

BLYTH'S CORNERS

The weather is keeping extremely cold, and an early spring opening need scarcely be looked for.

The sudden calling by death of the late Inspector Campbell came as a great shock to the people in this vicinity. The better we came to know him the better we liked him.

Mr. John Thompson left last week for the west, to assist his son, Wellington, with the work on his big farm.

The trustee board of our section have engaged Miss Mary M. McAlister to teach, on condition that she passes her exam. for a 2nd class certificate, which we hope she will.

The roads are gradually becoming more passable, except odd newly graded-up places, which are simply awful to plunge through.

Just on the side, we never could understand why so many path-masters persist in grading up stretches of road longer or shorter and leaving them that way, instead of grading up no more than what could be finished with gravel. With many road-makers it really does look as if all the taste they have is in their mouth.

Miss Neila Marshall arrived home on Friday to spend her Easter vacation, also Miss Mary Backus, Miss Mary McAlister and the Misses Mary and Elsie Blyth of the Corners; also Mr. Willie Wallace of Traverston.

Billy Wright, who has been our right-hand helper for the past five years, having complied with all the rites and ceremonies of the "home," broke off diplomatic relations with us after we strongly advised him to write to his mother regularly.

Little incidents now and then seem stamp the march of life more indelibly on our minds than do others. One of these was a large gathering in Knox church on Tuesday evening of this week, of young and old, when Mr. Wm. Allan was honored by an address and presentation. A social hour, consisting of music by the choir, recitations by Misses Marshall, McAlister and Ella Barber, a song by Mr. Jas. Watson, speeches by Messrs. D. Leith, W. Thompson, R. R. Watson, and the scribe; gramophone selections, etc., with abundance of eatables, all combined to make the occasion a fitting climax to the life of one who has been an ardent and faithful supporter of Knox church for nigh onto 50 years.

At the close of the address and presentation, Mr. Allan made an appropriate and feeling reply. Mr. Allan goes as a missionary to a station in the west about 500 miles north of Winnipeg, and left on this Tuesday morning train for his mission field. The following is the address:

Dear Mr. Allan:

Knowing of your recent appointment by the H. M. Committee, to a Mission Station in the west, which necessitates your removal from our congregation for a time, at least, we have met this evening to spend a social hour for the sake of "auld lang syne" and to bid you good-by and godspeed. As an elder in the church, you have ever been faithful and true to that sacred trust. But it is more particularly as superintendent of our Sabbath school that we feel that your place will be hard to fill. Through your zeal and devotion to duty, and executive ability, you have seen it grow from a small school in the early 80's to one of the most flourishing Sunday schools in the Saugeen Presbytery. While conscious of the fact that your work and labor of love has been prompted for the glory and praise of God, rather than the praise of man, yet we feel we would be extremely ungrateful to allow the present circumstances to pass without in some way showing our appreciation for the valuable services you have rendered during all these years. We ask you, therefore, to accept this purse, not for the amount it contains, but as a small way of conveying to you our appreciation and heartfelt thanks in your new field of labor to which you go, our prayer is that God will abundantly crown your efforts, assured always of the high esteem and best wishes of your many friends in Knox church, Normanby.

Signed on behalf of Knox congregation by the undersigned Committee: Archie McDonald, John Morice, Donald McIlvride.

Doubtful Compliment

First Artist—I received a magnificent tribute to my skill the other day at the exhibition.

Second Artist—Indeed, what was it?

First Artist—You know the picture, "A Storm at Sea?" Well, a man and his wife were looking at it, and I overheard the fellow say, "Come away, my dear, that picture makes me sick."—Chicago Herald.

MORE POWER FOR NORTHERN ZONE

There is a steady demand for Hydro power in the Simcoe-Grey zone. The developments at the Big Chute and Ragged Rapids became taxed to their utmost a year ago. Then the Wasdell Falls were linked up and later the power plant at Eugenia Falls was turned in to swell the aggregate. With the latter a number of new towns and villages came into the circuit, among others, Owen Sound, Flesherton, Durham and Mount Forest.

