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EDITORIAL NOTES

Some of our exchanges are publishing a statement to the effect that a law was passed at the late session of the Legislature making it compulsory to have sleigh runners widened to four feet nine inches, with a penalty attached for non-compliance. This information is erroneous. No such law was passed. It was proposed, but owing to a storm of protest it was dropped quicker than a stalled flying machine could drop.

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"That crime does not pay" has again been demonstrated by a court in Owen Sound which sentenced a negro resident of that place to ten years in Kingston Penitentary, on a charge of theft of a motor car with violence. The way of the transgressor is hard, but each seems to imagine that he is smarter than the other fellow and finds out too late that the law of averages holds good. He will now have time to repent for his crime.

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The fight in the general election in Great Britain has entered its last week and is warming up to a heated controversy and cryptic argument. May thirtieth is the day of the polling and fully seventeen hundred candidates will contest the various constituencies and only six hundred and fifteen will find seats in the House of Commons, the remainder will be left at home to ponder over the vagaries of an election. The campaign in Great Britain is very short and snappy, and is watched with interest the world over.

Who Controls The River Banks?

One of our exchanges last week asks the question as to who owns the land along the river. A farmer in that locality had ordered some fishermen off his property, who resented this action saying that he did not own the river banks. If wrong, the farmer says he would be glad to apologize, but as he had always considered he owned the land and all therein contained he would like to be set right in the matter.

So far as The Chronicle can find out this can only be decided by going back to the original Crown Lands patent. For a time when a homesteader took up land he was deeded everything inside his line fences. Later in some sections at least, a strip of nine feet was reserved "for fishing purposes" and while the farmer in one sense owned this land, he could not prohibit a fisherman from going along the banks. The hard part of it would be to find which farms were granted one way and which the other. We have some of both kinds in Durham vicinity but there is nobody who can pick them out. From this it would seem that a farmer might be right, or he might be wrong, in ordering fishermen off the banks of a stream on his premises, but who is there to say which?

The privilege of fishing along the banks of a stream, however, did not force a farmer to fence his property in such a way that an unblocked right-of-way was open to the fisher, and the privilege of fishing on the river or from its banks gave the person doing so no other liberties. He could not destroy any of the farmer's property, leave his gates open, fences down, or in any manner interfere with him. This is the law as we have been told, but it will take a lot of litigation to clear things up so that everybody will understand.

W have often heard fishermen say that such-and-such a stream could not be closed because at some time or another it was classed as one that was "navigable"; that is, it had been used for log driving. No one should fool themselves with this kind of argument. A navigable stream is exactly what the name implies, a stream that is navigable, not for logs, but for boats. The Marine Act is a Dominion measure over which the Provincial Government has no control, and is not housed about with vague technicalities. The fact that logs, few or many, have at some time in the distant past have been floated down a body of water has no bearing at all with the Dominion Marine Act. — Durham Chronicle.

CARD OF THANKS

Mrs. Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. A. Blackburn wihh to thank their friends and neighbors for kindness shown, also for flowers received during the illness and death of their loved one, Hazel McKee.

Recalling Celebration In 1886 Of Queen's Birthday and Reil Rebellion

BOOM — M — M — M

The deep ominous note burst in shattering thundrous tone upon the stillness of the dawn of a crisp May morning in a quiet Ontario village—sometimes called by its jealous suburban neighbors Peaceful Valley. The strong vibrations shook the very foundations of the hotel that formed one side of the village square, rattled its windows and from slumber the way-worn traveller who had driven ten miles over rough roads to this haven of rest. He sprang out of bed, grabbed his clothing, dashed down the hall, slid down the stairs and almost collapsed in the arms of the manager of the hospice. "What the blazes," he shouted, "do you rascals mean by turning loose a young earthquake to waken your guests? Where is the fellow who told me this place was quiet as the grave from eleven p.m. till seven a.m.-" This tirade was met by a complacent smile and "Say, old man, don't you know what day this is?" "Look,!" pointing along the verandah to where the Union Jack waved gently in the morning breeze. Rather abashed he repaired to his room to complete his toilet.

Meantime the sound, as if it enjoyed the mischief it had done, rolled down the main street and found the open window of a young German jeweller, who had recently come to regulate timepieces of the neighborhood. He had created some stir on his arrival, not only by the novelty of being the first local watchmaker who made that his means of livelihood, but by his having been described by one of the wits of the place as a Doll that could walk and could say many words in a way that made sense — yes, actually walk and go up and down stairs. The mischievous sprite chuckled "Ha, ha! ho, ho! here's more fun," but the Teuton only rolled in his sleep, rubbed his ear and was still again. Undaunted the merry-maker hurried away past some of the best houses until it found the open window of the schoolmom—she who, on the evening of that day was to recite Byron's "Night Before Waterloo!" But she, in her peaceful original innocence, only smiled as her partially roused subconscious mind heard only the lines—

"And eyes met eyes they ne'er should meet again,
And all went merry as a marriage bell."

