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WELLESLEY VILLAGE, ONTARIO, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 29TH, 1900.

J. W. GREEN, Editor and Prop.

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LINWOOD.

Nov. 26th, 1900.

Miss Linnie Little is spending a few days at the home of Mr. A. Miller, of the ninth line.

Mr. Thomas and daughter, of Bloomingdale, spent Sunday at Mr. R. Rowe's.

Miss E. Crookshanks and Mrs. R. J. Kerr visited friends in Hawkesville to-day.

Miss E. Fish, of Esomdale, but formerly of this village, is spending a few days at her brother's, Mr. R. Y. Fish.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Hahn spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Goetz.

The many friends of Mr. George Glebe, will be pleased to know that he arrived home last Friday. He has spent the last eight or nine months in Winnipeg at the harness business. He looks hale and hearty by his appearance proving that the Manitoba climate agrees with him. Nevertheless he says it is cold up there.

Those who frequent Schlueter's harness shop are beginning to miss "Joe" and many questions are asked as to his whereabouts. To satisfy his many friends we may say that he is spending a well-earned rest with friends near Elmira and will be back in the course of a few days.

Mr. Jas. Beggs has donned a two by four smile. It's a boy.

Last Friday was an unusually busy day for our postmaster, Mr. Heinbuch. The cause of the stir was a genuine good old fashioned butchering. Everything was finished up in good time and then a number of friends shared in a feast of sausage and a host of other things. It makes our teeth water to think of it and we long for the event to come again.

Mr. A. Boomer, who is very widely known, is at present very ill and in rather a critical condition. He was prostrated only a few days ago and to-day Dr. McEachern found it necessary to call to his assistance Dr. Rutherford, of Listowel. We hope for the best and trust that he may be speedily restored to health and strength.

We don't know what has gone wrong with the town this week, but all seemed to have united in one grand effort to deprive the printer of a fair share of news, consequently we will have to stop right now. Never mind! we'll get even some time.

ST. CLEMENTS.

Nov. 26th, 1900.

MATRIMONIAL—A pretty wedding took place in the R. C. Church on Tuesday at 9 a. m. The contracting parties were Mr. Louis Esbaugh and Miss Paulina Freiburger. Rev. Geo. Brohman officiated. The groomsmen were John Esbaugh and Frank Kroetsch. The happy bride was assisted by the Misses Louise Boppee and Victoria Esbaugh. After the service a reception was held at the bride's parents. They will take up their abode on a farm on the ninth line. We wish the happy couple many years of happiness and prosperity.

ST. CLEMENTS DAY.—The feast of St. Clements was celebrated here on Friday. Services were held in the Church at nine o'clock. Rev. Father Schweitzer held high mass assisted by Rev. Aymens, of St. Agatha, and Rev. Foerster, of New Germany. Our choir sang the "con- come" mass. Quite a number of people from other places were present and spent the day in town.

BRIEFS.—Scale meeting was held by the shareholders of the market

scale on Friday evening.

The C. O. F. had nomination on Saturday evening. Election on the 6th of December.

Our young men are again organizing a hockey team. They will have a speedy start through the season.

Musicians keep away from St. Clements, trouble on.

Mr. Alex Busch had the misfortune to lose his valuable horse on Sunday.

PERSONALS.—Mr. Ed. Forler spent Sunday in Baden.

Mr. Fred Walter spent Friday in town.

Miss Clementina Schaeffer, St. Louis, is visiting under the parental roof.

Mr. Thon as Short spent Friday in town.

AMULREE.

Nov. 27th, 1900.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Schmitt, of Ratzburg, were the guests of Mr. Valentine Daub, our popular village blacksmith, on Sunday.

Quite a number from this vicinity attended the funeral of Mrs. W. K. Rothermal, at Berlin last Sunday. Mrs. R. was a daughter of the late John Becker, who at one time kept the Amulree hotel. She was about 44 years of age and leaves behind her a sorrowing husband and three of a family—two girls and a boy—the eldest girl about twenty and the youngest six, and the boy a few years older.

Work has been suspended on the Amulree drain until next summer, the water being too high to continue the contract with any show for profit to the contractor.

The shooting match held in the village last Wednesday was a grand success.

For the past few days the woods have been swarming with professional hunters, but up to date no serious destruction has resulted to either bear or fox.

HAMPSTEAD.

