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**News and Information for the Busy Farmer**

Furnished by the Ontario Department of Agriculture

Prize money for the special class of registered and certified seed at the Royal Winter Fair this year has been increased to \$1,666. Prizes for this class last year totalled \$765 for eleven sections. The number of sections for 1931 has been extended to 21, to include field peas, field beans, mangels, swedes, corn, garden beans, beets, onions, and garden peas.

Many farmers in Oxford County are reported to be preparing exhibits to show in the competitive classes at the World's Grain Show in Regina next year. One noted mangel seed firm at Norwich will send samples of its chief product in addition to at least ten different kinds of vegetable seeds of their own growth including beets, cabbage, radish, parsnip, sweet corn, spinach, tomatoes, beans and peas, cucumbers, squash and lettuce.

**Corn Borer in Essex**  
Despite an increase in the infestation of Essex County cornfields by corn borer, County Inspector James Hedrick does not believe that damage this year will be heavy. He has completed an inspection trip through the county and forecasts a good crop of corn. Essex farmers have co-operated heartily in the fight against the corn borer. The borers were comparatively scarce last year, due to dry weather, but the frequent rains this summer have brought them back. Continuance of drastic measures to combat the nuisance is planned.

**Hogs Yield a Profit**  
An Essex County farmer is making a great financial success of hog raising at prevailing prices. After selling a shipment of hogs for \$2700 he immediately purchased 80 small pigs and 3500 bushels of mixed grains to be used as pork producer, and is at it again. If one farmer can make a success of this phase of agriculture there seems to be no reason why more cannot do likewise with careful feeding and attention. One farmer in Western Ontario kept exact records last fall of every pound of wheat fed his hogs and weighed them to observe gains. At the time of sale his figures showed that every bushel of wheat fed netted him one dollar and fifty cents. The opinion is advanced that even with wheat at 35 cents a bushel, if pork remains at \$5 per cwt., the farmer will be able to secure one dollar a bushel for his wheat by feeding it.

**Improving Poultry Flocks**  
For the season 1930-31 there are approximately 500 flocks under inspection in Ontario under the Ontario policy for approved farm flocks or breeding stations. This involves a total of around 175,000 birds. This policy became operative in the season of 1928-29, with 150 flocks, 45,000 birds under inspection. In 1929-30 there were 300 flocks embracing 100,000 birds, and so have this increased to 500 flocks for the 1930-31 season shows a keen desire on the part of flock owners to improve their laying stock.

**Weekly Crop Report**  
Reports from agricultural representatives regarding crops and livestock indicate that harvesting came on very quickly and in many counties haying and harvesting were being carried on at the same time. Yields of grain will not be as high as anticipated earlier in the year, due to the prevalence of rust, smuts and hot, sultry weather during the season when crops were filling. Pastures are in good condition and still growing. A prolific corn crop will be harvested, having shown phenomenal growth in the last two or three weeks. Fruit prospects are excellent.

**Boxed Peaches For West**  
Orders for some twenty carloads of boxed peaches for Western Canada have been received through the offices of the Ontario Growers' Market Council, according to Chas. W. Bauer, secretary. The council is making a determined effort to recover Ontario's market for fruit and vegetables in the West. It is realized that Ontario lost ground in this market through being indifferent to the requirements of grade and pack. The Council's commercial representative was sent West some weeks ago to develop the market for fruit and the present orders for boxed peaches are the result of his efforts. Incidentally the prices are higher than could be realized for basket fruit, as basket packing is not a satisfactory method to be used for the western market. As a result, various Ontario fruit-growing organizations are equipping themselves to pack peaches in boxes for this trade to other provinces. The council's slogan, "Better Packing and Better Distribution," is meeting with enthusiastic co-operation by the majority of growers.

Markets' Council Active  
Registration of all growers, together with the products in which

they are interested, will be one of the important steps in a plan under way to solve their problems by the recently-formed Ontario Fruit and Vegetable Markets Council. After gathering this information, the council will undertake to study the growers' marketing problems and give advice to each grower or growers' organization on packing, packaging and selling each crop in its season. The newly formed organization will be self-sustaining and owned by the growers themselves, and it will be purely advisory.

