

The Planet

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THE BACON TRADE.

A lengthy circular, giving pointers on the bacon trade to the farmers of the province, is issued by the Ontario department of agriculture. F. W. Hodson, Dominion live stock commissioner, after summing up the whole bacon situation at present, says:—"The Canadian market demands a long, lean singer. Therefore it is in the interest of Canadian farmers to supply the best pigs for that purpose. First class goods mean a growing market at home and abroad; anything else means a stationary or receding market. At the present time 25 per cent. of the pigs marketed in Canada are what is known as "softs," 25 per cent. are flats and at least 10 per cent. unsalable. Sixty per cent. of Canadian pigs grade as No. 2 or lower, which is 40 per cent. more than might be expected if breeding were carefully done. Canadian farmers lose at least 20 cents per hundred on all pigs sold because of this condition, packers fixing their buying prices according to their average receipts from sales. The man who insists on breeding the wrong type not only loses 20 cents per hundred, but he causes his neighbor to do so as well. Not only this, but he injures the home and foreign trade. Therefore it is to the interest of every citizen that the right sort of pigs be bred on every Canadian farm and that they be properly fed. Pigs of the wrong type cannot be made good by any kind of feeding, yet bad feeding will spoil a good pig."

THE TEMPLE OF FAME AND GENERAL LEE.

There is to be in the United States a Hall of Fame, in which shall be enshrined for future generations the names and deeds of one hundred of the most illustrious men—soldiers, sailors, statesmen and so on—in American history. This is a very good idea, for the Americans have no Westminster Abbey or St. Paul's, no national shrine sacred to the memories of the illustrious dead. There is, to be sure, Mount Vernon, where lie the ashes of the Father of the Country; there is Monticello, with its memories of Jefferson; there is Grant's Tomb beside the Hudson. But these and others like them recall the memories only of individuals; while Westminster Abbey or St. Paul's recalls the memories of "a mighty company" of those who have made Britain what she is. And so the Americans are to have their shrine of greatness, lacking, it is true, the charm of age, but as a compensation, being somewhat exclusive, and having thus the advantage over England's great mausoleums, where, it must be confessed, the ashes of a good many, whose very names are now forgotten. The number of names will, in the case of the United States, be limited to one hundred; and the selection, apparently, has been fairly made. But here a difficulty arises. Certain names have been chosen that are not acceptable to certain classes of the people. The best example is that of General Robert E. Lee, the great leader of the Lost Cause. The New York Sun strongly opposes his admission. It says: "At a time when the flag and the government Lee had sworn to defend . . . were in sore need of the most loyal obedience to their oaths by officers of the army, he wrote to General Scott to tender my resignation, which I request you will recommend for acceptance." Two days later, without waiting for such acceptance or receiving dismissal from the service in which he had been for a generation, he was appointed by the government of Virginia to the chief command of its insurrectionary forces, and the next day was publicly invested with that command. . . . He forswore himself and became a deserter. Are our words harsh? That is not the question to ask of them. Are they true words? After paying a high tribute to General Lee as a man and a commander, the Sun ends its article with "Lee was a destroyer, not a builder. Hail to the Stars and Stripes! Forever and always death and confusion to his enemies!"

The Southern press is, of course, up in arms against this view. The Commercial Appeal, of Memphis, for example, says that The Sun "deliberately maligns a man whose name it is not fit to utter." While the Atlanta Journal declares that "Lee is as secure from the assaults of sectional prejudice as the fixed stars are from the clouds that drift and blow about our little earth." Individual writers from the South point out that England has honored Cromwell; and that Lee was no rebel, as he obeyed the command of his State, to whom his first allegiance was due. The Richmond Times takes the most aggressive position against the New York Sun. It says: "There is no honor conferred upon General Lee by placing his name there. The honor is the other way. . . . How can it honor a man thus thought of by mankind to abuse his name in a two-penny show gallery, along with a number of nobodies that people have to ask about to know that they lived. . . . If the narrow-minded bigots, who carp at his name being there cannot appreciate the honor

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which Lee's name confers upon them, let his name be withdrawn, that it may blaze in the firmament with his own undying light, uninterrupted by the petty screens which the bigots would attempt to interpose between it and the admirers who dwell all over the civilized world."

DISCREDITABLE CRUELTY.

