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The High Cost of Foodstuffs

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Another phase of the situation is the demand for foods that in the days of our mothers were almost unknown, at least so far as city folks went. For instance, fresh eggs at a time of year when the hens are not laying. In the old days we went without fresh eggs for at least six months in the year. In the early autumn, when eggs were cheap, the careful housewife of the old days put away her winter eggs. She packed them away in salt or some other preservative, and these were the eggs furnished the household throughout the winter months. However, not by the wildest flight of the imagination could they be pronounced fresh, but they did for pastry and that sort of thing, and that was all that was expected until the warmer months came and madam hen got on to the job again. Now, however, this is all changed. We demand fresh eggs twelve months in the year, and as the hens do not produce them we are up against the problem of cold storage, which keeps eggs, laid in the autumn, reasonably fresh for some months. Really fresh eggs in quantities demanded is, of course, all flappoodle. It is well kept cold storage eggs that we mean when we talk of eggs in December at forty cents per dozen. It is, therefore, a question of what a legitimate profit would be for these eggs so far as the cold storage man is concerned. He buys them in the early autumn, handles them, sorts them (eliminating a lot that the farmer has sold him as "fresh"), packs them and turns on his machinery. To these charges he must add interest on plant, taxes and the innumerable items of expense that are incurred in a cold storage plant. It is, therefore, a nice question as to how much these cold storage eggs are worth when sent to the grocer in the following winter. All things being equal they are worth just what he can get for them, for there is no monopoly in the cold storage business. It has no trade secrets and no exclusive patents. One man has as much right to send his buyers out among the farmers and gather in the product of the hen as another, and one may be sure that the retailer of eggs is not going to purchase his product in the dearest market. So, after all, the whole question appears to adjust itself as a matter of supply and demand. If we must have "fresh" eggs, we must pay for them.

And so it is through all lines of household expense. If we must have luxuries we must pay for them. If we will persist in keeping delivery wagons busy over trivial purchases we must be prepared to pay the bills incurred. If we will shop over the telephone in place of seeing what we buy and taking the purchase home under our arm, we must be prepared to receive the minimum service and pay the maximum price.

ANOTHER VERSION.

Milk is eight cents a quart now while the usual winter price was six cents, but that is due to the most unusual shortage of fodder in Muskoka this year. Cream also is high, but most of you can remember the time when you depended on your own cow for milk and cream, how, as the cow "shrank" to a "stripper," you got only a little for the tea, and maybe went without any for a time until she "came in." Apples are very dear, especially in small lots, six to eight pounds for 25c., but your grand pa didn't buy apples in that way. He got in his supply in the fall, and perhaps had a "paring-bee" and got a lot ready to dry. When the apples were peeled and quartered and strung they were hung up near the fire-place where the air and the heat (sometimes the flies helped) cured them, and you or your daddy or mammy ate dried-apple pie the most of the year. Living costs you more now because you will not eat dried-apple pie. Perhaps the pie wasn't so nice

but the paring-bee made up for it. Having played "drop-the-handkerchief" at paring-bees in almost every house within five miles of Lake Scugog, I know what I'm talking about. Those were the days of cheap living, and gay times and big families. Did I ever tell you of the boy getting lost at a paring-bee? As the evening wore on and the children got choked full of apples they gradually straggled off to bed, and soon the grown-ups were alone. When the guests had departed daddy and mammy went round to see that all the children were snug, and there seemed to be one missing. They went round the beds and bunks several times, naming over the boys and girls: Mary Jane and Maggie and Lizzie and Martha and Sarah Ann and the twins and Bobby and Johnnie and Charlie and Jimmie and the other twins were all there, but the count seemed one short. After a while they gave it up, and Mammy started to red-up for the morning. In gathering up the basketfuls of peeling for the pigs she found Billie fast asleep under the pile. "Daddy," she called, "here's Billie. I knew there was another." Alas! dried apples and large families vanished together, though I cannot see the connection. As the Minister of Finance would say "they just synchroplised." But as dogs do not eat apples it is probably just as cheap for a modern family to eat them per pound as for the poorer old families to eat them dried. When your father was a school-boy he hoed the potatoes on Saturdays and picked enough berries in the holidays to make jam to last until berries came again. Our school boys go scouting or camping or boating in the holidays, while we buy peaches and pears and cherries and pineapples to do up or put down. Our fathers raised onions and cucumbers and cauliflowers and tomatoes and made their own catsup and pickles, while we buy Cross & Blackwell's or Heinz's at 35c a bottle, because we and our children like the flavour. Our parents ate tomatoes in the fall, strawberries in early summer, raspberries later on, when they were ready in our gardens, we want them in February or at Easter at the latest, and pay more for a pound of little withered things than a bushel used to cost. By the time they are in at home our appetites are sated. Buying out of season is one of the chief causes of the high cost of living. It would all be remedied if we could only look upon it with Paddy's philosophy: "All is equal; the rich man has his ice in summer and I have mine in winter." The same thing is true of clothing. Some kinds of clothing are dearer and some cheaper than they used to be, but the main cause of high cost of clothing is the kind of clothes we wear. Boots are dearer than they used to be, but the chief increase is not in the price of the same kind of boots, but of the different kind of boots. Your father or grandfather went barefoot all summer and wore cowhide boots with copper toes in winter. His father kept a liberal supply of boot grease and

