

Chronicles of... Ginger Farm

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Last week we were worrying about floods, this week we are hugging the hot air registers and tomorrow is April 1st. Next week? Well, who can tell about next week? The most we can do is look at our coal bin and hope for the best.

Second Niece is staying with us for a long week-end and I'm thinking she may feel she has been given a cold reception. And it's all an account of the coal bin. Not because we cannot get coal, but because Partner wants to rebuild the bins and how could he do that if they were half full of coal?

So we are scratching up the residue of the winter's supply, using some peatmoss, some cinders, and a bit of wood. That, my friends, is what we are doing from choice and to suit our own convenience, but very often when I am scratching away down in the cellar I visualize that same condition in England, but there it is from necessity. Thank heaven, for the sake of the folks over there, that we can soon say "The year's at the spring".

The spring in England in the spring! Narrow country lanes; hedgerows dotted with primroses and sweet scented violets; the woods fragrant and gloriously colored with a thick carpet of bluebells. Lambs frisking in the pasture; cows lazily browsing alongside gently flowing rivers that wind their way through blue-green meadows. Apple trees in bloom, in vivid shades of pink more like the peach blossom in Canada.

That is England in April—and suppose it is as natural for a person knowing England to remember it, "now that April's here" as it is for a Canadian born person, to associate Canada with the first clean snow of winter.

Not but what Canada is also lovely in the spring but when spring lingers over-long, one is apt to remember other countries where flowers may already be in bloom.

Excuse me. I've got to do a bit more scratching in the coal bin. I'm just about freezing.

Ah, that's better—now I'm thawed out we can carry on.

Partner and I are in fashion these days—we both have terrific colds. Bob had it first, and like the generous boy he is, he brought it home and shared it with us.

Do you know, sometime if I get mad enough, I am liable to throw a heavy book-end through two of our living-room windows. And the reason? Well, from where I am sitting I look through the three lower panes of one window and the middle one is fine, but the other two just about put me cross-eyed. You see the middle pane is comparatively new—I think if I remember rightly Bob put a baseball through the old one—but the other two have probably been on since the house was built, and that is a long long time ago. One pane makes the cross-bars on the hydro poles look double and the other gives everything a permanent wave. Which just goes to show how the quality of manufactured glass has improved even in this decade. And that of course is true of so many things.

As to that I think we get a much better understanding of the advantages of the age in which we live by reading books that carry us back in detail to the day when the telephone was a novelty, bathrooms almost unheard of and medical science unbelievably crude. I have just finished reading two such books: "The Man Miss Susie Loved," and "Miss Susie Single." They have as their background the founding of the famous John Hopkins University.

The foregoing was written last night and then I went to bed. But not to sleep. I took the worst chills I ever remember. I shivered it out until 5:30 when I awakened. Partner and asked him if he could get me a hot cup of tea. He got up and in a little while was back but not with tea. It was hot whisky and water that he brought. I turned away in disgust, but there was no moving Partner. He stood over me and made me drink the blame stuff. Believe me, I am ready to sign the pledge any day. Imagine drinking that by choice! But I must confess it did the trick. I was fevered at last and eventually the fever broke. By noon I was up although just sitting around. Tomorrow I expect to be as good as new.

TRYING NEW THINGS

One of the reasons which account for the success of many persons is their willingness to try difficult propositions in which they have had little or no experience. Somehow they felt confidence in their own powers, and believed that as they went along in some untried experience the wisdom and skill would come to them to handle that situation.

Such people do not appear to have had any great fear of failure. If they lost out on some plan or project, they learned from this mischance. They saw how they could get better results in the future. The lessons they learned from the one unsuccessful experience helped them to win success next time.

New Zealand is about 1000 miles long and at its broadest point 280 miles wide.

