

ECHOES OF CAMPBELLFORD WRECK TRAINMEN HAD NARROW ESCAPE

LAMBS WILL TAKE DROP IN PRICE

Local butchers report that lambs will take a drop in price; in fact have done so to-day. The reason is that the United States Government is allowing lambs to be exported to Canada and the new regulations came into force the first of the month.

SECOND CONTINGENT SAILS IN JANUARY

Ottawa, Dec. 3—It is believed that the second Canadian contingent will sail for England early in January. The port of departure will be Halifax. If present plans are carried out, Canada should have two complete army divisions in the field by May 1st, and a third training either at Salisbury Plains or Valcartier.

TOWN DEPENDANT ON ONE INDUSTRY

Ford, Ont., December 1—It is hard to conceive a whole city of people depending for their livelihood on a single manufacturing industry, yet this is true in connection with the making of Ford cars.

Approximately 12,675 people find a good living in the turning out of Fords in Canada—enough people to make up the population of a city larger than either St. Catharines or Stratford, Ont., or Saskatoon, Sask.

Practically all the inhabitants of the town of Ford are dependant on the plant, as are also a large number from Windsor and Walkerville.

The above figure includes all employees of the Ford plant, and those of the concerns in Windsor and Walkerville making wheels, lamps, tops and similar accessories, and which are almost dependent on the Ford account.

The total number of employees under average conditions is 2,535. The families of these employees are figured by multiplying five, which is the official census figure for the average family.

Thus the total 12,675 is reached.

FINGERS TAKEN OFF

On Friday last Mr. J. C. Thurston, of Dundasford, met with a bad accident while assisting at Thurston's elevator. The little finger of his right hand was caught between a wagon and a board used for stepping into a car, and was cut off. Dr. Clark attended the injured man.

It is a mistake to suppose that the man who is on the fence is always well balanced.

ANOTHER G. T. R. WRECK SATURDAY TRAINS CAME TOGETHER NEAR KEENE

Saturday afternoon another collision occurred on the G.T.R. Belleville line, and as a result four engines were put out of commission, being badly wrecked.

The accident occurred a short distance east of Keene station. A double header train laden with grain had been doubling at this point, when a double header of empties collided with the last half. The engine came together with great force, and, strange to say they kept to the track, only a couple of trucks leaving the steel. The engine crews jumped

Peterboro Review: "One of the worst wrecks I have ever seen," declared a trainman today, in speaking of the smash-up near Campbellford that occurred on Tuesday. How Engineer Smith came out of the disaster alive is a marvel to railroaders who viewed the wreckage. The front engine of the double-header was pitched clear of the rails against the fence, while the tender was completely reversed. The second engine was submerged by the wreckage of box and flat cars piled high upon it.

Luckily there happened to be no one aboard the caboose of the work train. No one could have escaped. It was smashed to kindling, while a couple of cars ahead were demolished.

Immediately after the wreck, the Belleville auxiliary arrived on the scene with the steam derrick for clearing the track. It worked all day aided by the apparatus of the Lindsay auxiliary. The line is clear, and efforts will be made to replace the engines on the track, to be hauled to Montreal for such repairs as may be needed.

Not a great quantity of grain of the double-header's stock was spilled, only two cars being injured.

Engineer Smith, as far as can be ascertained, stuck to his engine, and he was pinned underneath when found. He is the most seriously injured of the three victims, and small bits of coal are said to have lodged around his brain when his scalp was torn open. Hospital reports today declared the two sufferers confined there to be recovering slowly, and Engineer Smith resting easily, with little fears entertained of him failing to come through all right. He is a member of the I.O.O.F. lodge, and in his time of need does not find himself neglected. He is a young man of about 35 and regarded as a capable engineer.

No information relative to the speed at which the double-header was travelling when it crashed into the work train can be gathered. There is a slight down-grade at the locality. Orders had been given to pick up the flagman of the work train at Campbellford, and this was done, but it is stated that a miscalculation occurred over the distance the work train was supposed to be ahead. The train was but two miles east of Campbellford, not four, as first reports stated. From an authoritative source it has been learned that the flagman has been relieved from duty.

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PETERBORO WANTS THE SOLDIERS

Peterboro, Dec. 4.—The city authorities are losing a chance to secure a valuable asset for this city if they do not exert every possible effort to have Peterborough made one of the mobilization centres for this district. Orders will be issued immediately for the recruiting of 3,500 soldiers in this district—two battalions of infantry and one mounted battalion. In accordance with the peace time mobilization plans these troops would train at Kingston, the divisional headquarters. Kingston, however, has already one battalion of infantry and a battery of artillery in training there at the present time and to accommodate any more will be a big task. Here is Peterborough's chance.