made him keep his boots well oiled to keep out the wet and preserve the leather. Our children want patent leathers for best, fine shoes all the time, skating boots, tennis shoes, lacrosse shoes and rubbers. Even polishing with 2 in 1 and a brush is too much effort; we must have liquid polish and a sponge. Your grandma knit all your father's stockings and mitts, but you scorn anything but silk or cashmere. Even in the days when furs were cheap, your father kept his ears and neck warm by tabs on his cap and a muffler round his neck, but we must have fur-lined coats with fur collars to turn up. It is so with our houses. It used to be a lamp in one room where the stove was, with a fire in the parlour on special occasions only. Now the whole house is kept warm with hot air or hot water or steam and every room lighted with electricity or gas. They used to go to the river in summer and melt snow in winter for a bath, now the plumber gets his work in everywhere and our houses must have "all modern conveniences." Yet we wonder that the cost of living has increased. You "ciphered" on the same slate your elder brother had used, but your children must have a separate scribbler for each of the dozen subjects they study; slates are too noisy to be tolerated. So in the kitchen, the parlour, the bedroom, the school, the church, the office, everywhere are luxuries considered necessities. Common sense should teach us they must cost more than old conditions. They are worth more. We all make far more than we used to. Do I advocate returning to the old order of things? Not for a minute! Let us have all of the comforts we can afford; but let us pay for them without "chewing" or "kicking."—Bracebridge Gazette.

PROCEEDINGS OF MARIPOSA COUNCIL

The members were all present and the minutes of last meeting were read and approved. Mr. J. S. Tinney was present to enquire about the expenses of inspecting the Spray Drain, and he was informed that the Engineer had not rendered his account for such services. Mr. J. F. Dix was present respecting the damages caused by fire on his premises, but the council wished to consult with their commissioner, Mr. David Yerex, before making a final settlement. Mr. Herb Grimstone wished the council to pay for the use of the ground on his farm which is being covered by a large pile of stones collected for crushing purposes. Mr. Robert Edwards states that the female dog owned by Mr. Henry Wood was killed on or about the last of February, and in his opinion the tax should be repaid. The Secretary of the Board of Railway Commissioners informs the Council that the order of last May for a new Railway Bridge at lot one, concession five, was cancelled. The Clerk reports that the deficiency levied in 1912 and the surplus levied in 1913 so nearly counterbalanced each other that it was not necessary to make any adjustment of the rates for School Section Union Two, Mariposa, and Eldon.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED.

Motion by Messrs C. Jenkins and Edwin Rogers—that the following places be used as polling booths, and that the following persons be appointed Deputy Returning Officers, and Poll Clerks to hold the Municipal Elections on Monday, January 5th, 1914.

Division No. 1.—Polling Place at the School House, School Section No. 15. C. H. Shaver, Deputy Returning Officer and Joseph Brown, Poll Clerk.

Division No. 2.—Polling Place at the Foresters' Hall, Valentia, Ammon Mark, Deputy Returning Officer and Alex Casey, Poll Clerk.

Division No. 3.—Polling Place at the I.O.O.F. Hall, Little Britain, J. J. Rich Deputy Returning Officer and John Martin Poll Clerk.

Division No. 4.—Polling Place at the Town Hall, Oakwood, J. E. Lounsbrough Deputy Returning Officer and E. B. King Poll Clerk.

Division No. 6.—Polling Place at the School House, School Section No. 13. D. A. Anderson Deputy Returning Officer, and E. McCorvie Poll Clerk.

Division No. 7.—Polling Place at the School House, School Section No. 3. G. W. Hardy Deputy Returning Officer, and John Tretaway Poll Clerk.

Division No. 8.—Polling Place at the School House, School Section No. 16. Thomas Tamlin Deputy Returning Officer and Ephraim Mollon Poll Clerk.—Carried.

