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Miramichi Wheat Paid 100 Per Cent. Profit

Ex-Mayor G. G. Stothart Doubled Money Invested in Wheat Growing, with only a Fair Yeild This Year.

Wheat growing as a profitable branch of farming in the Miramichi district, will receive a strong impetus from the experience of a number of farmers who sowed wheat this year for the first time in years. Some farmers grew wheat this year who never sowed it before. The departure, which has had such encouraging results, is almost entirely due to the establishment in Newcastle, in January of this year of the Stohart Mercantile Company's flour mill. A decade or so ago wheat was more extensively grown than it has been in recent years by many farmes, but the absence of accessible markets, and the difficulty of getting the grain ground into flour, discouraged the producers and the production of wheat gradually declined. Last year, however, it was conceived that the establishment of a flour mill in Newcastle, where the grain could conveniently be turned in to flour would probably induce farmers to go into wheat growing again, and through the efforts of the Newcastle Board of Trade the Stothart Mercantile Co., was prevailed upon to put in the desired mill.

The results of the enterprise, as it effects the farmers of the Miramichi, and the prosperity of the district, as well, were discussed with The Union Advocate this week in a very interesting manner by Mr. F. H. Whitney, of Whitneyville, one of the farmers who tried wheat growing again this year, after a lapse of sixteen years. The prospect of having his wheat ground in Newcastle, and thereby saving the purchase of flour, was the inducement that caused him to buy two bushels of seed which he sowed on about an acre of land, largely as an experiment. From this he received a yield of eighteen bushels, and when taken to the mill this netted him three barrels of white flour, about a hundred weight of graham flour, and a quantity of bran. Mr. Whitney is delighted with the results of his experiment in every respect, although his yeild from the wheat sown was not as heavy as received by many other farmers who sowed the same kind of seed as he did. Much higher yields were reaped by some farmers and in Derby there are said to have been fields producng thirty two bushels to the acre. The average from the kind of seed sown by Mr. Whitney, is estimated to be about twenty five bushels to the acre or about 12 bushels harvested for each bushel sown. The seed used was mixed Marquis and Red Fife in proportions of one of the former to two of the latter. Both of these varieties are hard wheat, and are considered very suitable for this climate and the variable seasons which are encountered here.

Mr. Whitney is enthusiastic about the quality of flour he obtained from his wheat, and declares it to be the equal in quality of any flour he has ever purchased. He is so pleased at the outcome of his small venture in wheat this year that he plans to largely increase his wheat acreage next year, and he predicts that the total acreage in 1917 will be at least double that of this year in the district. He considers the Stothart mill a great benefit to the Miramichi district, and says that only one better thing for the good of the district was ever built in Newcastle, and that was the Miramichi Hospital.

What the Stothart Mill is Doing

From Mr. Geo. G. Stothart The Advocate learned that The Stothart Mercantile Co. sold 270 bushels of seed wheat to farmers last spring. This was not beught by the company as seed grain. It was No. 1 hard Manitoba wheat, brought from the west for ordinary milling purposes, but when the company was asked by farmers to sell them seed grain some of this wheat was cleaned up, and when tested for germination registered very high, and was therefore considered suitable for seed. The results have been all that could be expected. Farmers who sowed it have got good returns, which average about 12 to 1. The wheat from this seed is now in good condition for milling with the exception of a few lots which evidently were cut before the grain ripened. Such wheat is too soft for milling now but will be alright after it dries out. From Sept. 20th to date the Stothart mill has served 200 farmers by grinding wheat or buckwheat, or grinding oats and feed. Many of these farmers are now growers of wheat. The district served by the mill takes in all the country from Blissfield to Tabucintac. Up to June 1, the mill had ground 1550 bushels of 1915 home grown wheat, but this quantity will be multiplied many times this year. In fact one grist alone has almost doubled the total grist of last year's home grown crop. This was 2500 bushels from Hotel Dieu, Chatham.

Hundred per cent. Profit From Wheat Growing

Mr. Stothart's experience this year in wheat raising furnishes an illuminating example of the possibilities along this line in the Miramich district. At his farm on the Chaplin Island Road he sowed 4½ bushels of Marquis and Red Fife of the same mixture as sown bp Mr. Whitney, and from this he threshed 56 bushels of wheat. At the prevailing price of wheat Mr. Stothart figures he has made a clear profit of 100% from his investment after counting in every item of expense entering into the production of the grain, including cost of seed, plowing, sowing, harvesting, threshing and hauling to town. And he regards his yield as "just fair." From the results obtained by him and others in the district, Mr. Stothart concludes that there is no better place in which to raise wheat than in this section of New Brunswick. The flour obtained from home grown wheat is pronounced equal to the best in Canada, and an inspector who visited the Stothart mill and inspected the product from Miramichi wheat this week declared that the flour can not be beaten.

