About Three Hundred Attend Lecture in Technical School.

ONION CULTIVATION

Department Official Gives Useful Hints on Planting, Etc.

The cultivation of onions and other regetables and methods for the eradication of insects and disease in the backward garden formed the principal part of an interesting lecture last night by Sydney Johnstone of the provincial department of agriculture in the fourth of a series of eight weekly meetings in the auditorium of the Central Technical School. Approximately 300 persons were present. These were mostly women, many of whom made notes of what the speaker said. Questions were asked and answered at the conclusion of the lecture.

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The speaker said that onions, possessing a medicinal quality should be planted as early as possible, as experiments in all parts of the province have shown that better results are alttained by early planting. They should be planted in a depth of from % to 1 inch and the soil should be tramped over. The seeds should be distributed with an average of about 8 seeds to the Inch, from 10 to 12 inches apart. Onions, he said, required considerable cultivation. Those for winter purposes should be pulled when the roots are practically dead and the tops have started to die down. To dry and cure they should be laid in such a manner as to allow the bulbs to be covered by the leaves for five or six days. Otherwise a bitter taste develops. They should then be gathered and placed in a box with holes to permit of ventilation. The speaker said that pickling onions should be planted thickly and pulled about the middle of July and should not be placed in a box with a greater depth than six anches.

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Cucumbers, he said, should be raised by planting six seeds in each of eight holes, five feet apart. Seeds for muskmelon should be planted in a hole 12 inches deep, 10 inches of which should be filled with manure. The grower should be careful of possible freezing until after June 10 at least.

Mr. Johnstone recommended the use of Paris green for mixtures with water to destroy certain bugs. He said if the gardener was careful no harm could result. A commercial concoction, he said, which which will eliminate many insects.

The lecture was concluded with recommendations concerning the care of potatoes. This product, Mr. Johnstone said, should be dry and free from earth, and put in a dry, ventilated, frost-proof cellar-room, away from the room occupied by the heating apparatus. This should be up from the surface of the floor and covered with newspapers or carpet. All diseased potatoes should be removed as soon as discovered in the periodical sortings to which they should be subjected during the winter.

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HOLD ANNUAL MEETING. for Directors of Canadian National Exhibition.

The annual meeting of the Canadian National Exhibition will be held at the city hall on Wednesday, when the following nominations for the board of directors will be considered, eight to be elected for each section:

Manufacturers' Liberal Arts and Miscellaneous Section—Mr. T. A. Russell, Mr. John Firsttrook, Mr. C. A. B. Brown, Col. W. K. McNaught, C.M.G.; Mr. Geo. Booth, Noel Marshall, Mr. G. H. Gooderham, M.L.A.; Mr. C. W. I. Woodland, Mr. John B. Reid, Mr. John F. Mac-Kay.

Mr. South and Agricultural Section—Mr. Robert Fleming, ex-Ald. S. McBride, Mr. W. W. Bailantyne, Mr. John G. Kent, Mr. J. J. Dixon, Mr. W. A. Dryden, Mr. Robert Miller, Mr. John Gardhouse, Mr. H. R. Frankland, Mr. Thomas

ARRESTED IN POOL ROOM. Two Men Charged With Theft of Motor Car Are Remanded.

In yesterday's police court, Cecil Anthony and William Dunlop were remanded on a charge of having stolen a motor car from Mrs. Grasett, 238 McPherson navenue. William Dunlop was arrested in a pool room on Saturday as the result of a description given the detectives, and he was not captured with the stolen car in his possession, as had been earlier stated. Both men pleaded not guilty.

SAMUEL R. JOHNSON WINS CASE.

Mr. Justice Latchford gave judgment yesterday for \$4.749.49 in favor of Samuel R. Johnson, who sued Mrs. Grace Brownlee Wilson, administrator of the estate of Lucy E. Cowan for the principal of \$5500 of a second mortgage interest, and cutlays he had made to protect himself ngainst the first mortgage. The defence was that the interest was unconscionable, but his lordship stated that the bargain had been made and must be adhered to.

WYCHWOOD

VISITS MILITARY HOSPITAL. Mrs. Htll, 346 Lonsdale road, Wych-wcod, and a party of twenty munition workers engaged at the Fairbank-Morse factory, visited the returned soldiers at the Spadina Military Hespital recently, and presented gifts of tobacco, chocolate, cigarets and comforts.

DUKE AND HIS PARTY LEAVE FOR WINNIPEG

Governor - General Addressed Students at Upper Canada College.

