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Editorial Brevities.

Expressed in terms of wheat, the value of the field crops destroyed annually in Canada by insect pests is sufficient to feed our entire population for a year.

The Alberta Government has extended the close season for antelope, which expired this year—1917-1918. The species is all but extinct. The satchewans has a permanent close season for antelope.

The date of the approaching civic elections is very near at hand but so far we hear very little about candidates. Our people cannot afford to lose interest in this important matter. Good men are required at all times in the management of town affairs, and when they do well they should know they are appreciated.

Out of every one hundred colored men called by the United States draft orders thirty-six were accepted and the sixty-four rejected, while out of every one hundred whites only twenty-five were accepted. The revelation of this superiority in physical qualities has given those who study statistics something to think about and ponder over.

What a day that will be when the tidings are flashed over sea and land that peace has been declared! From ten thousand times ten thousand steeples what bells will ring out, as if they were human things, their wild delight at the long-hoped-for event. Never in the history of the world, will there have been such a day of universal joy.

The new Dominion one dollar bill just issued are, apart from their financial attractiveness, a particularly fine example of the engraver's art. On the front the design includes as its central figure a portrait of Princess Patricia. On the reverse is an etching of the Canadian Parliament Building. One of them would be gladly welcomed on subscription account by THE ACADIAN.

Under the direction of the Development of Agricultural Resources Committee, recently appointed by the Government of Nova Scotia, a number of food bulletins will be issued, dealing in the main with the special conditions necessary to be considered at the present time. The first of these is a bulletin on Wheat Growing in Nova Scotia, by S. J. Moore and Prof. Cumming. A copy has been received at this office and is most interesting. It should be read by all good results.

With considerable enterprise and foresight, Canada is carrying on an extensive work in restoring her invalided soldiers. At the close of the year there were 113 institutions (of which the Military Hospitals Commission conducted 71) caring for convalescent soldiers. In these, there were 11,395 beds, in addition to 2,500 beds used in clearing depots. There were 10,000 men under treatment, 3,000 men enrolled for vocational training and 869 men being taught new trades. These numbers are constantly increasing and the Military Hospitals Commission is expanding its activities to meet the growing need adequately.

The Short Course at Truro.

The short course at the College of Agriculture, Truro, was completed on Thursday, Jan. 10th. The enrolled attendance was 750 and in addition there were several one or two day conventions and a very considerable intermittent attendance which would bring the total number who took advantage of the educational work up to about 350. The attendance would have been at least 100 larger had it not been for the blockade on the railways last week which held up practically all of the Masters' delegations.

From the standpoint of the work done, and of the interest taken, the staff are unanimous in considering the 1918 short course to have been the best yet given at the College. Special attention was given to the matter of the sowing of the best kind of seed, and the improvement of the live stock of the country. At the conclusion of the course, two boxes in which oats had been grown were exhibited to the class. One box was seeded with a certain amount of common feed oats, and the other box with a like amount of selected seed oats. The result was nearly double the number of plants in the second box, and a very considerable better growth. From this illustration the importance of buying seed is made plain. It is a lesson which should be applied to every other kind of seed.

Binocular demonstrations were given in regard to live stock and many other phases of agriculture. The result was that practically every student left the course having absorbed the suggested New Year's Short Course resolution of No Food Shortage in 1918.

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Your Part in the War.

Voluntary individual sacrifice to save the world is the call to the people of this continent. In Canada and the United States it is imperative that the problem of increasing the exportable food surplus should be faced by all the people. A condition has arisen under which there is not enough food in the world to go around at the generous rate that until recently has characterized the general living. From the same conditions also arises the fact that equal distribution of what there is in the world's food supply is impossible. The question that naturally follows is as to where the shortage of food will be most felt and to whom will it lack bring the greater distress. The situation in Great Britain, France and Italy is very serious. France and Italy, who practically grew all that they needed, are now forced to buy food for home consumption. All over the world vast areas are non-productive and will remain so for years. Daily almost the United States and Canada are sending men overseas to assist in the war, and not only these men, but the people of Belgium, of France, of Serbia, of Italy, of the old Belgium and the children have to be fed. It does not cost a great deal to feed the children now, especially in parts of Belgium where they have been underfed for the past three years. Mr. Hoover writes in the last issue of the Food Bulletin that there is no waste of food among our allies. There is a drastic reduction in their consumption. There is actual privation among the women and children. There is starvation in Belgium. Mr. Hoover also explains that every particle of diminished consumption by the people of America is one particle more for the soldiers, men, women and children of our allies, and for the starving people in other countries. This is a national obligation upon every one of us toward some individual abroad who will suffer privation to the extent of our own individual negligence. With this thought in mind, the statement recently made that the money spent for candy in the United States and Canada in the past year is double the amount needed to keep Belgium supplied with food for a year, is particularly unpleasant reading. We cannot hope to lessen all the suffering in Europe, and there is no doubt but that Canada and her people are responding, and have responded splendidly, to the appeals for assistance. But the situation is serious and demands the co-operation of the whole Dominion. Russia broke down because of her inefficient food control among other things; Germany has already seen her workers so reduced from malnutrition that the output per capita is about 23 per cent. lower than at the beginning of the war. If the men and women will help by giving up their candy, and maintaining the fighting men overseas are not adequately supplied with those things that will preserve their physical efficiency, the final outcome will not be an Allied victory. Germany long ago declared that she could starve the Allies into submission, and while no one believes that Germany says, there is no doubt that the menace of hunger is becoming a grim reality. Canada and the United States cannot lift the entire burden of affording that will be the portion of the people in Europe this year and next; but through the sacrifice and co-operation of the men and women at home the men and women overseas can be supplied with much that is necessary, and will also not be left in doubt regarding the answer to the question as to who shall go short of food in the coming year.

