THE LISTENING POST

Recommended for perusal to the Belleville Consumers' Economy League and to others.

BY F. B. E.

A LOT of folks
* * *
AND all over
* * *
ALL over the country,
* * *
THE Continent,
* * *
FOR that matter,
* * *
HAVING been asked
* * *
TO pay for a suit
* * *
OF ordinary clothes
* * *
WHAT they might expect
* * *
TO pay for
* * *
A HOUSE and lot
* * *
IN pre-war days,
* * *
OR thereabouts,
* * *
ARE dashing around
* * *
LOOKING for chic bargains
* * *
IN overalls
* * *
AND calico
* * *
AND duck
* * *
AND khaki drill,
* * *
WITH the idea
* * *
OF protesting
* * *
THE present scale
* * *
OF too high prices
* * *
AND forcing a reduction,
* * *
AND it's all right,
* * *
AND they can go ahead
* * *
AS far as I'm concerned,
* * *
AND good luck to them,
* * *
ONLY I think
* * *
THAT as long as they
* * *
CONFINE their attention
* * *
TO overalls
* * *
THE only practical effect
* * *
WILL be to force
* * *
THE price of overalls
* * *
UP in the air
* * *
FOR those who wear them
* * *
AS a regular matter,
* * *
AND not as a fad,
* * *
BUT if there is
* * *
TO be a really efficient
* * *
CAMPAIGN to reduce
* * *
THE cost of clothing
* * *
IT seems to me
* * *
THAT if people
* * *
WOULD just make
* * *
THEIR ordinary old clothes
* * *
DO them until
* * *
THEY are worn out
* * *
AND would not be ashamed
* * *
TO put on a patch
* * *
IF a patch is needed
* * *
AND wear the patch
* * *
RATHER than pay
* * *
THROUGH the nose
* * *
FOR new garments,
* * *
THE desired end
* * *
WOULD be more quickly reached.
* * *
THE idea that patches
* * *
ARE a disgrace
* * *
AND that nothing
* * *
BUT the most expensive
* * *
OF anything
* * *
IS worth having
* * *
ISN'T doing
* * *
THE present generation
* * *
VERY much good.
* * *
AND it's worth while
* * *
RECALLING at this time
* * *
THAT homespun clothes
* * *
AND home-made shoes
* * *
WERE worn by
* * *
A LOT of folks
* * *
WHO had much to do
* * *
WITH making Canada
* * *
THE great nation she now is.
* * *
AND that's all.

TRIBUTE TO LATE MRS. ABRAHAM

Impressive Obsequies at Holloway Street Church

All that was mortal of the late Mrs. Annas Hannah Abraham was laid to rest on Friday afternoon in Belleville cemetery. After a short service at her late residence, 38 Elmer street, the funeral cortege proceeded to Holloway St. Methodist Church, where the pastor, the Rev. A. H. Foster, officiated in the presence of a large concourse of friends of the deceased and her family. The last sad rites were very impressive. The pastor delivered the funeral sermon, based on the words "And they shall fade as a leaf." The brevity of life and certainty of death were emphasized He voiced the public's esteem of the deceased and of her sterling character. The hymns were appropriate for the solemn occasion "God Moves in a Mysterious Way," "Servant of God, well Done" and "Asleep in Jesus." Miss W. Pearce presided at the organ. During the service Miss Strethel Walton sang "Face to Face."

At the conclusion of the service, the friends filed past the open casket to take a last look upon the features of the departed they had known so well in life.

Three generations of descendants were present at the obsequies, the sons and daughters of the deceased, her grand children and great grand children.

Among the floral offerings were:

Pillow, "Mother" from children of deceased.

"Wreath, "Grandma" from grand children.

Wreath, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Waters.

Wreath, Mr. and Mrs. Rankin and Jessie.

Sprays, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Ostrom, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Vermilyea, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Ostrom, Mr. and Mrs. D. V. Sinclair.

Six grandsons of the late Mrs. Abraham bore the casket. They were Charles A. Ostrom, G.Warren Brown, C. Gordon Brown, George H. Ketcheson, Roy E. Ketcheson, Harold F. Ketcheson.

