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Harlem

Mr. Andrew Galway drew a load of syrup of his own manufacture to Gananoque, visiting his father and brothers while away.

Mr. Joseph O'Grady has moved to the Klyne farm recently purchased from Herbert Klyne and Mr. Thomas Henry Irwin has taken possession of the Merrick farm vacated by Mr. O'Grady.

Mr. Albert George is again assisting Mr. Campbell in the Smith's Valley Cheese Factory.

Mr. Wesley Chant of Beaverton is to be congratulated on taking the step which renders him a fully fledged citizen. We wish Mr. and Mrs. Chant many happy wedded years.

Mr. Wm. Lawson lost his beautiful pacing driver through an acute attack of indigestion.

Mr. Morley Holmes the Realeigh man of Athens was recently canvassing this vicinity in the interests of his firm.

Mrs. Joseph Bedard is recovering from a severe cold in which it became necessary to call Dr. Kelly.

QUESTIONS FOR THE FAMILY.

When we say "Time flies" do we realize that we are travelling quite as fast as "Time flies," do we realize that "Time is short" and the days are evil?

Mothers' Day and Decision Day are almost here. How have we prepared our children for the very important day of all days in their lives, Decision Day?

Have parents so lived Christ in their daily lives, that the boys and girls in the "home" will desire to decide to give themselves to Jesus, and come into the Church to work in God's Vineyard?

Can preacher, or teacher, take the place of the parent as soul instructor?

One of the Family.

Philipville

The Great Mystery is Solved—The Lost is Found. In the fore part of haying in 1919 Robert Hamilton called to Mrs. Hamilton on the road to send him his pocket book. He paid a man a few dollars he owed him. There was in the pocket book over \$80.00. A day or so later he wanted to use some more money but could not find the pocket book. A few days ago while putting down hay for his stock the pocket book came to light in the hay, the cash was all their intact, the mice had done their best to destroy the book and failed.

Geo. Lynn, a returned soldier is in the hospital at Kingston, one of his arms was badly shattered in Flanders. It will get healed but as soon as he goes to work it will go bad again.

A. Greenham and Ben Shore have gone to Windsor, the hours on the farm did not agree with them when they could get shorter hours and big pay.

The farmers are working over time to get the seed in the ground. No eight-hour day with them if they adopted the eight-hour day the people in the towns and cities would be begging for food like their brothers in Armenia. The time is not far distant when many of those city people will have to go back on the land of go hungry.

Mrs. Jessie Brown has not been able to work for years. She went to the Hospital in Kingston to have the X-Ray tried, but so far the Drs. have not found the cause.

Leeds

Mrs. Ross Gamble, who has been a patient in the Kingston General hospital for two weeks has returned home.

Miss Mabel Coon, Elgin, is visiting her cousin Miss Blanche Delong. Miss Pearl Grey, and Miss Arma Hutchings of Elgin, spent Sunday with the former's sister, Mrs. Harry Blackman.

Born, on Thursday, April 29, to Mr. and Mrs. George H. Steacy a daughter.

Dr. Peate, of Athens, made a professional call at Leeds last week.

Miss Edith Delong, who has been receiving medical treatment in the Brockville General hospital, has returned home much improved in health.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Scott have sold their farm, and moved to Gananoque to reside.

On Thursday evening the friends

and neighbors gathered together and presented them with two beautiful Morris leather rocking chairs. After the evening was spent in music and social intercourse lunch was served.

Mr. Alfred Gordon has moved his family from Gananoque to the George Sly house.

Mrs. John Chapman is confined to her bed through illness. Her mother Mrs. Robert Galway, of Lyndhurst, is caring for her.

Next Sunday, May 9, will be observed at the Olivet church as 'Mothers' Day' also 'Decision Day.' The sacrament will be held at the close of the service.

The Potato Crop

(Experimental Farms Note.)

The potato is one of our most important food crops, and yet it is one that very often does not receive the attention it should. It is the practice of many farmers to leave the planting of potatoes until practically all other crops are in. With the exception of, perhaps, some parts of the Maritime Provinces this late planting means a much smaller yield than there would be if the plantings were done before the middle or by the middle of May. By the end of May or beginning of June the seed potatoes have sprouted so much that when these are broken off at planting time the new shoots will not come on with the same vigour as they did early in the season. Furthermore it is important for the potato to get a good root system before the hot weather sets in.

It is of greatest importance to use good seed. Two lots of seed of the same variety which look very much alike may give a difference of three hundred or more bushels per acre in the crop, as has been shown in experiments at the Experimental Farm Ottawa. In 1919, for instance, one lot of Irish Cobbler yielded at the rate of 378 bushels per acre and another 37 bushels per acre. The best Green Mountain stock yielded 330 bushels per acre and one of the poorest 46 bushels per acre.

If possible, one should know where the seed was grown the previous year that he is about to use. If it came from a crop, the plants of which grew vigorously until cut down by frost, then, if free from disease, it will, as a rule, yield a much better crop than if it is from a crop, the plants of which withered in the middle of summer and the tubers lay in hot soil the rest of the season. This year when the price of potatoes is so high there will be a temptation

to use small potatoes for seed. If these small potatoes come from a good crop the previous year the results are likely to be satisfactory if the season is favorable, but if they are from a small crop the previous year when the plants dried up early the plants this year are likely to be weak and yield not very good. Good sized sets of from one and a half to two ounces have been found the most satisfactory taking one year with another, although if the season is particularly favorable smaller sets will produce a good crop, but one cannot tell what the season will be, hence it is better to be on the safe side.

The distance of planting which has been found most economical in most places in Canada is, rows two and a half to three feet apart and sets twelve to fourteen inches apart in the rows. While quite shallow planting has given the highest average yields in Ottawa, it is necessary to plant about four inches deep for field culture to enable one to harrow before the potatoes are up without pulling up the sets.

The varieties which have been most generally satisfactory in Canada are Irish Cobbler as an early potato and Green Mountain as a main crop or later variety. Other varieties which cannot be distinguished from Green Mountain and are included in the Green Mountain group are Gold Coin, Uncle Sam, We MacGreg.

or and Lelaware. The Dooley of the Rural group has done well in the warmer parts of Ontario, and in coast climates, Burbank is also popular.

W. T. MACOUN,
Dominion Horticulturist

The old saying that "One man's meat is another man's poison" appears to be true in the case of different kinds of live stock. It is a fact that some plants which poison horses are not injurious to cattle or sheep, and some which cause loss among cattle and sheep are not eaten by swine and horses. In Bulletin No. 39, Second Series of the Experimental Farms, "Principal Poisonous Plants of Canada" by Miss Faith Fyles, B.A., obtainable free upon application to the Publication Branch, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, a list of plants which do injury to the various classes of animals is given. The bulletin, which is prepared for live stock owners, gives information regarding poisonous plants and enables the farmer to distinguish the most harmful species in his neighborhood so that he may be able to avoid pasturing animals on infested areas until the danger is past. The yearly loss due to plant poisoning is known to be on the increase but the amount of the loss is not ascertainable because many fatalities are attributed to other causes through lack of knowledge of poisonous plants.

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