Mrs. Peter Hume and her two daughters, of Belwood, are visiting in and around Arkell.

The president and a number of the ladies belonging to the Wardrobe Auxiliary of the W.F.M.S. held a pleasant and profitable meeting at the residence of Mrs. Henry Arkell, on June 30th. A number of the members of this vicinity were present.

Grant J. Campbell, of Pittsfield, Ohio, and Geo. MacKerrow, of Sussex, Wisconsin, paid a visit to Mr. Henry Arkell, and purchased a number of his fancy sheep. Both are extensive breeders of fine stock in the United States.

The Arkell Village News

July 26th 1898.

Mrs. Isaac Hume and family left last Friday for Vancouver, B.C., to join her husband, who has been out there for some time. Mrs. Geo. Duthie and her two little girls, who have been spending a few months with friends, returned home to the same place.

Miss Starkey returned home from Toronto, where she was spending a few days with her sick sister, Mrs. T. Willoughby, who, we are sorry to say, is not improving any.

The two young sons of R. Chilman, of Hamilton, are here spending a few weeks of their vacation with Mr. French, in Arkell.

Farmers should be very careful of their sheep, as there are a number of dogs on their rounds, worrying them. Mr. H. Arkell had his flock visited and a number bitten and killed. They say that trouble never comes singly. Mr. John Bell, who had his dwelling burned the other week, had his flock of sheep visited by dogs on Sunday morning last, and a number of them torn and bitten. Some of them may die. One lamb was killed.

Miss M. Cockburn, of Toronto, is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Starkey. Mrs. McMillan and her children and Mr. J. Wood's little son, of Hamilton, are visiting at Mr. Jas. Scott's. Miss Maggie Murray, of Rochester, is home on a visit to her parent, Mr. John Murray. The Misses Dobson, of Toronto, are visiting at Mr. John Iles'. Mrs. Jas. McNeil, of Guelph, was visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Bell.

The Local News – Arkell

August 4th 1898.

Mr. Henry Arkell has shipped six head of Oxforddowns to W. Heskett, of Fulton, Ohio, for show purposes.

Messrs. John Murray, John Gordon, and Henry Arkell were in the city today and purchased a bell for S.S. No. 1, Puslinch, from the J. B. Armstrong Manufacturing Company.

The News from Arkell

August 9th 1898.

Quite a number from here took in the excursion to the Niagara Falls on August 1st.

A great many of the farmers have threshed. The yield is very good. The fall wheat is turning out 30 or 40 bushels per acre. Most of the farmers will finish harvesting this week if the weather keeps favourable. Some have finished already.

Mrs. James Scott and her two children returned home to Toronto, after spending a few days visiting her father-in-law, Mr. Jas. Scott. The Misses McIntyre, of Niagara, are visiting at Mr. H. Gilchrist's. Miss Flossie Leslie returned home, from Schaw, after spending a few weeks with friends. Miss R. Chilman and her two brothers returned home to Hamilton, after spending a few weeks with friends here.

Miss Rushfield, from Guelph General Hospital, is spending a few days visiting at Mr. H. Arkell's. Mr. O. Sweet, of Toronto, spent a few days with Mr. W. T. Haines. Mira Pentecost, of Hamilton, is spending her vacation at Mr. W. E. Leslie's. Our school board is erecting a school bell, which is to be re-opened on August 15th.

The News from Arkell

August 25th 1898.

Mr. Geo. McNair, our teacher, re-opened our school on Monday, the 15th. There is a good attendance. We all wish him success. He is staying at the home of Mr. John Murray at present. I hope that it will not be long when he is living in his own house.

Miss Ainslie, of Hamilton, is visiting her uncle, Mr. John Murray, and other friends. Miss McKenzie, of Marden, is visiting in and around Arkell. Miss Nancy and Hadassah Caulfield, of Guelph, were visiting their sister, Mrs. Geo. Lamb. Mrs. J. Woods, of Guelph, was visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Rodger.

Mr. Alex Wood, of Souris, Manitoba, formerly of this place, is to be congratulated on his showing of Oxford Downs at the Winnipeg and Brandon fairs, this summer. Mr. Wood is the lucky winner of fourteen first prizes and 6 diplomas. This splendid assortment of winners was bought from Henry Arkell, of Arkell. Success to Alex.

Mr. Jack Stewart, of Hamilton, and Mrs. Petrie and Mrs. Alex Petrie Junior, of Guelph, spent Wednesday with Mrs. H. Arkell at Farnham Farm. Mr. John Bell, of Brantford, is visiting his parents, Mr. John Bell, of this place. Miss Lundy, of the Royal City, is spending a few days with Miss Mary Black.

The Arkell News

September 1st 1898.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Caldwell and family, of Durham, were visiting at Mr. Geo. Watson's and other friends in Arkell. Mrs. Hall and her two children, of Guelph, and Miss Bullock, of Doon, were visiting at Mrs. O. Daniels'. Mrs. O. Daniels is away on a visit to friends in Doon.

Mrs. Wright, of Toronto, is visiting at Mr. W. Grieve's and other friends of this place. Mr. John Cook returned home from the General Hospital, Guelph. Glad to know that he is doing nicely, and nothing more serious than the loss of part of the fore finger of his right hand.

Mr. Adam Laing, of Brampton, is visiting his brother, Mr. A. Laing, of this place. Mrs. Tyson and her little boy and Mr. and Mrs. R. Matthews and family, of Guelph, were visiting friends in Arkell. The Ladies' Aid of Arkell intends holding their garden party in Mr. Wm. G. Leslie's orchard, September 13th.

The Village News from Arkell

September 20th 1898.

Mrs. Iles, Mrs. Starkey, Miss Starkey, and Miss E. Coxhead are visiting friends in Toronto.

Messrs. A. and P. Laing returned home from Muskoka, where they have been for two weeks, buying cattle and sheep. They brought with them a fine drove of each.

Mrs. Barret, of Eden Mills, was visiting friends here.

Mrs. Eaket, of Mount Forest, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Jos. Bell, of this place.

The garden party held here was a great success and all enjoyed themselves.

Mrs. Cormie, of Guelph, was visiting at Mr. Geo. Nichols'.

Mrs. Goodings, of Eramosa, was visiting her brother, Mr. D. Gordon.

Mr. David Atkinson passed away after a lingering illness. He was quite resigned to go; his end was peace. His family will have the sincere sympathy of this community in their loss. He was a member of the C.O.F., and they took charge of the funeral. The services were conducted by Reverend Dr. Scanlon, of Nassagaweya.

There will be a Plebiscite meeting held in the Methodist Church, on Thursday evening. The Reverend Mr. Martin, of Guelph, and others will be present. Meeting commences at 7:30 o' clock.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Fletcher, of Nassagaweya, were visiting at Mr. O. Daniels'.

Miss McKee, of Hamilton, is visiting her friend, Miss Maud Pickett.

Mr. Wm. Cameron, of St. Helens, is visiting his friend, W. G. Leslie.

The Arkell News

October 4th 1898.

Reverend Dr. Wardrope and Mr. Jas. Laidlaw paid their annual visit to friends in Arkell. Reverend Dr. Wardrope conducted a prayer meeting at the home of Mr. John Murray, last Friday, 30th September.

Mr. W. S. Haines returned home from Manitoba, after spending a month or two with his son there.

Mrs. Joseph Bell left on Monday morning for McKellar, Muskoka, to visit her daughter, Mrs. (Reverend) Nixon.

Mr. John Bell and family are pleased to be back to their own home again. It will be remembered that they were burned out a few months ago.

Mrs. A. Laing passed away this morning, after a long and lingering illness. She was a loving mother and a kind neighbour. The funeral will take place on Thursday morning, at 10 o' clock, to Farnham Cemetery.

Mr. James Starkey and Mr. C. Scott have been very successful in taking a number of prizes at the fall fairs.

A number of the men intend taking in the World's Fair, tomorrow, at Aberfoyle.

Geo. Watson has taken in his fall and winter stock of dry goods, and expects to see all his old friends.

Death of Mrs. Andrew Laing

The death is announced of Mrs. Andrew Laing, of Arkell, which took place last night, after a long and lingering illness of some three years, from that dread disease, consumption. The deceased, Helen Graham, was born in Scotland in 1835 and was married to Mr. Laing in 1855. The union was blessed with a family of four sons and four daughters, viz., Euphemia Helen and Martha Rose, at home, Mrs. Wm. Bell, of Arkell, Mrs. W. Hume, Brock Road, Wm. John, on the old homestead in Puslinch, Peter G, near Arkell, Prince W., in Arkell, and Andrew James Robertson, with his father, on the homestead, near Arkell. The family will have sincere sympathy in the loss of a devoted mother.

In the Eden Mills News

October 4th 1898.

Miss Minnie Harmer spent a few days last week with friends in Arkell.

The News from Arkell

October 18th 1898.

Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Campbell, of Kincardine, and Mr. John Hume, of Toronto, were visiting at Mr. David Hume's.

Mrs. James Henderson returned from Scotland, where she has been visiting friends for two months.

Death has removed from amongst us, Mrs. A. Herbert, after a long and lingering illness. Her end was peace.

The farmers are busy gathering in the apples and potatoes. There is a very fair crop of both.

The Arkell News

November 16th 1898.

Quite a crowd gathered to see the ploughing match at the home of Mr. D. Gordon on Tuesday last, Mr. W. J. Kerr winning first prize and sweepstakes, and Geo. Jefferson, second, in the men's class, Gus Carter, first and sweepstakes, and Geo. Bell, second in the boy's class. The Hunt Club passed through on the same afternoon, and the hounds lost the scent when they came to the ploughed field. The hunters were delayed for a few minutes.

P. Laing arrived home from Muskoka, with his second drove of cattle.

Mr. Wm. Harwood and family leave for their new home near Rockwood. Mr. Harwood has been with Mr. H. Arkell for the past ten years. We wish them all success in their new home.

Mr. Wm. G. Lissen sold his farm for a good price. We are all glad to hear that he leased a house in the village for the winter. We will be sorry to lose Mr. Lissen as a neighbour. He does not know his destination yet.

Mrs. Hume returned home. after spending three months in Winnipeg, Manitoba, with her sister, Mrs. Brooking.

Miss A. Keating, of Guelph, is visiting friends in Arkell.

Mrs. John Bell returned home from Brantford, where she has been visiting her son, John.

Miss Calvert, of Guelph, was visiting her sister, Mrs. Geo. Watson, of this place.

The Arkell News

November 22nd 1898.

Mr. Wm. A. Herbert left for his home in Woodstock, where he intends following after his former employment, printing. We wish him success, for he is a "Jo" young fellow.

Messrs. R. & K. Daniels, of Doon, and Miss Barr, of Toronto, are visiting at the home of Mr. A. Daniels.

Mrs. Henry Arkell leaves today for Parry Harbour, to spend Thanksgiving with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Captain McFarlane.

Mrs. Rudd, of Guelph, (text missing)... with her son, Mr. G. E. Rudd.

Mr. McNair, the teacher, intends holding a concert in the near future.

Mr. Charles Richardson moved into the house recently occupied by Mr. Harwood. He is going to work for Mr. H. Arkell.

We are all glad to know that Mr. Henry Arkell is still in the front with his famous sheep, Oxfords. He has had a great many orders this fall from different parts of the continent. A great number went to the United States, Michigan, Ohio, and Wisconsin, and to various parts of British Columbia, Northwest Territories, and Nova Scotia. So far, he has sold 250 full-blooded sheep.

Shipment of Sheep

November 24th 1898.

Henry Arkell shipped today two yearling Oxford ewes and two ewe lambs to P. E. Barclay, of Sunfield, Michigan, a ram to O. E. Bolenburg, of York, Ohio, an Oxford ram lamb to C. E. Thompson, of Evert, Michigan, and a ewe to A. J. Hammer, of Bloomington, Wisconsin. So far, Mr. Arkell has sold 250 full blooded sheep in various parts of British Columbia, Northwest Territories, the United States, and Nova Scotia.

The Arkell News
December 20th 1898.

A concert will be given in the schoolhouse on Thursday evening, the 22nd, by Mr. McNair, teacher. A good programme is provided, consisting of recitations, military drill, music, singing, et cetera. Admission 15 cents.

Mr. Frey, of Mimosa, has started his singing class. We wish him success.

Mr. Jos. Bell has returned home after spending a few months with friends in Muskoka.

Mr. Edmund Bell is home on a visit from Manitoba. He has been away for two years.

Miss E. Coxhead returned home after spending two weeks with friends in Elora.

Mr. Grieve entertained a number of little girls to tea last Saturday evening. They did enjoy themselves.

The Revival in Arkell
March 18th 1899.

For the past three weeks, a successful religious revival has been in progress in the Methodist Church in Arkell, conducted by the Misses Hall and Reverend G. H. Cobbledick, assisted by a band of workers who went out almost every evening from the Paisley Street Church in private conveyances and by carryall. As a result, it is learned that over forty persons have united with the church, and one noticeable feature is the influences for good and the desire to study the Bible that these services have fostered in the neighbourhood. The two evangelists, the Misses Hall, are said to be most excellent workers, and they have received every encouragement from the friends of the neighbourhood. The services will for a short time longer be continued for two evenings a week.

The Arkell News
May 14th 1899.

Great preparations are being made for the garden party at Mr. Robert Hume's on the Queen's Birthday.

Mrs. Henry Arkell attended the opening services of the new church at Fergus.

Mr. Wm. Hartley, of Guelph, has been spending a few days with Mr. Henry Arkell.

Mr. D. Barlow occupied the pulpit in the Methodist Church here, in Reverend Mr. Couch's absence.

Mrs. P. W. Laing's health is giving her friends considerable anxiety.

Reverend Mr. Glassford held a very successful prayer meeting at Mr. Thos. Arkell's, last Friday evening.

Messrs. Pickett & Grieve are receiving many compliments on the excellent appearance of the new wagon that they have just completed for Mr. C. W. Kelly, of Guelph.

Mrs. Crossen, from New Jersey, is visiting her sister, Mrs. McCartney.

The church here has received a rather unique bequest from the late Joseph Horner. It consists of a beer mug for sacramental purposes. While the last state of that mug is better than the first, the church people have not yet seen fit to use it for its new office.

The News from Arkell

July 28th 1903.

Miss Maud McFarlane, of Rochester, is visiting at the home of Mr. H. Arkell. Miss Bessie Arkell and her brother, of Teeswater, are visiting their uncle, Mr. Henry Arkell.

Mrs. Wood and son, of Hamilton, also Mr. Jas. Scott, of Toronto, were visiting their father, Mr. James Scott.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Davidson, of Teeswater, are visiting at Mr. John Iles'.

The farmers are all busy haying and harvesting. G. Bell and R. Wilson started their threshing machine on the farm of Mr. Geo. Lamb on Monday morning, the 27th.

Mr. and Mrs. Weir, of Galt, and Miss Argo, of Eden Mills, paid a flying visit to some of their old friends of this place.

Mrs. Jas. Hewer and sister, and her two daughters, of Guelph, were visiting with Mr. D. Gordon.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Morlock will be glad to hear of the recovery of their little son.

Mr. David King, of Hamilton, and Mr. Thos. King, of Algoma, were visiting their sister, Mrs. John Daniels, who is in very poor health.

Mrs. John Anderson and family, of Guelph, are visiting her mother, Mrs. John Bell.

Mrs. O. Daniels returned home from Doon after spending a few days with her mother.

The Arkell News

August 25th 1903.

Mr. Wm. Dobson and his sister, of Toronto, are visiting at Mr. John Iles'.

The barn belonging to W. J. Laing was struck by lightning last night and was burned to the ground. The villagers were all startled by the cries of fire. They all turned out to save the dwelling house, which is occupied by Mrs. Carter, and her two daughters.

While Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Arkell were driving to church on Sunday morning, their horse was startled by a dog jumping over a fence. The horse shied, throwing Mr. and Mrs. Arkell out of the buggy, breaking Mrs. Arkell's arm and otherwise injuring her. Mr. Arkell escaped with a bad shaking up.

Miss Annie Bristow and Miss Nellie Watson returned home from Hamilton, where they were visiting friends.

The Village News from Arkell

September 8th 1903.

Mr. Allan Young, of Halifax, paid a flying visit to Mrs. D. Atkinson and family, last week. Miss Mabel McFarlane, of Parry Sound, is visiting her sister, Mrs. H. Arkell, and other friends. Mr. John Daniels returned home after spending two weeks with friends in Burlington.

Mr. John Wood, of Hamilton, spent a few days visiting at Mr. James Scott's. Master Douglas Chilman, of Hamilton, is spending his holidays with Harry Watson. Mrs. Near, of Galt, spent a few days visiting at the residence of Mr. David Hume.

Mrs. Snow, of Arthur, spent a day or two with her aunt, Mrs. J. Cook. Mrs. Wilson, of Guelph, spent Labour Day with her mother, Mrs. Jas. Herbert. Mr. Geo. Duthie, of Vancouver, is here visiting friends. It is about fifteen years since Mr. Duthie left this place. Miss Anne Gilchrist returned home after spending a month with friends in and around Owen Sound.

The Guelph Mercury newspaper

The Arkell News

October 27th 1903.

Mr. George Lamb returned home from Hartney, Manitoba, after spending one month with his brother-in-law, Mr. James Duthie.

Miss Alice McCartney, while picking apples, fell from the tree; she was badly shaken up and bruised. She was confined to the house for a few days.

Mrs. Stewart, of Clyde, is visiting her father, Mr. John Murray.

Mr. and Mrs. Robertson, of Toronto, returned home after spending a few days with their daughter, Mrs. W. West.

Mr. Mills, one of the American sheep breeders, was over last week and purchased a large shipment of sheep from Mr. Henry Arkell.

from the Weekly Mercury and Advertiser newspaper

The News of Arkell

July 8th 1904.

Mr. and Mrs. John Murray are visiting friends in Dumfries at present.

Mr. Smail and his niece, Miss Walker, of Kepple, are visiting at the home of Mr. A. Laing.

Mrs. Jas. Hume returned home, after spending a few days visiting friends in Toronto.

Mrs. Thos. Nichols and her son and daughter, of Queensville, returned home after spending a few days visiting Mrs. Geo. Nichols and other friends.

Mrs. Snow, of Arthur, returned home after spending a few days visiting at the home of Mr. Jas. Petty and other friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Clayton are away to spend the vacation with friends at Marden and Speedside.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bell, of Guelph, spent the 1st of July with Mr. Bell's mother.

Mr. Peter Hume's barn was raised last week. It was framed by Wm. Bell and Geo. Rodger. They deserve ... (text missing)

Mrs. Geo. Lamb is visiting her sister, Mrs. John Fennell, in Fergus.

Mr. Paddock, of Killean, spent a few days with his sister, Mrs. Jas. Starkey.

Mr. Peter Scott, of Guelph, was visiting his father, Mr. Jas. Scott, last week.

Mrs. David Gordon returned home from St. Mary's, after spending a short time visiting friends.

Farmers have started haying; all report a heavy crop.

The Arkell News

November 15th 1904.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood, of Burlington, spent last Sunday with friends here.

Mr. and Miss Dobson, of Toronto, are the guests of Miss Annie Iles.

Miss McCartney, of Dumfries, is visiting at Mr. J. Murray's.

We are glad to hear that Mr. W. Ray is recovering after his illness of a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Laing attended the funeral, at Grahamsville, on Monday, of their little nephew, Garman Nixon, who was drowned while skating near his home in South River.

The boys of this vicinity held their annual bush shooting match on Thursday last. Messrs. W. King and P. W. Laing were the captains.

The Ladies' Aid met at the home of Mrs. J. Cook, last Wednesday. There was quite a large attendance.

The farmers are all hoping for a few weeks of fine weather, as they have not finished their fall ploughing.

The Arkell Village News

July 4th 1905.

Most of the young people from this vicinity attended a picnic at Puslinch Lake, on Friday. A most enjoyable time was spent in boating, and in the evening, dancing. The stars were getting dim when some arrived home.

The boys who were at the London camp have returned, looking hale and hearty after their outing. There were enough from here to form a baseball team, and report has it that they cleaned up everything that they went at, the second-best team of London being defeated by them.

Many of the people in this neighbourhood remember well Fred Reid, the weather prophet, who died in Fergus recently. He was once a frequent visitor in these parts.

The following pupils in the public school here have been promoted:

Into Second Book — Minnie Gordon, Annie Grant, Anna Hinan, Della Laing, Agnes Marsh, Willie Reuber.

Into Third Book — Olive Daniels, Willie Hume, Etta Hinan, Pressie Laing, Nellie Meyers, Harry Meyers, Evelyn Reuber, Ella Tolton.

Into Fourth Book — Maggie Grant, Wilbert Hume, Robert Lamb.

The many friends of Miss Bristo, of Hamilton, are pleased to see her in the neighbourhood again. The members of the Methodist Church here appreciate her kindness in singing a solo at the services on Sunday afternoon. She returned to Hamilton today.

Miss Gee, who has been visiting at Mr. David Hume's for the past two weeks, returned home today.

Master Harry Chilman, of Hamilton, is spending his vacation with his friend, Arthur Watson. His sister is visiting at Miss Petty's.

Miss Lizzie Carter, of Speedside, is spending a few days with her mother, here.

Mr. and Mrs. Grieve and family spent the holiday and Sunday in Toronto. They report an enjoyable time.

Miss Lila Watson is visiting her grandparents in Durham.

The rain on the 1st of July was badly needed, but most unwelcome that day. It came just in time to spoil what would otherwise have been a most enjoyable afternoon, and our picnic, to which, the whole neighbourhood was looking forward, had to be abandoned. The Grasshoppers from Guelph hopped and the Crickets, of Arkell, cricked, but the rain came down in torrents and spoiled the fun.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton will visit friends in Belwood, Fergus, and Eramosa during the holidays.

Mr. Fred Arkell is having a most successful barn-raising yesterday and today. It is under the management of Mr. Matt Simms.

Harvest Home at Arkell

September 29th 1905.

The harvest home service in connection with the Church of England, at Arkell, last evening, was well attended, the church being prettily decorated with grain and flowers. Reverend G. F. Davidson, M.A., conducted the services, and Reverend V. E. F. Morgan preached a sermon appropriate to the festival. At the conclusion of the service, the clergy and other friends were entertained to refreshments by Mr. and Mrs. John Iles.

The News of Arkell

March 6th 1906.

Mr. A. J. R. Laing's sale last Friday was largely attended in spite of the very cold weather.

Mr. James Petty is busy these days hauling timber to make improvements to his barn. He intends to split the barn and add twenty feet to the centre. Mr. Geo. Roger, framer, has the contract.

Several mythical robins have been heard, but not seen, about the neighbourhood. We should not wonder if one should show itself in the flesh these fine days.

A notice of the "almost an accident" on the railway here has already appeared in the columns of the Mercury.

Master Earl Carter has fully recovered from his recent illness from diphtheria and the quarantine has been raised.

Mr. Leonard Laing, of Huntsville, Muskoka, has been visiting in the neighbourhood recently.

The News from Arkell Village

March 27th 1906.

The weather is more spring-like now, and the robin is heard in earnest.

The weather on Monday night was unfavourable, but nevertheless, a large number gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. McFarlane and enjoyed, to the utmost, a party given in honour of Mrs. McFarlane's cousin, Miss Maggie Murray, of Dumfries, who is visiting friends in the neighbourhood, at present.

Mrs. Cook, who has been with Mr. and Mrs. Hinan for some time, returned to Rockwood this week. Misses Etta and Anna Hinan have gone to visit their grandmother, Mrs. Cook, in Rockwood.

from the Guelph Mercury newspaper

The Arkell News

April 10th 1906.

The recent rains have made the roads and the fields very muddy. However, a few warm days will make the land in this neighbourhood dry enough to plow, and the farmers will soon be at their spring work.

Mr. Stanley Gordon entertained a number of his young friends last Friday evening. An enjoyable time was spent.

Wait for Fax (entertainer Mr. James Fax) at the concert in Arkell School on May 18th. The other talent will be announced later. Proceeds to be in aid of library.

As there is no plot of land available near the school for a school garden, the boys and girls are preparing plots at home, to work, where each will try the growing of some new vegetable.

Our industrious and enterprising framer, Mr. George Roger, is starting on the season's work. He already has a great deal of work on hand and expects a busy season.

Mr. John Arkell lost a valuable cow, recently.

The village people regret the fact that some of our good butter makers are giving up in order to send the milk and cream to the O.A.C. We trust that others will step in and supply the demand.

Mr. Walsh has disposed of the farm adjoining his residence to Mr. Forrest, of Paisley Block, who is busy making repairs about the house. Mr. Forrest is a desirable resident for any community.

The Arkell News

May 1st 1906.

The Arkell baseball team re-organized last Saturday night and are getting into practice. As a result of the good game that they put up last summer, they have been invited to go to Aberfoyle to play against Freelton on May 24th, and a sharp game is expected. Some of last year's good players have left the neighbourhood, but there is good material here for a first-class country team.

Mrs. Falconbridge, of Hamilton, was visiting in the neighbourhood, last week.

Mr. John Scott, of Owen Sound, paid a visit to his parental home.

Mrs. Wm. Rudd, of Guelph, has so far recovered from her recent operation as to be able to pay a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Wilson, of this place, last week.

Mr. Wm. Herbert has been renewing old acquaintances in the neighbourhood, lately.

The success of our concert is now an assured fact. Besides Mr. James Fax, of Toronto, we have secured Miss Hattie R. Kelly, of Guelph, as accompanist, and Mr. H. Guthrie, M.P., and Mr. J. P. Downey, M.P.P., are also expected, and besides, we have some good local talent that will assist.

The Arkell News

May 15th 1906.

A notice has already appeared in the columns of "The Mercury" of the burning of the house occupied by Mr. Lemuel West and family. The fire started when there was no one nearby, and before anyone could get to it, it had gained such a headway that it was impossible to save but very little of the contents. Although Mr. West had his effects insured to the amount of about \$200, it will not nearly cover the loss sustained by him. The house, which was owned by Mr. Hume, who is in British Columbia, was insured for about \$800. Mrs. Hume, who lived in part of this house, also lost all of her furniture, she having been absent, visiting friends at Arkell when the fire occurred.

Mr. Peter Laing, of Huntsville, paid a flying visit to friends in Arkell, last Friday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Rodger, on Saturday May 12th, a son.

Word has been received from Mr. James Fax that he expects to be with us on Friday May 18th, and this is sufficient guarantee that our concert is to be more than ordinary.

The recent warm rains have very much improved the appearance of all kinds of crops.

Mr. Jas. Petty has raised the sleepers for the addition to his barn.

The News from Arkell

May 22nd 1906.

Our concert on Friday, 18th instant, was a decided success. The entertainment was all that could be expected, and the school comfortably filled. The receipts of the evening amounted to nearly forty-five dollars. The committee has a tidy little balance on the right side to devote to the school library.

The contributing artists included Mr. James Fax, the ever popular comic singer, who kept the audience in roars of laughter, and was generous with encores. Miss Hattie Kelly sang and played artistically; Mr. and Mrs. Williams' contributions were thoroughly enjoyed; Miss McKenzie's Scottish songs were beautifully tendered. The work of the school children showed the careful training of the teacher, Mr. Geo. Clayton. Mr. J. J. Drew, of Guelph, presided in the chair most acceptably. The programme follows:

Chorus – The children

Song – “Podgy Rodgy” by James Fax

Solo – “Bonnie Prince Charlie” by Miss McKenzie

Recitation – J. P. Downey

Song – “The Veteran” by Mr. Williams

Quartette – “Sweet and Low”

Solo – “Dearie” by Miss Hattie Kelly

Song – “How Do They Know?” by James Fax

Chorus – by the children

Solo – “Hurrah for the Highlands” by Miss McKenzie

Song – “The Unlucky Thirteen” by James Fax

Duet – “To All Eternity” by Mr. and Mrs. Williams

Mandolin solo – by Miss Hattie Kelly

Song – “Lighthouse by the Sea” by Mr. Williams

Solo – “Like a Broken Toy” by Miss Daniels

Song – “It Never Worries Me” by James Fax

“God save The King”

Mr. Jas. Laing is raising the frame of the stable at the rear of Mr. Carter's residence today. By the time that this appears in print, two of our most popular young people will be joined in the bonds of wedlock. More next week. Mr. Arkell lost a valuable cow last week. During the thunderstorm last Friday afternoon, lightning struck one of the lightening rods on an outbuilding belonging to Mr. John Arkell. It was a close call.

The Arkell News

June 5th 1906.

The many friends of Mr. Reginald Arkell are pleased to hear of his success at the recent O.A.C. examinations. Mr. Arkell, besides standing at the head of his class, has carried off the honours of his year, among which is the Governor General's scholarship.

A lively game of ball took place last Saturday evening between our boys and a picked team from among the employees of the Guelph Pipe Mill. The score was 25 to 2 in favour of Arkell, they having batted three pitchers all over the field. The return game will be played next Saturday at Guelph. The boys are open for a game with any ambitious team.