CLEARING AUCTION SALE OF FARM STOCK AND IMPLEMENTS

The undersigned has been instructed by MISS EMILY McDONALD, Lot 24, Fourth Line, Esquesing, to sell by auction on

SATURDAY, APRIL 19th, 1947 at 1 o'clock, the following: **CATTLE:** Black Heifer, 2 yrs., calf at foot; White Cow, 7 yrs., bred Nov. 12; Ayrshire Cow, 4 yrs., bred Dec. 26; Red Cow, 8 yrs., calf at foot; Guernsey Cow, 5 yrs., bred Dec. 16; Ayrshire Cow, fresh 2 months, 4 yrs.; Ayrshire Heifer, bred Nov. 27; 3 Fat Cows; 1 Roan Heifer, 1 yr.; 2 Young Calves; **HARNESS AND FEED:** Set of heavy team harness; set of plough harness; set of light single harness; quantity of light single harness; quantity of good mixed hay; quantity of good ensilage. **IMPLEMENTS:** M.H. Binder, 6 ft. cut, in good repair; M.H. Mower, 5 ft. cut, in good repair; M.H. 10-hp. Drill; 14 plate Disc; 2 sec. Drag Cultivator; Hay Rake; Truck Wagon; section Harrow; M.H. 21 Walking Plough; Peter Hamilton Turpin Drill; Fanning Mill; Hay Fork; Rope and Pulleys; Sling and Chain; Sloop Sleigh with flat truck; Hay Bunk; Cutter; 2000 lbs. Scales; 3 Shufflers; Stomach 3 Oak Barrels; 2 Steel Barrels; Root Pulper; Melotte Cream Separator; 2 Feed Boxes; Corn Rack; Milk Pails; Strainer; Crosscut Saws; 100 Cedar Posts; Forks; Chains; Shovels; Whiffletrees, Etc.

No reserve as the proprietor is giving up farming. **TERMS CASH** **FRANK PETCH, Auctioneer** A. W. Benton, Clerk.

CLEARING AUCTION SALE IN GUELPH TOWNSHIP

LIVESTOCK, IMPLEMENTS, FURNITURE, ETC.

The undersigned has received instructions from

A. W. BLYTH to sell by Public Auction at his farm, situated on the Elora Road, 1/2 mile North of Morden

TUESDAY, APRIL 15th, 1947 Commencing at 12:00 o'clock sharp the following:

HORSES: Team of Horses, 10 and 11 yrs. old, good in all harness; 1 aged Horse. **13 GRADE SHORTHORN COWS:** 3 Cows with calves at foot; 5 Cows, milking well; 5 Cows due about time of calving; 6 Yearlings; 6 Big Calves; 1 Small Calf; Shorthorn Bull. These are all well bred cattle and in good condition. **SCOWS AND PIGS:** 2 Scows with pigs nearly ready to wean; Sow, due time of sale.

POULTRY: 50 Rock Hens. **FARM IMPLEMENTS:** Frost & Wood Binder; Frost & Wood Mower; Roller; Scuffler; 10 ft. Dump Rake; M.H. Seed Drill; I.H.C. Manure Spreader, nearly new; Spring Tooth Cultivator; Four Section Harrow; 2 Walking Plows; Bench Sleigh with flat rim; Scales; 2 Lumber Wagons; Wagon Box; Steel Tired Buggy; Hay Rack; Rubber Tired Buggy; Fanning Mill; Cutting Box; Pulper; Stone Boat; Harrow Cart; Forks; Hoop; Shovels; Grain Bags; Etc. **HARNESS:** 2 Sets Team Harness; Horse Blankets; Collars; 3 extra good ones.

GRAIN, FEED, ETC.: 500 bus. Russian Oats; 35 bus. Wheat; 450 bus. Cartier Oats; Potatoes; 100 bus. 2-rowed Barley; A quantity of Grass Seed; Also a quantity of Hay and Lumber.

FURNITURE: Modern and Antique The entire contents of the large farm house with the exception of the contents of one bedroom. Here are named a few of the things offered: Washing Machine; 5 Stoves; Heaters; Kitchen Range; 3 Rocking Chairs; Cane Bottom Chairs; Sideboards; Chest of Drawers; Kitchen Cupboards; 6 Beds with all Bedroom Equipment; Bed Closets; Feather Beds; Pillows; New Sheets; Blankets; Quilts; Tables; Sofas; Chairs; Clocks; Brass Candle Sticks; Old Scale Balances; Cooking Utensils; All kinds of Dishes, modern and antique—Furniture sale starts at 2 o'clock.

TERMS: Cash on Day of Sale. No Reserve as the farm which has been in the Blyth family for 115 years has been sold. Lunch Cart, cur. **HINDLEY & ELLIOTT** Auctioneers Phone Milton or Erin This. Galenst. Clerk.

