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## Chronicles of Ginger Farm

Written Specially for the Acton Free Press by Geraldine P. Clark

Who says we don't get old-fashioned winters anymore? If by that we mean cold, then last week was old-fashioned enough for most of us. And much colder here than in Toronto. Friday night when it was four above in Toronto, it was 14 below right here. However, it wasn't so hard to heat the house as it had been the week before with the wind blowing. But in the coal-bin ever looking sick—and we thought we had more than enough coal to last out the winter. Away goes another fifty dollars. But we still count our blessings... we are not snowed in and there hasn't been one morning that the car has refused to start. Nor have we had any plants or plumbing frozen. The hens objected to the cold weather but the cows didn't mind it at all. One morning when it was twelve below, Partner thought he hadn't better turn the cows out at all. So he carried water to them in the stable. Some of them sniffed at the water and bawled to be let out. Next morning it was up to zero so out they went. When I went out for the mail the cows were all around the water trough. When I came back they were racing around in the front of the field. A little gate which Partner had forgotten to close was their invitation to freedom. That was something new for Partner—forgetting to close a gate. Anyway, I went down to the barn to tell him what was happening and forgot to tell him they had a chance to wander too far away. But chasing cows over snow-covered fields wasn't exactly our idea of winter sport.

Another problem last week was socks—oversocks. A few weeks ago I brought home heavy nylon socks for Partner, guaranteed to last without darning for ninety days. Wonderful! I was just thinking of putting away my darning things for the winter when Partner said, "I can't wear these socks—they absorb moisture at all. They must surely be hard on the feet." So I brought home more socks—one pair plain knit, the other in a double check pattern. The check socks had no give to them at all and were hard to get on and off; the others looked as if they would be in holes inside of a week. "Look," I said to Partner, "I'll soon knit you a pair, if you will wear them—but you have always said you couldn't stand hand-knitted socks."

Partner has the kind of feet that could make a chiropodist rich. However, he evidently thought I was offering him the lesser of two evils in the way of socks so I was given permission to go ahead. What I did was to knit new feet—with double heels—on to old legs. In that way I had a pair of socks ready the next day. Since then—no complaints.

Socks done. I started knitting a little suit for Dave. The panties are made in two pieces, shaped at the back. A few minutes ago I found I had made them so the

seams didn't match. That always helps. Maybe it is because I read as I knit, or perhaps it was the result of knitting at midnight. Not that I wanted to but one night the wind got around to the south and the kitchen fire simply would not draw. I couldn't leave it because of the danger of coal gas and I couldn't let it go out because it was still ten below. So I sat up and coaxed the fire along until it was safe to leave it. The furnace was burning all right but it doesn't heat the back part of the house. Yesterday Bob and Joy came up to see how we had put in the week. They brought some friends along with them with two little boys—two and three, and a half. The boys had never been on a farm before and to them the cows were reindeer and the calves baby reindeer. Shades of Christmas. They wanted to catch some of the hens and could not understand why they would not stand still to be petted.

The mother came from Vancouver and had never set foot on a farm either. Her husband has lived between Acton and Erin so he knew something about the country. Funny thing, to live in a farming country and know nothing about farming.

Whereas we who live on a farm sometimes know too much—if you know what I mean. Joy took her friends all over the house. Such exclamations... "So many rooms—and the size of them." I nodded. "Yes, that's what I say too," I answered, but with rather a different meaning.

Of course, I would hate to be cooped up in small rooms—but fewer rooms, that's something else again. A small house these days isn't like a small house twenty years ago. With a basement eight feet high under the whole house, one can do with fewer rooms. Storage space in the basement and plenty of cupboard room upstairs. What more could anyone want.

I wonder... cleaning up my desk this morning, I came across this hastily scribbled bit of wisdom—but I don't know where the quotation comes from. Here it is. "Many of us might come closer to having what we want if we knew what we wanted. So very often we soon tire of what we thought we wanted." And who can deny the truth of that statement?

## Bible Still Best Seller in World

Year in, year out, the Holy Bible continues to outsell all other books and is today in greater demand than ever before, according to the Reader's Digest. More than 15 million Bibles, Testaments and Gospels were distributed last year to people all over the world.

To date, one or more books of the Bible have been translated into 1,077 different tongues, and 90 per cent of the world's people now have some portions of the Scriptures in their native language. Some 700 languages into which the Bible has been translated did not exist in written form until they were reduced into writing by translators, an achievement which the Digest article calls "without parallel in the creation of written languages."

The British and Foreign Bible Society, founded in 1804, had as one of its first projects the publication of the Gospel of St. John in Mohawk for Indians in the colony of Upper Canada. Just 150 years ago, 2,000 copies of the translation were shipped to the Six Nations near Brantford, Ont. The Canadian branch of the Society now distributes the Bible in 70 languages, including a score of Indian and Eskimo dialects.

During the last war over a quarter of a million Bibles were given to Russian prisoners in Germany. No Bibles enter Russia officially these days, says the Reader's Digest.

A bore is a fellow who opens his mouth and puts his feet in it.

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## More Law-Abiding in Canada than U.S.

Serious crime is increasing sharply in the United States, up eight per cent, already over the same period a year ago. Daily averages for 1964 to date has been: murders 35, assaults 252, rapes 48, cars stolen 608, robberies 197.

Experts disagree on the reason for this trend. It is contrary to normal and it is described by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) as "alarming".

Here as in some other characteristics, comments the Financial Post, the Canadian scene differs from the U.S. Although comparable statistics are not yet available in Canada, the general trend of crime has been down steadily since the end of the war and when figures are compiled for the current year, it is believed that there will still be no significant change.

## Younger Voters Get Citizenship Course

New Glasgow, N.S. (CP) — The Nova Scotia Federation of Home and School Associations has completed an experimental course in citizenship here which may be more widely adopted throughout the province.

The course was co-sponsored by the adult education division of the provincial education department and St. Francis Xavier University at Antigonish.

The first students were young men and women representing scattered parts of Pictou county. Their course was taught at weekly gatherings over a six weeks' period and revolved around such topics as the responsibility of the voter, the structure of the Canadian government and various local issues, chiefly economic.

There have been recommendations that similar courses be made available to younger voters in Nova Scotia. The federal citizenship and immigration department has shown interest in the plan and may encourage a broader application of it.

Ottawa collects about \$30 million a week through indirect taxes.

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## Tip on Touring

By Carol Lane

### Women's Travel Authority

Your luggage will last from five to ten years longer if you give it the care it deserves. When you get home from a trip, clean your bags with a damp cloth and mild soap lather. Buff them dry with a dry, soft-nap cloth and apply a light coating of saddle soap. This protects the leather.

Never oil the locks because the oil may stain the lining or leather. In storing your luggage, make sure to avoid any place of extreme temperatures or of dampness. Heat will absorb the natural oils of leather, and dampness encourages mould, mildew and warping.

And never put your bags away partly opened. They may lose their shape or the hinges may be knocked out of line.

If you have nice luggage—it's worth the time and trouble to take good care of it.

### GOOD START

Morrisburg, Ont. (CP) — A Morrisburg rink skipped by M. Ball scored the first eight-ender of the new curling season in the district. Ball's rink was behind 10-2 in a Christmas bonspiel going into the last end, winning a tie in a match with a rink skipped by W. MacKuckie.

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