Last Wednesday, Mr. Peart, of the O.A.C. staff, addressed the children of the school and others who had assembled, on the care and cultivation of flowers, both outdoor and house plants. After the address, which was full of useful information, a short programme was rendered by the pupils.

The framers are busy at Mr. Jas. Petty's barn these days and expect to move the half and raise the addition this week. Mr. Petty is putting in a new outfit of hay fork and slings and making many other improvements besides the enlarging of his barn.

Miss P. Petty visited her brother, Mr. P. Petty, of the Four Corners, on Wednesday last.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hill, of Speedside, paid a visit to Arkell friends on Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Hill are not long returned from their honeymoon to Baltimore, and the many friends of Mrs. Hill, formerly Miss Annie Leslie, of this place, were pleased to see her and to extend their wishes for a happy future.

Mr. and Mrs. Towle and Master Douglas Towle, and Mr. and Mrs. Hawkins, of Guelph, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton on Sunday.

The Arkell News - June 12th 1906.

On Thursday evening of last week most of the young folks of this vicinity gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Rodger, Cross Street, Guelph, for the purpose of spending the evening.... (section of text missing)...well wishes for a long and happy future to their host and hostess, who have recently been united in the bonds of matrimony. Early in the proceedings, the company was called to order, and an appreciative address was read by Mr. Fred Arkell, while Mr. McNally presented Mr. and Mrs. Rodger with a handsome onyx clock. Mr. Rodger made a suitable reply, thanking his friends for their kindness, and then tendered them the freedom of the house. An enjoyable time was spent until the wee sma' oor was awa' past.

On the way home, two of the young men, who are not much used to being out late at nights, are supposed to have fallen asleep, and while they slept, the horse stumbled and fell, breaking a shaft. They managed to get the horse unhitched, but by some mysterious means it got away, and the two were left to foot it the rest of the way home, which was not far.

The recent thunderstorms did no damage of any account in this neighbourhood. Mr. P. Orme's silo was struck, but did not catch fire, while Mr. Geo. Jefferson had a couple of calves killed. The rain has done a great deal of good to the crops.

Our enterprising young merchant, Mr. Barnett Watson, is having his store painted. It is making considerable improvement to the appearance of the building.

The return match with the pipe mill baseball players took place on Saturday afternoon in the field adjoining the waterworks, Guelph. (text missing)... in favour of Arkell.

Henry Arkell's Importations

August 30th 1906.

Henry Arkell & Son have received from England their annual importation of Oxford Down sheep, through the agency of their commissioner, Mr. Jno. Milton, of Marshall Michigan. Mr. Milton secured for them two extra fine yearling ewes, one being a Royal winner, bred by Harlick. In yearling rams, they secured two from the famous flock of R. S. Hobbs. These rams, competent judges are of the unanimous opinion, are about the best that have been imported into Canada for some years. Five of their lambs, imported by Milton, were bred by Treweeke, and they are possessed of admirable quality. They also have purchased from Robert Miller, Stouffville, three of the Royal winning lambs, one ram and two ewe lambs. These were bred by George Adams, winning the first premiums wherever exhibited in England, and they have the unique feature of not only being excellent in quality but also of being remarkably large for their age.

from the Guelph Mercury newspaper

\$700 in Prizes

September 19th 1906.

The firm of Henry Arkell and Son, of Arkell, amply sustained their splendid reputation as breeders of Oxforddowns at the big fairs this season. At Toronto, they captured 15 firsts, 10 seconds, and 8 thirds. At Syracuse, New York, Ottawa, and London Fairs, last week, they took a total of 50 first prizes, 30 seconds, and 25 thirds. During the whole tour of the fairs, they did not lose one first prize, and in addition, captured every sweepstake and every champion prize, a record that is indeed enviable. Their winnings at these fairs will reach the handsome sum of \$700.

The Village News from Arkell

October 23rd 1906.

The farmers are very busy these bright days gathering the apples and beets.

Potatoes in this neighbourhood are only about one-third the average crop.

Mrs. McCartney and her daughter, Annie, have returned from New Jersey, from a visit to Mrs. McCartney's mother, who is very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bell have returned home after a couple of months' visit to friends in Muskoka. They look well and report their friends in good health.

Miss Lizzie Carter has returned to Speedside, after a short visit to her mother here.

Mr. and Mrs. Savage Senior and Junior, accompanied by Miss Schofield, visited Miss Petty on Thanksgiving.

The Guelph Mercury newspaper

The News from Arkell

October 30th 1906.

Mr. and Mrs. James Murray, of Dumfries, have returned to their home after a pleasant visit with friends here.

A large number from this vicinity attended the funeral of the late Mr. Duncan Graham, last Friday. Mr. Graham once lived at Arkell and his wife is a daughter of our respected citizen, Mr. James Scott.

Mr. Adam Cook, who was with his brother, the late Mr. John Cook, during his last illness, has returned to his home in Algoma.

Miss Hartwell, of Guelph, has been the guest of the Misses McCartney recently.

Miss Saunders entertained the Misses Nicol, of Guelph, over Sunday.

Mr. W. Bell, accompanied by Mrs. Bell, leaves for a trip to Muskoka for a two weeks' deer hunt. We wish him success.

The snow today is very unwelcome as the turnips are only about half gathered.

The Guelph Mercury newspaper

The News from Arkell

February 26th 1907.

Mrs. Culbert, of Guelph, is at present on a visit to her mother, Mrs. John Bell. Mr. Alex Hume, who has been spending the winter with his parents here, leaves today for his home in the West. Miss Lizzie Carter has been quite ill since her mother's funeral last week.

On Sunday, the pupils and teachers of the Sabbath School decided to devote the collection of the first Sunday of each month to missions. This is a good move in the right direction.

Mr. Robert Scott, who has been quite ill with measles and pneumonia, is recovering. We are pleased to say that his father, Mr. James Scott, is also recovering.

Several of the young people attended the ball at Eden Mills, last Friday night. The Literary Society has been rather poorly attended lately. A change of day this week was decided upon to try to induce the members to turn out, Thursday evening this week, instead of Friday. Miss Mary Hinan is staying with her grandfather, Mr. Hill, of Elora, for the remainder of the winter.

Arkell News Item

March 4th 1907.

Henry Arkell, the well-known Oxford-Down sheep breeder, has expressed seven ewe lambs this week to Andrew McEwan, Dayton, Algoma. This is the first shipment that he has made recently. He has had lambed 30 more, all doing well.

The Arkell News

May 7th 1907.

Fishing season has opened, and with it, the numerous stories of the biggest fish being lost that never were caught.

Arbour Day was observed last Friday by the teacher and the pupils of the school, flower beds being made and a general cleaning up taking place.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McFarlane are the happy parents of a daughter, born last week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Rodger and son, of Guelph, were visitors in the village over Sunday.

Reverend Mr. Pettit has resumed the Thursday evening meetings for Bible study.

We regret to hear that Mr. John Murray is unable to use his injured arm yet, although it is slowly recovering. We trust that he may soon be entirely recovered.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Carter's baby has taken ill with diphtheria. It has been removed to the hospital in Guelph, where all hope that it will speedily recover.

A meeting of the baseball club has been called for Thursday evening to decide upon what should be done on the 24th instant.

The Arkell News

June 11th 1907.

On Wednesday last week, the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Murray was the scene of a happy event, occasioned by the marriage of their daughter, Eliza, to Mr. McPherson, of Schaw. The host of friends of the bride join in wishing her every happiness in her new home.

Several from here took advantage of the excursion, per C.P.R., to go to Toronto and Niagara Falls, on Saturday last. They report a pleasant outing.

Congratulations to Mr. Jas. Starkey on his success at the Galt Horse Show, last week. He had three entries and carried off two first prizes and a second. His Hackney, Miss Winyards, took first in a class of fifteen. Miss Winyards is a beautiful black, of almost perfect conformation, and well deserves the honours that she won. Mr. Starkey has reason to feel proud of her.

A large shipment of cattle left the neighbourhood last Saturday. They were sold to Mr. Scott of Owen Sound.

Mr. Fulton, of Guelph, paid a visit to Mr. Geo. Nichols on Monday.

Mrs. Wood, of Guelph, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rodger.

At the Children's Day service at the Methodist Church next Sunday, Reverend Mr. Pettit will preach a special sermon to the children.

The News from Arkell

August 5th 1907.

Haying is about finished in this vicinity. The crop has proven much better than was anticipated. Wheat and barley are nearly all cut, and both of these will be good.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton have returned after spending a couple of weeks' holidays with friends at Fergus, Belwood, and other places.

Guelph Civic Holiday brought its quota of visitors to our hamlet. Among them were Miss Calvert at Mrs. C. Watson's, Mrs. Burgess at Mrs. Nichol's, Mr. and Mrs. Anderson and family at Mr.

John Bell's, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Rodger at Mr. Orme's, and Reverend Mr. and Mrs. Nixon and Miss Nixon at Mrs. Jos. Bell's.

The Arkell baseball boys expect Brookville up to play a game on Saturday afternoon, and so they are going to Galt, en masse, to see the professional game as played by Toronto and Buffalo. No doubt, they will get a few pointers. At any rate, there will be a good game of ball here on Saturday, and the boys expect a large crowd to witness it.

Among the older residents of the vicinity, Mr. Wm. Rae, who has been ill for so long, is suffering a great deal at present, and Mr. Jos. Bell is also not so well as usual.

The C.P.R. has erected cattle pens at the station here. No doubt, this will prove a convenience to the residents of this section of country, as many cattle and pigs are shipped from the vicinity.

Mrs. Cook, of Toronto, accompanied by her daughters, Louise and Marguerite, spent a day last week with her cousin, Mrs. Geo. Clayton.

Mr. and Mrs. Kilgour, of Guelph, spent a day last week renewing acquaintances here.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie, of Speedside, paid a visit to Mr. Henry Arkell, recently.

Reverend Mr. Burns was the officiating clergyman at the celebration of Holy Communion at the English Church, last Sunday. Reverend Mr. Smith, of Guelph, preached in the Methodist Church and dispensed the Sacrament, last Sunday.

Entertainment at Arkell

August 8th 1907.

A rather unique form of entertainment is being held this afternoon at "Farnham" Lawn, Arkell, when the Primary Departments and Cradle Roll of Chalmers Church will give a "Mother Goose Party". Pleasurable anticipation has been indulged in by a great many of the "grown-ups" as well as the children. Ample van arrangement was made to carry all those who were at the church at 1:30, free, while others joined later on the C.P.R. train, with which a special rate was arranged.

Sheep Importation

August 17th 1907.

Henry Arkell & Son's annual importation of Oxforddown sheep arrived from England last week in excellent condition. They are perhaps the finest lot ever imported to America, and were bred by the following noted English breeders, Messrs. J. T. Hobbs, George Adams, James Horlick, H. W. Stelgae, and W. A. Treawick, who are Royal winners and men of the highest reputation as Oxford breeders in England. One yearling ram is especially worthy of praise, being the finest and best of the kind the Arkells have ever owned, and they have owned some good ones. The shipment will be exhibited at Toronto, Sherbrooke, London, and Ottawa. They were selected by that veteran Oxford breeder, George McKerrow, of Pewantree, Wisconsin, U.S.A.

Arkell Village News

September 3rd 1907.

The picnic yesterday was a decided success in point of weather, crowd, and jollity. The main feature of the sports was a game of baseball between Carlisle and Arkell, which resulted in a score of 7 to 4, in favour of Arkell. The game was good and snappy throughout, and although not altogether an errorless one, was a fine exhibition of ball. Herb Bell's home run and one or two double plays were features of notice. The foot races added to the sport, after tea. In the hundred yards dash, the winners were Herb Bell, L. Laing, and Harvey Bell. The crowd dispersed at dark, everyone having thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon. The baseball club has about thirty dollars to the good.

Mr. Henry Arkell has about thirty sheep at the Toronto Show, and, as usual, although he has strong opposition, carried off most of the prizes. He goes to Ottawa and London next week.

Mr. W. Grieve attended the Toronto Show on Labour Day.

Among the visitors here on Labour Day were Mr. L. Laing and Mr. H. Bell, of Huntsville, Miss Nora Leslie, of Speedside, Miss Verna Coulson, of Eden Mills, Mr. and Mrs. Culbert, of Guelph, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Lane, O.A.C., and Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Gordon.

Mr. James Petty is putting a wire fence along the side of his farm. No doubt, this will prevent drifting in winter.

**Huge Ball of Fire Entered the Room
The Lightning Plays Havoc at Farnham Farm
Miraculous Escape of Arkell Family
September 6th 1907.**

By what seems to be a miracle, the Arkell family, of "Farnham Farm", Arkell, and their guests, Miss Laura Saunders, of Hamilton, and the Misses Elsie and Ida Clarke, daughters of Mr. W. J. Clarke, of the editorial staff of the "American Sheep Breeder" magazine, of Chicago, escaped death by lightning last evening.

As the little party was sitting down to tea at about half-past six, and almost at the moment that Miss Elsie Clarke was expressing herself as having no fear of lightning, a thunderbolt entered the dining room, by way of the water pipe, and exploded with a deafening report, shaking the plaster from the ceiling, blowing out the lamp, and filling the house with smoke and sulphurous fumes, and leaving the occupants of same in a semi-dazed condition.

When seen by a Mercury newspaper man, Mr. Arkell told of the occurrence. "It was about half-past six, he said, when what seemed to be a huge ball of fire, about half the size of an ordinary man's head, shot down the water pipe, from the ceiling, and with a roar like that of a cannon exploded close to where we were sitting. The plaster was shaken from the ceiling and the lamp on the table was blown out. For a time our sight and hearing seemed affected, but this soon passed off. As the bolt exploded, a curl of blue sulphurous-smelling smoke appeared and spread itself all over the house. How any of us escaped death is a mystery to me. Although all are a trifle nervous, we are little worse for the experience. I might add that Miss Clarke's contention that she was not afraid of lightning was verified by the way that she behaved under fire."

The Arkell News

October 8th 1907.

Mr. Willoughby, a former resident of Arkell, is renewing acquaintances here at present.

The trustees of our school are contemplating several improvements to the school premises, besides purchasing the rear half of Mr. W. Grieve's lot to enlarge the school yard.

Miss Mary Hinan returned home from her uncle's, at Alma, last Wednesday.

The News of Arkell

October 15th 1907.

Mr. J. A. Cockburn occupied the pulpit of the Methodist Church here last Sunday and delivered an interesting and instructive address. Bible study last Wednesday was more largely attended than usual. Greater interest was added by a number of photographic views of the Holy Land being distributed among the audience.

On Thursday evening next, 17th instant, Reverend Mr. Wilson, of St. Andrew's Church, Guelph, will address a meeting in the Methodist Church here in the interests of the Bible Society.

Those who have the construction of the weigh scales in hand are busy with their contract these days.

The attendance at school is rather small at present, on account of lifting potatoes and roots.

Miss Dandeno, who has been visiting at the home of Mr. Jas. Scott, left for Toronto, last Saturday.

Mr. Hugh McNally Junior leaves today for British Columbia, Vancouver being his destination. We wish him success in his future home.

Mrs. Falconbridge, of Hamilton, was a visitor at Mr. Henry Arkell's, last week.

Arkell Village News

November 10th 1907.

Reverend Mr. Smith, pastor of Dublin Street Methodist Church, Guelph, preached in the Methodist Church here on Sunday and dispensed the Sacrament.

The scales are proving a great convenience to those who are shipping turnips. Mr. Michael Carahar is in charge of the cars here that are being filled for Mr. James Ryan, of Guelph.

Mr. Wm. McCartney went to Hamilton last Friday with a load of dressed poultry.

The boys of this vicinity held their annual shooting match last Thursday. The captains were Messrs. Harvey Watson and Herb McNally. Mr. McNally's side won. The supper, given at Mr. H. Wharton's, was followed by a dance, and all report having had a most enjoyable time.

Inspector Craig paid his semi-annual visit to our school, and expressed himself as pleased with the work being done.

Miss Maggie Murray, nurse, left today for Winnipeg. She goes back to her arduous duties, much recuperated in strength.

Shoot at Arkell

November 14th 1907.

The annual gun shoot of the Arkell sports is being held today, and a number from the city are taking in the event.

The Village News from Arkell

March 3rd 1908.

Mr. W. Bell has opened a butcher shop in Guelph, near Allan's Bridge. We wish him success.

Mrs. David Hume underwent an operation at the Guelph General Hospital last week. She has rallied nicely and is doing as well as could be expected.

Mrs. Hinan and her son, Ernie, are visiting friends in Elora and Eramosa.

Part of our village is almost completely blockaded since the storm last Sunday. The banks are about seven feet high. There were no church services here last Sunday on account of the storm.

Quite a number of changes will take place in this vicinity during the present month. Among the new residents will be Mr. Rudd and Mr. Palmer, of Eden Mills, and Mr. Isaac Knight, of Guelph Township. Mr. W. J. Laing is coming back to his farm, and Mr. Dyson, who has had it rented the past couple of years, moves onto the Lamb farm, recently occupied by Mr. McLaren. Mr. A. J. Laing moves to a house near the O.A.C. and Mr. Rodgers will move into his house in the village, while Mr. Jos. Hinan, who has been with Messrs. Henry Arkell and son for a number of years, will go to near Dundas where he will run a large farm on shares.

Mr. George Jefferson lost a valuable Clydesdale mare last week.

The Ladies' Aid meets at Mrs. Wm. McCartney's on Wednesday of this week.

The News from Arkell

March 9th 1908.

Mr. Alex Hume is home from the West on a visit to his mother, who recently underwent an operation at the General Hospital in Guelph.

Mrs. Geo. Ruber underwent an operation last Friday. She is doing as well as could be expected.

Mrs. Culbert and son, Kenneth, of Guelph, are visiting her mother, Mrs. John Bell, for a couple of weeks.

Reverend Mr. Smith, of Guelph, dispensed the Sacrament in the Methodist Church here on Sunday.

Among those who will make their residence here is Mr. Robt. Hume, who will occupy Mr. John Daniel's house in the village.

Mrs. Jos. Bell and her son, Mr. H. Bell, expect to leave for British Columbia in the near future. Their many friends wish them a safe journey and enjoyable trip.

There will be a meeting in the school on Monday evening, the 16th instant, at 8 p.m., of those interested in the purchase of a carload of coal for delivery here. A full attendance is requested.

Miss Hazel Caldwell, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Geo. Watson, for a month, returned to her home in Durham, last Saturday.

The News from Arkell

April 14th 1908.

The snow is nearly all gone and our roads are nearly dry.

Mr. Robert Rodger's sale last week was a decided success, amounting to over \$1,300. Mr. James McDonald wielded the hammer.

Three new pupils have entered our school as a result of people moving to the neighbourhood. They are Otto Rudd, Charles Palmer, and Maud Knight.

Mr. David Gordon reports this to be the longest run of sap in several years. It is now more than a month since he first tapped and the sap is still running. From two hundred trees, he has already procured over seventy gallons of syrup.

Reverend P. C. L. Harris gave a very forcible address in the Methodist Church here last Sunday. His topic was "Temperance and Moral Reform". Living as we do in a community where there is prosperity, we hardly realize the misery that exists as the result of the use of strong drink. Mr. Harris was listened to with keenest attention throughout, and his address was much appreciated by all. The collection was in behalf of the Temperance and Moral Reform movement.

Next Sunday, being Easter Sunday, special services will be held in both churches here.

The beef ring has again organized for the summer. Mr. D. Gordon is President and Mr. James Orme is Secretary. The services of Mr. Dyson have been secured to do the slaughtering.

Plowing is becoming general in this vicinity.

The News of Arkell

May 4th 1908.

Seeding operations are in full swing and, with fine weather, will be finished this week.

Mrs. Loghrin has returned to our village after spending the winter at Belwood.

Reverend Mr. Nixon occupied the pulpit of the Methodist Church here on Sunday. The substance of his sermon was from the story of Naaman the Leper, and was interesting and helpful throughout. Reverend Mr. Smith, of Guelph, is expected next Sunday.

Mr. George Wilson recently sold his hackney driver to Mr. James Gow, of Guelph. A good figure was realized.

On Saturday evening, the boys met in the school to re-organize the baseball club for this year, and to consider the proposition of entering the league composed of Rockwood, Eden Mills, Brookville, and Arkell. As this is a baseball centre and we have some good material here, it was decided to enter the league.

The following officers were elected: Honorary President – Mr. Henry Arkell, President – Mr. H. McNally, Vice-President – Mr. James Murray, Secretary-Treasurer – Mr. F. Arkell, and Manager – Mr. G. A. Clayton.

It is the intention of the executive to have a good, clean game played and to remove any objectionable features, so that all will feel pleased in watching the games. Let us give the boys good support, and hope that they may be champions.

The News from Arkell

May 18th 1908.

The recent warm weather has put a different appearance on this part of the country. The grain and grass are growing very rapidly and the trees are almost out in leaf. The fall wheat looks particularly well.

Mr. J. R. Jacklin, a former resident in the employ of Mr. Geo. Nichols in the blacksmith shop about 25 years ago, was a visitor over Sunday. Mr. Jacklin is now a citizen of Detroit. He is as hale and hearty as ever.

Some of our citizens purpose spending the holiday in Toronto.

Many of the local fans took in the baseball game between the Cuban Giants and Guelph professionals on Saturday, and, no doubt, got a few pointers on the game.

Our own baseball season opens here next Saturday and the first game of the league, in which Arkell is interested, will be played on the local diamond against Brookville. The game will be called at 5 p.m. Give the boys a good send-off, as they are going to win.

Thursday and Friday of this week, being the days of the meeting of the South Wellington Teachers' Association, there will be no school here.

Mr. Downey's meeting on Tuesday evening is likely to be a flat affair.

The Arkell News

May 25th 1908.

Last Saturday, the first game of the series of South Wellington League games to be played at Arkell resulted in a decided victory of the local organization over the Brookville team by a score of 17 to 1. The line-up for Arkell was as follows: H. Watson – catcher, Dunc Hume – pitcher, John Orme – 1st base, A. Hume – 2nd base, S. Hume – 3rd base, D. Hume – short stop, R. Rodger – right field, R. Hume – centre field, B. Watson – left field. For Brookville – A. Crawford – catcher, D. Frank – pitcher, J. Frank – 1st base, B. R. Elsley – 2nd base, D. Whitley – 3rd base, J. Blacklock – short stop, A. Cargill – left field, R. Foster – centre field, Ed. Lamb – right field.

The score by innings was:

Arkell – – – 3 0 0 1 0 4 3 2 6 – 17

Brookville – 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 – 01

At Brookville picnic, on Monday, the 25th, Arkell met Rockwood and in a well contested game, Arkell again won, by a score of 8 to 3. Rockwood did not have its regular team but was strengthened by A. Kemp, of Toronto, and G. Harwood, of Hamilton. But notwithstanding this, nearly all of our boys had a run to their credit, and when we consider the fact that pitcher Kemp has had two or three years experience in Toronto leagues, we have great reason to be pleased with the result of yesterday's score. Our next game is Saturday, 30th instant, with Eden Mills, at Eden Mills, game called at about 5 o' clock in the afternoon.

Mr. William and Miss Mary Hinan drove up from Dundas for the holiday. Mr. W. Grieve and sons spent the holiday in Toronto Junction. Mr. Will Watson visited Durham for the 25th. Misses R. Watson and M. Cook spent the holiday with friends in Elora. Mr. Jno. Bell and family, of Guelph, spent the holiday with his mother here.

Tenders are being received this week by the school trustees for a kitchen to be erected at the teacher's house. Mr. Geo. Rodger and family were visitors in the village for the holiday. Our observation cages at the school have yielded an Emperor or Cecropia moth.

The News of Arkell

July 28th 1908.

Most of the fall wheat and barley is cut, the former being an excellent crop, but the latter, below the average.

Representatives of Guelph are in the neighbourhood, settling for the right of way for the drain to carry spring water to the city.

The condition of Mrs. Cook, who was taken to the General Hospital last week, has not improved very much as yet, although we hope soon to hear of her recovery.

Miss Grace Savage, who spent three delightful weeks with Miss Petty, returned to her home in the city last night.

The News from Arkell Village

August 18th 1908.

At a meeting last Thursday evening, arrangements were made for our annual picnic on Labour Day to be held in Mr. David Gordon's bush. The chief attraction for the afternoon will be a game of baseball between Arkell and the Park Nine of Guelph. As Arkell has not been defeated in any game this year, a snappy, interesting match may be expected. Other attractions will be provided in the evening.

Mr. James Petty is leaving for a visit to the Prairie Provinces this week. He will also visit his brother in the Black Hills.

Mr. H. Watson and Miss Clara Gordon will visit Mr. and Mrs. Marsh at Tyvan, Saskatchewan. Messrs. Fred Arkell, Geo. Fielding, Alex Hume, Duncan Hume, and others are taking in the harvest excursion that leaves Guelph by C.P.R. on Wednesday.

Miss Brown, of Grimsby, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Matt Rudd.

Miss Calvert, of Guelph, visited her sister, Mrs. Watson, on Monday.

The contractors of the water supply drain are finding great difficulty, as their trench is almost continually filled with water.

There were twenty-five present at the re-opening of school on Monday.

The Arkell Village News

September 17th 1908.

Special services will be held in the English Church, at Arkell, on Friday September 18th at 8 p.m., and on Sunday September 20th, at 7:30 p.m., in connection with the Annual Harvest Festival and the anniversary of the re-opening of the church. On Friday evening, a quartette from St. George's choir will lead the singing and the Reverend J. E. Murrell-Wright, of Toronto, will preach. The Reverend Professor Cosgrave, of Trinity College, will be the preacher on Sunday night.

The Arkell News

September 30th 1908.

The cool weather is welcome for various reasons.

A start has been made in the laying down of the cement sidewalks in our village, most of the credit thereof being due to the efforts of Mr. W. Grieve.

At the meeting called last Friday evening, a committee of four was appointed to canvass the neighbourhood to find out who wish to install telephones in their houses. The following were the committee: Messrs. John Walsh, John Cameron, Robert Murray, and G. Clayton.

Mr. Guthrie starts his meetings for the present campaign in the schoolhouse here on Thursday evening, October 1st. From the enthusiasm evident there will likely be a large crowd present to hear Mr. Guthrie, who always charms his hearers with his eloquence and masterly dealing with the questions of the day.

Mr. William McCartney has returned from the West after a month's absence. He says that the prairie is a lonely spot.

Mrs. Clayton and Jim are visiting friends in Fergus this week.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Grieve on Friday, the 25th of September, a daughter. Mother and child are doing well.

The News from Arkell

October 13th 1908.

Mrs. Shaw and daughter, of Winnipeg, visited friends here last week.

Reverend Mr. Glassford held a prayer meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Rea (possibly Rae) last Friday evening. It was largely attended and all expressed the wish that such meetings were held oftener in our midst.

The Bible Society meeting last Thursday was addressed by Reverend R. J. Watt, of Guelph, and Reverend Mr. Michener. The first of a series of Bible study meetings will be held in the Methodist Church on Wednesday evening. No doubt these meetings will prove profitable and should have a large attendance.

Owing to the continued dry weather the fall wheat is not getting a very good start. It is to be hoped that rain will come soon, not only for the sake of the wheat but also to facilitate the fall plowing which is not getting finished very rapidly.

The turnip crop in this vicinity has been almost ruined by the lice, the tops having died off almost completely, so that what once gave promise of abundance has seemed to almost disappear.

The many friends of Mrs. John Cook will be pleased to learn that she is rapidly gaining in strength since her return from the General Hospital about a month ago.

One would think the artillery was in camp in this vicinity owing to the numerous discharges of dynamite used in blasting the drain for the watercourse to the city. The reports sometimes cause the windows to rattle although we are nearly a mile away.

Picking apples is the order of the day at present. Early and fall apples are a heavy crop but winter apples are only medium to light.

Potatoes with most farmers around here have proved a bumper crop, only a few report them not up to the average.

Guelph Mercury newspaper

The News from Arkell

November 3rd 1908.

Last Wednesday evening, Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson entertained the young people of the neighbourhood, the occasion being the birthday of their daughter, Freida. The evening was spent in dancing and cards and all enjoyed themselves to the utmost.

The death of Mr. Myers occurred on Sunday. The remains were interred from the residence of his son, Mr. John Myers, on Tuesday, at 1 p.m..

A meeting of the stockholders of the scales is called for Wednesday evening, for the purpose of receiving the annual dividend, which amounts to 15 percent this year.

Mr. Thomas Arkell Junior, who was so energetic in the securing of the coal for the neighbourhood, one hundred and eighty tons in all, at the siding here, was presented with a purse of money as a mark of appreciation of his efforts.

Mr. Jno. Iles has been much better lately, but his condition remains much the same on the whole. It is remarkable how he bears up and remains cheerful through all of his suffering.

Mr. James Petty has returned from an extended tour through Saskatchewan and the Central United States, where he has been absent since the middle of August on a visit to his brothers. He states having enjoyed a thoroughly delightful trip and has some thrilling stories to tell.

