

MERELY ABSENT-MINDED

When you've drunk your steaming coffee, when you've eaten all you will—
The hot muffins, and the egg, and bacon fried,
When you kindly put some bread crumbs on the frosty window-sill;
For a little chap in feathers, who's outside?
He's an able-bodied beggar, and his appetite is great.
But he never leaves untidy bits behind him;
He doesn't want a knife and fork—he doesn't want a plate.
But don't put it where the puppy can find him!
When the ponds are frozen hard and fast and all the streams are still,
When he can't get any dripping from the spout,
He will hammer at the icicles and almost break his bill.
Trying might and main to get the water out!
He's an able-bodied beggar, but his beak is rather small,
And he'll thank you very much, if you'll provide him
With a dish of water twice a week—and then you'll hear him call
All his friends to come and drink your health beside him!
He will do his best to pay you—in the dark and freezing morn
You will hear his lovely carol through the mist;
He will tell you what o'clock it is before the light is born
And the song of life no mortal can resist.
And the able-bodied sparrows all begin to chirp in time,
They're the chorus singers keeping well together,
Till the robin's solo sounds so sweet that 'mid the frost and rime.
You can go to sleep and dream of summer weather.

CANCEL YOUR RECEIPT STAMPS

As it now compulsory to place a two cent stamp on all receipts for ten dollars and over, business men and others are cautioned to cancel the stamps placed on such receipts. The issuer of a receipt who fails to cancel the stamp, is liable for \$100 fine.

In The Public Eye

By O. T. WALKER



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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE MARKET OF THE ESTATE OF
WILLIAM WRIGHT, late of the
Township of Georgetown, Retired Farmer,
Woodstock, Ontario.

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to section 50 of The Trustees Act R.S.O. 1914, Chapter D.21, that all creditors of the estate of the said William Wright Scott, who died on or about the Fourteenth day of February A.D. 1923, at the age of 75 years, are to present their claims, on or before the twenty-eighth day of March to send by post prepaid or deliver to the undersigned, solicitor here for William John Scott, 108 King Street, Georgetown, orators of the Estate of the said William Wright Scott, retired farmer, deceased, their Christian names and surnames addressed and describing the full amount of their claims, a statement of their account and the nature of the security, if any held by them.

And take notice that after such last mentioned date the said executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased as far as the law entitles thereto, having regard to the character of the debts and the manner in which they have accrued and that the said executors will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person or persons who may claim to have been entitled to them at the time of such distribution.

LAWRENCE DAVIS,
Solicitor for the said Executors.

Dated at Georgetown this twenty-eighth day of February A.D. 1923. 28-24

To Water Users

Owing to the continued dry season, temperatures are reported to be very low, care must be taken of the supply and refrain from wasting any. Any person allowing tap to run or in any way wasting water will have their supply cut off. Order of Waterworks Committee.

Take Notice

People who have shanties, rafters and good frames, fast going to rot for want of protection with galvanized corrugated sheets. At pre-war prices or less considering the improvement or sundries for this time, we are to sell and buy, the other fibroed woods. Take stock and have a talk with Gilbert Sinclair, 1038, R.R. No. 1, Georgetown; Steel Truss Barns, Garages, all kinds, galvanized tanks, lighting, heating, prevention.

PREACHER AND FARMER

The Two Are Getting Closer Together Once More.

Many Prophets of Old Were Farmers—Preachers Have Done Much for Ontario Agriculture—O. A. C. as Guelph Was Planned by a Clergyman—Pastors Who Have Been in Pastoral Work Indeed.

(Contributed by Ontario Department of Agriculture, Toronto.)

The preacher and the farmer are drawing closer together. This is not surprising, for the former is usually a product of the soil. It is estimated that about 85% of our professional men, including clergymen, were raised on farms and practically all of them have had to "do the chores" in their time.

Prophets of Old Were Farmers.

The Old Testament prophets were largely men of the soil. Abraham, Isaac, Moses and David were authorities in handling flocks. And was not Elijah famous for his record of following the plough "with twelve oxen"? He often had to do this work in for naked farming—herds and fruits. Abraham Cowley quaintly remarks that the first man was a gardener, and it was only after the fall of man that the Devil became the murderer that he began to build cities.

Clergymen Have Done Much for Ontario Agriculture.

Rev. John C. Coal, early President of the University of Toronto, was a great champion of farming and read a paper before the Agricultural and Arts Association in 1901 on the importance of agriculture to the nation.

Rev. Egerton Ryerson, a celebrated Methodist leader, when Superintendent of Education for the Province, had several ideas on agriculture which helped us for our schools. If we were here to-day to behold the "see and do" work of our modern junior agriculturists, both boys and girls, he would be very much astonished, I am sure.

He will perhaps recite a "Nunc Dimittis".

A Preacher Devised the Plan of the Agricultural College.

Rev. W. F. Clarke, a Congregationalist minister, is another, maybe, to be termed the grandfather of the Ontario Agricultural College. In 1868 he was appointed by Hon. John Cartier, Commissioner of Agriculture to visit the agricultural colleges of the United States—then very few—and report as to the possibility of such an institution succeeding in Ontario. His investigations were favorable, made up the scheme he recommended was so comprehensive and practical that it was adopted practically in its entirety, and was carried out in Guelph. He edited the Canadian Farmer for many years, and was looked upon as almost omniscient in things agricultural.

Rev. Dr. Burnet, for over a quarter of a century a Presbyterian minister at Hamilton, was President of the Ontario Free School Association for nine years in succession (1869-1878), and was a specialist in pear growing, and had a grape vineyard after him.

A Clergyman Who Has Been a Public Factor.

Rev. Dr. G. J. S. Bethune, for years Principal of the Boys' College, Port Hope, (Episcopal), and for some years Principal of the Girls' College, also in Port Hope, has long been regarded as one of the leading economic entomologists of his time. His researches and observations of the insect pests of fruit and vegetables have added thousands of dollars to the fruit and vegetable growers of the Province. For many years he was Secretary of the Ontario Entomological Society and Director of the Canadian Entomologist.

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