**Barley For Hens**  
As experimental work continues, suitability of barley as a feed for laying hens becomes increasingly apparent. The results of a series of studies conducted over a period of five years show that barley will not only replace corn in the ration, but that barley-fed birds produce larger eggs at a lower cost. This is particularly true at a time like the present, when the bulk of the supply for poultry feed has to be imported, and when barley is available at the lowest prices in many years. Barley used for poultry should be plump, heavy and of good quality; and when barley is fed it should be accompanied by a good grade of tested cod liver oil to supply the vitamin deficiency in the barley.

**Pasture for Pigs**  
Supplying good succulent pasture for growing pigs is a practical way in which to effect economy in feed costs. As a result of a series of tests made at Brandon, Manitoba, the use of pasture over a period of years made an average saving of slightly over 100 pounds of meal with each 100 pounds of grain. Every farmer will recognize that this is an important saving, particularly if he has to buy his grain feed.

A number of pasture feeds were tried out and rape was found not only to have the greatest carrying capacity but it also proved satisfactory from other standpoints. The rape should not be more than six or eight inches high when the pigs are turned out on it. In turning pigs out on pasture the farmer should keep in mind that protection from burning sun or rain is necessary and for this purpose cabins should be provided.

For the treatment of skin eruptions on pigs that have become sunburned the application of three parts used crankcase oil and one part of coal oil will correct the condition. Rubbing posts wrapped with old sacking and soaking with the oil mixture will also go a long way in both preventing and correcting sunburn and in destroying lice.

**C. R. Itic Visits Dundalk**

Dear Readers,—I must tell you about the holiday I had on Monday of last week when the little woman and the family accompanied me to the big doings in Dundalk. They were holding an old boys' and old girls' reunion there and the program provided was quite an interesting one.

Not having a car of my own the little woman secured one from the livery and I drove it. I didn't know much about driving when I left home but before I arrived back at night I had mastered all the fine points in operating the machine. The first thing you do is to turn the key and unlock the engine and then you put your foot on a little round plunger which starts the machinery going. After you get the engine going you have to step on a plate and pull a lever which connects the wheels up and away she goes. We got along fine going but quite a number of cars passed us as I wasn't sure that I could hold it on the road at a fast speed. However we got there in time to see the parade which was a very good one. It was headed by a band from Toronto dressed in black with white trimmings. About the centre of the parade there was a second band dressed in all styles of ancient clothing and I followed this bunch to see if it was the band which Johnnie Bowers organized here last winter. They played several pieces on the way to the new park and I became so interested that I lost track of the little woman and the children but they came on the scene shortly after I had got to the park.

I thought I knew some of the tunes the band was playing and I moved over close to see if I could recognize any of the fellows. After looking them over very carefully I was able to recognize Walter Perkins as the leader and I knew then that there would be more of the boys from Markdale so I went right over among them and here was Howard Dennison, Jack Colgan and Jack Perkins all playing cornets. The other cornet player I found out was Frank Thurston from Flesheron. Barney Welton and Frank Duncan were blowing the big bass horns and Charlie and Emerson Bellamy two smaller horns. The wee drummer was Milton Perkins and the big drummer Ed. Colgan. They made a lot of noise and everybody was wondering where they came from and what they were doing there. The fellow who showed them where to go wore a silk hat and carried a fishing pole. They told me he was Wilson, the barber in Flesheron, and that he too was

a former Dundalk boy. I saw most of the Markdale fellows after they had washed their faces and dressed in their own Sunday clothes.

I saw a lot of horseshoe pitching and softball games during the day and met a lot of people from Markdale and vicinity. I wanted to stay for the dance at night but the little woman and the youngsters were too tired and they were afraid I might not know how to run the electric lights on the car so we left in time to get home before dark. We had a big time and the experience will stand me good if I get a job driving a truck for the paving company.

I had intended telling you about the fun we had at the park here the night the paving men were defeated by the bankers in the softball game but I haven't the time to do it this week. I was glad to see the bankers win because they are such a good looking bunch of boys.

So long,  
C. R. Itic.

**Slats' Diary**

Friday—Ant Emmy has got a offle good memry so she wont forget the dates when things happened a long time ago and ect. Today pa and ma was wandering when it was that the crick bridge broke down with the thrasher macehen on it and Ant Emmy sed it was on the twenty 3rd of July Nineteen 28. All I cud remember I new it was on Saturday becuz I had just tuk my bath when we herd the noose.

