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CURIOSITIES OF COURTSHIP. LOVE MAKING EPISODES OF AN ODD OR STARKING CHARACTER.

There is a veritable incident on record of an old Scotch dame, toothless, and nearly bent double with the aches and pains of advanced years, who, when asked at what age women gave over thinking of marriage, replied, "Deed ye maun sen gang and ask some ane mair auld than me!"

Some very curious courting customs prevail in Africa. In one tribe of Eastern Africa it is reported that the wooer, after having been invited to parade before the hut of his innamorata astride of a huge boar.

How the Princess Louise, of Savoy, ever recovered from her humiliation after having offered herself in marriage to Charles, Duke of Bourbon, only to receive a grave but positive refusal, few women can understand.

Such was the case with the young lady who assured her lover that she could make a beautiful cake, all filled with fruit, with a ring on the top, and when the astonished swain exclaimed, "Why, that is a wedding cake!" replied, "It is, my dear, and which brought matters to a crisis immediately."

More shrewd still was the young lady—and more daring—who told her admirer that she was a mind reader and could read what was going on in his mind at that moment; that he wanted to propose to her, but did not know how to do it, which, of course, relieved the young man from his embarrassment permanently.

THE PLOWING MATCHES. YESTERDAY'S KEEN COMPETITION—MR. G. ROBERTSON WINS THE JUNIOR CLASS PRIZE—THE SENIOR PRIZE TO BE DECIDED TO-DAY.

There was a very large attendance of spectators at the plowing matches, open to all comers, which took place at the farm of Mr. George Buchanan, under the auspices of the Hochelaga Agricultural Society.

At midday the guests were entertained at luncheon. Among those present were Sir Donald A. Smith, Messrs. J. M. Browning, Thomas A. Dawes, Robert Boony, Charles Cassin, W. Stephen, James Drummond, James Quinn, Jas. Henderson (late of Petite Côte, now of Lachine), Col. W. A. H. Aronson, Hugh Brodie, secretary-treasurer Hochelaga Agricultural Society, the president and secretary of the Jacques Cartier County Agricultural Society, Robert Ness Hawick, D. J. Deacy, vice-president Hochelaga County Agricultural Society, Thomas Irving, president Hochelaga County Agricultural Society, R. H. Taylor, secretary Eastern Townships Agricultural Association, H. Wade, Toronto, secretary Ontario Agricultural Association, W. Rodden, Plantagenet, Louis Bourbeau, ex-M.P., J. O. Villeneuve, Arthur Boyer, M.P.P., Alphonse Desjardins, M.P., Wm. Evans, George Buchanan, Achille Beau-dry, F. Vinet and P. Pigeon, directors of the society; Wm. Smith, J. A. S. Rathy, N. M. McGehe, A. J. Pennington, James Barclay, Guy, H. Hutchins, W. Stephen, T. N. Trenholm, Matthew Moody, (Terrebonne), Bross, Hon. A. Beaubien, McVoy, T. Aronson, H. Taylor, secretary, and many others.

The boy's class was at work about a mile away, and the competition was very keen there, young Mr. Hay, of Lachine, having the greatest number of frays. The last handling his plough skilfully, and his work was clearly done; but, in his inspection for practical use, and despite the fact that his depth was fairly kept, and his finish praiseworthy, J. Robert, ploughman to Mr. Andrew Hielop, of St. Laurent, won the medal for the excellency of his labor. His "crowning" was very neat, and "cut" really fine, and was, as well as young Hay's, much better than many of the seniors. The third prize was obtained by Alex. Robertson, of Howick, a boy barely seventeen years of age. Judging by his work yesterday, he should turn out a very able farmer.

The chief attention was, however, paid to the senior class, the contest, to all appearances, being extremely close. The men were stopped working at 3.30 p.m., at which hour the judges commenced to adjudicate. However, darkness put an end to their occupation long before they had half done, so the following morning these gentlemen again assembled to continue their by no means easy task of picking out the winner of Mr. Hugh Paton's gold medal and deciding on the merits of the work done by the various competitors.

For the best two-poughed ridges on the field, Mr. Andrew Hood, of the township of Scarborough, Ont., won the handsome gold medal presented by Mr. Hugh Paton, M.P.F.H., and \$75, the remaining prize winners being as follows:—2. William Milken, of the township of Markham, Ont.; 3. Thos. McLean, of the township of Vaughan, Ont.; 4. Emile Delorme, of Cote St. Michel; 5. Benjamin Tolton, of the township of Eramos, county of Wellington, Ont.; 6. Charles L. Gault, of Pointe Claire; 7. John Fowler, ploughman to George Buchanan, Cote St. Michel; 8. Louis Roy, of Cote St. Michel; 9. W. J. Henderson, of Sault au Roc; 10. W. J. McGarrigle, of Ormstown, county of Chateaugay.

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The Quebec contingent responded with three times three to their brethren from Ontario. After the invitation of Mr. and Mrs. Buchanan, the judges, directors and about thirty others were entertained to dinner, when a jolly good time was had.