The Rev. Mr. Foster officiated at the committal at Belleville cemetery

The friends have been receiving many telegrams and messages of condolence from different points in Canada and the United States.

Women's Canadian Club

The seventh annual meeting of the Women's Canadian Club was held Tuesday afternoon, April 20th, in the Y.M.C.A. lecture room. The minutes of the last annual meeting were read and approved. The president, Mrs. George Gorman, gave a very interesting address and then called for the reports of the secretary and treasurer. These showed a successful year. A vote of thanks was moved to the Board of Education, the Y.M.C.A. and the press. Regret was expressed at the anticipated departure of the president, Mrs. Gorman, from the city.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Hon. Pres—Mrs. G. Gorman.
Pres.—Mrs. S. D. Lazier.
Vice-Pres.—Mrs. F. S. Wilson.
Sec.—Mrs. O. A. Marshall.
Ass't Sec.—Mrs. A. A. Affleck.
Treas.—Mrs. R. W. Tennant.
Executive—Mrs. Bell, Mrs. Roberts, Miss Fraleck, Mrs. Chadwick, Mrs. Dean.
Pianists—Miss MacCuaig, Miss Ackerill.

Talk of the Town and of the Country

Engine No. 390 from Kinmount, due in Lindsay about 6 p.m., met with an accident Wednesday night half a mile north of Kinmount, when one car left the rails. A delay of 45 minutes was caused, and the Lindsay auxiliary was despatched to the scene to clear the track, the line being cleared within two hours, very little damage being done. Conductor Abbott and Engineer Hutchinson were in charge.

The D.S.C.R. at Kingston is not to be closed up as indicated in a despatch from Ottawa stating that all branches would cease to operate by June 30th. When interviewed on Tuesday morning Capt. Smith, head of the Kingston branch, stated that the order that had been issued from Ottawa referred only to the closing of the employment agencies conducted by the "Information and Service" branch during the past winter. Such an order was anticipated as soon as labor conditions became settled once more. The officers effected are Lt. W. G. Bailey and Capt. Frame. Capt. Smith stated that the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment would continue to do business and allof the branches will carry on as heretofore, looking after the complaints of discharged men, directing vocational training, and administering the hospitals for treatment of the sick and wounded.

The Lindsay workers' present grievance because the Ontario Hydro-Electric Commission having advanced the wages of its employes in what is known as the central division, by $5 and $10 a month, later raised the rentals of dwellings which it has built for its employes by $10, is the complaint made to the Department of labor by union electrical workers of Oshawa, Trenton, Campbellford, Belleville, Peterboro and Lindsay. John Noble, a general organizer for the Electrical Workers' Union, and Mr. E. N. Compton stated Wednesday that they were endeavoring by conferences with Sir Adam Beck, to adjust the grievances of these men, who number one hundred and fifty. The wage schedule which they have presented asks for a 30 per cent increase in wages. "There is no ultimatum accompanying the schedule, but it is a delicate situation," said Mr. Compton. Electrical workers from the Chippewa development scheme met Sir Adam Beck Thursday morning and discussed wages and conditions. They have not made known their demands and will meet at the Elliott House, Lindsay to finally draft them before interviewing Sir Adam.

Last evening about seven-thirty an automobile struck a buggy on Front St. near Bridge St. corner. The occupant of the carriage was thrown out but escaped injury. The buggy was not damaged much.

Last night the Y.M.C.A. put on a Grand Concert in aid of the City Boy's Camp. This camp is for any boy in the city who wishes to go camping this summer.

Mr. Herbert W. Piercy, one of Canada's leading interpreters of literature, recited the story of the life of Jean Valjean, taken from Les Miserables, the masterpiece written by Victor Hugo.

Mr. Piercy has great dramatic force and gave a very clear interpretation of that touching story of the life of Jean Valjean, holding the audience's attention to the very last.

During the recitation, the story was interrupted several times with violin selections played by Miss Joy Higgs. Her numbers were enjoyed very much and she was encored again and again.