The Duke of Devonshire, governor-general of Canada, and the other members of the vice-regal party, including the Duchess of Devonshire, Lady Maud Cavendish, Capt. Bulkeley-Johnson, A.D. C., and Col. Hon. Harold Henderson, left for Winnipeg at 3 o'clock yestorday afternoon in the governor-general's private car, over which they boarded at Ashley avenue in Rosedale. They were accompanied to the station by Sir John and Lady Hendrie and Col. Alexander Fraser.

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The party visited Upper Canada Colege yesterday in the last engagement of the week-end's program for their stay of the week-end's program for the come by William M. Thompson a nephew of Sir William Mulock. The governor-general in addressing the boys said that a feature of Great Britain's participation in the war was the splendid response by public schools to the call to

COAL SITUATION LOOKS EVEN WORSE

All Directions. DELIVERIES ARE LIGHT

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Not Enough Coal is Coming Forward to Supply Current Needs.

A prominent Toronto business man who has just returned from a visit to the States, where he has been in close toutch with the railway situation, is almost afraid to think of what the general traffic situation will be in the course of a month, or even a week. So great is the congestion on the various railways that freight is embargoed in all directions. The condition is causing a commercial panic and may have far-reaching results.

As far as the coal situation in Ontario is concerned, the weather has practically eliminated the shortage in that grade for this year, but soft coal becomes scarcer daily, and even in the border towns and large American cities it is obtainable only with the greatest difficulty. The outlook for Ontario is blacker than it ever was before, and speculation is centred not so much on whether or not there will be a period in which not soft coal wiff be coming into Ontario, but how long this period will be.

While the railroad officials went around yesterday complimenting themselves on the large amount of coal brought to this

where the relative of the large amount of coal brought to this city in the week-end period of forty-eight hours their own figures give them nothing to be proud of, and the grand to the companying of the large ways. nothing to be proud of, and the grand total for this concentrated attack upon
the congestion resulted in the total of 493 cars of coal being brought to
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Toronto, seven less than the number required to fulfil the promise made by
the railways over two weeks ago, when
the weather did not permit of operation
at more than fifty per cent. efficiency.
Now the officials are proud of a weekend effort under ideal conditions that nets
them a total that is seven cars less than
the amount they promised every 48
he hours.

hours.

Hard Coal Coming.

Of this amount it is impossible to say how much of it was soft coal, as the C. P.R. does not classify the hard from the bituminous, but the Grand Trunk, which hauled 265 cars of hard, only brought 54 of soft. The C.P.R. hauled 174 cars of coal, which would probably be divided not more than 50 per cent. soft.

The Grand Trunk did much better during the week-end than previously, but it would require the same amount delivered daily for some time to come in order that they might live up to the promise an official of the company made the public on February 8.

The embargo of the New York Central, which was lifted last week until last night at midnight in order to allow the movement of coal from the mines, was replaced again last night and remains, effective until further notice. Hard Coal Coming

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H. A. Harrington has addressed another letter to the acting premier, Sir George Foster, appealing to him to take over the operation of the Grand Trunk. In his letter he outlines the present crisis in the matter of soft coal, and states that the situation is one that calls for immediate action on the part of the government.

Time of Receiving Cards Extended to End of March

The National Service Board of Canada notifies all males between the ages of 16 and 65 years, residing in Canada, who have made default by not filling in and returning to the mational service board, thru the medium of the postoffice, a national service card within ten days of its receipt that the time for the return of completed cards has been extended to the 31st of March, 1917. A hational service card and addressed envelope may be obtained on application to the nearest postmaster.

Under the authority of the "War Meaures Act, 1914", it is required that every male between the ages of 16 and 65 years, residing in Canada, shall fill in and return a national service card within ten days of the receipt thereof.

MOVING FOR SEED GRAIN.

Winnipeg, Feb. 26.-Hon. Edward Brown announced today that he made provision to lend money to rural municipalities for the purpose of buying seed grain for the new crop.

York County and Suburbs

PEEL COUNTY FARMERS ORGANIZE ASSOCIATION

Milk and Cream Producers Claim Business Has Been Carried on at a Loss.

The Milk and Cream Producers in the vicinity of Brampton at a meeting held last Saturday organized a Peel County Milk and Cream Producers' Association. It was the unanimous opinion of farmers present that they have been selling milk at a loss for the last nine months on account of poor pasture, the high price of feed and scarcity of labor. Several farmers who had kept accurate figures of the cost of production reported that they were not able to break even with the prices now being paid by the Toronto dairies. There was also some dissatisfaction expressed because the testing of cream has been entirely in the hands of the buyer and that the farmer is compelled to take the test of the dealers and has no machinery for finding out whether he is getting justice or for prosecuting offenders who under-read the test.

