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There is not enough profit in artificial lighting to risk trying it on the breeding flock. It is all right for the flock of mature pullets that are being forced for winter eggs. The breeders need their strength to produce strong chicks. When a farmer has 100 hens or less and uses most of them for the spring breeding flock I think he is gaining by leaving poultry house lighting strictly alone.

Sometimes a flock that is heavily fed on mash and grain will seem to be lacking in appetite. I knew a poultryman who found his flock showing no interest in their evening ration. So he stopped passing out the corn and simply piled up a few mangels and scattered them in the litter. The hens went to bed with only salad for supper on a cold winter night. But the next morning they were hungry and ready to make their straw litter fly as they dug for the grain.

On some western poultry farms they are making great egg records and one of the main reasons seems to be the number of days per year the hens can use the range. Such birds readily obtain green feed and it seems to keep them laying and the eggs are fairly fertile. In this province we must feed green food to produce fertile eggs for the early hatching. The green feed adds bulk to the ration and helps to keep hens healthy when they are on a heavy winter ration of grain and mash.

I think it would pay some elevators to carry a larger variety of poultry feeds. It is often difficult to obtain certain ingredients for the home-mixed mashes. At the same time the carrying things that farmers will not buy. It is much easier for them to keep a stock of ready mixed mash on hand. There is a fine chance for many sections to practice more co-operation in the purchase of such articles as ready-mixed mash, oyster shell, beef scrap, fish scrap or high-grade tankage.

Try placing a forkful of clover hay or alfalfa in each section of the laying house and watch the pullets work it over. It gives them something to make life more pleasant on cold winter days. They obtain a lot of useful green feed from the hay and very little is wasted, as even the tough stalks are a good addition to the scratching litter.

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Severe freezing of the comb and the wattles seems to devitalize the male birds and reduce their vigor. This is a serious problem when eggs are being saved for early hatching. Hen houses must be protected enough to prevent serious freezing of the combs if many winter eggs are obtained and they show a high per cent. of fertility. The male bird with frozen wattles suffers when they touch the sides of a mash hopper and such a bird is apt to exist on a reduced ration when plenty of feed is needed to maintain vigor.

If cockerels were banded last fall with spiral bands be sure that the bands are not resting beneath the spur and very tight. Such bands may cut off the circulation in a bird's foot and cause the foot to freeze. Even if freezing does not occur, lameness will result. The bands for cockerels must be large and they rest more comfortably above the spur.

It will soon be time to save hatching eggs for early incubation. This to prevent chilling. Store the eggs where the temperature will range between fifty and sixty degrees. Eggs placed in a warm room soon deteriorate. The freshest eggs seem to produce the largest per cent. of plump livable chicks. They seem to lose rapidly in hatchability after becoming a week old.

parted with money and character still retained his racial pride. Sent him . . . to feed swine; another step downward. He must feed animals abhorred by the Jew.

V. 16. No man gave unto him. He finds the far country not only foodless, but loveless. The husks or earb pods which the swine ate are all that stands between him and actual starvation.

V. 17. When he came to himself. The first step towards coming to God is coming to one's self. He realizes that his great adventure has become a miserable failure and begins to connect that failure with himself. It is not a failure of money or food or friends, but a failure of himself. The fault does not rest with the far country, but with himself. How many hired servants . . . have bread . . . I perish. He is now thinking of home. The lowest menial at home has made a better bargain with life than he has. There is more than hunger for bread in these words. There is a great confession of failure and folly on the part of the prodigal.

III. Coming Home, 18-24.
V. 18. I will arise and go to my father. David Smith sees in these words only a resolve for bread only, but it seems rather the first step in an open confession of error. It is his heart, not his stomach, that leads him homeward. Will say . . . I have sinned. His first words are to be words of confession. How different from the proud words with which he went away.

V. 19. No more worthy to be called thy son. He feels that he has forfeited his place in the home. He has no longer any rights there. Make me as one of thy hired servants. He is willing to accept any place that his father sees fit to give him. It is his father's will, not his own, that is to be supreme. The least that his father will give is more than he deserves.

V. 20. A great way off . . . his father saw him; because all this time the father had been waiting and watching for his return. The shepherd seeks anxiously for his lost sheep. God must wait longingly for the lost soul. Had compassion. His father's love goes out to his son, ragged, footsore, gaunt and miserable as he is. Ran, and fell on his neck. He does not wait sternly for words of confession or turn away. He not only sees his son, but sees through him and reads all the inward story.

V. 21. The son said. He begins his little prepared speech of penitence.
V. 22. But the father said. His father interrupts the unfinished speech. He does not wait till he asks a slave's place, but immediately proceeds to give him a son's place. Bring the best robe . . . a ring . . . shoes. All three things signify a restoration of the prodigal to his filial place in the home. The restoration is immediate. It is complete. It is loving.

Vs. 23, 24. Bring hither the fattened calf. It is also a joyful restoration. There was always a calf fattening for festive occasions. This my son was dead; to all intents and purposes. This was the prodigal. A faithful man may forget or despise his sonship. But God cannot forget his own fatherhood nor the sonship of the sinner. His love seeks. His love searches. His love waits. His love has compassion. His love restores.

Application.
We have been so accustomed to the title usually given to this "most beautiful and precious of all the parables"—the Prodigal Son—that we are apt to overlook the truth that it is equally fitting, and perhaps more so, to call it the parable of "The Loving Father." The father in the parable well and truly represents the love and longing of a normal human father for his children—of course, there are some who fall below this character. Our Lord takes this tender relationship at its best, and says to us, God is like that, only better: "If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?" The best of all "good things" that the heavenly Father gives is love, forgiving love.

Eliminating the illiterate makes for race improvement.
Practical education enables us to take advantage of the experiences of other people.

The man with calloused hands is often more refined than one with manicured nails, for refinement is a mental condition, not a physical one.

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Fundamental Principles of Co-Operative Marketing

(By R. D. COLQUETTE, Professor of Marketing, Ontario Agricultural College.)

ARTICLE II.

A co-operative marketing association, to ensure the greatest degree of success, must be founded on a special industry. It must, as Powell says, crystallize around a specific economic problem. In other words it must be organized on a commodity basis. Organization on a commodity basis means simply that a co-operative marketing association must confine its marketing activities to a single product or a group of products having similar marketing problems. The outstanding examples of successful co-operative marketing organizations on this continent have strictly adhered to this rule. Grain has one set of marketing problems, livestock another, fruit another and dairy products still another. If an association of producers solves the problems connected with the marketing of a single product or group of similar products it will have done all that can be expected of one organization.

One of the chief reasons, therefore, why organization according to product is so successful is that the marketing of each product or class of products has its own distinctive problems. When the producers of a product organize to market it collectively they have a common motive for holding together. That motive is the solution of the particular problems of the particular product which their association handles.

It is chiefly because men have not realized that their industry, such as growing fruit, dairying, grain grow-

ing, etc., is not local in its marketing aspects that the country is strewn with the wrecks of local co-operative efforts. If there is one lesson that has been more conclusively taught by experience than any other it is that marketing problems cannot be solved by isolated local associations, each handling a small volume, with a correspondingly heavy overhead and with little possibility of competent management. The rule is: Organize by the commodity and not by the locality.

Of course there is a limit to the area over which a co-operative association can economically function. With most products, however, it is not difficult to determine what area should be covered. The three prairie provinces, for example, form a distinct production area for a distinctive product, hard red spring wheat. A co-operative association for the marketing of hard red spring wheat should, therefore, cover that area. In British Columbia there is a tree-fruit section including the Okanagan and adjacent valleys. The Okanagan United Growers, splendid example of successful co-operative effort, covers that territory. For the marketing of dairy products, Ontario would appear to be a logical area of production to be covered by a single marketing organization.

Membership in a purely co-operative marketing organization is confined to producers of the product handled by it. The idea is that they bind themselves together to sell the

product collectively instead of dumping it on the market in competition each with all the others. Their primary interest is the sale of the product of their labor and no one who is not a producer of that particular commodity can become a member of the marketing organization or have any voice in the control of its policies.

By the same principle the association does not purchase the product of non-members. If it did so it would speculate and a co-operative marketing association never speculates. It acts as the selling agency for its members and is organized for the sole purpose of selling their products and their products only.

The control of the association is confined strictly to its producing members. Voting power cannot be secured by purchasing stock. If stock is sold to nonmembers it is of a special class, something like municipal debentures, which carries no voting power. The one member, one vote system is rigidly adhered to.

As organization may cover a considerable, and sometimes a very large area, local matters are looked after by local associations, which, by federation, form the central selling agency. Such locals must have full control over local matters and be fully responsible for financing local plants such as elevators, cheese factories, etc. The central does not finance or control them. They finance and control the central. Through it they coordinate their efforts in dealing with all matters of policy which are not local but which concern them all.

Local associations are grouped into districts for the purpose of electing directors to the central board. Representation on the board must be by districts so that control of the central will not get into the hands of men representing only sections of the territory covered. Representation should, as near as possible, be in proportion to membership so that each member has his proportionate voice in the control of the association's policies. The board of directors, for convenience, appoints an executive from amongst its members. The executive gives to the association that constant and detailed direction which is necessary to success in business. The executive should consist of the most able of the men constituting the board of directors, irrespective of the districts which they represent. It is directly responsible to the board, to which it should report frequently for approval of its actions and for instruction.