The latest proposition is to further develop the plant at Eugenia Falls, adding thereby possibly 1500 horsepower, while over at the Big Chute the plants are to add at least 2000 horsepower. For these betterments the supplementary estimates presented to the Legislature on Monday make provision for the proposed expenditure for Eugenia Falls extension, being placed at \$216,807, and that for the Severn River extension \$121,238.

Work on these, it is understood, will be entered upon as soon as the vote is passed by the Legislature. At the same time the extension of the Orillia plant will also be rushed, probably being completed by next September. In the aggregate the betterments will supply to the Hydro system at least 5,500 additional horse-power, 1,500 at Eugenia, 2,000 at Big Chute, and 2,000 which will be released by Orillia. In addition to this Orillia may have a surplus which, of course, being in the hands of good business men will probably be offered to the Commission at a price that can be disposed of without weighing heavily on the patrons.—Collingwood Bulletin.

SHOT BROTHER IN LINE FENCE QUARREL

During a quarrel on Saturday morning last over the erection of a fence on a piece of practically valueless property on the lake shore on the western side of Collingwood, Philip White shot his brother Edward White, with a shotgun, inflicting such injuries about the face and neck that his life is despaired of. Immediately after the shooting Philip made away, and successfully eluding the police, walked to Stayner, where he boarded the afternoon south-bound train. Chief Ross of the Collingwood police notified the authorities of the surrounding towns to be on the watch for the man, with the result that he was taken into custody at Barrie on Saturday, and was taken back to Collingwood on Monday morning.

So far as the police were able to learn, the shooting is the sequel to a series of quarrels between the brothers regarding their properties, which adjoin, and both of which have waterfronts of little or no value on the outer harbor.

Philip White was given his preliminary hearing at Collingwood on Monday, when he was charged with shooting with intent to commit murder.—Sheburne Free Press.

McWILLIAMS

(Received too late for last week.)

The weather has been mild these last few days, with quite a lot of rain, but to-day we had quite a fall of snow.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Watson spent one day last week with Mrs. Watson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Morrison, near Varney.

Mr. John Kennedy has engaged with Mr. Jas. Hopkins for the summer months.

Mr. Abram Hooper has purchased the McLeod farm, adjoining his own.

We are sorry to report Mr. Geo. Lawrence under the doctor's care at time of writing. We hope he will soon be all right again.

Mrs. Will McFadden spent a few days in town last week, helping to wait on her sister-in-law, Mrs. S. Chapman, who met with such a painful accident.

Mrs. Zufeldt of Hanover visited her father, Mr. Jas. Brown, and other friends, last week.

This Week's News

The weather is very cold for the time of year. Quite a heavy fall of snow on Thursday and Friday made good sleighing.

Miss Margaret Lawrence is spending a few days in town with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Lawrence, and other friends.

Miss Alice McKelvie spent the week-end with friends in this part. Master Tom Sproutle spent Easter with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Whitmore.

Mrs. McKay, and little son, who have been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Dixon, for the past two months, leaves for her home in Northern Ontario to-day.

Mr. Geo. A. Watson sold his pure-bred Polled-Angus bull to Mr. Victor Adamh, of the 18th Egremont.

Miss Millie Whitmore is spending the holidays at her home here.

