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Guide-News

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The Sugar Beet Question.

The adoption of the sugar beet as one of the great staples of Canadian agriculture is in our opinion, simply a question of time. That it will encounter difficulties and opposition is certain, but that it has taken possession of the agricultural mind of the whole Dominion, Ontario included, is no longer a matter of doubt. We are glad to note the following item in our exchanges that New Brunswick has taken the lead in this interesting race, and we hope the enterprise of our sister Province will be richly rewarded.

"The ton of sugar beet seed ordered by the New Brunswick Government, for distribution among the farmers has arrived."

Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, and Quebec, are also agitated upon the question, and it has also awakened interest in the tobacco regions of the Northern States, as the only means of recuperating their exhausted soils at a profit instead of a loss. We have advocated in the columns of this journal the cultivation of the sugar beet as one of the best and cheapest means for increasing the fertility of the soil, and making it to bear the ordinary rotation of crops, independently of its value as a sugar yielding root; and farmers are so blind to their own interests as to place no faith in its profitable production for that purpose. We contend that as a forage plant, it is infinitely superior to the turnip or the mangold; the cultivation of which has largely contributed to the restoration of the worn out soils of England, enabling them to produce a larger average of the cereals than they could be brought to do a century since, and this before the costly use of imported manures had become the fashion with the wealthy and scientific farmers. The Toronto *Globe*, as its constant readers are well aware, has for years opposed the cultivation of the sugar beet in Canada, both as a forage plant and the raw material for crystallized sugar and molasses, nor has it at this date, notwithstanding the recent improvements in the manufacture of sugar, modified its unfavorable judgment in a single point, for in its issue of March 20th, in a brief article on the question, says:

"It would be an improvement if those journals which have devoted space to raising hopes of prosperity to secure from the establishment of beet sugar factories in Canada would also give a few of the facts on the other side of the question."

It then proceeds to formulate its objections which, when condensed, will read as follows:—

1st. That the estimate of 15 to 30 tons of sugar beets to the acre is excessive, the roots being much smaller than other varieties, scarcely ever weighing more than a pound to one and a half pounds each, and that \$4 per ton for sugar beets which are likely to yield less than 100 lbs. to the acre rather than more, will not be sufficient inducement to the farmers to go into the business.

2nd. That the pulp, about which so much fuss has been made, would not be worth the time and trouble to haul it back from the factory for cattle feed, at the present price of Canadian meat, 3 to 5 cents per pound, the average realized by our farmers, whilst meat in Paris is now two and a half francs per pound, and the average price over a franc and a half, that is 25 pence English maximum price, and fifteen pence on the average.

The *Globe* admits that it could be profitably fed to cattle at the factories, but then the profit would not go to the farmers, but to the owners of the factory. It says:

The hauling of the beets to the factory, say a distance of three or four miles, which must be done in a few weeks between the ripening of the crops and the coming of the frost, would be an awful job as our roads are then at their worst, and that there is a great deal to be settled in the matter before the general point, that is, the profitability of sugar raising can be decided, and that branch of the business is even more open to doubt than is the purely agricultural question whether the beets can be grown and hauled to a certain distance for \$4 per ton.

With all due respect to the opinion of such an eminent authority as the agricultural Editor of the *Globe*, and with a slight misgiving as to our own temerity in venturing to dissent therefrom, we can come to no other conclusion than this—that if the advocates of the cultivation of sugar beets, with a view to their manufacture, have taken too deep a tinted rose color of the question, that its opponents have fallen in to the opposite, and that, as in the case of all other extremes, the truth will be found, by searching, to be equidistant between them.

The first objection, we think, can be easily disposed of. The estimate of the average weight per acre is no doubt correct according to European returns; what it would be in Canada is another question, but we have no reason for doubting that it would be less. The sugar beet is not, however, naturally so small a root as the Editor of the *Globe* would fain lead his readers to believe, and they can easily be grown to weigh ten pounds each, if required; but such is not the case, small roots of two or three pounds each are found to yield more saccharine matter than beets of double or treble their weight, and consequently their cultivation is conducted with a view to that end, they are allowed to grow closer and are earthed up so as to concentrate, as far as possible, in a small compass, the carbon imbibed from the atmosphere through their large succulent leaves. Where they are permitted to grow to monstrous sizes, like the prize turnips and mangolds exhibited annually at our agricultural fairs, the bulky roots would only furnish to the sugar manufacturer a large excess of water and insoluble carbon, which to him at least could yield no profit, except with respect to the greater amount of pulp, and not then if his contract bound him to return it to the owner.

