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### A French Farm Home

The following description of a French farm home was taken from the Picton Gazette. Mr. A. E. Callan, the editor, who was overseas this year, was a successful farmer up to ten years ago, and is therefore in a position to write authoritatively on the subject of farms:

"There is always some compensation for all misfortune. There is no loss without some gain. This is nature's way of holding the balance even. I have already referred to the balky motorcar engine that resulted in the visit to La Chaudiere cemetery. This same delay also resulted in another most interesting experience. Just at the spot where we were held up for an hour or more was a French farm home built in the usual style of English and French farmsteads. It was in the war area and the buildings were new. They were built of red brick with tile roofs in a sort of square with the buildings all connected together on three sides and on the fourth side fenced in. The house and the main barn faced the road but there was no entrance to either from the roadside. The entrance was an arched driveway between the house and barn with doors that closed by night. The house and main barn were really one building, one and a half story high with continuous roof, the central driveway being merely an entrance with the barn loft over head. We were not in the house but we were through the other buildings. The ground floor of the barn was a cow stable with stalls for 24 cows. There were 20 cows in the stable when we visited it at 12 noon, June 25th. While we were there they were turned out on to a small bit of pasture for exercise, but they were practically stall-fed the year round. They were fine specimens of milch cows, big and roomy, and red in color. They were just about the type of cow one would expect to get from across between a good Short-horn and a Holstein, but I should say even bigger and roomier than either of these breeds. What is more they were in the pink of condition and milking heavily. So much for the cattle. Now for the stable and feeds.

"The stable was the best I have ever seen. It was of brick with concrete mangers and reinforced concrete partitions between the cows. There was an individual water system. The stables were on the ground level. The upper floor was the storage loft for straw. Hay is not stored in England or France, it is stacked. The floor of the loft was of reinforced concrete with steel beams. A large quantity of wheat straw was stored there bound in bundles after being threshed by hand with the flail. This was used for bedding.

"At right angles with the cow barn and joining it was the horse stable. Joining the horse stables was the pig pen and joining this the machine shed. These made another side of the square. Some five or six good horses were in the stables. In the pig pen were 22 of the finest hogs I ever saw. There were three or four fine brood sows, some young pigs and some about ready for market. In the angle between the cow and horse barn, and built into it, was a sort of round structure or tower about ten feet in diameter. This proved to be a manure tank built in the silo style. The tank was in the second story and was used as a reservoir for the liquid manure that was pumped into it by a 2 h. p. electric pump from the collecting tank or cistern built under the stable

floors, which are filled from grates in the drop behind the cows and horses. The liquid manure is taken direct to the fields in a tank mounted on a wagon like a watering cart. This was gravity filled from the storage tank. In the centre of the three-sided square, the other side of which is formed by a large poultry house and sort of store room, is the semi-circular manure pit for the solids. This is enclosed with a brick wall and has a concrete floor. Around the three sides of this were several small pits or silos for storing brewers' grains, which formed an important part of the live-stock rations. These pits were about four ft. deep, six feet long and four feet wide. One side is formed by the manure pit walls, the opposite side by another circular wall and the other sides by the partitions between. These are filled with brewers' grain, covered with clay and used as needed.

"The most striking thing about these farm buildings was the conservation of the valuable fertilizing elements that are largely wasted in Canada. Herein lies much of the secret of the wonderful fertility of the Belgian, French and English farms, where land that has been cropped for centuries continues to produce abundantly. Canadian farmers have much to learn from European methods. We are wasteful and inefficient."

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### Toronto's Night Life

Toronto is a puzzle to all but the home folks, writes Gregory Clark in a Toronto paper.

The city of churches—and the greatest racing city in the Dominion. Headquarters of the temperance forces of Canada—but plenty of drug stores and bootleggers and breweries in active eruption.

Gateway to one of the grandest summer resort regions in the world—yet a chilly, inhospitable city to the stranger.

It hasn't a single cabaret. Its public dance halls have dwindled to two in number, two little, modest ones.

