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William M. Morris, Editor and Proprietor

Turn some pigs loose in a swamp infested with rattlesnakes and watch the fun. F. V. Williams did not do exactly that but he tells in April Rod and Gun in Canada what happens when swine meet serpents. Mr Williams tells of snakes found in the vicinity as Tobermory on the Bruce Peninsula in Ontario, and what happened to them when some pigs were turned loose to slay and slaughter "A Happy Hunting Ground" is the title of the leading story in this month's issue of Canada's national sportsmen's monthly. This article tells of the thrilling experiences in hunting bears in British Columbia. Nova Scotians will read with especial interest the story of hunting shore birds by Bonnycastle Dale. It tells of the difficulties to be experienced under the terms of the Migratory Birds Convention Act. In addition to these stories and articles there are nine others that will delight the heart of the nature lover. The Guns and Ammunition depart-

ment and the editorial comment on the gun permit law will take the attention of the gun "crank" while Robert Page Lincoln and George Goodwin take care of the anglers and dog men, respectively. Rod and Gun in Canada is published monthly at Woodstock, Ont., by W. J. Taylor, Limited.

Toledo

Miss Annie Judge of Watertown N. Y. is visiting at her home here for the past week she has been at the home of her sister Mr and Mrs Charles McNamee.

Mr Russell Esq. of Independence Mission U. S. A. is at present holding meetings in Toledo in the interest of the Reorganized church of Latter Day Saints.

The farmers are busy in this section making maple syrup.

Miss Marcella Judge nurse in training in Smith Fall's Hospital is ill with Tonsillitis.

Greenbush

Mr and Mrs E. Kennedy have moved from Rockspring to their new home here, lately purchased from Mr J. Hanna, who is now in the Canadian West.

Miss Bernice Maud has resigned her position as teacher of Escott school to go to Saskatchewan with her Aunt and Uncle Mr and Mrs Percival.

Mr Gordon Brayton attended the funeral of his Aunt Mrs Henry Tackaberry in Brockville on Sat. last.

Mr and Mrs Milton Johnston have moved to their new home lately purchased from Mr Lambert Kerr.

Most of the farmers who have sugar bushes have commenced making syrup.

Mr and Mrs A. Root intend moving their belongings to Smith Fall's where they will reside in the future Mr Root having rented a saw mill there for the coming year. On the evening of the 5th. inst. a number of friends and neighbors gathered at their home for a social evening with them before their departure and to wish them success and happiness in their new home. During the evening they were presented with an address and a purse of money.

Much sympathy is felt for Mr and Mrs Bert Forsythe on account of the serious accident which befell Mrs Forsythe on the 14th. inst. when she was thrown from a buggy in front of Mr Harry Maud's farm and sustained serious injuries to the head. She was taken to St. Vincent de-Paul hospital where she remained unconscious for more than sixty hrs. At present there is some hopes of her recovery.

Newboro

Mr and Mrs Gordon Pierce spent the past week visiting the latter's parents at Sealey's Bay.

Newboro hockey team has again won the shield donated by Sir Thomas White Gananogue challenged them for a game of hockey. The game was played on Tuesday and resulted in Newboro's favour with a score 3 to 0. The Nights of Columbus played with Newboro March 11 the score being 5 to 4. In favor of Brockville.

Miss Eleanor Tett, who has been ill with tonsillitis for the past week returned to school on Monday.

Mrs Harris DeLong who has been seriously ill at the home of her father is slowly improving. Nurse Lewis Delta has been nursing her for two weeks.

OUTSTANDING CEREALS

O.A.C. Bred Varieties of Oats, Barley and Wheat.

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Approximately five million acres are devoted annually to the grain crops in Ontario. About three-fifths of this acreage is used for oats.

Oats.—Although there are about one hundred varieties of oats grown in general cultivation in Ontario about two-thirds of the entire oat crop consists of two varieties, viz., the Banner and the O. A. C. No. 72.