The News from Arkell

November 24th 1908.

Messrs. Scott and Moran, of Owen Sound, brought a number of feeders from Chesley to dispose of to the farmers of this vicinity. They are a fine lot and sales were brisk.

The open weather is very welcome, but the plow goes very hard yet.

Miss Calvert, of Guelph, spent Sunday with friends here.

Mr. Jno. And Miss I. McIntosh, of Paisley Block, visited Mr. and Mrs. Clayton in the beginning of the week.

The usual quietness of our vicinity on Sundays is being broken by the noise of blasting at the water conduit. No doubt, the contractors are in a hurry to finish as soon as possible.

The Arkell News

December 15th 1908.

The many friends of Mrs. John Bell were pleased to see her in the village last week.

Mr. and Miss Trask and Mrs. Brown, of Alma, were visitors with Mrs. M. Rudd, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Keith, of Pilkington, visited Mrs. George Clayton during Winter Fair week.

Mr. David Hume Senior was unfortunate enough to lose a sum of money, in fact, the proceeds of a load of grain, last Saturday. No trace of the money can be found.

No clue has as yet been obtained to who the perpetrators of the burglary at the store here are. Those who were suspected have not been seen in the neighbourhood since.

A couple of our young men, while returning from a neighbour's, after spending the evening, had the misfortune to upset while making a quick turn around a corner. On account of the driver's presence of mind and ability to handle the reins, nothing more serious than a torn overcoat was the result.

Unfortunately, the recent soft weather is destroying the sleighing.

On Monday, the 14th instant, the members and adherents of the Methodist Church, here, met at the home of Mrs. Jno. Cook and presented Miss May Cook with a beautiful chain and jewel case, as a mark of their appreciation of her services as organist. After the presentation, various games were indulged in and a most enjoyable time spent, the crowd dispersing in the "wee sma' hours".

The Village News from Arkell

December 22nd 1908.

On Friday of last week, two sleigh loads of the youth and beauty of the vicinity of Arkell spent a very enjoyable evening at the home of Mr. Chris Little.

The many supporters of Mr. Cockburn in this section will be pleased to learn that he is likely to be prevailed upon to again be a candidate for the Reeveship at the coming municipal election.

Large numbers of saw-logs are being teamed past here to McAllister's sawmill in Guelph. There are about twenty teams engaged in the work.

The school closed today for the Christmas holidays, to re-open on Monday January 4th. At the close of the day's work, Mr. G. A. Campbell (probably should be Clayton) was taken completely by surprise when two of his pupils came forward and read an address and presented him with a beautiful fountain pen and an elegantly bound volume by a popular writer. The address was as follows:

We, your pupils, looking forward to the coming holiday season and taking into consideration your efforts for our benefit during the past year, would like to give expression of our regard for you as our teacher and friend and would ask you to accept these small presents as a token of our respect and esteem, our relations as pupils and teacher, having been always of the most friendly character, and would express a hope that you may still continue to preside over our studies, with mutual benefit and satisfaction to teacher and taught.

**Signed on behalf of the school,
Olive Daniels and Maggie Grant.**

Mr. Clayton thanked the pupils warmly for their kindness in thus remembering him and gave expression to the fact that his relation with the Arkell School was becoming more enjoyable year by year.

From the Eden Mills News for February 16th 1909.

Mr. R. R. Rudd, of Arkell, has purchased the Rudd homestead here and takes possession in the spring.

The Arkell News

March 16th 1909.

Mrs. Arthur Phillips, of British Columbia, is home on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Little.

Mr. and Mrs. McCartney have returned from New Jersey, where they attended the funeral of Mrs. McCartney's father, and also a niece. We regret to say that both Mr. and Mrs. McCartney have been quite ill since returning home.

Mr. Geo. Blair, of Aberfoyle, preached in the Methodist Church here on Sunday.

The Tuesday evening meetings during Lent are in progress at the English Church. The Reverend Mr. Buckland, of St. James Church, Guelph, preaches tonight, Tuesday.

Miss Jennie Keith, of Elora, was visiting her cousin, Miss Clayton, over Sunday.

Mr. Henry Arkell's sale of registered Oxford Downs, on Monday, was a decided success, all the animals being sold at a good figure.

On Friday evening last, Mr. and Mrs. Orme entertained all the young people of the neighbourhood, the occasion being a farewell party to their youngest son William, who left on Saturday for the West. Also, Mr. Fred Arkell left on Monday, per C.P.R., for the new town of Prince Rupert, on the Pacific Coast. The good wishes of the community follow both of these young men to their future homes.

Mrs. Towle, of Guelph, is a visitor today. Mrs. John Bell is visiting friends in Arkell this week.

The News from Arkell

July 27th 1909.

Mr. and Mrs. Petty visited Mr. and Mrs. Snow, of Upper Garafraxa, over Sunday.

Miss Nellie Bell paid a short visit to her mother, last Saturday.

Miss Frances Gordon started today for Tyvan, Saskatchewan, on a visit to her sister, Mrs. W. Marsh. Her friends join in wishing her an enjoyable trip.

Miss Mary Cockburn, of Montreal, arrived on Saturday last, by lake and rail, on a week's visit to her friends in this vicinity. Her many friends are pleased to see her and to find her looking so well.

We are sorry to report that Mr. Wm. Hume has been on the sick list for some weeks past. However, he is recovering, although somewhat slowly.

Mr. O. Daniels is gradually recovering from his recent illness.

Mr. Wm. Hinan, of the vicinity of Dundas, is a visitor in Arkell, at present. His many friends are pleased to see him again, particularly after his recent serious illness. He has almost entirely recovered.

Wheat cutting is becoming general. The crop will be about an average one, probably below, rather than over.

Berry pickers are in evidence these days. Several wagon loads from the city passed through our village yesterday.

On Saturday, our baseball team journeyed to Morriston to try conclusions with the ball tossers of that place. The game was a good one and often exciting. Morriston was strengthened by four players from near Hespeler, and our boys came very near losing the game in the seventh inning. The final score was 9 to 4, in our favour.

The News of Arkell

September 7th 1909.

On Labour Day, the Arkell baseball team journeyed to Morriston to take part in the tournament arranged by the Foresters of that burg. They were accompanied by a large number of admirers and rooters.

Four teams were engaged in the battle for the prize money. Morriston versus Campbellville came first, in which Morriston was the winner by a score of 14 to 4. This game was played up-to-date, as Mr. J. P. Downey, M.L.A., was the umpire, and whatever Joe says goes, even to the blind mare at the O.A.C.. Then Carlisle played Arkell, in which Arkell was an easy winner, the score being 13 to 6. Mr. Fraser, of Campbellville, umpired to the satisfaction of all. The winners of these two games then played off and it was right here that the fun started. The first prize money was ten dollars, and when the Morriston boys, who had imported four players, including a battery from Acton, saw the pile slipping out of their grasp, kick was the order of the day. Pitcher Huether, of Morriston, jumped and kicked when he struck out a man, and kicked without jumping when he failed to do so, and in the gathering darkness, when our local manager played the card up his sleeve and put C. Hume in the box, the lightning so dazzled their men that they struck out, one, two, three, and only nine balls pitched in each of two innings. Morriston refused to play longer and then refused to yield the first prize to their

opponents although the score was 6 to 3 at the end of six innings when the game stopped. Our boys were hospitably entertained by Mr. J. Fritz at the close of the day's sport, to whom they feel accordingly grateful. They naturally feel somewhat incensed at the action of the Morriston ball players, but sincerely hope that some day in the near future that they may have the pleasure of their company on their own local diamond.

Thoroughbred Sheep for U.S.

September 27th 1909.

Henry Arkell & Son, of Arkell, Ont., have just shipped to quarantine at Port Huron, 200 first class, registered Oxford Down ewes. Mr. Arkell left with the shipment today. After 30 days, they will be forwarded to a prominent ranch man at Weiser, Idaho. They also have 95 yearling rams there now, to be shipped at once to the Knolling Sheep Company, of Chicago, thence to be forwarded to Wyoming. They have rented 100 acres convenient to Port Huron. Their retail trade is good lately, having sent out five or six a week.

The Arkell News

March 29th 1910.

On Thursday evening, the 24th instant, most of the residents of this vicinity gathered at the home of Mr. Thomas Arkell for the purpose of bidding farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rodger and their niece, Miss Maggie Cockburn, who are leaving the village and, like a great many others, are going west to take up their home in the city of Winnipeg, where Mr. Rodger has secured a lucrative position with a wholesale company. When all had assembled, the meeting was called to order and Mr. Fred Arkell was called forward to explain the reason of the gathering, by reading the following address:

Dear Friends:

Knowing of your intention to remove from this, the home of your relatives, we, a number of your old school mates and other friends, could not let you leave this place, where you have been so long and favourably known, without calling upon you to express our regret at your departure and our wishes for your welfare in your adopted home, where we are glad to know that you will still be under the flag that has braved a thousand years the battle and the breeze.

We would ask you, Mrs. Rodger, to accept this chair, Mr. Rodger, this shaving set, and Miss Maggie Cockburn, these hat pins, as a small memento of the friends you are leaving behind, who will not soon forget you nor the cordial relations that have always existed between us.

We would now wish you bon voyage, and may your brightest anticipations be more than realized. Wishing you all temporal and spiritual blessings, we bid you goodbye.

The above address was signed by a large number on behalf of those present.

Mr. Rodger, who was taken completely by surprise, in a few words, thanked his friends, not only for the expression of friendship that they had received that night but also for their kind neighbourliness in the past.

The company then enjoyed themselves by indulging in various games, and after a dainty tea, served in the accustomed good style for which the ladies of this village are noted, and after the singing of "Auld Lang Syne", the gathered dispersed at a seasonable hour.

"Seven Years in the Jungle of India", come and hear Miss Little, of Toronto, give an address on her mission work in India, on Friday April 1st, at 7:30 p.m., at the Methodist Church, Arkell.

The News from the Village of Arkell

July 19th 1910.

Saturday rain was welcomed by all, as it will materially improve spring crops and roots that were suffering in this section. About fifty per cent of the hay crop has been secured in fine condition and yielded better than was expected.

The health of the community is extremely good, taking into consideration the long-continued hot wave.

Our hamlet is improving. Mr. James Petty has in the course of erection a handsome two-storey brick residence, which, when completed, will be a comfort to the owner and an ornament to the place.

Mr. C. Hume has had his repainted, which adds greatly to its appearance.

Messrs. Sam and Robert Hume are building a commodious residence that is well under way.

Mrs. William Bell has disposed of her house to Mrs. Wm. Hume for a good figure, and will, with her family, shortly join her husband in Calgary.

Mr. John Grieve, of Toronto, is on a visit to his brother-in-law, Mr. P. Orme. He has been suffering from a rheumatic trouble for a length of time and is not improving as quickly as his many friends could wish.

All our men and boys are making full time just now haying and hoeing, and the supply scarcely equals the demand.

Miss Nellie Wood, of Guelph, is on a visit to her grandmother, Mrs. R. Rodger, at present.

from the Guelph Mercury newspaper

The News from Arkell

August 15th 1910.

A number of mail delivery boxes have been received by farmers along the mail carrier's route. This is a great boom for our rural districts and it is hoped that all will soon be provided likewise.

The Women's Institute met last Thursday at the home of Mrs. John Gordon. A pleasant and profitable time was spent. The next meeting will be a joint one of Aberfoyle and Arkell, at the home of Mr. Hector Gilchrist.

Threshing has started here. The crops are below the average in both grain and straw. Mr. John Blair and C. Hume are giving the best of satisfaction with their outfit.

School has commenced, much to the disgust of the small boy. Miss McLean has been engaged to teach until the New Year.

The baseball club intends holding a picnic on Labour Day, September 5th. A meeting was held one evening, when committees were appointed to make all arrangements. A good time is expected. Morristown, Carlisle, Aberfoyle, and Arkell will play ball. A good platform will be erected for dancing in the evening.

Mr. M. J. Rudd had the misfortune to lose a valuable horse last week. One of the other horses kicked it so severely that it died from the effects. Mr. M. J. Rudd is making preparations to erect a house on his farm.

The contractors have finished the walls of the house for Messrs. S. and R. Hume.

Mr. W. H. Matthews, of Vancouver, is visiting relations and friends. It is eighteen years ago since he left here. He sees many changes around here and Guelph.

A number of our citizens and visitors held a picnic to Riverside Park on Saturday.

Among the visitors noticed here are Mr. Herb McNally and Mrs. Shelley, at Mr. M. Rudd's, and Miss Carter, of Guelph, at Mr. Thos. Arkell's.

Mrs. F. Marsh left to visit relations and friends in the West and Vancouver.

The Arkell News

August 15th 1910.

Harvest is nearly over in this neighbourhood and, although not a bumper crop, is fairly good. Threshing has begun and fall wheat is turning out well, while barley from light land is a partial failure. The veteran threshers, John Blair and Charlie Hume, are on this route for the season. Charlie wears a genial smile these days. It's a fine boy!

Mr. John Murray has started on an extended visit to the Pacific Coast, meaning to take in all important routes from Winnipeg to Vancouver. He is accompanied as far as Winnipeg by his brother, James, and wife, of Dumfries.

A number from here attended the funeral of the late Michael McNulty, who was highly respected in this locality.

Miss P. Petty and Mr. James Petty have left to attend the funeral of a cousin near Durham.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Hume, of Toronto, are visiting friends here, this week.

Mrs. Denim, of California, is visiting with her sister, Mrs. Henry Arkell.

Miss Lula Fletcher, one of "The Mercury" trip to Florida party, is visiting with Mrs. L. Picket.

It is a matter of regret that the stationing committee of the Methodist conference could not see their way clear to make a regular appointment to the stations of Arkell and Moffat. The membership in these places is greatly reduced by deaths and removals.

We are sorry to hear that Mrs. W. Bell, on reaching Calgary, found her husband in a hospital with typhoid fever. We hope to hear of his early recovery.

Our Postmaster, Mr. G. B. Watson, has returned from his holiday visit in Owen Sound.

Our public schools opened today with Miss Hannah McLean, of Morriston, as teacher until Christmas.

We hear that the turnip louse is very much in evidence on early sown fields, and that means a serious loss to farmers.

The Arkell News

September 7th 1910.

The picnic and baseball games, that were advertised to come off today, had unfortunately to be postponed until the 15th on account of unfavourable weather. It rained all the fore part of the day but cleared up about noon when the visiting teams came on the ground from Aberfoyle and Morriston. Then a lively game got fairly started when down came the rain, which quickly called the game off, all hands seeking the nearest shelter.

We are having a visit of scarlet fever here; three families are placarded, but all the cases are of a mild type. The public school here is closed for a time on account of the fever.

We are sorry to hear of the serious illness of Mrs. Radcliffe, of Hamilton, née Annie Fielding. Her many friends here hope to hear of her speedy recovery.

Mr. John Grieve, who has been visiting here for some time, has returned to his home in Toronto.

Quite a number from here are taking in Toronto show.

The farmers have either sown or are about to sow their fall wheat and the present rain will almost ensure a good start.

The News from Arkell

August 25th 1911.

The teachers and scholars of Arkell Sunday School recently presented the retiring superintendent of the school with a beautifully bound Oxford edition of the Bible that contained many fine art illustrations, as a mark of their appreciation of his services during the past two and a half years. To this address and presentation, Mr. Boal made an appropriate reply, dwelling on the great importance of Sunday School work and the need of willing and efficient workers.

Miss Olive Daniels is visiting at Huntsville and Miss A. M. Boal is visiting at Forest. Ethel Boal spent a week at Goderich, attending the summer lectures of the Presbyterian School.

Diamonds were trumps with the Clifton Medicine Company during their week's stay here. The funny man made them all laugh, the diamonds shone, and the serious man raked in the dollars with a steady hand. No stringency in Arkell.

Miss Green and her brother, of Philadelphia, are visiting relatives in the village.

FARNHAM FARM

Oxford Downs

Special offering of 50 first-class

registered Oxford Down yearling ewes,

being now bred to our Champion imported ram.

Must be sold on account of being over stocked and short hay crop.

Long distance phone in the house.

HENRY ARKELL & SON.

Arkell, Ont.

Ask Guelph for 152, Ring 2.

The Arkell News
November 28th 1911.

The Women's Institute will meet at the home of Mrs. L. Pickett on the first Thursday in December, instead of the second, on account of the Convention.

Some of the farmers in this vicinity were unfortunate enough to get caught by the bad weather and did not get all of their roots under cover. Mr. Thos. Arkell Junior, the local buyer for Mr. Jas. Ryan, has shipped several cars of turnips from here this fall.

Miss Olive Carter, of Galt, has been visiting Miss Cook and other friends.

Arkell Village News
January 28th 1912.

A number of singers and musicians from Guelph accompanied Mr. Leadley to Arkell Methodist Church on Sunday evening last and rendered some excellent music.

Mr. Nicoll Senior has not been in his usual good health. He is now about 88 years of age and has outlived most of his associates of former years. His son from Winnipeg is visiting at the parental home.

William and George Orme return to Calgary today and James goes back to his situation in western Illinois.

The Arkell Sunday School is in a flourishing condition and at the last annual meeting its finances were in a satisfactory condition. The officials and teachers were reappointed for 1912.

The News of Arkell
February 20th 1912.

Mr. W. H. Marsh left on Saturday for Swift Current.

Mr. Ledley has chosen "The Religious Conditions in India" for his subject for next Sunday evening.

The school has purchased fifty new oaks, which are very good ones.

Mr. W. T. Nichols left last week for his home in Winnipeg.

The Arkell Village News

February 26th 1912.

Having attained to the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage, known as their "Golden Wedding", Mr. and Mrs. Rutherford Rodger were taken by surprise when two handsome chairs were delivered at their home here, a Morris and a quarter-cut oak rocker, accompanied by a brief address, and signed by Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Duthie, Mr. and Mrs. John Phillips, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Phillips, of Vancouver, British Columbia. A valuable present, in gold, by mail, at the same time, was received from the Gideon Lamb family, likewise of that city. That these presents were highly appreciated by the aged couple goes without saying, but much more so the kindly spirit and remembrance so generously expressed by their old friends, now resident in the metropolis of the far West.

The Arkell News

March 11th 1912.

The representative of the C.P.R. called at the village to purchase the Farmers' weigh scale. A deal was not affected.

A social evening and dance were held at the Watson farmhouse. A most enjoyable time was spent, even to the wee sma' hours of the morn. The affair was under the direction of the Arkell ball club.

Mr. and Mrs. McNally have had a pleasant visit to Huntsville during the past two weeks.

Mr. Fred Arkell intends taking a trip to Edmonton in a few weeks.

Reverend Canon Abbott preaches in the English Church on Sunday next. He is a speaker of exceptional eloquence and power.

Reverend W. Leadly will give an address on the labour question on Sunday night.

Mr. Henry Arkell will now devote his energies largely to the sheep industry. His reputation in that line is highly established.

Auction Sale
Dairy Cattle and Oxford Down Sheep

The undersigned has received instructions from Henry Arkell and Son to sell by public auction at Farnham Farm, of Arkell, on

Thursday March 14th 1912.
At 1:30 p.m. sharp, the following stock:

Their entire herd of dairy cattle and about twenty registered Oxford Down ewes.

Cows — 3 Jersey cows, 2 fresh calved, the other later, 3 three-quarter bred Jerseys, fresh calved or due, 2 Shorthorn grade cows, one fresh and the other due, 3 Jersey heifers, coming 3, milking well and bred again, 1 Holstein heifer, coming 3, milking well and bred again, 4 half-bred Jersey and Shorthorn heifers, coming 2, 2 Shorthorn grade heifers, coming 2 years, 5 half-bred Jersey and Shorthorn, early winter calves, 2 Shorthorn grade steers, coming 2 years, 4 Shorthorn grade steer calves.

These cows are good milkers, high testers, and gentle. The heifers are bred from these and are a nice lot. They will be sold without reserve as we are quitting the dairy business.

The Oxford Down ewes, most of them coming 2 years old, all registered, and bred to our Champion imported rams, are a well covered lot of thick blocky type.

Our sale will be conducted the same as former ones. Strictly no reserve.

Terms of sale: — Sums of \$10 and under, cash, over that amount, 8 months credit will be given on approved notes. Discount of 5 per cent per annum, for cash.

James McDonald, Auctioneer.
J. M. Duff, Clerk.

The News of Arkell

March 23rd 1912.

The Women's Institute meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Geo. Watson, where an enjoyable time was spent by the ladies.

A very pleasant event took place on Wednesday last, when their only daughter, Mary Belle (McPherson?), was united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Mr. Fred Arkell, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Arkell. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Arkell intend leaving for the West in a week or so.

Mr. Oliver Daniels has been very poorly lately and is at present confined to his bed.

Arkell News

April 3rd 1912.

Mr. Robert Hume, of Arkell, has purchased Mr. Jas. Kohl's driver at a fancy price.

The Village of Arkell News

April 12th 1912.

The roads are in an extremely bad condition at the present time, owing to the recent thaws. There was a fairly good run of sap last week and the local syrup makers have been busy making the sap into syrup.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Arkell leave for Edmonton on the 9th instant, where they will reside in the future.

Easter service was held in the English Church here on Sunday, but as a consequence of the flood there was a very small attendance.

The flood attained great proportions in this district. It completely surrounded Mr. Cook's saw and grist mill and overflowed the dam on both sides, doing considerable damage to the road. The dam held up against the flood although the floodgate was damaged considerably. At the steel bridge, the water was so high that it ran over the road on both sides, doing considerable damage to it. It got so high that it touched the bridge.

Down at the prison, it was full right from the C.P.R., across to the rocks, and out to the York Road, and looked like a young lake. It was also over the road at the town line, between Guelph and Puslinch and was touching the bridge, which is a pretty high one.

The News of Arkell

May 6th 1912.

On Monday evening, at his home, about a mile from Arkell, Mr. Oliver Daniels, one of the old residents of this community, passed away, to join the "silent majority". He had been ailing with paralysis for some time. Besides his sorrowing widow, his four daughters, Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. S. Hume, Mrs. L. Pickett, and his youngest daughter, Olive, and his brother, John, survive him. His son had died about three years previously. The funeral will be on Thursday afternoon at 2 o' clock.

The late Mr. Daniels was a man of keen intellect, sterling integrity, and much interested in the work of the Sunday School at Arkell, over which, he had been superintendent for some years. He was always a good friend and kind neighbour, and his loss will be greatly felt in this locality. He was in his 66th year.

"There is no death,
What seems so is transition,
This life of mortal breath,
Is but the suburb of the life elysian,
Whose portal we call death."

The Arkell News

May 14th 1912.

The May meeting of the Women's Institute was held at the home of Miss E. Boal on Thursday May 9th, when the following officers were elected for the coming year:

President — Mrs. W. Grieve, Vice-President — Mrs. S. Hume, Secretary-Treasurer — Miss E. Boal, Organist — Mrs. S. Hume.

More new members were added to the institute. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Wm. Watson. The annual meeting will be held at the Schoolhouse on Tuesday June 18th.

Mr. Patterson, of Milton, took charge of the service in the Methodist Church here on Sunday afternoon.

Most of the farmers around here are through seeding. A great deal of the fall wheat has been torn up and sown with barley.

House cleaning is almost a thing of the past around here.

Mr. Arthur Watson is able to be out again.

Mr. and Mrs. V. Cochrane, of Berlin, were visitors in Arkell over Sunday.

The Arkell News

May 20th 1912.

Mr. Charles Hume and his wife and family have taken their departure for Manitoba. Charles has secured an engagement with a Manitoba ball club at \$150 per month.

Art Watson has spent some time visiting at the residence of his sister, Mrs. Cochrane, of Berlin.

Archdeacon Davidson delivered, on Sunday last, an able discourse on the subject of "The Ascension", replete with earnest and logical exposition of truth.

John Acme has purchased the house and lot from Charles Hume.

Mrs. Orme, who has been quite ill, has recently been improving.

On the evening of the 18th of June, The Ladies' Institute will hold an open meeting in the Arkell Public School. A good staff of speakers are expected to be present.

Mr. Hanlon, of the School of Science, Toronto University, has been successful in taking honours during the recent examinations. We extend congratulations.

Mr. Jones has returned to the home of Mr. Henry Arkell. He has been across the ocean, visiting friends in Old England.

The far off West has many attractions, but we must not be blind to the positive advantages and charms of old Ontario. You may journey far afield, but in few places does honest toil meet with better remuneration. In no other land will you behold so many homes bright with affluence, beauty, and comfort. Smiling now with all its wealth of summer glory, its Edens of blossoming orchards, its varied prospects of rural splendour, its landscape scenes, all fair as the garden of The Lord, old Ontario, alive with indescribable loveliness is the choicest homeland on God's earth.

A Great Farm

Thursday May 23rd 1912.

The following, from the Toronto Globe newspaper of Wednesday last, will be of interest to many persons, not only in the county, but also in the city, referring as it does to one of the best known farmers of this district.

Few people would ever hear of Arkell, Ontario if it were not for the international reputation of Henry Arkell as a successful farmer and extensive livestock breeder, exhibitor, and judge. The place known as Arkell, seldom marked on the map, is a flag station on the Grand Trunk, a few miles east of Guelph. A traveller at dusk might easily pass through Arkell without any knowledge of it, for altogether there are not half a dozen houses within sight of the flagging point. And yet Arkell is a familiar name to the majority of farmers and livestock breeders, not only in Ontario but also throughout Canada and the United States. It is known as the home of the man who raises purebred Oxford Down and Hampshire sheep, Shorthorn cattle, and, at one time, Jersey milk-producers. It is known to the farmers for miles around as the location of one of the best farms in Wellington County, where success in every venture can be traced to the adoption of modern methods.

Farnham Farm, in Wellington County, owned by Mr. Henry Arkell, after eighty summers' constant cultivation, possesses soil as rich if not richer than when it was first broken in 1831. The following methods of farming, rigidly adhered to by Mr. Arkell, may be cited as reasons for this happy situation:

The owner's interests are evenly divided between crop production and livestock raising. Everything grown on the farm in the way of feed is fed on the farm. A system of crop rotation prevents any needless waste of soil fertility. The application of barnyard manure after especially absorbent crops replenishes the soil with plant food. Hay area is pastured for two years and crops cut from it for two years, and then ploughed under. Rape seed is sown with the oat crop, providing pasture for cattle and sheep for more than three months after harvest. The general conduct of the farm is closely in accord with mixed farming principles, which protect any soil from depletion.

T. R. Arkell Receives an Important Federal Position

June 13th 1912.

**Son of Mr. Henry Arkell Will Join the Livestock Branch
Educated at Guelph Collegiate and O.A.C.**

Despatch from Ottawa says: In consequence of the work initiated by the members of the Sheep Commission, the Minister is now in receipt, from time to time, of requests for special assistance in connection with certain problems relating to both the sheep and wool industries. The disbanding of the Commission has made for the effective administration of the policy to which the Department is now committed, to further the development of the keeping of sheep in Canada. The Minister has therefore considered it advisable to arrange for the appointment of a sheep expert to assume charge, under the Live Stock Commissioner, of the work to be undertaken in the furtherance of this policy.

The Minister has been fortunate in securing for this position, Mr. T. R. Arkell, Professor of Animal Husbandry in the New Hampshire Agricultural College. Mr. Arkell is the son of Mr. Henry Arkell, of Arkell, Ontario, the well known breeder of Oxford Down sheep. He received his primary education at Guelph Collegiate Institute and is a graduate of the Ontario Agricultural College. His early training has made him familiar with every phase of the breeding and management of sheep, and, since his appointment to the position of Professor of Animal Husbandry in the New Hampshire College, he has devoted himself especially to experimental work in feeding and breeding and has made a study, under very advantageous conditions, of problems relating to the production and marketing of wool. He has organized, amongst the farmers of New Hampshire, a co-operative scheme for the sale of their wool clip, and in addition, has undertaken considerable extension work that has given him very valuable experience. He is now recognized in Canada and the United States as a specialist in sheep husbandry and has won for his work the attention of some of the most eminent experts in breeding and experimentation.

Mr. Arkell is to join the staff of the Live Stock Branch before the middle of the current month and will proceed immediately to the provinces of Saskatchewan and Alberta to advise the wool growers regarding the handling of their present season's clip and to make preliminary arrangements for the undertaking of an extensive experimental shipment of Canadian wool to Great Britain in 1913.

The Arkell Village News

June 17th 1912.

Mrs. Bell, an old resident of this locality for many years, has removed to Guelph, intending eventually to make her home in Vancouver, where some of her children are already located.

The people of this village and vicinity were given two fine musical treats on Sunday last. At 3 o' clock, in the Anglican Church, which was tastefully decorated with the rarest and most beautiful of flowers, a Quartette from St. George's Church choir, accompanied by their organist, rendered, with very correct intonation and fine line expression, the several selections for the services of the day, and on the subject, "Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow", the Venerable Archdeacon Davidson delivered an appropriate and instructive address. In the evening, in the Methodist Church, a series of musical selections were admirably rendered by the Quartette from the Paisley Memorial Church, Guelph.

