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1.00 " "	50c	1.50 " "	1.25
1.25 " "	63c	3.00 " "	1.50

See Our Windows

COLCOCK'S

Brockville - Ontario

A DAY ON A HOMESTEAD

Dear Mr Editor.—In your edition of June 16th we noticed an interesting letter describing many features of a homesteader's life. Thinking that some of your readers might be interested in such letters, we shall try to describe a day on the prairie at the residence (if you call it that) where we are at present located.

It was Sunday morning, the clock had just indicated the hour of six, when we could hear the housewife walking about in the upper chamber, preparatory to descending for her daily labor. Upon her arrival on the first floor she put on her No. 7's and ventured out to see what results were visible after the heavy rainfall of the night. Then, having returned, she immediately seized the handle of the barrel churn, and tried to finish the operation of churning, which had been given up the night before as a bad job. After about thirty minutes of labor, during which time you could hear her melodious voice echoing and re-echoing among the rafters in search of her husband, who was still lost in sleep, she finally gave it up with the words,—"By George, if you don't care, I don't,—the butter can go to the dickens". These words seemed to arouse the lumberer in the loft who yelled down—"Catch these pillows; I'll be down in a minute with the baby." Soon Dadda descended the stairs, with eyes still half closed, and greeted his better half with the words, "What's the matter with the darn butter? I'll bet I can get butter myself." Then, after a prolonged debate as to whether there was any use of further trial or not, the good man went to the well, and on his return you could hear the swish as he dumped the contents of a fifteen quart pail into the already much abused mass. He then began to rotate the churn, and as the grumbling ceased we passed into a slumber, only to be awakened in a short time by, "Aren't you going to get any breakfast to day?" with the reply,—"You know, dear, I had the baby to wash." He sat down to amuse the baby and the dear lady began to hurry about to get things in readiness for the morning meal.

All this time, many words were exchanged in a hasty manner and the matter finally culminated when she about to print the butter, was interrupted by the words, "That's no work for Sunday; why don't you put it down cellar?" She consented to stop the operations for the day, when the difficulty arose as to what kind of covering to be used over the bowl, in order to keep out the mice, but this obstruction was overcome when she asked,—"What directions can you give as to a cover?" which brought the rather prompt reply, "Sit on it."

Butter carefully stored away, breakfast was soon ready and we, having completed our morning ablutions, were called to the kitchen to participate in a meal so long under preparation. It had now reached the hour of 9.30, as we were quite hungry, we ate heartily of the victuals present. Breakfast over, we passed to the open air and left the happy couple to finish the work. The landlord soon appeared, and, having hitched up a horse, drove away in search of his six cows, leaving his mate to clear away the breakfast dishes. Child number two had by this time completed her breakfast and needed her morning bath, so that by the time he returned no dishes had been washed and the house generally looked like a wash-room. This was of little importance however, and she hurried forth, baby in one arm, pails in the other, to the yard to help milk the herd, which give in all about twenty-five quarts. They returned from the operation about noon, I might add that while they were busy milking, a small pig, who thought he was being cheated out of his morning meal, tried to climb up the side of a pail of milk and succeeded in spilling contents, fifteen quarts, upon the prairie. Of course the pig was able to make his escape and many words of wrath followed him to his retreat.

The milk was then separated and the dishes washed and placed away, so as to be in readiness for dinner. It will be necessary for me to add here that words of jangling still filled the air as they tried to advise each other as to the correct methods of procedure. Time wore on, not much being heard till about two o'clock, when the words came pleasantly to our ears, "Bertha, you better get dinner." No fire was used in such an operation, as a fire is only used here to make porridge in the morning. We were suddenly called

to dinner; I ran suddenly because we didn't expect to ever get any dinner, and tried to eat enough to sustain life. The afternoon passed quietly and 6.80 found us en route to church 5 miles away. We enjoyed a good sermon and upon arriving home at 9.30 we sat down to a quiet supper. Supper over, we retired to our room, while our friends ventured forth to milk the cows once more. The continual clang of voices lulled us to sleep as we heard no more till the light beamed through the knot-holes and the buzz of the separator awakened us.

This account is true in every detail, and only describes one day among the homesteaders on the prairie. Hoping this will not prove a tiresome letter and that you may find room in your valuable paper to print it.

We remain,
F. et W.

Local Items

Mr Don Love of Frankville was a visitor in Athens on Tuesday.

Residents are warned to refrain from throwing any rubbish on the village streets.—Chief Campo

William Henderson of Smith's Falls has been elected D.D.G.M. for St. Lawrence district A.F. & A.M.

New potatoes are selling in Brockville at \$1.50 per bushel. A good crop, especially of late potatoes, is now assured.

Mr H. R. Knowlton and son, Clarence, and Mr W. G. Towriss left this week for a tour of the West, including Edmonton and Athabaska Landing.

A number of our exchanges are gleefully announcing that 656 teachers have passed the Model School examinations this year. It would be interesting to know where they got their information.

On July 30th the Athens Women's Institute will hold its meeting—which takes the form of a basket picnic—at Charleston at the summer home of Mrs W. Johnston. A splendid programme is being prepared. All ladies are cordially invited to attend, and to meet at Mrs G. E. Judson's, Main street, at 8.30.

Mr A. S. Jones and bride of New York passed through Athens last week riding a pair of Kentucky thoroughbreds and followed by a third used as a pack horse. They were en route to Morton where they are now occupying Mr Judd's house for the season. Speeding their horses on an improvised course is one of their pastimes and local horsemen are entering their steeds in the competitions and enjoying the sport.

The Daily Star of Toronto of July 12 contains a report of a very pretty house wedding in Toronto—the marriage of Mr H. W. Roy Oaten and Jessie Lavina Reid at the home of the bride's parents, 279 Dupont street. The groom will be remembered by many in Athens, as part of his childhood days were spent here when his father was connected with the Athens Reporter. We have pleasure in extending congratulations and best wishes.

Hetty Green, the richest woman in the world, has just been baptized at the age of seventy-eight, and is now preparing to be confirmed in the Anglican Church. She has taken plenty of time for consideration before taking these steps.

C. O. F. Picnic

Under auspices of Court Frankville No. 243 C. O. F., a picnic will be held in Mr Enos Soper's grove, Frankville, on Saturday, August 17, 1912.

The Hon. W. T. White, Minister of Finance, Geo. P. Graham, M.P., A. E. Donovan, M.P.P., Senator Derbyshire Senator George Taylor, Senator Francis T. Frost, and Bro. J. A. Stenart, H. C. R., have been invited.

There will be swings, football and speeches. Toledo Band will play during the day. A first-class orchestra and dancing. Dinner will be served at 12 o'clock and supper at 4. Tickets—Single 40c; double 75c; supper tickets, 25c.

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