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The potato—alas! how it has fallen. A year ago potatoes were almost as scarce and precious as coal or diamonds. Four to five dollars a bushel throughout Old Ontario, and a man from Port Arthur tells us they were \$3.00 a bag up there. Now potatoes can be bought at about 60c a bag, and they have been sold as low as 25c a bushel. It is said that over in Michigan where the crop was good last year, about half the potatoes are still in the bins of the growers, and prices are so low that farmers absolutely refuse to sell. The potato crop and price always were uncertain quantities. In one respect keep. The whole crop must be disposed of within six months of harvesting. The big prices of a year ago no doubt induced the planting of large areas. It is to be hoped the panic will not be in the opposite direction this season.

#### PUT THE NAME ON—

This is the "clean up, paint up" season. And one place where the "paint up" game might be worked to advantage is on the rural mail boxes. The regulations require that the owners' name be kept legibly printed on the box; but in too many cases the regulations are not observed. It does not make so much difference so long as the regular courier is on the route he knows pretty well where everyone lives. But suppose the courier should be changed for any reason, what sort of a time would the new man have? He is not likely to be a mind-reader. It should not be much of a job to put the owner's name on the mail box.

#### SOME JOKE THIS.

A story appeared in a London paper on Monday to the effect that Pinkerton is to be reduced to a flag station and that Dunkeld is to be made a full-fledged station. The local Grand Trunk people stated they know nothing about it but the yarn is regarded here as either a joke or a pipe dream. Dunkeld is really one of the heaviest shipping points on the line and it would not be surprising to see it made a full station, but Pinkerton is an important shipping point too and has been on the map ever since its rate-payers voted a bonus to the original railroad company fifty years ago.—Telescope.

#### AN EFFECTIVE SAMPLE.

A minister was very fond of a particularly hot brand of pickles, and finding great difficulty in procuring the same sort at hotels when traveling, always carried a bottle with him. One day when dining at a restaurant with his pickles in front of him, a stranger sat down at the same table, and, with an American accent, presently asked the minister to pass the pickles. The minister, who enjoyed the joke, politely passed the bottle, and in a few minutes had the satisfaction of seeing the Yankee watering at the eyes and gasping for breath. "I guess," said the latter, "that you are a parson?" "Yes, my friend, I am," replied the minister. "I suppose you preach?" asked the Yankee. "Yes, Sir; I preach twice a week, usually," said the minister. "Do you ever preach about hell fire?" inquired the Yankee. "Yes, I sometimes consider it my duty to remind my congregation of eternal punishment," returned the minister. "I thought so," rejoined the Yankee "but you are the first of your class I ever met who carried samples."

#### JOHN FREIBURGER KILLED.

John Freiburger, a well known contractor residing at 25 Rose street, Kitchener, was killed by falling down the cellar steps at the Hotel Ewald last night. Mr. Freiburger had arrived at the hotel between 5.30 and 6 o'clock last evening to extend congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Reinhardt who were married last week. He sat chatting in the kitchen for probably half an hour when he bid the young couple goodbye. In going from the kitchen to the front hall he mistook the cellar door for the hall door and he plunged head foremost to the cement floor below. At first he did not appear to be badly hurt. It is alleged that instead of carrying him upstairs and calling a physician, he was left in the cellar apparently in a semi-conscious condition, thinking he would recover all right and be able to return home unaided, his condition was not deemed serious. This morning about 8 o'clock however he was found dead. Dr. Livingstone was called and after viewing the body immediately notified Coroner Weidenhammer. On examination it was found the man suffered a fracture of the base of the skull. Coroner Weidenhammer after learning all the facts possible got in touch with the Crown Attorney who deemed an inquest necessary.—Ontario Journal. Deceased was married to a sister of Mrs. Jos. Schneider of Carrick.

