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LIVE STOCK PAYS.

Mr. Macpherson Tells More About His Hogs and Cattle

And how he Makes Them Yield a Revenue of $7000 a Year off a 150 acre farm

Mr. John Northwood has received a second letter from D. M. Macpherson, of Lancaster, re the successful breeding of hogs. In this communication Mr. Macpherson says:

My statements to you were from practical experience and extended observation in relation to profitable and large pork production. Large, numerous litters, well saved, with rapid growth and early maturity is what the pork raiser wants and he must look round and select his breeding stock where he will obtain these to the highest degree. My experience with Berkshire breeds is, that while they are undoubtedly early fat-makers they are not good growers, and at the same time unsuccessful in raising large litters for an average of a number of sows. I aim to get an average of eight to nine pigs per sow from a herd of thirty sows. I could in the past get such from the large Berkshire, but with a cross of the best type of Berk boar and York or Chester White sows I have got an average of eight matured pigs. I have not practiced boiling feed but soak it instead. I use largely bran and shorts, mixed, also grain provender.

In reply to your query re-feeding 90 cows and 250 pigs on my farm, would say that the pigs are continuously pastured on about six to eight acres of pasture, which is supplemented with slops and meal. The cows are all pastured night and day on about 45 acres of arable prepared pasture, and in addition about 30 acres of stump new land broken pasture. The cows also get some meal, in small amounts, when the pasture is short in dry times, and during August and September they get occasionally some green corn or green feed. Should the pasture be insufficient to give a full flow of milk. I aim to feed in such a way, by this method so as to get 5,000 lbs of milk per cow in 200 days of the summer from May to November.

I have no plan of a pig pen to give you. Am anxious to come across one that is right, but I have not done so yet. Have been studying out one of my own design, but it is not completed yet. My ideal qualifications of a pig pen are: warmth, dryness, convenience, ventilation, healthfulness and cheapness of construction, etc.

Your idea of the introduction of beet root sugar is a good one, but its growth and development should be compatible with the wants of the country and the skill to profitably raise and produce the sugar beet profitably. There appears to me to be no lack of skill available to produce the beet economically and well, but it does seem to me that the farmer has to be educated up to a point where they can produce sugar beets at a profit at which the sugar manufacturer can pay and leave him a fair profit. This fact, I feel assured, is the critical part of this question. For instance the average cost of milk production in Ontario is about 60 cents per 100 pounds, while I can produce it in large quantities for 25 cents to 30 cents—It is a question of large production at small cost in beets (sugar) as it is with milk, or pork or beef, or any other saleable product.

Yours truly,

D. M. MACPHERSON.

STRIKING A MATCH.

Showing how Little Things may at Times Decide a Man's Fortune.

The truth of the saying that little things may oftentimes play an important part to men's affairs when the men least expect it was illustrated one day recently.

"See that young man over there," remarked an insurance friend of his, pointing to one of his clerks working away industriously at a desk in another room. "Well, he got his place in my office through the striking of a match, although he doesn't know it.

"I was standing at the entrance of this building about a month ago waiting for a friend to come down the elevator, when that young man approached me with a letter of recommendation and an application for employment. I had made it known a few days before that I needed another clerk, and he had heard of it. However, I had almost made up my mind to take on a young man who had been to see me the day before and was about to tell the last applicant so, when he pulled a match from one of his pockets to light a cigar he had been smoking, but which had gone out.

"'Sorry, sir,' he said, balancing himself on one foot, while he lifted the other so as to admit of his striking the match on the heel of his shoe. 'Sorry, for I would like very much to work for you, and I think I would have made you a good clerk.'

"The match striking incident made me think so too. Right at the young man's elbow was a great Italian marble column upon which were the marks showing where many matches had been struck by vandals too utterly indifferent to the rights of others to refrain from indelibly stamping their vandalism upon property to restore which would have cost hundreds of dollars. It would have been the most natural thing in the world for many a man to have scratched that match on the marble column, and the fact that this young manichose to use the heel of his shoe instead showed that he was thoughtful and conscientious, two very excellent traits. I was so impressed that I told him to come and see me, and the result of the visit was his securing the position. And his month in my office has shown that I made no mistake in sizing him up."—Philadelphia Inquirer.

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ARE ANCIENT RELICS.

