Want Ads.

FOR SALE

Farm for Sale.—100 acres, well improved, in the "oil belt," lot 17, con. 13, Artemesia, four miles from Markdale, convenient to school. Apply to Mrs. A. E. Wyvill, Flesherton. 8-11*

FOR SALE.—Threshing outfit, feeder, blower, and strawcutter attached, has been run two seasons. Goodison make. Sawyer-Massey engine which was run but part of one season, twenty h. p. engine, twenty-four h. p. tender, all in first class order. Will sell well worth the money. A. A. Caesar, Markdale.

STRAYED

STRAYED on July 12th, from Markdale, a black and white hound. Had leather collar. Information as to his whereabouts will be thankfully received by R. V. Ricketts.

STRAYED on my premises, lot 3, con. 10, Glenelg, about the 9th July, a yearling steer. The owner is requested to prove property, pay expenses and take him. G. W. Littlejohns, R. R. 3, Markdale. 7-9

Three Heifers Strayed. — From lot 7, con. 3, Osprey, three red ones with white spots, and the other a black heifer, about the middle of June. Any person hearing of them, phone or write GARNET MAGEE, Eugenia. 8-10*

TENDERS WANTED

TENDERS WANTED.— For painting outside and inside, School No. 6, Artemesia, will be received up to the 25th July. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Geo. H. Cairns, R. 5, Markdale. 6-7*

TEACHER WANTED

TEACHER WANTED.—For section 10 Euphrasia, qualified, Protestant, after holidays, salary $600. John Erskine, R. 2, Markdale. 6-8

TEACHER WANTED.—Protestant, fully qualified, for S. S. No. 15, Euphrasia, Grey county, salary $600. Apply stating experience, to T. J. Harvey, Sec., Markdale. 6-8

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A Chance for Those Going West.—Homeseekers Excursions Via C.P.R.

Homeseekers Excursions to Western Canada at attractive fares each Tuesday until October 31st, via Canadian Pacific the pioneer route to the West. Particulars from any Canadian Pacific Agent or W. B. Howard, District Passenger Agent, Toronto, Ontario. 6-9

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HOW TO KEEP WELL

BY JOHN W. S. McCULLOUGH, M.D., D.P.H., CHIEF OFFICER OF THE PROVINCIAL BOARD OF HEALTH.

INFANT WELFARE—ARTICLE No. 6.

When it for any good reason the baby cannot be nursed by its own mother, milk should be secured from a wet-nurse. The important requisite in an otherwise satisfactory wet-nurse is that she is well, and especially that she has no disease such as syphilis. To be certain of this a blood test should be made in every case. The wet-nurse's baby must be well and near the same age as the new baby to be nursed.

Weaning the Baby. The period of weaning should occupy two or three weeks. It should be carried out suddenly. A bottle feeding should be substituted for one nursing every third or fourth day until all the feedings are from the bottle. As the baby has gradually become accustomed to the change, the mother's breasts will not give any trouble if she is careful to limit the quantity of food she has been taking. Every baby should be weaned by nine months, and in no case should a baby be nursed longer than a year. It is better to wean the baby in the hot summer weather.

Proprietary Foods. The writer has little use for the numerous so-called baby foods on the market. They are of two kinds, those to be added to cow's milk, and those without. The former simply add greatly to the expense of the baby's food without increasing its value as a food, and those made with water are not satisfactory. Some of the proprietary foods are excellent. If they are used at all it should only be in cases where the child cannot digest cow's milk, and then only on the advice of a competent physician. Just here I might remark that for some reason (perhaps indifference or a lazy mind), some doctors are loath to prescribe the use of these patent foods. They should think twice or thrice before doing so.

Substitutes for Cow's Milk.

Condensed Milk. Condensed milk is milk from which the water and often fat has been removed. In many cases sugar has been added and the concentrated product is frequently made from an inferior grade of milk. It should not be used as infants' food except in travelling or in countries where it is impossible to obtain fresh cow's milk.

Goat's Milk. The milk of goats and asses may be used where cow's milk cannot be secured, but strictly under the advice of a physician.

