A COUNTRY SONG While the willow spreads her honey, Come away! Blirds are singing, banks are sunny; Come away! Leave the city's toil and thunder For the bright, entrancing wonder .

Of the May, May, May. In green fields are young lambs bleating Grove and coppies laugh their greeting. Every steep an orchard seems. Made for beauty, love and dreams; Como away!.

In the flush of summer weather Come away! . Youth and gladness yours together For a day. Seek the mendows, agure-tented, Dusky, coaxing, myriad-scented With the hay, hay, hay. Down the windrow's tumbled maxes. Crickets chirp the sun-god's praises; There the firefly's restless spark Braids its pattern on the dark;

Come away! When the hear-frosts crisp and white-Come away! Then the skies and forests brighten: Come away! Winds are whiteling, nuts are falling, Loud at dawn the marsh-hawk calling, And the jay, jay, jay. - Autumn, wreathed with leaf and berry, Treads a measure wild and merry; Court her blessings ere they fly; Storms-will rout you by and by-

-Dora Read Goodale

ON CRAZY MOUNTAIN

Crazy Moutain is in Montana. The whole state has heard of it, and word of it is spreading to other states. A teacher and nine children have made An' I'd hear that rattle-wheeled it famous. Here is the inscription of Crazy Mountain schoolhouse and its equipment that a school inspector of Then he'd holler, "Howdy!" an

"The achoolhouse is a ten by twelve shack with a roof that slants only Never was no other talk one way, and is covered with black tar paper. The cracks in the floor were so big that pencils easily fell through Alwas knowed when I looked up them. There were only three tiny win- Jest how it 'u'd 'se: dows. The hole cut through the roof He 'u'd holler, "Howdy!" an' for the stovepipe was so clumsily made I'd holler back, "Helfo!" that the rain ran down into the stove and put-the fire out. The rain also Say, I call that neighboring beat in at the door, which was latched by a chain booked over a nail. The desks had been thrown away by a Alwus friendly, cheery-like, neighboring school. The seats were Sunshine, rain er snow, boards held up by sticks of wood; un- He jest hollers, "Howdy!" an' less the pupil was fortunate enough to I holler back. "Hello!" find a box of the right size to use for a chair. The teacher's desk was a plank nailed on two sticks, and set against the wall."

her nine pupils began their work last spring. Most of the pupils had no He jest hollers, "Howdy!" an' books; for three weeks there was no! fire, although it was cold and very damp. But these things made no difforence—they had come to work; and they worked.

One day a premium list of the Mon- Look-out yonder in the roadtana state fair came to the school. The / There! Now see him go! teacher and pupils examined it eagerly, Soon he'll holler, "Howdy!" an' to see what there was that they could 'do. "Best kindergarten work"-no chance there. "Best shop work"-that was oven more hopeless. Best collection of wild flowers, pressed and mounted, with description of five." Everybody shouted, "We can do that!"

How those children worked! They scoured the region from mountain to valley. They invented flower presses, and put the flowers under the heaviest weights they could find. They made use of sacks of flour, trunks, bureaus, the legs of a bed. Finally they selected their best specimens, sixty-eight in all, carefully mounted them on white practiced in Acton, though Dr. Morrow. cardboard and sent them to the fair. And Crazy Mountain, school won the -whole state; and a successful merchant, who saw their exhibit, sent this the Dr. when he lived in Acton. Ho during his remaining year of study, "The Madcaps," a party of pierettes have witnessed! message to the county in which Crazy was good company, could tell a good, after which he accepted a united call associated with Acton Congregational

Go and tell the people of Park and was withal a very human man. There he lived and labored, made tainments in Churchfield Hall on Mon- because the Greeks named this par-County that boys and girls who do One always felt the better of an hour peace, and grew into the life of the day night, their object on this occasion ticular sea for Helle, the goddess who work like that are entitled to a better in Dr. Forster's company. And so now people. It was his only pastorate, and being to help the funds for the Sunday fell into its waters while she was ridbehoolhouse and a better equipment; he's gone, and I lose another friend. It must sub- the leaders in the old quarrel, married The need for the provision of land ram of the Golden Fleece. Through store and get anything they want in I will always cherish sweet memories and died at a good old age after fifty been urged on the Acton Town Coun- Jason and the Argonauts, in search o it without money and without price The best business men as well as the best school men realize that boys and ISLA'S WEEKLY CONTRIBUTION girls who do faithful work with what The Old Man of the Big Clock Tower. they have, make the men and women Dear Friend: who do good work when the time of arger opportunity comes."

