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THURSDAY, JAN. 30th, 1913.

Ten Millions For Farmers

Minister of Agriculture Outlines His Proposals to House, and Asks Non-Partisan Consideration for Farmers.

Ottawa, Jan. 25.—Back to the land legislation involving a federal expenditure of \$10,000,000 was the subject of a resolution introduced in the House of Commons last night by Hon. Martin Barry, Minister of Agriculture. The necessity for some action to encourage agricultural pursuits was the subject of Mr. Barry's speech from the recent census returns. These show that in Eastern Canada the rural population had in the past decade actually decreased 1.6 per cent, in the face of an urban increase of 43.8 per cent. In Western Canada there has been a tremendous influx through immigration, yet the increase in rural population is only 14.9 per cent, as against a 22.7 per cent urban gain.

Mr. Barry declared that the aid of the farming industry he advocated was intended as a prompt and complete fulfillment of Mr. Borden's pre-election promise of "liberal assistance to the provinces for the purpose of supplementing and extending the work of agricultural education and for the improvement of agriculture."

In order to ascertain the best means of achieving the end, the services of Mr. C. C. James, formerly Deputy Minister of Agriculture in Ontario, were engaged. A high tribute was paid to the work done by Dr. James.

FARMING REVOLUTIONIZED. "The scientific researches of the past half century have revolutionized agriculture," declared Hon. Mr. Barry, in setting forth the achievements of other countries in this direction, "but the full benefits of these researches have not yet reached the great multitude who to-day till the fields in Canada. With a ten-million dollar grant, Mr. Barry proposes to remedy that condition.

Of this subsidy, \$700,000 is to be expended during the first year, with an increase of \$100,000 during the next four years. From 1917-23, the annual grant will be fixed at \$1,100,000.

For the most part this will be allotted to the provinces upon the basis of population with an annual gift of \$20,000 to each province before the computation made. This is particularly designed to help the small provinces where the population is largely agricultural, where there is great need of development and where the finances are limited. In this first year, besides over \$25,000,000 which is decidedly needed there for agricultural education.

A further reservation of \$20,000,000 is made for the purpose of encouraging such veterinary colleges as attain a splendid standard. Colleges participating in the bonus must be national, with students attending from all over Canada.

are shown in the following table:

Table with 2 columns: Province, 1912, 1917-23. Rows include Ontario, Quebec, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, British Columbia, Alberta, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Is.

"The particular form of assistance will vary, of course, with the needs and conditions of each province. It will embrace aid to agricultural colleges, the establishment of agricultural, dairying and horticultural schools, and courses of agricultural teaching in the public schools, and work by travelling or located qualified instructors," said Mr. Barry.

It might well include the invaluable work of domestic science concerned with the women and girls of our communities, whose influence will always constitute one of the most potent forces in solving the problems we are considering.

EXERCISING SUPERVISION. "We propose that, while observing a proper constitutional relationship to exercise a reasonable Dominion supervision over the expenditures, which are made possible by a grant voted by Parliament through this bill. There will be careful consideration of the agreements to be entered into and inspection of the work done and a full report made to Parliament on the whole matter. Provincial rights will be safeguarded and sufficient control will be exercised by this Government over the federal grants."

Mr. Barry concluded by asking for support of both sides for his bill, because it transcended mere party politics. Said he in eloquent peroration: "It is well for all to keep in view that solitary figure in the distant furrow, that stooped form tending the hearth of the isolated home—symbols and types of our national necessities, our national virtues and national strength."

THE DESIRABLE MOTIVE. "Here between these four walls we sit, year by year making the laws of our country. We do it, amid much strife, sometimes ill, sometimes well, too often attached to importance and permanence, that which is neither permanent nor important. Our laws would be better—there would be less bitterness in our strife—if we were moved by a sincere desire to lighten the work and brighten the lives of those who, in the silence and solitude of the fields and woods, are doing the foundation work of our common country."

"Not Keenly Contested"

Editor Standard: Dear Sir,—My attention has been drawn to an item in your paper of last week, which stated the Presidential Society was keenly contested. That is not true. On my part there was no contest, yet I came within two of the highest vote taken. Had I and my friends worked for a contest we could easily have secured many more votes. I have been given the position many times, but never by a contest on my part. I may be pardoned for saying that the Society has never suffered at my hands. The same thing occurred three years ago for the same reason, which is well understood by all.