Saturday—Pa was simpatizing with yung Geo. Gessler witch has ben going to college for 4 yrs and has got a wonderful Vecabulary and everything and then he went and got married and ma wanted to no why pa was sorry for him and pa sed Well he wont never get to use it now, a nuther evening was spollt.

Sunday—Pa was tawking to Eb Davis today and Eb hasent had no wirk for 7 munths and last winter the towa had to fernish groceries and cole fer him. He sed it looks like a bad winter a head but if the wirlf cums to the wirst why he will first to sell his ottomobel much as he wood hate to do that.

Monday—I gess Mr. Flick will get his self sun glasses now, he is very near cited and yesterday at a picknick he picked up a Olive and it turned out to be a Bumble bee, witch was very active to. More so than Olives ennyhow.

Tuesday—Sumbuddy stole my pance wife I was in swimming today so I borryed a sack frum farmer Gilpin and sent wird to ma to be prepared for me when I got home. I neednt of sent wird becuz she was all redy prepared. I gess I wont need enny pance for a few days enny way.

Wednesday—Joe Hix nearly dyed of frite las nite, he drunk a glass of water and it skared him. He sed he was skared it might rust his iron Constitution.

Thursday—Wm. Grote sold his cross bulldog today, he sed he dident need a watch dog enny more sence he married his 2nd wife to keep raps an agents away. I doant understand why but gess Mister Grote noes his better 1/2 bettern I do.

**ARTEMESIA COUNCIL**

Artemesia Council met at Flesheron on Aug. 10th, with all the members present and the reeve presiding.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and on motion adopted.

By-Law No. 908 to levy rates for 1931 was introduced and read a first and second times and laid over to next meeting.

Claims for sheep killed were presented and ordered paid: A. Thompson, one sheep, \$10.00; Earl Davis, 1 sheep, \$10.00; C. Alcox, 2 sheep, \$16.00; Chas. Stafford, 1 sheep, \$8.00; Fred Russell, 3 sheep, \$25; Lurdy Johnston, 12 sheep \$108; Elmer Warrling, five sheep, \$60; A. S. Hazard, 4 sheep, \$27; George Buchanan, 2 sheep \$18; A. Harbottle, 4 sheep, \$28; and valuers' paid as follows: W. Gibson, \$41.50; W. J. Beatty, \$46; R. Clark, \$1.50; H.

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All persons having claims against the estate of James Thomas Kirkpatrick, who died on or about May 24, 1931, are requested to send particulars of such claims to me on or before 27th, August 1931.  
Take notice that the assets of the estate shall be distributed having regard only to such claims as are sent to me by that date.  
Dated at Markdale, August 1st, 1931.  
Walter E. Harris, solicitors for Roy Kirkpatrick and Archie Woods, Executors.

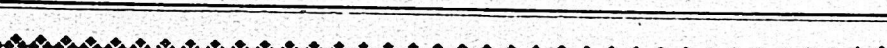
Baker, \$4.50.  
The road superintendent's report for July was presented showing expenditure on road \$1939.97 and payment of the amount was ordered. Accounts presented and ordered paid: The Flesheron Advance, printing and advertising 1931 Voters' List, \$167.10; R. Gorley, School

Attendance Officer presented his report for half year to 1st of July and was paid half year's salary \$12.50 and account from R. McDowell for surveying road deviation, \$55.00 was presented and ordered to be paid, also an account from Judge Sutherland for Court of Revision of Assessment Roll 1931, \$11.60 was

ordered paid. A grant of \$60.00 was ordered to be expended on 12th line Road Div. No. 12.  
The clerk was instructed to advertise for tender for the grading and fill on the Turner Deviation and if tenders are satisfactory the Council will proceed with the work.  
The council adjourned.



Nita was worried... she could not imagine where she had lost her bracelet—in the hotel or on the journey home.  
"I can't think what I could have done with it," she kept telling her mother.  
"Why not telephone to the hotel," mother suggested. "It's after eight-thirty now and a call will only cost a few cents."  
Imagine Nita's joy when the hotel clerk told her that the bracelet had been found in her room and would be mailed to her right away.  
Thanks to her mother's suggestion, Nita's anxiety was relieved at once... and the cost of the call was considerably less than her taxi fare from the station.



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