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1sept —H. Piper.

Western Conditions

Dear Advrnce, I have once more the pleasure of scribbling you a few lines, having reached home again after a sojourn out West, in Saskatchewan, of three months, having gone out on the harvester's excursion on August 21, and reaching my destination, 30 miles north of Swift Current, on Aug. 25, in time to help harvest the bumper crop of the Swift Current district this year. And it sure was a bumper crop, averaging over the district where I was fifty bushels of wheat and 100 bushels of oats per acre, and harvesters were in great demand at from $3 to $4 per day for the harvest and $3.50 to $4.50 for threshing outfits, and no matter where you went or what company of men you were in, the topic of conversation was the big crop and the possibility of getting it threshed before winter set in. There were some very fishy stories of yields of wheat, too, some claiming they had as high as 73 and even 75 bushels per acre, but be that as it may, I saw 67 bushels of wheat per acre threshed, and that was grown by one of our young Ontario farmers, or I might say by one of our Osprey Old Boys, Mr. Oscar Myers, son of your townsman, Geo. Myers. Oscar moved out there about seven years ago and grew this great crop on sixty acres of summerfallow this year.

Of course the farmers needed a good crop this year, as they had only a very poor one last year; but farmers who were in a position to leave a part of their farm for summerfallow the year before had fifteen bushels per acre more of wheat last year. But we must not censure the other poor fellows who did not have a summerfallow, as they did not know the drouth was coming, and in drouths they must have tha summerfallow mulch to conserve the moisture. They certainly have the soil to produce the big yields of wheat if they get the rain, and you would find thousands of acres more summerfallow this year than ever before. They can and are trying to protect themselves against another snuff-out like that of last year from drouth.

When we left Cabri on Nov. 26, stook threshing was nearly all completed, though the outfit had about two weeks' threshing stooks for farmers who were afraid they were not going to get the stooks threshed and so stacked what they could. They had splendid weather for threshing when we left—no snow, but the ground frozen up hard. They had no snow of any account up to that time, but beautiful, cool, sunshiny weather for weeks.

The farmers were a little afraid of a blockade in the elevators, as they were nearly all full up, and many were building granaries in the town to store their wheat until thel bockade lifted.

Prices were good for the West, wheat netting them around 86c and oats 25c., flax $1 45.

Well, Mr. Editor, the West was good enough for me, I being able to eat well, sleep well and work hard, and I feel a great deal better in health for the trip.

Wishing you and the staff a merry Christmas and a happy New Year and The Advance continued prosperity. Oh, by the way, I must tell you that The Advance is a welcome and looked for weekly visitor in very many places where I visited and they will all tell you it is like a letter from home, and I looked forward to its arrival where I was as much as any of them.

—R. J. COLQUETTE.

Feversham, Dec. 13.

An exchange says: "To practice what you preach is grand logic and the ladies in Petrolia believe in carrying it out. Preaching in song that they would kiss all the soldiers when they returned from the front, they put their sentiments into practice at a recruiting meeting on Monday evening, when 35 of them kissed Pte. Todd Fleming as an evidence of his wounds received in France. Some of them even gave double measure. About twenty fellows on the Main street will be enlisting and going to Petrolia "Oil Springs."

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The Winter Fair

To the Editor of The Advance:

I was down at the Winter Fair at Guelph last week—you could go and return for single fare! I was glad I went. There were more horses and cattle than I had ever seen there before. Twelve thousand people were there, but not a single one, so far as could be seen, was from Artemesia besides myself.

The Toronto Exhibition is not a farmer's show atall, but a great big Vaudeville event, and not only that, but it comes at a time when farmers are busier than they like to be; but the Winter Fair fits in the in-between-season time of the year, and its All For Farmers.

Such cattle! J. D. McGregor of Brandon was there with a few of his famous fat cattle, but he was properly up against it when he landed up against John Brown of Galt in some of the Aberdeen Angus classes and Jas. Leask in some of the grade sections. McGregor has the name but a lot of Ontario breeders know the game just about as well; even though he won the grand beef championship.

But it was disappointing to find that there was not a single entry from Grey in the Inter-County Baby Beef Contest. Bruce was represented, but Grey, which is a sure-'nough beef county, might as well have been completely wiped off the map. So far as I could see there was no more than one entry of any sort from Grey county.

But Grey did figure in the Inter-County Judging contest, when Carl Atcheson of Flesherton, with Alex Fleming and Otto Foy got fourth place in the contest. Oxford, Middlesex, and Wentworth counties were the first three. The Grey boys did well, as there was a class of ten teams in the contest.

