

THE HAMILTON TIMES

THURSDAY, JULY 15, 1909.

SCHOOL REGULATIONS.

The Department of Education has adopted a set of regulations regarding text-books. Under the old text-books authorized last year are not to be used after midsummer vacation next year. It is provided that for religious instruction the Bible or the selected Scripture readings of the International Bible Reading Association, or the Scripture readings adopted by the Department of Education shall be used, as prescribed by the Department of Education, and as determined by the school trustees. This is a somewhat delicate matter and the Department has sought to wash its hands as much as possible of any responsibility therein. After January 1 next year, no drawing books will be authorized, and no helps will be furnished for the pupils save that given by the teacher. No text-books in agriculture, household science or elementary plane geometry will be required, and part of the High School botany will not be authorized. The school trustees are required to furnish sufficient reference books for the use of pupils in all the subjects contained in the schedule. The abolition of a number of text-books indicates the determination of the Department to minimize the importance of the subjects represented without entirely striking the studies off the curriculum. It is one more experiment in the policy of groping after change without regard to the effect upon the teaching of the schools. The new fourth reader has appeared, and is said to be well gotten up.

BE PROVIDENT!

In spite of the glowing reports sent out in crop bulletins, there are not lacking opinions of careful observers that the result of the year's work may be a much lighter crop than is generally expected. The lateness of the spring leaves much dependent upon the fortunes of the end of the season. Early frost in the Northwest would be disastrous. Favorable as the growing season has been, the crop of 1909 will not be felt to be safe until it has been harvested.

This feeling is reflected in the markets, and the stiffening of wheat prices shows that the big dealers are treading with caution. As far as Ontario is concerned, the spring crops, will probably be lighter than last year's. The yield of hay has been seriously affected by the drought and the wise farmers will husband every pound of feed stuff that they can produce. The very general cultivation of ensilage will help the Ontario farmer to make the most of his feed supply. From New York State come reports of burned up pastures and ruined crops of hay and oats. The corn crops, too, has been affected by the drought. A survey of the situation should lead our farmers to make the most possible of all available feed crops.

The Winnipeg Commercial estimates the wheat crop of the three Prairie Provinces at 130,000,000 bushels. That estimate is based on a yield of 17½ bushels per acre from an acreage of 7,480,000. This is regarded as high. In the first place, the acreage is probably not over 7,200,000. A yield of 17½ bushels an acre may provide for such contingencies as should be counted upon; but capable judges prefer to take a lower figure.

Chicago wheat brokers caught short in July wheat, yesterday sent the price from \$1.20 to \$1.27. Probably half a million bushels were bought on the advance. Leading exporters and shippers who had sold wheat for this month's delivery were obliged to go into the pit and cover their sales by buying at a heavy loss. The Chicago market closed at 125 5/8. Patten and his clique are said to have made considerable money by the sensational flurry. While this jump in price does not affect the prices of the new crop, the operators concerned in it look confidently forward to stiffer prices than those of the crop year just ending.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The by-law against posting advertising notices on the electric poles is a city ordinance. Its enforcement is a matter for the police.

The trimming of shade trees so as to lessen obstruction to street lights should be done with discretion. Here is a job George Wild should be able to boss to advantage.

Yes, your holidaying friend may go fishing while you swelter at work in the city. But you escape fighting mosquitoes and have a decent bed to sleep on.

Rev. R. H. Steacie, of Bell's Corners, is reported to have said at the Orange celebration that "no Unitarian could be an Orangeman." That will be news to some people.

The fire losses of Canada and the United States for the month of June aggregated \$14,435,050. That is a decrease of over \$5,000,000 from the figures of June, 1908.

Railroad and industrial corporations in the United States have issued new bonds, notes and stocks to the amount of \$861,704,980. Of this, perhaps only \$500,000,000 is new capital.

The London people who yesterday visited the Hamilton sanitarium for consumptives saw an institution that is doing much good work at comparatively

small expense. If London profits by Hamilton's experience, it may be able to furnish another fighting unit for the great battle against tuberculosis.

A Chicago preacher offers to bet \$50 that Prof. Foster cannot give an acceptable definition of God. Acceptable to whom? Has it ever been attempted, save in negations?

