

TELEGRAM'S PONY CONTEST

BOYS!

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A handsome 3-year-old Shetland Pony, a splendid pony wagon, harness, saddle and bridle, all Free to the Boys and Girls of Western Canada.

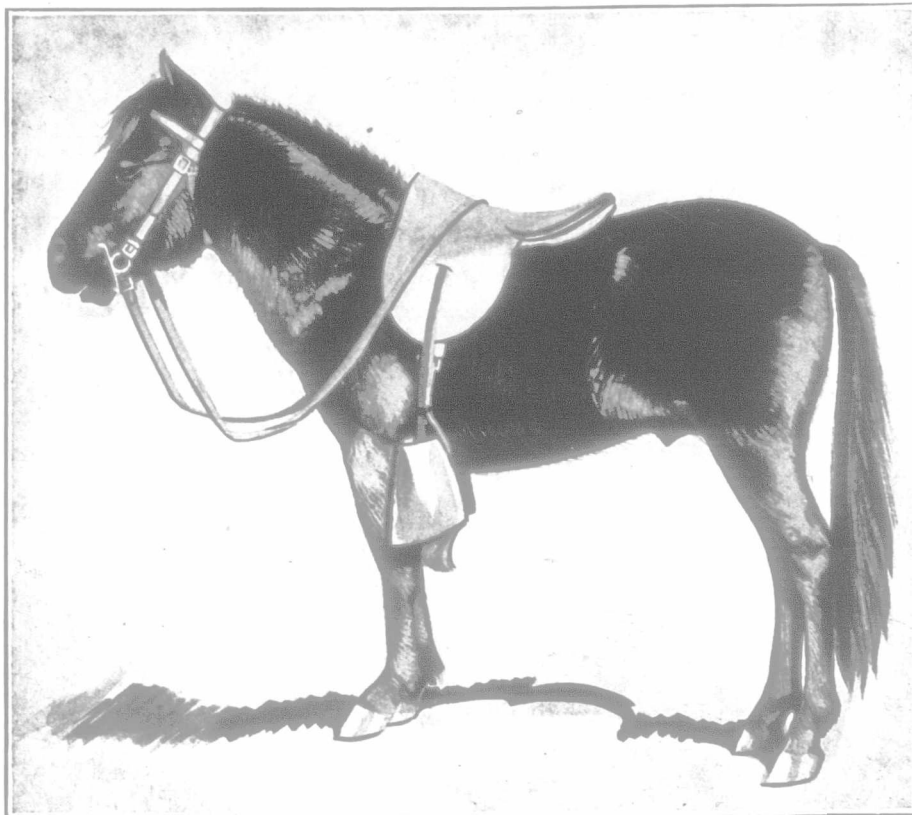
A Big Free Offer

Shortly after December 15th the TELEGRAM will ship, express paid, to some Canadian boy or girl, a magnificent registered three-year-old SHETLAND PONY, PONY WAGON, HARNESS, SADDLE AND BRIDLE. All the best that money can buy, absolutely FREE.

Any boy or girl in Western Canada, no matter how little or how big, can win this splendid pony and complete outfit and make money besides, simply by getting subscriptions to the Telegram.

There are no strings attached to this wonderful offer. If you live in Western Canada, outside the City of Winnipeg, you have as good a chance of winning as any other boy or girl.

Also every contestant will be allowed a cash commission of 5 per cent. on every subscription taken.



"CORPORAL" READY TO RIDE

Pony and Pony Buggy

"Corporal." The Telegram Pony, is a registered three-year-old standard-bred Shetland, by the celebrated "Don" out of "Poppy." Both his sire and dam were imported from the Shetland Islands and have won many prizes in the show ring. Corporal weighs 250 pounds, stands thirty-nine inches high. He is coal-black with a heavy mane and tail. In harness Corporal performs like a Hackney and can step fast for a pony of his inches. Although kind and gentle he has plenty of life. In short, Corporal is as nearly perfect as a pony could be.

With the pony goes wagon, harness, saddle, bridle; all brand new and ordered especially for Corporal. A better or more complete outfit could not be found in the West, for money has not been spared in the purchase of this splendid pony and outfit.

For further information regarding this big contest address
THE PONY CONTEST EDITOR, THE TELEGRAM, WINNIPEG, MAN.

Nine Additional Grand Prizes

The next nine highest contestants will receive other grand prizes, consisting of a \$60.00 boy's or girl's coon coat, a \$48.00 Brantford bicycle, boy's or girl's; a \$40.00 Singer sewing machine, a \$35.00 boy's or girl's diamond ring, a \$32.00 Columbia gramophone with 16 records, an Eastman Kodak and developing outfit valued at \$30.00, an Edison phonograph with 24 records worth \$25.00, a boy's or girl's gold watch and chain, fully guaranteed and valued at \$20.00, and a \$15.00 boy's or girl's writing desk.

How To Get Started

Before we can register your name as a contestant, we require you to send in:

A two-years' subscription to the Weekly Telegram, at a special price of 75 cents a year, or \$1.50

Or four months' subscription to the Daily Telegram, to be sent to a Manitoba address. Price \$1.00

Or six months' subscription to the Daily Telegram to be sent to an address outside of Manitoba. Price \$1.00

Send in any of the subscriptions mentioned and you will be entered regularly as a contestant for the Pony Outfit and other prizes, and will be credited with 2,000 votes.

Mail Subscription Rates

	One year.	Two years.
Farmer's Weekly Telegram	\$1.00	\$2.00
Daily Telegram, in Manitoba	4.00	8.00
Outside Manitoba	2.00	4.00

How Votes Count

For	No. Votes.
\$1.00 paid on single subscription	500
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MISCELLANEOUS

LIVE BABIES AS BAIT

"Wot do ye think," said the sailor, "of usin' live babies for bait? We done it in Ceylon."

