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EDITORIAL NOTES

It is now stated that Toronto has 285,000 names on the civic voters' lists. One is interested to learn how many of the names are those of dead men who in the late Provincial contest as to the Ontario Temperance Act voted wet.

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Near Glen William, Halton county, deer have recently been prancing around in pairs and Grey county is not behind. It is no uncommon thing for a deer to indulge in a foot race alongside the railway tracks with the trains.

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We will be running our heating apparatus for some weeks yet, but already it is claimed that prudent people should arrange for the early getting in of a supply for next winter. To us it would seem more seemly to have it settled why competition should be eliminated in the supply of this great necessity of life. In other words, why over eight years after the war ceased, the public should continue to pay war prices for fuel?

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Mr. Rowley Elliott, M.P., for Fermanagh, in the Parliament of Ireland (north), who is now in Canada and the United States, investigating the question of prohibition as carried out in the whole or in part, says he has seen more drunkenness in a village of 300 inhabitants in Ireland on a Saturday afternoon, than he has seen on this side of the Atlantic in two months. He considers that the prohibitory enactment in the United States and Canada has been fairly well carried out, though much remains to be done to produce ideal conditions. Before he came here he had heard much talk about hip flasks and the indulging in them by high school girls and boys, but he had found that there was no foundation in fact for the report that the youth of this continent were given to such practises. It is interesting to note that this visiting Irish M.P., himself a stalwart temperance man, looks for the best results for the advance of temperate measures to come from teaching of hygiene in the public schools, and the imparting of knowledge to the young as to the nature of alcohol and the effect on the human body of indulgence in intoxicants.

PROTON STATION

A large number from Proton Station and vicinity attended the funeral at Flesherton on Monday of Mr. Geo. Binnie of Toronto, who for forty years was a much-respected citizen here. Much sympathy is expressed for the bereaved wife and daughters. An aged blind brother of Mr. Binnie's who lived with them ad to whom they patiently ministered for many years, passed away at their home one week before Mr. Binnie's death, a victim of the same disease, pneumonia.

Mr. Robt. Bates, section foreman, is again at his work after his illness. Mr. Beighton, who relieved him, has returned to Berkeley.

Our enterprising brick maker, Mr. Sam Batchelor, has purchased Mr. Thos. Wauchope's hundred and fifty acre farm at the Junction and Mr. Wauchope has bought Mr. Chas. Davie's farm on the Proton sideroad. We are glad to report Mr. Davey sufficiently recovered to return home from Owen Sound hospital after having had two serious operations. We understand that he intends moving into the village.

Mrs. Glen Montgomery and babe of Dundalk visited her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Corbett.

Scoutmaster Blake McKay of Dundalk was the guest of Arnold Hergott.

Skating Held In Rink Last Saturday Night

One can judge the lateness of the season from the fact that skating is still being held in the rink as the ice is in excellent condition for this great winter pastime. The last skating was held Saturday night, April 17th and a good crowd was in attendance. The roads of the district are still ice bound, the season being several weeks later than it was last year. Some of the farmers around here are commencing to be uneasy and think that there will be very small chance of farm work being done for some time yet. Very few farmers had more than a few acres plowed last fall and had hopes of an early spring start and are therefore away behind in their work.

NO PLACE LIKE HOME

This new ballad by Walt Mason the well kown American writer will be appreciated. To add a local touch to the composition we have substituted a word in the last line.

"Mid pleasures and palaces though I may wend, I find the home merchant a much valued friend. The mail order catalogue wooes me in vain, for to buy without seeing gives me a pain. The home mrchant credits till pay day arrives; he knows all the whims of his friends and their wives. His overalls wear like the buckskin of old, his buttons ain't brass if he tells you they're gold. Of every community he is a part, and even the kids know the path to his heart. He boosts for the chapel, the lodge and the school; community uplift is ever his rule. And even the softball team looks kindly on him in the athletic dream. I'd rather have him at my elbow each day than to deal with some one furlongs away. Let's make the thing mutual and stand by our friend, there's no place like Flesherton for money we spend."

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CAUSE AND CURE OF SCALY AND UNSIGHTLY PATCHES.

Caused by a Parasite—Yearlings and Calves Most Susceptible — Treatment Suggested.

(Contributed by Ontario Department of Agriculture, Toronto.)

Ringworm is a skin disease present in many herds during the winter period. It is a disease of domestication, favored by poor animal husbandry practice. Quite common and most frequently seen in young cattle, appearing a short time after freeze-up when the animals have returned from pastures to the infected quarters that they occupy during the feeding period.

Caused by a Parasite.

The parasite, trichophyton tonsurans, which is responsible for the ringworm condition, is a hardy rascal and can live in the stables, feed-racks, mangers and yards from spring to autumn and is always ready to welcome his victim, be it a man, a horse, a sheep, a pig or a steer,—cattle are preferred offering a skin that is usually soft and porous—just what the parasite needs. The transmission of the parasite may be direct or indirect. Indirect by means of harness, curry comb, blanket, bedding, tie chain, halters, mangers or stall partitions. In cattle natural infection occurs through contact of diseased and healthy animals, as rubbing or licking one another. The parasite after reaching an animal locates in the hair follicles, causing the hair to become brittle and to split or break off. A single organism once established under favorable conditions multiplies at a tremendous rate, so much so that thousands of hair follicles are invaded and the circular patches of grey scaly crust increase. **Yearlings and Calves Are Most** ceptible, particularly so if crowded together in warm stables where the organism is present on walls or mangers. The disease appears around the ears, eyes, neck, lips and tailhead, the parts that an itchy animal can rub on an infected object most easily. The period of incubation for this parasite varies from seven to thirty days. Small nodules covered with asbestos-like crust first appear, growing into areas several inches in diameter. These are generally thicker on dark than on light skin. Considerable irritation develops, causing the animal to rub the encrusted area aiding inflammation with thickening and cracks. If the crust is removed a raw bleeding surface is exposed.

