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HAPPY NEW YEAR.

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—RAY MORNINGSTAR.

WITH this issue the Guide-Advocate enters its forty-sixth year and is still going strong.

THERE will be a special meeting of Havelock Lodge on Tuesday evening next.

SOME real bargains in used Ford and Chevrolet cars.—R. MORNINGSTAR, Watford Garage, Oct 11.

REV. ROBERT HADDOW, D.D., Toronto, will preach in the Watford Presbyterian church next Sunday morning.

A Toronto woman discovered after she had walked a block on her way to business that she had not put on her skirt.

A HEAVY rib wool stocking, our 79c special, here they are again, 20 dozen this time.—SWIFT, SONS & CO.

THE GUIDE-ADVOCATE extends greetings and its best wishes to all its readers for prosperity and happiness during 1920.

There will be no shortage of ice next summer. Large quantities are being harvested in some places. The quality is good.

The Junior Progress Club will give an informal dance in the Music Hall on New Year's night. Dancing at 8:30, music by the Kineto orchestra.

We are now carrying a nice assortment of Chevrolet parts, which Chevrolet owners will appreciate.—RAY MORNINGSTAR.

USERS of gasoline and coal oil gave one hundred million dollars to aid education in the U. S. and Canada, but John D. Rockefeller got the credit.

THE Christmas services in Trinity Church on Christmas morning were well attended and the offering, which goes to the rector, was a liberal one.

EVERY newspaper in the U. S. has been instructed by the Post Office Department to reduce its consumption of newsprint paper ten per cent for six months.

SCGAR will sell at 16c a pound in January, 20c in October, and eventually at 25 or 30c, in the opinion of R. V. Keller, editor of "Sugar," published in New York.

TWO BIG TABLES of boys suits, sizes 26 to 32 at special January prices, look these over. Prices range from \$6.00 to \$10.00, this means a saving for you.—SWIFT, SONS & CO.

THE Christmas rush at the Watford post office was the greatest in years. For several days there was a continual stream of people at the wicket either receiving or sending parcels.

At the meeting of the Board of Education Friday evening, Miss Jessie Hume was engaged as teacher on the public school staff to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Miss Waugh.

THE annual meeting of the Watford Fruit Grower's Association will be held in the Fire Hall, Saturday, January 10th, at 2 o'clock. Orders will be taken for spraying material.—J. W. GAULT, Secretary, 11-21.

THE January meeting of Tecumseh Chapter, I. O. O. F. will be held at the home of Mrs. Angus Mitchell on Tuesday January 6th, at 3 o'clock. Quotation.—Each member do something for the good of the order.

ANOTHER newspaper has ceased publication. The Star-Bulletin, the official organ of Sing Sing prison, goes out of business because it is not a single newspaper man in the prison to continue the work.

ASK us to show you "Swift's Special" Overalls and Smocks, they are our big line for 1920 and we guarantee them. We firmly believe there is not a better overall manufactured.—SWIFT, SONS & CO.

COMMENCING with this issue a slight rise per inch will be made in the advertising rates of the Guide-Advocate. This is unavoidable owing to the largely increased cost of production. The new rates will be found on page 4.

Rev. A. C. and Mrs. Tiffin were called to Trowbridge on Christmas Day, owing to the very serious illness of Miss Cosens, Mrs. Tiffin's sister. She is slightly improved, so they were both able to return to town on Monday of this week.

EVANGELIST Rev. H. T. Crossley, who is conducting the campaign in the Lord's Supper follows this service. United service in the evening at the Armory.

THE price of newsprint paper in Canada has been raised to \$80 a ton by order of R. A. Pringle, paper controller. This is for paper in rolls used by the dailies. The price for the paper in sheets used by weekly papers is nearly \$100 a ton. Many papers, in order to continue in business have found it necessary to increase their advertising rates from 25 to 50 per cent.

THIS is acclamation year. Both the Council and Board of Education have been returned without a vote. On the Board of Education Mr. W. E. Fitzgerald takes the place vacated by Mr. C. W. Vall, Mr. Swift and Mr. McLaren being the other members returned. The personnel of the Council is the same as last year.

Battery service station coming! We are installing a storage battery service station and will be able to overhaul any make of battery at the least notice. We will be carrying a stock of new Pres-O-Lite batteries on hand also will have service batteries to rent while your old one is in for recharge or repair. Pres-O-Lite are equipment on seventy-five per cent of cars made in Canada this season.—R. MORNINGSTAR.

WHEN the statesman makes a speech he speaks to crowds, when his address appears in print he communicates with multitudes. The popular minister thunders his sermon to his own congregation, and the press proclaims it to the whole land. The great author reads his laboriously written manuscript in the seclusion of his home, and the type sets it before the civilized world. The creators of an immense industrial or commercial enterprise plan successfully the scope and purpose of their undertaking, but until its merits have been set forth in the press would-be investors remain in ignorance of its existence. And so it is with the merchant. He, too, must depend for success upon publicity, which is always furnished him through the medium of the local paper.

THE Union Special Services under the leadership of Rev. H. T. Crossley and Mr. Leonard, commenced in the Armory last Sunday evening with a very large congregation filling the large building to its capacity and the service was such as to give promise of great success. Mr. Leonard sings sweetly himself and is an efficient leader to both choir and congregation. Rev. Mr. Crossley retains his vigor and preaching power to a wonderful degree. His sermons thus far have been beautiful in spirit and strong in appeal to heart and mind. On Wednesday evening his subject is "Seven Views of God"; on Thursday "The Highway to Heaven"; on Friday "Seven Practical Life Maxims." On Sunday evening next his subject will be "The What? Why? Who? and When? of Conversion." Everybody is invited to all the meetings.

PERSONAL

Dr. R. F. Foster, Detroit, Mich., spent Christmas with his mother here.

Walter Pearce and Wm. Bruce, Detroit, are visiting relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Restorick spent Christmas with their daughter in Sarnia.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Nash spent Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. S. White, London.

Mr. Fred H. Lawrence and son Jack, of Detroit, visited friends in town this week.

Miss Lillian Kelly, Imperial, Sask., is spending winter with Mrs. R. G. Kelly, Front street.

Miss Frances Weiser, of Detroit, spent her Christmas holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Cooke, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. George L. Kingston, Lloydminster, Alberta, are visiting relatives in Watford and vicinity.

Mr. W. D. Lamb returned to Sarnia on Friday, after spending his Christmas vacation at his home here.

Mr. Arthur Maguire, Detroit, spent a couple of days last week with his uncle, Mr. Wm. Lamb.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Cowan, Drumbo, spent Christmas here with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Lovell.

Francis and Alberta Lovell are spending their holidays with their aunt, Mrs. R. C. Cowan, Drumbo.

Mr. E. F. Bodaly, London, spent Christmas at the home of his grandmother, Mrs. J. Bodaly, Front St.

W. L. MacKenzie, Galt, spent the holidays at the home of his sister, Mrs. L. R. Kinnell.

Mrs. A. J. Osborn and Mrs. E. Watson were the guests of Mrs. R. Smith, "Rose Villa," Strathroy, for the holidays.

Julie Osborn, Gladys and Irene Jones spent the holidays with Dorothy and Lella Smith, Strathroy.

Misses Harriet and Florence Cooke, Mrs. E. Colburn and Mr. Clarence Cooke, of Detroit, spent their Christmas holidays at their home here.

