SIXTY FOXES SOLD FROM AN ALLISTON RANCH.

The largest single shipment of foxes from any fox ranch in the province of Ontario was loaded into a C.P.R. express car at Alliston the other day. Thirty cases contained thirty pairs of foxes which Mr. W. H. C. Ruthven was shipping to Laval Rapids Silver Fox Ranch Inc., Laval de Rapides, Quebec.

Mr. Ruthven and his assistant, Mr. Albert Blay, boarded the train to be in charge of the valuable live stock till the animals were safely delivered and housed in their new home near Montreal. To accommodate the shipment the C.P.R. afternoon train going south carried an extra express car in which the foxes were loaded, and would probably remain without having to be disturbed till they reached their destination.

That this shipment was the largest ever sent out from an Ontario ranch Mr. Ruthven was positive. He knows every fox breeder of any consequence in the province and says that most of the ranches would be cleaned out if they sold sixty animals in one consignment. The Ruthven-Brett ranch has a few hundred animals left and has breeding stock to the utmost accommodation of its pens.—Alliston Herald.

AHEAD OF HIS TIME.

A Boston newspaper dated sixty-one years ago contained the following news item:

A man about 46 years of age, giving the name of Joshua Coppersmith, has been arrested in New York for attempting to extort funds from ignorant r[illegible]stitious people by exhibiting [illegible]e which he says will convey the human voice any distance over metallic wires so that it will be heard by the listener at the other end. He calls the instrument a "telephone" which is obviously intended to imitate the word "telegraph" and win the confidence of those who know the success of the latter instrument without understanding the principles on which it is based. Well-informed people are aware that it is impossible to trans mit the human voice over wires as may be done with dots and dashes and signals of the morse code, and that were it possible to do so, the thing would be of no practical value. The authorities who arrested this criminal are to be congratulated, and it is to be hoped that his punishment will be prompt and fitting, that it may serve as an example to other conscienceless schemers who enrich themselves at the expense of their fellowmen.

SIX MONTHS FOR SELLING LIQUOR

John Lougheed, of Singhampton, faced two charges in the Police Court on Wednesday afternoon, the first being for selling liquor at the Township of Nottawasaga on November 26th, and the second for selling liquor to minors.

He was convicted on both charges and sentenced to six months in the County Jail on the first and three months on the second the Magistrate pointing out that his offence was greatly aggravated from the fact the liquor was sold to young boys.

The boys implicated were each fined $10 and costs after pleading guilty to being intoxicated in a public place.—Creemore Star.

RECOVERED SOW

Some weeks ago Mr. Norman Davison, 1st line, west, Caledon, lost a large brood sow. He advertised his loss in The Banner, but the advertisement did not bring results. The other morning when one of his boys went to chore up, he was pleasantly surprised to notice the missing sow walk out from the edge of a straw stack, where she had been buried at the time Mr. Davison threshed. The sow had been under the stack for five weeks less one day. She was quite thin, but otherwise seemed little the worse from her confinement. Mr. Davison had been threshing peas in the afternoon. During the night the sow made herself a bed in the side of the newly threshed pea straw. The next morning the blower was shifted to throw the straw to one side of the stack of the previous day. In this way the sow was buried between the two stacks.—Banner.

TENDERS WANTED

For 20 cords of Maple and beach wood, 18 inches long, to be delivered to s.s No. 3, Artemesia,by the first of the month.

Geo. R. Blackburn, Flesherton, RR. 3
Sec. Treas.

Meaford seems to be a town of long distance performances. Mr. Williamson has been 52 years in a choir there; Mr. Wilson has been secretary of the Curling Club for 50 years, and Mayor Londry has been in the butcher business for 52 years.

The hoar-frost decorations last week were very much in keeping with the Christmas season, and the heavily-laden trees presented a beautiful sight a veritable fairyland. This same hoar-frost "played hob" with radio aerials and telephone wires here. Several telephone lines were out of commission, wires having been broken by the additional weight of the hoar-frost coating. A number of poles were smashed in some districts and a few extra telephone linemen are assisting Mr. Ritchie, the local lineman and manager, to repair damage.—Dundalk Herald.

Happy New Year to All

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WATCH THIS SPACE FOR SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT NEXT WEEK

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Says This Winter To Be A Mild One

J. B. Bowes, the Chatsworth weather sage, discussing present weather conditions, said: "I've got December so far to a knock down."