Mr. Piercy also gave several humorous sketches in between times, that relieved the tenseness of the masterful story of Victor Hugo's.

The audience was not quite as large as expected but those who did attend, would not feel their time had been wasted as it was highly educating as well as entertaining.

At the Men's Brotherhood meeting in Bridge St. Church Sunday afternoon, Mr. F. E. O'Flynn will tell about some of his observations while in California. Mr. O'Flynn has just recently returned from that sunny clime and no doubt will have many things of interest to tell his hearers.

Police Constable John M. Trusisch last evening created a sensational scene on Front street. He had met three young men coming over the hill and they were questioned. He placed them under arrest and marched the three via Front street to the lockup. Two went ahead and the officer accompanied the other. They are charged with vagrancy and come up in court today. Their names are Ernest Rod 25 years; Albert Lurge, 17 years and Napoleon Harelle, 24 years.

Only two boys and two girls out of the fifty-two who arrived at the Marchmont Home last week from England are now in the Home. The rest have all been taken into foster homes. Quite a large number are located in Prince Edward County.

Mrs. A. May Ralston, Worthy Grand Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star, the ladies' branch of the Masonic order, paid an official visit of inspection to Belleville Chapter No. 55 last night. There was a very large turnout of members and many visitors were present, among the latter were Mrs. McKee, Toronto, Mrs. Lackie, Brockville, Miss Colling, Nebraska, the Misses Mills, Chicago and a number from Ameliasburgh, representing Quinte Chapter No. 59. The drills, parades and exemplifications of lodge work were carried out in faultless style and received war praise from the worthy grand matron. The latter addressed the chapter at some length, giving a criticism that was searching, sympathetic and constructive. Brief addresses were also delivered by the worthy matron and worthy patron of Belleville Chapter, Sister J. W. Barlow and Bro. E. T. Cherry. The Grand Matron was presented with a fern dish by the chapter, which she gratefully acknowledged. On Thursday night, Mrs. Ralston inspected Quinte Chapter, Ameliasburgh, and was accompanied by a number of the officers and members of Belleville chapter. Mrs. Ralston was presented with a piece of hand-decorated dresden china and the visitors were delightfully entertained.

This talk about a beautiful Belleville is not all valueless moonshine but if translated into action will bring greater dividends in dollars than almost any other effort we can make. In the Belleville Horticultural Society we have right at hand an organization ready, willing and fully equipped to help us realize our aims. Mr. Ernest P. Fredericks of the Chamber of Commerce has also taken upon himself the duty of pushing the work of the Horticultural Society, knowing as he does that the motto of the Chamber, "A bigger, better and busier Belleville," is inseparably bound up with the idea of beautification. He therefore offers to all persons sending in their names together with a fee of $1.00 to the Secretary-Treasurer on or before the 27th day of May next, will be entitled to receive their selection from the following:

(1.) Either 10 (in 3-inch pots) or 8 (in 4-inch pots) bedding plants of geraniums; or 20 Coleus (in 2-inch pots); or 8 salvias or 8 fuschias or 8 heliotrope (in 4-inch pots); or

(2.) 5 boxes of asters, or 5 of pansies, or 5 of zinnias, or 5 of stocks, or 5 of verbenas, or 5 of calendula; or

(3.) 8 canna bulbs (in 4-inch pots); or

(4.) 5 boxes of cabbage or 5 boxes of tomatoes, or 5 boxes of cauliflower, so long as they last in stock, or other plants may be selected instead so as to fill the $1.00 order of the Society.

No premium is guaranteed after the 27th of May.

Members can make a selection from one class, or a part from each of any of the above premiums.

Magistrate Masson this morning remanded for ten days three young men accused of vagrancy, Ernest Rod, Albert Rurge and Napoleon Harelle.

The remains of the late Frederick George Pope who died in Kingston yesterday morning arrived here last evening and was taken to the family residence, 48 Yeomans St.

