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Rev. Dickson, of the Dominion Alliance, will conduct union services in the Baptist church next Sunday evening.

Mr. Will Thomas, of Chicago, 1s re-newing old acquaintances in and around the Ark.

20 autos, carrying 5 passengers each, took in the London fair last week. Mr. Ed. Smith, of Merlin, is visiting

relatives in the Ark. Mr. John Hawkins, of London, called

on friends in town last Tuesday. Our new fall styles in Astoria shoes for

men have arrived. Call in and see them. Brown Bros.

The opening of the Arkona Methodist church will be held on Thanksgiving Sunday, Oct. 11th, followed on Monday evening by a fowl supper and a high class concert.

Mrs. M. Moore spent last week visiting friends in London.

A large number of Arkona citizens took in the Strathroy fair on Tuesday. The apple packers have started on the

winter apples. It is estimated that the Arkona crop will run up to 40,000 barrels. The new fall styles in Relindo shoes for ladies have arrived. Call and see them.—Brown Bros.

Any person wishing to send any of the Any person wishing to send any of the following goods to the Red Cross Society for the benefit of the soldiers will please leave them with Mrs. Alex. Thoman not later than Oct. 18th :--Pillows, sizes 18x :30, 16x24, 16x36, 14x16, and slips to match; flannel shirts, size 15 to 17<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, made of medium heavy-weight grey or khaki color: handkerchiefs, 16x18, made kbaki color; handkerchiefs, 16x18, mad of washed cheesecloth; cholera belts 12 inches wide, 34 to 44 inches long, made of ordinary yarn red or grey, 2 inches of each end made knitted with steel needles and centre 8 inches made of bone and centre 8 inches made of bone medles; grey sox; housewives' or mend-ing kit, 52x13. The Women's Institute has charge of this work and will ship goods to the Red Cross Society after the above date. Sender please put her name on parcel.

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Toronto Toronto, Sept. 22.—Receipts at the Union stockyards to-day, Saturday in-cluded, were 84 cars, containing 903 cattle, 283 calves, 1,455 hogs and 1,464 sheep and lambs. Choice butcher cattle sheep and lambs. Choice butcher cattle still in strong demand, but very scarce. Several small lots of extra prime steers sold to-day at \$8.85 to \$8.90, but outside of these the bulk of the offerings are of a low average quality. As was the case in yesterday's market the good butcher steers and heifers were

the good butcher steers and heifers were to day selling well at about steady prices, but the commoner stuff is easier all round. Good butcher cows and bulls steady; common easier, Stockers and feeders.slightly easier. Calves steady. Lambs easier and 25clower. Hogs steady.

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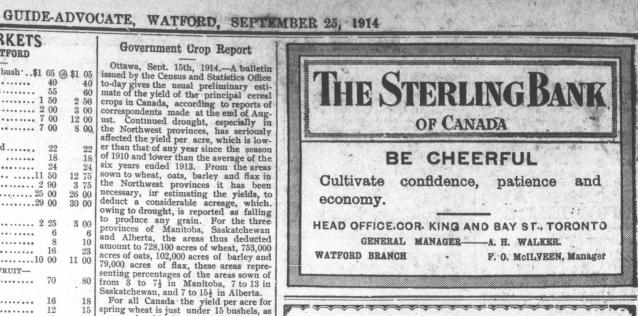
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Government Crop Report Ottawa, Sept. 15th, 1914.—A bulletin issued by the Census and Statistics Office to-day gives the usual preliminary esti-mate of the yield of the principal cereal crops in Canada, according to reports of correspondents made at the end of Aug-ust. Continued drought, especially in the Northwest provinces, has seriously affected the yield per acre, which is low-er than that of any year since the season

affected the yield per acre, which is low-er than that of any year since the season of 1910 and lower than the average of the six years ended 1913. From the areas sown to wheat, oats, barley and flax in the Northwest provinces it has been necessary, ir estimating the yields, to deduct a considerable acreage, which, owing to drought, is reported as failing to produce any grain. For the three provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the areas thus deducted amount to 723,100 acres of wheat, 753,000 acres of oats, 102,000 acres of barley and 22

