

In Other Communities

Faving Program Being Carried Out

The Bergman Construction Co., who have the contract for building the concrete pavement on the Provincial Highway between Clifford and Mildmay, have already commenced operations. This company constructed the pavement between Clifford and Harriston two years ago, and last year did similar work on the highway between Mildmay and Walkerton. —Mt. Forest Confederate.

3-Headed Trout

Here's a catch for sporting fishermen—and it's a true fish story. A three-headed speckled trout has come to life at the provincial fish hatchery at Glenora. Attendants there have seen a two-headed spry, but this is the first of the Siamese triplets. The oddity is very lively and promises to develop into a full sized fish. Another unique feature about the hatchery is the large number of white speckled trout.—Barrie Examiner.

Milk Bottle Thief at Work

Hanover citizens were again victimized by a milk bottle thief last week as some time during last Wednesday night a sneak thief made a systematic tour of the streets and gathered up all the money in the bottles. One citizen lost \$2 and another \$1, but the majority lost nickles and dimes. Some time ago the same stunt was pulled off, but Chief Beamish and Prov. Officer McClevis were unable to track the offenders though they kept sharp watch for some nights.—Hanover Post.

Child Nearly Drowned

Last Sunday morning about ten o'clock, Helen, the 14-months-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Weingart, Brant, had a narrow escape from drowning. Creeping to the doorstep, she fell into a bucket of water. Happily the mother discovered, before it was too late, her baby's predicament. Although Helen was unconscious and becoming blue in the face when pulled out, she was revived by Mrs. Weingart and a neighbor.—Walkerton Telescope.

A Wandering Horse

While unhitching his horse from the buggy at his home Dougald Stephens, of Maxwell, had the animal make a dash for liberty and disappear in the darkness, still carrying its harness. Mr. Stephens advertised widely and inquired thoroughly but not with any response. By chance he happened to hear that a horse had strayed away over in Glenelg township. The animal turned out to be that belonging to Mr. Stephens, and had wandered to the west 30 miles in a single night. He was very glad to get the animal as it was one of his best and he believes it temporarily lost its reason as a horse rarely even leaves its home stall unless driven from it.—Dundalk Herald.

Two Section Newspaper Now

Last week the Markdale Standard made a somewhat novel departure, when its publishers announced that it would be issued in two sections with six pages of home print. The first section of four pages, two of which will be home print, will be mailed to subscribers close at hand on Tuesday and the other section of four pages, all home print, will be issued on Friday. The change, The Standard believes, will enable it to serve both readers and advertisers to better advantage. The innovation will be watched with interest by other newspaper publishers. We hope it will prove a success and work out to the satisfaction of publishers, advertisers and readers.—Orangeville Banner.

Arm Badly Cut by Plate Glass

Blossom, the four year old daughter of George MacKenzie, received a very severe cut in her right forearm Friday evening when she and some other girls were playing in front of the variety store, one of the plate glass windows of which is badly shattered. The scuffling brought one of the girls against the window and the glass falling out struck Blossom on the arm. The gash was about six inches long and laid the arm open. Drs. J. D. Cunningham and F. M. Walker took the child into the hospital and put her under an anesthetic while they picked up cords and muscles and stitched an artery before the wound could be closed. The little lady was out playing again in a few days and will not suffer any permanent

Skull on Side of Rock Commemorates 'Soapy' Smith



"SOAPY" SMITH was a tough guy. He shot men for the fun of it and robbed them when there was nothing better to do. He had a trick of appearing to wrap a cake of soap in a five dollar bill and of selling it to a gullible customer for a few cents. Because of that they called him "Soapy" up in Skagway in the gold rush days of '98. But "Soapy" was too tough and too slippery even for the rough frontier of the north. One day he was a bit slow on the draw. He was shot and killed and buried with his antagonist, whom he had mortally wounded, in the little cemetery adjoining the town. When news of his sudden and long hoped for death arrived the townspeople apparently thought something should be done to commemorate the end of a desperate career. Someone had said that "Soapy" was as hard as rock. So they

pointed a skull on a cliff and lettered Soapy's name on it. Today tourists to Skagway stand and photograph this relic of a day that is no more. Alaska and the Yukon are sunny places of green hill sides and flowers, of placid lakes and roaring rivers, of great peaks and deep valleys when the boats cruise up there in the summer time. This year the service is to be augmented by the S. S. Prince Henry, of the Canadian National Steamships. The CNS "Prince Rupert" and the "Prince George," of the same line are already known for their comfort and seaworthy qualities to the thousands of tourists who each year make the voyage up the well-known Inside Passage to Prince Rupert and Skagway. Two other new steamers now being built for the Canadian National Pacific Coast Service, the Prince Robert and the Prince David, will ply between Vancouver, Victoria and Seattle.

