

a farm; they would be healthy, robust, happy; they would form a taste for farming and farm life; when big enough to work they would have their trade learned, so to speak; they would fit in where they belonged; they would be of some use to the farmer.

As it is at present, a farmer does without help till the pinch comes. Then he goes to town and gets ready-made help; but it is like ready-made clothing; it does not fit, gives poor service, and is dear at any price.

While the Minister of Agriculture is in the blue-print business, he should get out blue-prints for all out-houses on a farm, from the barn down to the hen-coop. On most farms there is a heavy loss in fodder, and health of animals, through faulty construction of outbuildings.

Let every farmer who has a river running through his farm, or a lake on it, build a number of summer cottages. These could easily be filled during summer months with tenants from the city, if the transportation were good.

There is many a man in a city who cannot afford to send his wife and little ones to a summer resort (where babies are not wanted), who would be delighted to send them to a rustic cottage where he could spend the week-end with them, and return to duty Monday morning.

Cottagers would, of course, buy their supplies direct from the farmer; and not only that, but they would form business connections with the farmer that would last all the year round. He would continue to supply them with butter, eggs, poultry, vegetables, fruits, meats, etc. This would lower the price of these things to the consumer and raise the price to the producers, because it would cut out transportation and the middleman.

This arrangement would do three things—it would reduce the cost of living, make city-bred children strong and healthy, and give city folk a taste for country life.

I think it is self-evident to every one that the first step in the movement to get "back to the land" is proper housing on the land.

Ever since monotheistic religion was brought into vogue by the Arabs of Asia Minor, mankind has been told that the good people, the real good, a small percentage apparently, will be rewarded with great happiness after death.

This is all right in so far as it goes, but the great bulk of