

SLATS' DIARY (By Oliver N. Warren)

Sunday: This is a day that aint meant much to I & Jake & Blisters for several months, but the time is near when it will agen have a tender significants. Skool is close enuff to start us worryen.

Tuesday: Suzy Smithers, are nabor girl was a goin to marrie a yung feller but backed out when he sed he dont beleave there is no hell. Go ahead Suzy's ma sed. I & you will soon show him hese rong. I got the joak that time.

Wednesday: The 1st pelitikel parade of the seezen past are house this p. m. & I sed to the hirde girl wheres Ma. Upstairs waving her hair sed the hirde girl. What's she think that new flags for sed I. Sum wimmen are sure dum.

Thursday: Unkel Hen went ridng & driving in the ford & got arrested for speeding. In the bizness sec. I havg writ a pome on it witch says 30 days hath Sept. Apr. June & Nov. & Unkel Hen. Witch is the trooth. & Poetry also.

Friday: Jane sed when I ast for a kiss diddent I no they are jermes in kisses & I sed girley when I kiss em I kiss em so they stay kist & am so ruff it kills all jermes. So Jane sed all right then. & so my manishness win a vctrey.

Saturday: The editur told Pa to go rite up some fake mind reeders witch Pa started to do & I of them ast Pa what was he a goen to say & Pa replide just xamen my mind & yule no. But I bet you buy a paper. To make sure. & then the forchen teller just laft kinda childish like.

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Ottawa Spotlight

By Wilfrid Eggleston

Ottawa, August 4.—These are holiday days at the capital, and only a handful of ministers are left to carry on the affairs of the state.

The portfolios of those ministers now overseas are spread among those still here; and when one or another of the latter go away for a few days the additional burden has to be assumed by one of the five or six still remaining at Ottawa.

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There are now said to be 700,000 cattle in Alberta and a large additional number in Saskatchewan for which some help will be necessary unless rains come immediately and assist the feed situation. After a complete canvas of the situation there are four alternatives: (a) destroy a large number, as is done in the United States, taking the culs out, of course, and the government compensating the farmers; (b) have the cannors and other inferior animals taken out and processed for sale with the assistance of the packing houses; (c) move feed from areas where it is plentiful to where it is scarce and (d) move cattle from drought areas to eastern Canada or some other region where their feed is more plentiful.

Copious rains in the drought belt any time up to the 10th or 15th of August would materially alter the whole feed complexion; but if they do not come the least that can be said is that a very serious state will prevail and all resources of province, dominion, railways and private industry will be needed to avert a costly loss of livestock.

The federal government is not disposed to do anything final about the minimum price of wheat for the forthcoming year until at least they have reports from their ministers now overseas. A statement is being made from Winnipeg concerning what will be done between the beginning of the new crop year (August 1st) and such time as a decision can be made. With current prices soaring above last year's minimum, it is quite possible that the government will feel that its duty will be done if it repeats last year's price. There is, however, pressure being brought to bear by some western organizations to raise the minimum. Some schools of thought, on the other hand, are disposed to advocate that the minimum price should be dropped altogether. The act which created the board does not give them any option in this matter however. They must set a minimum price; but this price in turn must be approved by the ministry at Ottawa.

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WAY BACK IN LIBERAL FILES

FORTY YEARS AGO

From our Issue of August 6th, 1896 The Queen's Hotel stables, Aurora, were totally destroyed by fire at midnight on Tuesday. It is said that five horses perished. The hotel was saved by the heroic efforts of the fire brigade.

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beginning. The distance between Toronto and Parry Sound is about 150 miles. Intermediate stations a number of which are now in course of construction will be situated along the route as follows: Duncan, Thornhill, Richmond Hill, Gormley, Vandorf, Pine Orchard, Mount Albert, Zephyr, Cedar Brae, Pefferlaw, Beaverton, Gamebridge, Brachin, Washago, Udney, Sparrow Lake, Southwood, Torrence, Bala, Dudley, Foote's Bay, St. Joseph, Blackstone, Falding, Parry Sound.