An Admirable Account of Many Babylonian Discoveries.

Substantial Evidences of Strange Mythical Beliefs

The German expedition, under Dr. Koldeway, has made two important discoveries in the Kasr Mound of Babylon. The first is a stela of dolorite, found in the east corner of the ruins. On one side is the image of a Hittjte god. He is bearded, and wears a Phygian cap, the hair hangs in a long braid, the outer garments is decorated and extends to the knees, and the shoes are curved and pointed. He carries a trident and hammer and wears a sword. This important individual is considered to be none other than the great Hittite god, Tishut, the god of thunder.

The other discovery bears, over a worshipping man, the inscription, "Image of Shamash-Shakna; the man from the lands Shuchu and Maru." Near the worshipper are the words, "A measure of meal, one measure of wine I have appointed as a settled matter by this stone fablet; he who guards the palace shall enjoy these." These are evidently promised as a reward to the deities Hadad and Sshtar for the protection.

Came Near It.

A certain Sunday School teacher in town who has a class of boys of "assorted sizes" established the custom in her class of repeating each Sunday scripture passage in unison until it was firmly implanted in the "vagrant minds."

The selection for the Sunday in question was, "'Tis I, be not afraid," and after the usual mental gymnastics had been gone through, after an expectant hush, one promising youth volunteered the information that he knew.

"Well," what is it?" asked the teacher.

"It's me, don't git skeered," was his rendition of the verse.

How They Did It.

"My gowns are quite au fait, I think,"
The Boston maid avowed.
"And mine are really very swell,"
The New York girl allowed.
"My fit-out's just about the stuff,"
Chicago's damsel cried.
"There ain't no kissing bugs on mine"
The Deadwood girl replied.

An Airy Liquid.

Little Silas—Say, paw, what is this here liquid air that the paper tells about?

His Father—I don't know exactly, but I reckon it must be suthin' like soda water.

SURPRISED.

"It was wonderful to see that young American lady 'leading the mob,'" said one Parisian.

"What was wonderful about it?"

"Why, the fact that we could understand her French."

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THE DISTRICT

GUILDS.

Charlie Guild has sold his corner lot to the Misses Walker, of Charing Cross.

Layton Powell, of St. Thomas, is home for a few days.

Matthew Steel has been very sick with pleurisy.

Miss Byrd Jenner, of Detroit, has been home for a few weeks.

Anniversary services here on April 22nd. Rev. Mr. Prosser, of Ridgetown, will preach morning and evening.

EAST BRANCH.

Bailey Shaw visited friends in Detroit recently.

Rev. Mr. Charlesworth, pastor of the Baptist Church, Wallaceburg, has been unable for the past few Sundays to take charge of his appointment here, owing to sickness.

Miss Rosa Heyward is slightly indisposed.

Geo. Wooliver, of Loraine, is home for the summer.

Mrs. J. Richardson is on the sick list.

The Rev. D. Currie and wife, of Wallaceburg, visited friends on the East Branch last week.

Quite a large number of live hogs were taken from the East Branch to Wallaceburg this week for shipping.

J. N. McCoy intends putting up an addition to one of his barns this season.

Quite a number of East Branchers are compainining of too much cheek, caused by the mumps.

CHARING CROSS.

Miss Blanche Baxter, of Chatham, has returned home, after spending a few days with Miss May Hunter.

The solos readered by Miss Baxter in the M. E. Church were highly appreciated by the congregation, and they hope they will have the pleasure of hearing Miss Baxter sing again in the near future.

A number of the young people of this village attended the farewell party given at the home of Mrs. T. B. Sanders, of Fargo. Their many friends in this village send with them their best wishes to their new home at St. Thomas.

We are glad to hear that our young friend, Samson Russell, is recovering from a severe attack of inflammatory rheumatism.

Harvey Scaman had the misfortune to lose a very valuable horse.

Thos. Dawson has returned home after spending a couple of days with his mother in Wallaceburg.

Mrs. Alf. Jenner, who has been living on Talbot Street for the last few years, has returned to her old home on the Middle Road. Her many friends are glad to see her back again. Mrs. Jenner, in her sad bereavement, has the deepest sympathy of her many friends in this locality.

S. S. NO. 3, HARWICH.

Report for March.