Iidesand Alberta, the areas thus deducted<br/>amount to 728,100 acres of wheat, 753,000<br/>acres of oats, 102,000 acres of barley and<br/>acres of oats, 102,000 acres of barley and<br/>70,000 acres of flax, these areas repre-<br/>senting percentages of the areas sown of<br/>from 3 to 74 in Manitoba, 7 to 13 in<br/>Saskatchewan, and 7 to 154 in Alberta.<br/>For all Canada the yield per acre for<br/>spring wheat is just under 15 bushels, as<br/>compared with 20.81 bushels last year<br/>and with 19.2 bushels, the average of the<br/>four years 1910-13, for oats the yield is<br/>32.5 bushels against 18.3 and 11.5.London.<br/>eat10 to \$1 07<br/>ts24.7 in 1914 compared with 29.9 and 28.5,<br/>for rye 18 against 11.3 and 11.5.Yooton, Sept. 22.—Receipts at<br/>the, ease all and hams.<br/>to stockyards to-day, Saturday in<br/>in stong demand, but very scarce-<br/>eral small lots of extra prime steers<br/>to-day at \$8.850 (\$8.90, but outside<br/>sex the bulk of the offerings are of a<br/>average quality.and Alberta, the areas thus deducted<br/>amount to 728,100 acres of wheat, 753,000<br/>acres of alax, these areas repre-<br/>senting percentages of the areas sown of<br/>from 3 to 74 in Manitoba, 7 to 13 in<br/>Saskatchewan, and 7 to 154 in Alberta.<br/>For all Canada the yield per acre for<br/>barley at the stimate<br/>is for 321,717.000 bushels and with 29.9 and 28.57<br/>to day at \$8.850 (but outside<br/>is estimated to yield 37,014,000 bushels, against 404,<br/>669,000 bushels, the annual aver-<br/>age, rve 2,019,000 bushels, the annual aver-<br/>age, rve 2,019,000 bushels, the annual aver-<br/>age, rve 2,019,000 bushels, against 2,300, compared with 48,319,000 bushels in 1913 and 42,745,000 bushels, the annual aver-age, rve 2,019,000 bushels against 2,300,-000 bushels and 2,189,000 bushels, and flaxseed 9,042,000 bushels last year and 14,497,000 bushels, the annual average for the years 1910-13. For the three, Northwest provinces alone the total estimated yield are as follows: Wheat, including fall wheat, 139,672,000 bushels, pre 515,000 bushels, oats 160,796,000 bushels, barley 20,320,-000 bushels, and flaxseed 8,962,000 bush-els.

els. Describing generally the conditions of the month of August, correspondents state that, owing to the dryness of the season, the grain ripened much earlier than usual, with the straw short and the yield much shrunken. In Northern Saskatchewan the grain was practically all cut and threshing well under way. In Northern Alberta the yield promised to equal the average, but in Southern Alberta the excessive heat and drought had a bad effect upon what in the early part of the season was a promising crop. Whilst in Quebec and Ontario the grain crops have suffered from a dry season, 25 6 25 25 6 50 40Whilst in Quebec and Ontario the grain crops have suffered from a dry season, the conditions have not been so tavour-able as in the west. In Ontario the grain yield is not greatly below that of 1913, and in Quebec the yield of oats is even superior. In the Maritime pro-vinces the season is favourable and the preliminary estimates give yields superior to those of lost wear. 85 00 65 00 95 0011 00 9 00  $\begin{array}{c} 7 & 00 \\ 7 & 75 \\ 7 & 50 \end{array}$ 6 00 to those of last year. The average condition of the principal field crops, as expressed in percentage of the standard representing a full crop, 6 25 5 25 4 00 was returned on August 31st as follows :-Spring wheat 75, oats 76, barley 74, rye 79, peas 74, beans 82, buckwheat 80, mixed grains 87, flax 63, corn for husk-ing 77, potatoes 76, other roots 78, alfalfa 72, corn for fodder 85, sugar beets 79, pasture 67 and hay and clover 71. In the case of cereals the figures of condition are about 10 or 12 points below those of last year at the same date, and in the Northwest provinces the condition of wheat, oats and barley ranges from about 20 to 30 points below last year. was returned on August 31st as follows 20 to 30 points below last year.



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Mr. and Mrs. Fred Herrington and family, of Forest, spent Sunday with Mrs. J. White.

