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SCHOOL REPORTS

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Administrator's Sale

The Administrator of the Estate of Thomas Sutcliffe, late of the Township of Holland, deceased, will offer for sale by Public Auction on Saturday the 9th day of February, 1924, at the Revere Hotel in the Village of Markdale, the south half of Lots 18 and 19 in the Fourth Concession, Township of Holland, and one half undivided interest in Lots 27, 28 and 29, in the Second Concession South West of the Township of Holland.

LUCAS & HENRY, Solicitors for the Administrator, H. Walden, Auctioneer.

Administratrix's Sale

The Administratrix of the Estate of James Walker, late of the Village of Markdale, in the County of Grey, deceased, will offer for sale by public auction on Friday, the 8th day of February, 1924, at the Village of Markdale, in the County of Grey, the following real estate: One acre and one-half of land, part of Lot 24, 11th Concession, Township of Artemesia.

LUCAS & HENRY, Solicitors for the Administratrix, J. A. Clarke, Auctioneer.

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J. J. WHITE

For Service—The registered Yorkshire Boar "Winsome Dick," one of the best bred hogs in Ontario. His dam weighs 700 pounds and is by the first prize boar at the Canadian National Exhibition, Toronto. Our charge is but \$1.50, the same as owners of scrub boars charge. If interested, come and see him. Wm. (Scotty) Elliott, Lot 64, West Back Lane, Berksville.

Department of Agriculture

Pruning Bush Fruits. Pruning is a practice that affects the vigor of growth, productivity, and bearing period of bush fruits, and for the best results requires a knowledge of methods and of fruiting habits of each kind.

Currants and Gooseberries. These plants bear some fruit on one year canes but the largest yield and best fruit is produced on two or three year canes. In the case of red and white currants and gooseberries, the largest yield is produced on short spurs and laterals on the two and three year canes, but on the black currant most of the fruit is found on new growth on two and three year canes. Pruning therefore should be done to secure a bush with a majority of two and three year canes. In the spring select three or four vigorous, healthy one year old canes well distributed around the outer part of the base of the bush, as wood for future crops and remove all canes that have borne three or more crops. Keep the centre moderately open and cut out all diseased, low hanging, broken or borer infested canes. Thin out laterals on two and three year canes, leaving 3 or 4 on currants and 4 to 6 on gooseberries.

Shorten Long Laterals to Prevent Overcrowding. Raspberries and Blackberries. These plants produce fruit on shoots which grow from buds on one year canes only, and therefore all canes that have borne one crop should be cut out in the late summer or in the spring before growth starts. If this is done after the fruit has been gathered diseases and insects can be more easily controlled. Practices vary in regard to cutting back summer and others in the spring. Spring is considered the safer time. Summer pruned canes make a late growth and may suffer from winter injury.

In the spring the new canes should be thinned out from four to six per bush and when in hedge rows, but in hills 6 to 9 canes should be left. Long canes should be cut back to prevent the cane from reaching to the ground when laden with fruit, while some canes only require light heading back. Long laterals should be shortened back moderately depending on the size of the cane.

Blackberry canes are often pinched back in July to a height of six feet to induce a formation of laterals. These laterals are then cut back in the following spring.

Cost of Maintenance of Sheep. Investigational work with sheep conducted by the Department of Animal Husbandry at the Ontario Agricultural College, gave for the following figures: To winter a ewe and her lamb to white wooling cost \$17.50 each.

Cost of Maintenance of Swine. In practical work with swine conducted by the Department of Animal Husbandry at the Ontario Agricultural College, it was found that in wintering brood sows of a narrow bred, ration produced larger than concentrated feeds, the cost was 22 cents per day for mature sows, and the cost was reduced to 18 cents and 16 cents per day. An extensive experiment with commercial hog feeds versus home grown feeds show that under average farm conditions none of the commercial hog feeds used was as economical as the well-balanced mixture produced on the farm.

