

MY GARDEN

A DREAM
RAIN-softened and sun-warmed, it stretches fair. Prepared to yield a wealth of all good things.

Hark, the alarm sounds! The vision fades. 'Tis morn'; 'tis March. Deep lies the snow upon

THE CORN CROP IN QUEBEC

(Experimental Farm Notes)
Nearly every farmer knows what his corn crop means to him in his live stock work.

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low furrow, say five inches. The manure and green sod, when turned under and packed properly, commence to decay, warm up the soil and give the young corn roots the best chance possible.

By all means be sure to have as perfect a seed bed as possible before planting for that is half of the battle.

At Lennoxville, in the Flint varieties, Compton Early and Longfellow, and in Dents, Wisconsin No. 7, and Early Learning have been found to be about the best.

As to the mode of harvesting and conserving this important crop, the silo is strongly recommended, but if shocked up in quite large shocks and tied with binder twine near the top and left in the field until required the corn makes very good feed when run through the cutter, though not nearly so much relished as is the ensilage.

ONTARIO GOVERNMENT ENTERS COLD STORAGE BUSINESS IN FISH

Toronto, Feb. 21.—The Ontario Government will go into the cold storage business in connexion with fish, in the season when the catches of the finny foodstuffs are plentiful.

CANADIAN FISHING VESSELS CALL AT AMERICAN PORTS

Washington, Feb. 25.—With the approval of President Wilson, Secretary of Commerce Redfield has issued orders to customs collectors to allow Canadian fishing vessels to enter and clear between American ports and the fishing banks.

Demand for fish food at present exceeds the available supply and promises to become greater. American fishing interests in the main approved granting to the Canadians the privilege of marketing their catch in Boston and Gloucester direct from the banks, without the delay of putting into a Canadian port and changing their status from a fishing to a cargo carrying capacity.

CLOSE SEASON FOR CARIBOU

Fredericton, Feb. 25.—The Minister of Lands and Mines for New Brunswick announces to-day that the close season on caribou is to be extended. He says that, according to reports made to the Department of Lands and Mines, the caribou is rapidly becoming extinct.

Edith—"Jack's been calling on me every evening lately. What do you suppose it means?" Marie—"Can't say, possibly, my dear. Either he loves you, or his landlady has run out of coal."—Boston Transcript.

"Is Highbrow observing meatless days?" "Strictly. He won't even read Lamb or Bacon."—Boston Transcript.

Husband (half cracked with joy)—"Mary, stop the piano! Great Scott, woman, where is your appreciation? Don't you hear our half ton of coal rattling down the chute?"—Boston Transcript.

"Do you think prohibition has completely stopped the use of alcohol?" "I won't say that," replied Broncho Bob. "But it has done a heap o' good in keepin' good liquor from bein' so common as to be handled keardless."—Washington Star.

WINTERING YOUR HORSES OUTSIDE

(Experimental Farms Note)

With the prevailing high cost of building material and labor, many farmers are deterred from going very extensively into live stock raising, under the impression that a heavy outlay for buildings is necessary.

Such is not the case. While working horses and milking cows require warm stabling, sheep and poultry, in order to be profitable, must be kept away from warm quarters; brood sows do excellently in small individual cabins; the young cattle thrive when running outside with only a shed for a shelter.

The reason these classes of live stock do so well wintered outside is that they get what is hard to obtain when kept inside namely fresh air and exercise, and are, as a result, in good health and fit for profitable breeding operations.

WINTERING YOUNG HORSES AT CAP ROUGE.—During five years, fifteen different young horses were wintered outside, at Cap Rouge Experimental Station, with only single board sheds as shelter.

During an outbreak of influenza, all the animals inside were sick whilst not one of those in the open was affected.

SHELTERS.—Any shed which is free of draughts, and with an opening to the south, will answer the purpose. If it is placed on a slight elevation, so that water may not run in, there is no need of a floor, ground floors are best. Shingles or paper may be used for the roof, which must be perfectly rainproof, for metal will get the place too warm during the summer.

MATING THE BREEDING PEN

(Experimental Farms Note.)

The shortage of labor and the tremendous increase in feed prices make it imperative that only the very best producers should be kept. Stock that would return a substantial profit in pre-war times, when feed was cheap, will now, under the changed conditions, show a loss.

In the mating up of the breeding pens these conditions should be borne in mind. Aim to use nothing but your very best birds, as it is only from these that the highest results can be obtained.

SELECTING THE BREEDERS

The male to head the flock should be from a high producer, and if possible to know that his sisters are showing their ability to lay, all the better. Not only should his pedigree be right, but he should show vigor in every move.

