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GOOD TIMES RETURNING.

Facts continue to multiply daily in support of the feeling of optimism indulged in by Canadian captains of industry relative to the prospects for an immediate return to the buoyant trade conditions of a year ago.

There need be no fear of such a result, however. Crop prospects in the West were never better than at present, and many millions realized out of grain will in a few months be put into circulation and will revivify every branch of the country's trade.

It is estimated that the Western Provinces have five and a half million acres in wheat this year, upwards of half a million more than in 1907.

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THE CHURCHES—AND SOCIALISM.

To the thoughtful mind there is food for deep reflection in the question, "How do the churches stand with regard to Socialism?" So far there has been a dodging of issues, an ignoring of facts, but this cannot long continue.

It has been charged that Socialism is antagonistic to law and order, and should not be encouraged. We may say the same of misery and want, which breed Socialism.

The churches may help if they act wisely and promptly. There must be less long-faced piety and more practical Christianity; there must be earnest condemnation of the trust-maker and stock-jobber and more consideration and thought for his victim.

absence of men from public worship—having little to be thankful for save life itself, they refuse to be hypocrites and feign a content that is impossible under the circumstances.

It would seem that at least one church is manifesting a deep interest in the outcome of the Socialist movement now to the fore in many countries, including Canada.

In a recent issue The Woodstock Sentinel-Review printed the following thoughtful article on this subject: Of all the subjects discussed and services held the one on Socialism appears to have given rise to the widest comment.

We must all admit that we have not yet attained the time when conditions are incapable of improvement. As long as that is the case any Church, true to its mission and its ideals, must sympathize with efforts at improvement.

It is curious because from certain points of view the Church itself is a Socialistic organization. It all depends, of course, upon the meaning which is given to the word.

It would really surprise many people if they were brought suddenly face to face with the changes even of the last quarter of a century.

GREEN CHEESE.

It is noticeable that the cheese market has been gradually rising during the season of 1908, and the factories have been selling close to the hoops.

With the facilities for curing and cold storage that factories now enjoy, it seems strange that producers or their salesmen will continue to ship curd or green cheese and this too in the face of the repeated warnings of our Dairy Commissioners.

wait, and when this wait might result in a profit of 10 or 15 per cent. to the producers, surely the time is not lost.

PUBLIC SCHOOL MANNERS.

As a wedding party were leaving an East End church in Toronto, says The Catholic Register, a number of boys, who had just taken their departure from a public school, made the bride's party a target.

The matter being brought to the attention of the principal of the school, he philosophically remarked that he had not a high opinion of the reverence in the mind of the average boy for such events as weddings.

The crops are beginning to look fairly well, but the rain that is coming now should have come before the grain had headed out.

PEARY OFF FOR THE NORTH POLE AGAIN.

Commander Peary has overcome enough of his financial difficulties to make a start on his dash for the pole.

Peary wanted \$50,000 to provide for the voyage, and managed to raise something more than \$40,000.

It seems like a negligible point in equipping such an expedition, but the failure to supply books shows that the pinch of poverty has been felt keenly.

Even the usual ocean voyage is dull enough without something to read, and such trips bring with them a multitude of recreations.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

It is claimed by the Kansas City Star that some of the women out there are wearing shredded wheat on their hats.

A Chicago woman attorney has just received a fee of \$30,000, but that is no reason why housework should be disusted with women.

Is an increase of post office savings an indication of good times? Or an indication that some people have decided that their money is safer with the government than the stock brokers?

A distinguished Russian gentleman, with a long and unpronounceable name, will try to navigate Niagara's whirlpool and rapids in a new gangled boat.

Mail and Empire: Government ownership of railways in France is almost complete, the government having decided to take over the Western.

Peterboro Examiner: The Globe thinks that three deaths in a day from contact with wires carrying electric current, should impress the warning against touching and approaching any wire, and prints a serious article on the subject, under the heading, "Keep away from the wires."

POWLES' CORNER.

POWLES' CORNER, July 8.—A telephone meeting will be held in the school house next Tuesday evening, July 14th, at 7.30, for the purpose of erecting a telephone line in this community.

The garden party which was held at Mr. O. Glaspell's on Thursday evening last was a poor success on account of the rain as usual.

Mrs. E. Kendall has arrived home from Edmonton, Alta., and seems to have enjoyed the trip fine.

Miss Eva Gillis spent a few days in Oakwood last week.

Misses Jennie and Ada Gillis, accompanied by their friend Mr. Randolph McFarland, of Verulam, spent Sunday at Mr. J. B. Powles.

