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(Toronto Star.) Let us for a moment examine the equipment for teaching that is involved by comparing what is represented in the two certificates that are as nearly as possible on a par, the old Normal school certificate and the present one.

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OUR LETTER BOX

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THE CHILDREN'S SHELTER

To the Editor: Dear Sir.—Will you please give space for a few words in regard to securing a Shelter for children who may become wards of the local C. A. Society, or for those who are wards of the Society at present, but in foster homes in case it should be necessary to remove any of them to another home at some future date.

Besides being a home for the child under the control of the C. A. S. the institution could be used as the place of detention for juvenile delinquents, instead of having them spend several days in jail while being held for trial.

Some one has said that "every time a boy goes to jail a citizen loses" and that being true, is it not time that an effort be put forth to serve the crying youth to good citizenship?

There are times when children are orphaned by the death of a parent, and the surviving parent would gladly avail himself or herself of the opportunity to pay for the maintenance of one or more helpless children until something better could be done for them.

The Provincial Superintendent of Neglected and Dependent Children, Mr. J. J. Kelso, of Toronto, and an able assistant in the person of Rev. Hugh Ferguson, of Stratford, visited our town some weeks ago for the purpose of aiding the local Children's Aid Society to commence a campaign for the County Shelter.

Thanking you in anticipation for the favor asked for, I remain, Respectfully yours, E. E. SHARPE.

(The Post has, on several occasions referred to the urgent need of a shelter in Lindsay, and freely opens its columns for an expression of opinion on the question.—Ed. Post.)

A MISLEADING STATEMENT

To the Editor: Dear Sir,—In "The Globe" of 7th under an editorial "The short measure milk bottle," reference is made to the holding up by the inspector of weights and measures, of a consignment of milk bottles destined for the retail milk business of Toronto, and which were believed to average about 3 1/2 per cent. short.

Further down in the article we find this, "Had they slipped in they might have been followed speedily by hundreds of thousands of others and we should have had in the milk business the condition that obtains in the coal trade, where the dealer when he

tending L.C.I. when the announcement of the change was made, and was more interested in mathematics than in milk—or he reads only the sporting columns of our valuable papers.

Notice the last sentence of my correspondent. He is somewhat of a humorist. I am ready to agree with him that possibly the milk is getting sour at the continued cold weather, if the cows are not.

However, I assume that he was honest in his complaint; and shall forward it to the proper authority, hoping that will be satisfactory.

Thanking you, Mr. Editor, I am, Very truly yours, R. A. DOUGLAS.

RAILWAY AMENDMENTS

To the Editor: Sir,—To people or property owners who have railway right of ways or railroads, through their properties, it must be encouraging to read the statement made by the Hon. Frank Cochrane, during a debate on the C. N. R. bill the other day, to the effect that he intended making some sweeping amendments in the Railway Act in order that people suffering from railway aggressions may be properly compensated.

It is time that said amendments be brought forward. People said in the useless reign of Stephen of England, when the barons were robbing and torturing the poor, that Christ and His angels slept. So now might those who feel the heavy hand of a railway corporation say that the railway department of the government has been asleep for some time. We hope to see the Hon. Mr. Cochrane line up to what the people expect of a man who was singled out for the Ontario ministry to take charge over one of the heaviest departments in Federal politics.

Railways have to be built, and of course it would be worse than useless for any property owner to try to prevent them, in fact, a contrary man is a hindrance to the advance of civilization, and all that it involves. But let it be known that a railway running through any country, raises the value of all surrounding property other than that which it cuts up.

Railway companies have rights of ways on the ocean for their large ocean liners that cost them nothing; also on the Great Lakes system, they need no bridges; then, in the forests they get their right of ways for nothing, together with the surrounding townships. If, in the course of construction they are obstructed by too many rocks, they stop, and the result is a large government grant. If they unearth any mineral wealth, it is theirs. In fact the C.P.R. hold so much of the national resources of Canada that they could allow their rails to rust and still pay a dividend. In spite of all this, that same company build their grain line through the virgin part of agricultural Ontario and expect to cut up old homesteads and less than the price of clearing the land. It is indeed high time for amendments in the Railway Act.

Yours, etc., GEORGE MEEHAN,

Jottings From Lively Omemees

Misses Jessie and Bertha Nicholls spent Sunday at their home here. Miss Winnie Beatty and Miss Edith Nugent are in Toronto this week attending the millinery openings.

Miss Beech, of Peterboro Normal School, was the guest of Miss Jessie Nicholls over the week end. Mrs. Staples, of Lindsay, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Wm. Earle.

Mr. H. M. Cawker, of Winnipeg, Man., spent a few days at the parsonage last week. Several Omemees young people were guests at an enjoyable gathering at the home of Miss Valera Laidley, Janetville, last Friday evening.

Dr. and Mrs. Irvine, of Lindsay, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Earle. The Misses Townsend, of Burnt River, spent the week end with Miss Jessie Nicholls.

County Judge McMillan, of Lindsay held division court in town on Monday morning. Property is booming in Mt. Pleasant One of our families is moving into that village this week.

The death occurred in Omemees on Saturday afternoon of Mrs. Thos. Kennedy, Sturgeon-st. The deceased had only been ill for about a week and her death came as a shock to the village and community.

Mr. Victor Johnson, of Lindsay, was in town last week. Mr. Geo. Balfour, of Lindsay, attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Kennedy last Monday.

A very successful basket social was held last Thursday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Mahood under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid of the Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. (Dr.) Irvine, of Lindsay, sang a solo in the Methodist Church on Sunday evening which was greatly appreciated by the large congregation present. Ballots for voting on church union were distributed at both services.