SMALL BOY SHOT

A shooting accident, which may end in a fatality, occurred yesterday afternoon at Douglastown, and as a result of which Karl Gulliver, is suffering from a dangerous rifle wound in the abdomen, inflicted by a gun in the hands of his younger brother Lance Gulliver. The two boys, who are the sons of Mrs. Clarke Gulliver, were preparing to go shooting, and Karl was sitting on the doorstep making a cleaning rod, when the rifle in the hands of his brother was accidentally discharged, and the bullet, a 22, struck Karl in the right side of the abdomen, and it is thought that the bulet struck a rib and glanced, imbedding itself in the muscles of the back. Dr. McGrath who dressed the wounds brought the victim to the Miramichi Hospital, where an X-Ray will be taken today.

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Sanitary Drinking Fountains for Schools

Two sanitary drinking fountains will very likely be installed in the Newcastle public schools, at an early date. The Newcastle Women's Instituto proposes to denote the fountains, and at the regular monthly meeting of that organization last Friday evening, in the Mission Hall, it was decided to ask permission of the Board of Public School Trustees for permission to instal them. It is assumed that the request will be granted, and as soon as the required permission is obtained the fountains will be put in. They will be of the type commonly called "bubblers," and one will be placed on each floor of the public school building.

The regular monthly meetings of the Women's Institute, during the coming winter, will be held at he homes of members, and the place of the next such meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Howard Williston, on Tuesday, November 14th. All women in sympathy with the general purpose of the Women's Institute movement ,which is to promote the best interests of the community at large, are cordially invited to attend the meetings, whether or not they are members of the Institute.

Newcastle Women's Institute will meet in special session at the home of Mrs. G. G. Stothart tonight (Thursday.)

ASSAULT CASE TO BE HEARD FRIDAY MORNING

Police Magistrate Lawlor, tomorrow (Friday) morning, at 10 o' clclock is to hear an interesting case in which J. Harry Brown charges J. S. Scott with common assault. The assault is alleged to have been committed on Thursday the 12th inst. The complainant in the case also charges the defendant with having threatened him on the 13th inst, with gestures, and with words to the effect that he (the defendant) would beat the camplainant's face off. The complainant swears he is afraid of the defendant, and upon these grounds has had the latter bound to preserve the peace towards the complainant.

OBITUARY

THOMAS TAYLOR

The funeral of late Thomas Taylor, of Nordin, who died on Wednesday, aged 64, was held on Tuesday, interment in St. Andrew's cemetery, Newcastle. Services were conducted in St. Andrews church at 2.30 by the rector, Rev. W. J. Bate. Deceased had been in poor health for several years. He leaves one son and two daughters and one brother and three sisters. The children are: Alex of Nordin; Maud, (Mrs. Gilbert Henry), South Brewer, Me.; and Louise (Mrs. Albert Astles), Quarryville. John Taylor of Douglastown is a brother of deceased, and Mrs. John Jardine of Newcastle, Mrs. John Houston and Mrs. Thomas Brown of Everett, Mass., are sisters.

JENNIE MARGARET HUBBARD

The sympathy of the entire community is extended to Mr. and Mrs. John Hubbard in the death of their beloved daughter, aged 10 months, at their home here on Wednesday morning.

Jeanie Margaret was a bright promising child of a sunny disposition, and beloved by all who knew her and her death gave quite a shock to all as she was sick for only a few days of cholera.

The funeral was held Wednesday Rev. J. F. McCurdy conducting service both at the house and grave. "There is a Happy Land" and "When He Cometh to Make up His Jewels," were the very appropriate hymns which were sung. The coffin which bore the signature "Our Loved One" was laden with many beautiful floral tributes. Much sympathy is extended to the bereaved parents.

Following are the names of those who sent floral tributes:

Wreath—Mrs. Everett Bateman
Spray—Miss Eliza Wells
Broken Circle—Mrs. William Hubbard
Wreath—Mr. and Mrs. W. O'Shea
Wreath—Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Hubbard
Spray—Mrs. James Harris
Bouquet—Miss Gladys Hubbard.

The pall-bearers were Earle Hubbard, Jerry O'Shea, Hubert Mullin and Berton Hubbard.