Mr. and Mrs. Oakes and Mr. and Mr Mrs. Ben Herrington and Miss Reta Herrington attended Strathroy fair on Tuesday.

Wilson's Fly Pads and Tanglefoot at Fuller Bros.'

Mr. Dan Johnston, of Ottawa, is spending a few days with Mr. David Johnston. Mr. McLaren, of Toronto, is visiting Mr. David Johnston this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Bearss, of Michi-gan, are visiting Mr. Bearss' sister, Mrs. Ias. Muma.

Fuller Bros. wish to announce thei urlary opening, to take place on Sat-urday, Sept. 26th. All the newest shapes, styles and materials. Call and see them

Bosanquet Field Crop Competi-



Thedford, Sept. 21.—The last stage of Bosanquet Agricultural Society's field crop competition was disposed of the other day, when the departmental judge went through the various fields of corn which had been entered. The official was very agreeably surprised to see so many excellent fields and the judging was no small task. Thedford district has always grown first-class corn, but the production of seed corn was not ser-iously considered until the organization of the Lambton County Corn Growers' Association. It has already been demof the Lambton County Corn Growers' Association. It has already been dem-onstrated that a sample of seed can be produced second to none. The following were the prize winners, who receive \$75 in cash, divided according to merit: 1, A. D. Donald, 85 points; 2, Robt. Tid-ball, 84½ points; 3, A. Carmichael, 84 points; 4, Jno. Tidball, 83½ points; 5, W. G. Thomson, 83 points; 6, D. R. Stewart, 824 points; 7, R. Oliver, 82\* points.

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In Watford, on Saturday, Sept. 19th, 1914, to Mr. and Mrs. Sam Janes, a son. In Warwick, on Wednesday, Sept. 23rd, 1914, to Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Kelly, a daughter.

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**East Buffalo.** East Buffalo, Sept. 22.-Cattle-Receipts, 1,200; slow; prices unchanged. Veals-Receipts, 75; active; \$5.00 to \$12.25; Hogs-Receipts, 3,200; slow; heavy, \$9.40 to \$9.50; mixed and york-ers, \$9.50 to \$9.55; pigs, \$9.40 to \$9.50; roughs, \$8.25 to \$8.40; stags, \$7.00 to \$7.75. Sheep and lambs-Receipts, 8,000; lambs, \$5.00 to \$8.10; yearlings, \$4.50 to \$6.75; wethers, \$6.00 to \$6.25; ewes, \$2.50 to \$5.75; sheep, mixed, \$6.00 to \$6.25; market dull.

# School Notes

School Notes All of the public and continuation schools in East Lambton opened on Sep-tember 1st with a complete staff of teach-ers. There were 65 changes of teachers in the various schools at midsummer, but all the vacancies were filled with profes-sionally trained teachers. There are 123 teachers, of whom 12 hold first-class cer-tificates, 101 normal school certificates, and 10 model school certificates. The East Lambton Teachers' Associa-tion will be held in Petrolea on October 8 and 9. A good program has been ar-ranged, in which Mr, A. Stevenson, of London Normal School, will take part. An evening program will also be arranged for October 8, at which an address will be delivered by Mr. Stevenson, while patriotic music will be furnished by a chorus of pupils from the Petrolea public schools. Other local talent will also assist. Every teacher present and inter-ested is the aim of the Association. Rural school fairs will be held in East Lambton inspectorate on the following dates: -South Enniskillen schools at Oil Springs on October 3rd; Euphemia schools at Cairo on October 7th, and North Enniskillen schools at Petrolea on October 9th. In addition to these, there will be local fairs held in certain school sections, commencing with S. S. No. 23, Enniskillen, on Friday, Sept. 18th, and ending with S. S. No. 1, Dawn, on Oct. 21st, These fairs will no doubt prove most interesting events. The money for, rural school grants has

The most interesting events. The money for rural school grants has not yet been forwarded to the County treasurer by the Education Department. As soon as the money is received by the County Treasurer, orders for payment of the grants will be sent to the various secretary-treasurers.

Alvinston Masons subscribed \$25 to the

Red Cross Fund of that town.

