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TO SAVE SEED CORN

Straw May be Used Much More Freely for Idle Horses.

Vegetable and Root Crops Grown This Summer Must be Carefully Stored to Prevent Loss—Proper Temperature Checks Decay—Sand Will Ensure Firm Vegetables.

(Contributed by Ontario Department of Agriculture, Toronto.)

THE year 1917 provided, both in the United States and in Ontario, conditions very unfavorable for the production of good seed corn. Excess of moisture in the crop was followed by freezing and these conditions resulted in one of the worst seed corn years in a generation. As a result of this, much of the seed corn sown in Ontario in 1918 was, to say the least, of varieties that were late in maturing. A very high percentage of this corn which will be used for seed next year, now contains a large amount of moisture. To make this corn of the greatest value for seed purposes, it should be harvested, if possible, before heavy frost and thoroughly dried. Drying is one of the essentials in producing good seed corn, but no less important is the thorough drying of the seed.

It is not even necessary for corn to be frozen to lose some of its vitality, it will deteriorate at ordinary temperatures if not well dried. When freezing occurs, greater loss in vitality is experienced. Corn which is harvested with an excess of moisture should be dried as rapidly as possible as this removes the danger of injury from moulding, fermenting and freezing. In the process of drying, a free circulation of air should be provided and, if necessary, artificial heat used. Seed corn can be most readily dried when stored in the ear.

Where the corn is well matured and is grown in large quantities, the corn-crib provides one of the most satisfactory drying mediums, as it supplies the best of air circulation along with protection against storms and vermin.

A post in which a number of nails are driven at an angle of forty-five degrees, and the ears stuck on the protruding ends, provides a good medium for drying seed corn ears. These posts with a platform at the base may be readily removed to places where artificial heat can be used if necessary.

Where relatively small amounts of seed corn are used, selected ears may be hung up to dry in the attic, kitchen or furnace room.

Corn which has been thoroughly matured and thoroughly dried gives the highest percentage and most vigorous germination, but seed corn which has reached the dough or firm dough stage of maturity, when harvested, and thoroughly dried, makes good seed. When thoroughly dried and surrounded by a dry atmosphere, even zero weather will not injure the germination of seed corn.—Prof. W. J. Squirell, Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph.

USING MILKING DEVICES

When It is Advisable to Invest in Milking Machines.

The Cause and Cure of Diarrhoea in Calves—Simple and Common-sense Methods of Treatment May Save Valuable Young Animals.

(Contributed by Ontario Department of Agriculture, Toronto.)

IT is clear that if dairying is to develop as it ought to do in the Province of Ontario, more labor is needed on dairy farms. As the supply of labor is limited, cow-farmers are turning their attention to the mechanical milker as an aid in the biggest job on a farm where milk-cows are kept, namely, that of milking.

Past the Experimental Stage.

While it is true that mechanical milkers are not yet perfected, and possibly will never be absolutely "fool-proof," they have reached a stage of perfection where they can be recommended to the man who is in need of help at milking-time. There are several machines now on the market which have proven to be more or less successful in tests made at Experimental Stations, but what is even more important, have stood the test of actual farm conditions. The advertising columns of the agricultural press contain the names of the leading makes of machines which can now be purchased by milk-producers.

In answer to the question, will it pay to buy a milking machine? we would answer yes, under the following conditions:

1. Where a herd of twenty or more milking cows are kept, though we were in a stable recently where a man was using a machine to milk eight cows, and he considered that it paid him.

2. Where hand-milkers are not to be had, and where it means selling all, or part of the herd, because of the difficulty in getting the cows milked.

3. Where a man desires to increase his herd but cannot do so, because hand milking is impossible.

4. Where a man has some mechanical genius and is willing to give the machine the necessary attention in order to make it a success. Not every man can get good results with a milking machine. The cows must be stripped after the machine, to insure "milking out clean."

5. Where a man or woman will give the necessary attention in order to keep the machine clean. It must be thoroughly washed and a milking machine kept in a solution of chloride of lime—one pound dissolved in ten gallons of water. This must be changed about every two weeks, or as often as necessary to prevent contamination.

6. Where a man has the necessary capital (about \$500) to invest in a machine and does not have to borrow the money at the present high rate of interest.—Prof. W. J. Squirell, Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph.

JAFFA

Misses Stella Pearce, of London and Winnie Davidson, of St. Thomas, spent their holidays at their homes here.

Mr. W. Cole and family are improving from their recent illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Doolittle, of Lutton, spent Christmas with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Stokes.

