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THE LOCAL BUDGET

Miss Ethel Gillies, of this city, is visiting in Ridgetown.

Miss Queenie West, of this city, is visiting friends in Ridgetown.

E. R. Mogg, of West Lorne, is a registered guest at Hotel Salita today.

Mrs. V. Carron, of Ridgetown, spent Easter with friends in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lancaster, of this city, spent Easter with friends in Blenheim.

Miss Nan Delmage, of Ridgetown, has returned home after a visit with friends in Chatham.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bell sent Easter in Chatham with Judge Bell.

A. Aubin spent Easter with his two daughters at the Ursuline Convent, Chatham.

Mrs. James Bevan, an old and highly respected resident of Highgate, died on Thursday last and was buried on Saturday. She had been an invalid for thirteen years.

Jas. Rushton, of Ridgetown, has received word that his daughter, Mrs. Workman, formerly of this city, is improving in health, and is considered out of danger.

W. F. Mattice and daughter, of Pontiac, Mich., Misses Etile and Reva, of this city, and Miss Alice Pringle, of Dresden, were Easter guests of Mrs. R. O. Young, of Ridgetown.

Every fishing net should be out of the water Saturday night, unless the fishermen work on Sunday, and that is illegal. If the nets are in the water Monday every owner is liable to a fine and the fishery inspector will be getting busy.

The Commissioners of the McGregor Creek and Buller drains on Saturday succeeded in making a satisfactory sale of the work of repairing and improving them. The McGregor Creek was awarded to Brady Bros. of Raleigh, and the Buller drain to Dennis Lamb, of Howard.

Wm. Nollie was fined \$100 and costs by Judge Dowlin today. It was alleged that Jack Smith gave Nollie money to buy hogs and the latter didn't account for the same. Judge Dowlin found defendant guilty and fined him \$100 and costs. Frank Smith, who appeared for Nollie, made a strong plea for suspended sentence.

Mr. Sussex, of London, installed a two horse-power International Harvester gasoline engine for Jud Smith on Tuesday. It will be used for turning his ice cream freezer this summer, and Jud has had attachments added so that if necessary the sewing machine and cradle can also be hitched on.—Amherstburg Echo.

Amherstburg is evidently going ahead in the line of rural improvements.

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VERY UNJUST

Character of the Rumors Concerning the Commissioners—Chairman Baxter in Toronto.

Chairman Wm. R. Baxter, of the West Kent Board of License Commissioners, was in Toronto yesterday in consultation with Hon. Mr. Hanna, Provincial Secretary, and E. Saunders, chief of the License Department, and a life-long Liberal, by-the-way—who was commissioned by the Minister to investigate the rumors afloat here and report to the Government. These rumors were of a serious character, but had been grossly and maliciously exaggerated by the Rossie press, was the finding of the commissioner. Nothing was presented to substantiate them.

Chairman Baxter, on behalf of the Board, visited Toronto with the commissioner and spent the afternoon in consultation with the Provincial Secretary. It is understood that the Minister discussed with the chairman his letter to the commissioners and the desire of the Government that, while no improprieties or misconduct on the part of license holders and applicants should be overlooked, it was their resolve that the administration of the department should be in every sense a non-partisan one.

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HAD DASTARDLY DESIGN

Robbers Would Try Torture to Obtain Safe Combination.

Lancaster Bank Burglars and Their Purpose — One Man, H. Gardiner, Placed Under Arrest, and Was With Man Killed by Teller Von Metzke on the Station Platform Earlier in the Evening of Attempted Burglary.

Cornwall, April 22.—So far only one arrest has been made in connection with the Lancaster Bank robbery. His name is H. Gardiner, and he has relatives at Summerton, where he was formerly employed. He was in bed sleeping when arrested at 5 a. m. Night Operator McBean of the C.T.R. service states that on Tuesday night he had, when arriving on duty at 7 p. m., found two men in the station. One of these was the man he afterwards found dead on the platform. The other was Gardiner. The latter had enquired from him as to whether there were any eastbound trains during the night. On being informed that there was not, he asked whether there were any freight trains. He seemed disappointed and rejoined the man now deceased.

Joseph Deume also claims that he saw the two men conversing at the C. T. R. depot.

Gardiner was committed for ten days as a vagrant. The only clue as to the whereabouts of the other men is given by several residents of the northern part of the village, who heard a man running on the road towards Alexandria about 11 p. m.

To Torture the Teller. The robbers' purpose was evidently to torture the teller until he should reveal the secret of the safe's combination by binding him and applying a torch of all-soaked flaming cotton to his feet until he would reveal the combination.

Mr. Sneyd, the manager of the Lancaster branch of the Merchants' Bank says that even though the would-be robbers had attempted to rob the bank by obtaining the combination of the vault, nitro-glycerine would be necessary, as there is a time-lock on the door.

Von Metzke, the teller, was somewhat improved yesterday, and better able to describe the occurrence. He says that he was only partially aroused by the smashing of the door and saw four men rush in. One of them, with a bill's-eye light, found the lamp and lit it, and as the others rushed upon him and seized him the revolver, with which he killed the man who was evidently the leader. He fired a second shot and, he thinks, wounded another man. He kicked the light out of a man's hand, and it went out.

He says: "As I did so the three of them battered my head with their fists, or with the butt ends of their revolvers. I was stunned, but in the darkness I tried to get upon my feet. One of them snatched my revolver from my hand, then I heard them stumbling and cursing over the stove and a bicycle which they had dislodged, and then over their comrades, whom it had dropped. I staggered after them but became entangled in the fallen bicycle."

Provincial Detective Greer has gone to Lancaster to investigate the bank burglary.

