

ARKONA

Mrs. Cicero Everest, of Pt. Huron, was in town last Tuesday.

Miss Freda Thoman, has returned to her home here after spending the past month in Sarnia.

Remember the Mothers' Day Services in the Baptist church next Sunday, May 19th. All are welcome.

Miss Ella Seymour, of Edmonton, is visiting at her home here.

Get your supplies now for spraying—Arsenate of Lead and Soluble Sulphur on hand.—Brown Bros.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Dowling and Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Eastman, spent Sunday in Sarnia.

Seed corn, good supplies still on hand—Red Cob, Southern Sweet, Leaming and Wisconsin No. 7.—Brown Bros.

Mr. C. I. McKellar, of the Standard Bank Staff has been transferred to Chatham, and Mr. H. S. Collier of that place has been transferred to the Bank here.

Mr. Ralph Rook and Mr. Orval Huntley left this week for Toronto, where they have secured positions.

Mrs. (Dr.) W. E. Norton, the guest of Mrs. Davidson for the winter, returned to her Toronto home last week.

It will be Mothers' Day in the Baptist Church this Sunday, the 19th. The services, with appropriate music, messages, flowers, etc., will be under the auspices of the Men's Baraca Club. Rev. C. W. King will speak at both services, morning, "The Songs That Mother Used to Sing," evening, "Men's Mothers."

Eastman—Patterson

On Thursday, May 9th, a quiet wedding was solemnized in Port Huron, Mich., when Flossie Belle, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Patterson, Warwick Tp., was united in marriage to Pte. Fred T. Eastman, Camp Gordon, Georgia. The ceremony was performed by Rev. R. M. Crissman in the presence of a few of the immediate relatives of the contracting parties. The bride was attired in a taupe taffeta dress and both were unattended.

The happy couple left that evening via Detroit for Atlantic, Georgia.

School Reports

Report of S. S. No. 11, Warwick for the month of April. No on roll 23 average attendance 19.47.

Result of Easter test. Examinations total 1050.

Class IV Jr. and Sr.—Florence Edwards 934, Winnifred Fuller 787, Gladys Parker 701, LaVera Edwards 690, Mary Tanner 680, Myrtle Fuller 605, Hazel Reycraft 577. Pass—630.

Jr. (B)—Fred Tanner.

Class III Sr.—Carrie Jarriott, Thelma Ward* Eva Tanner.*

Part II total 450—Stanley Edwards 328, Margaret McKenzie 324, Clara Parker 136.*

Class I Sr. total 350—Albert Kerr 215, Gordon Reycraft 185, Cecil Reycraft 140, Donald Edward 128.*

Primer—Muriel Reycraft Cecil Parker, Beatrice Gault, Leila Ward,* Wilbert Kerr.

Those marked (*) were absent one week or more through illness.

Perfect Conduct—Winnifred Fuller, Hazel Reycraft, LaVera Edwards, Gladys Parker, Myrtle Fuller, Margaret McKenzie.

The following will obtain Entrance Certificates by Farm Labor—LaVera Edwards, Mary Tanner.—FLORENCE E. EDWARDS, Teacher.

Report of S. S. No. 2, Warwick, for the month of April.

Class IV Sr.—Dalton Smith, Harold Auld, Olive Corney, George Main.

Jr.—Mac Gammon.

Class III Sr.—George Jones, Howard Smith.

Jr.—Ilabel Corney, Eric Thompson, Annie Main, Charlie Jones, Masou Leggate, Annie McElroy.

Class II—Clare Thompson, Melvin Bartley.

Part II—Edna Cooper, Jack Main, Mary McLeay, Mary Smith.

Part I.—Helen Ross, Isabel Tanner, Dougall Jones, Marjory Cooper, Beatrice Williams, Maxena Auld, Ruby Bartley, Charles Porron, Johnny Dolan, Alfred Smith, Bob Gammon, Charlie Smith.

Primer.—Donald Ross, Ronald Sewell, Rita McLeay.

ANNIE ROSS, Teacher.

A GRAND MEDICINE FOR LITTLE ONES

Baby's Own Tablets are a grand medicine for little ones. They are a laxative—mild but thorough in action and never fail to regulate the bowels, sweeten the stomach and make baby well and happy. Concerning Mrs. Francois Fournier, Tourville, Que., writes,—"I have used Baby's Own Tablets for my baby and would recommend them to all mothers as they never fail to benefit the little ones." The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

A. J. Johnston Appointed Sheriff of Lambton

Sarnia, May 11.—Official announcement has been made that A. J. Johnston, of this city, has been appointed sheriff of Lambton County, which position recently became vacant through the death of James Flintoff, who held the office since 1872.

