

Coated pigs, and to prepare memorandum, articles of association, bye-laws, and regulations for making entries for the registration of boars and sows.

"The president, vice-president, and council of twelve members were elected, and at their first council meeting in April three resolutions were passed; viz., 'That the association should be incorporated under the Companies Act, and that the invented word 'LICPA' be registered as the trade mark of the association. That all pigs registered be tattooed, free of charge, in the near ear, with the registered trade mark and the member's Herd number.'

"The scale of points for the Lincolnshire Curly-Coated pig has been fixed as follows:—

Colour: White.	
Face and neck: Medium length and wide between the eyes and ears	5
Ears: Medium length and not too much over face	10
Jowl: Heavy	3
Chest: Wide and deep	15
Shoulders: Wide	10
Back: Long and level	10
Sides: Very deep and ribs well sprung	5
Loin: Broad	5
Quarters: Long, wide, and not drooping	5
Hams: Large and well-filled to hocks	15
Tail: Set high and thick	3
Legs: Short and straight	5
Belly and flank: Thick and well filled	3
Coat: Fair quantity of curly or wavy hair	8
Total	100

"George," she said, "before we were married you were always giving me presents. Why don't you ever bring me anything now?"

"My dear," replied George, "did you ever hear of a fisherman giving bait to fish he had caught?" Then the kettle boiled over.—*Tit-Bits.*

"Yes, Katherine, it was the ultra-fashionable wedding of the winter."

"Indeed?"

"You should have seen the gorgeous wedding gown worn by the bride. The flowers were the costliest that could be bought."

"Really?"

"And then the jewels and furs of those invited! The display was dazzling."

"Gracious! And there was nothing cheap looking at the wedding?"

"Nothing looked cheap except the poor abashed bridegroom."

TALKS WITH NATURE

"I think you're quite funny," I said to the River. "For while you've a bed you're awake night and day, And run on, yet you stay; And your mouth is so far from your head."

I said to the Hill: "I'll allow You have a most wonderful brow, But you've such a big foot That you never can put On a shoe of the style they use now."

I said to the Tree: "You are queer! Your trunk is all packed, but I fear You can't leave until spring When—a curious thing!— You must still remain standing right here."

To a green red Blackberry I said: "I know you are green when you're red And you're red when you're green, But to say what I mean Is enough to befuddle one's head."

—*St. Nicholas.*

Trade Notes

RAILWAYS NEEDED

Transportation Difficulties in the Chinese Empire are Enormous.

The lack of railways is one of the chief difficulties which China has to face in her struggle towards the progressive civilization of the western

world. Transportation is laborious, slow and uncertain, and while the Government is encouraging the building of railways, it naturally will be many years before the whole of that vast empire will be readily accessible to world trade. For example, missionaries going to inland China must be towed up the Yang Tse for hundreds of miles, a procedure which usually takes three months. A piano sent out from Toronto to Miss Isabel McIntosh at Wei Hwei Fu underwent this sort of thing, and must have been handled somewhat roughly at times. Once it got wet and it arrived at the mission station with the pedals rusted and with blisters on the varnish of the lid. Yet when Miss McIntosh opened it, she found it was in perfect tune. It is hardly necessary to explain that the instrument was a Gourlay, manufactured by Messrs. Gourlay, Winter & Leeming. That piano has already won a reputation for care in manufacture and general durability, which this incident simply confirms. Miss McIntosh, writing to the firm, says: "The piano dried out without any injury and gives me much pleasure. I am very proud of our Canadian piano. There are now five pianos in our mission and the Gourlay is the favorite." No wonder. There are many pianos in Canada and in spite of them all, the Gourlay is the favorite in this country.—*Advt.*

THE AGRICULTURE OF VANCOUVER ISLAND has lately attracted considerable attention. Extensive development of the mining and lumbering interests have brought to the people a splendid market. Dairying, fruit growing and stock raising have now become prominent industries on the Island, and their rapid development and the constant increase of the Island's wealth has been phenomenal.

Vancouver Island is indeed a home land. The salubrity of the climate, the scenic beauty of the neighborhood will always prove attractive to those who are looking for a comfortable place to live.

In this issue appears the advertisement of C. Newton Young. Mr. Young has been in the real estate business in that country for a considerable time and his knowledge of the Island and familiarity with values make him a competent judge of all matters connected with real estate.

To our friends who are interested we would suggest writing to Mr. Young, Duncan, P. O., and if they will mention this paper they will secure valuable information about the resources of this favored land.

NO DOUBT THE MAJORITY of our readers are already familiar with the Great-West wire fence, but to those who are not we would suggest a perusal of their advertisement which appears from time to time in our advertising columns.

Their catalog which illustrates very clearly the different styles of fence is free to all who ask for it mentioning this paper.

One important feature of this fence is its strength and durability. It is strong enough to resist almost any weight that may be brought to bear against it and as a matter of fact the "Great-West" has been largely used to enclose parks containing wild animals. By combining weight and strength of material this concern has given to the farmers a fence that is permanent, durable and of good appearance. For further particulars address, Great West Wire Fence Co., Ltd., 76 Lombard St., Winnipeg, Manitoba.

THE FORWARD MOVE in the dairy business of Western Canada is apparent in many ways. Old methods are passing away. The country store, always willing to give tea and tobacco in exchange for poor butter, now handles

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Fruit Trees
are there

The Land is Cleared

THE FAMOUS

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The Show Fruit Land Property of the Kootenay is now being subdivided. This is what you have been waiting for.

More than forty acres in flourishing apple, pear and cherry trees; also (1) nearly two hundred acres of cleared or partly cleared but not planted; (2) three hundred acres of mostly tillable but unimproved land; (3) one hundred acres of mountain side wood lots.

Buy a little orchard, move on to it and be happy and prosperous; or stay away and treat it as an investment. Five acres of apples will make you independent. Figure it. Minimum net income, \$200 an acre. Trees begin to bear next year. While they are young you can make a good income from vegetables and berries. From one-third of an acre J. E. Houghton took \$605 worth of strawberries in 1906, net \$405.

The whole of this magnificent property has been subdivided into lots from three to twenty-five acres. The average price will be about \$100 dollars an acre, the cleared lots and the orchard lots bringing much more and the unimproved much less.

A half mile of frontage on Kootenay Lake has been cut into big summer residence lots. A grand place for a home whether you buy a fruit farm lot or not.

The finest ranch home in the Kootenays, seven large rooms, grand fire-places, piped with pure water, modern plumbing and conveniences, wide verandahs, beautiful view of mountains and Sunshine Bay. Trains and steamers at the gate. One hour to Nelson. Large greenhouses. Six acres with the residence or as much as you want. Among applications for the homestead, preference will be given to those who wish to bring their friends and neighbours with them. A group of friends or associates desiring a profitable and non-strenuous occupation in a mild climate would find Cold Spring Ranch ideal. Why not make up a colony?

Cold Spring Ranch is THE improved fruit property of the Kootenay. Don't confuse this with wild land offerings.

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NOTE:—Our Mr. Theodore M. Knappen, now located in Winnipeg, was formerly Secretary of the Western Canada Immigration Association. Mr. Knappen spent a month in the fruit country before choosing Cold Spring Ranch. Have a talk with him; he has some good syndicate propositions involving large tracts.

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