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in rural sections and as a result of greater competition and good grading systems, pupils should make better progress.

The question arises why cannot the average country child receive an education equal to the city child? What have our children done to be deprived of the right to have their minds trained and developed? Of course we do not wish our children to receive exactly the same education as does the city child but still we have the same course of studies which to my mind is responsible for so many of our boys and girls leaving the country and making their homes in the cities and towns.

I believe we should have a curriculum nearer to nature where the child can study the beauties of the country with the interest which will implant in them that love of the grand life of the country, that they will be content with their lot; but whose aim should be to improve on all that their fathers and mothers have accomplished and thus make men and women of them having the broader vision which will enable them to fill the larger place in life.

The situation as it is today can be remedied if we farmers will exert ourselves and lay aside our prejudices. Both our schools and our communities have been neglected in the past but our rural school difficulties can be remedied or helped if we only get busy, but we must not think that the rural school problem will solve all our troubles it is only one, but perhaps our greatest consolidation should be the first step as it will provide better school buildings and more uniform teaching and equipment. Here possibly is the place we have fallen down in the past having the mistaken idea that a school however inefficient, near the farm enhances the value of the property. We do not realize that the small school is practically a failure because it has not made the same progress as its surroundings.

Where is the farmer today who could make a living in the same manner and with the same equipment as did his father or grand-father, would he wish to go back to the scythe, the reaping hook or the flail? No doubt the farmer of today works as hard or harder than did his father, but he works with the aid of modern machinery therefore his energies have a greater range than if he were handicapped by lack of equipment.

Compare then the rural school of twenty or even forty years ago with those of the present day at a glance we can see that they have not made progress equal to their surroundings. The only noticeable

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—THE A. O. H. DRAMATIC Club of Summerside will present the splendid drama "A Soldier's Sweetheart" in Kinkora Hall Thursday evening, March 10th, with pleasing specialties between acts.

Improvement has perhaps been the course of studies modernized. Of course many of our teachers are hard working and give their best, but the progress under present conditions seems slow.

Perhaps one of the best consolidations one could make on consolidation would be to look at the benefits and progress achieved from our farmers co-operating and consolidating their energies in the manufacture of cheese and butter. Before 1890 in this province nearly all cheese and butter manufacturing was made in private dairies but with the introduction of co-operative dairying in the early nineties some progress and advancement which proved to be the salvation of the industry.

The idea of having either a cheese or butter factory at every man's door (as it were) became apparent shortly after the inception of the scheme, but looking over the ground covered we can easily see what the outcome was, namely, the small and poorly equipped factory went to the wall for lack of support but where farmers were wide awake and went in for consolidation the industry became a success, and is one of the largest money making industries in our province.

Compare with the present, where we would be if every dairyman had to manufacture his products independently; then ask ourselves why consolidation would not work in our educational system.

If we again look at the comparison with the dairy industry we see that the largely supported plants are paying the largest price for our products. Then if we have proved that three or four farmers cannot co-operate to as great an advantage as a larger number would not the same rule work in our rural schools.

Now the case of our rural schools is an exact parallel. Small inefficient rural schools are too numerous to be properly equipped or well attended. They do not meet the needs of modern conditions. The time for a change is at hand and I am sure that our farmers once they realize what we are losing by sticking to those old prejudices, they will be up and doing.

—MRS FRANKLIN PIGEON, Summerside, will be at home on Thursday, March 10th, from 2 to 5 and 6 to 8.

—THE EMERALD Dramatic Club will present the drama "Down in Maine" in Emerald Hall on St. Patrick's night.

—NEW MANAGEMENT.—Mr. E. H. McFarlane, of Gardner & McFarlane, Kensington, has taken over the automobile plant operated by them for almost two years. He is thoroughly competent to perform quickly an effectively all branches of the work and owners of cars are requested to place their work with him before the spring work begins.

—TOWN COUNCIL FORECAST.—The first meeting of the new Summerside Town Council will be held next Monday evening. The principal work will be the appointment of the various committees. While the following list is not official it is expected the committees will be appointed about as follows: (The first named in each case being chairman): Street, councilors—Gallant, Carruthers and Palmer; Finance—councilors, Grady, Manson, and Walker; Police—Councilors, Manson, Gallant and Walker; Property—Councilors, Walker, Manson and Carruthers; Fire and Light—Councilors, Carruthers, Grady and Palmer; Assessors—Councilors, Manson, Gallant and Carruthers; School and Property—Councilors, Palmer, Gallant, and Manson.

WESTERN PERSONALS

—Mr. Bishop Reid has returned from Moncton.

—Miss Ruth Brehant spent the week end in Charlottetown.

—Miss Marion Reid has returned to Charlottetown after visiting with friends in Summerside.

