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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1918

VACANT LOT GARDENS

The following, from the Campbellton Graphic, is equally true of Newcastle:

What was accomplished last year by those who in a small way planted gardens in vacant lots and back yards clearly demonstrated that such plots are of great value to the community.

Although last season was a decidedly off year, the amateur gardeners of the towns, with very little extra expense produced a very large amount of vegetables.

The town, or city man may not think that what he produces counts for much, but if he grows only enough to feed with garden stuff his own family he will do that much to obviate the necessity of drawing upon exportable foods and contribute so much more to feeding the allies, which is another way of feeding, or at least helping ourselves; for our armies and those of our allies are fighting for us; and unless we help them win we shall not hereafter be able to eat our crust in peace or enjoy the benefit of a free civilization.

Last year the work suffered by lack of plans and preparation. This year the work should be planned at once and steps taken to provide fertilizer which was one of the chief handicaps last season.

The Town Council, the Board of Trade, the Agricultural Society and our citizens generally should meet and talk over the best means by which increased production can be stimulated.

TO ASK PENSIONS FOR MOTHERS

(Toronto Star.)

Mother's pension and revision of the statutes detailing a father's responsibility for illegitimate children are to be pressed this year before the Ontario legislature by the Social Service Commission. Statistical information furnished by the Society shows that poverty has increased during this year, although it is not nearly as prevalent as in pre-war times.

Juvenile crime has required a great deal of attention by the commission and they suggest a conference between officials of the various institutions dealing with the work with the view of deciding what factors mainly are responsible for delinquency in children. Theft is the predominant crime of which children have been convicted.

Cases of illegitimate children showed a decided increase during the year, 388 as against 270 in 1916. To remedy the evil the commission suggest complete registration of all dependent illegitimate children; more adequate legislation to compel the father to assume responsibility; more inquiry into the history of the mother and her relatives; careful placing in homes of all such children who must be so placed; and systematic follow-up work in connection with the children and their mothers.

AUSTRIA NOT HELPING GER-

MANY IN RUSSIA

Washington 27.—A French despatch quotes the Austrian Premier as formally reiterating on February 23 that Austria-Hungary will take no part in military action against Russia or Rumania and will send her troops in Ukraine.

AN ANTIQUE PHRASE.

The "Are and of Right Ought to Be" Used in the Declaration.

Has it ever occurred to you that one of the lingering sentences or phrases which Thomas Jefferson wrote into the Declaration really is a veritable antique?

Professor William A. Dunning of Columbia university about fifteen years ago pointed out that the phrase "Are, and of right ought to be" has been used so often that he would not be surprised to find some Egyptologist discover its equivalent on an Egyptian temple.

He began tracing the phrase and first found Swift had used something like it in referring to the Church of Ireland.

Of course Richard Henry Lee had used it before Jefferson in his resolution in congress June 7, 1776.

But before Dean Swift had applied it the bill of rights which placed William and Mary on the British throne said of them that they "did become, were, are and of right ought to be by laws of this realm our sovereign lord and lady."

That did not satisfy Professor Dunning, and he started back through the middle ages and found in 1300 Pope Boniface VIII. used a similar sentence with King Philip the Fair of France.

It appears that Philip had some notion of independence, and the pope gave him to understand that "the French of right are and ought to be subject to the Roman king and the emperor."

Of course this went, and Philip continued to be fair haired, but not independent.

LIGHT OF THE FIREFLY.

The Luminous Organ of the Insect and How it Operates.

A study of the luminescence of the firefly, and especially of the chemical elements involved, by F. Alex McDermott has brought forward several very interesting points.

So far as is known, two constant chemical factors, water and oxygen, are necessary for the production of light by living organisms. The third necessary factor, the substance oxidized, may be and probably is variable.

The luminous organ of the firefly consists of two layers of material under the outer transparent covering. The inner of these two layers consists mainly of guanine, a compound similar to uric acid, and this probably serves as a reflector. The outer layer consists of a mass of cells normally of a pale yellow color.

Both layers are penetrated by innumerable minute tracheae (ducts), which unite in the interior of the insect to form larger passages and run together in the outer layer of yellow cells, forming a network somewhat resembling the finer veiling of a leaf.

It is practically certain that in life these passages are filled with air, and it seems probable that the photogenic process is accompanied by the evolution of carbon dioxide and the consumption of oxygen of the air.

When the Worm Turns.

The human element in the great mass of the populace, in sharp contrast with the inhumanity of the dark forces arrayed against it—underlies all that happened during the revolution in Russia. Bureaucracy failed in its last desperate stand for prerogative and privilege because it underrated the ability of the average Russian—believed to be dulled by years of oppression—to ultimately decide between right and wrong. Pushed to the limit by deception and disloyalty in a grave hour of national peril, the worm turned and carried all before him. Apply this elemental fact to what transpired in Russia and everything stands revealed.—Isaac F. Marcossian in Everybody's.