"Babies for bait? Fishing for shark?"
"No, crocodile. Baby bait is the only thing for crocodile and everybody uses it. Ye rent a baby down here fer two shillings a day.

"Of course," the sailor went on, "the thing ain't as cruel as it sounds. No harm ever comes to the babies, or else, of course, their mothers wouldn't rent 'em. The kid is simply set on the soft mud bank of a crocodile stream, and the hunter lies hid near them, a sure pertection.

"The crocodile is lazy. He basks in the sun in mid-stream. Nothin' will draw him into shore where we can pot him. But set a little fat, naked baby on the bank, and the crocodile soon rouses up. In he comes, a greedy look in his dull eyes, and then we open fire.

"I have got as many as four crocodiles with one baby in a morning's fishin'. Some Cingalese women wot lives near good crocodile streams make as much as eight shillings a week out o' rentin' their babies for crocodile bait."—Chicago Record-Herald.

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The farmer's wife was greatly stirred up by the agitation of the women's rights question. One evening the old lady was condemning the men in very strong terms and expressing herself in favor of women's voting. The old man got tired of it. He dropped his paper, pushed back his spectacles, and exclaimed: "Mareddy! The men hev made out to govern this kentry ever since Robinson Crusoe discovered it, and I guess they will for a spell longer, so you keep still."

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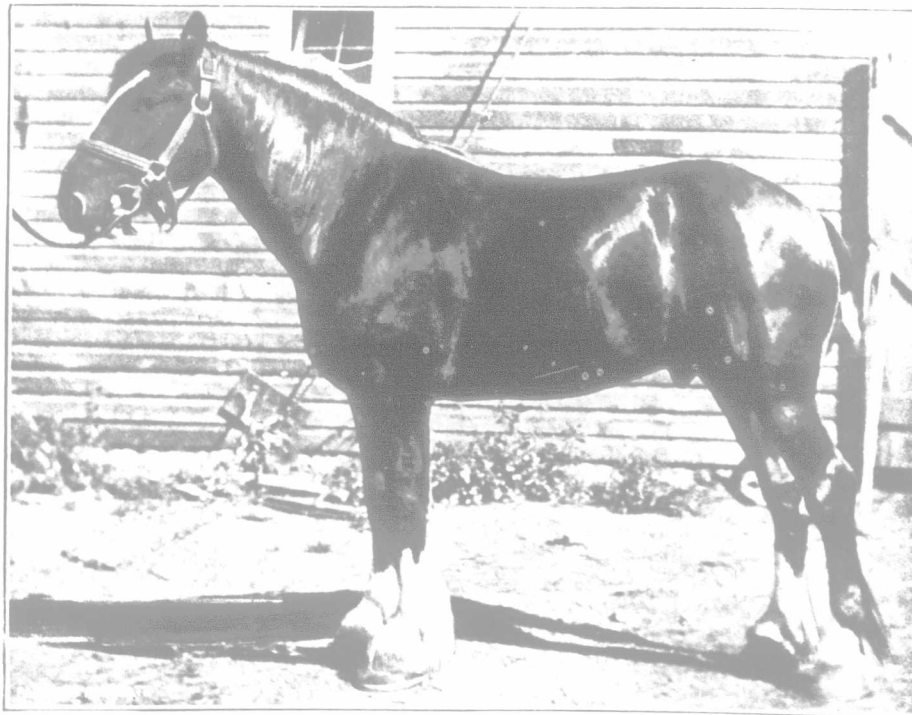
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THREE YEAR OLD CLYDESDALE STALLION MAHOGEE, OWNED BY FAIRMELE CLYDESDALE ASSOCIATION. HE IS GRANDSON OF BARON'S PRIDE AND WON FIRST PRIZE AT THIS YEAR'S LOCAL SHOW.

A discovery of the greatest interest to Englishmen has been made in an old abbey. The skeleton of King Henry II. of England, his wife, Eleanor, his daughter, Joan, who married King William of Sicily, and King Richard Coeur de Lion, have been found in the crypt. There can be no doubt whatever of their genuineness. Although the Plantagenet kings were known to have been buried in the abbey, and although the tombstones of Richard Coeur de Lion, Queen Eleanor and Henry II., with their full-length effigies, are on view there, the graves themselves were never found, and it has been believed that they had been desecrated in the Revolution of 1789, and the royal remains scattered.

The old abbey became a prison in 1904. It has since fallen largely into ruins, and M. Magne, of the Fine Arts Department, was recently instructed by the Minister for Fine Arts, to restore it, as far as possible, to its original condition. During his work in the ruins of the crypt M. Magne had a wall pulled down, and found behind it an arch with a gold cross and a coat of arms, with several gold leopards inscribed on it. On the walls were the names "Richard," "Alienor" (Eleanor) and "Henri." M. Magne gave orders to dig, and the four graves were found. The skeletons lay from east to west. As soon as the restoration is completed the skeletons of the Plantagenets will be placed under the beautifully carved tombstones in the abbey.

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Mark Twain hated a gloomy man. Once, at a banquet, a gloomy man sat opposite him. This man would not smile at the most amusing jokes. "What's the matter with you?" cried Mark Twain. "The stories are all good. Why don't you laugh?" "Ah, sir," said the gloomy man, "how can I laugh when I remember that every time I breathe a soul passes into the great beyond?" "Good gracious," said the humorist, "did you ever try cloves?"