risk that failure to report such cases brought about. In his opinion, Mr. Ford was not as culpable as the chiropractor. Both men pleaded guilty to the charges. At the inquest, which was held at Kilsyth some time ago it was found that the deceased young man had passed away as a result of an attack of scarlet fever. In bringing in their verdict, the jury found that Ford had died through wilful neglect of the parties concerned, but stated in its verdict that they believed there was not the proper treatment given and that there was negligence in not reporting the case to the proper authorities when there was a suspicion of a contagious disease. The young man died on Sunday, March 9, at his home.—Owen Sound Sun-Times.

to have resulted from the antipathy to homework once expressed by the present minister of education. Premier Ferguson, in the first address he made at the Ontario Educational association said that his mother had stood over him and made him do his lessons and he vowed when he grew up he would try to abolish this disagreeable thing. But he has not carried out his promise. Some of the teachers reminded him that if his mother had not done that service for him he might not have become minister of education.—Tara Leader.

YOU CAN DO IT!

by E. A. Guest
You can do as much as you think you can. But you'll never accomplish more; If you're afraid of yourself, young man, There's little for you in store. For failure comes from the inside first, It's there if we only knew it— And you can win, though you face the worst; If you feel that you're going to do it!

OTHER PAPERS' OPINIONS

Doing Away With Exams

Premier Ferguson again showed himself to be Canada's most resourceful public man when he came out last week with the suggestion to do away with examinations. He couldn't have hit it off better with every small boy even if he had advocated burning down the schools. It remained for the poor teachers to be the goats and say "No" to Hon. Howard's perfectly gorgeous plan. Seriously though, we think there is a good deal to be said in favor of the premier's scheme. In doing away with the nerve-racking final tests, it should be possible to get better through-the-year work by making term work the test.—St. Marys Journal-Argus.

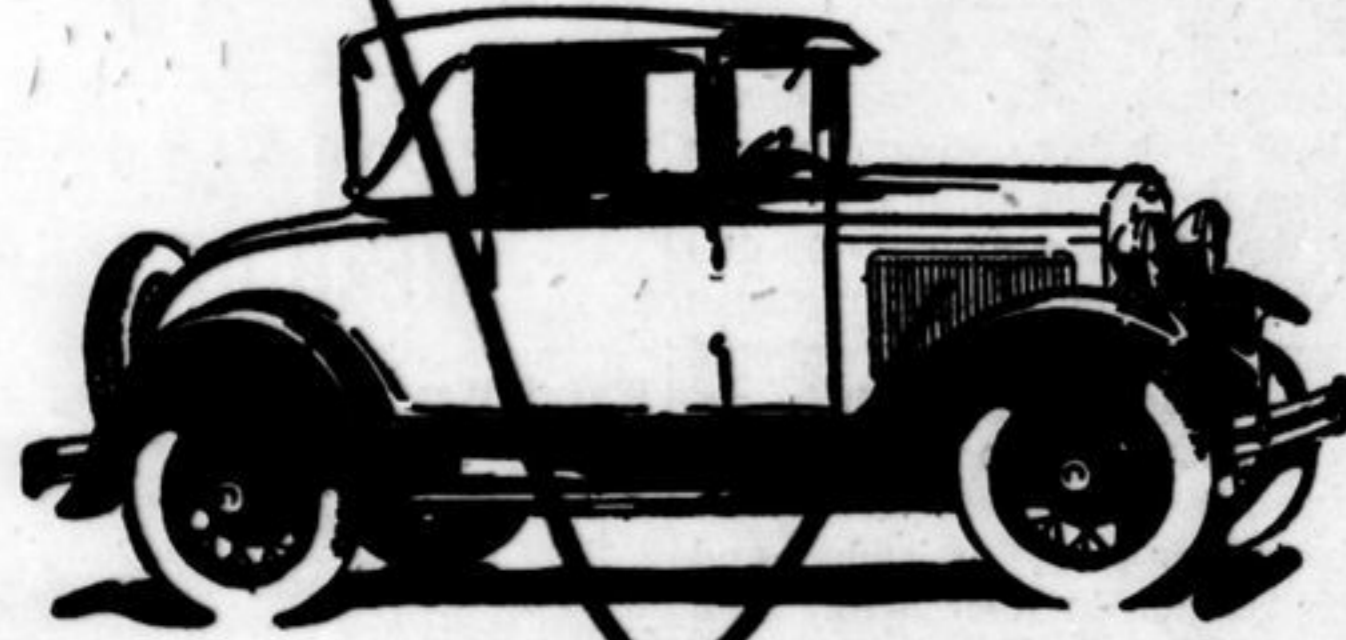
Is There Too Much Homework?

