

PEMBINA COUNTY NEWS.

Local Intelligence Gleaned by Reporters of the Pioneer Express from

Bathgate, Cavileer, Neche, Buffalo Head, Hamilton, St. Thomas and Drayton.

BATHGATE.

Base ball is the game that attracts the attention of the young men of our town.

Business seems to be rather dull. Still our merchants are constantly receiving new goods.

The crops in this part of the county are looking well. The recent warm rain was just what was needed.

The attendance at the Sunday services is steadily increasing since the fine weather began.

Messrs. Stack & Mooney made a trip to the mountains last week and report an enjoyable trip.

The storm that passed over some parts of Pembina county on Saturday last went around Bathgate in all directions.

Mr. J. M. Tracey left last week for Thunder Bay, where he has a railway contract. His family remain in Bathgate.

Mr. Foster has just completed his "Boss Roller." It is a fine one and will be put in use at once upon his wheat land.

Mr. Currie's wife and family arrived on Friday night. They have made a temporary home in Mr. Foster's building on Garfield street.

Several men here are putting in large gardens and some are getting in large crops of potatoes. Garden stuff is up for the most part and doing well.

We were pleased to meet Commissioner McLeod in town last week. After a short conversation with this gentleman we are more than ever convinced of his fitness for the responsible though thankless office of county commissioner.

The artesian well at the Pillsbury & Hulbert elevator is completed. It is 148 feet deep and is throwing out a good stream of water, but the water is still sandy and contains some alkali. It is hoped that it may become fit for use in the boiler of the elevator.

Henry Keller informs us that he has succeeded in forming a joint stock company for the manufacture of machinery, and that he will himself start a bank. Mr. Keller is known to be one of the most pushing men in the Northwest.

Bert Johnson and Felix Cherrier came back from the mountains Sunday night. J. W. Works is starting a cattle herd. Francis Palmer has been helping his brother on the farm lately. Dr. Sutton thinks this almost too healthy a climate for men of his profession. Miss Webster has gone home to spend a few days with her people. Mr. Luke, of Luke, Steele & Co., was in town last week. All of our machine men appear to be doing well. Isaac Foster is selling machinery for Sickett, Wilson & Co. Mr. Patterson is again very ill, but hopes are entertained of his complete recovery. Rev. Williams preached at Bathgate last Sunday. Miss Birdie Tiffany is expected home next week.

HAMILTON.

Frank Lawrence is busy improving his residence and making ready for Mrs. L's return. Frank will have the cozier residence in town.

O. H. Johnson's new machinery depot is finished and is a handsome building—accredited to Hamilton and admirably adapted to the business.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Yerxa of Beaulieu were in town last week for a short period. Mr. Yerxa reports seedling all through in that section and prospects good.

Our base ball club is improving rapidly and is open for challenges. We would be glad to hear from some of the county clubs, especially Pembina.

Dr. Boylan and George Glass have been on a visit to the mountains and report everything flourishing. They each own a quarter section of land near Dundee.

Very little interest seems to be taken in the county division question. Very few seem to know anything of the real merits of the question and the readers of the PIONEER-EXPRESS would be glad if it would throw some light on the subject.

Another large party arrived here a few days ago bound for the famous Pembina mountains. They came from Wilmar, Minn., and brought a fine stock of cattle with them and seem to be the right kind of people for that magnificent country.

An effort is being made to organize a recreation club and reading room by the young men of the town. Mr. Johnson has kindly offered the use of his large and commodious office, and no doubt the effort will be successful. There is abundance of material to form a good club and there can be no question as to its need.

We are well supplied with religious services. Last Sunday Dr. Kernott, of St. Thomas preached morning and evening in the Baptist church. Rev. Williams in the same place in the afternoon and the Rev. McManara in the school house. Good congregations were present at all these services and two Sunday schools are in successful operation.

A ripple of excitement was caused in town last week by the announcement that while boring for salt at the elevator a bed of salt had been struck. The price of town lots went up and culinary operations were suspended to allow the experts to determine the richness of the find. Billy Randall who knows a man who had seen a fellow who had been to the Black Hills, and another gentleman whose first cousin was married to a man who used to farm salt at Seaford, Ont., went to work boring down the liquid. No official report has been obtained from these experts, but it is stated that the yield per gallon is equal to some of the famous salt producing regions and the quality most decidedly salt.

On Monday of last week a raid was

made on our peaceful hamlet by a party of Pembinites. Owing either to the restraining influence of His Reverence or the wise counsel of ye editor or the presence of our town marshal no breach of the peace occurred, but the way the "grub" disappeared at the Hamilton House when they got down to dinner made the cook ask for a day's rest.