Mr. Johnston is a local druggist. He sat in the Council from 1904 until 1910 during which time he served as mayor, deputy reeve and alderman. He is at present a member of the Ontario College of Pharmacy and for the past two years was president of that institution, and has been for many years a member of

the executive of the Canadian Pharmaceutical Association.

Since retiring from the Council Mr. Johnston has been a member of the parks board and local Board of Health and was also the Conservative candidate for the house of Commons for West Lambton but retired in favor of the Unionist candidate, the present sitting member, F. F. Pardee.

A Few Lines From Lieut. R. D. Swift

Lieut. Dimond Swift, while fighting our battles in Flanders, does not forget his old friends at home. The Old Pioneer received the following letter from him the other day:—

April 15th, 1918.

Dear Mr. Williams, Out for a rest here in huts. I hardly know whether I desire a rest or not, at any rate am making good use of the many comforts we miss farther up the line.

Fritz has been making things lively around here but I think we have him stopped, and this battalion did its little bit to stop him too.

France has had a great shaking up and looks pretty war weary in places but the French are good soldiers and are sticking to their posts.

But how is the old guard at home getting on? That's where I would like to soldier for a while again.

I met a lot of Petrolea boys the other day. They were all in the best of health.

All the best wishes possible.

Your sincere friend,

R. Dimond Swift.

Returned Soldiers Presentation Fund

At the request of a large number of citizens, it has been decided to establish a fund to be used in purchasing suitable presentations, in appreciation of services rendered, to Watford soldiers who may return in the future from services overseas. This fund has already been started and for the benefit of those who wish to donate, the subscription list can be found at the Sterling Bank. It is hoped that regular donations will be made from time to time by the citizens, without canvass, in order that presentations can be made promptly. This is a cause worthy of the consideration and immediate support of all citizens.

(Signed) CAPT. R. H. STAPLEFORD.

A thoroughly waterproof telephone cable that weighs only seven pounds to the mile has been invented in England.

Extra seats carried over the running boards of a new automobile slide out of sight like drawers when not in use.

After acquiring a European reputation an actor seeks an American salary.

Are you giving aid and comfort to the enemy?

Any householder in your neighborhood who has a garden plot, or who owns a piece of suitable vacant land that is not being put under cultivation in order to increase food production, is (though he or she may not believe it) giving aid and comfort to the enemy in restraining food production, as really as is the Submarine Commander who sinks an Allied ship laden with food.

The difference is only one of degree, not of kind.

Look around you!

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If you have not yet decided to plant a vegetable garden make up your mind to do so now. You will not regret it. There is still lots of time. Potatoes and beans may be planted up to June 1st and these are the best substitutes for wheat and meat.

For good, practical advice upon how to lay out and cultivate a Vegetable Garden, write for a free copy of the booklet entitled: "A Vegetable Garden for Every Home." This has been prepared by the Ontario Department of Agriculture for the guidance of citizens who will respond to this call for increased production.

Mail
This Coupon
NOW

Organization of Resources Committee, Parliament Buildings, Toronto

Dear Sirs:

Please send me a copy of your booklet "A Vegetable Garden for Every Home."

Name

Address



ORGANIZATION OF RESOURCES COMMITTEE
In Co-Operation with Canada Food Board



CROPS ARE INCREASED

Quicklime for Heavy Soils, Ground Limestone for Light Soils.

SEPTIC TANK FOR THE FARM

Potatoes Should Be Treated This Year to Control Scab, as the Success of This Crop Is of the Utmost Importance In the Greater Production Campaign.

(Contributed by Ontario Department of Agriculture, Toronto.)

THE soils in many parts of the province are so depleted of their lime that they are becoming sour or acid. This is an important fact as few, if any, of our farm crops can make their best growth on a soil carrying an insufficient supply of lime. This is especially true of leguminous plants and it is probable that the frequent "killing out" of clover during the first winter is due to lack of sufficient lime.