Miss Ada White is visiting her cousin, Miss Lila White, of Copenhagen.

Mr. R. Wright, of O'Onto, and Mr. and Mrs. H. Wright, of Aylmer, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. S. Elgie.

Misses Ruby Pearce and Eletha Davidson have returned home after visiting their cousin, Miss Alice Roberts, of Copenhagen.

Mr. and Mrs. I. Davidson held the annual re-union of the Hawley family at their home on Christmas day, about 20 being present.

The entertainment held at the Baptist church was a great success. The play, entitled, "The Minister's Wife's Bonnet" showed excellent training under the management of Mrs. W. Pickard. Some of the parts although difficult ones for the amateurs were taken in fine shape, especially the stuttering by Miss Pearce and the deaf one by Mrs. A. Stoner. The Ladies Aid president in Miss Jessie Howse, was taken in a very capable manner as also the part of the minister's wife by Mrs. R. Elgie. The songs, although difficult and very high were given well under the management of Miss Stella Newton, of Aylmer, as accompanist. It showed a humorous strain nearly all the way through and gave one some idea of the trials of a minister's wife. Proceeds amounted to \$45.

A number are suffering with heavy colds in this district.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Benwell and daughter, of Niagara Falls and Mr. and Mrs. O. Bessey and son, Ernest spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. W. Stafford.

Mrs. L. Weir and children, of Sparta were guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. Elgie over Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Swartz and Mr. and Mrs. E. Swartz, of St. Thomas, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Willard Stafford.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Benwell, of Niagara Falls spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Stafford.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Bessey, of New Sarum spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Willard Stafford.

FAIRVIEW

Mr. and Mrs. John Eaton, of Niagara Falls spent Christmas with Mrs. Mary A. Parker.

Mrs. George W. Pressey, spent Christmas at Lakeview with her daughter, Mrs. A. Herries.

Mrs. John Davis spent Christmas with Mrs. Daniel Cameron.

Quite a number from here attended the township nomination at Aylmer last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hoshal spent a few days last week visiting friends at Sparta.

Mrs. Leman Hawley spent Christmas with friends at London.

LUTON

Mr. and Mrs. Meridith Hale, of London, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. J. Hale.

Mr. and Mrs. I. Martyn and daughter, of Sparta, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. McKnight on Christmas day.

Mrs. L. Harrett entertained a number of her young friends on Friday evening.

Messrs Frank and Roy Hancy spent Christmas with their parents at Fairground.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Pick have moved in the house recently occupied by E. Rowe.

MT. SALEM

Dr. and Mrs. Chester Cloes and daughter, Miss Ena, of Chicago, are visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Cloes.

Messrs Claude and Harold Secord, of Windsor are spending the holidays at their home here.

Miss Carrie Cloes, of London spent Christmas with her sister, Miss A. Cloes.

Messrs Edward Crane and T. Elliott, of Toronto are spending their vacation at their home here.

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Mr. McDermid can be seen at the law office of A. E. Haines, Aylmer each Saturday, hours 2 to 4 p.m. J. C. Dance, President, Kingsmill, Ont. S. E. Facey, Secretary, Harrietsville, Ont.

IRELAND

Much sympathy is expressed for Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Nesbitt in the loss of their little 2 year old son, Arthur.

Mrs. Solon Chambers has returned home after a week's visit with her brother in St. Thomas.

Frank Sandsburn, wife and children, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Mills, of Crampton.

Mr. and Mrs. Elston Bambrick, of Windsor have been visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bambrick.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred James and little son, of Calton, visited at Lorne Nesbitt's, on Sunday.

The Trinity Christmas tree was quite a success on Wednesday evening. Proceeds \$17.00.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Nesbitt and Mr. and Mrs. S. Nesbitt, were in St. Thomas on Saturday attending the funeral of little Arthur Nesbitt.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Hart, of St. Thomas spent Christmas in the vicinity.

GLENCOLIN

Mr. and Mrs. B. Carl, of London, spent their Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. F. Kelley.

Mrs. B. Hanlon, of Detroit has returned home after spending two weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Woodworth.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Kipp, of Delmar, visited at B. Disbrow's on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Bambrick, of Windsor, returned home on Sunday after visiting at A. St. Clair's.

Mrs. Arthur Disbrow's friends are glad to hear she is improving nicely after her illness.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Sanderson, of Detroit, have returned home after spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Firby.

