

Still He Signed Up

In interviewing one of our bustness men the other day in an effort to secure his help in erection of a brick memorial clock tower, we were given a little more than usual insight into the trials and tribulations of the present day store keeper.

The merchants are regulated, inspected, governed by laws and bylaws, harased by their clerks, cursed by the wholesalers, damned by their customers, ridden to death by the banks, and taxed by every conceivable way by their municipali-

Our merchant went on to say that he puts his money and knowledge into the business, only to find that so far as conducting it is concerned, it is no more his than if he were a complete stranger. His hours of business are set; his rate of pay for clerks is set; if he rents his premises his rate of rent is fixed; if he ownes his property, the profits are about eaten in taxation. The merchandise he sells is always too high in price or no good anyway. If we buy farm produce, he is expected to pay more than the going market price and not be too critical as to the condition of the pro-

The merchant is the target of every petition and collecting sheet that is passed around from an appeal to send heavy woollen underwear to the Hottentots, to buying ice cream for the Eskimos. He is expected to support the baseball club, the bowling club, the hockey club and all other clubs that can be thought of. He must join the Board of Trade or Business Men's Association; he must dig up, not only for his own church, but for every other church in his community and include therein attendance by himself by proxy, at all teas, bazaars, chicken suppers or entertainments held. If some one wants to get out a program for something, he sells advertising to the merchants to cover the cost. A merchant must hold himself in readiness to be elected a councillor or alderman or school trustee and thus donate his time and money to the public good.

If he tries to collect his bills, his customers get sore and take their trade elsewhere. If he lets these bills run, and goes broke, he is a

poor business man. Just at this point the merchant picked up the pen and signed the paper to assist in building clock tower, and we made our escape after thanking 'him for his help under existing conditions.

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The Farmers Information

(From Dept of Agriculture)

Ontario's Celery Market

Capture for Ontario growers of the celery market in this province supply to meet their needs. which for years the United States has been supplying, is the aim be- . "As never before in the history of in this direction.

Cow-Testing in Peel "

1930 of the Peel County Cow Test- poorest as a gift, he concludes. ing Association were presented at a recent meeting. The twenty best cows averaged 12,557 pounds milk and 445 pounds of butterfat whereas the twenty poorest cows only averaged 5,267 pounds of milk and 210 pounds of butterfat. It is felt that the culling of low producers would alleviate the surplus milk problem in Toronto. Over 100 cows were entered during February in the cow-testing work, which brings the total number being tested monthly for milk and butterfat production to nearly 900 cows a Brampton.

Steps to secure markets for Ont barley in Britain are being taken by Hon. T. L. Kennedy in conjunction with federal authorities. Recent week have shown that British brewers and malters annually purchase about 21 million bushels of baley from California. This barley is especially suited for making beer. A variety of bright, hard six-rowed

British Market For Barley

barley, developed at the O.A.C., is SATURDAY APRIL 11-Credit now being grown here and is equally as good. Ontario farmers could produce 100 million bushels of this barley for it. California barley has been bringing 76 cents a bushel on

Farmers in sandy districts are the English grain exchanges, while now engaged in plowing. Frost left cost of shipping is 15.40 cents a the ground early this spring owing bushel. Ontario could ship at about to the aridity of the soil. In many the same cost. California farmers sections it is now in good condition have been receiving 53.6 cents for for working and early seeding of their barley at San Francisco, while oats and barley is expected as a re- Ontario farmers receive less than 10 cents. British brewing interests are reported to be willing to give the Ontario product a trial, but want to be assured of a sufficiently steady

hind negotiations conducted by the farming should care be exercised in Department with growers of the the purchase of seeds for planting Theford district. The suggestion this spring," is the advice of one has been made that a cold storage well-known authority, who adds that plant be established at Theford, it is doubly important to make sure Celery requires a special system of that purchases have been governrefrigeration and cooling which is ment-tested as a result of last year's not available at present and which drought and the reduced supply of would raise the standard of the pro- high quality stock. He warns against duct to enable it to compete on the buying bargain seeds where price open market. Investigation is pro- alone is the only description given. ceeding in regard to the possibilities because reliable seedsmen do not approve of advertisements where seeds are offered at stipulated prices without any indication as to their quality or origin. It would actually Interest in cow-testing work in be cheaper to buy the best the Peel County is keen. Results for market affords than to take the

> The Potato and Seed Show held at Shelburne recently proved a very successful and instructive event. The classes were filled with good quality products, with Dooley Potatoes and Alaska Oats an outstanding feature. A program of lectures was given, the speakers including Prof. W. J. Squirrell of O.A.C. and Mr. J. A. Carroll, director of the Department's Crops and Markets Branch. The latter emphasized the success of grading of farm products in Canada. The quality of eggs potatoes, and hogs had undoubtedly been improved. Canadians were now eating 30 dozens of eggs per capita, while England eats only 11 dozen per capita.

