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HOLST LEADER

Rev. B. M. Smith Passes.

Mr. McMillan has received another shipment of Army Horse Blankets from England.

Miss Reta Roberts of Drayton, spent over the week end at home.

Miss Snyder is on the sick list this week. Hope she will soon recover and again attend to her classes.

It is not necessary to spend a lot of money in books to secure good reading when for one dollar you have access to about 3000 of the best in all classes at the Library. Another new lot is being placed on the shelves at present.

The ice harvest is on at present. E. Haas is cutting for the Creamery Co.

Some of those who were suffering from colds are better, while there are others who have contracted it.

Mr and Mrs Hart, Toronto, have been visiting her brothers, Messrs A. and E. Haas.

After being closed for a week-and-a-half the school was reopened on Monday morning.

The lecture that was to be given on Friday night last was postponed on account of so many being laid up with colds.

Tenders will be received up till noon on February 10th for Cream drawers, also for sale of buttermilk. Any tender not necessarily accepted. Apply to J. R. PHILIP, Sec'y, Egremont Creamery Co.

The short courses advertised by the Department of Agriculture started on Tuesday. There are the two departments, one for the boys and men, the other, Domestic Science, Home Nursing, etc., for the ladies. At the first meeting over thirty appeared in the Men's class and something over twenty in the ladies. We speak of free education; if there is such a thing, this is surely it. Come one and all—plenty of room and everything free. Lecturers such as Dr. Hutton, V. S. of Welland, John Gardhouse, W. Weston, on Cattle and Horses. Mr. Telfer and Mr Howard on Sheep, and if it can be arranged, a hog grader is to come to demonstrate hog grading. Besides these, there are Messrs. Cooper and Thomas and the lady speakers.

Mrs J. A. Mather and Mrs Greaves spent over the week end with relatives in and around Arthur.

The Ladies' Institute purpose having something on February 14th. Keep the date open.

ORCHARD

As in most localities at present, colds are the order of the day. Some are bedfast, others are shut up in the house. We had no church service on Sunday, our pastor, Rev. Mr. West, being in bed with the cold. The school attendance has also been quite low on account of sickness. The lowest attendance so far has been two pupils.

Miss Annie Stewart returned from Toronto last week where she has been visiting her sister, Mrs G. N. Ruttle since last fall. She was accompanied by her brother, Mr Jake Stewart who only gave us a call and returned on the next train.

Dickson Bros. have been busy moving their cattle and grain home from the W. O. Pinder barn where they have been wintering.

Mrs. Jos. Neal of the West and Mrs Gillespie of Galt, are visiting at the home of their brother-in-law, Mr. Jno. Kirby this week.

About 25 or 30 of the people of the community gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Maguire last Wednesday night and spent an enjoyable evening with music and games. Mr and Mrs. Maguire although taken by surprise, proved very hospitable hosts.

Credit Auction Sale

FARM STOCK & IMPLEMENTS

There will be sold by public auction at LOT 22, CON. 17, EGREMONT One mile east of Dromore, on

FRIDAY, FEB. 9TH, 1923

At 1 o'clock p. m., the following valuable Stock and Implements: 1 brood mare supposed in foal, 1 sow due 1st of April; 4 cows to freshen in March and April; 2 one-year old steers; 1 calf, 2 months old; 18 well-bred Shropshire ewes, supposed in lamb, extra good bunch; 19 ewes supposed in lamb; sheep with rack; Buggy with top, set of scales, 2000 lbs capacity; set of heavy harness; dress cut saw; Fanning mill, walking plow, Grindstone and other numerous articles.

There will also be offered for sale the PURE BRED CLYDESDALE STALLION, "BONNY RUSSELL". TERMS: All sums of \$10 and under, Cash. Over that amount any time up to 12 months will be given on approved joint notes, bearing interest at 6 per cent. The farm will also be offered for sale the same day. ALEX. McDONALD, Proprietor D. McPHAIL, Auctioneer

Starting was the news that came yesterday that the well known pastor of Walters Falls had passed away from an acute attack of pneumonia. Before going to Walters Falls, about 2 1/2 years ago, he was pastor of Dromore and Knox Church, Normanby, and many at both charges will hear with regret of his passing. He practically died in harness. He had been assisting in revival services at Heath Head, but a week before his death he had to give up and he never rallied until the end came on Tuesday evening, 30th Jan. in his 61st year. Interment takes place to-day at Simcoe. With him at the last were his son, Wm. George of Chatham and his only daughter, Miss Isabella Smith of Hamilton.

