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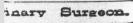
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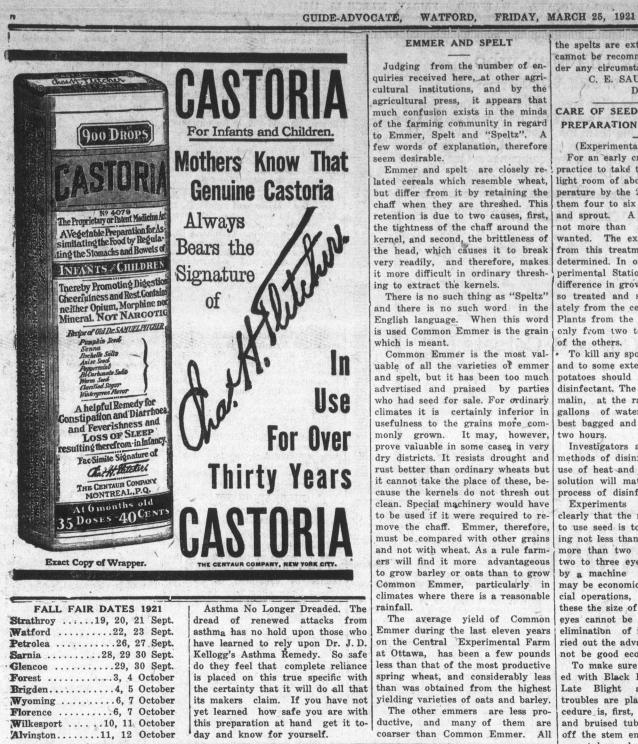
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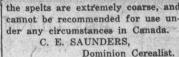
Judging from the number of enquiries received here, at other agricultural institutions, and by the agricultural press, it appears that much confusion exists in the minds of the farming community in regard to Emmer, Spelt and "Speltz". A few words of explanation, therefore

Emmer and spelt are closely reit more difficult in ordinary threshing to extract the kernels.

which is meant.

advertised and praised by parties climates it is certainly inferior in usefulness to the grains more commonly grown. It may, however, prove valuable in some cases in very dry districts. It resists drought and rust better than ordinary wheats but it cannot take the place of these, because the kernels do not thresh out clean. Special machinery would have to be used if it were required to remove the chaff. Emmer. therefore. and not with wheat. As a rule farmers will find it more advantageous to grow barley or oats than to grow Common Emmer, particularly in climates where there is a reasonable

The average yield of Common on the Central Experimental Farm at Ottawa, has been a few pounds less than that of the most productive spring wheat, and considerably less than was obtained from the highest yielding varieties of oats and barley. The other emmers are less pro-ductive, and many of them are coarser than Common Emmer. All



CARE OF SEED POTATOES AND PREPARATION FOR PLANTING

(Experimental Farm Notes) For an early crop, it is a common practice to take the seed tubers to a lated cereals which resemble wheat, | light room of about 60 degrees tembut differ from it by retaining the perature by the 20th March, to give chaff when they are threshed. This them four to six weeks to warm up retention is due to two causes, first, and sprout. A thick green sprout the tightness of the chaff around the not more than a half inch long is kernel, and second, the brittleness of wanted. The exact gain in growth the head, which causes it to break from this treatment has not been very readily, and therefore, makes determined. In one trial at the Ex. perimental Station, Fredericton, the difference in growth as between seed There is no such thing as "Speltz" so treated and seed taken immediand there is no such word in the ately from the cellar was very slight. English language. When this word Plants from the sprouted seed were is used Common Emmer is the grain only from two to three days ahead of the others.

Common Emmer is the most val- . To kill any spores of common scab uable of all the varieties of emmer and to some extent, Rhizoctonia, the and spelt, but it has been too much potatoes should be treated with a disinfectant. The safest to use is forwho had seed for sale. For ordinary malin, at the rate of a pint to 30 gallons of water. The tubers are best bagged and then immersed for two hours.

Investigators are now trying out methods of disinfection whereby the use of heat and greater strength of solution will materially hasten the process of disinfection.

Experiments have proven quite clearly that the most economical way to use seed is to cut to sets weighmust be compared with other grains ing not less than one ounce and not more than two ounces, with from two to three eyes to a set. Cutting by a machine or a cutting board may be economical in large commercial operations, but as when using these the size of sets and number of eyes cannot be well regulated nor Emmer during the last eleven years | elimination of internal disease carried out the advantage of speed may not be good economy.

To make sure that no sets infected with Black Leg, Fusarium Wilt, Late Blight and other possible troubles are planted, the best procedure is, first, to throw out all cut and bruised tubers, cut a thin slice off the stem end and then discard any tubers showing discoloration. Two knives should be used, one kept standing in a can of formalin solution; immediately a discolored potato is cut, the knife used should be put in the disinfectant and the other knife taken.

As the sets dry out quickly when cut and will heat if left in piles or barrels, they should be coated with dust. Gypsum, or land plaster, is one of the best materials to use, and if from two to four quarts is spread through the barrel of seed the sets will keep cool and firm with out deterioration for days and even weeks. Air slaked lime is frequently used and sometimes road dust and sulphur. Lime, if not thoroughly slaked, may injure the eyes and make the sets unpleasant to handle. W. W. HUBBARD, Superintendent. Experimental Station, Fredericton



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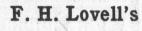
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