

## HOW MRS. BOYD AVOIDED AN OPERATION

Canton, Ohio.—"I suffered from a female trouble which caused me much suffering, and two doctors decided that I would have to go through an operation before I could get well."



"My mother, who had been helped by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, advised me to try it before submitting to an operation. It relieved me from my troubles so I can do my house work without any difficulty. I advise any woman who is afflicted with female troubles to give Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a trial and it will do as much for them."—Mrs. MARIE BOYD, 1421 5th St., N. E., Canton, Ohio.

Sometimes there are serious conditions where a hospital operation is the only alternative, but on the other hand so many women have been cured by this famous root and herb remedy, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, after doctors have said that an operation was necessary—every woman who wants to avoid an operation should give it a fair trial before submitting to such a trying ordeal.

If you are afflicted with any of the above conditions, write to Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass., for advice. The result of many years experience is at your service.

### CENSUS RETURNS.

Ottawa, Feb. 27, 1918.—The Census and Statistics Office has published today its annual estimates of farms values in 1917 as compiled from the reports of correspondents at the end of July, 1918. The estimates comprise (1) the average values of farm land (2) the average wages paid for farm help and (3) the average values of farm live stock and of wool.

### Average Values of Farm Land.

According to the returns received, the average value of farm land for the whole of Canada, including land improved and unimproved together with dwelling houses, stables barns and other farm buildings, is approximately \$44 per acre as compared with \$41 in 1916. The average values by provinces are as follows: Prince Edward Island \$43.7; Nova Scotia \$33.6; New Brunswick \$28.8; Quebec \$53; Saskatchewan \$26; Alberta \$26.7; British Colum-

bia \$149. In the last named province the higher average is due to orcharding and fruit growing.

### Average Wages of Farm Help.

The average wages paid for farm help during the year 1917 have increased substantially since 1916 and have again reached the highest level on record. In many cases they are double what they were before the war. For the whole of Canada the wages per month of farm help during the summer, including board average \$63.63 for male and \$34.31 for female help, as compared with \$43.23 and \$22.46 in 1916. For the year 1917, including board, the wages averaged \$610.60 for males and \$364 for females as compared with \$397 and \$228 in 1916. The average value of board per month is returned as \$19.44 for males and \$14.79 for females as compared with \$17 for males and \$13 for females in 1916. By provinces, the average wages per month for males and females respectively, in the summer season, including board, were as follows: Prince Edward Island \$39.74 and \$22.63; Nova Scotia \$53.75 and \$26.43; New Brunswick \$57.19 and \$28.14; \$59.09 and \$28.98; Ontario \$59 and \$31.96; Manitoba \$67.97 and \$40.28; Saskatchewan \$73.21 and \$41.09; Alberta \$76.09 and \$44.44; British Columbia \$78.12 and \$48.20.

### Average Wages of Farm Live Stock and of Wool.

On the whole there is but little change reported in the value per head of horses; in some of the provinces the value has remained stationary or has even declined. For cattle sheep and swine, however, values are substantially higher than last year and are higher than in any previous year which records have been collected. For Canada the average value of horses, three years old and over is \$167 as compared with \$160, milch cows are \$84 as against \$70; cattle between one year old and three years average \$52 against \$43; sheep are \$14.93 against \$10.48 last year and swine are \$17.33 against \$11.98 per cwt. The average value of wool is 59 cents per lb, unwashed and 75 cents per lb washed. Correspondents were requested to ascertain as nearly as possible

the average value per head of each description of farm animal, and for calculation of total values these averages have been applied to the total number of farm animals as returned in June last. The results are as follows: Horses \$429,123,000 as compared with \$418,686,000 in 1916; milch cows \$274,081,000 as against \$198,896,000, other cattle \$270,595,000 as against \$204,477,000 sheep \$35,576,000 as against \$20,927,000 and swine \$92,886,000 as against \$60,700,000. The total value of farm live stock in Canada is estimated to be \$1,102,261,000 as compared with \$903,686,000, the estimate for 1916 as finally revised by the Census returns for the Prairie Provinces. In 1917, for the first time, the total value of farm live stock exceeds one billion dollars.