From an appreciative article in the Sun Times we quote: "Rev. Mr Smith was an untiring worker for the uplift of humanity and was unsparring of himself in that work. He was a devout Christian gentleman, a man of great moral strength, a preacher of ability, and one who lived a life in keeping with his precepts. He had the respect and regard of all who knew him and in his last work at Heath Head he was signally successful due largely to his personal charm and his sound logical exposition of scriptural passages. He was sincere and impressed everyone with his sincerity. Everyone who knew Rev. Mr. Smith will learn with the deepest regret of his demise and his parishioners particularly will feel the loss of his guiding hand. He had endeared himself in many ways to the people to whom he ministered."

Good Play at Dromore

On Friday, Jan. 26th, a play was given by a few of the folk of Boothville community in Russell Hall, Dromore. The play entitled "The Dust of the Earth" was an exceedingly interesting story and creditably well done by each of the ten characters whose names are mentioned below:

Mr. Archie Clark, in his usual witty manner took the part of Mr David Moore; Miss Jennie McCannell, ably acted as his wife Susan Moore while their daughter, Elizabeth was represented by Miss Hamill. Exceptionally well done for a boy of his age was Jerry's part, acted by Master Neil Cameron. Nell, a motherless girl and a niece of Mr. Moore's, was splendidly acted by Miss Annie McCannell. Her aunt and cousin Elizabeth treat her as "The Dust of the Earth." Her lover, John Ryder, was well taken by Mr. John Pierson while Mr Ernie Phillips impersonated the minister, Dr Tompleton, Elizabeth's lover. Arabella, a very funny old maid brought peals of laughter from the audience and was represented by Miss Mary Cameron. Mr. Chas. Bosley, as "Mose" the old negro, was excellent.

Last, but not least and one of the most important characters of the play was a pathetic old man known as "Wandering Tom" but was really Mr Alex. McCannell. This poor old character is found to be Nell's father who owns a valuable estate. Thus the story ends happily with various interesting scenes.

Between the acts the audience enjoyed music by the Hooper orchestra, the proceeds of the evening amounting to over \$37.00. The chairman, Rev. W. J. Burnett, introduced the play in an interesting manner.

NORTH EGREMONT

In a report received recently of the Canadian Seed Growers' Association, Headquarters at Ottawa, favorable mention is made in the report of the Directors, presented by the Sec'y, L. H. Newman, of the "splendid work and remarkable perseverance for 20 years, without missing a single year, in having seed plots and carrying on mass selection for the time, of W. L. Dixon, Varney," and three others.

And then again in the address of Dr. Jas. W. Robertson, "the indefatigable work and difficulties" is referred to "with which Mr. Dixon had to contend." He became a member of the Association and operated continuously until 1920 when ill health forced him to give up the work to his son Joseph." The latter still carries on the good work and has recently been successful in winning first prize for commercial quantities of 10 bus. oats, 1st for white oats and 3rd for oats white or yellow in the recent exhibition at Ottawa. This was duplicated with the same as far as we can remember at Guelph Winter Fair.

The Men's Club at Dromore held their open meeting on Thursday last, when a debate was had by young ladies, "Resolved that men spend more money on pleasure than do women." This affirmative was taken by Miss Agnes Renwick and Miss Jno. Renwick and the negative by Misses Eva Renton and Florence Renwick. The judges decided in favor of the negative, although we believe the expenditure of the visiting Scottish Curlers, which was referred to by the affirmative, would far outweigh many of the reasons given by the negatives, some of which were necessities.

Next Thursday an address on "Banking" will be given by Mr. Rowland of the Durham Royal Bank.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Lind have returned from their wedding trip to Florida, and are with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Renton a few days before leaving for Moose Jaw en route to Vancouver.

My Father's First Trip to a Grist Mill with a Yoke of Steers

From Lot 14, con. 13, Egremont

(By Charles McInnis)

It was a beautiful crisp morning, early in the month of April, 1857 that my father and some other pioneers, also with their steers, started to go to the grist mill of the late John Martin in the Township of Arthur, south west of the little village of Mount Forest. The day was all that could be desired, except for those who were dependent upon the remaining ice and snow to permit the jumpers to glide easily behind the not-too-well-steers whose task it was to "tot the weary load" all the way there and back again.

Not only was this to be remembered as the first trip that "Lam and Lion" made in the yoke, but it was the first grist of wheat ever threshed there and afterwards called "Burnbrae." "Lam and Lion," two red steers five years old, had been bought a few days previously from the late Allan McQueen of the 6th con. They were gentle and true to the yoke and did service for many years. Lam outlived Lion by at least three years.

The first wheat was brought from the late Adam Brown on lot 42 con 2 in the winter of 1855 and hauled home on a hand sled. Two acres of land had been cleared in '55 and the seed was properly scattered early in '56. The method of cultivation was hoeing and then harrowing with a home made wooden harrow hauled by ropes made of leatherwood bark. The power used was father and his daughter and son.

