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The only fur-bearing animal that
appears to be holding its own in
woman.—Duluth Herald.

Evangeline Booth, head of the Sal-
vation Army in the United States,
says that when you find a silly girl
you usually find a silly mother.
Probably there will be less talk now
about the number of silly daughters

**Horticultural
Convention**

The eighteenth annual convention
of the Ontario Horticultural Associa-
tion was held in the King Edward
Hotel, Toronto, on Thursday and
Friday, February the 7th and 8th.

Delegates registered Thursday
morning at 9 o'clock, there were a-
bout 350 delegates present. Con-
vention opened at 9.30 with George
Simpson of Ottawa in the chair.
Rev. W. M. MacKay read the Presi-
dential address of J. P. Jaffray of
Galt, who is at present in Scotland
as Canadian Immigration officer.

Then followed the report of the Su-
perintendent, J. Lockie Wilson of
Toronto, containing the information
that 24 new societies were organized
in 1923 and the total membership is
now over 50,000. Many of the new
societies were formed in the town-
ships.

Rev. G. W. Tebbis of Burlington
gave an illustrated lecture on beauti-
fication by means of flowers and
shrubbery. In showing us his pic-
tures he gave us the view of waste
and swamp-like lands and then the
views when all was in flowers and
growing shrubs, trees, etc.

J. B. Spencer B.S.A., Ottawa,
spoke on street tree planting and
horticulture, as to the variety and
kinds, also spacing between trees,
pruning and trimming of trees.

Thursday afternoon
Address of Welcome by Mayor
Hiltz of Toronto. The Mayor was
not able to be present at the open-
ing session this morning. He gave
the delegates a very hearty welcome
and spoke very highly of the work
being done by the Horticultural So-
cieties. He said his wish was when
he gets old that he would like a
few hours work in his garden in the
morning, late in the afternoon and
evening be on the bowling green and
after that a game of checkers, and
for the long winter months it would
be checkers all the time, and looking
for spring.

Prof. W. T. McCoun, Ottawa,
spoke on the Iris, giving us splendid
views and colors of the Iris. There
are 233 varieties along the walk of
the Agricultural Farm at Ottawa.

A. B. Scott, Galt, Kiwanis, Rotary
and other clubs in co-operation with
Horticulture working together in
cleaning up streets, dumps, etc.,
planting parks, playgrounds, foun-
tains, tree planting, etc.

F. A. Kent, Port Perry, on "Dahlia
and My Other Garden Flowers"
illustrated with views showing the
land in its young state and also after
planting. The pictures on roses
were wonderful. He told us he has
as many as 1000 visitors on a Sun-
day to his gardens.

Prof. R. R. Graham, Guelph on
"Staging and Judging Flowers"
spoke in favor and strongly recom-
mended holding flower shows, and
people should learn to know the
value of a pinch of salt, salt petre,
etc., for the different kinds of plants
These instructions could be given at
the shows.

Mrs. Dunnington Grubb, Toronto,
spoke on "Canadian Gardens," their
lay-out and also what can be done
with any kind of ground put into
shape for a successful garden. Her
slides and views were good.

Geo. D. Cash, Mimico Beach, on
"Dahlia's" best flower grown, bloom
from end of July until the frost
comes, showed slides of great variety
of colors and sizes, how to plant,
cultivate, etc.

Thursday evening
Banquet at 6.30, followed by ad-
dress from the Hon. John S. Martin,
Provincial Minister of Agriculture,
who said that the love of farming
is instinctive in our natures. Gard-
ening in a small way is the one
outlet for people who live in towns
and cities who love to make things
grow. Nothing in the world will
give the man or woman who loves it
more pleasure than this kind of re-
creation.

Wherever there is a flourishing
Horticultural Society, continued Mr.
Martin, you find it reflects in the
appearance of the homes and in the
planting itself. These societies have
done a great deal, but there is much
more to do.

Hereafter it has been almost ex-
clusively confined to the towns, vil-
lages and cities, and the next step
must be into the townships. People
on farms have not found it neces-
sary to take an interest in gardening
and have restricted their efforts to
the raising of field crops. That so
many farms have nothing about
them which tends to beautify them
is perhaps the reason that so many
young men are forsaking the land.

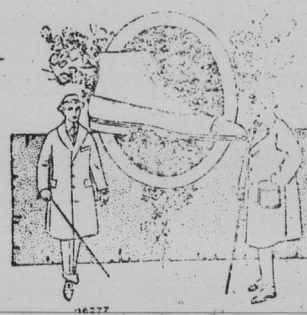
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There are 188 organized societies in
Ontario, 27 of these are not affiliat-
ed with the Ontario Horticultural
Association.

J. E. Carter, Guelph, who is a
representative of the Canadian Coun-
cil, reported that all members of the
Society would receive a Blue Book
containing the report and valuable
information as to horticulture, registra-
tion of plants, etc.