The Arkell Village News

July 22nd 1912.

The recent rains in this vicinity did much good to the growing crops, but were bad for the hay that was out. Some of the farmers here are haying and some have just started. In some places, the wheat and barley are nearly ready to cut.

Messrs. Arthur Watson and Roy Gordon took in the Berlin Old Boys on Saturday.

A gang of men from the city were busy, last week, joining another spring to the city's water supply.

A number of residents of this place took in the excursion to Hamilton, last Thursday.

The Arkell News

July 25th 1912.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Clayton were visiting friends at Arkell recently. They are going out to Edmonton in a few days, intending to become permanent residents of the great West.

We are pleased to report Mrs. G. Watson, who underwent a severe operation at the city hospital, Guelph, as having greatly improved, and has returned to her home in Arkell.

Mr. N. Boal, who has been in the Guelph hospital and has returned home, is making progress toward recovery.

Miss Stella and Ruth Bowman visited friends at Arkell.

Miss Ethel Boal is visiting at Ipperwash Beach, near Forrest.

Crops are looking exceptionally well in this vicinity.

Miss Arkell, of Guelph Hospital, is spending a few days in Hamilton.

The Village News from Arkell

September 6th 1912.

Wedding bells, with joyous rings, will resound in the vicinity of Arkell, very soon.

Miss Lida Bowman and Miss Belle McCormick visited friends in Arkell.

Harvey Watson has taken a trip to the province of Saskatchewan.

Mr. Rogers, of Vancouver, is visiting friends here.

Mrs. Oliver Daniels is taking a house in the village and will soon be a resident here.

Miss A. M. Boal, who had nine pupils successful at the entrance, has taken a situation as teacher in Essex, at a salary of \$625.

The Arkell News

September 30th 1912.

The Harvest Home service in the English church here, on Friday evening, was well attended. The Ven. Archdeacon and Reverend Sparling assisted in the services, and the Reverend Mr. Buckland delivered an excellent address. The orchestral band from S. S. of St. George rendered ... (text missing).

The Arkell News
November 11th 1912.

Miss Ethel Boal spent the weekend in Berlin, the guest of Mrs. V. Cochrane.

The Bell Telephone people have started building their line, which is to run from the York Road, 72 miles, down this line. Practically all of the farmers around here have subscribed for the phone.

Mr. Norman Boal has been removed to the hospital.

The Arkell Sunday School is preparing for a concert to be held later. A concert will be held in the York Road Schoolhouse on November 22nd.

Arkell News
December 14th 1912.

The farm formerly owned by the late Peter Orme was recently sold to Mr. Frank Woods for the sum of \$3400. The property was known as the old Orme homestead.

Arkell News in the Eden Mills Correspondence
December 17th 1912.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Watson, of Arkell, took place to the cemetery here, (that is Eden Mills) yesterday afternoon, and was largely attended. Sympathy is expressed for the bereaved family.

The News of Arkell

January 13th 1913.

A party was held at the home of Mr. Richard Holman on Monday evening, January 6th. Excellent music was rendered by Mr. McDermott, of Guelph. An enjoyable time was spent by all present.

The South Wellington Farmers' and Women's Institute held their annual winter meeting in the schoolhouse on Wednesday evening, January 8th. The speakers were Miss M. Powell and Mr. McCurdy. Mr. Samuel Young, of the York Road, presided. On the evening of the above meeting a bad accident happened. The team, which the speakers at the meeting had, was tied in the blacksmith shop, and there being no stalls, one horse kicked the other, breaking a hind leg. As nothing could be done for it, it was shot to put it out of misery. The team, which belonged to Palmer's Livery, was a valuable pair.

The News from Arkell

March 5th 1913.

Mr. Watson has purchased, from Mr. R. Hume Junior, the old homestead, about a mile east of Arkell. He will shortly move into the new premises.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Rogers, of Winnipeg, are expected to return during March to reside in Arkell.

Miss Cox has been visiting her friend, Mrs. McNally.

Miss Miller, of Stratford Normal School, has been visiting her cousin in this village.

Quite a number of our villagers have been investing in real estate in Guelph recently. City lots found a ready market. During the past year ground values have rapidly increased.

Rural Dean W. Abbott, of Hamilton Cathedral, came out to Arkell through the storm and delivered an able discourse in the Anglican Church here on Sunday last.

Messrs. Iles and Carter have purchased the old homestead of the late Oliver Daniels to use as a grazing farm.

A surprise party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Lasby. A good time is reported.

Able addresses are being delivered during the Lenten season on Tuesday evenings by the Ven. Archdeacon Davidson. For clearness of thought, lucidity of exposition, and depth of insight into theological questions, few men in the Anglican ministry can surpass the Archdeacon.

Mr. George Rogers will move out of the house now occupied by Mr. W. Watson Junior.

Land values are steadily advancing in the vicinity of Arkell.

The News from Arkell

May 13th 1913.

Congratulations are duly extended to Mr. Harry Rudd and bride. May they enjoy many years of happiness and prosperity.

Archdeacon Davidson will give his illustrated lecture on London, in Arkell, on Thursday evening, May 15th. Bishop Clark gave an admirable address at confirmation services here on Sunday last.

Mr. and Mrs. Nichol will celebrate their diamond wedding on the 19th of May. So long a period of happy married life is unique in the history of this township.

The recent frosts have been somewhat severe and, repeated two nights in succession, will have damaging effects on certain lines of farm produce. The future weather conditions may do much to set matters right for the agriculturist, but it is almost certain that clover and barley will be affected to some extent, while early fruits, cherries, apples, plums, quinces, and peaches will be probably be less in quantity and superior in quality. On the whole, the aggregate losses brought about by May frosts will be much less than was at first reported. Farmers are now taking a more optimistic outlook and are anticipating a fair and prosperous season.

Diamond Wedding in Arkell

Wednesday May 28th 1913.

A most unique and interesting gathering met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Nichols, of Arkell, on Monday May 19th, being the 60th anniversary of their marriage, which was solemnized in the old St. George's Church, St. George's Square, Guelph.

Mr. Nichols left Dunsten, Oxfordshire, England, at the age of twenty-one, coming to Guelph, where he followed the trade of general blacksmith. He then purchased the shop and business at Arkell, which he carried on until advancing years caused him to seek retirement, which he and Mrs. Nichols have now enjoyed for a period of twenty-six years.

Mrs. Nichols, being Miss Jane Hornby, daughter of the late Isaac Hornby, was one of Guelph's first-born daughters. The issue of their marriage was five children: Mrs. John Gordon, Mrs. William Watson, of Arkell, Minnie, deceased, W. T. Nichols, of Winnipeg, and Charles at home, thirteen grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

About one hundred guests were present from Winnipeg, Toronto, Guelph, Berlin, Rockwood, Aberfoyle, and other places, to give expression to their esteem for the aged couple. The presents were numerous and valuable, including sixty beautiful roses, which were highly appreciated, as a token of respect from their friends.

from the Guelph Mercury newspaper

The Village News from Arkell

June 3rd 1913.

Mr. and Mrs. Davidson and Mr. and Mrs. Bloomfield, of Galt, motored up to Arkell on Sunday last, and visited at the home of Mrs. Daniels.

Mr. and Mrs. Elliott, of Moffat, visited at the home of Mrs. Pickett.

Miss M. Morlock, of Berlin, is visiting at her aunt's.

An entertainment will be held in the Arkell school under the auspices of the Women's Institute, on Friday June 6th, in the evening.

Mr. Wm. Watson is erecting a substantial stone structure in the place of the building unroofed by the high winds in the spring.

Mrs. Nichols, of Winnipeg, and son are visiting friends at Arkell.

Miss Rose Watson and Mr. Calvert Watson took a holiday visit to Durham.

The lecture on London, given by Archdeacon Davidson in the Arkell school, was very much appreciated. There were a considerable number out to hear it. The lecture, illustrated by excellent views of the city, proved both entertaining and instructive.

The Arkell News

June 30th 1913.

The Arkell Sunday School picnicked at Riverside Park and had a most enjoyable outing. The Superintendent and teachers, with many of the parents, accompanied the children, and although the day was sultry, the young people enjoyed the outing.

On Wednesday last, Mr. John Orme of the village and Miss McCartney were united in the holy bonds of wedlock in the presence of many relatives and friends. The nuptial knot was fastened by the Reverend Mr. Abraham.

A reception was held in the evening at the home of the bride's parents, and many invited guests were present and heartily enjoyed themselves. Many beautiful and pleasing gifts testified to the high esteem held towards the happy couple. They will in the future reside in that pretty little village of Arkell.

The Village News, from Arkell

July 1st 1913.

Mr. Jack Murray, of Hamilton, is spending the weekend with Mr. John Rae.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Laing left on Saturday to spend a few days with his sister of Winona.

Mrs. James Hume left on Friday to visit her brother in Marden.

The regular Women's Institute meeting will be held at Mrs. Thomas Carter's on July 3rd.

Quite a number attended the wedding of Miss Alice McCartney to Mr. John Orme on Wednesday June 25th. The young folks attended the reception in the evening, held at Mr. W. McCartney's.

Miss A. Gilchrist returned home after spending a few days in Galt.

Miss Annie Boal has returned home.

The Arkell Branch of the Women's Institute intends holding a lawn social in the public school grounds on July 10th. A select program has been arranged. Come one and all, in aid of Shelter.

Mr. David Hume and Mr. Will Hume are spending the holiday in Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. John Orme are getting settled in their new home in Arkell village.

The Arkell Sunday School held its annual picnic to Riverside Park on Friday the 27th. All report a good time.

from the Guelph Mercury newspaper

The Arkell News

September 9th 1913.

Mr. George Nichols celebrated his 90th birthday last week.

Mr. Thomas Hume and daughter, Ruth, left on Thursday for their home in Lowry, Minnesota, after spending two months at his brother's, Mr. D. Hume, and friends.

Miss Clark and brother returned home after visiting Mr. Henry Arkell. Miss Annie Arkell is home on a visit. Miss Florence Boal is at present attending the high school at Milton. Mr. Jack Murray and Miss Dike spent the weekend with Mr. John Rae. Mrs. Frank Simmons and daughter are visiting at Mr. David Hume's.

Threshing is the order of the day.

A number from here took in Toronto Exhibition. Mrs. Daniels visited her father in Galt, last week. Mr. John Scott paid a flying visit to Arkell.

The Arkell News

October 21st 1913.

Mr. Walter McCormick, of Dumfries, paid a Thanksgiving visit among Arkell friends for a few days. Miss Lila and Calvert Watson paid a recent visit to Berlin.

Mr. L. Pickett sold his house and lot to Mr. Wilson, of Eden Mills, for a good sum. Arkell real estate is on the rise.

Archdeacon Davidson delivered an admirable address on Thanksgiving, on Sunday.

The Harvest Home festival in the Anglican Church was carried out in a most interesting manner. The church was beautifully decorated and excellent addresses were given. St. George's Sunday School orchestra gave some delightful renderings of instrumental music and vocal selections.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Cochrane spent the holiday at the parental home.

Miss Irme has returned home from a pleasant visit to Hamilton.

Mrs. Daniels visited her aged father in Galt some days ago.

R. Boal came down from Lambton County to spend Thanksgiving Day. Norman Boal is making some progress toward recovery from a long and trying illness.

The News of Arkell

November 5th 1913.

The annual meeting of the British and Foreign Bible Society was held in the Methodist Church at Arkell on October 20th. The speakers of the evening were Reverend Mr. Mitchell, ex-missionary from India, and Mr. Kilgour, both of Guelph. Very interesting talks on the Bible were given. However, owing to the very inclement weather, but few people were in attendance.

Hallowe'en passed off quite pleasantly at Arkell, though without doubt, ghosts and goblins were up and doing. A few gates were removed and a plow was placed on the roof of the slaughterhouse. On Hallowe'en evening, Miss Olive Daniels entertained her music class. The evening passed away very pleasantly in music and games.

On Monday evening, November 3rd, a party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Lasby. Dancing was the chief amusement, and the young people of Arkell and surrounding community spent the hours very pleasantly.

Mr. Roy Gordon made a business visit to Toronto last week.

Miss A. M. Boal, the teacher at Arkell, attended the teachers' convention in Guelph on October 20th and 21st.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Watson spent a few days of last week with friends in Durham. Miss Jennie McCartney, of Ayr, is a visitor just now at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Rae.

Mr. J. J. Craig, P.S.I. (Public School Inspector), made his term visit to the school on November 4th.

S. S. No. 1, Arkell School Report:

Following is the report of Arkell School, School Section No. 1, Puslinch, for October:

Class IV: Maud Knight, Mabel Ruber, Cal Watson and Willa Pickett, equal, Alice Lasby.

Class III: Verna Boal, George McNelly, Russel Ruber

Senior II: Richard Starkey, Cameron Hume, Lyle Grieve

Junior II: James Starkey, Charlie Lasby, Margaret Starkey

Class I: Agnes Hume

Primer: Ivan Tolton, Nelson Pickett, George Lasby, Orme Rogers, Howitt Carter, Jean Grieve

Teacher: A. M. Boal

The Arkell News

November 17th 1913.

A very pleasant reception was held on November 11th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. Arkell, in honour of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Northrop. Guests to the number of about seventy were present, and many beautiful and costly gifts were received by the bride. A sumptuous repast was served at 7:30. The many good things with which the board was loaded, were, without doubt, fully appreciated by the guests. After the supper, a pleasant hour or so was spent, music and cards affording the entertainment.

Mrs. A. Northrop, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Arkell, with her husband, arrived home on Saturday, November 8th, after a wedding tour to Edmonton.

The monthly meeting of the Women's Institute was held on Thursday afternoon, November 13th, at the home of Mrs. Starkey. The program consisted of a paper on "Time" and music. A darning contest was also held, Mrs. A. Rogers winning the prize.

Preparations for work on the C.N.R., around Cook's bridge, were being briskly carried on until the recent storm. These consist of erecting shanties for the men, cookhouses, stables, et cetera.

The C.P.R. recently unloaded the Corwhin Station off a flat car, here. Arkell does not feel flattered, and unless the old Corwhin Station is much improved, would as soon have the old station.

The Arkell News

December 16th 1913.

Preparations for the Arkell Christmas Sunday School concert are almost complete. A good time is expected on December 18th, which is the date set for the concert.

A most unfortunate and distressing accident occurred at Cook's Mill, near here, on Wednesday morning. Mr. W. McNally had his hand nearly torn off on the machinery. Mr. McNally was taken to the hospital where it was hoped that his hand could be saved, but amputation has since been found necessary. Much sympathy is felt here for the unfortunate young man.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Lasby were guests for a few days last week of Mr. and Mrs. L. Lasby. Mr. and Mrs. Haines from the West are visiting Mr. J. Petty and his sister.

About thirty young people were delightfully entertained at a party at Mr. Ruber's, when games were the order of the evening. The spirit of fun and sociability pervaded the event throughout, and a very good time was reported.

Mrs. O. Daniels spent the past week with her father in Galt. Miss L. Laing, of Huntsville, is visiting relatives here.

A very interesting meeting of the Women's Institute took place on the evening of December 4th at the home of Mrs. W. Grieve. An interesting program was given and lunch was then served. The guests of the evening reported an excellent time.

School Section. No. 1, Puslinch, Report

December 25th 1913.

Following is the report for S.S. No. 1, Puslinch, for December:

Class IV: Maud Knight, Mabel Ruber, Cal Watson, Alice Lasby, Willa Pickett, Arthur Hume.

Class III: Verna Boal, Russell Ruber, George McNally.

Senior II: Richard Starkey, Cameron Hume, Lyle Grieve.

Junior II: Margaret Starkey, Jim Starkey, Charlie Lasby.

Class I: Agnes Hume.

Primer: Ivan Tolton, Orme Roger, Nelson Pickett, George Lasby, Jean Grieve, Howitt Carter.

Teacher: Annie M. Boal

The News of Arkell

December 30th 1913.

Mr. Pickett has rented a house in Guelph, near College Heights, and will move into the city during the coming month. Mr. Pickett has sold his property in this village to Mr. Wilson. Mr. Pickett is a skilful and efficient milkman, either as carpenter, painter, or paper-hanger, and Mrs. Pickett has been a faithful Sunday School teacher in Arkell for many years. They will be greatly missed in this village.

Mrs. McNally has sold her farm to Mr. Senior for, it is understood, \$5,800. Mr. Senior comes from the United States.

The News from Arkell

February 1st 1914.

This season's open weather has afforded perhaps more than the usual number of good times to Arkell young people. Sleigh rides and parties have been on the program. The skating parties all take place at Ruber's pond or Cook's Mill, where the ice is good.

A party of young people was invited to Mr. Gordon's home last week. An evening of fun and pleasure is reported.

A dancing party took place last week at Mr. W. Watson's farm. A very large number were present. Though somewhat cramped for room, the dance was a great success.

The Arkell choir was delightfully entertained by Mrs. Orme, a week ago Friday night.

Miss O. Daniels of this village left for a two weeks visit to friends in Guelph, Berlin, Preston, and Galt.

Miss N. Hume entertained the Arkell choir last Thursday evening. An excellent time is reported.

Mrs. (Dr.) Lamb, of Winnipeg, is the guest just now of Mrs. R. Rogers.

Miss J. Wharton is a visitor in this vicinity the last few days.

Mrs. T. Nichol and her son, Oberle, who have been visiting Arkell and other points in Ontario, left for Winnipeg on Wednesday.

Mr. E. P. Bowman and Miss L. Bowman, of West Montrose, spent the weekend at the home of Mr. R. Boal.

Mr. J. Gallagher, a student of University College, Toronto, spent last Saturday with Mr. N. A. Boal. Mr. Gallagher, who is in his graduating year, was on his way to Elmira, where he was to fill the Presbyterian pulpit on Sunday.

A couple of loads of young people from Guelph were entertained on Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. W. Pretty. The hours passed very pleasantly, the chief amusement being games.

The Arkell News

February 3rd 1914.

Miss Nellie Hume entertained the choir last Thursday evening. A most enjoyable time was spent by all.

Miss Olive Daniels is visiting friends in Berlin and Galt this week.

A number of young people from this vicinity attended the dance given by Messrs. A. Byrne and J. Duffy.

Miss Willa Picket spent the weekend in the village.

The funeral of the late Mr. John Rudd, of Guelph, took place here on Monday afternoon.

School Section No. 1 Puslinch

February 5th 1914.

Following is the Arkell School report for the month of January:

Fourth Class: Maud Knight, Mabel Ruber, Eleanor McNally, Robert Barnett, Stewart Grieve, Alice Lasby, Arthur Hume, Lindsay Tolton.

Third Class: Russell Ruber, Verna Boal, George McNally, Jim Tolton.

2nd Class promoted to Junior Third: Richard Starkey, Cameron Hume, Lyle Grieve.

Junior Second: Margaret Starkey, Charles Lasby, Jim Starkey.

_____ Class: Agnes Hume.

Senior Primer promoted to 1st class: Orme Roger, Ivan Tolton, George Lasby, Howitt Carter.

Junior Primer: Isabel Grieve, Godfrey Cook, Marjory Roger, Evelyn Boal.

Teacher: Annie M. Boal

The News from Arkell

March 24th 1914.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Carter celebrated their 25th anniversary of their wedding recently.

Miss A. Gilchrist spent the weekend in Guelph.

Mr. and Mrs. Hortop visited over Sunday with her father, Mr. Thomas Arkell.

Miss Moon is slowly recovering after a severe attack of la grippe.

Mr. and Mrs. Rogers entertained a few of their friends on Thursday evening. All report a good time, some winning wonderful prizes.

The wedding of Miss Robina Mahon, daughter of Mr. David Mahon, of Greenock, Scotland, took place in Vancouver to Mr. Alex H. Hume, third son of Mr. David Hume, of Arkell. The happy couple left Vancouver amid showers of rice, for Seattle, for their honeymoon. After returning they will be at home to their many friends at Cassiar Cannery, Prince Rupert.

Mr. Geo. Wilson and family moved to the house that they have bought in Arkell.

Mr. John Arkell is around, after a sick spell.

All who visit Arkell, be sure you call at Mr. W. J. Laing's and see his electric coal oil lamps. These lamps are brighter than three common coal oil lamps.

Mr. Frank Woods returned home much improved after an operation in Guelph General Hospital.

Mrs. O. Daniels is home after spending three weeks in Galt. She attended the funeral of her father, the late Mr. Davidson, of that place.

Mr. James Orme visited his mother for a week.

Arkell Village News

April 6th 1914.

It is with regret that the people of this vicinity will learn of the death of Mrs. John Gilchrist, of Ladner, B.C. Mrs. Gilchrist had been ailing for some time, and died on February 17th, at the age of fifty-three years. Her early life was lived in Arkell, where she is well known. She leaves to mourn her loss, her husband, two children, her mother, Mrs. A. Hume, of Arkell, three brothers, Isaac Hume, of Vancouver, John Hume, of Ladner, B.C., and Peter Hume, of Arkell, and also one married sister, of Ladner.

Miss P. Petty, of Arkell, spent last week visiting friends and relatives in Toronto.

Mr. L. Lasby made a business trip to Toronto last week.

Mrs. A. Hume, who has been ailing for some time, has completely recovered.

Mrs. Daniels and her daughter, Olive, have returned to Arkell, after having been away for some time.

Mr. F. Woods, who was operated on recently in the Guelph General Hospital, is reported to be regaining health and strength rapidly

The Arkell News

April 11th 1914.

Mr. R. H. Barber, the game warden, found two young lads shooting sea gulls out on Arkell Plains yesterday. He confiscated their rifles and told them a few things in plain language about the game laws. Mr. Barber remarked that it was disgraceful and dangerous the way that parents allowed youngsters to carry guns and rifles, unattended by their elders. Mr. Barber wished to emphasize the danger thus incurred, not only to the boys themselves, but to the community at large.

An Old Student

April 30th 1914.

Mr. T. R. Arkell, Wool Commissioner for the Dominion Government, was visiting old friends here, and at his old college, the O.A.C., yesterday. Mr. Arkell is now stationed at Ottawa, and is one of the many students of the O.A.C. who have made good in government work. He was registered at the Commercial Hotel.

Picnicked at Arkell

June 4th 1914.

Chaperoned by City Clerk, Moore, and City Treasurer, Rose, the young ladies employed in the offices at City Hall drove to Arkell yesterday afternoon and picnicked there. Acting Mayor, Newstead, gave them permission to take a half-day off.

The News from Arkell

July 27th 1914.

Mrs. Kilgour and daughter, Mrs. Foulds, visited Miss Petty one day last week.

Mrs. John Laing, of Corwhin, spent the weekend in the village.

Mrs. Prof. Metcalfe, of Guelph, visited Mrs. Daniels last week while on her way to Burlington Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Angus Grieve and son, Pearson, left today for their home in Philadelphia.

The Ladies' Aid met at the home of Mrs. John McNelly on Wednesday last. The meeting was largely attended and a nice social time was spent.

Miss Lila Watson is visiting friends in Berlin.

Farmers are Plowing

November 28th 1914.

The weather has been so mild of late that the farmers in the neighbourhood of Arkell are "making hay while the sun shines". They are taking advantage of the mild weather to finish their fall plowing.

Arkell Village News

January 27th 1915.

The Ladies' Aid of the Arkell Methodist Church held a very interesting meeting on Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Stuart Hume.

Mrs. L. Pickett and daughter Audrey, of Guelph, are visiting at Mrs. Daniels'.

Miss Petty, who has been ill with an attack of rheumatism, is recovering.

Mr. Peter Hume, who was taken suddenly ill with stomach trouble, and who is now at St. Joseph's Hospital, is recovering.

The Burns Club of Arkell held a very enjoyable meeting at the home of Mr. W. Grieve, Mr. R. Rodger presiding.

A number of the young people of this neighbourhood enjoyed a party held at the farm of Mr. W. Watson.

Miss Florence Boal left on Saturday for Eldorado, where she has secured a position.

We are pleased to state that Miss Rose Watson, who was operated on for appendicitis at the General Hospital, is now on the road to recovery.

Mrs. P. Hume fell on the ice and had her arm broken.

A party was held at Mr. Grant's. All report a good time.

The Arkell School Report

February 11th 1915.

Following is the report for Arkell Public School, January:

Senior 4: Eleanor McNelly, Cal Watson

Junior 4: Alice Lasby, Lindsay Tolton, Arthur Hume

Senior 3: George McNelly, Richard Starkey, Russell Ruber, Verna Boal, Cameron Hume, Herbert Mills, Jim Tolton, Lyle Grieve.

Senior 2: Margaret Starkey, Jim Starkey, Harvey Caulfield, Charlie Lasby.

Senior 1: Ivan Tolton, Agnes Hume, George Lasby, Orme Rodger, Howitt Carter.

Junior 1: Isabel Grieve, Evelyn Boal, Margery Rodger, Jean Grieve.

Primer: Helen Grant, Jim Hume, Elsie Hume, Kathleen Hume.

Teacher: Annie M. Boal

The News from Arkell

April 2nd 1915.

Friends of Mr. Tom Tolton are pleased to hear that he is recovering from an operation for appendicitis.

Miss Edna Haggie (Hagey?) has returned home to Preston after visiting Miss Rose Watson.

Miss Edna Miller, of Kincardine, is spending the Easter holidays at R. Boal's.

Miss Florence Boal has returned home from Eldorado for the Easter holidays.

The children and teacher of our school entertained their friends on Thursday afternoon, when a few lessons were heard and a short program was given by the children.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Cochrane and son, Jack, of Berlin, are spending Easter at Wm. Watson's.

Mrs. T. Nichol, of Winnipeg, is visiting friends at Arkell.

Miss Mary and Miss Kate Hanlon are spending their holidays at home here.

Arkell Public School Report, April

May 6th 1915.

Senior 4: Eleanor McNally, Cal Watson.

Junior 4: Dorothy Poustie, Verna Boal, Richard Starkey, George McNally, Cameron Hume, Alice Lasby, Lyle Grieve.

Junior 3: Margaret Starkey, Jim Starkey, Charlie Lasby, Robert Airdrie.

Junior 2: Ivan Tolton, Agnes Hume, Orme Rodger, George Lasby, Howitt Carter, Elizabeth Airdrie.

Senior 1: Margery Rodger, Evelyn Boal, Isabel Grieve, Jean Grieve, Vina Jefferson.

Junior 1: Jim Hume, Helen Grant, Elsie Hume.

Primary Class: Kathleen Grant, Dora Mills, Margaret Airdrie, Eunice Roney.

The News from Arkell

May 17th 1915.

Reverend Mr. Carter, of Nassagaweya, gave an illustrated lecture on the war, in the Methodist Church, last Tuesday night. The proceeds went to the Mission Fund.

An interesting meeting of the Women's Institute was held at Mrs. Stuart Hume's, last Thursday afternoon.

Miss Rose Watson of this village has returned home after spending a few weeks with friends in Preston.

Dr. and Mrs. Huffman, of Forest, paid a short visit at R. Boal's, last week, when returning home from a motor trip to Toronto and other places.

Miss Mary Hanlon, teacher at Brantford Institute for the Blind, spent the weekend at her home here.

Mr. Walter McCormick and Miss Belle McCormick, of Glenmorris, visited at Mr. R. Boal's last week.

The Misses McEachern, of Guelph, paid a short visit to Misses Rose and Lila Watson.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Laing are visiting in Hamilton for a few days.

The Arkell News

May 27th 1915.

Mr. Leonard Laing, of Toronto, was the guest of his aunt, Mrs. J. McNelly, on the twenty-fourth.

Mr. Ironsides, of Hamilton, is visiting his friend, Mr. A. Watson.

Miss Ella Hanlon visited her sister, Miss Kate Hanlon, in Brantford, over the holiday.

Mrs. W. Watson and Mrs. Nichols Junior visited Mrs. Victor Cochrane, in Berlin.

Miss Annie Boal spent the weekend at West Montrose.

Miss Hazel Caldwell, of Durham, spent the holiday with her friend, Miss Rose Watson.

Reverend Mr. Little, of Chalmers Church, preached on Sunday afternoon in the Methodist Church. His sermon was much appreciated by the people of the community.

The News from Arkell

June 12th 1915.

The annual meeting of the Women's Institute was held on Thursday afternoon in the Methodist Church. About eighty ladies attended and enjoyed the program given. It consisted of an address on "The Assets of Canada" given by Dr. Edna Cowling, of Toronto. In addition to this, speeches were made by the President of the Arkell Women's Institute, Mrs. Stuart Hume, and also by Mrs. Little, Miss Friendship, and Mrs. Barrie, of neighbouring institutes. Music was supplied by the ladies of the neighbourhood, including a chorus by the ladies of the Arkell Institute, and solos by Miss Minnie Gordon, Miss Olive Daniels, Miss Alice Lasby, and Miss Annie Boal. After the program, a dainty lunch was served, Mrs. Gordon and Mrs. Grieve presiding at the prettily appointed tea table, which was decorated with lilies of the valley and was placed in front of a bank of beautiful flowers.

