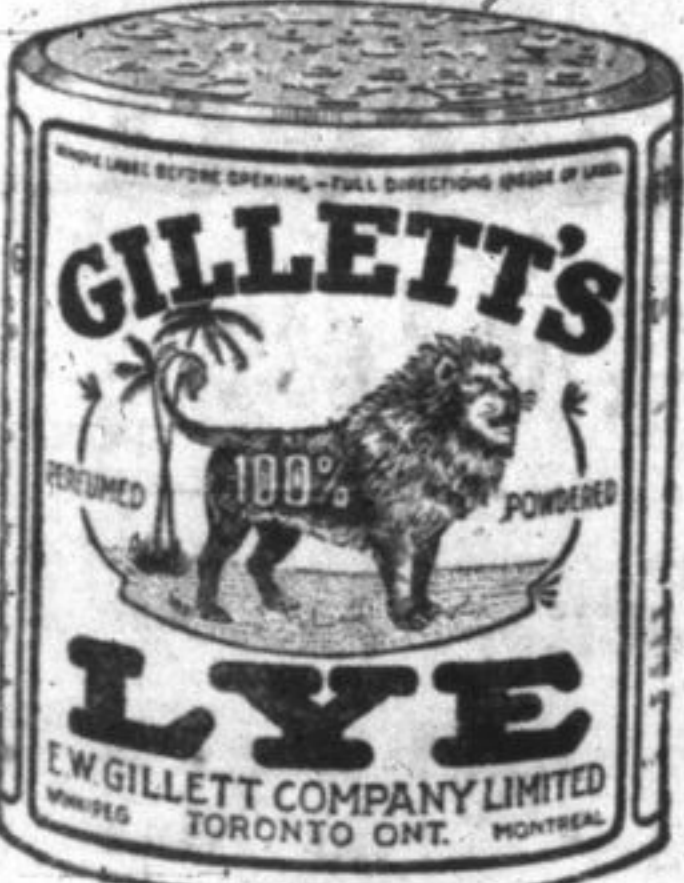


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FOUND "NOT GUILTY"

ON CHARGES OF FORGERY AND CONSPIRACY.

A Belleville Young Man and a Young Woman and Two Deseronto Young Men Were Discharged By Judge Madden at Napanee.

From our Own Correspondent.) Napanee, Nov. 1.—Judge's Criminal Court, held here Saturday before Judge Madden, Nelson Sharp, aged 18; Arthur Stone, aged 18, Deseronto; and Oscar Deshane, aged 18, Belleville, were tried on charges of forgery and conspiracy. There were three charges against Sharp, one of forging a bank cheque, one of uttering and acting upon a forged cheque, and one of conspiring with others to commit forgery; two charges against Stone, one of uttering, and one of conspiracy, and two like charges against Deshane. D. H. Preston acted for the Crown and J. E. Madden for the defense. The prisoners pleaded not guilty. Edward Snider, who had previously pleaded guilty to similar charges before Magistrate Rankin, was the principal witness for the Crown. In his evidence he detailed coming to Deseronto on the 29th of September with Deshane and Irene Renfrew, and of cashing cheques in stores there, buying a small quantity of goods and receiving the difference in cash and how Sharpe, whom he knew and met there that day, drove them to Napanee that night and stayed at the Queen's Hotel. Then next morning he claimed that they hired a rig and went out in the country, supposedly to buy cattle, but really to go to the names of reliable farmers whose names they could use in forging bank cheques. He detailed their movements during the day, being successful in cashing three cheques, getting some dry goods and boots, and in each case the difference between the amount of the purchase and the value of the cheque in cash. He also told what part each of the prisoners took in the scheme and what they received for their shares. Under cross examination by counsel for the defense he weakened somewhat in his story, in some points not being quite clear, and could not remember names sitting in a buggy on the road, who were presumably with these two.

W. Herrington, a farmer living in Richmond Township, was next called. He recognized Snider and Sharp as the two who came to him on Sept. 30th; while he was ploughing on his farm, asking for fat cattle and sheep, saying they were cattle buyers from Montreal. They also wanted a driving horse, and would call again on the following Saturday. He also saw a man and woman sitting in a buggy on the road, who were presumably with these two.

Chas. Eyrel, clerk in the Madole's Hardware store, recognized Snider and Stone as the two men who came into the store on Sept. 30th with a bank cheque and wanted to cash it, but being suspicious, he would not cash it. T. Chinnick, a jeweller, said he recognized Snider and Stone, who came into his store on Sept. 30th and wanted to buy a ring, offering in payment a bank cheque purporting to be signed by W. Herrington. Stone was the one who was doing the purchasing, and not being satisfied with the appearance of them, he would not cash the cheque.

