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**KEIR MEMORIAL** Presbyterian Church, Malpeque—Prayer meeting will be held on Wednesday evening at 8 p. m.

**ST. PETERS AND DUNDAS** Baptist Field, June 2nd, St. Peters at 3 o'clock, and Dundas at 7.30, Rev. A. J. Vincent, preacher.

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**POLICE COURT**—A drunk who failed to appear had his bail bond of \$10.00 estreated. A prohibition case was adjourned.

**POWNALL CIRCUIT**—Services next Sunday as follows—11 a. m. Clifton; 2 p. m. Mt. Herbert; 7 p. m. Pownall. All are cordially invited to attend the final services conducted by the Pastor. The official Board will meet on Monday at 8 p. m. in the Pownall Church. F. H. Littlejohns, Pastor.

**THE MARKET** was poorly attended yesterday. Eggs sold at 30c; butter 43c; fowl \$1.75 to \$2.00 and apples from 25c to 35c doz. Hay 65c; straw 45c; oats 65c to 67c; turnips 30c; white potatoes 20c; blue potatoes 35c; cod and haddock 12c lb; fresh herring 25c doz. and lobsters 20c lb.

**MAIL FOR OVERSEAS**—A full mail for Great Britain will be despatched from Montreal by the Duchess of York on Friday the 31st, also direct mails for Ireland and Scotland by the Steamer Athenia on the same day and a direct mail for France by the Steamer Ascania, also on the same day. Direct parcel post for Germany will be forwarded by the Steamer Beaverburn from Montreal on Friday, the 31st March and by the Steamer Koeln on Saturday, the 1st June. A full mail for Great Britain will go forward by the Steamer Regina from Montreal on Sunday, 2nd of June. A full mail will also be despatched from Montreal by the Steamer Montclare on the 6th June and by the Duchess of Athol on the 7th June. A direct parcel post will be forwarded to Norway from Halifax on Tuesday, 4th June and a direct parcel post from Montreal to Denmark will go forward on Wednesday, 5th June.

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**Boy Scout Jamboree Subscription List**

- In connection with the great coming of age International Boy Scout Jamboree to be held at Birkenhead, Eng., in July, two Scouts are to be provided for by the Governor General. Any additional Scouts must be provided for locally, and the Provincial Boy Scout Commissioner and Committee have authorized the opening of a subscriptions list for this purpose. Subscriptions may be sent to Mr. G. Phillier, Bank of Montreal, Mr. D. A. MacKinnon, Assistant Receiver General's Office, Mr. Herbert W. Yeo, 50 Greenfield, Avenue, Mr. J. F. Leighton, 82 Weymouth St., or Mr. J. R. Burnett, Guardian Office. Subscriptions already received.
- Mr. George DeBlols ..... \$30.00
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  - Mr. W. G. Hogg ..... 2.00
  - Dr. Archibald ..... 1.00
  - A FRIEND ..... 5.00
  - Browse Bros. Ltd. ..... 20.00

**ISLAND FOXMEN 'A CANNY LOT' SAYS WRITER**

**Racy Sketch of Black Fox Industry in American Paper.**

Few sketches of the origin and development of the black fox industry in this Province make as interesting reading as the following article by Mr. Edwin C. Hill, which appeared in a recent issue of the New York Sun:

From end to end of this little red chip upon the bosom of the blue Atlantic they breed silver foxes as prodigally as the Germans of the Harz Mountains breed canaries. Prince Edward Island may be little, but it is assuredly mighty in the silver fox farming industry.

There are six hundred "ranches" and each one returns a smashing profit to the owner, paying dividends in cash of from 10 to 100 per cent.

In these little ranches or farms there are this year nearly 17,000 silver foxes, only a comparatively small part of which, however, will receive the quick, painless hypodermic injection of strychnine, the approved method of ending their lives.

The Prince Edward Islanders are a canny lot, and like the diamond magnates of South Africa they don't believe in crowding their market. They pick and choose among the pelts, always reserving the finest specimens for breeding purposes and future returns, but they will take in close to a million dollars this fall and winter when they come to sell their silver fox pelts in the great fur markets of London and New York.