He was referring, of course, to his predictions of a year ago with respect to the weather of the present year.

In January last he said: "December during the first week will have a pronounced storm of winds, rain and snow temperature; last three weeks will be mild and dry.

He does not figure that the present wet spell exceeds his progosnitications, and he looks for clear weather. The rest of December you will find will be comparatively dry and mild, he said.

There was a measure of satisfaction in the old sage's voice as he recalled his forecast of a year ago. "I predicted for January and February last just about the kind of weather that showed up." He proceeded eo explain that he is now working on his forcast for the ensuing year, but it is not quite complete yet. "I haven't all my facts for the next year yet, but I expect to have them ready early in the new year—I may tell you though that from what I have seen so far, we are in for some fierce weather next year."

"How about the rest of December and the balance of the present winter, Mr. Bowes?" he was asked.

"Oh," he replied, "you'll find that there won't be much rain the rest of this month. It will be what you might easily call mild and dry. January will be mild; that is for winter weather. There will be a heavy storm the first week, but the rest of the month will be fair and comparatively mild. February will be all comparatively what you might call mild. The first of March is good for a storm, but the last of March will be quite mild."

He admitted that the recent rain was decidedly heavy," but he continued, "I wouldn't count on it continuing very long.'

Mr. Bowes explained broadly the basis on which he makes his forecasts. "I consider the planets and their effect on the sun's heat. The varying proximity of planets affects the degree of heat coming from the air down south. Being warm, it rises, and the colder air from the north rushes down to take its place, causing all the usual consequences."

Liquid Manure a Value

Notwithstanding what has been said and written in recent years by agricultural authorities in respect to the value of liquid manure, it is evident to any one in touch with present farming conditions that there is a necessity for repeating the facts in connection with this subject.

It has been shown by carefully conducted experiments that from one-third to one-half of the value of manure may be lost by neglect to save the liquid portion. The liquid portion (urine) is much richer in nitrogen and potash than the solid excreta, weight for weight; and further, these constituents are present in the urine in a soluble and readily available form and therefore pound for pound they are worth much more than those in the solid excreta.

The average of a number of analyses of fresh cow manure showed that in one ton there were 11.44 pounds of nitrogen and 9.75 pounds of potash. Of these amounts 5.40 pounds (about one-half) of nitrogen and 7.30 pounds (one-quarter) of potash were contained in the liquid portion of the manure. Since climatic conditions over a large part of the Dominion necessitate the stabling of cattle from five to seven months of the pear, it is evident that unless the liquid manure is saved,much less of available plant food must result.

The practice of running this liquid manure into tanks or other receptacles for direct application on the land is not generally practicable in this country for obvious reasons. The solution of the problem is in the use of a sufficiency of absorbent litter.

Straw, the bedding material generally used on the farm, will absorb from two to three times its weight of liquid; if finely cut, its value as a litter is greatly enhanced, as it will then absorb about three times as much liquid as when uncut.

Deposits of peat and muck occur in many parts of Canada and these materials, when air dried, make an excellent absorbent litter. The practice of throwing a few shovelfuls of the crushed dry peat or muck in the gutter will result in the saving of the liquid manure, will aid greatly in the cleaning of the barn, and in keeping the air sweet.

"Who gave you the black eye?"

"Nobody gave it to me, I had to fight for it."

Teacher—"Willie, did your father write this essay?"

"No, ma'am. He started it, but mother had to do it all over again."

Big Shipment of Furs

Mr. A. Tinianov, local fur dealer, sent a valuable shipment of furs to Montreal market on Monday, the shipment being worth approximately $13,000. These have all been purchased in this district and comprise silver fox, skunk and other hides. The shipment will be placed on sale in the Montreal market which opens in January.—Durham Chronicle.

BARN AND STOCK DESTROYED.

Thirty-two hogs, 50 hens, all the farm implements with the exception of one hay mower, and the total season's grain and hay were destroyed by fire when the bank barn owned by William Reeves of Egremont township, about four miles east of Mount Forest, was burned down. The fire started by the explosion of an oil lantern in the hay mow which was used while Mr. Reeves was putting down hay for the stock. The loss is estimated at $5000, which was partly covered by insurance.

Tell a boy that he is no good and you will help him to become so.

Four years ago Jack Bowerman of Alliston was struck in the eye by a tiny fragment of cartridge from a rifle which back fired. Last week the eye became painful and Toronto specialists recommended its removal.