Feeding Days. On very hot days, etc., baby should not be urged to take its food. Give him cooled boiled water frequently. Dilute the feeding with water, using one ounce of the formula with one ounce of boiled water.

Hours of Feeding. The hours of feeding for a bottle-fed baby are the same as for a breast-fed baby. By the end of the third day he should be fed every two hours in the day time and every four hours at night, ten feedings in the twenty-four hours. At one or one and a half months he should be fed every two and a half hours, or nine feedings in the twenty-four hours. At about five or six weeks or as soon as possible the time should be changed to every three hours. The feedings will then be at 6, 9, 12, 3, 6, 10, and 2 a.m. The latter feeding should be omitted as soon as the baby will go from 10 at night to 6 in the morning. After nine or ten months the baby will usually sleep through the whole night. Then the 10 p.m. feeding will be omitted.

Things to Remember.

Buy only clean milk, from a clean milkman. Keep it clean in your home.

Buy for the baby the freshest milk you can get, but not necessarily the richest milk.

If your town has not a Milk By-Law, or if it is not enforced, have the mothers unite and get after the town council about it.

Endeavor to have milk delivered in bottles. Bulk milk is not safe. Dirt and flies are sure to get into it. When milk is received put it on ice at once and keep it there until used. Warm milk soon spoils, and spoiled milk is sure to make the baby sick.

Never leave an open pitcher out of doors for the milkman to pour the milk into, and never allow milk to stand about the house in open vessels or on the steps in the sun.

If you must feed your baby on other than breast milk don't use a bottle with a tube. Use rubber nipples and go to the greatest trouble to see that nipples, bottles, and all utensils used are absolutely clean.

IS THE BIRTH OF YOUR BABY REGISTERED?

RESULTS AT LAST ANNOUNCED.

The names of successful candidates at Entrance Exams in South Grey are as follows:

DURHAM

Martin Bye, Holstein
Oscar W. Bell, No. 9 Glenelg
Julia A. Burns, No. 1, Normanby
Lawrence Chapman, Durham
Robert Clark, Durham
Margaret Cox (honours) Durham
Mary Davis, No. 9, Glenelg
Frank Dingwall, Holstein
Gladys Douglas, Durham
R. Keith Edwards, No. 5 Glenelg
Essel Edwards, Durham
Eric Elvidge, Durham
Margaret Ferguson, No. 9, Egremont
Edith Ibbott, Holstein
Margaret Isaac, Durham
Wilha John, Durham
Jean Kerr, No.2, Egremont
Ward Koch, Durham
Ottilie Limin, Durham
Joseph Morrison, No. 3, Glenelg
Jessie McCrie, Durham
Sarah McCullum, Durham
Katie McAuliffe, Durham
Elva E. Morice, No. 1 Normanby
Peter McQuarrie, No. 10, Bentinck
Freddie Middleton, Rocky Saugeen
John Mather, No. 3, Bentinck
Jas. Milligan, No. 3 Bentinck.
Mary Morrison, U. No. 3, Bentinck & Glenelg
Ross Parke (honors) Sep. Sch. Dornoch
Chas. Fletcher Riddell, No. 13, Bentinck
Annie Smith, Durham
Reany Snell, Durham
Mary Turnbull, Durham
Roy Thompson (honors) Rocky Saugeen
Mildred Vollet, Durham.
Will Vessie, Rocky Saugeen
Hugh Vasey, Sep. School, Dornoch
Cathrine Wylie, Durham
Elizabeth Woods, No. 2, Egremont
Hazel Young, No. 8, Normanby

DROMORE

Annie Aberdein, No. 9, Egremont.
Velva Daily, No. 12, Egermont
Ethel M. Dodds, No. 11, Egremont
Leslie J. Eccles, No. 10, Egremont
Konneth Findlay, No. 13 Egremont
Arthur Hasty, No. 13, Egremont
Myrtle Hooper, No. 12, Egremont
Kathleen McMillan,
Murray F. McGillivray, No. 10, Egermont
Christie M. Merchant (honors), No. 9, Egremont
Annie E. Nicholson, No. 10, Eger't
Beryl Rennie, (honors) No. 3, Eg.
Sarah Tucker, No. 13, Egremont
Hilda W. Whyte, No. 9, Egremont

PRICEVILLE

Sadie McKinnon, Effie McDougal.