Miss Ethel Wilson spent Sunday at home.

Miss B. Suggitt spent a few days last week with her aunt, Mrs. Alfred Slade, near Sturgeon Point.

Quite a number from Baddow attended the Baptist church services at Fenelon on Sunday, as several young converts were being baptised.

Mr. Geo. Fielder is busy at present building a new house.

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Repairs to Bobcaygeon Locks Being Carried Out by a Diver

STR. MANITA AGAIN ON ROUTE AFTER HAVING NEW RUDDER HUNG—MANY TOURISTS ENJOYING GOOD TIME IN THE VILLAGE.

(Correspondence to Free Press.) BOBCAYGEON, July 7.—On Saturday afternoon the Trent Valley Navigation Company's steamer Manita, which plies between Bobcaygeon, Chemung and Burleigh Falls, broke her rudder just as she was entering the Lovesick Locks on the return trip.

Hay cutting has commenced in this neighborhood. Mr. Chas. Dickson has moved into his new house on Need-st. Mr. Jas. Butterfield's dwelling on the next lot is nearly ready for occupancy.

Lockmaster Walker is having the lock office and the fence around his pretty flower garden painted.

Ed he will take up an agency for the Sylvester Mfg Co.

—Mr. Wm. Fielding, Minden, is a visitor in town today. —Miss M. Ballingham, Fenelon Falls, is in town today.

—Miss Kate Drury, Victoria Road, is visiting friends in town. —Miss E. E. Maybee, Cameron, spent a few hours in town today.

—Mr. N. Ainsley and wife, of Toronto, are visiting friends in town. —Miss T. Smith, of Coppercliff, is spending the holidays with friends in town.

—Miss Greta Elgin left this morning on a visit to friends in Rochester and Toronto.

—Mr. Alex. Hope, of Queen's College, Kingston, is in town on a few days' vacation.

—Mr. W. Scott, Toronto, who is summing at Fenelon Falls, spent a few hours in town today.

—Mr. Palmer Eyles and friends arrived home this morning, after spending Sunday at the Point.

—Mr. Watson, of the Bank of Montreal, and Mr. Reg. Rennie, spent Sunday at Sturgeon Point.

—Mrs. Buchner, Toronto, is spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. Bloomfield, Colborne-st.

—Mr. Galbraith, Dominion Bank, Seaford, and Mr. Hope, British West Indies, are visiting Mr. E. Gregory.

—Mrs. Alfred Buck and Miss Hilda Buck, of Toronto, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Gage.

—Mr. Mahon, of the Bank of Commerce, Crediton, and Mr. Owens, Dominion Bank, London, spent Sunday with Mr. Sadler at Ball Point.

—Mr. Wm. Hall, Superintendent of gasoline engine department, Sylvester Mfg. Co., and assistant, Mr. Patrick Callahan, left this morning for Winnipeg.

—Miss Nellie Nevison, daughter of former Chief of Police Nevison, who has been visiting friends in town for a few weeks, returned to her home in Ionia, Mich., this morning.

—Mr. T. Owens, late of the Dominion Bank, and Mr. E. D. Mann, late of the Bank of Commerce here, but now located in the West, are spending the holidays in Lindsay.

—Mr. Montzambert, manager of the Bank of Montreal, Peterboro, and family, who had been spending a few weeks at the Point, leave this evening for a month's vacation at the Lake of Bays, Muskoka.

—Mr. W. M. O'Beirne, proprietor and editor of the Stratford Beacon, arrived in town Saturday evening and spent Sunday and to-day at the Point, the guest of Mr. C. D. Barr, with whom he was associated when the latter was proprietor and editor of The Post in the days when that paper was a tower of strength to the Liberals of the county.

—Mr. F. Gldman, of Peterboro, is in town on business.

—Mr. V. Dwyer left for Cobourg and Rochester this morning.

Mr. O. Hamilton came up this morning from Sturgeon Point.

—Mr. A. Kennedy and wife left

this morning for Shoal Lake, Manitoba. —Mr. D. J. Hurtle and wife, of Minden, are guests at the Simpson house.

—Mr. R. Leggett and wife returned from Sturgeon Point this morning.

—Miss N. McLean, of Mariposa, was in town for a few hours this morning.

—Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Kerr, of Peterboro, are registered at the Benson house.

—Mr. Primeau and grandchildren left on a few days' vacation at Quebec yesterday.

—Master Bruce McCarty left this morning for Wilberforce on a few weeks' vacation.

