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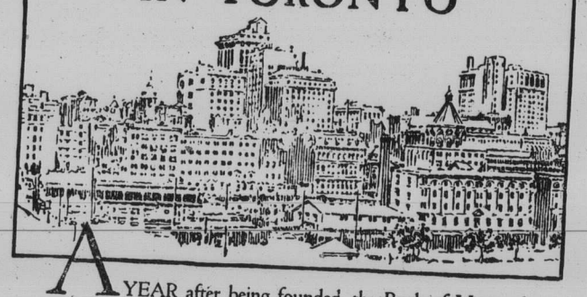

A YEAR after being founded, the Bank of Montreal spread its Branches westward, in July of 1818 establishing Agencies at Kingston and York.

York, which afterwards became the city of Toronto, had then just had its first stage-coach communication established with Kingston and Montreal. It was merely a settlement in a clearing amid unbroken forests from which the Indians came to trade with farmers and other members of the little community. Today Toronto ranks among the largest cities on the continent.

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### LAKELET

The sink hole here is a dangerous looking piece of road. We measured the water the other day at the deepest point and it was one foot and four inches. The road has been closed to traffic, fences built at each end, the regular notices up, and two lanterns burning each night That, of course, exonerates the county in case of accidents. However, our mail man, and those from here, who have to get to Clifford are taking chances, let down the bars, go through and put them up again. With horses that are used to it, there is no immediate danger, for so long as the driver keeps right on the middle of the road, the bottom is comparatively firm, though inundated as it is, but with a strange horse that might scare and swerve to the right or left, the results might be disastrous. This road has been a menace the past years. There is a man at Goderich we call the county engineer—one of those high collared fellows—whose duty it is to look after this road, but the people in this community know how much he has accomplished. Last week Geo. Hubbard deputy-reeve, and R. Nay, road boss, asked Peter Dickert what he would take to allow traffic through his farm for a couple of months. He asked $25 per month, a reasonable figure, but the engineer said "No, let them go round"Isn't that galling

Harold Gook has bought the house on the R. Caudle farm, and is moving it across the road to his own property, where he will use it for a garage.

We see the cars are already being pulled into Hy. Huth's shop for repairs. People will talk about hard times and scarcity of money, but there is always a dollar left to tune up the car. Yet it is the unanimous verdict of the people that cars have done more to put the country into its present financial low ebb, than any other one thing.

Sangster Bros. of the 17th have some fat cattle that weigh over 1500 lbs. They have 19 head in all. They should and no doubt will get the highest price. James Sangster is admitted to be the best cattle feeder in this part of the township. Jim is not roaming round the country when the cattle should be fed.

Andrew Allen is making preparations to have his barn renovated this summer. Paul Preiss will supervise the work and while Paul will not say much, he will do the work right

### CLIFFORD

Howard Klemmer, a public school student staying with his grandfather Mr. Gottlieb Klemmer, got hit on the head with a bat while playing ball at the tennis court on Tuesday. The wound required the services of a doctor.

News about the condition of Mr. John H. Taylor, who is at the Hospital in Guelph, is not very encouraging. A minor operation was performed last Saturday. Another major operation may be necessary some time this week.

Invoices have been received for the wire and other material necessary for the installation of the Hydro-Electric Power in Clifford. We understand the poles from here to Harriston are about all erected, and that wiring will commence at once. The connections may be on before some have their places wired. So far few of the business places are wired as yet.

Mr. Ed. Weltin has sold out his blacksmith business to Mr. McGillivray of Dobbington, who is now in possession. He is reputed to be a good mechanic. Mr. Weltin was well liked. A quiet, inoffensive citizen, who attended strictly to his business, and used everybody right He will go to his home at Dashwood for a time before he locates.

### CLOTHING AND CASH TAKEN BY BURGLARS IN WINGHAM

Wingham, April 11—Some time during last night thieves broke into the general store of J. A. Mills and stole a quantity of goods, principally men's suits, and about $660 in cash. Entrance was gained through a cellar window. The work was evidently done by amateurs, but whether local men are suspected the police refuse to state.

### BRUCE COUNTY HOG GRADING

**Are You Getting the Premium?**

Hog grading is a policy which has been in operation nearly three years The merits and the economic necessities of the present grading regulations have in that time been widely discussed; and strongly advocated by those alive to our present hog marketing situation. By a few others, from honest motives and otherwise, they have been strongly condemned. "Why to all this trouble and expense?" they ask. "Isn't the old method of buying on the flat basis the easiest and quite good enough? So why change?

But the wide awake farmer and shipper must realize that "easy methods" do not always suffice; and that they are not going to win for us a profitable export outlet for our large annual surplus of hogs. Hog grading is essential for quality production; and the grading popularity of sale by farmers on a graded basis in the country is conclusive proof that in actual trading practise the policy is sound.

Then too, if our hogs are of reasonably good quality sellin on grade means a better price and more dollars for the consumer. From the following grading figures for the period from October 15th, 1923, to March 31st, 1924, we see that our hogs generally are grading well. They are of a quality which makes their sale on a graded basis both desirable and profitable.