JOSEPH DUNPHY

The death of Joseph Dunphy of Moran, the beloved and respected Deacon of the Baptist church at Upper Blackville, occurred at his home there last Thursday. He had been seriously ill only six days, but had been in failing health the last few months. He had been blind for the last ten years. He was 84 years old. The funeral was held on Friday. In the absence of Rev. Stirling Stackhouse of Doaktown, at the Maritime Baptist Convention, the services at the house and the funeral services in Upper Blackville church were conducted by the Methodist pastor, Rev. Tilley of Boiestown. The pallbearers were the deceased's four sons—Vernon, Earl, Miles and Mark, his son-in-law, Jas. Macdonald, and Mr. Cashian. Deceased was twice married. By his firse wife (Miss Arbeau) he leaves one son, James, of Rogers, Minnesota. By his second (Miss Ruth Anderson of Cantebury, York Co.,) who survives him, he leaves six children—Vernon, St. John; Earl, of the 132nd Batt.,; Miles, Mark and Sadie (Mrs. Fred Gunter) at home, and Dora (Mrs. James Macdonald) Blackville.

Church Filled at Memorial Service

St. James' church was crowded Sunday night to hear Rev. S. J. Macarthur's address in memory of Sergeant-Major John Alexander Ingram, who died gloriously on the field of battle a few days ago in France.

All that could be spared of the Wireless garrison and most of the 12th Battery draft were present, and practically every seat in the building was occupied. Hymns appropriate to the occasion were rendered by the choir, and the duet—"Under the Stars There is Rest"—by Mrs. D. W. Stothart and Mrs. P. Russell, was very much appreciated.

Rev. Mr. Macarthur took as his text the hostile criticism of Jesus: "He saved others; himself he cannot save," and said, in part:

Those who save others cannot save themselves. Wouldn't it be better to be dead than to live a coward? Nothing of value we enjoy that has not been bought for us by the suffering and death of those who have gone before. I want you to consider how Christ knew that he could save himself, but not others at the same time. He preferred to save others. So did Alex. Ingram. In this time of grave national peril the only thing we have to be thankful for is that there are so many ready to lay down their lives to save the world.

The death of a Newcastle citizen, said Mr. Macarthur, brings the war home to us. Is this a war for righteousness? In Douglastown the other night, he had listened to two returned soldiers state that they had personally seen boys with their right hands cut off, and boys and little girls with the right foot cut off, by Germans in revenge for being forced to retreat at certain points. One said he had seen a young woman limping and with face twisted and distorted because of misuse at the hands of German officers. And now when U. S. officals have seen in Roumania the instruments with which the fatal disease of glanders was to be spread in that country, and the Germans are deliberately inoculating their prisoners with the germs of tuberculosis, 50,000 French prisoners having already died of that disease in Germany, what question can there be of the justice and necessity of the war?

Alex. Ingram could have come home had he wanted to come home. Enlisting as a private, he was at his death a Sergeant-Major and at the point of being gazetted a Lieutenant. He refused to come home on leave, but was determined to see the thing through.

We should be thankful, not only for the self-sacrifice of those who have gone, but for the evidence that, because of the series of meetings between representative men in Quebec, there is a rapprochement being effected between the English-speaking and French Canadians. The only sane and satisfactory settlement of the language question is for all English-speaking Canadians to have French taught their children, and let the French neglect English at their peril.

Favors National Registration

Another thing I'd like to see, and at once, is national registration. There are men going across who ought to be kept at home, and men at home who ought to be at the front. Registration would show each man his right place. The war against Napoleon lasted 20 years, during the first 15 of which Britain seemed on the point of being defeated This war may last five or more years yet.

In the name of God let politics be eliminated from military business. All honor to Col. Guthrie who will have no officers who have not proven themselves on the battlefield. We owe it to our party, our country and our king that whatever stirs up anger and lessens our efficiency be put away from among us.

What message does Alex. Ingram leave for us? He was regular in attendance at Sunday school and church, he did whatever he found to do, he feared God and kept his commandments, trusted in his Saviour, and when he died went into His presence for evermore.

If Alex. Ingram could look into the eyes of those who are preparing to go to the front, he would say, "Ask God to forgive you, and cleanse you and keep you, and you will be as safe on the battlefield as anywhere."

What for us who cannot go to the front? Be prepared to meet and greet the returning heroes, and see that they have a chance to live worthily, and happily. Let us make our town a cleaner, happier and better place than when they left it. As Alex. Ingram fell he doubtless, prayed for us. Any of us who do not pray for our soldiers are unworthy. Let us pray for strength to do all we should do—that God shall lead us into the path of duty.