ORNAMENTAL GRASSES

variety has a narrower blade with a their stand toward the temperance Mr. Smith, "but my sainted father mittee has laid out his money. definite strip. A third desirable var-desirable va which has whitish or yellowish marks relate how I became a temperance crossing them. All of these varieties worker. Tommy Kennedy who has and convictions of my father," said smith-avenue, Acton, was overthrown. are as hardy as orchard grass. They now crossed over the river—came to us Mr. Brown. grow rapidly and early in the sum- boys one evening and told us (he was lawn or in front of a fence. By the kind of a lodge or something about memory and started in full career all pound was destroyed. each stalk. They may be dried and and he thought he would join and try century, the contention began again; curate of St. Alban's, 'Acton Green, used in the house for decoration. The it out. The fee was only one ponny a It had sprung out of a triffe in the was married at Brightlingsea Parish plant should be cut back close to the month. "And," he said, "from what I first instance, and the merest triffe Church on Tuesday to Miss Irene Warground in November and manured hear there is going to be suppers and now brought it out of its grave. Only plentifully around the plant, but not lots of music, and a good time." Of after the greatest effort on the part the top. No plant in my garden cihims course, Tom's approval settled the of those who had no ancestors in the more notice than these grasses from matter, and, through the kindness of original strife, and the wise counsel -July to November. The best collec- the women of the village, the supper of men outside, was the difficulty settion I have seen of these grasses is materialized, and you can imagine how tied and peace restored. on the grounds of the Normal School we boys enjoyed it. There was Tom ton, Ontario. They are well worth the Hill boys, Elam and Jack Living- resentful thoughts about a wrong he growing.—By William Hartry, Sea- stone, am not sure of any of the Grant has excused, there still is a root of forth, Director of the Ontario Horti- bays, Austin Tubby, one of the Ebbago bitterness out of which new hatred

TRICKING THE JUDGE

a man accused of housebreaking. punish him for an offence committed only by one of his limbs

pany it or not, just as he chooses." cork arm, and, leaving it on the table, cursed liquor traffic.

WORTH-WAITING FOR

his fate at once, telegraphed a pro- was the Old Country folk, who had alposal of marriage to the lady of his ways been accustomed to drinking. choice. After spending the entire day were just beginning to die out, and majestles, but just look at them and at the telegraph office, says the Argo- a new ideal becupied the younger naut, he was rewarded late in the even- folks' mind. But with all this feeling by an affirmative answer. "If I were you," suggested the op- was not a barn or house raising, erator, when he delivered the message, logging bee, wood cutting or any such "I'd think twice before marrying a gathering on the average farm, but the girl that kept me waiting all day for dug must be in evidence. And any lass who waits for the night rates is

the lass for me.".

SELF-CONGRATULATION

"I may be a little deaf," said Grand- the Dunkin Act: and has always since sire Mabbitt, 'but I'm glad to say my been in front in stamping their diseyesight is us good as over, Jimmy, approval on the traffic, I could say pass me them potatoes." And he point | much more, but this is for the younged to a dish full of crisp, brown dough- sters, that they may decide early t



GREETINGS FOR TWO

Knowed him more 'n twenty year,' Liked him through and through; Him an' me was neighbors here When th' land was new: He druv past here every day, Wave' his hand just so; Then held holler, "Howdy!" an'

I'd holler back, "Hello!" I'd be workin' in the field, Buggy comin' down; I'd look up from hoein corn, . An I'd see him go:

An' I tend t' mine; He don't put on any aira. I don't cut no shine; In this schoolhouse the teacher and Weather bad er weather fair, Drivin' fast er slow, -

> That's th' way we started out. When we settled here; Like 't keep it up about 'Nother twenty year', I'll holler back, "Hello!

