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operation. A government can direct-This, world's a weary wilderness some who tread its trails, Filled with fashions, facts and figures. which at times the heart assails; and Old Nick with all his subtleness has spread a nest of traps.

Which may lame or main or mangle us or wipe us off the maps. ris said we're free and equal with equal chances, given o climb to fortune and to fame. to win our way to Heaven.

And all are being tested out by fickle fates decree.

as are other classes of our national of evil is always with us. He is genWhile some do triumph, others fail life. For that reason there is hope erally avoided by others, because no and waste of sore defeat. And millions mingle on the trail where're their pathways meet the rich do tote their treasurers

diamonds, stocks, or off, and daunt before the lesser folk. hard-begotten spoil: While empty-handed others and wave a cherry hale. To fellow-travellers on the road life's be-chequered trail. We come from out the misty past

sail an unchanted zone.

Though memories crowd the back - portant : reorganization steps have ward track, the forward is unknown; Yet each and all must tread life's nath the idea of bringing it into more usemid sunshine, storm and rain, Along the shady lanes of 'life down the aisles of pain; Mid changing scenes along the way and through the marts of trade, ever on the raid.

There are long and lonesome valleys which some may have to tread, With but scant and fitful glimpses of acquainted with farming conditions the sunlight overhead: Yet these ever open outward to the ter. The only thing to do is to put soul which keeps its trust. In the God of all creation who is ever There are hot and dreary deserts

Where heart and hope may languish

While just beyond are pleasant vales

where rippling brooklets flow. And verdant greens and shady groves and hilltope tipped with snow. There are those along life's highway who sit in luxury's lap, Who have peyer faced life's struggles and never will mayhap; These tread life's easy pathway with a proud and haughty mein. let they never cast a shadow worth a hoot on life's big screen. the world will never miss them when they're called to leave their pile. For they rode rough-shod in arro-

Joon a ragged urchin or a beggar in Lest such an act should lose them castle among the gaudy rich, One lesson these have falled to learn while travelling life's highways. That honest toll en-nobles through all his length of days; Yes the path of life is strewn with the nulls of broken wrecks. With unfulfilled ambitions and with

human de-relects;

gance and never cracked a smile.

et these are all pressing opward for there is no place to halt, and Father Time's direct commands admit of no default. There are friendships rudely shatter ed on life's be-shadowed trails, And man might reason o'er it all til his reason fails. Beyond the range of human kin, elu aive forces plan, The ways of life, the wiles of fate for each and every man.

Thus streams infuse the sweet life's high bounding sea. And floating on its mighty breast are ships of Ontario dropped almost 8,atoms-such as we. Nigh three score the writers trod alor these self-same trails. Has tasted joy and love and loss and

met life's angry gales; And watched the multitude pass along life's broken road. And many, many, chances missed ease a brother's load. Some wisdom comes with added years to those who seek aright. Rich harvests follow kindliness as day light follows night. No heart-embittered grouch has 'gainst fate or ills of life, But seeks sweet friendships from ranks to aid him in the strife. This misty trail for one and all some

day must surely end. Neath westening skies and twilight dim, we'll alin around the bend. With shortened step and vigor spent And yield to nature's outward thru when time for us shall cease. With muffled oars we'll cross the and reef a tattered sail, And there renew those friendshi true, that were shattered along the

A LETTER FROM OTTAWA By Robt. Lipsett

The farm in all its diverse activities is the greatest factor in the pro-

condition is quickly reflected in all the annual meeting held at Streets, other phases of national life. If he ville, Saturday, W. O. Brownridge. be prosperous it is not difficult to Milton was presented with a Victor pres. W. J. McClenahan, Milton; gear other industries to his stride. But Johnston silver roup, awarded to the sec'y-Treas., M. A. Campbell, Nelson; when the farmer is improverished no exhibitor winning the greatest num- and representatives of all municipaliamount of human ingenuity can make ber of prizes in live stock.

urban existance satisfactory. Pallia- Officers elected at the annual meettives may be applied but until the ing of the Aldershot-Burlington Fruit fundamental aliment is cured there and Vegetable Growers' Association is no real hope for us.

