

Chronicles of Ginger Farm

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For the last few days I have been wondering whether there would be any chronicle this week, as I have had a poisoned finger, but still, it is all over and done with now and I have practically recovered, so, after a week of sleepless nights I am back on the job once more.

When the editor of the paper sees this scrawl he will probably think a spider fell into the ink well and then walked over my writing pad. My hand-writing is generally after that style at the best of times, and for that reason I had to buy myself a typewriter, but to-day my bandaged finger gets in the way if I try to type and I can't write even as legibly as I generally do, so what gets into the paper this week depends upon the editor's powers of deciphering 'hieroglyphical'.

A Fitting Vacation

Holidays are here for most of the school pupils now, and teachers and pupils can now relax for a period during the finest part of the year. Those in other vocations of life may have the pleasure of briefer periods of diversions from work if sufficient funds are available. But after all is the spending of money or the travelling of long distances necessary to provide an enjoyable and helpful vacation? Many an individual puts in such a busy time during vacation that the period is more strenuous than the usual daily labor and the body is more tired after the holiday than before. It is possible to face the next year or any year, without holidays, but it is not always wise, if you have been working steadily. A change of surroundings, a break in the routine of daily activities takes one out of the rut and prepares for a facing of the duties of life with renewed energy. Fit your vacation to your circumstances and the after effects will be just as pleasant as the vacation itself.

Villages Have Many Advantages

We are sometimes tempted to wonder why it is that so many people either do not see, or will not see, the obvious advantages of village, or even of very small town life, especially in a period of scarcity and depression. Instead, they crowd into the large cities, where thousands have crowded before them, thinking, apparently, that if a living is to be found anywhere it will be in the great centres of population. Cheaper living—rental, food, fuel and some times, also, certain types of clothing, are not the only advantages of village life. There are opportunities for earning the honest dollar that do not exist in the city. In the cities the little odd job is not done by the individual, but by a company, and companies demand dividends and their administrators demand fat salaries. In the city the individual lives to support the middleman. In the village, if he has any snap about him, the individual raises much of his food. If the individual has no snap about him, you can realize that he will not go far in the city, where keenness is a sine qua non.—Mail and Empire.

EDITORIAL NOTES

It's queer what excitement and activity a keen competition can develop and how otherwise staid individuals can relax and enter into the spirit of the event.

The week-end and holiday news would be much more pleasant to peruse if the fatalities and casualties, which now characterize the accounts, were missing.

Cheer up! The daylight saving period, will all be a thing of the past in a couple of months, and we may have to vote on the question again or have a conference to deal with the matter.

Folks in other centres seem to wonder how a community can successfully operate on both daylight saving and standard times. It's being done in Acton, all right, but we doubt if any will recommend such procedure to any friends elsewhere.

The output in 1932, of the 26 concentrated milk factories in Canada, 23 of which are in the Province of Ontario, was 80,975,345 pounds valued at \$7,392,897. The chief items of production were evaporated milk with a value of 33,407,175 and condensed milk, valued at \$1,221,618.

The final estimate of commercial apple production in Canada for 1932 is given as 3,977,000 barrels, which is an increase of five per cent. compared with the previous year. The crop in British Columbia exceeded the previous year's total by 48 per cent, while Nova Scotia declined 26 per cent. Of the total commercial crop it is estimated 46 per cent. was marketed in the British Isles.

Not only does the Province of Saskatchewan grow millions of bushels of wheat, but it also produces millions of pounds of butter. In May of this year the output of creamery butter in Saskatchewan was 1,025,421 pounds, an increase of 718,193 pounds over the month of April production and nearly 65,000 pounds more than the May, 1932, output. From the first five months of 1933 the production for the Province was 5,101,729 pounds.

METHODS OF STAKING TOMATOES

Training the plants in one or two stems in the home garden, and also, in commercial production, staking the plants and about one and one-half inches square will be found very satisfactory. Steel rods are also very satisfactory. These should be five feet long and three-eighths of an inch in diameter. The cost is quite reasonable since the life of these stakes is much longer than that of wood.