George Knox, clerk in Wilson Bros. shoe store, identified Snider as the man with another who bought some boots in their store on Sept. 30th, paying for them with a bank cheque, but he was not sure whether Sharp was the other man or not. N. Calhoun, clerk in Maddock's dry goods store, identified Snider, who, with another man, purchased some rich feeds, as he (witness) had crossed out the name Northern Crown and written in Dominion, that being the bank on which Stone wanted a cheque, saying his employer, who lived at Yarker, wanted to pay him off, and did not have enough money on him.

Each of the prisoners gave evidence in his own behalf, and although they admitted being with Snider, they claimed that he had hired them to help him buy cattle, and agreed to give them a dollar a day and expenses. They denied all knowledge of any cheque-making scheme, although each of them were with Snider when he bought goods and received cash, after tendering a cheque, and they knew Snider's name was not C. A. Mossman, Jack Edwards or J. E. Laird, these being the names appearing on the different cheques. Sharp admitted writing out one cheque, saying Snider asked him to copy one, as the one he had was not any good, having a big blot of ink on it, but said he did not know he was doing wrong in so doing. He also admitted being with Snider in a shoe store, and getting the name C. A. Mossman on the back of a cheque for Snider, and knew that was not Snider's name. He also got a pair of boots. Snider admitted that he was with Snider in a hardware store and a jeweller's shop, but denied getting any money or goods from either. Deshane admitted being with Snider in a dry goods store, but denied all knowledge of any wrong doing, neither did he get any of the proceeds. After hearing arguments by the opposing counsel, his Honor found them not guilty, and discharged the prisoners.

Immediately upon his discharge, Deshane was arrested by Chief Barreil upon instructions from the military authorities, being wanted for desertion and escaping from custody. He will be taken to Kingston by a guard for trial by court-martial. At the same court Irene Renfrew, Belleville, charged with conspiracy with the aforementioned men to commit forgery, was also found not guilty and discharged.

The schooner William Jamieson has made her last trip for the season, bringing in a cargo of coal for the Napanee Gas Company.

The annual games between the members of Napanee Collegiate and Picton Collegiate, played in the Driving Park Saturday afternoon, resulted in Napanee boys winning both games of football and the girls being successful in winning both games of basketball.

In the lecture room of the Public Library Friday night Principal Hutton, University of Toronto, gave an address on "German and British Ideas," to a large audience.

A FINE GATHERING

OF YOUNG FARMERS WAS HELD AT SYDENHAM.

Semi-Annual Meeting of the Junior Farmers' Improvement Association of Frontenac County.

Wednesday, October 27th, was the day set apart for the semi-annual meeting of the Junior Farmers' Improvement Association of Frontenac County. It was held at Sydenham. This was their second meeting, as the association is only in its infancy, being organized on March 26th, 1915.

The attendance was quite satisfactory, and the boys entered into several discussions with much interest and enthusiasm. The first item discussed was "Feeding Hogs For Profit," which the boys conducted on their own farms this season, the competitors being O. Truesdale, M. Stover, R. Ewing, O. Fitzgerald, Dwight Walker, Willie Orr. On comparing the results which the boys presented at the meeting it was found that Owen Fitzgerald was ahead with a profit of \$9.33 per hog; Miles Stover second, with \$9.18 per hog; Roy Ewing third, with \$6.02 per hog; Willie Orr fourth, with \$5.95 per hog; Dwight Walker fifth, with \$4.26 per hog; Percy Smith sixth, with \$2.17 per hog. The different methods of feeding and different feeds were discussed by the boys, and it was the opinion of all present that it pays to have hogs out on pasture and feed fairly rich feeds, as the winner of the competition both in 1914 and 1915 arranged to have their hogs out on pasture.

The next competition mentioned was the "Acre Profit Competition in Oats." Due to the fact that the results of this competition were not all to hand, it was impossible to determine the winner; but one point of interest which the boys mentioned was the great benefit derived from treating the seed grain for smut. The different methods of treatment were discussed and the most convenient and most efficient methods decided upon is as follows:

Take two 40 or 50 gallon barrels and place one up on a box or stand equal to the height of the lower barrel. In the bottom barrel put 42 gallons of water, together with a one pound bottle of Formalin (one pint). Mix these thoroughly together. The upper barrel is to be filled with the grain that requires treating. Then take a pail and dip the liquid out of the lower barrel, and pour it into the upper one until the grain becomes completely saturated and a couple of inches of the liquid above the grain. Let the grain remain in this condition for a period of 20 minutes, after which let the liquid run off from the upper barrel into the lower one by means of a faucet or tap which has been previously arranged near the bottom of the upper barrel for this purpose. The grain which is in the upper barrel can now be dumped out in a suitable place to dry, and fill the barrel up again with fresh grain and repeat the process. By this means of treatment a film of the liquid is placed around each individual kernel of grain, and thereby destroys the spore (Ustilago utriculi), which causes the disease. It is also necessary to treat the grain drill, the shafts in which the seed is conveyed to the field, the floor, or whatever the seed is spread out upon to dry, with a extra-strength of this solution; that is, one part of formalin to ten gallons of water. The next should be sown before it gets perfectly dry again, and it is necessary, when sowing with treated seed, to open up the seed drill about one-fourth extra, that is if you wanted to seed at rate of two bushels per acre, with treated seed it would be necessary to set drill at about two and a half bushels per acre.

