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NOTE AND COMMENT

We believe a large majority of Ontario women would prefer to be without the suffrage.—Kincardine Review.

The "late civil war in Ireland" don't seem to be quite over yet. This shooting at one another seems to be a hard habit to break.

Orillia Packet.—Miss McPhail, M. P., will draw \$4,000 a year, with a free pass on the railways. O joy! Think of having a wife bringing in a tidy sum like that, and staying away from home from four to six months every year!

It is expected that the Finance Minister will float a domestic loan next fall, the same as the several Victory loans, for the refunding of the portion of the Victory loan of 1917 which falls due in December of this year.

While the train of disaster that caused the wreck of the Merchants Bank is relatively fresh an official enquiry should be made by the Dominion government to satisfy bank shareholders and the public generally.

Thos. A. Edison says that in a short time we will be enabled to hear ants talking while they cross the room floor. That will be very interesting, and then we will be able to "Consider her ways and be wise." The Wizard has so far fulfilled all his predictions. Why not this?

Teaching the pupil how to express himself is a matter that should receive more attention from school teachers. Now that a boy comes in for censure for giving another a bat on the nose to enforce his opinion, the art of speaking fluently and forcibly should be encouraged to make up for the good old fisticuff method.

Mr. P. C. Larkin of Toronto, has been appointed Canadian High Commissioner in London, England. He is in his 66th year and was born in Montreal. His parents were Canadian and he is so proud of being Canadian that he will not investigate the origin of his ancestry any farther back.

The Irish Free State has ordered that Queenston, the seaport of Cork, shall be known henceforth as "Cobh" which is but the Gaelic form of "Cove". The Cove of Cork used to be a familiar name in Ireland, until it was changed to Queenston in honor of Queen Victoria. The natural thing would be to change back to "Cove" but that would not be Gaelic. There is no "v" in the Gaelic language.

The Ontario Government is not prepared to undertake the financial burden of directly assisting the municipalities in carrying the cost of educating adolescents who, under the new legislation, must continue to attend school until 16 years of age. The matter was brought before Hon. H. R. Grant by a deputation from the Toronto Board of Education, and the Minister in pointing out that he was not in a position to recommend a special grant to Toronto made it fairly evident that this alternative—assistance in this direction as part of a general scheme in which all municipalities in the Province might share—was not practicable at present. The discussion brought out the fact that even on a moderate estimate of cost, the extending of aid to the local boards would involve the Province in an outlay of at least \$3,000,000 a year.

The Ontario minimum wage board has decided the following wages: In cities over 30,000 population the minimum wage for experienced adult sales women will be \$12; in cities of from 10,000 to 30,000, the rate will be \$11; in towns and cities from 4,000 to 10,000 the rate will be \$10; in villages and towns from 1,000 to 4,000 the rate will be \$8. The foregoing rates are for saleswomen and do not apply to office workers or operatives.

The British embargo on Canadian cattle will not be removed according to the Minister of Agriculture, who announced in the House of Commons last week that in view of the almost unanimous opinion of agriculturists of England and Wales that removal of the restrictions would seriously injure the industry, and the fact that the Royal Commission appointed to investigate the question had reported that its removal would have little effect on the price of meat in the United Kingdom—the Government was not prepared to introduce legislation for the free entry of Canadian cattle.

Talk may not be cheap, but it is cheaper in the cities of Ontario and Quebec today than the Bell Company intended. The judgment of the Railway Commission refusing an increase of telephone rates proves that the vigorous opposition of the counsel for the Province of Ontario, the city of Toronto and associated public bodies made an impression on some of the members of the Commission, even if the Chairman and Mr. McLean still feel that the Bell Company is an oppressed and sadly misunderstood corporation. As soon as the decision was given by the Commission the Bell Company again made application for an increase.

The Government's railway policy is attracting considerable attention at the present time. Hon. W. C. Kennedy, the Minister of Railways and Canals, is at present engaged in an inspection tour of the Grand Trunk lines east of Winnipeg, and at the conclusion of his trip will be in a position to advise the Government as to whatever he may find necessary. The attitude of the Maritime Provinces, and the demands of members from that section of the country that the Intercolonial should be returned to local management have been placed before the Government by a large deputation of the members from that section, and the matter rests there for the present.