A wire trellis may be constructed, having wires spaced nine to twelve inches apart, says Mr. T. F. Ritchie, Dominion Division of Horticulture. As soon as the plants are set out, one or two stems should be tied with soft twine or raffia to the stakes or wires, and all lateral growth or branches developing from the axils of the leaves, should be pinched out. This has been found to produce very symmetrical, smooth, clean fruit, and in sections of Western Canada, or where the nights are cool in summer, the tomatoes have often been found to ripen sooner than where the plants were allowed to grow on the ground. Another method that has been found advantageous in the higher altitudes in British Columbia, is to set the plants in rows two and one-half feet apart, with the plants one foot apart in the row. Tying to stakes is resorted to and the plants are allowed to set from two to three trusses of fruit, after which, all new growth is kept removed.

In sections where it is difficult to get a quantity of ripened fruit, it may be found necessary to pull the crop before it is frozen. Fruits that have developed colour can be pulled and successfully ripened in the house, or the entire plants may be pulled and hung up indoors in a dark room, where it is moderately warm, and where a large amount of the fruit will ripen quite well.—Experimental Farm Note.

Douglas' Egyptian Liniment is a quick, certain remedy for Hoof Rot or Trush. Four or five applications are usually enough.

A PROVEN RULE

There is a rule which has come down through the ages which more adequately covers the matters of business relations than all other words of man. This is the well known rule given by the one Perfect Man and it reads: "Do unto others as ye would they should do unto you." This is not alone good religion, but good sense. The square shooter comes out ahead in the long run. We all know it. A bright or "mind" than ours thought it up.

WESTERN PEARL WEIGHTS

The average weight of pears as sold from individual ranches in British Columbia varied widely during a three-year survey by the Dominion Economics Branch, Ottawa. The range was from 2.8 to 16.1 pounds per dozen. The general average for all ranches being 7.9 pounds. Similar variations in weight of pears and approximately a similar general average were found to prevail on Alberta and Saskatchewan ranches.

TEA HUN

"Do you know what love is?"
"Sure—love is just the sweetest peace and tranquility."
"That's not love—that's sleep."

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Concerning Newspapers

Some interesting facts concerning newspapers and advertising are contained in a new book by Fred J. Haskin, veteran syndicator of information, from which the following are condensed: Egyptians used advertising 4,000 years ago. Most early advertising was pictorial in character. The first newspaper advertising is said to have appeared in Germany in 1591. It is estimated that about two billion dollars are spent annually for all kinds of advertising in North America. The fastest modern newspaper presses can turn out about 34,000 24-page papers an hour, and a somewhat larger number of 12-page or 16-page papers. The first news agency in the modern sense is believed to have been that organized by Charles Havas, of Paris, in 1835. In 1840 he established a news service between Paris, London and Buenos Aires, using carrier pigeons. James Gordon Bennett began the publication of the first review of financial news in the New York Herald in 1835. Newspaper editorials were originated by John Dillingham, an English journalist, and one of them got him into jail in 1845. Sometimes justly and sometimes unjustly, other editors have met a similar fate many times since.

Preparation for the Fray

There is little doubt of Premier Henry's attitude regarding the leadership of the Government and the Conservative party, which he heads. Whatever criticism may be made of him or his administration, all will admire his spirit of sticking to the ship and his refusal to quit without just reason being shown for such retirement. It will be another source of satisfaction to all to know that the cares and troubles of public life have not worn him out physically. With no doubt the election campaign, that seems near, will be a strenuous one and a great deal of criticism will be levelled at the present administration. With the news of the definite announcement of an election, the Acton audiences have turned out in goodly numbers to hear the issues of the day discussed. Speakers of outstanding ability have appeared on the platform locally, both here and throughout the Province, and a great deal of energy will be necessarily expended to refute statements that have been levelled against the administration. A very keen and colorful campaign is anticipated in Ontario when the voters are finally called upon to vote. If the radio is used as a means of reaching the general public, the appearance of the speaker in many

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