

BUILT FINE BARN NEGLECTED CROPS

That is What Canada Has
Been Doing, Says W. C.
Good, B.A. Farmer.

MENACE TO NATION

Decrease of Agricultural Pop-
ulation and Production a
Very Serious Problem.

"The present condition of agricul-
ture in this country is a menace to
its national safety," said W. C. Good,
B.A., farmer of Brant County, who
addressed the Empire Club in the St.
Charles Hotel yesterday. "The reason
is that agriculture is not getting its
just reward. Labor and capital do not
get from agriculture equal rewards or
satisfaction as those they get in other
lines," said he.

"Canada had for twenty or thirty
years been following a mistaken policy
of national development, said he. It
had been like the farmer who mort-
gaged his farm to build a splendid
barn and neglected the crops to put
in it. Canada had been developing its
railways and allowing the agricultural
production, which these railways were
built to carry, to decrease in volume.
Meanwhile a debt equal to \$2,000 per
family was being piled up. This had
been the case even before the war.
Even then there had been only half
enough labor and equipment. The
war had intensified this situation.

The rural problem which faced
Canada was a very vital one. It was
not, first, a question of production.
He himself had been forced to reduce
his herd. Lands that had produced
crops were now used for cattle walks.
One farm that had supported the
families of three houses now was in the
hands of a ne'er-do-weel who could
hardly produce the rent. Another that
had given five or six men permanent
employment now was worked only by
the farmer and occasional help.

Affects Social Life.
The second reason for the serious-
ness of the problem lay in the de-
pletion of the rural population, which
detracted from the social life of the
country and resulted in an increasing
dependence on the city. The result
was a decrease in the number of im-
migrants, a decrease in the number of
immigrants, a decrease in the number of
immigrants. One great reason for this
was that the farmer could not com-
pete in wages with other industries.
A man who could earn two or three
dollars a day in almost any other line
of industry was worth perhaps
\$50 a day farming.

This was the problem that faced
Canada. It was all the more serious
in that the city depended on the coun-
try for the renewal of its vitality and
for the bases of its industry. Life
was more vigorous on the farm be-
cause the farmer had almost a mono-
poly of fresh air and sunshine, be-
cause the farm was a domestic industry
in which the whole family co-operated,
because it was a "seasoned" occupa-
tion varying with the year, and so de-
veloping adaptability, initiative and
resourcefulness, and because it was
giving the Mayne Church and the
city of thought, creating stability of char-
acter.

The vote of thanks was moved by
Thomas F. McEwen, seconded by
Lockie Wilson.

CLAIMS THE PROPERTY.

Market Garden Upon Which Occupant
Has Lived for Thirty-five Years is
Subject of Suit.

Chief Justice William Macdougall
continued the case of Mrs. Frances R.
Van Zant, who is suing her brother,
George Coates, for possession of a
market garden, for possession of property
upon which he lives, and \$500 per
annum which has accrued in the last few
years. The property is a small plot of
land in the old Bolton estate purchased sixty years
ago by the grandfather of the plaintiff
and because of the boom in the market
has greatly increased in value.

The property under the will of the
mother of the litigants was divided
equally between the two children.
Prior to her death the mother made a
deed giving to the daughter a more
favorable share of the estate, Mrs.
Van Zant says.

In a counter-claim the brother as-
serts that this deed was gained thru
undue influence and fraud by his sis-
ter and others. He has been in pos-
session of the land for 35 years.

CELEBRATED ANNIVERSARY.

Knights of Malta Hold Banquet to
Mark Sixty Year of
Existence Here.