VANDELEUR

(Special to The Standard)

Miss Tillie Buchanan has returned home after spending a month with friends in Toronto

Mrs. Hare and children of Markdale visited the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Johnston recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Reid and little son, of Oxbow, Mich., spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. George Pritchard.

Miss Emma Coleman and sister of Toronto are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Buchanan and family.

Misses Thelma and Vada Wilson of Flesherton, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Lundy Johnston.

Mr. Clarence Mifins of Gravenhurst is visiting his aunt, Mrs. Pritchard.

Miss Swanson of Buffalo is holidaying with her aunt, Mrs. Richard Genoe.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Smith, of Meaford visited the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Gilbert recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Carson, of Priceville spent the weekend with friends in this vicinity.

Miss Vera Cunningham, of Cooksville is visiting Miss Tillie Buchanan.

Sons of Temperance will meet on Friday evening of this week. A good program will be provided.

BEAVERDALE

(Special to The Standard.)

All are busy haying at present, and it is pretty hard on the people as the weather is so hot.

Mr. and Mrs. Richardson, and their daughter Alice, of Markdale and Mrs. Bradey of Cherry Grove visited Mr. Hugh Johnston recently.

Mr. James Henning and his two little girls, Edith and Bernece, visited at Mr. Andrew Ormsby's on Saturday and Sunday.

The Ladies' Auxiliary intends having their monthly meeting at Mrs. T. Brett's on Friday next.

Messrs. Fothergill and John Smith of Meaford and Mr. Chris. Bradey and his two sisters Misses Bertha and Ada of Cherry Grove motored to Camp Borden recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Merriam, of Meaford, visited at Mr Ed. Fothergill's on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Burnett and children visited at Mrs. T. Brett's recently.

Mr. John Miller, of Fairmount, was a caller at his brother's, Mr. R. Miller, Saturday evening, and took his niece, Miss Esther Martin, home with him for a few days.

NEW POSTCARDS.

An Ottawa despatch says: The Post Office Department are issuing a postcard in commemoration of the fiftieth anniversary of Confederation. The card used is the ordinary postcard, with an inset containing information of the various Provinces existing in 1867 and now, and also statistical information in regard to the area, population, general development and industry of the country since 1867. The department has also in contemplation the issuing of a commemorative three-cent stamp, to consist of an engraved reproduction of Harris' painting "Fathers of Confederation." It will be ready on Aug. 1.

Troops Depart for "Over There"

Loading of Transports Will Be Feature of "Big Fair" Spectacle.

A National Spectacle will be the Grand Stand production at the Canadian National Exhibition this year, planned on a scale calculated to write a new page into the history of patriotic pageantry. The Heights of Quebec are to be reproduced on a mammoth scale, with the St. Lawrence and its burden of battleships and fighting craft in the foreground. The story will deal with the half century from Confederation to the present day, and patriptism and infectious faith in Canada will dominate the giant-sized panorama, which will achieve a thrilling climax when file after file of Overseas Troops embark on huge transports and proceed down the river behind a convoy of destroyers on their way across the submarine-infested seas to the battle fronts "Over There."

DATES OF FALL FAIRS.

Bothwell's Corners Sept. 20 and 21.
Chatsworth Sept. 13 and 14.
Chesley Sept. 18 and 19.
Clarksburg Sept. 18 and 19.
Desboro Sept. 20 and 21.
Dundalk Oct. 11 and 12.
Durham Sept. 20 and 21.
Feversham Oct. 2 and 3.
Flesherton Thanksgiving Day.
Kemble Sept. 27 and 28.
Kilsyth Oct. 4 and 5.
MARKDALE Oct. 9 and 10.
Rochlyn Oct. 4 and 5.
Tara Oct. 2 and 3.
Walter's Falls Sept. 25 and 26.

