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York County Farmers In Arms Against Chicken Thief

CHICKEN STEALING ON A LARGE SCALE

IS MENACE TO COMMUNITY.

alarmed at the prevalence of chicken been caught seem to have failed to community.

put a stop to this despicable practice. The only apparent remedy is everen in this county during the past cou- the number of police employed for ally up in arms against the "chicken Once caught the offenders should be thief." The authorities are aware of shown no leniency as the safety of the all in their power to stop it but to ample should be made of every chiofficials no matter how diligent or tive to prospective operators. efficient cannot be in all sections of | Constables Rowntree and Ireland of been stolen in one district when the warded for an all night vigil last constables were concentrating their Saturday when they caught two Wood-

Farmers, poultrymen and citizens | These are only a few examples of the generally throughout York County are ravages of the chicken thieves who have been working in this district but it is sufficient to show that the practhieving and recent stiff sentences tice has reached the stage where it is handed out to offenders who have a real and threatening menace to the

It is estimated that thousands of dol- lasting vigilance on the part of the lors worth of chickens have been stol- authorities with a possible increase in ple of months and farmers are virtu- a period until the epidemic subsides. the existing evil and are willing to do public property is at stake and an expatrol such a large area is a difficult cken thief caught which would make and expensive proposition. Township the whole business look less attrac-

the township at once and several cas- Vaughan Township and Constable es have been cited where chickens have Walker of King Township were reefforts in another. Last week roost bridge men with a load of 31 hens. raiders visited the farms of Edward The officers were watching the roads Willis and James Oliver at Vandorf in the early hours of the morning and and made away with about \$200 worth when accuseds car approached they of fowl. The same week 150 hens blocked the road and held the men up were taken from Wm. Heise and 50 at the point of the revolver. When from Mrs. Ambrose Nichols, Victoria they were brought before Magistrate Square. The farm of Arthur Roys- Brunton and a remand of a week was ton, Thornhill was visited last week asked. Frank Moore, appearing for and a number of good birds stolen. the crown asked \$1,500 bail each.

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GENERAL NEWS AND VIEWS The legislature of New Brunswick brother, John Elliott, Woodbridge, and has passed a bill permitting the sale one sister, Mrs. McKee of Toronto. of liquor under government control, as The funeral took place to Hillcrest in Quebec and Ontario. Only two Cemetery on Tuesday afternoon and Canadian provinces Nova Scotia and was largely attended. Prince Edward Island are now under

Strawberries In Halton prohibitory laws. Fruit growers in Halton County es-The exemptions of diamond jubilee timate that strawberries will be plencelebrations from amusement tax is tiful in about two weeks time ala concession which the provincial trea- though in some cases they may be on sury department was wise to make. the market next week. It would hardly seem fair to urge! It is stated that the weather at premunicipalities to celebrate the dia-|sent is good for this branch of the nd Jubilee and then tax them for the fruit growing, and although some of the vines in places were winter kill-

privilege of doing so. A horticultural paper says that not so plentiful, it is thought it will one ounce of tomato seed will pro- be a good season. Richmond Hill Office (Liberal Office) every duce three million tons of tomatoes. This prompts The Passing Show to remark that the average disappointed amateur gardener will claim the figures have been reversed.

> The Town Council of Uxbridge has ordered a junk dealer in that town to erect a suitable fence to obscure from view a huge pile of junk. The fence is to be erected under supervision of the Council and under the provisions of a certain by-law.

> Albion Township is making a great improvement in the road from the King townline to the corporation limits at Bolton.

Vandorf

The young people of Laskay will give a play entitled "Yimmie Yonson's Yob" in the Community Hall, Vandorf on Friday evening, June 17th under the auspices of the Vandorf Women's Institute. This play was given in the Laskay neighborhood and was much appreciated by a crowded

TEMPERANCEVILLE

A garden party under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid of Temperanceville United Church will be held on the lawn of Mrs. W. E. Barker, on June 23rd. There will be a girls softball tournament, open, 1st prize \$10, 2nd prize \$5, tournament to commence at 5 p.m. standard time. Supper, with strawberries will be served from 6 to 8 p.m. and at 8.30 p.m. a miscellaneous program will be rendered by city and local talent, Aurora band will be in attendance. Tickets 50 cents each. R. W. E. Burnaby, Chairman.

WOODBRIDGE

One of the outstanding residents of this community passed away here on Saturday evening June 4 in the person of Mr. George Elliott. He was a son of the late John Elliott, who moved out from Toronto and settled in Vaughan 101 years ago, was born on the homestead, lot 11, Con. 8, no February 11th, 1840, and was consequently in his 88th year. His wife, Elizabeth Gowland, who predeceased him three years ago was a daughter of the late George Gowland. He was a man of sterling character, very fond of reading, was well versed in all the general topics of the day, and at one time was offered the Liberal nomination for West York to oppose the late Hon. N. Clarke Wallace. He was at one time a member of Vaughan Township Council and first deputyreeve and when rivalry between the east and west sides of the township was very keen he was defeated by the late Andrew Russell. He was also a member of the Woodbridge Public School Board for many years. About eleven years ago he retired from farming and has lived at his present address ever since. He is survived by one son, Thomas of Weston; and six daughters, Mrs. Alex Marnoch, Vaughan; Mary Elizabeth at home; Jessie, dietitian at Annesley Hall, Toronto; Mrs. (Rev.) Harvey Young, Hazelton, B. C.; Mrs. Wm. Gard, Weston; and Mrs. (Dr.) D. A. Carmichael, Ottawa. He leaves one

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