

## Cultural Possibilities Discussed.

STATION SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED.

reports published in the Telegram of the weekly debates of the M. J. Club. Interesting reading. The new aspects of many of the old and give evidence of the progress by the speakers of keen and accurate perceptions. So far the debate reached have been such as to lead them to general acceptance. Some of those qualified to form opinions in the matter, while the correctness of the debate reached in the matter of the M. J. Club. There can be no doubt that Newfoundland wheat. As a matter of fact, it has been growing wheat, period, in a small way for over 70 years.

the recent war years quite a number of farmers in the district of St. John's raised wheat and had it sent into "whole wheat" flour, yielding a nutritious and palatable bread. By sowing of wheat on the difficulties to be anticipated, as the "new" variety of wheat now matures and well beyond the Arctic on the American Pacific Coast. It also grows Sugar Beet and all other essential crops in the production of a somewhat limited though not dietary. These are common assurances, but unfortunately carry with them a disappointing result. We can grow both Wheat and Sugar Beet but we cannot grow them profitably, and this for a number of reasons. In the first place we have approximately 7 million acres of land that will produce with all the excellent crops of the grains, grasses and vegetables. The 7 million acres there are or nearly a million that would grow wheat and some 250,000 that would grow Sugar Beet, and the more delicate vegetable and all of excellent quality. Statement is not given on hand. The writer is prepared to substantiate it.

## VENTY OF FERTILIZER.

alone have we this large area of cultural land, but we have the advantage of possessing all sources of supply of fertilizer in our hands. Fish, oil, guano, lime and other rocks. Why will we be asked, why not grow wheat and Sugar Beets? The answer is that we cannot profitably produce the following reasons: First the case of "Wheat." The yield of wheat per acre in the island is but 12½ bushels, in England about 15 bushels. The Englishman adopts a procedure that is native of his soil fertility—his practice "rotation" in wheat. This he can do owing to being of the "mixed" or "Arable" type. The American farmer's practice is one that rapidly diminishes the fertility, and this has now been pronounced by the present U.S. Dept. of Agriculture that at once resort to intensive rotation of his land, or within ten years the United States will be unable to import wheat. The present wheat just about covers the production in the United Kingdom in the present price of wheat production costs, hence the farmer refuses to raise wheat.

us examine the case for Newfoundland. Practically all the cleared land in the country is at present being used for much more profitably could be to wheat. Consequently the land required to raise our wheat would require to be cleared, would cost per acre \$120.00, the wheat would probably have to be sold, but in any case the crop would have to be charged with the cost of clearing.

on cost of clearing .. \$ 7.20  
ing, etc. .... 10.00  
er .. 10.00  
heat .. 3.75  
s, etc. .... 9.00  
\$39.95

5 bushels wheat at \$1.20 30.00

per acre .. \$ 9.95

matter of fact it would be the costs of production are estimated) and the yield problem (estimated). The capacity of the land is not known.

els per year. Our requirements call for such a mill as to the milling costs, to feed a large capacity would call for the of 1,000,000 bushels of wheat, it is turn would call for the of 72,000 acres of land at a nine million dollars.

AN BEET FROM LONDON?

ase for Sugar Beet is in store. There are other operative why we may not undertake ing of wheat, but there is no are in further labouring the. Though we may not have flour or sugar at present, it

ed sandwich filling, fish, eggs, and salad dressing. Cut with a sharp knife and cut in fancy

IT BYRNE & Stationer.

at sandwich filling, fish, eggs, and salad dressing. Cut with a sharp knife and cut in fancy

ed sandwich filling, fish, eggs, and salad dressing. Cut with a sharp knife and cut in fancy

ed sandwich filling, fish, eggs, and salad dressing. Cut with a sharp knife and cut in fancy

ed sandwich filling, fish, eggs, and salad dressing. Cut with a sharp knife and cut in fancy

ed sandwich filling, fish, eggs, and salad dressing. Cut with a sharp knife and cut in fancy

ed sandwich filling, fish, eggs, and salad dressing. Cut with a sharp knife and cut in fancy

ed sandwich filling, fish, eggs, and salad dressing. Cut with a sharp knife and cut in fancy

ed sandwich filling, fish, eggs, and salad dressing. Cut with a sharp knife and cut in fancy

# In ANTICIPATING YOUR REQUIREMENTS for EASTER

This Store presents some very remarkable Outstanding Values, culled from every Section and far-reaching in their sphere of helpfulness.



