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### Selkirk

Dalton Culphas accepted a position in familton and left a few days ago ...... P. W. Armstrong has put in a butcher department in his store, so we now have two butcher shops in town ann the people may now be able to get the meat they want.....Mrs. Mary Hoover after completing the winding up of her business here, left for Toronto Saturday, where will spend the winter with her sister Mrs. Carson.....Our new hotel opened o Tuesday for business, It being all con. pleted now certainly makes a great im-provement to the town.....Mr. and Mrs. Aspin have moved into the hotel..... Charlie Winger has returned from Rochester ..... Wm. Swartz who has been in the West for some time, is visiting his brother Cris in town ..... Messrs W. Roop and L Dennis have purchased the fishery business belonging to J. Cooper. Harrison is visiting in Toronto.

### Sandusk

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Pond and son Harold spent Wednesday and Thursday in Hamilton ... . The concert held in school house on Friday evening was a grand success. The proceeds amounted to over fourteen dollars, which is being donated to the sick Children's Hospital Miss Thompson is to be highly congratulated .....Mrs. Geo. McBurney is spending Christmas with her daughter Mrs John Ross of Hamilton ..... Miss Bessie Thompson left for her home in York on Monday ... The Women's Institute will meet at the home of Mrs. Jas. Hewitt's on Thursday, Jan, 2nd, 1913. All members kindly bear this in mind.... Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Walker and children from the North West is spending the winter in this locality ..... Mrs. Richard Pond of Jarvis is visiting in this burg.

### Cheapside

Bert Long has returned to Hamilton, after a few days visit here with his mother Mrs. S. Day ..... Mrs. (Dr) Sherks' many friends will be pleased to learn that she is recovering from her recent illness, is also Mrs. Ervin Makey... Mrs. L. Britton who sustained injuries a few days ago by falling down some steps, is just about recovered ..... A reception was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bush on Wednesday evening, Dec. 11th in honor of their eldest son Calvin and his bride on their return from their honey moon, which was spent in Toronto and Hamilton Upon arriving they did ample justice to the well-ladened tables, after which they returned to the parlor where the remainder of the evening was spent in games and music, the guests department in the 'wee sma'' hours of the morning. The bride and groom were the recipients of many costly and heautiful gifts, showing the high esteem in which they are held in the surrounding community.

### Renton

Miss M. C. Campbell has returned home from Hamilton Normal school for the holidays ..... Mr. A. Thompson has been ig a new implement building which adds greatly to the necessities of life .... Miss Lizzie Mitchell and Miss V. Walker were the guests at the "Rolling Valley Farm", one evening last week .... Mr Seo. Tozer has returned home after spendtertainment last Friday afternoon and it was greatly appreciated by the few parents and friends that were present. Quite a few seasonable items were rendered by the school children, the gathering being presided over by Mr. R. Yeager. The meeting broke up with a distribution of prizes for the children, (for both good conduct and regular attendance) by "Santa Claus"......Wishing the editor and her staff A Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year

### Hicks' Forecasts... December

A reactionary storm period is central on 4th and 5th. The chief ascauses of disturbance at the es of Mercury, Mars and Jupiter. nth will open with cloudy, unset ather. Falling barometer, bringsleet and snow, will pass over try, from west to east, on and he 3rd, 4th and 5th. Sleet will rked feature of these storms. in central and northern rewith a low dip of the baromet. now will fall, and a cold wave northwest will wind up the he moon is in the extreme south pulling cold atmospheric tides from the north. Don't be unor vicious winter storm and seismic period covers the 4th central on the 7th.

### Dearth of Cattle.

d of dressed beef was ex e United States to Great tember, October and Noaring the same period only re exported. From this conclusion, and that is on this continent will have beef prices for several nust be a revolution in ttle raising before prices rially. With the high ailing, Western and ners have started to kers and feeders in surplusage of fodmises to give some en the finished but it is to be will be quite lendid oppor-

Henning 61, L. Mitchell 60, C. Cox, 58. Sr 111 R. Jaques 88, F. Wilson 84
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A. Mischell 65. Sr I.—B. McDonld 68
G. Mischell 65. Jr I.—S. Saunders 75, E. Sinders, M. MeSorley, L. Henning, C. Summers, F. Wilson, R. Mitchell,

