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BROCKVILLE'S GREATEST STORE

FACTS for PRUDENT PEOPLE

Many customers have asked us recently for a frank opinion as to future prices.

Our purpose in publishing this statement is not to urge people to buy goods. In fact, we think it is good judgment in these times not to purchase things that can be conveniently done without.

There are certain lines of merchandise that can be bought to better advantage now.

If you will require these goods within the next year, there is certainly money to be saved by purchasing NOW. In fact, we are told by agents that some articles will be entirely off the market before next January.

All classes of cotton and woolen fabrics will be much higher. Linen will take a big jump. Cashmere hose will advance at least fifty per cent. Cotton, Silk and woolen hose will be from 25 to 50 per cent higher. Woolen, lisle, and cotton underwear will be from 25 to 50 per cent up. Woolen mitts and gloves at least one-third more. Kid gloves will go up, and all other staple articles from soap to blankets.

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NEWS ITEMS

Brief Notes of Interest to Town and Rural Readers.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanton, of Edmonton are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jas Hanna.

Mrs. Frank Foley is spending a few days this week in Kingston with her sister.

Mrs. John Bell (nee Enid Stewart) of Smith's Falls, is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. A. Lamb.

Miss Taggart of Westport, was a recent visitor in the village, a guest of her sister Mrs. A. Robeson.

Mrs. L. Halliday and baby of Elgin have been spending a few days in the village, guests of the former's parents Mr. and Mrs. S. Knowlton.

Miss Adda Mulvaugh is spending the winter with relatives at Junctown and Lansdowne.

Mrs. D. L. Johnston is now convalescing from an attack of appendicitis.

Six new Ford cars arrived here at the station for the agent, Mr. H. Newcome, Plum Hollow, and have been stored in the W. B. Percival warehouses.

Mr. Alex Compo has returned to Athens from Smith's Falls, and for the past few days has been suffering from a severe cold at the home of his son, R. J. Campo.

Mrs. E. Duffield has been confined to her home the past week, suffering from congestion of the lungs.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Hyland, of Cusheon, spent the week end in Athens, guests of the latter's brother, Mr. N. E. Smith.

Mrs. Austin of the Canadian West, was a recent visitor in the village, a guest of her sister, Mrs. Arza Sherman.

On Saturday afternoon last, Mrs. G. W. Beach very pleasantly entertained about a score of the ladies living near her home at a knitting bee for the soldiers.

Last week the Reporter was privileged to examine a copy of the British Central Canadian published at Brockville, in 1862. One of the advertisements was for the St. Lawrence Hall owned by our venerable citizen, Mr. H. C. Phillips.

Mr. Ward Leahy, of the Merchants Bank, returned yesterday from a week's vacation at his home in Orms-town, Que., and leaves shortly for Mildmay, Ont., where he will join that branch of the bank.

One of the most astonishing phases of our day is the growth of the cigarette habit. "The Lancet," the celebrated medical journal, denounces the cigarette as one of the most potent enemies to longevity.

A Montreal lady gave her husband a New Year's present of a bouncing baby boy. This is their twenty-fifth child. All are alive and healthy. The woman is 42 years of age and the husband 45. Such a family deserves public recognition of some sort.

It is estimated that about 47,000 horses and mules are killed or injured every month on the western front. The injured animals are cared for at veterinary hospitals—sometimes operations are necessary—and many of them are made fit for further service.

The new brand of flour which the food controller's order will make the only kind permissible for household use is said to make bread somewhat darker in color than the patent flours but the wholesomeness of the bread is not impaired in the least. The cost of bread should now go down, as the new flour is about one third less in cost than the other variety.

Bishop Horner Ill.
Bishop R. C. Horner, Ottawa, one of the leaders of the Holiness Movement church, is critically ill with pneumonia in the Alice Hyde Hospital, in Malone, N. Y. Bishop Horner went to Malone to preside at the Holiness Movement convention and became seriously ill after his arrival there. He was removed to the hospital. Bishop Horner is sixty-four years of age and is widely known.

DELTA LOSES TO A.H.S.

Home Team Proves Superior in Speed and Endurance—Score 7-1.

Delta team put up a game fight at the rink Thursday afternoon but lost out by a score of 7-1 when they again went up against the A.H.S. Clean hockey was played, misdemeanors being rare occurrences. In a previous game no scores were tallied by either team, and the Delta boys returned with every confidence in their ability to walk over the school seven. But without a rink, they had no chance to practice, a circumstance which placed them at a severe disadvantage. They went on the ice against the students who had been improving daily in team work and endurance, and the result was disappointing from their point of view.

The game was marked by many individual rushes with mix-ups around the nets. There was much promiscuous shooting and the goal-tenders had to be on the job continually.

LIBRARY BOARD FOR 1918

Athens Public Library Had a Successful Year—Increase in Membership.

At the annual meeting of the Athens Public Library held in the town hall last evening, a new board was appointed for the ensuing year. It is composed of the following: Mrs. C. F. Yates, Mrs. H. E. Cornell, Miss Alley, Mrs. D. L. Johnston, Rev. Rural Dean Swayne, Reeve Holmes, Rev. T. J. Vickery, E. Taylor, W. G. Parish.

During 1917, about 100 new books were placed on the shelves at a cost of \$110. The membership increased considerably, and the library is happily in a thriving condition. Tickets are sold granting the privilege of borrowing 25 books for 50c, or 12 books for 25c. In the village, there are many people who do not patronize the library, and The Reporter respectfully suggests that these citizens buy at least one ticket in a year, if not for their own benefit, for the benefit of the boys and girls, to whom the need of a library is great.

