

Public Notice

The Annual Meeting

of the Richmond Hill Agricultural Society will be held in the Council Chamber, Richmond Hill

Saturday, Jan. 20, 1923

AT 1 P. M.

Election of Officers, receiving reports and any other business that may come before the meeting.

All interested please take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

JAS. McLEAN, President 27-20
H. A. NICHOLLS, Secy.)

Notice to Creditors

Persuant to the Statutes in that behalf, Notice is hereby given that all Parties having claims against the Estate of Walter Chatterley, late of the Township of Vaughan, who died on or about the 8th day of April, A. D. 1917, are required, on or before the 15th day of January, 1923 to send to Joseph Edward Francis, Executor, Thornhill, a Statement of their claims and addresses, together with the nature of the security, if any held by them.

Take further Notice that after such last mentioned date, the said Executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the Estate among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have received notice.

Dated this 15th day of December, A. D. 1922.

WILLIAM COOK,
33 Richmond Street West,
Solicitor for Executor.

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Municipal Elections

In Toronto on Monday, Alfred Maguire was re-elected Mayor of Toronto, defeating R. J. Fleminy by 840. Board of Control, Foster, Gibbons, Hiltz, Singer.

In Markham Township, Geo. B. Padget was re-elected reeve over Harry S. Clarry by a substantial majority. Mr. Padget will in all probability be Warden of York County.

Mr. J. M. Walton is Mayor of Aurora.

Mr. W. H. S. Cane has been re-elected Mayor of Newmarket, and Wm. Keith, Reeve.

King Township—Reeve, Sandy McMurchy; 1st Deputy-reeve, M. Legge; 2nd Deputy-reeve, Thos. McMurchy; Councillors, J. Duggan and Frank Egan.

Markham Village—Reeve, A. F. Wilson; Councillors, Henry Meyers, Frank Lutter, T. O. Lowy, James Malcolm.

North York Tp.—Reeve, R. F. Hicks; First Deputy-reeve, O. D. Bales; Second Deputy-reeve, Jas. Muirhead; Third Deputy-reeve, W. G. Scraice; Councillor, W. J. Buchanan.

Markham Tp.—Reeve, G. B. Padget; Deputy-reeve, Wesley Gohn (rec.); Councillors, R. L. Stiver, J. S. Honey, R. A. Smith.

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MICE HARM ORCHARDS

Thousands of Trees Are Girdled Annually by These Pests.

The Short-tailed Field Mouse is the Depredator—Prevention and Poisoning Described as Measure of Control—Transplanting Early Crops from Hotbeds.

(Contributed by Ontario Department of Agriculture, Toronto.)

ALMOST every year thousands of fruit trees are girdled and killed by mice. The species of mouse responsible is not the common house mouse, but the short-tailed field mouse, whose runways may be easily seen in spring in long grass, especially around fence corners. It is grassy fence corners, especially where snake fences are used, that afford the best hiding and breeding places for these mice, hence the sooner such fences can be replaced by wire fences or done away with entirely and the freer the orchard is kept from all sorts of rubbish the easier it will be to combat mice.

Control Measures.—There are several methods by which almost complete protection from injury may be secured. These are as follows:

1. In autumn remove the sod from around the trees for a distance of about two feet on every side and bank earth up against the trunks to a height of six to ten inches. In doing this do not leave a deep ditch around the tree in which the water may collect, as this would be injurious to the roots.

2. If the ground becomes frozen before the grass can be removed, mound the trees with coal ashes instead of earth, packing them down somewhat firmly so that there may be no runways leading through the grass beneath up to the tree.

3. After the snow has become a foot or so deep or after the first heavy snow storm in winter, tramp the snow firmly around the trunks of the trees. This will close the runways and prevent the mice from working their way to the tree. If a thaw follows and the snow again becomes deep it will be necessary to repeat this operation.

4. A popular plan and a good one is to wrap common building paper around the trunk to a height of about twenty inches, or it would do no harm if it went to twenty-four inches or more, as this will also protect the base of the tree from rabbits and from sunscald. The building paper should be put on while the ground is still unfrozen and a little earth should be thrown up around the base to prevent the mice getting in beneath. The part above can be kept in place by fastening it with a common cord. Galvanized wire netting with a mesh of about a quarter of an inch is an excellent substitute for building paper and will last for several years, but the initial cost is much higher than for building paper. Tarpaper is often used, but is sometimes injurious to the trees and therefore cannot be recommended.

5. Occasionally, though very rarely in this province, resort is made to poison to destroy mice. The Washington Department of Agriculture recommends the following poison: "Mix thoroughly one ounce of powdered strychnine (alkaloid), one ounce powdered bicarbonate of soda, and one-eighth ounce (or less) of saccharine. Put the mixture in a tin pepper box (or any perforated tin) and sift it gradually over forty pounds of crushed oats in a metal tub or vessel, mixing the grain constantly so that the poison will be evenly distributed." Place not more than a teaspoonful of this at a place beside the trees, and, if possible, in the mouse runs. To avoid destroying birds the poison should always be covered by a small piece of board with a stone or chip underneath it to keep the board slightly raised from the ground; or it may be put into an old tin such as a tomato can and the edges bent nearly together to keep out birds but to let in mice. A small tile or a broken tile will serve the same purpose. Great caution must, of course, be taken in using such a deadly poison as strychnine.

Sometimes chopped alfalfa hay thoroughly moistened with a solution of the poison made by dissolving one ounce of strychnine (sulphate) in two gallons of hot water is used in place of the above poison. A little of this poisoned hay is placed close to the trunks of the trees late in the fall, and not more than a handful should go to each tree and should be placed down close to the crown so that the mice will be sure to find it. It is better to put a little piece of board on top of it, and under no circumstances should cattle be allowed into an orchard thus treated.

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Transplanting Early Crops From the Hotbeds.

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Mortgage Sale

OF VACANT LANDS

Township of North York

UNDER AND BY VIRTUE OF POWER OF Sale contained in a certain mortgage, which will be produced at the time of sale, there will be offered for sale by Public Auction on the 22nd of January 1923, at the hour of twelve noon at the office of McKenzie Bros., Yonge St., Willowdale, by J. H. Prentice, Auctioneer, the following property namely: All and Singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Township of North York, in the County of York and being composed of Lot Number 24 on the south side of Empress Boulevard as laid down on Plan Number 1751 filed in the Registry Office for the County of York.

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Notice of Application for Divorce

Notice is hereby given that ANNIE MAY VOGELMAN, of the City of Toronto, in the County of York, in the Province of Ontario, Married Woman, will apply to the Parliament of Canada at the next session thereof, for a Bill of Divorce from her husband, Edward Vogelmann, of the said City of Toronto, Druggist, on the ground of adultery.

DATED at Toronto, in the Province of Ontario, this 22nd day of December, 1922.

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