In addition to the agitation for fairer prices the organization is making plans for improving the herds and weeding out the less profitable cows by milk production. The use of pure-bred sires of high-producing families will be encouraged with the object of building up the farmer's dairy herd. A later meeting will be called to work out further details of the organization, and by co-operating with the York and Wentworth County associations it is hoped that the dairy industry will be put on a much more satisfactory footing.

NORTH TORONTO

WILL INSPECT DUPLEX AVENUE.

Several members of the board of works have arranged to make an inspection of the Duplex avenue district on Wednesday afternoon with a view to still further familiarizing themselves with the situation. The members of the North Toronto Ratepayers' Association are practically a unit in opposing the scheme, and the Deer Park and Central Citizens' Association have repeatedly gone on record as opposing it. as opposing it.

EARLSCOURT

SIDEWALK IS SPLITTING. Much dissatisfaction is expressed by the residents of Nairn avenue, Barlscourt, regarding the condition of the sidewalk, which is split and cracked almost the entire length from St. Clair avenue to the city limits.

"We have scarcely begun to pay for this comparatively new sidewalk, when it requires extensive repairs," said a resident. "The matter should be brought to the attention of the works commissioner."

YOUNG PEOPLE MEET.

J. T. Bowes presided at a well-attended gathering of the young people in Boon Avenue Baptist Church, Earls court, last evening, when Rev. J. C. Massie, D.D., delivered a stirring address entitled "Back to Bethel."

CLAREMONT

STRUCK BY FALLING TREE Caivin Hulbert Badiy Injured In Attempt ing To Save Team of Horses.

While a number of men were engaged in cutting down trees on Frank Holden's bush on the 5th concession of Uxbridge Township, a day or two ago, one of the trees in falling threatened to fall directly across a team of horses which had been thoughtlessly left standing near. Calvin Hulbert, one of the men engaged in cutting wood, seeing the danger to the team, attempted to reach them, seize the lines and drive out of danger, but was struck by the falling tree before he could escape and crushed to the ground. He was rushed to a neighbor's house and medical aid summoned, but his condition is regarded as serious, his spine having been garded as serious, his spine having been injured. Hulbert and his family had just recovered from an attack of typhold fever.



IEXTEMPORANEOUS? DEAR ME. PA.

EDUCATION BOARD PASSES ESTIMATES

Approve Expenditure of Over Half Million on Increased Accommodation.

SALARY INCREASES

Women Trustees Object to Supposed Favoritism for Male Teachers.

With very few exceptions the board of education last night passed the estimates recommended by the property, finance and management committees finance and management committees, and they will be presented to the city council in due course. In keeping with the edict served on the board by City Clerk Littlejohn, that only those works for which good and sufficient reason could be shown should be proceeded with in 1917, the members of the committees stated that this request had been observed in making the estimates. If the appropriations asked were refused and the children were denied pro-per accommodation and educational facilities, then the onus, they thought, should be put on the city council. The most notable figure in the report was that of \$620,000 asked for the building of new schools and to provide

ncreased accommodation for the relief of other schools. Trustee C. A. B. Brown stated that at first he was opwhen he had been told everything and had found that come had found that some of the schools were at present overcrowded he was heartily in favor of the appropriation. He was conscious of the strenuous times, but he considered that more accommodation for the children was an urgent matter and should be obtained mmediately. The item passed with-

out opposition. The matter which caused most discussion was the recommendation for certain increases in teachers' salaries. Dr. Caroline Brown and Mrs. Courtice steadfastly championed the cause of the women teachers, and gave it as their opinion that the increases showed partiality to the male teachers. Dr. Brown declared: "You are giving an increase of \$500 to a man who is re-ceiving \$4,500 a year," she said. "If a man cannot live on \$4,500 a year, then how on earth do you expect a woman to exist on \$600 a year?" She favored a recommendation of \$650 instead of \$600, and in this she was strongly supported by Mrs. Courtice, who made

defeated. Each teacher gets a \$50 in-Objected to Preferences.

