

**THE SPICE OF LIFE.**

One day this summer some poor children were permitted to go over a fine stock farm, near a city, conducted as a hobby by a wealthy professional man, and when their inspection was done each of them was given a glass of milk. The milk came from a \$2,500 cow. "How do you like it, boys?" asked an attendant, when the little fellows had drained their glasses. "Fine! Fine!" said one youngster, with a grin of approval. Then, after a pause, he added: "I wished our milkman kept a cow."

On the golf links of a popular Old Country club, a novice was making gallant attempts to master the game. "How far to the next hole, boy?" he asked the caddy. "About a drive an' a putt, sir." There was a silence, broken by a swashing blow and uncanny words. Then the still, small voice of youth spoke: "The drive comes first, sir, no' the putt."

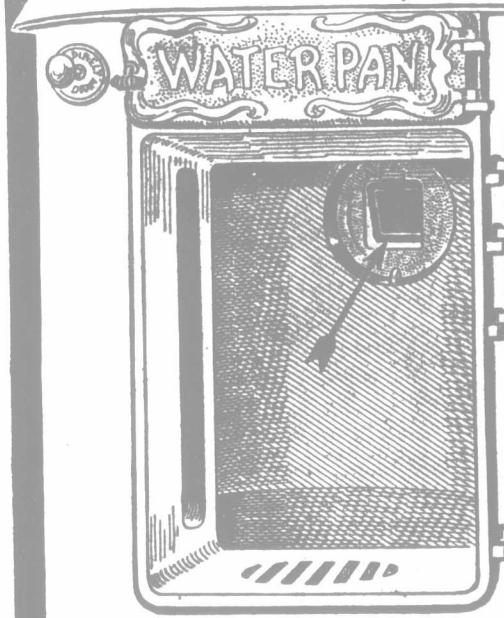
That swine-raising will give ample compensation for the man who desires to make this work a profession, says Secretary F. D. Coburn, of Kansas, hundreds who have a just pride in their achievements can testify. Breeding is a business and should be conducted on that basis. Whether supplied with unlimited capital or restricted to a few hogs and meager facilities, the breeder has excellent opportunity to exercise his business sense, and swine-raising will pay him well therefor. The man who is careless or indolent may have as much or more ill "luck" in raising hogs as in any other similar undertaking. However, the writer says his observation has been that it has taken persistent and skillful mismanagement to lose money in hog-raising with prices as they have ranged for thirty years past, barring, of course, some such epidemic as the so-called cholera.

There is no branch of farming or stock husbandry which, conducted with a reasonable amount of fair horse sense and stayed at systematically one year with another, will do better by its proprietor and more successfully keep the wolf and sheriff from his door, than the rearing of well-bred swine, if he is satisfied with reasonable gains and such substantial growth as pertains to the better class of farming and those who farm. If the experience of the best men is worth anything, if their observations and bookkeeping have any value as standpoints from which to judge, there is surely good money in wisely-bred, wisely-fed hogs, and there has always been at any price for which they have been sold two years in succession within the observation of men now in active life.

**A FAIR FIELD FOR INDIVIDUALISM.**

Two things are everywhere needed to foster and hasten the progress of mankind, larger opportunity and nobler incentive. A chance to learn and to labor, on the one hand, and, on the other, a passion for knowledge, an ambition for excellence, a desire for property which carries with it a joy in work and the habit of thrift. One of the best illustrations and demonstrations of the great benefits flowing from enlarged opportunity is afforded by the wide distribution of land among the peasants of France at the time of the Revolution. The government made it possible for thousands of the common people to become small land-owners. This is recognized as one of the most important measures ever carried forward by any modern nation. It was, however, not a socialistic measure, but the exact opposite. It emphasized individualism and private ownership. This is type and symbol of many things that the government may do to help men; not by nationalizing industries and turning everybody into cogwheels, but by making it easier to acquire and hold land, easier to build up a small business, easier to invest small savings safely. For instance, the State can take the burden of taxes off the poor and compel the rich to do their full share in support of public institutions; but this is not socialism. Wise laws and public sentiment can do much to encourage the small shopkeeper without turning the whole city into a gigantic department store with innumerable evils.—Joseph H. Crocker.

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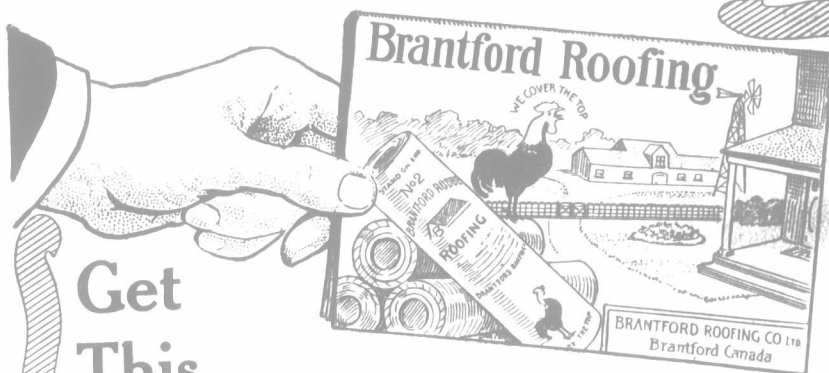


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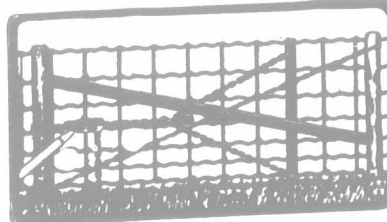
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