## EASTER TOGGERY

### It's a Great Time to Pick up CHINTZ REMNANTS

We have gone through all our beautiful Chintz remnants and made some deep price cuts in their clearance prices, thus making possible the best buying opportunities in well chosen, beautiful patterned Chintz of all kinds for every wanted purpose; suitable lengths are here in galore—suitably priced.

WON'T YOU SEE THEM!

### "PEERLESS LINENE,"

Looks Like Linen.

36 inches wide, a distinctive White Goods with a beautiful linen finish, closely woven and well suited for all fancy linen work, underwear, and home linens. Special Thursday, Saturday and Monday, per yard ..... 31c.

THURSDAY  
SATURDAY  
and  
MONDAY

Thronged to the doors last Saturday night—is it not the very best indication that our values are sound and that they stand out pre-eminently, stamping this Store as a safe place to do the entire family shopping.

At

BAIRD'S

Everything New and Beautiful for the Home and for Personal Adornment.

### SPECIALIZING GLOVES for EASTER

WHITE KID GLOVES—Ladies' fine grade White Kid Gloves in a lisle; 2 dome wrist. Special for Easter. Reg. \$2.30. Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... \$2.15

LADIES' FABRIC GLOVES—A line of nice Lisle Gloves for Easter; 2 pearl button wrist; shades of Gray, Beaver, Chamade, Black and White. Thursday, 79c. and Monday ..... 79c.

CASEMENT CLOTH—34 inch Casement Cloth plain shades of Cream, Fawn, Brown, Biscuit and Sage; very serviceable and makes a neat Casement Curtain. Reg. 50c. yard. Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... 55c.

CASEMENT CLOTHS—Uncommon looking Cream Casement Cloth, showing Cream lace insertion at both ends, 36 inches wide, plain hemmed edge. Reg. 70c. yard. Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... 64c.

NEW CHINTZ—New and beautiful floral Chintz, very heavy quality, choice for covering furniture, Chesters, fields, and such like. 36 inch wide. May we show you these. Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... \$1.05

WHITE SCRIM—The yd. 10c. 500 yards of all White Curtain Scrims, with a self striped border, good enough for Summer curtains of all kinds. The yard. Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... 10c.

OILED SLEEVINGS—12 inch bordered and a d scalloped edge Oil Cloth Shavings, in a variety of patterns. The yard. Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... 11c.

COTTON BATTING—Large bundles of white Cotton Battering, pure and free from pecks; an ideal filling for Cushions or Quilts, etc. The yard. Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... 49c.



## FOR YOUR EASTER HAT--This is the Store!

For, indeed, ours are Hats of Character with decided lines and charming piquancy.

JUST OUT OF THEIR BOXES.

Dozens of them in Straw, Net, Chenille, Mohair and Silk, etc.

READY-TO-WEAR HATS

destined to hold the most conspicuous place in Easter Attire.

## EASTER TOGGERY

### The Showroom Supplies the New Things for Easter Morn

LACE COLLARS—Heavy Lace roll Collars, in Cream or White, very suitable for your Spring Costume. Dress or Waist. Reg. 85c. Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... 69c.

HAT WREATHS—We offer some very handsome Artificial Hat Wreaths, showing the new small fruit and flower effects, and foliage, etc. Reg. \$1.00. Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... 87c.

NEW VEILINGS—Black, White and Coloured Veilings, Navy, Purple, Brown, Grey, in plain and spot silk. Reg. 45c. yard. Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... 36c.

CREPE DRESSING GOWNS—Cotton Crepe Dressing Gowns in shades of Rose, Sage, Pink, Lavender, and Sky. Satin trimmed and V neck and short sleeves. Sizes 38 to 44. Reg. \$2.19. Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... \$2.19.

BOUDOIR CAPS—Very dainty Boudoir Caps in Silk and Lace and Lace Trim. With Silk Top, mostly pink and Sky. Reg. 60c. Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... 52c.

SILK CAMISOLES—Beautifully made Silk Camisoles, trimmed with imitation Fillet Lace and Net. Ribbon Straps, other plain hemstitched tops, with elastic at waist. Sizes to 44 inch bust. Reg. \$1.70. Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... \$1.49.

JERSEY COMBINATIONS—Ladies Pink Jersey Combinations, with Silly Jersey Top and Strap. Knee length, open. Sizes 36 to 42 inch. Regular \$6.00. Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... \$2.98.