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LOST OR STRAYED

STRAYED—Black dog with white ring around neck and short tail, answers to the name of Sport, reward.—Leslie Poole, Eugenia.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE — Quantity of choice hay.—Lawson Whitehead, Proton.

FOR SALE—Red cow due to calve at once, also Ayrshire cow milking. To sell quickly.—F. J. Thurston.

FOR SALE—A thousand cords of wood for sale, 16 inch and 4 ft.—Durham Furniture Co., Rock Mills.

FOR SALE—Floor lamp and shade in good condition. Apply at The Advance.

FOR SALE—Good Jersey Cow, due to freshen end of January. —Edgar Patterson, Ceylon P.O. Phone 41r22.

FOR SALE — Good washing machine, practically new, Acme make. Apply to—Mrs. M. Thistlethwaite, Flesherton.

FOR SALE—Roan Shorthorn Bull, 13 months' old, choice Scotch breeding, government tested.—Ed. Littlejohns, R.R. 5, Markdale.

FOR SALE—50 breeding ewes, also cow due to freshen soon, must be sold at once. Will give time to those desiring. I also want good driver and 10 cords of dry wood.—Fred Stuart, Flesherton.

LOTS FOR SALE — In Flesherton —Blocks W. and T., containing 3½ acres; Blocks M. and V., containing 8 acres and Lot N. E. containing 12 acres; for particulars apply to Mrs. James O. Patton, Flesherton.

MISCELLANEOUS

NOTICE—Chopping done on Tuesday and Saturday. — Graham Bros. Eugenia.

WANTED—A man to represent us at Flesherton, with car, selling farms. Apply to Willoughby Farm Agency, Room 501, Kent Building, Toronto.

WANTED — Farm wanted to rent. —Lawson Whitehead, Proton.

EARN $25 weekly [illegible] home addressing envelopes. [illegible] canvassing. Everything furnished. Spare or full time. Send stamped addressed envelope for particulars.—Gillis Mailing Service, Box 9, Sydney, Nova Scotia.

CAME ASTRAY—To my premises on November 15th one ewe. Owner may have same by paying expenses.—Fred Jamieson, Eugenia.

FARM FOR SALE

Lot 28, Con. 4, Osprey, 100 ocres about 70 under cultivation, balance pasture. Frame barn 40x60, log house half mile from McIntyre. Apply to: Margaret Campbell, R. R. 2, Singhampton.

FARM FOR SALE OR RENT

75 acre farm, lot 178, 2 S.W. Artemesia, at Saugeen Junction. Barn 36 by 50 with L 30 by 32, cement stabling throughout. Large cement veneer house, 8roomed, with woodshed, in which is drilled well, farm well watered small orchard.—W. J. Blackburn, Proton Station.

FARM FOR SALE

Lots 192-193, 1st con., Township of Proton, S.W.T. & S.R., 100 acres, containing good brick house and frame barn, well watered and fenced. A bargain for quick sale. Apply on the premises to: —Robt. Lee.

FARM FOR SALE

Lot 19, Con. 6, Lot 19 Con. 7, Osprey, 200 acres on the gravel road, 2 miles east of Maxwell, 100 acres under cultivation, rest bush and pasture. Bank barn, 40 by 60, frame house, good well and windmill, 1 mile from school. Part of money may be got for 4 per cent.

—JOHN C. MILNE,
R. R. 1, Singhampton.

FARM FOR RENT

S. ½ lot 16, and lot 17, concession 13, Township of Osprey, containing 150 acres under cultivation, buildings consist of frame dwelling and two barns, one mile from Feversham. For full particulars apply The Toronto General Trusts Corporation, 253 Bay Street, Toronto.

SHORTHORN BULL FOR SERVICE

Registered Shorthorn bull for service at lot 5, Con. 9, Osprey, "Merry Marquis" No. 179,135; Sire, Bonnie Marquis 142,381; Dam, Red Butterfly 131,078. Terms — Purebreds $5.00. grades $2.00.

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Registered Yorkshire Boar for service by Flesherton Bacon Hog Club, the property of the Ontario Department of Agriculture.

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BULL FOR SERVICE.

Pure-bred Hereford Bull for service. Terms $2, payable the first of February, after that date $2.50 will be charged.

—EDWARD LOUCKS,