Championship Grains. The following gives the counties and the varieties of grain crops receiving championship prizes at the Provincial Winter Fair this year: Winter Wheat O. A. C. No. 14 (Peel County); Spring Wheat—Marquis (Wellington County); Oats D. O. A. C. No. 72 (Bruce County); Barley O. A. C. No. 21 (Bruce County); Peas, Canadian Beauty (Wellington County); Beans, Pea Bean (Kent County); Dent Corn, Wisconsin No. 7 (Kent County); Flint Corn, Longfellow (Kent County).

Millet Sown at Different Dates. The question is frequently asked regarding the best dates for sowing millet for hay production. For several years in succession an experiment has been conducted at the Ontario Agricultural College by sowing millets on each of six different dates, starting on May 15th and finishing on August 1st, allowing about two weeks between each two dates of sowing. The average results have shown the highest returns from sowing on June 1st. Naturally varieties like Japanese Barnyard and Japanese Panic require to be sown earlier than the Hungarian Grass which requires a shorter season for development.

Cost Investigations in Relation to Milk and Butter Fat Production. An investigational work with dairy cattle conducted at the Ontario Agricultural College, to show the comparative economy of milk production and butter fat production with different breeds, it was found that the Holstein produced milk at 23 cents less per hundredweight than

the Ayrshires, but in producing a pound of butter fat there was only .05 cent difference. It was found that in the cost of production of Ayrshires and Holsteins, and that on milk production it cost more with Jerseys, but they (the Jerseys) produced butter fat a little cheaper than did the other two breeds.

Investigation in Connection With Cost of Maintenance of Beef Cattle. Cost investigations conducted by the Animal Husbandry Department of the Ontario Agricultural College, with beef cattle gave the following interesting figures: The average cost of feeding breeding beef cows in the College Herd was 15.9 cents per day. The cost of laborer per day per cow was 7 cents. The value of the manure per cow per day was 5.8 cents and the cost of bedding per cow per day was 1.9 cents. The total food and labor cost per cow per year, after deducting the value of manure, was \$69.35. The average weight of beef calves born during the year 1922 was 77.83 pounds.

Feeding for Bacon. At the Ontario Agricultural College all litters are left with the sow until they are eight weeks old. Skim milk and middlings are the most satisfactory foods on which to start the newly weaned pigs. Rations are made up with the idea of promoting growth during the first four months by using growth promoting rather than fattening feeds until the pigs are five months old. Middlings, oats, milk, whey, lankage and clover are protein feeds and capable of building bone and muscle. When the pigs are well grown at five months old the ration is changed for the finishing or fattening period. Two finishing bars and one third finely ground oats along with skim milk and high quality alfalfa. Tankage up to 8 or 10 per cent has been successfully and profitably used when skim milk was not available.

Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of Ephraim Farmers' Club No. 1 was held at Rocklyn on Saturday, January 19th, 1924, with Mr. Isaiah Longbeed in the Chair. After the reports of the Secretary-Treasurer and the Auditors, which were very satisfactory to the members present, were received and adopted the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, J. A. Perry. Vice-President, C. L. Cook. Board of Directors, Isaiah Longbeed, John Kirkpatrick, Foster Clark, Forbes Goff and George McKonzie. Salesmen, Benj. Smith and Rob. J. Curry. Auditors, Jesse Meats and Wm. Clugston.

Shipments will be made from Markdale and Markdale, Markdale shippers kindly phone J. Kirkpatrick or F. Clarke at least two days before shipment.

Regular Club Meetings first Thursday in each month.

Facts About Peat

The widespread and general interest in the possibility of utilizing the extensive peat deposits of Canada as a source of fuel for domestic and other purposes has led to the publication by the Mines Branch of the Federal Department of Mines of a Bulletin entitled "Facts About Peat." The present publication which is comprised within 48 pages and written in non-technical language, aims, as its title and title indicate, to present in "tabular" form the outstanding facts in relation to the peat resources of Canada and their possibilities as a source of fuel.