AUCTION SALE

FRIDAY APRIL 3, - Farm horses, dairy cattle, implements, to be sold at lot 21, con. 9, Whitchurch (Musselman Lake) the property of S. Hutton. Sale at one F. W. Silversides auctioneer.

sale at lot 25, con. 9, Whitchurch (Uxbridge Township) farm stock hay, grain, etc., belonging to John McLaughlin, who has rented his farm. Sale at one. F. W. Silversides, auctioneer.

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Mr. Stanley Rose spent the weekend at Brooklyn.

roof. Mrs. Alvin Cowie has returned home after spending several weeks ty are tiring of chores, so are holdnear Goodwood.

the ninth line is open for cars.

ed with Arthur Storry for the coming season.

Mr. G.H.S. Grimmer has been Monday. visiting old friends in our community. Mrs. A. Law and Watson Fairles tapped their maples last week; and

report a fair run. When will the taffey-off be. We noticed Reeve Kidd passing down the 8th con. on

first since the big storm. Mr. Smalley at Hartman, where he enjoyed. The hospitality of Mr. and eight months. He will be greatly Mrs. Wagg was appreciated.

missed in our hamlet. Our "pup" carpenter Arthur Smith has completed an addition to Edgar Storry's house. Anyone requiring building done from palace to a fly-hatchery should not overlook our mechanic...

ing bee last week (sometimes call-|Sorry. ed a she-gossip meeting.) Some! questions. on love were discussed, in arguments, nearly as good, the one between Mayor Stewart and Chief Draper. After the quilt was last week on account of bad roads finished we had supper and of but we hope to have a large attencourse everybody had a delightful dance this week.

Messers Eugene Lemon, Eldon Anna Bolander played the organ.

Smith and Melvin Burnett joined the choral class in Stouffville and motored to Victoria Square where they found a full house. The lunch Jack Spencely of Claremont spent they received after the concert was the weekend under the parental not very palatable, but easily di-

Several farmers in our communiing auction sales. Louis Hamm had Cutters' and sleighs shall again one on Friday which did not draw attain their hours of leisure, as a very large crowd, but prices were fair. S. Hutton's sale on Saturday Mr. Orval Wideman has engage was postponed until next Friday, on account of the Heavens pouring down its excretions so freely. Nathan Gilbert had a sale on

On Friday night, the 20th, the Young Peoples' S. S. Class held a St. Patricks party at the home of Vincent Wagg. . The evening was spent in Irish games and contests. Looking over the results of the contest, the majority of the class day which, we understand is the need to make a tour of Ireland before the 17th March comes again. After the games lunch was served Mr. Eldon Smith is engaged with in Irish style, which was greatly

"The Pharisee"

BETHESDA

Mr. Dudley Foster was the guest of Mr. Ernest Staley Sunday.

We understand there is a Mrs. Arthur Storry held a quilt-threatened lawsuit in this district.

The rain which fell last week was welcomed by most of the as farmers.

Prayer meeting was postponed

Who says we have not a first class On Thursday night the choristers junior choir? On Sunday last about of our hamlet namely: Misses Laura day School delighted the school by singing two beautiful hymns. Miss

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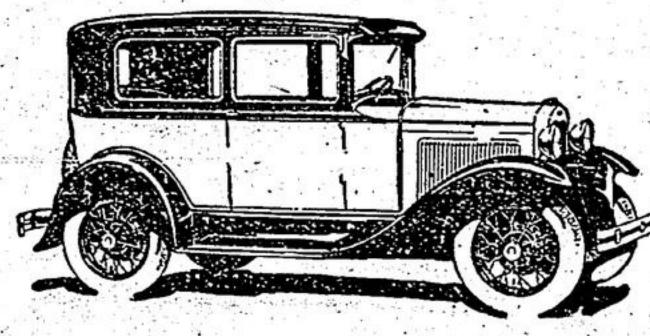
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