The harvesting was done by sickle—the sheaves carried by hand and built into a small stack and left there until spring when it was threshed out doors by a flail. The fanning was done by the wind in the open by hitting a vessel and pouring it out to the breeze.

Three boys were enough to haul at a time on a jumper when a good bit of bare ground had to be passed over. To prepare for the trip a new jumper had to be built, the wheat prepared, the steers had to be trained and a 2 days supply of rations put up in a convenient way for carrying. An axe and an auger to make necessary repairs on the journey, had to be put on board and provender for the oxen.

To-day one could get ready to go from Holstein to Hong Kong in less time and with a great deal more comfort if cash was on hand.

The weather being bright an early start was made that we might get along as far as possible before the sun would thaw the roads. The direction was by the bush tracks to the 2nd con., thence west on the sideroad to Barber's Corner, thence south to Mt. Forest. Progress was slow. It was about 2 p. m. when we reached the Tom Smith's tavern, about 3 miles north of Mt. Forest.

Lion, the off ox, was exhausted before we reached the hotel. The road was bare and the sticky mud sapped his strength. After being fed and rested the journey was resumed. We passed thru Mt. Forest, down the hill, over the river and the next hill and some distance south when we turned through the bush to get to the mill. It occupied the whole day to make the trip. The grists were taken into the mill and ground during the night ready to start home the next day.

Men and oxen rested as best they could in and about the mill, eating cheerfully of the homely fare they had with them and quenching their thirst from water in the stream. Thus ended the first day.

Next morning, the weather still fair we began to return, but being warned we took another way home. The thaw had set in and very little snow was left on the Garafra Road. We struck a trail in a north westerly direction from the top of the hill in Mt. Forest, in the direction of where Woodland Church is to-day, but had to be very mindful and keep on the right track as all the streams were not bridged and the water was rising fast.

All went fairly well until between concessions 10 and 12, one runner of our jumper wore through. This called for a halt for repairs. And like the late Fred Campbell, V. C. when in the South African War, we found material growing near by and with the axe and auger, shaped and fitted a new runner. The next anxiety we met was when nearing the 14 con—the ice in the swamp broke away, letting the oxen into the water, but with a yell and with a sharp crack of the gad by the driver, they scrambled through. We did indeed enjoy a breath of relief when we found ourselves safe.

Mother and the little ones were gladdened by our return with flour made from our own wheat. The oxen were very much spent by the long journey and light supply of fodder. One that he felt about the one is that he will eat two or three or any small crust when hungry and chew his cud delightfully afterwards.

We came into Egremont September 1854 and this was the first flour we had of our own wheat.

If we compare conditions of to-day with the meagre resources of the early pioneers, I ask? Is there any cause of complaint? Surely none. Young men of to-day, your opportunities are very many. Awake in your strength and make Canada a blessing to yourselves and to the whole world. It is yours to make or mar. Make bare your arm and build up a nation whose foundation is righteousness and her super-structure "Peace on Earth and good will to all men."

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atively high. We would very much rather have a lower rate than that which is levied upon our farm lands to-day.

We ask who has increased our rates?—the reply is ourselves. We elect our rulers and they are supposed to give effect to our desires. Higher salaries to all office holders—from the Truant School Attendance Officer and Sanitary Inspector to our Crown Attorney and School Inspector. The Public School Inspector, we think is about the best provided for in the whole county. Notwithstanding high salaries and high taxation, the taxes levied in Egremont in 1856 were on a higher scale everything being considered than they are to-day.

Assessment of lot 14 con 13 in 1856 reduced to dollars and cents (it is given in L. s. d.) is the sum of \$220.00. The taxes collected which included two C3's Statute Labor was the sum of \$7.20 or a rate of 3.155 mills. There is food for reflection in the above figures. The assessed value of the land was very little below its real value at that time.

The economic side of the question. The time required for the threshing of the three bags of wheat and of an able bodied skilled man. Add to that the use of the oxen and the labor required in seed time and harvest as a portion of the crop and ask yourself what did the flour cost the farmer?

Is it any wonder that progress in the forests of Ontario was slow and tedious work, discouraging to a degree? To those who were physically able and exercised self denial to the limit, success followed. Victory was to-day, to make the best of Canada now, to make Canada a great nation, the same spirit of conquest and self denial should be maintained, ever looking forward to the best interests of all our citizens. Let combines and grasping trust corporations be subjected to more careful inspection by the Government of our great Dominion.