Surely no arguments are required to convince local people of the advisability of having the soldiers quartered here. One thousand men drilling here would have a weekly pay roll of over \$8,000 and most of this money would be spent in Peterborough. The supplies for feeding the soldiers would be secured here and the presence of a body of recruits would be in every way an asset to the city.

The telephone has been developed to such an extent in connection with this war, that Sir John French is able to speak almost from the battlefield direct to Lord Kitchener at the British War Office.

Scotland still holds the proud position of having enlisted more men in the British Army in proportion to its population than either of the other countries of the United Kingdom.

AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL AT FENELON FALLS

Fenelon Falls Gazette: Mr. W. G. Orvis, of Lindsay, was in town this week making arrangements for a school of agriculture to be held under the auspices of the Victoria County branch of the Ontario Department of Agriculture. Mr. Orvis informs us that these classes, which will commence on January 19th and continue for six weeks, will be free to all who wish to take advantage of them, the Government bearing all expenses of the course.

It's better to be a small success than a big failure.



ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH WHERE INDUCTION SERVICES WERE HELD.

BUY HORSES DIRECT FROM THE FARMERS

Ottawa, Dec. 3—The five or six thousand horses needed for the second Canadian expeditionary force will be purchased direct from the farmers, under the supervision of the committee on remounts, and the middleman will be eliminated. Sir Adam Beck will supervise the purchasing in eastern Canada, and Col. A. D. McRae, of Vancouver in western Canada. Purchasing commissions will be named for each district, and on appointed days they will meet the farmers or horse owners on the open market.

Thus the purchase money will go direct to the horse raisers, instead of to horse dealers or speculators, as was frequently the case with the horses bought for the first contingent. The experience of the department in August and September was that dealers in all parts of the country raised the prices, and the horses cost the department from \$25 to \$50 more per animal than the farmer received from the dealer.

Mr. L. McLean, who gave such splendid satisfaction as a purchasing agent for the government in this section this summer, will, it is understood, act in a similar capacity in purchasing horses for the second contingent. He was, with Hon. Adam Beck, in Ottawa on Wednesday conferring with the Government.

CHEQUE HAD BEEN TAMPERED WITH

Hastings, Dec. 3—A young man named Powell, who has been working for Mr. Wm. Preston, Norwood Road, came into town on Friday and presented a cheque for \$180 at Sayer's store in payment for some goods. Inquiries were made as to the validity of the cheque, the young man meanwhile remaining in the bank, and on it being ascertained that Mr. Preston had issued a check for \$3.80, and not \$180, and the paper gave every evidence of having been tampered with, Constable Wharrie was phoned for and locked the young man up. He was committed for trial and taken out to Cobourg. We understand that his home is near Millbrook.

STEER CHOKED BY A LIZARD

A steer belonging to Mr. W. Brown, of Verulam, choked to death one day last week, and on making a post mortem examination the owner of the animal found a lizard stuck in its throat. The reptile, which was brought in to Dr. McKay, was about six inches long and three quarters of an inch thick, of a greyish color. How it got into the steer's throat is a mystery, as these creatures are seldom found except in stone piles or some concealed situation.—Gazette.

BURGLARY AT FENELON FALLS

Mr. W. H. Walsh's woollen mill was entered on Sunday night last by burglars who got in through a rear window and carefully removed two panes of glass from a window in a partition separating the front from the cash drawer. Contrary, however, to the intruders' expectations, Mr. Walsh doesn't keep his currency in the cash drawer over Sunday, so they benefitted only to the extent of one dollar in coppers. Mr. Walsh has a good idea as to who the culprits are, and we regret to say they are local parties.—Fenelon Falls Gazette.

FOURTEEN RELATIVES IN THE TRENCHES

Peterboro, Dec. 3—Mrs. Phibbs, St. George street, has the honorable distinction of having more relatives fighting in the trenches in France, than anybody else in the city. In addition to her son, who is with the Canadian Contingent at Salisbury Plain, Mrs. Phibbs has fourteen near relatives, who are enduring all the hardships of actual fighting. These include four nephews, four first-cousins and two uncles. Mrs. Phibbs is a member of a thoroughly military family, for not only have the members of it readily responded to the call of the Empire in this great crisis, but both her grandfathers fought in the Crimean War.

Mr. and Mrs. Phibbs have resided in Peterboro for the past year and a half, having come here from Kidderminster, England.

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W. P. WHITE GETS HIS FREEDOM BIG BLUNDER BY UNION BANK

Galt, Dec. 5.—W. P. White, (well known in Lindsay) who has been held here on a charge of obtaining money under false pretences, obtained his freedom in court this morning, the evidence brought out showing it was a case of mistaken identity.