CHILDREN'S UNDERSKIRTS—Well made White Lawn Underskirts with body, embroidery trimmings and tucked. Sizes to fit 4 to 12 years. Reg. \$1.20. Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... 87c.

TRICOLETTE JUMPERS—Ladies and Misses Coloured Tricotelette Jumpers, embroidered and fringed, with girle tie at back. Short sleeves, newest shades, of Flame, Apricot, Navy, Pink, Black and White. All new. \$3.59. Special Sale Price ..... \$3.59.

### MOTHER! HERE'S A SNAP

GIRLS' STRIPED SERGE COATS—Only 4 of them; very becoming Cream-Serge Coats with a nice vertical stripe, belted style, over collar and prettily embroidered; sizes to fit 4 to 6 years. Regular \$6.00. Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... \$3.49.

CHILDREN'S WHITE DRESSES—See this line of White Muslin Dresses, with embroidered yoke and sleeves, and embroidered and hemstitched skirt, ribbon beading, long sleeves; sizes to fit 3 months to 3 years. Regular \$3.30. Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... \$2.69.

James Baird  
LIMITED

### Shot Silk Taffeta RIBBONS

Hundreds of yards of beautiful Shot Silk Taffeta Ribbons, four and a half inches wide, favouring shades of Purple, Navy, Brown, Sage, Green and Cardinal, etc. Ribbons for every purpose. Reg. 60c. yard. Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... 34c.

WHITE CURTAIN LACES—Very strong, Nottingham White Curtain Laces, wove edge, and uncommon looking, well covered patterns. Reg. 65c. yard. Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... 59c.

WHITE SCRIMS—A distinctive looking Curtain Scrim, with a neat self border at each side. Reg. 40c. value. Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... 36c.

HUCK TOWELS—Strong service-giving Huck Towels, with plain hemmed ends; worth 40c. each. Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... 21c.

FAMILY TOWELS—Large unbleached Turkish Towels, 20 x 40 size; Crimson striped; good value. Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... 65c.

TURKISH TOWELING—12 inch, very soft finish, half bleached Turkish Toweling; durable. Special Thursday, Saturday and Monday, per yard ..... 38c.

ART MUSLINS—36 inch Art Muslins, double borders, and some pretty colored floral patterns to select from. Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... 27c.

TOWEL RACKS—Tubular Towel Racks, with nickel finish, simple to attach to wall. Thursday, Saturday and Monday, complete ..... 19c.

### Table Cloths and Napkins

WHITE DAMASK CLOTHS—Excellent quality White Damask Table Cloth, 46 x 66 size; a special lot we are offering for this Easter Sale; value for \$3.50. Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... \$3.10.

TABLE NAPKINS—Full size White Damask Table Napkins; hemmed ready for use. 20 x 20 size. Special each Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... 39c.

### Beautiful New Dress Goods and Costumings Underpriced



VELOUR CLOTHS—54 inch Spring Velour Cloth. Beautiful quality goods in the most wanted shades, Navy, Brown, Amethyst, Grey, Green and Black. Ideal for your new Spring Costume or Cape. Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... \$4.15.

MORE VELOUR CLOTHS—These are another of new arrivals, beautiful texture and particularly well suited in regard to shade and weight for spring. Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... \$4.75.

DRESS SERGES—12 inch fine quality all wool Dress Serges, best English make, and extra good value, in shades of Sage, Navy, Grey, Maroon and Dark Fawn. Reg. \$1.80. Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... \$1.15.

### Handsomeness Hosiery In Keeping With Your New Easter Footwear

WOMEN'S COLORED HOSE—Several dozen pairs of imitation shot effect Hosiery. Spring weight, fine ribbed finish. Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... 29c.

WOMEN'S CASHMERE HOSE—Fast Black plain Cashmere Hosiery of high grade quality. Worth up to \$6.00 pair. Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... \$2.20.

BARRED CASHMERE HOSE—A nice medium weight in close ribbed, fast Black Cashmere. Reg. \$1.60. Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... \$1.49.

### WINDOW BLINDS

WINDOW BLINDS—New arrivals in 36-inch Window Blinds, Buff and Green shades, strong spring rollers, complete with fitting. Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... 75c.

Flats Trimmed—Thursday, Saturday and Monday ..... 85c.