Rev. Hugh Cameron, of Morrisburg, is expected to arrive at Watford on Thursday and will visit a number of old friends in Warwick and Watford during the days he will be in the community.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank McNaughton and sons, Ivan and Freddie, of Plympton and Mr. Cecil and Miss Viola McNaughton of Warwick, spent Christmas with their parents Mr. and Mrs. Robt. McNaughton in town.

Mr. Thos. N. Talbot, of London, Ont., attended the funeral of his sister, Mrs. Margaret E. Campbell, of Warwick on Sunday and was the guest of his nephew, Mr. W. E. Fitzgerald, Watford, on Sunday and Monday.

Mr. Alex. Mavity, of Billings, Mont., was the guest of his aunt, Mrs. C. A. Class on Tuesday. Mr. Mavity left Watford with his parents about 17 years ago for Vancouver, and this was his first visit to the old town since that time.

UNVEILING MEMORIAL SHIELD

Trinity Church Sunday School memorial shield will be unveiled on Sunday evening. The shield bears the names of several young men from the Sunday School who made the supreme sacrifice in the late war. Later on it is hoped to place a memorial to the memory of all the men, some 12 in number, who gave their lives for world freedom.

BROOKE

Mr. Stanley Higgins, of Detroit, spent Christmas with his parents here.

Church service will be held in Christ church, Sarnia, on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Mr. William Chittick and son Barney, of Flint, spent Christmas day with Mrs. E. McLellan.

Mr. George M. Willoughby, Toronto, spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Willoughby.

Roy T. Brander has sold to Arthur B. Sison the gore part of lots 1 and 2, Con. 14, Brooke, containing 80 acres.

C. E. Sisson returned to Orillia Monday after spending the Christmas holidays with his parents and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Chalmers and family, of Sarnia, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. George Higgins, of Brooke.

We are now carrying a nice assortment of Chevrolet parts, which Chevrolet owners will appreciate.—RAY MORNINGSTAR.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Chittick, of Detroit, Mich., are spending the Christmas holidays with Mr. Chittick's sister, Mrs. E. McLellan.

Wilfred Costeigne, of Brandon, who is attending Dental College at Toronto, is spending a few days with his uncle, Dillon Costeigne, 12th con.

Mr. and Mrs. Cameron Corstine and daughter Lillian of London, spent Christmas with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Corstine, at Walnut.

On the evening of December 23rd the Ladies Aid of Bethesda Methodist church presented their pastor's wife, Mrs. Fortner, with a quilt, as a token of their esteem for her.

Divine service will be held in St. James' church, Brooke, on Sunday afternoon next at 3 o'clock. Begin the new year right by attending church. All are welcome.

The condition of Mr. Paul Kingston, who was unfortunate in having his leg fractured recently, is as favorable as could be expected, but it is feared he has to look forward to a lengthened period of confinement.

The subject in the Methodist churches, Brooke, next Sunday will be "The Preacher and the Bag, or the Modern Judas." Please note the change in time of services. Salem 11 a.m., Walnut 3 p.m. and Bethesda 7.30 p.m.

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A very large audience attended the Christmas entertainment given in the Bethesda Methodist church on the evening of the 23rd. The capacity of the church was taxed to its limit of standing room. In spite of the great crowd and the discomfort of standing, the best of order prevailed throughout the entire programme, which was of considerable length, but highly entertaining in every part. The proceeds amounted to nearly \$70.

At the last annual meeting of L. O. L. 1029, held Dec. 3rd, the following officers for the coming year were elected: "The W. M.—Bro. Stanley Lucas; D. M.—Bro. Sanford Lucas; Chap.—Bro. Absalom Lucas; Fin. Sec.—David Higgins; Rec. Sec.—Thos. H. Higgins; Treas.—R. J. Lucas; D. of C.—J. Taylor.

Committee—J. T. H. Lucas; 2, Ed. Morris; 3, John Saunders; 4, Arthur Sayer; 5, W. Henderson.

Let us charge your storage battery this winter. We will keep it charged and filled for 50 cents per month.—RAY MORNINGSTAR.

The congregations of the Brooke circuit very graciously and generously remembered their pastor, Rev. S. J. T. Fortner and family, during the Christmas season. Mr. Fortner and each member of the family shared in the generosity of the people. The congregation of the Bethesda appointment presented him with a beautiful leather purse containing sixty-five dollars, also a nicely worded address expressing their appreciation of his services among them and conveying to him their best wishes for his happiness and continued success in the future. The congregation of Walnut made their contribution of many choice gifts. They provided the requested for a choice Christmas dinner, including a sixteen pound turkey. His friends at Salem were not remiss in their expression of goodwill and friendship, manifested in a tangible way in cash and other gifts. The people of the entire circuit are delighted to know that Mr. Fortner is considerably over one hundred dollars richer by the visits of Santa Claus.

WATFORD NOMINATIONS

Large, Harmonious Meeting of Ratepayers Monday Night.

The nomination meeting in the Music Hall on Monday night was well attended and was one of the quietest and shortest in the history of the town. Everything was harmonious and no one seemed to be in the least worried about the management of the affairs of the town and seemed satisfied that the Council of 1919 had done their best. Mr. W. S. Fuller, town clerk, presided, the nomination and also at the after meeting and supplied many explanations that seemed necessary from the remarks of some of the nominees. Following are the names of the ratepayers who were responsible for the nominations:—

RESERVE
Nominated by
R. E. Johnston N. Hawn, R. Stapleford
W. E. Fitzgerald E. E. Fuller, H. Pearce
S. Stapleford W. E. Fitzgerald, H. Pearce

COUNCILLORS
N. Hawn R. O. Spalding, R. E. Johnston
R. H. Stapleford E. E. Fuller, H. Pearce
Wm. Doan R. H. Stapleford, W. J. Coupland
Geo. Harper H. Hollingsworth, L. Kinnell
H. Hollingsworth P. E. Fuller
W. J. Trenchouth W. E. Fitzgerald, P. E. Fuller
S. James N. Hawn, G. N. Howden

BOARD OF EDUCATION
L. R. Kinnell R. H. Stapleford
J. W. McLaren J. McKechee, G. N. Howden
D. Swift G. N. Howden, J. McKechee
W. E. Fitzgerald H. Pearce, S. James
C. W. Vall F. O. McIlveen, J. B. Cowan

At the expiration of the time set apart to receive nominations Mr. Fuller called upon Mr. D. Watt, secretary of the Board of Education to read a statement of school finances which showed the total receipts for public school purposes to be \$4799.87 and the disbursements \$4799.21, leaving a credit balance of sixty-six cents. The High School account showed that \$8110.57 had been received and \$7789.77 expended, leaving a cash balance of \$320.80. Against this credit balance outstanding accounts passed but not yet paid amounted to \$199.26.

Mr. C. W. Vall was then called on. He stated that the cost of the schools was, like everything else, unavoidably increasing. The Board had advertised for a teacher also a janitor and had to pay increased salary in each case. He wished to withdraw his name from the list of nominees.

Mr. E. D. Swift said the report read by the Secretary went into detail. The expenditures had been kept down as much as possible. He referred to the Wire Works and thought every effort should be made to do everything possible for the firm.