Left Only the Stubble.

The ancient Egyptians reaped their grain close to the ear and afterward cut the straw close to the ground and laid it by. It was this straw that Pharaoh refused to give to the Israelites. It was because of this refusal to give the longer straw to the Israelites that they were compelled to gather "stubble." This was a matter of considerable difficulty, seeing that the straw itself had been cut off near to the ground.

Little to Practice On.

Re—My understanding before our marriage was that you were to be content with what we had. She—Doubtless. But so far as I have been able to observe about all we have had to be contented with has been a large stock of contentment.

Slight Soreness.

"Was there any soreness after the doctor vaccinated you?"
"A trifle. I thought he charged me entirely too much."

A Fool and His Tongue.

When Demaratus was asked whether he held his tongue because he was a fool or for want of words he replied, "A fool cannot hold his tongue."

Same Thing.

"You say she always wears a touch-me-not air?"
"No; but it's always a case of touch-me-not."

High Praise.

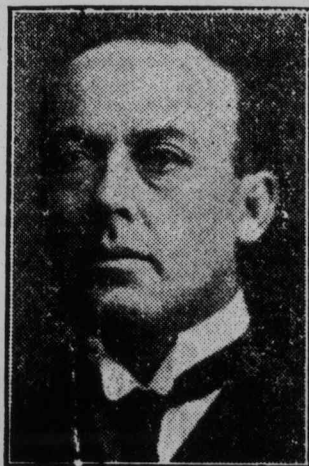
Friend—Have you got a good lawyer? Prisoner—The very best. How do you like him?
Friend—Well, he's a very good lawyer. Prisoner—But he's a very good lawyer.

According to the proverb, the best things are the most difficult.

Hon. F. B. McCurdy Takes New Position

Is now Parliamentary Secretary of the New Department to Care for Returned Soldiers

Hon F B McCurdy has resigned his position as parliamentary secretary of the militia department and today assumed his new duties as parliamentary secretary of the new department for the rehabilitation of the returned soldiers of which Sir James Loughheed is minister. Mr McCurdy will also act as chairman of the invalided soldiers' committee.



HON F B MCCURDY

No successor to Mr McCurdy will be appointed with a minister of Militia overseas, as well as in Canada, there is not the necessity for the appointment as when Mr. McCurdy was first named Sir James Loughheed, as leader of the senate, will have to leave much of the administration of the new department to Mr. McCurdy while parliament is in session. Mr McCurdy will be the spokesman for the new department in the house of commons.

Millerton Women's Institute

The regular meeting of the Institute held each month with a good attendance.

The program committee reported having copies of the programme for the next 16 months, which were distributed at the January meeting.

The Red Cross Committee gave report of work being done. A box was shipped to the I O D E Fredericton January 29 containing the following articles, 12 pillows donated by Mrs Everett Parker, 14 shirts, 140 handkerchiefs, 36 towels 13 suits of pyjamas, 10 pr socks.

Mrs Dunnington donated 11/2 dozen handkerchiefs. Mrs Rennie 1 pr socks, and Mrs Weeks \$10.00 at the February meeting \$25.00 was handed in by the members to help replenish the funds of the Institute.

The Respecting Committee regret that 3 quilts were omitted from the list of articles sent to the Halifax Sufferers.

The Yarn Committee reported delivering 120 skeins of yarn.

Derby Lodge I O O F No 112 make splendid donations to the Millerton Red Cross Society acknowledgement.

The Millerton Red Cross Committee of Women's Institute wish to acknowledge the sum of \$25.00 which the Derby Lodge I O O F so generously donated.

The following accompanied the donation:

We the officers and members of Derby Lodge I O O F No 112 having heard the report of the work done by The Millerton Women's Institute in aid of the Red Cross, feel constrained to express our appreciation. We would ask you to accept \$25.00 in aid of your splendid work. We further pledge ourselves to encourage and support your work in every way.

Signed in behalf of Derby Lodge, C C CROCKER, Sec'y Grand GBO, IFE, Rec Secretary

Miss Flewelling of the Dept. of Agriculture, Fredericton visited Millerton recently and organized a Girls' Club for the purpose of doing Red Cross work during the coming months.

The Institute decided to give them supplies to work on such as making handkerchiefs, hemming towels etc.

