

PATRIOTISM and PRODUCTION

"Looking at the situation in even its most favorable light, there will be a demand for food that the world will find great difficulty in supplying."

HON. MARTIN BURRELL, Minister of Agriculture.

Great Britain Needs Food

VEGETABLE growers can render a real service to the Empire by increasing the production of vegetables, especially those that can readily be stored and transported.

POTATOES

There is no farm crop the yield of which, perhaps, can be increased so much as potatoes.

BEANS

The fact that beans have been a good price for a number of years, and also that they are of very great food value, should encourage every person who can grow beans.

POULTRY and EGGS

It has been said that European farmers farm better than they know; Canadian and American farmers not as well as they know.

LIVE STOCK

Breeding stock are today Canada's most valuable asset. The one outstanding feature of the world's farming is that there will soon be a great shortage of meat supplies.

Remember that live stock is the only basis for a prosperous agriculture. You are farming, not speculating.

VACANT LOTS

This call and this opportunity are not for farmers only. Residents of towns and cities can help the Empire by growing vegetables on small plots or raising chickens in their back yards.

Canadian Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, Canada

Form for requesting agricultural bulletins, including fields for Name, P.O. Address, and County.

LATEST NEWS PARAGRAPHED

ITEMS FROM THE SURROUNDING DISTRICT FOR BUSY READERS

Dr. Clare's Promotion.

Dr. Harvey Clare, Assistant Medical Superintendent of the Toronto Hospital for the Insane, has been appointed Medical Director of the Reception Hospital for Observation and Treatment of Incipient and Suspected Mental Cases.

Cartridge Exploded.

Garfield Puffer, the six-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Puffer, of Clarence and who moved this week to Milford, New York State, met with an accident on Friday morning last.

77th Birthday.

On Tuesday, March 2nd, Mr. James Calnan, father of Mr. A. E. Calnan, editor of the Picton Gazette, celebrated his seventy-seventh birthday.

Free System for Town Pupils.

The council of the town of Cobourg spent some time at their last meeting in discussing the question of fees for the town pupils of the high school.

The Call for Production.

"The call is for more food.... What we want to understand is that it is millions of bushels and millions of acres, that are called for; more milk and butter, and cheese, rather than more cows."

line with "More Than Usual"—C. C. James, at the 1915 Annual Meeting of the Commission of Conservation.

Old-Time Sailing Cruiser.

And old-time sailing cruise along the northeastern end of Lake Ontario probably will be the feature of the season's program of the Waterview Crescent Yacht Club.

Campbellford May Have New Industry.

A joint meeting of the town council and the Board of Trade was held on Monday night to consider a proposition made by a manufacturing concern.

Commissioners to General Assembly.

The Kingston Presbytery held the annual meeting in session in Convocation Hall, Kingston, Tuesday evening when the following Commissioners to the General Assembly, which will meet there in June, were elected.

Bulldog and Porcupine.

It does not always do to pick on

someone or something smaller than oneself in order "to start something." That this rule still held good was exhibited yesterday when a fine British bull dog owned by George Frudentz, railway mail clerk between Westport and Brockville, attacked a porcupine in Westport.

Penny Bank Not a Success.

For the boys and girls the penny savings bank appears to be a good thing. Better, it is appreciated, and wherever introduced throughout this Province, has been the means of saving many coppers for the little ones.

One Cow; Four Calves.

Portage du-Fort—Mr. John E. Dolan of this place had a great surprise when he went to his stable the other morning to find that his valon a Critical Condition.

Mr. John Seeny, whose serious accident from falling off the midnight express near Norwood, 21st ult., was reported in our columns last week, is said to be in a very critical condition, and his recovery is not looked for.

Attacked by a Wolf.

Mr. Albert Patterson of this town had a unique and startling experience one day last week in the Algonquin Park.

There were two others skulking a short distance away. There was a lively skirmish between Mr. Patterson and the wolf.

Engagement Announced.

Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Goodwin of Kingston, announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Edith Carey to Mr. John Bertram Stirling, son of Dr. J. A. Stirling, Picton, Ont.

\$60 for Hides Four Wolves.

George Stephens of Apsley presented the hides of four grey timber wolves to County Treasurer Ed. Elliott of Peterboro and secured the grant of \$15 per hide.

Soldier Missing.

Lieut. Gourlay Colquhoun, nephew of Mr. R. Gourlay, Picton, is reported as missing. Lieut. Colquhoun is a son of the late E. A. Colquhoun, M.P.P., an ex-Mayor of Hamilton, his mother resides at Barton Lodge, on Mount.

Deseronto Pastor Resigns.

In its report of the meeting of the Kingston Presbytery, held in Kingston on Tuesday, the "Standard" has the following: The resignation of Rev. Mr. Dowling, of Deseronto was received and accepted and accepted with much regret by the meeting.

Ayrshire Breeders Meet.

The Annual Meeting of the Menie Ayrshire Breeders' Club was held at the St. Lawrence Hall Hotel, on Tuesday. The President, Mr. Alex. Hume occupied the chair, there being a fairly representative gathering.