The central selling agency has full control over all matters concerning the sale of the product. It establishes grades, provides facilities for merchandising the product, and, if a trade mark is used, owns and controls it, stipulating the conditions by which local affiliated associations may apply it to their product.

The next article will deal with pooling and merchandising, the methods by which a co-operative marketing association handle and sell the products of its members to their mutual advantage.

The Sunday School Lesson

JANUARY 21

The Prodigal Son, Luke 15: 11-24. Golden Text—There is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth.—Luke 15: 10.

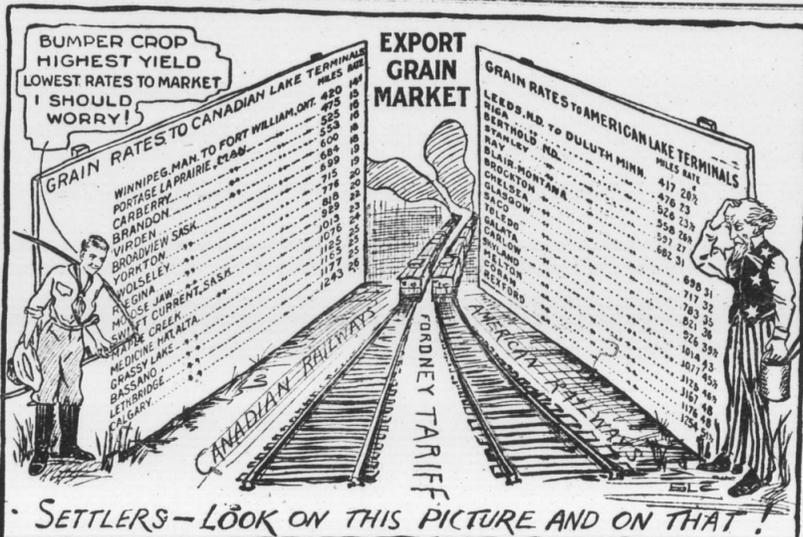
Lesson Setting—Our lesson to-day is one of the three great parables spoken with a common purpose in them all. They are the parable of the Lost Sheep, the parable of the Lost Silver, and the parable of the Lost Son. The Pharisees murmured against Jesus because he kept company with publicans and sinners, people beyond the pale of respectability. Jesus' answer is that lost people need saving and saving can only come by seeking. True religion is a seeking, not a separated thing. God is a seeking, not a separated God. It is one thing to keep company with sinners for the sake of the evil in them. It is another thing to seek the company of sinners for the sake of the good in them.

As soon as possible he said farewell to the old home and the old life. In his foolish way of thinking, he wished to see and know and taste life, and that, he thought, could not be done at home. Doubtless the father who saw him afar off when he came back, watched him till he faded out of sight. Doubtless the elder son was too busy in the fields to say goodbye. The prodigal went, gay clothing, and jaunty step and light heart. Wasted his substance with riotous living. The prodigal's idea of liberty is license, the unrestrained following of one's desires. He wasted not only substance, but soul.

II. Thinking Home, 14-17.
V. 14. When he had spent all. When prodigals scatter money, they gather friends of a dubious kind. It did not take long to drain the prodigal's purse. A mighty famine . . . he began to be in want. Famine was common then as now, in Eastern lands. The famine aggravated his poverty.

V. 15. Joined himself to a citizen of that country; became the slave of a Gentile master, a great degradation for a Jew, for the prodigal who had

I. Leaving Home, 11-13.
V. 12. Father, give me the portion of goods. By Mosaic law, each child got one portion, while the eldest got two portions. These portions were often distributed during the father's lifetime.
V. 13. Took his journey into a far country. It would take some time to convert his portion into money, but



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Do and be.

HEALTH EDUCATION

BY DR. J. J. MIDDLETON
Provincial Board of Health, Ontario

Dr. Middleton will be glad to answer questions on Public Health matters through this column. Address him at Spadina House, Spadina Crescent, Toronto.

Fresh air is the breath of life. There is little use in trying to keep well if we do not get abundance of pure fresh air to breathe. In breathing we take oxygen into our lungs, and expel the carbon dioxide or waste matter in the form of expired air. Oxygen is absolutely essential to life, and its great use in the body is to set free or bring into action the energy stored in the body in the form of digested and assimilated food. The body gets its warmth and power to work from the burning or oxidation of these food substances in the cell. We know that the burning of wood or coal in a stove cannot take place without oxygen. If you shut off all the draughts and make the stove airtight the fire will burn low and eventually go out altogether. Oxygen is just as necessary for the burning of food, the fuel of the body, and fresh air contains oxygen.

People whose resistance is weakened by disease and who must fight not only to keep alive but to conquer the germs of any disease like tuberculosis must have abundance of fresh air. For them it is not enough to spend the daylight hours in the open; the entire twenty-four hours should be fresh air hours. The windows should be open, or the porch available at all times. The tuberculosis patient who tries to stay in the open air as much as possible and who faithfully follows the other directions of his physician, has the best chance of recovery.

For those who are well, good health

The Average Man.

When it comes to a question of trusting yourself to the risks of the road, when the thing is the sharing of burdens, the lifting of the heft of a load, in the hour of peril or trial, in the hour you meet as you can, you may safely depend on the wisdom and skill of the average man.

'Tis the average man and no other who does his plain duty each day, the small thing his wage is for doing, on the commonplace bit of the way, 'Tis the average man, may God bless him!

Who pilots us, still in the van, over land, over sea, as we travel, just the plain, hardy, average man. So on through the days of existence all mingling in shadow and shine, we may count on the everyday hero, whom haply the gods may divine, but who wears the swart grime of his calling, and labors and earns as he can, and stands at the last with the noblest—

The commonplace, average man.

Useless Clearing.

Large stretches of land are being cleared to no purpose at all. Such land may never become useful for cultivation. These methods are also influencing bodies of water, permitting a decrease in source of supply and a consequent lessening of available energy.

Until such time as these matters are taken up and definitely acted upon, it would seem that Canada will be faced each year with a steadily declining forest reserve upon which her industry may call at a future time. It is being urged more and more by people who have made intensive study of the question, that more definite steps be taken immediately towards forest conservation and repletion.

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Wonderful Future for Polar Regions.

Vilhjalmur Stefansson, Arctic explorer, recently announced abandonment of his career as an explorer to devote his efforts to prove to a sceptical world that within a decade or two the North Pole ocean will be crossed by a network of commercial aviation routes and the Arctic regions, hitherto known as mysterious uninhabitable lands, will be the source of developed resources unlimited in magnitude.

The popular attitude toward the Arctic regions, Mr. Stefansson said, was much like the medieval attitude toward the unexplored regions beyond the horizon—the terrors in both cases being largely imaginary.

"Fear alone stands in the way of the developing of a land area twice the size of the United States," he declared. "If you want the truth assume the opposite of a dozen or so things you have heard about the north."

"Oil, coal and other resources are there. Climatic conditions are conquerable. People are living and flourishing in places where there are colder winters than those at the North Pole. For example, the lowest temperature at the Pole is about 60 degrees below zero, while 70 below has been registered in North Dakota, where the winters are just as severe as in the Arctic. At Verkhoyansk in Siberia, the mercury has dropped to 93 degrees below zero.

"The course of empire, of civilization, must inevitably move towards the North and citizens of the nations of progress must realize this fact."

Serbia lost 127,535 men in the world war.

Poverty, ill-health and even misery are frequently the result of disabilities, ailments or disease that might have been prevented by early intelligent action.

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Can Get Around Like a Young Man Since Taking Tanlac, Says Hansel Citizen.

"You don't often see a man as spry as I am at seventy-two," declared Thomas Palmer, Sr., well-known retired farmer of Hansel, Ont., while on a visit in London, Ont.

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Tilled One Farm for Nine Hundred Years?

Since the institution of a Cross of Agricultural Merit for the head of any family which has cultivated the same farm for more than a century was announced by the French Minister of Agriculture, the Paris newspapers have been enthusiastically reporting peasant families more and more ancient.

Now the family of Poublan is officially certified to have labored over the same acres in Bearn since 1023. The papers are lyric about it.

On the front page they hail the farmer in general as the traditional savior of France, speaking raptly of the sublimely resisting soil watered for centuries by the sweat of indomitable generations of families such as Poublan so that France might be nourished.

The head of the Poublan clan is described reverently as a tall, austere man with the slow gestures and steady eye of the man who lives in the open and is full of wisdom. Another emotional front page account coincides with the suggestion that Poublan be granted not only the Cross of Agricultural Merit, but also the official right to add the name of his farm at Lucgarrier to his own as a title of honor, this becoming Poublan de Lucgarrier and the pioneer of a new peasant nobility.

Other newspapers point out rapturously it is a great relief to the nation to be able to unite in admiration before the tradition of the soil and temporarily put aside the uncertainties of modern city life, expanding industry and international complications.

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H. E. Bywater, Editor and Proprietor

INITIAL MEETING OF TOWN COUNCIL.

The first statutory meeting of the Athens village council for 1923 was held in the council room, Town Hall, on Monday, 8th, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

Reeve-elect M. B. Holmes, and Councilors-elect L. G. Earl, Geo. Gifford, C. Hewitt and D. L. Johnston were present and made and subscribed to their declaration of office.

Moved by L. G. Earl, seconded by C. Hewitt, that this council do now adjourn until Friday night, Jan. 12, at 7.30 o'clock.

