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"TRUTH BEFORE FAVOR" — "PRINCIPLES NOT MEN"

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PRICEVILLE

We have been enjoying exceptionally fine weather for Ontario during Dec.

The Presbyterians here are in the throes of a hot discussion aver the possible resignation of their pastor, who has been with them for twenty years and has made many warm friends in and outside of the congregation, but a minority of the congregation desire a change of pastors, hence some "rough house" experienced at congregational meeting Sunday afternoon.

The Sunday school children are anticipating a big time at the anniversary and Christmas tree next Friday evening.

Real estate dealer, Mr. John Beaton of Glenelg, has retired from the farm and has purchased the Ostrander house and lot next to the Methodist church, and with his family have become welcome citizens in our village.

David T. Hincks has purchased the Mike Henry farm one mile north of the village and will take possession in the spring.

T. A. Ferguson was in Shelburne on Friday and Saturday of last week, attending the funeral of his eldest sister, Mrs. George Rutherford, who, after a long illness, passed away on Thursday morning in her 66th year.

ROCK MILLS

Your corrsspondent wishes The Advance staff and its many readers a merry Christmas.

B. S. Field spent a week fox hunting with his cousin at Mt. Forest.

Art. Porteous of Maxwell spent a day with his parents here.

Coasting is the main sport here.

Finlay Hoy of Saskatchewan arrived home last week to spend the winter months with his parents.

Mrs. Sam Croft visited the past week with friends at Holland Centre.

Mrs. James Cargo visited one day the past week with her parents here.

George Fisher, wife and babe, of the 4th line, visited with the former's cousin, W. Fisher, recently.

Mrs. E. Binnington and daughter, of Maxwell, spent a day the past week with Mrs. C. Newell.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Morrison of Maxwell visited recently with the latter's uncle, Levi Betts.

Quite a number from around here attended the bazaar at Flesherton on Saturday.

The Meat Question

"I see a real danger," said B. M. Heide, Secretary of the International Live Stock show, "Farmers throughout the country have been working to raise grains. They have neglected their cattle. Now they pay the penalty. Europe is asking for meat, and will continue to do so for a considerable time. South American cattle raisers have lost stock through foot and mouth diseases and drought. A big demand for beef products is approaching—how will it be satisfied? The only remedy is for farmers at once to turn their energies to raising more cattle. There is ample grain to feed them, and transportation facilities will probably be adequate for all immediate needs."

France at the end of the war finds herself with 2,360,000 less cattle, 2,258,000 less sheep and 2,815,000 less hogs than in 1914. She will be glad to buy pork and hog products in Canada as soon as financial arrangements as to credit in Canada can be arranged. Canadian breeding cattle also are wanted. Canada is the only country upon whose cattle France does not maintain an embargo.

Before the war Denmark used to send Great Britain 2,300,009 hundredweight of bacon per year. Today Denmark is herself short 1,873,000 pigs and her great hungry neighbor, Germany, is short 19 306,000 pigs. Britain will have to look elsewhere for the bacon Denmark used to supply, and here is where Canada will find a permanent trade opportunity with the mother country of no mean proportions.

Uncertainty as to the market when the armistice was declared led many stock men to throw their stock on the market unfinished in the effort to turn their animals into money before prices went down. It was a poor policy, as events have shown. There has been no decline in the price except when quality and finish were inferior. The export demand remains steady.

KIMBERLEY

Officers of Kimberley L.O.L. No. 1340 for the ensuing year: W. M., Taylor Abercrombie; D. M., Andrew Wallace; Sec., W. T. Ellis; Treas., Hugh Smith; Chaplain, Wm. Sloan; Committee—Basil McConnell, Thompson Allen, W. Fawcett.

Jasper Stuart sold $273 worth of furs to a buyer from Orangeville one day last week.

Messrs. Leonard Fawcett, Hadden Hutchinson and Allen Ferguson, who have been in the prairie provinces for over a year, returned home last week, all looking hale and hearty.

Mr. Geo. Hutchinson occupied the pulpit in the Methodist church on Sunday evening last and delivered an excellent sermon from the 23rd psalm. Mrs. J. A. Stuart presided at the organ in the absence of the organist.

J. E. Hammond of Meaford is visiting at the parental home.

One of the largest hawks ever seen in these parts swooped down on one of Wellington Fawcett's hens on Sunday and started in for a meal. He was scared away but not before he had killed the bird. It is very unusual to see these birds in the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Knott of Epping were pleasant callers in our burg one day last week.

