

Mr. Chas. Jenkins Talks on Farming Conditions in Lambton

Mr. Jenkins is firmly of the opinion that scientific and systematic drainage means great things for Lambton. When interviewed lately by the London Advertiser, he said: "We have land here that is delta land, and which will grow anything. The whole of this Western Ontario peninsula is the most fertile stretch of territory in the Dominion, and if it were properly drained the prices would increase to \$160 to \$2,000 an acre. Why in one part of Lambton a man is growing potatoes and securing \$160 a year from each acre. That means in one year's time he is securing the total value of his land. And if one man can realize all the potentialities of his land so can others.

"There are two things which adequate drainage means to Lambton County—the opening of the way by permitting the soil to attain its greatest richness and the insuring of good roads.

"At the present time such drainage as the country has is piecemeal and unsystematic. For instance on one piece of property I have there are three de-benture issues yet standing for drainage. That is not the proper system. We should all be working together for the whole of the county and for the whole of Western Ontario. Essex and Kent have shown what can be done along the line of reclaiming land and there are enough hard workers to level the whole loaf.

"These high sounding pamphlets will do something, but they will not do it all. It is quite easy to indulge in heroics, to give voice to the high sounding phrases, but the material labors will be the ones that count. Years ago in Lambton County we went down 500 feet to secure what Good Old Mother Earth had for her sons. In later years we have been scratching the surface and hoping for miracles. What we should have been doing and what we must do is to give the soil some assistance and to make the county attractive to those who would leave their old homes.

"I think that a system of county drainage for Lambton and other counties would help to solve the problem of this continual exodus. The people will come back to Western Ontario if they know that they can win a life competence by their efforts. I know a man who bought a two hundred acre farm for his son to prevent him from going to the west. Buying the farm had no effect and now the father works four acres and lets the other 196 acres go for pasture.

"This is the kind of thing we must prevent and we must build, not talk, to attain it. Lambton and the other counties in this district have a great opportunity to flourish. The county council of Lambton will take up the movement next week, and I am hopeful that a start will be given to the movement."

Trade in Watford and you go home satisfied.

Appointed Superintendent of Industrial School

Mr. T. H. Collier has been appointed Superintendent of the new provincial industrial school for girls in Vancouver which will be opened shortly. In speaking of the appointment, Hon. W. J. Bowser said to the Vancouver Province: "Our idea is to make the place homelike and to have as little of the jail atmosphere as possible. I want to see it a real institution of reform, where, if possible, permanent good may be done for weak girls. The intention is to make full use of the opportunities afforded for a fine garden on the really good site which the building has.

"We have secured, I believe, an ideal superintendent in the person of Mr. T. H. Collier, a brother of the probation officer of the Juvenile Court in Vancouver. Mr. Collier and his wife have both been brigadiers in the Salvation Army and have had very wide experience in rescue and similar work. Mrs. Collier is a very kindly woman of a great deal of ability. The new superintendent was for twenty-five years in the Army work, being for some time social secretary for the Dominion and for the last few years in special charge of prison work. At the time of his resignation he was provincial secretary for the Army in the Maritime Provinces and Bermuda."

W. E. Germain, Alvinston G. T. R. station agent, is confined in his home with a sprained ankle, the result of a fall on a slippery walk.

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FARMERS and others requiring male or female help for the coming season will please send in their requirements to me before the end of February.—JOSEPH H. HUME, Immigration Agent. 123-3t

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- 34 Young Men's Overcoats, shawl roll, with belts.....20 per cent off
- 21 Fur Sets in Sable, Mink, Marmott, Persian, Goat.....1-4 off
- 31 Children's Sets, lovely, warm furs.....1-4 off
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D. A. McLACHLAN - PRINCIPAL.

A Chatham negro has been awarded \$10 damages because he was not allowed to remain in a theatre after purchasing a ticket.

While driving from a woods near McCready school house to Newbury for provisions, Stanley Anderson's horse floundered and broke two of his legs. It was afterwards shot.

Application has been made for the incorporation of the Village of Wheatley. The lands are partly in Mersea and partly in Romney, but when incorporated it will be as a part of the County of Kent.

Mrs. Charlotte McSween, sister of Mrs. Wm. Sutherland, of Glencoe, died at her home in Reed City, Mich., last week. Mrs. McSween was born in London in 1834 and was a daughter of the late William and Hannah Zavitz Robb.

Mr. Neil Morrison, of Enniskillen, met with an unfortunate accident lately when a couple of fingers were badly jammed by being caught in a cutting box. At first it was thought they would have to be amputated but he now hopes to save them.

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We sincerely wish that the New Year may be full of Happiness and Prosperity for one and all.

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ARKONA

Mr. Len Irwin, of Brantford, is staying a few days at his home here.

Mrs. H. W. Wright has returned after a two week's visit with friends in the Ark.

Mrs. and Mr. Oliver Beasly, of E. Mich., are visiting relatives in and about the Ark.

Messrs. Fred Brown and Fred Egan are visiting friends in Toronto this week. Miss Flossie Landon, of Stratford, the guest of Arkona friends this week. Specials for next Saturday at 2:20 patterns of 12c and 15c printed by Brown Bros.

Mrs. (Dr.) Bryce and family left Tuesday for Melville, Sask. Miss Susie Waterman is spending week with friends in Watford and Sarnia.

Mrs. J. Kilter, of Osage, Sask, spending a few days with her brother, Mr. Frank Lambie.

Mr. Robt. Fitzsimmons, who has been on the sick list, is able to be a guest again.

Some of the local sports are talking skating rink. New prints, wash goods, skin cottons, etc., are being opened out week.—Brown Bros.

KERWOOD.

Mr. Roy Lewis is home from the for the winter.

Mrs. W. Leacock visited friends in Watford and Brooke.

Mr. Jim Lyons is back from the V. Miss Rita Staples, of London, is friends in the village.

Miss Ella Waddell entertained a number of her friends Friday evening.

Mr. Albert Early was taken to V. Hospital, London, to be operated on for appendicitis.

Mrs. S. Lester is spending a few weeks with friends here.

Miss Fernie Waddell was pleasantly surprised one day last week when a number of her young girl friends came to celebrate her birthday.

On Tuesday evening, January 6th, regular meeting of the Bachre Circle the sixth line was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Edgar, all members present. The evening was spent playing progressive euchre, Mrs. J. Edgar and Mr. Ted Wyatt winning prizes. After lunch, dancing was held for a short while, when the evening closed, all having spent a very pleasant evening at Mr. Edgar's.

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Annual Meeting of the Board of Telephone System

The annual meeting of the Board of Telephone System was held at the Municipal Telephone System was held at the Code's Hall, Alvinston, on January 22nd, at 2 p. m., and was largely attended by subscribers and the public generally. The meeting was called to order by Mr. McEachern, president of the Board. Herd Darvill was then elected chairman and D. L. Fisher secretary of the Board.

Mr. Darvill thanked them for their support and in a neat address congratulated the Board on the success they had achieved in building what he termed first class telephone system.

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