ANOTHER OF ACTON'S FORMER DOCTORS CALLED A few weeks ago I gave a brief sketch of the twenty-two doctors who had practiced in Acton, and among them was Dr. Montt Forster of Toronoldest of all the doctors who have

of Guelph, must be a close second, Dr. clean story, out of his rich experience, as pastor.

my last effusion on your good nature, said he. "I've heard my father tell how try meetings this year. In Acton the that the Greeks captured by craft after in that I went outside straight lines Deacon Brown wouldn't pray in the traditional plan of the Vicar appoint- the ten years' slege of which Homer regarding the stories I am supposed to meeting where he had taken part." ' ing one and the congregation the other, sang. tell, and possibly got somewhat prosy. Deacon Brown's son laughed, too, has been incariably followed. There are few plants that make a I fear you will pass the blue pencil but he resented the allusion, and he better show in the garden than some through this; yet, feeling as I do, mentioned something which his own the provision of a flower bed, in Acton ago to the thunder of guns on the of the ornamental grasses. The com- especially toward the young and rising father had told him about the elder Park, which has previously been des- British battleship Agamemnon. Near mon species, M. Senensis, is striped, generation, I hope what I may say Mr. Smith.

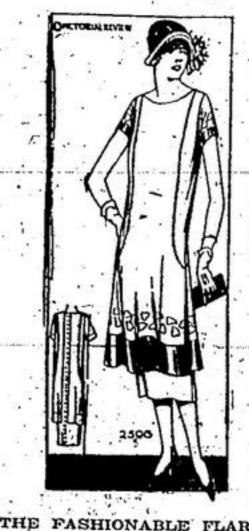
boys; some of the Nicklins and the may grow. Dig the root out and let it Perrymans, and others I can not now die. recall. The supper was only a beginning, for in two weeks more the A clever young lawyer was defending lodge of "Cadets of Temperance" was duly formed. The officers nominated "Your honor, I submit that my client were installed and clothed in their did not break into the house at all. He proper regalin. The regalin was made

found the parfor window open, inserted by the skilful fingers of the good his arm and removed a few triffing mothers and there must have been articles. Now, my client's arm is not some fervent prayers wrought into the himself, and I fail to see how you can form and fashion of them. In any case I shall never know again such a thrill of pride as I felt when I saw "That argument," said the judge, "s the simple white cloth callar and the very well put. Pollowing it logically, I red, white and blue resette which I resentence the defendant's arm to one ceived. The feeling is with me to this year's imprisonment. He can accom- day. That and the experience I have gone through in my few years has only fine piece of Dresden china. She was The prisoner calmly unscrewed his deepened my hatred of the whole ac-

About this time the feeling toward the whiskey business began to harden and the formation of Temperance lodges spread much knowledge as to A Scotchman, who wished to know the evils. Possibly one reason for this ing against the use of whiskey, there social gatherings, dances, paring bets

"Na, na," retorted the Scat. "The or other places but there' must be As my mind runs back, I can see how steadily the better people fromned down on it, and when a concrete action was called for it was so strong that our little seven by nine county passed say "no" when tempted to drink any

Weekly Fashion Hint



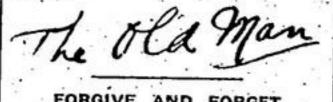
THE FASHIONABLE FLARE For the fastidious woman to whom the flare on straight-line frocks makes a special appeal is this model designed. It is developed in wigwam cashmere trimmed with patin and applique embroidery. The overdress is stitched to the foundation at the sides and back,

the wide flare appearing only below the hips. The overdress opens at the back and is trimmed with buttons. Medium sizes requires 3 yards 54-inch material, with % yard 40-inch satth and four dozen buttons. . -

the new 4.4 beer.