You may not be able to afford a month in Muskoka or a sea voyage, but the same sun shines here. Loll in the back yard and accumulate tan and freckles and imbibe ozone.

The surplus for the year on Consolidated Fund account which covers all ordinary expenditure is \$1,022,162, within half a million of Mr. Fielding's estimate in his budget speech.

Von Buelow says he did not dissolve the German Reichstag because "the new house would not have passed the finance bill." That is a shameful admission of lack of courage and disregard of the will of the people.

The Panama Canal Commission, which last year had an appropriation of \$33,635,000, wants \$48,000,000 for the current year. The prospects now are that the canal will cost more than double the original estimate.

Metaline, Wash., is a fireproof town, the construction of which was begun in March. It has now 48 buildings, including a school house, post office and two churches, all built of cement concrete. Although in the centre of a timber district, it is the ambition of Metaline to allow no wooden buildings to be erected.

Hon. Adam Beck did not seem inclined yesterday to pledge himself to the exceptional treatment which Mr. Lobb was ready to promise us if we entered the Hydro-Electric scheme. It looks as if Hamilton must shoulder the heavy 30-years' burden, and throw away its present advantages if it takes the plunge.

We do not know A. Kelly Evans, the man who has been given the job of reporting on the fish and game situation in the Province, but we presume he can earn his fee. But we hope he will not recommend any more reservations in favor of professional sportsmen and wealthy dukes who appear to imagine the fish and game were meant only for them.

The Glace Bay Town Council, by a vote of 9 to 2, has asked that the troops sent to prevent riots at the scene of the coal strike be not withdrawn until all apprehension of disorder is at an end. This is a severe rebuke to Mayor Douglas, whose conduct in the difficulty has caused much astonishment. The output of coal at the mines is said to be increasing.

The fact that the Toronto papers appear to have combined to keep silence as to the demand for the disallowance of the vicious legislation by which Whitney attacked property and civil rights in the Province, and denies the citizen access to the courts of justice, is an additional argument in favor of prompt disallowance of the acts in question. Sir Wilfrid should not delay.

Australia, whose prompt offer of "one or more Dreadnoughts" to the British navy was so frequently quoted by jingoes as "shaming" Canadians, is now trying to find a loophole of escape or to explain that the "offer" was really not made at all, and that the cablegram evoking so much British gratitude was not authorized at all! How thankful Canadians should be that such humiliation is not theirs!

Those people who in their war on vivisection shed tears over the inoculation of mice and guinea pigs with the germs of disease, in seeking to find antitoxins to save human life, are in poor business. By one discovery, diphtheria antitoxin, thousands of children's lives have been saved, each child life being worth all the mice and guinea pigs that ever breathed.

Victoria, B. C., is to have increased municipal taxation. The tendency of municipal government everywhere in Canada is to outrun its revenue. Between the exactions of government, municipal, provincial and federal, and the demands for increased prices of the necessities of life made by the rings, the gentleman who profits by the illness of the people would seem to be in danger of going into bankruptcy.

The United States tariff bill has been finally passed by the Senate and now goes to the Conference Committee. Those who at one time expected that three days would see its final adoption are now willing to admit that probably three weeks, or more, will be taken up in the conference. Ten Republican Senators have broken away from the party and are giving Aldrich's bill much hostility.

Premier Whitney continues to give to his chattel organs interviews expressive of his bitterness toward the petitioners for disallowance of his vicious and Russian-like legislation. He continues to parrot that the people of Ontario are almost a unit in supporting his power policy. What he does not attempt to explain or excuse is why any good cause should be served by legislation confiscating private rights and denying access to the courts of justice to citizens who suffer wrong at the hands of a body created by the Provincial Government.

Crop reports from the United States indicate a great gain in condition. In wheat, corn and oats alone the improve-

ment within a few weeks is estimated at \$300,000,000. The United States Department of Agriculture estimates the wheat crop at 650,000,000 bushels; corn 3,000,000,000; oats, 1,100,000,000. The wheat estimate is slightly lower than last year, those of corn and oats are vastly larger. The total money value of the three crops is estimated at \$2,890,000,000.

