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FOR SALE—An imported Durham bull three years old, or will change for one of the breed; also one bull calf by the above bull. Apply to A. H. Rosevear, Cold Springs, Ont.

FOR SALE—100-acre farm in Lobo Township, 10 miles from London. This is one of the best farms in the county. Possession given March 1st. Terms to suit purchaser. For particulars apply to D. A. Brown, 122 Wharncliffe Road, South London.

IMPROVED farms for sale in the Edmonton district. Candy & Co., Edmonton, Alta.

KAMLOOPS, British Columbia—Ranching and farming properties for sale in all parts of the interior. Write for lists to Martin Beattie, real estate Kamloops, B.C.

SEVEN thousand dollars buys a farm of 147 acres, well built on, with stock, implements, vehicles, and everything in the shape of machinery and tools, grain and feed. For further particulars apply to D. Stewart, Iroquois, Dundas Co.

WHITE Wonder Beans for sale—This is the most productive variety grown; \$1.75 bushel, bags inclusive. Westney Bros., Audley, Ont.

HOUSEKEEPER WANTED.

To take charge of house and four children. Everything convenient; no milking. Permanent situation to suitable person. Richard Wilkin, Box 60, Harriston, Ont.

IS YOUR WIFE AN INVALID?

If you will send for a free trial of this Wonderful Remedy you can be convinced that in a few months she may be strong and well again. Hundreds of women have been cured and made happy. Send to-day, enclosing stamp. Address: MRS. F. V. CURRAH, Windsor, Ont.

LADIES Fancy Mercerized Girdle and our catalogue of bargains sent free for 5 two-cent stamps. N. Southcott, Dept. 27, London, Ontario.

STAMMERERS

We treat the cause, not simply the habit, and therefore produce natural speech. Write for particulars. THE US ARNOLD INSTITUTE, BERLIN, ONT.

THE CANADA PERMANENT'S CALENDAR—One of the handsomest art calendars issued this year is being sent out by the Canada Permanent Mortgage Corporation, of Toronto, a company well known to our readers as one of the soundest institutions of the kind in Canada. It is gratifying to note that the pictorial-subject matter is the work of a Canadian artist, Miss Florence Carlyle, who has achieved a distinct success in New York, where she is now located. The Canada Permanent, apparently believes in things Canadian, especially when it is possible to satisfy patriotism and the desire for the beautiful, as in this instance.

THE BISSELL GOODS—An attractive and interesting folder has been issued by T. E. Bissell, of Elora, illustrating his line of disk harrows and steel land rollers. These goods have a Dominion-wide reputation, the result of the fact that, as Mr. Bissell says, they are "built for business." They are known to do good work. This past season, the demand for Bissell implements was so great that all the orders received could not be filled, and the outlook for 1906 indicates still larger business. The Bissell goods have made a name for themselves which is bound to keep up a steadily-growing demand for them.

A boy, who was running through the woods, was asked:

"What are you doing, sonny?"

"Hunting chipmunks," the boy answered.

"Had any luck?"

"Yes, pretty good; when I catch this one I'm chasing an' two more, I'll have three."

An Irishman, upon arriving in America, was asked his name at Ellis Island. He gave it.

"Speak louder," said the officer.

He repeated it.

"Louder," again said the officer; "why, man, your voice is as soft as a woman's!"

"Well," said Pat, "that might be Me mother was a woman."

A New Christmas.

By Josephine Pollard.

The pastor was in his study, his brow was furrowed with thought, And wisdom to guide him rightly for many a day he'd sought. And there was not a single volume on the shelves above or below

That could throw any light on the problem that puzzled and vexed him so. For the harvest season was over, and Christmas was close at hand,

And the glow of the rising splendor already illumed the land; And there on the desk before him, in orderly neatness, lay

The sermon he meant to deliver to his people on Christmas Day. So 'twas not this that disturbed him, nor was he a moment vexed

By any doubt or delusion in regard to his chosen text; For he preached but a simple gospel, in language as terse and plain

As the smooth, round pebbles that David took when the mighty giant was slain.

The pastor thought of his little flock, the children great and small,

And great was the loving-kindness with which he regarded all; And yet a wave of trouble ran over his heart, because

They thought much less of Jesus Christ than they did of Santa Claus.