We should have no hatred of Germany, but there should be no peace until Germany is conquered and put where she can no more do the harm she has been doing. Let the fight be fought to a finish, until right conquers and sin and unfaithfulness are trampled into the mire.

Zepp. Throphies in Newcastle

Probably the only trophies in New Brunswick, of the famous Zeppelin disaster on the outskirts of London, a few weeks ago, are now in Newcastle, and tonight, and for a few days further, they will be on exhibition in the show window of Dickison & Troy's store.

The trophies are a six inch section of a steel rib of the destroyed Zeppelin, and a small portion of the uniform of a German officer who lost his life when the big air ship shot down to English soil, and whose body was charred in the fire which consumed his vessel.

The articles are the property of Mr. Dickison's sister-in-law, Mrs. Arthur Sewell, of Chatham, who is keeping house for him during Mrs. Dickison's absence on a visit to Boston. They were sent to Mrs. Sewell by her son, Sergt. Lem. Sewell, who is attached to the Canadian Pay and Record office in London, Eng. When the Zepp from which the trophies were obtained, made its ill fated raid. Sgt. Sewell, from his office had the privilege of witnessing the spectacular end of the air monster. He likens its descent to the falling of an enormous silver wrapped cigar with the burning end downward.

Souvenirs of the remains of this Zeppelin were eagerly sought after by English people, and it was only through rare good fortune that Sergt. Sewell was able to obtain the two articles which he sent home to his mother.

ST. MARY'S WEEKLY TEST

St Mary's Academy High School Dept. results of weekly test are as follows:

Pupils who made 60%:

Grade XI (a)—Subject, Chemistry—Margaret Callahan 81, Cleora McLaughlin 81

Grade XI (b)—subject, Geometry—May Dolan 97, Margaret Clarke 93.4, Bernadette Keating 90, Helen Neif 79.4

Grade X—Subject, History—Nellie Creamer 83.5, Estelle Theriault 82.5, Cecilia Murphy 77.3.

Grade IX—Subject, History—Margaret Dolan 99, Bessie Creamer 97, Anna Keys 90, Mayme Doyle 86.7, Mona McWilliam 79, Mary Taylor 72.

Doaktown Young Lady Now in First Place

After Steady Progress Miss Minnie Betts Now Leads Contest Workers---Contest Closes Week From Next Tuesday

After week and weeks of persistent, steady effort, Miss Minnie M. Betts, of Doaktown has at last reached the top of the voting campaign ladder, and now leads all the campaign workers, while Mrs. Harry Brown, of South Nelson, is again in second place and right upon the heels of the leader, there being now but 3000 votes separating these two contestants. Miss Katie Harrigan, of Chelmsford, who for two weeks has led the field, has been left in third position this week, by the forging ahead of the two contestants previously mentioned but is still putting forth the most earnest efforts of which she is capable, and is still very much in the race with practically as good chances as the two ladies ahead of her, for winning first prize. Miss Reta Ullock of Chatham Head remains in fourth place this week, but she is keeping pace with the others, and within the remaining ten days of the campaign is as likely as not to rush ahead and capture the much coveted "Chevrolet," which will go to the lady having the highest number of votes at the close of the campaign on Tuesday, Oct. 31st.

The "Chevrolet" touring car which will be awarded as first prize will be placed on exhibition next week in the show window of the Lounsbury Co., Ltd. the New Brunswick distributors of this "wonder car" from whom the Advocate's premier prize was purchased. At the same time and place the other prizes will also be placed on exhibition. The second prize, as previously announced will be a $400 Lonsdale cabinet grand piano, manufactured and guaranteed by The Lonsdale piano Co. of Toronto, while the third and fourth prizes consist of the highest grade silver plated ware procurable, manufactured and guaranteed by Canadian Wm. A. Rogers, Limited, of Toronto. The third prize will be a handsome solid polished oak cabinet containing knives, forks and spoons to the number of a hundred and sixteen, while the fourth prize will be a beautiful six piece silver tea service, mounted in ebony.

This collection of prizes will be an exhibit worth seeing, and contestants, and their friends, as well as the public generally, are invited to call and inspect the prizes.

STANDING OF CONTESTANTS

MISS MINNIE M. BETTS,	Doaktown	543,500
MRS. HARRY BROWN,	S. Nelson	540,300
MISS KATIE HARRIGAN,	Chelmsford	534,500
MISS RETA ULLOCK,	Chatham Head	517,500
MISS INEZ COPP,	Newcastle	402,500

Two Days Session of County Court

Northumberland County Court opened in the Court House here Tuesday morning, Judge McLatchy presiding.