The adjourned meeting of the Athens village council was held January 12th, 1923. Present, Reeve M. B. Holmes, and Councilors L. G. Earl, Geo. Gifford, C. Hewitt, and D. L. Johnston. The following business was transacted:

Moved by L. G. Earl, seconded by D. L. Johnston, that leave be given to introduce and read a first time a by-law to appoint certain officers for 1923, and fix their remunerations.—Carried.

Moved by Geo. Gifford, seconded by C. Hewitt, that leave be given to read said by-law a second time.—Carried.

Moved by Geo. Gifford, seconded by D. L. Johnston, that by-law appointing village officers be now read a third time with blanks filled in as follows:—Clerk, E. J. Purcell, at salary of \$80.00; treasurer, S. C. A. Lamb, at salary of \$75.00; auditors, James Dillabough, E. C. Tribute, salary \$15 each; Board of Health, Dr. Moore, J. Thompson and M. B. Holmes; Village Council, L. G. Earl, Geo. Gifford, C. Hewitt, and D. L. Johnston, and do finally pass and have the corporation seal attached, and be signed by the Reeve and clerk.—Carried.

Moved by L. G. Earl, seconded by Geo. Gifford, that the clerk order supply of printed stationery for the use of the Reeve and his officers.—Carried.

Moved by D. L. Johnston, seconded by Geo. Gifford, that the clerk be instructed to forward to the Sick Children's Hospital a donation of \$10.—Carried.

Moved by L. G. Earl, seconded by D. L. Johnston, that the clerk be instructed to order 7 copies of the Municipal World for 1923.—Carried.

Moved by L. G. Earl, seconded by D. L. Johnston, that the motion made on November 10th re hall rentals for High School purposes be rescinded and that the following be substituted: That the rental be \$40 per month from the first of September, 1922.—Carried.

Moved by L. G. Earl, seconded by D. L. Johnston, that the following accounts be paid and an order drawn on the treasurer for the same:—

Walter Allingham, shovelling crossing, \$17.25; James Windsor, cleaning ditches, \$2; Municipal World printed matter, \$5.84; A. Taylor & Son, wood, \$5; F. Blanchard, cleaning street after bonfire, 50c.; Geo. Gifford, municipal election expenses, \$12; Geo. E. Holmes, municipal election expenses, \$12; W. C. Town, funeral expenses, E. Earl, \$3.50; W. C. Town, funeral expenses, J. Elliott, \$35.—Carried.

Moved by L. G. Earl, seconded by D. L. Johnston, that the resignation of the clerk, Mr. Lee, be accepted, and that this council convey to Mr. Lee our hearty appreciation of his very satisfactory services during the past.—Carried.

FARM HELP.

The Bureau of Colonization and Immigration expects a large number of first class men from the Old Country during the latter part of March and succeeding months, some experienced, some partly, and some inexperienced young men, and experienced married men and partly experienced married men with and without families. Farmers with vacancies will kindly write H. A. Macdonell, Director of Colonization, Parliament Buildings, Toronto, or to their Agricultural Representative, for information and application forms. Applications will be dealt with as far as possible in the order in which they are received, preference being given yearly engagements.

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Unable to Discover Source of Report Near Philipsville.

NEWS OF THE DISTRICT

Heavy Snow Falls Are Welcomed by Farmers Throughout the Counties.

Lyndhurst, Jan. 9.—Considerable excitement was caused here by a report circulated that some men had found the skeleton of a small child where they were quarrying stone on a farm near Philipsville, owned by John Cardiff. Upon investigation by Mr. Cardiff, the report was found to be false and the source of the rumor has not as yet been ascertained.

Mrs. R. Tait has gone to live with her son, William Tait. Although her health did not permit her to visit much among her friends here, she will be sadly missed and one and all join in a wish that she may spend many happy years in her new home.

The Ladies' Aid met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Singleton on Thursday evening, January 10th, and were by Mrs. Singleton.

Bryce Wiltsie has gone to Brockville where he has accepted a position with Mr. Cook. His numerous friends wish him every success.

The recent heavy fall of snow has been welcomed, as many farmers have wood and logs to haul which can be much easier done with sleighs.

The Lyndhurst hockey team played the Gananoque boys, the game resulting in a win for Lyndhurst.

Mrs. Young remains very low. Her sister, Mrs. Yorke, of Morton, was with her last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Leadbeater visited the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Johnson, one day recently.

ROCK SPRING

Rock-Spring Jan. 9.—The heavy snowfall of the 8th is causing the people of Rockspring much extra work in the way of opening roads, paths, etc.

Mrs. Uri Guinness and son, Frank, are visiting relatives in New York.

School re-opened after the holidays with Miss Weatherhead as teacher.

A number from here attended the district meeting of the L.O.L. held at Addison.

The installation of officers in the I.T.B. lodge No. 381, took place on Wednesday evening, January 3, after which a social evening was spent.

Mr. Rickett, of Addison, had the misfortune to have a horse break his hip, which compelled him to have it shot.

Mrs. A. Logan is visiting relatives at Escott.

Cephas Gunnes, who cut his foot while chopping in the woods, is convalescing at his sister's, Mrs. James Reynolds.

Miss Addie Tackaberry is spending a few days at her home here.

Henry Marshall is anticipating a large crowd at his sale, which is to be held on the 11th.

Mrs. Howard Tackaberry is on the sick list.

Miss Elsie Logan is visiting under the parental roof.

W. Barrington and family have settled in the village of Rockspring owing to the loss of his house at Redan through fire.

The Misses Bessie and Reta Logan have returned to Kingston after having spent a couple of weeks with their parents here.

SAND BAY TIDINGS

This week has brought us lots of snow, and a little too much in some places.

There is a lot of sickness in this neighborhood with colds. Sam Horton's family are all in bed with it; Mr. and Mrs. West and children, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Heaslip, and in fact dozens of families.

The Hornerite church was burned to the ground last night about 12 o'clock, and there had been no fire in it since last Thursday morning. The church is in Warburton. The cause of the fire is unknown.

Miss Fern Goff is home from Gananoque for the week-end.

Mrs. Robt. R. McCrady, Miss Roxie and Gordon McCrady spent Thursday of last week at Mr. Alex. McCrady's. Mr. and Mrs. C. McCrady from Lyndhurst, Mr. and Mrs. Richard McCrady from Mitchellville, at Alex. McCrady's; also D. E. McCrady from Brockville.

Mr. Vincent Goff has his cellar wall built for his new house.

Death of Robert Rufus McCrady

Died, at his residence at Sand Bay, Dec. 31, Mr. Robt. Rufus McCrady, in his 87th year. He was the son of the late David McCrady and his wife, Hannah McLeod. He was born in Kitley Woods, Upper Canada (now called Toledo, Ont.). They later moved to Lyn where he married Miss Mary Jones, a native of the country was all woods. They moved to Brockville, and then to Gananoque, and then to Sand Bay in 1884, where he operated a tannery which he had to give up some years ago on account of ill-health. He had been confined to the house for nearly three years. He was the last one of his family, his three sisters and two brothers having predeceased him some years ago.

He leaves to mourn his loss his wife and four sons, namely, David E. McCrady, of Brockville; James C. McCrady, Wesleyville, Pa.; Robert McCrady, Milestone, Sask.; Wm. A. McCrady, Francis, Sask.; two daughters, Mrs. T. Patience, Dummer, Sask., and Miss Roxie McCrady, at home.

Mr. McCrady was a fine violin player, and as a young man played in the string band at Lyn, with Mr. Horth as bandmaster.

He was a man who never bothered his neighbors and always had a good word for everybody. He fell asleep on Friday morning and slept away his life and never had a struggle. He died Sunday morning. He asked God many times to take him home. He spent much of his time in praying and talking to God. He spent nearly two years in bed, getting around occasionally in a wheel chair. His funeral was held from Sand Bay Presbyterian church, of which he was a member. Rev. Mr. Beckstead took for his text Revelation, 21 chap., part of 7 verse: "I will be his God and he will be my son." Hymns that were sung, Psalm 75, hymns 319, 272, 161, and anthem "Beyond the Bar." The church was full to the doors. Thence to Sand Bay burying ground. His funeral was held on January 2nd, 1923.



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Delta School Trustees Are Given Authority to Act.

NEWS OF THE DISTRICT

Donations Made by the Women's Institute at Various Charities.

Delta, Jan. 11.—A meeting was held recently with a view to starting a continuation class in Delta. The trustees of the Delta school were given authority to take the necessary steps and they will be given the hearty support of the citizens in their undertaking.

The Delta Women's Institute met at the home of Mrs. Murray on Thursday, the 11th. There was an attendance of 23. Rollcall was answered by "New Year's Resolutions." A letter of thanks was received from a lady in North Ontario thanking the Institute for a parcel sent. Ten dollars was donated to the Delta public library, \$5 to the Hospital for Sick Children, and \$5 to the Children's Shelter. A member who had been remembered by a bouquet of flowers while in hospital, sent a letter of thanks. A course in home nursing is to be taken in February or March. School health lantern lectures are to be given in this district, being in Delta on January 29. Rev. Mr. Jackson then gave an address on "Her Majesty, Woman," which was listened to with a great deal of interest. Mrs. Murray served the ladies a dainty lunch and an expression of the thanks of the Institute was given Mr. Jackson and also Mrs. Murray. Mrs. Hillebrand invited the ladies to her home in February, weather permitting. If not the meeting is to be held at Mrs. G. Morris'.