NOT A PUBLIC UTILITY

Almost every editor that ever has intended some time or another to write an editorial to his readers along certain lines. One, the editor of the Burlington, N.J., Enterprise, seems to have accomplished what others have often been tempted to do. The Enterprise says:

A newspaper is not duty bound to print anything that it doesn't want to print. There is no rule that requires it to print something of absolutely no news value just because somebody wants it printed. It is not obliged to effusively laud some person where laudation is not earned, nor to lambaste some individual where adverse criticism is not deserved.

It is not printed for the purpose of satisfying selfish motives. There is not the remotest reason why it should give away space to somebody who is running something for monetary benefit.

The mission of a newspaper is to print news of general interest. Advertising is not news. An article skinning some private enemy or opponent is not news.

Numerous other things of a like nature that find their way into a newspaper are not news. It is not hard for a trained newspaper man to draw the distinguishing line. It is not hard for anybody to draw the distinguishing line, if they will stop a moment and give the matter logical thought.

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OIL PRODUCTION FOR 1921

The Ontario oil production for 1921 in number of barrels was as follows:
Petrolia and Enniskillen... 68,483
OH Springs..... 40,966
Moore Tp..... 7,588
Sarnia Tp..... 4,068
Plympton Tp..... 480
Bothwell..... 26,877
Tilbury East..... 1,002
West Dover..... 7,473
Raleigh Tp..... 3,320
Onandaga..... 566
Mosa Tp..... 10,764
Thamesville..... 1,319

"FACTS TO BE FACED"

Rev. Dr. Westgate Addresses M. & S. Branch of Bible Society.

There was a fair attendance at the annual meeting of the Manitoba and Saskatchewan branch of the British and Foreign Bible Society held in Convocation Hall, Wesley college, Winnipeg, when Rev. T. B. R. Westgate, D. D., who was the chief speaker of the evening told his hearers of the work which is being done by the society in introducing the Bible into the far off corners of the world. The chair was occupied by Rev. C. W. Gordon, D. D., LL.D. Dr. Westgate touched upon the state of affairs in famine stricken Russia emphasizing his remarks with paragraphs from published accounts. He called attention to the fact that these conditions were prevalent not only in Russia, but also in China and Armenia. He pointed out that it was not only food for the body which was needed, but what was of even greater consequence, was the spiritual famine which existed in all parts of the world. It was to supply the latter need that the Bible societies were formed and although they were doing a great work he felt that congratulations were not in order. While agreeing that a great deal had been done, there was so much that had not been done.

"These facts have to be faced," said Dr. Westgate in giving a resume of conditions which showed that there were vast spaces in the world which still were in need of spiritual food. "North Africa with its 8,000,000; the Soudan with its 50,000,000 Arabic with its 7,000,000; Thibet with another 7,000,000; these were but some of the places which are in dire need of the Word. We cannot congratulate ourselves on having carried the Bible to these people. True, we are not to blame for the omission in some cases. There being countries under the Mohammedan rule into which we are forbidden to carry the Bible and our only hope lies in prayer for greater success. This great work must be carried on; and to this end we must see that our children are imbued with a spirit which will lead them to take up this work. "Your prayers will aid us in our work," said Dr. Westgate, "and we must spend more time upon our knees, taking our cue from those whom we call heathen but who bend the knee in prayer five times a day, whereas we find it hard to do so three times."

BOSANQUET COUNCIL

Council met on the 6th inst. All the members present except Mr. Scott. Minutes of previous meetings confirmed. The Reeve and Clerk were authorized to sign a petition to the Minister of Public Highways asking for the statutory grant on \$19239.72.

A By-law was passed authorizing the Reeve and Clerk to execute a contract between the council and the Hydro Electric Power Commission for a supply of power and to permit the commission constructing and operating the lines necessary to serve the customers.

Council extended the collector's time for collecting the taxes until the 14th inst.

The auditors presented their report for 1921 which was accepted.

