DISTRICT CROPS IN NEED OF RAIN

Farmers Anxiously Awaiting Good Heavy Downpour.

"Let there be rain and lots of it," is the fervent cry of the farmers of Western Ontario. That the strawberry blight so noticeable close to the city has resulted mainly through the lack of moisture is the explanation now advanced generally and throughout this section of the province the unusual scarcity of rain this spring has had a decided effect upon every form of plant or grain.

It was noticed yesterday that haying had already commenced in the London area, although it is a trifle shorter than usual. The intense warm spell accounts for this start of nearly a month earlier than other seasons. Fall wheat appears generally to be in fair condition, although the crop has not as yet reached the height usually attained. The oats and barley fields also await the coming deluge of rain to help them along.

Particularly noticeable, however, has been the effect of the dry spell on the yield of roots. As the damp soil is positively essential to insure a superior return for mangles and turnips, the growth has been very uneven, and it is only in spots that real progress has been noted. A downpour of rain would be especially helpful in this respect.

Prospects appear brighter, however, for the corn growers. Luckily most of the farmers contrived to make their plantings at such a time as to allow benefit by the few showers that were available earlier in the season, which evidently proved of sufficient quantity in most cases to cause germination of the seed. This is the principal factor of corn-raising. Once the corn emerges above the ground, it does not seem to be so entirely dependent upon the rain as other vegetation.

Potato bugs are reported unusually numerous in many localities this year.

The keynote of the country's cry remains "rain, and let it come just as soon as providence will allow."

AGED WOMAN IS DRAGGED BY STREET CAR WHEN SKIRT CATCHES IN DOOR

Battered and bruised as she was dragged some 40 or 50 feet by a Normal car at the corner of Askin street and the Wharncliffe road Thursday evening, an aged woman, who desired to conceal her identity, displayed remarkable composure under such aggravating and embarrassing circumstances. Straightening her hat and brushing off her skirt, she proceeded on her way, refusing aid from those who wished to call medical attention.

It appears from witnesses that as she alighted from the car the door was shut behind her catching her skirt, and before she could disentangle herself, the car proceeded across the street, dragging her along on her back.

The street railway authorities advise that the incident had not been reported to them.

HEAVY PROGRAM AT CITY HALL NEXT WEEK

Next week will be a busy one at the city hall if meetings scheduled are indicative of activity. On Monday the court of revision will hold a private session to inquire into the success of the new system of assessment. On Tuesday afternoon the board of health will meet, and at the same time No. 2 committee of the board of education will hold a regular session.

Tuesday evening No. 2 committee of the city council meets, and No. 1 committee of the same body will convene Wednesday afternoon. Wednesday night the court of revision will meet in the council chambers, and will also hold a meeting to be presided over by Judge Macbeth in the County Building Friday morning.

The housing commission will meet next Thursday night, and outside of this program no other meetings for the discussion of civic affairs have been announced for the week.

If you have any article for sale that you want to dispose of very quickly use an advertisement in The London Advertiser.

NEW BEAR PEN AT SPRINGBANK ZOO TO BE MINUS BARS

Will Be Completed in Two Weeks' Time, States E. V. Buchanan.

Work has been started on a new bear pen at the Springbank zoo, and it will be completed in about two weeks. The new pen, which adjoins the old one, will be of a modern type, rarely seen in Canada, according to E. V. Buchanan, general manager of the public utilities commission, who has had the plans prepared. It is to be much larger than the present structure, and an innovation will be introduced in the fact that there will be no iron bars between the animals and liberty.

In the center of the pen will be situated the bear house, the portcullis of of which will open upon a large concrete slab. This slab is to be circular in shape, and around it is a wide moat, in which fresh water to a depth of four feet will be kept. On the outside of the moat a high cement wall will be built, over which spectators will be able to peer, the height of the wall from the ground outside being at a comfortable level.

To escape, the bears must jump across the wide moat over the top of the smooth wall, which feat is considered impossible. The wall is too high for the animals to reach the top while standing in the moat, so escape by this means is equally as difficult. In fact, according to Mr. Buchanan, if the bears enter the moat at all they will have to swim.

