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FORTY YEARS AGO

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An order has been obtained in Toronto directing the immediate winding up of the Massachusetts Benefit Life Assurance Company, so far as its Canadian assets are concerned, which are said to amount to \$130,000. It is thought that the Canadian claimants and policy holders will lose but little.

Saturday last was a record breaker for the Metropolitan Railway, when about 600 employees of Messrs. W. R. Johnston & Co. and their friends came to Richmond Hill for their Summer outing. The program consisted of many of the popular sports, and a most enjoyable afternoon was spent in the park and on the driving track where the contests took place. Among the contests were a baseball match, foot races, etc. The bicycle races and the ball match were particularly interesting. Refreshments were served in the Agricultural Hall by Mr. Walter Hulse, proprietor of the Palmer House, and the Village band furnished good music during the afternoon and evening.

Farmers at Patterson are pretty well through harvesting, and they have much to be thankful for. The grain and root crops have been good, and the pasture fields are green as in the month of June.

THIRTY YEARS AGO

Mr. A. J. Hume assisted the Newmarket Military Band at Cane's picnic held at Jackson's Point on Wednesday of last week.

Travellers and business men are pleased to see Mr. Wm. Sheppard in his former position as station agent at the Metropolitan Waiting Room.

Few men in this section of country were more widely known or more highly respected than Michael Naughton, who passed away at his home at Elgin Mills on Monday morning after a lengthy illness, in his 62nd year. Born in Limerick, Ireland, he came to this country with his parents, brothers and sisters when only five years of age. The family ever afterwards resided in the neighborhood of Elgin Mills. When deceased left school he worked on the Bernard farm, afterwards learning the coopering business with the late John Hamilton, and later started a cooperage in partnership with his brother John. Thirty-six years ago the brothers purchased the Elgin Mills store, succeeding Mr. Harry Newton, and carried on a most successful business until the time of his death. The funeral services on Wednesday held in the church were conducted by Rev. Father Grant, the Pastor, and Rev. Father Teeff. The widow, three sons and a daughter survive.

The annual meeting of the King and Vaughan Plowmen's Association was held at Phillips' Hotel, King City, on Saturday, August 26. After the business was transacted the election of officers took place and resulted as follows:—President, James A. Cameron; Vice-President, A. B. Wells; Treasurer, George Lawson; Secretary, J. T. Saigeon; Directors, W. Walkington, S. Lemon, James McLean, A. McNeil, R. Jones, S. McClure, A. D. Carley, R. Thomas, A. McCallum, T. H. Legge, J. R. Campbell, Geo. Phillips, Jos. Sutton, S. Jamieson, P. McCallum, Wm. Malloy, Thos. Butt, H. Fisher, Wm. Glass, T. G. Blough, W. Matheson. Hon. members—Alex. Cameron, James Wells. The following were appointed a field committee to report at next meeting: W. Walkington, P. McCallum, A. B. Wells, Geo. Phillips, Geo. Lawson. Soliciting Committee, for Aurora, T. H. Legge, Wm. Walkington; Toronto, J. T. Saigeon, A. B. Wells; Bolton, A. McCallum; Woodbridge, A. McNeil, J. T. Saigeon; Kleinburg, W. Matheson; Toronto Wholesales, A. D. Carley, R. Thomas; King, A. D. Carley, W. Walkington. It was decided to hold the Plowing Match on Tuesday, 5th of November and after appointing judges the meeting closed.

If a supreme court justice still gets paid and may retrace his place in the line-up, he is obviously on the bench.

General News & Views

Hear Hepburn—the man of the hour—at Richmond Hill arena Saturday evening, September 4th.

Mr. Irwin Watts of Aurora has been appointed Returning Officer for the riding of North York for the October 6th elections.

W. J. Gardhouse, member for West York in the last Legislature has again been chosen as Liberal candidate.

TAX REDUCTIONS are the order in all municipalities throughout this district. Richmond Hill Village rate is down this year. At a special meeting of Markham council last week the 1937 rate was struck at a substantial reduction from last year and Whitechurch ratepayers will pay \$7,500 less in taxes this year than in 1936.

