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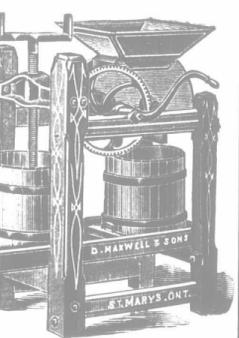
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English privates were discussing the death of a fellow private: "Was he wounded?" said Bill. "No," replied Jim. "It's a habdomen," said Bill. "It's men nothin'," said Jim. "It's eagers as has habdomens."

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EDITORIAL.

Read the exhibition reports in this issue.

It is a good fall to fence. The ground is soft.

The successful stockman requires a silo. Corn is the great feed crop.

A dirty corn or root field should be plowed and worked up this fall.

The autumn is a good season to plan improvement in all classes of stock.

Educative features are the real lasting drawing card of any large fair. The Midway is not in this class and should go.

There must have been two 'St. Swithin's days this year judging from the way it has continued to pour rain on the soaked fields.

Newly seeded clover should never be pastured when the ground is soft. It is a question whether it should ever be pastured.

And now the corn harvester will advance on the serried ranks of the biggest fodder battalions ever assembled out of Canadian soil.

Every young person should be taught how to do something. The demand for good workmen is always great and never fully supplied.

Among the many advantages of the corn crop is its ability to survive a wetting at harvest time and go into silo storage practically unimpaired.

Never before did we hear so many people remark that they are doing certain things because it is their duty to do them. The great war is having some influence for good.

Judging by the way queries are coming in regarding the treating of seed wheat for smut there will be less smut in the wheat in 1916. Formalin, properly used, will keep the fields clean of smut.

It is not always that the best animal wins, but it is encouraging to hear breeders say: "Well, we got about all that was coming to us." This shows the right spirit, and this kind of man will come again and win.

Some fifty years ago the United States was in the throes of a great war for the freedom of the enslaved black race; to day great Britain with the Allies is battling for the freedom of the world from an iron militarism.

We have little time for the man or woman who reaches over and takes the prize money won by his or her child at the School Fair. If the child takes care of the plots or chickens and then wins in the competition, who else has any right to the money?

When able-bodied men loaf in a harvest like this has been, refusing to work on the farm for a good wage, and where they would get free a good bed and first class board, no one can blame the farmer if he does without hired help in the season when he does not really require it.

The Midway—Cleaned Up or Cleaned Out.

Many of our smaller fall fairs have closed their gates to the side show and the fakir, we hope, forever, and judging from the class of "fun, sport and amusement" furnished by the "Midway" on the grounds of our larger exhibitions it too could and should go never to return. Some Toronto papers, commenting on this year's great Canadian National, classed the Midway as the poorest feature of the entire exhibition and no sane person could do otherwise. The Midway at others of our large shows is just as disappointing, just as low-grade, just as degrading. When side shows must be closed up on the grounds and are allowed to open out again later with a censored and revised show, and when nearly all the shows are built up on much the same principles or contain freaks of the human race which should be in hospitals rather than displayed before thousands of exhibition goers, it is time for a general clean up. There is nothing educative, edifying or interesting in any of it. We are told that a "Midway must be a Midway." If it must always be a Midway such as fair-goers of the last decade are familiar with, then let us have no Midway. It is the young people who patronize the side shows in largest numbers and what do they get for their money?—nothing or worse than nothing, for many of the shows really do harm. The fakir with his rings to throw over worthless knives, the hoopla sharper, the man with the spots to cover with the little brass discs—these should go out with the rest of the gang and stay out. Surely, there are a few amusements which should stay—the roller coaster, chute the chutes, merry-go-round, royal gorge and such real amusements which have no fake connected with them and which are open to the public and the people see what they are to get for their money and are not disappointed. More such might be added, but the tented Midway of bad dancers, disgusting freaks and fakirs of all kinds is no drawing card for any show. Find a man or woman, if you can, who goes to a big fair to see the Midway and nothing else, or with whom the Midway is the main attraction which induces either to attend and what have you? We doubt whether one could be found and if so have our own opinions of such people. The Midway is a revenue getter. True, some real, live educative feature in its place would be a better puller for the show. One man at Toronto emphatically stated that a really good place to eat would bring more people and more money to the big Fair than any Midway could do. Who would trade a show such as is put on in front of the grand stand at big fairs for all the Midways ever seen in Canada? When the fair-goer has seen one Midway he has seen them all. They do not even include a good clown any more, and all the side shows controlled by one man or company as they are tends to lower the production year after year, consequently these shows leave a dirty, dark-brown taste in the mouth of the person who bites. If a Midway cannot be built up with clean, wholesome fun, clever acrobatic feats or educative features as a basis then it has no place on our exhibition grounds. So far it has been of the class that should be barred by all shows. It should be cleaned up or cleaned out, preferably the latter.

Changing Work.

The place to learn to co-operate is right at home. The time to begin is in a season like this has been in Ontario, where much crop is still unharvested because of the wet weather and the shortage of help on the fine days. "What can we do for men?" was the cry heard on every hand, and a drive to the nearest town or village did not solve the problem. There were few men there, and in some cases those who were idling did not care to do farm work. What could be done? Just one thing. Neighbors could show their neighborliness and change work. This is the real beginning of co-operation. A man cannot draw in grain alone to advantage, but he and his neighbor together can make good time. A grower of fruit on a small scale cannot always market to advantage alone, but a number of such growers together, marketing a uniform product can get the prices and find a ready market. The same is true to some extent in the marketing of most of the products of the farm. But we must return to the changing work idea with which we began. Modern implements and machinery have made it possible for two men, working together, to accomplish great things, especially in harvest time. One man can cut and tie the crop and another, where a sheaf carrier is properly used, stook it. Two men, using slings, can draw in to fair advantage, and neighbors changing work can accomplish much more than where they work separately. Such work carried on fairly and in a straightforward manner cannot help but bring neighbors closer together and form the nucleus of an outgrowth of real co-operation. The mean man, who is always looking to take advantage of his neighbor, has been a detriment in the way of advancement in working together. But he can soon be put where he belongs by leaving him to his own resources. Farm hands may not be too plentiful in the near future, and changing work may help many a producer out of a difficult place.

The Military Outlook.

Some newspaper writers in Canada assure their readers that the fiery Theodore Roosevelt more correctly expresses the United States' attitude towards the war than President Wilson. Assuming that the ex-President means actual participation with the Allies, then they are evidently mistaken, nor does this imply that the mind of the Republic is not against Kaiserism and all its atrocities and breaches of public faith. Mr. Wilson's messages to Germany express substantially the American mind. But the situation does not correspond with that when the Hearst coterie of newspapers fired the public and war was declared upon decrepit Spain in grossly mis-governed Cuba in 1898 following the destruction of the U. S. battleship, Maine, in Havana harbor with a loss of 266 lives. The United States have accepted with remarkable forbearance non-intervention in the Mexican turmoil right on their southern doorstep. It would seem that prudential considerations with an eye to future commercial ascendancy by conservation of her forces and resources is shaping the American attitude and temper. The American has a keen eye to business, though the world must recognize the truly magnificent generosity of the United States in personal service, material and money for the war sufferers, first to Belgium and the Allies.

Some deed of Kaiserism might any day kindle the dormant flame. The real statesmen and