

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1919

A CHRISTMAS FANCY

The radiator increased one happy day  
To a place they never before had  
seen.  
Walls glowing with radiance bright;  
From doors and windows the white  
light streams.  
And the voices said: "Come—  
And the walls were jewelled with  
precious stones."  
From pavement to glittering dome.

Rising up from a bank of flowers,  
All hidden with strange and marvelous  
toys.  
And the roses and fruits between;  
The very air was vibrant with joy,  
And a sweet expectant thrill,  
While ranks lay rank the children came  
The joyful gift to fill.

Then out from the midst of the trees  
There stepped—  
The Christ who when they loved so well;  
And over that smiling eager throng,  
And he valued his beautiful hands and  
smiled.

And to them to their tenderly,  
"Oh, bleed ye all, my little ones!  
Ye live, since ye came to me!"

Over their heads he lifted his hands,  
And the children said: "Behold,  
And the angels sang, and the harps  
played."

A nod for the dear Christ-child,  
And the fair young faces were all  
alight.

With the raptures of the skies,  
For the beat and rarest of joys are  
Where the heart of his kingdom lies.

Never a pen can tell  
Of the love he bears us; and the hand  
And so we can only dream, and dream  
Of the keeping of Christmas there!

—Edworthy Herald.

THE OLD MAN OF THE BIG  
CLOCK TOWER



Four Weeks' Course in Agriculture

To be Held in the Town Hall, Acton, January 6 to January 30, 1920

Short Course in Home Nursing

January 19 to January 30, 1920

Under the Direction of Ontario Department of Agriculture, Halton County Branch, and Halton Women's Institute

GEO. A. PUTNAM,  
Superintendent Women's Institutes

R. R. FLEMING,  
Agricultural Representative, Burlington, Ont.

Outline of Course

**English and Composition**  
Essays on agricultural subjects, correspondence, public speaking, debates. Rules governing meetings; duties of officers, conducting public meetings.

**Veterinary Science**  
Causes, symptoms, treatment and prevention of the common diseases and ailments of farm stock; care of breeding animals, unsoundness in the horse.

**Live Stock**  
A study of the different classes, breeds and types of farm animals. Care and management.

**Feeds and Feeding**  
Studies in feeding. Animal nutrition. Composition of food stuffs. Storage and preparation of feeds. The working out of balanced rations.

**Field Crops**  
A study of varieties, principles of crop improvement, rotation of crops, methods of cultivation, results of experiments, and practical work in judging seed grains, grasses, clovers, roots and potatos.

**Dairying**  
Characteristics of the dairy cow, care, feeding, management, selection, commencement of a herd, milk records, care of milk and cream, dairy buildings, dairy utensils, testing milk and cream.

**Poultry**  
Characteristics of the most important breeds of farm poultry; feeding, care and management, poultry houses, diseases, marketing, egg production and rearing of chicks.

**Bee Keeping**  
General management of bees; cause, nature, and prevention of disease.

**Fruit Growing**  
Selecting most suitable varieties, nursery stock, planting, spraying, cultivation, cover crops, picking, marketing. Also practical work in pruning and packing.

**Cement Construction**  
Illustrated lectures on the use of cement on the farm.

**Soils**  
Origin and types of soils, essential constituents, soil in relation to heat, moisture, air; methods of cultivation, conservation, principles of drainage, practice in making profiles and plans, benefits of drainage, soil analysis.

**Manures**  
Harvest manure; its composition, care, application; green manures, commercial fertilizers, their composition, value and application.

**Agricultural Botany**  
Plant structure, plant nutrition, the relation of plants to moisture, temperature, light and air. The identification and eradication of weeds and weed seeds, application of the Seed Control Act.

**Insects and Fungus Diseases**  
A study of economic insects; their life histories, habits, nature of injuries; the common fungous diseases of fruit crops, roots, stems, blights, rot and scale; the preparation and application of sprays.

**Bacteriology**  
Bacteria in relation to agriculture. Bacterial diseases of plants and animals; bacteria in soil, milk, silage, fertilizer, sewerage disposal.

**Farm Arithmetic and Farm Accounts**

Real and practical problems; farm every day farm life; measuring wood, capacity of wells, bins, stock; methods of pricing building materials; tables of rates and measures; Farm accounts; business forms, borrowing and investing; mortgages, simple method of farm bookkeeping.

**ADMIRATION**—This course is free to any young man or woman in the other professions who is interested in the field of agriculture and who will attend regularly.

Young men from adjoining counties will be welcomed and are admitted free. There is no admission fee, no test fees, no books required, no special outfit, and the only expense will be for a few note books. Those living at a distance, who cannot get home daily, will have their board to pay.