Reeve Johnson said that at previous nomination Mr. Fitzgerald stated that the 1918 council had a balance on hand of \$2000, while the auditor's report showed only \$693.78, out of this there was an amount of \$523 for coal purchased in 1918 and other accounts to pay, which when deducted left a balance of only \$57.41 instead of two thousand. At the present time all accounts were provided for and there was a balance on hand of \$1756.04, and uncollected taxes \$413.25, making a balance to start the year 1920 of \$2169.29 and no accounts due until Jan. 31st. The Council had to pay higher prices for all work done and the schools had cost more but he considered they should be kept as up-to-date as possible.

Mr. Geo. Harper and Mr. Wm Doan were called on but were not present.

Mr. H. Hollingsworth thought the Reeve had said all that was necessary.

Mr. R. H. Stapleford said his duties, and also his expenses had been light. He reviewed the matters leading up to the Waterworks bylaw. The Wireworks asked the council to furnish additional buildings, but as fire protection was badly needed by the residents the proposal to furnish this protection was satisfactory to the Wireworks people and would also provide the protection needed by the business men and others, so the bylaw was submitted and carried by a good majority. The speaker told what had been done in the matter of making tests for water and although some of the tests had provided nothing but dry holes, the tests on the fair grounds were successful and it was very probable that seven or eight first-class wells with a capacity of fifty gallons a minute would be the result of the test on the fair grounds.

Mr. W. E. Fitzgerald argued the matter of balances left by council and thought it much less than claimed by Mr. Johnston. The village rate for 1919 was three-tenths less than in 1918 but there had been much more work done the previous year. He was in favor of having the Waterworks proceeded with but thought estimates should be secured from other engineers before going on with the work. He spoke of the benefit that the town and vicinity would derive from a canning factory. He referred to the poor sidewalks on certain streets and claimed the councillors in office at the time these were laid down passed the accounts over his protest, and consequently he had to sign the order. He spoke in favor of retaining a Board of Education as he thought that system better than having the schools run by separate boards. He was not anxious to oppose Mr. Johnston if he wished to stand for another year.

Mr. Sandford Stapleford was called upon but was not present.

Mr. N. Hawn was in favor of the old council being returned by acclamation,

but if there was going to be a fight he would be in it.

Wm. Doan, W. J. Trenchouth and Geo. Harper were not present, and S. James withdrew his name.

R. H. Stapleford explained the agreement with the Soldiers' Aid re signetings for returned Watford men. The Council was entitled to pay for these and would be relieved from further grants.

The chairman stated that \$983.04 had been received last week as rebate from the Hydro Commission making a total to date of \$1275.16.

WATFORD ACCLAMATIONS

Reeve—R. E. Johnston
Council—W. Doan, Geo. Harper, H. Hollingsworth, R. H. Stapleford.
Board of Education—E. D. Swift, J. W. McLaren, W. E. Fitzgerald.

Warwick Nominations

Reeve—W. E. Parker.
Deputy-reeve—Adam Higgins.
Councillors—Henry Williamson, Malcolm Campbell, B. Mums.
All re-elected by acclamation.

Levise Nominations

Reeve—L. Lindsay.
Deputy-reeve—Albert Sutton, Clarence Atkens.
Councillors—Arthur Loosmore, Douglas Campbell, A. Zavitz, John Zavitz, D. L. Fisher.

Bosquet Nominations

Candidate FOR REEVE Nominated by
Robt. Tidball—W. J. French, W. G. Nutt,
R. D. Thompson—J. Fleming, C. Campbell,
N. Sitter—Geo. Smith, Frank Wight.

COUNCILLORS

Jno. Menhenick—W. J. French, W. G. Nutt
W. M. McDonald—A. Jamieson, N. Sitter
Engl. Russell—J. Vivan, J. E. Campbell
Jno. Vivan—W. E. Brand, Orley Walden
Orley Walden—A. Jamieson, S. McBryan
R. D. Thompson—W. G. Nutt, Geo. Smith
D. K. Stewart—J. A. Campbell, R. Lighthow
Robt. Lighthow—G. Jamieson, W. J. French

CHOP STUFF

The two Tillsonburg papers have amalgamated.

A Chatham young man and his wife were indulging in a friendly argument which resulted in playful blows. One of the wife's blows fell on a delicate part of her husband's neck, and it is reported that careful surgical treatment will be required to prevent paralysis.

Mr. McAllister, of Dawn, suffered a very severe accident recently while he had a number of teams on a building, which was being moved. He was caught between the building and a large tank and one leg was broken and the other smashed to a jelly. Dr. Kelly was called and seeing the man's condition relieved him as far as possible of his sufferings but had him removed at once to Chatham hospital and accompanied the unfortunate sufferer. Mr. McAllister is a man near 63 years of age and is in a most serious condition.

The death occurred at the family residence, in Sarnia, on Friday, Dec. 12, of Ellen Brock, beloved wife of James Tyler. The deceased was the daughter of the late George and Isabella Brock, of Adelaide Township. About three months ago she met with an unfortunate accident fracturing her right leg above the knee, and being 80 years of age, the shock was too great for her, and she grew gradually weaker, passing peacefully away Friday afternoon.

A Tilbury Public school girl's prank caused a heap of excitement in police and ministerial circles in that town quite recently, and since the facts have become public property there is a heap of suppressed laughter in consequence. A grandmother found in her granddaughter's school books, a note from a man, much her superior in age, proposing marriage to the girl. After the aid of the grandmother's clergyman and also the chief of police had been enlisted, and the force of both the church and law set in motion to prevent a marriage, the proposal (?) was found out to be the handiwork of two fellow school girls of the granddaughter, who had written the note in school, and put it in her book, where it was discovered by the grandmother, who at once got busy to stop the tragedy.

A citizen of Kitchener was motoring to Mitchell on Wednesday evening last and on reaching Seabach's Hill, six miles east of town, his car became stalled in a snow drift. He asked for assistance from a neighboring farm. The farmer hitched up a team and pulled the car out as easily as though he were hauling a milk wagon. The rather timid car owner fearing a reputation before reaching Mitchell, engaged the farmer to drive ahead of him to town, but the car travelled all the way under its own power. When asked his charges, the farmer replied that they would be \$25.00, and refused to accept \$10.00, \$15.00 or even \$30.00. He took the \$25.00, stuck it down in his jeans and returned home rejoicing. The return trip was almost twelve miles and thus the charge was a little over \$1.00 per mile. We have heard of people being held up and this is little short of the real thing. Is there no remedy for such an occurrence?—Mitchell Advocate.

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 Capt. Thos. L. Swift
 Sergt.-Major L. G. Newell
 Pte. Alfred Woodward
 Pte. Percy Mitchell
 Pte. R. Whalton
 Pte. Thos. Lamb
 Lieut. J. Ward
 Pte. Sid Brown
 Pte. Gordon Patterson
 Pte. F. Wakelin, D. C. M.
 Pte. T. Weikm
 Pte. G. M. Fountain
 Pte. H. Holmes
 Pte. C. Stillwell
 Pte. Macklin Hagie
 Sergt. Clayton O. Fuller
 Gunner Russell Howard Trenouth
 Pte. Nichol McLachlan
 Corp. Clarence L. Gibson
 Signaller Roy E. Acton
 Bandsman A. I. Small
 Capt. Ernest W. Lawrence
 Lieut. Leonard Crene
 Pte. John Richard Williamson
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 Lieut. Gerald I. Taylor
 Pte. Charles Lawrence
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 Pte. Alfred Bullough.



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LACROSSE COMING BACK

Only Native Game on Continent Belongs to Canada.

