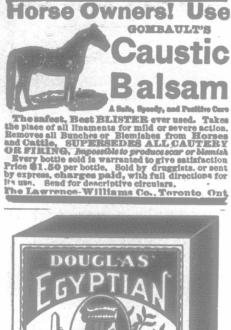
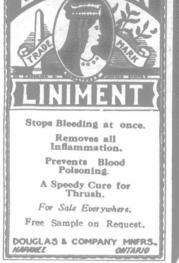
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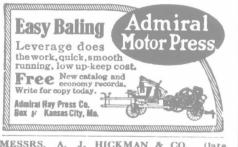




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#### Keeping a Tight Rein on **Forest Fires.**

How does the Permit Plan of controlling settlers' fires work-in other provinces and states? This question has assumed public interest since the disastrous consequences of uncontrolled settlers' fires in Northern Ontario in July and August.

"After a careful study of the question," writes Hon. Jules Allard, Minister of Lands and Forests for Quebec, "we came to the conclusion that the most efficient means of protecting the forests from damage caused by settlers' fires, at the same time fostering the agricultural de-velopment of the Province, was the Permit System.

"This year there must have been over 2,500 permits granted. There has been no damage caused by fire for clearing purposes made in virtue of these permits.

The President of the St. Maurice Forest Protective Association of Quebec, patrol-ling 12,000 square miles of forested and partly settled country, states under date August 31, 1916:

We have been so successful under the Permit System that we would under no circumstances go back to the old way of handling fires. The settlers have cooperated with us in every way, and their satisfaction is universal. So far, we have not had a single fire caused by a settler, a most unusual and satisfactory record.

What says the Chief Forester of the highly organized Western Forestry and Conservation Association, Portland, Ore? 'In our Pacific Northwestern States, the burning permit is as accepted a part of fire prevention as patrol or fire fighting. None considers abandoning it. Last year, in the State of Washington alone, nearly 13,000 burning permits were issued, and under them 118,000 acres were burned over. The Permit is an absolute essential of any serious attempt to reduce fire in a developing forest region.

And this is British Columbia's testi-mony: "From experience gained in British Columbia, the unqualified state-ment is made that unless brush burning is controlled by means of permits, no real fire protection is possible in a timbered country.

#### **Distribution of Seed Grain** and Potatoes.

Editor The Farmers' Advocate:

By instructions of the Hon. Minister of Agriculture a distribution of superior sorts of grain and potatoes will be made during the coming winter and spring to Canadian farmers. The samples for general distribution will consist of spring wheat (about 5 lbs.), white oats (about 4 lbs.), barley (about 5 lbs.), and field peas (about 5 lbs.) These will be sent out from Ottawa A distribution of potatoes in samples o about 3 lbs. will be carried on from severa of the experimental farms, the Central Farm at Ottawa supplying only the pro vinces of Ontario and Quebec. Al samples will be sent free by mail.

Only one sample of grain and one of potatoes can be sent to each farm. As the supply of seed is limited, farmers are advised to apply early Requests received after the end of December will probably be too late.



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