CALTON

There are two prayer meetings this week, one Tuesday evening the cottage prayer meeting at the home of Mr. Dinwoodie, led by Mr. E. VanVelzer and on Friday evening at the church led by the pastor.

The revival meetings will commence on Monday, January 13th, 1920, Rev. Mr. Brown, of Springfield will assist Mr. Marshall in conducting these meetings. Everyone is invited.

Miss Mabel VanVelzer has gone to her work in Detroit after spending Christmas with her parents.

Mrs. Irving Timpany and daughter, Thelma are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Velzer, and on Friday evening at the John Timpany.

An old time charivari was given to Mr. Burlon McCord and bride at the home of Mr. George Woodworth on Friday evening. Quite a number of the Calton young people were present.

Miss Alma VanVelzer, of Toronto University, is spending a couple of weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George VanVelzer.

Little Beatrice Esseltine has the whooping cough.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cartwright have moved into their farm, which they have rented of Mr. B. Cartwright.

Mr. John Kennedy and family spent Saturday with Mr. Dancey.

Mrs. John Chalk spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. John Timpany.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred James spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Nesbitt, of Glencolin.

MAPLE GROVE

Miss Kathleen Howey, of Eden, visited Mrs. James Howey on Sunday.

Miss Ina Yeandle left on Monday to visit friends in the east.

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that Ada Mabel Sanderson, of the city of Toronto, in the County of York, in the Province of Ontario, will apply to the Parliament of Canada, at the next session thereof, for a bill of divorce from her husband, Robert Lyon Sanderson, presently residing in the city of Pittsburgh, in the state of Pennsylvania, on the grounds of adultery and desertion.

Dated at Ottawa, in the Province of Ontario, this 15th day of October, A. D. 1919.

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Solicitor for the above-named Applicant.

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New Year

WM. STEVENSON

Miss Eleanor Lane of the Normal School at London is visiting her mother, Mrs. C. Lane and other friends.

Dean Hatch, of the A. C. Guelph, is spending his holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elgin Hatch.

Miss Elva McCurdy and her brother, Everett, of Vienna, visited their sister, Miss Vera McCurdy on Sunday last.

The Christmas entertainment on Wednesday evening last was well attended. A splendid programme was given and about \$20.00 was realized.

Mr. and Mrs. Howell of North Hall spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. John Stewart and family.

Mrs. M. Brown who has been visiting friends in the neighborhood for some little time returned to her home near Woodstock last week, accompanied by her son James and wife.

Mr. Rutland Station, Sask., who have been visiting relatives here for the past few weeks.

LAKEVIEW

Mrs. Lloyd and son, Harry, were down from London on Friday calling on old friends.

The S. S. Supt. for the next year was appointed Sunday a.m. The Supt. for the past three years, Mr. Harry Cohoon asked to be released as his health has been poor this winter so far and Mrs. Grace McConnell was appointed to act this coming year.

Under Mr. Cohoon's supervision the school has been very prosperous and the attendance good. Next Sunday the assistant superintendent and other officers and teachers will be appointed.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Chute have been spending the holiday season on the old homestead, returned to Aylmer on Monday.

The Girl's Club met at the home of Mrs. Ney Chute last Saturday and were invited to return on Friday afternoon of this week. The girls are sewing for worthy objects.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Hayes, of Springfield, spent Christmas with Mrs. R. McConnell, who had the family at her home.

Mrs. T. Bennett entertained relatives from Aylmer on Christmas.

Mrs. Tamar Chute spent a pleasant day with her son's family and her grand-daughter's family in her home on Christmas.

Mrs. A. Saxton had a re-union of some twenty relatives at her home on Christmas.

Mrs. Alex Willis had a family party Christmas day and many others on Nova Scotia street, had family gatherings around the festive board.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Sharp had their sons Joe and Hugh with their families for the Christmas holidays.

Miss Bagent went home to Ingersoll for the holidays. She trained her school children very successfully and a bright program of songs and recitations was given last Monday evening. The school house was packed. Net proceeds \$16.00.

A charivari party was given the returned wedding couple, Mr. and Mrs. Bert McCord on Friday evening, at the home of the bride's parents.

Mrs. Elliott who has been quite ill is recovering.

Miss M. Elliott was home from Toronto for Christmas.

Miss Ceno McConnell has gone to Chatham Business College.

FACTS ABOUT FOREIGNERS IN CANADA

1 in 5 of the male population in British Columbia is an Oriental.

1 in 12 of the population in Saskatchewan is Ruthenian.

1 in 10 of the population of Toronto is a foreigner.

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