

More Hebrideans Canada Bound



THE Hebrideans are a home loving race of people not much given to wandering from their native hearths, but the arrival at St. John aboard the Canadian Pacific steamships Marloch and Metagama of over six hundred sturdy men and women of the western isles, forced by stern necessity to seek their fortunes in the land of promise is not without precedent. In the year 1803 a contingent of 111 was brought from the Isle of Mull by Lord Selkirk to develop the sheep industry on St. Clair Flats, Kent County. If times were hard when these people left home,

their fate was not more kind to them after they had settled here. Forty-five of their number were carried off by fever in the first year and the war of 1812 wiped out the settlement, homes, stock and crops. In 1812 Lord Selkirk's agent, Colin Robinson, of the Isle of Lewis, persuaded a number of his fellow islanders to whom the abolition of the Clan system had brought high rents and misery, to settle in the Red River district. This party encountered the hostilities of the Indians and, through their industry and progression, the jealousy of the white traders. When the settlement was wiped out on one occasion and many of them wiped out, the remainder were forced to leave. However, they returned in time to harvest the first western wheat crop and many attribute to this fact that Winnipeg stands where it does to-day.

Life will not be a bed of roses for those who have newly arrived and they will have to work, and hard; but this they can do. They are the descendants of the "lords of the isles" who by strength of arms repulsed the invasions of the Scandinavians and Scots. Social and industrial development was retarded to a great extent by the clan system, but those who have adopted Canada are well educated and a simple life of toil in adversity through generations has given them a splendid physique and simple dignity. Although forced by hard times to leave their homes to make new ones, most of them are in sufficient funds and not a few families aboard the Montcalm were possessed of over \$1,000. Some have stopped in Ontario but the larger proportion of them have come to Red Deer, Alberta, where they will form a small colony.

ly spring feed for little chicks. Details regarding methods and time for planting all the above mentioned kinds of green feed will be found in bulletins 87 and 88 (second series) and pamphlet 23, which may be obtained free from the Publications Branch, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, Ont.

South and Centre Glenelg

(Our own correspondent.) This week we change our heading from Priceville and South Line to "Glenelg," as we see that a first-class correspondent is in Priceville and doing justice to the residents of that town and vicinity. Naturally, we take the South Line and then proceed to the North. Like every other place, the farmers of the South Line are complaining of the unfavorable weather. Some who sowed on low lands three weeks ago are mostly covered with water. Some were done before the snow-storm of a couple of weeks ago, while others didn't sow any yet. Reeve, Arch McCuaig got done before the wet weather came. William McLeod has purchased Lot 22, Con. 4, S.D.R., from Hector McDonald; Neil McKinnon bought Lots 41 and 42, Con. 1, S.D.R. from Neil McPhail of Toronto.

Those having measles are nearly all well again. Some of the sick ones are not improving as fast as their friends would like. Overseer Thomas Nichol was to start at the Good Roads this Monday the 21st inst., but on account of the heavy rain on Sunday the work has to be put off for a few days yet. Sunday's rain was the heaviest this summer, for it continued mostly all day, accompanied by thunder and lightning. The ground is in bad shape for working, in some cases being covered with water. The Saugeneen is higher than when the snow went away but we did not hear of any damage done by bridges being taken away, so it will save the Township Fathers the expense of replacing them with new ones. Mr. Banting, the obliging banker of the Standard Bank at Priceville, makes his visits regularly on

Tuesdays and Fridays every week, to the satisfaction of the many patrons of the bank. The Board of Health met at the Township Hall, Glenelg, on Friday of last week.

ORANGEVILLE CHOIR WON TWO FIRST PRIZES

In a recent Ontario Musical Festival at Toronto the Orangeville public school choir was brilliantly successful. Mr. J. E. Jessop entered the choir in two events and in each case carried off a first prize. Although Orangeville has much less than 5,000 population, the choir won first prize in the competition open to towns from 5,000 to 10,000, and in this event were given 80 credits out of a possible 100. In sight reading the choir also won first prize with a percentage of nearly 80. In the first competition the choir was awarded a beautiful shield, and Mr. Jessop as successful conductor, received a fine gold medal. Needless to say, the citizens of Orangeville are very proud of their gifted choir and appreciate the honor they have brought their town by winning these important events.

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THE NEED FOR GREEN FEED

(Experimental Farms Note) Green feed, in some form, constitutes an essential part of any well-balanced poultry ration, whether for young chicks, growing stock or adult birds. The modern tendency is to give a somewhat narrow ration containing protein in a highly concentrated form. This is particularly true with regard to poultry kept in confinement and fed heavily for egg production, as are a large proportion of the birds on our Canadian farms during at least five months of the year. A liberal supply of green feed minimizes the dangers of this system by adding both bulk and variety to the ration and at the same time replaces a certain quantity of grain. Green feed is valuable, not only for its succulence, which makes it palatable to poultry, but also because it contains mineral matter, including nutritive constituents, necessary to sustain life, promote growth, and assure reproduction. Foremost among these constituents are the vitamins, the absence of which from any ration, whether for humans, animals or birds, will ultimately prove fatal. Therefore, it behooves every poultry keeper, whether backyarder, specialist, or farmer, to make provision for an ample supply of green feed in some form, and in view of the shortness of our growing season and the late spring experienced this year, no time should be lost. Green feed may be divided into two kinds, that intended for immediate consumption, and that which is to be held for winter use. Certain varieties, however, are grown for both purposes, this being particular-

ly true of grasses and leguminous plants. Among the green feeds which are to be used as soon as grown, rape holds first place by reason of its quick growth, palatability and value for cleaning and freshening the yard. The best variety is Dwarf Essex and it should be sown broadcast. Under normal weather conditions it is ready for grazing from five to six weeks after being sown. Alfalfa makes excellent green feed for growing stock, and when cured is valuable for winter feeding. It has the added advantage of being able to withstand prolonged drought. The favorite varieties are Grimm and Turkestan. Mangels or semi-sugar beets form the bulk of the green feed for win-

ter use; they are easily harvested, keep well, and generally crop well. The Mammoth Long Red or Gate Post varieties are preferable, as they contain a higher percentage of dry matter. Mangels should not be fed immediately after being harvested, as when very fresh they might cause bowel troubles. The Jerusalem Artichoke, and especially the Mammoth French White deserves more attention from poultrymen. Extremely hardy and prolific, it can be grown almost anywhere and under any conditions. The green shoots form abundant shade and succulent feed for growing stock, the closeness of the foliage helps to choke out weeds, while the tubers keep well, are relished for winter feed for laying hens and ear-

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