

GENIUS OF LABOUR

There is on exhibition in the window of the new Star building, on St. James St., a magnificent bronze statue about three feet high. The workmanship is of the finest. The piece contains three figures. The principal one is that of an able bodied man with the implements and productions of labour at his side. Above and overshadowing him stands his inspiring genius. In



her right hand she carries a flaming torch, and with her left she points to future successes. These and the struggling Cupid constitute his inspiration to greater achieve-

vement. This work of art is authorized by the Canadian Commission to accompany and commemorate the Grand Prize awarded to Massey Harris Co., Ltd., at the Paris Exposition, 1900.

CLOVER.

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If the farmer were to choose an emblematic flower, nothing could be more suitable than clover. It is suggestive of pure air and sunshine and all the pleasures of outdoor life, delighting the eye with its beauty, exhaling fragrance at every stage of its existence, as well as contributing most liberally to the material necessities of mankind. To paraphrase Sir John Falstaff, "It is not only profitable in itself, but is the cause of there being profit in other crops."

As a fodder, clover is yet much undervalued. A ton of clover hay contains 140 pounds of ash and 300 pounds of protein matter, while the same amount of timothy has only 90 pounds of ash and 180 pounds of protein matter. From this it will be seen that clover is much richer in the expensive nutritive elements, has a larger percentage of bone-making material, and is more nearly a balanced ration than timothy. It is also much more palatable, and, when properly cured and fed, quite as healthful. For milk cows, fattening animals, sheep and working horses, it is indeed preferable to any other fodder, and even the swine-breeder and poultryman can use large quantities of it most profitably.

CLOVER AS A FERTILIZER.

Its value as a fertilizer is more generally recognized. It is a common saying among farmers that anything can be grown on a good clover sod. It has the power, in common with other leguminous plants, of appropriating the free nitrogen of the air, and thus adding absolutely to the plant food of the soil. This is a most important function, indeed, as nitrogen is the most