### BILLIANT DISPLAY OF "NORTHERN LIGHTS."

New York, March 7.—Brilliant lights over the city tonight brought thousands of persons into the streets to observe what was believed to be a great fire in the direction of New Jersey. The bright varicolored lights, with a vivid red predominating, proved to be Aurora Borealis, and officials at the Weather Bureau said the display was the best they had ever seen in this latitude. Telegraph and telephone service especially between New York and Canadian cities was seriously interrupted.

DULUTH, Minn., March 7.—The most elaborate display of the Aurora Borealis ever seen in Duluth appeared tonight. The lights took the form of an eagle with full spread wings.

### FRANCE CALL TO ME.

Harry Webb Farrington, in Boston Transcript.)

I.  
Across the sea  
There comes the call  
Of France to me.  
I hear the muffled, tender sound  
Of little children, under ground,  
Denied, bereft of everything:  
The right to play, to learn and sing.  
Dear little child  
Across the sea,  
I'll come to sing  
And play with thee.

II.  
From over there,  
I hear the call  
From France in prayer:  
The women calling for their mate,  
Now widowed by the Huns of Hate;  
Brides, homeless, childless, all alone  
Are brooding o'er a pile of stone.  
Heroic souls,  
I'll come to share  
Thy bitter grief,  
And blind despair.

III.  
From over sea,  
There comes sad sound  
From France to me:  
The painful peal of broken bells,  
Now shattered by Satanic shells;  
The war-sick wind, that walls and whines  
Through battered walls of sacred shrines:  
O House of Prayer,  
Where God's yet found,  
I'll help to heal  
Thy wicked wound.

IV.  
Beyond the Seine,  
I hear the cry  
Of France in pain:  
The shrieks from shell-hole, trench and wire,  
Men crazed by gas and liquid fire;  
Dumb agonies from No-Man's Land,  
Low groans beneath the surgeon's hand.  
O stricken land,  
Where evils reign,  
Thy call to me  
Is not in vain.

Minard's Liniment Cures Burns, Etc.

### JAPAN AND SIBERIA.

The Japanese apparently do not intend to allow any menace against Vladivostock. They cannot afford to do so. According to the Associated Press Japan is ready to strike a telling blow to Pan-German hopes in Siberia where the situation is grave owing to the fact that General Semenov, the Cossack leader of the forces opposed to the Bolshevik movement in that territory, has not been able to secure Allied support he has appealed to Japan, and there is every reason to believe that the Japanese have not been slow in arranging to come to his aid.

A glance at the map will show why Japan is not likely to let the German seriously threaten Vladivostock. If prompt action is necessary to prevent this we may be sure Japan will act promptly. Military observers point out that the Bolsheviks have actually armed German prisoners in Siberia and have paved the way for a general distribution of German goods throughout that province. The Allies have refused to recognize the agreements entered into by Russia and late despatches indicate that they are considering the protection of their own interests in a forcible way. They know that friendly protest will avail them nothing. What their plan of campaign may be is too early to say, but experts believe the time has come when Japan must enter the conflict on a scale far beyond anything she has hitherto undertaken in this war. She is well prepared for a long and sustained campaign. Her troops are trained and in fine fettle, and they are anxiously awaiting a chance to meet the enemy on the field of battle. In any operations

## COULD NOT STOP THE HEADACHES

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MRS. ALEXANDER SHAW.  
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In Siberia they would have the hearty co-operation of a considerable force of Russians under Semenov and other faithful officers who are standing solidly behind the Cossack leader. Military critics have no very good idea regarding the strength of this army, but they are convinced that it will fight loyally. Japan may be the Allies' trump card in the east. Time will tell. Meanwhile the civilized world will await with keen interest the developments of the next few weeks.

### NO MORE BULBS.

Leyden, Netherlands, Feb. 28.—No longer will the famous road to Haarlem present an uninterrupted vista of flowering bulbs, when spring comes. The bulb business, which has been flourishing in previous years has now ceased.

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### Search for Secrets.

Ponce De Leon started out to discover the Secret Fountain of Youth. Men are always looking for secrets: the secret of health, wealth, or happiness. But the secret of successful advertising has been discovered. It is strange it was not discovered long ago, but it was not until recent years, although it is remarkably simple. It is to "Tell the truth and shame the devil." Put into your advertisements the exact facts, without exaggeration or elaboration. When people see that you are entitled to confidence, they will make a beaten path to your doors.

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