When the increase for specialists at the heads of departments and graduates was reached. Mrs. Courtice could not see why a difference of \$200 should be made in the salaries, as the qualifications and the responsibilities were the same, but she was told that she had better ask the heads of the departments and she

a motion that the minimum salary be

\$650 and the maximum \$1,400. It was

The only mention of medical inspec-tion was made when Trustee Hunter moved to strike out the increases favored for this department. The chair ruled against him, but supported by Dr. Noble, he continued to address the board on the matter despite the protests of a majority of the members. Finally, he relinquished with the promise to be heard from

to all teachers total \$110,000

again. District foremen will get a salary of \$1400, and those who have reached the maximum will get a \$100 increase.
The board struck out the recommendation of \$12,000 for the construction of a gallery and the completion of the assembly hall of the North Toreport. Dr. Steele thought that any money they had to spare should be used in providing more accommodation for the numerous children who were walking the streets because of the control himself, to still the diabolical hammering which contact with the girl had so strangely conjured up. But it was of no avail. He might just as well have tried to the control himself, to still the diabolical hammering which contact tion for the numerous children who were walking the streets because of the overcrowded condition of the as attempt to still the voice of love schools. The assembly hall was real- in its insistence. Healer of the human non-essential and could wait, was kind the he was, yet Dr. Jack Warthe opinion of the board.

All manual training teachers who have reached the maximum will get and still more limited financial re-

1 \$100 increase. The board confirmed the recommendation to raise the salary of C. A. Bishop, superintendent of buildings, from \$4500 to \$5000.

WILL LOAN LAND FREE. Offers Hundred and Fifteen Acres to the City to Grow Potatoes.

When speaking to a reporter from the agricultural situation of this province, Henry Watkinson, of Watkinson venue, expressed his willingness to loan his 115-acre farm at Bancroft to the city free of charge. Mr. Watkin-son stated that the city could grow potatoes for the benefit of the poor. Held Successful Euchre. The annual euchre party and social of the Knights of Malta was held in

St. James' Hall last night. A large number of members and their friends

THE **FORMAN MYSTERY**

By GEORGE HUGHES.

(Continued From Yesterday). Sunday arrived with its peace and

quietude, a boon to the toilers in office, store and workshop. But it held no peace or rest for Warrener. For no sooner had he partaken of breakfast and adjourned to his room for a lazy time and an after-breakfast cigar, than there came an insistent ringing of the telephone. That his brief period of leisure was at an end Warrener knew before he lifted the receiver from its hook. He was sure of it when a woman's anxious voice, which he did not recognize, asked him if it would be convenient for him to come to the Forman home immediately.

Warrener hung up the receiver wit! less reluctance than he had taken it down. He had not asked of the wo man who needed his attention, but intuition suggested Edith Forman. For on the night of her sister's death he had thought Miss Forman's pallor both unusual and unnatural. Her lack of emotion after viewing her sister's clay had surprised, perplexed and pained him. He could not believe that her strange attitude was due to an unsympathetic nature; rather it suggested to him a terrible, heart-break ing grief held in leash by a powerful will. If intuition was correct, and it was Edith Forman who needed him, he would be assured that his belief was right, and that the strong walls of her will-power had at last crumbled before the rushing waters of grief and been inundated by the flood.

Warrener made the six miles to Leadale that quiet Sabbath day in record He ignored all speed regulations and the upraised hands of traffic policemen whom he flashed past en route. He arrived at his destination without mishap, and made his way along the lane to the house.

A kindly-faced, be-spectacled

of comfortable middle age came to the door in answer to his knock. He knew her at once-it was Mrs. Forman. The news of her step-daughter's death had brought her home in a hurry.
gentle face was troubled and as she wished him good-morning.

to a room at the rear of the house She pushed the door of the room ope and Warrener stood in the presence of the woman who had so flagrantly flouted him on the night of the tragedy but whom he could not forget.

That Edith Forman was in urgent eed of medical attention Warrener realized the moment he saw her. She was in bed, her dark hair uncoiled and spread in disarray over the snow-white pillow. Gone was the deathly would know why. Dr. Brown again place, high on the cheekbones, grown would know why. It, however, had registered a protest. It, however, had the red fire of the fever which was fast consuming her. Her eyes were fast consuming her. Her eyes were to the air she so sorely needed. Her vain effort to get rid of the pain which

"How long has she been like this, Mrs. Forman?" Warrener queried, as he seated himself on a chair at the girl's bedside. He took one of the girl's slim wrists between his finger and thumb to test the pulse. Instantly a peculiar change came over him. The fire from her veins seemed to leap into his and set his whole being aflame. His heart palpitated wildly, so that the girl's pulse and his own throbbed in unison and rendered it difficult for him to distinguish one from the other. rener, aged twenty-eight, a healthy orphan of limited medical experience sources, an all-round athlete and a jolly good fellow to boot, was unable to rightly diagnose the disease which had so suddenly attacked him as that ly familiar with organic affections of the heart, but this psychological phenomenon was utterly beyond his learn ing and comprehension. He was bewildered, and did not know how to combat this strange feeling which had seized upon him so voraciously. The feeling was fast getting beyond his control. It affected his brain queerly, and he was impelled to do strange things, to snatch the sick girl to his arms, kiss her and whisper sweet solace to her in her agony. It was Mrs. Forman, however, who prevented him from making a fool of himself by en-

"How do you find my daughter, doctor?" (Continued Tomorrow)

quiring:



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LODGE NEWS

CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY. Queen City Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, celebrated its 4th an-niversary in Foresters' Hall last evenng, when about 150 were present. The

business the evening was spent in progressive euchre and dancing, following which the party sat down to

IN TEMPLE BUILDING.

