

The Community's Social Side of Life

Visitors to and From Town During the Past Week, as Gleaned by The Free Press

Miss Mildred Hollinger was home for over the week-end. Mr. and Mrs. A. Brown spent the holiday in Kitchener. Miss Vera Hurst was home from Toronto for the week-end. Mrs. Alice McPherson is visiting with friends in Toronto this week. Miss Ruby Clarke, of Toronto, spent the week-end at her home here. Mrs. A. H. Bishop spent the week-end in Toronto visiting at home of her son. Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Royce, of Rockwood, spent the week-end at Mr. G. H. Lanj's. Mrs. J. E. McClurg, of Montreal, Que., visited Acton relatives and friends this week. Mrs. J. E. McGarvin, of Mexico, who has been visiting in Toronto for some months, called on Acton friends yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Overholt, of Toronto, spent the week-end at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. I. Johnston. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Allison, Mrs. E. T. Theford and Marjorie Norton, spent the week-end with friends in Toronto. Mrs. J. L. Warren, Mr. Fred Warren and Miss Hilda Palmer, of Toronto, spent Sunday visiting Acton relatives and friends. Mr. and Mrs. George King and Dorothy, Mr. and Mrs. John Winter visited at the home of Mrs. Dutchburn at Paris on Sunday. Miss Emma Robinson was called home to Kenilworth this week, owing to the illness of her mother. Mrs. Robinson is now improving a little. Mrs. A. W. McColl and Miss Jean, of Guelph, and Miss Mary Johnston, of Coldwater, visited at the home of Mr. A. A. Worden and sister during the week. Mrs. E. J. Hassard, who has been in St. Joseph's Hospital, in Guelph, for the past few weeks, is gradually improving. Her many friends wish her a speedy recovery to good health. Mrs. S. J. Reid was called to Waterloo this week, owing to the illness of her mother, Mrs. Broad, who suffered a slight stroke. Mrs. Reid is remaining with her mother in her illness. Mr. J. Elvin Gamble, who spent the summer in missionary work at Triumph, Saskatchewan, arrived home last Friday and spent the week-end at his home here, returning to his studies at Toronto University on Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Palmer, Toronto, announce the engagement of their daughter, Hilda Marion, to James Frederick Warren, son of Mrs. and the late Mr. James L. Warren. The marriage will take place the end of October.

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FLOUGHING PRACTICES

In preparing land for the planting of farm crops, the plough is undoubtedly the chief implement of cultivation. Ploughing practices vary greatly in different parts of the country. In order to get some comparative information on the different practices, experiments have been carried out at the Experimental Station at Lennoxville, Que., for a number of years, on different depths and times of ploughing. On an average, over a period of nine years, ploughing four inches deep for a rotation of corn, oats, clover and timothy has given higher yields than has ploughing seven inches deep, except in the case of oats, in which the yields have been practically the same. The shallow ploughing is of particular advantage to the corn crop. In the preparation of sod land for grain, it has been found that ploughing in July, as soon as the hay is off and top-working during the summer has not only given higher yields of oats, but has also left the land free from couch grass. The experiment has shown that on sandy loam soil, it does not pay to either rib the land or re-plough in the fall. On heavy clay soil, ribbing or re-ploughing late in the fall gives the frost a chance to mellow the soil and leave it in a better state of tilth. In the preparation of sod land for corn, manuring on the sod and spring ploughing has given higher yields than manuring and fall ploughing. It would, therefore, appear that for corn on sandy loam, the land should be manured and spring ploughed four inches deep, while for grain, it should be ploughed as soon as the hay is off and top-worked.

BURGLAR INSURANCE

Client - That's an unusually valuable clock you have in your office. Is it insured? Lawyer - No, but it is absolutely safe. All of my help are watching it all the time.

