

FARMING AND LIVE STOCK PAGE

MISREPRESENTING COMPANIES.
There has been too much latitude enjoyed by joint stock companies in the obtaining of money from the public for shares in their business.

The great mass of the public do not look closely enough in contracts and prospectuses before subscribing, and from this fact they are easily led astray by designing parties.

Perhaps there are no persons who have suffered quite so much as a class as have the farmers. These hard-working people will refuse often to invest in safe concerns and are generally conservative in their investments. To lend a fellow farmer on questionable security would to them be rank financial heresy, but when a smooth-tongued promoter comes along with visions of splendour of the great profits some scheme is going to make, it is surprising how many subscriptions will roll in from these farmers.

Nevertheless they should be protected and when a farmer gives his money or his note, in apparent good faith the security should be more certain than in private transactions.

Any body of men who seek to do business as a joint stock company should be compelled to maintain a good concern just as they represent it. In dealing with the question it will be easily seen that there are many difficulties in the way of framing a drastic measure. Joint stock companies have been the means of doing much good to the community. Their formation should be easy and within the reach of all, yet as safe to the investors as is possible to be made.

In the meantime farmers might well take a lesson and refuse to be talked into schemes about which there is favorable public opinion before hand. Because a shrewd promoter may show the name of a neighbor is no reason why another subscription should be taken.

DEATH CALLS A FARMER.

In the death of Royal Rogers of Kinross the farmers of S. Ontario lose one of their best and most enlightened fellows. He had a fine farm located on an eminence overlooking the whole of the front of the country.

Lovers of reforestation would be cheered to view the fine second growth maple bush that he has carefully protected. The trees are all even and have made rapid growth.

LARGE HEN EGGS.

Mr. W. Lewis of 112 Brookline-avenue claims to beat the present record in large hen eggs. He shows two, the product of a White Leghorn, which measure respectively 3-4 by 3 inches, and 3-5 by 2-5 inches, and weigh 1-5 lb. The hen that laid these eggs was hatched in 1907 under a hen, and is one of a brood, all of which are good.

Mr. Lewis has had wonderful success with his hens. Last year he received over four thousand eggs from a flock numbering between 25 and 40.

THE ORIGIN OF THE SPOON.

Dundee Advertiser: The suggestion is offered by a correspondent that the primitive spoon probably owes its origin to the shell. Shells of the mussel, scallop and oyster, it is believed, were used in prehistoric times as spoons and ladles, the handle being formed of a piece of wood split at one end to hold the shell firmly. Some savage nations make similar spoons up to the present day, and the old Highland custom of offering whiskey in a shell has been probably handed down from generation to generation for untold ages. Westman in his "History of the Spoon" gives Roman specimens, which are very simple in design—something like silver caddy spoons—much shorter in the handle than those from Egypt. Those for common use were generally made of bronze, iron, or brass. They clearly show how the shell-shaped was retained, and their marine origin is also preserved in the name for a spoon—cochlear—derived from cochlea, a shell or cockle. The Celtic spoon also closely resembled the shell in form, the bowl being made of a piece of wood, and the handle, as the material was found suitable, it was sometimes made of wood, ivory, metal, etc., for spoon-making. Hence the ancient expression "to spill a horn to make a spoon."

T. & O. Official Design.
V. T. Barram, purchasing agent and general storekeeper of the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway, has tendered his resignation, to take effect Jan. 1. He intends to enter railway contracting, dredging and mining business, with headquarters at Toronto.

Bank Robbed of \$29,000.
LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 25.—The first National Bank of Monrovia, Cal., was robbed of \$29,000 some time between last Saturday and Monday. The theft was discovered when the bank opened on Tuesday.

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Day's Doings in YORK COUNTY**WEST TORONTO HAS A FIRE, ROBBERY AND RAID**

All the Elements of a Big City—
Pickering Farmer Recovers Property—News Notes.

WEST TORONTO, Dec. 25.—A dangerous but spectacular fire illuminated this district at an early hour this morning, and completely destroyed the varnish factory of the Benjamin Moore Company on Gore-street. The damage amounted to about \$2000. The firemen were promptly on the scene, but the building, in which was stored 15 tanks of varnish, was soon a roaring furnace, while within short distances of the fire were buildings containing paints and gasoline. The work of the firemen was largely to save the adjoining property. An overheated stove in the building that was destroyed is supposed to have been the cause of the outbreak.