**Laughing at a Prophet**

The story of the origin and development of the silver fox fur farms of this little Province of the Dominion of Canada is a really fascinating tale. It begins sixty years ago, when an islander got the notion in his head that silver or black foxes were not a freakish breed, but that they were, or could be bred to be, a definite type which would run true to breeding. They jeered this pioneer, calling him "Colonel Blackfox" in derision, and went about poking each other in the ribs over the joke. Didn't everybody know that these black and silver beauties, rarely enough found, anyway, were merely freakish offspring of the ordinary red fox? Hadn't people tried the experiment of breeding a pair of the black or silver foxes and hadn't there been a "throw back" always? So they laughed "Colonel Blackfox" off the scene, but there was one young Prince Edward Islander who had the notion in the back of his

head that maybe the old fellow knew what he was talking about. This young man's name was Charles Dalton, a country boy who loved to fish and to hunt and who had picked up a lot of curious information about foxes and their ways. He is Sir Charles now and rich, all because he took "Colonel Blackfox" seriously.

Just fifty years ago young Dalton happened to trap a black fox (or silver—it means the same thing, all depending upon the quantity of silvery hairs occurring in the thick and lustrous black pelts) and sold the pelt for \$32. The price of a red fox skin was a dollar, and when the lad received more than fifty times that much for a black pelt he made up his mind that here was something worth looking into.

**The Beginning of It.**

In 1883 he heard of a man named Thompson who had dug a pair of black fox pups out of a den up around Cape North and had sold them to a farmer of Tignish. The pair produced a litter of their own kind, beautifully black, with silver tipped tails and black coats shot through with silvery markings. When Dalton heard of that he was sure he was on the right track. If one pair of black foxes bred true to their own type there was no reason in nature why other pairs shouldn't breed with equal fidelity.

Forty years ago Dalton made his real start in partnership with a New Brunswick man named Robert Oulton, who happened to be a breeding expert. Upon an isolated islet, Cherry Island, they set up in business and regularly produced every year a fine crop of the finest black and silver fox pelts. They began to make so much money that they could hardly believe in the reality of their own success. By 1900 they were receiving as much as \$2,000 for a pelt.

Money rolled in, and it wasn't long, naturally, before some of the observing islanders put two and two together and decided that silver fox farming was a mighty good thing to go into. Dalton and his partner, Oulton, had kept their operations as much of a secret as possible, but it was not possible to maintain complete secrecy in such a small place. Presently they were besieged with offers for a pair of breeders. They sold a pair to Robert Tuplin and James Gordon, who started a second farm. A few others got into the game, but up to the fall of 1910 half a dozen islanders enjoyed a monopoly because outsiders could not get the breeders.

In the fall of 1910 the monopoly was broken. The older ranchers began selling to friends here and there. The selling of foundation stock became as general as the craze for fur farming developed that pelting practically ceased, except where silver foxes were accidentally killed. All available foxes were sold alive.

There was a period of wild and feverish speculation, every body dreamed of quick riches through fox

farming. Company after company was organized, the total capitalization reaching \$12,000,000 at one time. Pairs of foxes for breeding purposes sold for as much as \$25,000. A large breeder in the town of Summerside was willing to part with a pair of tested and proved breeders and began to sell, getting from \$12,000 to \$15,000 a pair. On one occasion the prospective buyer got cold feet and backed out of an agreement to pay \$15,000. The breeder said he didn't care that he would just as soon keep his foxes. The next day he got an offer of \$27,500 and sold.

Ranches spread all over the little island. Where there had been a dozen in 1910 there were 200 by 1913. The boom extended to other parts of Canada and to the United States, where money was liberally invested. Persons utterly ignorant of foxes or the science of breeding and knowing nothing whatever about the management of corporations had no difficulty in starting fly-by-night companies, taking up options and making a mint of money. This fox boom in Prince Edward Island was a kind of South Sea bubble, resembling for feverishness of financing and general craze the Klondyke gold strike, the big oil fields development, the real estate excitement in western Canada and the Belgian hare, tulip and ginseng crazes.

A business man in New Brunswick who had relatives in Prince Edward Island had a chance to buy a one-third interest in a promising pair of foxes. He put up \$100 cash, with a liability of \$1,500 more. The pair produced a litter of five pups and he made \$15,000 in a few months. A small group of clerks who had thrown up \$10,000 a week jobs made \$40,000 in two years. Some of the larger companies declared cash dividends of from 50 to 100 per cent.

**The Bubble Bursts**

They banked on fantastic profits. It was a problem in arithmetical progression. They figured that with one pair they would have in a year a litter of three to seven. The second year they figured on having twelve. By the third year they would have thirty-six, and at the end of the fourth year 110. Farmers mortgaged their holdings to buy a pair of foxes. People of all classes invested their savings in this new gold mine.