There is just one game native to this continent, so far as known, and that is lacrosse. It was the game of the original American, the redskin. Baseball is an improvement of rounders; hockey is also an adaptation, but lacrosse belongs as clearly to Canada as golf to Scotland. It long antedated both baseball and hockey, insofar as the Western Hemisphere is concerned, for men not yet old can remember when there was neither baseball or hockey. It had its heyday, and its decline; and there is reason to believe that it is about to enjoy another period of popularity. Thirty years or so ago it shared with water pastimes the chief interests of the sport-loving public, and in Toronto every visitor was pointed out the old Jarvis street grounds and later the old Rosedale grounds on Sherbourne street, where so many lacrosse battles were staged, and where some of the experts whose names for a generation have been household words with lacrosse lovers staged their athletic battles and won their undying reputations. Those were the days when the greatest possible rivalry existed between Toronto and Montreal, and when the victors returning from either city would be met at their train in the morning and taken through the rejoicing city as though they were public deliverers.

Time passed, and with the growth of baseball, the scarcity of suitable playing fields, and the steadily mounting expense of a lacrosse player's outfit, the game fell into a decline. It may be that rough playing had something to do with it, and also the development of a parasitical sort of lacrosse politics which often decided matches in the committee-room instead of upon the playing fields. Professional lacrosse was openly established, after having been quietly in existence for years, and had its gorgeous blooming. In the years immediately before the war it practically expired for lack of public interest and patronage. While the war was on lacrosse generally was at a standstill. The amateur players made a noble response to the call of service, and many of them paid the full price of their lives. Every Canadian should now be glad to see that the old game promises to make a great "come-back," and that it is showing signs of popularity that have been absent for a decade. Thousands gather to see amateur games decided in which many of the players are boys entitled to wear the service button. Interest increases, and if through lack of practice the quality is not what was expected in the days when men made a living by their skill as lacrosse players, the old sportsmanship is there, and the old local rivalry which was for many years one of the very props of Canada's national game. The old sport ought to be given every possible encouragement. In one sense it is a boy's game; in a broader sense it is a real man's game. Men who played it as boys are the better for it. They were better soldiers; they ought to be better citizens. Lacrosse is in truth a part of the life of Canada, and has a claim upon the patriots of this country that no other game can ever have.—J. V. McAree in the Mail and Empire.

First Soldier to Repay Loan.
 John Lee, of Langley, B.C., one of the 23,047 returned soldiers to make application for land from the Soldiers' Settlement Board, is the first Canadian soldier to repay his loan. Lee purchased 150 acres in April of this year upon which the Government advanced him a loan of \$2,500. On the farm were 120 acres heavy timber and from this section of the farm he made sufficient money in a few months to pay back the Government loan. In addition to this, he has enough capital to go ahead with his general farm work.

Of the 23,047 applications for qualified certificates to take up land under the Government Settlement conditions, 17,271 have been approved. Reports reaching the Settlement Board indicate that returned men are making good farmers, irrespective of the fact that they were not farmers before going overseas. Great care is taken by the Government to thoroughly investigate before applications for land are approved and before a loan is made. In every case where a soldier asks for an advance for farming purposes, this investigation is made. Not until the Settlement Board is satisfied that the land sought is suitable or that the soldier making application will be able to make a success of his undertaking will any advance be made.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM TIME TABLE

Trains leave Watford Station as follows:
 GOING WEST
 Accommodation, 75 7:45 a.m.
 Chicago Express, 13 12:34 p.m.
 Accommodation, 6:44 p.m.
 GOING EAST
 Accommodation, 80 7:35 a.m.
 New York Express, 6 11:15 a.m.
 Accommodation, 112 4:20 p.m.
 C. Van Aken, Watford

Trappist Monks Leaving.

It has become known here that the famous Trappist Monastery at Tracadie, Antigonish County, is about being closed and Father Dominique, the Superior, and the other six members of the order there are to leave for France, via New York, says the Halifax Chronicle. The French consul, Mr. Garbours, has just returned from Tracadie, whither he has been on business in connection with passports for the Trappists. The monastery has been established at Tracadie for many years and the staff are all sorry to leave Nova Scotia, but it has to be as it is upon orders from the Superior in France, who summons them back because of need of them there due to losses of members of the order in the war. The fine farm property at Tracadie has been purchased by a Montreal concern and all the stock and equipment are being disposed of. The members of the order who died at the Tracadie monastery since its institution there were all natives of France, and in accordance with the traditions of the order, a representative thereof will come later to arrange for the disinterment of the remains of these deceased Trappists and removal to France for reinterment there.

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The Prince of Wales will know Canada thoroughly as a result of his tour, but many Canadians regret that his many official duties will keep him from becoming acquainted with many scenes that are characteristic of the country. It is a pity that he has not been given memories of the thrills of lumbering, of our picturesque maple sugar making in the spring-time, and our toboggan slides. Canada also has three national games, lacrosse, hockey and Canadian rugby, which made many soldiers for the war. If the prince only had more time and less formal ceremonies to face, he might get to know some if not all of these.

Niagara Falls Icebound.

Niagara Falls has been icebound three times. The famous cataract was icebound and the American Falls were bare of water for several days in February, 1909. This phenomenon has occurred only twice before, in March, 1848, and again in March, 1903.

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ENRICHING THE SOIL

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(Contributed by Ontario Department of Agriculture, Toronto.)

THE use of artificial fertilizers in this country is bound to increase. These materials are, however, expensive and those intending to make use of them should make an effort to inform themselves regarding the conditions under which they will give the best results. Too many people are using fertilizers without fully realizing that they carry plant food and that the real object in applying them is to supply needed available food for the plant.

To intelligently make use of these materials there are three points to be considered. First the needs of the soil, second, the needs of the plant, and, third, the nature of the materials to be applied.

It should always be kept in mind that the soil carries immense amounts of plant food, but that only a small quantity of this is rendered available during the growing season. The acids formed by the decay of the organic matter in the soil is the chief natural agency operating to bring the big store of mineral matter into a form that may be taken up by the plant. The organic matter is also the source of nitrogen to the plant, and it increases the water holding capacity of the soil as well as improves its physical condition. Consequently every effort ought to be made to maintain or increase the amount of decaying organic matter. Otherwise the crop will be grown largely from the added fertilizers and not from the plant food of the soil. It is for this reason that it is sometimes stated that if you commence to use fertilizers you must continue their use.

However, no matter how much we try to render available the immense stores of food in the soil, we cannot bring it about fast enough to supply the needs, especially of heavy feeding crops, such as the maize, turnips and garden crops. Hence the need of manures. Stable manure cannot always be got in sufficient quantities to fulfill requirements, nor does it always furnish the needed plant food in the right proportions to develop the plant properly. To supplement the manure is the place of fertilizers.

Stable manure is essentially a nitrogenous fertilizer. Hence if used in large quantities it will force big leaf and stem growth and retard maturity. Consequently, a plentiful supply of stable manure would help the growth of lettuce, spinach, mangold, etc.; but it would not be so satisfactory for tomatoes, sugar beets, or other crops that must be brought to maturity. What these plants need is some stable manure and some mineral fertilizer to force early maturity. On the other hand, plants like lettuce, spinach, etc., are grown for their leaf and stem and maturity is not a necessary point, hence a soluble form of nitrogenous fertilizers may even be added after heavy applications of manure with good results.