Nov. 26th, 1900.

The winter amusements at Hampstead have fairly begun for another season. Crokinole boards and various kinds of cards are brought from their resting places once more. A. Stueck and E. Schmidt are champions at "Lost Heir", while Peter McMillan and J. Kerr claim that honor at Crokinole. They challenge all comers.

Many of the present tenants of Nithburg are going to remove to other quarters this winter. Two families are going to move to the Hampstead neighborhood.

The masons were working at the new school on Friday and Saturday and added two or three feet more to the height of the wall.

Mr. Duncan Stewart, J. P., completed his threshing on Saturday and Monday. The steam thrasher then moved to Mr. Arch. McGillawee.

Mr. Alex. Forest intends threshing with his own machine about the end of the week.

Mr. Peter Hoffman and family were in Stratford on Saturday.

Misses Addie and Maggie Stueck and Miss Annie Hoffman were over at the Lutheran Church preparing for their Xmas tree.

Mr. John Gable has received word from his son Willie, who has gone to Nebraska for his health. He reports very fine weather, but does not like the country and intends moving to Colorado.

Mr. Jas. McGillawee, of Downie, spent Sunday under under the par-

ental roof.

FROM ANOTHER CORRESPONDENT

Edward Schweitzer shot a couple of dogs, the other day which had been killing his father's sheep. The dogs belonged to a neighboring farmer.

A pitched battle between two bears belonging to Mr. Hen. Neeb created quite an excitement on his farm one day last week. It seems the animals got out of their pens in some way and as soon as they met a fierce conflict commenced which lasted until a sufficient force of men was gathered to separate them. One of the animals was badly injured in the fray.

NITHBURG.

Nov. 27th, 1900.

The weather is very changeable and parties going a distance would do well to take both runners and wheels as it is uncertain when a change will come. However such uncertain weather could not dampen the heart of a certain young cavalier of Newton who encamps quite often on the boundary lately.

It would be well if some of our surrounding youths would take a lesson never to disappoint their fair ones.

Anybody wishing to purchase a beautiful bronco driver, could be more than satisfied by calling to see the owned by Mr. Joe McMillan.

Mr. John Couth's is employed at Mr. Jas. Forrest's.

The farmers in this locality are finishing up the season's threshing. Hunting is all the rage among the boys.

Mr. G. Tanner, of Newton, was hunting here last week, but reports the game very scarce.

Two other young men had better luck lately as they got on a fox trail and chased a red fox down into our midst. Great excitement was caused, but the fox was caught.

Miss Ellen Bannon has returned from her sojourn at Swelleside.

Mr. Will Thompson is home from his summer's work, but has been on the sick list. We wish him a speedy recovery.

There have been a number of applications for assistant teacher for the Hampstead school. There has no decision made yet as to who will get it.

Miss Kate Robertson who was visiting her sister, Mrs. Donald Jack, of Newton, has returned to her home here.

Mr. D. Leis intends moving on the twentieth line of North Easthope, to the house formerly occupied by Mr. C. Shultz.

LISBON.

Nov. 27th, 1900.

Butchering is the order of the day in this vicinity.

Mr. W. Knapp, of Berlin, passed through here one day this week.

Mr. John Frey and Mrs. Glebe and Mrs. Pfeffer spent a few days in Berlin within the past week.

Farmers in this neighborhood are nearly through with their threshing for this season. Conrad Kneisel had a large threshing on Tuesday, being the grain from a large farm. Roth's traction engine did the business for him.

Mr. John Woelfe, late blacksmith here butchered his pigs on Tuesday, and he expects to move to Bridgeport next week.

A wedding report may be looked for in the Maple Leaf quite soon. All the young men, except one lucky fellow, are sorry.

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 tion.
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 be in the office not later than Monday noon.
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 line for first insertion, 10c per line for each
 subsequent insertion.

The London Free Press makes this
 strained effort:— Just to skim the
 matter over, it may be presumed
 that the object of a milk trust is
 to get the cream off the business.

The question of abolishing the
 statute labor system of road mak-
 ing is taking a strong hold on the tax-
 payers of Ontario at present. The
 friends of the new movement read-
 ily admit that statute labor has ac-
 complished wonders for the roads
 in past years, and that through it
 the pioneers were able to escape a
 money tax which would have been
 difficult to meet; but the circum-
 stances are now greatly changed
 and the time has come when the
 people as a mass can better afford
 to pay the road tax than spend the
 time on it.