Last evening in Occident Hall the
five local commanderies of the ancient,
illustrious and military order of
Knights of Malta celebrated the sixtieth
anniversary of the introduction of the
order into Canada. The first com-
mandery on this continent was con-
stituted by Prof. Thomas Mackenzie of
Glasgow, Scotland, in the building
which then stood at the corner of
Church and King streets, where
the present offices of the Toronto
Street Railway Company are located.
The late ex-Mayor E. F. Clarke and
Ald. John A. Cowan were elected to
the principal offices, and the latter is
the sole survivor of the original char-
ter list. The celebration last evening
was featured by historical addresses
by M. E. Sir R. E. A. Lord and A. G.
Howwood. M. E. Sir John A. Cowan
read an interesting paper on the patron
saint of the order, St. John the Baptist,
whose life and teachings showed the
greatness of simplicity. A banquet
followed the lodge room proceedings
and was attended by over 300 members
of the order.

DISCHARGED MEN EXEMPT.

Canadian Associated Press Cable.
London, Nov. 30.—The War minis-
ter in the commons last night stated that
it was not intended to call for service
discharge certificates from the Canadian
military authorities, owing to illness
or disability.

JAPANESE SOLDIERS KILLED.

Tokio, Nov. 30, 4:30 a.m.—One
hundred and thirty young soldiers
have been killed in a collision of a
freight train with the train on which
they were being conveyed to Aomori,
a seaport on the north coast.



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CITY HALL NOTES

City Architect Pearce and Dr. East-
ings report that Grace Hospital can
be made safe from a fire standpoint
provided certain changes in construction
are made.

On condition that they file state-
ments showing the condition of their
finances, the board yesterday granted
\$1500 to the 15th Overseas Battalion
for comforts, and \$1000 to the 108th
Militia Regiment. Major Dinnick ap-
peared for the 108th, and Col. D. M.
Robertson and Col. C. N. Derlington
for the 15th.

According to information received
in Toronto yesterday, Capt. W. G.
Macdonald, 255 East Roxboro street,
who went overseas with the fifth con-
tingent, and has been in charge of
road construction under Canadian
headquarters, has been appointed as-
sistant deputy director of roads under
British headquarters.

P. H. Drayton, K.C., continued ar-
bitration proceedings yesterday in the
claim of James E. Beech, Elizabeth H.
Hammill and H. J. Martin, for \$7000
damages to lots on the south side of
Brierhill avenue, caused by the city
filling in and raising the roadway.
Real estate experts agreed that the
fill had seriously affected the value of
the land.

The Bloor street fill, which is to cost
\$40,000, was discussed at the board
meeting yesterday, and they recom-
mended to council that \$15,000 be
provided to go ahead with the work at
Brierhill avenue, subject to the recom-
mendation providing the city
treasurer reports that he can raise the
funds. "Funds don't fall like the dew
from heaven," he added.

Controller Thompson is definitely
out of the running for next year's
board of control. At yesterday's ses-
sion he declared that in fairness to
members of council who might have
board aspirations, he should state pub-
licly that military duties would not
permit him to run. "I'm in this war
game to the finish now," he concluded.

The Mayor, Controller Cameron and
Controller O'Neill all paid tribute to
the retiring member's ability and joined
in the hope that he would return
without a scratch.

Upon motion of Controller O'Neill
the board decided yesterday to cease
work on the construction of the civic
car line on Lansdowne avenue north of
Davenport road, pending negotiations
with the Ontario Electric Co. for the
extension in a diagonal line
of Lansdowne avenue to connect with
Davenport road. Assessment Commis-
sioner Fortman is authorized to nego-
tiate with the Royce estate for the
purchase of land necessary to straighten
out the route.

The board of control recommended
to the city council yesterday "that the
city assume the winding up of the
accounts for the year of civic de-
partments be authorized to apply un-
requited balances of appropriations to
the credit of overridered appropriations
in such departments and also to apply
extra and unappropriated revenues to
supplementary appropriations
sanctioned since the passing of 1915
estimates, reporting all such transfers
first to the board and council for ap-
proval.

