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### DIVISION COURT SITTINGS FOR SEPTEMBER.

In consequence of the approaching revision of voters' lists for the referendum, Judge Reynolds has made the following changes in the sittings of the Division Courts appointed for September. No change is made in the sittings at Brockville:

Newboro, from 9th September to 7th October.

Delta, from 10th September to 8th October.

Athens, from 11th September to 10th October.

Prescott, from 16th September to 14th October.

Spencerville, from 17th September to 15th October.

Kemptville, from 18th September to 16th October.

Merrickville, from 19th September to 17th October.

Mallorytown, from 23rd September to 21st October.

Ganaoche, from 24th September to 22nd October.

North Augusta, from 26th September to 3rd October.

Be patient with the infirmities of others; for that thyself also hast many failings which must be borne with by others. How seldom we weigh our neighbor in the same balance with ourselves.—Thomas A. Kempis.

A splendid series of photos of Canadian Nature Life are now running in ROD AND GUN IN CANADA. The first of these shows a male loon and appears in the September issue which is now on sale at the news dealers. "Our Old Elusive Friend, The Black Duck," is the title of Bonnycastle Dale's splendid article that appears in this issue. Other valuable stories and articles are entitled: "Three Men and Three Women," by M. Parkinson; "The Making of a Shooter," by Edward T. Martin; "The Black Bass," by Archie P. McKishnie, the well-known Canadian writer. Dr. William T. Hornaday, Director of the New York Zoological Park, is the author of a thought-compelling article on Conservation, dealing particularly with the rational utilization of game. The Departments of the magazine dealing with the various outdoor activities of rod and gun are up to their usual high standard. A splendid picture of Joe Jennings of Toronto, winner of second place at the Chicago International Tournament appears in the Trap Department. Rod and Gun in Canada is published monthly at Woodstock, Ont., by W. J. Taylor, Ltd.

### Lost

LOST—One Veal Calf, weighs over 200 pounds, black and white; One Lamb about 80 pounds; One Black and White Heifer coming 3 years old—somewhere on road between Athens and Alex McDougal's—Send any information to Joseph Church Lyndhurst.

PIN LOST—On Tuesday, Sept. 5th, in Athens, gold flag pin, Union Jack and Stars and Stripes. Keepsake. Kindly return to Reporter Office.

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### Greenbush

Mr. Lewis K. Blanchard and family and Mr. J. C. Blanchard started this morning on a motor trip to Prince Edward county, expecting to be away from a week.

Miss Mabel Smith went to Ottawa to-day to take a course of training in the Normal school there.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Fretwell and party motored to Ottawa last week to attend the exhibition.

Mrs. Webster, of Smiths Falls, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. M. Moore.

Mr. H. Carter and Mr. Byron Lovell attended the Ogdensburg fair last week.

### THE SPLITTING OF THE BALLOT.

The impression obtained in some quarters that voters must answer each question in the same way, that is the four questions on the ballot must be answered with four Yes's or four No's or the ballot is spoiled.

The Premier made this matter very clear in his speech. He said:—

"In order to prevent confusion in determining the result, every voter must vote on every question, or his ballot will be spoiled. The Act will be so drawn as to give effect to whatever the will of the people may be as disclosed by the vote on each question."

He went on to explain in detail the effect of the various votings upon each question, showing what would happen if a person voting "No" on question 1 and "Yes" on question 2 and so on. After doing this, he said:

"Each question stands by itself. On each question the voter must make a deliberate decision and vote accordingly. The full force of public opinion will therefore be recorded for and against each question."

It should, however, be made clear that for any person to vote "Yes" in answer to any question means the smashing of the Ontario Temperance Act. The "Yes" is the liquor side of this issue; the "No" the prohibition side, and the line is clearly and distinctly drawn between "wet" and "dry." Any person who votes "Yes" on any question, even on one question, and "No" on all the others, practically annuls his three "No" votes by the one "Yes"; his ballot, though not legally a spoiled one, counts on the liquor side.

Of all the ugly weeds that grow in the heart, selfishness is the most thrifty, and bears much fruit of evil. But it is a weed that will die of starvation when we learn to "love our neighbor as ourself."

### CANADA LAGS IN ROAD BUILDING.

Overseas Men See Great Contrast to Highways in Europe—Experience of England Shows What to Avoid.

Returned soldiers, who took part in the "big push" during the autumn of 1918, will recall the frequent signs "Dry Weather Track." They were very useful, those tracks; not being marked on the map, the Hun did not have them registered, and even if he did discover one, it was easy to abandon it for another. Thus, as the weather was good on the whole, these tracks were quite serviceable. But, if it had been rainy, that would have been another story.

Away from shell-fire, however, as every soldier knows, the French roads were serviceable in all weathers. They stood up admirably against the rough usage of the swarms of motor trucks and other abnormal traffic brought by the war.

What would have happened to our Canadian roads under the same conditions? Alas, they are nearly all only "dry weather tracks." A good road is a road which is good in bad weather. In road construction we are a century behind France, although we pride ourselves on being a very progressive people.

It is not sound argument to say that this condition is due to the fact that Canada is still a "new" country. The fact is that some of the oldest sections of Canada have the worst roads.

It is largely due to the continuance in force of an antiquated system of providing for public road-building and maintenance. The same system has been tried in England and found wanting, and yet we refuse to profit by the Old Country's experience, which the Britannica describes as follows:

"The almost incredibly bad state of the roads in England towards the latter part of the 17th century appears from the accounts cited by Macaulay. It was due chiefly to the state of the law, which compelled each parish to maintain its own roads by statute labor, but the establishment of turnpike trusts and the maintenance of roads by tolls do not appear to have effected any great improvement."

Let us hope that the Canada Highways Act, passed at the late session, spells the end of statute labor and of "turnpike trusts" in Canada. Toll-gates have been found unsatisfactory elsewhere—let us abolish them here. When governments themselves undertake the construction of roads, we may look for better days.—P.M.B.

### POTATO MACHINERY IS VALUABLE.

Ontario potato growing sections should equip themselves with necessary potato machinery. Much greater accuracy in planting can be obtained by the use of suitable machinery as can better application of fertilizers. Better cultivation and spraying machinery is absolutely necessary in order to protect the crop from both deadly disease and destructive insects. Much time and hard labor is saved by good digging machinery. For storage, potato houses that protect the stock from frost, are highly desirable. It is best to control the heat of the potato storehouse so that the stored stock will not begin growth early in the spring. The climate of the storage house should be cool, but not dry.

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