The West Toronto police, headed by Chief Flintoff, raided the premises of Harry Vanzyle, a painter, who lives at 65 West Dundas-street, about 11 o'clock last night and secured a quantity of liquor. The haul included ten dozen bottles of beer, four bottles of Cognac and two of brandy, all of which was taken to the police station. On previous occasions Mr. Vanzyle has been in police court charged with violation of the local option by-law.

Thieves broke into H. N. Morrison's tailoring establishment, 65 West Dundas-street, early this morning, and stole about \$400 worth of furs and other articles of clothing. Entrance was gained by the removal of panes of glass in the rear of the building. The discovery of the robbery was made this morning.

The Salvation Army will give a Christmas entertainment in the Citadel to-morrow evening. Songs, character sketches and the refreshments are features of the program.

The West Toronto 15 mile Marathon, run this afternoon for the W. F. Maclean cup, was won by Henry Jackson, an Indian from Beaverton. Morris Breen of Perth-avenue, Toronto, was second, and Hubbard of Toronto third. About fifteen hundred started in the race, and eleven finished. A big crowd was present to watch the race, the route being from Somerville and back.

The final arrangements for the concert and dance to be given by B Squadron, 8th Mississauga Horse, have been completed. The affair will be held in the town hall next Tuesday evening. The following ladies have kindly consented to act as patronesses: Mrs. (Mrs.) Chadwick, Mrs. (Major) Usher, Mrs. Maguire, Mrs. (Dr.) Bond and Mrs. Strath. This promises to be one of the social events of the year.

Mayor Fisher has been mayor of North Toronto for fourteen years, being the first North Toronto mayor. He has held the office with the exception of four years, continuously, during which time he served on the county council when Mayor David held the office. Now that Mayor Fisher voluntarily retires, the citizens of the town cherish a fitting appreciation of his services that the incoming council should present him with the chair he so ably occupied for so many years.

Mr. Pugh has laid information before County Court Attorney Farwell of Whiskey against Brown on a charge similar to that which he is now held on.

SOUNDS NOTE OF WARNING.
Dr. Counts of Scarboro Says Smallpox Matter is a Serious One.

The World is in receipt of a letter from Dr. Counts of Agincourt, medical health officer of Scarboro Township.

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ship, in which the latter draws attention to the lax methods which prevail in the handling of the smallpox outbreak.

He regards it as unfortunate that so much indifference and even opposition prevail with regard to vaccination. The closing of the schools and churches Dr. Counts says will now have to be considered.

Concluding Dr. Counts says: "It is the duty of every person to report at once even slight symptoms of what might appear to be 'grippe'—headache, pain in the back, chilly feelings, weakness, tendency to vomiting, etc., of grippe just now is generally smallpox.

Failure to observe these rules the doctor says may yet involve these townships in heavy loss and expenditure.

The statement of Dr. Counts, together with that of a number of Markham and Scarboro farmers, leads to the belief that notwithstanding the assurance of Dr. Hodgetts smallpox is life, and demands immediate and thorough investigation.

KINSALE.
One of Whitty Township's Leading Farmers Passes Away.

KINSALE, Dec. 25.—After a very short illness, Royal Rogers, one of the best known farmers of Ontario County, died yesterday at the Victoria Memorial Hospital, Toronto, whither he went a fortnight ago for treatment. As parents of the bowels set in, there was no relief.

Deceased was born and lived all his life on his fine farm here, lot 35, con. 8, Whitty Township. His father, James Rogers, was one of the first settlers. He leaves a family of five boys, these are Herbert of Chicago, Fred of Saskatchewan, Frank of the railway mail service, Toronto; Charles and Walter, Park in both the Anglican and Presbyterian Churches and special Christian music rendered in all the above and will be repeated next Sunday.

Divine services were held at Deer Park in both the Anglican and Presbyterian Churches and special Christian music rendered in all the above and will be repeated next Sunday.

RICHMOND HILL.
Breezy Budget of News From Our Own Correspondent.

RICHMOND HILL, Dec. 25.—Monday next is nomination day. Miss Nora McMahon is spending the holidays with friends at Chatham. The Presbyterian Xmas free entertainment was a great success.