At No. 211 Brown street, Cincinnati, yesterday, Mrs. Katie Miller went to the third story, as she said, to awaken her two children. Upon reaching the room she seized her nine-year-old daughter, Virginia, and hurled her through the window to the sidewalk and instantly leaped out after her. Mrs. Miller's head was crushed and she died instantly. The child was fatally injured.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION. WASHINGTON, D.C., Oct. 31.—The President this afternoon received a deputation from Great Britain who desire his co-operation in securing a treaty between that country and the United States, which shall provide for the amicable settlement of disputes by arbitration. The delegates included Lord Kinaird, Sir Lyon Playfair, Mr. A. D. Provan, M.P., Mr. Octavius Morgan, M.P., and ten other members of the Commerce, Mr. Charles Freake, of London, Mr. John Inglis, of Glasgow, and Mr. John Wilson, of Durham, representatives of the Trades Union congress. Mr. Andrew Carnegie, of Pennsylvania, introduced the visitors to the President in a short address, which closed as follows: "Few events in the world's history would rank with such a treaty as is here advocated. Only two events, perhaps, in the history of the United States might fairly be compared with it—Washington's administration established the republic; Lincoln's administration abolished human slavery. My fervent hope, Mr. President, that it may be realized by you, to conclude a treaty, not only with the consent of the other great English-speaking nations, but with other lands as well, which shall henceforth and forever secure to these nations the blessings of peace and good will. The making of such a treaty will have done much to remove from humanity its greatest stain, the killing of man by man. We indulge in the hope that if the two great nations here represented set such an example that other nations may be induced to follow it, and war be thus ultimately banished from the face of the earth." Sir Lyon Playfair, representing the members of Parliament, and Mr. John Wilson, representing the Trades Congress, also made short addresses in support of the movement. Mr. Cremer, M.P., secretary of the Workingmen's Peace association, who originated the memorial, then presented it to the President and made a lengthy address, to which Mr. Cleveland replied. In the course of his speech the President said: "I am sorry to be obliged to confess that the practical side of this question has received but little of her attention. I am reminded, too, that in the administration of government difficulty often arises in the attempt to carefully apply ideas, which in themselves challenge unqualified approval. Thus it may be that the friends of international arbitration will not be able on one side to secure the adoption in its whole extent of their humane and beneficent side. But such a great progress should be made by a sincere and hearty effort. I promise you a faithful and careful consideration of the matter, and I believe I may speak for the American people in giving the assurance that they desire to see the killing of men for the accomplishment of national ambition abolished, and that they will gladly hail the advent of peaceful methods in the settlement of national disputes, so far as is consistent with the defence and protection of our country's territory and with the maintenance of our national honor, when it affords a shelter and repose for national integrity and personifies the safety and protection of our citizens."

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of late, and the market, if anything, is overstocked, to the surprise of everybody. Fine famous sell at \$3 to \$3.50. Winter apples, St. Lawrence, from \$2 to \$2.50. The quality of the apples offered is generally good. Some cheaper grades sell at \$1.50 to \$1.75.

POTATOES are coming in freely and sell for \$5 to \$6 a bag. Early rose seems to be in the best demand. On the whole the potatoes received are not of the finest quality. The e have been but few shipments, the price not warranting parties from the States to make purchases.

HIDES AND SKINS.—A good business is now being done in hides and skins, tanners during the past week having bought quite freely. Montreal green hides are selling from \$6 to \$8 per cwt. Chicago buff sell from \$9.50 to \$10.00. Calfskins sell at from 75c to 85c per pound. Sheepskins 65 to 75c.

BEANS.—There is a good demand for nice beans, and small hard picked sell at \$2 to \$2.25. Screened sell at \$1.75 to \$2, and yellow eyes at \$1.60 to \$1.70.

SUGAR RING. Rumors are afloat of the likelihood of the New York Sugar Trust "Combine" becoming a success. There seems to be a great deal of grumbling, and the rumor that the Trust was not likely to go through had a very decided effect upon the market. Just what has caused the all round trouble is uncertain, but there is a decided tendency on their part to seize the lion's share. The smaller firms feel that they have rights and privileges which have not been sufficiently respected. Evidently there is a hitch somewhere. To how great an extent the feeling has grown it yet to be seen. Should the hitch become serious as to cause the Trust to fail, the general impression is that it would materially hurt the market. Combinations are not enough when they are run in the interest of the people, but as a rule they are run in the interest of the combine. There seems to be little question but that the heavy refiners of this city are in the pool, and time can only decide if the organization will be productive of good to all the people.

HORSES. A fair business is now being done at the various sale tables, mostly for heavy work horses, although a few sales have been made for single drivers and carriage horses. At Kimball's Stock Exchange there are a large number of fine horses, and the daily receipts indicate a larger business for the winter. The Boston and New York markets are well supplied with cheap horses, but they report a good call for carriage and single drivers. A few parties have been here from the States, but they made no large purchases. At Ryan's Exchange and Sale Stables there are several fairly matched pairs held at good figures, and Kimball's stables are well stocked. Good single drivers sell from \$125 to \$300. For the past week the shipments have been light.

CATTLE. There is no improvement in the cattle trade, and the yards at Point St. Charles carry a desert look. Few shipments are made, as the Liverpool market is reported dead. Cattle received thus far are not of the first quality, although a few Western steers have arrived and sold readily, but very low, 3 1/2 to 4c being the outside price for the very best. Some cattle have sold as low as 2 1/2 to 3c, but these were of poor grade. Many of the cattle shipped to Europe were of poor quality that they had to be sold at a great sacrifice, in fact there is no call for only the very best.

HAY AND STRAW. There has been quite a demand during the past few days, and there is a stronger feeling in the market and prices are higher, owing to light receipts. Choice timothy sells at \$10 and inferior at \$8 per 100 bundles. The demand for pressed hay continues good, and prices are firm as follows:—No. 1 \$14, No. 2 \$11 and No. 3 \$10 per ton in large quantities. There was a good enquiry for straw, and many buyers could not fill their wants, and prices were higher at \$4.50 to \$6.50 per 100 bundles.

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