The manufacturer of mixed fertilizers seeks to prepare special mixtures that will be suitable for different crops, but the farmer or gardener should strive to inform himself regarding his soil and crop needs that he may be able to select the form of fertilizer that will bring about the growth desired, and he should study the fertilizer materials available that he may buy intelligently and economically.—R. Harcourt, O. A. College, Guelph.

General Farm Hints.

Put a plant or two of rhubarb in the cellar which should be kept at a temperature of 60 to 70 degrees in sand, which is kept moist and in the dark so that it will produce stems and no leaves. Do some reading on gardening work for this year, but more especially think over the failures of the last.

If the roads are in good shape, get your manure out and spread. A dressing of 8 to 10 loads per acre will keep the orchard in condition. If buying in the larger cities, order early as the car situation is serious enough to delay shipments.

Light pruning of apple orchards, taking out the small wood with the long-handled pruners, may be carried out during bright weather. Grape trimming may also be looked after when the weather is suitable.

Before feeding or selling any grain crops make good provision for your own seed supply.

Finish cutting out of black knot of cherry and plum.

Inspect and oil windmill before winter.

If weather is fine and warm may continue to spray peach trees and give first application to trees badly infested with San Jose scale.

On rough days during this and suc-

ceeding months it is well to go over all packages, barrels, boxes, etc., mending broken carriers, handling baskets.

Be sure pumps are in good condition.

It is not too early to consider the question of getting help for the big crop which will have to be raised in 1920.

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Did you ever think of the relation of the farmer's bank account to the tool shed? Machinery depreciates faster in the weather than it does in use. The time saved by having a rust-free implement will soon pay for the shed.

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Class III Jr.—Honors—Doreen Millar, Gordon Kelly, Pass—Olive Lovell, Donald Prentiss, Edith Styles, Earl Shaw, Alex. Rapson, Edwin Macnally, Melvin Routley, Alice Pearce.

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Class IV—Honors—Jennie Frangley, Pass—Rimer Kersey, Mary Pearce, Keith Aviesworth.

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School Reports

Report of S. S. No. 13, Brooke, for December, 1919.

Class IV Sr.—Sadie Fisher, John Lucas, Class IV Jr.—Edna Griffith, Isobel Williams, James Burns.

Class III—Kathleen Burns, Margaret Lucas.

Class II—Mary Lucas, John Griffith, Clarence Johnston.

Sr. Primer—Gerald Swan, Jr. Primer—Mildred Taylor.

Report of S. S. No. 12, Warwick, Names in order of merit. Percentage given.

Class IV Sr.—Melvin Williamson 82, Class IV—Archie Cameron 79, Fred O'Neil 78, Gilbert Kersey 71, Amelia Pyke 68, Lorenzo McLean 65, Nelson McLean 60.

Class III Sr.—Oscar Westgate 67, Class III Jr.—Wilson Westgate 58, Harold Westgate 56.

Class II—Robert Pyke 59, Class I—Philip Kersey 80.

Primer—Margaret Burchill, Clayton Morgan, Allen Westgate Kermit McLean.

G. CALLAGHAN, Teacher.

Report of S. S. No. 17, Warwick, Percentage given.

Class I—Marie Laird 81, Jean McKenzie 74.

Class II—Kenneth Laird 61, Wilfred Dolan 52.

Class III—Beatrice Walsh 60.

M. MARWICK, Teacher.

Report of S. S. No. 5, Warwick, for the months of November and December.

Class IV Sr.—Ila Richardson, Mary Hall, Frank Hall, Christena Hall, Class III Sr.—Aleatha Richardson, Bert Hall, Harold Campbell, Brock Thompson, Gilbert Hall.

Class III Jr.—Lloyd Orr.

Class II Sr.—Mac Hall.

Class II Jr.—Margaret Hall, Fred Orr.

Primer—Harold Orr.

Class A—Nellie Patrick, Arthur Patrick, MABEL E. MUMA, Teacher.

Report of S. S. No. 17, Brooke, for the month of December. Names in order of merit.

Class IV—Lena Healey, Benlah Saunders, Muriel Parker, Verlie Williamson (absent).

Class III Jr.—Fred Kidd, Ada Coristine, John Rundle.

Class II—Raymond Kidd, Goldie Lucas, Hsie Coristine.

Primer—Norma Kidd, Victor Kidd, Mary Shirley, Garnet Rundle, GERTRUDE LUCAS, Teacher.

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Medical Inspection in the Schools

As medical inspection of the public schools is now being widely discussed a word of explanation may not be out of place.

It has been found that a large percentage of school failures are due to minor ailments or defects that could be easily remedied if taken in time. In order to help in this matter the Department of Education provides a nurse and doctor to visit each school where their services are asked for and give each child a careful examination. If anything is discovered to be wrong it is reported to the parents, who are asked to be present when the examination is being made. They can then decide what they should do. If minor operations are required the doctor and the nurse are prepared to perform them at the request of the parents, but there is no compulsion in the matter.

The attitude of the department is merely to assist in the work of having all school children meet on terms of equality as far as health is concerned. There is no compulsion and there is no expense to the school section inspected. The only expense involved is that of taking the doctor and nurse from school to school and that is attended to by the Women's Institute.

KERWOOD

Mrs. Chalmers, of Toronto, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. T. F. Mills.

Miss Annie Richardson, of Hamilton, spent the holidays with her parents here.

Mrs. Henry Richardson and son Cameron have returned to British Columbia after visiting friends here.

Mrs. Fred Wright is visiting her sister in Montreal.

Dr. and Mrs. Brown spent the holidays in Peterboro.

Mr. R. A. Brunt, of Windsor, was a holiday visitor.

Misses Hattie and Ethelwyn Rogers, of Toronto, and Josephine, of Guelph, were home for the holidays.

ARKONA

Has anybody seen Ruggles?

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Fale, of Toronto, were the Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Dickison, the latter's parents.

Earl J. King, of Brandon College, Man., is spending his Christmas vacation with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. C. W. King.

Andrew A. Barnes of McMaster University, Toronto, is spending his holiday with the home folks.

A large and appreciative audience attended the annual Christmas entertainment in the Methodist church.

Reserve seats for the annual New Year's night entertainment in the Baptist church. Plan at Crawford's store.

Beginning January 12th, the Baptist church will hold a week of special Board Movement services, assisted by visiting pastors.

Miss Annie Hobbs returned from Alberta to the parental home last week, also Miss Alma Hobbs from London Normal.

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—R. MORNINGSTAR.

THE FOLLOWING IS THE REPORT OF THE DECEMBER EXAMINATIONS OF THE JUNIOR ROOM, ARKONA.

Class II—(Geography, composition, writing, arithmetic), total 300. Beita Johnson 280, Gertie Utter 251, Willie Woolvett 248, Marguerite Utter 247, Marvin Eastman 247, Olive White 236, Winifred Marsh 234, Willie Farber 233, Charlie Martin 230, Gertie Faulds 227, Beulah Meadows 223, Lois Walker 199, Eveline Johnson 198, Ellwood Johnson 163, Jack Thoman 120.

Class I—Total 360. Robert Austin 340, Ivan Richter 322, Fern Utter 318, Stanley Holmes 311, Frederic Walker 251, Marjory Eastman 250, Vivian Utter 208, Gordon Wilson 206, Fred Meadows 198, Lawrence Richter 168.

