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List of Experiments for 1897

Mr. C. A. Zavitz, Director, Agricultural College, Guelph, has sent out a circular relative to co-operative experiments in agriculture. The following is a list of experiments for the present year:

1. Testing nitrate of soda, superphosphate, muriate of potash, mixture, and no manure with Corn.
2. Testing nitrate of soda, superphosphate, muriate of potash, mixture, and no manure with Mangels.
3. Testing six leading varieties of Fodder Corn.
4. Growing three Leguminous crops for Green Fodder.
5. Growing three mixtures of grain for Green Fodder.
6. Testing four varieties of Grasses for Hay.
7. Testing four varieties of clovers for Hay.
8. Testing three varieties of Buckwheat.
9. Testing four varieties of Spring Wheat.
10. Testing four varieties of Barley.
11. Testing five varieties of Oats.
12. Testing four varieties of Peas.
13. Testing three varieties of Beans.
14. Testing five varieties of Carrots.
15. Testing five varieties of Turnips.
16. Testing four varieties of Mangels.

Interested persons in Ontario who wish to join in the work, may select any one of the experiments for 1897 and inform the director at once of the choice made. All material will be furnished entirely free of charge to each applicant, but he will be expected to conduct the test according to the instructions sent with the seeds, and to report the results of his test as soon as possible after harvest.

Material for either No. 1 or No. 2 experiment will be sent by express, and for each of the others it will be forwarded by mail. All fertilizers and seeds will be sent in good time for spring seeding, providing the applications are received at an early date.

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Division Court.

When Judge Morgan arrived in the village by electric car on Monday his first question was: "What means this crowd of people?" When he learned that three or four hundred people from the surrounding country were attracted by the cases to be heard in court he was considerably surprised at his reception.

The "learned friends," as they are referred to by each other, who were present on behalf of clients, were Messrs. A. G. F. Lawrence, F. W. Garvin and J. Clary. They badgered each other good-naturedly and gave the spectators lots of fun at the expense of the witnesses on the opposite side.

There were over twenty cases on the docket, but more than half of them were either settled or put off until next court. The following is a synopsis of the principal cases heard:

Palmer v. Washington.—An account for \$12.00. Plaintiff could not sustain the case in point as there was a mistake in dates. The suit was amended and the plaintiff was allowed his full claim, less \$2.00 for defendant's witness fees.

Hilop v. Thomson.—Claim for wages for \$45. Defendant had paid into court something over \$30, and kept balance as defendant had not fulfilled his contract. The judge awarded \$37.50 with costs.

Shuter v. Burns.—Amount of a \$100 note. Defendant said that the note was outlawed and claimed the statute of limitation. Case adjourned to next court to allow plaintiff to try to establish his claim.

Rankin v. Lahmer.—Claim for wages 35 days at 40 cents a day. The judge allowed \$8, each side to pay its own costs.

Cable v. Wright.—Cable sued for \$35 for digging well and putting in pump. Wright refused to pay, claiming that the pump head was defective. The judge advised the plaintiff to put in a new head when full claim would be paid.

Dean v. Harper.—The former purchased from the latter six hogs at \$6 per cwt. The latter agreed to deliver the hogs in Toronto but instead of doing this he sold them for \$6.75 per cwt. Dean sued for \$5. The decision hinged on whether the price of the hogs amounted to over or under \$10. Defendant had evidence to prove that the marks on the driving shed roof showed a weight which at the price sold brought \$40.04. It was held by defendant's lawyer that a verbal agreement was not binding when the amount involved was over \$10. Judgment for plaintiff.

Olivant v. Harding.—Claim \$25 as

balance of wages. Defendant's contention was that Olivant had injured one of his horses while plowing. Plaintiff denied carelessness but admitted to the judge that he agreed to allow his employer \$25 when they settled up. This lost the plaintiff his suit.

This ended the day's proceedings. During the hearing of the several cases the judge remarked that several of the suits should have been settled by the parties themselves. His Honor's remarks always go to discourage people from appearing before him, but as he said on Monday "If you are bound to dance you must pay the fiddler."

WANTED—FARMERS' sons or other industrious persons of fair education to whom \$60 a month would be an inducement. I could also engage a few ladies at their own homes. T. H. LINSCOTT, Toronto, Ont.

Maple

Rev. A. J. Paul of Richmond Hill, preached in the Methodist Church last Sunday morning. His sermon was able and impressive and was enjoyed by all who listened to it. The subject was "The Value of Man in Comparison with Gold."

Sunday afternoon at 2.30 a review of the Sabbath School lessons for the past quarter were taken up in the church. There was a large turn out of scholars and parents. Mr. Craddock, the superintendent, had charge of the review. In the evening the Rev. A. Bedford preached one of a series of sermons on The Prodigal Son. This was said to be one of the best sermons ever delivered in the church. On the eve of April 11th he will conclude the series with the subject, The Prodigal's Father.