Yours truly,

old Cadets of Temperance, I remember that I was one of the boys who Guardian in the country. joined about the time he did. That was about fifty-five years ago. I conthe time, good and lasting impressions were made upon our youthful minds in on Tuesday evening. the simple ceremonies of the Cadets specting the evils of drink, I sometimes think if we had just such anorganization now, our voters would be better fortified against the moderationist sophistries which are to-day so



FORGIVE AND FORGET

strife which came under his observa-A little village church, through an unhappy family difference between the camp a busy one, and a promising of the seed in which it is found. members, became divided, and the start to the camping season. minister, after trying in vain to reconcile the two factions, resigned his pas- started running through Acton last distinct place as a soil improver and as

other minister.

mit. I'm thankful I knew him, and their children and their grandchildren, for permanent allotments has recently the same strait at a later time sailed

Then happened a strange thing. The suspect of acting in collusion—the a joking allusion to the historic quar-

"No more than I honor the memory

at London, Ontario. There is also a Kennedy and Donald; Ed McGarvin, I can't forget," have never more than day for consuming intoxicating liquor fine showing of them in the private Jack Gibbs; the Stull boys, some of half forgiven. Unless one can so far at the West London Workers' Instigrounds of Miss Mary Havell, Wolker- the Lightheart lads, Johnny Marshall, forget that he ceases to think evil and tuto Club.

SARTORIAL DISADVANTAGES OF ROYALTY

The late Admiral Robley D. Evans, during his visit to Japan, was received by Mutsubito and his empress at court coremony, In speaking of the Japanese court, he said; --Hand-kissing was not the thing, as he was listening to a speaker who with the Blue army." Instead, I received a hand-shake from advocated pationalising the land as the a very shapely and beautiful hand. I found-the empress a woman of great refinement and perfect case of manner, so delicate in appearance and so small attired in a Paris gown of hellotrope brocade, the bad fit of which I accounted for Just as I accounted for the baggy trousers of the emparor. After I had spent a year in Japan, was satisfied it was owing to the fact that a tailor would not permit him-

self to touch the persons of their

guessed what the measurements should



THE ACTON OVERSEAS Items Gleaned from the Acton Gazette

And Express

A glimpse of the doings at Actor

The East Acton Musical and Dra-

matic Society is one of the most live

A sewing machine is to be purchased

for the Acton Derwentwater Senior

Over fifty years ago, when the popu

lation was only 8,000, our well-known

local professor of music, Mr. A. How-

A whist drive in hid of the nursing

ection of the Acton division of the

St. John Ambulance Brigade will be held in the Churchfield Hall on May 7.

A successful concert, arranged by

Mr. Fuller, in ald of the Acton St.

England, for a week,

of such social organizations.

School, at a cost of £4 15s.

Matthews, came to Acton.

held on Saturday evening.

and his license was endorsed.

"Food, especially Vitamines."

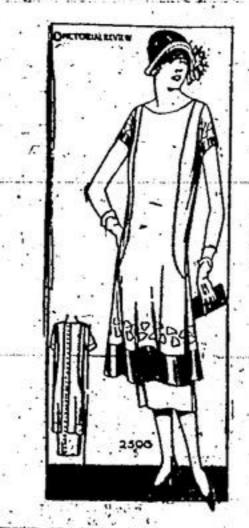
mended to accept one at £125.

69 years continuous rallway service.

demption, 1926."

joiner, aged seventy-five years.

massage and electrical treatment, 41.



With the consent of the Old Man I and Plane Co., Ltd. may have more to say on conditions as they are shaping at the present-

The late Dr. A. H. Quint used to clate an instance of neighborhood

years it was impossible to settle an- together to maintain a quarter-of-an- crop.—G. P. McRostie, Dominion Aghour service.

One summer, when the congregation When a landlord applied at Acton Forster was one of nature's noblemen. had dwindled and the church had be- Police Court on Monday for process prize for the best collection of wild He was a man of sterling character, come too weak to support a resident against his lodger for alleged assault, flowers sent by any school in the state, upright, friendly, intensely interested pastor, a young theological student he explained that the lodger, who was Not only that, but the little group in all moral lasues, attentive to his came out to preach during his vacaunder notice to quit, for the past eighancient legend lies behind the pomp of children wen the attention of the patients, and in all respects a good tion. In some way he won all hearts, teen months has been making such and wreck of history that the shores. oltizen. I got quite chummy with and continued to supply the pulpit noises that applicant was tired of it. of the Hellespont, or the Dardanelles,

years of a blessed ministry."