At the Temple Building last evening the Royal Arch Chapter of St. Andrews and St. John, No. 4, G.R.C., held its regular convocation, presided over by lox-Comp Dr. W. G. Price. The M.M. degree was worked with musical ritual. The regular meeting of Harmony Lodge No. 438, A., F. and A. M., was also held, when a visit was paid by District Deputy Rt. Wor. Bro. J. A. Rowland, No. 11, Toronto Centre. The first degree was worked. Among those present were Rt. Wor. Bro. H. C. Tugwell, D.D.G.M., No. 10, Toronto East, and Wor. Bro. W. J. McCuffen, Wor. Master, University Lodge, 496.

RICHMOND LODGE, S.O.E. Hears of Death of Overseas Member and Makes Arrangements for Future Meetings.

last evening a letter was read by Secretary C. Richardson from Mrs Absey, coming euchre party.

COURT JOHNS, I.O.F.

SPANISH HOUSE ADJOURNS.

Madrid, via Paris, Feb. 26.—Premier Count de Romanones read today in both chambers a decree adjourning indefinitely the sessions of parliament. The decree was received with protests by the opposition.

er and merve tonic.

You can obtain these pills from any dealer in medicine, or by mail at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50 from The Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

STRENGTHEN ASSURANCE COMPANY'S DIRECTORATE

New Appointments to Boards of Western and British America Firms.

At the annual meetings of the Western assurance Company and of the British business was presided over by Worthy
Patron Bro. Painter and Worthy
Matron Miss Anne Leake, and an interesting address was given by Bro.
(Ald.) Beamish, who spoke on the work
of the genera G. C., which meets
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Assurance Company and of the British
America Assurance Company, respectivety, two important additions were made
to the board of directors of each company, when E. Hay, the general manager
of the Imperial Bank of Canada, was
elected to the directorate, together with
E. A. Robert of Montreal, who, in, addition to being president of the Montreal
Tramways Company, is president of the Tramways Company, is president of the Halifax Tramway Company, president of the Halifax Light, Heat & Power Company, and president of the Imperial Trust Company of Montreal. These two appointments will make the boards of the two leading Canadian fire and marine in surance companies exceptionally strong the other directors being: Wa R. Brock (president), W. B. Meikle (vice-president), John Aird, Robert Bickerdike, M.P. Alfred Cooper (London, Eng.), H. C. Cox. D. B. Hanna, John Hoskin, K.C., LL.D., Z. A. Lash, K.C., LL.D., George A. Morrow, Lt.-Col, the Hon. Frederic Nicholis, Brig.-General Sir Henry Pellatt, C.V.C., E. R. Wood.

KEEPING WELL, DURING THE WINTER

Don't let your blood get thin this winter. For people who have a tendency toward anaemia-which means bloodlessness—winter is a most season. Lack of exercise and fresh air, being too constantly indoors, combine to lower the tone of the body S.O.E.B.S., No. 65, in the S.O.E. Hall ments necessary to vigor and good health. As soon as you notice the wife of Pte. W. Absey, one of the members, telling how he had died in hospital suddenly in England. It was decided that a letter of condolence be sent from the lodge to the widow.

Following the business a committee time of the members, telling how he had died in symptoms of poor blood, take a stort treatment with Dr. Williams Pink Pills. Do not wait until the color has entirely left your face, until color has entirely left your face, until the color has entirely left your face, until your properties. Following the business a committee meeting was held in connection with feed breathless after the least exertion. feel breathless after the least exertion. love! As a physician, he was natural-ly familiar with organic affections of arrangements were made for the forth-of the blood in the earlier stages than Dr. Williams' Pink Pills build up

and enrich the blood and strengthen and tone the nerves. In this way the Court Johns, I.O.F. No. 4942, held a general health is improved, the appearance and social last evening in the Foresters' Hall, when about 150 were present. Five members were initiated and a first-class musical program was rendered by T. Mott, G. Reed and others. Chief Ranger A. Montgomery presided.

Then work becomes easier because it does not cause exhaustion. You car, keep your system at the high-cert efficiency by the use of Dr. Wilest efficiency by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, the great blood builder and nerve tonic.

By Sterrett

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