Sr. Pr.—Total 260. Mildred Brown 258, Ida Richter 258, Ray Hume 226, Lawrence Johnson 222, Nelson Martin 216, Mary Hostetter 213, Evelyn Holmes 209, Kenneth Clark 207, Stella Wilson 204, Gordon Morningstar 200, Florence Wilson 192, Victor Woolvett 187, George Ott 182, Harry Faulds 171.

Jr. Pr.—Total 200—Gordon Stoner 182, Wilfred McKenzie 182, Roy Martin 173, Hubert Augustine 175, Leonard Clark 172, Delos Utter 170, Leonard Eastman 165, Mac Ott 160, Geo. Faulds 150, Hazel Wilson 144.

W. M. BROWN, Teacher.

DEATH OF MRS. MARGARET E. CAMPBELL

After suffering for several years from general weakness and old age Mrs. Margaret E. Campbell late of Warwick Township, on Friday, December 26th., passed to the other life. At the time of her death and for eleven years previous therein she resided with her granddaughter Mrs. Albert Hawkins in Warwick Township. Mrs. Campbell was the widow of Edward Campbell formerly of Bosanquet Township where she resided for many years, and afterwards with Mr. Campbell moved into Theford and resided there for five years before his death. After Mr. Campbell's death in Theford Mrs. Campbell resided for a time in Sarnia and Wyoming and then moved to Warwick where she lived with Mrs. Hawkins, as stated. Mrs. Campbell was over eighty four years of age. She is survived by her only daughter and child, Mrs. Mary Ann Saunders, widow, of Pincher Creek, Alberta, the mother of Mrs. Hawkins. Mrs. Campbell's other grandchildren are Mrs. Frank McKay of Calgary, James Saunders, Pincher Creek, Alberta; Harry Saunders in Washington, U. S. A.; Lorne Saunders of Winnipeg and Arthur Saunders of Calgary, and twelve great grandchildren also survive her. Mrs. Campbell was the daughter of William R. Talbot of London Township and is a sister of Thomas N. Talbot of London Township, Frederick V. Talbot in the North West, John H. Talbot of California and Mrs. Eliza Towe residing in U. S. A. The funeral was held on Sunday, December 28th, at the residence of Albert Hawkins and after a short service at the house the remains were taken to the Church of England, in Warwick Village, where an appropriate service was conducted by the rector, Rev. W. M. Shore, and interment took place in the cemetery there. The pall bearers were Nathaniel Herbert, Robert McKenzie, Peter Ferguson, Duncan McIntyre, John Wilkinson and Thos. Hawkins.

I. O. F.

At the last regular meeting of Court Watford, Independent Order of Foresters, held on Wednesday evening of last week the following officers were elected for the year 1920 viz:

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Orator—Rev. T. D. Rayner
Organist—Orlo Jacklin
S. W.—Roy Hollingsworth
J. W.—C. W. Vail
S. B.—Manfred Thompson
J. B.—John McKecher

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W. H. Tanton and H. E. Mibell of Strathroy have presented the town of Strathroy with the old Albion Hotel property as a site for the Memorial Library.

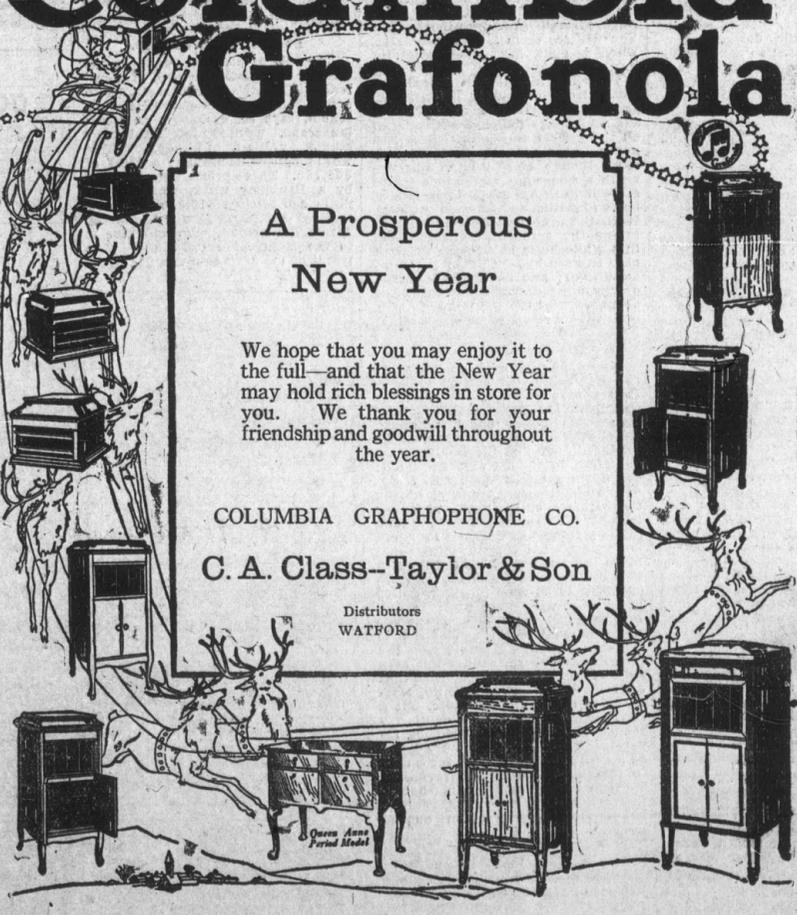
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Joys of Berry-Picking

FROM some points of view, it would be fair to divide the people of Canada into two great classes, those who like to "go berrying," and those who don't. There are, of course, plenty of people who enjoy eating berries after somebody else has gone after them, and many take a definite pleasure in having berry-patches of their own, as an adjunct of some neat little garden. Strawberry-growing by ordinary city or suburban householders, for example, has increased tremendously within the last few years, partly because the price at which strawberries are sold by the dealers has increased from the "three boxes a quarter" of the pre-war halcyon days to the 30 to 50 cents a box of post-war prosperity, and partly because of the popular discovery that success with a backyard strawberry patch is not much of a trick, after all, if one is willing to give the plants more attention than one's time, with regularity. By your true enthusiast in berrying is the one who likes to pick berries, who, when somebody proposes "going berrying," will exclaim, "Yes, come on!" in the very face of opportunity to "go after the mail," to "go automobile riding," to "lie still and read," or to do any one of the countless other things that average humankind is supposed to do "up country."

Yet there are different species of the genus berry-picker. Anybody who has ever been berrying knows that all. Recall that one of peripatetic disposition, for example, who, large of stature, is apt, by some curious laws of contrasts, to seize upon the smallest basket or tin pail as equipment, who is always finding "a better place" over his shoulder or a better "they're pretty thick" over there, who apparently never stays long enough anywhere to gather the berries that offer, but is all over the pasture and back again, perhaps without achieving any more than to fill his basket or small tin pail. Contrasting, indeed, is that other familiar one who goes at the picking as at a profession or a trade, who, swiftly and shrewdly, yet unobtrusively, selecting the favorable location, strips the bushes without a sign of remorse, to move hardily at all, yet who fills pail after pail or basket after basket, and who, very likely, "picks clean" to a degree that is positively provoking to one of livelier but less productive effort. Then there are berry-pickers who are always finding wild flowers about which they must call to their neighbors, with ever-new discovery and announcement of an ever-old beauty of form or color; there are berry-pickers who have an undiscoverable knack of keeping spick and span, though they go into the pasture in the middle of the afternoon, and find the way to the berry-filled basket the shortest and most familiar line of action; yet it ought to be said that these pickers are chiefly of the juvenile order, and can usually be detected readily by certain undeniable stains about the lips and teeth. If not, indeed, more or less over the whole physiognomy.