## BOARD OF EDUCATION

Minutes of a special meeting of the Watford Board of Education called for general business on Monday, Sept. 14, 1914, in the Library board room at 7 p. m. Present—P. J. Dodds, Chairman; E. D. Swift, Col. Kenward, J. White, S. W. Louks, Wm. Harper, Dr. Hicks and Principals Potter and Shrapnell. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

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A communication was read from Prin-cipal Potter, advising the suspension of two pupils and referring the same to the board of investigation.

The communication was acted upor and filed.

A communication was read referring to a Cadet corps, which was referred to Mr. Swift and Mr. Potter for reply. Swift—Harper, and carried, that the following accounts be paid S. W. Louks rep. school fence. 4 00 L Dobbin cutting weeds at 1 00

S. W. Louks rep. school fence. 4 00 J. Dobbin, cutting weeds etc..., 1 00 S. Saunders & Son, wood ...... 8 00 Bert. Currie, school fees...... 1 00 Louks-Kenward, and carried, that Principal Potter be permitted to use cer-tain books that he mentioned in forms 1 and 3 and also in form 4

and 3 and also in form 4. Kenward-Louks, and carried that we permit the teachers in the public school to use the old spellers.—Board adjourned.

D. WATT, Secretary.

#### MARRIED.

At the home of the bride's parents, and line, Rnniskillen, on Wednesday, Sept. 16. Miss Lenna McFarlane, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Neil McFarlane to Norman G. Parr, of London, by Rev. A. J. Loveday.

### DIED.

Buy your rubbers when getting shoes and have them fitted Men's, Boy's and Ladies' Rubber Boots.



#### WARWICK COUNCIL All at Valcartier Go to the Front

The council met on the 21st Sept., as per adjournment. Members all present. The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted.

Valcartier Camp, Sept. 21-— Canada will send nearly 10,000 more men on the first contingent than was asked by the British war office. This announcement was made by Col. Hughes to-night and the decision was the result of a confer-ence between Premier Borden, the Min-ister of Militia Sir George Hoster and

ence between Premier Borden, the Min-ister of Militia, Sir George Foster and Hon. R. Rogers at the camp today. It means that 31,200 officers and men and 7,500 horses will be transported to England instead, of a division of 22,500 men, which was the original plan of the Government, following the request of the imberial authorities. It also means that every officer in training here will be taken abroad, which has caused great rejoicing among those who expected to be rejected. Every man in camp who is physically fit for active service will comprise the first contingent.

# Successful School Fair

Wyoming, Sept. 21 .- An event of con-Wyoming, Sept. 21.—An event of con-siderable interest to pupils of S. S. No. 7 London road, on Saturday afternoon, was the school fair. The hearts of the "kiddies" were gladdened by the large attendance of parents, while public school teachers from surrounding sec-tions, numbering fifteen, as well as a small army of speakers, graced the oc-casion. asion

casion. Mr. John Farrell was master of cere-monies and other prominent guests were : P. S. Inspectors Conn, of Sarnia, and McDougal, Petrolea ; Messrs. Campbell, principal Petrolea public school ; John Frazer, P. M., and G. G. Bramhill, dis-trict representative, also of Petrolea, R. McCompick Warwich was also pres-J. McCormick, Warwick, was also pres-ent, as well as local clergymen.

**CHOICE VILLAGE PROPERTY** FOR SALE

DIED. In London, on Sunday, September 13, 1014, Martha Jane, relict of the late John Ellis, formerly of Alvinston, aged 53 years, In Alvinston, on Thursday, Sept. 17th, 1914, Parkhill, Sunday, September 13th, 1914, Capt. Bernard Digman, in his 82nd year.

Cline—Dann, that this council appoint W. F. Pike commissioner on the Birch-chill local drain.—Carried. Laird—Hobbs, that we accept the following parties as bondsmen for Shir-bar Karr collector. Duncan Campbell

ley Karr, collector: Duncan Campbell, Alex. Campbell, George Karr and John Karr.-Carried. The council then adjourned to meet

on Monday 19th Oct., at one o'clock p. m., for general business. N. HERBERT, Clerk.

While on his way home from visiting a son at Northwood, Seth Wallingbook,

a Florence farmer, was held up by two colorod men, and, after being beaten into unconsciousness, he was robbed of over \$40. The victim was left in the buggy and his horse took him home. He was unconscious for two days,