FIRST MEETING RE SCHOOL COSTS

Was Held at Brookville on Tuesday - Inspector Declares School Section System Cannot Go On

"The present School Section system cannot go on," Chief Inspector V. K. Grier, of the Provincial Department of Education, told a council of ratepayers of Nassagaweya Township at a meeting held at Brookville on Tuesday to discuss reduction of school costs. "Larger school areas, under one body, must be instituted. The old system was all right when we were in the bush. The Department of Education believes there is not sufficient contact between ratepayers and those who administer the schools. We would like to see more contact between teachers and parents. Mr. Denyes has told you he is not entirely satisfied with the present educational system. Neither is the Department satisfied. With all the deference to the University of Toronto, it is nevertheless a fact that the University requires that our primary school curriculum. The vast body of pupils who will leave school and go to work must not be forgotten. The people of Ontario, especially in rural sections, do not realize the flexibility possible under the present system. They should realize that suggestions for the betterment of conditions, both in curriculum and other ways, are welcomed by the Department. The entire matter should not be allowed to stay in the hands of officials. A survey made by the Department reveals that there are 200 schools in Ontario with too few pupils to make for healthy rivalry among the students, and to provide an incentive to the teacher. These are schools with less than 15 pupils. Section 88 makes provision for the Trustee, in cases like this, to arrange with adjacent schools to take in the pupils and close the school temporarily, saving part of the Township grant. There are 500 schools, or ten per cent, of the whole number in the province, which could be closed temporarily in this manner. Some could be closed permanently. Why follow tradition blindly when use can be made of this elastic system? We haven't yet a semblance of fairness in the apportioning of school costs and opportunity. School sections were formed, long ago, in a hit-and-miss manner, to provide for the needs then. The Department of Education tries to equalize the cost by granting rural areas and some small villages larger grants than the cities and towns. Township Councils have the power to unite school sections into one area, under a Township Board, with a township-wide school levy. Educational officials are convinced that administration of schools by one Township Board would result in a saving of money on one hand and better educational facilities on the other. "Under one control, underpopulated schools could be closed; and other schools built up to healthy condition. The cost per pupil of one area that has tried amalgamation is less than before that step was taken, and the pupils go up to Normal School entrance. I suggest a committee of two members of Council and two members of School Boards meet and bring in a report on school costs. You would be amazed. Once a township has tried a Township School Board it wonders how it ever got along under the old system of multiple sections and school boards."

GRAIN ELEVATOR SPACE AT VANCOUVER

An important addition to Vancouver grain storage facilities has been decided upon and elevator capacity will be increased to the extent of 1,475,000 bushels. The cost involved in this addition to elevator capacity will be about \$375,000, and the work will be hastened so that the new accommodation will be ready to receive grain early in October. This port will then be able to store more than 17,000,000 bushels at one time. In recent years, with millions of bushels of grain pouring out of Alberta and Saskatchewan, Vancouver terminal has at times been so congested that westbound traffic has been restricted. The movement of Canadian wheat through the port of Vancouver has been a comparatively recent development, but has grown to very large proportions. Whether the opening of the new route via Hudson Bay will have any appreciable effect upon westbound shipments remains to be seen. It is also announced that a shipment of 4,000 tons of wheat will leave this port at an early date for delivery at Vladivostok. A few months ago several millions bushels of western grain was shipped from here to the Russian port.

THE PRACTICAL SIDE

McPherson was to be married. "Ye'll be givin' us a send-off?" he asked his best man. "We will." "With rice and white ribbons?" "Aye." "And old shoes thrown after us?" "Oh, 'EYE, of course." "Well-I wear tens, an' Janet takes stes."

NEW POTATO BEST

Cooking authorities agree that for salad making new potatoes are far the best. In addition to their sweet, delicate flavor which make them so appetizing, new potatoes are firm and not too mealy, and for this reason they can be cut into cubes without danger of breaking down when combined with other ingredients of the salad. Potato salads are easy to prepare, nutritious, economical and a rich source of energy. It is good at any time.

General Interest News

Burlington Appoints Night Constable - Commencing this week, a regular night constable commenced his duties at Burlington Beach, to continue throughout the winter. The beach commission has arranged that the two former constables, George Jones and Reg Howard, will work week about, the former starting this week. Accommodation is provided in the Beach school, where they can be reached at any hour. Lifeguard Jack Lucas, on duty since early in May, terminated his contract Saturday.

Suspended Sentence for Apiary Theft

In Police Magistrate Elliott's court at Milton on Monday, Bertram and Clarence Dods, of Nassagaweya Township, were found guilty of stealing a quantity of bees, bee hives, honey and other articles from Stanley Plumb, of Rockwood, and were both given suspended sentence for one year. The brothers are to report to the police once a month, pay half the court costs and pay Mr. Plumb \$15 for the stolen honey. Provincial Constable Cookman, of Milton, made the arrests.