Statistics of 1907 place the world's railway mileage at 594,867, of which 420,669 is in the new world. Of this mileage, 268,068, enough to girdle the globe ten times, belongs to the United States and Canada. In the last ten years 150,000 miles, or nearly 25 per cent., has been added to the world's railway mileage. Canada furnished a larger percentage of that gain than any other country, and the years 1908 and 1909 will maintain her prestige.

Once more we sincerely advise the Mayor to quit his undignified and too palpable efforts to manoeuvre and wiggle himself from under the obligation of a plain public duty.—Hamilton Herald.

Does the Herald think that to earn its thirty pieces of Hydror silver it is necessary to resort to daily blackguardism and abuse of the Mayor? There is not one sane man in the city who doubts for a moment that Mayor McLaren is trying to do the best for the ratepayers. And most of them have a very shrewd suspicion of the motives which prompt the Herald to abuse him.

The Limestone, Ind., postmaster has resigned after 35 years' service. There is nothing remarkable about that, for office-holders are proverbially healthy. But the odd thing about the matter is that there is not a Republican in the town of Limestone to appoint as his successor. Of course, under the civil service law some folk think that party pull does not count; but that is far from true in practice, however pretty it may be in theory. Now an effort is being made to get a Republican to move into Limestone, so as to make it easy for the powers that be to get the right kind of a man as postmaster!

Police Commissioner Bingham, of New York, who has just been removed by the Mayor for refusing to obey his instructions, has frequently confessed that partnerships between the police and wholesale vice existed, but he found it impossible to break them up. At one time he stated that he had been offered \$600,000 a year to permit certain forms of lawlessness to continue! It should be said, however, that when the statement was made the subject of investigation he so modified it as to deprive it of its sensationalism. Evidently the people of New York need protection against police abuses.

Germany is raising \$125,000,000 to cover naval deficits and give the Kaiser more money to build warships. Great Britain is raising \$80,000,000, mostly for increased naval expenditure. Since 1897 the United States army cost has increased from \$48,000,000 to \$164,000,000 and the cost of the navy from \$34,000,000 to \$115,000,000. Pensions have increased \$20,000,000. In 1899 the Spanish war increased the cost of United States Government to \$605,000,000, and the expenses of the fiscal year just closed, after deducting the amount spent on the Panama Canal, was \$659,000,000. And yet with all this foolish and criminal waste, some people wonder why we ever have hard times.

Our Exchanges

A FRUGAL MAN.
(Chicago Tribune.)
A man in New York ate ten pounds of beefsteak at a sitting. He omitted potatoes, as the price was too high.

A BIG FEE.
(London Free Press.)
Brantford proposes to get some revenue from the five-cent theatres. A fee of \$300 is to be charged. Or will the theatres present a moving picture and leave town?

COCAINE.
(Kingston Whig.)
The drug fiend is in evidence everywhere. The cocaine habit is not confined to Toronto, so that the News' revelations are not locally shocking. Kingston has its victims. The best things (and cocaine is one of them), are misused and abused.

BEAUTIFY AND CLEAN UP.
(Toronto Star.)
But there is a valuable lesson in the experience of Peterboro'. An immense improvement may be made in the appearance of a town by a concerted effort in the use of paint and soap, and by using the vacant spaces for flowers and grass instead of rubbish.

SCARED JIM.
(Grimsby Independent.)
The Hamilton policemen have been forbidden to chew gum. That's highly satisfactory to me. Now that the last vestige of wickedness has been removed from Hamilton, I'll feel safe in going there occasionally. I never did feel quite safe in the city, with policemen chewing gum all around me.

WHAT THE DEVIL DOES.
(Dominion Presbyterian.)
But the devil by no means restricts his activities to those who are away from home in the enjoyment of a few weeks' outing. He looks out for the old church, and sometimes takes care of the husband when his wife is absent. He reminds the elders that it is not necessary to have preaching while the pastor is away, and tells the superintendent of the Sabbath school that it will be a good thing to intermit the school during the month of August, so many families away. He is always careful to suggest to the young people that it will be better to postpone the meetings until the first of September, when the pastor gets back, and the outing

TAPICA
6 LBS. FOR 25c

5,000 pounds finest Singapore Pearl Tapioca, a fresh importation, and our guarantee of quality goes with every pound; regular value at 7c lb., going for Friday, Saturday and Monday only at 5c lb., or 6 lbs for 25c, and only 6 lbs. to any one customer. Pure Gold Quick Tapioca, 3 pkgs. 25c. Finest Rangoon Rice, 6 lbs. 25c. Finest Japan Rice, 4 lbs. 25c.