"The absence of bars gives a more complete idea of freedom," declared Mr. Buchanan, "and citizens may watch in safety the bears disport on the concrete slab and in the moat with an unobstructed view. Of course, if some unattended child were to fall over the wall into the moat it might make a good newspaper story. I do not think the bears would harm anyone if such an improbable accident were to occur, as they have given no trouble to date, but we are taking no chances."

The old pen, according to Mr. Buchanan, will be used to house one pair of the five brown bears at the zoo. At Springbank there are two pairs of young bears, and one adult male, whose spouse passed away to the happy hunting grounds some time ago. The quintet live happily in the present pen, but the group will be divided in anticipation of future battles for supremacy.

Some time ago, owing to complaints received from district residents, to the effect that nightly howling of the coyotes made sleep impossible, these animals were destroyed. In the Canadian west a bounty is placed on the heads of coyotes, which, according to one authority, "are only wild dogs, anyway."

RESIDENTS THREATEN INJUNCTION IF CITY USES SITE FOR YARD

Ratepayers Approved Purchase of Land For Location of Asphalt Plant.

BURGLARS DISTURBED

Border Municipalities Discuss Living Costs—Will Ask Government Aid.

WINDSOR, June 9.—Residents of Ward Three in the neighborhood of Hannah and Mercer streets, are threatening legal action to prevent the city from purchasing property at this corner to be used as a public works yard. Yesterday the citizens indorsed a civic bylaw providing for the purchase of this piece of land as the site for an asphalt plant. Injunction proceedings are hinted at on the grounds that a plant at this point, which would also be used for storing coal, would greatly detract from the appearance of the district, while the claim is advanced that the coal dust would also prove a nuisance. In the meantime, plans to purchase a winter supply of coal for the civic yards are being held up.

Discuss Living Costs.

Representatives of the various border municipalities and different organizations discussed living costs at a meeting held in the Border Chamber of Commerce tonight, in an effort to start a movement for a liberal slashing in the cost of commodities here. Co-operation of the Dominion Government will be sought.

New Masonic Temple.

Tenders for the new Masonic Temple in Windsor will be let in a few days' time, it was announced following a meeting last night. Bids have been opened. Instructions have been issued to the committee to speed the building as much as possible.

National Credit System.

Fostering of Canada's export trade by the development of a national credit system was advocated by P. N. Mainguy of the Ford Motor Company of Canada, speaking at a luncheon of the members of the Border Chamber of Commerce today. Individual banks are unable to make the necessary long-term credits for trade, and for that reason a national organization or government assistance was necessary, he said.

Proved a Hard Nut.

Burglars failed in an attempt to crack the safe of the White Machine Works, 301 Giles Boulevard, Wednesday night. A watchman discovered a car standing in front of the plant, and when he began to investigate the men left the building and drove away. Entrance was gained by forcing a window at the rear of the building.

Resignation Accepted.

Official acceptance of the resignation of Rev. Hugh McDiarmid from the pastorate of Walkerville Baptist Church was made on Wednesday night at a meeting of the congregation. Mr. McDiarmid has accepted the pastorate of the Ontario Street Baptist Church, Stratford. A committee was named to arrange for the appointment of a successor.

DUNDAS CENTRE CHOIR HOLDS PICNIC; GAMES CREATE A JOLLY TIME

Among the many groups of picnickers who assembled at Springbank Park on Wednesday to enjoy an outing was that of the choir of Dundas Centre Methodist Church, who, with their friends, spent a very merry time. Bountiful tables, decorated with peonies and daisies, provided the best that Mother Earth produces.

Baseball and sports were indulged in and much amusement was created in the various events. Two base all games were played. The first one was evidently a practice to get in trim for the final event. Miss Nelles and Miss Davison captained the first game, the latter's side winning by a close margin. Miss Davison and Gordon Morris, and Mr. Morris and Mr. Harding were batteries. The second game was somewhat of a professional nature, when the high voices and the low voices were pitted against each other in world series fashion, and Buzz Wetzel was on the grounds "lookin' 'em over" for the 1922 ball team. The game resulted in a tie and will be played off next year. The batteries were: J. P. Morris and Frank Adams; Harry Allport and E. N. Harding. Rev. W. E. Pescott was the official umpire and rendered impartial decisions, much to the satisfaction of the onlookers.

