Ontario Wheat.

A few years ago, before wheat-growing in the Great West had reached anything like its present proportions, Ontario farmers carted their own wheat to the nesrest mill, and during the grinding talked politics with their neighbors till the time to return contentedly with feed or flour for home use. If at that time some soothsayer had predicted that in some sections of the province wheat grow-ing would be abandoned on account of Western competition, and that farmers would refuse to accept flour made from their own wheat when Manitoba flour was available, they would have smiled pityingly on the poor deluded pessimist

But this decline in the market is exactly what has happened to the Ontario farmer. Millers are now able to run only eight or ten hours a day, with the result that feed costs nearly double what it did in the days before the Western competition had cut into the market. It is safe to assert that during the last twenty years farmers of Ontario have lost millions through the decline in the demand for Ontario flour in this province. While here in Ontario, Western

flour has gained an enviable ascendancy, emerprising Ontario millers have been able to compete successfully with Western flour in the Maritime Provinces, where Ontario blended flours have captured the market. Enough Western wheat is added to the finely flavored, nourishing Ontario wheat to bring up the percentage of gluten to the proper strength, and now, even in Ontario the most popular loaf sold by the largest firm of bakers is made of Ontario blended flour, and the public have been quick to respond wherever the new bread is put upon the market, as it is now shipped daily to a number of towns throughout Ontario.

What has won the unprejudiced ap proval of the Eastern Provinces ought to be well worth the attention of the Ontario farmers, whose interests are best served by doing all in their power to encourage the sale of Ontario wheat As the new flours find their way into general use throughout the homes of Ontario, the wheat market will improve, and stockmen may expect to secure bran and shorts at a more reasonable figure, Increased demand for Ontario blended flour will doubtless have a great deal to do in evening up the difference in prices between Ontario and Manitoba wheat,

SCHOOL REPORTS

The work done by the pupils of S. S. 16 and 18, Brooke and Warwick, fin the examinations of this summer has been very satisfactory and the following report will be appreciated by the parents and ratepayers:—Entrance exam, total marks 650: number required to pass 390.—Alma Lucas 542 (honors), Clifford Sisson 489 (honors), Hazel Hayward 446, May Moffatt 439, Maggie Acton 411, John Bryce 403. Class II—Marks required 306.—Morley Leach 371, Reta Acton 318. Class II—Marks required 222—Florence Thrower 245, Basil Saunders 229, Basil Hoskin 222, Velma Lucas 222.—WALTER KELLY, Teacher.

Blown off Load and Killed.

Brockvill, July 22—Details of the havoc worked by Saturday's storm are just coming to hand. A peculiar fatality oc-curred near North Augusta. David Hough of Augusta was blown from a load of hay and instantly killed, life being extinct when his son, just a few feet away, arrived at his side.

Delaware Barns Hit

Delaware. July 24.—Mr. Thomas Big-nell, living on the third concession of Delaware, suffered a severe loss at 7 o'clock to-night, when his two barns were struck by lightning and completely de-stroyed. The cows were being milked when the crash came, and three of the animals were killed outright.

A young Englishman employed by Mr. Bignell, who was milking, was knocked over and rendered unconscious, but recovered later on.

Mr. Bignell had his present season's hay in the barn, and this was lost with the rest.

Few Model Schools.

Toronto, July 24.—Only five or possibly six of the existing model schools will be in operation in Ontario next year.

The government asked Mr. J. J. Tilley, provincial inspector of model schools, to institute a careful investigation and furnish the education department with a list of the model schools it was necessary or advisable to temporarily retain after the opening of the seven provincial normal schools in September, 1907.

This Mr. Tilley has done. His report, which is now undergoing preparation, will recommend the retention of the model schools at Renfrew, Sault Ste. Marie and one in the St. Lawrence dis-

Many counties made vigorous pleas to have their model schools retained for a time, and the department has been repeatedly besieged with applicants with this end in view. As a consequence Mr. Tillo was commissioned to thoroughly review the whole situation and the requirements of the varied districts. His report will indicate that, with the exception of the localities mentioned, the complete removal of the county models will be accomplished by next midsummer. The coming model term will accordingly be the last in this province.

Expecting a Big Crowd.

Port Huron, Mich., July 31.—Fully 25, 000 are expected in this city on September 11 12, the dates set for this city's big homeoming celebration. The first day will be devoted to a reception of all former Port Huron rasidedate, and the second day will be designated as "Fraternal Day," when the Knights of the Modern Maccabees and many other traternal lodges will bring the members of their order in surrounding cities here. Twenty-seven bands, an airship, and several other forms of amusement have been provided, and an effort will be made to have Goy. Warner spend two days here. The Elks of this city are making great plans to catertain their visiting brothers at their eottage at Keewahdin beach.