—Mr. J. E. Arseneault of Grand River has returned home after spending several months in Maine.

—Mr. G. T. White and Mr. Lou, McCourt of Emerald were in town Tuesday on business.

—Mr. Clarke Harding, Norborough, spent the week end in Charlottetown.

—Mrs. Fred Nash of Charlottetown spent Monday in Summerside.

—Mr. Arthur Compton, son of Mr. Stanley Compton, St. Eleanor's left Monday for Regina.

—Mrs. John Lea and daughter Virginia have returned from a visit to Moncton.

—Rev. A. K. and Mrs. Herman have returned from St. John, N. B.

Negotiations With Germany Re Indemnity Are Definitely Broken

LONDON, March 8.—The negotiations over the German indemnity were broken today. Action comes tomorrow with the march of British, French and Belgian forces into Germany and the occupation of a large section of her richest manufacturing country. Even now Allied troops are on the move for a late Berlin despatch says French troops, which will occupy Dusseldorf, advanced within six miles of that city. The Allied ultimatum was foreclosed apparently with reluctance by the British Prime Minister. The French do not appear to be regretful, while the Germans left Lancaster House, where the conference had been held plainly depressed. They take their train for home tomorrow. Two long sittings of the conference thrashed out the final break before Marshal Foch and Field Marshal Wilson wrote telegrams ordering the commanders at the front to execute orders already given them.

Dr. Simons presented an alternate plan whereby Germany agreed to pay the annuities for the first five years demanded in the Paris plan and also equivalent to the proposed twelve per cent tax on exports, but clung to the conditions for the retention of Upper Silesia and world-wide freedom of German trade.

Mr. Lloyd-George, in delivering judgment for the Allies said he deeply deplored the necessity of the decision. While Dr. Simons clung to the last to the contention that the Paris demands were impossible for Germany to fulfill, the Allies regarded the German course as strategy for delay, and the latest plan one whereby the whole treaty would have to be reconsidered and debated after five years, when Germany might hold a more favorable position.

Dr. Simons finally asked further time in which to consult the German cabinet. This was denied. The French army will furnish the bulk of the forces for the new march into Germany. Great Britain's contribution in men will be only large enough to show her solidarity with the Allies.

The United States government's attitude toward the new enterprise is awaited with interest. The general feeling in Great Britain appears to be one of relief without enthusiasm.

The Prime Minister explained the position to the House of Commons tonight in a speech in which was no note of jubilation.

The majority of the British newspapers have taken the line that the most important point involved was that the Allies should stand together, while the French press freely voiced fears that Mr. Lloyd-George might desert France.

All recognized that if Briand returned to Paris bearing the burdens of concessions to Germany his Premiership was doomed.

P. E. Island Before Railway Com.

RECOMMEND CUTTING RATES IN FERTILIZER AND OTHER FREIGHT AS WELL AS PASSAGE FAIRS

MONCTON, March 8.—The Chairman (Hon. F. B. Carvell, K.C.) of the Board of Canadian Railway Commissioners, held a special session in the City Hall yesterday afternoon and evening when arguments were presented for the reduction of freight rates on fertilizers, live stock to and from the Exhibition. Reductions were also requested on passenger tariffs applied to those attending agricultural fairs and agricultural exhibitions. Hon. Mr. Lea, P. E. I., Commissioner of Agriculture, argued that anything that could be

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done to increase the use of fertilizer was going to have a reflex benefit. It was going to assist the farmer, who will then be able to produce more, thus benefiting the whole country incidentally providing more products for carrying trade. Hon. Mr. Lea stated that quite a few farmers on P. E. Island were specializing in raising seed oats desired to get as good freight rates as possible in order to compete with Ontario. Mr. Lea introduced Mr. Gallant. The latter quoted the freight rates on seed grain, especially oats shipped from Quebec, also from New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. He said f.o.b. car and farmers were stating they could not buy as freight rates were too high. He requested a reduction in freight rates on these articles. Mr. Carvell informed him he was very favorable towards the matter and thought the attendance of people at agricultural fairs was an education for them. Mr. Gallant again addressed the meeting and requested a change in the time of running the train from Tignish to Summerside. In commenting on Mr. Gallant's request Mr. H. H. Melanson, Passenger Traffic Manager C.N.R., evoked great laughter. He was explaining how long it took a train to run from Tignish to Summerside and addressing Mr. Carvell said: "You know, Mr. Chairman, there are many crooks on the P. E. I. Railway. You mean in the railway do you not, Mr. Melanson?" asked Mr. Carvell. Before the session concluded Mr. Carvell said that the evidence submitted at the session and data handed in would be brought by him before the full Board in Ottawa when the Board's decision would be given in due course.

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