Mrs. Hume, of Winona, spent last Sunday with her sister, Mrs. J. McNelly.

Mrs. V. Cochrane, of Berlin, and son, Jack, are visiting at W. Watson's.

A number of the Arkell young people attended the party at Mr. Burns' on Friday evening.

Miss Mary Hanlon spent the weekend at her home here.

Mr. Peter Iles, Mr. and Mrs. Grant, and Mrs. T. Carter motored to Mount Forest last Saturday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Caulfield. They returned on Tuesday morning.

An interesting baseball game was played at Mr. Stuart Hume's in which the Arkell boys and the employees of Bond's Hardware, of Guelph, took part. The Arkellites were successful, the score being 8-4. A return game on their own grounds would be welcomed by the Arkell boys.

Arkell School Report

July 8th 1915.

The following is the Arkell School report for June 1915:

Junior 4: Dorothy Poustie, Verna Boal, Alice Lasby, Cameron Hume, George McNelly, Richard Starkey, Lyle Grieve.

Junior 3: Margaret Starkey, Charlie Lasby, Jim Starkey, Robert Airdrie.

Senior 2: Agnes Hume, Ivan Tolton, George Lasby, Elizabeth Airdrie, Orme Rodger, Howitt Carter.

Junior 2: Elvina Jefferson, Isabel Grieve, Margery Rodger, Evelyn Boal, Jean Grieve.

Senior 1: Helen Grant, Elsie Hume, Jim Hume.

Primary: Kathleen Grant, Dora Mills, Margaret Airdrie.

The Arkell Village News

July 9th 1915.

Mrs. Collins and daughter, Marian, of Louisiana, are visiting at Mr. Peter Hume's. Miss Cockburn, of Winnipeg, is visiting Mrs. R. Rodgers. Miss Cameron, of Hamilton, is spending a few days with Miss Rose Watson. Miss Nellie McKechnie is visiting at B. Watson's.

The Ladies' Aid was very pleasantly entertained at Mrs. Grant's, last Thursday. Mr. Harold Miller, of Kincardine, spent the weekend at R. Boal's. Miss Freda Wilson is spending a few weeks at Burlington. Miss Jennie Hume, of Winona, is visiting friends here.

A number of Arkell people attended the garden party at Mr. Talbot's. The Arkell boys played baseball with a team from Armstrong Mills, the Arkellites being victorious.

Miss Florence Boal has returned for the summer holidays. Mr. T. Arkell Senior is building a red brick house in our village. Master Pierson Grieve, of Philadelphia, is spending his summer holidays at Mr. T. Arkell's. Mr. and Mrs. T. Arkell visited in Hamilton, last week.

Mrs. Caulfield, of Mount Forest, is visiting her brother, Mr. Peter Iles. Miss Murray, teacher, of Guelph, is spending a few days at her uncle's, Mr. John Rae. Mrs. George Roberts is very seriously ill.

A children's service was held in the Methodist Church here, last Sunday night. The children supplied the music and Reverend Carter preached.

The garden party held at Mr. Stuart Hume's on the first of July was a decided success. The chief attraction was a baseball game played between Corwhin and the Arkell girls. Corwhin played well but the Arkell girls won out, the score being twenty-six to twenty. There was also a game played between the York Road and Arkell boys. The result was a victory for York Road by the score of 5 to 4. After supper was served, a short program of music was provided. The proceeds are to go to the Red Cross Fund.

Mr. and Mrs. Cameron, of Moffat, spent the first at R. Rodger's.

The News from Arkell

August 20th 1915.

We regret to report that Mrs. Henry Arkell is very seriously ill.

Mr. John Daniels has sold his farm to Mr. Ruber, the gardener, at \$100.00 per acre. This property is a good one and no doubt will be extensively used by Mr. Ruber in his work as a gardener, in which he has been very successful. Mr. Daniels is now nearly attaining a period of four score years and is one of the pioneers of this county.

A great audience is expected to be present at the garden party on Friday, August 20th, to be held in the school grounds at Arkell. A brilliant affair is anticipated. A supper and grand programme will be given.

The Arkell Village News

September 4th 1915.

Mrs. Caulfield and Mrs. Hartley, of Toronto, visited Mrs. W. Watson.

Miss Edna Nichols, of Winnipeg, is visiting Arkell relatives.

Mrs. Fielding has returned home to Hamilton, after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon.

The Arkell garden party, held on the school grounds, was a decided success. A splendid program and supper were enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Fields and daughter, Shirley, of Galt, spent a week with her sister, Mrs. Daniels.

Mr. and Mrs. Richards, of Huntsville, have been visiting at Mr. J. McNelly's.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliphant, of Montreal, have returned home after a visit at Mr. John Rae's.

Miss Edna Hagey has returned home after a visit at Barnet Watson's.

Miss Annie Boal spent a few days last week with friends in Paris and Galt.

The Misses Cameron, of Hamilton, and Hugh Baxter spent a few days at Barnet Watson's.

The Women's Institute met today at the home of Mrs. W. Watson. A good program of papers and music was given and a dainty lunch was served.

Mr. Thom, of the aviation school, Toronto, paid a short visit to Mr. J. Rae.

The News from Arkell

October 26th 1915.

The many friends of Miss Mary Coburn, of Winnipeg, regret that it has been necessary for her to undergo an operation for appendicitis.

The Women's Institute met on October 11th at the home of Mrs. S. Carter. The ladies were well entertained by music and papers read by various members of the institute. Red Cross work was distributed and arrangements were made for holding an entertainment in the school house on the evening of Trafalgar Day. The entertainment was well attended and an address was given by Mr. T. J. Hannigan, of Guelph. A musical program was rendered by Guelph and other friends. The entertainment was enjoyed by all. The proceeds, about twenty dollars, are to go to the Red Cross.

Mr. Wilkie Wilson had the misfortune to meet with a very painful accident while corn cutting, which resulted in the amputation of the thumb of his left hand. Much sympathy is extended.

The many friends of Lee Shaw and Jack Milne, two boys at the front, regret that they have both been seriously wounded.

Mr. Harry Woods and Mr. Will Graham have enlisted for service in the war.

A delightful surprise was given Miss Ethel Boal last Saturday evening when her young friends visited her at her home and presented her with a beautiful leather upholstered chair, as a token of the esteem in which she is held here. An address was read by Miss Maggie Grant, expressing regret at her approaching departure, and congratulating her on her forthcoming marriage. The presentation was made by Mr. Willie Tolton and Mr. John Watson. The evening was pleasantly spent playing progressive euchre, and after an appetizing lunch was served, all joined heartily in singing favourite songs, ending with "Auld Lang Syne" and "God Save the King".

The Ladies' Aid Society of Arkell met at the home of Mrs. Daniels, last Monday. Red Cross sewing was done and a very pleasant afternoon was spent.

On Monday evening, the people of the English Church and other friends assembled at the home of Mr. John Arkell, where Miss Ethel Boal was presented with a fine clock. Miss Boal has been organist of that church for some time and is about to leave Arkell.

There has been a great deal of sickness in our neighbourhood lately. Mr. R. Rodger, Miss Ida Dicker, Mrs. Tolton, and Mrs. Kirby have been quite ill, but are now recovering.

The people and friends of the Methodist Church gathered at the home of Miss Ethel Boal last Tuesday evening to do that young lady, who for the past few years has been organist of their church, honour, and to present her with a beautiful case of handsome silver. An addressee was read by Mrs. J. McNelly, and the presentation was made by Miss Petty, Miss Hume, and Mrs. Pretty. After this, the evening was enjoyably spent in listening to complimentary speeches, a musical program, and recitations. A dainty lunch was served, and the party broke up with singing "God be with you till we meet again" and the National Anthem.

Privates Will Ruber and Tom Marsh spent Sunday in Arkell.

Arkell Beef Ring Annual Meeting

November 3rd 1915.

The annual business meeting of the Arkell "beef ring" was held at the home of Mr. John Rae, the President of the association, on Monday evening, nearly all of the members being present; there are 36 in the ring.

The report showed the most successful and satisfactory in its history, and arrangements were completed for the season of 1916, beginning about the 1st of June.

Turning away from roast beef for the time, the ladies had prepared a nice oyster supper, which was much enjoyed, after which, the Vice-President, Mr. Edward Dyson, was called to the chair, and short addresses were delivered by Mr. Jno. A. Cockburn, Mr. Samuel Young, President Rae, and others. Games, songs, and other pastimes followed and altogether a very pleasant evening was spent.

Arkell School Report

November 6th 1915.

Following is the Arkell School report for October:

Class 4: Verna Boal, Cal Watson, Dorothy Poustie, Cameron Hume, George McNelly, Richard Starkey, Jennie Arkell

Class 3: Agnes Hume, Ivan Tolton, Orme Rodger, Vina Jefferson, George Lasby, Elizabeth Airdrie, Howitt Carter.

Junior 2: Marjory Rodger, Evelyn Boal, Isabel Grieve, Jean Grieve.

Class 1: Elsie Hume, Helen Grant, Jim Hume.

Primer Senior: Kathleen Grant, Dora Mills, Margaret Airdrie.

Junior Primer: Murray Rae.

Teacher: Annie Boal

The News from Arkell - December 1st 1915.

The Women's Institute met at the home of Mrs. J. Starkey on Thursday afternoon, November 18th. There was a good attendance, and an interesting programme. Red Cross work was distributed, as usual.

On the evening of November 20th, the friends and neighbours of Mrs. Woods gathered at her home to do honour to her son, Harry, who is serving his country in the 40th Battery, Toronto. An address was read and Harry was presented with a handsome wristwatch.

Miss Petty, who spent two weeks lately in Toronto, has returned home. Miss Freda Wilson has returned from a visit to Hamilton. Mrs. Grieve spent a few days in Toronto, recently.

A meeting of the Ladies' Aid was held at Miss Petty's on Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Hume, of Winona, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. McNally.

Reverend Mr. Little, of Chalmers Church, Guelph, preached in the Arkell Methodist Church last Sunday afternoon.

School Section No. 1 Puslinch - December 7th 1915.

Report of School Section No. 1, Puslinch, for November:

Class 4: Cal Watson, Dorothy Poustie, George McNelly, Cameron Hume, Verna Boal, Richard Starkey, Alice Lasby.

Class 3: Margaret Starkey, Charlie Lasby, Jim Starkey, Robert Airdrie.

Senior 2: Agnes Hume, Orme Rodger, Ivan Tolton, George Lasby, Howitt Carter, Elizabeth Airdrie, Vina Jefferson.

Junior 2: Isabel Grieve, Jean Grieve, Evelyn Boal, Margery Rodger.

Class 1: Jim Hume, Helen Grant, Elsie Hume.

Primary: Kathleen Grant, Murray Rae, Margaret Airdrie, Dora Mills.

The Arkell News

December 28th 1915.

Mr. Laing, of Toronto, visited last week at the home of Mrs. John McNelly. Mr. and Mrs. Dick Cochrane and little son, of Berlin, spent Christmas at Mr. W. Watson's. Mr. and Mrs. James Woods and Mr. Harry Woods, all of Hamilton, spent Christmas at the home of their mother, Mrs. John Woods.

Mr. John Smale is at present the guest of Mr. and Mrs. McNelly. A family reunion took place at the home of Mrs. Oliver Daniels, when she entertained her children and grandchildren on Christmas Day. Miss May Cook spent a week in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Arkell have returned from a visit to their son in Ottawa. Mr. R. Boal is spending a few days in Forest. Mr. and Mrs. D. Gordon and son spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Gordon.

The Arkell Christmas entertainment and Christmas tree were held in the Methodist Church, last Friday night. A large number of people were present and enjoyed a good program supplied by the children and young people of the neighbourhood. Excellent addresses were given by Venerable Archdeacon Davidson, Reverend Mr. Little, and Reverend Mr. Gaetz, of Guelph, Reverend Mr. Carter, of Ebenezer, being chairman. The children of the school and also the choir of the church sang several choruses. The children also gave several motion songs, which were very pretty. Recitations were given by Miss Elsie Hume and Miss Daisy Petty, who also sang. Miss Olive Daniels sang a beautiful song, "Time's Roses". A popular number on the program was the Red Cross drill, presented by twelve of the Arkell girls. A tableau and song, "Just before the battle, Mother" was very effective. Santa Claus made his annual visit and each child's heart was gladdened by a present from him. The program ended with a tableau, "Britain and Her Allies", in which Britain's allies were represented. At the close, the young lady representing Britannia sang "Rule Britannia", after which the audience joined in singing "God Save the King".

Arkell school report for December:

Senior 4: Eleanor McNally, Carl Watson, Alice Lasby

Senior 3: Richard Starkey, Verna Boal, George McNally, Russell Ruber, Cameron Hume, Lyle Grieve

Senior 2: Margaret Starkey, Harvey Caulfield, Charlie Lasby, Jim Starkey

Senior 1: Agnes Hume, Ivan Tolton, Orme Rodger and George Lasby, equal, Howitt Carter

Junior 1: Isabel Grieve, Evelyn Boal, Margery Rodger, Jean Grieve

Primary: Helen Grant, Jim Hume, Elsie Hume, Kathleen Grant

Teacher: Annie M. Boal

The Arkell News

March 1st 1916.

Miss Margaret Grant spent Sunday with her parents here.

Members of the Ladies' Aid of the Methodist Church were entertained at the home of Mrs. P.

Report for the Arkell Public School for February:

4th Class: Sal Watson, Verna Boal, Richard Starkey, Cameron Hume, Alice Lasby, and George McNally.

3rd Class: Jim Starkey, Russell Ruber, Herbert Mills, Margaret Starkey, Charlie Lasby, Lyle Grieve, and Robert Airdrie.

Senior 2nd: Ivan Tolton, Agnes Hume, Orme Rodger, Howitt Carter, George Lasby, Elizabeth Airdrie, and Vina Jefferson.

Junior 2nd: Isabel Grieve, Elsie Hume, Helen Grant, Jim Hume, Marjorie Rodger, Evelyn Boal, and Jean Grieve.

Primer: Kathleen Grant, Dora Mills, Margaret Airdrie, and Murray Rae.

The News from Arkell - March 15th 1916.

Last Wednesday, W. J. Laing and A. Millison were in Toronto.

Mr. Jim Orme, of Altona, Michigan, is visiting at his mother's here.

Lenten services are being held in the English Church by the Ven. Archdeacon Davidson. Addresses on the ten commandments are being given every Tuesday night.

The Women's Institute held a very profitable meeting last Thursday at the home of Mrs. R. Rodger. Sewing for Red Cross purposes was distributed and the President, Mrs. Stuart Hume, gave a paper on "Easter Thoughts".

Mrs. J. P. Snider spent a few days in Arkell visiting her sisters.

The Ladies' Aid met on Tuesday at the home of Miss Annie Boal.

Mrs. O. Daniels is visiting in Galt.

Miss Nell Hume entertained a number of the young people at her home last Thursday night in honour of her brother, David Hume, of the 71st Battalion, Guelph. A very enjoyable evening was spent in dancing and playing cards.

Mrs. W. Watson is spending a few days in Berlin with her daughter, Mrs. Cochrane.

School Report - April 4th 1916.

Arkell school report for March:

Class 4: Cal Watson, Verna Boal, Richard Starkey, Cameron Hume, George McNally, Alice Lasby.

Class 3: Margaret Starkey, Charlie Lasby, Jim Starkey, Lyle Grieve, Robert Airdrie.

Senior 2: Orme Rodger, Agnes Hume, Vina Jefferson, George Lasby, Ivan _____, _____ Thomas, Howitt Carter, Elizabeth Airdrie. (Some names were illegible.)

Junior 2: Elsie Hume, Helen Grant, Isabel Grieve, Evelyn Boal, Jim Hume, Marjorie Rodger, Jean Grieve.

Primary Class: Kathleen grant, Arthur Thomas, Dora Mills, Murray Rae, Margaret Airdrie.

Arkell School Report

April 24TH 1916.

Arkell School Report for April:

Senior 4: Verna Boal, Cal Watson, Richard Starkey, Cameron Hume, George McNally.

Senior 3: Charlie Lasby, Margaret Starkey

Senior 2: George Lasby, Ivan Tolton, & Vina Jefferson (equal), Orme Rodger, Agnes Hume, Robert Thomas, Howitt Carter, Elizabeth Airdrie, Marguerite Thomas.

Junior 2: Elsie Hume, Helen Grant, Jim Hume, Margery Rodger & Isabel Grieve, Evelyn Boal, Jean Grieve.

Primer: Kathleen Grant, Dora Mills, Arthur Thomas, Murray Rae, Margaret Airdrie.

Average attendance: 25

The Arkell News

September 14th 1916.

The Women's Institute had a very enjoyable meeting yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. John Gordon. A very interesting paper on "Home and Country" was given by Mrs. R. Rodger. Arrangements were made to send boxes to our boys in khaki. Lunch was served on the lawn and the ladies report a jolly good time.

Mr. Orval Prettie and bride, of Windsor, spent a week with Mr. and Mrs. W. Prettie.

A most interesting time was spent last night at the Methodist Church when the people of Arkell met to do honour to Miss Olive Daniels, and presented her with a case of beautiful silver. This popular young lady made a very suitable and pleasing reply to the address.

Arkell Village News

November 23rd 1916.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stout, of this village, entertained the young people on Friday night. A very enjoyable time was spent in games competitions and music.

Mr. and Mrs. V. Cochrane, of Kitchener, spent a few days at Mr. W. Watson's, this week.

Mrs. J. P. Snider, of West Montrose, visited her sister Miss O. Boal.

Mrs. H. McNelly and little Eleanor Roberts are spending a few days in Orton.

Word has been received that Mr. David Hume, who was reported seriously wounded in France, is getting along nicely. His many friends here hope that his recovery will continue. Another of our soldier boys, Will Ruber, who was wounded some time ago in the head, is recovering but is not yet back in the trenches.

Keith Barnett, of the Wellington Battalion, is visiting friends at Arkell, this week.

The Ladies' Aid of Arkell Methodist Church met at the home of Mrs. O. Daniels on Wednesday afternoon. A large number were out and a very pleasant afternoon was spent.

Clearing Auction Sale in the Township of Puslinch, of Farm Stock, Implements, Hay, and Grain

January 18th 1917.

The undersigned has received instructions from Mr. Thomas Arkell Senior to sell by public auction, on his premises, Lot 5, Concession 10, five miles from Guelph, and a quarter mile from Arkell Station, on Thursday January 18th at one o' clock, the following:

Horses — Bay horse, 8 years old, black horse, 9 years old, black mare, aged.

Cows — 3 cows, due time of sale, cow due February Feb. 15th, cow due May 25th, two farrow cows, cow due in March, cow, milking well.

Young cattle — 8 cattle rising two years, 5 spring calves, calf 4 months old, calf two months old.

Pigs – good brood sow, supposed to be in pig, and 6 pigs weighing about 125 pounds, 9 pigs 2 months old.

Fowl – 25 hens.

Implements – Massey-Harris binder, 6 foot cut, Massey-Harris mower, 6 foot cut, Wisner drill, 11 spouts, Massey-Harris hay tedder, land roller, Massey-Harris steel rake, 12 feet, Massey-Harris straw cutter with under carrier and 15 straight carrier, Frost & Wood 3-horse cultivator, Joliet grinder, 10-inch plate, 10 horse-power, 2-horse tread mill, fanning mill with bagger, Loudon hay fork and slings, rope and pulleys, platform scales, 2,000 pounds, turnip cutter, turnip sower, Frost & Wood turnip scuffler, mower with pen harvester, 2 Verity plows, No. 16, double mould-board plow, set of 3-horse harrows, stone boat, scalding trough, grindstone, copper kettle, jack, rubber belt, 30 foot, bag truck, narrow tire wagon with box, broad tire wagon with stock rack, 2 sets sleighs, buggy, road cart, dump cart with cart harness, set team harness, 2 sets plow harness, set single harness, odd collars, robe, forks, rakes, hoes, logging chain, 2 binding chains, ladders, pile of lumber, 3 dozen grain bags, 2 cream cans, and other articles.

Hay – 20 tons of first class mixed hay.

Grain – 150 bushels of “Abundance” oats, fit for seed, 120 bushels barley, and 60 bushels of rye.

Terms – \$10 and under, cash, over that amount, 12 months credit will be given on approved joint notes, 5 per cent off for cash, hay, grain, and poultry, cash.

Positively no reserve, as the proprietor is giving up farming and has sold his farm.

Col. Long, Auctioneer.

Col. Long (who is an old Guelph boy) is a noted authority on Law and Auctioneering.

T. G. McMaster, Clerk.

Arkell Sale a Great Success

January 23rd 1917.

Despite the blinding storm of yesterday, a large crowd turned out to the Thos. Arkell sale, at Arkell, at which some record prices for the district were obtained. Oats brought 83 cents per bushel, barley \$1.14, and rye \$1.00. Chickens sold as high as \$1.60 each. A good brood sow brought \$42. Six

pigs averaging around 115 pounds brought \$15 each. Cows sold as high as \$106, two-year olds as high as \$83 each. Two-month old calves sold as high as \$39 each, a month-old calf at \$20, the net result of this sale bringing Mr. Arkell eighteen percent more than he anticipated. Col. Long, who has taken out a county license, cried the sale. The manner in which he pulled the bids kept the crowd wondering where prices would end.

The Arkell News - January 29th 1917.

There has been a general epidemic of sickness in our neighbourhood lately. Most of the children are laid up with measles and the school is closed. Many older people have the grippe. Master Jim Starkey is recovering from an attack of pneumonia.

Mr. J. Grant had the misfortune of being kicked by a horse last Wednesday and has been confined to his bed, suffering from severe muscular strain.

Mrs. Rutherford Rogers, of Floral, Saskatchewan visited at R. Rodgers.

Mr. Barnet Watson has returned to Port Carling after a month's visit at his home here.

The Village News from Arkell - March 10th 1917.

Miss Cameron, of Hamilton, spent a few days last week with Miss Rose Watson, at Arkell.

Mrs. Wilson, of Eden, is visiting at Mrs. W. Grieves.

Mr. Russell Fleming, of Toronto, visited Mr. Gordon Auld, last Sunday.

Mrs. R. Rodger, of Saskatchewan, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. G. Rodger.

The Women's Institute held a meeting at the home of Mrs. R. Rodger, yesterday afternoon. There was a great deal of business to dispose of, chief of which was arranging for holding a box social in the school house on March 28th. Tickets are being sold for the disposal of the Red Cross quilt and the lucky number will be announced on that night. All proceeds will go to the Red Cross fund. After business was settled, a splendid paper on "Cheerfulness" was read by Mrs. Rodger. A musical selection was given by the young ladies and a song by Miss Alice Lasby with harp accompaniment. A dainty lunch was served and a sociable time was enjoyed by all.

Mr. Angus Shaw left for his home in Mossbank, Saskatchewan, on Tuesday.

Arkell News Item

April 3rd 1917.

Miss Alice Lasby, of Arkell, is visiting relatives in the Winterbourne vicinity.

The Arkell News

July 17th 1917.

The Young People's Club met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hume on Friday evening last and presented them with a beautiful clock. The evening was spent in dancing and other games. All join in wishing them a long and happy wedded life.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Murray, of Glenmorris, and Miss Smith, of Belmont, Manitoba, were visitors for a few days at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Decker.

The monthly meeting of the Arkell Women's Institute was held on June 11th at the home of the President, Miss Petty, about forty members and friends being present. Letters were read from some of the soldiers, thanking the Institute for the boxes that they had received.

Mr. Barlow, of Guelph, occupied the pulpit of the Methodist Church on Sunday evening.

The many friends of Mr. David Hume, who has been in the Guelph General Hospital for some weeks, will be pleased to hear that he is improving.

Quite a number from here attended the garden party at Aberfoyle, last week.

Miss Campbell, of Corwhin, is spending a few days at the home of Mrs. Wm. Pretty.

The Arkell News

July 24th 1917.

The young people of Arkell and vicinity met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Hume on Monday evening, July 16th, to offer congratulations and to present them with a beautiful clock and one half-dozen knives and forks. The evening was spent in songs, music, and speeches.

Miss Clark, of Guelph, was a visitor for a few days last week at the home of her aunt, Mrs. John Grant.

Reverend Mr. Stephenson, the newly appointed minister for this circuit, occupied the pulpit of the Methodist Church on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Snider, of West Montrose, and the Misses Annie and Vera Boal spent Sunday with friends here.

Mr. D. Gordon, of Guelph, and Mrs. Wilkie Gordon, of Hamilton, spent the weekend at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay Gordon.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Watson motored to Kitchener on Sunday.

The Garden Party, held on July 19th, on the beautiful lawn of Mr. L. Lasby, under the auspices of the "Help-A-Bit Club", was a decided success. A friendly game of baseball was played between the York Road Club and Arkell. Mr. T. G. McMaster ably performed the duties of chairman. Quite a number were present from Guelph and took part in the programme. Mr. Sam Carter...

The News of Arkell

August 7th 1917.

Mrs. W. J. Laing and Miss B. Arkell are spending a week with friends in Wingham.

The Ladies' Aid met at the home of Mrs. Wm. Prettie (possibly Pretty), last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Anderson, of Toronto, visited at Mr. W. Grieves and other friends.

Mrs. Dr. McPhatter, of Calgary, and Mrs. D. McMillan, of Morriston, spent the weekend at the home of Mrs. Starkey.

The Venerable Archdeacon Davidson, who has been absent for a month, occupied the pulpit of the Anglican Church on Sunday afternoon.

Miss Goy, of Toronto, and Mrs. Stanley Gordon, of Guelph, were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay Gordon.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Rudd, of Saskatchewan, spent a day last week with Miss Petty.

Mrs. Thos. Hume and children, of Toronto, returned home after spending a few days at the home of Mr. Wm. Watson Junior.

Mr. and Mrs. V. Cochrane, of Kitchener, spent the holiday with friends in the village.

Haying is almost completed, which is an excellent crop.

The News from Arkell

August 14th 1917.

The "Help-a-Bit Club" met last week at the home of the Misses Watson and packed fifteen boxes for our soldier boys in England and France.

Mr. and Mrs. George Clayton and family, of Edmonton, Alberta, spent the week visiting old friends in this vicinity.

The monthly meeting of the Arkell Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. George Ruber, on Thursday afternoon. A goodly number of members and friends were present. Miss B. Arkell gave an interesting paper on "Cheese and its Food Value". The September meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. John Grant.

Miss Grace Brooking, of Winnipeg, also Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Brooking, of Detroit, Michigan, paid a short visit to relatives here.

Miss Mary Cockburn, of Winnipeg, is spending a few months with her aunt, Mrs. R. Rodger.

The farmers are busy harvesting, which is a splendid crop around here.

The Arkeil News
September 5th 1917.

Mrs. Chilman, of Hamilton, who has been the guest of Miss Petty, returned home last night.

The Sunday School picnic, which was postponed on account of rain, was held in Mr. Roy Carter's orchard on Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Caulfield, of Toronto, spent a day last week at the home of Mrs. Wm. Watson Senior.

Mr. Gordon Auld and Mr. J. Florence, also Mr. Walter Grieve and son, Lyle, are in Toronto, attending the Exhibition.

The Ladies' Aid met at the home of Miss May Cook on Thursday last, and made two quilts for the Red Cross.

Miss Lila Watson and her brother, Calvert, visited relatives in Durham, during the past week.

Miss Ray Petty, of Hamilton, was visiting relatives, last week, in this vicinity.

Miss Graham, of Guelph, is spending a couple of weeks at her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. V. Cochrane and son, Jack, motored from Kitchener, and spent the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Watson Senior.

Miss Foulke, of Guelph, spent the weekend at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Hume.

School re-opened today with Mr. Brooks as teacher.

The Misses Stewart, of Guelph, were visitors for a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Grieve and other friends.

The Arkell News

October 2nd 1917.

Mrs. W. J. Kilgour, of Guelph, was the guest of Miss Petty, a few days last week.

The Ladies' Aid met on Wednesday, the 26th, at the home of Mrs. John Tolton.

Mrs. Thos. Arkell Senior is visiting her daughter, Mrs. A. Northrope, of Wingham.

Miss L. Dryden, of Winnipeg, and Mrs. V. Cochrane, of Kitchener, spent a few days last week at the home of Mrs. Wm. Watson Senior.

Rally Day was observed in the Methodist Church on Sunday evening. Mr. Barlow, of Guelph, addressed the children.

Mrs. John Robinson, of Waterloo, spent a day last week with her mother, Mrs. Rutherford Rodger.

The annual harvest home services will be held in the Anglican Church on Tuesday evening, October the 9th. Special music will be given by Guelph talent.

Quite a number from this vicinity are attending the Puslinch show, which is being held in Aberfoyle today.