For one and another whispered,—their words had an eager ring,—

"What shall I get on Christmas? What will Santa Claus bring?"

And as everywhere and ever the thirst for gain increased,

The charm of a kingly presence was missed from the royal feast.

The pastor sat in his study, when his good wife opened the door,

And together they held communion and talked the trouble o'er;

And she, being quick of fancy, in a moment or two had planned

A better way for keeping the day that was now so close at hand.

The pastor gave the notice from the pulpit, next Sabbath morn,

And to brain and heart, like a swift-winged dart, was the startling message borne,

For he spoke in words of fire the truth they must all believe:

"The Master has said, 'It is far more blessed to give than to receive;'

And if at the Christmas season you'd be richly and truly blest,

Bring hither your votive offering—and let it be of your best,—

And give to the poor around you with generous heart and hand,

That peace and goodwill to men may fill the length and breadth of the land."

'Twas early in the bleak December the barrels came rolling in,

The farmers sending choicest from well-stored barn and bin:

There were apples and pears in plenty, and pumpkins, yellow as gold,

And nuts and potatoes, together enough for a vessel's hold,

And bags on bags of flour and of coffee, and chests of tea,

And strings of onions and peppers,—oh! 'twas a goodly sight to see.

And the work of nimble fingers to such an amount was there,

It seemed as if the collection outrivalled the County Fair:

There were dolls of assorted sizes, and some that had been much used,

For the little folks had nought else to give and not a gift was refused;

For the pastor would touch the lies on to children of tender years,

That the gift that secures a blessing must be consecrated with tears.

Oh, crisp and clear Christmas dawned that year; the church was with holly dressed,

And the bells rang out a merry chime that echoed from east to west;

And around the altar and down the aisles were baskets and barrels stowed,

While up on the pulpit and into the pews the gifts had overflowed.

Oh, happy were pastor and people as they gathered from near and far,

Their hearts revived and illumined by the light of Bethlehem's star;

And happy the poor and needy to whom were the good things given

That carried a blessing with them and lifted their souls to heaven:

For out of this rich abundance the hungry were sweetly fed,

The naked were clothed, and the sick and sorrowful cheered and comforted,

And so great was the joy of giving, that pastor and people felt

As if with the wise men of the East at the Saviour's feet they knelt.

Oh, never a brighter Christmas had dawned on the dull old town,

Never had richer blessings been scattered so freely down;

And taught by the Holy Spirit their selfish greed to subdue,

All hearts rejoiced,—and on Christmas Day was the Christ-child born anew.

New Definitions.

Appendicitis—A modern pain, costing about \$200 more than the old-fashioned stomach-ache.

Athlete—A dignified bunch of muscles, unable to split the wood or sift the ashes.

Automobile—From English "ought to," and Latin "Moveo," to move. A vehicle which ought to move, but frequently can't.

Biliousness—A liver complaint often mistaken for piety.

Caddie—A small boy employed at a liberal stipend to lose balls for others, and find them for himself.

Cauliflower—A cabbage with a college education.

Chaufeur—A man who is smart enough to operate an automobile, but clever enough not to own one.

Cinder—One of the first things to catch your eye when travelling.

Dock—A place for laying-up.

Doctor—One who lays you up.

Earth—A solid substance much desired by the seaisick.

Economy—Denying ourselves a necessity to-day in order to buy a luxury to-morrow.

Explosion—A good chance to commence at the bottom to work up.

Exposition—An overgrown department store, usually opened a year or two behind time.

Fishing—An heroic treatment tried by some laymen to avoid falling asleep in church on Sunday.

Football—A clever subterfuge for carrying on prize fights under the guise of a respectable name.

Hotel—A place where a guest often gives up good dollars for poor quarters.

Hug—A roundabout way of expressing affection.

Counter-irritant—A woman shopping.

Island—A place where the bottom of the sea sticks up through the water.

Jury—Twelve men chosen to decide who has the best lawyer.

Kissing—Nothing divided by two; meaning persecution for the infant, ecstasy for the youth, fidelity for the middle-aged and homage for the old.