Rollers (Complete with fittings) ..... 95c.

is very probable that fifty years hence for obvious reasons, we will be producing both. The results of the agricultural policy initiated some 11 years since have been very satisfactory, but the maximum of results has not yet been reached. It is much to be regretted that the stringency of the times makes it imperative to curtail the vote in aid of Agricultural development. If the matter be taken in hand on a comprehensive scale there is nothing to prevent our developing our apple raising industry that in 15 years would suffice to meet home requirements, and thus keep in the country the amount yearly sent to Nova Scotia for this fruit.—Com.



### THE BALLAD OF THE INDIFFERENT WHIST PLAYER.

I am not much at the game,  
Careless the things that I do,  
Those whose approval I claim  
When I attempt it, are few;  
Bridge players look in dismay  
After a hand I have played,  
Always they telly say:  
"Why did you lead me a spade?"

I, who am gentle and tame,  
Am scorned by a merciless crew;  
I hear the blunt and the blame  
Whenever they mutter, "Down  
two!"

No matter what card I may play,  
No matter that whist's not my trade,  
Always they sneeringly say:  
"Why did you lead me a spade?"

Matron, young maiden or dame,  
Brown eyes or brown eyes or blue,  
Angrily treat me the same,  
Recalling the cards that I drew,  
Be it December or May,  
Ever she starts this tirade,  
With a look that's intended to say:  
"Why did you lead me that spade?"

### L'ENVOI

Prince, when my soul flies away  
And my form in the cold ground  
Is laid,  
Let me rest where nobody will say:  
"Why did you lead me that spade?"

### Two Memorable Battles.

April 13th is a day doubly memorable in our Naval Annals, as being the anniversary of two battles that were fought in 1871, one in the East and one in the West Indies. As Captain Mahan, the famous American historian puts it: "The sun had not yet set upon the exhausted squadrons of Appen and Hughes anchoring after their fierce battles of Ceylon, when his earliest rays shone upon the opening strife between Rodney and De Grasse. The two battles are, of course, notable in themselves, the action of Trincumalee being one of the most stubborn fights that we ever had with the French. It began at noon, and had become general in both fleets by 3 o'clock; on both sides masts and yards came crashing down, but more especially on board the "Monmouth" 64, which was so badly mauled, that she was towed a mere log out of the line. The battle lasted till darkness fell, both fleets suffering severely, and neither could claim a victory. The other battle was the ever memorable occasion when Rodney initiated the manoeuvre of breaking the line, and crowned his most famous victory, by taking prisoner the Comte de Grasse in his flagship the "Ville de Paris," the finest man-of-war at that time afloat—after she had fought magnificently for hours, and until she had lost half her men, exhausted all her ammunition, and had but three unwounded men on her upper deck, one of whom was de Grasse himself. He, with his own hand, hauled down the fleur de lys and surrendered to Hood in the "Barfleur." De Grasse was the first commander-in-chief of the French by land or sea, who had been taken prisoner since Marshal Tallard gave up his sword to Marlborough at Blenheim in 1704.

### DO IT NOW.

When business is hard to get the thoughtful merchant works harder. Very often poor business is due to lack of application. We apply to the trade to-day and say to them that we are in a position to offer at Reduced Wholesale Prices the following preparations:—

Stafford's Liniment.  
Prescription "A"—small & large size.  
Phoradene Cough and Cold Cure.  
Essence Ginger Wine.  
Ess. Peppermint, ¼ and 1 oz. bils.  
Frier's Balsam, ¼ and 1 oz. bottles.  
Tincture Iodine, ¼ and 1 oz. bottles.  
Sweet Spirits Nitro, ¼ and 1 oz. bottles.  
Glycerine, 1 oz. bottles.  
Paracetamol, 1 oz. bottles.  
Camphorated Oil, 1 oz. bottles.  
Oil Eucalyptus, 1 oz. bottles.  
Briek's Tasteless Cod Liver Oil.

DR. F. STAFFORD & SON,

Wholesale and Retail Chemists and

Druggists.

mar28,12 St. John's, Nfld.

One or two sheets of asbestos paper

placed over a dish when it is put in the

oven, will prevent it from browning

too much.

Do you want your choice of a

Suit or Overcoat—cut, made and

trimmed in the Spurrell way—

at almost your own price? We

must have work, even if we

don't get profits. SPURRELL

the Tailor, 365 Water Street.