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STANDARDIZING CANADIAN EGGS

From present indications it would appear that one of the most important developments to date in the improvement of the Canadian Egg Trade was the action taken by the Canadian Produce Association last winter in adopting definite standards for Canadian Eggs. Hitherto each market, and in most markets each dealer had a system of grading peculiar to his own trade. This resulted in endless confusion to the consumer and great difficulty was experienced at times on the part of the producer in finding a satisfactory market for his product.

Realizing the importance of having definite standards for all live stock products the Live Stock Branch of the Dominion Department of Agriculture has endeavored to give the standards for eggs as much publicity as possible.

At a number of exhibitions where no extensive classes for eggs have been offered, the Live Stock Branch has made a display of eggs graded in accordance with the standards and in each instance has supplemented the display with actual demonstrations, in a candling booth specially designed for the purpose, of the way in which eggs of the various grades appear when candled.

In order that the consumers and producers generally may become more familiar with the various classes and grades the following explanation is given. Three general classes for eggs are provided under the standards, viz:— "Fresh gathered," "Storage," and "Cracked and Dirty." Four grades are provided in the first class, three in the second, and two in the third.

The grades in the "Fresh Gathered" class are "Specials," "Extras," "No. 1's," and "No. 2's." The grade "Specials" is omitted from the "Storage" class, and both specials and extras from the class for "Cracked and Dirty." "Specials" according to the standards are eggs of uniform size weighing over 24 ounces to the dozen or over 45 pounds net to the 30 dozen case; absolutely clean, strong and sound in shell; air cell small, not over 3-16 of an inch in depth; white of egg firm and clear and yolk dimly visible; free from blood clots.

"Extras" are eggs of good size, weighing at least 24 ounces to the dozen or 45 pounds net to the 30 dozen case; clean, sound in shell; air cell less than 1/4 of an inch in depth; with white of egg firm, and yolk slightly visible.

"No. 1's" are eggs weighing at least 23 ounces to the dozen or 43 pounds net to the 30 dozen case; clean, sound in shell; air cell less than 1/2 inch in depth; white of egg reasonably firm; yolk visible but mobile, not stuck to the shell or seriously out of place.

"No. 2's" are eggs clean; sound in shell; may contain weak watery eggs, and eggs with heavy yolks, and all other eggs sound in shell and fit for food.

Consumers in the matter of purchasing eggs should acquaint themselves with these standards and the above definitions of the grades. Only by creating a demand for certain grades of eggs will the supply be forthcoming, and the demand can come only with a thorough knowledge on the part of the consumer as to what constitutes the various grades. It has also been frequently suggested that since the adoption of the standards consumers generally, in order to safeguard themselves, would do well to insist that all eggs as offered for sale be labelled in accordance with their proper grade.

Producers too, would do well to more systematically grade their eggs before marketing, and knowing definitely what they have in hand thereby be in a better position to demand a price commensurate with the quality supplied.

Serbian copper mines have been flooded in such a way that they will be useless to the Germans.

"Air, light, highways, and water are the primary conditions of civilization. It is the interest of all that every citizen should have as much of these as he wants."—Frederick Harrison.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

"SERVICE" the Watchword.

Toronto, Nov. 1.—"Service" has been adopted as the motto of the Liberal Club Federation of Ontario, and many compliments have been given the organization for its choice of a slogan. The Toronto Star, for example, in an editorial on the question, says:—"As an optimistic sign of the times, the motto of the Liberal Club Federation of Ontario, 'Service,' is significant. It marks a real development in political ideals and in a definite, vivid way summarizes graphically what may be called the 'renaissance of idealism' in politics." * * * "The Liberal Club Federation of Ontario, from its inception two and a half years ago has been a promising and often an inspiring organization. Its adoption of 'Service' as a motto is consistent not only with its prospects but with its history. The Federation has a splendid record of actual enlistments for the front from its officers and members. Those who for various reasons cannot serve with the colors at present are evidently determined that through their organization they will do their share in various kinds of patriotic endeavors and activities."

The Federation at present is holding a series of conferences to discuss further means of assisting in enterprises connected with the war. Within the last week conferences have been held in Hamilton and London for Central and Western Ontario respectively, and similar conferences are planned for Belleville and the County of Dundas.

Ottawa Boy Killed by Motor Transfer.

John H. Clark eight year old son of Mr. George H. Clark, Dominion seeds commissioner, was killed almost instantly last Wednesday, in front of his home, 501 O'Connor street, Ottawa, when he fell under the wheels of a motor truck. Witnesses say that it was purely an accident. The boy ran into the road and tried to climb on the front of the motor truck after it had started and fell under the wheels. The truck was being driven by Mr. Doan Ryan. After the trunk had been placed on the truck the driver started the motor and as he did this little boy ran down off the front steps of his home and tried to climb to the truck. He lost his balance and fell. The left hind wheel passed over his right foot and his head, fracturing the skull. The accident was witnessed by both the mother and the father, who were standing on the front steps.

November Rod and Gun.