Motion by Messrs Neil Ferguson and Edwin Rogers—that the report of the commissioners Messrs Neil Ferguson and John Sackville respecting the adjustment of the expenditures on the boundary of Mariposa and Brock for the year 1913 showing expenditures as follows be received and adopted, expenditures by Mariposa are Miscellaneous accounts

\$164.15 also 272 days statute labor \$272.00 or a total of \$436.15. Expenditures by Brock, Miscellaneous accounts \$260.55, 204 days statute labor or \$204.00 or a total of \$464.55, leaving a balance in favor of Brock of \$28.40, one half of which will be payable to Brock to balance the account.—Carried.

The expenditures on the northern boundary of Mariposa shows as follows for 1913. Mariposa Miscellaneous accounts \$156.75 and 104 days of statute labor or a total of \$260.00. Eldon miscellaneous accounts \$35.75 and 119 days of statute labor or a total of \$154.70 or a balance of \$106.05 in favor of Mariposa, one half of which will be paid to the Treasurer of Mariposa to balance the account. On motion of Messrs C. Jenkins and W. Rich this report was received and adopted.

On motion by Messrs William Rich and Neil Ferguson By-law No. 724 was read the usual number of times confirming the appointment of Deputy Returning Officers and Poll Clerks, to hold the Municipal Elections on Monday, the 5th Day of January, 1914.

Motion by Edwin Rogers and Neil Ferguson—that Messrs Varcoe, Rich and Jenkins be appointed to consider the advisability of procuring stones for the purpose of crushing in the future at lot 20, in Con. 8.—Carried.

Motion by Messrs Neil Ferguson and William Rich—that the time for the collection of taxes for the North half of the Township be extended till the second Monday, in January, 1904, on account of some Drainage taxes not being paid.—Carried.

The following taxes were abated in the south roll.—Miss Mabel Atkinson, teacher in School Section No. 15, \$1.96, and Norman Harvey, teacher in School Section No. Union 20, 87c. The following taxes were charged the G. N. West Telegraph Co. \$4.89 and Robert Hanna one day statute labor \$1.00. The collector's roll was received and the collector, Mr. David Culbert, was paid his salary on motion by Motion by Messrs Neil Ferguson and William Rich.

Motion by Messrs C. Jenkins and Edwin Rogers that the Treasurer's Financial report for the year showing total receipts of \$63154.53 and total payments of \$62091.48 and leaving a balance on hand of \$1063.05 be received and that the Clerk be authorized to get 250 copies in detail for distribution.—Carried.

Accounts aggregating the sum of \$425.00 for bonuses on wire fences after which the council adjourned sine die.

J. B. Weldon. Clerk.

CABINET TO CURB MILITIA MINISTER

Military Estimates to be Cut Down

Ottawa, Dec. 23.—The main estimates for the next fiscal year have been engaging the attention of the Cabinet for some time past. As has already been announced in the Government press, they will exceed all previous figures and are expected to touch the quarter billion mark. The estimates for the Department of Public Works, which last year were more than double those of the last year of the Laurier regime, will be bigger than ever.

The Government is having a good deal of trouble with the estimates of Hon. Col. Sam Hughes, Minister of Militia. Last session they totalled over \$14,000,000, and despite criticism the Minister is just as anxious as ever to carry out his ambitious plan of expenditure.

Hon. Robert Rogers, who wants all the money available for public works, including harbor improvements, is determined to at least hold the militia items down to the high water level of the current fiscal year. The result will likely be that many of Hon. Sam's proposed expenditures for drill halls, armories, etc., will be held over at least until the eve of the general election. One thing is certain, there will be no votes in this year's militia estimates to provide for a special train across the continent or for a trip of two score Canadian military officers to the ov-

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erases military manoeuvres. These features of Col. Hughes' administration this year have aroused so much criticism that the Government has decided that they must not be repeated.

OBITUARY

CAPT. H. COTTINGHAM.
Word has been received in Lindsay of the death of a former well known resident of Omemece in the person of Capt. W. H. Cottingham, who passed away at Red Deer, Alberta, on Sunday, Dec. 21st, in his seventy-first year. The deceased, who was a son of the late William Cottingham, of Omemece, was reeve of that village, and a member of the County Council in the years 1876-77 and 78. Shortly after this he went west and had been in the service of the Dominion Government ever since. At the time of his death he was Dominion Lands Agent at Red Deer.

REV. J. E. STARR
Stricken with appendicitis a few days ago, John Edward Starr, commissioner of the juvenile court of Toronto, and cousin of Mr. F. W. Sutcliffe, of Lindsay, died at the General Hospital Wednesday morning at the age of 58 years. So serious was Mr. Starr's condition when taken from his home at 257 Dunn avenue, that an operation was performed on him on Sunday. He failed to recover.