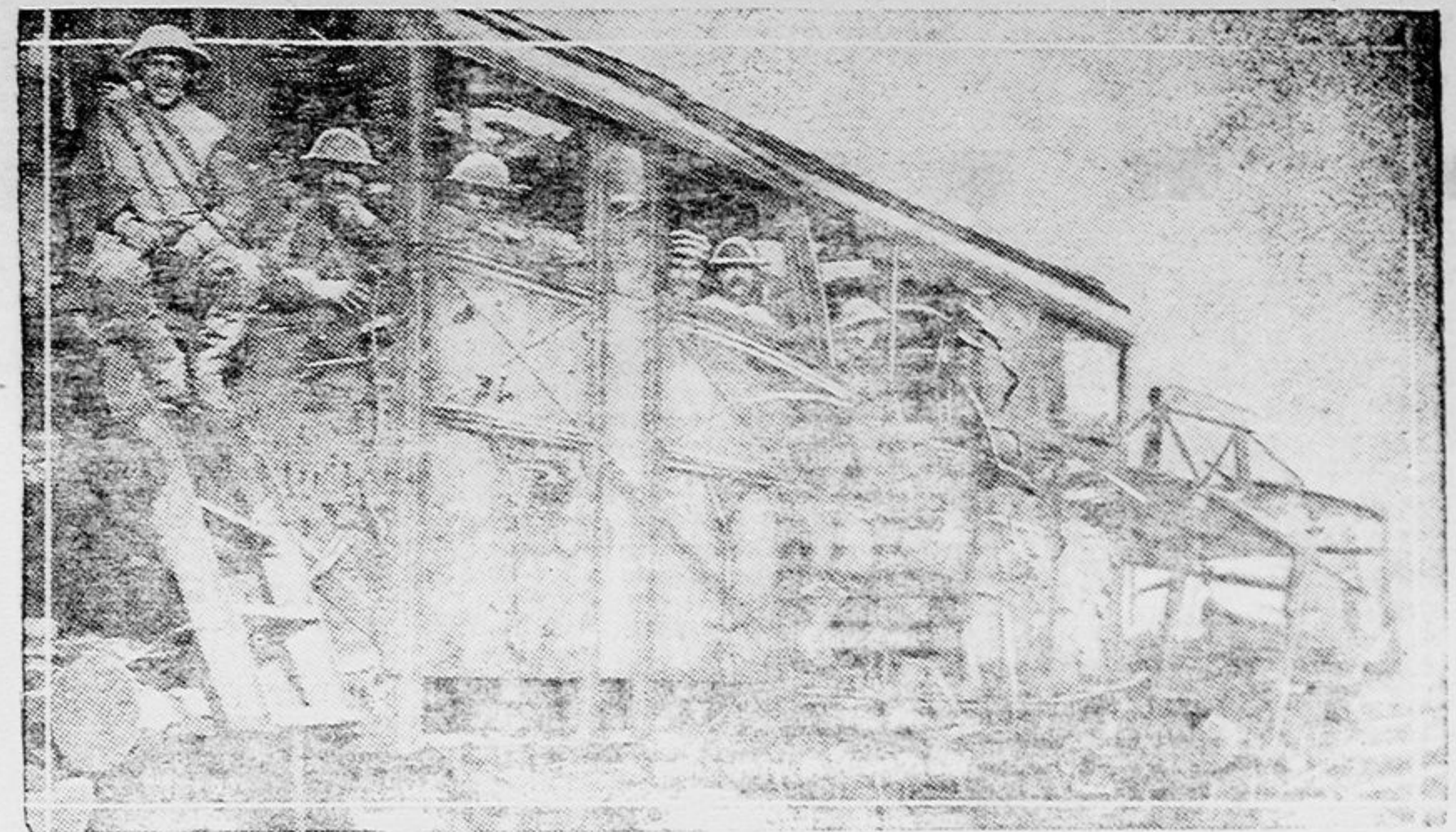
We are glad to report Mr. Geo. Lawrence able to be out again after his recent illness.

Mr. Geo. A. Watson was confined to the house for a few days with an attack of quinsy.

Mr. John Whitmore is a hale, hearty man for his years. He was 84 on the 27th of March, and he walked over a mile to the bush and spent his birthday chopping wood. We wish him many returns of the day.