A glance at the list of contents of the November issue of Rod and Gun in Canada magazine indicates that this number is of general interest to the outdoor lover and sportsman, while a reading of the number justifies the first impression. "Big A's" and the Postage of Death" is a Hudson Bay story by R. J. Fraser, of pathetic interest, concerning a veritable 'portage of death' which was negotiated by an unfortunate band of Indians, the victims of a factor's cruelty.

"Martin and the Mortgage" is another of H. C. Haddon's stories and has to do with the capture of a den of black fox puppies. "How Saunders caught the Game Hog" is a story of deer hunting by camera vs. deer hunting by gun, written and illustrated by E. V. Williams. There are other stories that make a like appeal to the readers of a sportsman's magazine as well as the usual special departments devoted to guns and ammunition, fishing, etc. W. J. Taylor, Limited, Woodstock, Ont. are the publishers.

Electric Cooking Popular.

The increasing popularity of electric cooking is well evidenced by the attention which is being given to this subject in the press. That it is a better, cleaner and more sanitary way of cooking was never questioned. The only objection has been the high cost in comparison with coal, gas or other fuels. Formerly the cost of both the electric range, or oven, and the current were practically prohibitive. Two or three years ago the price of electric energy in most Canadian centres were so reduced that electric cooking became cheaper than the older methods. This has had the effect of stimulating the manufacture of cheaper electric cooking devices, as it became evident that a much larger field was being opened and an enormous demand could not fail to follow. Thus, the second objection to electric cooking is now practically eliminated, as a good electric range costs very little more than a gas range. An important point, often disregarded when the saving by electric cooking is compared, is the excessive loss in meat shrinkage by the older methods. For instance it is not generally realized that an eight pound roast of beef weighs only five and a half pounds after roasting by gas, while, if cooked by electricity, only three-quarters of a pound is lost. With other meats and different sizes of roasts similar results obtain. Another great advantage of electric cooking is the precise manner in which it can be accomplished. The results of cooking experiments in electric ovens indicate that it is possible to reduce the art of cooking with electricity to an exact science.

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WOMEN'S NATIONAL ANTHEM.

DEAR EDITOR,

While in London recently I came in touch with a little incident, which I think will interest you. I attended, one day, at noon, a recruiting meeting in the front of the Mansion House. A great crowd of men and women listened to the recruiting Sergeants, all of whom had "done their bit" at the front. A lady, with a magnificent voice, sang patriotic songs, which perhaps were more effective than the speeches of the recruiting Sergeants. At the close of the meeting, it was announced that after singing "The King," the lady would sing "The Women's National Anthem."

Then in splendid voice she sang—

"God save our splendid men
Send them safe home again
God save our men
Keep them victorious
Patient and chivalrous,
They are so dear to us,
God save our men."

As she sang, every man stood, uncovered and bowed head, and there were not many dry eyes.

I think it would be a good thing if the women of Canada would learn this as "The British Women's National Anthem" for surely it is the prayer of every loyal British woman.

After the meeting I went up to the singer, handed her my card, and asked her for the words she had just sung. When she saw that I was from Montreal she said "Oh, I sang in Montreal, and I will be glad to send the words to the women of Canada."

She wrote them on the back of the blue envelope, which contained my passport.

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How to Make Money at Home.

Start a saloon in your own house. Be the only customer (you'll have no license to pay). Go to your wife and give her two dollars to buy a gallon of whiskey, and remember there are sixty-nine drinks in a gallon. Buy your drinks from no one but your wife, and by the time the first gallon is gone she would have eight dollars to put into the bank and two dollars to start business again.

Should you live ten years and continue to buy booze from her, and then die with snakes in your boots, she will have enough money to bury you decently, educate your children, buy a house and lot, marry a decent man, and quit thinking about you entirely.—From the Illinois Steel Company's Safety Bulletin.

Heard in the Home.

Elizabeth, cut off from her usual activities for a week by a strained ankle, heard from her big chair in the library much that had escaped her notice before.

"The man who said, 'Learn, my boy, to say no' should also have advised the boy to learn to say yes," she remarked one afternoon, as she sat with her mother, busy over needlework. "For variations of the affirmative this household can't be equalled. From Tom with his 'Yeh,' and Nellie with her 'Yeah,' to father with his 'Uh-huh,' there isn't one in the family who really says 'Yes.'"

Mrs. Ray looked up, mildly surprised at Elizabeth's warmth of expression.

"Aren't you a little over-critical, dear?" she asked. "I hadn't noticed any such carelessness."

"Nor had I till I was shut up here with nothing else to think of," said Elizabeth. "Now you just notice when they come in from school and see if I'm not right. Is that you, Tom?" she called, as the hall door opened. "Is school out?"

"Yeh," returned the oldest boy briefly, hurrying on to put away his school-books.

"Sis," Ray followed close on the heels of her brother, and stopped to get a book from the library.

"Did you have a pleasant day at school?" asked her sister.

"Yeah, fine," replied the younger girl, intent on her search.

