

is; but it is also a rough picture of the agriculture to be seen to this day in Persia and Arabia. Farming in Mesopotamia is today very much as it was one thousand, two thousand, three thousand years ago. And now all this is likely to be changed, for Sir William Willcocks, who designed the great Aswan Dam on the Nile to modernize the agriculture of Egypt, has designed and is now constructing great works on the Euphrates and the other rivers which will direct the waters of that region, so that, instead of destroying floods, there shall be enriching irrigation canals of water under human control.

### Gid in Sheep

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and expel the worms. For this purpose powdered areca nut can be given two grains being given to every pound weight of the dog which is being treated. It can be stirred up in a little milk and poured into the mouth, or mixed with a little lard or butter. This should be followed up in the course of two or three hours with a tablespoonful of castor oil. Another useful remedy consists of a tablespoonful of turpentine and two tablespoonfuls of castor oil, which can be given in a cup of milk and poured into the mouth. During the time the dog is under treatment all the excreta or faecal matter passed should be effectually disposed of by burning or mixed with lime and buried.

It is also essential that steps should be taken to prevent the dogs from becoming infested with the worms. This can be done by preventing dogs from eating the brain or other affected portions of sheep which have died from "Gid." It is advisable in all cases where sheep are affected with "Gid" to slaughter them as soon as possible and to immediately and effectively dispose of their skulls by burning them up to prevent dogs from eating them.

This affection of sheep is apparently quite prevalent in certain of the Western states, but fortunately does not exist to any great extent among sheep in Western Canada. Where it does exist sheep owners should adopt measures to get rid of it and prevent its recurrence.

### CANADIAN POTATO CROP

The London Economist in its current issue reviews a publication of the federal government of Canada dealing with the potato crop.

This crop in Western Canada does not compare in importance with the wheat crop, but in countries of the temperate zone it is second only to the wheat crop in its importance as an article of food.

The publication of the federal government of Canada points out that in this country far too many varieties—an excessive number—of potatoes are in use. Many of these classes are of no value or importance.

The country of the world with the largest potato yield is Germany. Russia leads in acreage, but in that country the yield per acre is only 95 bushels, while in Germany this is increased to 204 bushels. The acreage ascribed to the former country is 10,500,000, while the latter has a total of 8,000,000. Other leading countries have as follows: France, 3,794,000 acres; United States, 3,449,000; Austria, 3,123,000; Hungary, 1,647,000, and the United Kingdom, 256,000. In the matter of yield per acre Belgium leads the world with an average of 253 bushels. The total yield of important countries is as follows: Germany, 1,681,355,000 bushels; Russia, 1,155,461,000 bushels; Austria-Hungary, 682,377,000; France, 497,244,000; the United States, 333,514,000, and the United Kingdom, 295,773,000.

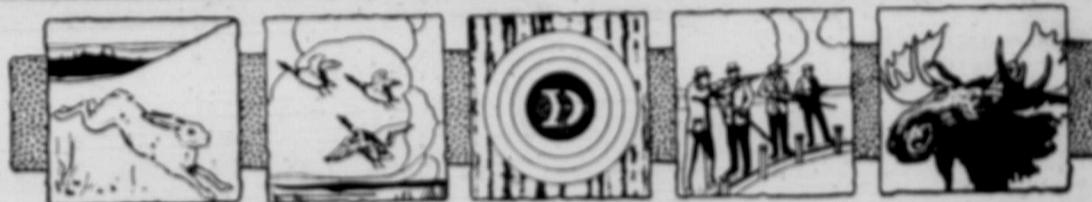
### THE QUEBEC ELECTIONS

The provincial elections held in Quebec on Monday, May 22, resulted in an overwhelming majority for the Liberals. The results show the Liberals with 72 seats and the Conservatives 7. The Liberals have been in power in Quebec since 1887, and the present result would indicate that they have given excellent satisfaction during their administration. In twenty-two constituencies members were elected by acclamation. Nova Scotia is in the midst of a provincial election campaign and there is every likelihood of an election being held in British Columbia during the summer.

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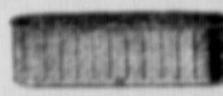
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