The committe room or old police court room in the city hall has been divided into two sections. In the one adjacent to the city clerk's office the City Engineer J. G. Mill has his office The Belleville Cheese Board meets in the other section.

Cheese sold at a record price on Belleville Board today—32 7-16c. Only two factories boarded, Sidney Town Hall, 40 colored and Zion 65 colored. Zion factory sol dand the other refused the bid.

A resident made a good suggestion to The Ontario this morning and also a good suggestion to the Belleville Consumers' Economy League. He recommended that the Boy Scouts and boys generally be organised as potato batalions to cultivate vacant lots around this city by growing crops of the useful spud. He was of the belief that many residents who have considerable acreage of vacant land out of use could be induced to turn it over to such excellent use. It would be better for the land and better for the boys. He suggested the offering of prizes for the boys producing best results, and although not a wealthy man, he offered to donate ten dollars to get the movement going.

Here is one man doing his share to cut down the H.C. of L. Mr. A. McNab, the local agent of the G.T.R. at Peterboro, and formerly of Lindsay, who recently acquired the 50-acre farm of Mr. William Atherly, on the loop line of the Gravel road, North Monoghan, has moved with his family to the farm. His son Alan carries on the agrarian duties, while Mr. McNab helps him do up the chores at night. Mr. McNab says that it sure seems funny to be out in the country at night far away from the light and the noise of the city, but reports that he is enjoying the novelty fine so far.

At Bridge Street Methodist church Thursday evening Rev. Dr. C. T. Scott delivered an illustrated lecture on the "Sunset Province" in aid of the Boy Scouts' fund. Dr. Scott's remarks on the coast province were very illuminative.

The Argyll Light Infantry, the G.W.V.A. and the Scouts and Cadets will parade to St. Thomas' Church on Sunday morning. The Ven. Archdeacon Beamish will officiate.

Several changes of location are about to take place among business houses along Front street. Some time ago Mr. D. V. Sinclair, whose store has for twenty-five years been located in the Robertson block, on the west side of the street, purchased the block in which are located the jewelry store of Mr. T. Blackburn and the adjoining barber shop, Nos. 238 and 240 Front St. Mr. Sinclair proposes to join the jewelry store and the barber shop into one large, commodious store for his own business. A new front will be placed in the block and when improvements are completed, we may expect to see here one of the most up-to-date stores, in its class in the dominion. Mr. Blackburn has taken a long lease of No. 247 across the street, the premises until recently occupied by E. C. Sprague, cleaner, presser and dealer in clothing. Mr. Blackburn already has a force of workmen busy putting in a new front and making other improvements which will make the premises thoroughly modern in every respect. He expects to move his stock across in the course of two or three months. Mr. Sprague has taken apartment upstairs in the East Robertson Block.

Owing to the illness of the Rev. Dr. Scott of Bridge St. Church, the Rev. W. H. Wallace of Victoria Ave. Baptist Church has kindly consented to take the morning service and Dr. E. N. Baker of Albert College will take the evening service.

The remains of the late Valera Myrtle Vancott, aged three years and eleven months, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Vancott, arrived here last evening and were today taken to the home of Mrs. Sprung, Mountain View. The child died of lobar pneumonia on Wednesday at Flint, Michigan.

Representatives of the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co., Ltd., from Akron and Toronto, were in Bowmanville on Tuesday inspecting the local factory with a view to doubling the local organization. This expansion is found necessary in order that the Bowmanville factory may handle a large part of the export business for Goodyear mechanical products as well as the increased demand in the home market for these high grade lines of goods. This change in policy will probably mean the engaging of 200 additional employes in the very near future. Definite plans have not been completed but the above information was given out at a meeting of the representatives in the Goodyear Hotel Tuesday afternoon, to which Mr. A. M. Hardy, local superintendent, invited Mayor H. L. Quinn and Messrs. Geo. L. Hall and Geo. W. James of the Chamber of Commerce.