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REDUCED FARES ON ALL LINES OF TRAVEL

SAVE THE TREES.

The White Pine Blister Rust and a Warning and an Appeal.

The American Forestry association has issued a warning and appeal for co-operation in fighting the disease known as the white pine blister rust that threatens the destruction of all the white pine and other five leaved pine trees in the United States.

This disease has already appeared in Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, Minnesota and in Quebec and Ontario.

There is no known cure for it. It kills the white pines infected, and it spreads steadily. The spores or seeds are blown from diseased pines to currant and gooseberry bushes. They germinate on the leaves of these bushes. The leaves then produce millions of spores or seeds of the disease, which are blown by the wind from the bushes to the pines, and these, even those several miles distant from the nearest bushes, are infected, become diseased and die.

The white pines in New England are worth $75,000,000, in the lake states $96,000,000, in western states $60,000,000 and in the national forests $30,000,000, or a total of $261,000,000.

Unless the ravages of the white pine blister rust are stopped these pines will be destroyed.

The American Forestry association urges people in all the regions where the disease has been discovered to destroy at once all currant and gooseberry bushes, diseased pines and others exposed to infection. This will help stop the spread of the disease.

The great forests of dead and dying chestnut in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York, Connecticut and Massachusetts stand today mute but convincing witnesses to the fact that such diseases must be checked, if at all, in their early stages.

The pine growth of this country is far more valuable than the chestnut ever was, and the damage the blister rust may do is accordingly greater than the injury that has been or can be wrought by the chestnut blight. But experience proves that the ravages of the blister rust can be, if taken in season, stopped much easier than the chestnut blight. In a number of places where started it has been nearly or entirely eradicated. May the pine forests of America be saved and not neglected as the chestnut until it is too late!—Tree Talk.

Musical Vibrations.

We can take the scale of vibrations, beginning with the shortest wave lengths that have been measured—the gamma rays given off by radium, which are only about one one-hundredth of a millimeter long—and ending with the longest known electro-magnetic waves, 10,000 meters or more in length, and arrange them in a scale of octaves like the musical scale. In the Scientific Monthly, Professor David Vance Guthrie of the Louisiana State university says they will cover just about forty-eight octaves, of which the rays that are visible to our eyes comprise but one.

Wrens Good Insect Eaters.

The wren, according to A. A. Saunders of Norwalk, Conn., is a valuable and interesting bird. It has a cheerful song, and during the summer months it sings almost incessantly. Its food is largely insects. A pair of wrens will work from daylight to dark during long June days gathering caterpillars and other harmful insects to feed their young. I have known them to visit the nest with insects on an average of three times in five minutes. The number of insects destroyed by a pair of wrens and their young in a season is enormous.—Tree Talk.

The Constitution.

The constitution is either a superior paramount law, unchangeable by ordinary means, or it is on a level with ordinary legislative acts and, like other acts, is alterable when the legislature shall be pleased to alter it. * * * Certainly all those who have framed written constitutions contemplate them as forming the fundamental and paramount law of the nation, and consequently the theory of every such government must be that an act of the legislature repugnant to the constitution is void.—Chief Justice John Marshall.

Judging a Potato.

A good potato should be firm and crisp when cut, and a thin cross section when held between the eyes and the light should show a relatively uniform distribution of starch throughout its whole area, as opposed to a large, translucent, watery central area, which denotes a lack of starch in this portion of the tuber. The even distribution of starch insures greater uniformity in cooking and in texture of the flesh when cooked.

Useful Curtain Suggestion.

The small metal office clips so handy for keeping papers pinned together will be found exceedingly useful for clipping up the curtains at night. The advantage over pins in preventing curtains from blowing out the screenless windows at night is that the clips leave no telltale holes.

The National Hymn.

"The Star-Spangled Banner" is honored as the national air not by act of congress, but by regulations of the military services, which prescribe that it shall be played at colors and retreat.

Drops of dew refresh the faded flowers; so do kind words cheer the aching heart.

KNOW THE CAR'S LOAD.

Method by Which a Motorist Can Get the Best Tire Service.