W. G. McLELL.

NEWS FROM SURROUNDING TOWNSHIPS BY STAFF REPORTERS

KIMBERLEY

(Special to The Standard.) Drawing saw logs is the order of the day. Mr. Asa Hurlbut of Moose Jaw, Sask., visited friends in this vicinity the past week. He left for further east, where he is going to buy a carload of dairy cattle. Asa is an old Kimberley boy and has done well in the West. Mr. Wm. Best and family, of Edmonton, Alta., are renewing old acquaintances in this vicinity at present.

Mr. Russell McMullen, of Eugenia, visited Kimberley friends on Sunday last. The annual meeting of the Farmers' Institute was held in the town hall here on Wednesday, January 22nd, in the afternoon and evening. In the afternoon Mr. Clark Hamilton, of Dundas (Pinty), was the speaker. He spoke on the dairy cow and dairymen's question. He strongly favored the Holstein as being the best breed for dairy purposes, and also spoke of the great need of a good silo on every farm. In the evening a joint meeting of the Farmers' and Women's Institutes was held. Mrs. Norman of Toronto was the lady speaker. She spoke on the subject "Domesticity," and handled it in a very able manner. Mr. Hamilton spoke on weeds and their eradication. A good program was given by local members of the Farmers' and Women's Institutes.

Mr. Harold Kerr, of Epping, was a caller in our burg on Sunday. Miss Mattie Harris, of Toronto, is visiting friends in this vicinity at present. Mr. W. H. Carruthers, of Toronto, visited with his mother, Mrs. T. Carruthers, the past week. Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Carruthers, of Eugenia, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Stuart on Sunday.

The poultry show held in the Town Hall here on Thursday, Jan. 23rd, was a hummer. Although it was a very disagreeable day, there were about 200 birds on exhibition. Mr. Geo. Moore, of Ottawa, placed the award of the satisfaction of all concerned. There was a battle royal in the Barred Rock, and White Leghorn variety. The best birds in the show were a pair of Rouen ducks, owned by Mr. Thos. Camack. Mr. Camack was also one of the big winners in the S. C. White Leghorns. A pair of Partridge Wyandottes, owned by Joe Armstrong, of Thornbury, were the greatest attraction of the show. No birds with their beautiful plumage.

WODEHOUSE

(Special to The Standard.) Mr. Will Beattie and his daughters, of Edmonton, Alberta, are visiting relatives and friends in this vicinity and are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Wailey. Mr. Lutter, of Kimberley, occupied the pulpit in New England church on Sunday last and delivered a splendid sermon which was full of good advice. Mr. F. Bitch visited friends in Kimberley one day last week and with a couple of the expert and victorious. Mr. B. enjoys a game of checkers and the player who conquers him will have to be up and doing. Messrs. Wm. Woods and James Wiley are busily engaged drawing logs from Locklyn to Markdale for Mr. M. Armstrong.

EUGENIA

(Special to The Standard.) Mr. and Mrs. McMaster visited Mr. George McMaster, of Maxwell, the past week. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Harris of Kimberley, visited friends in Eugenia recently. Mr. and Mrs. Wiggins, of Kimberley, were the guests of Mrs. T. Genoe, recently. Mrs. Badgerow, of Portlaw, spent the last week with Mrs. F. Thompson. Miss Thompson has gone on an extended visit with friends in Paisley.

Miss Braniff, of Markdale, and Mr. Will Braniff, of Sask., were the guests of Mrs. Francis Genoe—the past week. Mr. Geo. Stratford, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hyslop the past week. The regular monthly meeting of the O.W.I. will be held at the home of Mrs. E. A. Graham on Wednesday, February 5th. Program commencing on light cake, by Mrs. Francis Genoe. Some advantages of a country home, by Mrs. Fred Pedlar. Visitors welcome.

Mr. Bert Graham has gone on a visit with friends in Toronto. Miss Alice Williams and her niece are attending a school at Elesherton. Quite a number from here attended the hockey match in Markdale on Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Turner spent the week end with friends at Kimberley. Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Hammond, of Friesville, were the guests of Mrs. McMullen recently. Miss Thompson Smith has returned to her home for her month's holidays with her friends here. Mr. E. A. Graham and Mrs. Ed. Carr visited in Hanover recently.