The second objection is still less difficult to answer, for the grower is master of his option either to exact a return of the pulp or to receive its equivalent in cash, say an extra \$1 per ton, and as in all probability the majority of the factories, if ever constructed, will be built on the co-operative system, the farmer could secure his fair proportion of the profits by taking shares in the stock, when he would get his full value for his raw material and its manufacture.

With regard to the next—the exorbitant prices of meat in Paris, which would place its consumption beyond the means of the proletarian classes, we think they are overstated, and even if correct, do not bear upon the fact that Paris is not France, and that throughout all the sugar beet growing districts in that country, and also in Germany, Belgium, Holland, Austria, and even Southern Russia, the sugar beet has become one of the most profitable staples in every one of the benefits claimed for it, the pulp included.

The *Globe* does not take the slightest notice of the new system of beet sugar manufacture, which is rapidly superseding the old, and rendering unnecessary the immense building and costly appliances which have hitherto necessitated the investment of such large capitals, absorbing a large percentage of profits and interests. It looks upon the whole question with jaundiced optics and narrows it down to this fine point—will it pay for farmers to grow and haul beets at \$4 per ton, when an acre will only yield about 400 bushels, according to its depreciated estimate. We will not venture to formulate any calculations as to the positive amount of gain that may be reckoned upon by the introduction of sugar beet cultivation and requisite factories, but this much we do believe, that our wheat average is yearly becoming less from exhaustion of the soil; that the extension of the wheat growing acres in the North West will keep prices down to the minimum, and that in view of these two incontrovertible facts, it is the duty of the Ontario Government and all the County Councils in the Province, to aid in the introduction of Beet Sugar or any other new staple that shows fair probability of being a success.

The price quoted, \$4 a ton, is certainly the minimum; \$5 is generally stated as what the factories could afford to give, but at either quotations we claim that directly it would prove more profitable in the future than the average of wheat, and that the benefit to the soil would be so much clear gain, leaving the pulp entirely out of the question, until its value has been demonstrated by trial. The farmers, we are aware, are rigidly conservative in agricultural matters, but when once an experiment proves a success, then they rise en masse to the other extreme.

BORN.

On Saturday the 28th ult., the wife of Robt. Styles, Brooke of a daughter.
On Tuesday the 1st inst., the wife of John Tingy, of a daughter.
On Wednesday the 2nd inst., the wife of A. McDonald, Brooke, of a son.
On the 21st ult., the wife of Luke Phillips, Watford, of a daughter.
On the 31st ult., the wife of John McLean Watford, of a daughter.

Lambton Spring Assizes.

The courts of *Oyer and Terminer* and *General Gaol Delivery*, and of *Assize and Nisi Prius*, were opened yesterday by Mr. Justice Galt. The Civil Dock, et showed five jury and seven non-jury cases, and the Sheriff's calendar contained four cases for trial of parties in gaol, and it was understood that several parties out on bail will be put upon their trial, making in all about 13 criminal cases to be disposed of. The Court having been opened with the usual formalities, His Hon. Judge Robinson, was sworn in as Surrogate Judge of the Maritime Court; after which the following gentlemen answered to their names as Grand Jurors:

Wm. Ainsley, Brooke; Edwin Amsden, Euphemia; John Armstrong, Plympton; Jas. Armstrong, Plympton; Wm. Auld, Warwick; Robt. Brownlee, Enniskillen; Jas. Beaton, Enniskillen; John Brown, Plympton; Francis Blaike, Sarnia; J.S. Burnham, Sarnia; Jas. H. Collins, Desanquet; John Githbertson, Enniskillen; Wm. D. Drew, Euphemia; Jas. Gray, Moore; Arch. Gibb Moore; Frome F. Johnston, Moore; Alex. Johnston, Moore; Robt. King, Brooke; Duncan Livingstone, Sarnia Township; Neil Leckie, Sarnia Township.

Mr. Amsden having been chosen foreman, His Lordship charged the Grand Jury briefly upon the nature of their duties when they retired to their room for the discharge of business.

The following cases were then disposed of:

Peace vs. Champion—Ejectment— Verdict for plaintiff by consent. Lister for plaintiff, Mackenzie for defendant.

Barker vs. Ottawa Agricultural Insurance Co.— Action on a policy of insurance. Verdict for plaintiff by consent. Hagler for plaintiff, Mulock for defendant.

Superior Loan and Savings Society vs. Stapleton—Ejectment— Verdict for plaintiff by consent. Fitzgerald for plaintiff, Lister for defendant.