There were only 6 men who showed in all the Oxford Down sheep classes, and none of the sheep were any better than can be seen on a farm within four miles of Flesherton. The same might be said of other classes.

The grain and seed exhibits were good this year. It has been a kind of hard year, but you would scarcely have thought so to look at the exhibits—all but the corn. It wasn't so good. Perhaps if you had seen it off the cobs it wouldn't have seemed so bad, but to look at the cobs you could see how shrivelled and loose it was, as though it had not properly matured. I wouldn't think it would make the best seed—that is, the dent corns. But the flint varieties were better, as though they ripened earlier in an unfavorable season. If they do, it looks to me as though they would give the best return.

Salzer's North Dakota was the best corn I saw there, to my mind. It is a long flint corn, quite a bit like the Longfellow, but with a creamy, waxen color. I liked the looks of that corn. It was grown by a man named Maynard, down near Chatham.

Some of the timothy seed graded Extra No. 1, and a lot of the clovers were good No. 1's. There were lovely samples of coarse grains and wheats too, but when it came to selling them the prices weren't up to a great deal, when you considered that the new bags were thrown in with each bushel. It happened to be a splendid chance to get good seed at even less than market prices in some cases.

I noticed, too, that this new registered seed they had didn't sell any better, if as well, as the ordinary guaranteed seeds

There's nothing to it but that O.A.C. 72 oats are the popular ones among the people who show at the Winter Fair The same with O.A.C 21 barley. These new varieties are good yielders and were originated at the Agricultural College by a selection of a single plant in each case from thousands of others.

And then, there were the speeches to be heard. Hon. Martin Burrell of Ottawa spoke one day, and Prof. Yavitz who was the originator of those O. A. C, oats and barley, gave a good speech on the effect of the wet summer on the different varieties of potatoes, etc. He declared that the potatoes which were most subject to rot this year were the Early Rose and the Beauty of Hebron. Both of these are grown around Flesherton. Good potatoes that resisted rot were Davies Warrior, Extra Early Eureka and several others.

After all, a visit to the Winter Fair at Guelph is well worth while. The large building has two stories, all taken up with the exhibits. There were over 375 horses, 400 cattle, 500 sheep and 400 swine, as well as several thousand poultry and fancy birds, and 500 seed entries. It is a big affair.

—ARTEMESIA.

Chief Ewing met with an unpleasant surprise when he went to the house of a South Ward man on Monday to collect a fine of $20 and costs for whiskey selling When the Chief entered the house the man drew a gun on him and threatened to shoot. He was fighting drunk and two women who were in the house with him, were also badly intoxicated. A warrant was subsequently issued for his arrest and he will be jailed if the fine is not paid forthwith.—Orangeville Banner.

Weekly Report

Flesherton High School

Form 1—Arithmetic,

M Field 87, H Thompson 82, B Trimble 70, J Stewart 66, P Allen 63, W Armstrong 63, A Mitchell 56, B Meads 53, C Fisher 50, M Madill 50, E Thompson 44.

Form 1—Geography

M Field 86, C Fisher 83, P Allen 82, A Mitchell 80, M Madill 77, J Stewart 74, B Meads 70, H Thompson 68, W Armstrong 68, E Thompson 67, B Trimble 64.

Form 1—Book-keeping

Bonus obtained—A Mitchell 79, M Madill 78, C Fisher 68, M Field 66, J Stewart 60, P Allen 55, B Meads 52.

Form 2—French, maximum 100

J Wright 87, A Winters 86, R Dingwell 79, B McVicar 78, R Hargrave 70, E Acheson 69, R Morton 64, M Acheson 63, R Caswell 61, L Lever 60, W Latimer 54, E Bentham 51, S Murray 42, W Williamson 42, R Williamson 41, M Colgan 40, F Thurston 22.

Form 2—Writing

M Acheson 83 E Parslow 82, M Wright 80, A Winters 78, L Lever 75, M Heard 74, C Porter 73, J Finley 72, J Wright 70, B McVicar 70, E Caswell 70, W Latimer 68, M Colgan 65, E Bentham 65, R Rutledge 63, R W Morton 62, R Hargrave 61, S Murry 60, A Graham 60, E Acheson 60, D Patton 58, W Williamson 58, R Caswell 55, M Wrigle 55, A Allen 53, R Williamson 50, H More 46, R Dingwell 45, F Thurston 41, P LeGard 46.