There was one criminal case—King vs John Fleming for assault upon one Carrier with intent to do grevious bodily harm. Both men belong to Chatham. Fleming very ably conducted his own defence, while A. A. Davidson prosecuted. Fleming was found guilty.

There were two civil suits.

1. Carroll vs. Maloney, for opening up an account stated. E. P. Williston for plaintiff; A. A. Davidson for defence. Settled out of court.

2. S. W. Miller vs John Rundle. R. A. Lawlor for plaintiff; R. Murray for defence.

The jury, in the case of Ald. S. W. Miller vs John Rundle, claiming damage for assault, gave a verdict of $150 and costs to the plaintiff.

John Fleming was dismissed on suspended sentence, on the understanding that he would enlist. He had unsuccessfully tried once to go overseas, but he has since undergone a slight operation and now considers himself fit.

RECRUITING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The West Northumberland Recruiting Committee met last Friday night, Judge Lawlor in the chair. It was agreed to adjourn till Monday night, and invite all old members of the 12th Battery to be present.

Those present Monday night were: W. A. Park, chairman; R. Corry Clarke, secretary, Lt. J. L. Lawlor of the 12th Batery draft; provisional Lieut. Harold H. Ritchie; Judge Lawlor, Mayor C. E. Fish, Judge McLatchy and Mr. Ferguson of Campbellton. Rev. S. J Macarthur and A. A. Davidson.

The registration lists for the Parish of Blackville, made by John T. Davidson were handed in. They are very complete.

Ways and means of helping fill the 12th Battery draft were discussed and all assistance in the Committee's power guaranteed.

Lt. Lawlor reported 31 members of the draft to date.

The committee will meet again next Friday evening, with the Patriotic Fund, the latter having been postponed from Tuesday on account of the unavoidable absence of the Secretary, Mr. Robert Jarvis.

CHRISTMAS COMFORTS FOR 26th BATT., BOYS AT THE FRONT

A bean supper to provide Christmas comforts for the boys of the 26th Battery, will be held in St. James Hall a week from tonight—Thursday Oct. 26. A box will be placed at the door to receive donations of tobacco or other articles which will add to the comfort and cheer of the 26th boys who this year will be spending their second Christmas in the trenches fighting for their country and homes.

Resuming Campaign For Scott Act Repeal

The Temperance campaign in this county for repeal of the Scott Act, will be resumed this (Thursday) evening, at Boiestown, where Rev. W. D. Wilson, sec. of the N. B. Branch of the Dominion Alliance speaks along with Rev. M. Tilley of that place.

Tomorrow night, Rev. Mr. Wilson with Mr. Ander of Newcastle, and others, will speak in Blackville public Hall.

Sunday Rev. Mr. Wilson will preach in St. Luke's Methodist and St. John's Presbyterian churches in Chatham, and along with Chatham and Newcastle workers will address a mass meeting Sunday night in Chatham Temperance hall.

Rev. Mr. Wilson will be in the county all next week, speaking at Doaktown, Nelson and probably Black River and Tabucintac. The temperance people everywhere in the county seem to be strongly in favor of the repeal of the Scott Act.

"First Snow" in Campbellton

WHEN WAS IT?

Apparently Campbellton has had its "first snow" of the season, but there seems to be more or less guessing at to the date of this important event, which is reported in the two Campbellton papers as follows:

First Snow

The first snow of the season fell in Campbellton and vicinity on Monday night, when some half inch of the beautiful covered the ground. This was followed by a light fall of rain, and the snow soon disappeared.—Campbellton Tribune.

First Snow

The hills and fields were white with snow Tuesday morning, but rain followed and it soon disappeared.—Campbellton Graphic.

First Snow

The first snow of the season put in an appearance on Wednesday afternoon, the ground being quite covered with the beautiful and for a short time it looked as if winter had arrived in earnest. But before the children had enjoyed a snow ball it all disappeared.—Campbellton Tribune.

REMOVED TO HOSPITAL

Mrs. Allan Menzies, wife of the proprietor of the Waverly Hotel, was removed to the Miramichi Hospital Wednesday afternoon. She has been ill for several days, and it is feared she is suffering from an attack of typhoid fever.

BACK FROM THE WOODS

Edward Menzies has returned from his hunters' camps where there are now three parties of sports looking for big game. Last week one sportsman got a moose with 60 inch antlers. Others have secured bear and caribou.