Miss Retta Murray has returned to North Augusta to resume her duties. Lyman Murray has been engaged to teach at Nananee.

Mrs. W. A. Bell is much improved in health, being able to be downstairs. S. Barlow, manager of the branch of the Bank of Montreal, has been indisposed for a few days.

The Girls' club met at the home of Mrs. G. A. Snider on Thursday evening.

The skating rink is now in fine condition and everyone should take advantage of it.

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAY

Change in Train Service.

Effective on Wednesday, Dec. 27th, the Gasoline Motor Car now operating between Brockville and Westport will be withdrawn, and Electric Storage Battery Car will be operated in place thereof, necessitating the following changes in train service. All services are daily except Sunday.

Motor train No. 313 now leaving Brockville, 4.50 p.m. and arriving Westport 6.50 p.m. will be cancelled. Motor train No. 312 now leaving Westport 7.00 a.m. and arriving Brockville 10.00 a.m. will be cancelled. Steam train No. 276 will leave Westport 7.00 a.m. and arrive Brockville 10.30.

Motor train No. 314 will leave Westport 3.50 p.m. and arrive Brockville 6.10 p.m.

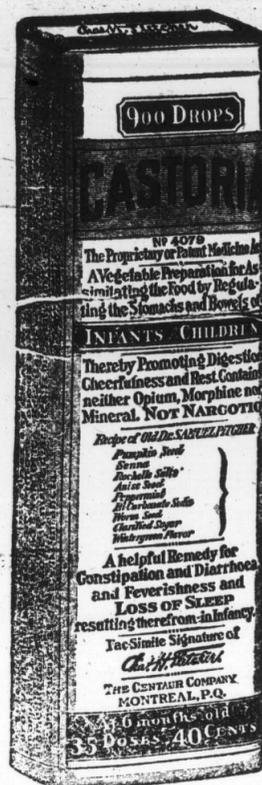
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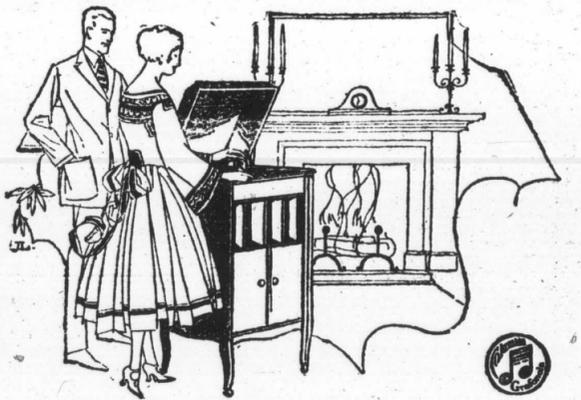


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8 A. M.	"	11.50 A. M.
3.15 P. M.	"	1.05 P. M.
5.30 P. M.	"	7.25 P. M.

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Here and There

Liverpool. — Atlantic liners are finding there is a run on the ship's library. Over 4,000 books are distributed amongst the Canadian Pacific liners alone, and reading on board has become so popular that, in addition, bookstalls with all the latest magazines have been installed on all the Canadian Pacific passenger steamers.

London, Ont. — John Anderson, well-known C. P. R. conductor, has retired on pension. Mr. Anderson entered the service of the Canadian Pacific as a trainman on the London division on May 14, 1881, was promoted to a freight conductor in 1884 and promoted to passenger conductor on June 1, 1887, which position he has since held.

Toronto. — Remarkably quick time was made by a special train traveling between Montreal and Toronto recently. Carrying a large number of students from Dalhousie and McGill Universities the train left Windsor Station at 10:37 a.m., and arrived in Toronto at 5:35 p.m., thus covering the distance of 338 miles in 6 hours, and 58 minutes. A storm was raging during the trip.

Banff. — Probably more world famous men have played on the golf course at Banff Springs, Alberta, Canada, in the Canadian Rockies, than on any other single golf course in the whole world.

The picturesque course at Banff, situated as it is among the glaciers high up among the peaks of the Canadian Rockies, outstrips all rivals for scenic beauty and has been called the "Golf Course in the Clouds." Any traveler from any part of the world makes it certain that he sees the Canadian Rockies before completing his visit to the American Continent, and if he plays golf at all he is sure to combine his scenic viewing with a round or two of golf on the "Golf Course in the Clouds." To tell of a list of the world famous men who have played golf at Banff is to read a list of "Who's Who" in world affairs.

The Canadian National Park Branch of the Department of the Interior reports over 5,000 persons as having played over the golf course in Banff National Park during the season recently closed, and many prominent visitors from nearly every corner of the globe went over the links. Those who golfed at Banff during the latter part of the season included His Excellency Baron Byng, Governor-General of Canada; Mr. Calvin Coolidge, Vice-President of the United States; Sir Lionel Guillemard, Governor of the Straits Settlements; Baron Sanberg, of Holland; Premier Greenfield, of Alberta; and Rodney C. Wood, Chief of Scout Representative of England.

Cranbrook, B.C. — Children, more especially children of school age, should be warned to keep clear of railway tracks, particularly at this season of the year when the snow is deep and a slip of the foot may result in a fatal accident. Cranbrook parents should offer some advice to their offspring about their playing around the Canadian Pacific Railway tracks. A serious accident recently happened at Vernon to a child playing along the railway right-of-way. The Vernon News had the following editorial comment: "The accident on the railway track last week was not unexpected by those who have watched with much concern the school children who so carelessly walk across and along the tracks. The little victim, however, was not a scholar and it was perhaps his first visit to the railways, but nevertheless the boys and girls are much too careless when near the tracks. Parents and teachers should continually impress upon the youngsters the danger of playing near the trains. Time after time the trainmen have chased the kiddies off the right of way but they keep coming oblivious to the danger. Safety first is the best policy and parents and teachers should be most emphatic in warning the boys and girls. There is only one way for them to be safe from danger and that is to keep away from it."

Liverpool. — Wm. John Sergent, the superintendent engineer of the Canadian Pacific Steamships, Ltd., recently retired from that position after a sea-going career of 54 years, the major part of which was passed with Liverpool companies. With the object of showing the esteem and respect in which he is held by all those who have been associated with him for so many years, a very happy gathering took place on the C. P. liner Montcalm, at Liverpool, when Mr. Sergent was the recipient of some very handsome presents. They consisted of a combined solid mahogany bureau and bookcase, and a specially fitted-up gentleman's double wardrobe, while Mrs. Sergent was presented with a choice gold bar brooch set with diamonds. These are the gifts of the sea-going and shore staffs of the C. P. S. S. Co. and the C. P. R. Co., and were presented through the medium of Captain J. V. Forster, Liverpool manager of the C. P. S. S. Ltd., in the presence of all the chief officials, personal friends, business colleagues, officials of the Board of Trade, and of the shipping registration society.

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CHANTRY

Chantry, Jan. 9.—William Gibson, who has been ill for the past few weeks, is able to be out.

Miss Velma Dancy, who spent the holidays at her home here, has returned to Ottawa.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Grey, Almonte, visited at John Davis.

Murray Stevens has installed a radio receiving outfit in his home.

Miss Beatrice Trotter, who has been a probationer in the Kingston General hospital for the past three months, has passed the recent examinations with honors, standing second in a class of fifteen.

Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Davis left this week to spend the winter in Winnipeg.

CROSBY

Crosby, Jan. 13.—Since the recent snow storms sleighing has been very good.

The Farmers' club held a business meeting in the hall on Tuesday evening.

Mrs. William Spaidal, with her children, is visiting her sister in Montreal.

The Women's Institute held its regular meeting in the Hall on Thursday afternoon. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Ellsworth Rowswell, Clear Lake.

Mrs. William Cooper and son, Joseph, Lansdowne, are spending a few days with her son, W. E. Cooper.

K. E. Brown and Arthur Welch motored to Prescott on Sunday last.

Percy Gifford made a business trip to the village to-day.

Miss Winnie Mustard is spending a few days with her aunt, Mrs. E. Baker.

Miss Grace Church, Westport, is spending the week-end with her parents here.

Milk is being delivered three times a week to Laing's receiving station here.

ELGIN

Elgin, Jan. 9.—The snowfall of Monday last was a most welcome boon as splendid sleighing is now enjoyed.

It has been announced that Rev. Dr. Trueman, of Toronto, will occupy the M.E. pulpit here on Sunday morning, the 21st inst., and will conduct the annual educational service.

George and James Howard visited their mother in Kingston on Saturday last and report she is recovering slowly.

Mrs. William Charland is indisposed with a heavy cold.

Miss Eva Coon returned to her position in Sarnia on Saturday last.

Jack Fahey was quite ill last week with an attack of appendicitis.

Robert Taylor has severed his connection as salesman in J. R. Dargavel's store and returned to his home in Chantry.

An interesting game of hockey was played here on Saturday last when the home team contended with the Lyndhurst boys, the latter winning by 2-1. A carnival will be held on Friday night, the 12th inst.

The December meeting of the Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. A. L. Campbell. At the meeting \$25 was voted to the Armenian fund and \$25 to the Northern Ontario fire sufferers for Christmas cheer for the children. The rollcall, "An Earliest Remembrance," was answered by nearly all present, who numbered about 35.

A paper was given by Miss Jean Dargavel on "Popping the Question." Mrs. Guy Halladay gave a paper on "District Nursing." Instrumental music was furnished by Miss Kerr, after which an apron parade took place, giving the members different ideas for making aprons. Lunch was served at the close of the meeting.