Class IV—Obtainable, 160—J. Cundle 121, C. Vester 109, N Cundle 103, H. Smyth 96, A. Newcombe 96, M. Huffman 93, C. Cundle 92, E. Wickwire 89, R. Hill 87, A. Martin 85, Cl. Huffman 81, G. Proctor 67, C. Rockey 31, C Huffman 30.

Class III—Obtainable 130—L. Smyth 79, J. Hill 77, W. Hill 77, B. Huffman 64, L. Morrow 52.

Class II.—Obtainable 120—W. Byron 93, W. Perrin 79, R. Tye 77, B. Tye 72, T. Brown 72, E. Duddy 71, L. Mosey 70, B. Mosey 68, R. Brown 69, A Huffman 68, R. Brown 66, V. Riseborough 65, N. Smyth 58, H. Campbell 57, V. Tompkins 50.

Part II.—Obtainable 70.—P. Morrow 56, R. Campbell 50, P. Campbell 43, L. Brown 53, G. Myland 42, G. Huffman 52, R. Proctor 38.

Part I.—B. Bustin 47, R. Cundle 37.

Attendance every day,—C. Cundle; T. Brown, also Feb.; W. Byron.; R. Campbell, P. Campbell, L. Brown.

ROMNEY COUNCIL.

The township council of Romney met on March 12; members all present.

Moved by Brown and McLean, that the report of Com'r re No. 7 drain, showing a balance of $175.90 to its credit, be adopted, and the clerk prepare a by-law to refund same to parties entitled thereto.—Carried.

Moved by Brown and McLean, that the reeve purchase a No. 13 fire-proof safe of Goldie & McCulloch for use of treasurer.—Carried.

Moved by McLean and Edwards, that road division west to line of 5 and 6 in 2nd Con. be moved, that the piece of railway between 6 and 7, S. R., and line of lots 5 and 6 may be better maintained.—Carried.

Moved by Brown and McLean, that Coun. Edwards have the stove platform repaired.—Carrried.

Moved by Featherstone and McLean, that J. J. Imrie be appointed pathmaster of Div. 5, vice Jas. Renwick, reform repaired.—Carried.

Messrs. Robinson, Lounsbury and Moody, representing Romney Agricultural Society, asked for a grant to help them enlarge the grounds and otherwise improve the same.—Carried.

The council granted $50.

Moved by Featherstone and Edwards, that the tender of Wm. Williams to construct five bridges on Two Creeks drain according to plans prepared by A. Baird, C. E., for the sum of $1,449, be accepted.—Carried.

Accounts Passed: Wm. Newman, C. E., bal. of acct. rendered 1899, $8.50; Journal Ptg. Co., $2.25; C. H. Potts, snow plow and iron rods for culvert, $3.25; Municipal World, supplies, $7,-80; Post, Ptg., $18; M. Labonte, $25.-08, clearing on 6th Con. road; W. A. Robertson, $30, on sal. as collector; G. R. Smith, $1, lock for town hall; John Randall, $1.50, error in ass't; Jas. Liddle, $1, error in dog tax; Jos. Liddle, $3, 1 sheep killed by dogs; G. A. Hustler, Alf. Coatsworth and J. W. Hodgson, Com'r re No. 7 drain, refund, $2 each; Jos. Shafer and Henry Green, 97c. each, error in roll.

HE SHOULD BE CAGED.

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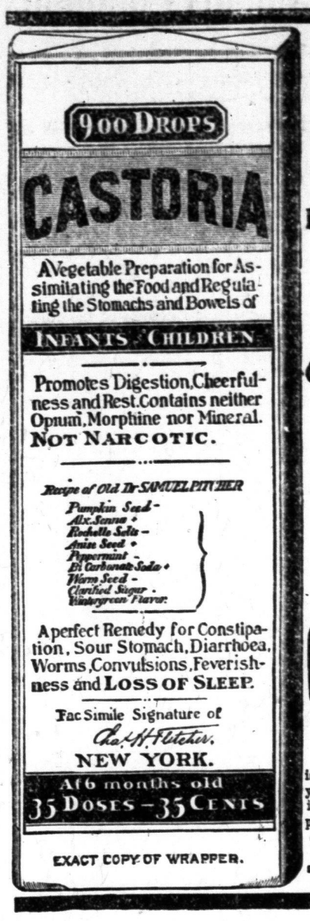

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