church came to consider the calling of Ministry of Health and the Acton Fed- of Dardanum, a city that Greek colonanother pastor, and Mr. Smith made eration of Allotment Societies. Seeing I trespassed quite a bit in "How foolish the old fellows were!" raised at one or two of our placid ves- Priam, the descendant of Dardanus,

Those who say, "I can forgive, but at Acton, Police Court on Wednes-

By way of preface to a propagand listically called the Black Sea. mission which the Acton Labor Rarty and Miss Dorothy Jewson (ex-M. P for Norwich) addressed a well-attended meeting in the Central Hall or

Tuesday night. At a meeting of the Hampshire opened a discussion on "Notions of Liberty, False and True." The title of the subject suggested itself to him, marked a talkative stranger. "I was

W. H. Warburton, of Brightlingsen.

William Maskell, of Park-road-north

PREVENTION NOT CURE

true basis of liberty.

A good, but not necessary true, story attributed to Dr. C. W. Saleeby, the noted British scientist who recently took a lot of transport wagons, and visited Canada. It concerns a brother who was consulted by a patient, a victim of in- group who had been listening in astonsomple, and who told him that he ishment to the tales of military smallest noise kept him awake, "A cat on a fence, for instance," he complained, "can keep me awake all

The doctor expressed his sympathy and wrote gut a prescription. "This powder will be effective." "When do I take it, doctor?" asked "You' don't take it," answered the doctor, "It's a sleeping draught for the

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ANSWER TO LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE



SWEET-CLOYER

Gabriel's Church building fund, was From the status of a weed, legis-At Acton, on Tuesday afternoon, Dr. lated against by Governments, to that . S. Crone (deputy coroner) conduct- of a much sought-after, cultivated fored an inquiry into the death of Mr. lage plant has been the history of the John Robert Coleman, a carpenter and development of sweet clover. This transformation has not been the slow Acton hospital weekly report: Ad- development resulting from long and mitted, 26; discharged, 23; in hospital, careful consideration, but rather an 29; out-patients, 8, major, 16 minor; almost instantaneous popularity. There is always a danger, accomp-Mr. Lush, one of the first members anying the sudden popularizing of any and the veteran ex-Hon. secretary took crop, of many people accepting the the chair at the Acton Priory Con- new production without reservation stitutional Club on Wednesday even- of any kind. Such acceptance in-

ing for the annual "Primrose" dinner, variably results in disappointments At Acton Police Court on Wednes- and many fallures. For this reason it day James Penman, of King's-road, is desirable to indicate some of the Wimbledon, was fined £5 for motor- limitations and advantages of afect ing at 32 miles an hour at Acton Vale, clover as a forage crop. These refer principally to the blennial white Dr. Kathleen Coward will lecture to blossom types as it is the only kind the Acton Women Citizens' Associa- as yet of considerable commercial imtion at the Acton Council Offices on portance throughout Canada. Thursday evening, her subject being. Advantages-Sweet clover can't

grown successfully on a surprisingly The Official Receiver in the Compan- great variety of soils. es'-Winding-Up Division of the High Because of its ability to thrive or kind of intoxicating liquor, including Court has issued his observations in poor soils it offers an excellent medium the liquidations of the Apollo Player for the improvement of worn-out soil or for lightening up heavy soils. At Eleven tenders for the demolition the same time it is a gatherer and of the existing school building at East storer of nitrogen, and adds to the Acton have been received, and the soil a considerable quantity of this Acton Education Committee is recom- necessary element.

It provides un excellent source of Mrs. Muriel Blount, who has been pasture and in most years on the elected a life member of the Brentford Prairies and in dry years in the East now that "Isla" recalls the Board of Guardians for Acton, at the it is possible to produce a fair quality uge of 26, is believed to be the youngest of hay from it. Once the cattle become accustomed to the peculiar taste Supporters of the Boy Scout and the and odor of the sweet clover they ap-Girl Guide movements were well rep- pear to relish both the pasture and hay. fess, that while we were youngsters at resented at a concert held in the lec- Objections-Sweet Clover has a pecture hall of the Acton Baptist Church ullar odor and a bitter taste that renders it unpalatable to cattle until they Although less than four months of become used to it. with the carefully taught lessons re- 1925 have passed, we are reminded of During years when rainfall is at all