GORING

(Special to The Standard.) People of this burg are enjoying the fine sleighing at present. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. White and son, Bennie, of St. Vincent, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Kirkpatrick on Sunday. Miss Nettie Shier passed through our burg early Monday morning en route to Lily Lake. A number from here enjoyed themselves at the oyster supper of Tuesday night, last at Temple Hill Oysters parlor. Mr. Foster Clarke delivered several loads of wood to Mr. Neely. Mr. James Kirkpatrick, of Wodehouse, called in our burg on Monday. Miss Martha Wood is visiting at Wodehouse this week. A number from here enjoyed themselves at the oyster supper of Tuesday night, last at Temple Hill Oysters parlor. Miss Lillie Spurling, from Owen Sound, spent Sunday at her home here.

BEAVERDALE

(Special to The Standard.) We have had lovely weather, for some time, but at time of writing it is some colder. Mr. John Miller, north of Beaverdale, and Miss Laura Love, of Temple Hill, were visiting at Mrs. T. Brett's on Sunday last. Mrs. R. Johnston, 11th line, was visiting at Mrs. Wm. Hodgkinson's last week. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Moore and daughter, Lizzy, were the guests of Mrs. Geo. Moore last Sunday. Our teacher, Miss Thistlewaite, went home to visit her parents in Flesheron on Sunday last and returned on Sunday. Miss Esther Brett went to Owen Sound last week to take a course in the business college. We wish her every success. Mr. S. Furzcott returned home last week after spending six or seven months in Toronto. Mr. John Petch and Miss Edna Hodgers, of Menford, spent a couple of days with friends here last week. Messrs. Wm. Wilson and Tom, and Wallace Brett are busy taking out buzz wood the last few days.

PROTON STATION

(Special to The Standard.) We are sorry to report the illness of Mr. Robt. Lockhart and Mrs. Wm. Park, but hope to hear of a speedy recovery. Mr. John McDonald, Ceylon, spent Saturday at Mr. Jas. Neilson's. Mr. Johnston, of Knox College, gave a very impressive sermon on Sunday evening, which was very much appreciated. Mr. Dall Hopkins spent Wednesday in Durham. Mr. Harry Meldrum and Mr. Lawrence Lyons, Port Law, Sundayed at Mr. Chas. Lyons's.

RIVERDALE

(Special to The Standard.) Mr. Will Carruthers, of Toronto, was a caller in this vicinity last week. Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Thompson visited Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Merryfield, of Beaverdale, on the first of the week. Mr. Proficient school teacher Miss Olive Hatch, and gentleman friend attended the Oyster Supper at Temple Hill on Tuesday evening. Miss Nettie McArthur, of Wodehouse, was the guest of Misses Lou and Olive Wiley recently. Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Wiley and Everett, of Markdale, visited friends here on the first of the week. Mr. and Mrs. Burns and Mrs. Johnston visited Vandeleur friends. Mr. Louie Wiley, of Harkaway, visited at the parental home here over the week. Mr. John Stephenson, of Cherry Grove, made his regular weekly visit to this vicinity on Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wiley, of Wodehouse, were recent visitors here. The young people of this vicinity attended the Oyster supper at Temple Hill on Tuesday evening last. A perfectly delightful time is reported. While engaged felling trees on Wednesday last, Messrs. Dunn Lee and Dave Boyd had the delicious experience of discovering a huge beaver nest.

Three new phones have been installed on this circuit during the past month by the Riverdale electrician, Mr. Bruce Walker. This makes to date 16 phones on the Riverdale circuit. Now for electric light, and street cars. Next week, Mr. Willard Wiley, of Wodehouse, was caller in our burg last week. Mr. and Mrs. H. Erskine gave a delightful "At Home" to the young people of this vicinity recently. Generally speaking, the average working day of ten hours is considered good enough. But on Wednesday last two young men in this vicinity were observed in the woods "still sawing it off" at 9 p. m. Oysters and honey as articles of diet for those engaged in a strenuous occupation is certainly a very effective preparation.

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Blantyre (Special to The Standard.) Handling saw logs is the order of the day. We are sorry to learn that Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Boyd's baby has an attack of pneumonia, but hope to hear of its early recovery. A few from here attended the oyster supper at Temple Hill on Tuesday evening of last week, and reported a good time. Mr. Thos. Ashley has bills out announcing a sale of farm stock on the fourth of next month. Messrs. J. H. Murray are busy these days having material placed on the ground for the erection of a new barn this summer. We are pleased to hear that Mr. C. Hodgkinson who has been ill, is recovering.

Vanleer (Special to The Standard.) Skating is the chief amusement of the young people in this vicinity at present. Miss Minnie Graham is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Graham, in the valley. Mrs. Daisey Davis, spending a short time at home here. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Johnston, of the first of the week. Miss Violet McLean spent a few days

Want Ads

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