The Banner variety of oats was introduced at least two score years ago under the name of Vick's American Banner. It was the leading variety of oats in Ontario for a number of years, and is still prominent in some localities.

The O. A. C. No. 72 variety of oats originated at the Ontario Agricultural College from a single seed in 1903. It has been included in the regular College experiments for the past thirteen and in the co-operative experiments over Ontario in each of the past seven years. The average results for the thirteen-year period, in bushels of grain per acre per annum, has been 86 for the O. A. C. No. 72 and 75 for the Banner. In each of the past nine years the O. A. C. No. 72 variety has given a higher yield per acre in the average results than any other kind with which it was tested throughout Ontario. Within the past four years the standing field crops of the O. A. C. No. 72 oats have taken from three to four times as many first prizes as those of the Banner variety in the Field Crop Competitions throughout Ontario. The grain of the O. A. C. No. 72 variety of oats has taken the Championship prize at the Ontario Provincial Winter Fair in each of the past five years.

The O. A. C. No. 3 variety of oats is about ten days earlier than the Banner, produces a medium length of straw and grain which has a lower percentage of hull than any other named variety tested at the College. It is particularly well suited for mixing with barley when it is desirable to grow these two grains in combination, a practice now being followed by many stock farmers throughout the province.

Barley.—Forty years ago the Common Six-rowed barley was grown almost exclusively in Ontario. In 1889 the Mandsehuri barley was tested at the College for the first time. After proving its worth in an experimental way it was distributed throughout Ontario, through the medium of the Experimental Union, and became generally grown over the province. This was a decided improvement over the former variety.

The O. A. C. No. 21 barley originated at the Ontario Agricultural College from a single seed in 1903. As the then popular Mandsehuri was an improvement over the Common Six-rowed so the O. A. C. No. 21 is an improvement over the Mandsehuri. Largely through the introduction of these varieties the average yield per acre of barley has increased 20 per cent. In the last eighteen years as compared with the eighteen years previous.

Spring Wheat.—The Wild Goose variety of spring wheat which has been grown in Ontario for many years is a high yielder of grain. It is, however, a durum wheat, and is more suitable for the manufacture of macaroni than for bread production.

The Marquis variety of spring wheat is a hybrid which originated at the Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa, from crossing the Calcutta Hard Red and the Red Fife. It is not only a good yielder, but it is a wheat of excellent quality for bread production, and one which is increasing substantially in the Western Provinces and in Ontario. In the Experiments at Guelph it occupies fourth place in average yield per acre of twelve varieties of spring wheat grown for flour production over a period of six years.

Winter Wheat.—The Dawson's Golden Chaff variety of winter wheat was started from a single seed in 1881, and has been grown extensively throughout Ontario for many years. It has a stiff straw, beardless head, red chaff, and white grain of only medium quality for bread production. It is, however, a high yielder and has been very popular with the farmers of Ontario.

The O. A. C. No. 104 variety of winter wheat originated at the Ontario Agricultural College as a cross between the Dawson's Golden Chaff and the Bulgarian varieties. It possesses a tall comparatively stiff straw, beardless head, red chaff and red grain of good quality. It is a vigorous grower, and in the experiments at Guelph has given a larger yield per acre and has killed out less in the winter than either of its parents. In the co-operative experiments throughout Ontario for the last four years it has proved decidedly the most popular of the five varieties tested, and has headed the list in yield per acre in each of these years.

It is generally recognized that in a comparatively new country such as Ontario there is a tendency for a gradual decrease in crop production per acre owing to the natural depletion of soil fertility. It is interesting and suggestive to note, however, that according to the best information obtainable there has been an actual increase of from ten to twenty per cent. in yield per acre of three of the principal farm crops of Ontario for the last eighteen years as compared with the previous period of eighteen years. This increase in yield per acre for these three crops, reckoned at market prices, has made an estimated increase in money value of over one hundred and thirty million dollars.—Prof. C. A. Zavitz, O. A. College, Guelph.



