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STORE NEWS

January Stock-Taking Sale

OF

Mens Suitings and Overcoatings

Look out for next weeks announcement with complete Price Lists. On January 2nd this Cut Price Sale will begin. See windows this week. The price tickets will give you some idea of the big reductions. Stock must be reduced if prices will do it.

YOUELL & WRONG

FRUIT INSTITUTE

Under the auspices of the Elgin branch of the department of Agriculture a special fruit institute was held at Port Burwell on Tuesday Dec. 19th. Mr. Jas. E. Johnson of Simcoe, and Mr. F. M. Clement of Dutton, were the speakers of the day.

During the afternoon session, Mr. Clement addressed the meeting on the selection and planting of nursery stock. He advocates the planting of first-class medium sized one-year-old whips and emphasizes the advisability of heading low for commercial orchards.

Mr. Johnson's afternoon subject was "Orchard Management." Pruning, cultivation and spraying were dealt with in detail and the speaker made it plain that no half measures will ever lead to success. Thinning of the growing fruit was described as an investment paying as high as 500 per cent profits in more fruit of high quality and as a factor in producing annual crops.

In the evening session Mr. Johnson spoke of co-operation and business methods on orcharding, giving many valuable hints for the beginners in co-operative work.

The working of the Norfolk association were described and commented on. Mr. Johnson is of the opinion that the first and most important work of the apple association should be that of obtaining and spreading knowledge of proper methods in orchard work, and that following this educational work, successful organization and co-operation may be accomplished. Members of an association, to co-operate successfully should exhibit confidence, loyalty, self control and mutual helpfulness.

There was some discussion as to suitable varieties for planting in Elgin county and members were advised to plant most largely of "Spys" and "Baldwins." Mr. Johnson expressed the opinion that the "Baldwin" apple has made more money for the grower than any other variety. For earlier varieties he recommends Snow, McIntosh, and Grimes Golden. Spys need special handling but may be styled the King of Apples.

Mr. Clement spoke a short time on the use of the Hydrometer for testing lime sulphur solution and on the manufacture of the home made concentrate. A demonstration in making C. S. solution and in pruning and spraying will be given in March.

THE ELECTIONS

AYLMER
The mayor, reeve and all the aldermen were elected by acclamation. The council for 1912 will be as follows:— Mayor, H. H. Wright; reeve, O. McKenney; aldermen, Geo. Harp, H. Ryckman, F. L. Wagner, John Strachan, J. A. Gillett, F. D. King.

MALAHIDE
In Malahide M. McKnight, was elected reeve and W. E. Leeson, dep. reeve, both by acclamation. There will be a scrap for conciliators by the following W. T. Hare, E. B. Hill, John W. Matthews, Geo. F. Pineo.

SOUTH DORCHESTER
There is a hot fight on in South Dorchester as the following list of names will show, all going to the polls: reeve, D. D. Finch, G. Smith, S. Wilson and J. Mitchell. Conciliators, J. Charlton, S. Dawes, J. C. Blake, P. Andrews, P. McNeil, W. Taylor, A. Moore.

BAYHAM
There will also be a fight in Bayham when the following will go to the polls: reeve, J. A. Jackson, D. Stratton; dep. reeve, Thos. Dennis, W. H. Moore; conciliators, A. B. Baucus, A. W. Burbridge, H. S. Cook, Solomon Gordon, W. Hollywood, Alf. Nevill, C. W. Turnbull.

VIENNA
The nomination resulted in the councilman being put in by acclamation. They are Joe Watterson, Henry Robias, Joe Clarke, James Parrach, E. Suttel and R. Grass are in the field for the reeveship.

YARMOUTH
In Yarmouth, Geo. Russell, and Alex. Anderson will contest the reeveship and Geo. Doolittle and E. E. Mills the dep. reeveship. For conciliators the following will run, E. Ross, B. Griffin, J. C. Ferguson, D. Curtis, W. F. Smith.

ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Vienna Joint Stock Cheese and Butter Co. Limited, will be held in the Town Hall Vienna, on Monday, January 8th, 1912, at the hour of 1 o'clock p. m., to receive the annual report, elect officers for the ensuing year, and transact any other business that may come up before the meeting. The patrons of the Company are invited to attend. A speaker from the Dairymen's Association is expected to be present.

Dated this 23 day of December 1911.
E. T. Jackson, Secretary
R. McLean, President.

LUTON

Report of the Luton School for the month of December. Names in order of merit. Class IV—R. Dunn; J. Miller; H. VanPatter; V. Knowles; H. Hale.

Class III—M. Dunn; J. O'Bryan; H. Dunn; M. McKnight; W. Dunn; G. Percy; C. Percy; E. Benner; C. Howe.