Care of Machinery On the Farm

Farm machinery represents a financial investment. Taking proper care of it results in a monetary gain; leaving it exposed in the open at all seasons of the year must mean economic loss, not only to the farmer, but to the whole community. It is generally recognized by authorities on agriculture that, if exposed in all kinds of weather, farm machines depreciate more than they do from fair wear and tear. That is to say, the farmer who is careless in this respect pays for more than twice the number of implements than he actually requires. At the same time great manufacturing plants and small armies of workmen have to be kept busy replacing these losses, which, in thousands of instances, are purely and simply the result of carelessness and neglect.

To house implements properly, it may not be necessary to have a special implement shed. Many farmers can utilize an unused barn floor or a part of some other building, or part of a building that has been set aside for machinery. On most farms, however, a special implement house is desirable. A suitable building, if carefully planned to conserve space, can be built at a reasonable cost. Plans can be obtained from the Central Experimental farm at Ottawa.

Before implements are stored for the season they should be carefully cleaned and oiled. It is a good plan, after removing all dirt, to wipe the entire machine with an oiled rag and to grease all wearing parts with tallow or axle grease. Further, it pays to renew the paint on the machinery at regular intervals. Paint of good quality applied to well cleaned surfaces is an excellent protection as well as improving the appearance of the machines. Then, too, it is an advantage to attend to all necessary repairs during the winter when the machines are not required. This will save much time and annoyance in the busy season.

To sum up: Proper care of farm machinery necessitates a suitable building where the implements will be protected from the sun, wind, rain, snow and live stock, when not in use. In addition it should be kept clean, well oiled, painted if necessary, and in good repair—Conservation.

Victoria Corners

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Stinson moved to their farm last week.

Mrs. Tucker and Miss Tucker, of Dromore, are visiting at Jas. Best's.

Sunday after the afternoon service Rev. Mr. Eagle baptized seven children at the home of Mr. Wilfred Gallaugher.

Boar For Service

Registered Chester White hog for service at Rock Mills. The father won first at Chicago Fair. Terms $1.25.

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CEYLON

On Saturday afternoon Mr. David Brodie passed away at the home of his son in-law, Mr. Ben McKenzie, where he has made his home for the past year and a half, of hardening of the arteries. He was born in the county of Peel 83 years ago and 45 years ago was married to Miss Rosanna Long in Egremont, who preceded him about eighteen years ago. To them were born four girls and five boys—Mrs. Ben. McKenzie, Mrs. Thos. Brodie, (Barbara), who died about 15 years ags, Robert of Toronto, James who died in the West, Daniel of Walters Falls, David in France, Neil of Hamilton. He also leaves three brothers and one sister—James of Townsend's Lake, John and Archie in the West, and Mrs. Robert Galbraith of Markdale. The funeral took place Tuesday afternoon to Markdale cemetery. Much sympathy is expressed for the sorrowing ones.

A bad accident occurred on Saturday afternoon at George Boyce's, Stone Line, when his son, Charles, who was working a gasoline engine, slipped and came in contact with the saw, breaking three ribs, puncturing the lung and cutting his face and body. Two doctors were called. He is in a very serious condition, but at time of writing is doing as well as can be expected.

We understand that John J. Patterson has sold his farm to Mr. Fawcett and will retire.

Friday afternoon and evening the W. I. held a very successful Bazaar in the Orange Hall, despite the fact that the day was anything but ideal. In the evening it poured rain but the hall was comfortably filled. Mr. D. Wydeman occupied the chair. A short program of songs and recitations was given and then the articles which were left from the afternoon were auctioned off by Thos. Gilchrist. The exact amount realized is not yet known but it is in the neighborhood of $75. The ladies are to be congratulated on their success.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Leslie and babe of West Toronto are visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Archie McMullen.

Mrs. F. D. Cairns and sister, Miss Jean Collinson, spent the past week with friends in Toronto.

Mrs. Griffin, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. White, has returned to her home in Toronto.

Misses Gertha and Lilian McPhail went to Toronto Thursday. Miss Gertha will remain for a month and Miss Lilian has returned.

Miss Vera McLean, who has been with her aunt, Mrs. J. Pattison, for some time, left the past week for her home.

Mrs. Andrew Rutledge received a message Saturday evening stating that her daughtev, Mrs. M. Dalley, was seriously ill of pneumonia in Lethbridge hospital.

