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#### Should Plow in Spring for big potato yields.

Early Planting Important

The land on which the farmer plans to plant his potatoes this year should be plowed in the spring, according to the opinion of Mr. W. T. Macoun, Dominion Horticulturist, and well known potato authority, who stated some of his views on potato culture to a Weekly Globe and Canada Farmer reporter in Ottawa a few days ago. There are few crops that require as thorough cultivation of the land before seeding as the potato, he said, and in order to bring about this condition it is almost necessary that the land be plowed in spring.

"Unlike some crops which succeed best when the soil is moderately firm when ready for seeding," said Mr. Macoun, "the potato succeeds best in soil that is loose. In loose soil the tubers will be smooth and shaped; in soil which is firm or stiff the potatoes are usually misshapen and not nearly so attractive."

Plow Down Manure.  
The plowing down of barnyard manure and clover makes the soil looser, and this, added to their value in furnishing

plant food, he said, makes them particularly desirable. Soils which are very light and loose may be made too loose by the turning under of manure, especially when it is green or strawy, and while it is not the best practice to plow under green manure immediately before planting, especially on light soils, if it is done Mr. Macoun said, the land should be given extra tillage so as to thoroughly incorporate the manure with it and keep the first few inches of soil from drying out and preventing the satisfactory sprouting of the potato sets.

Entrenching The Clover.

While strongly advocating spring plowing for potatoes, he pointed out that where a rather stiff soil has to be used fall plowing may be preferable, as the action of the frost upon it may help to loosen it. The ideal potato land, however, is that spring-plowed, with clover turned under and a top dressing of manure. The soil should be plowed deep enough that the clover will be well covered. Mr. Macoun suggested the use of a chain fastened to the beam of the plow and the whiffletree so as to hold the clover down and have it covered more rapidly. Another plant that has proven helpful in getting the

clover well covered down in the earth is the use of a roller coupler or steel disc in front of the plow. This is usually about 14 inches in diameter, and has a sharp edge, which cuts the clover plant and prevents clogging.

Methods of Cultivation.

The time of plowing will of course depend somewhat on the method of planting. If a planter is used there is no need of opening up furrows, and hence there will be no trouble with clover that has been plowed down, and the longer the clover is left growing in the spring the better the final results are likely to be. If, however, the furrows need to be opened a good plan. Mr. Macoun stated, is to turn under the clover some days before planting time, then disc harrow a couple of times to partially prepare the land, and the soil should be thoroughly harrowed with the smoothing harrow. By standing up the harrow or weighting it, the upper few inches of soil will thoroughly be pulverized and loosened.

It is very important to have the upper layers of soil in fine condition, for if the surface is rough the potato sets or young plants are likely to suffer in a dry time. Different methods of preparation will be necessary for different kinds of soil, but the nearer the land can be got into a thoroughly pulverized condition to a depth of about six inches or more before planting time the better the crop will be. When a planter is used the soil should be prepared thoroughly, harrowed, and the roller just before planting. Mr. Macoun urges the use of a planter where practicable.

Best Times to Plant.  
The best times for planting potatoes will vary in different parts of Canada, he said, much depending upon the condition of the ground and spring frosts, but these have not been considered the earlier the potatoes are planted the larger the crop is likely to be. The sets should not lie long in the ground before sprouting, as there is danger of their rotting, hence

they should not be planted when the soil is wet and cold. If they are planted too early, also, the young vines are liable to get nipped by spring frosts. As early potatoes usually command good prices, it is often worth taking the risk of frosts, he believes, and planting early if the ground is in condition. If the vines should be above ground and there is danger of frosts they may be covered slightly with the soil by turning a shallow furrow over them. Many potato growers, Mr. Macoun said, have to his personal knowledge saved their vines by this method.

Kind of Seed to Use

In endeavoring to obtain a maximum crop the planter should be careful to have his seed in good condition at the time of planting and to avoid having too many sprouts on any tuber. Potatoes will develop more quickly from sprouts made slowly in a bright, cool place than from sprouts that have grown rapidly in a dark place, and the yields will be much heavier. Tubers which sprout in the dark are also much more difficult to handle, as the sprouts break off easily. The sprouts should be about two inches in length at the time of planting. The warmest and best drained land that can be obtained should be used for extra early potatoes, and sets should be planted shallow so that they will have the advantage of heat from the surface of the soil. The potatoes should be planted whole, as they do not rot so readily as cut pieces, and the sprouts also have more to draw on. Where sets are planted by hand the sprouts should all be laid uppermost. -Tor. Globe.

#### Leader of Mexico's New Revolution.

Gen. Pascual Orozco will have left his impress upon Mexico no matter how the revolt of which he is now the military leader results.

It was in the rich Guerrero Valley that the nucleus of the army which brought about the overthrow of President Diaz was formed and this same valley has contributed several hundred men who are now under the banner of Orozco to remove from power President Madero, who success against Diaz they were largely instrumental in bringing about.

His Neighbors Idolize Him.