The News from Arkell

October 11th 1917.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Grieve were visiting friends last week in Galt and Glenmorris.

Mr. Barnet Watson, of Port Carling, is spending a week at his home here.

Mr. Peter Iles motored to Mount Forest and spent Thanksgiving with his sister, Mrs. Robert Caulfield.

Harvest home services were held in the Anglican Church on Tuesday evening. The church was beautifully decorated. Reverend Mr. McIntosh, of Guelph, delivered an able address. Splendid music was rendered by a quartette from Guelph and a solo by Mrs. F. Stout.

Miss Burford, of West Toronto, spent Thanksgiving at the home of Mrs. R. Rodger.

The Women's Institute met at the home of Mrs. Marsh on Thursday October 11th, the president in the chair. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed, after which, a short programme was given. The next meeting is to be held at the home of Mrs. John Gordon, on Thursday November 8th.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Watson Senior and Mr. and Mrs. A. Watson motored to Kitchener and spent a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cochrane.

Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Hume, accompanied by Mr. John Daniels, attended Milton Show this week.

Mrs. Hornby, of Nesbit, Manitoba, who is here attending the funeral of her father, the late Mr. John Ramage, spent a day visiting Mrs. Wm. Watson Senior.

The Arkell News

November 13th 1917.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Herbert, former residents of Arkell, but who for the past thirteen years have resided in Vancouver, British Columbia, returned two weeks ago, and are guests at the home of Mrs. Walter Cook. We hope that the change of climate may prove beneficial to Mr. Herbert's health.

Mr. and Mrs. V. Cochrane and son, Jack, of Kitchener, spent a few days last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Watson Senior.

The monthly meeting of the Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. John Gordon, on Thursday last, the president in the chair. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. A profitable paper was given by Mrs. Grieve on "Making the most of what we have".

Miss Nellie Hume has been appointed delegate to the convention to be held in Toronto in the latter part of November. The December meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. W. Grieve.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Falconbridge, of Grimsby, visited relatives in the village, last week.

A quiet wedding was solemnized on Thursday evening, November 8th, at the Paisley Memorial Church parsonage, when Miss Alfreda Wilson, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson, was united in marriage to Mr. John Watson. The Reverend Mr. Moyer officiated. The bride was becomingly attired in a navy blue costume with hat to match. The young couple was unattended. Their many friends join in wishing them a long and happy married life.

Miss Campbell, of Corwhin, spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Wm. Prettie.

The farmers have been taking advantage of the fine weather to finish taking in their roots. Quite a few carloads of turnips have been shipped during the past few weeks by Mr. Ryan, of Guelph, and Mr. Barry, of Rockwood.

The Arkell Village News

December 7th 1917.

Mr. Henry Petty, of Owen Sound, was visiting relatives and renewing old acquaintances for a few days, last week.

The Ladies' Aid met at the home of Mrs. John McNally on Wednesday, November 28th. Miss Maddock, of Guelph, addressed the meeting.

Mr. Robert Caulfield, of Mount Forest, spent a few days at the home of Mr. Peter Iles, and also took in the Winter Fair.

Mrs. George Fielding, of Hamilton, is spending some time at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gordon.

Mr. John Murray, of Glenmorris, is visiting relatives here.

The many friends of Mrs. John Gordon will be pleased to learn that she was able to return home last week, after having undergone an operation in the Guelph General Hospital.

A gloom was cast over Arkell and the surrounding community on Sunday morning, when it was learned that a highly esteemed resident of the village, in the person of Mrs. George Rodger, had passed away very suddenly to her eternal rest, about midnight on Saturday, December 1st, after a brief illness. The deceased, who was in her 37th year, was the eldest daughter of the late Mr. Peter Orme, of Arkell. She leaves to mourn her loss a sorrowing husband and four children, the youngest, an infant, a month old, and also, her mother, Mrs. Orme, four brothers, James, of Illinois, George and William, of Calgary, John and a sister, Mrs. A. Watson, of Arkell. The funeral was held on Tuesday at 2:30 p.m., from her late residence at Arkell, to the Farnham Cemetery and was very largely attended. The services were conducted by the Reverend Mr. Little, of the Chalmers Church, of which the deceased was a member.

The Arkell News
December 27th 1917.

Mr. Barnet Watson, of Port Carling, is spending the Christmas holidays with his relatives here.

The December meeting of the Arkell Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. W. Grieve on Thursday December 12th. Miss Nellie Hume gave a splendid report of the convention held in Toronto. The January meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Stuart Hume.

Mrs. Swartout, of Michigan H. S., has been visiting her father, Mr. D. Hume, for a few weeks.

The Christmas entertainment, which was a decided success, was held in the Methodist Church on Wednesday evening, December 7th. Recitations, dialogues, and choruses were given by the children of the school, which were well rendered.

Mr. Rutherford Rodger, of Cheviot, Saskatchewan, is visiting his mother and other relatives.

The Ladies' Aid met at the home of Mrs. W. J. Laing on Wednesday December 2nd.

Mr. and Mrs. Cochrane and son, Jack, of Kitchener, spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Watson Senior.

Mrs. Northrope and children, of Wingham, are spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Arkell Senior.

Mr. Peter Petty and family, of Guelph, spent Christmas with Mr. and Miss Petty.

The News from Arkell
January 9th 1918.

Mrs. Robert Caulfield and Mrs. J. Ross, of Mount Forest, visited at the home of Mr. Peter Iles and other relatives, during the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Meadows and little daughter, of Calgary, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Gordon.

Miss Auld, of Toronto, was the guest of her brother, Mr. Gordon Auld, last week.

The Help-a-Bit Club met for the first time this year at the home of Mr. John Gordon, on Thursday evening.

Mrs. Tait and children visited friends in Kitchener during the holidays.

Miss Agnes Marsh left on Monday for Swift Current, Saskatchewan, where she will visit relatives and friends.

The News from Arkell

January 28th 1918.

The monthly meeting of the Ladies' Aid met at the home of Miss Petty on Wednesday January 23rd, where a large number were present. The afternoon was spent in knitting. After business was dispensed with, a dainty tea was served.

Mr. Joseph Hinan, of Capetown, paid a short visit last week at the home of Mr. Henry Arkell.

A very enjoyable time was spent by the Young People's Club at the home of Mr. A. Byrnes on Wednesday evening, January 23rd. The evening was spent in dancing and other amusements.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Watson Senior are spending a week with their daughter, Mrs. V. Cochrane, of Kitchener.

The Reverend Mr. Stephenson occupied the pulpit of the Methodist Church on Sunday afternoon.

The concert, under the auspices of the Women's Institute, was held in the school on Friday evening January 25th. Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, a large number were in attendance. Mr. W. J. Kilgour, of Guelph, ably performed the duties of chairman. The Reverend Mr. McIntosh gave an excellent address on "Ten Months in the Trenches". The following also took part in the programme: The Misses Hall, Mrs. F. Stout, Miss Stewart, Miss Laking and Mr. Saunders, and Mr. Donaldson and Mr. Hawkins.

The Arkell News

February 5th 1918.

Mr. Barnet Watson returned to Port Carling after spending several weeks with relatives and friends.

The Young People's Club met on Wednesday evening, January 30th, at the home of Mr. Peter Iles, where an enjoyable evening was spent.

Mrs. A. Northrope, of Wingham, is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Arkell Senior.

Mr. Peter Hume has moved into his new house, which he remodelled during the past summer.

Mr. James Orme, formerly of Arkell, was married on January 30th to Miss M. O. Quick, at Altona, Illinois. All join in wishing the young couple a long and happy wedded life.

The News from Arkell

March 4th, 1918.

Mrs. A. Watson is spending a few weeks with friends in Kitchener.

Mr. Gordon Auld has returned home after visiting with relatives in Toronto.

Mrs. William Graham and daughter, of Fergus, spent a few days at the home of Mrs. R. Hume and other friends.

Mr. A. Northrope, of Wingham, visited at the home of Mr. Thomas Arkell Sr., a day, last week.

Mrs. William Marsh and two children, of Cadillac Sask., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gordon.

The many friends of Mr. Roy Carter, who has been ill, will be pleased to know that he is improving.

On February 15th, the annual gathering of former residents of Arkell was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Phillips, of Vancouver. The evening was spent in cards, music, and dancing. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. George Duthie, Mr. and Mrs. James Lamb, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Little, Mr. and Mrs. A. Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lamb, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Hume, Mr. and Mrs. George Bell, Mr. and Mrs. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Angus Clark, Mr. and Mrs. James Little, Mr. and Mrs. Sanderson, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Grey, Mr. and Mrs. Hogg, Mr. and Mrs. Will Taylor of Halkirk Alberta, Miss Hogg, Mrs. Atkinson, of Saskatchewan, Miss Smith, of Aberfoyle, Mrs. W. Brock, Miss J. Lamb, Mrs. Herbert Garvin, Miss Kate Lamb, Miss Annie Phillips, Mrs. James Storey, Mr. I. Gilchrist of Ladner, Mr. Ed. Bell, Mr. Elliot Rodger, of New Westminster, Mr. Fred Duthie, Mr. D. McFarlane, Mr. J. Lamb, Mr. P. Lamb, Mr. Gus Carter, Mr. James Murray, Mr. Austin Hume, and Mr. Gordon Hume. The prizes were carried off by Mrs. Owen Grey and Mrs. Angus Clark, Mr. James Lamb and Mr. James Little.

from the Guelph Mercury newspaper

New Rest Room Opened Today

March 23rd 1918.

Many Called at Cozy New Women's Quarters at City Hall

After some weeks of preparation, the ladies in charge of the Farmers' Rest Room at the City Hall had an informal opening today between 11 and two o' clock, and during that time a large number came in for tea and refreshments. The members of several of the Women's Institutes, who were responsible for the furnishing of the room, are to be congratulated on the cozy quarters that they have fitted for themselves, and there is no doubt that a long-felt want has been supplied.

The women who worked so hard to get everything ready for the opening today belong to the Women's Institutes at Paisley Block, Puslinch, Everton, Arkell, Rockwood, and the West End Branch at McCrae's Mills. They secured the necessary money and bought new furniture for the room and today they feel assured that the new innovation will long continue.

Among those who responded to the invitation of the ladies to be present at the opening today were Mayor Newstead, S. Carter, M.P.P., City Clerk Moore, and several of the staff at City Hall, and Mr. Evan MacDonald and the women were congratulated on their fine new quarters.

The officers of the Farmers' Rest Room are Mrs. J. Hohenadel — President, Mrs. A. Stewart — First Vice-President, Mrs. S. Hume — Second Vice-President, and Mrs. J. F. Bohn, Secretary-Treasurer. The room will be open for the convenience of the women attending market on each Saturday.

The News from Arkell

April 3rd 1918.

Mr. W. J. Laing spent a few days last week at the home of his sister, Mrs. Wm. Hume, of Winona.

The Ladies' Aid met at the home of Mrs. Stewart (Stuart possibly) Hume, on Wednesday March 27th.

Miss Annie Boal spent a day last week with friends here.

The farmers are busy getting their supply of wood cut for the season, and wood bees are the order of the day.

Mrs. L. Picket and Mrs. F. Stout, of Guelph, visited one day last week at the home of their sister, Mrs. Stewart Hume.

The Young People's Club met, on Thursday evening, at the home of Mr. John Grant, where an enjoyable time was spent in dancing and other amusements.

Mrs. Cochrane and her son, of Kitchener, spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Watson Senior.

Mrs. D. Gordon, of Guelph, visited at the home of her son, Mr. D. Gordon, last week.

The Anglican Church was well attended on Easter Sunday to hear the Venerable Archdeacon Davidson deliver his farewell sermon, before leaving for his new field of labour, in Regina, Saskatchewan. Mr. Davidson has ministered to this congregation for over sixteen years, and has taken a deep interest in its welfare. He will be greatly missed, as neither weather nor roads detained him from taking the services here. The church was beautifully decorated with flowers.

The annual Vestry Meeting was held at the home of Mr. Peter Iles, on Monday evening, April 1st. After the business was transacted, Mr. Davidson was presented with a gold watch from the Arkell congregation and friends, the address being read by Mr. Peter Iles and the presentation being made by Mr. Thomas Arkell Junior. Although taken by surprise, Mr. Davidson thanked them for their kind remembrance and stated that he would cherish the fond relations that had existed between them. After lunch was served, the meeting closed with the singing of "God Save the King".

The News from Arkell

June 26th 1918.

The June meeting of the Women's Institute was held at the home of Miss Nellie Hume, with a large number in attendance.

Mr. Peter Iles and Mr. John Rae motored to Mount Forest last week, and visited at the home of Mr. R. Caulfield.

Mrs. J. McClanahan, of Flint, Michigan, and Mrs. Wm. Lidster, of Jansen, Saskatchewan, have returned home after spending some weeks with relatives here.

The pupils from School Section No. 1 attended the entrance examinations, held at Aberfoyle, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Willoughby, of Toronto, visited Mrs. Robert Rodger, one day last week.

Pearson Grieve, of Philadelphia, is here, spending the summer with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Arkell Junior.

A large number from this vicinity attended the Agricultural meeting held at Mr. Fraser Auld's, of Eden Mills, on Tuesday afternoon, June 18th.

Mrs. R. Caulfield and Mrs. Russell, of Mount Forest, visited at the homes of Mr. Peter Iles and other relatives.

Mr. John Arkell, Mr. Thos. Arkell Junior, Pearson Grieve, Orme Rodger, and Mr. Lindsay Gordon motored to Niagara today.

Quite a number from here attended the Sunday School convention, which is being held at Morriston, today.

Mr. Henry Arkell, of Toronto, is spending a few days visiting relatives and friends.

A very successful garden party, under the auspices of the Arkell Women's Institute, was held on June 19th in the school grounds, in aid of the Guelph Red Cross. Mr. McMaster ably filled the position as chairman.

The News of Arkell

July 16th 1918.

Mrs. Fred Arkell and daughter, of Edmonton, and also Miss Carter, of Guelph, were visitors, last week, at the home of Mr. Thos. Arkell Senior.

Mrs. W. J. Kilgour and Miss Petty, of Guelph, were guests of Miss Petty, a day last week.

The small girls of the village were entertained by Mrs. Lindsay Gordon to a picnic at Riverside Park on Wednesday afternoon, July 10th. All report having a pleasant outing.

Mrs. D. N. J. Shaw and daughters, Helen and Olive, of Winnipeg, are visiting at the home of their aunt, Mrs. R. Rodger.

The monthly meeting of the Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Malcolm McLeod on Thursday July 11th.

Mrs. Goy spent the weekend with her daughter, Mrs. Lindsay Gordon.

Pte. Jas. Florence, who is training at London, wishes to thank his many friends of Arkell and vicinity for the handsome wristwatch and fountain pen, accompanied by an address, that was sent him last week.

Mrs. Wm. Marsh has returned from Hamilton, where she has spent a few weeks with relatives.

Mr. Peter Laing, of Huntsville, is visiting friends and old acquaintances.

Mrs. John Hume and daughter, of Toronto, and Mrs. Nairn, of Guelph, were visitors at the home of Mr. Stewart Hume, on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Booty, of Galt, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Rodger.

Mr. Lindsay Gordon has returned home after spending an enjoyable holiday with friends at St. Williams.

The sympathy of the community is extended to Mr. and Mrs. George Murray in the loss that they have sustained in the death of their infant daughter, which took place at the General Hospital, Guelph, early Monday morning. The funeral, which took place this forenoon, at 11 o' clock, was largely attended and was conducted by the Reverend Mr. Konkie, of Chalmers Church.

The News from Arkell

July 31st 1918.

Mr. Weston, of Toronto, returned home after spending a week with his brother-in-law, Mr. R. Brooks. Mr. and Mrs. Colville, of Toronto, were guests of Mr. and Miss Petty for a few days last week. Mr. Boyd Hume has recently purchased a new Ford car.

The Reverend Mr. Scovil, of St. George's Church, Guelph, conducted the services in the Anglican Church on Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Brook and son, Kenneth, spent the weekend with relatives in Toronto. Congratulations are extended to Joe Palframan, Charles Lasby, and Margaret Starkey, who recently passed the entrance examination.

Most of the farmers have finished haying, which was a fair crop, and some have started cutting barley and early oats.

There passed away, at his home, a few miles from the village, on Saturday evening, July 27th, a highly respected resident, in the person of Edward Wakefield, at the age of 74.

The Village of Arkell News

August 7th 1918.

A large number attended the funeral of the late Edward Wakefield, which took place on Wednesday afternoon, July 31st, to Farnham Cemetery. The services at the house and grave were conducted by the Reverend Mr. Stephenson.

Miss Elizabeth Graham, of Guelph, is spending a month at her home here.

The Ladies' Aid met at the home of Mrs. John Tolton, on Wednesday afternoon, July 31st. A number from Guelph attended.

Miss Dorothy Weston, of Toronto, is spending her holidays at her aunt's, Mrs. R. Brook.

Miss Agnes Marsh returned home after having spent a few months with relatives in the West.

Mr. and Mrs. V. Cochrane and son, Jack, also Douglas Cochrane, of Kitchener, spent the weekend at the home of Mr. Wm. Watson Senior.

The Reverend Mr. Slack occupied the pulpit of the Anglican Church on Sunday afternoon. The choir of St. Patrick's Church, of Guelph, supplied the music.

Mrs. Wm. Marsh and children, who have been visiting relatives for some months, returned to her home at Cadillac, Saskatchewan, accompanied by her sister, Miss Minnie Gordon.

Mrs. George Fielding, of Hamilton, visited a few days at the home of her mother, Mrs. John Gordon.

The Puslinch Women's Institute visited the Arkell Women's Institute, last Thursday afternoon, when the meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Starkey, and all report having had a good time.

The Arkell News

September 24th 1918.

Mr. Lindsay Gordon spent a day in Toronto, last week.

Mr. John Robinson and daughter, Ethel, of Waterloo, visited relatives in the village, last week.

A large number attended the Union prayer meeting that was held in the Methodist Church on Thursday evening. Excellent addresses were given by the Reverend Mr. Slack and the Reverend Mr. Konkie, of Guelph. Solos were well rendered by Mrs. Konkie and Reverend Mr. Stephenson.

The Reverend G. F. Davidson, of Regina, occupied the pulpit of the Anglican Church, on Sunday afternoon.

Pte. W. Orme, who is training in Toronto, spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. P. Orme.

The Misses Rose and Lila Watson, who have been spending the summer with their brother, Barnet, returned home on Monday.

The Arkell Village News

December 10th 1918.

A large number attended the Women's Institute meeting, which was held at the home of Mrs. Roy Carter on Thursday December 5th. Two interesting and profitable papers were given, "How to fatten and dress poultry for the market", by Mrs. Thos. Carter, and "The personal influence of character" by Mrs. H. Cannop. Several letters were read from the boys at the front, thanking the Institute for the boxes that they had received. The meeting closed by singing "God Save the King".

Mr. Barnet Watson, of Port Carling, is visiting relatives here at present.

Mr. and Mrs. V. Cochrane, of Kitchener, are visiting at the home of her father, Mr. Wm. Watson Senior.

Mrs. W. E. Edward, of Huntsville, spent a few days last week at the home of her aunt, Mrs. John McNally, and other relatives.

The sudden death of Mrs. Jno. Hume, which took place at the residence of her son, Stewart Hume, early Saturday morning, December 7th 1918, has cast a gloom over the whole neighbourhood. Her maiden name was Eleanor Stewart, daughter of the late John Stewart, of Guelph Township, and she was born on July 14th 1847. She was a kind friend and neighbour and won the hearts of all with whom she came in contact, and particularly those of her own household, to whom she was earnestly devoted. She leaves to mourn her loss a son and daughter, Stewart, on the homestead, and Mrs. Walter Grieve, of Arkell, to whom the sympathy of the community is extended. The funeral was held on Monday, from her late residence at Arkell, to Farnham Cemetery, and was conducted by the Reverend Mr. Konkie, of Chalmers Church, Guelph.

The Arkell News

February 25th 1919.

Pte. Stewart Grieve, who was in London for a few days, returned home on Saturday.

Reverend Mr. James, of Rockwood, occupied the pulpit in the Methodist Church on Sunday afternoon.

Miss Clara Grieve spent the weekend with friends at Crewson's Corners.

Pte. Jas. Florence, who has been overseas since last spring, returned on Saturday evening.

The many friends of Mr. Clarence Leichman will be pleased to learn that he is recovering from his injuries, received when his team ran away with a load of lumber.

The monthly meeting of the Women's Institute was held on Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Wm. Watson Senior. Several letters were read from soldiers overseas, thanking the Institute for boxes that they had received. The program was as follows: Solo by Miss M. Gordon, paper entitled "Living a Life is More Than Making a Living", by Mrs. Palframan, reading by Mrs. John Gordon, solo by Mrs. C. Blair, and report of convention by Mrs. R. Rodger.

Mrs. R. Brook won the prize in the buttonhole contest. The March meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. John Gordon. The meeting closed by singing "God Save Our King", after which, a dainty lunch was served.

Mr. Leish, of Toronto, has moved his family to the farm that he purchased from Mr. J. F. Marsh.

The Arkell Village News - May 13th 1919.

Mrs. Daniels and Mrs. L. Picket, of Guelph, spent Thursday at the home of Mr. John Daniels, it being the 83rd anniversary of his birthday.

The annual meeting for election of officers of the Arkell Women's Institute met at the home of Mrs. John Rae, on Thursday May 8th, the President in the chair. The financial statement and report were given by the secretary. The following officers were elected:

President — Mrs. Walter Grieve

Vice-President — Mrs. Starkey

2nd Vice-President — Mrs. Roy Carter

Secretary-Treasurer — Mrs. Robert Rodger

Organist — Mrs. Stewart Hume

Miss E. Fletcher, of Nassagaweya, gave two recitations, which were much enjoyed by all present. The meeting closed by singing "God Save Our King".

Four sons of Mr. James Carter, of Guelph, who have recently returned from overseas, accompanied by their nephew, Douglas Carter, son of Mayor Carter, spent Sunday at the homes of Mr. W. J. Laing and other relatives.

Mr. David McFarlane, of Edmonton, who has recently returned from overseas, with the 1st Canadian Machine Gun Battalion, and also his sister, Mrs. Farr, of Parry Sound, called on old school mates and friends.

The Arkell News

July 9th 1919.

A welcome home to our returned heroes, in the form of a picnic and concert, was held in the Arkell school grounds on Wednesday July 2nd. An interesting game of baseball was played between Downey's and Arkell teams, resulting in favour of Arkell, after which, lunch was served. The concert in the evening was well attended. Mr. Brook ably fulfilled the duties of the chairman. After the opening piece was sung, Mr. John Rae was called upon to read the address of welcome. The following took part in the program: Mrs. F. Stout, Miss Willa Picket, and Mr. Roy Leslie. The Reverend Mr. Slack gave an excellent address and also sang a solo. The Fletcher orchestra furnished the music. The meeting closed by singing the National Anthem.

Mrs. Graham, of Fergus, spent the week in the village, visiting her sister, Mrs. Rutherford Roger, and other relatives.

Mrs. V. Cochrane and son, Jack, of Kitchener, spent last week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Watson Senior.

A happy event took place in Guelph on Wednesday, June 25th, when Lillian Billings, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Billings, of Paisley Road, was united in marriage to Mr. Earl Carter, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Carter, of Arkell, the Reverend Dr. MacGillivray officiating. The bride was dressed in a suit of navy blue cloth and georgette blouse, with a white hat, and was unattended. They were the recipients of many costly and beautiful presents, showing the high esteem in which the young couple is held. The happy couple left among showers of confetti, on a motor trip to points south. All join in wishing them nay years of happy weeded life.

Miss Bertha Carter, of Guelph, was a visitor last week at the home of Mr. W. J. Laing and other friends.

Mr. E. Rennick, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Bradley and Mr. Smith, motored to Arkell on Sunday and were the guests of Mr. M. Rennick.

Congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. George Murray on the arrival of a son.

Arkell Village News

July 22nd 1919.

The Arkell baseball team played with the Morriston team on Saturday, with the result in favour of Morriston.

The Reverend Archdeacon Perry, of Hamilton, preached in the Anglican Church on Sunday afternoon, and accompanied by the Reverend Mr. Slack, called on the members of the congregation on Monday.

Miss Marjory Rodger returned home after spending a week with relatives in Guelph.

Messrs. Jas. And Sam Hume have purchased Mr. John Blair's threshing outfit. We wish them every success in their new venture.

The Reverend Mr. Little, in the absence of Reverend Mr. Hurlbut, who is away on his vacation, took the service at Arkell on Sunday.

Miss Lila Watson is spending a couple of weeks at Port Carling.

The Reverend Mr. Davidson, of Regina, Saskatchewan, formerly of St. George's Church, Guelph, is expected to preach in the Anglican Church on Sunday afternoon.

The rain, which was needed so badly, came on Sunday, and will greatly help the oats and root crop.

The News from Arkell

July 28th 1919.

Miss Ethel Robinson, of Waterloo, returned home after spending a week with relatives in the village.

Miss King, of Waterdown, and Miss Cox, of Jarvis, spent a few days last week at the home of their aunt, Mrs. John Tolton.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Hume have rented Mr. Walter Grieve's house and have taken up their residence in the village.

Mrs. Wm. Amos and Mrs. Wallace, of Guelph, were the guests of Mrs. Wood on Wednesday last.

Mr. Henry Arkell, of Toronto, spent a few days last week with friends in the village.

The Ladies' Aid met in the church on Wednesday July 23rd. The following officers were elected: Honorary President – Mrs. O. Daniels, President – Mrs. Stewart Hume, Secretary – Mrs. Roy Carter, Treasurer – Miss Nellie Hume, Organist – Mrs. Pettie (also possibly Petty or Prettie or Pretty). The August meeting will be held at the home of Miss Petty.

Messrs. Walter and George Knox, of Allanford, were visitors last week at the home of their cousin, Mrs. Thos. Arkell Junior.

Mr. Ulric Mills, of Merriton, another of our returned heroes, who enlisted from Arkell, and who has recently returned from overseas, called on a number of friends on Friday, who were pleased to see him.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Stewart and daughter, accompanied by friends from Galt, spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Starkey.

Miss Maisie Barr, of Guelph, returned home on Sunday, after spending a week at the home of Mrs. P. Orme.

Other visitors who spent the half holiday in the village were Miss Iles, Miss S. Petty, and Mrs. O. Daniels.

The Arkell News

August 12th 1919.

Mrs. Garret Earle, of Winnipeg, is spending a few weeks with relatives in the village. Miss Mary Scott, of Hamilton, is at present visiting her sister, Mrs. Kate Wood.

Miss Helen Rodger is spending her holidays with relatives in Guelph. Mrs. Morgan and Master Oswald, of Toronto, spent the weekend at the home of Mr. Peter Iles. Mrs. P. Orme returned home after spending a few weeks with relatives at Allanford.

Miss Pearl Carter, of Guelph, was a visitor last week at the home of Mrs. Wm. Prettie and other relatives. Mr. George Gordon returned home on Saturday from the West, where he was visiting his sisters. Mr. Wm. Hume and family have moved to the village and have taken up their residence in Mr. John Orme's house.

Master Douglas Cochrane, of Kitchener, is spending his holidays at the home of Mr. Arthur Watson. Mrs. T. Rennick and children, of Toronto, have returned after spending two weeks with Mr. M. Rennick. Mr. and Mrs. George Orme, of Red Deer, Alberta, who came to attend the funeral of her brother, Mr. Thos. Wharton, are visiting his mother, Mrs. P. Orme.

The Reverend Canon Davidson, of Regina, conducted the services in the Anglican Church on Sunday afternoon.

Miss B. Dobson and her nephew, Master Henry Morgan, of Toronto, are guests at the home of Mrs. Robert Rodger.

A number from here attended the funeral of the late Mr. Thos. Wharton, of Red Deer, Alberta, on Sunday afternoon, which took place from the residence of his mother, Mrs. Hugh Wharton, to the Eden Mills Cemetery. The services were conducted at the home and grave by the Reverend Geo. Little, of Chalmers Church, Guelph. The sympathy of the community is extended to the family in this, their time of sore bereavement.

Some of the farmers in this vicinity have finished harvest, but rain is badly needed for the root crop.

A friendly game of ball was played at Arkell on Saturday evening between the Morriston and Arkell baseball teams, which resulted in favour of Morriston.

Miss Lila and Barnet Watson returned from Port Carling on Monday.

The News from Arkell

August 27th 1919.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Johnson and family returned home after spending a few days with friends in Kincardine. Miss Lizzie Carter, of Guelph, visited relatives in the village a day last week. Mr. Gordon Auld has returned after having spent a few months in the Old Country.

Mrs. J. Anderson and Mrs. J. Culbert, of Guelph, were visitors a day last week at the home of Mrs. Wm. Watson Senior. The Ladies' Aid met at the home of Miss Petty on Thursday evening. Mrs. Gibson, of Fergus, is a guest at the home of Mr. Thos. Arkell Junior.