In the performance of statute labor.
 It is also claimed that the greatly
 increased traffic upon our highways
 demands a different system of road-
 making than that which exists
 where every road beat is construct-
 ed according to the ideas of the par-
 ticular pathmaster who happens to
 be in office for the year. Under the
 new plan the entire roads of the
 township would be constructed up-
 on a prearranged plan so that the
 roads would become uniform in
 their condition. But the strongest
 argument they advance is that of
 economy. It is claimed, and the
 townships which have adopted it
 demonstrate, that under the new
 system fifty cents goes as far as a
 dollar under the old, so that a man
 while doing roadwork is actually
 only earning 50 cents a day at a
 time of the year when his work in
 the field is worth at least four times
 that amount. Farmers of Ontario
 form the most aggressive class of
 agriculturists in the world, and it
 will not be long until they either
 prove the fallacy of the new idea
 or abolish statute labor all over the
 Province.

Those people who were hoping
 that the apparent decrease of births
 in Ontario in 1898 as compared with
 the previous year, was attributable
 to defective returns, will not derive
 much comfort from the statistics of
 last year, according to the figures
 as compiled by an exchange. The
 report issued by the Registrar-Gen-
 eral shows that while there was an
 increase in the number of marriage
 there was a decided falling off in
 the births. For example, the births
 in Ontario last year numbered 44-
 705, as against 46,599 in 1898, a de-
 crease of 1894. On the other hand
 the marriages exceeded those of
 the preceding year by 1139, the fig-
 ures being 16,512, compared with
 15,375. The deaths for 1899 num-
 bered 28,607, against 26,370 in the
 preceding twelve months or an in-
 crease for the former period of 2-
 237. On an estimated population
 the birth rate would be 19.4 in 1899,
 as compared with 29.4 in 1898; the
 death rate 12.4 compared with 11.5,
 the marriage rate 7.1 compared
 with 6.7.

Ex-President Kruger has arrived
 in France and the emotional people
 of that country are going into ec-
 stasies over him. During the entire
 progress of the Boer war France has
 displayed a strong feeling for the

burghers and more than once show-
 ed her willingness to formally ac-
 knowledge the Boers had the other
 nations been willing. England and
 France have not much in common,
 although since the fall of Napoleon,
 nearly a century ago, France has
 had very little to complain of from
 Great Britain. France appears to
 long to regain the prestige she lost
 at Sedan, but that unhappy country
 is not governed in a way to bring a
 strong man to the front, which is a
 necessity before she can strike a
 winning gait in war.

Choirmaster Dingman, of the
 Stratford Herald, sings as follows
 of one of his soloists:

There was a young girl in the choir,
 Her voice rose high and clear,
 Till it reached such a height
 It went out of sight
 And they found it next day in the choir.

The Czar and Czarina of Russia
 are both at present very ill and the
 best physicians of Europe are in at-
 tendance upon them. Latest re-
 ports indicate the slight improve-
 ment of the Czar, but the Czarina
 is still in a serious condition.

NEWS NOTES.

A train went through a bridge in
 West Virginia on Sunday causing
 the death of 200 people.

Sir Arthur Sullivan, the great
 musician and author of Pinafore,
 died last week.

Dr. Landerkin, ex-M. P., has been
 appointed postmaster at Owen
 Sound.

Three thousand turkeys were
 shipped from Seaforth last week.

per pound live weight.

The actual result in the count in
 West Huron made a change of
 seven votes, reducing Mr. Holmes'
 majority to 18, by which he is offi-
 cially declared elected.

The Michigan Central railroad
 testing the use of oil to lay the
 dust along its roadbed.

Isaac Roberts, for over half a cen-
 tury a resident of Fullerton town-
 ship, died at the residence of his
 son in London last week, aged 85
 years.

J. Francis Lee, for the last six-
 teen years general agent of the C.
 P. R. in Chicago, has been appoint-
 ed general traffic manager of the
 White Pass & Yukon railway. That
 road runs from Skaguay to Dawson
 via White Horse.