The January meeting was held at the home of the president, Mrs. Fred Stevens. The secretary stated that the matron at the Athens House of Industry finds it hard to get a seamstress when necessary, and the Institute thought it wise to send to the institution for material and do some sewing for them. It will be remembered that this Institute did sewing last winter for the Athens institution, furnishing material for night robes, etc. The rollcall, "Ways of Using Cheese," was answered by nearly all. Instrumental music by Mrs. J. E. Sullivan and a paper on "Making Faces," by Mrs. P. A. Smith, brought the meeting to a close, after which lunch was served.

MAITLAND

Maitland, Jan. 9.—W. S. Giffin had the misfortune to catch his hand in the litter carrier, causing painful injuries.

There was no service in the Methodist church on Sunday night owing to the severe cold.

Miss Bernice Wilson, of Clifton Springs, N.Y., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Donald Giffin.

The many friends of Miss Evelyn Kearny, teacher in the village school, regret to hear of her serious illness and hope for a speedy recovery.

Austin Fox is on the sick list. Arthur Bradley was a guest at A. Young's on Sunday last.

MORTON

Morton, Jan. 10.—James Hudson, C. Earl, F. Booth and H. Lanning went to Elgin to attend the council for the New Year on Monday.

The Women's Institute met at Mrs. B. N. Henderson's on Tuesday afternoon.

Clifford Earl attended the Orange district meeting at Seeley's Bay Tuesday evening.

Little Arnold Burch is on the sick list.

Whooping cough is prevalent in the village.

E. Lake, Battersea, is visiting at H. York's.

Charles Hill, Neil Somerville and Harold Somerville are better of their colds and are able to return to High school at Lyndhurst.

James Hudson had the misfortune to cut his knee with the axe while felling a tree.

Mrs. H. Wykes still makes professional calls at Mrs. S. Jacobs' and Mrs. H. Dean's.

Mrs. J. Coon is on the sick list.

Jack Smith is home from the west, calling on his sisters, Mrs. J. N. Somerville and Mrs. Minor Sweet, Seeley's Bay.

George Roantree has closed the cheese factory after a long season.

Mrs. Barker, New Ontario, visited friends in the village.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Roantree visited at Harry Johnson's, Leeds, on Sunday last.

FAIRFIELD

Fairfield East, Jan. 8.—Miss Hazel Manhard has returned home after having visited friends at North Augusta and Gosford.

Miss Helen Bissell, Algonquin, visited Miss Enid Manhard last week.

Mrs. G. Young, of Brockville, spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. Forrester, who is seriously ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Spicer and son, Lorne, and Mr. and Mrs. W. Spicer spent New Year's at W. Manhard's.

Mrs. C. Kelsey, of Manhard's spent Thursday at Willis Manhard's.

Mr. and Mrs. George Manhard spent Thursday evening at D. Manhard's.

C. Love, of South Augusta, spent Thursday evening at Jesse Manhard's.

Miss Annie Clark returned home Friday after spending several weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Manney, of Pyrites, N.Y.

Mrs. J. Glazier, of Brockville, spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. Manley Field.

Van Allen's Corners

Van Allen's Corners, Jan. 9.—Miss May Van Allan and friend, Miss Nan Mathewson, of Heckston, arrived home on Friday after having spent a few days with friends in Ottawa.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Bennett, of Heckston, spent Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. S. Brown.

Robert Forsythe, of McReynolds' Corners, spent Monday with J. Porter.

George Beggs was a recent guest of his niece, Mrs. H. Tooley, at Patterson's Corners.

Mrs. J. Magee and daughter, Leila, of Cardinal, spent the holidays with the former's daughter, Mrs. R. W. Smail, jr.

Clifford Steed and sisters, Gertrude and Dora, of Roebuck, spent Sunday with their sister, Mrs. J. A. Porter.

Mrs. E. Bouvier and son, Gordon, returned to their home in Toronto on Monday after having spent two weeks with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Tait.

Miss Beatrice Blair has returned home after having spent several weeks at Millar's Corners with her sister, Mrs. G. Hunter.

Kenneth Thorpe, of Hurburt, was a recent guest of friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Cater spent Monday with friends in Kempville.

Roland and Eldon Imlrie, of Oxford Station, were recent guests of their aunt, Mrs. A. Selleck.

J. Beggs has returned to Oxford after having spent a couple of weeks with his brother, G. Beggs.

Andy McGovern of Oxford Station, spent Monday with James McGovern.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Brown were at Manotick on Wednesday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Brown's father, Mr. Hawkins.

Mr. and Mrs. A. McRae spent Saturday in Spencerville with their daughter, Miss Annie McRae.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Brown spent Monday at Spencerville with their daughter, Mrs. H. Cook.

A number from here were at Heckston on Monday to attend the funeral of Hugh McDowell, of South Gower.

South Augusta

South Augusta, Jan. 9.—Owing to unfavorable weather conditions, the January meeting of the Women's Institute was postponed. The next regular meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. J. Throop on Wednesday afternoon, February 7.

Mr. and Mrs. David Murray, Montreal, spent the Christmas holidays guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Osborne.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Howe, Brockville, spent a few days during the holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Dudley.

Miss Edna Osborne has returned to Ottawa to resume her studies at the Normal school.

Miss Etta Nichols, Smiths Falls, spent New Year's at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Caldwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Smith, Fitzroy Harbor, who were recently married, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Osborne one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert McMullen, Misses Nina and Thora Sunderland and Joe Scott, of Garrenton, were Sunday visitors at H. Caldwell's.

Toledo, Jan. 9.—Miss Adella Whiting has fully recovered from her recent illness, while Mrs. John White is steadily gaining and hopes soon to be around as usual.

In last week's issue in describing the farewell party given at Mr. and Mrs. Howard Johnston's, Kinch's district, for Miss Margaret McCoy, on the eve of her departure to train as a nurse, it read: "During the course of the evening a purse was presented to Miss McCoy, from her friends of the church and Sunday school," and it should have read "and of her own neighborhood," for her friends of her own district, of all denominations, very generously gave, a fact which was greatly appreciated by Miss McCoy.

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CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY PRESIDENT POINTS WAY TO LOWER FREIGHT RATES

E. W. Beatty Says They Can Only Be Effected Through Increased Railroad Traffic and Lowered Operating Expenses—Greater Population the Answer to the Problem—Better Times Foreshadowed by Heavier Freight Traffic.



E. W. BEATTY, President Canadian Pacific Railway.

"THE railway situation in Canada to-day is fundamental and basic in relation to the economic situation in which the nation finds itself." This is the text of an article appearing in the Annual Financial Survey of the "Toronto Globe" from the pen of E. W. Beatty, K.C., President of the Canadian Pacific Railway. The article deals in an exhaustive manner with the railway situation and points the way to a correction of the difficulties that beset the country and bar the way to national progress. Mr. Beatty draws attention to the fact that owing to long railway hauls over thinly populated districts, comparatively high freight rates might reasonably be expected, which is made apparent by the fact that Canada's railway mileage is 443 miles per each 100,000 of population as compared with: New South Wales, 326 miles; Victoria, 325 miles; India, 115 miles; United Kingdom, 51.4 miles; and the United States 251 miles.

This condition of affairs, Mr. Beatty points out, is hard on the railways, and no less disadvantageous to the commercial and financial life of the Dominion. Money spent in hauling the products of industry to their place of consumption is a tax upon production, or at least an addition to the cost of production. Thus Canada as a land of long railway hauls stands handicapped in the race to become the world's granary, and the development of her domestic trade must suffer through the cost of transportation.

The article goes on to say—the railways of Canada could not rest content to see a condition of stagnation or arrested development in national life. They have not so stood aside in the past. Canada has to thank the men who planned and built her railways for much of the growth that has placed her in her present high position among the nations. The country must be assured of adequate and progressive railway service at a price equitably based on operating costs. It is neither advisable nor just that Canadians should forget that fact. When the Canadian Pacific was built in the face of almost unsurmountable financial and physical difficulties, and without any assured prospect of achieving success, it laid the foundation of whatever has been, or will be of Canada's national life, and was a national railroad in the strictest and best sense of the term. So closely are both that company and the nationally-owned railways knit with the fabric of national life that there can be no divorce of interest and it is for that reason that the railroads are as anxious as owners of farm or factory to see low freight rates when consistent with sound economic administration of the country's arteries of traffic.

It is only by the reduction of expenses and an increase of business that Canadian railroads can get to a point where they can reduce freight rates and establish or maintain operation on a basis that will ensure their continued life and service to Canada, and only by this reduction of railway overhead can the foreign

and domestic trade of the Dominion be brought closer to even terms with those of competing countries.

What a Reduction Means.

As an instance of what a partial reduction in freight rates means when it is not accompanied by a commensurate reduction in operating costs, it is significant that an Ottawa sleep-talker recently stated that on the moving of this year's Western crops the railways of the country had lost about \$25,000,000 as the result of a recent reduction in freight rates. This loss was said to be about evenly divided between the National lines, and the Canadian Pacific.

Another important factor in connection with this matter is that of labor costs. During 1921 the Canadian Pacific Railway labor cost was 53.84 per cent of the company's total expenses. Some idea of how important this is to the railways may be gathered from the fact that the Canadian Pacific last year employed in Canada alone approximately 65,000 men and women, to whom was paid a total of about \$93,000,000 in wages.

