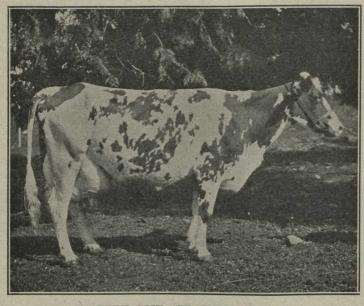
ders for their prize stock from dairymen all over the North American continent, and they strongly emphasize the fact that dairymen wishing to have good cattle should use good sires. Everything in the line of modern machinery and labor-saving devices is to be seen on the place, the grain crushers, pulpers, chaff cutters, etc., are all driven by electric power while electric light lamps are in evidence everywhere in the buildings. A gasoline ditch digger has been busy during the spring making a trench preparatory to putting in of 8000 3x8 inch tiles for underground drainage.



AYRSHIRE COW "GRANDVIEW ROSE" bred by S. Shannon, Cloverdale, completed her test and produced 21,423 lbs. of milk, giving 900 lbs. of butter fat, in 365 days. She is due to freshen in April and is the first Ayrshire in Canada to go over 20,000 lbs.

## MAKING YOUR HOBBIES USEFUL

How Spare Hours May Be Turned to Production.

A person without a hobby is only half living, but nearly everyone in British Columbia is fully alive, consequently nearly every one has a hobby. Some of these hobbies are of no more value than to create a diversion, which in itself is beneficial no doubt, but how much more valuable it would be if in addition they afforded an influence of good to others, and they might be made to be of even a universal advantage, which anything is at the present time that goes to produce more food stuff. We know a man whose hobby a few years ago was the production of beautiful flowers. Last year he changed it to vegetables and we well remember carrying a big bunch of lettuce and carrots away from his home, presented to us, with as much pride and pleasure as he used formerly to display in presenting us with a bunch of beautiful roses, and he stated it took just as much care and attention and created just as much satisfaction to produce a fine specimen of carrot as it does to produce an excellent rose.

A boy in Mount Pleasant has been rearing fancy pigeons for years. He sometimes sold a few pairs for fancy prices. Now he raises all he possibly can and sells them as squabs, netting quite a nice financial return and producing just as much pleasure as formerly.

Many ladies are now knitting socks when a few years ago it was lace, tatting or crochet which whiled away their spare moments.

Some diversions such as motoring, shooting, etc., are hard to convert into means of greater production, but possibly some other

inclination could be developed towards this end, and without any loss of interest. We have in mind a university man whose inclinations run to motoring and art work in brass. He would not give up either, but a greater application to the latter would be a manner of securing some money in prizes at the coming August fair or be a benefit to some raffle or bazaar. We used to breed a few fancy horses as a pastime. We changed our breeding operations to Cattle, and now have as much interest and pleasure as formerly although had anyone told us that such would be the case we would have been surprised.

The public school system of this country is admirable in this respect. Boys and girls are being taught to take up the hobby of gardening, of manual and industrial work, of domestic science. What is the result? Boys now can teach their fathers how to run a lathe, how to mend a chair, a table, or any piece of furniture. Girls can give lessons to their mothers in home-cooking and scientific methods, and in gardening both boys and girls in numerous instances, can give lessons to their parents. This is advancement; this is progress. Just visit the Vancouver exhibition and you will see the ocular demonstration of what the public school system of this country is doing for the uplift of the young idea. You will see there the exemplification of self reliance, of striving to excel, in fact of man and woman in the making, for the boy or girl properly equipped with the knowledge how to use their hands and their brains will meet and overcome life's troubles, when they become men and women, with confidence and self-reliance will be better citizens, better fathers and mothers themselves, and the country will be better for their helpful and self-sustaining presence.



## Synopsis of Coal Mining Regulations

OAL mining rights of the Dominion, in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the Yukon Territory, the North-West Territories and in a portion of the Province of British Columbia, may be leased for a term of 21 years, renewable for a further term of 21 years at an annual rental of \$1 an acre. Not more than 2,560 acres will be leased to one applicant.

Application for a lease may be made by the applicant in person to the Agent or Sub-Agent of the district in which the rights applied for are situated.

In surveyed territory the land must be described by sections, or legal subdivisions of sections, and in unsurveyed territory the tract applied for shall be staked out by the applicant himself.

Each application must be accompanied by a fee of \$5 which will be refunded if the rights applied for are not available, but not otherwise. A royalty shall be paid on the merchantable output of the mine at the rate of five cents per ton.

The person operating the mine shall furnish the Agent with sworn returns accounting for the full quantity of merchantable coal mined and pay the royalty thereon. If the coal mining rights are not being operated, such returns shall be furnished at least once a year.

The lease shall include the coal mining rights only, rescinded by Chap. 27 of 4-5 George V. assented to 12th June, 1914.

For full information application should be made to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to any Agent or Sub-Agent of Dominion Lands.

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