Treatment Suggested.

As soon as ringworm is detected an effort should be made to isolate the affected animals and to treat them at once. A definite plan of treatment should be followed. Wash the crusted areas with water and soap to soften the scale, remove the hair around the area, and also the scale, then dry and paint over with iodine. The iodine should be applied daily until the affected part is healed. Ointments containing sulphur, or an ointment made of one part powdered bluestone to six parts of vaseline, may be used instead of iodine. Pine tar is also a good dressing. Oils and greases tend to check the development of ringworm. This disease could be prevented and the loss caused by its presence prevented by the practice of proper clean-up measures in the stables and yards used by the farm animals.—L. Stevenson, Director of Extension, O. A. College.

Free access to water or watering cows three times a day will increase the profits from winter dairying.

Many people have an idea that sheep are hard to raise. They require no more care than other classes of stock. If farmers would give sheep the care and attention that they give other stock, few farms would be operating without them.

Winter Rye.

The rye crop in Ontario is grown on approximately 100,000 acres. It is not an important crop when compared with oats and wheat on an acreage basis. The increase in acreage as a grain crop has been very slow, due to the difficulty generally experienced in harvesting a heavy crop. At the Ontario Agricultural College the variety known as Petkus has headed the list for productiveness. The average yield per acre per annum of the Petkus winter rye surpassed the next highest variety by four bushels in a seven years' test.—Dept. of Extension, O. A. C., Guelph.

We shall have fewer and better cows when we improve our dairy herds.

Dairy Notes.

Milk is such a perishable food that measures should be taken to preserve it in good condition for at least 36 to 48 hours after it is drawn from the cow. Pasteurization, which includes cooling and holding at a reasonably low temperature, preferably below 50° F. are the two things necessary and practicable at reasonable cost. Where milk is held at 60° to 70° F., which is ordinary house temperature, the Dealers' raw milk will not remain sweet for more than 12 hours, whereas if pasteurized it will likely be quite fit for table use up to 24 or 30 hours holding. If kept at 50° F. the pasteurized milk will remain in good condition for 48 hours or longer.—Prof. H. H. Dean, Dairy Dept., O. A. College.

Buttermilk.

The lactic acid organisms in buttermilk make it a very valuable food. Not so much is it valued for the enegy value that it contains, but for its ability in fighting and destroying the bacteria of decomposition in the alimentary canal.

Poultry fatteners feed buttermilk with the purpose of getting quicker gains and more tender, juicy meat. They have also found that buttermilk fed chickens ship with less mortality and that the dressed poultry retains its high quality for a longer period after being placed on the market, indicating that the bacteria of decomposition had been eliminated or at least held in check.

Weak Link.

The number of eggs set to get a mature pullet is possibly the most inefficient part of the poultry business. The hatching power of eggs is known to be an inherited character, yet the hatching power of eggs is very seriously affected by nutrition and general care and management. The Department of Poultry Husbandry, O. A. College, has been conducting some experiments along these lines, but results so far would not warrant any conclusions being offered. The problem is complicated and will take some time to work out.—Prof. W. R. Graham, O. A. College.

Rotation of Crops.

It is highly important that the soil be given a rest, oats following oats, or corn following corn is not good farming, it is soil mining. If the soil is rich the evil day will be delayed, but the time will surely come when those who do not give the soil a chance must pay the price and suffer in reduced crops, plant diseases, insect injury, and weeds.

No one rotation is the best under all conditions, but to all accepted crop rotations, certain principles can be applied, so that each particular farm can be fitted with a definite plan suited to its peculiarities. Give the matter of crop rotation some consideration, it will pay you. The staff of the Ontario Agricultural College will be glad to help you with any farm problem.—L. Stevenson, Dept. of Extension, O. A. College.

Lice on Cattle.

The method of controlling lice suggested by the South Dakota Agricultural College, is to dip the cattle during the fall and spring. Dipping of cattle is not advisable, however, during the winter months on account of pneumonia. Hand treatment in many cases may relieve the animals until spring when they may be dipped. Three different treatments are commonly used. Equal parts of ground sabadilla seed and flowers of sulphur in the form of a dusting powder is a good treatment.

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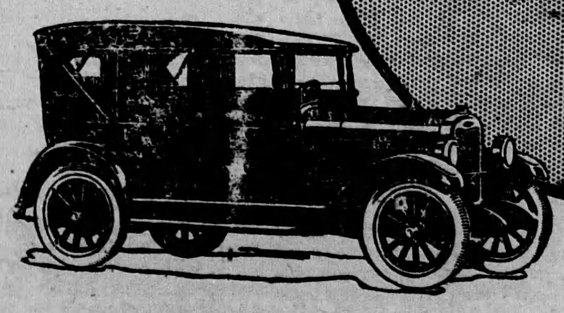

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