

OPPORTUNITY

Master of human destinies am I... Fame, love and fortune on my footsteps wait.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

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Monday's snow storm came as quite a surprise, after the beautiful weather of Easter Sunday.

Militia orders from Ottawa announce that Honorary Colonel Sir Donald Mann is to be Honorary Colonel of 20th Battalion Rifles.

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One of the commonest complaints of infants is worms, and the most effective application for them is Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator.

CROSSBREEDING POULTRY FOR MEAT AND EGG PRODUCTION

Breeders have long known that the crossing of two pure breeds gives offspring which are superior to either parent breeds in vigor and economy of growth.

At the Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa, a cross was made between Barred Plymouth Rocks and S. C. White Leghorns to see what difference there might be between the crossbreeds and purebreds in both meat and egg production.

The crossing of Leghorns and Rocks, therefore, offers some advantages from the standpoint of egg production and meat production as broilers or up to about four pounds weight, after which the pure Rocks are superior.

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CONVICTED OF SELLING IMITATION MAPLE SYRUP

Alexander Aubin, of Ottawa, pleaded guilty in the Ottawa Police Court on March 25th to a charge of selling a table syrup imitating maple syrup in old wine bottles on which the nature and origin of the syrup was not clearly indicated.

Magistrate Strick imposed a fine of \$10 and \$2 costs, or in default, three days in jail. The charge was laid by the Fruit Branch, Dominion Department of Agriculture, under Section 3 of the Maple Sugar Industry Act and Regulations, which states:

3. No person shall manufacture for sale, sell, or offer, expose or hold for sale any sugar or syrup resembling or being an imitation of maple sugar or maple syrup, which is not pure maple sugar or pure maple syrup, unless the nature and origin of such sugar and syrup be clearly indicated.

Chronicles of Ginger Farm

Written Specially for The Free Press by GWENDOLINE F. CLARKE

Things have been at sixes and sevens this week and Partner and I have traveled a well-worn track from the house to the barn, carrying bran mash and warm water to a cow who had fed not wisely but too well and is suffering as a consequence—to say nothing of the extra work she is giving us.

Partner is not a man to take chances where either human or animal life is at stake, and so the next morning we called in the veterinary surgeon and Stella and three young helpers were deprived of their horns. It sounds a little like cruelty until one considers that a horny animal with a mean disposition can inflict far more suffering upon man or beast—if she takes the notion—than a veterinary surgeon could do in his dehorning operations.

Besides all our other stock, we have, at present, three little calves down at the barn, half way through the weaning stage. They are full of life and vigor and are always up to some playful antics in their pen.

And now I want to tell you of something that came to me yesterday. It was nothing more or less than a regular brick-bat, hurled through space and reached me through the medium of His Majesty's mail.

I picked up a nice interesting looking envelope addressed to me, and in it I found a clipping from one of my own recent Chronicles, also a letter, which was worded thus—"and after the many times I have pointed out to my friends how 'correct' your use of the English language has been in your lovely articles on Ginger Farm!"

Yes, I know I was wrong—I plead guilty! But you know, "Just a Friend," it is sometimes good policy, "when in Rome to do as the Romans do." Lunch has become such a popular word to describe light refreshments at any hour of the day or night that I adopted it unconsciously. Just for fun I looked up "lunch" in the dictionary, and as I did so our young son came into the room, and the following conversation took place.

Son—"What are you doing, Mum?" Me—"Looking up the meaning of lunch." Son—"Gee, don't you know what lunch means yet?" Me—"What do you think it means?" Son—"Eating, of course—what else?" Conclusive, wasn't it?

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Now then, has anyone else got a brick-bat handy? If so, let it come and I will give it my best attention. I prefer intelligent brick-bats to fulsome praise any way. Friendly criticism is always helpful even if it only serves the purpose of keeping one from getting a swelled head!

SLATS' DIARY BY ROSS PARQUHAR

Friday—Ant Emmy claims that just because a man prefers a Brunet it isn't a sign he isn't a Gentleman.