General Orozco is a product of the Guerrero Valley. He is the idol of the people of this mountain region. When he was identified with the Madero revolution and the administration of the national government his old neighbors were loyal to that cause. When he recently transferred his allegiance to Vasquez Gomez and assumed command of the revolutionary army of Chihuahua, the men of Guerrero Valley, flocked to his standard. So greatly has the new revolution drawn upon the men of that region that there are not enough men left to grow the crops to feed the women and children who are left behind. That Orozco will succeed in his plans no one there doubts for a moment. His old neighbors say he is a man of destiny, and that if he does not occupy the presidential chair it will be because he does not want that high position. They look upon him as a patriot and offer ample excuses for his change of allegiance from Madero to Gomez.

Justified in Course Toward Madero.  
Much that is erroneous has been published in regard to Orozco. He has been pictured as an illiterate, brutal and stubborn man of the brigand type. It has been cited that his affront to Madero immediately following the first battle of Juarez showed him to be disloyal and over officious. It is asserted, however, by men who know the inside circumstances relating to that sensational incident that Orozco was fully justified in his treatment of Madero and that the break between the two men on that occasion was never healed.

In view of the fact there is something more than a possibility that Orozco may become president of Mexico, or at least that he may occupy a prominent position in the government of the country should the present revolution succeed, an authentic biography of him would be

of interest.

Honor Graduate of College.

Pascual Orozco was born February 2, 1882, in the little village of Santa Ines des Monte, a few miles from Guerrero. His mother was Senora Amada Vasquez, daughter of a wealthy ranchman of this section. His early boyhood was spent upon his father's farm and the ranch of his grandfather. He was given the benefit of as good an education as the schools of this part of the country afforded and received his finishing education in the San Augustine College in Guadaluajara. He was graduated from that institution with high honors in 1899.

Fought With Brigands.

Three years ago he established a freighting agency at Minaca and was employed by three of the largest mining companies in the western part of the State to transport their bullion and ore to the railroad shipping point from the mills and mines. Orozco usually headed each caravan, and he had several engagements with bandits who made attacks upon the trains.

In personal appearance Orozco is not prepossessing. He is tall and angular and has a facial expression that is somewhat repulsive. He is known among his own people as the man who never smiles. He is also a man of silence. Not even to his closest friends does he do much talking and when he does take occasion to express himself it is never on frivolous subjects. He is serious minded always. He is an ideal military commander. His very presence demands obedience and respect. His orders never have to be repeated. Madero knows the power of Orozco and fears him more than any other man in the republic.

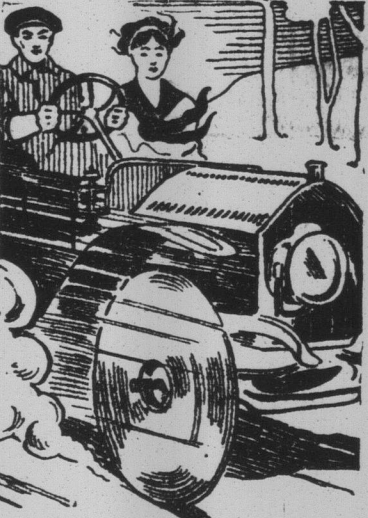
#### Prudent Investment

The last issue of Canadian Finance prints the first of a series of plain talks by an investor, who frankly states that in his venture he lost all he possessed. Being young, and willing to profit by a severe lesson, he was afterwards successful. He presents as a golden rule for the small investor the statement that he should do business only through a reputable firm, and use that firm's experience, knowledge and ability in the selection of securities; although of course, he should study market conditions himself, and not become a mere puppet in the hands of his brokers. Dealing with the harm that is done to the country at large by investments which are made by men with their eyes shut, this writer quotes with approval the following paragraph from the Canadian Courier, which may well be passed on for the benefit of the readers of other journals:

"If the millions of dollars wasted annually in schemes of a dangerous type were properly invested, they would quicken the pulse of our industrial, commercial and financial life. They would swell the tide of our prosperity. For instance, a million dollars thrown away in wireless telegraph or fake mining stock mean much to the country if invested in railway bonds. It would help to finance new rolling stock, and help to carry western farmers' wheat. Invested in good industrial bonds, the same money, rather than encouraging the dishonesty of the speculator, would help to make plant extensions, increase production, employ more labor, and better supply the demand."

#### Cutlery without Steel

An American scientist has discovered a new alloy which is likely to work a great change in some parts of the industrial world. By means of this alloy manufacturers will be able to make cutlery without the use of iron or steel—a feat that has hitherto been impossible of accomplishment. The inventor is, by profession, an automobile manufacturer, who makes a hobby of chemistry. His discovery is a combination of cobalt and chromium. It is unoxidizable and retains its lustre under all atmospheric conditions. It will take an edge which will compare favorably with the best steel, to which it is claimed to be superior in many respects. The alloy will take a hard polish, and is pleasing in appearance. Pocket knives and razors have been made from it and used with remarkable success. Iron has been turned on a lathe with it, while the fruit knives made from it have been found not to tarnish from contact with fruit juice.



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