

Sold the Farm AUCTION SALE OF FARM STOCK AND IMPLEMENTS.

Welby Almas has received instructions from Mr. J. B. McEwen, to sell by public auction at his farm, situated on the north of Pleasant road, one mile south of the village, on Thursday, March 7th, 1918, commencing at one o'clock sharp, the following:

HORSES—One farm team, 1 black Percheron colt, rising 3 years old.

CATTLE—Eight well bred two-year-old heifers in calf; 1 Holstein cow, due about time of sale; 1 Jersey cow, due about time of sale.

IMPLEMENTS—Peter Hamilton binder; Peter Hamilton mower; 12-hoe grain drill with seeder; good as new; steel horse rake; spring tooth cultivator; disk; hay tedder; pair iron harrows; Cocksfoot plow, No. 21; Imperial 2 furrow plow; clover seeder; Bala wagon, spring seat and box; pair hob sleigh; democrat; 2 seats; top buggy; open buggy; rubber tired surrey, nearly new; cutter; grindstone; fanning mill; cutting box; roof pulper; wheat harrow; 4 or 5 one horse cultivators; Acme harrow; road scraper; quantity apple barrels; forks; shovels; chains; a number of berry crates; Planet Junior; Edmonds; Murdoch, Sutton, Lawson and Innes.

HARNESS—Two sets farm harness, 2 sets single harness, 1 collar, harness and traces.

FEED—A quantity clover hay, some corn in shocks.

FURNITURE—Summer kitchen—One cook stove, 1 table, 1 chair, 1 Victoria washer 2 five-gallon cans, 1 oil cans 1 copper bottom boiler. Kitchen—One sideboard, 1 walnut table, chairs, 1 sewing machine, 1 Garland range. Dining-room—Walnut extension table sideboard, secretary, couch, and carpet, coal oil heater, dishes, pictures, 1 parlor suite. Bed rooms—One bedroom suite, 1 iron bed, springs and mattress, chairs, carpet; 1 single bed with springs and mattress; 1 hand-some walnut bedroom suite with marble top dresser and wash stand.

TERMS—All sums of \$10 and under cash, over that amount 7 months' credit will be given on approved security, or 6 per cent. per annum off for cash on credit amounts.

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WELBY ALMAS, Auctioneer.

NEWS FROM NORFOLK COUNTY

TEACHERS ARE VERY SCARCE

High School At Simcoe Is Found to Need Only Slight Reairs

EXPENSES LIGHT

Cost To Public Of School Books Is Relieved By Board

Simcoe, March 2.—(From Our Own Correspondent)—The Board of Education got through with last night's meeting with characteristic dispatch. Members present, Chairman A. B. Murdoch, Messrs. Alker, Burr, Edmonds, Murdoch, Sutton, Lawson and Innes.

Miss Dutton Goes to Fort William

Communications: From Miss Hilda Dutton, asking to be relieved of her contract with the board at the end of March, in order to accept a more lucrative position at Fort William.

Chairman Innes of the Management Committee thought that if Miss Dutton could guarantee a suitable substitute the board should not stand in the way of her advancement.

The communication mentioned Miss Chrysler of Welland as a substitute, with Mrs. Francis as an alternative if necessary.

Principal MacPherson, at the board's request, gave it as his opinion that Mrs. Francis was a very efficient teacher. On motion of Mr. Innes and Mr. Murdoch, it was agreed to grant Miss Dutton's request providing the board obtained a suitable substitute.

Principal Christie's report gave the following report of attendance at the High School:

Form I, 37; Form II, 34; Form III, 21; Form IV, 22; Form V, 11. Total, 125. Average daily, 120.

Principal MacPherson reported the collection of \$16.50 non-resident fees and an attendance as below:

Form. Enrolled. Average. Kindergarten—85 59

Primary—85 59

1A—45 38

B—50 38

2A—48 39

B—47 39

3A—44 40

B—42 37

4A—45 39

B—49 45

5—50 45

6—43 41

7—37 34

Totals—1624 588

The Finance Committee recommended payment of the following accounts:

High School. Simcoe Reformer \$13.75

T. E. Langford, adv. account 23.90

Gas Co. fuel 90.40

W. Y. Wallace 14.50

British-Canadian, printing 27.70

\$170.25

Public School. Mr. Burgess, account \$4.65

Mr. Ford, account .25

Gas Co. fuel 134.50

Simcoe Reformer 2.25

British-Canadian 5.50

\$147.15

No Substitute for Mr. Butcher

Principal Christie reported that in reply to thirteen days advertising not a single application was received for the position of commercial teacher at the High school, and but seven came to hand for the mathematics work, none of the latter applicants had the necessary qualifications combined with readiness to go to work.

The question of again asking for an extension of Mr. Butcher's exemption was discussed.

