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MONTHLY HORSE FAIR STARTS NEXT MONTH

Mayor Murdoch Announces Plan to Create Monthly Market

For some time past, Mayor Murdoch has been working on a scheme whereby the monthly horse fairs, so popular a few years ago, will be revived and a market created for the benefit of horse-raisers in and around Durham.

While plans have not yet been completed, the monthly fair is assured. When in Toronto last week, Mayor Murdoch interviewed several of the more prominent buyers and received their assurance that if the matter were taken in hand locally, they would guarantee upwards of a dozen buyers would visit the town on the day selected.

Horse fairs or any other scheme that will provide a market for the breeders of this section should be a good thing, and Mayor Murdoch should have the hearty co-operation of town and country in making the fair a success.

The day set for the fair is the third Thursday in each month, the first of which will be held March 19.

WATER SCARCITY AFFECTING MANY

Thawless Winter Playing Havoc With Many Wells—Manufacturers and Stockmen Complain of Shortage.

With no January thaw this year, and continued frost from early last December, coupled with an extremely dry fall, the water situation in many parts of the country is becoming quite serious. In Essex County, and throughout many parts of Western Ontario, this shortage has already become acute, and a period of soft weather would be about the most welcome thing that could happen.

Locally, we have not heard of any particular suffering, but an enquiry of farmers from all directions in the district discloses the fact that water is getting very scarce. Power plants in many cases are short, and in the case of the Durham Furniture Company, their big reservoir on the Rocky does not fill up as fast as it is used, and if conditions get much worse, serious inconveniences may result.

While the present winter can not be described as a particularly cold one, it has been steady right from the start and exceedingly hard on the coal-bin and wood-box.

BEAR SAW SHADOW; WENT BACK TO SLEEP

Six Weeks More Winter, if Old Superstition May Be Relied Upon.

Monday was Candlemas Day, and the day old Bruin is supposed to come out of his long winter's sleep, gaze around, and if the sun is shining strong enough for him to see his shadow on the snow, back he goes for another six weeks and mere man knows that winter still holds its grip upon the country.

This year, old Mother Nature is in for a busy time if she hopes to make this Candlemas story ring true, especially throughout Ontario. In Durham, for instance, Monday morning from daybreak to dusk was an exceptionally fine and sunny day. In London, it was cloudy; but in Toronto, bruin saw his shadow on the snow and retired once more to his den. The question now is: "What shall we get—an early spring or another six weeks of winter? Or shall it be a sort of local option affair?"

No matter how it goes, the weather may do lots of things and still show Candlemas Day lore as reliable as any of the prophecies of human weather forecasters who last fall predicted every conceivable kind of winter. We withhold our prophecy of what the remainder of the winter will be and may announce it shortly after Easter.

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HOW CANADA COMPARES WITH OTHER COUNTRIES IN WHEAT PRODUCTION

As the value of the wheat crop on the prairie is normally about fifty per cent of the total value of the entire annual agricultural production of the prairie provinces, it is interesting to learn how the yields of this important crop in Canada compare with those in other countries. Briefly stated, Canada has a much higher average yield per acre than any other important wheat exporting country. Some countries which import wheat have a higher average yield per acre than Canada, but there are only a few of these, such as the United Kingdom, Germany and Denmark, which have a yield considerably higher, while the total quantity produced by these countries is relatively very small. Moreover, the expense of producing wheat in these countries is extremely high. Even such an important wheat producing country as France has an average yield of only two bushels per acre higher than Canada, while both Italy and Russia have lower yields per acre, says E. S. Hopkins, Dominion Field Husbandman.

The average yield per acre of wheat over a period of 23 years, for the following chief exporting countries of the world, is as follows: Canada 47.8 bushels, United States 14.1 bushels, India 11.3, Argentina 10.6, and Australia 10.4. In Russia the average yield over a period of fifteen years, was 9.4 bushels per acre. It will be seen, therefore, that Canada enjoys some considerable advantage over other exporting countries. This advantage is due in part to a natural adaptation of wheat to the soil and climate of this country, and, also, to improved methods of cultivation as well as to better varieties of wheat which have been introduced by scientific agriculture.