Nobody knows, rightly, just why people like to "go berrying." There must be something else than profit in it, for perfectly good berry-pickers have been known to come back from the pasture with heaping quart pails, to say to some other picker, or to some neighbor, "Here, you can have mine. I haven't any special use for 'em," or "Can't you use these? I like just to pick." And certainly it is not merely a matter of being out of doors; there are places a-plenty in the open that are vastly more alluring, in themselves, than the middle of a side-hill pasture on a summer forenoon.

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Poke Bonnets for Girls. Poke-shaped hats continue in high favor for little girls. They are especially becoming to the childish face, and moreover they present an interesting surface for trimming of flowers and ribbons.

DEALERS IN REPTILES.

Strange Business Has Its List of Stock Quotations. Jobbers' prices for reptiles, for example, Los Angeles, quote rattlesnakes at 10 cents a pound (more than some feature); Gila monsters, \$10 a dozen, and lizards, \$3 a hundred. Like almost anything else, the reptile market suffered because of the war, but now that it is ended, Mr. Weinberg says, the demand is on the increase.

He and as many small boys as care to engage in the hunt search the hills and valleys of Southern California for the harmless "things that crawl with legs," but he goes alone into the desert for rattlers and Gila monsters. He keeps his stock in his backyard, where his wife handles the reptiles and helps in their care as fearlessly as does her husband. A dangerous business? No, according to Mr. Weinberg. "No more dangerous than driving an automobile," he declared. "Of course, you must be careful in handling the poisonous ones. But most of the reptiles people fear are not dangerous at all."

He reached into a glass box, thrust his hand under some dry leaves and brought out a large lizard, squirming and trying to bite. He held its head to his lips. It closed its ugly mouth there. "Perfectly friendly and harmless," said Mr. Weinberg. "See how it kisses me."

A long rattlesnake, which had been sounding a warning, struck but stopped against the glass side of another box. "He's a little nervous," said the reptile market man. "He hasn't been handled for some time."

He opened the box, tossed a handkerchief over the snake's head and quickly clasped the creature behind where its ears would have been had it had ears. "He's a pretty good rattler," said Mr. Weinberg. "Worth \$2, anyway." Talking of the reptile demand, he said: "It's like everything else—there is more demand for imported serpents than for home products. In Europe they want American snakes. In America they want European reptiles."

Begging a Fine Art. The well-fed German out here (in Syria) used to call the Turkish soldier an "artiste de faim." The poor Syrian is a genius at it. Begging is the most flourishing trade in Syria, and the only one at which the craftsman gets a proper apprenticeship. In the case of the real starvers you will find child actors who would win a fortune in London. They lie in an attitude of death in a woman's lap, their well-rounded limbs carefully covered with verminous rags. You will see them ten minutes later, when mamma has gone home for lunch, playing touch.

The Spanish Novelist. There has been some discussion as to the name of Vicente Blasco-Ibanez, says Outlook. The Cumulative Book Index, for instance, catalogues his books under "Blasco," with not even a cross-reference under "Ibanez." We find the following explanation in the current Bookman: "In Spain a man's name still clings to the old Roman custom of having the surname or family name in the middle. Therefore this author's father's name was Blasco. But there is an additional custom which complicates the matter, and the two are supposed to be used together. Thus Blasco-Ibanez — not just Ibanez. Furthermore, there is still another social distinction which rules that if any one calls a man by his mother's maiden name—e.g., calling this man only 'Ibanez'—the implication is that his father and mother were not married. It is a curious custom, but a fact." Speaking of Ibanez, or Blasco-Ibanez, or Blasco Ibanez, a book reviewing journal is said to have printed a pseudo-advertisement for a man to take a temporary job reviewing Ibanez's books—evidently a shot at the rapidity with which this author's books have been brought out in English.

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Speedy Travellers. A statement was made recently to the effect that in the near future there will be airplanes capable of travelling eight hundred miles an hour, a possibility that makes the idea of crossing the Atlantic seem almost insignificant. And if this prophecy is fulfilled we may look forward to a race among airmen to be first to circle the earth in a day.

To fly around the globe in a day over the latitude of London would require a speed of less than seven hundred miles an hour, while over the equator the speed would have to be about one thousand and fifty miles per hour. An interesting point in such a one-day world-circling flight would be that if the airman flew from east to west and started at noon, he would travel in daylight with the sun at the meridian from start to finish.—Tit-Bits.

Picture Brings \$39,000. The sale of pictures owned by the late Sir George Drummond, of Montreal, at Christy's brought extraordinary prices for works of the Barbizon school, says an exchange. A Corot landscape, painted for Daubigny's studio, realized \$34,000. Three works by Corot brought a total of \$65,750. These prices were eclipsed by a Daubigny work, which thirty years ago fetched \$19,000, and now realized \$39,000. It was bought by Airdie Drummond, who will give it to the Montreal Art Gallery. The result of the day's sale was \$340,000.

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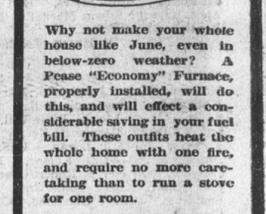
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where it is level enough for dragging chains to be attached. Then they drag the logs down to the nearest floating creek, often six or seven miles away. An elephant can handle from fifty to seventy logs per season, which lasts from about the first of June till the end of February. Then it becomes too hot for them to work, and they go into rest camps until the next rains. The elephants do their best work in floating streams, working the timber with the current, releasing logs from jams and rolling the stranded logs back into the water. The elephant drivers have a special "elephant" language which the animals understand—a special elephant vocabulary with such terms as "Push sideways," "Roll," "Pull out," "Stop," "Lift your chains." It is very interesting and exciting to watch the elephants at work in high water. They are magnificent swimmers. When they swim from bank to bank, herding the logs that require their special attention, you see nothing of them, except the tips of their trunks through which they breathe, and the mahouts, or drivers, who are generally in water up to their waists. If a big stack of jam breaks suddenly where elephants are working they know the danger of being overtaken. They trumpet and clear off to either bank or swim down stream as fast as they can go. I once saw an elephant working at the head of a jam slip off a rock and get swept under the stack. We all believed that he was a goner, but every now and then we were surprised to see his trunk come up through the logs, suck in a long breath and disappear. The trunk would re-appear each time further down stream. He finally emerged at the foot of the jam, very much blown, but otherwise none the worse for his accident. But he would not go near a pile of timber in high water for a year afterwards. This particular work is called "hunding."

Queer Superstitions.

Some curious conclusions have been reached as the result of what are called the "preferred numbers" of the inhabitants of different countries, says an exchange. The basis of the investigations had to do with the various denominations of money, postage stamps and other mediums of value.

It appears that nearly all races evince a marked preference for the numbers two, three and five and their multiples. The Mohammedans, however, avoid the use of the number three. Among the French and other Latin peoples two and five are more popular than three, while the English prefer two and three and the Germans three and five.

The Chinese are said to resemble the Latins in their choice while the peoples of India have a strong liking for two. The number seven is most used in the Slavic countries. The higher numbers are not much used except in Spanish speaking countries, as eleven in Salvador, seventeen in Mexico, nineteen in Spain. The people of Hawaii are said to be fond of thirteen.