It is telegraphed that the District
 Attorney has ordered the Sheriff to
 begin proceedings against the Col-
 orado mob who burned a negro at
 the stake the other day. That is
 about as far as it will ever go. The
 Sheriff either stood in with the mob
 or he was a mortal fool. Otherwise
 he could have landed the prisoner
 in jail without allowing him to fall
 into the hands of the mob. But too
 many were concerned in the horrid
 affair to make them fear the law.
 As Daniel O'Connell once said,
 "You cannot indict a whole com-
 munity."

The resistance of the Boer gueril-
 las continues unabated, but does
 not lead to any decisive results.
 Apparently there is only one com-
 mando with a strength of one thou-
 sand men, and that is the one which
 has been fighting Smith-Dorrien's
 brigade. The other bands engaged
 in what the English leader writers
 describe as brigandage do not ex-
 ceed five hundred men and the bulk
 of the fighting for the Boer cause
 is now done by bands of two hun-
 dred men without artillery. These
 hostile forces are recruited wherever
 they go, and maintain their strength
 unimpaired, notwithstanding the
 constant capture of prisoners and
 slaughter of men by twos and
 threes. These operations cannot
 properly be dignified by the name
 of war.

The by-law providing \$30,000 for
 the purchase and improvement of
 the electric light plant was carried
 at Woodstock on Monday.

Mr. Martin, conservative, has
 been declared elected in P. E. I. by
 a narrow majority. A recount is asked for.

You'll soon be looking for

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LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

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Boots and shoes cheap at Kelterborn's

Mr. and Mrs. John Young spent Sunday with friends in Berlin

Good boy wanted at once to learn printing. Apply at this office.

Changes of advertisements must be in this office not later than Mondays.

Mr. John Clark, of Berlin, was the guest of friends in town on Sunday.

Messrs. Becker and Val. Giebe, of Linwood, were visiting friends in Wellesley over Sunday.

If you want Berlin's very best quotation for a winter overcoat you must call at S. R. Earnst & Co.'s.

Mr. Chas. Halling, of Linwood, is a guest at Mr. John Reibling's, in this village at present.

Mrs. Luft has sold her house, on Henry street, to Mr. Casper Berdux, of Nithburg, on Monday last. The price paid was \$450.

Messrs. Harry Knechtel and Chas. Hoelscher, employees of Peillig Gies, Berlin, are in town this week doing the plumbing work in Mr. Jno Hill's new brick residence.

One day last week a cow belonging to Mr. Conrad Lamb, whose farm is about a mile south of here, was so badly gored by another cow in the herd that it had to be killed.

Mr. Chas. Zachman has secured Mr. Brill's shop, near the Maple Leaf office where he will in a few days, open a retail butchering business and pay the highest prices for all kinds of hides, pork, etc. Watch for his advertisement.

Mr. John Ottmann, of Hawkesville, is at present in the village visiting friends and relatives while butchering hogs and making sausage. Mr. O. has made this trip annually for many years, and the hogs know their "wurst" is about to come when he arrives.

Mr. Gustave Mueller has moved his family to his village. Last Friday evening the orchestra made him a friendly call and a most enjoyable time was spent by all, the host and several of the orchestra members being friends of many years standing.

Mr. G. Wlowade has just purchased a clarinet from Whaley, Royce & Co., to complete his magnificent set which is the best obtainable, perfect in tone and pitch. Mr. W. is a performer of high abilities, but this set is intended for his little ten-year-old son, Charlie, who is making remarkable progress and will soon eclipse even his father as a clarinet soloist.

STEAM AT LAST.

The Maple Leaf is now a steam printer, the necessary connections having been completed the latter part of last week. Our job presses have been put to their best capacity since then, over 15,000 impressions having been made, while almost a similar number has to be run off before we catch up with the present orders. In another week or two we hope to be settled down to "biz" so that there will be no delay either with job work or the issue of the Maple Leaf.

Mr. Jno. Hill was in Hespeler yesterday attending a sale.

Miss Maggie Koehler spent Sunday last with friends in Baden.

A birthday surprise party was given Mr. G. Wiowade, at his residence here last evening.

Miss Hirt, of Buffalo, and Miss Lehman, of Hawkesville, are guests of the Misses Zinkann, in this village at present.

Mr. E. Zinkann was in Toronto on Monday and Tuesday of this week making purchases for the coming Christmas trade.

Mr. Michael L. Jantzi, 3rd line, Wellesley, has bought the saw mill at Newton Station, and took possession on Monday.

