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A WORD FOR JACK FROST.

When the world was created and pronounced "good" by its Creator, it was found to have been endowed with two frigid zones and with but one torrid one. The fact that this condition exists, proves that it is right, for no doubt the same thought that put wild flowers into the world plan also planned for the snowdrifts—and nobody quarrels with flowers.

Frost out of season is a calamity, and flowers out of place are weeds; but untimely frost is rare, and misplaced flowers are easily placed. Frost in season, therefore, must be beneficent. We who live on intimate terms with the weather know it is.

We depended on the frost as assistant gardener when we plowed up the war garden last fall, expecting frost to crumble the clods and kill the hibernating cutworms. A shovelful more of coal or a stick or two more of wood on the furnace fire at night, protects us from friend Jack Frost, who is out o' nights roughly clubbing cutworms, potato bugs, squash beetles, tomato blight and seven varieties of plant lice.

The ice cracks and budes; the timbers of the house bang; trees groan and creak; the passing sleigh squeals and squeaks its protest to the frosty air, and the breath of man or beast rises like altar smoke to the chilly moon. But by these tokens, the killing of plagues and the cleansing of earth's foul spots is going on apace in our good zone of high and low temperatures. Frost works while we are asleep. Frost is our friend. Who would live on the Evergreen Shore, so long as the skating is good here? In lands where the wind is eternally tempered to the shorn lamb, the lamb falls sick of stomach worms and the milk calf falls prey to the cow tick. Where men may dress in banana leaves and feed themselves by the law of gravity, yellow fever, malaria and liver disorders abound. Yellow Jack flees before Jack Frost. The malarial mosquito never bit an Eskimo.

Eternal summer becomes irksome in time. One loses zest by and by for a daily quail on the plate. Change is grateful. Girls in a candy factory hanker for pickles. In those lands where one must pause to remember whether one is living this spring or last winter a year ago last summer, there is none of the keen joy we experience when white and black at last give place to spring green, or autumn browns to white. The changes of the seasons are altogether wholesome and Frost truly has its well-appointed part in this heaven-sent rotation.

The retail merchants unite in the declaration that Dollar Day was a decided success. Notwithstanding the fact that weather conditions were very unfavorable, shoppers from both city and country turned out in large numbers and spent almost the entire day going the rounds of the stores. They had money to spend, and seemed to spend it freely, and there is no doubt that they secured extra good value for it. It rather looks as if the merchants behind the Dollar Day movement put one over on the big departmental stores yesterday.

Major Andrews, government candidate in Winnipeg Centre, had the distinction of polling the largest vote in the recent Federal election. He received 17,639 civilian votes, 1,085 North American and 3,777 continental soldier votes, a total of 22,501. It is doubtful if any candidate in a Federal election since Confederation ever polled such an enormous vote. It is needless to say Major Andrews' opponent forfeited his deposit.

The Carnegie Corporation of New York has presented the handsome sum of one million dollars to McGill University "in recognition of the noble and devoted service and sacrifice of McGill toward Canada's part in the great war." The money is to be kept as a special endowment, the interest of which will be applied to the needs of the University. Another gift of \$10,000 has been received by McGill from Mrs. Oliver, wife of Hon. Frank Oliver, who asks that a scholarship be founded in memory of her son, Lieut. Allen Oliver, M. C., killed in the battle of the Somme.

Buffalo News: There are many reasons why we should adopt this daylight saving measure, but the paramount reason is because it promises fuel economy and conservation. By setting the clock ahead an hour daily during the summer months a vast amount of fuel would be saved which is now burned in artificial illumination. And we need not imagine that this coal problem will be solved at once or for all time. Next year we shall need every ounce of coal we can get, and we should begin conserving it now.

New York World: Canada is taking prompt measures to increase her agricultural output by purchasing a thousand farm tractors and selling them at cost. Several farmers by combining can readily buy a tractor for co-operative use and so expedite their agricultural work. The tractor-plow on the great prairies of the west has made big wheat and corn crops possible, and an extension of its use both in Canada and the United States would greatly add to agricultural efficiency and help supply the deficiency in manual labor.

Washington Post: A militant New York clergyman expresses the hope to be able to face his Maker after giving at least one Hun a "good wallop." Perhaps he figures on the case being nolle prossed through the absence of the complainant.

Through Our Sieve

Russia may now say "Korniloff was right."

It is a well regulated thaw that selects the right moment to freeze again. The more inferior a fellow is, the more he grumbles about "Fate" and "Bad Luck" and "Providence."

A contemporary asks, "Shall we banish the fairies?" Oh, no, let 'em stay; they are rather cute in their short skirts and nose veils.

The weather forecaster down New York way gives good advice: "Let everyone make his own prediction regarding spring." Including, just to be polite, the weather man.

Another pleasure we're giving up in Lent is telling our friends how much better off we are without so much meat and how much more we enjoy corn bread than white flour rolls.

Perhaps with proper training a woman might make as good a soldier as a man, as far as fighting goes; but no natural minded woman would ever be able to pack all her clothes and her face creams in one small kit bag.

In his birthday speech the Kaiser coupled himself with God only nine times. This is a low batting average. Perhaps he is getting to be a little lukewarm on the subject himself.

