### Improving Western Wheat

Outstanding amongst the many re-Outstanding amongst the many re-cent evidences of Canada's rapid growth and development, is the rapid filling up of the west; the fast-grow-ing acreage of wheat, oats, barley and flax, and the increasing power that that section is wielding in the affairs of the Dominion. The time was when of the Dominion. The time was wh easterners regarded the west as The time was when sort of no man's land, and resented the efforts of the Dominion Government to exploit and develop it. That view has been relegated to oblivion, and is succeeded by the realization that much of the prosperity of the country as a whole depends on the west, on the wheat crop of which all eyes are turned at present. Westerners themselves realize that their country is preeminently a wheat-growing one, and acting on this, are doing much to increase the yield and improve the quality. To secure, good, clean seed, to encourage its more extensive use, and to foster more caretensive use, and to loster more care-ful remunerative farming, competi-tions in standing fields of seed grain are held by the various agricultural societies, and are judged by compe-tent men provided by the Seed Branch. The interest in the competitions is increasing from year to year. In 1906, when they were first estab-



R. P. Langford Cup

A \$50 silver oup presented to Wolseley Agricultural Society for Red Fife Wheat.

lished, there were 31 competitions, with a total of 222 fields entered. The with a total of 222 helds entered. The next year 38 societies took up the work and there were 298 fields enter-ed, while this summer 45 societies out of the 65 in the province, held compe-titions. The Provincial Department of Agriculture makes a grant of \$100 for each competition of the sort, but, not content with this, many societies have increased the prize money out of their own pockets, and have held field competitions for both wheat and In some cases as much as \$250 was offered in prizes.

### SILVER CUPS OFFERED

An encouraging feature of the competitions is the interest that is being taken in them, not only by the farmiers, but also by the townspeople. As an illustration of this the Wolseley Agricultural Society might be mentioned. Mr. R. P. Langford, of that town, has offered a \$50 silver cup to the wheat making the highest number of points counting those given it in the field competition, and those secured at the seed fair, the cup to become the property of the exhibitor who first wins it three times. The Moose Jaw Agricultural Society, a \$600 Jaw Agricultural Society and \$600 Jaw A An encouraging feature of the com-

other points, are expected to have a similar prize, in addition to those generally offered, and it is only a matof a very short time, until most of the societies in the province will put on classes of this sort. When this condition of affairs is brought about, the impetus given cereal improvement will be great.

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A prize of this sort is especially valuable as it combines the best points of the two greatest powers for the advancement of farming in Saskarchewan to-day, the field competition and the seed fair. The strong point of the former is the ease with which the wheat's purity as to variety true of Red Fife, amongst which bearded or foreign varieties can be readily detected. When examining ly true of Red Fife, amongst which bearded or foreign varieties can be readily detected. When examining the grain in the field an idea can also be formed as to its freedom from weeds, its uniformity, size of head, strength of straw, and other particulars that go to make up the yield, and determine the quality. The great advantage of the seed fair is in having before one the harvested product. One before one the harvested product. One octore one the narvested product. One can see how clean it is, and just how plump and even, and form a very good idea of its fitness for milling or good idea of its fitness for milling or seed purposes. The one weak point seed purposes, the impossibility of accurately either the product of the control of

### SEED FAIRS FLOURISHING

The prospect for an increase in the number of seed fairs in this province next winter are of the brighest. Three years ago, when they were first started, seven were held. The year following there were 21, and last winter 43 agricultural societies held them. During the coming winter it is ex-pected that nearly every agricultural society will have its seed fair. There society will have its seed fair. There is throughout the west, but especially in Saskatchewan, a rapidly increasing realization of the need for and the value of good seed. We realize that it is the few extra bushels an acre that makes the profit; that it is ute little extra care that secures the high grade and the remunerative price, and that it is the wheat a little better than the rest that gives Candad her present proud position as the ada her present proud position as the home of the world's best hard wheat. Sound business principles prompt us to grow the best and true patriotism leaves us no other choice.—H. M.

### Cow Pox

Cows have sores on their udders. Hard swellings appear, white bilsters appear in accuracy of swellings; this breath, matter escapes, and a seab forms which, after a time, falle off; fresh swellings appear, the cows had a similar trouble last year.—E. A. F.

year.—E. A. P.
This is cow pox. It is contagious.
The contagion is easily conveyed from cow to cow by contact, the diseased. The milker, etc. I solate the diseased. The milker, etc. I solate the diseased of the milker, etc. I solate the should not milk the healthy cows without at least having changed his clothing and having changed his clothing and having changed his clothing and indicated his hands.

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or can he be forced to carry his drainage water across A's farm?-A. N., Norfolk Co., Ont.

fork Co., Ont.

B has a right, so far as his neighbor
A is concerned, to allow the surface
water flowing through B's land to flow
in and upon the lard of A, but the law
does not give him the right to accumulate surface water by means of tile
drains and to discharge the same upon drains and to discharge the same upon his neighbor's land, or to accumulate it in such a way upon his own find that it must from the necessity of things discharge itself in largely in-creased quantities upon the land of his neighbor.

The answer to Subscriber's question

necessarily therefore is, that if B wishes to bring the water through particular tile drains to a particular portion of B's land so that it is an injury to A's land, A is entitled to take legal measures to restrain him.

### Recipe for Whitewash

Would you kindly publish a good recipe for making a whitewash to be used for inside work, in cow stable and hen house? Would kalsomine make a better job?—E A., Emilesville, Que.

A. Emleville, que.

The recipe that you request for whitewash to apply to the inside of a stable or hen house is as follows: Lime, 2 lbs.; water, 1 gallon; skim milk, 1 quart. Kalsomine would not make a satisfactory article for the purpose mentioned and would be too expressive. pensive.

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