The only way in which net revenues can be increased is by increasing traffic. The sole possible solution of this problem is increased population, and it is imperative that the remedy be applied at once, and here again there is but one solution—immigration. The encouragement of immigration is national propaganda in the interests of every taxpayer and producer in the Dominion. Canada's difficulties and problems are largely railroad difficulties and problems, and experienced railroad men are unanimous with economists and men of affairs in stating that immigration is the best solution of those difficulties.

Referring again to the fact that for reasons explained, Canadian railway rates might be expected to average high among those of the world's greatest railway countries, Mr. Beatty points out that a carefully-made comparison between grain rates ruling in this country and those of the United States will show that in a large number of cases Canada has a very decided advantage. He draws attention to this in order to show that it would be unreasonable to expect a further lowering of rates until such time as the railways of the country are placed in a sounder economic position by the establishment of a lower ratio of mileage to population by still greater economies in operation and by increased business.

In substantiation of this fact the article quotes figures showing that in the case of hauls from seven points in Canada to Fort William or Vancouver, as compared with hauls of equal length from United States points to Duluth, Chicago, or Seattle, the Canadian rates per hundred pounds on wheat are from 2 1/2 cents to 2 3/4 cents lower. These are but a few instances picked out from various points and are typical of a general condition. The article further shows that Canadian passenger rates are also lower than those of the U. S., the one way maximum rate per mile being 3.60 cents as against 3.45 in Canada, the Canadian traveler having an additional advantage of 10 per cent reduction in return fares, and 25 per cent reduction on parties of ten or more persons traveling. The article proceeds as follows:—

These figures are clear evidence that Canada's railroads are shouldering burdens imposed upon them by an abnormal situation. In the face

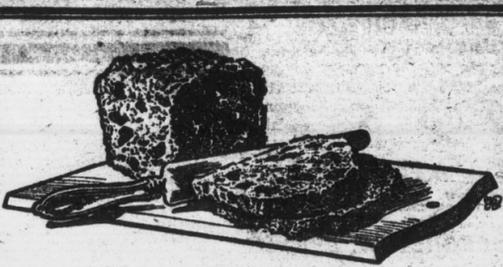
of every difficulty they are providing a high standard of service at a price that is all in favor of the patrons of the road. They are moreover, carrying on the work of building up the country as they have in the past. Since 1891 the Canadian Pacific has spent between \$68,000,000 and \$70,000,000 in the encouragement of immigration. Is it not fair to ask what would be the situation in Canada to-day had not this amount of money been spent to encourage settlement?

National Aspect of Canadian Roads. With their important foreign connections and trans-Atlantic and trans-Pacific shipping arrangements, Canadian railroads are developing Canada's overseas market. They are making Canada a toll-road between East and West for all the world to travel over—a toll-road on which Canadian business collects most of the tolls, and under the regulations which the Government has made, they are doing their best to direct desirable immigrants to our shores. The necessity for an immediate increase in the population of this country is so acute that the work must not be left to the railways alone. The need is national, and the effort to cope with the situation must be national. It should not even be left to the Government and the railroads. Commercial organizations and business clubs throughout the length and breadth of Canada have here a patriotic cause worthy their best thought and effort, and there is no part of Canada so remote, nor no community so small as to not be directly benefited by the success of a national campaign for increased immigration.

Definite Improvement in Sight. The railways, less than the country, have come through a period of years in which organization was strained to the utmost, resources tied up or diverted to unproductive uses, and the flow of men and money needed for uninterrupted development cut off at its source. It could not but take years to start conditions moving back towards normal, and that we can to-day clearly see a definite improvement should be a matter for relief as well as encouragement. The year 1922 opened with the trade of the country at low ebb, and its early months gave little evidence of any notable improvement. As earlier predictions of an abundant crop came nearer to realization the volume of trade showed improvement, and the movement of general merchandise assumed healthier proportions. This in conjunction with a heavy crop movement again strained the operating facilities of the railroads, themselves struggling back to a normal standard of equipment against the handicap of a most insistent need for economy. The situation was again met with all the vigor and enterprise of which the railroads were capable, and in the case of the Canadian Pacific the total grain movement between September 1 and November 30 was approximately 142,800,000 bushels, as against 84,600,000 for the same period in the previous year. There is a reason, says Mr. Beatty, in conclusion, to hope that there will be a continuance of the improved movement of freight noted during the latter half of the year. This is the best possible indication of a gradual return to normal conditions, and should be a vigorous incentive to set afoot such activities as will result in a reduction of transportation costs, and a consequent increase in efficiency in marketing Canadian products.

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About the House

Two Kinds of Honesty.

A certain brother and sister, just promoted from one school to another, found that among their new schoolmates cheating was prevalent. It was apparently a point of pride with the pupils to deceive the teachers as often as possible and to invent new ways to do it. Neither of the newcomers yielded to the fashion, but they resisted it in very different ways.

The girl, who was of a strong and independent nature, detested the habit, felt a sweeping scorn for all who indulged in it and was outspoken in expressing her disdain. With the few who shared her honesty, she held herself aloof from her mates; she toiled with indignant fidelity at her tasks, never complaining, never telling tales, and accepting with a feeling of exaltation rather than of discouragement a rank lower than that which her mental inferiors attained by cheating.

She was regarded as a person apart, who had strict notions, did not mind work, said sharp things and shot contemptuous glances. Her affairs were of no consequence to the rest of the school. She did not care for their opinion nor they for hers.

With her brother it was different. He was an active, companionable and sensitive boy who disliked work as much as he loved play, cared immensely for what the other fellows thought of him, delighted in doing a good turn for anybody, and desired always to be like the persons he was with, and to do as they did.

He thought it mean to cheat, but he could not think meanly of all the pupils who cheated. Some of them were very "good sorts" in most things. Then, too, even if he himself did not cheat, how was he to keep from helping others to, when his best friends would ask him the answers to questions and think him a prig if he didn't tell?

He tried one day to acquaint his sister with his difficulties. She was horrified.

"Why, Tom," she exclaimed. "Do you mean to tell me you'd like to cheat?"

Now, that was exactly what Tom did mean. He would have liked to cheat. He felt the temptation and longed for the comfortable result. Yet he had not cheated. But he stammered and hesitated and felt so ashamed before the bristling virtue with which his sister received his confession that he never finished it. He dropped the subject as soon as he could, and so forfeited the strong and bracing help that he needed. If only the nature that was so nobly honest had been patient and gentle too that sisterly opportunity would not have been thrown away.

The two are still at school. The aggressively honest girl still maintains her honorable oddity, and still wins no one to her side. The boy still refrains with difficulty from doing as the other pupils do; sometimes he helps his friends when it would be better for them if he refused. But his own work is still honest, and some of his mates are coming to do as he does, half from love of honesty and half from love of him. Perhaps, as his moral nature grows with his physical and mental growth, he will be as sturdily and naturally honest as his sister and more sympathetic than she with the weaknesses of others.

It is a fine thing to have a nature superior to common temptations; but when virtue asserts itself so vigorously that it crushes or alienates the feelings of those who are less hardy morally it links itself with a fault. Common honesty and common kindness should go hand in hand.

Some Short Cuts In Sewing.

When gathering, lengthen the machine stitch and make two rows of stitching about three-eighths of an inch apart. Draw up one thread of

each row and you have neat gathers that will not slip out of place.

When putting on a straight facing or binding, let one edge be selvage. This saves much time and basting.

The less particular things may be pinned instead of basted. If you are careful to put the pins in at right angles to the line of stitching, the machine foot will pass over them with no trouble.

A little fancy stitching adds much to the appearance of some otherwise plain looking things. Wind floss on the bobbin of your machine, loosen the subtle tension enough to allow the floss to pass through easily, and lengthen the stitch. Ordinary thread is used for the needle. Stamp the material and work on the wrong side. This stitching has the appearance of couching.—Mrs. H. R. W.

When cutting children's garments from a small amount of goods and piecing is necessary, piece where trimming would look most effective. Cover the seam with a bit of braid or a simple design in embroidery work or a few fancy stitches, as the long and short stitch, or feather stitch. On garments for grown-ups wool yarn or beads can be used in charming effects.

To do punch work by a short-cut method, use a design such as a wild rose or butterfly, baste a piece of strong paper underneath, then a piece of coarse curtain net. Work through all. When finished cut out linen, being very careful not to cut net. Tear out paper, leaving net, which greatly resembles punch work. This can be worked to great advantage in mending thin breaks in lunch cloths and also to cover stains. Work the design over the stain or hole and cut away. Mrs. R. R.

I have a family of seven to sew for, so I have to use all the short-cuts I can. I do very little basting and find I can make the work look just as neat as when I baste it.

I do my patching of every-day clothes on the sewing machine. I put a patch on the knee of a pair of overalls by ripping up the inside leg seam, sewing the patch in place and then resewing the seam.

In making buttonholes in every-day garments, I sew back and forth three or four times, leaving a small space in centre where buttonhole is needed. This is then cut, being careful not to cut the stitching.

In making plain garments I cut out several garments at a time. Then stitch all seams so as to have them ready for pick-up work at odd times.

To prevent ripping in tablecloths, sheets, or towels at the ends, I sew back and forth two or three times in the same place instead of tying the threads.

When hemstitching wears out, I stitch serpentine braid across the worn edge. This makes a neat finish and lasts a long time.

When I get new underwear I stitch two or three times around the buttonholes on the sewing machine. This prevents them from stretching or losing their shape.—Mrs. L. W. F.