It was decided to give prizes to young men under 25 years of age in a judging contest. Moved by Mr. J. O'Connor seconded by Mr. E. Tunox and after discussion of the injury done to the Ayrshire breed by the rule of the Seymour Agricultural Society debarbing entries of prize winning stock at Toronto

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Death of a Missionary.

Word was received in town this week of the death in Shanghai, China on January 18, 1915, of Miss Elizabeth Woods, second daughter of the late William Woods, Front Road West.

Barn Burned

A barn on the Nathan Smith farm north-west of Belleville was burned down Tuesday morning.

Lieut. Dooxsee at Boulogne.

Lieut. Dooxsee, 32nd Bat., C.E.F., who was wounded in France is now in the hospital at Boulogne, according to a London cable.

OPENING DAY

New Hats, New Dresses, New Coats, New Suits, New Goods, in every Department at RITCHIE'S.

(From Friday's Daily)

Once again Spring is with us as evidenced not only by the birds singing in our trees in the mornings, but also by that infallible sign the new Spring Hats.

This firm has been having Spring Openings for over half a century, and have so successfully catered to the requirements of the people of this district that they have enjoyed a steadily increasing trade throughout the years.

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Flowers are more popular for trimming hats for several seasons, there being many new styles in applique effects such as crushed marquerites, Begonias, and other flat ideas.

Colors are much more in evidence than last season. So many all black hats have been worn that a change to color is a relief.

We cannot attempt description of individual hats as there were hundreds to exhibit. We can only say that one would think it would be most fastidious person who could not be pleased from such an immense assortment.

The new suits for Spring are very attractive. The skirts are wider and some have pleats, and there are many new features in the coats. While navy and black are the leaders, there are lovely new shades in the gaberdine material and covert cloths.

There was a rich treat in store for the visitors to the Carpet and House-furnishing Department. Mr. Foster who has recently taken a special course in drapery and decorating work in New York, had a most bewildering display of the newest things in Art Chintzes, Velours and all the latest decorating materials.

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The entire premises on every floor is literally packed with new and beautiful goods and we cannot imagine it necessary for anyone to send out of Belleville for any of their wants along these lines.

SOLDIERS MADE ARREST OF MEN

In a certain hotel last evening three soldiers arrested a man named John Miller, whom they accused of begging. The arrest was made because the soldiers claimed they had authority to stop any one breaking the law.

HOUSE AND BARN BURNED

Fire early this morning destroyed the house and barn of Geo. Lucas, Thurlow, next to Center Street Mission. The origin of the fire is not known. There is a small insurance Mr. Lucas' loss will be fairly heavy.

\$230,000 CONTRACT SECURED BY R. J. GRAHAM CO., LTD.

Goods Will be Manufactured at Ten Different Evaporators—June Before Contract is Filled.

The R. J. Company, Ltd., of this city has secured a very large contract for military food supplies, aggregating \$230,000. This is for potatoes, onions, and soup mixture for the British Army at the front.

PRINCE EDWARD COUNTY SOLDIER FALLEN IN BATTLE

Private Spencer, of Conseccon, Killed in Action February 27—Telegram Received by Parents Yesterday.

Private K. Spencer, son of C. R. Spencer, Conseccon, has fallen! Such was the import of a telegram received by his parents at their home in Conseccon last evening.

The late K. Spencer was a member of the Thirteenth Battalion. The notice in the heavy casualty list published today reads—

ROYAL GOVERNOR'S OPINION OF YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASS'N

"It has been my good fortune to have seen a good deal of the work of the Young Men's Christian Association. It is true my experience has been mostly connected with the troops. As you know, I have held a number of commands in the army, in India, in the Mediterranean, in Egypt and in different portions of the United Kingdom, and my experience has been that excellent work."

"The Association has always done all it could to make the life of the soldier easier, pleasanter and saner, it has always given him good facilities; it has always set a good example. If that has been my experience as a soldier, how much greater has been the experience of men in civil life! We have a large population in Canada, many of whom have come from different parts of the Old Country, men next to their surroundings, new to the climate; and the Y.M.C.A. has come forward and extended the right hand of friendship and fellowship, have opened their doors to them, and have done what they could to help them in every way."

"You are non-sectarian; you hold the Christian religion above everything, but you are thoroughly human in the way in which you deal with those who come into your fine buildings and who use them with gratitude. Throughout Canada and the States there is no Association that occupies a higher position in the sympathy and respect of their fellow-countrymen. I feel that any appeal to the Capital of our Dominion will not fall on deaf ears; that they will sympathize with your object; they know the results of its good work. I wish particularly to say that we ought never to forget the triumph which shows the three-fold object of the Association, viz: 'Spirit, Mind, and Body.'"

OBITUARY

Samuel J. Benson. Samuel J. Benson, the well known barber of Belleville, died last night at his home 130 South John street after an extended illness.

TOOK LEG BAIL.

Last Friday night the granery of Mr. W. Gleason at Carmel was broken into and four bags of oats stolen, and others in the neighbourhood missed turkeys and other fowls.

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