Class II—K. McKnight; M. VanPatter; G. O'Bryan; G. Hilliker; O. Percy; O. Brandow; D. Griffin. Class I J. McKnight; R. Benner; G. Crosby; G. Harret, W. Griffin; H. Doolittle.

Prim Sr.—H. Brandow; R. Teeple.
Prim Jr.—J. Crosby; L. Percy, P. Hilliker; Dunn.

Lord Chesterfield's letters are, I venture to say, masterpieces of good taste, good writing and good sense.

Oratory and Hard Work:—Demosthenes, the celebrated Greek orator, thought it so absolutely necessary to speak well, that though he naturally stuttered, and had weak lungs, he resolved, by application and care, to get the better of those disadvantages. Accordingly, he cured his stammering by putting small pebbles into his mouth; and strengthened his lungs gradually, by using himself every day to speak aloud and distinctly for a considerable time. He likewise went often to the seashore, in stormy weather, when the sea made most noise, and there spoke as loud as he could, in order to use himself to the noise and murmurs of the popular assemblies of the Athenians, before whom he was to speak. By such care, joined to the constant study of the best authors, he became at last the greatest orator of his own or any other age or country, though he was born without any one natural talent for it. Adieu! Copy Demosthenes.

CARNEGIE AND DRINK

Mr. Andrew Carnegie, whose own experience fits him to speak with authority as to the elements that make for a successful business career, says in his book "The Empire of Business": "The first and most seductive peril, and the destroyer of most young men, is the drinking of liquor. I am no temperance lecturer in disguise, but a man who knows and tells you what observation has proved to him and I say to you that you are more likely to fall in your career from acquiring the habit of drinking liquor, than from any or all the other temptations likely to assail you. You may yield to almost any other temptation and reform—may brace up, and if not recover lost ground, at least remain in the race, and secure and maintain a respectable position. But from the insane thirst for liquor, escape is almost impossible. I have known but few exceptions to this rule."

MORTGAGE SALE

Under and by virtue of the powers contained in a certain mortgage, which will be produced at the time of sale, there will be offered for sale by public auction by a duly licensed auctioneer, at the Law Offices of Miller and Backus, No. 5 Talbot St., west in the Town of Aylmer, on Tuesday the 30th day of January, 1912, at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon, the premises known as the Columbia Hotel, being the easterly part of town lot No. 3 and town lots numbers six and seven, south on Talbot Street in block number two, in the first range, in the town of Aylmer. On the property is a large two story brick building, formerly used as a hotel, also a small shed or stable. The property was formerly known as the "Heron Hotel" and later as the "Heron Hotel" and same would be suitable as a Temperance hotel, or large boarding house.

TERMS of sale:—Thirty per cent on day of sale, balance in two weeks from date of sale. Possession given when purchase money is paid. For further terms and conditions of sale apply to:

W. W. White, Auctioneer
Miller & Backus, Vendor's Solicitors
Aylmer, Ont.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE MATTER OF HENRY PALMER

NOTICE is hereby given that Henry Palmer of the Township of Bayham in the County of Elgin, farmer, has made an assignment under the Assignments and Preferences Act of all his estate, credits and effects to Charles H. Denton of the Town of Tilsonburg in the County of Oxford, for the general benefit of his creditors.

A meeting of his creditors will be held at the office of the undersigned in the Town of Tilsonburg on Saturday the 30th day of December at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon to receive a statement of affairs, to appoint inspectors and fix their remuneration and for the ordering of the affairs of the estate generally.

Creditors are requested to file their claims with the Assignee with the proofs and particulars thereof required by the said Act on or before the day of such meeting. And notice is further given that after the first day of January 1912 the assignee will proceed to distribute the assets of the debtor amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notice shall then have been given, and that he will not be liable for the assets or any part thereof so distributed to any person or persons of whose claims he shall not then have had notice. Dated at Tilsonburg this 22nd day of December, 1911.

By L. B. C. Livingston, his solicitor
C. H. Denton, Assignee

The children of the Methodist Sunday School were entertained with a supper in the basement on Tuesday evening last and an ill rated talk afterwards by the Rev. Dr. Doyal of St. Thomas, which was thoroughly enjoyed.

Refuses Ultimatum.

Teheran, Persia, Dec. 19.—The National Council has refused to accept the Cabinet's proposals regarding a solution of the Russian difficulty, and the Russian troops are preparing to advance on the capital. It is believed that the advance will begin on Thursday.

The people are apathetic and only the women continue an active boycott. The official attitude suggests passive resistance, but the provincial sentiment is strongly opposed to the Russians. The ex-Shah, Mohammed Ali Mirza, is at Gumesheh Tepe.