The next competition noted was the Acre Profit Competition of Potatoes. In this case also the results were not all in, hence the winners are undecided. The main points noted in potato growing was the necessity of treating seed tubers with for-

malin for control of Scab, and the spraying of the tops with Bordeaux mixture for the control of Late Blight. The advisability of mixing a little of hydrate of lime with Paris Green in order that it might not burn the foliage was also mentioned. At the meeting of March 26th, the boys decided to grow a one-tenth acre plot of potatoes each, the proceeds of which were to be used as a donation from the Junior Farmers' Improvement Association of Frontenac County, for some patriotic purpose. The proceeds of this scheme are not yet all to hand, but it is believed it will make a fair sized donation when all together. This money will be forwarded in a lump sum to C. F. Bailey, Assistant Deputy Minister of Agriculture, and the boys will be notified later, as to what purpose their money has been used.

Methods by which a stock judging team consisting of three men to represent Frontenac County at the Ottawa Fair Stock Judging Competition, were discussed, and it was decided to get the boys together and give them some practical stock judging to do on horses, cattle, sheep and swine, giving forty per cent for placing of the animals and sixty per cent for reasons. By this method it is possible for the District Representative to select the three best men for the team. The prizes will be liberal and all the boys expressed a desire to go in case they were selected. A silver trophy will be donated by the Hon. J. S. Duff, Minister of Agriculture, to the team winning the highest number of points at the Fair. Mr. Main, District Representative for Frontenac County, guaranteed the boys a banquet at his own expense in event of their bringing the much coveted and handsome trophy to this county.

The last item for discussion was a proposed six weeks course in Agriculture, to be held at some convenient point, in order that several more of Frontenac County's young farmers might qualify themselves to become members of the afore mentioned association and at the same time gain a considerable amount of knowledge along the line of scientific agriculture. Every member present agreed to endeavor to secure one student each for such a course, and Harrowmith was mentioned as a probable centre for the conducting of the same. It being situated in an excellent farming district and also having convenient railroad facilities, it is the belief of all the members of the association who have had the advantage of this agricultural training, together with the agricultural staff of the local branch, that it behooves every young man interested or engaged in agriculture in this county, if at all possible, to arrange and be a student at this course.

The Junior Farmers' Improvement Association of Frontenac County is only a young organization but it is plain to be seen that it is a medium of great moment in advancing the agricultural conditions, and new ideas in the county.



JIMMIE SINDER, brilliant half-back of the Toronto Rugby team in the O.R.F.U., whose goal placing recently against Hamilton aroused great praise.

IN MARINE CIRCLES. Movements of Vessels Reported at the Harbor.

The steamer Haddington arrived at Richardson's elevator on Monday morning with oats from Fort William. The barge Davie is at Richardson's elevator, loading bagged oats for Montreal. M. T. Co's Bulletin: Tug Bronson is due to arrive this afternoon with one light barge from Montreal, and will clear with two grain barges from Montreal.

A heavy gale has been raging on the lakes for the past forty-eight hours, and as a result a large number of vessels have been tied up. Made Machine Gun Instructor. Lieut. Stuart Bleakney, Ottawa, for a short time with the 21st Battalion here last winter, and afterwards got a commission with the 39th at Belleville, has recently been appointed instructor in the machine gun school at Shorncliffe, Eng.

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THINKS THERE IS TRUTH.

In German Peace Overture Reports—Motive Pointed Out. London, Nov. 1.—Confessing that he had no information which leads him to feel certain what the current reports regarding peace overtures are, Lord Sydenham thinks that they are not at all improbable.

"I should say," he said in an interview in the Pall Mall Gazette, "that the overtures were mainly inspired by the certain impossibility of German success in the west and the growing difficulties of the misconceived and dangerous advance into Russia."

"From first to last, the Germans have not won a great military success, and although every effort has been made to maintain confidence of the ultimate result in the minds of the German people and of neutrals, there must be many who realize that the prospects of ultimate victory are growing dimmer."

"Without in the least wishing to underrate the great efforts which are still essential on the part of the Allies, it does not seem unreasonable to suppose that the Germans may consider the time has come to fly kites indicating, at least apparently, their desire for immediate peace, although they may have another motive—by this I mean a desire to intimate to neutrals that they have arrived at a neutral attitude of mind and that the whole responsibility for the further horrors of war must rest with the Allies."

The Vossische Zeitung, says a dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company from Amsterdam, challenges the German Government to ask Washington to recall the American Minister at Brussels, Brand Whitlock.

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