The Office Code.

"What's your push-button code?"
"One ring—my stenographer breaks off conversation with the handsome bookkeeper."
"Yes?"
"Two rings—she pats her hair into place."
"Go on."
"Three rings—she finds her notebook. When I get thoroughly mad, she arrives."

BIRD'S-EYE MAPLE.

Buds That Never Mature Give the Grain Curd.

What makes the bird's-eye maple? That is the question which is often asked when a beautiful piece of furniture made of this wood is displayed. There have been a number of theories, but the real reason is simple.

The favorite theory has been that sap suckers, by pecking holes through the bark of young maples, make scars which produce the bird's-eye figure in the wood during the successive years. Bird-pecked hickory is often cited as an analogous case, yet who ever saw bird's-eye figures in hickory, though the bark may have been perforated like a colander by the bills of energetic sap suckers? The effect of bird's-eye in maple; the wood is discolored and unsightly. Some attribute it to the action of frost, but no such connection between cause and effect has been shown to exist.

The explanation of the phenomenon is simple, and a person with a good magnifying glass can work it out for himself. The bird's-eye figure is produced by casual or abnormal buds which have their origin under the bark of the trunk. The first buds of that kind may develop when the tree is quite small. They are rarely able to force their way through the bark and become branches, but they may live many years just under the bark, growing in length as the trunk increases in size, but seldom appearing on the outside of the bark. If one such bud dies, another will likely rise near it and continue the irritation which produces the fantastic growth known as bird's-eye.

It is said the Japanese produce artificial bird's-eye growth in certain trees by inserting buds beneath the bark.

Y.M.C.A.

A new and interesting picture of Y.M.C.A. work in the war finds its way into print in the story of a private in the Tzecho-Slovak army, which was part of the Russian forces, and later fought against the Bolsheviks. To these Tzecho-Slovak soldiers, the writer says the Y.M.C.A. workers were known as "our uncles from America," and they "lived with us like our own boys and kept us jolly in the most difficult times." The particular "uncle" who was with the private's company had traveled in Bohemia before the war, and put his observation to good use in making Bohemian sausage and smoked meat until "the whole army wanted uncle's sausages." Throughout this Tzecho-Slovak army the "uncles from America" earned the gratitude of the institution that had sent them overseas, and every one of them, says the grateful private, has been kept on the roll of the regiment that he "uncled."

China and the Y.M.C.A.

That the "Y" hut of war-time days in France is a good thing which should be preserved and copied in China is the decision arrived at a conference of some 69 Chinese Y.M.C.A. secretaries who were appointed to work among the hundreds of thousands of Chinese coolies employed as laborers in France. It was the first time that any of them had come in contact with the work of the association and they have been impressed by the work accomplished that they have decided to carry on the work of the association, which now reaches chiefly the higher classes, among the coolies and others. China was well represented at the conference. Delegates came from widely separated parts of the republic, such as Manchuria, Shanling, Kiangson, Chi-Li, Hupeh and many other places.

Noted Chinese Engineer.

Jeme Tien-yu, better known among Chinese as Chan Tien-yu, died recently at Hankow. He was the builder of the Peking-Kalgan railway, the only purely Chinese railway, and has held many important posts in connection with China's railways and the ministry of communications. In building the Kalgan road he made a record for efficiency and success in doing good work at small cost not yet equaled by a foreign engineer in China in any large undertaking. He was American-trained.—Far Eastern Bureau Bulletin.

Welcome Troops With Song.

In Frankford, Pa., the war community service has organized singing groups to welcome home the boys and to have the groups participate in the great peace celebration which is scheduled for May. The groups will be divided into adult community units, female industrial units and children's units, and will be so distributed about the town that the total number of voices will number about 10,000.

ems So.

"You frequently see a doctor at the head of a South American republic."
"They are evidently experts at feeling the pulse."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

EORN

In Plympton, on Monday, Dec. 22nd, 1919, to Mr. and Mrs. George Kilmer, a daughter.
In Plympton, town line, on Nov. 14th, to Mr. and Mrs. Wilber Steadman, a son.
In Bosanquet, on Dec. 15th, to Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Monger, a daughter.
In Bosanquet, on Dec. 15th, to Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Campbell, 8th con., a daughter.
In Watford, on Tuesday, Dec. 23rd, 1919, to Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Williams, a daughter.—Elsie Edith.

MARRIED

In Hamilton, on Wednesday, Dec. 17, 1919, by Rev. Dr. Dougal, Lois A. MacKenzie to Carlton S. Yerkes of Petrolia.

DIED

In Forest, on Thursday, Dec. 18th, Wm. Scott Sr., in his 86th year.
In London Township, on Sunday, Dec. 21st, 1919, Mr. John Brock, formerly of Wyoming, in his 72nd year.
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In Petrolia, on Sunday, Dec. 21, 1919, Wm. Balls, in his 82nd year.
In Warwick, on Friday, Dec. 26, 1919, Margaret E. Campbell, aged 84 years, 3 mos., 26 days.

Stanley V. Clark, son of John Clark, of Ravenswood, and Pearl E. Frayne, daughter of Mr. Eli Frayne, of Kinnaird, were quietly married in Theford on Dec. 10th, by the Rev. C. J. Moorhouse, of the Methodist church.

Sernia and Winnipeg, Man., were in direct communication on Wednesday, when a message was received from that city by the Goodison Thresher Company over the long distance wire. This probably is the first time that direct communication has been made in that city at such a distance, which is approximately 1400 miles. Every word of the conversation was distinctly heard.

PIGMIES.

All of Them Appear to Have Same Racial Traits.

Pigmies, apparently of a single racial stock, are scattered over many parts of the world, and nobody can give a plausible guess as to how their distribution was accomplished. Wherever found they seem to be the earliest people—veritable aborigines—and all of them are much alike physically, though different somewhat in complexion. They are suspected to be more ancient than any other race now surviving on the globe.

To this race belong the so-called "monkey men" of the mountainous interior of India. Likewise the pot-bellied natives of the Andaman islands, in the Bengal Gulf, who are said to "look like babies all their lives." These latter wear their hair in frizzly tufts and adorn themselves with necklaces made from the bones and teeth of defunct relatives.

In Madagascar are the Behosy, black dwarfs, who when pursued jump from tree to tree like monkeys. They are so timid that sometimes they die of fright when captured.

In Ceylon are found the Veddahs, of whom not more than 2,000 are now left alive. Few of them are able to count up to three. They are of the same pigmy race, and unquestionably they were very anciently a numerous people, inhabiting that island when visited by the earliest of prehistoric explorers.

The bones of pigmy people are plentifully found on the island of Formosa, where doubtless the last of them were wiped out by the Malays some centuries ago. Formosa is really a northern member of that great archipelago which we call the Philippines, though separated from the latter politically. Hence it is not surprising to find dwarfs of the same race to-day inhabiting Luzon and Mindanso, where they are called Aetas.

The Elephants of Siam.

The elephants are our chief standby in Siam and without them teak could not be worked, as it grows in such inaccessible places that no hauling machine could be brought near the trees, says Abby Beatrice Praeger, in Asia Magazine. Elephants can climb like cats. It is marvellous to see them pick their way up and down steep slopes, but sometimes they lose their foothold. One of our elephants fell down a steep river bank last year, hit her head against a rock and broke her neck. The work of the elephants consists in climbing up to the fallen trees and pushing or