A city of over half a million, and it can only create a demand for one tea dance, which, at that, is not a regular institution.

Yet the man who would say that Toronto doesn't have a good time—absolutely as good a time as it wants—would be crazy.

The fact is, what Toronto regards as a good time happens to be different from the idea of a good time held by the people of Montreal, Buffalo, Winnipeg, New York, Detroit or San Francisco.

And that is definitely and finally proven by the night life of Toronto. Toronto is the only city of its size in America that has no downtown night life.

The corner of King and Yonge streets, at twenty minutes past eight at night, is the abode of shadows. A small trickle of people pass the great heart of Toronto, hastening somewhere else. Motor cars slow up and slew cautiously around the corner, afraid of the shadows. There is no traffic cop. One would be absurd.

The crowd thins and thins, as the hours pass from 8.30 to 10.30. Then there comes a surge of people from the theatres. But they don't linger. They pile aboard cars. The night is racy with motor cars on their way.

By 11.15 those still abroad have a mischievous air. By a quarter to twelve the policeman is standing prominently at a corner, as though reprimanding the stragglers still disturbing the peace. By midnight the taxi drivers, like stage hands after the curtain is down and the audience departed, arrive noisily at the one-arm lunches to count their takings and soak up a doughnut in coffee.

But has Toronto no night life? Does Toronto go to bed or the theatre at 8 p.m.?

Toronto has a night life. A night life just as active and lively and full of excitement and fun as you will ever see on Broadway or the Loop. But it isn't a downtown night life. It's an uptown night life.

It is a small movie theatre, drug store soda parlor, a rural sort of night life. It is as if Toronto were a series of towns run together, but each retaining its individuality. The celebrants of Bloor street get to know the other evening promenaders by sight, just as the people of Galt or Brampton get to know each other.

The bright lights of Danforth are miles longer than the bright lights of Yonge street. King street, at its most crowded hour after sunset, is a village thoroughfare compared to the big jam on St. Clair avenue.

What are the throngs doing? No less than the throngs of Broadway or Hollywood. Ice cream and French pastry is as well-made on Danforth as on Woodward avenue. Hundred-watt lamps are the same all over America. A watt is a watt. A pound is fifteen and a half ounces.

Gloria Swanson dazzles no less brightly from the screen on St. Clair than from the screen of the Rialto. There is a standard of excellence to the playing of the violin or the piano which only a few surpass. The electric sky signs, the paint, the gilt and glitter of all the artificers can never surpass the glory of a fruit store window, a barbaric plunge of color. Then the people—their clothes, their faces, their expressions, the feel of throngs of them passing and following and preceding.

And Bloor street doesn't come intruding on St. Clair, nor does College go invading Danforth.

Toronto is a puzzle to all but the home folks.

But the home folks understand. Toronto has another kind of night life besides the theatres and ice-cream parlors. It is in the realms of sport.

There are numerous parks in this big city, in which cricket, tennis, soft ball and lawn bowling take place. It is quite interesting to wander through these parks and watch the different games. Toronto has more bowling-greens than any other city in America.

#### Where Wigs Are Worn.

Wig-making is an art in itself but is too limited to provide a very lucrative job for the makers. In England the total output does not exceed 250 a year. A barrister, more especially a "newly called" one, has no particular liking for a new wig, which marks him out as a "prentice hand."

## Continuing the PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

### Convocation of Presbyterians

For the district will be held in St. Andrew's Church Schoolroom, Sarnia, at 2 o'clock and 7.30 on FRIDAY, OCT. 31st, to consider

### THE CHURCH UNION VOTE BY BALLOT

The afternoon meeting will be for organization, the evening meeting for addresses.

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The hair has to go through many processes—boiling, bleaching, curling—before it is ready to adorn the head of either advocate or judge; and the making of a single wig will occupy a skilled worker a week, or more.

Most legal luminaries are as carefully fitted for a wig as for a suit of clothes; and the sizes and shapes vary considerably. The average wig is about twenty-two inches in circumference; occasionally a wig may be twenty-four inches or more.

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