I have five children to sew for, the oldest being five years of age. I do my summer sewing in the winter when the men are not working very hard and don't require the hearty meals that take so much time to prepare. I use lots of pins and do very little basting. I do the stitching with No. 40 thread, and instead of French seams lay the edges together and fold over about one-quarter inch and stitch. I find this will hold as long as the cloth will wear.

I make everything I can with the kimona sleeves. When it comes to darning men's cotton work socks, I crochet around the hole with knitting cotton, using single crochet and skipping every other stitch until hole is filled. I use tape to tie children's nightgowns instead of making buttonholes.—Mrs. A. H. S.

I think my greatest short-cut in sewing is the plain slip-over dress with sleeves and body all cut together. I use an old dress for a pattern. Cut out, finish around the neck and opening first. Sew up the two sides and arm seams, hem, finish the sleeves with bias binding, put on the fastening, the dress is ready to wear. I put straps on the side seams and make a sash or a belt. The neck can be opened down the front, back or on both shoulders.

I find that a supply of cotton tape and bias binding of different widths is a great help. I always have a package of safety razor blades that are sharp on only one side, at hand when I want to do ripping.—Mrs. T. C.

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CHAPTER XXXII.

When McNab awakened in the morning, he realized that his sleep had been too heavy for him to know what had happened during the night, and that much might have occurred while he was snoring.

Farrel found him snapping and biting and a trapped dingo. His voice rasped; his inquisitive, suspicious eyes were everywhere. But the Schoolmaster had none of the air of a victorious gamester, and Deirdre's amiability was of a pattern with what he had imagined the night before. He had heard Davey and Conal ride out at dawn with a cracking of whips and yelping of dogs to wake the saints. That seemed to negate the suggestion that they had been out all night. They were going to muster a couple of hundred of Maitland's cattle in some paddocks near Red Creek, he remembered the Schoolmaster had said.

Yet by the cold light of early morning, he had an unaccountable sensation of having been tricked. What with the girl's smiles and Steve's grog he had not been as wide awake as he had intended to be, he knew. Farrel's readiness to consider the school proposition irritated him. It had been a pretext; his only anxiety was not to discuss it any more. He was all fret and fume to get back to the Wirree. Nothing would stay him.

When he was up in his high-seated spring-cart, there was none of the complaisant geniality of the night before about him. He gathered up his reins with a sour smile at the little group assembled on Steve's veranda and drove out of sight at a jolting jog-trot.

"The boys got the mob?" Steve asked anxiously.

The Schoolmaster took off his hat with a sigh.

"Had the time of their lives!" he exclaimed. "It was a big mob—rolling fat."

Deirdre's eyes were still on the track down which McNab had gone to the Wirree.

"I won't say good-bye, Deirdre," he had said, as his eyes rested on her for a moment. "I'll be seen' you again soon."

There had been something in the nature of a promise—or a threat—in his eyes.

"There was no time to fix brands," the Schoolmaster was telling Steve. "Conal's running these with a couple of score of Maitland's store beasts. Drafted out about fifty calves, clear skins and a couple of dozen cows, put them into the Narrow Valley run—wants to do some branding when he gets back. I thought he ought to let them go with the half-dozen scrubbers turned back to the bush, but he wouldn't have it; says he can take them along," branded, with Maitland's next bunch.

"It's a bit risky leavin' them there." Steve's glance wandered in the direction of the valley lying to the westward between the last line of hills that shut the shanty in from the long roll of inland plains.

"It's a bit risky," he repeated. "But Conal knows his business. It'll be all right, I suppose. There's nobody goes Narrow Valley way but Cameron's men, and they're not likely to be going this time of the year—seeing the rains are due. Conal had a look at the fences when he was up a couple of days ago, didn't he? Though fences aren't much good. Seen a wild cow fly like a bird when she wants to. Good thing Conal got away before the rains, Dan. If the rivers were down he'd never've got through."

"Yes," said the Schoolmaster. "It was a case of now or never."

"And, after all," he added gravely, putting his arm out and drawing her to him, "it was Deirdre saved the situation. But I wouldn't have you do what you did again, dear, not for all the cattle in the world, nor all the money in it."

She clung to him.

"And I wouldn't do it," she sobbed breathlessly.

CHAPTER XXXIII.

It was nearly two months before Conal and Davey were back in the Wirree again.

They rode into the township one evening when the sun was sinking behind the purple range of the hills and making a rosy mist of the dust a mob of northern cattle raised.

Dust-grimed and silent, their whips curled on their arms, their dogs lean and limping at heel, they passed McNab's. They might have been any of a dozen cattlemen who were about the sale-yards that day; but McNab recognized them.

It was those cattle of Maitland's that stood between him and his suspicions of the game Conal and the Schoolmaster were on. He thought he knew the part they played in it, but itched for a straw of proof. He hurried to the doorway and stood in it, chewing his underlip, as he watched the road-weary, weedy beasts and their drovers trail out of the town.

Conal saw him.

"Pullin' 'em up and comin' back for a drink in a minute, McNab," he yelled.

He lost no chances of letting Thad think there was nothing to hide in his movements. He returned to the Black Bull a few moments later, and Davey went on to Hegarty's.

Teddy, Steve's black boy, and the dogs, watched the cattle on the edge of the road.

mob going, like one man. There had been headlong gallops after breakers, the thrashing-in of stragglers, the crowding of beasts up steep, slippery hillsides with curses and yelping dogs, the watchfulness that driving a mob of wild cattle short-handed meant; nerves and muscles were stretched to the job in hand.

When a halt was made the first night, the mob was ringed with brushwood fires. The wildest of the scrub-warrigals, broken by the long day's steady trotting, hustled up quietly against Maitland's well-fattened store beasts. Conal and the black boy took the first watch, Davey and Conal the second, and Davey and the black the third.

Ordinarily the fires flaring against the darkness were enough to keep the cattle in a bunch during the night. Sometimes when a fire died down and there was a longer gap in the links between the fires, a restless heifer or steer made a dash for it, and the watcher had to be quick with a burning bough, brandish and whack it about the head of the runaway before the beast with a moaning bellow and roar turned back to the mob again.

It was on the second night out when Conal was sleeping and Davey and Teddy watching, that the black, stupid with sleep, let his fires go down, and a red bull and half a dozen cows broke through the ring. It looked like a stampede. Davey dashed after the first rush of the cattle's movement, leapt after them. Her long, yellow shape flashed like a streak of lightning in the wan light over the plains. She roused level with the leader's sleek shoulder and laid her teeth in his hide, wheeled him, snapping at his nose and dragging him by it, until he turned in toward the mob again.

Davey lashed the cows after the leader. Sally flew round them, a yellow fury, yelping and snapping. Conal, half-asleep, flung on to his horse, and laid about him with his whip, cursing. He and the black boy had all their work cut out to keep the mob steady.

It was a near thing, and Conal used his tongue pretty freely when he talked of it. He had had very little to say to Davey, ordinarily, the memory of that evening in the kitchen at Steve's rankled. It bred a sense of resentment and secret antagonism which he took less pains to hide, from that night. He used his lungs to curse Teddy and the red steer, but did not talk to Davey unless he had something to say about the cattle or the road.

From dawn till sunset they rode silently within a dozen yards of each other.

When they came within easy distance of Kane and the lake settlements they kept the mob moving all night. The Snowy was swollen with recent rains when they came to it, but Conal had set his mind on crossing without delay.

He rushed the mob down the incline to the river, and drove it into the swirling stream. Whip thongs swung together, ripped and raked in the clear air. The struggling, terrified beasts were crowded, with no more than their heads above water, against the strong currents of the stream until, with rattling and clashing horns, they clambered up the bank on the further side.

The last days on the road were taken more easily. The mob went slowly eastward, grazing as it moved, and was in prime condition when Conal handed it over to Maitland in Coburra, on the New South Wales side. Maitland was a big man in the district, head of the well-known firm of stock dealers; no difficulties were made about the turn-over. When Conal had had some talk with him, and Davey and he had loafed about the town for a day or two, they went out again with half a hundred poor beasts from a drought-stricken Western run.

On the road behind the mob, despite their secret resentment, Long Conal and Davey Cameron had come to the dumb understanding of road mates. It did nothing to break the silence between them. Davey yielded Conal an unconscious homage. He did it with grudging humility; but there was no breaking the barrier of Conal's reserve. Notwithstanding his blithe recklessness, his daring and bragging enthusiasm, there was a stern quality, an unplumbed depth in Conal. He endured Davey's company, but there was that in his mind against him which one man does not easily forgive another. As they drew nearer Wirreeford, and the thoughts of each took the same track, the latent animosity vibrated between them again.

Conal lost no time in getting out of the township and taking the road to the hills. Davey, conscious that it was Conal, and not he, who would stand well in the eyes of Deirdre and the Schoolmaster: when the story of the road was told, lingered at Hegarty's.

A brooding bitterness possessed him. He knew that Conal had wanted him until this deal was fixed up, not only because he was short of a man when Pat and Tim Kearney cleared out, but because he was afraid how he, Davey, might use the knowledge he had told the Schoolmaster he possessed about some other of Conal's cattle dealings. As for himself, Davey knew that not only had his independence demanded a job, but something of the spirit of adventure, a recklessness of consequences, had appealed to him in the moonlighting of a couple of hundred scrub cattle.