Mr. Johnson, the postmaster, has resigned and a petition signed by all the business men of the town and the residents of the surrounding country, asking the appointment of Mr. D. McGruer has been forwarded to the P. O. department. Dan has been in charge of the office for some time and will make an efficient and obliging officer.

ST. THOMAS.

The St. Thomas Improvement Company has erected a building for a bank which has been opened for business. This company, of whom J. V. McIntyre is manager, proposes to make extensive improvements in St. Thomas.

The loyal citizens of St. Thomas will jubilate on the Fourth. A meeting was held at G. W. Lemon's office on Saturday evening to make preliminary arrangements. Steps were taken to raise money to provide fireworks etc., \$100 being subscribed at the meeting. St. Thomas will celebrate the glorious Fourth in good fashion and invites the neighboring country to participate.

St. Thomas was considerably excited on Sunday last over a bear chase. Two young men met Bruin on the open prairie about four miles north of town and gave the fellow a chase. The citizens soon got wind of the affair and turned out en masse. For awhile there was some lively skirmishing. D. J. Caddy on horse back came on the scene and giving pursuit shot the bear. The animal weighed 250 pounds.

CAVILEER.

On Sunday evening Rev. Mr. Stewart preached in Benson Hall to a large congregation.

Rev. E. F. Movins, our new pastor, has leased Mr. Levi Bechtel's house, and moves into it this week.

The front has already been put in H. Rickbeil's new hotel building, and the work on the other parts is fast approaching completion.

Rev. Mr. Movins preached his first sermon in Benson Hall on Sunday afternoon. He took for his text: "Have ye received the Holy Ghost?" The Rev. gentleman handled the subject ably and fluently.

H. L. Norton and Doc. Boyan of Hamilton, Max Young of Pembina, J. McGruer, Hamilton; Mac Cavileer, Pembina; G. Glass and Herman Weber, Hamilton, are among the callers who took in Cavileer this week.

BUFFALO HEAD.

Harry Bullock was suddenly called to Muskoka, Ont., on important business a few weeks ago.

In the matter of bonanza farmers we expect to be able to contribute our quota. Mr. Campbell has 250 acres of wheat sown; Mr. Lloyd 110 acres; Mr. McLean over fifty acres; Dan Ross fifty acres; which we consider a pretty fair showing when the date of settlement is remembered.

Messrs. Ross and Weagant and the Miller Bros. have been here for the past few weeks. They are all jolly good fellows and rumor has it that some of them will ere long turn their backs on Bachelordom and confer a boon on our society by introducing their good ladies. Bring them along boys and we promise them a warm welcome into our sewing circles, etc.

We have heard that there is no little wondering and speculating as to the location of our "town," which we propose to set at rest by stating that Buffalo Head is about six miles south and three miles west of Cavileer. One year ago this section of country was prairie primeval; now every quarter section is taken and the prairie is dotted with houses. The settlers are mostly from Ontario and are an intelligent, progressive people. Thus far Cavileer has been our post-office, but steps are being taken to have a postoffice established here, which will supply a much felt want.

DRAYTON.

A number of the farmers in this vicinity have tried the same experiment in sowing wet grain that has been tried elsewhere, and with the same result—the ground had to be sown over again.

PERSONALS.—A. J. Wallace returned last week from an eastern trip which included New York, Long Island, and several points in Ontario, having had an enjoyable visit. J. B. Mahoney's health is not improving. He seems to be growing weaker. T. Johnson left on Tuesday for New York, for a few weeks visit. J. D. Wallace and Albert Black went to Ontario last week on a presumably pleasant errand—to the former at least. Messrs. W. Anderson and S. R. Smith, have left for Fargo to buy lumber for the grain elevator referred to.

Rev. H. P. Cooper, of Emerson, is expected to preach next Sunday in the M. E. Church.

NECHE.

Mr. Thos. Hooper is opening another blacksmith shop in this town.

A much needed improvement was the bridging of the coulee in two places south of the town. There must be free access to the Point City from every direction.

Mr. Joseph LaPorte and his bride have got settled in their neat cottage in town. The happy couple have our congratulations on their recent union for life. Mrs. LaPorte is from Ottawa.

Our public school is doing nicely under the management of Miss Flynn.

The necessary steps are being taken to incorporate the town. This move is regarded advisable for many reasons.

Mr. Frederick Vosper is prepared to attend to land and notarial business,

having recently been appointed a notary public.

The lumber is on the ground for the new passenger depot.

CHURCH OPENING.

The Presbyterian church will be formally opened on Sunday, June 3d. The Rev. J. Robertson of Winnipeg is expected to preach at 11 o'clock a. m., and the Rev. O. Goldie at 7 o'clock, p. m. On Monday evening following there will be a tea meeting in aid of the church fund. Quite a number of reverend gentlemen will be present and address the meeting. Good music will be furnished by the choir.

