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MUST HAVE NAMES

Questions sent in without the name of the sender attached will not be answered. The name will not be used if not desired, but it must be sent as a guarantee of good faith.

MANUFACTURING BONUS

W. H. Binscarth, Man.—I have been informed that the Canadian government has been giving a bonus to the manufacturers for all machinery and implements shipped to foreign countries. Is this true?

Ans.—The deputy minister of the Department of Trade and Commerce states that there is no such bonus given manufacturers.

BIRTH AND NATIONALITY

Subscriber, Justice, Man.—1. Is it necessary for a person born on British soil but raised in the United States to take the oath of allegiance on returning to Canada to live? Can he be compelled to take it or is he once a British subject, always a British subject, regardless of having taken the oath in another country?

2. To what country does a child born on board ship belong to? Is he considered a native of the country the vessel belongs to or does he belong to the port they enter?

Ans.—1. If the person becomes of age in United States and exercises his franchise in that country he would be an American subject, and on coming to Canada would have to be naturalized in order to vote in Canada.

2. The child would technically be a native of the country whose flag was at the mast head, but would really be of the same nationality as his parents.

DAMAGE TO THRESHER

M. P. F., Sask.—I was working last fall for a thresher and accidentally pitched my horse blankets into the machine, and broke some parts of it. Am I liable for damage done?

Ans.—The following is the opinion of a competent legal advisor: "If the blankets got into the machine in question

entirely by accident there would be no liability. If they were pitched there negligently, the person who pitched them would be liable. The question is, "was there negligence?" But the facts are not sufficiently given to enable us to say whether there was negligence. We can only presume that the enquirer pitched the blankets, and we incline towards the opinion that there was negligence."

CAN FOLLOW HORSE

Manitoba Farmer.—If a horse is bought in Manitoba, can a man follow it any place in Canada or United States, and take it providing he has a lien joint note against it.

Ans.—Yes.

SALE OF HORSE

Manitoba Farmer.—1. A goes to a public auction sale and buys a horse, B backs his note. A week or so after A trades the horse off. A is not worth the note. Can B go and take the horse or will he have to wait until the note is due. Please explain how to obtain that horse.

Ans.—B cannot, simply on account of his having backed the note, take possession of the horse either before or after the note is due. The seller of the horse could take possession of it in case A parted with the possession of it, if the note gave him that right. Otherwise, he would require to wait until the note became due before taking possession of the horse. B can take possession of the horse by acquiring the right of the seller.

TO GARNISHEE WAGES

Manitoba Farmer.—How do you garnishee a person's wages for a debt in Manitoba?

Ans.—You garnishee a person's wages for a debt in Manitoba by suing your claim and making affidavit, swearing to the debt and that you believe the employer owes the person you sue. The Clerk of the Court then issues a garnishee summons and has it served upon the employer. The garnishee summons so served binds all wages due at the time the garnishee is issued and the time that it is served, less \$25 exemption. The wages must be due both at the time the garnishee is issued and the time it is served. If at the time the summons takes effect there is less than one month's salary due, the extent of the exemption shall be at the rate of \$25 per month.

Manitoba Grain Growers**PINE CREEK PICNIC**

The Pine Creek branch Grain Growers picniced in the grove three miles west of Pine Creek Siding on the 22nd of June. A feature of the gathering was a large number of young people that were present. One would almost wonder in travelling through that country, how so many young people could be gathered together. The afternoon was spent in watching a tournament of baseball between teams from Gillespie, Edrans, Sidney and Springbrook.

GATHERED AT KILLARNEY

Nearly a thousand people attended a Grain Growers' picnic at Killarney, on June 23, under the auspices of the Killarney branch of the Grain Growers' Association. Excursion trains were run from LaReviere on the east, and Napinka on the west. Owing to the threatening weather the train from the east was not well patronized, but that from the west brought in a large number of Grain Growers and their families. Killarney Lake is an ideal spot for a picnic, and the citizens have taken advantage of its natural beauty by improving the grounds and providing every accommodation for a picnic. The arrangements made by the directors for the Killarney association for their visitors, were complete. The village was hung with banners and bunting and accommodations for conveying those who arrived by train to the picnic grounds, were well arranged for. The larger part of the afternoon was taken up with addresses by Mr. George Lawrence, M.P.P.;

Mr. Robinson, the Liberal candidate for the coming elections; Mr. D. N. Wilson, Grain Grower director for the southern district; D. W. McCuaig, chairman of the elevator commission; and Mr. R. McKenzie, secretary of the Manitoba Grain Growers' Association. After lunch was served the evening was taken up by a baseball game.

One outstanding feature of the Killarney Grain Growers' picnic was that they devoted more attention to the intellectual and educational side, than unfortunately is usually done at Grain Growers' picnics. There is no better way for farmers to have an outing, in the interval between the rush of seeding and the heavy work of harvesting, than by those Grain Growers' picnics. But in too many instances, those in charge of the picnics, devote too much attention to sports to the utter neglect of the social and educational side of life, two things that the Grain Growers cannot afford to neglect.

The success achieved by the Killarney branch of the Grain Growers' Association is an illustration of what can be done by active and intelligent preparation on the part of the officers and directors of the branches. The Killarney branch has now 220 active members, embracing nearly every farmer tributary to that town. The sentiment in favor of the Grain Growers' Association is so strong that any farmer who is not a member is regarded as being a nonentity. The board of directors and officers hold meetings regularly every Saturday to discuss questions affecting their association. At those meetings the programs are ar-

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ranged for the public meetings, which are held at intervals. This business-like method of directing the work of the association has the effect of the public meetings being largely attended, and intelligent discussions on public questions are carried on, making the meetings attractive and of great educational value. It is rarely during the winter months that there are less than fifty farmers in attendance at those weekly meetings.

MILITARY EXAMINATION

The successful candidates in the recent examinations for entrance to the Royal Military College at Kingston, include James E. Matthews, Victoria; B. C. Norman, Y. Bartlett, Winnipeg; Eric I. H. Inglis, Calgary; John H. Roberts, Vancouver; Armand D. Corelli, Winnipeg; Harold R. Mallory, Vancouver; John Galt, Winnipeg.