Will the Government of Canada or can the Government of Canada accomplish any measure of legislation that will have the effect of establishing a more equitable rate of exchange in the value of labor spent on the farms lands of Canada and that of the various classes of tradesmen—mechanics, salesmen, professional men, women, civil servants, members of parliament, cabinet ministers, Lieutenant governors, Governor General, military officers of rank and railroad employees of all ranks and in any capacity of service so that the tillers of the soil who by their isolation are denied many of the social pleasures of life, may get a better financial return for the long hours of service that husbandry demands.

The world calls for the products of the soil. If the cost between the producer and consumer is not better equalized farming will deteriorate and all the worlds commerce injuriously effected.

PARTIAL COPY OF RECEIPT
Egremont 1856
Lot 14 con. 13
L. s. d.
Assessment of real property 45
Ass't personal property nil
Total Assessment 45

TAXES
County rate 1/4 d. on the L. 4 8/4
Township rate 2d. on the L. 7 6
School rate 3/4 d. on the L. 1 5
Lunatic Asylum 6d. on the L. 2 3/4
Statute Labor 2 days at 7s 6d 15

Total taxes 1 L. 8s 10d

School Reports
NO. 11, EGREMONT
Figures after names denote per cent obtained.

Sr IV—Subjects—Reading, Spelling History and Literature, John Switzer 85, Margaret Fairbairn 84, Kathleen McLean 76, Grace Calder 69, Islay McEachern 68, Donald Gardiner 58.

Jr IV Subjects—Reading, Arithmetic, and Composition, John McLean 88, Gordon Watson 71, Reggie Watson 52, Jim McEachern (absent).

Jr III Subjects—Reading, Spelling and Literature, Mavis Snell 89, Rosa Switzer 81, George Calder 78, Mary Plester 70, Hene Plester 63.

II—Marjorie Gardiner, Mary McEachern, Elwyn Plester, Arthur Watson, Ivan Hineks, Bobbie Calder and Willie Wagner.

I—Irene Gardiner, Alex McEachern Sr Pr—Edith Hineks, Gilbert McEachern, Jr Pr—Gordon Plester, Bobbie Switzer, Fred Wagner.

Florence C. Hattie, teacher
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This tremendous increase in the sale of "SALADA" Tea is reported for 1922, over the year 1921. This increase alone in Tea is sufficient to supply the entire Dominion of Canada for nearly three weeks.

Sales of Furs are Breaking all Records—Fortunes Being Made in Cheap Skins

The young woman who hasn't a fur coat these days feels that she is under privileged. Never in the history of the world have there been such sales of furs as there are to-day. Not even in days before clothes, when our ancestors were clothed in skins and furs. In fact, so great is the demand, that the forest and the wilds can no longer supply the demand. The hunters and trappers of the world are not able to keep abreast of their business. So in accordance with modern business methods substitutes have to be found.

And as usual, the substitute has been discovered to be much more profitable than the genuine article. Greater fortunes are being made to-day out of rabbits than of seals. Men are getting far richer inventing some way of treating a chow dog skin so as to look like a fox than in braving the wilderness and actually catching a fox.

At the present rate of going, wild animal skins will be at a discount some day and only the rabbit and the cat and the dog will be in danger of extermination. The forests will become populous with its own creatures once again, and the streets and lanes of the cities will become desolate.

Rabbit skins from Australia and Europe are made into imitation furs as seals, coyote, chinchilla; chow dogs from China are made into fox; red fox are dyed black; black, brown and taupe; the "habes" is skinned, treated and sold as white fox, the Australian opossum is skinned and dyed and called beaver, sheepskin is treated to look like beaver, the muskrat is made into seal and so on.

The ingenious inventor of some new method of treating a common fur to look like an uncommon fur keeps his secret zealously and reaps a fortune. And the genuine fur in all innocence keeps the price where the fur fakirs want it.

The value of the genuine fur creates the tradition under which the rabbit and the dog and the lesser animals of the kingdom make fortunes for their hunters.

But the lover of the wild can take comfort in the fact that the most ingenious of the fur makers are devoting themselves to the comfortable chase of a substitute in a work shop rather than adding their numbers to the ruthless searchers of the pathless wilderness.

FARM HELP

The Bureau of Colonization and Immigration expects a large number of first class men from the Old Country during the latter part of March and succeeding months, some experienced some partly and some inexperienced young men, and experienced married men and widows families. Farmers with vacancies will kindly write H. A. Macdonald, Director of Colonization, Parliament Buildings, Toronto, or to their Agricultural Representative for information and application forms. Applications will be dealt with as far as possible in the order in which they are received, preference being given for yearly engagements. T STEWART COOPER, Agricultural Representative

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Next Sunday evening a new series of services will be held at the practical and the Christian faith...

Mr. W. J. Brown, for Durham and accepted out of for as town electrician position carries...

Moffat will probably New Warden for Dr Robert McVittie...

It came from a pigeon Township who light 16 years ago...

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