His mates should be vigorous females that have shown by egg production what they can do. If trap nests are not used—and they are not on most farms—band those pullets that start to lay first and select the breeding pens from them.

The ideal mating is a well developed cockerel of the foregoing description mated to young hens, but if enough hens of the desirable type are not available do not hesitate to use pullets; so long as they are well matured and vigorous they will give the best of results.

THE IMPORTANCE OF PURE SEED

Pure seed is an important factor in greater production. It might almost be said that it is the most important, for weedy seed, having once been sown, it is impossible to foretell the damage that may be done to the growing crop, or the disappointment that may ensue when gathering or reaping time comes round.

"Do you enjoy modern poetry?" "Very much. It's such good fun trying to make out what it means."—Detroit Free Press.

THE ADVANCEMENT OF AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION

The promotion of welfare of the agricultural community as a basis for the industrial and commercial prosperity of the country, was the object aimed at by the Parliament of Canada when, in 1913, at the instance of the then Minister of Agriculture, The Honourable Martin Burrell, it adopted the measure known as the Agricultural Instruction Act.

An investigation made prior to the introduction of the measure has revealed two outstanding deficiencies in connexion with agricultural development. In the first instance, the response to the teachings of colleges of agriculture and experimental farms was too slow to affect an immediate and noteworthy improvement in the conditions surrounding farm life.

The placing of funds at the disposal of the provinces in the manner indicated has led to a much wider extension of instructional work among the men and women and boys and girls who are living on the land.

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assistance given by the Act, their influence will be greatly extended. How wide a field is being covered by agricultural instruction work is indicated in a pamphlet just issued by the Dominion Commissioner of Agricultural Instruction, Mr. W. J. Black. It is entitled "Agricultural Instruction in Canada," and a copy may be had on application to the Publications Branch of the Department of Agriculture at Ottawa.

CARE OF SWINE

At a time when every person who can is being urged to raise a pig, a pamphlet reprinted by the Live Stock Branch of the Department of Agriculture at Ottawa, entitled, "Feeding and Housing of Swine," comes most opportunely.

The first of these is Professor G. E. Day, formerly of the Ontario Agricultural College, who writes on the selection of the boar and sow and the management of both, and of the young pigs. The second is Mr. E. S. Archibald, Dominion Animal Husbandman, who deals with the farmer's cheap piggery, supplying diagrams of appropriate buildings with dimensions and other useful particulars.

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INES TO ANIMALS

Burgess Johnson has compiled a volume of Animal Rhymes (Crowell; 50 cents) from his magazine contributions of humorous verse. As a naturalist Mr. Johnson tends to run to the bizarre, writing of the aoudad, the okapi, the apteryx, the yak, the kinkajou, and even the gargoyle.

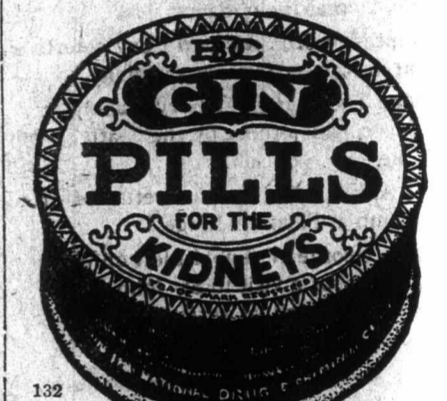
Bards and sages, through the ages (Winning fame instead of wages) Have mused up a million pages With their outcries, small and big. Singing wrongs that should be righted, Causes blighted, heroes slighted— Yet no song they have invented To the Pig.

Gentle Porcus, suid mammal, Does the thought that lard and ham'll Be your future never trammel Your fond fancies as you dig? Does it harrow to the marrow, As you pace your quarters narrow, Dreaming of the storied glory Of the Pig?

"How do they fish for pearls, dad?" "Well, some wives threaten and others nag."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Minnie—"Don't you get tired of hearing me sing the same old songs every night?" Beau—"Oh, no; you see when one gets used to anything it's much easier to bear."—Judge.

"Did your new alarm clock help to start the day earlier?" "Yes," replied Mrs. Crosslots. "It didn't make much difference in getting my husband up. But what he said the first time he heard it had everybody else in the house wide awake and jumping."—Washington Star.



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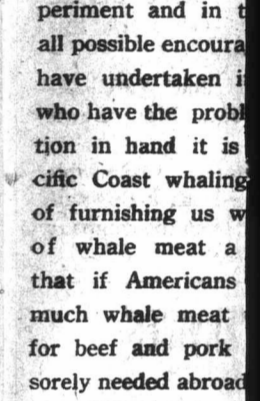
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