Nevertheless, in spite of this favorable showing in average yield per acre, Canada is unfortunate in having the greatest variation from year to year of any large exporting country in the world. This large variation exists not only between individual years but also between averages of two successive year periods and of five successive year periods. The lowest yield per acre ever secured in Canada as a whole, was 10.1 bushels in 1919, while the highest yield was 26.0 bushels in 1915. The five year period, from 1917 to 1921, had an average yield of only 12.8 bushels per acre, while the five year period, from 1901 to 1905, had an average yield of 21.2 bushels per acre. Australia, while having less variation than Canada in bushels per acre, has a larger variation in per cent of the average yield. For example, in Australia in 1903 the average yield was only 2.5 bushels per acre while in 1921 the highest yield on record, it was 16.0 bushels per acre.

The outstanding facts, then, in the Canadian production of wheat are that the average yield per acre is much better than in any other exporting country in the world but that, unfortunately, the variation from year to year is also greater than in any other country. The reason for this great variation in yield is due predominately to variation in rainfall. When the season is dry, the yield is small. It is self-evident, therefore, that experimental work is urgently required to try to improve this condition. It is the object of Experimental Farms to experiment in order to discover methods of farming which will reduce the injurious effects of dry years. The high average yield per acre, which Canada now enjoys in comparison with that of other countries, is due in quite a large part to the results of scientific agriculture. There remains yet the difficult task of reducing the losses suffered in dry years.

AN UNCONSCIOUS BLUFF

In Nevada in the early eighties, it was the rule for a man to "fote a gun." But Henry Gillis was an exception; to him, undersized though he was, a gun was a nuisance. Only on rare occasions when he drove the mine buckboard loaded with the week's clean-up did he carry a six-shooter.

One day, when he was about to transport bullion from a mine in the Comstock Lode country to the nearest railway station, a burly tramp asked permission to go along. Suspecting nothing, Gillis gave the stranger a lift.

All went well for an hour or so. The tramp seemed preoccupied and taciturn. Gillis himself was never talkative. After crossing part of the desert, the road climbed through a rugged foothill country. At a point where it came out on the face of a precipice, the tramp glanced furtively in both directions.

"Out of the corner of my eye," said Gillis in telling of his experience, "I saw the stranger stealthily draw a big clasp knife from his trousers' pocket. Intently he watched me while I appeared to be occupied with the reins. The weather had been cold, so we had the lap robe well over our knees.

"Driving with my left hand, I suddenly reached under the robe for my gun which I carried under my left leg. As the tramp opened his knife with its six-inch blade, I raised the hammer of my pistol and held the gun close to his body. We exchanged glances for what seemed a minute. At last his eyes dropped. Nervously fumbling in his pocket, he got out a chunk of tobacco, cut off a piece and offered it to me. I lowered my gun, and we reached the depot without further trouble. Not a word had been spoken.

"I delivered the bullion which amounted to about sixteen thousand dollars, and told the agent about the tramp. Listening, he absently toyed with my six-shooter. Suddenly he 'broke' the gun, exposing the cartridge chambers. All were empty!"

DERBY TWP. COUPLE 50 YEARS MARRIED

Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Mundie Celebrated Unusual Event—Bride Formerly Miss Mary Lauder of Durham.

To few couples is given the joy of companionship and the mutual interests and understandings, that it promotes, for a period of fifty years, but such is the attainment of Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Mundie, whose golden wedding anniversary occurred on Tuesday, February 2nd, Mr. Mundie is seventy-seven years of age, and Mrs. Mundie seventy, and this outstanding event in their lives found them both enjoying fairly good health and being able to celebrate the day with appropriate festiveness. Their marriage took place on February 3, 1875, at Durham, Ontario, the bride being Miss Mary Lauder, a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. T. Lauder of Durham. The groom, who was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Mundie, was even at that time a resident of Derby and brought his bride to the homestead, where they have ever since lived. Mr. Mundie is one of the pioneers of that section, and sixty-three years' residence on the same farm is his long record. Needless to say, both Mr. and Mrs. Mundie are widely known through their long residence in the community and are held in affection and esteem by a very large circle of friends and acquaintances. They were fittingly remembered on their golden anniversary with gifts, remembrances and congratulations from friends and relatives near and far. That they may survive to celebrate their diamond wedding and then many more anniversaries was the sentiment that permeated the greetings they received. There are still several surviving, who attended the ceremony half a century ago, including the bridesmaid who was the bride's sister, Mrs. W. J. Young of Durham, and the best man, Mr. William J. Creighton of Owen Sound, who is a cousin of Mr. Mundie. It was most appropriate that Mr. Creighton should be present to take part in the golden wedding celebration. The groom's brother, Mr. William Mundie of Derby, and the bride's brother Dr. Lauder of Toronto, also participated in the event, and were members of the original wedding party. Dr. Lauder's son, Ned, accompanied him.