Pelts sold for \$2,500 in the London fur market. Then the world was come on and burst the bubble of speculation. In the first year of the war the Fur Sales Board of Prince Edward Island sold ninety pelts in New York for an average price of \$550. The collapse of speculation was the salvation of the industry. It drove out the gamblers and permitted reorganization upon a sane and stable basis.

The 600 fox ranches, large and small, carefully market their output through a cooperative association. Profits are substantial and the average price received for good furs is around \$200. The highest prices real-

**ON DUTY AGAIN**—The many friends of Mr. Joseph Bolger, well known and popular manager of the McLaine Service Station, will be pleased to learn that he is on duty again after a very severe attack of tonsillitis.

**PERSONALS.**

Mrs. Miller, Vancouver, is at present visiting her brother, Prof. J. A. Clark, of the Experimental Station.

Mr. O. W. Nordien, Souris, returned from Montreal on Monday.

Mrs. A. Bowness, Summerside, who has been spending the winter in California, is at present visiting friends in Moncton, en route home.

Mrs. D. McLean, Crapaud, returned home on Monday from Los Angeles, where she has been since November 7.

Mr. J. W. McEwen, Chicago, is visiting his old home in Summerside renewing old acquaintances.

Miss Ethel Trainor, Charlottetown, is spending a few days in St. Teresas, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Trainor.

Mr. Thomas Curran, Rumford, Maine, arrived at his home at Peake's Station a few days ago.

Mrs. Thomas Evans and family, Boston, are spending a few days in St. Teresas, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Curran.

Mrs. Lewis Connelly and family of Peake's Station, motored to Charlottetown on Friday.

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**In Memoriam**

**MRS. FLORA ANN MCKENZIE**

On the nineteenth day of April nineteen hundred and twenty nine, there passed peacefully into rest at St. Catharines, an old and respected lady in the person of Mrs. Flora Ann McKenzie, widow of the late Neil S. McKenzie, who predeceased her seventeen years ago. Mrs. McKenzie was a daughter of the late Hugh and Flora McPhail McPhee of Canoe Cove and was in her eighty fifth year of her age. In eighteen hundred and eighty four she was married to Neil S. McKenzie of Canoe Cove who in later years removed to St. Catharines where she made many new friends. Over sixty years ago she was received into the Baptist Church at Long Creek as a member and it could be truly said of her that she had lived up to her profession and walked humbly before God. She was a great home maker as well as a home lover.

She looked well to the ways of her household and eateth not the bread of idleness. Her children arise up and call her blessed. She retained her faculties until her eyes closed in death, and died trusting in the merits of her Redeemer. She leaves to mourn the loss of a kind and affectionate mother, two sons and one daughter, viz. Hugh, of Long Creek, Neil on the homestead at St. Catharines and Winnifred wife of Alexander McLeod of Bonshaw and one sister Mrs. Hector McLean of New Dominion, who is in her ninetieth year. The funeral which was very largely attended took place on Sunday the twenty-first to Long Creek Cemetery, the Rev. Mr. McWalker officiating at the house and grave. The pall bearers were: Thomas Morrow, Thomas Henderson, James Lamont, Malcolm MacNeill, Alexander McKenzie and Neil McKenzie.

**LIVESTOCK MARKET**

(Canadian Press)

**MONTREAL, Que., May 28.**—There were 31 cattle, 1012 calves, 234 hogs and 50 sheep and lambs for sale on the two markets. The cattle market was steady. Due to a light offering and keen demand, all calves were weighed early at increased prices. The bulk of sales were made at \$9 to \$11 for veals of just medium to good quality.

A few sales were made at \$8 with one lot as low at \$7.50.

The few sheep offered were sold for \$6.50 to \$8; spring lambs were from \$7.50 to \$10 each.

Hogs of good quality brought \$13.75 to \$14, heavy hogs weighing 280 pounds or more sold for \$12 and the same price was paid for an odd trim young sow. Sows generally brought \$9.50 to \$10.50.

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ized in the New York market last year was \$685, and the average price paid for good and poor furs was \$181. That easily runs into money for the Prince Edward Islander who maintains a fox ranch as an adjunct to his farming interests. If he can send as many as twenty-five good average silver fox pelts to market he will realize \$5,000. Many of the Islanders make a lot more money out of this dabbling in foxes than they do out of their fertile acres.



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