School Report

A. Q. Jackson, teacher

### Villa Nova, Public School, report for

December: Jr IV -- Maximum 1200 -- Bert Erwin 1040; Clara Olmstead. Sr III-Maximum 1200-Hugh Brown 980; Lorne Brock 965; Hazel Price 832. Jr III Maximum 1100—Edith Smith 878; Will Erwin 816; Clara Swanton 797; Maggie Pussell 794; Archie Goble 791; Len argess 781; Bert Wheeler 745. Marjorie Woodley 625. Jr II—Maximum 600— Kathleen Galer 506; Lenora Moore 490; Wilby Olmstead 477; Jack Lewis 440; Gladys Lockhart 424; Clarence Hocken 361; Gordon Price 248; Doris Swanton 329 Class I—Maximum 400—Jean Barber 360 lass, Primer-Miximum 300-Douglas Penhall 282; Willie Hocken 245; Fred Erwin 225; Lloyd Moore 224; George Barker 219. The pupils who attended most regularly during the year 1912 were Maggie Russell 4 days absent; Jack Lewis days absent; Hugh Brown 6 days absent C. P. McCarter, teacher

### School Report -

S. S. No. 1, Walpole—Sr. Division Verna Davis 64, Margaret Evans 61, Class IV—Nina Truckell 70, Clara Vokes 65 Harry Evans 57, Ross Carson 52, Rhea Harris 48, Jean Oakes 35. Class III—Roy Gammage 65, Arthur Vokes 65, Frances Hallam 58, John Vokes 54, Vera Harris Harvey Vokes 49, Eva Churchill 38 Linie Thompson 30.

### **First Xmas Observance**

Christmas gets its name from the mass celebrated in the early days of the Christian church in honor of the birth of Christ. its first solemnization having been ordered by Pope Telesphorus. This was in or before the year 138, for in that year Pope Telesphorus died. At first Christmas was what is known as a movable feast, just as Easter is now, and owing to misunder-standings was celebrated as late as April or May. In the fourth century as ecclesiastical investigation was ordered, and upon the authority of the tables of the censors in the Roman archives December 25 was agreed npon as the date of the Saviour's nativity. Tradition fixed the hour of birth at about midnight, and this led to the celebration of a midnight mass in all the churches, a second at dawn and a third in the later

### T. Hamlin Dead.

T. Hamlin of Coloredo died on Friday, Dec. 13. Mr. and Mrs. Hamlin visited in Jarvis last winter at the home of the latter's brother, Henry Jackson, and shortly after leaving Jarvis and going to ing a few days in Hamilton ..... Our his home in Colorado, was taken Public school gave their usual Xmas envery ill of which he partially revery ill of which he partially recovered, being able to walk around his own home. On Sunday, 7, he was taken worse and died the fellowing Friday. Deceased had resided in Colorado for many years, with the exception of a year or two spent at Indian Head, Sask. The late Mr. Hamlin had reached a good old age. He is survived by a widow The remains were brought to Owen Sound for interment.

> Must the stenographer go? To speak 593 words a minute, they must be rattled off at a speed so rapid that they are not distinguishable even to a person directly in front of the speaker; yet according to the New York Times, a new shorthand machine, the stenotype can produce a typewritten sheet at that rate, more that than twice as fast as the shorthand record, which is 267 words a minute.

> The case and silence with which the new machine does this was demonstrated in a New York business school last week. Expert stenographers who attempted to complete with it failed completely. The method employed is the printing of chords of letters at a single stroke, often an entire word. The machine weighs eight pounds, can be carried about as easily as a lunch box, and can be mastered, it is said in from seven to eight months.

A novelty is a penholder permitting one to write in the dark, since it is provided with an electric light. The tube through the point of the pencil goes is fitted with a small accumulator and an electric lamp. The latter throws a disk of light over the point where the writing is being done. This luminous pencil has been invented for the use of doctors, reporters, detectives, etc., whose work necessitates the taking of notes in street and in darkness.

Please bear in mind that all kinds of job printing is executed here with neatness and despatch. Latest styles in wedding invitations, calling cards, note heads, statements, envelopes etc.

### Norfalk **Poultry** Ass**ch**iation

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