M. A. Secord, Acting Crown Attorney, said he had no evidence to offer but asked the defendant to go on the stand. White stated that he had not been in Galt in the past four or five years. On Oct. 19th, the day previous to which he was supposed to have been in Galt, he said he was in Toronto demonstrating a gasoline engine for a Lansing, Mich., firm, by whom he was employed as a traveling salesman. He then told of his whereabouts from that date on, having visited Bracebridge, Parry Sound and other northern towns. On Oct. 31st he was in Richmond Hill, this being the day he was alleged to have been in Waterloo. Accounting for the clothes bearing the name of W. P. White found in a hotel in Guelph, the defendant said he had left the suit with a Toronto presser to sell and he said he saw them later on another man. In reply to a question of Mr. Secord, White said he had grown a moustache since June and had not shaved clean since then.

Mr. Secord said that the crown, after making necessary enquiries had found that the defendants' story of being in Toronto on Oct. 19th was correct and he had received a letter from Mrs. White's solicitors stating that her husband had been there on that date, and while he left Toronto he had telephoned her from Bracebridge. In regard to White being at Richmond Hill Mr. Secord said the certificate of the sale of the ticket made to White had been obtained and the hotelkeeper at Richmond Hill also had furnished evidence to show that White stayed there.

The person on whom the worthless check had been passed in Galt was in court and said that the man who passed it was clean shaven and had no moustache. Mr. Secord said the Waterloo and Guelph authorities were satisfied White was not the man wanted. It seemed to him that this was a case of getting the wrong man. He was satisfied there was no evidence against the man and accordingly Magistrate Blake dismissed the case. The prisoner left court in company with his father.

Mr. White is a son of Conductor White, of Lindsay. In conversation with the Post this morning he stated that when word was received of his son's arrest he felt that a serious mistake had been made, and he immediately left for Galt where he looked after his son's interests. He had offered bail for his release to the sum of \$17,000, but the authorities would not accept it. Naturally it was a period of suspense for both Mr. and Mrs. White, as well as the many friends of the accused. The warrant was issued by the Union Bank authorities, and a serious blunder has been made. Mr. White has been put to considerable expense and inconvenience, and has also received considerable undesired prominence owing to the bank's blunder and action, it is understood, will be taken against the officials by Mr. White for arrest and detention. His many friends in Lindsay will be pleased to learn that his innocence has been established beyond the shadow of a doubt.

VERY SAD FATALITY NEAR FRANKLIN HOUSE BURNED, TWO CHILDREN DEAD

Franklin, Dec. 2.—On Saturday last a sad fatality occurred on the Moss Road, west of this place, when the residence of Mr. Mark White was burned. It appears that Mrs. Mark White was attending to the milking, leaving her three children in the house. She was horrified when returning to find the home in flames. She immediately summoned her husband, who was at a neighbor's, and on his arrival it was found that it was impossible to save the house. The brave father rushed into the burning structure and got the children out. Two of them, however, were terribly burned. The youngest lingered until Sunday, when death ended its sufferings. The second youngest, it is reported, died on Tuesday.

The sad affair has cast a gloom over the whole district.

CALL TO MADOC

Belleville, Nov. 30—Rev. E. Best, who has just resigned from the pastorate of St. Andrew's church, Beaverton, has been unanimously invited and has accepted the pastoral charge of St. Peter's Presbyterian congregation at Madoc. He will be inducted at an early date. St. Peter's became vacant owing to the removal of Rev. H. S. Graham to Markham.

DONALD PLANT RESUMES OPERATIONS

The plant of the Toronto Wood Products Co. at Donald has resumed operations. The ovens were going today, and a big staff of men will be employed, as the firm has sold its output for two years.

SONYA ASSISTS SUFFERING BELGIANS

Mr. J. D. Flavell is in receipt of the following. The generous donation has been forwarded to the proper channel:—

Seagrave, Dec. 2nd, 1914. J. D. Flavell, Esq., Lindsay, Ont. Dear Sir,—Find enclosed money order for \$20 as a Christmas contribution from the children of St. Andrew's Sunday School, Sonya, for the relief of the Belgian children. I understand that you are in touch and giving your valuable time to this laudable work. We would like if you would kindly accept this gift, and place it in the proper channel to help the poor sufferers, either to purchase food or clothing, all of which is gratuitously donated with best wishes for a speedy and glorious conclusion to this barbarous war. Kindly acknowledge receipt, and oblige,

Yours truly, T. H. WATSON, Supt.

Mr. Watson is well known to many in Lindsay and Victoria County. He was at one time Reeve of Mariposa, and Warden of the County.

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