Mr. W. L. Dixon is spending the holidays at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Moore spent Easter with the latter's mother, Mrs. D. Firth, of Edge Hill.



CAUGHT IN HOSTILE GUNFIRE ON THE SOMME FRONT.—All that was left of a train of French freight cars caught in an artillery duel between the British and Germans during the fighting along the Anere River.

TRAVERSTON.

Easter of 1917 will be remembered long, owing to its bitter cold winds from north-east.

Mr. Alf. O'Neil arrived home from Stratford on Good Friday, where he has been convalescing from a recent operation for appendicitis.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. E. Blair and family, of Durham, have been spending few days on their farm at Zion.

W. Timmins made a big cattle deal towards the close of the week, selling two cows and 12 head of young stock.

R. E. Bryans traded off a fine young mare to his brother at Varney, getting a team instead; but we presume the other fellow got quite a bit to boot.

Missy Jean Hepburn, and her brother, Wallace, are holidaying at the Davis homestead.

Mrs. Hugh Firth has been seriously ill during the past week, but at present is somewhat improved. All hope for a speedy recovery.

Word came to our home on Saturday of the death that morning of Mrs. S. K. Correll, in Toronto. She was first cousin to our better half, and has visited Glenelg relatives several times. She has been a sufferer from paralysis for some years.

Miss Winnie Black came up from Toronto for the Easter holidays.

W. R. Wallace is enjoying the holidays at his home in Normanby.

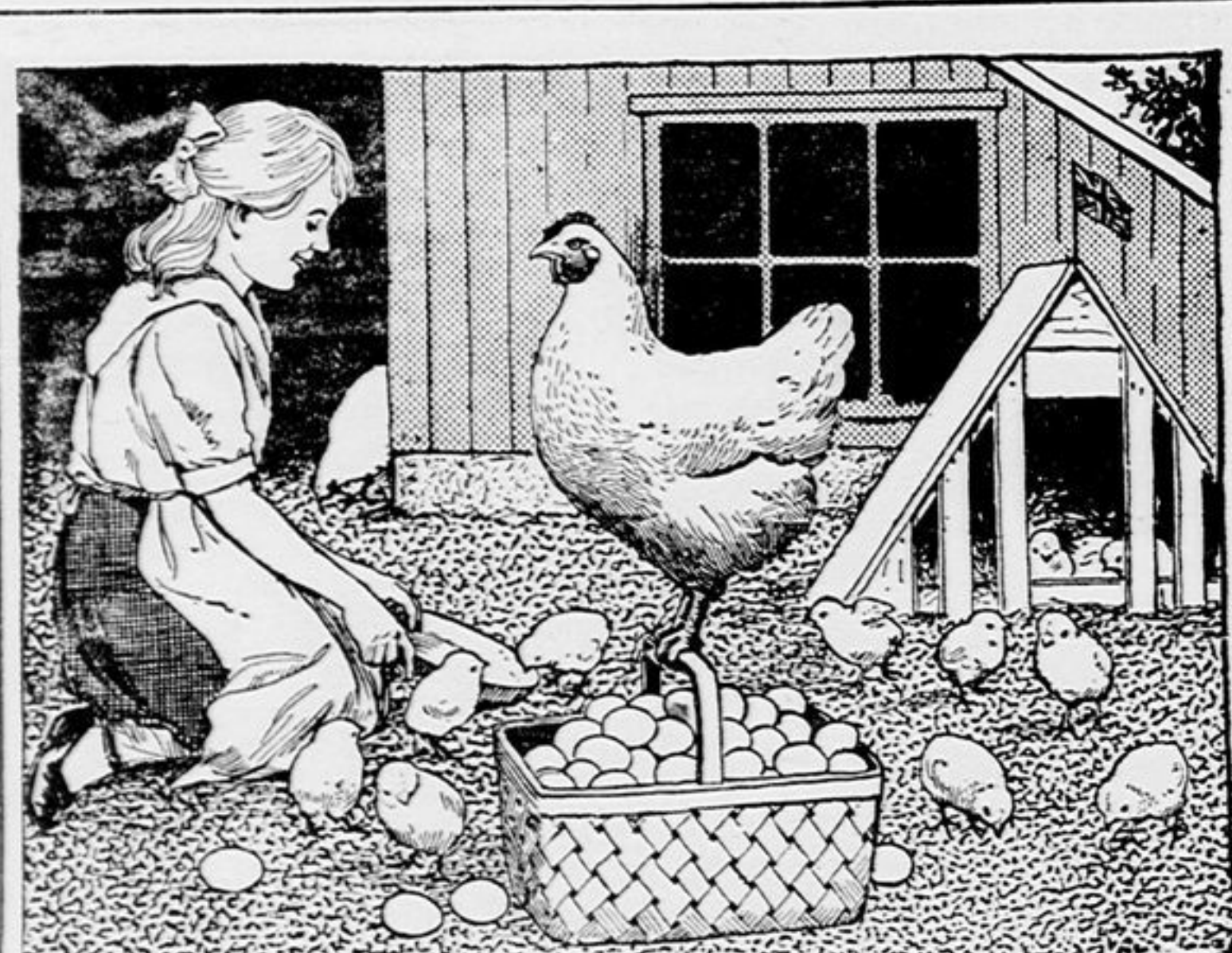
Mrs. M. Smith's sale on Wednesday of last week was a splendid success. The day was a beauty, the crowd came from far and near, and Auctioneer D. McPhail drew record prices for all kinds of stock.