"There is a good chuckle in the story of the Chattanooga storekeeper who put up an empty cigar box in his store under a sign reading: 'Police got my slot machine; please put your money here.' The chuckle comes from the fact that his patrons took him at his word, so that in a few days the box was nearly full of coins. The average customer likes a joke, and isn't above tossing away a nickel if it appeals to his sense of humor. The point, however, is that the customers who 'played' this cigar box got just about as much for their money as they would have got if the slot machine had never been removed."

According to statistics issued by the Dominion Dept. of Agriculture there were 5,941 acres of potatoes under cultivation in the County of York last year, which is a surprising large acreage when one considers that Ontario county had an acreage of only 5,671. Much of the land in Ontario county is only adaptable to growing potatoes and it was to be expected that there would be more tubers grown there, but such is not the case. The value of the potato crop in York County was \$543,103 as against \$379,958, indicating that York growers obtained a better price on the average.

York county also led in the matter of turnip acreage and price. There was sown to turnips 5,941 acres in York at a market value of \$543,103, as against an acreage in Ontario county of 4,532 and a market value of \$261,406.

York county growers received an average of around \$92 per acre while Ontario product realized less than \$58 per acre.

GOLD LEADS MINE BOOM

First Five Months of 1937 Show 177,517-Ounce Boost

Ottawa, Aug. 21.—Canada's mining industry is making new production records this year, led by gold, nickel, copper and lead.

Gold production in the first five months of 1937 reached 1,628,356 ounces, compared with 1,450,839 in the corresponding period last year. Reflecting rearmament plans throughout the world, nickel production jumped from 68,704,668 pounds to 90,426,601.

WILL REBUILD OLD FORT ERIE

Ontario Government to Undertake Work on Fortifications

Fort Erie, Aug. 19.—Definite announcement was made by W. L. Houck, M.P.P., for Niagara Falls, yesterday at a monster Liberal picnic, that the Ontario Government will in the immediate future commence the restoration of old Fort Erie, on which nothing has been done since its destruction in 1813 by Americans under General Jacob Brown. Insofar as possible the plans used by the British in the second rebuilding of the old fortifications will be used, Mr. Houck said.

Over fifty thousand tourists visited the site last year, indicating the general interest in the old ruins, eighty per cent of them Americans. Old Fort Erie was first constructed by the British in early in the eighteenth century, and fiery Chief Pontiac was one of its earliest visitors.—Telegram.

We might judge by results, not intentions, and thus it appears that the only hanging offense is lack of money.

Reduced Hydro Rates for Woodbridge

The new Hydro rates for Woodbridge have been issued by the Ontario Hydro-Electric Commission and will come into force at the next billing. There is a further reduction to Woodbridge Commission of \$2.00 per H.P., and this will be passed on to customers in the following rates:—Domestic rates, 3c. per k.w.h. for the first 60 hours, and 1.1c. per k.w.h. for all additional consumption. Commercial rates, 5c. per 100 watts installed, plus 2.4c. per k.w.h. for 1st hours use, and 0.6c. per k.w.h. for balance of consumption. Power, \$1.00 per H.P., plus 2c. per k.w.h. for first 50 hours use, 1.4c. for second 50 hours use, and balance .33c. per k.w.h. with a local discount of 25 per cent. There will also be a prompt payment discount on all bills of ten per cent. It is estimated that the reduction will save the customers in Woodbridge about \$1100.00 in the next year.

DIED

McDOWELL, Caroline — Suddenly, on Friday, August 27, 1937, Caroline Coates, widow of William McDowell.

