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EDITORIAL

The Last Straw

The fire menace is indeed a dread that all fear, but perhaps the farmer is the most helpless victim of the fiend in that once started, he is at its mercy until it burns itself out.

Love Me, Love My Dog

The literal adoption of the above slogan is hardly appreciated by the average individual who uses the drinking fountain at the Post Office for the slaking of his thirst.

Business Conditions

The current issue of the business summary of the Bank of Montreal gives Canadian conditions at this time as follows: "Unsettlement of international currencies has been the outstanding event of the past few weeks, Sterling exchange dipping below \$3.50 in New York, and the Canadian dollar to 86 cents.

Chronicles of Ginger Farm

Written Specially for The Free Press by GWENDOLINE F. CLARKE

The house is strangely quiet. Occasionally a stump gives a bark at a passing car and patch from his box behind the kitchen stove, gives an answering growl; from some part of the farm a rooster utters forth a challenging call and cock-oo-oo-oo-oo comes the answer from another direction.

I started with the news that the threshing machine was coming to our line early this week. Other things we have let it go by but this, the evil hour could not be postponed any more.

Wednesday morning I hitched up Prince and went off to town for supplies. Coming home about eleven fifteen I was horrified to see the threshing machine on the road ahead of me.

Thursday was a lovely bright warm day and the threshing proceeded from daylight to dusk without a hitch, the machine pulling out about six o'clock to go to another neighbor's.

The next morning our neighbor phoned and said there were two men there, and both of them said they were from Clark's. It was too funny for anything.

Friday I thought was a good time to get everything straightened up again—extra dishes put away that only see daylight when threshers arrive; towels washed, etc., but I would have been as far ahead had I seen the jeepster and interviewed the various callers as they arrived.

First of all came the rooster, which I had ordered, in readiness for next year. Then came the oil truck—Partner was out, so I had to arrange a meeting between the oil man and the oil barrel.

The next caller was a man seeking surplus farm produce for shipment to the stricken people of the prairies. That's all right, but what about the work in Ontario?

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COUNTING THE INDIES A COLOSSAL CONTRACT

Wide search fails to reveal anyone who has ever gone to the trouble of counting the number of islands contained in the West Indies, or even, to narrow the field, the number of islands contained in the British West Indies. Yet like the hairs in the human head and the stars in the night sky, these islands are not so numerous as to be beyond counting.

FINDING YOUR PLACE AND FILLING IT

In order to be successful, work along the line of your gifts. Some farmers make a failure because they should have been artists, and some artists fail because they should have been farmers.

SEE "SHORT" POULTRY CROP

Report received by the Poultry Division of the Department of Agriculture at Ottawa to date suggests that the poultry crop all over Canada this year will be decidedly "short."

J. Cadesky OPTOMETRIST. WILL VISIT ACTON ON Monday, November 2. Anyone suffering from Eyestrain, Defective Vision or Headache should not miss the opportunity of consulting this eyesight specialist.

YOU, I And The GATE. May Have Our Secrets! (There's No Law Against It!) But We'll Tell The World! Carroll's Save You Money! Special—Libby's Pork & Beans 2 15c No. 2 tins. Special—Aylmer Choice Quality Peas Sieve 4 3 No. 2 tins 25c. Special—Eggo Cake Mixture 1-lb. pkg. 19c. Special—Nestle's Condensed Milk 3 14-oz. tins 50c. Special—Old Cheese 23c. Special—A Famous Soap—Comfort 10 bars 39c. Special—A Famous Cleanser—Panshine 3 tins 20c. Special—Soup 3 tins 25c. Special—Hallowe'en CHOCOLATES lb. 29c. Special—Black & Orange GUM DROPS 2 lb. 27c. Special—Black & Orange JELLY BEANS 1 pound 19c. Special—Nuts 1 lb. 23c. Special—Hallowe'en Kisses 1 pound 19c. Special—Rock 1 lb. 17c.

For Hallowe'en! Special—McConnell's "Jewey Cream" CHOCOLATES lb. 29c. Special—Black & Orange GUM DROPS 2 lb. 27c. Special—Black & Orange JELLY BEANS 1 pound 19c. Special—Nuts 1 lb. 23c. Special—Hallowe'en Kisses 1 pound 19c. Special—Rock 1 lb. 17c. MEDIUM ORANGES per Dozen 35c. LARGE ORANGES per Dozen 50c. LEMONS per Dozen 40c. 3 BANANAS 19c. CRANBERRIES per lb. 18c. HEAD LETTUCE per each 10c. 6 SWEET POTATOES 19c. SPECIAL—Perrin's "Royal York" Shortcake 60 Pieces in a Pound 35c Value per lb. 23c. CARROLL'S LIMITED Mill Street Acton, Ontario

EDITORIAL NOTES

One result of the exchange rates is that we are finding but we can do a lot of things in Canada that we formerly considered unattainable.

Another draft of 4,000 men have been taken to the northern construction camps. Wonder how many of these came from the rural sections of Ontario?

At a meeting of the Brampton Business Men's Association it was decided to cancel the Wednesday half-holiday that has been observed in the summer months.

The quotation on the American coins, "In God we Trust" has a rather pointed meaning at the present time for the rest of the world, with its reduced value of currency.

It seems that Roger Babson is willing to stake his reputation that good times are just around the corner. If they aren't, his won't be the only reputation that will be lost.

Editor Forster, of the Oakville Star, makes a debatable statement when he announces the gathering of the weekly newspaper editors in Oakville as "Brainy Men of Wentworth, Peel and Halton."

A speaker at the recent congress of the American College of Surgeons suggested the removal of the appendix from all children. We suppose reduced rates would prevail on such quantity business.

By the end of November, 1931, over 28,000 head of cattle will, it is expected, have been exported from Canada to Great Britain. Weekly shipments for some time past have averaged from 1,000 to 1,200 head.

It is forecast that Ontario liquor sales will show a decrease of \$7,000,000. If they would drop another \$46,000,000 we can foresee the people of the Province as a whole in much better condition, both financially and morally.

The Liquor Control Board has another problem on its hands. Forged labels for Canadian bootleggers are being used in Canada. We understand the bootleggers were to disappear under this form of temperance promotion.

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All Comics

The Northern News says that citizens of Kirkland Lake have been enjoying the big jokes occasioned by the lack of fact contained in the breezy stories of the rambling journalist of the Toronto Star.

Small Wonder the Migration is Cityward

The County Council is to be commended for its action in the interview with the Minister of Highways, regarding the construction of the third highway across the southern part of the County. In the arrangement to lower the County's share, the Department admits that twenty per cent. of \$800,000 is a heavy item for an electorate to pay that is not benefited in any way.