Mr. Starr was a fine type of man and one which the city could ill afford to lose. He was criticized occasionally since appointed magistrate of the juvenile court, but no one could point a finger at him and accuse him of acting in any other way than he thought proper. Ever since coming from Allandale some years ago Mr. Starr has been interested in boys and their welfare, and it was the general opinion that a good man had been secured for the position.

NEGLER—HAYDEN

Cannington Gleaner: Needler Hayden, a former resident of Lindsay, one of Kittson county's early settlers, passed away at Calgary, Alberta Wednesday morning, Dec. 3, 1913, at the age of 60 years. Referring to his death a Calgary exchange says: Deceased came to this country in 1878, settling on a claim east of Hallock, which claim he retained for some ten years. Needler Hayden built the first house in Hallock in 1878.

In about 1888 the deceased moved to Portage la Prairie, Man., where he was engaged in bridge building, and other construction work. He resided in Portage la Prairie for some twenty years, when he moved to Calgary, Alberta.

The deceased leaves a wife, Margaret Jane Jolliffe, formerly of Cannington, Ontario, and one son, two sisters, Mrs. E. McVean, of Hallock, and Mrs. James Jolliffe, of Portage la Prairie, and four brothers, Wm. Hayden, of Hallock, George, Fred, Johnny of town of Hazelton, and Dave of Vancouver, B. C.

WILBERT MCNIESH.

The many friends of Mr. Wilbert McNiesh were shocked to hear of his death; which took place Christmas day. He has been ill with typhoid fever for his untimely death was entirely unlooked for.

He was thirty five years, and six months' of age and was born and brought up at Millbrook where his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. McNiesh, still reside. For the past twelve years he has been connected with the Grand Trunk Railway and was one of the most popular locomotive engineers stationed in Lindsay. In religion he was a Presbyterian.

About seven years ago he was united in marriage to Miss E. Graham, of Lifford, who, together with two little children, Lulu and Milburn, survive to mourn the loss of a loving husband and kind father.

The late Mr. McNiesh is also survived by two sisters and one brother: Mrs. Harry Moore of Regina; Mrs. Andrew Lunney of Nimrod, N.Y., and Mr. Rue McNiesh, of Regina, Sask.

The funeral will take place Saturday afternoon at half past two o'clock from the family residence, Sussex-st., and proceed to Riverside cemetery for interment.

Rev. Jas. Wallace will have charge of the services and the funeral will be attended by the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers as well as many other railroad men.

WILLIAM JOHN HOOPER

The death occurred at Little Britain Friday afternoon of a well known resident of Mariposa in the person of William John Hooper. The deceased was born in the township and was highly respected.

The deceased was aged 49 years 4 months and eighteen days, and is sur-

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vived by his parents, one daughter, Pearl, at home; one brother, Samuel, of Little Britain, and two sisters, Mrs. Jacob Shaver, of Michigan, and Mrs. Chas. Dayton, of Little Britain.

JAMES SHERRARD.

The death took place in Mariposa on Friday of James Sherrard, aged 83 years, 7 months and 10 days.

The deceased was born in Hastings County, and for a year and a half has been a resident of Mariposa, moving from Uxbridge township. Death was due to the infirmities of old age.

The late Mr. Sherrard is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Sherrard and Mrs. Palmer, of Uxbridge; three sons and three daughters, James of Uxbridge; Frank, of Trenton, and Ernest of Oshawa; Mrs. Rogers, of Arthur; Mrs. Bertha Cruess, of Oakwood; Mrs. Sellers, of Uxbridge.

The funeral will leave the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Bertha Cruess, lot 19, con. 12, Mariposa, on Tuesday, Dec. 30, at 8 a. m. and proceed to 9.30 train. Interment at Pine Grove Cemetery, Uxbridge.

MRS. R. E. SOUTHY.
Port Hopeers were grieved Thursday

when the sad news of the sudden death of Mrs. R. E. Southy became known. Death always brings sadness, but much more so at this festive season. Deceased lady was most highly esteemed by a large circle of friends, her kind, charitable spirit having made her a prominent figure in Port Hope. Death was due to collapse, following a few moments after the birth of a child. The funeral took place this morning at nine o'clock to St. Mary's Church and thence to the cemetery. To the bereaved husband and four surviving daughters Port Hope extends sincerest sympathy. The child (a boy) is living. The deceased is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Stewart, Bobcaygeon, and is well known to many Lindsay people. Mr. and Mrs. Stewart passed through Lindsay this morning on their way to Port Hope to attend the funeral.

MARRIED

LANCEFIELD, LYLE—At Kilmount Wednesday, Dec. 24th, 1913, by the Rev. E. F. Hockley, of St. James church, Elda May Lyle, of Lutterworth, townships of Eldon and Lutterworth, to Edward Lyle Lancefield, of Fenton Falls.