An application blank is enclosed herewith and should be filled in by those taking the course and forwarded as soon as possible.

This class will not meet on Saturday afternoons, the lectures will begin at 6.30 each morning and conclude at 4

In the afternoon. Lectures will be held in the Town Hall.

**SPECIAL SPEAKERS**—In addition to the regular lectures we are arranging to have several from time to time special speakers on topics experts in some particular branch of agriculture, such as Live Stock, Vegetable Growing, Plant Diseases, Markets, Cement Construction, Farm Management and the general business of the farm.

Patrons, one of the new moving picture machines will be at the disposal of the Short Course, and films showing agricultural operations will be used in connection with the various subjects outlined.

You are invited to write us for any information you may wish in connection with the above events.

MRS. J. McDougall

**Fair Dealing and Low Prices**

Are building up our business. We carry a full line of goods at low prices and our quality and price will reflect the honesty of further search.

Our quality and price will stand comparison.

MR. J. McDougall

The idea that the mail order houses sell the same quality of goods at lower prices than the home merchant is quickly exploded. The mail order houses are bound to which they are subjected. The large mail order houses spend hundreds of thousands of dollars annually for advertising and the selling expenses of the smaller concern are proportionately as large. Their other expenses, such as rent, labor, etc., are also large. In spite of these heavy expenses, the mail order houses distribute millions of dollars in dividends among the stockholders. In case of stock dividends, however, the mail order house will not receive it for the short period of nine years. This does not indicate that the mail order houses are bad for their health and are giving away merchandise to their customers.

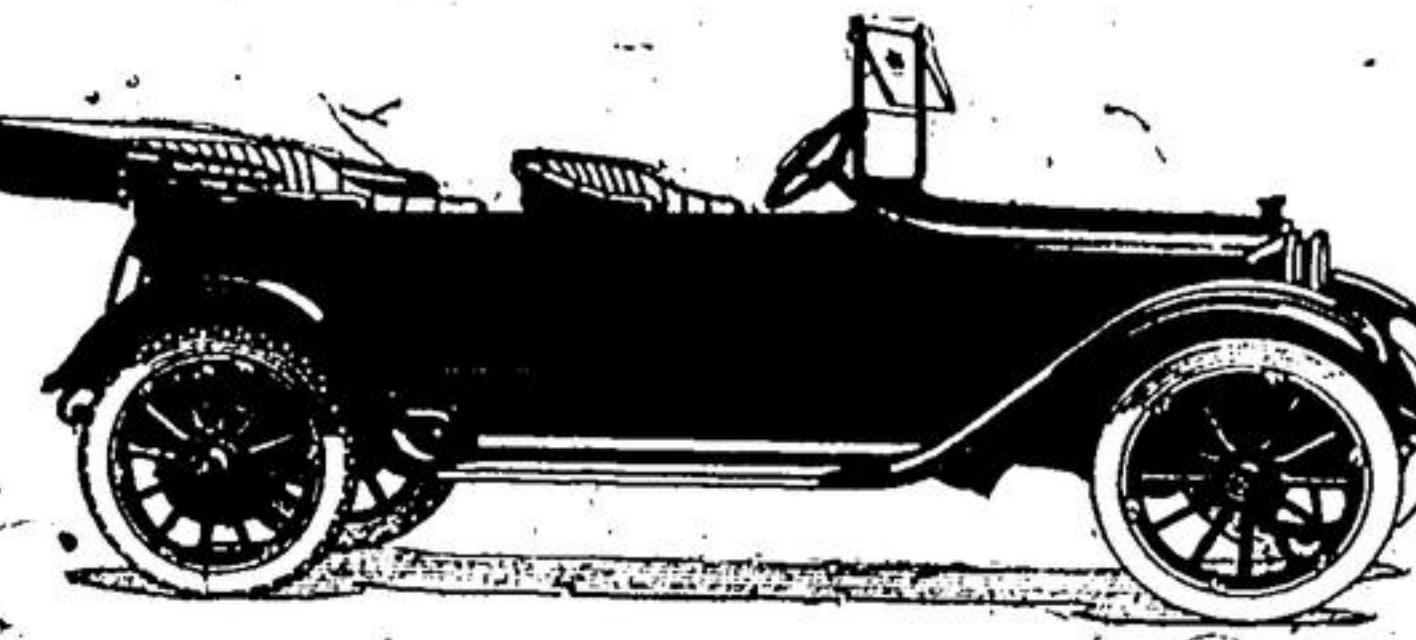
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from Irritation, Itching, Itches, If  
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anywhere and strongly urge com-  
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kind of building. We would suggest  
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Did You Ever Stop to Consider

That It costs over Five Thousand  
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from the stores to the home, and  
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