Mr. Geo. Bollinger, postmaster, has just finished the erection of a frame addition to the rear of his brick residence in this village.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris. Albrecht were in Shakespeare and Tavistock attending the funeral of his step-mother, which took place on Sunday last.

Miss Annie Koehler, just north of here, has been absent in Tavistock the past week attending the wedding of her cousin, Miss Emma Krantz, in that village.

Wellesley township council meets at Crosshill on Monday next. These meetings grow to be of more importance as election time draws near.

Rev. Mr. McKay, D. D., of Woodstock, will deliver one of his popular lectures in the Presbyterian church, a few miles west of here, next Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris. Kennel attended the marriage of Mr. Daniel Zehr and Miss Leah Jutzi, on Tuesday. The happy event occurred at the home of the bride in East Zorra, near Cassel.

Pig-killing time is always an interesting occasion in this section. At present "wurst soups" are almost of nightly occurrence, and ye local has scarcely yet recovered from an attempt to do justice to one of these luring and irresistible, yet delectable feasts the other evening at Mr. Louis Koehler's.

Rev. D. Lochner, pastor of St. Paul's Evan. Church in this village recently purchased a piano through his brother who is connected with the piano business in the United States. The instrument arrived last week and is a beautiful one, seven and one-half octaves and of the highest musical qualities. Mrs. Lochner is a skilful pianist and has been since her early youth.

The Wellesley Orchestra serenaded Mr. Adam Huras on Tuesday evening, when a number of neighbors gathered to welcome home that gentleman and his bride. A most delightful evening was spent by all. Mr. and Mrs. Huras start out in life well provided with household goods, as eight team loads of furniture, etc., which arrived from Neustadt, have been unloaded at their home since their return.

MOCK PARLIAMENT.

A meeting is to be held at the drug store tomorrow (Friday) evening at eight o'clock for the purpose of considering the advisability of organizing a mock parliament or some other literary society to help pass the long winter evenings and at the same time assist in developing the intellect. All are invited to attend.

CHEESE FACTORY SOLD.

The Cedar Springs cheese factory, just west of Wellesley, has been sold by Mr. D. B. Streicher to Mr. Clark, cheesemaker at the Cedar Grove factory at Poole. The last make of this season's cheese is to be delivered in a week or so, immediately after which the new proprietor will take possession. Mr. Will Vance, the present cheesemaker at this factory, has grown quite popular with the patrons and public and his hosts of friends hope he will be secured by one of the near-by factories so that his genial face may occasionally be seen in town.

There is talk on the streets of having an electric light plant installed in Wellesley. Such a scheme would receive a strong support here.

The cold weather of the past few days has made the boys cast longing eyes at the mill-pond and hope that the merry days of skating will soon arrive.

Two more cars of Manitoba wheat are being delivered at the Wellesley roller mills, while a car of Wellesley flour, which is rapidly growing famous, is being shipped to the seaboard.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Reiner were in Stratford yesterday. Mr. R. was on business connected with the closing up of the estate of the late Mr. Jas. McDermaid, of which he is one of the executors.

We have to thank nearly 100 subscribers who have already called at this office and secured a Maple Leaf subscription receipt for the coming year. We are giving the balance of this year free to those who pay before New Years.

The crossing from Kelterborn's to Alteman's would stand repairing. The water collects there badly and a good many wet feet have resulted from pedestrians attempting to cross after dark. A crossing from Zinkann's to Kelterborn's stores would be an improvement greatly appreciated.

SURE SIGNS.

Evidences of the approaching Christmas can plainly be seen without looking up the matter in the almanac. Toys are getting a prominent place in the stores; plans are being made for excursion-rate trips; the young man with a small salary wears a perplexed look; fathers and mothers are commencing to look mysterious; turkey-feed is beginning to sell well; the chores are cheerfully done; Sunday schools are filling up; our druggist is sorting up his anti-billious medicines; hand-shaking is beginning to get more popular, and the issuer of marriage licenses is as mum as a mouse. The symptoms all round are unmistakable.

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WATERLOO.

There is a heavy docket for the county court, to be held in Berlin commencing Dec. 11.

Galt is getting excited over the coming mayoralty contest.

J. P. Jaffray, editor of the Galt Reporter, is away on a well-earned holiday trip.

North Dumfries expects a hot time at the coming municipal elections. Many new men will become candidates.

There are seven prisoners in the Waterloo county jail.

The Preston curling club has been reorganized for the season.