Controller Foster, chairman of the
sub-committee of council investigating
the financing of various charitable or-
ganizations, recommended to the board
yesterday that the practice of appro-
priating fixed sums of money annu-
ally to organizations caring for children
be discontinued, and that hereafter, in
lieu of such appropriation, a per diem
allowance of 25 cents per capita be
paid. It is also recommended that ap-
plication be made for legislation to
provide that outside municipalities
shall be liable for the cost of main-
taining in such institutions children
belonging to such outside municipali-
ties.

Mayor Church, Controller O'Neill
and Secretary McQueen figured in a
three-cornered verbal battle at the
board meeting yesterday, when the
mayor took exception to Mr. McQueen
trotting information to the con-
troller. The question of military
grants was up for discussion.

"Mr. McQueen is not a member of
the board," said the mayor, "and he
must not interrupt the discussion."
Controller O'Neill: I asked him for
information, and he gave it to me."
The Mayor: He did not. He volun-
teered it.

Controller O'Neill: I say he did
not, and I'm not going to swallow any-
thing like this from you, even if you
are mayor of the City of Toronto. If
you would listen less to promptings
from outside, we would get more
business done here.

LIKENS OBJECTORS TO ZEPP. RAIDERS

Medical Health Officer Fires
Hot Shot at City Coun-
cillors.

MEMBERS CULPABLE

Health Department Deserves
Support, Having Saved
Money and Lives.

Following the action of the city coun-
cil at its last meeting in refusing to
endorse Dr. Hastings' recommendation
to grant Misses Dyke and Forsythe in-
creases to \$1,600 and \$1,400 per an-
num respectively, the medical health
officer yesterday laid before the board
of control a vigorous protest against
what he termed the unwarranted in-
terference with the administration of
his department.

After protesting that the members
who voted down the increases were not
conversant with the facts, the quoted
statistics by which he showed that the
increase in expenditure of \$92,358 in
1910 to \$200,778 in 1915 is justified by
a decrease in the death rate of ap-
proximately 1,000 persons and in the
sick rate of 10,000. Also he points
out that his department has saved citizens
of Toronto \$23,000 by justifying the
milk, which previous to his adminis-
tration contained quantities of water.

Unfounded accusations in council, he
continues, where the head of a depart-
ment cannot refute them, are a gross
injustice and prejudicial to efficient
administration. "The members who
voted against the recommendation," he
says, "were as culpable as were the
inhabitants of the coast of
England who destroyed the lives of
the innocent mothers and infants and
children, or the directors of the sub-
marine that sent down with the Lusitania
mothers and helpless babes to the
bottom of the Atlantic. The one pa-
pering the organization for
safeguarding our mothers and infants,
the other is directing the means of
destroying the lives of helpless moth-
ers and babies. A man that stands by
and sees an infant drowning in a tank
of water and makes no effort to save
it and puts obstacles in the way of
those who would save it is as respon-
sible for the life of that infant as if
he had dropped a high explosive in
the nursery where the babe is play-
ing."

BUILDING FOR NEUTRALS.

Britain to Make Representations to
Ottawa.

Canadian Associated Press Cable.
London, Nov. 30.—Chiozza Money
asked in the house of commons if
Vancouver and Montreal were build-
ing cargo steamers for Norwegian ac-
count. Was it in national interest for
British colonial yards to build ships
for neutrals when it was so difficult
for British shipowners to get deliv-
eries?

Bonar Law replied that the govern-
ment was communicating with the
Canadian Government on the subject.

Spots on painted walls come off—easily—when you use

Old Dutch



MAY INCREASE ISLAND RENTS

Board of Control Not Satis-
fied to Leave Matter
Over.

NOW UP TO COUNCIL

Recommendation of Increase
of Three Hundred Per
Cent. Goes Forward.