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Wiltse Lake

Mr and Mrs T. R. Moore of this vicinity visited friends in Smith Falls on Sunday and Mrs Moore remains extends visit with her two daughters Mrs Arthur Leach and Mrs Milton Leach both of Smith Falls and also other relatives there.

A great many young farmers from here attended the orangemen meeting at Athens on Friday evening last.

Some of the farmers here tapped their sugar-bush Friday and the sap ran quiet rapidly.

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Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is the senior partner in the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE.

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"Camping Out Along The C. P. R." is the title of a splendidly illustrated story by F. V. Williams in the March issue of Rod and Gun in Canada. Bonnycastle Dale tells of his experience with snakes and eagles in various parts of Canada in this issue. In addition to these two stories there are six others of equal interest by such well known Nature writers as George R. Belton, Harry W. Laughey and E. T. Martin. The fire arms permits law is dealt with editorially and in a strong appeal to the sportsman by Ira-Lieghley entitled "An Undigested Law." This issue contains the final trapping department until the autumn and will be read with interest along with the other departments of guns and fishing which are up to their usual high standard. Rod and Gun in Canada is published monthly by W. T. Taylor, limited, Woodstock, Ont.

In Memorium

In Loving Memory of Willoughby Millar, who died February 18, 1921

Gone from this earth is our father
Gone from this world below
Gone to meet the King in his beauty
In a purer land we know

We think we can hear his voice,
That voice so low and Sweet
Calling us from out of the shadows
Our Blessed Lord to meet.

Up through the glowing Splendor
Of a starry Earthly Night,
To see the King in his beauty,
In a Land of purer Light.

We know he left the homestead,
To answer his Master's call
Awaiting there he will greet us
When we cross to the other shore.

Among the publications that have just reached us is the Twentieth Annual Report of the Canadian Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis. A casual glance at the report reveals much food for thought and we are glad to notice that progress is being made against tuberculosis in our midst. Education and sound propaganda are bound to have a goodly influence upon the daily habits of the community. Particularly instructive is the address of the president Hon. Dr. Schaffner, which reveals the stages of tuberculosis from its first description by Hippocrates, long before the Christian era, to the present. For many centuries, he points out, the disease was believed to be hereditary and incurable, but to-day scientific research has established that it is not early only preventable but curable if taken in its early stages. Hon. D. Scaffner lays great stress on the importance of education on the subject, alluding to the common school teacher as one of the most powerful agencies in this regard, and he urges the earnest co-operation of all classes as the most effective means of eradicating the disease. Dr. George D. Porter Secretary, reviews the work of the year and tells of a decrease in the death rate from tuberculosis in Canada of thirty per cent in the last twenty years, due chiefly to lessened infection, better living conditions and earlier treatment. There are also interesting

addresses by other prominent authorities on tuberculosis, besides reports from all the Sanatoria and societies in Canada.

A number of the young people attended the carnival held in Frankville on Saturday night and report a good crowd, a number of masqueraders and a general good time.

Mr Alex McClure met with the loss of a horse.

Mr Oscar Mac Donald has purchased a new Heintzman & Co. Piano. Special services this week in the Methodist Church. The Pastor leading a week of prayer.

Mrs McTughn sang in the Methodist Church Sunday night and all were pleased to hear her voice again.

Rev. Mr Nichols conducted services in the Baptist church on Sunday.

Mrs Lydia Stratton is suffering from an attack of pneumonia.

Mrs M. Hull and son Kenneth of Portland were week end visitors at the home of Mr and Mrs W. Hull.

Mr Wm. Ball has purchased the farm owned by Jno. Whiting.

C. A. Wood and Stanley Coag, each had the misfortune to fracture a rib. Both are improving.

A delegation from here is to go to Toronto this week in the interest of the good roads in this section.

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