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Beware Patent Pills

The oft repeated warning must a-
gain ring out! Beware of the so-
called "patent" medicine pills!
According to a report in a recent
issue of a western paper, a little
four-year-old girl died on Wednes-
day, March 19, after eating some of
these pills with a very seductive
name. The paper states that the doc-
tor who conducted the post mortem,
declared that the pills "contained
strychnine, belladonna and aloin,
which were all of vegetable origin
and he imagined a few taken would
cause serious trouble in a young
child." The coroner, "expressed the
opinion that the advertising on the
boxes was desperately misleading.
They might be a very good pill for
purgative purposes, but they were
fixed up so nicely that children would
eat them readily, and a number of
inquests had been held over child-
ren who had done so." The coroner
stated that "juries had passed recom-
mendations urging that regulations
should be passed requiring them to
be labelled 'poison' but nothing had
come of them."
A recommendation such as the
foregoing is but reasonable and is
simply following the custom in Great
Britain where all preparatory prepa-
rations containing "poisons" are so
labelled, as laid down by law. The
suggestion of the British Columbia
jury is a very wise and proper one.
—C. A. Hodgetts, M.D.
Better put the pills out of reach
of the children.

Examination Dates

Because of the change made by
the Department of Education in the
time of the midsummer examina-
tions to be held this year, Hon. Dr.
H. J. Cody recently issued a state-
ment as to the dates the results
would be made known. He said that
the public would not fully realize
the fact that the change had been
made and would make their summer
plans in accordance with the dates
the results were made known in for-
mer years. The dates of the examina-
tions were put off for about two
weeks in each case this year because
of the unavoidable interruptions to
school work last year, chiefly from
influenza epidemic, and there will be
a corresponding delay in announcing
the results as compared with pre-
vious years.
The dates of the examinations as
announced are: Junior High School
Entrance, July 2; Junior Public
School graduation June 30; Lower
School July 2; Middle School, July
11; pass matriculation, July 2; Up-
per School and honor matriculation
June 30.

**MONTREAL HOTELS AND RES-
TAURANTS GET NO LICENSES**

A shock awaits the many temper-
ance beer in restaurants and hotels in
Montreal—they are to get no licen-
ses. The government has decided on
this policy and as a result the licen-
se Commission will issue none this
year. Temperance beer licenses ex-
pired April 30, as did the other licen-
ses.
The decision to eliminate these
temperance beer places is a result of
the report of the Provincial revenue
officers, who found that they were
detrimental to public order in many
respects. They were not obliged to
close, and most of them consequently
made their own hours and kept
open all night, as well as on holi-
days and Sundays. Many operated
respectable establishments, but many
more, it is claimed, fell short. Re-
turned soldiers were chiefly catered
to, some places having signs to the
effect that they sought soldiers' cus-
tom. The result was considerable
drunkenness, for it was not always
the 2.5 per cent. proof spirits beer
that was sold, but alcoholic drinks
as well. Still another feature was
that some of these places employed
women and girls about the place.



**Bill, Bert and Al! Typify Spirit of
True British Soldier!**
"The Three Musketeers"—other-
wise Bert, Al and Old Bill, are re-
incarnated in a film version of "The
Better 'Ole," which will be the big
picture in many movie houses. For
months to come. And if the cinema
lacks, as always, the dialog that the
stage can give us, there is ample
compensation in the setting, for we
have veritable war episodes, includ-
ing the passing of the new army
through London streets glowing from
the rain, a glimpse of English fields
and homes of France. But the Old
Bill and his kind, that devastation
might have happened over here, is
the message of the story.
That Capt. Bainsfather's play, so
successfully produced in London and
New York offered really magnificent
opportunities to the film producer
had long been obvious, for there are
many incidents which though they
cannot appear on the stage, yet come
within the scope of the film, and fill
up the interstices of the story to the
greater satisfaction of the onlooker.
From the very start when a picture
of the Three Musketeers of the olden
time, in the picturesque panoply
of their period, dissolved into the
three soldiers of to-day—Old Bill,
"Bert" and "Al!" in the trenches,
the missing details of the play are
filled in which a constructive skill
which adds enormously to the true
understanding of the story. The in-
troduction of the "poet soldier" as
a sort of explanatory "chorus" is one
of the happiest touches and few
could not feel their heart strings
drawn tighter at the section of the
film which showed how "the whisper
of war" descended upon all British
homes, from the lowliest to the high-
est in the land. The familiar inci-
dents of the play and appear, amplified
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Selling Out

After forty-five years in business,
Mr. W. H. Todd will hold an auction
sale of his carriage factory equip-
ment on May 23. Mr. Todd came to
Stouffville in 1897 after having lost
his factory and stock at Goodwood,
valued at \$15,000. He commenced
business at Goodwood in 1873. On
coming to Stouffville the summer the
fire occurred, he purchased the site
of his factory from Robert Chappell.
At that time there was on the lot a
blacksmith and woodworking shop
operated by Isaac Bowdway and Ab-
ram Lehman. The same year Mr.
Todd erected the present brick build-
ing known as Stouffville Carriage
Works. The Todd vehicles have been
well known for many years and held
a high reputation for quality through-
out the counties of York and Ontar-
io. Mr. Todd quit the actual manu-
facture of vehicles four years ago.
At that time his was the last of the
smaller factories, at one time num-
bered throughout the Province, that
had survived the competition of the
big factories. Mr. Todd was the or-
iginator of the old-fashioned buck-
board, the forerunner of the buggy.
Mr. Todd will still continue to
handle vehicles, harness, etc. No
doubt the factory will eventually
become a garage.