BOOM — M — M — M

By this time our traveller friend was dressed sufficiently to be down in the street setting off firecrackers with the kids and having a whale of a time. The youth from Kaiserland started from sleep to an elbow position, rubbed his eyes, and as the rapid fire of firecrackers proclaimed the engagement was on, even though the heavy gun fire had not ceased. He frowned and with a compliance with the inevitable that bespeaks a well-disciplined people, he rose from his bed and took his usual cold ablutions, humming the while in a mellow tremulous voice that bespoke no fear, but deep patriotic feeling, "Lieb Vaterland magst ruhig sein! Hevm stand und treu und treu, die Wacht am Hheim!" The schoolmarm frowned in her sleep, as though her half-roused consciousness flashed with triple lightning speed the lines—

"Within a niche of that high hall
Sate Brunswick's fated chieftain;
He too did hear and knew too well
. . . . . the sound
That stretched his father on a bloody bier.
. . . . . .
"And there was mounting in hot haste, the steed, the carl, etc."

The heavy gun-fire effect was produced by placing a large block in the village square two large anvils, one with its face downward on the other, separated therefrom by a large split ring of wrought iron capable of containing a sufficient charge of gunpowder to give the required report when touched by a red-hot rod without too much danger to those around. Thus a royal salute of twenty-one guns was fired.

By this time the whole neighborhood was roused, the ubiquitous small boy, in groups or alone, demonstrating with noise and energy and a few burns that:-

"The twenty-fourth of May is the Queen's birthday,
If you don't give us a holiday we'll all run away!"

The Toronto visitors, who came well-equipped with fly and other tackle to fish the speckled beauties, were nothing daunted by the hoar frost that gleamed white from every roof, as they rose by lamplight for an early start. Perchance it might prove a June day and trout rise to the fly casts!

The stir in scores of other homes

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Letters to The Editor

FOR PARENTS ONLY

The children have brought home their school garden seeds again. It recalls the school fair of last year. To-day this school fair seems to be the biggest thing in the fair line over the province generally—that is of the small country fairs. We are all interested in the children. Where they go the crowd will gather. This was always so. To-day we have a well-organized, smoothly running series of school fairs, conducted by the Department of Agriculture, the pupils and teachers. The rules and regulations are just those that have grown into the enterprise. One of the first was that exhibits must be produced by the child showing. Last year the feeling came over me that this rule was not being entirely respected. I could not feel sure that some of those lovely exhibits were the work of undeveloped hands and minds. In fact I heard of one boy returning poultry to the owner after the fair. He said "Shucks! they all do it." Once I knew a girl who exhibited two chickens after her money for the eggs had been returned to her because, "only one hatched and it was a scrunt." One year a lady told me that she had put sweet milk in Mary's cake instead of sour milk, and "it must be better because I got the prize." A trustee told me that his children showed exhibits that they had no hand in producing. They have as much right to the prize as others," he said. Yes the prize, —but parents—the Department is not putting on this fair to teach your child to accept a prize. Be game. Teach your child to work hard, and steadily, and if need be,lose gamely. It is the work of preparing these exhibits that benefits your child. He must reach out and strive for what he wants. Let him learn that fact early. No growth without effort. If the effort is yours, you are robbing your child. Children love to do things themselves. They are keenly interested in their own work; not nearly so proud of your fine exhibit as of their own fair one. Let them have the fun. Do not rob your child. Surprisingly small children can do all the work themselves. Help them, if they need help, but you take the back seat, this is their innings. Besides, what a chance to teach that family honor you are so conscious of. There's lots of it in Artemesia. Let's raise a thrifty generation, not a shifty one. Teach your children to stand four square. Children are "dead-game sports." Are you? They understand perfectly the rules of the game. Talk it over with them. You'll be surprised. Let's all make this year's school fair in Artemesia a genuine, honest-to-goodness Boy's and Girls' Fair. Artemesia for fair play.

—ACORN.

Dr. E. C. Murray Sold Dental Practice

Another business change has taken place in town. Dr. Murray, who has practiced dentistry here for the past thirty years, has disposed of his practice to Dr. W. D. Bryce, of London, Ontario, who will take charge next week. Dr. Bryce comes very highly recommended and we welcome him to Flesherton. The office will be closed this week in order that necessary changes may be made.