Five of the seven surviving children, as well as thirteen grandchildren and two great grandchildren surrounded the happy couple on the occasion of the anniversary. Between forty-five and fifty sat down at the wedding-dinner, which was served at 6 o'clock, the gathering including the immediate members of the family, relatives and neighbors. Many lovely flowers were in evidence being received by the honored couple, together with many gifts and greetings. Toasts were honored and speech-making prevailed at the dinner table, several old neighbors taking advantage of the opportunity to voice their appreciation of Mr. and Mrs. Mundie's long residence in the community. The gift from the immediate family and relatives to Mr. and Mrs. Mundie was a purse of gold, the presentation being made by Dr. Lauder, while Rev. J. A. Ross of Kilsyth made an appropriate address. The recipients made a feeling reply.

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TO STOP GLARING HEADLIGHTS

According to plans being laid by Hon. George Henry, minister of highways, an amendment to the motor vehicle law will be introduced at the next session of the Ontario legislature. Incorporated in this amendment will be a clause limiting the candle power of motor car headlights to 21 watts. The menace to traffic safety after dark caused by glaring headlights has been the subject of research investigation by the department for several months.

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The latest case develops in London, Ont., and the details are not without interest. A Miss Whittaker is suing Mr. W. James Baxter for \$3,000, the former alleging damages sustained while Mrs. Baxter was driving her between London and Bradford. Miss Whittaker was one of a party of London ladies who were asked to carry those who lacked such facilities, and Miss Whittaker was billeted with Mrs. Baxter. On the way the car got out of Mrs. Baxter's control with the result that the plaintiff was injured, hence the suit against Mr. Baxter, the owner of the auto and the husband of the driver, for \$3,000.

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TEN COMMANDMENTS FOR FARM HUSBANDS

1. Thou shalt remember that the woman thou hast married is thy wife and not thy hired girl, that she is thy helpmate, but not a slave to toil for thee.
2. Thou shalt not build a woman killer house, but one so small that it will be a pleasure for the wife to keep in apple-pie order. Forget not also that running water is as much needed at the house as in the barn and that a washing machine is as necessary to thy wife as a horse-fork is to thee.
3. Thou shalt not ask thy wife to help with the milking that thou mayest the earlier drive to town to lodge. It is enough for thy wife to look after the house, and do thou look after the work at the barn and of the farm.
4. Thou shalt see to it that thy wife never has to ask thee for money either for the house or for herself. Is she not a partner with thee in the farm enterprise? Let her share of the farm income and be generous to spend as may please her best.
5. Thou shalt remember that when thou dost hire extra men to make thy work light, that thou make thy wife's work heavy unless thou dost secure for her extra help.
6. Thou shalt keep a gentle horse that thy wife may drive to the Ladies' Aid, and when thou art waxing prosperous, thou shalt buy for her a flivver.
7. Thou shalt mow the front lawn and make all of the surroundings of the house as attractive as the interior has been made beautiful by thy wife.
8. Thou shalt sometime say to thy wife at her busy seasons, like house-cleaning time, "Do not bother to cook dinner today; let us have a meal of bread and milk."
9. Thou shalt remember that cook-

ing, dish-washing, sweeping and mending grow monotonous, and that thy wife needs a frequent change and vacation. See that she goes visiting, takes a trip to the city or gets recreation in some other way that pleases her better.

10. Thou shalt be good-natured and cheery and kind. Thou dost win thy wife by devotion, keep her love by thy tender consideration.

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