He wondered what he would do when the Schoolmaster and Conal and Deirdre left the hills. He knew that a share of the money the cattle had brought would be his. He thought that he would go away from the South when he got it, and strike out in some new line of life for himself. (To be continued.)

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LOCAL NEWS

ATHENS AND VICINITY

Notice to Subscribers

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All outstanding accounts for Job Printing done up to August 1st, are due and payable W. H. Morris, Box 220, Athens.

Pure Buckwheat Flour for Pan Cakes. Try it. Athens Grain Warehouse.

Rev. S. F. Newton, will occupy the pulpit of the Westport Methodist Church on Sunday.

NOTICE—No copy for "The Reporter" will be accepted later than Wednesday (noon).

FOR SALE—Cutter and set single harness in A1 condition. Cheap for quick sale—Apply to Wilbert Chapman, Athens.

Special Winter Prices for Cedar Shingles. Good time to buy.—Athens Lumber Yard.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Connerty, announce the marriage of their daughter, Eulalia Theodora, to Mr. Claude H. Maugham, on Wednesday, Jan. 17th, 1923.

NOTICE—This is to certify that I never at any time (verbal or written) received any information from W. Harold Athens against Clint Stewart of Athens—F. B. TABER, License Inspector.

Mr. Walter Percival will hold one of the largest auction sales of high-grade cattle and farm implements ever staged in this section. The sale will be held on his farm, near Plum Hollow, on Wednesday, Jan. 31st, commencing at 10.30 a. m. Noon lunch served to all.

Mr. Frank Blancher, who has filled the position of chief constable in Athens for the past eight years has resigned, being succeeded by Mr. R. C. Latimer. During his term of office, Mr. Blancher proved a valuable officer, and in his declining years has the best wishes of all classes.

The Women's Institute will take on the form of a social evening at their January meeting with the gentlemen as their guests. A debate will be one of the features of the evening, the topic—Resolved: That education is a greater asset to a lady than beauty.

On Tuesday evening, Jan. 9th, the Annual Meeting of the District Lodge, Rear Leeds and Lansdowne of the Loyal Orange Association, was held in the Town Hall, Athens, W. Jacques, District Master, presiding, with L. B. Love, Secretary. Four lodges were represented, viz.:—Athens, Pine Hill, Lyndhurst and Ellisville. Reports were read and received and the following officers elected for the ensuing year and installed in office. P. M.—John Moore, Athens; D. D. M.—Roy Slack, Lyndhurst; D. R. S.—L. B. Love, Lyndhurst; D. Chaplain—Rev. V. O. Boyle, Athens; D. F. Sec'y.—Eber Cowles, Athens; D. Treasurer, C. B. Tallman, Lyndhurst; D. of C.—Chas. Galway, Lyndhurst; Lecturer—Wm. Plunkett, Committeemen—F. B. Whitmore, Johnson Morris, F. W. Hollingworth, Ford Earl and Harry Galway. After the installation ceremony, the Brethren of L. O. L. 321, Athens, entertained the Brethren of the visiting lodges to an oyster supper, which was greatly enjoyed by all.

Mr. W.G. Towriss spent part of last week in Algonquin with his brother, Mr. Benson Towriss.

Ice cutting is in progress at Lake Elويد and the villagers are preparing to get in their summer's supply.

Mrs. E.F. Neff and small son's are now convalescing nicely from their recent illness, which was akin to the old fashioned flu.

Reeve M.B. Holmes is in Toronto this week attending a meeting of the Executive of the Ontario Municipal Association.

Mr. James Robeson, Travelling Agent for Sherlock Manning Co., paid a flying visit to his relatives at Hard Island, en route to New Ontario.

Mrs. B.B. Ostrom and little niece Miss Betty Stevens of Delta spent Thursday of last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F.A. Judson.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Blancher are now nicely domiciled in their newly built home on Isaac St, having taken possession on Tuesday.

Mr. Gerald Scovil, who has been enjoying a pleasant holiday here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F.W. Scovil, returned to his position at Detroit on Thursday.

Mrs. Cynthia Yates, still active and possessing fairly good health, celebrated her 86th birthday on Friday, Jan. 12th, at the home of her son, C.F. Yates, Victoria St.

Owing to the illness of the librarian, Mrs. C.C. Slack, who has been suffering from a severe attack of La Grippe, Mrs. G.W. Beach very kindly looked after the library on Saturday evening.

This week Crawford C. Slack, hung two of his latest paintings in the Bank of Montreal building, the Manager, Mr. W. Thomas very kindly placing at his disposal space for same. The pictures are landscapes, and typical scenes of Charleston Lake.

Mr. E.F. Neff, B. Sc., was called to Hamilton this week on receipt of a message conveying the sad intelligence of the death of his father, C.W. Neff. He is kindly remembered here by many friends, having with his wife spent several weeks in town last year.

On Wednesday evening, Jan. 24th under the auspices of the Public Library, a Public meeting will be held in the Library room, Main St. The officers for the New Year will be appointed and the Annual report will be given by the Librarian. An invitation is extended to one and all to be present.

Rev. W.A. Gifford, M.A. D.D. will preach twice in the Methodist Church next Sunday the 21st inst. Dr. Gifford is Professor of Church History in Wesleyan Theological College, Montreal. A man of outstanding personality, pulpit ability and spirituality. Don't fail to hear him.

CARD OF THANKS

Mr. Garfield Gifford wishes to thank the young men, who helped him to his home after the accident at the skating rink on Wednesday evening. Kindness at such times is always deeply appreciated.

EXAMINATIONS IN MUSIC

The results of the Mid-Winter Piano-forte examinations of the pupils of Mrs. V. O. Boyle, are as follows:

Junior—Mary Brown, (Honours) Preparatory Junior—Pearl Burnham, (Honours)

Primary—Atherine Whaley, (Honours); Gwendolyn Newton, (Honours) Elementary—Honours—Doris Connerty, Enola Scott, Betty Fair, Doris Lyons.

Promoted From Introductory to Elementary—Honours—Gwendolyn Rogers, Keith Rogers, Murray Curtis

Introductory—Honours—Bernard Godkin. Pass—Alice Flood.

Promoted From Preparatory to Introductory—Honours—Olive King, Beatrice Wright.

Results of Seal Contest for Perfect Lessons and Regular Attendance in order of merit from Jan. 1st, 1922, to Jan. 1923.

Primary—Atherine Whaley, Gwendolyn Newton.

Elementary—Enola Scott, Betty Fair, Doris Lyons, and Doris Connerty, (equal)

Junior Elementary—Elva Gifford, Elmo Flood.

Introductory—Rita Taber and Bernard Godkin, (equal) Olive King, Alice Flood, Margery Peat.

The prizes for the contest will be given at the Pupil's Recital, in the Town Hall, Athens, on Friday evening, Feb. 2nd

Mr. J.D. Boddy made a business trip to Brockville on Wednesday last.

Two car loads of coal arrived in town last week consigned to G.W. Beach to meet the many demands. Mr. Beach distributed the fuel in small lots to anxious householders, it being the first that some had received this season, many have been conserving coal by burning wood during the day and coal at night.

Mrs. R.C. Latimer has returned home from London, where she has been spending the past few months with her daughter, Mrs. Roy Coon and little twin sons. It is pleasing news to Mrs. Coon's many Athenian friends to learn there is good hopes that the sight of one of her eyes may be saved and she will not be totally blind as was feared a few weeks ago.

Sunday, Jan. 28th, Methodists will celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the rebuilding of their church. Special preparations are being made for this important occasion, as it is also the 80th year of Methodism's work and effort in Athens. A real Irishman is to be the speaker of the day, Rev. Thomas Scott of Freetown. His manner is pleasing and his messages pungent with truth. We are also to be favored with a great musical treat, as one of the best known Soprano soloists of Montreal is to take part in all the Anniversary scenes. She has been leading soloist for a number of years in some of the largest Presbyterian and Methodist churches in Montreal, and, Miss Evelyn Beaton, will not fail, we feel sure, to please her Athens audiences. The usual Anniversary Supper and Grand Concert will take place on the Monday evening and will be of an exceptional high class throughout.

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Frankville, Jan. 12.—Snow to the depth of 12 inches or more has fallen this week, putting a stop to motor cars. People here are having the first sleighing of the season.

Some of the young people of the Redan district gave an entertainment in Montgomery's hall. The programme was well put on and consisted of music, drills and the play, "Two Country Kids." Owing to the heavy roads the crowd was not as large as expected.

The W.M.S. of the Methodist church is preparing an interesting programme for January 19. A play will be given by the ladies and short talks illustrated by stereopticon views will be given by Rev. F. F. Townsend and other concert numbers.

The hockey boys are trying hard to get their rink in condition for a coat of ice.

James Bourns, of Fort Qu'Appelle, Sask., arrived on Saturday on his annual visit to his brother, Dr. W. H. Bourns, and other relatives. His many friends here were pleased to see him. He has been 40 years in the district where he resides and the past season assisted in his 40th harvest.

DEBATE ARRANGED

An interesting and pleasant time is anticipated at the January meeting of the Women's Institute, which will be held in the Auditorium of the Town Hall on Friday evening, Jan. 26th. It will be a social gathering with the men of the town as guests. The committee in charge have arranged a splendid programme including a debate—"Resolved that education is a greater asset to a lady than beauty." Messrs. L. G. Earl, M. C. Arnold, C. B. Howard and C. C. Slack, will argue the subject.

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