A new neckwear factory has started business in the Town Hall, Aurora. It is said they purpose employing about 50 hands, principally girls. The proprietors are advertising for girls who can run sewing machines.

Mr. H. A. Nicholls has greatly improved the interior of the Standard Bank by a covering of metallic panels on the walls and ceiling. The work was done by Mr. George S. Sims. It will be painted and tinted and when finished will look well.

The construction of the new James Bay Railway station is being rapidly pushed along, and it is now hoped the Village Council will be able to secure a strip of land in order to widen Centre Street, east of Yonge, to the station.

The Toronto and York Radial Railway Company has given orders for the building of six new cars similar to modern coaches lately put on the Mimico line, to be used on the extension from Newmarket to Jackson's Point and Sutton. These cars will cost over \$40,000.

A very pleasant event took place Monday afternoon of this week, about 1 1/2 miles east of this village, when the framework of a large and thoroughly up-to-date barn was raised on the farm of Horner Brothers, who for over 20 years have given unqualified satisfaction as milk suppliers for Richmond Hill.

The new structure is 40x80 feet, on high stone walls, giving excellent accommodation for horse stables, cow stables and roots. The stone work was done by Mr. E. Glover of this place and the framework by Mr. Frank Smith and Brother of Edgeley. A very large crowd was present at the raising on Monday, more than 300 having sat down to tea after the building was erected.

Mr. Henry Bond and Mr. Albert Williams were appointed captains, and they in turn selected their men for the exciting contest. Everybody seemed prepared to do as his leader told him, everybody seemed boiling over with good humor, and the several parts of the building went together without a hitch. The last fifteen minutes of the contest was as exciting as any lacrosse match and until the last two or three minutes it was doubtful which side would win. The honors finally fell to Mr. Bond whose men raised the south side of the barn. Many of the ladies who attended assisted in serving an excellent tea on the lawn. Horner Brothers are to be congratulated on the fine building erected, and we shall repeat here what we heard many others say that Smith Brothers and their genial helpers are deserving of much credit for the able manner in which they did their part of the work.

Mr. Thomas Nichol of Markham died on Wednesday of last week. He was a member of Markham Union Lodge and was buried with masonic honors on Friday last.

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SUNDAY RECREATION. What do you do on Sundays? We hope you go to church for it is good for your body as well as your soul. But what about the rest of the day? Apparently we have but one idea; we jump into our car, or somebody else's, drive as fast and as far as we can, pick up an indigestible gulp-and-run lunch at some roadside stand en route, lose our tempers over the bad manners of all the other motorists, fret ourselves over endless delays at main intersections, inhale exhaust fumes instead of exhilarating country air and get back after midnight, tired, irritable, all keyed up and depressed because we didn't beat the previous Sunday's record. What a start for the week!

We try to crowd into one hectic day what our English cousins take a long three-day weekend to accomplish. Much could be learnt from the Viennese or the Germans. They put on their hiking costumes and sally forth from the cities by train or tram Saturday noon or Sunday morning. They go that distance out which will permit them by easy

walking to get back Sunday night. By crossing country they dodge the fume-laden highways, are in the open all the time, rest at guest-houses en route and arrive home physically tired but mentally relaxed and refreshed.

What a contrast to our aimless dashing about—our Day of Rest! True, our suburban countryside is dotted with "no trespassers" signs and our country roads sadly lack cinder paths, but these difficulties could be overcome if our people really tried. In Montreal and Ottawa skiers do entrain out and ski back in the winter, an excellent arrangement, but the custom should be more widely practised for summer as well as winter recreation.

Most centres have woodland or open suburbs where one can walk far from the maddening crowd and in unison with the spirit of Nature. It is good to feel grass and moss underfoot, to smell new mown hay and to drink in the cool fragrance of the woods.

Try locking your car up some Sunday. Or, if you must use it to get to the open spaces, park it as soon as you can and strike out on foot.

Questions concerning health, addressed to the Canadian Medical Association, 184 College St., Toronto, will be answered personally by letter.

This year's natatorial program at the Canadian National Exhibition will excel any of its predecessors. Distance and sprint swims both amateur and "pro" and diving by Olympic and professional champions will feature this year's card on the waterfront.

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