Lime acts in several ways. It neutralizes the acids formed in the soil through the decay of organic matter; it overcomes the tenacity of clay soils, binds sands together and thus improves the physical condition of both types of soil. Lime is not only an essential constituent of the food of plants, but it also tends to liberate plant food, especially potash, from the insoluble forms in the soil, bringing them into an available state. The micro-organisms that live on the roots of the nitrogen-gathering plants cannot work in an acid soil, nor can some other forms of organisms whose function it is to gather nitrogen.

It requires about two tons of ground limestone rock to be equal to one ton of quick lime, and the prices charged for them are in about the same proportion. Furthermore two tons of the former to one ton of the latter are about the right quantities to apply.

The ground limestone rock is safe on any land in almost any quantity, and may be applied at any time of the year. On heavy clay soils quick lime, slaked before applying, may give quicker results; but it should not be applied to light sandy soils. Few materials or fertilizers can have so many good things said about them as lime and none of them cost so little money. Try out a little yourself this year.—Prof. R. Harcourt, Ontario Agricultural College.

To Prevent Potato Scab.

For seed select smooth, sound potatoes, as free as possible from scab, and disinfect by soaking them before they are cut for two hours in a solution made by adding half a pint of commercial formalin to 15 gallons of water. A couple of barrels with plugs in the sides near the bottom can be used to advantage in treating the seed. The potatoes can be placed directly in the solution or first put in crates or coarse sacks and then immersed.

After treatment spread the potatoes out on a clean floor or on the grass to dry? Wash all crates, bags, etc., which are used in handling the potatoes with the formalin solution. The same formalin solution can be used to treat successive lots of potatoes. Fifteen gallons is sufficient to treat from 20 to 25 bushels if ordinary precautions are taken not to waste too much of the fluid as each lot of tubers is dipped. If the potatoes are not all treated the same day it is advisable to make up fresh formalin for each day's work.

Corrosive sublimate (mercuric chloride) can also be used to treat potatoes to prevent scab. Soak the uncut tubers for three hours in a solution of 2 ounces of corrosive sublimate to 25 gallons of water. Corrosive sublimate is a deadly poison, and potatoes treated with it are rendered unfit for food for man or beast.

Formalin is a clear liquid disinfectant. It is a 40 p.c. solution of formaldehyde gas and water. It can be purchased from almost any druggist. It is sold under the names of formalin and formaldehyde. It is important that the purchaser, whatever name he buys it under, secured a guaranteed solution of 40 p.c. formaldehyde.

If possible plant the treated seed potatoes on clean soil, that is soil that has not produced a crop of scabby potatoes. Practice a rotation of crops. If scab is very bad it is not advisable to plant potatoes on the same land oftener than once in five years. Heavy applications of barnyard manure should not be made to the potato crop, but if necessary given at some other point in the rotation. Plant potatoes after clover sod if possible. Avoid alkali fertilizers such as lime and wood ashes.—Prof. J. E. Howitt, Ontario Agricultural College.

All the empresses of Russian throughout the nineteenth century, with the exception of the wife of Alexander III were German princesses.

Three organizations are now openly campaigning in Germany on behalf of women suffrage.

Arkona Woollen and Knitting Mills

We are prepared to do all kinds of CUSTOM WORK. People wanting their Wool made into Knitting Yarn, Rools or Blanketing can have it done, or we will exchange goods for wool, or pay cash for same. The best and cheapest way to get your Yarn, Socks or Stockings.

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CATTLE SALE
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ROCHE HOUSE, WATFORD,

Saturday, May 18,

AT TWO O'CLOCK

15 Two-year-old Steers and Heifers;

10 Yearlings;

5 Dry Cows;

5 Cows, supposed to be in calf.

A CHOICE LOT

TERMS—6 months' credit on approved notes. 6 per cent. per annum discount for cash.

G. HOLLINGSWORTH, J. F. ELLIOT, Proprietors.

Auctioneer.

How to Make Potato Butter

Potato butter is recommended by the British Ministry of Food as a cheap substitute for butter, being made in England for less than 10 cents per pound, as follows:

"Peel the potatoes and boil until they fall to pieces and become floury. Then rub through a fine sieve into a warmed basin 14 ounces of potatoes and add 2 ounces of butter or margarine and 1 teaspoonful of salt. Stir until smooth and then mold into rolls and keep in a cool place. To make the appearance approvable use butter colouring, and if intended to keep beyond a few days, a butter preservative should be added."