

THE STERLING BANK OF CANADA

SAVE, Because--

To-day men appreciate the wisdom of
the consistent practice of economy.

\$50,000 Owners' Contest to Follow Maxwell's Economy Triumph of May 23rd

*Hundreds of Maxwells on May 23rd
made good our claim that a Maxwell will
go further on a gallon of gasoline than
any other 5-passenger car--now, from
June 16th to 30th, we expect 40,000 Max-
wells to make as good or a better show-
ing than was made on historic May 23rd*

May 23d was Maxwell Gasoline Economy Contest Day all
over the United States and Canada.

Fifty Maxwell cars went a total of 1,983.6 miles on a total
of 50 gallons of gasoline.

The average gallon mileage of those cars was 39.67. And
these were privately owned Maxwells--in actual daily use.

Those 892 cars averaged 27.47 miles per gallon of gaso-
line. More wonderful records are being received daily.

We could rest our laurels on this great triumph--but we don't
intend to do that.

\$50,000 In U. S. Liberty Bonds To Be Given Away Next Time

Now we're offering \$25,000 in U. S. Liberty Bonds as prizes
to the 500 Maxwell owners who make the best mil-
age on one gallon of gasoline. Every Maxwell owner has
an even chance to win a bond.

The other half of the \$50,000 in Liberty Bonds is to go to
dealers for helping us with this stupendous undertaking.

If you own a Maxwell your chance to win a Liberty Bond is as
good as anybody's.

The contest is open to women as well as men Maxwell owners.

See us at once for details of the contest.

Enter this history-making competition now. Win a Liberty
Bond.

Canadian plant in course of construction at Windsor.

D. A. MAXWELL
MAIN STREET - WATFORD, ONT.

ARKONA

Mrs. J. T. Hall, of Sarnia, and Miss
Marriott, of Ottawa, spent Monday with
the Misses Waterman.

Mrs. Harold Johnston, of Essex, is
spending a few weeks with her parents,
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rook.

Remember the 77th Anniversary ser-
vices in the Baptist Church, next Sunday
June 17th, Rev. Dr. Sowerby, of Toronto,
will conduct services both morning and
evening. Everybody welcome.

The continuation pupils are writing
their Senior High School entrance exam
in Watford this week.

A number from here attended the
conference services held in the Dundas
Centre Methodist Church, London, last
Sunday.

Messrs. Roy and Asil Kell's are renew-
ing old acquaintances in town.

All sizes in white canvass shoes and
slippers. --Brown Bros.

Mr. and Mrs. Thorpe have returned to
Mr. G. George's, after visiting in Trav-
erse City, Mich.

Mr. A. W. Brown, is spending a few
days this week in Sarnia.

Call and see our new materials for
sport skirts. --Brown Bros.

Lambton Farm Tractors Doing Good Work

The two farm tractors now at work in
Lambton County, under the direction of
W. P. McDonald, agricultural represen-
tative, are doing splendid work. The
machine easily turns over 8 acres per

day which is about five times the work
one good team of horses could accom-
plish.

Many applications are constantly being
made to Mr. McDonald for the use of the
tractors and he is hopeful that he will be
able to secure several more in order to
assist the farmers to prepare for their
fall wheat seeding.

CHILDHOOD CONSTIPATION

Constipation in children can be prompt-
ly cured by Baby's Own Tablets. They
are a gentle but effective laxative which
thoroughly regulate the bowels and
sweeten the stomach and thus drive out
all childhood ailments. Concerning
them Mrs. J. B. Tauffenbach, Richer,
Man., writes: "I have used Baby's Own
Tablets and have found them an excel-
lent medicine for constipation." The
Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or
by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr.
Williams Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

A serious accident occurred at the
home of Andrew Chester, of Bosanquet.
Chester had been drilling, and his daugh-
ter Jane, aged 17, was driving the drill
back to the barn. In crossing a creek she
stepped out on the tongue to unfasten
the checks, so that the horses could have
a drink, and the horses became un-
accountably frightened, ran away, drag-
ging the unfortunate girl some distance
with them. One leg was broken in two
places above the knee and one hand was
badly hurt, besides injuries to her head
and other bruises. Two doctors were
called, and it is feared that she may
suffer the loss of her leg.

CHOP STUFF

Dr. J. A. Bell, of Sarnia, has been
ordered to report for overseas service.

As a result of an explosion of natural
gas at Sandwich, caused by a workman
lighting his pipe while digging in an
excavation, John Minkins, 30, is suffer-
ing from severe burns.

The appointment of P. L. Fancher,
as corn expert for Ontario has been an-
nounced. Mr. Fancher is a member of
this year's graduating class at the O.
A. C. and hails from Lambton County.

