

improvement and the gathering about of comforts, are in order on most farms. Some there are who have carried these things to extreme. These, however, are few and are not to be considered here. So far as the home is concerned women have it within their influence to see that naught is wanting. When things are prospering no good thing should be denied the home. Women should see to it that the home is kept up-to-date along with the outside or other departments of the farm.

Is it "I" or "We" ?

(Successful Farming)

How the so-called "self-made" men often swell himself up like a pouter pigeon when he tells of how he made his way in the world. He will start at the beginning of his career and all of the lack of opportunities he had to face, how he got his education without schooling, how he secured a place in the forest or pioneered on the wild prairies and awaited until a cowardly populace came up to his vantage ground.

All honor to the pioneer! But wait, he is not as big as he looks or as great as he would have you believe. In almost all cases there was a wife who suffered hardships with him, who pined as truly as he did, who more surely than he made a home in the desert or the forest.

What man has done alone is of little

She Manages a Fruit Farm

An illustration of the ever-widening field for women in agriculture is afforded on a fruit farm in Wentworth county—the "Highfield Vineyards and Orchards," the business of which farm is conducted under the name of R. R. Smith. For the past five years, since the death of Mr. Smith, Miss Clara has been managing her mother's fruit farm. The property consists of 32 acres. It is all planted out with various kinds of late fruit such as peaches, plums, grapes and pears, which are in full bearing. The whole farm is devoted to fruit growing, there being not even pasture, and all the feed used is purchased.

For five years, Miss Clara A. Smith ran her father's business, sold the fruit in any and all of the towns in Ontario where she could get a customer to handle it. She even sent some to Quebec and some cars to the Northwest. The present is her sixth season, but the business so far as the selling end of it is concerned has been joined in with a company known as "The Winona Fruit Growers and Shippers".

Miss Smith writes that she finds this Association to be a good thing. A good office staff is employed to look after the business of all the members. She finds it a considerable relief and it leaves her more time to look after the picking and packing.

The photo reproduced on this page shows Miss Smith on 1— morning drive with her pony. She takes a drive every morning over the pro-



A Lady Fruit Farmer Making a Tour of Inspection

There are many farms in Canada on which the woman is the real motive power that keeps things going. It is seldom, however, that we find a woman who is sole manager. This, however, is the responsible position occupied by Miss Clara A. Smith, of Lincoln Co., Ont. The illustration shows Miss Smith making a tour of inspection on her farm.

te consequence, whether it is making new settlements and new history or building permanently on the old ground. It has always been the courageous backing of the wife that put nerve into man's backbone and enabled him to become a hero. It has been the home made by woman that enabled man to work such wonders in the formation of a new country, or the less heroic development of a more settled locality.

It has been the love for some girl that has made the young man dare to face and overcome great obstacles. It has been that same silent force that has made the husband calm and settled where he otherwise would not stay long. It has been the gentle influence of home that has schooled the unschooled, that has made possible his advancement to places of honor and trust by his fellowmen.

Self made men? Bah! They are as scarce as hen's teeth. Back of all their prosperity and position is a wife and mother—the real force that raised them from obscurity.

Sir Frederick Borden on his return from Nova Scotia reports the apple crop in that province to be a total failure. "The farmers are terribly disappointed," he said. "Although they have been disheartened from the miserable failure. The peculiar part of it is that no one seems to have any idea why the Nova Scotia fruit crop should have been bad this year. The weather conditions were good."

erty to size up what work requires to be done next.

The Misses Gibson's Jerseys

The herd of Jersey cattle, some of which are illustrated on page seven of this issue, owned by the Misses Gibson, of Richmond Co., Que., was founded nearly 40 years ago. Outside blood has never been introduced into the herd since that date. The animals were not registered until about 12 years ago. Since that time registered bulls only have been used. The Misses Gibson have been members of the Melboro Cow Testing Association since last spring. The production of some of the cows in their herd for four months from May 1st to September 1st is given in the following table:

COW	AGE	MILK	LBS.	PAT
Aldina, Jersey	5	3,205	153.1	
Nancy, Grade Jer.	5	3,105	153.1	
Ada, Grade Jer.	6	3,665	167.3	
Adah, Grade Jer.	10	4,140	190.0	
Nahala, Grade Jer.	6	3,995	160.0	

This herd is an illustration of what can be accomplished by perseverant breeding along certain lines; although no attempt is made to establish records, here are some cows producing over a pound and a half of butter a day in straight dairy work.

Only two of the cows are registered, although the 14 cows comprising the herd may be called pure bred. No attempt is made to make this a fancy herd, it is kept strictly for business purposes; it was never shown at any

fair, but it has quite a reputation locally, and all surplus stock is eagerly taken up by farmers from the neighborhood.

Make the Farm a Happy Home

(Continued from Page 6.)

"Make home happy!" I hear many a parent sigh and say that's all right in theory, but father and mother are pretty tired when night comes, besides we have our financial worries and the memories of loved ones gone from the home; how can we be happy? I tell you, it's worth while to try. Sacrifice your own feelings. Give the children a plainer tea and be ready to enter into their fun. Let the pleasant recollections of mother and home go with them through life.

There are some farmers (I know one) who are gathering a bank account and thinking with secret satisfaction how surprised Mary and John will be "when the will is read." If I know Mary and John, \$100 now (spent either on lessons or a trip or something for the home) will give infinite more joy than many times that sum when father is gone.

Encourage every form of innocent fun in the home. Invite young people in. It will keep you from getting mopey and pessimistic and keep your can estimate the changes that would ever you do, close up your parlor until it's musty, waiting for company. You will never entertain better company than your own children.

A few winters and they will be gone. Burn lots of coal oil. It pays. Have the lamps burning brightly every evening. I found these verses (but the author is unknown), and they convey just my thought:

"Afraid the wanderer seems then glow,
Now the night is near;
They gild his path with radiance clear,

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fair, but it has quite a reputation locally, and all surplus stock is eagerly taken up by farmers from the neighborhood.

Sweet lights of Home.

"When my brief day of life is o'er,

Then may I see,

Shine from the heavenly house for me,

Dear lights of Home."

THE GRATE FIRE

Have a grate fire if possible. If you haven't one now, draw some money out of your savings account and deposit it in your "home bank account." It is in the open fireplace the word "Home" is written. No matter how scant be the furniture nor how humble the home, in the reflected glow from the old fireside true happiness abounds.

We all have mental photographs of cheerless homes where all the members of the family are sitting and working hard, but sport and pastime were considered unnecessary, and the young folks stole away for their fun, oftentimes it was to questionable homes. Others of us carry tender recollections of the bright fireside, where, when the day was spent, families gathered to enjoy all kinds of innocent amusement.

RESOLVE TO BE HAPPY

Nature has made us a beautiful world and surely intends us to enjoy ourselves. We go to school to learn all the trades and professions, but the fundamental truth of the home for the most part is just picked up. We should study happiness in relation to the home. If we did, who can estimate the changes that would be effected. Let us resolve to be happy, and make our homes so. Then when difficulties meet our young people, as they meet us all, the memory of the happy spot away on the old farm will help them to be men and women whom the farm—yes, and Canada—will be proud to own.

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