All entered heartily into the races. Following is a list of the successful contestants:

Coat race—1, Mr. Deacon and Miss Marjorie Tanton; 2, Douglas Morris and Miss Phoenix.

Slow race—1, Edna Purdy, 2, Leorna Webber.

Wheelbarrow race—1, Frank Adams and Gordon Morris; 2, Douglas Morris and Leon Adams.

Best lady whistler—1, Miss Marjorie Tanton; 2, Miss Edna Purdy.

Ladies' throwing ball—1, Miss L. Webber; 2, Dorothy Cahill.

Needle and thread race—1, James Gay; 2, Gordon Morris.

Men throwing ball—1, Frank Adams; 2, Harry Allport.

Departmental race—1 Miss Phoenix; 2, Miss Davison.

Mr. William Heaman acted as judge of the course and at times it was feared for his safety. Mr. J. Parnell Morris was starter.

The picnic committee who made it possible for such a successful outing was composed of Miss Mary Best, Miss Edith and Madeline Line, Mrs. J. Parnell Morris, Mrs. J. W. Cahill and Mr. Douglass and Morris, while the sports committee was composed of Frank Adams, Harry Allport, Gordon Morris and J. P. Morris.

S. S. SEAPOOL ARRIVES SAFELY AT ST. JOHN

ST. JOHN, N.B., June 9.—The British steamer Seapool, which struck a berg early Tuesday morning, 300 miles off the coast, arrived here tonight with word that when 90 miles east of this port she had picked up a message from the Chariot asking for assistance. The Seapool's master expressed the opinion that the steamer was probably sinking but that the crew would be rescued by ships in the vicinity. A dense fog and numerous icebergs off the coast made navigation very difficult, the captain added.

The Seapool arrived in fair trim with her cargo undamaged. She docked here for repairs to her stern, which was shattered below the water line.

WORK OF UNCLE IS TO BE INTERPRETED BY HIS NEPHEW

TORONTO, June 9.—The Toronto Star prints the following in its news columns today:

Hume Cronyn, M.P., who is to be chairman of the T. S. R. arbitration board, is a Londoner by birth, but he is closely connected with one of the best-known of Toronto families—the Blakes. He is, indeed, a nephew of the late Edward and S. H. Blake. As it was the latter who drew up the street railway agreement for the city, it is of interest to note that his own nephew will have the task of carrying out its most important provisions.

Hume Cronyn is a double cousin of William Hume Blake of Toronto, a fact which recalls a remarkable inter-marriage which took place between the two well-known Irish families many years ago. William Hume Blake, the first chancellor of Upper Canada, had two sons, Edward and Samuel, and daughter, Sophy. These married, respectively, Margaret Cronyn, Rebecca Cronyn and Verschoyle Cronyn, daughters and son of the late Benjamin Cronyn, Bishop of Huron. Hume Cronyn is the son of Verschoyle Cronyn and Sophy Blake.

EVERY DAY IS MONDAY IN KOREA.

Every day is Monday in Korea, says Asia. From early morning the thump-thump-thump of the washing paddle sounds on the bank of stream and canal. Until late at night the rat-a-tat-tat of the ironing sticks tells of the washer-women, whose work is never done.

The crowded hut may be dirty and malodorous, but the gentleman of the household must appear immaculate in loose white trousers and jacket, and sheer long overcoat of white, and his wife must have her spotless jacket, full pantaloons and voluminous transparent skirt. For white is the "decent black" of Korea. Originally the color of mourning, it became, like black in the west, the badge of respectability and sobriety. Though it is losing its vogue in the ports and larger towns, it is still in the interior, the ordinary garb, winter and summer, of a large part of the population.

All save the poorest, however, keep bright-hued feast day silks laid away in the family chest, and the children and young girls are always as brilliant as butterflies.

There is the interminable washing and ironing. Then there is the sewing—and the household sewing in Korea is no small task, for all the garments worn by the family are taken apart before each washing and sewed together again after they are beaten smooth with the ironing sticks.

Outing Footwear

A large variety to select from, featuring many novelty designs.

Cook's Shoe Store

NON-INTOXICATING BEVERAGES.

WHITE ROCK GINGER ALE

White Rock Mineral Water, Vichy Water, Cantrell & Cochrane Ginger Ale, O'Keefe's Ginger Ale, O'Keefe's Special Pale Dry Ginger Ale, O'Keefe's Ale and Stout.