KING GOES TO ENGLAND

Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King has
left for England where he will make
a study of the Witley Report and the
working of the British Industrial
Commission.

**Dr. Dales badly bruised
in Auto Accident**

Dr. F. A. Dales narrowly escaped
being killed, on Thursday afternoon
of last week, when his automobile
upset with him into the ditch near
the corner of the Ninth Concession
of Whitechurch and the Ballantrae
Road. The doctor sustained very
severe and painful bruises especially
of the back and abdomen and was
cut about the face. As a result he is
still confined to his bed and is under
the care of Dr. Freel and Dr. Sang-
ster.
The car was the doctor's Ford
runabout and the accident was due
to striking a patch of deep sand in
the roadway which put the steering
gear, which was somewhat out of re-
pair, out of commission. The mach-
ine turned completely upside down
pinning Dr. Dales beneath it. He
managed to crawl from beneath but
found himself unable to walk. After
lying on the roadside for about half
an hour Dr. Campbell, of Toronto,
happened along in his car and
brought Dr. Dales home. At first in-
ternal injuries were feared but for-
tunately none were sustained and
we are pleased to say the doctor is
doing nicely.

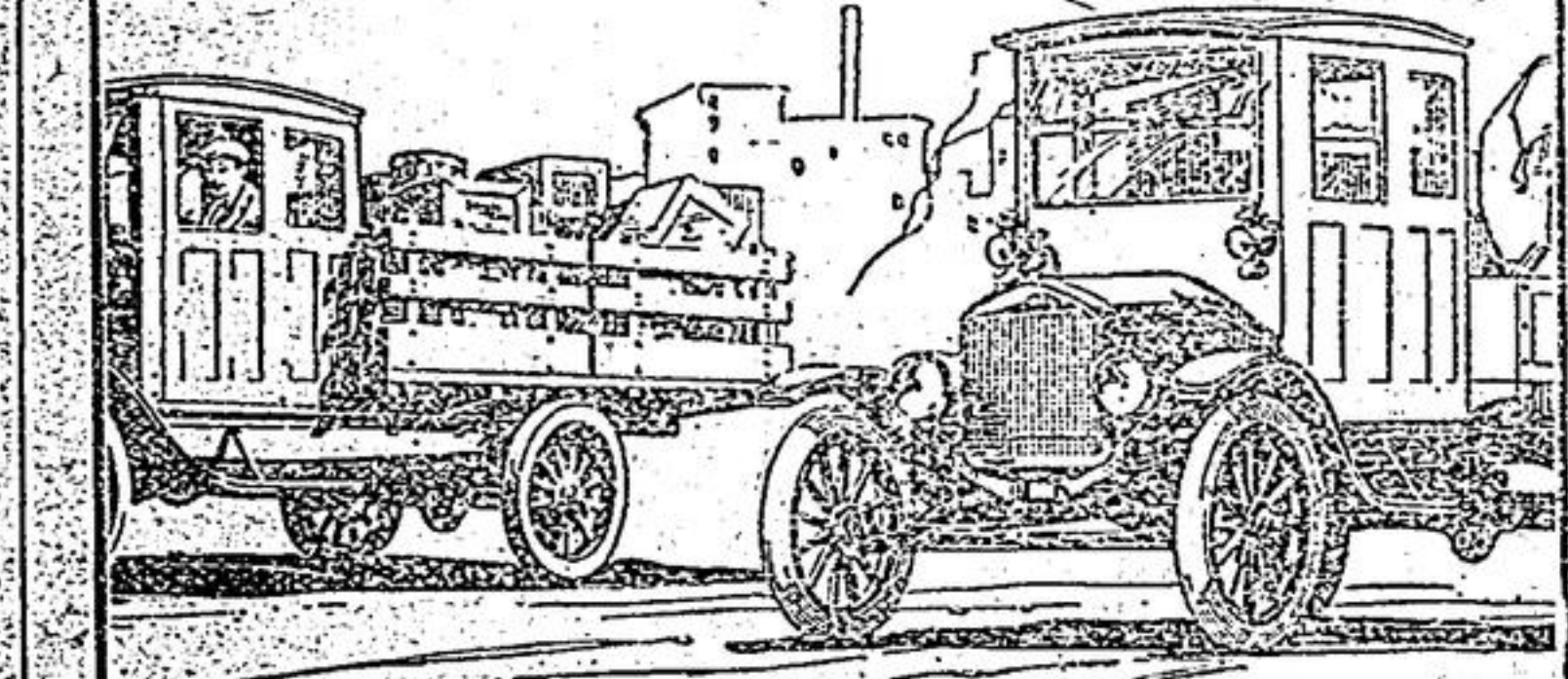
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