As a class the farmer today is not T. Foster and George W. Thorpe: prosperous. In many communities he president, Ross Peart; vice-president is in distress and it is to determine M. M. Robinson; secretary-treasurer. WOULD TAX UNMARRIED WOMEN the causes and to arrive at remedies Percy Gallagher. which will be permanent that every As the result of a fall in her own The causes of distress are not so one of the members of the Bronte lities should pay, too. So thinks the simple or superficial as many of our village commission, is suffering from a Chatham City Council, for it has home-made economists suggest. In painful injury to her knee. An X-ray drafted a resolution to the Provincial communities where there were no revealed a cracked knee-cap which Government urging the necessary encrops there is distress and in others, necessitated a plaster cast. Mrs. Mac- abling legislation. The resolution where crops were abundant, there is Donald will be unable to walk for points out that the Statute Labor distress because world production was, some time, greater than the requirements of con- . The Rev. Samuel V. Williams, aged poll-tax collection is antiquated, and sumers willing and able to buy and 49, of Watford, was sentenced to two not in keeping with modern business prices, consequently, have dropped be- years in the Ontario Reformatory less conditions. It also points out that Basically salvation lies in reducing charge of bigamy. He married May find employment than unfnarried men production costs to an absolute mini- Andrews, of West Lorne, in April, 1929, and are as freely employed at remunmum, in producing those commodities while having a wife and three child-erative wages as are male inhabitants for which there is a market, and in ren living in England.

raise and how he should raise it but no government can make him do it. Thus far experience shows that natural Anglo-Saxon cussedness resents instruction, even when it is well-inentioned and profitable. Generally speaking, the individual farmer feels

and he will pit his judgment or his prejudices against . official advice. When he is up against it, however, he stantly prating about the evil in the is more ready to be guided. We all world, but rarely has a remedy to Yet some are born to high estate, and are, whether we are farmers, or articure the evil, and, if he offers one, some to low degree. The farmer is up against it now, mind can accept. This croaking bird that, if and when the Government one cares to listen to the words of the presents a studied policy to stabilize chronic fault finder. We father like agricultural development on a satis- to hear the hopeful utterances of rs of factory basis, the man on the land him who sees more good than bad in will be in a receptive mood and lend the people of the world. There are his co-operation. Hon Robert Weir, enough weeds in the garden. But we Minister of Agriculture, is again in can always find flowers growing betrudge the West conferring with farm organi- tween. Every person born in this sations and with individuals who have world is a mixture of good and evil. made a success of farming in the face and we believe that the good overof great discouragement. These con- balances the evil in the majority of and ferences will help him set the course people of Government activity. Already im-

been instituted in his department with ful contact with farm life. There are phases other than production and marketing which are also All honour to the man who recognizes claiming attention. Pinancing is one by his manner of doing business that of them, Mortgages are not a general- he has as much responsibility toward Where howling mobs for lucre bent are ly satisfactory solution, particuarly his fellow citizens in this respect as when short term credits are required. he expects they have towards him: There are rough and stormy crossings Ordinarily the banks exist for the and who goes about seeking those latter purpose but things do not al- whom he where breakers boll and tumble and ways work out that way. A story that he would like others to do tocame to Ottawa this week of a Saska- wards himself. This one-sided way of tchewan farmer with 1,120 acres un- dealing with it, and complaining that frames from life's discordant sound. der cultivation and all unmortgaged. There are canyons deep and rocky He was unable to get a loan from his is not active in making settlement in which we skirt with trembling feet, bank. If he was in that position his own indebtedness, is an attitude And pitfalls dark and soggy which ad- what chance had the average farmer? that does harm to business and in-

One trouble is that the banks send to the west young men absolutely un- on it for a livelihood. and unschooled in estimating characaround them a set of unelastic regulations. They dare not depart from over to the United States the colthem and credits which should be ossol sum of ninety-four million dolgiven are not extended, for head of lers. This represents the annual payfices have no knowledge of the charac- ment on account of war debts. It ter of the individual and character is a lot of money for any country to and the winds our eye-lids smart; almost as fundamental as security in credit extension. In one section of Saskatchewan is earlibng such burdens as are being

where there had not been a crop fail- borne by the British Empire. British ure in the ten years between 1919 and is ready to pay to the last letter of 1929 and during which years wheat the agreement. That is the proper sold between \$1.50 and \$2.50 per bus- British attitude. Yet men who are hel the farmers were not able to well versed in international finance weather the storm of a single year and economics are convinced that the of poor prices. The Government has prosperity of the whole world is ebbeen compelled to go to their assist- ing held ackb by the annual drain on

Thriftlessness of that character something no Government can cure Perhans the experience will teach the esson of laying by for the rainy day but it is problematical. Taken all together the farming population and its welfare is the firs concern of the Government and there are hopes that permanent betterment as well as immediate relief will arise out of the policies now in process formulation. To achieve that end the

GENERAL NEWS

At the Court House, Milton. Tuesday, John Hilson and Matt Hil son of Nassagaweya, were fined \$25.00 and costs each and \$10.00 for five chickens which they stole from Bonin three months in jail, by Police Magi-According to the statistics recently issued, the population of the town-