Fields recently so brown and bare are taking on a tint of green, especially those where fall wheat was sown. The green waves of the lake are breaking in long white crests on the shore. The tall elms, recently so bare, and standing like ancient sentinels on the banks, are now revealing bursting leaf-buds against a shining sun. In the top of a high cedar is a crow's nest—a mere rough bundle of sticks—and above it are wheeling and winging its sable owners, as if to protect it from danger. Across the lake, borne on the wings of the north-east wind, comes the weird screeching of the village sawmill, as the large tree trunks are being cut into boards for the manufacture of apple barrels and fish-boxes, there being an increasing demand for the latter in this our island county. On the south side of the clump of cedars that crown the hill, the sun is warm and inviting, and as we bask in its welcome rays a pair of kildeer are singing their song of love in the adjacent meadow. It reminds one of dreamy midsummer and sweet-smelling meadows, where their "Kildeer, Kildeer," floating over the quiet waves of the spring air. Their cousins, the sandpipers, were among the last of our feathered friends to leave the shore of the lake last autumn. In the old orchard the robin and the song sparrow are singing their cheering songs, and although the wind keeps chill, and "winter loiters in the lap of spring," there is very much in the out-of-doors to proclaim the presence and the power of this joyous season.

The Women's Missionary Society have passed a resolution relative to immodest dress by ladies, at a recent convention held at Stratford. The resolution is as follows: Resolved, that we, the members of the Ontario Provincial W.M.S., express our strong disapproval of the senseless, indecent, immodest modes of dress adopted among so many of our women, even amongst the members of our churches and worn even in the house of God. We deplore the lack of modesty displayed in a most glaring way on the streets, and especially at evening entertainments because of its pernicious effects, believing that it lowers the standard of our womanhood, disgraces our sex, leads to gross immorality, and is a most serious menace to the health, especially of our young girls. We deplore the practice of teaching young children fancy dances in immodest dress, practically ballet dancing, on the plea of making them graceful, bringing them on to the public stage on behalf of charitable objects, and thus destroying all the sweet innocence of childhood. We also view with serious apprehension the alarmingly rapid growth of cigarette smoking amongst the women of our country, particularly in fashionable circles, and would urge upon all our Christian women, especially the mothers, to use all their powers and influence to combat these great evils, threatening the moral life of our country and set before their young people the fatal consequence of all these practices, and above all, the great sin of bringing dishonor upon the sacred name and glory of our God and our Saviour Jesus Christ, who gave Himself a sacrifice for us.

Everybody in Kingston is pulling for the two local teams in the newly formed St. Lawrence Amateur Baseball League. Citizens are asked to give what financial assistance they can to help along the teams. Stanley Trotter is the "live wire" sercetary. A baseball game without "Stan" would be like a ship without a rudder.

The Peterboro agent of the G.T.R. intimated Thursday that the company was considering putting a sleeper on the train for Port Hope, leaving Peterboro at 9.19, and making it a through car to Montreal. This would be a welcome change to passengers who have often to make this trip east. The original scheme which was under consideration, and which Mr. MacNab believes is now in the waste basket, was to take off this 9.19 train, and put it on the other line going to Belleville. This step would inconvenience only Millbrook and several smaller places on that line, while it would provide an adequate service that is not possible now to Hastings, Campbellford, and Stirling, and would be of inestimable value to the city of Petereboro for shoppers from that way, who have to leave on the 2 p.m., as it is now. This service would attract many buyers to Peterboro that now patronize Belleville. Outside of these materialistic reasons it would provide a sleeper service through to Montreal, just as this other service will. Nevertheless there is no propect that the train will be changed over, and all that will be provided is the sleeper service to Montreal. Mr. MacNab said he did not know why the other plan had been sidetracked.

Dr. Walter E. Dandy, associate in surgery at Johns Hopkins Hospital at Baltimore, Md., discovered a process by which purified air is pumped into the channels of the human brain, thus making possible a study of the living brain, something that has been the dream of scientists for generations. The discovery is of tremendous importance in that it already has saved scores of persons from idiocy and premature death, by making possible the exact location of brain tumors and thus, after having been located, their removal. The discovery of Dr. Dandy is the result of a long series of experiments on animals whose lives have been sacrificed that human beings might be saved.