COUNTY DIVISION.

Editor PIONEER-EXPRESS: Permit me a few words in reference to county division. And first let me ask the promoters of division what are the advantages of dividing and who are to be benefitted thereby? Whatever advantages there might be to the settlers within the limits of the proposed new county from a separate county organization, they are certainly overbalanced by the disadvantages. The country is too new, society is unsettled, the different communities are in a measure strangers to each other. No settler has anything but a squatter's right to his land. Improvements are small and the taxes necessary to support a county organization would be a heavy burden, resting like a nightmare on a struggling people in the beginning of their pioneer life.

"Justice," in your last issue, asks who petitioned for division. I have never heard of any such petition, and I think it would have been much better if the money expended in this election had been expended in some other way—in improving the roads, for instance. Is it true that certain parties are working hard to carry this scheme with a view to controlling the county seat? Some say they have already caught a glimpse of a good sized African just behind the woodpile.

But let the people look at this matter on its merits, and be governed more particularly by a consideration of the best interests of all concerned.

FAIR PLAY.

Cavileer, D. T., May 26, 1883.

Mr. Edron.—If you will give me room in your valuable paper I will try and give my views in regard to dividing the county. In your last paper the question was asked, Who petitioned our Legislature for it? I answer, no one. Mr. Nelson said at the Hamilton convention, that if the people in any part would petition the Legislature he would feel himself in duty bound to support the same. It appears to me that he felt himself under an obligation to carry this without a petition. It seems to me that he knew better what the people wanted than they did themselves. I always thought a man elected by the people was only a servant, but in this case he sets himself up as a dictator for the people. My view is that it was done for the purpose of retaining the county seat at Pembina. Honest Jud and N. E. see plainly that the western part of the county is getting too strong for them, and if they do not split it that the county seat would eventually be removed from Pembina. Every man that votes for division might as well vote for the county seat to stay where it is. This is one reason for this rash act. Why has this election to be forced on us at this time? It robs our treasury of at least \$1,000. If this money was to be taken and expended on the roads it would be of some benefit to the people of the county. Now it is to be thrown away where it will do no one any good, and if the county is divided it forces an enormous debt on the new county at least four years before they are able to run a county organization. It will be with them as it was with this county. It was organized at least six years before it was able to pay the running expenses, and by the time we were able to pay for running the county we were \$20,000 in debt, and then we had no court house or jail. Now is the new county going to do as we did—organize and run themselves into debt from \$20,000 to \$30,000; and this will be the case. So I think it will be the duty of every man in the new county to think about and vote against such a ruinous scheme. And shall we try to put such a burden on our neighbors as we have? It will take us twenty years to pay off our debt. Our county was organized for political purposes, and our county warrants were sold from thirty to fifty cents in the dollar. There was only one or two to buy, though, and this will be the case with our neighbors if they allow themselves to be organized now. It will cost at least \$1,000 to get a full set of county books. For this alone they will have to give \$2,000 in county orders to start. Just think, the new county has not even a single township in the market, yet all squatters have to pay.

Yours truly,

JOHN BECHTEL, Cavileer, May 28, '83.

Biting Horses.

Horses have been successfully cured of this vice by putting a piece of hard wood an inch square in the animal's mouth about the same length as an ordinary snaffle bit. It may be fastened by a thong of leather passed through two holes in the ends of the wood, and secured to the bridle. It must be used in addition to the bit, but in no way to impede the working of the bit. Rarey adopted this plan with the zebra in the Zoo, which was a terrible brute at biting. Mr. Rarey succeeded, however, in taming and training him to harness, and drove him through the streets of London. Animals with this vice should be treated with kindness in the stable, and not abused with pitchfork handles, whips, etc. An apple, a crust, a piece of beef, etc., and a kind pat, but firm, watchful hand and eye, with the use of the above wooden bit, will cure the most inveterate biter. The fact that he cannot shut his mouth or grip anything soon dawns upon him, and then he is conquered.—Toronto Globe.