Human people generally will agree with the following from the Aylmer Express:

Three thousand live pigeons arrived in St. Thomas, by express on Saturday morning last, and we were told by a party who saw them that it was a pitiable sight. They were so packed together they could not move with comfort, and some of them were dead from the close confinement and exposure. These pigeons are for so-called "sport," viz: a big shooting match which takes place in St. Thomas this week. In Massachusetts and some other states of the union, this kind of "sport" has been placed under the ban of the law and is prohibited altogether. It should be in this enlightened Province also, and the man who takes the matter up in our legislature, and puts it through, if he does nothing else, will do more than the average member. When you come to figure it down, pigeon shooting from a trap, is a cruel, unsportsmanlike and unfair piece of business. It is unworthy of the support or toleration of any man who claims to be fair minded and not inhuman.

The country, however, does not seem ripe for any legislation in the matter. Mr. Brown, of Hamilton, when in parliament, introduced a bill several times to prohibit the trap shooting of live birds, but each time the measure was laughed down. Anything that is to be done, therefore, must be done by public opinion.

Talking of birds, why should not the shooting of partridge and quail be altogether prohibited—for a few years at all events? As the law stands, they may be shot, but they may not be sold, so that the only persons who can obtain the birds are those who can shoot and find time to do it, or those who have friends to do it for them. If these game birds are delicacies, surely an invalid should be given the opportunity of enjoying them, as well as the robust, husky fellow, who can tramp the woods all day, with gun and a bag of shells.—London Free Press.

Quail are quite plentiful, why should their shooting be prohibited? As for

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Really, if for nothing else than to save the Liberal press from further worry in the matter, the Conservatives ought to get together and pick out a new leader.

The commission at Toronto for the purpose of discussing and amending the assessment laws is carefully looking over the ground and it is hoped something tangible and uniform will be the result, so that the man who has to pay the taxes will know where he is "at." The general tenor of the discussion seems to be on the line of throwing the greater part of the burden of tax paying on the man who has provided a home for the comfort of his family. It is to be on the plan that real estate should pay all the taxes and the man who has his wealth in cash or personal property shall escape. If such a recommendation turns out to be the result of the commission's labors, their work will prove time wasted. In the cities, particularly, real estate is already taxed up to the top notch.

In the taking of the census it is not proposed to class as factories concerns employing less than six hands. The London Free Press contends that this is wrong and asserts that a blacksmith shop, for instance, which turns out horseshoes, is a factory just as much if it has three hands as if it has six. This is quite true. Any concern that takes raw material and turns it out in a manufactured state, is a factory, irrespective of its size. Bakeries could be so classed. But as we understand it, the object of the census is to gather and tabulate for the public useful statistics. But would they be useful if the policy were followed throughout of counting every tinshop and every shoe shop a factory, and then proving by the total that this was the greatest manufacturing country in the world?

ABOUT SHADE TREES.

London News. Yesterday the News published in full W. E. Saunders' admirable paper on the proper treatment of shade trees. It is hardly necessary to say that the News' agrees in toto with Mr. Saunders' views. We have more than once voiced popular disapproval of the tree butcher. Mr. Saunders' contention is, in brief, that the proper treatment for a tree is to let it alone. He intimates that the Almighty has been growing trees for centuries, and understands his business better than the chaps who make periodical dashes with axes and saws at the trees. Mr. Saunders points out that what the shade trees in London need, if they need anything, is not pruning, but thinning out. The ordinary practice here, as elsewhere, where trees appear cramped for growing room, is not to thin out the weakest, but to hack and hew off the lower limbs of all—a practice that weakens the trees, destroys their symmetry and does not in the least remove the cause of the trouble, which originated when the trees were planted too close together.

THE TICKET OF LEAVE.

London Free Press. Hon. D. Mills, of this city, the Minister of Justice, considers that he has good reason to feel satisfied with the results which have attended the trial given in Canada under his supervision to what is commonly known as the "ticket-of-leave" system, and there is no question that if the practice be kept from developing into an abuse of justice, that it will be found to afford the opportunity for reformation of which the majority of youthful offenders against the laws of the land will be glad to avail themselves. "We have had a chance of seeing how the idea works out in actual practice," said Hon. Mr. Mills to the Free Press, "and are satisfied that its utility is proven beyond a doubt. It is furnishing opportunity for many a poor fellow to regain his manhood and get gradually back to respectability. This is particularly so with the class of prisoners who are under detention for the first time. Many a young man is pulled up on the road of crime before he has got very far, and of these not a few find themselves in prison before they are well aware of what business they have been about. It is with such as are anxious to reform that we have to do. They are required at stated intervals to report themselves to the local police authorities wherever they may be, and out of the hundred odd cases in which this clemency has been allowed there have been but two instances where the parties fell back into their old ways. One man had to be brought back from the United States after having fled the country, and both are again behind the bars. But the percentage of lapses is so small that we can well congratulate ourselves on the general success that attends the reform. A feature which should be appreciated by the general public is the wholesome saving effected through being freed from the cost of keeping this company at the country's expense."

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