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S. A. Sunday School Entertainment

The young People's Annual Entertainment and Distribution of Prizes was held Monday evening in The Salvation Army Hall. The building was crowded and the following program was rendered by the children of the Sunday School, Captain Pocock of Chatham acting as chairman:

1 Old Maid's Drill—Ten Boys.
2 Recitation—"The Little Brown Girl and I"—Grace Johnston
3 So's—Canada—By Florence Ryan

4 Recitation—"Now I'm Big"—Elmer Johnston

5 Song—"Crickets"—Band—Sunday School

6 Dialogue—"Blessed are the Peace makers"—by Misses Jennie Stymiest, Blanche England, Ida McDonald, Lilian Gammon, Nellie Parks, Forence McDonald of Chatham

7 Flag Drill—Six girls
8 Recitation—"Japanese Morning"—Jennie Shaw

9 Dialogue—Honoring Our Parents—Robert Beckwith and Clayton Ashford

10 Chorus—Chickadee—Sunday School

11 Recitation—"My Brother"—Emery McDonald

12 Dolls Drill—Six Girls

13 Recitation—"Danielson First up"—Eddie Shaw

14 Kasoo Band Drill—Ten Boys

15 Recitation—"The Daisy"—Jennie Ashford

Chorus—Caterpillar—Sunday School

Recitation—Five Years old—Frank Johnstone

18 Chorus—Jack Frost—Sunday School

Distribution of prizes for good attendance at Sunday School by Captain Pocock

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BLACKVILLE W I

The Blackville Women's Institute held their regular monthly meeting Feb 14 in the form of a Valentine entertainment. Roll call was answered by a time recipe. Lunches candy and valentine souvenirs were sold. Besides games and amusements the following programme was carried out:

Chorus—Where do we go from here boys?

Chorus—Over there

Solo—Morris Dunn

Violin Solo—Thos Ross

Chorus—There's a long, long trail

Solo—Laura Rose

Readings—Huldah Mountain

Chorus—Boys in Phaki boys in blue

BORN

At Douglastown, Feb 27th to Mr and Mrs Lawrence Keoghian, a son. To Mr and Mrs. Stafford Dunn, Newcastle, on Friday, Feb 22nd a son.

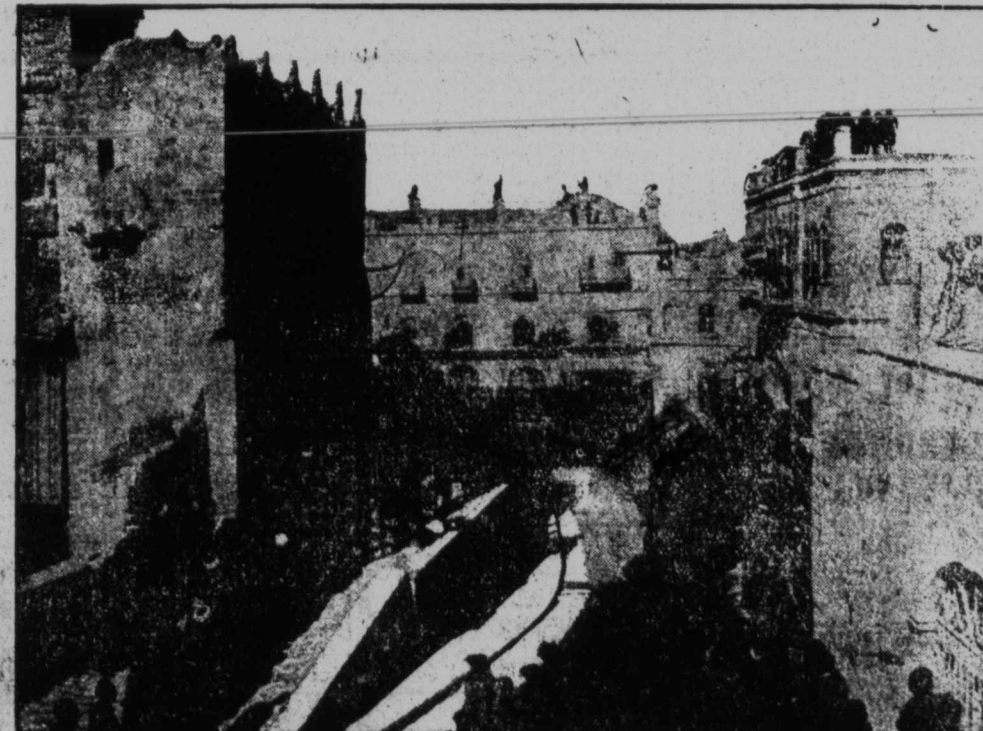
At Bartibog Bridge on Thursday, February 21st to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A MacLean, a daughter.

THE CAPTURE OF PALESTINE



General Allenby receives the city notables in the barrack square.

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Reading the proclamation from the steps at the base of the Tower of David, which was standing when Christ was in Jerusalem.

—Photo by courtesy of U. P. R.