Miss Flossie McVicar underwent an operation for appendicitis on Good Friday, Drs. D. B. Jamieson, J. G. Hutton, and R. D. Lane of Priceville, being the surgeons in attendance. The operation was highly successful.

A pioneer father, a most highly respected and esteemed citizen, a man of wonderful vim and vigor, energy and activity, was Mr. A. J. Robson, who passed over to the Great Beyond at 10 o'clock on Good Friday night at the age of eighty years and two months. For over a year his giant strength has been failing, but up to a day before his death he was able to be up, read

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Advertisement for the 1917 Ford Touring Car. It features an illustration of the car and text stating: 'The 1917 Ford Touring Car \$495.00 f o b Ford, Ont. You pay less for this car but it gives you more enjoyment, more mileage and longer service than those which cost more. The Touring Car gives the utmost in automobile value, pride of ownership and economy. Buy a Ford this year and save money—when saving is a national duty. C. SMITH & SONS - Durham'



To City, Town and Village Dwellers in Ontario.

Keep hens this year

EGG and poultry prices, the like of which have seldom or never been experienced, certainly make it worth anyone's while to start keeping hens. By doing so you have fresh eggs at the most trifling cost. At the same time you have the splendid satisfaction of knowing that you are doing something towards helping Britain, Canada and the Allies achieve victory this year.

Increased production of food helps not only to lower the high cost of living, but it helps to increase the urgently needed surplus of Canada's food for export. It saves money otherwise spent for eggs and poultry at high prices, and saves the labor of others whose effort is needed for more vital war work.

The Ontario Department of Agriculture will give every possible assistance by affording information about poultry keeping. Write for free bulletin which tells how to keep hens (address below).

"A vegetable garden for every home"

Nothing should be overlooked in this vital year of the war. The Department earnestly invites everyone to help increase production by growing vegetables. Even the smallest plot of ground, when properly cultivated, produces a surprising amount of vegetables. Experience is not essential.

On request the Department of Agriculture will send valuable literature, free of charge, giving complete directions for preparing soil, planting, cultivation, etc. A plan of a vegetable garden, indicating suitable crop to grow, best varieties and their arrangement in the garden, will be sent free to any address.

Address letters to "Vegetable Campaign," Department of Agriculture, Parliament Buildings, Toronto

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