The Bulletin indicates briefly the nature of peat, the difficulties involved in the production of fuel from it, and the underlying principles upon which any successful attempt at manufacturing must be based. A short account is given of unsuccessful efforts made in the past in Canada and of the methods which were experimented with. The possibilities of removal of water from peat by pressure, evaporation by artificial drying, briquetting, carbonization and recovery of by-products are discussed. The Air-Dried-Machine Peat process, the only process which has so far been employed successfully on a large scale, is described, and the character and value of the fuel manufactured according to this process are discussed, and a number of opinions of users quoted. Other uses of peat are briefly dealt with. Detailed information relating to Canadian peat bogs so far investigated is summarized in tabular form. Tables relating to the production of peat fuel in Canada and other countries are appended and a short bibliography is included, indicating the principal sources of information on which the bulletin is based.

Since it is probable that the peat resources of Ontario and Quebec may in the near future assist materially in coping with the fuel problem in the acute fuel area of these provinces, the appearance of this bulletin is timely and should prove of wide interest.

Copies of this Bulletin (Mines Branch Report No. 514) may be obtained on application to the Director, Mines Branch, Department of Mines, Ottawa.

Union Hill

(Special to The Standard) Mr. George Gault, and daughter Miss and Mr. Morvin Deskins, of Warton, spent over the week-end with the former's brother-in-law, Mr. James McFadden who is in ill health. Misses Alma and Dell Brown, of Orangeville, spent over the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Brown. Mrs. Sam Semple and two children, of Ploverton, spent the week-end with friends in this vicinity. Mr. James Matthews and son J.J. visited with friends at Durham. Mr. Bert Clark, of Lily Oak, and Miss M. Moore, of Markdale, were the guests of Miss Dell Brown on Sunday. Mr. J. Brown and Mr. J. Semple were the guests of Mr. J. Atkens of Holford.

Blantyre

(Special to The Standard) We are pleased to learn that Mr. Goldie Murray, who underwent an operation for appendicitis a few days ago, is recovering. Mr. Will Hodgkinson, of Proton, visited his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. C. Hodgkinson, last week. Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Hiley, of Rosedale, visited Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Boyd the first of the week. Mr. Abbott, of Proton, visited Windsor here recently. We are sorry to report that Miss Eva Quintin, who was attending Business College in Owen Sound, is suffering from an attack of inflammatory rheumatism. We hope to hear of her early recovery.

Insurance! Insurance! For Fire, Accident, Health, Plate Glass, Tornado and Automobile Insurance consult Edwin H. Matson, Agent, Markdale.

ARTEMESIA COUNCIL

Artemesia Council met at the Town Hall, Ploverton, on February 2nd. The members were all present except Mr. Hogarth who was reported ill. The Reeve in the chair. The minutes of last meeting were read and motion adopted. The following accounts were ordered to be paid: R. G. Noble, \$120.00; Municipal Ward Assessment \$120.00; dog tags and stationery, \$47.25; Renewal of Treasurer's bond was filed; letter from Borg Taylor in reference to dog tax fund and from Wm. Hawken in reference to dog tax; no action was taken in either cases; C. E. Moore account for gravel for 1923, \$4.50. Carruthers-Williamson—that the Treasurer be instructed to pay the sum of the Toronto General Hospital for keep of Dorothy James, an indigent inmate of the Hospital (taken from this municipality in 1922).—Car. Carruthers-Williamson—that \$1,500.00 is hereby appropriated to be expended on highways in 1924; \$400 in each Ward and \$200 on Valley Road, this to include all work on the town lines, bridges and culverts costing up to \$25.00 each. The Reeve and Council adjourned.

The Strength Of A Bank. OVER one hundred and six years ago the Bank of Montreal was established with a single office and a capital of \$350,000. Today, after more than a century of conservative progress, the combined capital and reserve of the Bank amount to \$54,500,000, its total assets are in excess of \$650,000,000, its five hundred and fifty Branches extend to all parts of Canada, and it has its own offices in financial centres throughout the world. The full resource of the Bank are behind every Branch. Markdale Branch: H. H. LUCAS, Manager. BANK OF MONTREAL. Established over 100 years.

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