The Grand Jury returned into Court with True Bills on two indictments against Albert Rhymsen, alias John Linker for forgery.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

R. T. Bodaly, WATFORD.

Keeps constantly on hand a large and well assorted stock of **Light & Heavy Harness Collars a Specialty.**

A large assortment of Curry Combs, Brushes and Cards always on hand and cheaper than any other place in town. Whips in great variety. I also keep the best Harness Oil. Repairing neatly done at short notice. A call solicited. Remember the place. Sign of the Big Collar. R. T. BODALY.

October 16th, 1878.—1yr

MORTGAGE SALE!

Default having been made in payment of a certain Mortgage, bearing date the Fourth day of January, 1878, made by John Maclean, of the Village of Watford, in the County of Lambton, merchant, (which mortgage will be produced at the time of sale) the following lands and premises lying under the power of sale contained in said mortgage, be sold by Public Auction

At Baker's Hotel, in said Village, viz: all and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the **VILLAGE OF WATFORD**, in the County of Lambton, being composed of part of Block letter "E" in Reid's Survey of an addition to the said Village of Watford, forming part of the subdivision of the West half of Lot Number Nineteen in the Fifth concession, South of the Egremont Road, in the Township of Warwick, containing one fifth of an acre more or less, which may be otherwise known and described as follows: commencing at a point on the North side of Ontario Street, Twenty Rods East from Main Street, thence North one hundred and thirty-two feet, thence East sixty-six feet, thence South one hundred and thirty-two feet, thence West sixty-six feet to the place of beginning. The day of sale will be

MONDAY, 21st APRIL, 1879, At 4 o'clock p.m. On the premises a good two story dwelling house with sheds, stable, &c., in good repair. One fifth of the purchase money will be required to be paid down at the time of sale and the balance in ten days thereafter. For further particulars apply to

J. F. ELLIOTT, or to GREGG & GREENLEAF, Auctioneers, Watford. Vendors' Solicitors April 4th, 1879. 3in

MORTGAGE SALE

OF VALUABLE **REAL ESTATE.** IN THE Townships of Plympton & Enniskillen

Under the power of Sale in a Registered Mortgage, made by Lillian Pelee and wife, and dated the Twenty-eighth day of January, 1878, will be sold by Public Auction by

E. P. WATSON, AUCTIONEER, AT Durand's Hotel, in the Village of Wyoming ON

Saturday, 19th April, 1879, At one o'clock p.m., the following freehold property, viz:—

FIRST.—The East quarter of Lot number twenty-nine, in the Second Concession of the Township of Plympton, in the County of Lambton, containing by admeasurement Fifty Acres more or less. About forty-seven acres of this parcel cleared; soil clay loam. Small young orchard, and a Creek on the premises. The Buildings consist of a Dwelling-house, Stable and Barn, all log; Fences and Roads good. Distance from Watford (Station on G.W.R.) about one and a half miles.

J. W. BENSON, WATCH AND CLOCK MAKER

To the QUEEN and ROYAL FAMILY, and by Special Appointment to H. R. H. the PRINCE OF WALES, H. I. M. the EMPEROR OF RUSSIA, the MAHARAJAH OF BERNWAS, and to several Indian Princes. Prize Medals—London, Dublin & Paris.

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BENSON'S WATCHES, of every description, suitable for all climates, from \$2 to 200 guineas. Chronographs, Chronometers, Keyless Levers, Presentation Repeaters, Railway Guards, Soldiers, and Workmen's Watches of Extra Strength.

BENSON'S CLOCKS—for Churches, Towers or Public Buildings, Dining or Drawing Room, Library, Carriage, Church, Hall or Shop. Perpetual Calendars, Wind Dials, &c. ARTISTIC ENGLISH Clocks decorated with Wedgwood and other wares, designed to suit any style of furniture; also as novelties for Presents. Made only by BENSON. From £5. 5s.

BENSON'S GOLD JEWELLERY, of the richest and most exquisite designs, with Monograms, Crests and Devices, Enamelled in Colors, after Designs by the most accomplished Artists in the Precious Metals: Brooches, Bracelets, Necklaces, Lockets, Rings, and all kinds of *Bijouterie* as supplied to Members of the Court, and other Distinguished Personages.

Merchants, Shippers and Wholesale Buyers, are specially invited, before sending their orders elsewhere, to obtain from the manufacturer the Illustrated Catalogue of Watches, Clocks, Chains, Jewellery, Silver, and Electro-plate, which are sent post free, as not only are the discounts liberal, but a selection can be made from the largest stock in the world. Orders should be sent direct to the Manufacturer, Ludgate Hill.