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HOUSE AND VILLAGE LOTS FOR SALE BY TENDER

Tenders will be received by Stewart Masson, Esq., Bank of Commerce Chambers, Belleville, Ont., Solicitor for the Public Trustee administrator of the Estate of the late Mrs. (William) Sabra Barriage, for the sale of her late homestead, being Lots number Twelve (12), Thirteen (13), Fourteen (14), Fifteen (15), and Sixteen (16) on the South side of Main Street in the Village of Milltown on registered plan thereof Number Ninety-seven (97) in the Township of Tyendinaga, and that part of Lot number Ten (10) in the First Concession of Tyendinaga lying in the rear of said Village, Lots number Twelve and Thirteen and North of the boundary line between the North and South halves of said Lot number Ten (10) in the First Concession. The said plot is supposed to contain a half acre of land more or less. There is situate on the said property a two storey frame house, 25 ft. by 18 ft. 6 inches, and a barn 21 ft. by 18 ft. 6 inches.

Possession can be given at once. Terms—cash wanted, but other terms will be considered if stated in tender. Tenders will be received up to Friday noon on the 21st of May, 1920, by the undersigned. The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Dated this 26th day of April, 1920.

Stewart Masson,
Solicitor for the Administrator of the Sabra Barriage Estate, Bank of Commerce Chambers, Belleville, Ont.
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE MATTER of the estate of Willard Conley, late of the Township of Thurlow in the County of Hastings, farmer, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1914, Chapter 121, Section 56, that all creditors and others having claims against the estate of the said late Willard Conley who died on or about the 30th day of May, 1917, are required on or before the twenty-fifth day of May, 1920, to send post prepaid or deliver to Nettie Ethel Conley, Corbyville, P.O., Ont., the administratrix of said estate, their Christian names and surnames, and their addresses, with full particulars in writing of their claims and statement of their accounts and nature of the security if any held by them duly verified by Statutory Declaration.

AND TAKE NOTICE that after the twenty-fifth day of May, 1920, the administratrix will proceed to distribute the assets of the said estate of the said deceased, among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which she shall then have notice, and the administratrix of the said estate will not be liable for said assets or any part thereof to any person or persons of whose claims notice shall not have been received by her at the time of such distribution.

Dated this 16th day of April A.D. 1920.

F. S. Wallbridge,
Solicitor for Administratrix.
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the matter of the estate of Sabra Barriage late of the Village of Milltown, in the Township of Tyendinaga, in the County of Hastings, Widow, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Section 56 of The Trustees Act, R.S.O., 1914, Chapter 121, that all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the said Sabra Barriage, deceased, who died on or about the 27th day of July, A.D. 1919, are required to send by post, prepaid, or deliver to Stewart Masson, of the City of Belleville, Ontario, Solicitor herein for The Public Trustee, administrator of the estate of the said deceased, on or before the 14th day of May, 1920, their Christian and surnames and addresses, with full particulars, in writing, of their claims and statement of their accounts, and the nature of their securities (if any), held by them, duly verified by affidavit.

And take notice that, after the said 14th day of May, 1920, the said administrator will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have had notice and that the said administrator will not be liable for the said assets, or any part thereof, to any person or persons of whose claim notice shall not have been received by him, or his solicitor at the time of such distribution.

Stewart Masson,
Belleville, Ont.,
Solicitor for the Public Trustee, Administrator of the above Estate.

Dated at Belleville this 14th day of April, A.D. 1920.

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Money

PRIVATE MONEY TO LOAN ON Mortgages on farm and city property, at lowest rates of interest, on terms to suit borrowers.

F. S. WALLBRIDGE
Barrister, Etc.
Cor. Front & Bridge Sts., Belleville
(Over Dominion Bank.

On Wednesday twenty-nine bags of potatoes were sold in Port Hope for 159.50. Twenty years ago, according to our file, twenty-nine bags were sold on the market for $11.60. The price at that time was too low, but farmers should admit that $5.50 per bag is a most exhorbitant figure.