Mrs. Garret Earle, of Winnipeg, who has been spending a few weeks with friends, returned to Toronto on Tuesday. Miss Agnes Murray, of Guelph, is at present visiting at the home of Mr. John Rae. Miss Elspeth Graham, of Guelph, is spending a few weeks at her home here. A number from here are attending the Toronto Exhibition this week.

The marriage took place at Forest on Saturday August 16th, of Miss Florence Boal, third daughter of Mr. R. Boal, a former teacher at Arkell, to Mr. George A. Gordon, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. John Gordon. Congratulations are extended to the young couple.

Mrs. Tait has returned after spending several weeks with friends in Kitchener.

The Arkell Village News

September 16th 1919.

Mrs. Daniels and Mrs. L. Pickett, of Guelph, spent a few days, last week, at the home of Mr. John Daniels.

A large number attended the monthly meeting of the Women's Institute, which was held on Thursday afternoon, at the home of Mrs. Thos. Carter. In the absence of the President, the 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. Roy Carter, occupied the chair. After the usual business was transacted, the following program was given: Solo by Miss Minnie Gordon, the roll call, answered with pickling recipes, and a paper, "Institutes, their aim and objects" given by Mrs. Rodger. The meeting closed by singing the National Anthem, after which, a dainty lunch was served. The October meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. H. Connop, 8 McTague Street, Guelph.

Mr. A. Northrope and daughter, of Wingham, spent Wednesday at the home of Mr. Thos. Arkell Senior.

Mr. H. McLellan, of Flint, Michigan, is at present visiting his aunt, Mr. Thos. Arkell Junior, and other relatives.

The annual Sunday School picnic was held on Saturday afternoon, to Blue Springs, where an enjoyable time was spent by all.

The Village of Arkell News - October 23rd 1919.

A happy event took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Arkell Senior, on Tuesday October 21st, it being the golden anniversary of their wedding. Only the immediate relatives of the family were present, among whom were their former bridesmaid and groomsman, Mrs. Ed. Rudd and Mr. John Arkell. A number of their friends and neighbours, including their minister, Reverend Mr. Little, of Guelph, called on them during the day to extend to them their heartiest congratulations on such a long and happy married life. Mr. and Mrs. Arkell have always lived in this vicinity and have won the friendship of their many friends and neighbours.

Mrs. Mealey has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. S. Palframan, for some time.

Mr. W. J. Laing has sold his home and lot in the village and will move shortly.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gilchrist left on Wednesday last for their home at Ladner, British Columbia. The good wishes of their many friends follow them to their new home.

The Arkell News - November 18th 1919.

About sixty attended the annual beef ring oyster supper, which was held at the home of Mr. John Tolton on Wednesday evening, November 5th. Mr. C. Scott was elected president for the coming year.

The Sunday School class met at the home of former teacher, Miss Evelyn Ruber, on the eve of her marriage, and presented her with a cold meat fork.

The members and friends of the Anglican Church met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Blair on Tuesday evening, November 11th, to show their appreciation of her services rendered during the absence of the organist during the summer. Reverend Mr. Slack, in a few well chosen words, explained the nature of the gathering, and at the proper time, Mrs. Tait presented Mrs. Blair with a purse. Although completely taken by surprise, Mr. Blair thanked them for the gift. The evening was spent in music and games, after which, refreshments were served.

The marriage took place on Wednesday afternoon, November 12th, at the parsonage, Guelph, of Miss Evelyn Ruber, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ruber, of Arkell, to Mr. James Florence, also of Arkell. The ceremony was performed by Reverend Mr. Hurlbut. The bride was becomingly dressed in a travelling suit of navy blue serge with white blouse. The happy couple left amid showers of confetti for points east. Upon their return, they will reside in the village. A reception was held on Friday evening at the home of the bride's parents.

Mr. H. Meadows, of Medicine Hat, Alberta, paid a short visit last week at the home of Mr. John Gordon.

Mrs. Roy Carter and Mrs. R. Rodger were delegates to the Women's Institute convention, held in Toronto during the past week.

Mrs. Whitmore and daughter, of Hespeler, spent the weekend at the home of Mr. B. Watson.

The Arkell Village News

December 2nd 1919.

Inspector Craig paid his semi-annual visit to the school, last week.

Mr. R. Ramage, son of Mr. Stephen Ramage, of Kamloops, British Columbia, visited at the home of Mr. Peter Hume, recently.

The Ladies' Aid met at the home of Mrs. John McNally on Wednesday November 26th. Mrs. Hind, of Guelph, gave an interesting paper on "Opportunities" and Miss Wideman gave a recitation, which was much enjoyed by all.

The Help-a-Bit Club held its first meeting of the season on Thursday evening, November 27th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Carter. The following officers were elected: President – Mr. Barnet Watson, Vice-President – Mr. Wm. Hume, Secretary-Treasurer – Mr. Wm. McNally, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer – Miss Rose Watson. An enjoyable evening was spent by all.

Miss Mary Scott, of Hamilton, is at present visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Wood.

The high wind on Saturday evening did considerable damage in this vicinity, several windmills being wrecked, and Mr. S. Palframan's mill was blown down.

A splendid entertainment was held in the Arkell school on Monday evening, December 1st, under the auspices of the Women's Institute. Mr. R. Brook ably performed the duties of chairman. The following talent from the city took part in the program: Soloists – Miss Bale, Mr. J. D. McArthur, and Mr. Watt, Reader – Miss Huber. A quintette was given entitled "We'll have to mortgage the farm". All the numbers were well rendered. The special feature of the evening was a dramatic play, given in four acts, "Aunt Susan's Visit", all taking their parts well, and Aunt Susan excelling in her part. The orchestra furnished excellent music during the evening, and between acts. An enjoyable evening was brought to a close by singing "God Save the King".

The many friends of Mrs. Kate Wood, who underwent an operation in the General Hospital last week, will be pleased to learn that she is progressing favourably.

The Arkell News
December 30th 1919.

Mr. Fred Wallace, of Stratford, visited last week at the home of his sister, Mrs. Roy Carter.

Mr. A. Northrope, of Wingham, spent Christmas at Mr. Thos. Arkell's.

Mr. M. Rennick spent a few days last week with friends at Orangeville.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gordon, of Guelph, also Mr. and Mrs. George Fielding, of Hamilton, were visitors on Christmas Day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Gordon.

Mrs. John Robinson, of Waterloo, was a visitor last week at the home of her mother, Mrs. Rutherford Rodger.

Mr. and Mrs. V. Cochrane and son, Jack, of Kitchener, were holidays visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Watson Senior.

The many friends of Mr. Allan Stewart will be sorry to hear of his sudden death, which took place on Monday December 29th.

Mr. and Mrs. McMillan and daughter spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Starkey.

Wishing the readers of the Mercury a Happy New Year.

The Village News from Arkell
January 6th 1920.

Miss Laura Edwards, of Arthur, Mr. W. G. Edwards and daughter, of Eramosa, Mr. and Mrs. Robinson, of Sault Ste. Marie, and Miss Mitchell, of Guelph, were New Year visitors at the home of Mr. D. Tarzwell, of "Spring Bank Farm".

Mr. Angus Shaw, of Moosejaw, Saskatchewan, spent a few days with relatives in the village.

The annual school meeting was held on Wednesday. Mr. C. Scott was appointed trustee.

The Ladies' Aid held its monthly meeting in the church on Wednesday, December 31st.

Misses Helen and Marjory Rodger visited relatives in Guelph, during the past week.

Mrs. Brooking, who has been spending several weeks with her sister, Mrs. A. Hume, and other relatives, left on Saturday for Niagara.

A number from here attended the funeral of the late Mr. Allan Stewart, which took place on Wednesday, December 31st. The sympathy of the community is extended to the bereaved family.

Word has just been received of the death of Mr. Laing Wharton, at his home in Eramosa, on Monday, January 5th, from pneumonia. The sympathy of the community is extended to the bereaved relatives.

The News from Arkell

February 17th 1920.

The February meeting of the Arkell Women's Institute, which was to have been held on Thursday last, was postponed.

Mrs. V. Cochrane and son, Jack, of Kitchener, spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Watson.

There were no services held in either of the churches on Sunday, owing to the bad conditions of the roads.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Prettie returned home on Monday, after spending a few weeks with relatives in Windsor and Detroit.

The many friends of Mabel Ruber will be pleased to learn that she is improving after her recent illness.

Mr. Stewart Grieve, of Guelph, spent Sunday with friends in the village.

The Arkell News

March 2nd 1920.

The Misses Hazel and Vaddie Caldwell, of Durham, are visiting at the home of their cousin, Mr. Barnet Watson.

The many friends of Master George Lasby, who was operated on for appendicitis, will be pleased to learn that he is improving.

Mr. M. Rennick has sold his house in the village and is moving to Orangeville, this week.

Word has been received by relatives here of the death of Mrs. George King, of Owen Sound, which took place at her home on February 29th. She leaves to mourn her loss, two sisters, Mrs. Kate Wood, of Arkell, and Miss Mary Scott, of Hamilton, and seven brothers, David, Thomas, Peter, James, William, Crastor, and Robert, of Arkell, who have the sympathy of the community in their bereavement.

Mr. Alex Wood, of Galt, a former resident of Arkell, called on old acquaintances, last week.

Miss Nellie Laing, of Guelph, spent a day last week at the home of Mr. Wm. Prettie.

The Arkell News

March 9th 1920.

The Misses Rose and Lila Watson, accompanied by their cousins, the Misses Caldwell, of Durham, spent a few days in Toronto, last week.

Mrs. and Miss Kesslake, of Toronto, who purchased the home of Mr. Rennick, moved to the village last week.

Mrs. John Robinson, of Waterloo, is at present visiting her mother, Mrs. Rutherford Rodger.

Mr. George Rodger has sold his house in the village to Mr. Arthur Watson, and has moved to Preston.

Reverend Mr. Moyer, of Acton, conducted the services at the Union Church, on Sunday.

Mr. Wm. Prettie and Mr. W. J. Laing moved to Corwhin, last week, to the farm of Mr. D. Campbell, which they have rented for a number of years.

Mr. Thos. Carter moved on Monday to the house lately occupied by Mr. Wm. Prettie.

The Arkell News

March 22nd 1920.

Mr. Henry Arkell, who has been spending the winter in the south, called on relatives in the village, last week.

Mr. Palframan moved on Wednesday to the farm that he has purchased from Mr. Bolton, of Eramosa Road.

A quiet wedding took place on Saturday March 13th at the Paisley Memorial Church parsonage. The parson, Reverend Mr. Hurlbut, officiated when Miss Mabel Ruber, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Ruber, became the bride of Mr. W. H. Wood, son of Mrs. Kate Wood, of Arkell. After the ceremony, the young couple left on a short honeymoon. On Tuesday evening, a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents. Mr. and Mrs. Wood will reside near Arkell. Their many friends join in wishing them a long and happy married life.

A quiet wedding was solemnized on Monday March 15th, at Knox Church manse, Guelph, when Miss Minnie Gordon, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Gordon, was united in marriage to Mr. Arthur Morden, of Grand Valley. The bride wore a becoming suit of Paon blue broadcloth, with black hat. After the ceremony, a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, at Arkell. The happy couple left on the 6:40 C.P.R. train for London and other points, followed by the best wishes of their many friends for a long and happy wedded life. On their return, Mr. and Mrs. Morden will reside at Grand Valley.

Mr. Neil Black has purchased the farm of Mr. Peter Iles and will take possession on April 1st.

The Arkell News

March 29th 1920.

Mr. Dean, of Fergus, moved last week to the farm that he purchased from Mr. Palframan.

Mrs. Robert Caulfield, of Mount Forest, is at present visiting at the home of her brother, Mr. Peter Iles.

Another of the old residents of this vicinity passed away on Thursday March 25th, in the person of Mrs. Ann Hume, at the age of 82 years. Her husband predeceased her thirty-one years ago. She suffered from paralysis for over a year, and was tenderly cared for by her son, Peter, and his wife, who did all in their power to alleviate her sufferings. The deceased, who was born in Guelph, was a daughter of the late Isaac Hornby. She leaves to mourn her loss, three sons, Isaac, of Vancouver, Peter, of Arkell, and Thomas, of Ladner, British Columbia, one daughter, Mrs. Storey, of Ladner, and a sister, Mrs. Brooking, of Winnipeg. A daughter, Mrs. John Gilchrist, and a son, William, predeceased her some years ago. The funeral was held on Saturday at 2:30 p.m., from the residence of her son, Peter, to the Farnham Cemetery, and was largely attended. The service at the house was conducted by Reverend Mr. Little, of Rockwood, and Reverend Mr. Hurlbut, of Guelph. The pallbearers were her two grandsons, Edward and William Hume, H. Gilchrist, S. Hume, T. Carter, and Mr. Hatton, of Hamilton.

Mr. Walter Grieve and daughters, Jean and Isabelle, of Guelph, spent Sunday with relatives in the village.

Mrs. Brooking, of Winnipeg, who came to attend the funeral of her sister, Mrs. Hume, is visiting with relatives and friends.

The many friends of Mr. Robert Hume, who was operated on for appendicitis in the General Hospital, will be pleased to learn that he is improving.

The News from Arkell

April 5th 1920.

Mr. Jas. McDonald conducted a very successful sale of the farm stock and implements of Mr. Peter Iles on Tuesday March 30th, when good prices were realized.

The Ladies' Aid held its monthly meeting in the church on Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. John Orme spent a few days last week with friends in Preston.

We welcome to this community Mr. and Mrs. Neil Black and family, of Puslinch, who lately purchased the Iles farm.

Mrs. Graham, of Fergus, was a visitor last week at the home of her sister, Mrs. Rutherford Rodger, who is ill at present.

Miss Vina Lopping, of Toronto, was a visitor lately at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Thos. Carter, and other relatives.

Mrs. A. Northrope and children, of Wingham, are at present visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Arkell Senior.

The regular meeting of the United Farmers was held in the school on Monday evening.

The Arkell News

May 4th 1920.

A meeting was held in the school on Saturday evening, in the interest of the beef ring.

Mrs. David Scott, of Attercliff, visited last week at the home of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Kate Wood, and other relatives.

Mr. Wm. Kay, on the old Arkell homestead, intends erecting a new barn this summer, and a gang of men are at present pulling down the old one.

Mrs. V. Cochrane and son, of Kitchener, spent a few days last week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Watson Senior.

The regular meeting of the U.F.O. (United farmers of Ontario) was held in the school on Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rudd and son, of the Eramosa Road, are visiting at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Rudd.

The eclipse of the moon was distinctly seen on Sunday evening.

The News from Arkell

May 18th 1920.

Mrs. Foley and children, of Alberta, who have been spending several weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Herbert, and other relatives, returned home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rudd, of the Eramosa Road, spent several days last week at the home of Mr. Edward Rudd.

Mrs. Wm. Bell and son, Percy, of Guelph, were visitors on Sunday at the home of her sister, Mrs. John McNally.

Mrs. Jas. Florence and Mrs. Roberts, when driving home from Guelph, on Thursday last, met with an accident that might have proven serious. The horse shied at a passing auto and threw both of the occupants out. The two ladies escaped with a few bruises but the buggy was smashed to pieces.

Mr. T. W. Willoughby, of Toronto, was a visitor last week at the home of Mr. R. Rodger, and other relatives.

Mrs. Lowry, of Chicago, returned home after spending several days with her friend, Mrs. R. Brooks.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilkie Wilson, also Mrs. Wm. Wilson, of Eden Mills, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. John Watson.

The annual meeting of the Arkell Women's Institute was held on May 15th, at the home of Miss Nellie Hume, the president in the chair. After the business was disposed of, Mrs. M. McLeod gave an interesting paper on "Kitchen Way and Wrinkles", after which, the annual report was read by the secretary and adopted. The following officers were elected: President – Mrs. Grace Starkey, 1st Vice President – Mrs. Roy Carter, 2nd Vice-President – Mrs. Malcolm McLeod, Secretary and Treasurer – Mrs. Robert Rodger, Relief Secretary – Miss Nellie Hume, District Director – Mrs. Stewart Hume, Organist – Mrs. Stewart Hume, Assistant organist – Mrs. John Rae, Auditors – Mrs. R. Brook and Mrs. George Ruber. The meeting closed by singing "God Save the King", after which, lunch was served and a social time spent.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Watson Senior spent the weekend at the home of their daughter, Mrs. V. Cochrane, of Kitchener.

The Arkell News

June 8th 1920.

Miss Moon spent several days last week with friends in Milton.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ross, of Winnipeg, were visitors last week at the home of their cousin, Mr. Crastor Scott, and other relatives.

A large number from here attended the unveiling of the monument for the fallen soldiers, and the presentation of mementoes to the returned men of Puslinch, at Aberfoyle, on June 3rd.

Mr. Peter Iles spent the weekend with friends in Toronto.

Mrs. Ed Rudd returned home after spending a few weeks with her son, Henry, of the Eramosa Road.

Mrs. Daniels, of Guelph, spent a few days last week at the home of Mr. John Daniels.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Paddock, also Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Paddock, spent Sunday with their sister, Mrs. Starkey.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Watson and daughter motored to Kitchener on Saturday and spent the weekend with his sister, Mrs. V. Cochrane.

No service was held in the Arkell Church on Sunday, as the Reverend Mr. Hurlbut was attending a conference.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Rodger and daughter, of Dundalk, spent Sunday at the home of their cousin, Mr. Robert Rodger, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Savage and children, of Guelph, were visitors at the home of Miss Petty, on Sunday.

Mrs. W. J. Laing, of Corwhin, visited relatives in the village last week.

The News from Arkell

July 13th 1920.

Mrs. Hayes, of California, formerly Miss Nellie Bell, spent a few days last week renewing old acquaintances.

Mrs. Herb McNally, of Guelph, visited relatives in the village last week.

A large number attended the raising of Mr. Wm. Kay's barn on the old Arkell homestead on Tuesday afternoon. A number from the city were also present. A barn dance was to have been held in the evening, but on account of the rain had to be called off.

Mrs. Arthur Morden, of Grand Valley, spent a few days last week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gordon.

The July meeting of the Arkell Women's Institute was held on Thursday last at the home of Mrs. Walter Grieve, 79 Ontario Street, Guelph. Although the afternoon was wet, a large number attended, the president in the chair. After the usual business was transacted, the following address was read by Mrs. R. Rodger to Mrs. Grieve, the retiring president, and at the proper time Miss Gilchrist presented her with a handbag.

Dear Mrs. Grieve:

As this is the first time we, as an Institute, have had the pleasure of meeting in your home in Guelph since your removal from us a year ago, we feel that this is an opportune time to show our appreciation of your services as President for a number of years, and we feel that the success of our Institute is due in a large measure to your faithfulness in discharging your duties. We still want your co-operation and hope you will often attend our meetings from time to time. We ask you to accept this gift as a reminder of many happy memories.

Signed on behalf of the Arkell Women's Institute,

Grace Starkey, President.

B. Rodger, Secretary.

The annual meeting of the Ladies' Aid was held in the church on Monday afternoon.

The frequent showers have delayed the haying, which is a better crop than was first expected.

The Arkell News

August 17th 1920.

A very successful tournament and garden party was held at Arkell on Wednesday August 11th, under the auspices of the Arkell Women's Institute. Three very interesting ball games were played, Brookville vs. Everton, Carlisle vs. Morriston, and Everton and Carlisle being winners, they played off, with the result of Everton winning first prize. The following artists took part in the program: Miss Erma Fletcher, "Scottie" Proven, the Harmony Quartette, and the Fletcher orchestra. Mr. W. A. Amos, of Palmerston, Vice-President of the U.F.O., gave a short and interesting address. Mr. J. A. Cockburn ably occupied the chair. The entertainment closed by singing "God Save the King".

The Arkell News

August 17th 1920.

A large number attended the service in the Anglican Church on Sunday August 8th, to welcome the Reverend Canon Davidson, of Regina, a former rector of this parish, who is taking the services in St. George's Church, Guelph, during the Reverend Mr. Scovil's absence.

Mr. Peter Iles motored last week to Mount Forest, and spent several days at the home of his sister, Mrs. R. Caulfield.

Mrs. J. McClenahen and son, Robert, who have been visiting relatives for several weeks, returned on Saturday to their home in Flint, Michigan.

The death took place on Friday morning, August 6th, at her home, after a long and lingering illness, of an old and highly respected resident of Arkell, in the person of Mrs. Thos. Arkell Senior, at the age of 71 years. The deceased was a daughter of the late Thos. and Eliza Carter, and was born and lived in this community all of her life. She leaves to mourn her loss, besides her aged partner, one son, Fred, of Edmonton, and two daughters, Mrs. A. Nortrope, of Wingham, and Isabelle, at home, who has cared for her during her illness, and also five sisters and five brothers, to whom the sympathy of the entire community is extended. The funeral, which was largely attended, took place on August 10th, to Farnham Cemetery, and was conducted by her pastor, the Reverend Mr. Geo. Little, of Chalmers Church, Guelph. The pallbearers were Thos. Arkell Junior, Arkell Falconbridge, A. Nortrope, Roy Carter, J. E. Carter, and Thomas Carter.

Mr. Frank Petty, of New York State, is at present visiting at the home of his uncle, Mr. Jas. Petty.

Miss Hazel Caldwell, of Durham, is a visitor at the home of Mr. B. Watson.

Mrs. Brooking, who has been visiting relatives for several weeks, returned to her home in Winnipeg.

The Arkell Village News

August 24th 1920.

Word has been received of the death of Mrs. D. McFarlane, of Parry Sound, which took place at her home on August 7th, after a long and lingering illness. The deceased lady was a highly respected resident of this village for a number of years, during which time, her husband, the late D. McFarlane, was a teacher in School Section No. 1, Puslinch.

Mr. Peter Iles and Mr. George Laird left on Wednesday for an extended trip through the West.

Mrs. Roy Carter entertained her Sunday School class, last week, to a motor ride to Riverside Park, after which, they went to the home of her mother, Mrs. George Wallace, of Wellington Place, where lunch was served on the lawn.

Mr. and Mrs. Cochrane Senior and Mr. and Mrs. V. Cochrane, of Kitchener, motored to Arkell on Saturday and were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. Watson Senior.

Mrs. Wm. Cockburn and daughter, of Toronto, spent the weekend at the home of Mr. Neil Black.

Mrs. A. Nortrope and children, of Wingham, returned home last week, after attending the funeral of her mother, the late Mrs. Thomas Arkell Senior.

Mrs. George Fielding and son, of Hamilton, spent a few days last week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gordon.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown and children, of Toronto, were visitors for a few days last week at the home of Mr. Thos. Carter.

Mrs. J. Herbert and Mrs. J. Carter, of Guelph, visited friends in the village last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Burnside, of Hamilton, Miss Ainslie, of New York, and Mr. and Mrs. McMillan, of Calgary, were guests at the home of Mr. John Rae, on Sunday.

Mr. Jas. Scott, of Toronto, and Mr. Duncan Graham, of Cleveland, spent several days last week at the home of Mr. C. Scott and other relatives.

A number from Guelph attended a birthday party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Watson, on Monday, in honour of their little daughter, Irene.

The farmers are busy harvesting the oat crop, which is turning out well.

Messrs. James and Samuel Hume started last week at their season's threshing.

The News from Arkell

September 14th 1920.

A concert was held in the Arkell Church on Tuesday evening last. The following, from the city, took part in the program: Miss Hamilton, Miss Pickett, Miss Calvert, Miss Audrey Pickett, and Reverend Mr. Hurlbut. The Reverend Mr. Geo. Little, of Chalmers Church, gave an interesting address. Lunch was served and a social time was spent by all present.

Miss Donaldson, of Teeswater, is at present visiting her cousin, Miss Nellie Hume.

Those who attended the Toronto Exhibition from here were: Jas. Petty, Stewart Hume and son, A. G. Auld, C. and R. Scott, W. Fraser, Richie Starkey, Mrs. Starkey, and Mrs. R. Rodger.

The September meeting of the Arkell Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Arthur Watson on Thursday September 9th, the President in the chair. After the usual business was transacted, the following program was given: An interesting paper was given by Mrs. Walter Grieve on "The Day's Work"; pickling recipes were given by the members, reading by Mrs. John Gordon; and Victrola selections were rendered. The meeting closed by singing the National Anthem, after which, lunch was served and a social time was spent by all.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Deans, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Roy Carter, motored to Toronto and took in the Exhibition.

Mrs. Robert Murray, of Teeswater, is visiting at the home of her niece, Mrs. R. Rodger, and other relatives.

Wedding bells were distinctly heard in the village on Wednesday last.

Mr. George Anderson arrived home on Saturday with his horses, which secured several prizes at the Toronto Exhibition.

Mr. Arthur Hume had the misfortune of breaking his arm while cranking a car, which will lay him off work for some time.

The Village of Arkell News

September 26th 1920.

Mr. John Gilchrist, of Ladner, B.C., is at present visiting his brother and sisters on the old homestead.

A quiet wedding took place on Wednesday September 22nd, at Knox Church manse, in Guelph, of Miss Gladys Taylor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Taylor, of Guelph, to Mr. Alex Grant, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Grant, of Arkell. The ceremony was performed by the Reverend Dr. MacGillivray. Congratulations are extended to the young couple.

Miss Rose Watson is spending a few holidays with relatives in Durham.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wallace and Fred Wallace, of Stratford, accompanied by their sister, Miss Wallace, of Guelph, spent Sunday at the home of their sister, Mrs. Roy Carter.

Mrs. W. J. Laing, of Corwhin, spent a day last week calling on relatives in the village.

Miss Kesslake left last week for Winnipeg, where she intends to secure a position as teacher.

Rally Day was observed in the Sunday School on Sunday.

Mrs. Alex Campbell, of Wyoming, U.S.A., a former resident of Puslinch, is visiting friends and renewing old acquaintances.

A number of the friends and neighbours of Mr. and Mrs. Howie met at their hospitable home on Monday evening to hold an old-fashioned corn roast. After all had assembled, the party gathered around a crackling fire of pine stumps, which added greatly to the comfort of the evening. Games were indulged in, after which, a sumptuous feast of corn, rolls, and biscuits were served by the hostess, which was very much appreciated. The company broke up at the midnight hour, after having spent an enjoyable time.

Silo filling and threshing are the order of the day.

The Arkell News

October 19th 1920.

Mrs. Peter Iles returned home last week after spending a couple of months with friends in the West and British Columbia.

The October meeting of the Arkell Women's Institute was held on Thursday October 14th, at the home of Mrs. Starkey, and was largely attended, the Vice-President, Mrs. Roy Carter, in the chair. After the usual business was transacted, the following program was given: a paper entitled "The Danger of Luxury in Modern Life" was given by Mrs. R. Rodger, instrumental by Miss Margaret Starkey, Thanksgiving reading by Mrs. H. Connop, and a hemming contest was won by Mrs. Ross. Mrs. Starkey and Mrs. John Rae were appointed delegates to the convention to be held in Toronto. Donations of apples, potatoes, fruit, and vegetables were given to the Children's Shelter. The meeting closed by singing the National Anthem, after which, lunch was served and a social time was spent by all present.

Mrs. Geo. Rudd and Miss B. Arkell spent a day last week at the home of Mr. Wm. Prettie, of Corwhin.

Mr. and Mrs. V. Cochrane and son, Jack, of Kitchener, were weekend visitors at the home of Mr. Wm. Watson Senior.

Mrs. George Wallace, of Guelph, spent the holiday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Roy Carter.

Mrs. A. Northrope and children, of Wingham, visited last week at the home of her father, Mr. Thos. Arkell Senior.

Misses I. and A. Iles, of Guelph, were guests a day last week at the home of Mr. Thos. Arkell Junior.

The Arkell News

December 28th 1920.

The annual Christmas entertainment, which was held in the church on Thursday evening, December 23rd, was a decided success. Mr. Brook, the superintendent, ably occupied the chair. The program consisted of drills, dialogues, and choruses, which were well rendered by the children. Solos were given by Miss Louttit, of Fergus, and Reverend Mr. Slack, of Guelph, which were much enjoyed by all. An able address was given by Reverend Mr. Little, of Chalmers Church. The accompanists for the evening were Miss Ella Tolton and Mrs. F. Stout, of Guelph. At the close of the program, Santa Claus arrived and distributed presents to the teachers and children, after which, he called the Reverend Mr. Hurlbut, Reverend Mr. Slack, and Reverend Mr. Little to the platform, where each was presented with a goose. A pleasant evening was brought to a close by singing the National Anthem.

Mrs. Orme spent the weekend with relatives in Preston.

Mrs. Lidster and Mr. Chas. Tosh, of Guelph, spent Christmas at the home of Mr. Thos. Arkell Junior.

The News from Arkell

January 4th 1921.

The annual school meeting was held on Wednesday, when Mr. John Rae was re-elected Trustee.

The Misses Marjory and Helen Rodger returned home to Preston after spending their holidays with relatives in the village.

Mr. Harold Black, of Thamesville, spent his holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Neil Black.