Supplies for Musical Instructor. Principal MacPherson addressed the Board to call attention to Sec. 5, sub. 42 of regulations which provides for a grant of 50 per cent on equipment and music readers, within a limited outlay, and recommended that the Board supply modulators and other necessary texts to be kept at school, thus preventing excessive outlay upon pupils for the temporary use of music readers.

The Board acted on the suggestion, authorizing the supply committee to purchase the supplies.

High School Requires Little Repairs. Principal Christie reported that there is little required by way of repairs in the high school building—only some painting in the basement. The science room, however, now over twenty years installed, requires an entire overhauling, but not necessarily in the immediate future. It was after some discussion, decided to leave the matter over till the report of the inspector comes to hand.

A Commendable Move. The action of the Board of Education in providing music readers for the public school will commend itself to the general public, as it or less, and known as Street No. 74 Brant Ave.

On the lands is erected a fine white brick residence, good plumbing, hot water heating. The place is centrally located and is one of the good residences in the city.

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will cut the number of books to be purchased to about 25 per cent of the average of the past four years; for the books, at the worst of usage, should last four years. There is a full room for saving along other lines. Children are buying foolscap at perhaps a cent a sheet. A paste-board back and blotter front with a very thin pad between, and the binding, or rather gluing, is probably half the cost. The paper could be supplied at half the cost, in quantity, as has been the practice in most other schools, even in villages, for many years. Then there are the Golden Rule books, and well why list them all? Every parent knows that with our boasted low cost of text books, the actual outlay in Simcoe is greater in recent years than it was twenty years ago. The wonder is, how the laboring man, with a big family and work scarce, can provide them all. In many schools all this supplementary reading is provided for each room, and many of the books serve for ten years or more. The board made a good start last night. But some one says, "I have no children, why should I be taxed for this?" Our reply is this: The present generation has to do three things for the generation to follow, and is in honour and right, bound to do them—feed, clothe and educate. Those who have children, do all the providing of food, and all the clothing, and the third of our adult population, that has no offspring, would be doing only their part if they had to provide the entire education.

THIRST AN EXPENSIVE LUXURY

Waterford Man Is Fined—General News Notes From Simcoe

Simcoe, March 2.—(From our own correspondent)—With three or four charges against him under the Provincial Temperance Act, one Lester, of Waterford, arraigned here yesterday, stood to get set down for anything \$100 to \$400. As it was the court was lenient and the inspector withdrew two charges. The accused was fined on two counts, being intoxicated in a public place and failing to tell who provided the goods. The costs brought the total up to about \$75. T. J. Agar prosecuted.

Odd Ends of News. Clubs have been formed at Port Rowan, Carlomes, Lynedoch, Windham Centre, Vittoria and Wiggins, in connection with the co-operative association.

The Norfolk Milling Company were alert to the possibilities during Monday night's freshout and four men were on duty at the dam most of the night to prevent any catastrophe.

Miss Walton gave her annual birthday party on Thursday night, at the family home, West street. The guests came in gala attire as formerly. Some of the costumes would beggar description. We did not, however, hear of the night policeman being scared off the street this year when the guests were homeward bound.

Miss Rachael McBain won the week's final typewriting at the Business College this week.

Mr. John Cope, J. P. of St. Williams, has requested Magistrate Gunton to sit with him on the Needham mill cases, which will be tried here to-day.

It is reported that the men were armed with a rifle and that they got away with two small sacks of flour.

We are pleased to report that Mr. Wm. Pratt, who has been improving in health ever since he came out to east his vote in favor of the Union Government, is now able to leave the house and take a short walk about his premises.

Mr. Wm. P. Innes passed yesterday favorably, showing slight signs of rallying.