STEAM FACTORY AND CITY SHOW ROOMS, LUDGATE HILL, LONDON. WEST END ESTABLISHMENT, 25 OLD BOND STREET

Watford, Nov. 22nd, 1878.—1yr.

Drs. HARVEY & STANLEY, Physicians, Surgeons, Etc.

OFFICE AND RESIDENCE, FRONT STREET, WATFORD.

LEANDER HARVEY M. D. Graduate Royal College Physicians and Surgeons, Kingston, and the University of Philadelphia. Member College Physicians and Surgeons, Ont. Coroner County Lambton. Watford, July 26, 1878.

URIAH M. STANLEY M. D. Graduate of Trinity University and of the University of Toronto. Fellow of Trinity Medical College. Member of the College Physicians and Surgeons, Ont. At Watford Tuesdays and Fridays from 9 to 11 a.m. 1yr.

FOR SALE.

A Saddle, Bridle, and Martingale (good) for sale, nearly new. Also a Sulky and single set of harness. Apply to PHILADELPHIA, MENTOR COLLEGE, March 28th, 1879.—3in. Alvinston.

Millinery & Dressmaking.

MISS E. MINIELLY, Begs to inform the inhabitants of Watford and vicinity that she has received her **SPRING STOCK** of **Millinery and Fancy Goods,** which she will sell cheaper than the cheapest. Thanking the public for past patronage would solicit a continuance of the same. Call and see my stock before purchasing elsewhere. March 28th, 1879. 1yr.

MORTGAGE SALE.

UNDER AND BY VIRTUE of the power of sale contained in an Indenture of Mortgage made by Eliza McPherson and James C. McPherson, to Richard Dillan (Correspondent, Dated the 11th day of September, A.D. 1878, there will be offered for sale, by Public Auction, at the premises in the **Village of Alvinston,** ON **Saturday April 5th '79,** at one o'clock p.m. this certain parcel of land known as Village Lot number (21) twenty-one, on the east side of River Street, in Wagner's survey, in said Village of Alvinston, more particularly described in said mortgage. There is a good hotel and barn on the premises. The above property is centrally situated in the Village. For particulars and conditions of sale apply to

R. D. CORRENTINE, or RICHARD CORRENTINE, Mortgagee, Watford, Brooke, March 12th, 1879.—2

Elarton Salt Works.

Fine Salt for General Purposes, **Large Grained Salt for Curing.** The latter is the best Salt to sow. C. J. KINGSTONE, Agent, Warwick West, P. O. March 28th, 1879.—2in

TENDERS!

Sealed tenders will be received by the undersigned up to **April 1st, 1879,** for such pine lumber and hewed sawing, as may be required by the Corporation of the Village of Watford, for the year 1879. The plank to be of a uniform length and width, such as the committee ordering them may require. The Council will not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender. Said lumber to be paid for after the taxes are collected.

ALSO,

Sealed tenders will be received up to **May 1st, 1879,** for Paving Stones per cord, to be delivered on Main Street, Watford. The said stones not to be less than five inches in diameter, and to pass the inspection of the Board of Works, or any person they may appoint. T. D. STICKLE, Clerk. March 28th, 1879.

EAST LAMBTON LIBERAL CONSERVATIVE CONVENTION

The Liberal Conservative Association of East Lambton will meet at the **Town Hall, Watford** ON **TUESDAY, APRIL 8th,** At one o'clock p.m., for the purpose of **Selecting a Candidate** For the representation of the Riding in The Legislative Assembly of Ontario

Delegates are requested to be punctual in attendance and bring their credentials with them. Conservative friends will be cordially welcomed. J. A. COUSE, President. T. D. STICKLE, Secretary. March 28th, 1879.

Farms for Sale.

FARM 1—The undersigned will dispose of that splendidly situated farm being the south-half of lot 5, in the 6th con.; S. E. R., Warwick, containing 100 acres. The soil is of good quality, well timbered with Black Ash, Elm and Oak. Good road and Township drain running by said premises.