Boilermakers Strike. Collingwood, April 22.—Because the Collingwood Shipbuilding Co. have declined to pay the boilermakers double time for working last Good Friday, the men, sixteen in number, went out on strike at eleven yesterday. They say they were promised the extra money.

THE MARKETS. Further Wheat Decline in Both Liverpool and Chicago—Live Stock—The Latest Quotations.

Thursday Evening, April 27. Liverpool wheat futures closed today 1 1/4d lower than yesterday and corn futures 3/4d to 1d lower.

At Chicago July wheat closed 1/2c lower than yesterday; July corn 1/4c higher and July oats unchanged.

LEADING WHEAT MARKETS.

	May	July
New York	90 1/2	88 1/2
Wheat, red, bush	1 00	1 02
St. Louis	85 1/2	83 1/2
Wheat, white, bush	0 98	0 96
Barley, bush	0 48	0 46
Oats, bush	0 30	0 28
Rye, bush	0 75	0 73
Barley, malt, bush	0 50	0 48

LIVERPOOL GRAIN AND PRODUCE. Liverpool, April 27.—Wheat—Spot quiet; No. 1 Cal. 8s 9d; futures dull; May, 6s 11d; July, 6s 11d; Sept., 6s 11d.

Corn—Spot quiet; American mixed, new, 4s 2d; American mixed, old, 4s 10d; futures dull; May, 4s 10d; July, 4s 10d; Sept., 4s 10d.

Lard—American refined, in bulk, steady, 7s 10d; Turpentine—Spirits strong, 4s 10d; Rosin—Common firm, 7s 10d; Linseed oil—20s 2d.

CATTLE MARKETS. Cables Unchanged—Cattle Steady—Hogs Lower in the States.

London, April 27.—Export cattle are quiet; 10c per lb.; refrigerator beef, 9c to 9 1/2c per lb.; sheep, 10c to 11c per lb.

TORONTO LIVE STOCK. Receipts of live stock at the city cattle market were 11 car loads, composed of 1100 cattle, 2200 hogs, 145 sheep and 250 calves. Receipts were not large. Prices ranged from \$5.00 to \$5.50 per cwt., with one lot of 4 extra prime cattle at \$6 per cwt. The bulk would sell at about \$5.00 to \$5.75 per cwt., but at \$4 to \$4.50, cows at \$4 to \$4.50 per cwt.

Choice steered lots sold at \$5.50 to \$5.75 per cwt.; loads of good at \$5 to \$5.25, medium at \$4.50 to \$5; common at \$4 to \$4.25 and cows at \$3.50 to \$4.50 per cwt. The demand for good quality feeders and stockers was greater than the supply, many orders from farmers and dealers being filled. Short-keep feeders, 1150 to 1200 lbs. each, sold at \$5.25 to \$5.50; feeders, 1050 to 1100 lbs., \$4.75 to \$5; good feeders, 900 to 1000 lbs., \$4.25 to \$4.50; medium feeders, 800 to 900 lbs., \$3.75 to \$4.25; good stockers, 500 to 700 lbs., \$3.50 to \$3.75; medium stockers, 500 to 700 lbs., \$3.25 to \$3.50; good stock calves, \$3; common stock calves, \$2.75.

about 20 extra cows and stockers sold at \$30 to \$32 each.

There are too many "bobs" and scrub calves of light weights, many of them being under the market standard of 60 lbs. when dressed, and too few of the good quality calves that are wanted. Prices ranged from \$2 to \$8 each, or \$3 to \$8 per cwt. Extra choice calves would sell for more money.

Export ewes sold at \$4.10 to \$5.25 per cwt.; bucks at \$3.50 to \$4; choice yearling lambs at \$7 to \$7.75; common yearling lambs at \$5 to \$6 per cwt.; spring lambs at \$3 to \$8 each.

Receipts were fairly large, over 2000 being bought. Mr. Harris reports the highest prices of the season, having paid \$7 per cwt. for select and \$6.75 for lights and fars, all red and watered.

Canada Importing Hogs.

American hogs are being imported into Canada, such is a statement of fact by a Canadian packer. This state of affairs is being brought about by the high price of the Canadian hog, and the comparative low price of the American. The duty is \$1.50 per cwt., and it will thus be seen that there must be at least this difference, with the freight addition, to permit of American hogs selling in Canadian markets.

Yesterday, on the Toronto market, hogs off cars were quoted at \$7.25, an advance of 25c per cwt. over Monday. On the Chicago market a similar class of hog is selling at \$5.40 per cwt., and at Buffalo at \$5.45 to \$5.50 per cwt. The demand from Canadian packers is the incentive for present prices. On the Chicago market, the packers must of necessity keep their plants working. This is working a temporary advantage to the Ontario farmer.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed bids and separate tenders will be received by the undersigned up till seven p. m. Monday, May 15, 1905, for all of the several trades to construct a three storey stone and brick hotel, with steam heat installation, for John Glassford, Esq., Chatham, Ont.

Plans, specifications, etc., can be seen at the offices of the architects. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

JAS. L. WILSON & SON, Architects.

JNO. GLASSFORD, Proprietor.

Electoral District of West Kent.

Statement of election expenses of Arch. B. McCoig, one of the candidates at the election on 25th January, 1905:

Rent of Halls and Committee Rooms \$163.75
Livery and Cab Hire 266.00
Postage, Telephones and Stationery 70.12
Committee Room Expenses—
caretaker, clerks, fuel
and furniture 67.61
Printing and Advertising 257.00
Printing and Bill Posting 39.75
Canvasers 117.80

..... \$992.03

J. G. KERR, Agent.

I certify above to be a correct abstract of expenses of A. B. McCoig at election of 25th January, 1905, as shown in detailed statement filed with me this day, by John G. Kerr, agent for said A. B. McCoig.

J. R. GEMMILL, Returning Officer.

Chatham, April 27, 1905.

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