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TOWN ORDINANCE NO. 3. Any person who shall discharge any pistol, gun, cannon, or other fire arm, or explode, assist in exploding or cause to be exploded any gunpowder, fireworks or other explosive material in any of the streets, alleys, squares or other places of public resort of this town or upon any private premises therein without permission of the proper authorities, shall be subject to the penalties of this ordinance. Real Estate Transfers. The following are the real estate transfers for the week ending May 26, 1883: FARM PROPERTY. Wm. Wall to Renard & Lariche, sw qr sec 7, tp 161, r 51, 100 acres.....\$6,000 00 J. H. Abrams to Geo. Gunning, n 1/2 sw qr and s 1/2 nw 1/2 sec 23, tp 163, r 52 w, 160 acres..... 1,500 00 C. Hay to R. Hay, se qr sec 8, tp 163, r 52..... 1 00 J. McCandross to J. McCandross, se qr s 7, tp 159, r 53, 160 acres..... 900 00 W. McCrea to E. A. Healy, fractional part of se qr sec 26, tp 159, r 51, 9 75-100 acres..... 200 00 A. Healy to E. A. Healy, lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, sec. 30, tp 160, r 52, 181 84-100 acres..... 1,350 00 TOWN LOTS. La Moure et al. to G. F. Winters, lots 5 and 6, blk 27, town of Hamilton..... 200 00 Brown & Kaberga to Geo. Glass, lots 13 and 14, blk 35, town of Hamilton..... 300 00 J. H. Abrams to M. J. Abrams, lots 3, 4, 5 and 6, blk 28, town of Pembina..... 1,000 00 Geo. W. Lemon to C. H. Hager, lots 15 and 16, blk 11, St. Thomas..... 100 00 C. H. Hager to E. A. Taylor and J. S. Grandy, lots 23 and 24, blk 9, St. Thomas..... 300 00 Comstock & White to C. H. Warren, lots 8, 9 and 10, blk 40, St. Thomas..... 400 00 D. Wallace to J. D. Wallace, 10 feet frontage of lot 6, town of Drayton..... 30 00 R. Hay to C. Hay, lots 13 and 14, blk 26, Foster's addition to Bathgate. All amounts received on subscription to the PIONEER-EXPRESS will be acknowledged from time to time. The following subscriptions have been received since our last report: Dugald McLellan.....\$ 2.00 Robt. Irwin..... 2.80 Hon. Jud LaMour..... 2.00 Frank McCormack..... 50 William Symington..... 1.00 L. E. Booker..... 2.00 Pembina Bank..... 2.00 William Condell..... 2.00 G. B. Evans..... 2.00 Geo. J. McCurdy..... 2.00 J. W. Scott..... 1.00 Peter Cameron..... 2.00 Almon Healy..... 2.00 W. H. McBain..... 2.00 Joseph Muir..... 2.00 Gaffney & Kneeshaw..... 2.00 Chas. Cavileer..... 2.00 W. R. Goodfellow..... 2.00 Frank Crosby..... 2.00 T. Bertrand..... 2.00 F. X. Cousineau..... 2.00 Robt. McAuley..... 3.00 Lost. The undersigned lost a pocket book, probably between the town and the Fort, containing a check on the Pembina Co. Bank and some valuable papers. Any one finding it will be suitably rewarded by returning it to L. E. BOOKER. Houses to Rent. Two good houses to rent on Stutsman street. One suitable for boarding house. Apply to GAFFNEY & KNEESHAW. PROBATE NOTICE. TERRITORY OF DAKOTA. IN PROBATE COURT. County of Pembina. In the matter of the estate of Nerce Elther, deceased. Notice is hereby given that Adeline Elther, widow of said deceased, has filed with the Judge of this court, a petition praying for letters of administration of the said estate and for the probate of the last will and testament of the said deceased, and that Tuesday, the 19th day of June 1883, at two o'clock, p. m. of said day, being a day of special term of this court, at the court room thereof at the court house in the town of Pembina, county of Pembina, has been set for hearing said petition, when and where any person interested may appear and show cause why the said petition should not be granted. Dated May 26, 1883. ROBERT TWEEDIE, Probate Judge.

HOTELS METROPOLITAN HOTEL, FOURTH AVENUE, Neche, D. T. Opposite Railroad Depot. Meals at all hours. M. J. TYNAN, Prop. BELLEVUE HOTEL, Bathgate, D. T. NORTH OF THE BRACK. First-class accommodations. Meals at 11 hours. Good Stabling in connection. ROBERT HAY, Prop. WALHALLA, D. T., Cor. of Ninth Street and Central Avenue. A new and elegantly furnished house. Sample room for commercial travelers. Good stabling in connection. PETERS & PETERS, Proprietors. TONSORIAL. NEW BARBER SHOP. Pembina, D. T. D. E. ANDREWS. Wishes to announce to the public that he has opened a Barber Shop on Rolette street, in the building lately occupied by Mrs. Fisk as a hotel, where he is prepared to attend to barbering in all its departments. Open until 12 o'clock Saturday night. N. B.—Closed on Sundays. 14-4mo. The Pembina Co. Bank. Pembina, - - D. T. Transacts a General Banking Business, Buys and Sells Domestic and Foreign Exchange. Collections a Specialty. Correspondents—Merchants National Bank, St. Paul; First National Bank, Chicago; American Exchange National Bank, New York. SHILOH'S VITALIZER is what you need for consumption, loss of appetite, dizziness and all symptoms of dyspepsia. Price 10 and 75 cents per bottle. For sale by L. WILKINS.

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