The board of control yesterday re-
solved the decision of the parks com-
mittee to leave in abeyance the ques-
tion of island lease rates until after
the war, and sent on to council Com-
missioner Forman's recommendation
for increases averaging 300 per cent.
T. N. Phelan appeared for the island
leaseholders, and declared their will-
ingness to pay an increase in rentals
of 50 per cent. Anything over that
increase he believed would be unfair.
With taxes, depreciation and cost of
 upkeep on the properties he pointed
 out that it cost property holders \$500
 to \$800 a year to live on the island.
 He thought the city should be satis-
 fied to make 6 per cent. on their in-
 vestment.

Controller Cameron: "The island
should be used exclusively for park
 purposes."
 Sir Henry Church: "We should turn the
 whole property over to the harbor
 commissioners for the benefit of the
 many, not the few."
 Controller Cameron's motion that the
 commissioners' recommendation for
 the increases be sent forward was lost
 at first on a tie vote, the mayor de-
 clining to vote. Rather than have the
 whole thing shelved, Controller Cam-
 eron voted to send it on.

DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE SPENDS VERY BUSY DAY

Visits Technical School, St. An-
drew's College and Conva-
lescent Home.

The new governor-general spent a
 busy day yesterday. He visited the
 technical school and the convalescent
 home in the morning, and had luncheon
 with the St. Andrew's Society on their
 anniversary at the Queen's Hotel
 at one o'clock. In the afternoon he
 distributed prizes at St. Andrew's Col-
 lege, where the duke conveyed to the
 quiet and reception at the government
 house.

The guard of honor at the technical
 school was of 100 cadets.
 Principal Dr. A. C. McKay conducted the
 viceregal party, which included
 the Duchess and Ladies Maund and
 Flanahan. The duke conveyed to the
 school's excellencies asked many ques-
 tions of the pupils at work as they
 went thru the building. The duchess
 and Lady Hendrie were presented with
 bouquets by the pupils.

In addressing the school the duke
 said he had no previous idea of the
 extent of the school. He encouraged
 the scholars to make the best possible
 use of their opportunities.
 Sir Henry Church and Sir Edmund
 Walker, with Lady Pellatt and Mrs. T.
 Crawford Brown, conducted the party
 over the convalescent home on College
 street, where the duke conveyed to the
 returned soldiers his majesty's thanks
 for their valiant part in the war.

Borden to Tour Country on National Service Campaign

Ottawa, Nov. 30.—Sir Robert Borden
 is to tour the country in a national
 service campaign. He will speak in
 Montreal next Wednesday night and
 in Quebec Thursday night, Winnipeg
 Dec. 11 and afterwards in the chief
 cities from there to the coast. The
 tour will end in Toronto on Dec.
 22. R. B. Bennett, M.P., will accom-
 pany the premier.

Sir Robert is gazetted honorary
 colonel of the 8th Nova Scotia Bat-
 talion and Premier Hendrie of Ontario
 honorary colonel of the 27th.

TO BE TRIED LATER

The trial of P. D. N. Patterson, ac-
 cused of stealing and receiving property
 valued at \$75.50 from Arthur G.
 Nichol, during 1915 and 1916, was set
 for December 13, by Judge Winchester,
 in the judges' criminal court yester-
 day, when Patterson entered a plea of
 not guilty thru his counsel. Pat-
 terson was committed for trial by the
 police magistrate, June 18. It is also
 alleged that Patterson stole \$1000
 from the Porcupine Crown Com-
 pany's stock owned by Nichol, or at-
 temptively stole and received the stocks
 knowing them to be stolen.

DIES OF WOUNDS.

Kingston, Ont., Nov. 30.—Lieut. F.
 L. Williams, brother of Prof. J. C.
 Williams, Queen's University, has
 died of wounds. He went overseas
 with the 29th Battalion, Vancouver.