000 in 1929 and towns and villages declined by 4,700 while cities increased by 56,000. Guelph may soon boast another college, if rumors floating about in the city of Guelph are to be believed. According to gossip, the school of Practical Science will be moved to Guelph from Toronto, as soon as the necessary building can be provided. No vehicle must be parked on New-

the council repeal them. Cheltenham has entered the hockey contest for the first time in five years. ining up in a league with Brampton. Terra Cotta and Campbell's Cross. Rock, Donald Watt, Alvin Watt Archie McKechnie, Geo, Harris, William Hazel, Sam Rock, Ervin Harris and

Trafalgar township is to have new organization known as the Trafalgar Municipal Association. Ex-Warden John F. Ford has been named as provincial chairman and G. C. Atkins, secretary. There are also two directors from each ward. The first meeting will be held in the township hall, Postville, Saturday afternoon. The annual meeting of the Peel Liberal Association will be held in the Ottawa, January 19th, (Special to Odd Pellows Hall on Saturday, Jan. the Herald.) Rehabilitation of farm- 31, when officers will be elected for ing in Canada today presents the most the year. Enthusiasm is high in Libimportant as well as the most com- eral circles after the exceptionally plicated problem confronting the fine run by W. J. Lowe in the last Government and to that problem as federal elections and the executive much ministerial attention in being anticipate the largest attended meet-

ing in the history of the association. Every polling division has been efficiently organized. duction of new wealth in Canada and T. A. Leslie was re-elected to his when the farmer is making headway. Afth term as president of the Toron-when he is relatively prosperous, his to Township Agricultural Society at are as follows; honorary presidents, H. from the Women's Institute.

legislative assembly of Ontario is ex-Pebruary 5th, it was announced from the parliament buildings a few days

the year, and there are two sides to the matter, of which, we are sorry to say, some people recognize only one fures the community in which that man is one of those who depend up-

ON DEC. 16th Great British paid hand over to a creditor every year. the finances of British and Europe.

The annual meeting of the Halton

County Educational Association was

the largest in years, all parts of the

county being represented. The visiting speakers were Hon. . Dr. J. M Robb, Provincial Minister of Health. and Mr. A. E. Culver, Simcoe, Presihearty and general co-oLperation of dent Rural Section of the O.E.A. The those it is desired primarily to help former in his first address to an must be forthcoming.—Robert Lipsett educational body since assuming office advocated the Health unit, an association of municipalities for health supervision with full-time officer. He contrasted the amounts spent on Education and Public Health. In Halton County the figures per capita for 1929 were 13 cents and \$9.11 respectively. Phone 1 The present system of Public Health supervision under local control is quite inadequate though some Health Of Guiseppi on New Year's eve, or ficers are doing excellent work. The strate Moore. The five chickens cost a Health Unit of roughly 25,000 popuestimated cost of the maintenance of lation, including Nurse service, was \$18,000. The Dominion Government is expected to assist as well as the Ontario Government, possibly in equal shares with the municipalities concerned. In his address Hon. Dr. Robb emphasized strongly the importance and value of Medical Inspection of The discussion was led by Dr. H. A. Speers, Buflington, who outlined the excellent service maintained in that town, and Mr. Belford G. Savage of Trafalgar, Dr. R. K. Anderson, M.P., and Inspector J. M. is attached, according to an old by- approving of the Health Unit and law, still theoretically in force, dis- assuring the gathering that aid would covered by N. L. Matthews, clerk of the town, who has been checking over the town, who has been checking over the by-laws, with a view to having it. A resolution was passed unanimously approving of the Health Unit. Mr. Oulver in a very practical address discussed the rural school, stressing particularly the need for raising

the standard of the Publis School by making it necessary to proceed farther than at present before Entrance to a secondary school was granted. He also urged greater attention to the improvement of school grounds and made the further suggestion that the age of entering school should be raised from five to six years. Inspector Denyes explained the new basis used in the distribution of Legislative Grants, pointing out the reasons underlying the adoption of the new scale by the Government. Miss V. Easton, Palermo, gave comprehensive report of the session of the O.E.A. last Easter and was reappointed as delegate from the Hall ton Association. Mr. M. A. Campbell Nelson, President of the Provincia Trustees' and Ratepayers' Association and Mr. W. M. Morris, Secretary of that organization, made valuable contributions to the discussions of the day. Mrs. Herbert Inglahart, Palermo in her President's address, stressed

the value of Form V work in the Public School. Hon. President, Inspector J. M. Denyes, Milton; President, Mrs. Herles together with Mrs. W. H. Cudmore, Bronte, from the Home and School Section and Mrs. Earl / Wilson

home, Mrs. S. D. MacDonald, wife of men who are engaged in various capaone day after pleading guilty to the "unmarried women can more easily of our municipality under conditions canvassing every quarter if the globe in search of broader and reasonably compositor; "I miss the old cuspidor further states that, since the law was permission markets. It is much seal-since it's going."

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