Form 3—Chemistry

D McVicar 96, A Wright 93, E Spencer 92, G Davis 90, R Hutchinson 84, W Buchanan 78, F Parliament 77, M Legate 77, I Laidlaw 73, D Wilson 70, S Smart 69, L Muir 65, D McMillan 60, W Harrison 60, J Nichol 54, W Pattison 54, E Karsteds 53, W McLeod 52, L Dudgeon 51, A Acheson 50, G Whyte 50, H McLean 50, A Gaudin 43, M Murphy 17.

Form 2—British History

E Acheson 90, J Wright 86, V Finley 85, R Dingwell 82, B McVicar 81, A Winters 81, C Porter 80, R Hargrave 80, A Allen 79, R Caswell 79, E Caswell 79, P LeGard 78, M Heard 75, F Thurston 75, M Acheson 75, S Murray 73, A Graham 72, W Latimer 70, M Wright 69, E Parslow 68, R Williamson 65, M Wright 63, E Bentham 63, R Morton 62, R Rutledge 61, H Moore 58, W Williamson 56, D Patton 53, L Lever 51, M Colgan 36.

Honor Rolls

Report of S S No 4 for November.

Names in order of merit, Those with x were perfect in attendance.

Class 4—Earnie Stinson, Alex Irwin, Ross Stevens, Attilie Lockhart.

Jr 3—Edith Stinson, Stella Acheson x, Marjorie Nicholls x, Frank Nicholls.

Sr 2—Vera Moore x, Ethel Nicholls, Rosella Stevens, Burrows Heard.

Jr 2—Pearl Badgerow, Jim Badgerow.

Sr 1—Mina Scott, Elizabeth Nixon.

Jr 1—Ivan Lockhart x, Marion Acheson x.

Primer B—Emerson Gallagher, Elvin Moore, Mary Ann Nixon.

Class C—Kingsley Gallagher x, Sylvia Acheson, Margaret Moore, Lorne Nicholls.

Report of S. S. No. 7, Artemesia, for November.

4th class—F Williamson, J Russell, J Dow, A Gilchrist, E Muir, R Muir, F Oliver.

Sr 3—B Watters, A Parslow.

Jr 3—S Whyte, W McKenzie, R J Turner, A Dow.

Jr 2—M Muir, M Gilchrist, M Parslow, F J Vause, E Watters, E Oliver, G Oliver, F Whyte, T Currie.

Jr 1—P Dow.

A class—M McDonald, C Cook, Joe Meads.

B class—A Muir.

C class—A Whyte.

Average attendance 25.

E. K. Wilcock, Teacher.

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Overseas Postage

The Honourable T. Chase Casgrain, Postmaster General of Canada, has been successful, as a result of negotiations entered into with the Imperial Postal Authorities, in effecting an arrangement with the British Government whereby parcels from Canada for Canadian soldiers in France and Flanders will be carried at the same rate of postage as applies to parcels from the United Kingdom for the Expeditionary Forces on the Continent; that is,

For parcels weighing up to three pounds, 24 cents.

For parcels weighing over three pounds and not more than seven pounds, 32 cents.

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This means a material reduction on the cost of parcels, and it is hoped it will be a source of satisfaction to the Canadian public. This reduction has been brought about by Canada foregoing all postal charges for the conveyance of these parcels in Canada and on the Atlantic.

The public are reminded, however, in accordance with the circular issued by the Department recently, that until further notice, no parcel can be sent weighing over seven pounds.

Watch Out for Them

Look out for the spurious fifty-cent pieces. A number of these coins are said to be in circulation and they are hard to detect. They are the best imitation seen for some time. Not only do they ring 'good' when dropped on a counter, but they are of nearly the same thickness as the genuine and they don't respond to acid tests. The metal has to be scratched before it will turn black. The coin is a little lighter than the genuine article but could be easily mistaken, even by an expert. The receiver-general's office in Toronto, states that several of these coins have been received within the past few weeks and the matter has been reported to the Dominion authorities. They are endeavouring to locate where the counterfeit coins are being made.

W. Kerr, 4th line Erin, was bringing a hay rake from the field with a young horse and with no holdbacks to the harness, when going down a little grade, the rake crowded on to the horse which started kicking. Mr. Kerr was struck on the leg just below the knee, breaking and smashing the bone. He managed to get off the rake and hobbling on one leg, unhitched the horse, and taking the harness off, let it go. He then got two sticks and with their help managed to get across the road over to Mrs. Warne's, where assistance was given and the doctor sent for. Upon his arrival and seeing how bad the break was, after rendering first aid, he advised his removal to the hospital at Guelph, where he was taken the same evening. So bad was the break that one of the pieces of broken bone came out while the leg was being bandaged.—Erin Advocate.

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