Saturday—Pa went over to see Mrs. Stoop today about whether she will take the paper or not. He told her if the mountain woodcut came to Mohammed well then Mohammed had to go to the mountain, she got very very sore at pa when he said that. May be because she was over 200 Pounds without her utocoging Ft.

Sunday—Joe Hix told Ant Emmy he didn't care so much about fishing but he just wanted to show his wife and sun other folks that he was willing to work.

Tuesday—Pa got a nuther Bulling out by the boss down at the noose paper wear he works beca he set up a Add about a automobile for Sale for 50 \$ with 1/2 payable in CASH. the rest in easy Payments.

Wednesday—Pa is 1/2 sore at the preacher because he said when he was in his house he picked up a Novele she was reading and he said they charged more for Dime novels now then when he was a young man. he used they was Better printed though.

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SAVING THE TOURIST'S WAY

The admittance of millions of tourists to Canada each year presents a situation to border officials of the Dominion Government quite distinct from that of regular commercial traffic.

Under the regulations as at present in effect, a tour arriving by automobile with tourist outfit, such as gun, fishing rods, golf clubs, tennis rackets or camping equipment, is required to complete two forms, one giving a detailed description of the automobile and the other items of particulars of the tourist outfit, imported therewith.

Another important change is the extension of the short-stay period. For many years the regulations have authorized the admittance without the formality of the issuance of a permit, of temporary visitors whose duration of stay did not exceed twenty-four hours and whose travel in Canada did not extend beyond the jurisdiction of the frontier port of arrival.

Amendments to the tourist outfit and travellers' baggage regulations were also made last year with a view to the removal of any possible embarrassing restrictions in respect of the baggage and personal effects of temporary visitors to Canada.

POULTRY PACKING TEMPERATURES

Dressed poultry should not be packed in rooms in which the temperature is higher than 40 degrees Fahrenheit, and in any case the birds should remain in the packing room as short a time as possible.

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DOMINION EXPERIMENTAL FARMS Weekly News Letter

Controlling Late Blight of Celery

Since late blight of celery is present in every celery growing district no grower can afford to disregard preventive measures. The Dominion Botanist, advises the use of seed that is three or four years old, as any late blight fungi that have been present on it will have died, and seed treatment is not necessary.

Watch the Food Supply of the Bees Most bees are given enough food in the fall to carry them through to the following spring provided the winter is not too severe, and the spring flowers yield early, but many do not live to see the flowers bloom.

Feeding the Chicks A good starting mash for baby chicks consists of: middlings, ground yellow corn, ground oat groats, each one part; shorts, alfalfa leaf meal and animal feed mixture, each 1/2 part; bone meal 2 per cent; cod liver oil 1 to 2 per cent, and salt 1/2 per cent.

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TO SAVE AN EDITOR

Here is at least one minister who appreciates the editor. At a recent editorial convention, a Kansas minister is reported to have offered the following list:

"To save an editor from starvation, take his paper and pay for it promptly. "To save him from bankruptcy, advertise in his paper liberally. "To save him from despair, send him every item of news you can get hold of. "To save him from profanity, write your correspondence plainly on one side of the sheet and send it in as early as possible. "To save him from mistakes, bury him." Dead people are the only ones who never make mistakes."—Wisconsin Press.

THE REAL REASON

"Senator, I wish you would give me a job as your private secretary." "Oh, my boy," responded the only Senator, "don't get mixed up with the Government Service. Nothing to it. Ruins a young man. Besides, I have promised that position to my son."

School Children See Toronto



Group of students from Peterboro, Ontario, schools viewing Toronto from the lofty balcony of the Royal York Hotel, with the Bank of Commerce in the background. Dr. A. J. McGill, of Peterboro Normal School, is acting as guide. This group was part of an educational one-day tour of Toronto, organized by the Canadian Pacific Railway. The Mail & En-

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