Victoria Sunday school held their annual Xmas tree and entertainment last night.

Dr. Pidgeon of West Toronto on Wednesday evening in the Masonic Hall gave a lecture on "The Health of the Community."

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MAPLE.
Illness of Mr. Cameron—Mr. Salmon to Contest Office.

MAPLE, Dec. 25.—(Spec. Ed.)—Alex Cameron, one of the oldest and most respected residents of Maple, and long resident in Vaughan Township, is seriously ill at his home here, and but some hopes are entertained for his complete recovery.

John T. Salmon, one of the best known and liked men in Vaughan Township, has definitely decided to enter the municipal arena, and will be a candidate for councillor. Capable, progressive and generally popular, Mr. Salmon's election is already practically assured.

NORTH TORONTO.
NORTH TORONTO, Dec. 25.—Large congregations were present in the churches in which services were held to-day. At St. Monica's R. C. Church mass was celebrated at 7.30 a.m., 8 a.m., and high mass at 10 a.m.

Divine services were held at Deer Park in both the Anglican and Presbyterian Churches and special Christian music rendered in all the above and will be repeated next Sunday.

Are the Chinese Laundries a Menace to the "Health" of the Community?
In a previous article the writer asked if the Chinese laundries are a menace to the welfare of the community.

It was shown that between fifteen and twenty thousand dollars are being paid over weekly by the public to the Chinese laundries and that the major portion of this vast sum—nearly a million dollars a year—is being practically withdrawn from circulation and finds its way to China, and in consequence is benefitting no one except the Chinaman.

It was further shown that this money, if given to the steam laundries, would employ over two thousand deserving girls and young men. At a fair scale of wages, and being circulated in the Chinese laundries, it would naturally enter the regular channels of business and be a benefit to the public generally.

In this article the writer asks: Are the Chinese laundries a menace to the "health" of the community?
It is generally known that 90 per cent. of the Chinamen eat, sleep and cook in the same premises in which they do their laundry work.

It is only reasonable that Chinamen are as liable to contract infectious diseases, such as diphtheria, typhoid, etc., as the white race, and what the writer wants to know is, how are the public's lives protected in such cases? For of necessity all wearing apparel done in a laundry must be dried indoors, and probably will convey germs more readily than woolen underwear, and as a matter of fact it would be extremely dangerous to wear any kind of clothing that has been so exposed without its being fumigated.

Now, the question arises, should these Chinamen be allowed to occupy the same premises in which they do their work, or if the city permits it, should the public patronize them and by so doing possibly contract some disease or carry it to some member of his or her family.

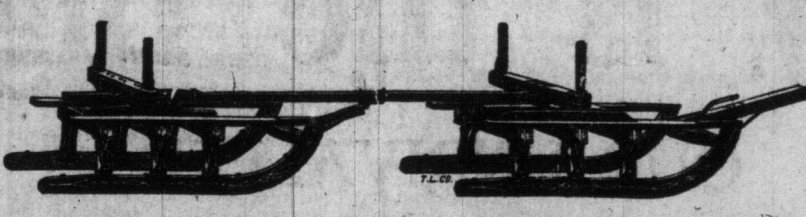
Another feature of the Chinamen's method of handling wearing apparel, and one that can be seen in most any Chinese laundry, is their method of dampening clothes. You will see a Chinaman squat down on the floor and after getting the right pucker daily squirt it over your goods. Now it may be right to wear a shirt or collar so treated, but to use a handkerchief after undergoing such a process certainly does not appear to be a hygienic thing. Some of these fellows should have sore eyes.

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affected mouths, it seems reasonable that the disease, if of a contagious nature, would be carried to the user of such linen, and the question again arises, should these conditions be allowed to exist?

AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY.
Daily Consular Reports: Consul-General Richard Guenther of Frankfurt furnishes the following translation of an article which appeared in a German newspaper concerning the use of the carrier pigeons for securing pictures of fortifications, armies, etc.

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Director of Geological Survey.
OTTAWA, Dec. 25.—(Special.)—Reginald W. Brock, M. A., C. Ottawa, has been appointed director of the Geological Survey. Prof. Brock was for some time connected with Queen's University, but did field work for the Geological Survey.