the swift passage of time by the publi- frequent during the having season it cation of Walker's "Olm Moore's At- is almost impossible to cure sweet manac"-for the year of human re- clover for hay. .The quality of hay produced even On the 7th inst. Mr. John Wesley under the best conditions is usually Wedgewood, died, after a long illness, inferior to that produced by alfalfa, red

at 9, Burlington-gardens, Acton. Mr. clover or our commonly cultivated Wedgewood held the unique record of grasses. . It is difficult to prevent sweet clover Councillor F. Townsend was a speak- from seeding even when cut for hay or er at a memorial service on Sunday pastured, consequently it often anevening, at the Brotherhood Church, pears in succeeding crops where it is

Southgate-road, N., for the nearly 40 not wanted. miners who lost their lives in the When alfalfa-seed production is car-Scotswood Colliery disaster, Newcastle. ried on, the presence of sweet clover is Nineteen scouts and rovers of the vdry undesirable because of the dif-3rd Acton troop spent a week at Chip- ficulty of keeping the alfalfa fields free perfield. Herts. The site was ideal, and from it and because its presence in this, togother with fine weather, made alfalfa seed lowers the market value Conclusions-All things considered, A combination of anti-combine buses it would seem as if sweet clover had a to. After attaining, his, 94th year in April. torate in the interest of peace. But week on what was described as an a temporary pasture crop with a more Dr. Forster passed away on Tuesday, the trouble continued, and the hostile "official route." All the "pirates" in limited use as a silage crop and also, parties were so implacable that for London seem to have laid their heads in the western provinces, as a hay

THE STORIED STRAIT

Why is it called the "Hollespont" Church, gave one of their bright enter- Because "pontus" means a sea, and cil by two bodies which we do not the Golden Fleece.

Why "the Dardanelles"? In honor ists founded on the strait not far The right method of electing church from ancient Illium, the Troy of classic wardens nowadays has been politely history. Illium! The walled city of

The plains where Agamemnon led The affonymous donor of £25 for his Argive hosts echoed a short time titute of flowers, should be pleased with by towers Mount Ida, where Aphrodite with blades of medium width. Another will have some good effect in regard to "That's all very true, no doubt," said the manner in which the Parks Com- won the golden apple, the prize of beauty that led to the wars and woes was a man of convictions, sir, and I In the early hours of Sunday morn- of Illium; and where the gods gathered ing the large wonden cross in the to watch the embattled Greeks and

out flowers in yases were thrown down tos, facing each other on the mile-Incredible as it may seem, this little and damage done to the bulbs, and a wide strait that Leander swam once mer, make a splendid showing on the always the leader) that there was some dispute at once called back a hateful section of the fencing around the com- too often to meet his sweetheart Haro, nutumn they have developed a fine temperance going to be formed in the the unbrotherly clamor and reproach The Rev. R. F. Rendell, vicar of Thither, in 334 B. C., Alexander the plume like spike from the centre of old Temperance Hall on Mill Street, of the old quarrel. Dead for half a Brightlingsea, Essex, and formerly Great led the Greeks who sought more worlds to conquer; and there, a century and a half before, Xerxes, had crossed on the famous bridge of boats. burton, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. with his Persian millions-a force that year later, went straggling back in overwhelming disaster. There also, in Acton, and Stephen Hensley, of Kings- 1355, the Turkish torrent poured across wood-road, Acton Green, with three into Europe. other persons, were each fined 10s. "The sea! The sea!" cried the

Greeks who, under Xenophon, had retreated from Persia, and who at last had reached the "Pontus Euxinus," the hospital sen," as the Greeks cuphem-Not less grateful is the sight of the and Trades Council is holding in the Sea of Marmora to the English and town a wook honce, the Roy. Canon the French as they left the demolished Lewis Donald (of Westminister Abbey) forts. of the Dardanelles behind them.