SEE BETTER LONGER HYDRO LAMPS 1500 HOUR OBTAIN THEM AT YOUR HYDRO OFFICE

You Can Join In The Fight Against Cancer

"A new war is being waged by Canadians everywhere—the war against cancer," says R. E. Bruce Taylor, chairman of the Ontario Cancer Society's Ontario membership drive which takes place during April.

"Our objective is to have a member of the Society in every Ontario home," he adds, pointing out that from April 1st to 30th no effort will be spared by the volunteer campaign committee to spread as much information about cancer, its symptoms and treatment, as possible.

"Few people realize," says Mr. Taylor, "that one out of every three people with cancer can be saved provided they see their doctor in time. Trouble with most people is, they refuse to face the fact that cancer can happen to them. They al-

ways think it's the other fellow who is unlucky. The Society's job is to make people conscious that cancer needs immediate medical attention—that an examination can't be postponed to a more convenient time. There are danger signals to watch for—and they are likely to occur at any time to anyone. Children aren't by any means immune either."

Membership in the Society cost the dollar a person. Members receive up-to-date information regularly about cancer signals and facts about research and treatment.

The Ontario campaign committee includes: R. E. Bruce Taylor, chairman; Mrs. David McLaren, women's chairman; Mrs. C. C. Goldring, C. C. Joseph, M. A. Strickland, D. R. Wilson, Dr. Douglas Dunlop, Dr. H. S. Dunlop and Mr. A. H. Sellers. Send your dollar to your local Cancer Society committee or mail it to the Ontario Headquarters, Canadian Cancer Society, 280 Bloor St. West, Toronto. A membership card will be mailed immediately.

PREMIER GEORGE DREW

will speak on "ONTARIO IS NOT FOR SALE" over the C.B.C. Ontario Trans-Canada Network From 10.30 to 10.45 p.m. MONDAY, APRIL 7th LISTEN TO STATION CBL - TORONTO

IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT NOTICE Respecting Price Control

The following is a convenient summary of Board Order No. 711—published for the guidance and protection of Canadian consumers. It does not give the full legal text. For full details of the law reference should be made to the Order.

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Summary of GOODS AND SERVICES REMAINING SUBJECT TO MAXIMUM PRICE REGULATIONS

As set forth in Wartime Prices & Trade Board Order No. 711 effective April 2, 1947

FOODS

- All flours, flour mixes and meals.
- Yeast.
- Bread, bran rolls, and bakery products.
- Biscuits, except those completely covered with chocolate.
- Processed cereals, cooked or uncooked, including breakfast cereals, macaroni, vermicelli, spaghetti, noodles and other alimentary paste products.
- Rice, excepting wild rice.
- Pot and pearl barley.
- Shelled corn, but not including popping corn.
- Dried peas, soy beans, dried beans except lima beans and red kidney beans.
- Starch.
- Sugar, sugar cane syrup, corn syrup, grape sugar, glucose.
- Edible molasses.
- Honey.
- Tea, coffee, coffee concentrates.
- Malt, malt extract, malt syrup.
- Black pepper and white pepper, and substitutes containing black or white pepper.
- Butter.
- Caseln.
- Cheddar cheese, processed cheese and cream cheese.
- Concentrated milk products.
- Ice cream.
- Salad and cooking oils.
- Salt.
- Fresh apples—1946 crop.
- Washing Machine, 5 Stoves, Heaters, Kitchen Range; 3 Rocking Chairs; Cane Bottom Chairs; Sideboards; Chest of Drawers; Kitchen Cupboards; 6 Beds with all Bedroom Equipment; Bed Closets; Feather Beds; Pillows; New Sheets; Blankets; Quilts; Tables; Sofas; Chairs; Clocks; Brass Candle Sticks; Old Scale Balances; Cooking Utensils; All kinds of Dishes, modern and antique—Furniture sale starts at 2 o'clock.

HOUSEHOLD AND OTHER TEXTILES

- Textile products as follows, when made wholly or chiefly of cotton or rayon: bath mats, bedspreads, blankets except hospital blankets, curtains, dish cloths, dish towels, drapes, face cloths, luncheon sets, napkins, pillow cases, sheets, slince cloths, table cloths, throw-overs, toilet seat covers, towels, wash cloths, window blinds, window shades.
- Floor rugs and mats chiefly of cotton.