Mayor Clare stopped a runaway team of horses in Preston the other day at the risk of his life.

North Dumfries will vote on a by-law to abolish statute labor at the coming municipal elections.

The Waterloo county centenarian Mr. Jacob Shoemaker, celebrated the 101st anniversary of his birth last week and received the congratulations of a large number of relatives and friends at his home near Berlin. The venerable patriarch is now enjoying better health than he did a year ago, and shows no trace of increasing age. His hearing is somewhat impaired, though to no greater degree than when he was two years old. An interesting feature in connection with his long and memorable career is the fact that he has not cast a ballot for over half a century. When he was young open voting was the system, and as he did not like it he desisted from exercising the franchise at all.

Pte John Smith, one of the 7th Fusiliers, of London, who went to Halifax to do garrison duty died in Galt on the 23rd. He was taken ill in Halifax last August, and was sent to Galt invalided. He was in his 21st year and had worked in Galt, Preston and London. His father and mother are both dead.

The sad news has reached us from Fort William, that Mr. Gottlieb Sehle, formerly of Philipsburg and son-in-law of Mrs. Laussler, New Hamburg, met sudden death by an accident last week.

Detective Klippert, Berlin, has received word from Toronto that a prisoner named Smith, supposed to hail from Berlin, has been sentenced to ten years in Kingston penitentiary.

H. A. Zillner, the veteran druggist, of Waterloo, has sold his stock of drugs to a Stratford man.

A member of the Canadian contingent named Anderson, who was killed in South Africa, was thought to be the well-known Will Anderson of Ayr, but it has since been learned that he hamed from London.

PERKIE.

Miss Minnie Foot died of heart failure at her home in Stratford last week after only a few hours illness.

David Nairn, North Easthope, has purchased the young stallion "Captain Barclay," imported by Dalgetty Bros. The horse is a registered animal, and is a decidedly superior stallion.

Peter Drown, a highly respected pioneer of Hibbert township, died last week in his 80th year.

Stratford's annual poultry show will take place Dec. 26-28.

W. C. Kidd, of Listowel, has sold his trotter, Lord Ferguson, 2:19 1/2, to a Paisley man for \$2,000. Followers of the turf will remember the great race at Windsor in '98, when he drove out Rubenstein in 1:09 1/2 in one of the biggest betting races in Canada.

An old man named McLeod, from Mornington was in Stratford last Monday and, as he is quite feeble a stranger offered to assist him while on his way to catch the evening north bound train. Later he found that he was being led in the wrong direction and he protested. A struggle ensued in which the stranger got away with the old man's pocket book containing \$75.

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In the possession of Mrs. Sarah Striker of Tribes Hill there is a massive copper kettle, which dates back to the Revolution. It belonged to Adam Fonda, whose father was killed and his house burned during Sir John Johnson's raid. Adam Fonda's house, too, was burned, and probably one of the Tories engaged in the raid was moved to covetousness by the green copper kettle, and thiftily filling it with fresh butter, hid it under the Cayadutta bridge. He never came back after it, and it was found years later by children at play. The kettle was the only article saved from the wreck.

The above, which is taken from an Amsterdam paper, requires some explanation, says a correspondent of the Mohawk Valley Democrat. The Adam Fonda referred to was lieutenant colonel of the Tryon county regim at which won the bloody battle of Oriskany. His only surviving granddaughter is Mrs. Sarah Striker, of Tribes Hill, who values the tea kettle and uses it as an heirloom, but also from its historic associations. Mrs. Striker well remembers the description of the raid given by her grandfather. The enemy took Lieutenant-Colonel Fonda prisoner and then proceeded to burn his house, and the family fled to the woods. Eventually it made its way to Schenectady, where it remained until the close of the war. The tea kettle was recovered in the above-mentioned manner. Lieutenant-Colonel Fonda was taken in Canada and suffered a painful captivity, till peace was restored, when he returned and built a house for his family and that house is still in use, though much altered. In the same raid, the Vlascher house was burned and Colonel Vlascher, also a hero of Oriskany, was tomahawked and left for dead. He survived, however, and after the war rebuilt the house which is occupied by Alfred De Graaf, his lineal descendant. The above-mentioned tea kettle is one of the oldest in existence. It was probably made in Holland at least 150 years ago, and is one of the most interesting relics of the days that tried men's souls.

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