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"Good as the wheat" is an old motto, about as much the last word in meaning as "Safe as the Bank of England." A bag of No. 1 Northern, clean as a whistle of cockle and foxtail, was a symbol of sure value long before gold was known in the world. Wheat has been found in the Pyramids. The Egyptians just about worshipped wheat. The Bible calls it corn; so do the English. But when we say "good as the wheat" we refer to the bushel of brown, hard kernels worth by Government fixture this year, \$2.20. In the memory of living man, when did "good as the wheat" mean more than it does now? Never. A bag of wheat weighing two bushels and a peck tots up in 1917 to just about the value of a five-dollar gold piece. But of course no man wants gold for his wheat. All he gets is a cheque made out in his favor on some bank and signed by the manager of some elevator company or milling concern. The cheque is converted into bills or goes on deposit. Good wheat; good paper: nobody asks any questions. Because the company is O.K. and the bank is sound. If any wheat seller had any doubt of either, he would at once demand something else.

"I sold good wheat," he would say. "I want something as good in exchange."

What made the wheat good? The good farmer behind it. A poor farmer can make good seed into poor wheat.

What makes the paper good? The security of the corporation whose name it bears. The sounder the corporation the nearer the paper comes to being as good as the wheat. But even a big company may go "broke." Back of the corporation is a concern whose guarantee on a piece of paper is better than either. The pledge of the Dominion of Canada to pay any man money for value received is as good as the wheat and as safe as the Bank of England.

The best pledge of the Dominion of Canada to pay is a Canadian Victory Bond; better than cheques or bills—AS GOOD AS WHEAT! Suppose you change that twenty bags of wheat on your wagon, not into a cheque or notes or even gold; but into Canadian Victory Bonds of \$50 each, bearing interest at five and one-half per cent per annum and as negotiable on the market as the best cheque or the best load of wheat you ever saw? It's worth considering.

MAIL RATES TO BOYS AT THE FRONT

The following are the rates of postage on letters, parcels, and newspapers, to members of the Canadian Expeditionary Forces in France, Flanders, and England:

Parcels.
To France and Flanders.
Up to three pounds, 24 cents.
From three pounds to seven pounds, which is the limit, 32 cents.

To England.
Twelve cents per pound or fraction of a pound straight, up to the limit of eleven pounds.

Letters.
To France, Flanders, and England.
Three cents for the first ounce and two cents for each additional ounce.
All should be addressed to Army Post Office, London, England, where they will be forwarded.

Newspapers.
To France, one cent for two ounces.
To England, one cent for four ounces.
Christmas letters and parcels to reach the boys in the trenches should be mailed not later than November 15th.

SURROGATE COURT

Probate of the will with one codicil of Caroline Vickery, Newboro, has been granted to Caroline Morrison, Kelwood, Manitoba. H. A. Stewart, K.C., solicitor.

Probate of the will of Napoleon Howe, Yonge, has been granted to Rev. J. B. Howe, Westport, and Eliza Ann Howe, Yonge. T. R. Beale, Athens, solicitor.

Have You Beans for Sale?

Farmers having Beans for sale, will do well to communicate with The Leeds Farmers, Limited, D. R. Sheffield, local agent.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE WILL HOLD SHOWER.

The Women's Institute meeting held on Saturday was well attended, and was marked by lively discussions on the business program for the coming month. It was decided to send Xmas pails to the boys who went from this vicinity, so that they might know that at the festive season they are not forgotten and that their sacrifice is appreciated. In order to do this it would be necessary to ask assistance outside the Institute. So an Xmas shower will be held in the Institute rooms Friday, November 2, from 3 to 9. There will be a musical program and social intercourse. Ladies and gentlemen are invited to attend and donate articles. The following list may suggest something to give: toilet articles (soap, tooth brushes and paste), stationery, pencils, candles, maple sugar, hard candy, chocolate, gum, ozo, salted peanuts, layer raisins, sardines, tobacco, corn cob pipes, cash.

Ladies having tin biscuit pails are asked to bring them on Friday.

After the business session, Misses Hazel Smith and Zella Topping sang interesting papers were given by Miss Rhena Kendrick and Miss Keitha Smith.

Junior Judge, of Renfrew

E. H. McLean, of Bowmanville, has been appointed Junior Judge of the County of Renfrew, succeeding the late Judge Fisher. Judge McLean is one of the youngest men appointed to the bench. He has been Grand Master of the Orange Grand Lodge of Ontario East. He was born at Cornwall on May 6, 1876, educated at the Public School and Brockville Collegiate Institute. He studied law under the late Hon. J. F. Wood, of Brockville, and Mr. J. A. Worrell, K.C., of Toronto, and was called to the Bar in 1896. He is an Anglican and a Conservative. He was one of the men who helped to raise the 235th Battalion and went overseas with it, but finding he could not go to France, he returned to Canada last August. His only brother, N. B. McLean, is with the 124th, known as the "Pals" Battalion, in France. Judge McLean's father was the late Neil McLean, agent of the Bank of Montreal at Brockville, who served through the Fenian Raid with the Perth company.

Choir Presentation.

The members of the choir of the Methodist church presented one of their number, Miss Gertrude Cross, with a silver cassiere in honor of her marriage which took place on Thursday.

Correcting an Error.

The tendency in newspaper work leans toward the side of errors; and the fact that The Reporter last week had III Jr. of the High School winning a volley ball game from III Sr. was nothing but a bare-faced error. Never mind, III Jr., you'll do it yet.