FARM 2—Composed of north west part of lot No. 6, 14th con. Township of Brooke, containing 100 acres. On this lot there is 40 acres cleared and 10 acres chopped in fallow. Frame house log barn and stable; also a splendid spring of water 18 feet deep. A nice row of Balm of Gilead and soft maple trees along front of lot and down both sides of the lane leading through the farm. The land is of first-class quality and well timbered with hardwood. There is no county drainage on either of these farms. TERMS.—Small amount down, balance in five years with reasonable interest, to suit purchasers. For further particulars apply to

ELISHA SAUNDERS, Watford, P. O. On or lot 17, 14th con. Brooke. Feb. 14th, 1879.—3 m

CREDIT SALE OF NEW HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

The undersigned has received instructions from

MR. H. COOK,

TO SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION AT HIS SHOW ROOMS, MAIN ST., ON

SATURDAY, APRIL 12th, 1879

Consisting of

Sideboards, Bureaus, Cupboards, Bedsteads, Lounges, Tables, Chairs, Parlor Brackets,

Flower Stands, Chromos, and numerous other articles. The whole of the Stock will be sold without reserve. This will be a good opportunity for those starting housekeeping, as the whole of the stock is new, and bargains may be expected. Sale to begin at one o'clock sharp. TERMS—\$10 and under cash, over that amount 6 months credit on furnishing approved joint notes. 8 per cent. allowed for cash on all sums over \$10. Watford, November 22nd, 1878.—6in.

H. LANE, Auctioneer.

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Protect your feet by purchasing your

BOOTS & SHOES

Of all kinds at Rodgers' Bros. Small profits and quick returns being our motto.

Geo. H. Rodgers. Lance. C. Rodgers.

Watford November 22nd 1878.—3 m.

THE NATIONAL POLICY.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAVING PURCHASED THE ENTIRE STOCK OF GOODS OF MR. JOHN McLEAN, IN

THE GREAT EASTERN STORE,

Begs to announce to the people of Watford and vicinity that the Whole Stock will be sold off at once,

AT TWENTY PER CENT. BELOW COST.

THE STOCK IS IN GOOD CONDITION AND COMPRISES

STAPLE DRY GOODS, READY-MADE CLOTHING, TWEEDS, HATS, CAPS, FURS,

And a General Stock of Groceries.

Sale To Commence Next Saturday Morning, And to be continued until the whole Stock is disposed of. A call and inspection respectfully solicited. Do not miss this chance.

I. N. BURDICK,

Watford, March 21st 1879.—1 m

1879. PLOWS THAT ARE PLOWS. 1879.

D. McTavish & Son, Watford. Are now manufacturing Plows at prices to suit the times. Having decided to dispense with peddlers they have determined to give the benefit to those ordering at the shop at greatly reduced prices.

SEE PRICE LIST:

Sid Plows, iron frame, steel mould and landside socket point, \$30.00; extra sock and coulter, \$4.00. General purpose Plow iron beam and handles, cast landside, steel mould, box coulter hole, \$25.00. Iron beam, wood handles, cast landside, steel mould, shackle fastening for coulter \$17.00. The above moulds are all of the Scotch Gray Pattern. Stubble Plow, cast landside, steel mould, iron beam, wood handle, Barrowman pattern of mould, \$17.00. This plow cannot be surpassed for stubble work. The wood handled Plows have iron bracing between handles. We have secured the sole use of the McCarthy mould, and we would draw the attention of those wanting to get plows suitable for plowing patch work to call and examine before purchasing elsewhere, as this mould has been pronounced by competent judges to be the best soil mould in the Province.

All Plows made of good material, superior workmanship and warranted to give satisfaction or money refunded. A discount of seven per cent. allowed to parties ordering four or more Plows at one time. Plows of all kinds repaired at reasonable charges. All orders addressed to the undersigned will receive prompt attention. D. McTAVISH & SON, WATFORD, ONT.

Feb. 21st, 1879.—2in.

SAMUEL HOWDEN,

In thanking the public for their very liberal patronage during the last ten years and soliciting a continuance of the same, takes this opportunity of informing them that he has now the

The Largest and Best Selected Stock

BOOTS AND SHOES

Ever offered in Watford, which for style, durability and cheapness can't be beat.

HIS CUSTOM DEPARTMENT

Has been replenished with all the best kinds of leather, and he is now prepared to make to order on the shortest notice and in the very latest style. Also a large stock of

TRUNKS, VALISES, ETC.

Brown Jones and Robinson get their Boots of him, and they say they are just as good as the advertisement says.

My shoes are good, my leather's tough, My instruments the best, My wax and thread are real good stuff, My work will stand the test; In wet and cold, in frost and snow, My boots will please you well; I make them good and charge them low, Because I wish to sell.

Good Boots and Shoes together, Let doctors all say what they will, Depend there's nought like leather. Step in and try, who want to buy, I'll please you, if I can; For truth to tell, I'll use you well, As far as any man, Where every one that buys will find Good fit and workmanship combined.

Agent for the Wenzel Sewing Machine. All parties indebted to me will please settle before January 1st. Watford, Feb 4th, 1879. 1yr