Lie—A very poor substitute for the truth, but the only one discovered up to date.

Mine—A hole in the ground owned by a liar.

Philosophy—Something that enables the rich to say there is no disgrace in being poor.

Tips—Wages we pay other people's hired help.

Vulgarity—The conduct of others.—[Canadian Pharmaceutical Journal.]

Best in the World.

I hereby enclose \$1.50 for subscription to the "Farmer's Advocate and Home Magazine" for 1906. I have taken your "Farmer's Advocate" for two or three years, and I find it a great help in the home and on the farm, and could not do without it. It is the best paper the world ever knew. S. F. RYCKMAN. Wentworth Co., Dec. 14th, 1905.

The Optimist.

The old lady of the joyful countenance was recounting her religious experience. She was poor, she suffered from rheumatism and asthma, her relatives were all gone, and she was alone in the world.

"I'm sure," she said, "everyone has something to be thankful for. I have. There are only two teeth left to me, but I am very thankful that they meet."

GOSSIP.

R. E. JOHNSTON'S SHORTHORN SALE.

The dispersion sale advertised in this paper to take place on January 19th, of the entire herd of Shorthorn cattle belonging to Mr. R. E. Johnston, of Pickering, Ont., son of Mr. Arthur Johnston, Greenwood, will afford a rare opportunity to secure good animals of some of the most desirable Cruickshank and other equally meritorious Scotch-bred families, the herd having been founded on stock from the noted Greenwood herd, which has produced many of the prominent prizewinning animals at leading shows in America in the last fifteen years. The herd has had the benefit of the services of the superior imported bulls used in the Greenwood herd, and will compare favorably with the best in Canada in breeding and individual merit. Including calves to go with their dams, the herd will number nearly 40 head by the sale date, several of which are imported and a considerable number bred direct from imported sire and dam. There are nine young bulls in the offering that are probably as good individually as have ever been offered at a public sale in Canada, and in breeding equal to the best in any herd in the Dominion. Now is a favorable time to secure a good young bull for immediate use or early spring service, and this sale may be depended upon to supply the correct type and quality to suit the requirement of the times and the markets. The dispersion of the herd under the circumstances is a regrettable occurrence, but the health of the owner and his recent bereavement have led to the decision to quit the farm, hence not only the herd but all its equipment is being disposed of. The location of the sale is easy of access, Pickering Station being only 22 miles east of Toronto, on the main line of the G. T. R., and the farm is convenient to the station. Persons interested will do well to apply early for the catalogue and plan to attend this sale. The prospect for an improved demand for good Shorthorns is decidedly encouraging. The breed is growing in popularity; and the Canadian cattle are steadily gaining favor in the United States, which will continue to be our best market, while our own Northwest will in the near future require more and more breeding stock.

NEW COLLEGE BUILDING.—We have just received from Messrs. D. McLachlan & Co., the enterprising proprietors of the Chatham Business College, Chatham, a cut of their new college building, which is now nearing completion. It is a magnificent structure, and will make a fitting home for the work of a school that has always stood for the highest and best in the line of commercial training. This, we believe, is the first building of the kind in Canada, built and used exclusively for business college purposes. The school, therefore, through this last forward move, holds a unique position among the business training schools of the Dominion, and in so far as we know, on the continent. It, therefore, marks an era in the history of commercial training in this country, and is a fitting culmination in the work of an institution that for nearly a third of a century has always been in the vanguard in the introduction of the newest and best ideas in connection with high-class commercial training. It is also the only business college in Canada running in its 30th year without change of management.

PEDLAR PEOPLE'S EXPANSION.—Enterprise and work go hand in hand. A good article becomes famous on the same principle that you can't hold a good man down, and a reputation for excellence inevitably leads to greatly increased business and expansion. Such has been the case in the business of the Pedlar People, of Oshawa. From one end of the country to another, it is an accepted fact that this firm's name stands for all that is best in metallic roofing, siding material and for artistic metallic decorative work. Rapid expansion has necessarily followed. As our readers will see by their advertisement in this paper, they now have branches in the principal Canadian distributing points, where orders can be sent and filled and expensive freight saved. We would advise prospective buyers to write to the Pedlar People before making purchases.