H. J. Moore, Toronto, on "Cultiva-
tion and Uses of Perennials" illus-
trated with views, where a plant,
explaining the nature of soils, and
the use of different fertilizers.

Friday Afternoon
Nominations and Election of Offi-
cers, reports of the Resolution Com-
mittee.

Demonstration by S. A. McFadden,
of Toronto on the arrangements of
cut flowers in the home.

W. J. Potter, Toronto, spoke on
"Native Ferns and Flowers." Ow-
ning to the time being short he was
not given enough time for his sub-
ject. He mentioned certain wild
flowers which would do well in our
gardens, if proper care were given.
After this a photo was taken of
the delegates and then autos con-
veyed the delegates out to Lady
Eaton's green houses. This was a
treat to all who were able to go.

Signed: W. G. Helwig, J. A. John-
ston, delegates Mildmay Society.

**BOETTGER WINS CASE
— AGAINST T.P. OF SAUGEEN**

After reserving his decision for
several weeks in order to look up
the law, Judge Greig, this week de-
livered judgement in the above case,
dismissing the township's claim in a
suit to recover taxes.

As previously reported in these
columns Herman Boettger, a farmer
of Concession 3, Saugeen, objected to
an assessment of \$14.25 in his tax
bill for statute labor commuted, on
the ground that he had not been
given the opportunity to work out
his statute labor as required by the
law, the point over which the town-
ship failed to give him notice to
do the work. Boettger tendered pay-
ment to the bank of the proper amount
of his other taxes on Dec. 12,
the last day for payment before the
five per cent. penalty could be en-
forced, and payment was refused by
the bank. The township then brought
suit against the defendant for the

amount of his taxes—\$137.05, and
\$6.85 the five per cent. penalty, in
total \$143.90, and the case was tried
at the sittings of the Division Court
held at Port Elgin on Jan. 4th last.

By the decision of the Judge the
amount tendered by the defendant
to the bank was the proper amount
owing, and should have been accept-
ed, the Judge ruling that the failure
on the part of the road overseer to
give the required notice was fatal
to the plaintiff's claim, and that
the five per cent. penalty could not
be enforced. As the defendant had
failed to give proper notice of pay-
ment into court of the amount ten-
dered he was assessed the court
costs, the township being charged
with the witness fees.

The decision establishes a pre-
cedent for councils in those municipa-
lities where statute labor is com-
muted, as any failure on the part of
municipal officers to carry out the
strict requirements of the Act or
by-law renders the imposition of
the commutation tax illegal.

**WANT OUTSIDE BUTCHER
TAXED**

At the last meeting of the Walk-
erton town council a resolution was
introduced by Councillor Erdman to
impose a tax of \$25.00 or more on a
Formosa butcher who was selling
meat in town. He said if the butcher
were a farmer selling the product of
his farm he would not object, but he
was doing business here without pay-
ing a cent of rent or taxes while the
local butchers were paying hundreds
of dollars. The council was not
unanimous. One member did not see
why the local butchers should be put
in glass cases. The drygoods stores
and merchants in other lines were
not protected against pedlars he said.
Some of the people who were doing
the most "hollering" were Timothy
Eaton's best customers. Councillors
Glantz thought if he could save the
poor people a little money he should
be allowed to do it. As a rebuttal
Councillor Erdman said the poor
people paid cash to the outside and
bought from the local butchers on credit.
As the discussion proceeded a
legal opinion of two years ago was
brought up by the clerk when it was
learned that if outside dealers were
licensed the local dealers would have
to be licensed also and local grocers
selling meat would be subject to a
similar tax with the result that high-

WHAT IF WE TOLD THE TRUTH

A short time ago the editor of a
paper grew tired of being called a
liar, and announced that he would
in the future handle the truth only.
His next issue contained the follow-
ing items:

John Benin, the laziest man in
town, made a trip to Bevil on Mon-
day.

John Cook, our groceryman, is do-
ing poorer business. His store is
dusty and dirty. How can he expect
to do much?

The Rev. Sny preached last Sun-
day on charity. The sermon was
punk.

Dave Cranky died at his home

here Tuesday. The doctor gave
him that moonshine killed him.

Miss Sylvia Rhodes and Sam Col-
lins were married Saturday at the
Presbyterian parsonage. The bride
is a very ordinary town girl, who
doesn't know any more about con-
templating than a jack rabbit and never
helped her mother three days in her
life. She is not a beauty and has
a gait like a duck. The groom is
an up-to-date loafer. He is
living off the old folks' money,
and is not worth shucks.

Any newspaper man in the
county could turn his country upside down
by publishing so small a portion
one-fourth of the things he knows
and keeps under his hat.

JUS

Dear Sir: I am
about what I over-
ratchet. I ain't
soon as the folks
out. If this was Judgement
and you no more prepared to
your God than I am to meet
account, you sho would go to hell