

Local and General News

CALENDARS RECEIVED

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RECEIVING CONGRATULATIONS

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Underhill are receiving congratulations over the arrival of twins, a boy and girl born at the Miramichi Hospital Jan. 1st.

TAKING NOTICE

It is evident that the citizens of the Town of Chatham are beginning to sit up and take notice of their town's affairs. A letter published in Friday's Gazette asks Mayor Mersereau certain questions about lumber supplied the town and the engagement of teams. The notice that appeared in the World concerning the town's inability to pay the School Teachers at Christmas time is having its effect.

AGRICULTURAL MEETING

A meeting of the Directors of Agricultural Society No. 122 was held in the Town Hall on Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock. A large attendance was present and the following officers for 1922 were elected:

- F. H. Whitney—President
- James Young—1st Vice-President
- J. D. Goodfellow—2nd Vice-Pres.
- H. Williston—Sec'y Treasurer
- Messrs Jas. Young and John D. Goodfellow were appointed delegates to the Farmers and Dairy Mens' Association to be held in Moncton from Jan. 17th to 20th. On one of these dates the Provincial Seed Fair will be held.

Larger Crops

are the aim of the good farmer at all times. This does not mean increasing the 'oageage by breaking up new ground or in buying a larger farm, but it means a larger yield and better crops from the same farm and the same acreage.

A recent bulletin issued by the New Jersey Experiment Station said: "Hard work, plus experience, plus plenty of fertilizer in Maine produced 200 bushels of potatoes to the acre. Hard work, plus experience, plus little or no fertilizer in Michigan, Minnesota and Wisconsin produced 100 bushels to the acre."

This is the story wherever fertilizer is used with what is called the "worn out soil of the East" producing double the crop of the virgin soil of the West. The latest Government crop report from Ottawa shows the New Brunswick potato growers not only had the largest yield per acre in Canada, but went well over the 200 bushels per acre reported in Maine.

After three hundred years of cropping the New England States grow larger crops of corn, potatoes and grain to the acre than the new soil of the middle west. There is but one explanation, the farmers of the East use fertilizer and those of the West do not.

Whether a good year or a bad year, the farmer with the largest crop to sell gets the largest returns.

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MANUFACTURERS OF THE
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Make hens lay."

BORN

J. J. JARDINE—At Moncton, N. B. Dec 28, 1921, to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Jardine, 87 Alma Street, a daughter.

EXCHANGED PULPITS

Following the usual custom, the pastors of the Protestant churches exchanged pulpits on Sunday morning. Rev. L. H. MacLean of St. James' Presbyterian Church preached an able and convincing sermon on Volunteering during the evening service.

TIMBER LIMIT SALE

J. J. Harris of Coughlan's, Northumberland County, was the successful bidder for three square miles of Crown Lands on the Southwest Miramichi near Blackville, offered for sale recently. The upset price of seven dollars per thousand was accepted.

BAND NIGHT AT RINK

The following is the program to be played by the Band at Rink on Thursday night.

- Stand Bye March
- Peggy O'Neil Waltz
- Vera Waltz
- Your eyes have told me so Waltz
- Don't you remember the time Waltz
- May Blossoms Waltz
- Gertrude Waltz
- Smoke Rings Waltz
- Pretty Kitty Kelly Waltz
- Mail Carrier March and Two Step

SALVATION ARMY NOTES

The local officers of the Salvation Army collected \$161.00 in the pot for the poor and needy, and the good work was done in the shivering cold. The I. O. D. E. very gratefully donated \$50.00 and the local branch of the G. W. V. A. contributed \$5.00. Over one hundred dollars was spent in new clothing, boots etc for needy children. During the past 4 months, thirty two men have been cared for, having been given free meals and rooms. Five men have also been found positions. Capt. and Mrs. Goodwin tender to all who helped them during the Christmas season, a Happy and Prosperous New Year. The young people of the Salvation Army held a Demonstration and Christmas Tree, which was a great success. The building was packed to the doors and a good program of Songs, Recitations and Drills under the direction of Mrs. Geikie was carried out. Mrs. Goodwin sang the "Gift" and after a few well chosen remarks, Santa Claus arrived by way of the chimney, and useful gifts were distributed among the children. This event brought a very happy evening to a close.

To Larger Centres For Winter Months

The public health nurses who have been giving such excellent service in their districts in the province met Friday afternoon in the Red Cross depot in consultation with Miss Meiklejohn superintendent of public health nursing, to discuss the advisability of their removal from the more rural districts to larger centres for the winter months.

The report of the work which the nurses had accomplished were highly gratifying and were beyond even the highest hopes which had been entertained.