The meeting last night was well attended and the following numbers were heard with much appreciation: Instrumental—Miss Finch. "Books"—Rev. T. J. Vickery. Solo—Miss Anna Goodfellow. "Selection of Books"—Miss Allen. Instrumental—Miss Finch.

W. I. Holds Interesting Meeting.
The Women's Institute meeting held on January 26 was well attended, and an interesting program was given.

The paper on "Canada's National Resources" was much enjoyed, Mr. Burchell showing clearly that the Dominion is one of the finest countries in the world. Miss G. Yates also gave an instructive paper on "Current Events of 1917." A piano duet by Misses Lillian Burchell and Gwendolyn Wiltse was a pleasing number. The ladies of the Institute will meet at the home of Mrs. E. Taylor on Thursday evening to pack boxes for the boys in France.

DEATH OF MRS. JOHN COWAN

The death occurred on Sunday at the home of her son in Chantry, of Mrs. John Cowan, relict of the late John Cowan. Death was due to a paralytic stroke. She was born 73 years ago in the locality between Outlet and Lansdowne. Her maiden name was Mary Ann Cross, her father being the late George Cross.

She leaves to mourn her loss one son and four daughters. Of late years she had resided with her son Winford in Athens and lately at Chantry.

The funeral took place on Monday from Chantry to the Methodist Church, Athens. Rev. T. J. Vickery, of Athens, officiated.

The pall-bearers were Wm. Jacob, Malcolm Brown, E. McLean, Mort Topping.

The late Mrs. Cowan was a Methodist and a member of the W. M. S.

Will They Pay Poll Tax?

Is it possible that all the unmarried ladies who voted on December 17 will now be called upon to pay a \$5 poll tax? We can see no reason why they should not. If women are given equal suffrage, they should be called upon to assume equal obligations.—North Bay Times.

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LOCAL ITEMS

A Large Contribution
The Sunday School of the Athens Methodist Church has made a contribution of \$218.20 to the fund for the relief of Armenians and Syrians in the devastated Balkans. The money was sent to D. A. Cameron, Dominion treasurer of the fund, Bank of Commerce, Toronto.

Now in France.
The remainder of the Leeds and Grenville Battalion has crossed from England to France. Many local boys are in this draft.

Carleton Moving Hydro Way.
At a meeting of the Carleton Place Council it was decided to interview the owner of the local electric power plant with a view to purchasing it and then linking up with Hydro.

Delays in Publication
The heavy snow storms of this winter with the accompanying slowness of express deliveries have been the cause several times, of delaying the publication of the Reporter. As paper is shipped to us weekly in plenty of time to reach Athens for publishing day (Wednesday) there is no remedy for delays. Many express trains have been taken off on account of the scarcity of coal; for such conditions we must perforce make allowance.

Purchased Building
Mr. C. H. Buell has purchased the Cossit block on King street in which his store has been located for some years. He bought it from Mr. L. R. Cossit, now of Toronto. It is one of the finest properties on King street.—Brockville Times.

Soldiers Must Be 18 Years Old.
The following orders have been issued about under-age soldiers: All men enlisted in the C.E.F., who are under eighteen years of age, except as herein specified will be discharged. Action will be taken to have all young soldiers examined by medical officers, and if any doubt as to age exists, a birth certificate will be immediately procured, and the necessary action taken. From this date no men will be included in drafts for overseas unless over eighteen years and six months. No man will be enlisted in the C.E.F. under eighteen years. In cases of doubt a birth certificate will be procured before attestation. Drummers and buglers, in accordance with establishment, now enlisted, may be carried under the age of eighteen years, but will not be permitted to proceed overseas until they reach the age of eighteen years and six months. In special cases where men under the age of eighteen years are now employed on special duties and where it will be difficult to replace them, special permission may be obtained from Militia Headquarters to employ them temporarily until their places are filled.

Unable to make his trip by sleigh, Richard Norris, carrier on R. M. D. No. 7, has been using a large toboggan through the drifts this week. Thomas Wilson, carrier on R.M.D. No. 5, has also been using a stone boat on this route.—Perth Courier.

Many Canadians are beginning to wonder whether this bestowal of knighthood business in a democratic Dominion is not being a bit overdone. The promiscuous splattering around of titles threatens to become a habit. Already ordinary, everyday folk find themselves falling over two or three Sir Somebodies every time they take a stroll. And the crop seems to be increasing.—Toronto Globe

THE STRAFER

Published Every Once in a While (D.V.) by the 66th Battery C.F.A.

A 20 page pamphlet going under the name of "The Strafer" has reached the Reporter. Its editor is Corporal E. E. Carncross of the 66th Battery C.F.A. "Carn" as he was called by his many friends in Athens is a bachelor of Agricultural Science, a graduate of the O.A.C., Guelph. He was assistant to Mr. Smith for some months in the Athens branch of the Department of Agriculture. Besides being an expert in the science of farming he was an excellent baseball player, and under his captaincy the home team won many victories that year.

The Strafer says many things; here are a few: "We speak the truth and the whole truth—but if there were no censor we would write a corking issue."

"We take of our hat to the Section Commander of our Battery who squandered a whole thru-pence on a lone copy of the "Strafer" and we stand with bared head to another section commander who borrowed this lone copy."

"Pop Riley states that he has fifty-seven ways of camouflaging bully-beef and Maconochie."

"Sixteen greybacks on a gunner's chest. Yo! ho! ho! Not an issue of rum."

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.
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