Biscuits---Special

15 boxes Jelly Fingers; they are nice, rich biscuits, with jelly between, and regular value at 15c lb., going while they last at just 10c per lb. Also 15 boxes Coconut Top Biscuits, regularly 15c lb., going at 10c lb. Sugar Brittle, Vanilla, Cream Bar or Claret, per lb. 10c. Vanilla Bar or Lemon Bar, 3 lbs. 25c. Ginger Snaps, per lb. 7c. Broken Sweet Biscuits, per lb. 5c, 6 lbs. 25c. Water Ice Wafers, per lb. 30c.

Potatoes---New and Old

75 bushels of the finest New Potatoes to go this week at 37c per peck, 20c per half peck. They are white, clean, dry stock, same as we had last week. Old Potatoes, good firm stock, per peck 20c, per bushel 75c.

Flour Special

Royal Household, 500 sacks, regular 90c each, going Friday, Saturday and Monday at 85c. Rose Flower, regular \$2.50, special \$3.40; Gold Medal Flour, per bag \$3.40, half bag \$1.70, quarter bag 85c.

Sugar

Very best Granulated Sugar, refined to the point of perfection, every particle of impurity removed, 10 pounds for 50c, 20 pounds for \$1.00, 100 pound bags \$4.80; others charge more for inferior sugar. Why run risks by buying elsewhere? 21 pounds bright Yellow Sugar \$1.00, 10½ pounds for 50c, 5¼ pounds for 25c. Cut Loaf, Berry or Long Sugar, 3¼ pounds for 25c.

Lemonade Powder, one tin makes half gallon of delicious lemonade without the addition of anything but water, 10c tin, 3 tins 25c.

Cascade Salmon, tin 10c
Lime Juice Cordial, bottle 20 and 35c
Unfermented Port Wine, bottle 15c
Unfermented Tokay Wine, bottle 15c
Raspberry Wine, bottle 15c
Grape Juice, bottle 15c
Rowntree's Pickled Onions or Walnuts, bottle 10c
Rowntree's Mixed or Chow Pickles, bottle 10c
Manzanilla Olives, bottle 10c
Clark's Chicken Soup, 3 tins 25c
Maggi's Soup, package 5c
Maggi's Baking Powder, tin 10c
Alliance Baking Powder, lb. tin 10c
Ocean Wave Baking Powder, lb. tin 20c
Lipton's Jelly Tablets 3 for 25c
Quick Custard Pudding, 3 packages 25c
Cream Tartar, per package 3, 10, 20c
Crown Brand Fruit Jars, dozen 75c
Crown Brand Fruit Jars, dozen 85c
Crown Brand Fruit Jars, dozen 1.00
Cucumbers, home grown, nice and green, each 5c.

Butter, Eggs and Cheese

Choice Fresh Creamery Butter, 2½c per lb., more. Eggs, fresh, 25c per dozen. Prime New Cheese, per lb., 15c. Peanut Butter, per lb. 20c. Best Pure Lard, per lb. 17c.

Can Goods

Tomatoes, Vineland Brand. They are packed by hand and the tin is full to the top of whole ripe tomatoes, 9c tin, 3 for 25c. Corn, 3 tins 25c. Maple Leaf Peas, 2 tins 15c. Savory Pork and Beans, very fine quality, reg. 10c tin, for 5c; 15c tin for 10c. Clark's Pork and Beans, big tin, 10c.

Oranges and Lemons

Navel Oranges, ripe and luscious fruit, the last of the season; value at 50c dozen, going at 30c. Fresh cut Lemons, per dozen 20c.