Do students nowadays get too much homework? Parents who find that their children frequently have to spend a whole evening preparing work for classes next day may be inclined to think so. Obviously the amount of time will vary with the aptitude of the child. Individual teachers may assign too much. Perhaps with social attractions of the present day, the demands upon the evening hours only seem greater than before. One thing is certain, students—especially those in collegiates—have noticed no change which would appear

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effects from the accident.—Alliston Herald.

Local Youths in Trouble

The lure of car riding has again proven too much for two youths of our town. A Watt and E. Stewart, and instead of being merely sharply reprimanded for taking the family car, they find themselves in the toils of the law. On Thursday night of last week the car belonging to Mr. Wm. Eldridge was taken from the garage at his home and before it was returned it had been rather badly damaged. The two youths took the car out of town and near Elsinore picked up Harold Indoo of Southampton. Proceeding north from Elsinore the car went into the ditch and was badly damaged. A farmer named Walker, pulled the car out of the ditch, and next morning reported the matter. Constable Murray and Provincial Officer Widmeyer investigated the matter and the boys were arrested last Friday. Stewart is out on bail, but Watt is in jail in Walkerton. Subsequent developments show that these same youths broke into the restaurant here and stole money and other articles. They will appear for trial before Magistrate Walker here on Friday of this week.—Southampton Beacon.

Girl Forger Sentenced

The 19-year-old girl who, last week, was convicted of forging her mother's name to cheques drawn on a local bank was disposed of by Magistrate Walker on Monday afternoon, when he sentenced her to the Mercer Reformatory. She is to serve six months determinate and six months indeterminate on each of three charges, the sentences to run concurrently. When passing sentence, the County Magistrate reminded that forgery is a serious offence and carries severe penalties. If under stress of circumstances, the offences had been committed, it might have had a mitigating influence, although it would not have justified her action. The girl had not forged one, but several, cheques. Furthermore, she had influenced a teen aged boy to endorse and cash some of them. The Magistrate said that he would have liked to grant suspended sentence on account of the girl's youth and unsophistication, but he hoped that the ends of justice would be served by the imposition of so lenient punishment, more lenient, perhaps, than the circumstances warranted.—Walkerton Telescope.

Harriston District Hard Hit by Storm

We have not heard of any damage done in this vicinity by the severe electric storm last Thursday night, but Harriston district seemed to be particularly hard hit. The fine bank barn belonging to Albert Jackson, who lives about four miles north-west of Harriston, was completely destroyed, but Mr. Jackson was fo-

Duncan Wilkin's barn was also struck, but owing to the fact that Mr. Wilkin was at the time in the stable, treating a sick animal, he was able to extinguish the blaze.

William Scott's house was struck and slightly damaged, the owner himself being injured, although not seriously.

George Walkey's barn, on the 9th concession of Minto, was struck, and a couple of hogs killed.

William Redpath's house was also hit, but without much damage.

There was great excitement within the town limits of Harriston, when the fire bell called attention to the fact that John Jackson's fine residence on Elora street north had been struck. Fortunately the house had not taken fire and no one was injured, but the electric wiring system was completely destroyed.—Fordwich Record.

Heifer Went Mad and Disappears

Objecting strenuously to becoming a victim at Sparling's slaughter house, on Tuesday, a two-year-old heifer jumped through a window, made a wild dash through the northern portion of the town to the Saugen which it swam, climbed the clay bank like a mountain goat and had not been heard of by Mr. Sparling up to Wednesday noon.

Norman Freilburger lost control of the animal when forced to release the rope as it made its exit from the slaughter house, and, although he chased it through the streets, he was unable to recapture the frantic heifer. One of his arms was rather badly burned while endeavoring to retain his hold on the rope.

Shortly after one o'clock traffic on Jackson street made way for the fleeing animal. Turning west at the Town Hall corner, it ran to Larsen and Shaw's corner, thence northerly to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Watts, where it jumped a fence and had a clear path over the tracks and through the Bend. Plunging into the Saugen, it was on the opposite bank in record time and did not hesitate until it had mounted the Clay Banks. The heifer was free. It will be recaptured long before it has time to become a beef, Mr. Sparling feels.—Walkerton Telescope.

Fined for Not Reporting Case

V. A. Read, chiropractor of Owen Sound, was fined \$50 and costs, and Henry Ford, of the township of Derby, \$35 and costs, when they appeared before Police Magistrate Spereiman, in the local court, Friday afternoon, charged with failure to report the case of Allan John Ford, son of the latter, who died at his home as the result of an attack of scarlet fever.

Magistrate Spereiman asserted that this should be a stern warning that all such cases must be reported to the proper authorities pointing out that the failure to report this case might easily have resulted in a very serious epidemic, in the section of the country, in which the Ford family lives.

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