Spoke on Missions.

Large congregations heard Miss Winifred Parker, of Brockville, speak on Missions in the Methodist church on Sunday. The Sunday School also had the pleasure of hearing her speak. Miss Parker gave a very complete idea of the work of the Church in the mission fields of the world.

Soldier Wounded.

Mrs. Rhoda Atkins, Soperton, has been officially notified that No. 345848, Pte. Albert Walter Atkins, infantry, was admitted to Number 14 Field Ambulance Hospital on October 8, wounded of contusion of the abdomen.

Liquor Cases Pending.

Inspector Taber has four cases for violation of the Ontario Temperance Act pending at Westport; one at Elgin, and one at Gananoque for this week.

Shipment of Red Cross Supplies.

The Women's Institute shipped last week to headquarters of the Red Cross, Toronto: 42 hot water bottle covers, 18 Turkish towels, 90 linen towels, 24 pillow cases, 7 sheets, 6 hospital shirts. This is the second shipment of the young people's summer work.

Soldiers Returning.

Frank Brayman and Manliff Berney have arrived in Canada, having been invalided home. They are expected to reach Athens in a few days.

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HUN FOLLOWS EVENTS HERE.

Discovery at the Front in France Proves Close German Watch on Canada.

Ottawa, October 30.—A newspaper found on a German prisoner who was taken by the Canadians on the Western front recently shows how close a watch the Huns keep on Canadian affairs. The paper contained a news dispatch purporting to come from Ottawa, which told of the passing of the Military Service Act just two days after the Act was passed by Parliament here. This little discovery is regarded as proof of the importance Germany places upon the military benefit to the Allies which will flow from the adoption by Canada of the Military Service Act. Experience has proved that Germany is a close observer of enemy countries and that every sign of strengthening or weakening is noted with the keenest interest by the Huns.

MENGES—CONLIN

The marriage took place at Hilton, N.Y., of Miss Vera Evelean Conlin and Mr. Edwin A. H. Menges on Wednesday, October 24. They will reside at 311 Jarvis street, Toronto. Miss Conlin, who is a graduate of Hahnemann Hospital, Rochester, is a native of this section, having attended high school in Athens. Her parents reside at Toledo. Her many friends here wish her many years of wedded happiness.

Plowing Match Postponed.

On account of the continuous wet weather, the Leeds County Plowing Match which was to be held at the farm of Mr. Thos. Howarth on Friday of this week, has been postponed until Friday, the 9th. The match will be unusually interesting this year as two or perhaps more tractors will be demonstrated.

Baptist Anniversary.

The anniversary services of the Athens Baptist church will be held on Sunday, November 11 at 10.30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Rev. H. W. Wright, B.A., of Smith's Falls, will be the special preacher, and special music will be given by the choir assisted by Plum Hollow friends. Following Sunday's service, will be two weeks of evangelistic meetings at which Mr. Wright will preach. A cordial invitation is extended to everyone to attend.

Christ's Church Guild Hold Apron Sale.

An apron sale was held in the Parish block Saturday afternoon and evening under the auspices of the Guild of Christ's church. The entire stock of aprons was sold, and many citizens partook of light refreshments and enjoyed the lively atmosphere of music and conversation.

Arbitration Committee.

Messrs H. H. Arnold, Athens; H. S. Johns, Algonquin; and J. E. Myers, Westport, are a committee empowered to settle a right of way dispute between Mr. Knowlton, Newboro, and the C.N.R. Mr. Knowlton would never agree to the railway's terms, and the disagreement dates back to the year '87 when the B. & W. was put through. The committee was at Newboro last week looking over the ground.

Hallowe'en Events.

The witches walk to-night. 'Tis Hallowe'en. In the lower rooms of the town hall, a masquerade is to be held, the participants to be High School students and a number of their friends. At the Methodist parsonage, a genuine Hallowe'en party will give enjoyment to many young people.

HUTTON—CROSS.

A quiet wedding was solemnized in the Methodist church Thursday morning, October 25, at 8 o'clock, by the Rev. T. J. Vickery, when Gertrude Mae Cross, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Cross, was married to Mr. Frank J. Hutton, of Guelph. The bride was unattended and looked charming in her suit of navy blue serge, with a dainty waist of apricot silk crepe, white furs and small French toque of feathers to match. Following the ceremony, a wedding breakfast was served at the residence of the bride's parents, and the happy couple motored to Smith's Falls, the home of the groom's aged mother, where they spent a half-hour before taking train for Toronto and Guelph.

The bride has been a popular clerk in the store of Mr. G. W. Beach for the past ten years, and she will be much missed from the several organizations of the Methodist church, having been a valued member of the choir, a teacher in the Sunday School, president of the Mission Circle and an ardent member of the League. She is the possessor of a fine voice and has added much to the musical and social life of the village. The best wishes of a legion of friends go with Mr. and Mrs. Hutton for a happy and prosperous married life.

W.M.S. Meeting.

Mrs. N. G. Scott, delegate to the Spencerville convention of the W.M.S. will give her report at the regular monthly meeting to be held in the vestry of the Methodist church on Thursday at 3 p.m.

NOTICE

Owing to E. Taylor going out of the auctioneer business, I hold a license for the Counties of Leeds and Grenville, and will conduct all sales that I may be favored with. Phone 94, Smith's Falls, or Athens Reporter for dates and particulars. D. C. HEALEY, Auctioneer

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