On Sunday, April the 4th, the Rev. Dr. Henderson, Assistant Missionary Secretary, will preach morning and evening. The choir will render anthems, choruses, &c.

Rev. J. W. Stewart of Sunderland has been tendered and has accepted an invitation to Maple circuit for the next term in place of Rev. A. Bedford who has accepted an invitation to Soudville, both calls being subject to the approval of the Stationing Committee. Rev. R. S. E. Large of Victoria College, has been tendered and has accepted an invitation to Maple circuit for next year.

A free exhibition of horse training, by one of our citizens, is given on the streets every afternoon.

Our merchants are sending out circulars advertising spring goods at a very low figure.

The streets are getting quite dry here already, and bicycles will soon be in use again.

Mr. Thos. Chatburn has traded his famous trotter, Benny R. to Mr. Geo. Wilson for a Brantford Bicycle.

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Removals are the order of the day. Mr. R. Sawdon has gone to the sixth and Thistlethwaite goes to Fiesheton. Mr. Scrivener of Lansing has rented the farm lately vacated by Mr. Anderson.

There is a great deal of sickness in our neighborhood at present. We hope soon to see the sick ones out again.

Miss Maggie Anderson left last week for Thorold. She will be missed by the young people of the neighborhood.

The streets of our town are in rather poor condition. We have good sidewalks but some of the boys say they are too narrow.

We see by a notice that there is to be a meeting in the hall next Saturday evening to reorganize the Football Club for the season. Don't forget to attend.

The Glee Club attended the Supper at Temperanceville on Monday night and report a good time.

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Langstaff

The O. R. F. has just closed another successful season. There has been an increase in membership this winter and the regular weekly meetings have been of an educational character.

Perhaps it would not be out of place to say a word or two in favor of similar societies. They have a social influence in creating a friendly feeling in the localities where they are found. But their literary value is still broader in its effect. They give the members an opportunity to cultivate their musical talents, to improve in elocution and to take part intelligently in discussions.

The debates, mock trials and parliaments help greatly in this respect. These cause the participant to read; this gives information; information leads to knowledge, and knowledge assimilated, produces education. They also procure for him confidence, and ease and accuracy of expression. Many of our great orators have made their first attempt at speaking in some small Literary or Debating Club.

Were there more of such societies in our towns and villages they would be of inestimable benefit to those who have not an opportunity of attending proper training schools. They would awaken much dormant talent which, when active, would be of vast service directly or indirectly to the prosperity of our fair Dominion.

Miss H. Boynton of Victoria Square, spent a few days last week with her sister, Mrs. B. Weldrick.

Mr. W. Link of Toronto, was the guest of Mrs. N. Chapman Sunday last.

News Notes.

Mr. Mulock's bill abolishing superannuation was introduced in the Dominion House.

A Despatch from Bombay says that the plague has broken out among the British troops at Calaba.

It is said that at the approaching convocation of Queen's University Lady Aberdeen will be made an L. L. D.

Representatives of the C. P. R. telegraphers are in Montreal discussing the grievances of the men with the railway authorities.

The Manitoba fund for the relief of the India Famine Sufferers now reaches \$17,560.73 of which nearly \$2,000 is from the school children.

Mr. J. A. Kinsella, instructor of book-making at the Kingston Dairy School, has been appointed as assistant to Prof. Robertson, Dominion Dairy Commissioner.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the American Bell Telephone Company the directors were re-elected, and it was voted to increase the capital stock from \$23,643,000 to \$26,015,000.

The Government has granted \$300,000 to the Grand Trunk for the improvement of Victoria Bridge, the condition being that the Intercolonial is to have running powers over the road from Levis to Montreal.

Mgr. Merry del Val, the Papal delegate to Canada, arrived in Montreal from New York on Tuesday, and afterwards proceeded to Quebec, where he was given a great reception, and escorted to the Cardinal's palace.

While Built Gundy was taking a prisoner named Farrel from Goderich to Kingston Penitentiary for three years for raising notes, Farrel leaped from the midnight express one mile west of Brighton. The express was running at the speed of 40 miles an hour. He has not yet been found.

It was decided in Ottawa on Tuesday by a meeting of military authorities that the jubilee regiment will be made up of volunteers from the different corps. They will leave Montreal on June 1 by a troopship for Liverpool, whence a train will convey them to Aldershot. Two weeks will be spent there and one in London.

Sad news has been received from London to the effect that Lieut. Governor Kirkpatrick's condition is hopeless, and that his life cannot long be spared. Up to a recent date it was thought that the operation performed for cancer by the famous surgeon, Mr. Herbert Aillingham, would be successful. Much sorrow will be felt throughout Ontario as the Governor has endeavored himself to the people by his many virtues.

Mr. Fitzpatrick introduced his bill to repeal the franchise act by substituting the Provincial franchises, in the House of Commons. Mr. Gibson also introduced his bill to amend the railway act to make the wages of men employed and the cost of material used on the construction of any railway a first lien on the work. Sir Richard Cartwright's speech on the address was the principal event of the day.