An Indian skeleton was dug up on a
farm at Tupperville last week. A num-
ber of weapons and tools were found
with the bones exemplifying the old
Indian belief that they would be required
in the Happy Hunting Grounds.

During the electrical storm of Wednes-
day of last week, the union school be-
tween Dawn and Camden was struck by
lightning and entirely destroyed. The
teacher and scholars escaped unhurt, but
were unable to save a thing from the
burning building.

Strathroy has sunk six artesian wells
and each one yields a large flow of pure
water. The town is going to erect a
100,000 gallon re-inforced concrete reser-
voir and put in a domestic as well as
fire protection system. The water will
be pumped by electrically driven pumps.

Lt.-Col. R. I. Towers and Captain and
Quartermaster Malcolm Mackenzie, of
Sarnia, have arrived home. Both have
been in England on active service with
the overseas forces since May, 1916, hav-
ing gone over with the 70th Battalion, of
which Col. Towers was commanding officer.

A Robinson, lake shore road, was
badly injured the other day when a big
wire stretcher he was using slipped and
hit him in the face. He was taken to
Dr. Brown's office in Camlachie, where
it was found he had sustained a gash
through his cheek, nose and lip, requir-
ing several stitches. An artery was cut
and he lost a lot of blood.

"Sim" McDowell, of Amherstburg, is
nursing a badly seared right hand, the
injuries to which he received in a pecu-
liar manner, Saturday. He was gasol-
ining a hat which required a lighting,
when a companion in a spirit of mischief
threw a lighted match at him. Immedi-
ate ignition followed, the hat burned
like a torch and Mac's hand resembled a
sizzled beef steak.

Ontario is to employ at least six thou-
sand men in building good roads after the
war, according to an announcement by
W. A. McLean, Deputy Minister of
Highways, at a conference with Warden
Horel and members of Simcoe County
Council at Allison Tuesday. "Our de-
partment is seeking to interest the public
in good roads," he said, "with a view to
greatly extending the work after the

THE MERCHANTS BANK OF CANADA

CAPITAL AND REST OVER - \$14,000,000.00

LOOK TO THE FUTURE

Times may change and work become less plentiful
for you with advancing years and you will have no
such help anywhere as your nice little few hundred
dollars saved in some sound Canadian Bank.

Begin now with only one dollar. Make a hobby
of it. See how far behind you can leave trouble
and hard times. Above all things do not look backward
in your run to the harbor of comfort.

WATFORD, ONT., BRANCH - F. A. MacLEAN, Manager.

war, and the employment of 6,000 men,
or the equivalent of six battalions, will
be a considerable step towards equalizing
the difficult situation which will certainly
be with us after the war."

After a brief illness the death occurred
Wednesday afternoon of Mrs. Anderson,
widow of James Anderson, formerly of
the 2nd line, Plympton, in her 80th year.
She had made her home with her daugh-
ter, Mrs. Clark of Sarnia, until the time
of her death. The body was removed
from Sarnia Wednesday morning to the
home of her son, Robert, 2nd line, Plym-
pton, from where the funeral services
were conducted Friday afternoon to
Wynning Cemetery. Seven brothers,
two daughters, Mrs. Clark, of Sarnia,
and Mrs. Reid, of Delerain, and two
sons, D. N. of the townline between
Warwick and Plympton, and Robert,
2nd line, Plympton, survive.

The farmers living in the neighbor-
hood of Keyser Corners on Monday
morning saved the Keyser cheese factory
from total destruction by fire and gave
what is reported to be, a remarkable
demonstration of capable fire fighting.
The rural telephone brought helpers
hastily from all quarters of the commu-
nity and the fire had gained considerable
headway in the attic of the big frame
building when the men got busy. The
household furniture of the proprietor,
Mr. Inch, was quickly removed as well
as the contents of the general store, kept
in the building. With plenty of water,
pails, etc., the men set to their seemingly
impossible task, and after a hard fought
battle with the flames, succeeded in
putting them out and saving the build-
ing. The damage will amount to only a
few hundred dollars. About fifty men

answered the call and worked like tro-
jans in fighting the flames. Another
pleasing feature of the occurrence was
the fact that most of the men returned to
the scene on Tuesday, organized a car-
penters' bee and restored the portion of
the building destroyed as well as replac-
ing the contents in the store and resi-
dence. That's an enviable example of the
ideal community spirit which should
exist in every part of our country.

