

The general opinion now is that the Franchise Act must go. It suits neither Grit nor Tory, is bound to be inaccurate and outside of these facts its frightful expense without commensurate returns ought to kill it.

The Canadian Nation says:—There are four possible destinies for Canada: 1, Colonial Dependence; 2, Imperial Federation; 3, American Annexation; 4, National Independence in alliance with Great Britain. The first, as a permanent destiny, is impossible; the second is impracticable; the third is undesirable; the fourth is full of hope, and will yet have right of way.

The executive committee of the Western Dairyman's Association met Thursday afternoon, March 19th, in Toronto. Hon. Speaker Ballantyne presided, and there were present:—C. E. Chadwick, Ingersoll (Secretary); John Geary, London; Robt. Cleland, Elma; E. Casewell, Ingersoll; and A. F. McLaren, Stratford. It was decided to found a new dairy school at Tavistock under the charge of Adam Bell for experimental and educational purposes, where cheese makers and their patrons may receive instructions without charge. The President, Messrs. McLaren and Cleland were named as a committee to make all arrangements. Four milk inspectors will be appointed to be the prosecutors in every case where milk is tampered with.

Cost of Raising a Colt to Three Years Old.

PAPER READ BY ROBERT FORREST, OF ELMA, BEFORE THE NORTH PERTH FARMERS' INSTITUTE.

BEFORE submitting the following paper before our readers Mr. Forrest is not disposed to say whether there is or is not profit in raising horse flesh, but simply gives his own experience and allows the public to judge for themselves. Following is his estimate:

FIRST YEAR.

Taking mare to horse ten times, at 10c. per trip, \$1; service of horse \$14; rest of mare one month before foaling and one month after foaling \$3; six months pasturing colt, at 50c. per month, \$3; feeding six months in stable, 10 bushels of oats, 2 lbs. per day, at 30c. per bushel, \$3; 1,500 lbs. hay, 8 lbs. per day, \$8 per ton, \$6; rent of half of box stall and storage room for hay, straw, oats and roots, \$3; interest on money for horse service, 14 months at 6 per cent., \$1; castrating colt, \$1; insurance on colt first year at 6 per cent., \$2.46; total for year \$43.91.

SECOND YEAR.

Six months watering and pasturing at \$1 per month, \$6; six months winter feeding in stable, 16 bushels of oats at 30c. per bushel, 3 lbs. per day, \$4.80; 1 1/2 tons hay at \$8 per ton, 12 1/2 lbs. per day, \$10; 4 bushels carrots at 15c. per bushel, 1 1/2 lbs. per day, 60c.; cleaning colt, &c., \$6; rent for stall and use of halter, \$3.50; interest on first year's cost at 7 per cent., \$3.07; insurance on colt second year at 6 per cent., \$4.49; total for year \$38.46.

THIRD YEAR.

Six months watering and pasturing at \$1.25 per month, \$7.50; six months winter feeding in stable, 22 bushels oats at 30c. per bushel, 4 lbs. per day, \$6.60; 1 1/2 tons hay at \$8 per ton, 15 lbs. per day, \$12; 5 bushels carrots at 15c. per bushel, 1 1/2 lbs. per day, 75c.; cleaning colt, &c., \$6; rent for stall and storage room, \$3.50; interest on first and second year's cost at 7 per cent., \$5.76; insurance on colt third year at 6 per cent., \$7.46; total for year, \$49.57; total cost for three years inclusive, \$131.94.

Mr. Forrest allows nothing for straw bedding, salt and attendance during the summer months, but thinks that should stand against the value of the manure accumulated during the 18 months the colt is in stable.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Signor Crispi, the Italian ex-Premier, predicts that there will be European war during the current year.

There landed at New York on Saturday 3,200 immigrants, the largest number for one day, with one exception, for the year.

The Prince of Wales will probably be made chairman and the Marquis of Lorne vice-president of the Royal Commission having in charge England's interests at the Chicago fair.

W. A. Calbick, of New Westminster, B. C., formerly of Brussels, died on the 12th ult. Deceased was the third son of John Calbick, of Clinton, and had reached the age of 50 years and seven days. He was born on the homestead at Holmesville.

A member of Parliament, in a special cable, says he learns on good authority that Mr. Gladstone is meditating a total new departure, his policy involving a grand labor problem, a general review of taxation and an abandonment of all Home Rule schemes.