TORONTO LINE NORTH

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Campbell of Dixie, Mrs. John Richardson and Miss Annie Richardson of Toronto, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. Richardson.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Richardson, and son, Harold, visited Owen Sound friends recently.

Mrs. Albert Stewart spent a few days with friends in Owen Sound last week.

Mr. Harold Lever visited on Sunday with friends at Eugenia.

Mr. Herb Smith of Owen Sound visited with Mr. and Mrs. A. Stewart on Sunday.

Mrs. Geo. Pritchard, who has been ill for the past few weeks,, is improving and able to be up aagin. We hope she will soon be in her usual health again.

TWP. OF ARTEMESIA ROAD NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Municipal Council of the Township of Artemesia will after one month from the first publication hereof in The Flesherton Advance Newspaper, (the date of which first publication is the First day of May, 1929) proceed to pass a bylaw establishing the undermentioned deviation of road, in the said township, being a deviation of 130 sideroad in the first and secon concession north east of the Toronto and Sydenham road therein according to a survey and plan description made by Robert McDowell Esq., O.L.S. dated the 17th day of April 1929.—said deviation is described as follows viz—

Description of part of lot 133, Range 1, N.E. T. & S. Road

Roderick McKenzie, owner

All and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate lying and being in the Township of Artemesia, in the County of Grey, and province of Ontario, containing by admeasurement Six and One Tenth Arces (6.1 Acs.) be the same more or less, being composed of part of lot 133, Range 1, N.E. of the Toronto and Sydenham Road in said township and which may be more particularly described as follows that is to say:-

Commencing at the north westerly angle of said lot; thence north 39 degs. 30 mins. east along the northerly limit of said lot 50 chs. 48 lks. to the north easterly limit of said lot; thence south 50 degs. 30 mins. east along said limit 88 lks.; thence south 44 degs. 40 mins. west 9 chs. 61 lks; thence south 39 degs. 30 mins., west 7chs. 79 lks, thence south 54 degs. 20 mins. west 4 chs. 88 lks.; thence south 39 degs. 30 mins. west 28 chs. 26 lks. to the south westerly limit of said lot; thence north 50 degs. 30 mins. west along said limit 1 ch. to the place of beginning.

2, N.E.T. & S. Road

Frederick Russell, Owner

All and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate lying and being in the Township of Artemesia, in the County of Grey, and province of Ontario, containing by admeasurement Four and Two Fifths Acres (4.4 Acs.) be the same more or less, being composed of part of lot 133, Range 2, N.E. of the Toronto and Sydenham Road in said township and which may be more particularly described as follows, that is to say:-

Commencing at the south easterly angle of said lot; thence south 39 degs. 30 mins. west along th northerly limit of said lot 12 chs., thence to the south westerly limit of said lot; thence south 50 degs. 30 mins. east along said limit 1 ch.; thence north 39 degs. 30 mins. east 43 chs. 93 lks. to the north easterly limit of said lot; thence north 50 degs. 30 mins. west along said limit 1 chs. to the place of beginning.

Description of Part of Lot 132, Range 1, N.E.T. & S. Road

Mrs. Alcox, Owner

All and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate lying and being in the Township of Artemesia, in the County of Grey, and province of Ontario, containing by admeasurement One One Hundred and Twenty Fifth Of An Acre (.0076 Acre.) be the same more or less being composed of part of lot 132, Range 1. N.E. Toronto and Sydenham Road in said township and which may be more particularly described as follows, that is to say:-

Commencing at the south eastery angle of said lot thence north 50 degs. 30 mins. west along the easterly limit of said lot 12 ks.; thence south 44 degs. 40 mins. west 1 ch. 33 lks. to the southerly limit of said lot; thence north 39 degs. 30 mins. east along said limit 1 ch. 32 lks. to the place of beginning.

R. McDOWALL, Ont. Land Surveyor
April 17th, 1929.

And further take notice that the Council will hear all persons who petition to be heard in favor of or opposed to the opening of the said road on or after the fifth day of June. 1929.

Dated this first day of May, 1929
—W. J| BELLAMY, Twp. Clerk.

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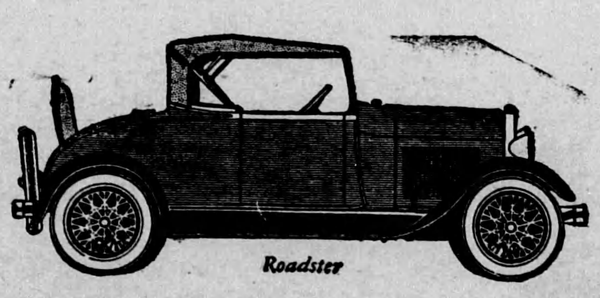

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