Council will attend the Annual Good Roads Convention at Toronto. The following orders were given: W. J. French and Fred Sercombe, auditors, \$15 each; Good Roads Association \$5 membership fee; Jno. Vivian \$5 serving copies of engineers report etc. re repair of Coultis drain on Mayor of Forest and Reeve of Plympton; Geo. Smith \$2.10 for E-Moloy drain; Edwin James \$15 for 5 ewes killed; M. World \$2.14 bal. for Collector's roll; H. J. Pettypiece \$5 advt re Hydro meetings; John

Wilkinson \$20 grant to Children's Aid Society, Sarnia; Chas. T. Rogers \$10 to purchase supplies for James Fraser and Frank Drew, \$2 inspecting Edwin James sheep. Council adjourned to meet on the first Monday in March at 10 a.m. GEO. SUTHERLAND, Clerk.

LAMBTON MAKES GOOD SHOWING

Lambton stands high in the list of counties of the province of Ontario in the annual report of grains and live stock issued by the Ontario department of agriculture for 1921. The report shows a total of 453,826 acres under cultivation in the county 7,432,439 bushels of different grains being harvested.

While Lambton county only topped the list in turkeys, where a commanding lead was in evidence over the other counties of the province it was well up in practically every other department. In the total for poultry Lambton stood 5th, in swine 8th. A somewhat better showing was made in cattle, Lambton standing 6th.

In field crops the county made an enviable showing. In sugar beets Kent county was the only one to head Lambton. This county produced almost a million and a half bushels more sugar beets than the next highest centre, standing out as one of the leaders of the sugar beet industry in the province. The county also stood second in flax production, having 781 acres under cultivation. Huron county had a wide margin over the rest of the province with 2,042 acres under flax.

In fall wheat only Kent and Middlesex eclipsed Lambton, but in the spring wheat class this county made a rather weak showing.

Following are the figures for the various grains:—wheat 51,890 acres, 1,214,226 bushels, an average of 23.4 bushels; S. wheat 223 acres, 3033 bushels, average of 13.6 bushel; barley 10,248 acres, 226,471 bushels, average 22.1; oats 87,090 acres, 2,200,176 bushels, average 26.4 per acre; rye 231 acres, 4, 158 bushels, average 18.0 per acre; buckwheat 268 acres, 5,360 bushels, average 20.0 per acre; peas, 690 acres, 10,350 bushels, average 15.0 per acre; beans, 204 acres, 2,652 bushels, average 13.0 per acre; flax, 781 acres, 4,842 bushels, average 6.2 per acre; mixed grains, 10,626 acres, 275,213 bushels, average 25.9 per acre; corn for husking, 17,542 acres, 1,501,595 bushels, average 85.6 per acre; fodder corn, 18,200 acres, 168,350 bushels, average 9.25 per acre; potatoes, 3,142 acres, 234,707 bushels, average 74.7 per acre; turnips, 264 acres, 79,200 bushels, average 300 per acre; mangels, 378 acres, 158,760 bushels, average 420 per acre; sugar beets, 6,273 acres, 2,396,236 bushels, average 382 per acre; carrots, 82 acres, 16,400 bushels, average 200 per acre; alfalfa, 12,045 acres, 40,110 tons, average 3.33 per acre; hay and clover, 94,954 acres, 96,853 tons, average 1.02; cleared pastures 156,405; summer fallow 7,809; rochard, 12,035; small fruits, 785.

Livestock

Livestock figures are as follows: Stallions, 113 mares, 12,274 geldings, 8,582 colts and fillies, 2,505 total horses 23,474; sheep and lambs 27,700, bulls 1265, milch cows 31,705, calves 24,351 steers, 15,547 other cattle 31,408 total cattle 104,276; swine all ages 57,416, turkeys 25,085, geese 18,856, ducks 19,912, other fowls 449,107, total poultry 512,690.

STORMY WEATHER HARD ON BABY

The stormy blustery weather which we have during February and March is extremely hard on children. Conditions make it necessary for the mother to keep them in the house. They are often confined to overheated, badly ventilated rooms and catch colds which rack their whole system. To guard against this a box of Baby's Own Tablets should be kept in the house and an occasional dose given the baby to keep its stomach and bowels working regularly. This will not fail to break up colds and keep the health of the baby in good condition till the brighter days come along. The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

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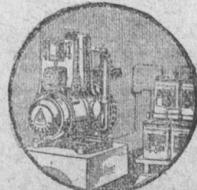
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