The Counterfeiters.

Lindsay, July 23.-Five members of the counterfeiting band under arrest here pleaded guilty before Magistrates Jackson and Moore at the court house yesterday afternoon, and were remanded until Friafternoon, and were remanded until Friday for sentence. Charles Burke, Robert Logie, John Eveleigh, Richard Wynn and Archibald Boyeau, all admitted their guilt. Inspector Rogers went on the stand and told of the confessions made by Boyeau and Logie, revealing an organized conspiracy to manufacture and dispose of counterfeit Traders' Bank bills. Logie's confession included complicity in the counterfeiting of the Bank of Montreal and Dominion Bank bills three years ago, and his statement directly implicates ago, and his statement directly implicates both George Miller and John Gostling, the remaining two of the accused.

Blaze at Petrolea.

Petrolea, July 22—A fire which caused considerable anxiety, owing to its proximity to two large lumber yards, broke out 11.30 to-night in the rear of May's elevators. Both brigades responded promptly and after half an hour's hard work succeeded in extraorithms. work succeeded in extinguishing the blaze. The damage will not be heavy.

Want a Site in Sarnia.

Sarnia, July 23.—It is possible that Sarnia may secure another industry. Representatives of an American steel tube presentatives of an American steel tube-concern were in the city yesterday look-ing for a site for a large manufactory to erected in Canada. A deputation con-sisting of Mayor Proctor, J. M. Diver, president of the board of trade; Thos. Doherty, president of the Sarnia Indus-trial Club; T. H. Cook and J. B. Dagan, met the representatives and together they trial Ciub; T. H. Cook and J. B. Dagan, met the representatives and together they visited the Grand Trunk lands at Point Edward and the vacant lands on the Sarnia Reserve. The visitors will require torty acres of land, and would employ a large number of hands. They will submit the details of their proposition to the council at an early date.

The Canadian Government, it is stated intend to establish a fish batchery at

Point Edward, and the offices of the Crosby plant are said to heve been secured for that purpose. The building will be fitted up with all the improvements and accessories of the modern hatchery.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

Good house to rent or sell. Apply to Lost-In Watford on Wednesday pearl stick pin in the shape of a wing. Finder please leave at this office.

MR. JOHN COWAN, of Cowan & Toy will during July and August be at their office in Watford on Friday night and Saturday until 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

PAY UP—Owing to a recent change in business all accounts due me must positively be paid on or before August 1st. Kindly give this attention. A. DUNLOP.

FOR SALE.—Second hand Webster's Unphridged International Divisions

Unabridged International Dictionary, 2,000 pages, 5,000 illustrations, indexed,
well bound, in good condition. Apply at this office.

Lost.—The party who picked up a ladies' black purse, containing a sum of money in P. J. Dodds' store on Saturday night will kindly return the same to this office and save trouble.

DR. BUTLER, London, will be at Watford, Roche House, on following days: Monday, Aug. 5th; Sept. 2nd and 30th; Nov. 4th; Dec. 2nd, after 3 p. m. Bye, ear, nose and throat, consultations. Eyes tested for glasses.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Willoughby air, and Mrs. T. H. Willoughby and family wish to express their thanks to the members of the Masonic and Peabody lodges and to the friends, for the kind-ness and sympathy extended to them in their bereavement.

FOR SALE.—That desirable property on the north end of Main St., Watford, con-sisting of one acre. On the premises is a frame cottage and large barn. For furth-er particulars apply on the premises to Mrs. John Cook, Watford.

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Any person who either wants to buy or sell a farm or any other property, should apply to W. E. Fitzgerald, Barrister, etc., Watford, who is prepared to act for parties in either buying or selling. Mr. Fitzgerald has several farms and considerable town property now for sale.

At the meeting of the Port Huron com-mon council on Monday evening the alder-men killed the proposition to appropriate \$1,000 for a semicentennial celebration and

TWO STARTLING DRESS GOODS BARGAINS.

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When in looking for Shoe Bargains don't forget that we can save you money on all lines of Dry Goods and Clothing.

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Ontario's Health

Toronto, July 23 .- Hon. W. J. Hanna today had a conference with Dr. Hodgetts and Dr. Sheard, provincial and city health officers respectively, in regard to health matters in general.

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In reply to questions Dr. Sheard assured the minister that health conditions here compared very favorably with those in states he had visited across the line.

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It is reported that four of the teachers on the teaching staff of the Petrolea public schools have sent in resignations which will eave four vacancies to be filled.

Andrew Crogan, the weak-minded va-grant, recently arrested by county constable Sadler, was brought to the House of Refuge-last week by High Constable Hughes.

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