MARKETS

Grain. Hay 14 00 16 00

Oats 0 70 0 70

Rye 1 60 1 60

Straw, baled 6 00 7 00

Wheat 2 10 2 10

Barley 1 00 1 00

Dairy Products. Eggs 0 66 0 66

Butter 0 40 0 45

Vegetables. Beans, quart 0 25 0 30

Cabbage, dozen 0 50 1 00

Cabbages, head 0 05 0 10

Carrots, basket 0 25 0 25

Onions, basket 0 35 0 35

Celery 0 05 0 07

Onions, bushel 1 00 1 50

Onions, bag 1 25 1 30

Parsnips, basket 0 25 0 25

Potatoes, bus. 1 50 1 75

Potatoes, basket 0 65 0 70

Potatoes, bag 2 15 2 15

Turnips, bushel 0 40 0 50

Meats. Bacon, back trim 0 48 0 45

Beef, boiling, lb. 0 25 0 20

Beef heart, each 0 25 0 50

Beef, boiling, lb. 0 15 0 35

Beef, hinds 0 17 0 19

Chickens, dressed 1 25 1 25

Ducks 1 25 1 25

Geese 3 00 3 00

Chickens, live 0 75 1 00

Dry salt pork, lb. 0 30 0 35

Fresh Pork carcass 0 21 0 24

Ham, lb. 0 25 0 30

Hogs, live 0 17 0 17

Beef kidneys, lb. 0 15 0 20

Pork 0 35 0 35

Lamb 0 30 0 35

Sausages, beef 0 20 0 20

Sausages, pork 0 25 0 25

Smoked shoulder, lb. 0 25 0 25

Veal, lb. 0 25 0 30

Fish. Halibut, steak, lb. 0 20 0 30

Kipper, herring, pr. 0 10 0 15

Salmon trout, lb. 0 20 0 23

Salmon, sea 0 25 0 25

Dried fish 0 10 0 12

Herring, lb. 10 15

Butter, creamery 0 50 0 60

Butter 0 50 0 60

Cheese, per lb. 0 28 0 30

Eggs 0 60 0 60

Of prime importance in the grocery market is the possibility that ample supplies of sugar are likely to be forthcoming in the near future. Some of the refiners are now calling on the basis of free shipment for March and April. This indicates that supplies of raw sugar are near enough at hand to allow the refiners to be reasonably sure that they can make delivery in the time specified. The situation has been acute during the past two or three weeks, but there has been no actual shortage of sugar. Retailers and wholesalers have distributed their supplies judiciously and have made the stocks go round.

Of considerable interest to the consuming public is the fact that the United States Department of Food Control evidently intends to allow further supplies of margarine to come into the Canadian market. Some shipments came through during the week and permits have been issued for the shipment of additional consignments.

The market for now-laid eggs exhibited considerable weakness during the week. Production is mounting rapidly upward in Canada and the price of affairs is reported in the United States. In the latter market a big decline was recorded during the week and Canadian importers were able to bring supplies of these eggs into Canada. With the continuation of weather favorable to the hens there will in all probability be considerably lower prices for eggs in the Canadian market within the next few weeks.

Grapefruit is in very strong market due to the fact that steamers plying from Cuba are not permitted to carry this fruit, as the tonnage is being utilized to carry the raw sugar to the United States markets. Price of grapefruit in the primary market doubled in price during the week. There are fairly good supplies of oranges in wholesalers' hand at present, but consumption of this fruit is being curtailed.

A number of advances were recorded during the week, including those on rice, lima beans, cornflakes, rolled oats in bulk, shoe polish, stove polish, bluing, cocoa, nut, certain brands of soap, tacks, bicarbonate of soda, Japan tea, jams. Business with wholesalers has been good during the week. Shortage of supplies is the great obstacle to trade at the present time.

Canadian Grocer.

completed and delivered about March 20, three months ahead of schedule. These vessels were built by the Skinner and Eddy plant, which has turned out seven vessels aggregating 61,000 tons during the past four months.

U. S. SHIPBUILDING. By Courier Lensed Wire. Washington, March 2.—While the shipbuilding program has not come up to the earlier expectations, officials of the United States shipping board were more optimistic today as a result of reports received that for some weeks, and the prediction was made that production would show a sharp advance. A telegram received from a Pacific coast yard stated that an 8,300 steel vessel, the West Arrow, was turned

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MENINGITIS IN OTTAWA.

Ottawa, March 1.—Ruby Irena, aged 9 and Thelma Margaret, aged 12, two daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick G. Peer, 100 Holland avenue, died within two hours of each other Thursday afternoon. Both were pupils of Connaught school and were there as usual Wednesday afternoon. A third child is ill.

Dr. Robert Law, acting medical officer of health, had a post mortem performed last night and stated that the result was extremely suspicious of cerebro spinal meningitis. He will be able to make a definite decision when the bacteriological test is completed to-day. Yesterday one case of meningitis was reported of a sixteen year old boy who worked in an office on Sparks street. No other cases are reported and Dr. Law says that there is nothing in the three cases to cause alarm.

BORDEN IN NEW YORK.

By Courier Lensed Wire. New York, March 1.—Sir Robert Borden, Premier of Canada, is in this city to-day. He is expected to spend several days here before returning to Ottawa, but it is doubtful if he will participate in any formal functions. Sir Robert came here from Washington, where he had been in conference with President Wilson and with the British ambassador, Lord Reading.

REMAINS IN POWER.

Madrid, Thursday, Feb. 28.—The Marquis De Alhucemas notified the king to-night that he definitely accepted the offer to remain in power. The premier has appointed Count De Galar, minister of finance, and Luis Silva, minister of public instruction, in place of Senors Ventosa and Redes whose resignations brought about collective withdrawal of the cabinet early to-day. The other members of the cabinet retain their portfolios.

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