Mrs. John Tolton is at the home of her brother-in-law, Mr. David King, of Waterdown, who is ill at present.

Miss Mabel McFarlane, of Parry Sound, is at present calling on old schoolmates in this vicinity.

Mrs. Cockburn and family, of Toronto, also the Misses Amos, of Aberfoyle, spent the weekend at the home of Mr. Neil Black.

It was with deep regret that word was received of the death of Mr. Stanley Gordon, of Guelph, who was born at Arkell and spent his early life here. He leaves to mourn his loss, besides his sorrowing wife and child, his widowed mother and four brothers, who have the sympathy of the community in their bereavement.

Miss Petty entertained her class on New Year's Eve, when an enjoyable time was spent.

Mrs. Wood and Mr. R. Hume motored to Waterloo on Monday and spent the day at the home of Mr. John Robinson.

The Arkell Village News

January 11th 1921.

The death took place of Mr. David King at his home at Waterdown on Thursday January 6th, at the age of 77. A greater part ...(text missing) before moving to _____ a number of years ago. The sympathy of the community is extended to the bereaved family.

Mrs. Thos. Carter is at present visiting friends in Toronto.

The members and families of the ...

The News from Arkell

January 25th 1921.

It is with deep regret that we record the death of Helen Orme Watson, aged 4 years, only child of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Watson, on Wednesday January 19th, after a brief illness. The funeral was conducted by Reverend Mr. Little, of Chalmer's Church, Guelph, and although private, was followed to the cemetery by a number of sorrowing relatives and friends. The sincere sympathy of the entire community is extended to the bereaved parents, in this, their time of sore bereavement.

**“In the bloom of her life, death claimed her,
In the pride of her girlhood days,
None knew her, but to love her,
None mentioned her name without praise,
Just when her hopes were brightest,
Just when her days were best.
She was called from this world of sorrow,
To a home of eternal rest.”**

A large number attended the services in the Arkell church on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. George Rodger, of Preston, spent a day last week with relatives in the village.

The regular meeting of the U.F.O. was held on Monday evening at the home of Mr. Roy Gordon, where a pleasant time was spent by all present.

The Arkell News

February 15th 1921.

The many friends of Miss Elizabeth Decker will regret to learn that she fell and sustained a broken arm. She is doing as well as can be expected.

In the death of Mrs. C. G. Little, which took place at her home on February 9th, after a brief illness from pneumonia, Puslinch has lost one of its most highly esteemed and prominent residents. She was an exceedingly bright and cheerful person, devoted to the interests of her home and family, and always ready and willing to lend a helping hand in times either of joy or sorrow, wining for herself, by her sympathetic nature, a large circle of friends, who will miss her kindly, helpful presence.

She was an active Women's Institute worker, being president of the Puslinch branch for a number of years, and at the time of her death was district president of the South Wellington Women's Institutes. The funeral, which took place on Saturday February 12th, was very largely attended, and was conducted by the Reverend Geo. A. Little, of Chalmers Church, assisted by the Reverend Mr. Little, of Rockwood, and Reverend Mr. Wood, of Duff's Church.

Among the many floral tributes were: Wreath, family; wreath, brother and sisters; anchor, Puslinch Institute; wreath, South Wellington Women's Institute; sprays, Riverside Institute, West End Institute, Mr. and Mrs. Masson and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Cockburn, Miss Reid, and others. The sympathy of the entire community goes out to the bereaved family in this, their time of sore bereavement.

Mrs. Wm. Watson Junior and Miss Rose Watson spent a day last week at the home of Mrs. Wm. Prettie, of Corwhin.

Mrs. Ross, of Hamilton, is spending a few days at the home of her sister, Mrs. John Rae, and other friends.

Clearing Auction Sale – March 30th 1921.
of Livestock, implements, et cetera.

The undersigned have received instructions from Thos. Arkell Junior to sell by public auction, on Lot 6, Concession 9, of the Township of Puslinch, adjoining the village of Arkell, on Wednesday March 30th 1921, at one o' clock sharp, the following:

Horses – 1 hay team of heavy horses, 8 and 10 years old.

Cattle – Jersey cow due in July, Jersey cow due April 10th, spotted cow due in April, grey cow supposed to be due in November, roan cow, farrow, milking well, 4 fat cattle, 4 cattle rising two years, fit for the butcher, 6 spring calves.

Implements – Massey Harris binder, Massey Harris mower, sulky rake, Massey Harris side delivery rake, hay loader, wagon with box and spring seat, truck wagon, hay rack, set of bobsleighs, rubber-tired buggy, steel-tired buggy, cutter, manure spreader, Massey Harris seed drill, 12 hoe, nearly new, Massey Harris cultivator, roller, Tolton plow, Wilkinson plow, 1 Verity plow, No. 16, fertilizer drill, 2-furrow plow, Verity double mould board plow with potato digger attachment, Verity riding plow, turnip sower, scuffler, pea harvester, Tolton make, Massey Harris disk, set of harrows, 15 feet wide, Bell No. 50 straw cutter with carriers, G. S. and M, 10-inch chopper, Chatham fanning mill with bagger and power pulley, weigh scales, 2,000 lbs. capacity, Massey Harris pulper, bag truck, 2 wheelbarrows, stone-boat, whiffletrees, neck yokes, forks, et cetera. These implements are all in first-class shape.

Harness – Two sets of single harness, one nearly new, 2½ sets of team harness, 3 horse blankets.

Grain, roots – about 40 bushels of Early Alaska oats, a quantity of turnips and mangolds.

Terms – All sums of \$10 or under, cash, over that amount, ten months credit on approved joint notes, 5 per cent discount for cash, grain, roots, and fat cattle, cash. No reserve, as the proprietor is giving up farming.

Jas. Mc Donald, Auctioneer/ Wm. Laidlaw, Clerk.

The Arkell News - April 13th 1921.

The Misses Muir, of North Dakota, who have been spending several months in Ontario, accompanied by Miss L. Mitchell, of Guelph, visited recently at the home of their cousin, Miss Hattie Mitchell, at "Springbank Farm".

The singing class held a social evening on Tuesday evening of last week.

Mrs. W. J. Laing, of Corwhin, spent a few days last week with friends in the village.

Two car loads of cattle were shipped to Toronto by the U.F.O. during the past week.

Dr. Neil, of Toronto, will conduct the service in the Arkell Church on Sunday afternoon, April 17th.

Mr. and Mrs. John Watson have returned home after spending a week with relatives in Eden Mills.

A large number attended the meeting at Arkell on Monday evening, in the interests of the referendum. Mr. C. Scott, chairman of the Temperance Committee, occupied the chair. After devotional exercises, able addresses were delivered by the Reverend Mr. Little, of Rockwood, and by Mr. J. A. Cockburn, of Aberfoyle. A splendid recitation, entitled "The Referendum Battle", was given by Master Oliver Hume. Music was supplied by the choir. The meeting closed with the singing of "God Save the King".

The News from Arkell

May 3rd 1921.

Mrs. Kate Wood returned home after spending a few days with friends in Hamilton.

The regular monthly meeting of the Ladies' Aid was held at the home of Mrs. John McNally, on Wednesday April 27th, and was well attended. Mrs. S. Cook, of Guelph, gave a very able and instructive address.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rudd, of the Eramosa Road, spent the weekend at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Rudd.

A very pretty wedding took place on Thursday at Crescent Island Church, Ladner, British Columbia, when Mabel Audrey, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Burr, became the bride of Mr. John Findlay Murray, son of Mr. John Murray, of Arkell. The ceremony was performed by Reverend D. G. McDonald. The church was beautifully decorated with daffodils and violets. The bride, who was given away by her brother, Mr. Hugh Burr, entered the church to the strains of Mendelssohn's Wedding March, played by Mrs. Joseph Harris. The bride wore her travelling suit of blue embroidered serge, with picture hat to match, and carried a bridal bouquet of daffodils and ferns. She was attended by her cousin, Miss Emily Chidell, who wore a becoming suit of blue Jersey cloth. The groom was supported by his brother, Mr. James J. Murray, of Vancouver. After the ceremony, a reception was held at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. John Harris, when the rooms were artistically decorated with spring flowers. Mr. and Mrs. Murray motored to Vancouver and left on the midnight boat for Victoria, where the honeymoon will be spent. They will make their home at Ladner. Congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Murray for a long and happy wedded life.

The Arkell News

May 24th 1921.

Mrs. A. Northrope and children, of Wingham, are at present visiting at the home of her father, Mr. Thos. Arkell Senior.

On Saturday afternoon, a game of baseball was played between the young men's team and a team from Guelph, the visiting team being the winners.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gordon motored to Hamilton on Sunday and spent the day with relatives.

No service will be held at either of the churches on Sunday next on account of the memorial service, which is to be held in Aberfoyle on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McCartney spent the weekend at the home of Mr. John Orme.

Mr. Smith, of Saskatchewan, who recently purchased Mr. Rennick's cottage, has sold out to Mr. Walter Johnston, of Guelph.

Mrs. John Gordon is spending a few days with relatives in Hamilton.

A severe thunderstorm passed over this vicinity on Sunday afternoon. The rain, which was badly needed, was welcomed by the farmers.

The Arkell News

June 15th 1921.

Mr. and Mrs. V. Cochrane and son, Jack, of Kitchener, spent several days recently at the home of Mr. Wm. Watson Senior.

The Arkell baseball team played a Guelph team on Saturday afternoon in Lyon Park, the score standing 11 to 10 in favour of Guelph.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gordon, of Guelph, were visitors over the weekend at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gordon.

The Puslinch judging team is to be congratulated on winning the silver cup at the judging contest, held at the O.A.C., Guelph, on Friday June 10th, Mr. Donald Stewart, of Killean, obtaining the highest standing.

Mr. and Mrs. Spence, of Eden Mills, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. Thos. Arkell Junior.

The Reverend Mr. Black, of Guelph, who has accepted a call to a larger field of labour at Mount Forest, preached his farewell sermon on Sunday afternoon. Mr. Black, who has had charge of the Anglican Church here for over three years, has proved himself an able and efficient clergyman.

Mr. James Duthie, of Hartney, Manitoba, who is visiting at the home of Mr. John Little, called on friends in the vicinity.

The News from Arkell

June 21st 1921.

Mr. and Mrs. Place, of Guelph, spent a day last week at the home of Mr. John Gordon.

A friendly game of baseball was played between the Arkell and Acton teams on Saturday afternoon on the farm of Mr. Ryder.

Mr. and Mrs. John Robinson,(text missing)... of her mother, Mrs. Rutherford Rodger.

The Reverend Mr. Buckland, of Guelph, conducted the service in the Anglican Church on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Peter Iles motored to Toronto last week and spent several days with friends.

Mrs. George Wallace, of Wellington Place, Guelph, visited on Sunday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Roy Carter.

Mrs. Simmons and daughter, of Pontiac, Michigan, were guests for a few days at the home of Mr. David Hume. Mr. and Mrs. Woods and Mr. McKellar, of Guelph, were also visitors recently at the same place.

The Arkell Women's Institute held a very successful birthday party on its 13th anniversary, at the hospitable home of Miss Gilchrist, on Friday afternoon, June 17th, about 30 ladies being present. The Puslinch branch ladies were guests. The president, Mrs. Starkey, was in the chair, and the meeting opened by singing the "Maple Leaf", after which, the president gave a few words of welcome to all present. The secretary then gave a brief report, and read the minutes of the organization of the Arkell Institute and also the minutes of the first meeting of the branch, which was held at the home of Mrs. George Clayton. Mrs. Hammersley, of Guelph, who organized the Arkell institute, was then called upon, and gave a very interesting talk on the first institute in Puslinch, and told of the interest that she had always had in the Arkell branch. In closing her remarks, she wished the Arkell Institute many happy returns of the day. Mrs. Rodger, on behalf of the Institute, then presented her with a beautiful bouquet of twelve roses. Solos were well rendered by Miss Gillis, of the Royal City, Mrs. John Little, of Corwhin, and Miss Freda Thomas. A very able and instructive address was given by Miss Murray, of Guelph, on the "teen age" of girls, which was listened to with close attention. Miss Conway, the district secretary, who was present, also wished the branch many happy returns and congratulated the Arkell Institute on being the banner branch of the district this year. Miss Conway also gave a humorous reading entitled "Grandmother's Shoes". Short addresses were given by Miss Petty, Mrs. Caulfield, and Mrs. Moore, of Aberfoyle. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered to Miss Gilchrist for giving her home for the occasion. A very pleasant meeting was brought to a close by singing the National Anthem. The birthday cake, which was three stories and had 13 candles on it, was then lighted. It was cut by Miss Petty, the first president, assisted by the following presidents, Mrs. Caulfield, Mrs. W. Grieve, Mrs. R. Hume, and Mrs. Starkey, and while it was being cut, all joined in singing "Auld Lang Syne", after which, lunch was served on the lawn and a social time was spent in renewing old acquaintances.

Mrs. R. Caulfield, of Mount Forest, who came to attend the Institute birthday party, spent a few days visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. D. Hume, of Toronto, spent the weekend at the home of his father, Mr. David Hume.

Mrs. C. Blair, of Preston, was a guest for a few days at the home of Mr. R. Brook.

Arkell Women Had Good Year

June 28th 1921.

“Work of Institute Was Well Done & Many Charities Were Helped”

Madam President and Ladies:

I have much pleasure in presenting the 12th annual report and financial statement of the Arkell Branch of the Women’s Institute for the year ending May 30th 1921.

I am pleased to report that this has been a banner year for our Institute financially, 36 members being on the roll, an increase of 9 members. Twelve meetings were held during the year, 11 regular and one special meeting. The “ban” being on in the township was responsible for the cancelling of the January meeting. The total attendance at the regular meetings was 336, an average of 30 at each meeting. Twelve interesting and helpful papers were given during the year, dealing with home and community work.

On July 5th, our annual summer meeting was held in the church, with a large attendance, Mrs. Little, our District President, presiding. An excellent address was given by Dr. Annie Ross, which was much enjoyed by all present. Mrs. F. Stout and Reverend Mr. Hurlbut, of Guelph, contributed solos.

At our regular June meeting, the Puslinch Branch gave an excellent program, consisting of vocal solos, instrumental and violin solos, papers, and a contest. These exchange meetings create a friendly feeling towards each other, which should exist, as the Arkell Branch was organized by Mrs. Hammersley, one of the Puslinch Branch’s former presidents, so we ought to look to them as our mother branch.

The July meeting was held in Guelph, the retiring president being remembered by being presented with a handbag for services rendered the Institute.

In August, we held a very successful baseball tournament and garden party. After all expenses were paid, \$100.05 remained to our credit. During August and September, the members visited the Speedwell Hospital and took treats to the soldiers of apples, pears, and peaches, and after the Speedwell Hospital was broken up, flowers were taken to soldiers who remained in the General Hospital. These little acts of kindness were very much appreciated by the boys.

At the October meeting, a Thanksgiving gift was donated by the members to the Children’s Shelter, which consisted of butter, eggs, canned fruit, onions, citrons, carrots, apples, and potatoes.

At the Aberfoyle Fair, our branch joined with the Puslinch Branch and served lunch on the grounds, which was well patronized, \$10.00 being the amount retained as our share, which was donated to the Queen Mary Hospital for consumptive children.

Our annual "At Home", which was held in December, was well attended. The program consisted of songs, readings, and a guessing contest. During the evening, the Secretary was presented with a fountain pen.

We, as a branch, feel the loss, by death, in February, of our District President, Mrs. Little. The district has lost a valued Institute member and, to many of us, a valued friend. She was always willing and ready to do what she could for the interests of her own branch as well as the district. Our sympathy goes out to the family, in this, their time of sore bereavement.

Appeals were received from the Navy League of Canada, the Chinese Famine Fund, and the Sick Children's Hospital, Toronto, \$10.00 being donated to the Navy League and Chinese Famine Fund and \$5.00 to the Sick Children's Hospital. \$4.65 was contributed to the Federated Women's Institutes, being the amount of 15 cents per member asked from each branch.

Two quilts, one muffler, three pairs of stockings, and a pair of mitts were made and donated to the Labrador Mission.

A collection was taken at most of our meetings for the Flower Fund, and with donations amounted to \$18.63; sixteen bouquets and four plants were distributed to the sick of the community and two sprays were sent to bereaved homes, one being a member of our Institute for a number of years, and during her long illness was anxious to help us in many ways. Letters of condolence were also sent to all bereaved members, and by acknowledgements received show that our work in that direction is greatly appreciated. And at the close of another year, let us look forward to a year of greater service for "home and country".

All of which is respectfully submitted,

**B. Rodger
Secretary of Arkell W. I.**

The News from Arkell

July 12th 1921.

Mr. and Mrs. Stem, of Toronto, visited recently at the home of Mr. Thomas Carter.

Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Hume entertained the Arkell and Paisley Memorial choirs on Tuesday evening of last week.

The annual meeting of the Arkell Church was held on Thursday evening.

The July meeting of the Arkell Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Malcolm McLeod on Thursday July 7th, the president in the chair. The meeting opened by singing the opening ode, after which, the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. After the usual business was disposed of, the following program was given: A humorous Scotch reading, Mrs. J. Gordon, the roll call being responded to by hints from the sick room, a paper entitled "Magnetism of Personality" by Mrs. R. Rodger, and all joined in singing "Annie Laurie". A demonstration on doughnuts then took place, which were sampled at lunch. A very pleasant and profitable meeting was brought to a close by singing the National Anthem, after which, lunch was served and a social time was spent by all.

Mr. T. W. Willoughby, of Toronto, was a visitor last week at the home of Mr. R. Rodger and other friends.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Anderson, of the Royal City, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Anderson, who for a number of years were residents of this vicinity, paid a flying visit to the home of Mr. James Petty, last week.

Master Jack Cochrane, of Kitchener, is spending his holidays at the home of his uncle, Mr. Harvey Watson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ryder spent the weekend with friends in Acton.

One of the most disastrous storms that ever visited this part of the country, commenced shortly after 11 o' clock on Saturday evening and continued for some time. It was accompanied by rain and hail, which fell in torrents and flattened to the ground field after field of standing grain and corn, some fields of buckwheat and roots being completely destroyed. A washout on the C.P.R. between Speedwell and Arkell stations resulted in a freight train being derailed about 3:30 on Sunday morning, the train crew escaping serious injury.

The U.F.O. has received another carload of coal, which is being unloaded today.

The Village of Arkell News

September 6th 1921.

A large number attended the regular monthly meeting of the Ladies' Aid, which was held at the home of Mrs. Frank Stout, of Guelph, on Wednesday afternoon last, where a pleasant time was spent by all, it being her mother's, Mrs. Daniels', seventy-fourth anniversary of her birth.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Morden, of Grand Valley, spent Sunday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gordon.

Mr. Pearson Grieve is at present spending a few holidays at the home of his aunt, Mrs. Thos. Arkell Junior.

The funeral of Kenneth Calvert was held at Farnham Cemetery on Thursday afternoon. The sympathy of the community is extended to the bereaved mother and relatives.

The Reverend Mr. Snyder, of Brantford, conducted the services in the Arkell Church on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Simpson and family, of Hamilton, motored to Arkell and spent the holiday at the home of Mr. Sam Hume.

Mr. Walter Johnston moved his family to Guelph on Monday.

Mr. A. Northrope and little daughter, of Wingham, visited at the home of Mr. Thos. Arkell Senior, on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Pickett, of Guelph, spent the holiday with friends in the village.

A number from here are taking in the Toronto exhibition this week.

Arkell Institute Holds Hallowe'en Tea

November 2nd 1921.

The regular monthly meeting of the Arkell Ladies' Aid met at the home of Miss May Cook, on Wednesday October 26th, a large number being present. The President was in the chair and after the usual business was transacted, the afternoon was spent in quilting. The meeting closed by singing the National Anthem; lunch was then served and a social time was spent by all.

Mr. and Mrs. John Alderson, of Carlisle, were guests at the home of Mr. Roy Carter, a day last week.

The Misses Murray and Donaldson, who have been visiting for several weeks with relatives, returned to their home at Teeswater.

A masquerade party was held at the home of Mr. Ryder on Monday evening, where a jolly time was spent by all present.

Hallowe'en passed off very quietly in the village.

The members of the Arkell Women's Institute held a Hallowe'en tea on Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Robt. Rodger. The President, Mrs. Starkey, assisted the hostess in receiving the guests, who numbered over sixty, a number being present from Guelph. Mrs. Wm. Watson Senior and Miss Petty presided at the tea table. The rooms were very tastefully decorated with Hallowe'en emblems and pumpkins, orange and black streamers being festooned across the room. During the afternoon, Victrola selections were given and solos were rendered by Miss Thomas and Miss Lasby.

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December 12th 1921.

Miss Ella Amos, of Guelph, was a visitor last week at the home of Mrs. Wood and other friends.

The annual "At Home" of the Arkell Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Starkey on Thursday evening, about eighty members and friends being present. The President occupied the chair and the meeting opened with the singing of the "Women's Institute Ode", after which, the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. A letter was read from Miss Lampkin, general secretary of the Y.W.C.A., thanking the institute for its generous donation of apples, carrots, potatoes, fruit, et cetera. An appeal was read from the Muskoka Hospital for Consumptives, \$10 being donated to help those afflicted with this dread disease.

The following program was then given: Instrumental selections were given by Miss Byrnes and Mr. George Ruber, which were heartily encored. A paper, "Little Things that Make the Home Happy, or otherwise", was read by Mrs. Roy Carter. Solos were well rendered by Miss Thomas, Mrs. George Murray, and Miss Margaret Starkey. An excellent report of the Toronto convention was given by the delegate, Mrs. George Richards. A reading from "Sandy Fraser" was read by Mrs. John Gordon. One of the special features was a guessing contest, the winners being Mrs. John Grant and Mr. C. Scott. The meeting closed with the singing of the National Anthem, after which, lunch was served and a social time was spent by all present. The January meeting will be held at the home of Miss Rose Watson.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wallace and Mr. and Mrs. McIlwraith, of Wellington Place, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. Roy Carter.

The death of Mr. John Mitchell took place at Arkell, at the home of his son-in-law, Mr. D. Tarzwell, on Friday December 9th, in his 79th year. He leaves to mourn his loss, besides his aged partner in life, one son, Mr. W. J. Mitchell, of Guelph, and three daughters, Mrs. Cutten, of Hillsburgh, Mrs. Clements, of Manitoba, and Hattie, at Arkell. The funeral took place on Monday afternoon to the Stone Church Cemetery, in Eramosa, and was largely attended.

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The annual Christmas tree and entertainment of the Arkell Union Sunday School was held on Thursday evening, December 22nd, when a splendid program was given and a pleasant time was spent by the large gathering in attendance. The superintendent, Mr. Brooks, occupied the chair. The program consisted of choruses, dripps, pantomimes, and dialogues by the children. The Reverend Mr. Hurlbut sang a solo, which was heartily encored. Reverend Geo. A. Little, of Chalmers Church, gave an able address, his remarks being directed to the children. A pleasing feature of the evening was the arrival of Santa Claus, who distributed the presents to both young and old. The entertainment closed by singing "God Save the King".

Mr. and Mrs. A. Northrope and children, of Wingham, are spending the holidays at the home of Mr. Thomas Arkell Senior. The Misses Marjory and Helen Rodger, of Preston, are at present visiting relatives in the village.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rudd and little son, of the Eramosa Road, spent Christmas at the home of Mr. Edward Rudd. Mr. D. Hume and Mr. Len Sheppard, also Mr. D. McKellar, were visitors at Christmas at the home of Mr. David Hume.

Wishing the Mercury and its readers a Happy New Year.

The Arkell News

January 24th 1922.

The Sunshine Helpers held their regular meeting on Saturday January 14th, at the home of Mrs. L. Hume, the President, Miss Helen Grant, in the chair. After the usual business was transacted, the afternoon was spent in making a quilt for the Children's Shelter. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Chas. Roberts, on Saturday January 28th.

On Friday evening last, the members of the U.F.O. and their families held their regular meeting and social gathering at the home of Mr. Earl Carter, a large number being present and the President in the chair. After the usual business was disposed of, the evening was spent in playing cards and dancing. A committee was appointed to get up a program for the meetings. A vote of thanks was tendered to Mr. and Mrs. Carter for the use of their home. Lunch was served by the ladies. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mr. Holman, on Friday evening, February 3rd.

The Misses Topping, of Toronto, spent the weekend at the home of their cousin, Mr. Earl Carter.

No service was held in the Arkell Church on Sunday afternoon on account of the inclement weather.

The Village News from Arkell

February 28th 1922.

Miss McIntyre, of Niagara-on-the-Lake, and Miss Gillies, of Toronto, visited recently at the home of their cousin, Mr. Hector Gilchrist.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Rodger, of New Westminster, are at present visiting at the home of his sister, Mrs. M. Wood.

The regular monthly meeting of the Ladies' Aid met at the home of Mrs. Stewart Hume, on Wednesday February 22nd, and despite the inclemency of the weather, a large number attended. The president in the chair, the meeting opened by singing a hymn, after which, the minutes of the previous meeting were read by Mrs. J. McNally, in the absence of the secretary. After the usual business was transacted, the afternoon was spent in piecing a quilt, a dainty lunch was served, and a social time was spent by all present.

Mrs. Daniels, Mrs. Pickett, and Mrs. Patterson, of Guelph, spent a day last week at the home of Mrs. Stewart Hume.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson, of Eden Mills, are spending a few days at the home of their daughter, Mrs. John Watson.

The regular meeting of the U.F.O. was held on Friday evening at the home of Mr. Jas. Thomas. A large number were in attendance. After the business of the meeting was concluded, the following program was given: Piano solos – Miss Byrnes and Miss Webb, Recitations – Miss Stella Day and Raymond Thomas, solos by the Misses D. and E. Thomas, and songs by Mr. Guir. Addresses were given by Mr. Williamson, of the O.A.C., on the “Rural Credit Banking System”, and by Mr. J. A. Cockburn. Refreshments were then served by the ladies, after which, the evening was spent in dancing and cards.

A sleigh load of the young people of Acton spent a very pleasant evening on Friday last, at the home of Mr. F. Ryder.

Mr. C. Watson and Mr. Stewart Grieve, of Guelph, spent Sunday with friends in the village.

Mr. and Mrs. Spence, of Eden Mills, visited at the home of Mr. Thos. Arkell Junior, on Sunday last.

The Arkell Village News

March 8th 1922.

Miss Colwell, of Durham, is, at present, visiting at the home of her cousins, the Misses Rose and Lila Watson.

Mrs. Orme and Mrs. Thos. Arkell Junior spent a few days last week with their friends in Guelph.

The Paisley Memorial choir, of Guelph, gave a concert in the Arkell Church, on Friday evening, under the auspices of the church choir. Reverend Mr. Hurlbut acted as chairman, in his usual able manner, the program consisting of solos, duets, quartettes, and anthems, which were well rendered. An orchestra gave selections during the evening and the entertainment was brought to a close by singing the National Anthem.

The many friends of George Lasby will be pleased to learn that he is able to be out again, after having his arm broken.

The fine weather of the past few days has spoiled our excellent sleighing.

A carload of hogs was shipped from Arkell Station on Monday.

The Arkell News

May 10th 1922.

Mrs. Ayris (possibly Ariss), of Guelph, visited recently at the home of Mrs. Roy Carter.

Miss Clark, of Indiana, has been the guest of Miss Petty for several weeks.

The Arkell Debating Society met at the home of Mr. David Hume on Monday evening, May 1st, the subject being, "Resolved that it is more beneficial than not to have an O.A.C. course, to be a successful farmer". The negative won by four points. Lunch was then served and a social time was spent by all.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wallace, of Stratford, also Mrs. Geo. Wallace and Mrs. W. McIlwraith, of Wellington Place, spent a day last week at the home of Mrs. Roy Carter.

The many friends of Mr. Jas. Petty will be sorry to learn that he is ill with an attack of pleuro-pneumonia. All hope for a speedy recovery.

The Ladies' Aid held a very successful baking sale on the Market on Saturday.

The Sunshine Helpers met on Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Borthwick, the president in the chair. After the usual business was disposed of, the afternoon was spent in sewing, after which, lunch was served. The previous meeting was held at the home of Mrs. John Grant.

Arbour Day was observed by the school children on Friday afternoon, in cleaning up the school grounds. It has given them a fresh appearance.

Mrs. Robt. Brook arrived home from Collingwood on Tuesday, where she was suddenly called to the bedside of her aged father, who died on April 15th. The sympathy of the community is extended to Mrs. Brook in her bereavement.

Mrs. V. Cochrane, of Kitchener, is spending a few days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Watson Senior.

The directors of the Puslinch Horticultural Society were busy on Saturday, distributing the premiums to the members.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Pickett, of Guelph, spent Monday at the home of their uncle, Mr. John Daniels, who celebrated the 86th anniversary of his birthday. A number of his friends and neighbours called to congratulate him and also wished him many happy returns of the day.

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