Read petition of Leonard S. Bishop, asking that some action be taken to complete new road from Wolfville to warehouse of New Minas Fruit Company. This road was laid out and dedicated in 1912, but had never been fitted for use or fenced and an old roadway was still used. The S. letter suggested that proceedings be taken to close the old road, the fencing of a road through pasture land, was suggested, was the duty of the owner of the pasture. The cost of such fencing was usually included in the damages agreed upon when the road was dedicated. Action on Mr. Bishop's petition was deferred.

Read report of L. K. Patterson, Commissioner to lay out new road to connect the line from Wolfville to King's Station. Damages, \$200. On motion of Coun. W. L. Nichol, consideration was deferred to January Term, 1919.

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Foul Air and Disease.

"Free as the air we breathe" is not applicable to foul air. Like most other commodities the latter exacts toll from everyone who uses it. Lowered vitality, with a consequent disposition to such diseases as cold, pneumonia and tuberculosis, is the price that is paid for breathing impure air. It is probably true that a large percentage of the houses in countries possessing a climate similar to Canada's are, to a greater or less extent, breeding places for such diseases, especially during the winter months. This is the outstanding reason for the marked prevalence of such diseases in Canada, diseases for which fresh air is the most potent remedy. Tightly closed rooms constructed for the sole purpose of retaining heat, soon become filled with poisonous gases exhaled by the inmates. This remedy is, of course, better ventilation. It can only be a question of time when our governments will insist that scientific ventilating systems be installed in all new buildings. Public health and public opinion will demand it. In older buildings, where the only ventilation is obtained from windows, the air may be "flushed" by opening the windows at intervals for a few moments. This means a loss of some heat, but if the windows are not left open too long, the saving in doctor's bills will more than offset the extra cost of fuel.

When Baby is Ill.

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Municipal Council. The Municipal Council of Kings County met in the Court House, Kentville, on Tuesday, January 8th, at 10 o'clock. The Warden, C. A. Campbell, Esq., representing Ward 2, in the chair. The Councilors all present. Minutes of April Term and of Special Session held August 14th, were read and confirmed. The Warden briefly addressed the Councilors, referring to the important nature of the work to come before them which might necessitate a longer term than usual. Several Councilors spoke referring to the fact that the amount paid Councilors per day for their attendance was not sufficient to defray necessary expenses. Coun. Meek, seconded by Coun. Doyle, moved that the payment to Councilors be increased to five dollars per day. Carried. Read petition of Leonard S. Bishop, asking that some action be taken to complete new road from Wolfville to warehouse of New Minas Fruit Company. This road was laid out and dedicated in 1912, but had never been fitted for use or fenced and an old roadway was still used. The S. letter suggested that proceedings be taken to close the old road, the fencing of a road through pasture land, was suggested, was the duty of the owner of the pasture. The cost of such fencing was usually included in the damages agreed upon when the road was dedicated. Action on Mr. Bishop's petition was deferred.

BE FIRST AT A FEAST AND LAST AT A FIGHT. NOTICE: The Annual meeting of the 107 holders of The Willow Bank Cemetery to mail order houses, will be held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Wolfville on Monday, January 28th at 7:30 p.m. A full attendance is requested. J. H. BARSS, Secretary.

OPERA HOUSE WOLFVILLE Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 21-22 Dorothy Phillips, the Screen Queen of Beauty and Talent, in a Blue Bird production. "Triumph" Something for stage-struck girls to profitably consider. Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 23-24 Vitagraph Feature "THOSE WHO TOIL" Featuring Nance O'Neil, a story dealing with the Wrongs of Labor. Friday and Saturday, Jan. 25-26 The final chapter of "Patrio" Bottled "For The Plug" This last chapter is most interesting and has a few pleasant surprises. We all must admit that Mrs. Castle is a wonder.

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King Honors C.P.R. Official. Mr. Arthur H. Harris, who has been named as the new Chief of the British Empire for his services in Canada as Director of Overseas Transport, is one of the late Henry Victoria Harris of Devonport, Devonshire, England, who while at the Devonport and the Grand Trunk Railway, and while in the position of General Manager of the C.P.R. Through Traffic, in 1912 he was awarded the King's Medal for Merit. Mr. Harris, it was here reported, is one of the most distinguished men of the Dominion. He is a member of St. James Club, Montreal; Royal Club, Ottawa; and the "Silver Knight Golf Club." Mr. Harris is also a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, and is one of the most distinguished men of the Dominion. He is a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, and is one of the most distinguished men of the Dominion.

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