Announcement No. 4

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DRAUGHT CANADIAN WHISKIES
Old Rye or Malt, 2 gals. \$ 7.50
Extra Old Rye or Malt, 2 gals. 8.50
Extra Old Rye or Malt, 5 gals. 20.00
Wiser's Special, Gooderham & Worts'
Special, Walker's Imperial and
Seagram's "83," 2 gals. 9.50
Wiser's Special, Gooderham & Worts'
Special, Walker's Imperial and
Seagram's "83," 5 gals. 22.50

DRAUGHT RUM
Fine Old Jamaica Rum, 2 gals. \$13.00
Extra Fine Old Jamaica Rum, 2 gals. 17.00

DRAUGHT BRANDY
Cooking, 2 gals. \$11.00
Old Cognac, 2 gals. 14.00
Extra Old Cognac, 2 gals. 16.00
T. Hines & Co., 2 gals. 16.00

DRAUGHT HOLLAND GIN
John De Kuypers, 2 gals. \$10.50

DRAUGHT PORT WINES—IMPORTED
Warre & Co., No. 1, 2-gal. jar. \$ 8.00
Warre & Co., No. 2, 2-gal. jar. 10.00

DRAUGHT PORT WINES—DOMESTIC
Canadian Grape, 2-gal. jar. \$ 4.00
Canadian Grape, Concord, 2-gal. jar. 5.00
Canadian Grape, Special Vintage, 2-gal.
jar. 6.00

DRAUGHT SHERRY WINES, IMPORTED
Cooking, 2 gals. \$ 8.00
Vino de Pasto, 2 gals. 10.00
Williams and Humbert's
2 gals. 12.00

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in good time, as the Express Companies are
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mas business in all lines.

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FOE OBJECTS TO COUNT OF LOSSES ON SOMME

Word Comes From Berlin by
Wireless About Allied Cal-
culations.

Berlin, Nov. 30.—(Via Sayville).—
Military operations on the French
front virtually having reached a stand-
still, the newspapers of the entente
nations once more have begun to pub-
lish imaginary figures about German
losses, which always loom up as soon
as no successful fighting can be re-
ported or constructed, says the Over-
seas News Agency.
English and French newspapers in
this case always follow the same
method, adds the news agency. First
they publish German losses during the
last month, then during the last two
months and then for three months and
so on until finally they publish the
total figures of the whole period of the
offensive in order thus to create in
neutral countries an impression of in-
creasing German losses.

BRITISH CASUALTIES ARE NOT SO HEAVY

November Average is Materially
Below That of October.

London, Nov. 30.—British casualties
in the month of November, as reported
from all fronts, were 74,650. Of the
total 2351 of the casualties were among
officers and 72,299 men.
There was a marked falling off in
the November losses as compared with
recent months, probably owing to the
slowing down of the Somme campaign
on account of bad weather. The aver-
age daily loss in October was 3452,
aged daily with 3459 in November. The
November casualties bring up the total
of British casualties reported in the
five months since the beginning of the
Somme offensive to 485,852.

CONVICT ATTEMPTS SUICIDE.

Kingston, Nov. 30.—An Italian, a
life convict in the penitentiary, at-
tempted suicide by hanging. A guard
caught him just in time to save his
life. The prisoner fastened a pair of
suspenders to the bars in his cell.

SENDS SWISS BULLION TO EQUALIZE EXCHANGE

Germany Remits Ten Million
Marks in Gold to Bern.

Geneva, Switzerland, Nov. 30, via
Paris.—Germany has sent 10,000,000
marks in gold to Switzerland to
equalize the rate of exchange. The
bullion arrived at Bern this morning
and was transported to the Swiss Na-
tional Bank.
The price of the mark continues to
fall. It was quoted here today at
\$4.60 and the crown at \$2.80, while the
rate of exchange with the entente na-
tions, the below par, fluctuates slightly.

ANOTHER DROP IN FLOUR.

Portland, Ore., Nov. 30.—Flour
dropped on the Portland retail market
today until it sold for \$9.60 a barrel.
Yesterday it was \$9.80 and several
days ago \$10. A year ago flour was
\$6.50 per barrel.