Given an Additional Two Years

Charles Plumb, who was sentenced on three charges of false pretences to two years in Portmouth Penitentiary on Friday, appeared in Police Magistrate Elliott's court in Milton on Saturday and was given an additional two years at the hands of officials. He pleaded guilty to a charge of fraud, presenting a valueless cheque to H. A. Cavell, garage man, from whom he bought a tube for a tire. Provincial Constable Cookman took Plumb from Guelph, where he was arrested, to Milton for trial. Plumb's record included convictions for false pretenses in Hamilton, Woodstock and Lockport, N.Y.

AREN'T TIMES TERRIBLE?

The Golden Book Magazine for September gives us a few quotations that should be a lesson to those who insist upon sitting on the top rail of the pasture fence and watching for the end of the world. "There is scarcely anything around us but ruin and despair," said William Pitt in 1795. "I dare not marry, the future is so dark and unsettled," remarked Samuel Johnson, who inhabited this earth between the years 1805 and 1873. "In Industry, Commerce and Agriculture there is no hope," said Diderot in 1849, while the Duke of Wellington in 1851 thanked God that he was to be spared from seeing the consummation of ruin that was gathering around. We thank the G. B. M. for digging these statements up. Now we can laugh when John Doe, 1932, insists that "there never was and never can be again such a depression. Things are going to the eternal bow-wow, and so on, etc., or what have you."

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GREGORY THEATRE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7 "While Paris Sleeps" Starring Victor McLaglen, Slim Summerville comedy, "Sea Soldier Sweeties," Frany Kat Cartool, "Ritzzy Hotel," Scenic "Diamonds in the Rough."

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8 "Skyscraper Souls" Drama, romance, comedy, spectacle, human interest, starring Warren, William Comedy, "Wolf in Cheap Clothing." News. Use your Guest Tickets on Saturday night.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 10 "Two Seconds" Matinee at 3 p. m. Starring Edward G. Robinson. "The Champ," with the popular comedy team, Laurel & Hardy. Chapter 10 of "The Shadow of the Eagle." Dinnerware Night.

MARKET REPORTS

DAIRY PRODUCTS Quotations to Shippers: Butter - Creamery, No. 1 pasteurized 21 1/2 to 00 do second 20 1/2 to 00 Above prices for goods delivered Toronto. Quotations to Retail Trade: Butter - Creamery, prints, No. 1 25 to 00 do second 24 to 00 Churning cream, f.o.b. country points - Special 00 to 21 No. 1 00 to 20 No. 2 00 to 17

POULTRY AND EGGS

Quotations to country shippers delivered: Eggs - Fresh extras 26 to 27 do firsts 23 to 00 do seconds 15 to 00 Quotations to Retail Trade: Carton fresh extras 32 to 33 do firsts loose 20 to 23 do firsts, loose 27 to 28 do seconds 18 to 00 Quotations to Shippers: Poultry - Alive Dressed Spring Chickens - Over 4 lbs. each 14 to 00 Over 3 lbs. each 13 to 00 Others 12 to 00 Hens, over 5 lbs. 11 to 14 do 4 to 5 lbs. 10 to 13 3/4 to 4 lbs. 9 to 11 Spring Ducklings - Over 5 lbs. each 10 to 00 Over 4 to 5 lbs. each 9 to 00 Colored ducks, 2 cents less. Quotations above indicate the general market range in value to eggs and poultry on delivery basis.

DRESSED MEATS

Wholesale dealers in dressed meats quote the following prices to the trade: Beef, forequarters 7.00 to 8.00 Carcasses, choice 11.00 to 12.00 do medium 10.00 to 10.50 Calves, choice veal 9.00 to 11.00 Heavy hogs, cwt. 4.50 to 5.00 Light hogs, cwt. 7.00 to 7.50 Abattoir hogs 8.00 to 8.50 Lamb, cwt. 12.00 to 14.00 Mutton 4.00 to 7.00

HIDES AND WOOL

Toronto dealers in hide and wool quote the following prices to shippers: City hides, green, 4c; bulls and brands, 2 1/2c; country hides, green, 3 1/2c; do cured, 1 1/2c; calf, green, 4c; country calf, cured, 4 1/2c; city veal kip, 4c; country veal kip, 3c; do cured, 4 1/2c; country grasser kip, 1 1/2c; horse hides, No. 1, \$1.50; No. 2, \$1.00; tallow, solid barrels, No. 1, 1 1/2c to 2c; cakes, 2 1/2c pound.