Ted and Mary, the two "primaries," came next, and to their mother's questions about their classes replied pleasantly, the one with "Yeh" and the other "Yip." Prof. Ray himself was the last to arrive.

"Aren't you a little earlier than usual?" inquired his wife, with a welcoming smile.

"Uh-huh," replied the professor, abstractedly.

"You were right," admitted Mrs. Ray, turning to her daughter. "I think it would be a good thing for all of us to be more careful. Don't you think so?" Elizabeth, intent on her occupation, amiably acquiesced.

"Uh-huh," she replied absent-mindedly.—Youth's Companion.

Insurance does not replace burned property. It is merely a system whereby the misfortune or carelessness of one becomes a tax on all in the form of insurance premiums.

John House, aged eighty, an old British soldier, walked the twelve miles from Niagara Camp to St. Catharines, following the 81st Regiment, while his grandson, a Lieutenant, rode on horseback, the latter's offer of a conveyance being disdained by the veteran.

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After some hunting around a piper was found, and it was arranged that he should present himself outside the hospital that night and pour forth all the gems of Scottish music the pipes were capable of interpreting. This he did.

When the astute doctor turned up the next morning he eagerly asked the matron:

"Did the piper turn up?"

"He did," replied the matron.

"And how's our Scotch patient?"

"Oh, he's fine; I never saw such a change," said the matron.

"That's grand. It was a fine idea of mine to get that piper," said the delighted doctor.

"Yes," replied the matron, sadly; "but the other thirty patients have all had a serious relapse."

Unsafe Lanterns.

The season of shortened daylight brings its own peculiar fire dangers. One of these is the use of the lantern about farm buildings. Of recent years, owing to competition, a low-priced lantern, which is a serious fire menace, has been placed upon the market. Instead of being securely screwed on the oil reservoir, the burner is simply slipped on, with the result that, if the lantern is upset, the burner comes off the oil is allowed to run out upon the lighted wick. The result is either an explosion or a serious blaze, and unless speedily checked, damage to life and property.

Scotch Bitter Marmalade.

Press the juice from a number of oranges and set aside. Put the rinds in a preserving kettle with water to cover, and cook until the rinds are soft, adding more water if it boils down too closely. When thoroughly tender, pour into a jelly bag and squeeze, pressing hard to get all the juice. Add to the juice squeezed from the oranges in the first place and measure. To every pint of the juice allow a pint and a half crushed loaf sugar, cook twenty minutes, then take out a teaspoonful and try on a cold plate. It curls up when the spoon is pushed through it, the marmalade is ready. Take once from the fire, pour into small jars, and let stand overnight before covering. This makes a transparent jelly like marmalade, not often seen in this country.

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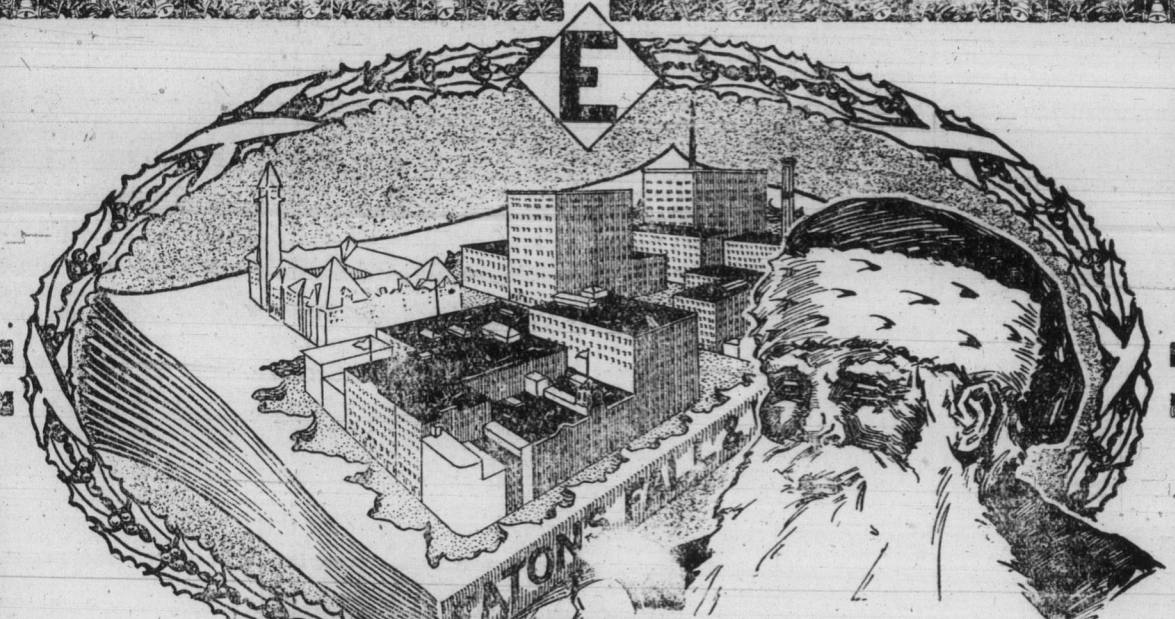
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