| Station | No. Hogs | Select | Thick Smooth | Heavy | Shop | Light |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Bruce County .... | 35532 | 30.8 | 50.2 | 5.0 | 7.0 | 6.2 |
| Walkerton ..... | 1533 | 40.0 | 50.0 | 3.0 | 4.0 | 2.0 |
| Pinkerton ..... | 1001 | 40.0 | 44.0 | 8.0 | 6.0 | 1.0 |
| Lucknow ..... | 3253 | 37.0 | 46.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 6.0 |
| Ripley ..... | 3903 | 36.0 | 46.0 | 6.0 | 2.0 | 8.0 |
| Park Head ..... | 745 | 34.0 | 50.0 | 5.0 | 8.0 | 0.0 |
| Paisley ..... | 1073 | 33.0 | 54.0 | 6.0 | 3.0 | 4.0 |
| Elmwood ..... | 2049 | 32.0 | 60.0 | 2.0 | 6.0 | 2.0 |
| Kincardine ..... | 3006 | 32.0 | 53.0 | 5.0 | 6.0 | 2.0 |
| Hepworth ..... | 963 | 32.0 | 51.0 | 4.0 | 1.0 | 11.0 |
| Port Elgin ..... | 2794 | 31.0 | 52.0 | 5.0 | 2.0 | 8.0 |
| Teeswater ..... | 1625 | 30.0 | 43.0 | 6.0 | 7.0 | 3.00 |
| Mildmay ..... | 2840 | 29.0 | 49.0 | 7.0 | 11.0 | 7.0 |
| Chesley ..... | 966 | 26.0 | 51.0 | 5.0 | 9.0 | 7.0 |
| Tara ..... | 3648 | 26.0 | 50.0 | 4.0 | 10.0 | 6.0 |
| Wiarton ..... | 3475 | 24.0 | 50.0 | 6.0 | 15.0 | 4.0 |

From the above figures we note that Bruce County hogs average 30.8% selects. This can be considered fairly high when compared with the Ontario average of 19%, and the Canadian average of 15.9% selects.

Walkerton, Pinkerton, Elmwood and some of the other stations which have been selling on the graded basis for a considerable length of time stand close to the top in the heavies shops, and lights, are also noticeably smaller than at the stations where hogs are still bought on the flat rate. Clearly grading decreases the percentage of the cheaper grade hogs which are not wanted in our markets to-day.

An analysis of these figures would also indicate that the 10% premium on selects is not in every case going back to the farmer. Port Elgin for example shows 2794 hogs graded, 31% of which went as selects. Then too, only 16% of these hogs went into the lower grades; heavies, shops, and lights; which are subject to a cut below the thick smooth or flat price. The 10% premium on selects amounts to more dollars per hog than does the cut on hogs below the thick smooth grade; and we have seen that there were practically twice as many premium hogs as there were hogs on which the shipper had to take a cut in price. Clearly these Port Elgin hogs were worth a great deal more money when sold on the graded basis.

But practically all these hogs were bought from the farmer on the flat rate. There is the difference going in this particular case, and in many other similar cases? Clearly it is not all going back to the producer. And the quicker the farmers realize that they are suffering this loss; and demand that their shippers buy hogs on the graded basis, the quicker are they going to get the full market value of the hogs which they ship.

### HALF DOG, HALF WOLF

Shelbrurne, April 4—Quite a bit of excitement was created here by the report that a timber wolf had been shot on the east half of lot 23, con. 5, Amaranth township, by Wilmer Ritchie. The animal had been seen about three weeks previously by Victor Johnston and Thos. Ferguson, and while on the way to Laurel, Jos. and John Ritchie of Black's Corners, and Robt. Ritchie of Shelburne, had caught sight of it. When Wilmer heard his father talking about the animal on his return home from Laurel he took a shotgun and strated out after the unwelcome visitor. When he tried to get close enough for a shot he was unsuccessful. When Wilmer made off as though he were running away, however, the animal took after him until it got out in the open where he could get a straight shot at it. Then one shot did the trick. The body was brought in to Dr. Morgan for examination Thursday, but that gentleman was of the opinion that instead of being a wolf it was a dog with a fox strain. Where the creature came from is not known, the first time it was seen in the neighborhood where it was shot being, as before stated about three weeks ago.


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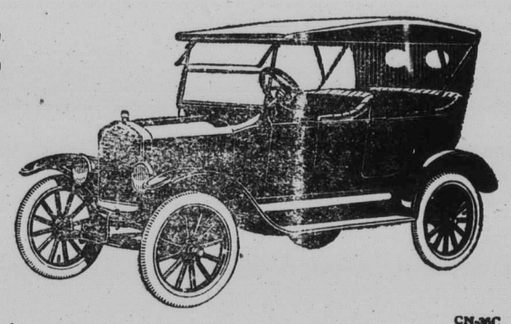

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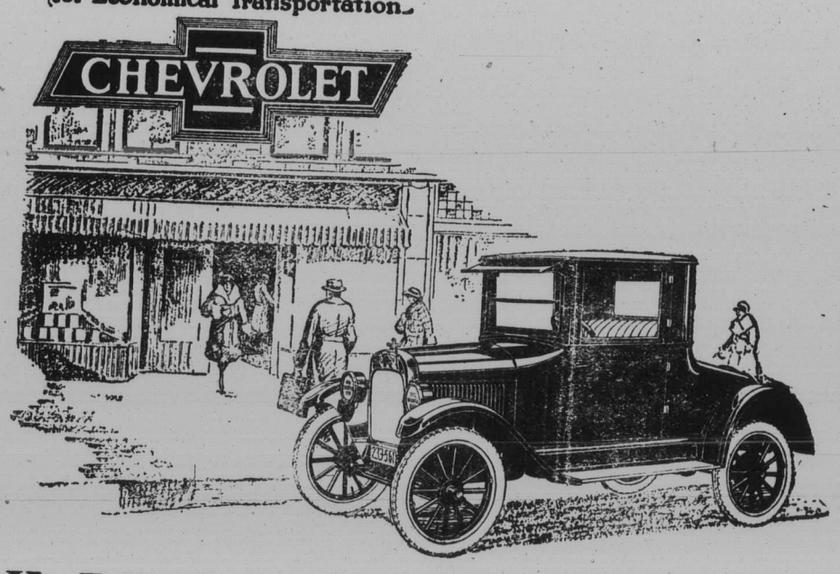


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