HAY AND STRAW

Extra No. 2 Timothy, in car loads 10.00 to 00.00 No. 3 Timothy, new crop 9.00 to 00.00 Straw, wheat 6.00 to 00.00 No. 1 Northern, 5 1/2c. All straw must be good length.

POTATOES

Ontario, new, 45c for 90 lbs. Prices on car lot, delivered on track, via truck, respectively, Toronto. GRAIN QUOTATIONS Grain dealers on the Toronto Board of Trade are making the following quotations, c.i.f. bay ports: No. 1 Northern, 53 1/2c. No. 2 Northern, 51 1/2c. Ontario Grain, approximate prices, truck shipping point - Wheat, 45c to 46c; oats, 24c to 26c; barley, 38c to 41c; rye, 33c to 35c; buckwheat, 40c to 41c.

WHOLESALE FRUIT PRICES

Fruit on sale at Toronto wholesale houses are quoted as follows: Apples, Duchess, bus. 50 to 1.00 Cranberries, 20 quarts 2.25 to 4.00 Grapes, 8 quarts 18 to 20 Peaches, 6 quarts 35 to 50 Plums, 8 quarts 20 to 25

CURRENT LIVE STOCK PRICES

Steers up to 1,050 lbs. - Good and choice 4.25 4.50 Medium 3.25 4.25 Common 2.50 3.50 Steers over 1,050 lbs. - Good and choice 4.25 4.75 Medium 4.00 4.25 Common 3.00 4.00 Heifers - Good and choice 4.25 4.50 Medium 3.75 4.25 Common 2.50 3.50 Fed Calves - Good 6.75 7.50 Medium 5.50 6.50 Cows, good 2.25 2.50 Medium 2.00 2.25 Common 1.50 2.00 Canners and fed 7.75 8.25 Bulls, good 2.00 2.25 Common 1.50 1.75 Stocker and feeder steers - Good 3.50 4.00 Common 2.25 3.00 Milkers and springers 20.00 45.00 Veal Calves - Good and choice 6.00 7.50 Common and medium 3.50 6.00 Grassers 2.00 3.00 Hogs - No quotations. Pigs and weaners - Good 5.00 Medium 4.50 4.75 Bucks 3.50 4.00 Culls 3.50 4.00 Light sheep, good 2.00 2.25 Heavies 1.00 1.50 Culls .50 1.00

FROZEN GIDER POPULAR

Modern science is always coming to the fore with some new wrinkle which extends the market for farm products. One of the latest evolutions is frozen sweet cider. When it comes from the press cider is frozen to zero degrees F and held at that temperature until thawed for sale or use. When thawed out it is perfectly fresh and sweet. It will keep seven months or more held at zero, and there is every prospect that it may be developed into an important beverage outlet or by-product for orchardists.

IN EVERY HOUSEHOLD

A six-year-old boy just starting to school on being asked by the teacher what his name might be, replied "Bunny." "Have you no other name?" "No," was the answer. "What is your father's name?" "Daddy." "Then what does your mother call him?" "Pothead," piped the youngster triumphantly.

ENTIRELY PROPER

The colored preacher had been a victim of the depression, and his salary had been sliced a number of times. At last the board of the church was called together, and in order to make things a little more pleasant stories were being swapped. Finally one dusky gentleman began a yarn that contained a questionable word, and he turned to the preacher. "You don't mind," he asked, "if I use the word 'hell,' do you?" The preacher waved his hand and replied: "Dat's all right. I've been catchin' it lately; you might as well talk 'bout it."

FIGMY SOLOMONS

Men who boast That they know wimmen Often get The biggest trimmin'.

TRUTH SPOKEN IN JEST

Wife - I wonder why we are getting tired of each other. Husband - I haven't any idea. Wife - Yes, maybe that is the reason.

LIKE FINDING MONEY

"Thankful! What have I to be thankful for? I can't pay my bills." "Then, man alive, be thankful you aren't one of the creditors."

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