DOMESTIC FUELS

- Coal, coke and briquettes: until April 16th, 1947.

HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES

- Furnaces, fire-place heaters and other heating equipment except portable electric heaters.
- Jackets heaters and other water heating equipment.
- Soap and soap compounds.

MOTOR VEHICLE ACCESSORIES

- Pneumatic tires and tubes when sold for the purpose of or as original equipment on agricultural machinery.

CONSTRUCTION PRODUCTS

- Lumber of all kinds.
- Millwork such as doors, sashes, windows, stairs and gates.
- Plywood and veneers.
- Pre-cut lumber products designed for use in residential or farm buildings, but not including fully pre-fabricated buildings.
- Gypsum board and gypsum lath.
- Wallboards and building boards.
- Cast iron soil pipe and fittings.
- Nails.

AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY, IMPLEMENTS, EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES

- Practically all items of farm machinery, including planting, seeding and fertilizing equipment, plows, tillage implements and cultivators, haying machinery, harvesting machinery, tractors, wagons, dairy machines and equipment, sprayers and dusters.
- Articles of barn and barnyard equipment.
- Incubators, brooders, poultry feeding and watering equipment.
- Stationary gas engines.
- Harness and harness hardware.
- Barbed wire and other fencing wire and fences.
- Binder twine.
- Wheelbarrows.
- Feeds and feed products of all kinds except horse meat, pet foods, straw, clam shell and poultry grit.
- Fertilizers of all kinds, but not including humus, muck, manure, sphagnum moss or peat moss.
- Cropher poisons.
- Seed beans and seed peas.
- Grains as follows: wheat; barley; oats; flaxseed; buckwheat; rapeseed; sunflower seed; grain screenings.

RAW AND PROCESSED MATERIALS

- Basic iron and steel products and alloys, including pig iron, cast iron, scrap, ingots, bars, plate, rods and wire.
- All late and oils, including Vitamin A oils, of animal, vegetable or marine origin but not including refined medicinal cod liver oil.
- Glue stock, glues and adhesives of animal origin.
- Starches.
- Fibres, raw or processed, as follows: cotton, hemp, jute, sisal, all synthetic fibres and filaments excepting glass.
- Yarns and threads of, or containing any of the fibres listed above.
- Fabrics, over 12 inches in width whether knitted or woven of, or containing any of the yarns and threads referred to above.

PULP AND PAPER

- Wastepaper.
- Wood pulp, except (a) dissolving grades, (b) "alpha" grades of bleached sulphate, (c) "Duracel", (d) groundwood and unbleached sulphite grades sold for the manufacture of newsprint or hanging paper.
- Newsprint paper except when sold by manufacturers thereof.
- Paper board used in the manufacture of solid fibre or corrugated shipping cases.
- Board grades of paper, board, except for wrapping newsprint paper or making newsprint cores.

CONTAINERS AND PACKAGING MATERIALS

- Containers, packaging and wrapping devices of a type used for the sale or shipment of products, when made from a textile fabric and including bags, cases, envelopes, folders and sacks.

SERVICES

- Transportation of goods and services associated therewith.
- Warehousing; dry storage of general merchandise and household goods other than wearing apparel; cold storage, including rental of lockers and ancillary services such as processing charges in cold storage plants.
- Supplying of meals or refreshments for consumption on the seller's premises, the supplying of beverages (except alcoholic beverages) by purveyors of meals or refreshments; the supplying of meals with sleeping accommodation for a combined charge, but not including the supplying of meals, refreshments or sleeping accommodation by an employer to his employees, directly or through a servant or agent.
- The packing or packaging or any other manufacturing process in respect of any goods subject to maximum prices, when performed on a custom or commission basis.

USED GOODS

- Used bags and used bagging and baling material.

Any material shown above processed for incorporation into, or any fabricated component part of any of the above goods is subject to maximum prices. Also any set which contains an article referred to above is subject to maximum prices even though the remainder of the set consists of articles not referred to.

DONALD GORDON, Chairman. Wartime Prices and Trade Board.

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