Mr. T. W. McLean, principal of the Public School, was in Oshawa Tuesday, attending the Ontario Library Association held in that place. During his absence Mrs. White took charge of the entrance class.

PLEASANT POINT

(Special to The Post.) We were surprised to learn that Mr. Robt. Robertson and family, who have been residents here for some twenty years, are about to leave us. Last week Mr. Robertson sold his property here to Mr. Jas. Endicott, who has property adjoining it, and bought the farm west of Lindsay, near the sand pits, lately worked by Mrs. Thos. Hickey and sons. Though they will only be separated a short distance, yet we shall be very sorry to lose so highly esteemed citizens.

Miss Margaret Carew of South Emilly is visiting relatives in this corner at present. Mr. Thos. Endicott, sr., gave a very enjoyable evening to a large number of invited guests last Tuesday. The night was spent in dancing and card playing, dainty refreshments being served during the night.

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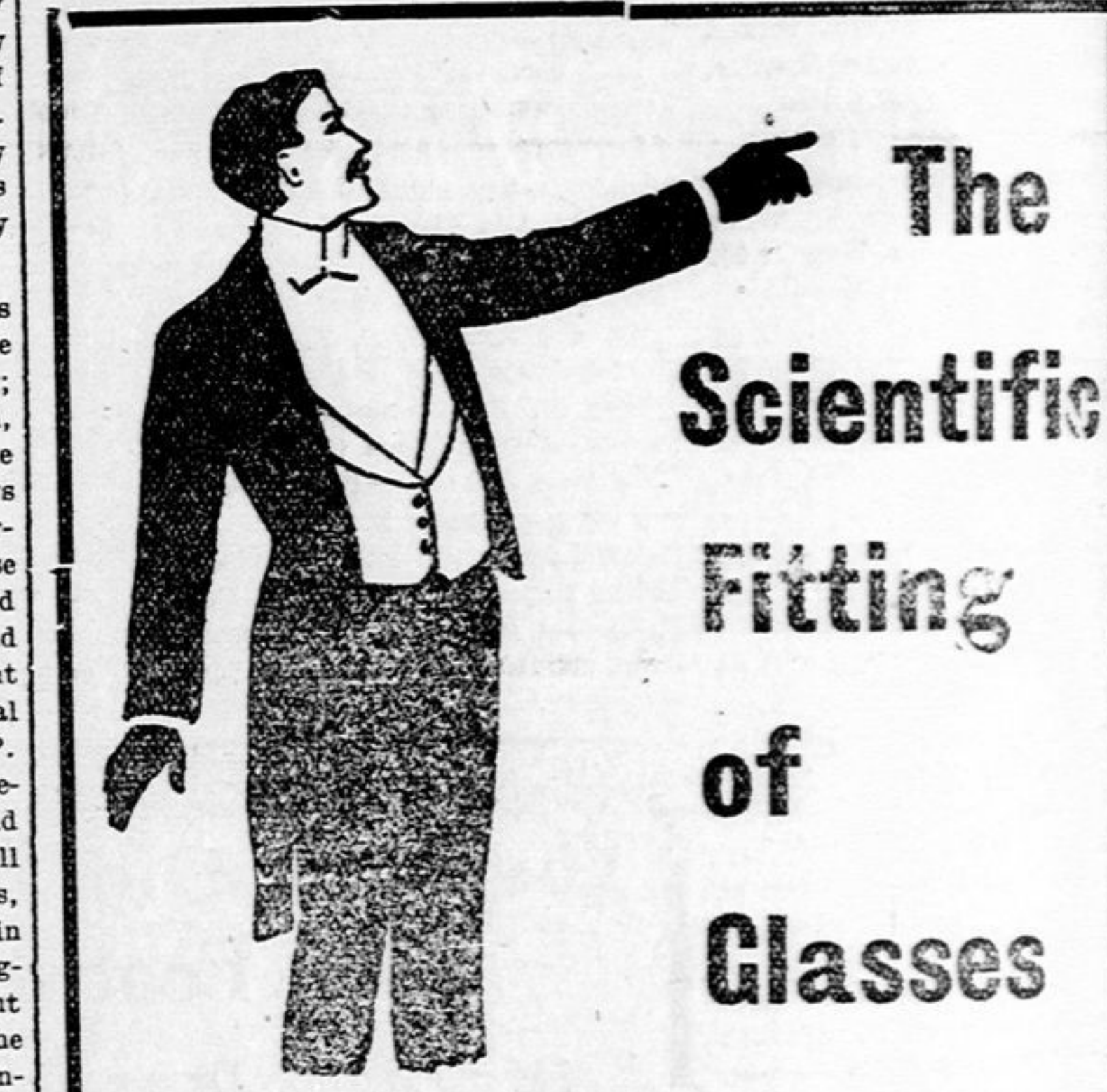
Mr. Samuel and Misses Myrtle and Fernie Anderson of Cameron passed through here on their way to the Scotch Line last week.

Mr. M. Ingram of Lindsay paid a flying visit to friends here recently. Several farmers are drawing wood and logs to town at present. We are glad to hear that Mrs. Francis Brien, who is in the hospital is improving nicely.

WOULD GIVE WIVES CHANCE TO VOTE

That wives may be entitled to vote in municipal elections as property owners on the same terms as their husbands is the proposal of Mr. T. R. Whiteside, M.P.P., who has given notice in the Legislature that he will introduce a bill to amend the Municipal Act and the Ontario Voters' List Act to this effect. It is contended that the wife, being a joint property owner with the husband, should have an equal voice in municipal affairs. It is necessary to amend the Voters' List Act by striking out the words "male persons and of all widows and unmarried women" in order to make the proposed amendment to the municipal act workable.

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