Matches and Other Specials

Princess Parlor Matches, reg. 5c box, going 3 for 11c. Elite Parlor Matches, reg. 5c, going 3 for 10c. Toothpicks, large box, 5c. Sticky Fly Paper, 3 double sheets, 5c. Parisian Blue, reg. 4 sq. 5c, going 7 for 5c. Quick Shine Store Polish, reg. 10c tin, for 6c. German Bird Seed, reg. 10c pkg., for 5c.

CARROLL'S Five Stores
115 John Street South.
Cor. Emerald and Wilson.
Cor. James and Macaulay.
Cor. Queen and Hunter.
Cor. York and Caroline.

Smithville

The Public School Board has re-engaged Mr. C. J. McKinnon as principal and Miss Blanche Gove as assistant at the Public School here, to the satisfaction of all.

Mrs. W. W. Camp and her daughter, of Woodstock, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elgin Oille, for a few weeks.

Wednesday of last week was marrying day at the residence of Mr. Frank Smith, when his sister Alla became the wife of Mr. Geo. Vetter, of Hamilton; his niece, Miss Viola Pelkey, became the wife of Mrs. Thomas Bettell, of Port Nelson, and his son, William, married Miss Edith Grish, of Hamilton. Rev. W. S. Wright, of St. Ann's, was the officiating clergyman. The boys, accompanied by their elders, gave the three couples a big send-off by an old-fashioned charivari.

Rev. J. N. Douglas, of Toronto, who has filled the pulpit of the Presbyterian Church here very acceptably for the past two Sabbaths, left for his home on Monday.

Mr. G. B. Smith, who was before Justices Martin and Wardell for threatening to shoot his wife, escaped with a fine and being bound over to keep the peace.

Mr. W. B. Shrum has pulled down and entirely remodelled his barn and stables, which is a great improvement on the street.

Mr. M. B. Zimmerman, lumberman, has added a fine gasoline engine and planer to his outfit in the lumber yard, which will be a great convenience to his numerous patrons in this vicinity.

TWELVE TOED.

Descendants of One Man for Several Generations Have Them.

On the line between Lincoln and Saratoga counties is a settlement of dairy farming folks who have a peculiarity which is but little known outside, according to Bangor correspondence of the Boston Post.

It is not visible and a stranger might go there year in and year out without ever discovering that they were any different from ordinary people in a farming community. They are peculiar for the number of people in the settlement who have six toes on each foot.

The six toes belt lies partly in the town of Dresden, in Lincoln county, and partly in Woolwich, in Sagadahoc county. Just how many people there are there who have more than their share of toes would be hard to say, but there is quite a number, and the way in which they came to them is a mystery in the first place, although there are a number of traditions as to how it happened. One man is said to have been born with

Friday Bargains

89c, \$1.00 Shantung Silks 49c

On sale all day Friday, Plain Shantung Silks in pale and Alice blue, sky, reseda, mauve, navy and pink, and also large coin dots, fancy and even stripes, very stylish for summer and autumn dresses, 27-inch, regularly 89c and \$1.00, Friday 49c

\$1.00 and \$1.25 New Foulard Silks at 69c

These beautiful Silks for Hamilton women are underpriced to-morrow; colors in Wistaria, navy, brown and pale blue, in pretty foulard patterns, bright, satin finish, 25-inch, \$1.00 and \$1.25, Friday 69c

25c, 30c Fancy Swiss Muslins at 29c

Real St. Gaul Swiss Muslins, in hand embroidered spots and floral patterns, in white and white with black, 32 inches wide, fine, sheer qualities, for blouses or dresses, regularly 50 to 65c, Friday sale 29c

25c, 30c Fancy Dress Muslins 15c

A Friday outlet of Fancy Muslins, in floral, stripe and figure designs, in a good range of light and dark colors, in stylish patterns, 25 and 30c, Friday 15c

35c Linen Suiting, Friday 19c

A clearing of our Brown and Tan Linen Suitings, in plain and fancy stripes, Shantung finish, Friday sale only, regularly 35c, to go at 19c

\$5, \$7 Silk Blouses \$3.75

A great reduction sale previous to stock taking. An entire stock of Silk Blouses, in Chiffon Taffetas, in navy, brown, green, taupe, fancy plaids and stripes. Tailored and fancy dress style, with fine tucks, buttons and lace trimmings, all sizes, long sleeves. Regular \$5, \$6 to \$7, Friday \$3.75