ONE OF OUR CONQUERERS

and the Blue armies had engaged in House Educational Association on mimic warfare had ended. They were Sunday, Mr. D. Martin, of Acton, the subject of conversation on the "Yes, I was at the manoeuvers," re-

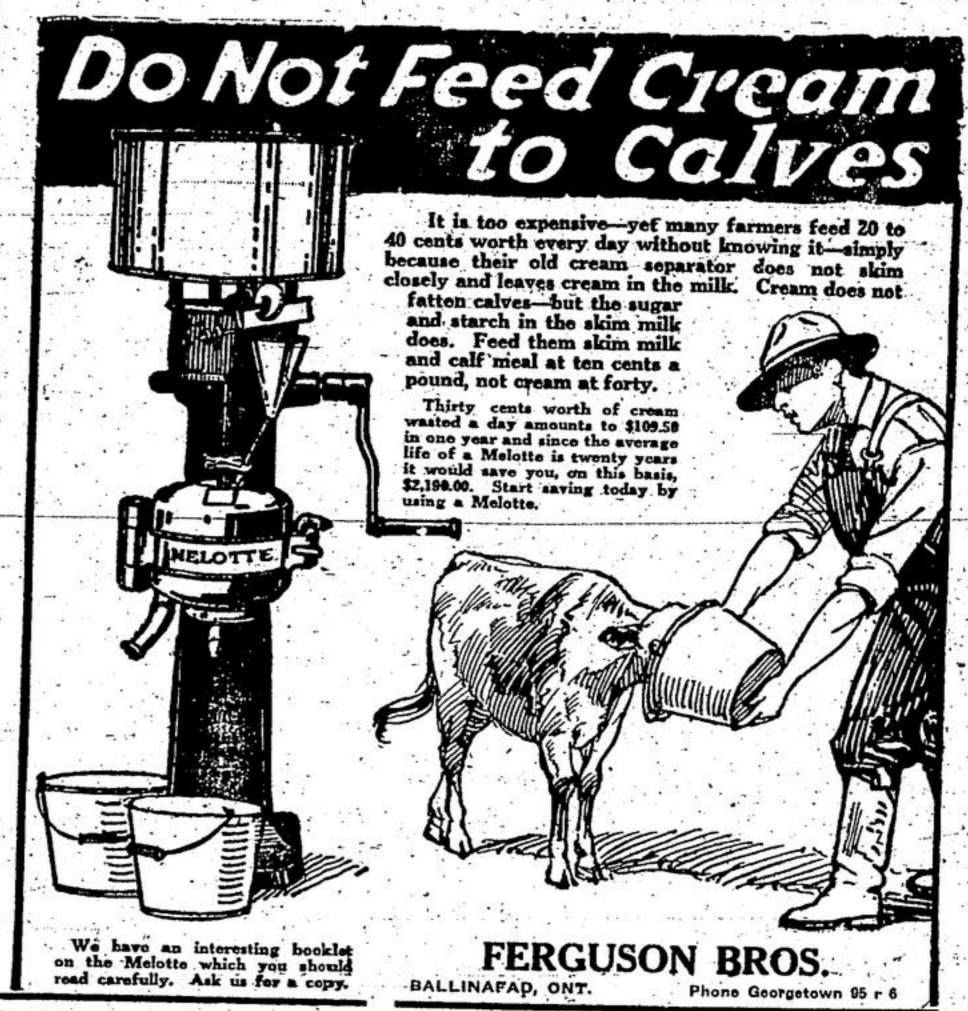
"Tell us about it." "Well, the first day I took one of the Red's officers.

"And the next day I took eight m "Yes, and the day before we quit ! followed that up by taking a big gun." "Suy, my friend," said one of the prowess. "what are you, anyway?" "Oh," replied the stranger, "I am a photographer.".



He, Being Dead, Yet Speaketh!





Parable of the Sower

"Behold an advertiser went forth to

"And when he sowed, some seed fell into handbills, and dodgers, and the street cleaner came and gathered them up.

"Some fell amongst concert and theatre programmes, and, the people being interested in the performance and not in bargains, they were left in the seats or crumpled and thrown on the floor.

"And some fell among fake schemes and gift enterprises, and popular contempt sprang up and choked them.

"But some fell into legitimate newspapers columns which found their way into the homes of the people who had time to read them, and they brought forth fruit, some one hundred-fold, some sixty-fold, some thirty-fold.

"Who hath eyes to see, let him see."

Use the Columns of the Acton Free Press to Put Your Message Before the People of Acton And Vicinity