Sole agents for the celebrated Cincinnati Cream Lager.

We cater to the family trade. When thirsty phone 4365 and six or more bottles will be delivered to your door.

H. S. HENSEL

Office and Warehouse, 88 York Street. zxv

HAS NO PAIN NOW

What Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Did for Mrs. Baker and Mrs. Kiever.

Vancouver, B.C.—"I am pleased to say that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has done me a lot of good. I can now walk about without the aid of a support and feel real strong again. A nurse advised me to take the Vegetable Compound and it is certainly helping me. It seems like Heaven to be relieved after months of pain."—Mrs. H. W. Baker, 3874 10th Ave. West, Vancouver, B.C.

Albert Co., N. B.—"I have taken Lydia E. Pinkham's medicines and they have done me a lot of good. Since then I have been able to do my housework and I have a lot of work to do as we live on a farm. Seeing your advertisement in the papers was what made me think of writing to you. I hope this may help some one else."—Mrs. Wm. B. Keiver, Upper New Horton, Albert Co., N. B.

The reason women write such letters to the Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co. and tell their friends how they are helped is that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has brought health and happiness into their lives. Freed from their illness they want to pass the good news along to other suffering women that they also may be relieved.

If there are any complications you do not understand write to Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass.

CHANGE of TIME-TABLE

SUNDAY, JUNE 12th, 1921

Hourly Summer Passenger Service Between

London, St. Thomas and Port Stanley Daily

Special Summer Fares in Effect Every Day.

See Small Folders or Inquire of Agents.

The London and Port Stanley Railway 46u

IF SAVINGS WERE DIAMONDS THIS SPACE WOULD SPARKLE.

EVERY ITEM IS AN OUTSTANDING BARGAIN AT THE

Manufacturer's Outlet Sale

Choice of 100 doz. Straw Hats, including samples, Regular values to $5.00, for **$2.95**

HUNDREDS OF MEN'S SUITS

In blue serges, fancy tweeds and mixtures, divided in three lots, Some worth up to $75, for .. **$19.50, $25** and **$29.50**

PANTS Over 3,000 pairs from the Tolton Manufacturing Co. and Crown Pant Co. See them piled high on the tables.

FREE—A PAIR OF BRACES WORTH 75c WITH EVERY PAIR OF PANTS FROM $5.00 UP.

LOT NO. 1	LOT NO. 2	LOT NO. 3
Regular $4.50 **$2.50**	Pants worth $5.00 for **$2.95**	Regular $6.50 **$3.50**
LOT NO. 4	LOT NO. 5	LOT NO. 6
Regular $8.00 **$5.00**	Regular $10.50 **$5.95**	Regular $12.50 **$6.95**

GIANT CLOTHING HOUSE

120 Dundas Street - A Few Doors West of Kingsmill's.

Rugs At Nearly Old-Time Prices

We have just received a big shipment of New Rugs that we bought from the manufacturer at a percentage on the dollar for spot cash. We pass these bargains along to you.

116 RUGS NOW ON SALE AT MONEY-SAVING PRICES

If you need a Rug now or in the near future, come in and see what your can save. A small deposit will put one away until wanted.

SEE WINDOW. SALS STARTS AT ONCE.

Refrigerators On Easy Terms

Can you afford to be without one? The food it keeps from spoiling during the hot sultry days of summer soon pays for it. We have sold the Ham & Nott Brantford Refrigerators for years without one complaint, and they are built to save ice and foods.

$5 PUTS ONE IN YOUR HOME

Small weekly payments soon pay for it.

A Red Star Vapor Oil Stove Will Make You Forget the High Price of Gas

Just think! One gallon of fuel will last an average family a whole week. Built like a gas stove! Wickless! The best Oil Stove on the market today. Come in and let us demonstrate. Hundreds of satisfied users in Western Ontario.

$5 PUTS ONE IN YOUR HOME

Small weekly payments for balance.

VERANDA FURNITURE on sale at special prices this week-end—Chairs, Rockers, Tables and Hammo-Couches.

TRAFFORD FURNITURE CO.