\$2.50 Trimmed Dress Skirts \$1.49

Dress Skirts for cool summer wear, of India Head and Lawn. Gored style, with self and embroidery trimmed. All sizes. Serviceable Skirts; just the kinds you want. Regular \$2.50, Friday \$1.49

8.30 a.m., Shirtwaist Suits at 98c

Sharp at 8.30 a. m. these Shirtwaist Suits go on sale. They are in check, Gingham and Spotted Cambrics, in light and dark colors, skirt, plain tucked waist, collar and belt, all sizes. Materials are worth alone more than Friday's price, at 98c

Children's Dresses all Reduced

Our stock of Children's Dresses are priced for quick selling. They are in Gingham, Chambrays, Percales and Mulls, in all colors and stripes and checks. French Princess and Mother Hubbard styles; various trimmings; \$3, now \$1.75; \$2.25, now \$1.25; \$1.50, now 98c.

FINCH BROS., 29 & 31 King St. W.

Friday, July 16, '09 SHEA'S May Manton Patterns 10c

Our Summer Clearing Sale

Tuesday will be a day of special Dress Goods bargains. Thousands of yards of elegant Dress Goods in black and colors will be offered at less than wholesale. All the good weaves and makes, plain and striped.

\$1.00 Goods for 68c
60c Goods for 38c

90c Goods for 50c
50c Goods for 25c

A quantity of Remnants of Dress Goods and Tweeds that would do for boys' suits, at 25c and 50c, worth double.

Women's Blouses at Slaughter Prices

Thousands of the most elegant Lawn and Mull Waists in Canada on sale at less than manufacturer's cost. All the new styles and ideas of trimming and all made of the very best materials that can be produced.

\$1.50 Women's Waists for 75c
\$2.50 Women's Waists for \$1.49
\$3.00 Women's Waists for \$1.95
Silk Waists worth \$3.50 to \$5.00, to clear at \$2.49.

Wash Goods That Will Stand the Tub

on Sale at Less Than 1/2 Price

Mulls, Lawns, Dimities, Organdies, Voiles, Linens, Indian Heads, etc., etc., in hundreds of patterns and all the wanted shades. Nothing that is not thoroughly up-to-date.

15c Goods for 8½c
30c Goods for 15c

20c Goods for 10c
40c and 50c Goods for 15c

Women's Underskirts on Sale

Splendid Satin and Moreen Underskirts, black and colors; worth \$1.50, for 98c
Elegant Taffete Underskirts in blacks and colors, with embroidered flounce; worth up to 1.49, on sale for each \$1.49

Biggest Bargains in Linen Table Cloths

66 x 84 size, absolutely pure Linen Damask, satin finish; worth \$2.00 or \$2.50; border all round; on sale for each \$1.29

Lace Curtains at Big Reductions

\$1.50 Curtains for 95c
75c Curtains for 50c

\$1.00 Curtains for 75c
50c Curtains for 39c

AT REST.

Funeral of a Popular Young Y. M. C. A. Lad.

The funeral of Harrison Forbes Mummery, eldest son of Samuel T. and Mrs. Mummery, took place from the City Hospital yesterday afternoon to Hamilton Cemetery, and was private. Deceased was one of the boys of the junior department of the Y. M. C. A. who wrote so successfully in the international Bible study competition. He made over 90 per cent, thus helping to secure the pennant for this city. The floral tributes included pillow, parents; anchor, brothers; wreath, threader and shaver rooms, Canada Screw Co.; and pieces from William and Mrs. Forbes and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Mummery, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Dempster, Mr. and Mrs. H. Mummery, Mr. and Mrs. John Forbes, Mr. and Mrs. Alf. Bailey and family, Mr. and Mrs. Scoville and Mr. and Mrs. Myers. Mr. and Mrs. Mummery wish to thank their friends for their kind expressions of sympathy in their deep bereavement.

Henry Keller, believed to be from Orono, Mich., was found dead on Wednesday in a pen at the Toronto Cattle Market, with an empty laudanum bottle beside him.