One of the mysteries of this world is how Wilhelm can look at himself in the mirror with his helmet and his junk-on-the-chest, and not laugh. There is something wrong with a guy who has no sense of humor.

EARTHQUAKE CAUSES GREAT LOSS OF LIFE

(Canadian Press direct wire.) Shanghai, Feb. 27.—The earthquake at Swatow caused the death of between 200 and 300 persons. More than two hundred are being treated in hospitals there. Scarcely a house has escaped damage; most of them are seriously damaged.

Principal Walker, of the Anglo-Chinese college at Swatow, in a despatch to a Hong Kong newspaper, says that first accounts of the disaster were exaggerated, but the earthquake caused great distress to the population.

Sent Back to Napudogan. The young man who broke smallpox quarantine at Napudogan and came to Fredericton by C. G. R. yesterday, was rounded up by Health Officer A. C. Fleming yesterday afternoon and sent back to Napudogan.

Mr. T. W. Kirkpatrick of Toronto, is in the city.

42ND ANNUAL MEETING FARMERS' & DAIRYMEN'S ASSOCIATION of New Brunswick.

FREDERICTON, MARCH 12, 13, 14 and 15. Delegates need buy single fare only, and apply for Standard Certificate.

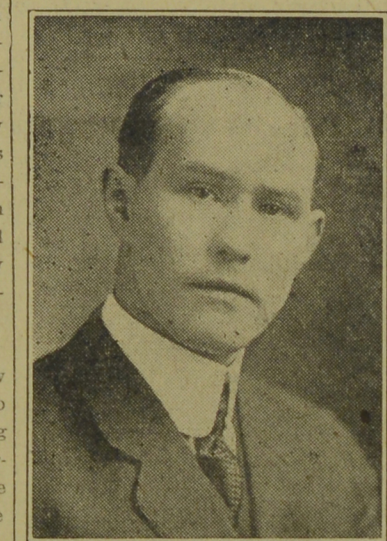
Provincial Seed Fair in Convention, March 15.

Speakers will include officials of Agricultural Department, of the Experimental Farm, and of the Central Experimental Farm at Ottawa. A fund of information which no farmer or dairyman can afford to miss. Come and Learn More of Greater Production.

DOLLAR DAY PRONOUNCED SUCCESS

Many People from Rural Districts Visited City and Merchants Did a Good Business.

Dollar Day was observed yesterday by the merchants of Fredericton and in spite of the most unfavorable weather was one of the most successful yet held in Fredericton. Buyers were about in large numbers and all merchants who took part in the organized effort report an excellent day's business. Some merchants state that it was the best Dollar Day they had experienced in their particular line.



MR. ALEX. MURRAY, Who Was President of the Retail Merchants' Association When the Dollar Day Movement Was Inaugurated.

Many persons living in the rural districts took advantage of the special rates on the railways and came to Fredericton. The heavy rain and bad walking were great disadvantages but the country people put a large amount of money into circulation here and received good value for it. Taken all around Dollar Day, 1918, was a pronounced success from all points of view.

SOCIETY NEWS.

Mrs. J. H. Pope of Marysville, is visiting in St. John.

Lord and Lady Ashburnham left last night for Ottawa where they will be guests at the Chateau Laurier for a few days. Lady Ashburnham will attend the conference of women's organizations.

Mrs. H. H. McNally entertained yesterday afternoon at a drawing room tea in honor of her guest, Mrs. W. E. Henry of Saskatoon.

Miss Amelia Moore has gone to California. She will be gone a year.

Miss Bessie Babbitt and her sister, Mrs. W. C. K. Parlee and son arrived Monday night and will spend a couple of weeks with Mrs. Harry Hoben.

MARITIME MEN IN CASUALTIES

(Canadian Press direct wire.) Ottawa, Feb. 27.—Among Maritime Province men the following are reported:

Infantry. Wounded: G. Dobbin, Halifax; A. E. Dunklee, Pictou. Gassed: E. H. McKeen, Fisher, N.S. Forestry Troops. Wounded: G. F. Kelly, St. Mary's, N.B.

Artillery. Died: T. Berry, Middle Coverdale, N.B. Dangerously ill: C. W. Rand, Moncton; C. K. Blakeney, Cape Sable Island, N.S.

Store is Closed. The store of Libby Bros., the Northumberland street grocers, who lately made an assignment for the benefit of their creditors, has been closed. The firm's liabilities are about \$3,000 and their assets which consist largely of desperate and doubtful book debts amount to about the same figure.

Playing "Wee Neilly" Tonight. The sudden change in the temperature last night which made good ice at the curling rink made it possible to finish the "Wee Neilly" and the third round of the match is being played at the rink tonight.

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ALONZO STAPLES, Prop. Agency for Miller Standard Rubber Goods.

Notice of Legislation.

Public Notice is hereby given that application will be made at the next session of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of New Brunswick, for the passage of an Act authorizing and empowering the City Council of the City of Fredericton to grant further exemptions in respect of Free Water, Free Sewerage and Free Taxation on the site, plant, equipment, stock in trade and property generally of The Hartt Boot & Shoe Company, Limited. Dated at Fredericton, N.B., this 6th day of February, A. D. 1918.

MOSES MITCHELL, Mayor. G. R. PERKINS, City Clerk.

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