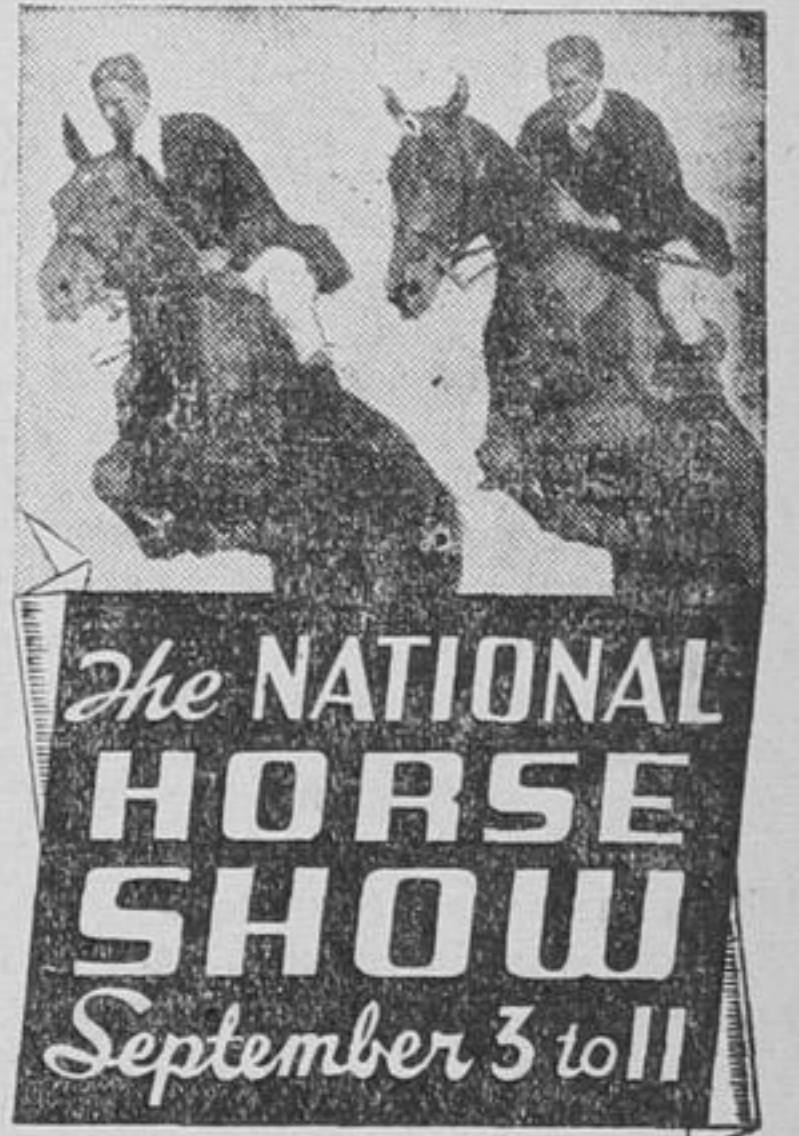
Funeral was held Monday at 2.30 p.m. from the residence of her brother, John R. Coates, 34 Pleasant Boulevard. Interment Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

GALE, Benjamin A.—At the Ontario hospital, Toronto, on Friday, August 27, 1937, Benjamin A. Gale, beloved son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gale of Sherwood, Ontario, in his 17th year.

Funeral service was held in Lutheran church, Sherwood, on Sunday, August 29, at 3 p.m. Standard time. Interment followed in Lutheran cemetery.

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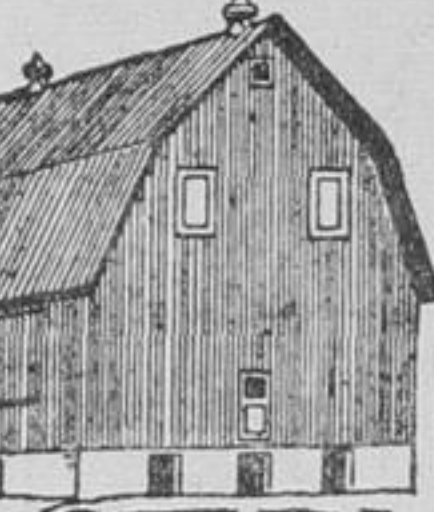
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