—Mrs. Ernie Edwards and children left yesterday to visit relatives at Manilla and Cannington.

—Mr. Will Begley, of the London Life Ins. Co., Hamilton, is visiting under the parental roof.

—Ven. Archdeacon Casey, Rector of St. Mary's, is away at present. He left yesterday for Caledonia Springs.

—Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Bryson and son Herbert, of New York, are the guests of relatives in town.

—Miss L. Nugent, student at the Business College here, has gone to her home in Midland for the holidays.

—Miss Annie Begley, principal of a separate school at Kinross, is spending her holidays with her parents in town.

—Miss Evelyn Maude Fowler, of New York City, is at home visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Fowler, Victoria-ave.

—Mrs. W. Dundas and Mrs. Hook, in left this morning for Millford Bay, Muskoka Lakes, where they will spend the summer.

HALIBURTON (Correspondence to Free Press.) HALIBURTON, July 7.—As a usual course in nature, the intense heat of Monday was followed on Tuesday by a severe electrical storm, accompanied by a heavy rainfall which was indeed welcomed.

The annual strawberry festival held by the Presbyterian church in the grove on the church grounds was all that could be desired.

The evening was extraordinary. The grove possessed lighting by Chinese lanterns, lamps, etc., and the refreshments both good and plentiful.

The chief attraction during the evening was the whistling solos by Miss Miriam Mark, which was accompanied by Miss Webster on the organ.

Solos by Mr. Fred Robinson, Lindsay, Rev. Austin, Miss Webster, Minden, and instrumental duets by Mr. Wilson, of Donald, and J. H. Robertson, were heartily received, as well as several other selections.

The approximate net proceeds were thirty dollars.

Mr. Em-erson Austin is making a tour of the northern lakes with a party of tourists.

Several other tourists are boarding or camping along the lake shore. There is a golden opportunity available now for an enterprising man to build and operate a summer hotel somewhere on this chain of waters.

If such were the case, an accommodation of this kind would be taken advantage of by an overflowing stream of tourists which would increase year by year.

Fishing is also a profitable sport. Miss MacKenzie, of Sutcliffe's millinery department, Lindsay, is visiting her parents here at the Grand Central hotel.

CAMERON. (Correspondence to Free Press.) CAMERON, July 7.—Haying has commenced in some parts of this community.

Our teacher, Miss Ella Campbell, has gone home to Hartley to spend her holidays.

Miss Ethel Maybee, of this place, has gone to Welland to spend a couple of weeks visiting friends.

Master Percy Mulhern, of town, is spending a few days at the home of Mr. Henry Eyles.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cook, of London, are visiting friends around Cameron.

Mrs. Telford, of Peterboro, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Byron West-away.

Mr. and Mrs. A. McLean and family are visiting at Little Britain this week.

Elder Thompson is holding meetings in the L. D. S. church. He is an excellent speaker, and has delivered some very impressive sermons.

A big crowd assembled at Ball Point on July 1st to enjoy a day's outing.

The Victors and Y.M.C.A. teams played ball and the former succeeded in carrying away the \$10 prize money, and everybody reports a good day.

On Thursday last a garden party, in behalf of the Ladies' Missionary Society of Cameron, was held at the home of Mr. Oliver Glaspell.

Some speakers from Lindsay were present to address the assembly in the afternoon. Tea was served at six o'clock, and despite the showery evening a very good crowd was present.

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JANETVILLE July brought in Mr. Wilbert minion Express his mother, Mr. and Mrs. were the guests lately. Mr. and Mrs. were guests of Mrs. Mrs. Mack, Mrs. Merr visited friends Mrs. Wm. Su the holiday with The Presbyte a great success that could be joyed it and good time next Mr. Bert. Ey loading a car of this season's Mr. and Mrs. of their daughter Mr. and Mrs. turned home, with friends in A very intere at the prayer d dress and pres to Miss Biggar, teaching in this Miss Biggar has by all who kne and community much. She goe everyone's best. The address is Dear Miss Bigg You have be us, and one fo four years and Epworth League think of Epwor the same time close, pleasant our associations We are deep ly the years spent shown us, by ex cept, the advan and kindness. been such a to tian influence of touch with you,

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YOUR HEART'S DESIRE. Keep straight ahead girls, develop the best in you; awaken your whole mental capacities, and you shall find conditions changing for the better, says a cheery writer. Avoid despondent moods. Refuse to take a dark outlook on the future. Paint a mental picture of your life as you desire it to be. Make yourself worthy of the best by the best thoughts and aspirations and ideals, and you shall have your heart's de-