We are sorry to report Mrs. D. McPhail ill with a slight attack of appendicitis.

Fred Armstrong, a cattle buyer of Brampton, had a strange experience one evening recently. During the afternoon he had received a consignment of cattle driven in by three men. They were invited to stay for supper preparatory to catching the 6.45 train. One of the men was acting strangely and seemed ill at ease, and after they were gone Mrs. Armstrong missed her diamond ring. Mr. Armstrong jumped in his car and caught the train as it was pulling out of the station. He tackled the man in the coach, but he denied knowing anything about it. On being taken to the lobby he admitted his guilt and produced the ring. Mr. Armstrong was so overjoyed that he let the man go and caught the evening train back from Malton. The young man comes of a respectable family and is a kleptomaniac. The ring is valued at $150.

New Blacksmith Shop At Maxwell

I am opening up atonce, a blacksmithing and woodworking business in Maxwell, and am installing up-to-date woodworking machinery. It will be my endeavor to serve the public in a satisfactory manner and I would solicit patronage. I want yourwork and will do it right. 7 April 1

CHESTER LONG

EUGENIA

The ladies of Eugenia gave Mrs. H. E. Tait (nee Miss Leona Pedlar) a linen shower one evening last week.

Mr. R. Haney has moved his family to their new residence, purchased from Fred Duckett.

Pte. Russell Park has returned home after receiving his honorable discharge from the army service. His many friends are pleased to see him home.

Masters Jack and Fred Large have returned home after spending a month in Owen Sound.

Mr. Fin. Hoy of Scotsguard, Sask., and his nephew, Master Albert Phillips, of Toronto, spent the week end with the former's parents.

We welcome Mr. J. Parhament and family and Mr. Solomon Turner and wife to our town.

Word was received here recently that Fred Fisher had been killed in action in France. Fred spent his schooldays in Eugenia.

Chas. Park, who has been employed with the Weston Co., is spending a few days at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Partridge have moved to "Bonnyview Farm" for the winter.

Died—In Toronto, Mrs. G. Graham, the eldest daughter of Mrs. Wallace Armstrong, formerly of this place. She leaves to mourn her loss a husband and four children, who have the sympathy of all.

Mr. Fred Jamieson has bought the Benson farm. Henry Weber has purchased Fred's farm in the Valley.

The W. I. packed and sent twelve Christmas boxes of comforts overseas.

Much sympathy is felt here for the family of Mr. Wesley Latimer, who was so tragically drowned while hunting, and whose body has not been recovered.

Miss White, returned missionary, will give a lantern lecture in the Methodist church Wednesday evening, Dec. 13.

Mr. E. Paul has moved into his new residence.

PROTON

Our stores have taken on a festive appearance and the Christmas spirit is in the air.

Santa Claus in all his glory visited Becker's store last Saturday afternoon, to the great delight of the numerous little tots who gathered to make his acquaintance.

The bazaar held by the Ladies' Guild of Trinity church last Saturday afternoon exceeded their expectations. Regardless of the fact that the sleighing had gone and the weather was very disagreeable, $97 was realized from the sale of ladies' work and cooking

Mrs. Wray received the welcome news recently that her husband, Capt. Wray, had sailed for home.

At the U. F. O. meeting on Thursday last the following gentlemen were appointed to attend the convention in Toronto: W. Short, W. Acheson, C. Moore, Geo. Stokes and H. Corbett.

Why, Mr. Editor, the threshing at which a quarrel occurred that you had reference to lately, was not in this vicinity but much nearer Flesherton. It would take more than rotten eggs to make us quarrel at Proton.

Thomas Taylor of Portlaw shipped nearly $1300 worth of cattle through the U. F. O. last week.

A startlingly accurate prophesy made in Canada by the late Lord Roberts is referred to by L'Evenment of Quebec. The paper says Lord Roberts while in Canada ten years ago stated on one occasion that—"They refuse to believe me. We are asleep under a false security, for I do not hesitate to affirm that we will have a frightful war in Europe, and England and France will have the hardest experience of their existence. They will, in fact, see defeat very near, but the war will finally be won by the genius of a French general named Ferdinand Foch, professor in a military school in Paris. L'Evenment says that Lord Roberts' prophesy was heard by a number of people, and that the Duke of Devonshire has repeated the prophesy attributing it to the Field Marshall.

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