The Governor-General has received a memorial signed by all the Catholic bishops and archbishops in Canada, asking for the disallowance of the Manitoba School Act abolishing Separate Schools in that province on the ground that the legislation is pernicious.

Abstract Statement

Receipts and Expenditures

FROM THE ACCOUNTS OF THE Treasurer of the Township of Elma

FOR THE YEAR ENDING ON 31st DAY OF DECEMBER, 1890.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
To Bal. on hand at last audit	\$ 3092 49	By Gravel road	\$ 508 01
Uncollected taxes for 1889	7676 05	Ward No. 1	56 94
Taxes collected for 1890	8734 30	" " 2	98 57
Principal and interest of mortgages	476 23	" " 3	53 51
Municipal school grant	461 00	" " 4	156 04
Townline grant	382 00	" " 5	55 55
Non-resident taxes	185 65	Townlines	502 17
Drainage taxes, lot 20, con. 12	4 27	Roads and bridges	630 81
James Reid, Treasurer of Mornington, drainage 1889	19 58	Gravel for roads	650 90
Land Improvement Fund	71 76	Salaries	747 25
Sale of old timber	1 00	Drainage	914 90
Magistrates fines	1 00	Maitland drain, con. 14	390 00
Interest on bank account	96 15	Gilkinson drain, con. 12	294 50
Engineer's award	2 00	Aikins drain	67 50
		South-Western drain	160 00
		Loan on mortgage	45 08
		Gravelling	28 00
		Board of Health	183 58
		Engineer's award	234 39
		Printing, postage and stationery	63 20
		Relief	461 00
		Municipal school grant	1380 00
		Railway debenture coupons	7 00
		Statute labor refunded	165 70
		Filling gravel	50 94
		Absentee roll	4280 00
		County rate, 1889	100 00
		Grant to agricultural hall	3 00
		Nomination of Council use of school house	4 20
		Taxes remitted	6246 79
		Schools	
		Total amount of expenditure	\$19874 74
		Bal. in Bank of Hamilton	1232 16
		Cash in hand	96 58
			\$21203 48

ASSETS.		LIABILITIES.	
Balance in Bank of Hamilton	\$ 1232 16	38 debentures @ \$500 W. G. & B. Railway	\$19000 00
Cash in hand	96 58	4 debentures @ \$1,000 P. D. & L. H. Railway	4000 00
Uncollected taxes on roll	7108 51	18 debentures @ \$275 drain 14th con.	4950 00
Mortgages on land	3810 00	19 debentures @ \$105 Gilkinson drain	1995 00
Owing to Township of Elma, 14th con. drain	3648 03	County Rate	4318 00
12th con. drain, ratepayers share of \$1,269	1210 00	Amount due W. J. Gilkinson, contractor	306 50
Aikins drain	124 22		
South Western drain expenditure to date	65 50		
Mornington share T.L.E. & M.	108 50		
Special grant E. & L.	200 00		
Excess of liabilities over assets	16966 00		
	\$34569 50		\$34569 50

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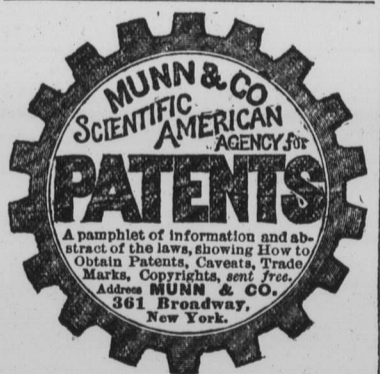
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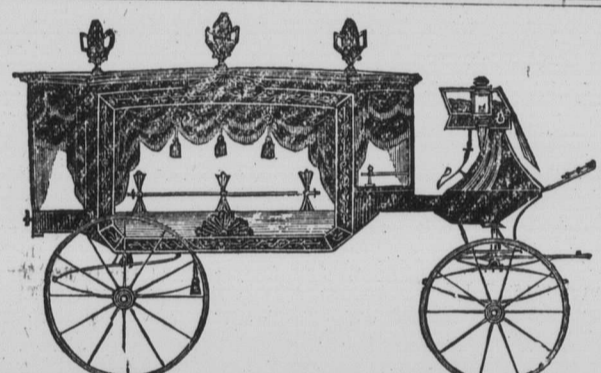
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