"Perhaps the greatest and most important thing a motorist should know about a car is its weight with the average load carried," says an expert. "By knowing the weight of his car when loaded ready to run the motorist is in a position to regulate his tires so that they not only act as the best shock absorber obtainable, but are able to offset any injuries which may come from over or under inflation.

"With the weight of the car known when preparing for a trip which includes passengers it is very easy for the motorist to regulate his air pressure in the tires so that they will run with the least injury to the tires. This foresight will also prevent a break in the side walls caused by an overload.

"With the weight of your car, plus the weight of gasoline, water and extra tires, with the weight of the passengers added, you have the total running weight of your car.

"For a quick way of determining what air pressure you will carry in your tires if you have no regular table of inflation the following table is suggested:

"For three-inch tires divide the weight of the load by thirty-two.

"For three and one-half-inch tires divide the weight by forty.

"For four-inch tires divide the weight of the load by forty-eight.

"For four and one-half-inch tires divide the weight of the load by fifty-six.

"For five-inch tires tires divide the weight of the load by sixty-four.

"For five and one-half-inch tires divide the weight of the load by seventy-two.

"To further illustrate the working out of the above table suppose your car weighed 2,880 pounds and you are using four-inch tires. From the above we find that for four-inch tires the weight of the load should be divided by forty-eight. This will give you sixty pounds air pressure, which should be carried in your tires. The tire mileage will be greatly increased if the motorist will regulate his air pressure by the load he carries.

CHARM OF FLOWERS.

Gardening Is a Hobby That Becomes Akin to a Passion.

Barring the equally ancient and alluring pastime of going a-fishing, no hobby has a stronger grip on its devotees than gardening. At 4 o'clock of a summer morning Cella Thaxter could be found at work in her rocky little island plot; a sister in spirit to old Chaucer when on his knees in the grass at dawn to watch a daisy open. And these were not exceptional, nor extraordinary, cases of devotion. They were merely typical exponents of the true gardener's passion.

Nor is this tense enthusiasm fleeting. Not in the least. It is not more transient than the bibliomaniac's passion, no more evanescent than the collector's zeal, which only death can quench. It is no sudden, youthful fervor. Indeed, it is rarely found in youth at the storm and stress period, while it may be observed to be strongest in those for whom the days of wild enthusiasm are over. The business clergyman or the quietest of splashers for whom other passion is none or slight will yet lavish on their gardens such devotion to have won the heart of the most obdurate of persons, enough leisureness to have sufficed for the mattering of a dozen little ones. A garden is the world of the recluse, the pastime of the lone man or woman, the diversion of statesmen, the recreation of poets and artists of all ages, except perhaps musicians, who may be over careful of their hands.—Frances Duncan in Scribner's.

Plan of the Ball Field.

In the Woman's Home Companion C. H. Claudy says:

"Whoever did the calculating for a baseball field made a fine job of it. It takes just so long to run from plate to first, and it takes just about that long less a tiny fraction of a second for the average shortstop and hurled ball to the big mitt waiting for it. The fast slip, hesitation, juggle or wait, and the umpire is going to spread his hands palm down for a 'safe.'"

Drained Soils.

Heat is the chief essential for plant growth, and one of the principal factors in making soil warm is good drainage. The surface soils of well drained lands are almost invariably several degrees warmer than those of poorly drained lands. Drained soils also warm up faster after cold spells and much earlier in spring. It is certain that dynamiting heavy soils will pay.

Moss Bread.

A kind of bread is made along the Columbia river by the Indians from a moss that grows on the spruce tree. This moss is prepared by placing it in heaps, sprinkling it with water and permitting it to ferment. Then it is rolled into balls as big as a man's head, and these are baked in pits.

Doesn't He, Though?

Bach—Confess, now, Henry, you don't pay as much attention to your wife as you did before you were married? H. Peck—Lord, yes! I mind twice as quick now.

Not Necessarily.

"The face is the index of the mind, it is said."

"Oh, I don't know. Because a woman's face is made up is no sign that her mind is."

THREE WINGED WORDS.