11 MARKET SQUARE. 129 DUNDAS STREET

CLIFF ROBINSON'S

Quality Meats and Provisions

Come early or phone early for this bumper sale of Quality Meats and Provisions. Extra salesmen and extra cars. Get your share of these specials.

BEEF.

Stew Beef 12½c
Extra quality Brisket Beef 12½c
Choice Pot Roasts 18c
Oven Roasts.....20c
Lean Beef Cuttings 18c
Boneless Pot Roast, no waste 20c
Choice Beef Hearts 10c

FRESH KILLED LAMB.
Limited Amount.

Breasts Lamb 20c
Shoulders Lamb 30c

PORK.

Choice Shoulder Roast Pork. 25c
Shoulder Pork Chops....25c
Fresh Spareribs 18c
Pork Liver 6c
Pickled Spareribs.....10c

VEAL.

Veal Shanks 10c
Stew Veal 12½c
Breasts Veal.....15c
Shoulders, to dress 25c
Veal Chop 25c
Calves' Liver 35c

Mild Cured Pickled Shoulders, pound 20c

Choice Pickled Hocks, 3 pounds for 25c

Smoked Picnic Hams 25c

Mild Cured Smoked Bacon, sliced by machine 35c

Extra quality Corned Beef, while it lasts 18c

PROVISIONS SPECIAL

Medium Old Yellow Cheese 25c
Old White Cheese 35c
Bulk Cream Cheese 35c
Roquefort, Canadian, Swiss, and Oka.
Creamery Butter 32c
Strictly Fresh Eggs, none delivered 27c
20-pound pails Pure Lard, guaranteed, $2.75
3-pound Pails Pure Lard 60c
Peas, Corn, Tomatoes, Apples, Pumpkin, assorted ..... $1.65 per dozen

Large quart bottles Catsup 25c
Pure Quebec Maple Syrup, quart 65c
4-pound pails Jam—Raspberry, Strawberry, Peach, with Apple 50c
Bulk Peanut Butter, per pound 25c
Large cans Salmon, per tin 25c

Bulk Olives. Pickles, Fresh Green Goods, Etc.

Kindly let us have your orders early. Make this bright sanitary store your store.

CLIFF ROBINSON

2 Phones—7111-7112. 206 DUNDAS STREET. Three Cars

Ever Notice That "Boys Are a Bother" Only When We Worry About Their Clothes?

You'll agree with that, if you stop to think of it. It's because this is soiled and that is torn and because we wonder what he is going to wear this afternoon, that takes up so much attention and time. There is no need for mothers to dread vacation days. The boy will take care of himself pretty well, without being a worry if you fit him out for the summer with plenty of the right kind of clothes.

These Boys' Suits Are Just Fine For Summer

Now that school is nearly over and every day will be a holiday, boys need Suits that will wear and wear and wear. These will. All details of tailoring, as well as the fabrics, are made for wear and play, yet they are uncommonly attractive and stylish.

$8.50, $9.75, $11.50

SPECIAL, WITH TWO BLOOMER PANTS $15.00

Shirts, Stockings and Such

Why not resolve now to have a goodly bunch of Boys' Furnishings for the hot months—so you won't have to worry when he comes in with a soiled shirt or so you won't have to drop everything to darn a torn stocking? Here are some interesting values:

BOYS' COMBINATION SUITS $1.00
BOYS' BLOUSES ..... 95c to $1.50
BOYS' STOCKINGS ...50c
BOYS' STRAW HATS, SPECIAL $1.00

A Pair of Knickers or Two

Is an excellent summer investment for the boy. No need to wear out a perfectly good suit when Knickers and a Shirt is all he wants to play ball in, anyway.

COTTON KNICKERS, plain and stripes ..... 35c to 85c
BOYS' BLOOMERS, extra values, $1.50, $1.75 and $1.95

Wash Suits Are Such a Relief

Little fellows will be happy to play and tumble around in these Wash Suits, they are so cool and comfortable, and when they are soiled there is nothing to worry about—just slip them into the laundry bag. Only see that you have enough of them ..... $1.00, $1.50, $2.00 and $2.50

SPECIAL

Boys' "Kool-fabric" Wash Suits for ages 3 to 7 years. Regular values, $3.50, $3.95, $4.50, and $5.00, all at one price on Saturday **$2.95**

OAK HALL