Another old and much respected resi-
dent of Bosanquet passed away on
Thursday, May 31, in the person of John
Kernohan, of Bosanquet, after an ill-
ness of about a year's duration. Deceas-
ed was born in the County of Antrim,
Ireland, in the year 1837, and when 20
years of age came to Canada with his
sister (who afterwards married Mr. Rus-
sell), first settling in London. In 1871
Mr. Kernohan came to Bosanquet to lot
south-half 11 in the 8th con., where he
has lived ever since, and in the follow-
ing year he was married in Westminster
to Margaret Russell, who with five child-
ren, survive--Mrs. Norman McCordie, of
London; John, of North Dakota; Samuel
of Winnipeg, and Hugh and James on
the old homestead. Mr. Kernohan was
perhaps the oldest Orangeman in these
parts, having been made a member of L.
O. L. No. 819, Jura, fifty-four years ago.
At that time the lodge meetings were
held in the residence of a Mr. Spearman.
The funeral, which took place from the
family residence on Saturday, June 2,
was in charge of the Loyal Orange
Association. The service was conducted
at the house by the Rev. J. H. Osterhout.
The bearers were six nephews, viz.,
Hugh, William, David and Samuel
Russell, and Oliver and Robt. O'Hara.

THE MERCHANTS BANK OF CANADA

Statement of Liabilities and Assets at 30th April, 1917.

LIABILITIES	
1. To the Shareholders	
Capital Stock paid in	\$ 7,000,000.00
Rest or Reserve Fund	7,000,000.00
Dividends declared and unpaid	173,365.00
Balance of Profits as per Profit and Loss Account submitted herewith.	421,292.96
	\$14,593,657.96
2. To the Public	
Notes of the Bank in Circulation	9,483,468.00
Deposits not bearing interest	27,101,587.86
Deposits bearing interest (including interest accrued to date of statement) ...	65,000,484.42
Deposits due to other Banks in Canada	828,563.08
Deposits due to Banks and banking correspondents in the United Kingdom and foreign countries	3,904,690.72
Bills payable	411,806.78
Acceptances under letters of credit	
Liabilities not included in the foregoing	\$121,130,558.82
ASSETS	
Current Coin	\$ 4,766,438.82
Deposit in the Central Gold Reserves	3,500,000.00
Dominion Notes	7,350,790.50
Notes of other Banks	793,307.00
Cheques on other Banks	5,074,828.67
Deposits due by other banks in Canada	2,335.33
Deposits due by Banks and banking correspondents in the United Kingdom, and the United Kingdom	61,225.70
Dominion and Provincial Government securities, not exceeding market value, Railway and other Bonds, Debentures and Stocks, not exceeding market value Canadian Municipal securities, and British, Foreign and Colonial public securities, other than Canadian	2,413,100.10
Call Loans in Canada on Bonds, Debentures and Stocks	3,802,507.19
Call Loans elsewhere than in Canada	3,904,251.24
Current Loans and Discounts in Canada (less Rebate of Interest)	11,263,198.20
Current Loans and Discounts elsewhere than in Canada (less Rebate of Interest)	4,627,835.57
Real Estate other than bank premises	3,461,420.47
Overdue debts, estimated loss provided for	\$52,041,824.88
Bank Premises, at not more than cost less amounts written off	62,737,953.74
Deposit with the Minister for the purposes of the Circulation Fund	377,582.42
Other Assets not included in the foregoing	411,806.78
	204,197.07
	149,039.68
	4,617,400.23
	375,000.00
	125,046.02
	\$121,130,558.82

K. W. BLACKWELL,
Vice-President.

E. F. HEBDEN,
Managing Director.

D. C. MACAROW,
General Manager.

Report of the Auditor to the Shareholders of The Merchants Bank of Canada

In accordance with the provisions of sub-sections 19 and 20 of Section 56 of the Bank Act, I report to the Shareholders
as follows:--
I have examined the above Balance Sheet with the Books of Account and other records of the Bank at the Chief Office and
with the signed returns from the Branches and Agencies.
I have checked the cash and verified the securities of the Bank at the Chief Office against the entries in regard thereto in the
books of the Bank as of 30th April, 1917, and at a different time during the year and found them to agree with such entries.
I have also attended at some of the Branches during the year and checked the cash and verified the securities held at those of
my attendances and found them to agree with the entries in the Books of the Bank with regard thereto.
I have obtained all the information and explanations I have required. In my opinion, the transactions of the Bank which
have come under my notice have been within the powers of the Bank, and the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to
exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Bank's affairs according to the best of my information and the explanations
given to me, and as shown by the books of the Bank.

VIVIAN HARCOURT,
(of Deloitte, Plender, Griffiths & Co.),
Auditor.

Montreal, 21st May, 1917.