How the Famous Expression "Swat the Fly!" Originated.

Once upon a time there was a man with a large assortment of ideas, and he went to a baseball game to find surcease from thought in the crack of the bat and the long hit. Now, the particular idea that had been buzzing the loudest in his head at that time was the common housefly and how to make it uncommon.

He never could look at a fly without feeling a cruel desire to squash it. He was, in fact, about to publish a health bulletin indicting the fly on more counts than the fly has eyes, and it has several thousand and fifty. Well, when he got to the game and had just rid himself of the whole notion for a moment and was eagerly awaiting action on the part of the batsman somebody—in fact, a lot of them—shouted, "Swat the ball!"

The batsman did. He swatted the prettiest fly any fan would ask to see. And then while the crowd roared the fly hater took out a pencil and scribbled on a bit of paper those three winged words that were destined in the months that followed to fly around the world and back again, "Swat the fly."

The man was Dr. S. J. Crumbine of Kansas.—J. Wainwright Evans in Nation's Business.

THE SHORT STORY.

Its Chief Failing as Seen by a Somewhat Cynical Critic.

The short story, taken in the aggregate, is a collection of 6,000 words that tell how the hero happened to marry the girl. It seldom mentions the enormous number of girls that the hero has kissed prior to the affair in hand, nor does it bear heavily on the previous little love affairs of the heroine. The chief trouble with the short story is that it fills the reading public with the idea that to be happy one needs only to be married.

This idea is erroneous, for the success of a courtship depends not on the marriage, but on the manner in which the contracting parties readjust their ideas and peculiarities in order that there may not be a wholesale interference of ideas and peculiarities and a consequent stripping of mental gears and wrecking of hopes.

Every short story should have footnotes attached explaining the status quo of the hero and heroine at the end of five years, together with the condensed but honest reason for the unsatisfactory or satisfactory results.—Puck.

Spiking the Guns.

The expression "spiking guns" is a survival from the day when all that was necessary to put a gun out of action (provided, of course, that you had access to it) was a large nail or spike and a hammer. You simply drove the nail into the touch hole at the breech. If the nail was long enough to turn round at the end on the bottom of the bore so much the better. It is just as simple, perhaps simpler, to put a modern gun out of action. All you want is a hammer. The breech block of the modern gun is held closed by screw threads. After the breech block is shut on the shell a turn of two or three inches engages the threads. By knocking a bar on these threads you prevent them engaging. Any attempt to fire the gun without the breech block being perfectly closed would, of course, be of material assistance to the enemy.

An Ancient Infernal Machine.

In the Diary of Samuel Pepys, under date of March 11, 1662, he says: "Home to dinner. In the afternoon came the German Dr. Kircher, to discourse with us about his engine to blow up ships. We doubted not the matter of fact, it being tried in Cromwell's time, but the safety of carrying them in ships; but he do tell us that when he comes to tell the king his secret, for none but the kings successively, and their heirs, must know it, it will appear to be of no danger at all. We concluded nothing, but shall discourse with the Duke of York tomorrow about it."

Ananias.

The name Ananias is in disrepute because of the liar of that name mentioned in the fifth chapter of the Acts of the Apostles. Two others of the name are mentioned in the Scriptures. One of these was a high priest in A. D. 48 who was afterward assassinated; the other was a Jewish disciple at Damascus. Traditions makes him to have been bishop of Damascus and to have died by martyrdom.

Marriage in Argentina.

In the Argentine republic if a man engaged to marry hesitates beyond a reasonable time in leading his fiancee to the altar he is heavily fined, and if a resident of the republic should fail to marry he is taxed until he reaches the age of eighty.

The Giraffe's Neck.

"Why does the giraffe have such a long neck?" asks the teacher.

"Because its head is so far away from its body," hopefully answers the boy.

Splash.

Maiden—What's that "trough of the sea" we read about? Corney—Oh, that is what the ocean greyhounds drink out of.

Might Have Been Worse.

"Did the play have a happy ending?"

"It might have been worse. My wife only forgot her handkerchief and one glove."

When you have an elephant on hand and he wants to run away, better let him run