It was decided that in the best interests of public health work it would be best to move two of the nurses to larger centres in the counties where they are now serving. Miss Jessie Murray, who has been stationed at Campobello, in Charlotte Co., is to make her headquarters in St. Stephen, where she will have Milltown and St. Stephen for her district. Miss E. Armstrong, who has been stationed at Baie du Vin, will go to Chatham remaining in the county of Northumberland. It was decided that Miss Maloney should remain in her district of Buctouche, in Kent County.

GRAVES OF PIONEERS.

Remembering the Men Who Cleared Away the Bush.

Returning from a distance to Huntsville recently, a former resident found his brother's grave carelessly kept and expressed great surprise that so little respect is paid the last resting places of pioneers of Muskoka. There are many other districts in older Ontario where conditions are not what they should be, but Col. Hugh Clark, M.P., in his Kincairdine Review, draws attention editorially to one fine exception, the Lochalsh Cemetery, which is being restored.

In the Lochalsh district the messenger of death entered the but recently opened settlement in 1853 and faced the leaders of this community with the necessity of selecting a common burial place. The site chosen, an admirable one, lies on the south side of the boundary between Huron and Bruce Counties, on the brow of the ridge that follows the eastern shore of Lake Huron and overlooking the lake at a distance of about six miles. Energetically the men of the district set to work to clear away the trees and to set things in order for the reception of the remains of Mrs. Donald B. Mackenzie.

The fathers of the community never forgot the care of this plot of ground. The sentiment which held Abraham Isaac and Jacob to the Cave that was in the field of Machpelah was not wanting in them. And it was their wont to gather annually to tend it and to keep in working order their organization of trustees, and secretary. It is now several years since the board of trustees set to work to terrace the west side of the plot and otherwise to level the ground and to make manifest to men that they are not forgotten in Lochalsh who pass from out the bourne of time and place. Later in order to complete the scheme land to the south and east was purchased, was neatly fenced and a roadway now extends on all sides. Gradually the scheme is being completed and this little country graveyard presents, amidst the trees that surround it, a quiet, restful scene that reads a lesson to all who pass that way.

Bats to Get 'Skeeters.

The breeding of bats to kill off malaria-carrying mosquitoes has of late been seriously advocated.

Not long ago the Carnegie Institution said: "Bats devour large numbers of mosquitoes. Flying at dusk and after dark, and capturing all night-flying insects on the wing, they are important mosquito-destroying animals."

The mosquitoes that carry malaria are night-fliers. Hence the idea might seem a good one.

It was with this object in view that a "battery"—in other words, a bat roost—was built on the experimental farm of the Department of Agriculture six miles south of San Antonio, Texas. Another was established at Mitchell Lake, not far from the same neighborhood, which is an attractive body of fluid formed by sewage from San Antonio. Its margins offering excellent breeding places for 'skeeters.

These structures are about twenty feet high, uplifted on posts, with slanting walls, a projecting roof slightly elevated to allow the bats to pass in and out, and an additional entry space running all the way down one side, with boards slanting upward so as to exclude light to some extent while admitting the winged tenants.

The roosts soon acquired occupants—about 9,000 in the case of the battery at Mitchell Lake, which was built to accommodate 250,000—and, so far as that went, they were a success. Mexican families residing in their neighborhood have made sworn statements to the effect that the prevalence of malaria has been much less since the roosts were erected.

This method of fighting mosquitoes will interest Canadians, though many may prefer the pest to bats.

Are the Seasons Changing?

There are many who say that the seasons are changing, but a glance at a weather calendar shows that the "extraordinary weather" at midsummer or any other season of the year is very ordinary indeed if we take long views of things. In January, 1662, Pepys noted in his Diary that a fast day had been ordered by Parliament "to pray for more seasonable weather. It having hitherto been summer weather." In June, 1711, Swift was rendered excessively nervous by the heat. In July, 1757, Walpole writes, "I have made a tour of my garden but once these days before eight at night, and then I thought I should have died of it. For how many years we shall have to talk of the summer of '57!" In 1880, July was so hot that Wordsworth could not sit indoors, and, as Dorothy tells us, "went into the wood and altered his poems."

Animals That Blush.

Poets have for ages regarded the blush as a thing of beauty in the gentle sex; but after all, it is only a flush of blood to the face, caused by modesty or some other emotion. Animals blush, too, we are told, but through fear. Horses blush in their ears, especially the left one. When a horse is frightened his left ear will be found to be very much swollen. This is also the case with rabbits. Cows and similar animals blush just above the hoof, while the dog uses his tail for this purpose. When a dog is frightened his tail hangs limp, as he has lost all control over it. Even insects are said to blush. They do it in their antennae, or feelers.

New York Analyzed.

New York, analyzed, is not a big city but a conglomeration of former villages, including Harlem, Inwood, Washington Heights, Mott Haven, Port Morris, Melrose, Fordham, Kingsbridge, Spuyten Duyvil, Riverdale, Tremont, Morrisania and West Farms.



The new D, A, R, Station at Digby, Nova Scotia.

—By courtesy C.P.R.

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