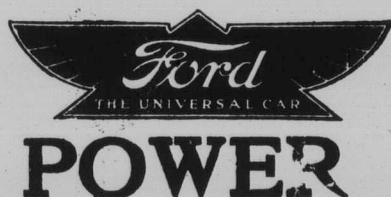
The Hanover Portland Cement plant, which has been shut down for two months to effect changes in the plant was re-opened last week. The mill will now turn out what is known as rock cement, that is, cement which is made from limestone rock instead of marl. The rock product is understood to be the better of the two and under favorable conditions can be made cheaper than the old variety. Hanover cement plant will get its rock from the Hydro quarry in Brant. The Company has a big contract to supply Hydro with cement at Queenston.

#### BETTER TO KEEP SILENT.

There isn't much use in talking to unreasonable persons. You can't argue with them, reasoning is useless and to convince them is wholly out of the question. It's foolish to get into a discussion with a person who knows too much. It will never bring you any where unless to the conclusion that two fools engaged in a wasteful, wordy warfare. It's hard, we'll admit, but it would be a saving of half the energy to keep silent and let the other fellow wear himself out talking, and often in talking but saying nothing. It happens frequently that great talkers say but little.

#### THE OLD FARM FOR SALE.

The old farm's for sale. It is advertised in the country papers. Two hundred good acres of land, and household articles too numerous to mention—and a few horses, and some cows, and a number of sheep and hogs and the agricultural implements. To be sold to the highest bidder. All sums under \$5 cash in hand. On all sums over \$5, a credit of 12 months will be given, with approved security. Years and years ago the old farm—which wasn't old then—because the home of a certain couple. A family was brought up on the farm—several girls and boys. The girls have married; the sons have farms of their own in other sections of the country—all except one, the youngest. He is in the city. That's why the old farm is for sale. There is no one left to operate it, and some of the children want their portion of the estate; even before mother or father passes away. So the old farm's for sale. It will be sold to a stranger. For a few years it will be known by the name of the people who own it now. Then, gradually, the name will give way to the name of the new owner—and the last trace of the old family will have disappeared from the neighborhood. The war only hastened the sale of the old farm, for the younger boy should soon have left it anyway. But, came the war, and the boy went away. When the fighting was over he preferred to settle in the city where life was more exciting, and the old farm's for sale.



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#### FIRE BUGS AND BURGLARS BUSY IN BRUCE TP.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stanley, of lot 16, con. 7, Bruce Tp., left home on Wednesday at 12 o'clock to attend the wedding of his brother on the Durham line near Kincardine, and returned about four o'clock on Thursday morning to find the barn and contents reduced to ashes, and their house ransacked. Neighbors noticed the fire in the barn at about 1.20 a.m., but the flame had such a hold on the structure by the time they reached there that nothing could be saved. The barn was a good large one, and the contents consumed included one mare, seven head of cattle, 50 hens, three geese, 400 bushels of grain, 10 tons of hay, implements, harness, etc. The barn would cost \$4,000 to replace, and was insured for \$2,000. Contents burned were valued at \$1400, and this is covered by a policy for \$1700 insurance. The miscreants had entered the house and ransacked the whole place in search of money, apparently, and got away with \$100 in cash found in Mr. Stanley's trouser pocket. Bedclothes were pulled off the bed, and a lamp glass broken. The report that the kitchen stove was smashed, dishes

broken and furniture damaged is not true.

Neighbors in a car passed the Stanley place about one o'clock a. m., and no sign of fire was noticed. Half an hour later a car passed along at a high rate of speed and shortly after the barn was burning.

There seems no doubt but the fire was the work of an incendiary hand but there is no clue as to who is guilty.

This is not the first time Mr. Stanley has suffered loss by fire, his barn having been destroyed by lightning last fall when he was living on the Atkinson farm, 10th con. Mr. Stanley bought the present farm from Mr. Jos. George.

It is reported that a detective employed by the insurance companies is working on the case, and every effort will be made to discover the person guilty of starting the fire.—Paisley Advocate.

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