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Notice to Creditors AND OTHERS

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SPORTS CAMERA By H. COLES For all of you who aren't "in the know," as if we were, we'll attempt an explanation on the juvenile schedule, which supposedly was to open in Acton last Friday. First of all - this schedule caught the local simon-pures unwares literally with their pants down.

But it isn't only in Acton where a neglect is prevalent. Georgetown won't prepared either. A phone call from the Credit Valley confirmed this last week. Milton and Oakville are a pace or two ahead of their northern neighbors in this respect. In the port town a coach is employed for the express purpose of training the younger players while the juvenile squad from the County Town need no introduction to the Ontario finals.

The Softball "opener" was marred by the frigid temperature and it was only a few who risked the elements to perch on the rail skirting the diamond. Admittedly, Baxter's were victors, but the Kachlin outfit are heavy sluggers and you can take our "say so" for it when we mention that the Wood Combing outfit are certainly no cinch to take the series.

Milton Intermediates suffered another terrible pummeling from Oakville last Saturday. When all the lights had been sorted, Oakville had stopped on the County Town unit with a 21 run barrage to a paltry 7 chalked up by the Milton team. However, the juvenile entry from Milton compensated by posting a 19-3 decision on the Lakeshore minors, rescuing Milton's reputation as a "Bad town" on the precipice of ruination.

Glancing at the Georgetown Herald our interest in the sheet expanded somewhat. There in print were the milkers of Kent Stoney, Mirdock and Gibson in a line-up. Were we looking at a hockey line-up? Not checked on that. Could they be playing baseball for Georgetown? Right on the nose they are! All three are apparently residing in the limits of the Papertown and are not only puck-chasers but horseshoe slingers of some renown.

Look what's doing in Acton Park this week - Softball, Baxter's vs. Canadian Wood. Saturday Afternoon Baseball, Oakville vs. Acton (Intermediate). Saturday Night - Dancing in the Park Pavilion. Monday Night Softball, Force Electric vs. Tannery Union.

Chronicles of Ginger Farm

Written Specially for The Acton Free Press by GWENDOLINE F. CLARKE

So this is June! Cold, wet overhead and eep wetter under foot. Storm windows still on and the only comfortable room in the house, the kitchen - that is unless the furnace is alight, as it often is when I get tired of being cold and can summon up enough energy to gather wood and chips for quick burning without waiting for quick fuel. Partner says he is looking forward to winter so he can be warm in the house without feeling it an extravagance to burn good fuel.

On fine days we work like fury to get a few jobs done outside. Last Wednesday we moved the chickens from the smaller brooder house where we start them to a larger pen where they grow to maturity. On this exercise extraordinary I did the catching and Partner the carrying. And believe me, that was one time I wasn't complaining of being cold. It was a fairly warm day anyway but about an hour after the chickens were moved the temperature began to slide that was the night we had our first late frost. It was also the first of two nights that I carried hot water bottles to the chickens. What do you think of that. My hot water bottles were quart sealers wrapped around with heavy stocking legs, and I placed them among the chickens to keep them from crowding and smothering each other. Even with that extra precaution I went out next morning prepared to pick up the dead. But there were none. However, the next two nights I did lose five but as they were evidently members of a nucleus colony they certainly were not much of a loss.

The foregoing was written last night. By the time I had got this far with my spell the furnace had burnt itself out so I went to bed. The rest of the family were already under the covers.

We slept in blissful ignorance of wind and weather. But this morning one look outside was enough. Rain pouring down from grey/unbroken skies; apparently it had been raining all night. The creek had flooded its banks and part of the pasture fields were awash. The cows were at the far side of the creek. Normally the cows walk through the usually shallow creek because that keeps the back lane from being churned up all the time. This morning, because of the swollen waters, Bob tried to drive the cows to the gate at the back of the field and on down the lane. Do you think they would go? No, sir. The cows can be the stupidest, stubbornest things on the farm. They back away, come running back to the creek and plunged into the swirling water. I was watching from the back of the house. The first cow completely disappeared for a minute. I thought she was drowned, then I saw the water churning and the cow scrambled to her feet on this side of the creek. The rest of the cows came after her and swam the creek. All that is, except one. Eva will never so much as put her foot in a puddle of water if she can help it. That cow has personality. She allowed Bob to drive her down the lane to the bridge. But here was more trouble. Brush and debris swept down by the fast flowing creek had dammed the bridge. The water, as water will, had diverted its course, and flowed on across the lane below the bridge. Incidentally, before any milking was done this morning, the men paddled around at the bridge and removed all the planks so they wouldn't have a chance to float away. Now it is ten o'clock, still raining, and the water still rising. A ditch at the back of the house has risen higher than the outlet pipe from the cellar so water is backing up into the cellar. Things are beginning to look mighty serious. But the man without any shoes who pitted himself until he met a man without any feet, so we in this district have much to be thankful for. At least a tornado hasn't come our way, wrecked our homes or killed helpless victims. Thoughts turned inward and confined to the boundaries of our farm and family are bound to be selfish and despondent. But if we look outward and onward it is more than likely our own troubles will grow less as we come to a better understanding of, and have a keener sympathy for, those other folk whose ills are so often much greater than our own.

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A Synopsis of Various Sport and Athletic Activities

A pamphlet published by the Royal Bank of Canada came to me in the mail a few days ago. At the top right corner of the front page were two words in italics and they read "Adult Education." After reading the article a second time, I felt I would like to mention some of the interesting portions of it in this column. The writer starts right in by making a statement which holds a great deal of truth. Quote: "One of our great mistakes in thinking of education is to put a period instead of a comma after Public School, High School and University. We set a mental terminus to learning." The article continues, "Strangely enough, progressive in many other ways, we are inclined to look upon adult education as something for those who missed the chance to finish school in their youth. Instead, it should be regarded as a stimulus for all minds that have grown beyond the easy judgments and mechanical training of youth. It might be said that not until the mind develops into adulthood is education really possible." "But," say some, "you can't teach an old dog new tricks." If that is true, it is because the old dog doesn't want to learn; not because he can't. It is too bad that such a saying should be allowed to deter people from the big and happy things they could do. The fact is that the average adult is more intelligent and has more learning than the average child would suppose.

A very important meeting will be held on June 19th in the Y.M.C.A. It is actually the Annual Meeting which normally is held in the early part of May but this year has been delayed because of a very important change in the Constitution of which notice must be posted for so many days and is now posted in the Y.M.C.A. building for those who wish to read it. This meeting is especially important to all "Y" members in that they will be helping to shape future policy in connection with the building which is the community center of Acton. We would like to see all "Y" members out at 8:00 p.m. on this date.

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