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### The Awful Consequences of the Present European War

"A member of Lloyd's," the great insurance firm of the world, writing in the London Chronicle, directly before the outbreak of war, said: "Every great Continental State is living on capital or credit and this capital and this credit will be destroyed by war. Countries far removed from Europe will suffer too. The streams of capital which have been developing Argentina and Brazil will be dried up. There are few countries in the world which stand to lose more by the war than will Canada. Her half-finished industrial schemes, her railroads, newly built and heavily bonded, are still dependent for their life on European credit, and once the support of that credit is withdrawn no man can foresee the country's future. But it is in Europe the blasting effect of war will be felt in greatest intensity. "Great finance houses," says Mr. Hirst, "great merchants and manufacturers will go down like nine-pins. Capital will perish, mills will close, shops will empty, employment will drop and wages fall. Back of all this there is the ominous shadow of War's twin sisters, Famine and Pestilence. Of all the great nations now engaged in war, Russia alone is capable of producing food enough for her own people."

### Stoppage of Grog

How great has been the change in the sentiment of the world towards the consumption of alcoholic liquor during the last fifteen years is shown by the change that has taken place in supplies for the soldiers. When the Canadians who volunteered for service in Africa left for the front, they were, from the day they sailed from Halifax to the day they got back, supplied with a ration of rum twice a week. The whole army fighting in Africa was given its rum as a necessity all through the campaign. To-day things are different. Among the first items of news that came from Russia after the outbreak of war, is the startling announcement that the sale of liquor throughout Russia has been prohibited. From Lord Kitchener, the Minister of War, we hear that no spirituous liquors will be forwarded to the English soldiers fighting in France. Not only will the government not send over regular rations, but it also refuses to forward consignments made by friends as gifts to individual soldiers. In Canada, Colonel Hughes has shown himself equally opposed to the use of liquor by the men, and has made the strongest regulations against its introduction to the camp at Valcartier, even threatening to dismiss from the service any man found with liquor in his possession. These are signs of the times, which indicate how strongly and universally the tide of public opinion is setting against alcoholic drinks.—Witness.

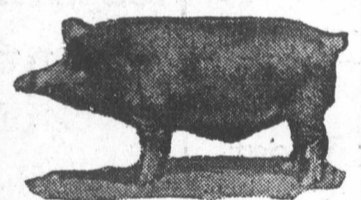
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A Frenchman has mounted a bicycle frame on a sled in such a way that by pedalling he drives it over snow or ice with an aerial propeller.

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### HOGS ON PASTURE MAKE BIG PROFITS

To treble the profits from a crop of corn, making the land yield a return of more than \$100 per acre, is no mean achievement on a corn belt farm, yet by pasturing young hogs on a mixture of rape and corn certain Iowa farmers are doing this very thing, writes W. H. Lancelot in the Orange Judd Farmer. Among them is M. D. Crow of Audubon county, Ia., who has accomplished it two years in succession. His experience is as follows:



The Tamworth is a bacon hog and ranks high in this respect. He is an extremely rugged hog and rivals in size the large Yorkshire. The Tamworth is probably the most prolific of all breeds of swine. He is inclined to be restless, but is usually gentle in disposition, and the sows are fine mothers. Tamworths are great rustlers, and this habit no doubt accounts in large degree for their superior bacon qualities. They produce a carcass containing a large percentage of lean meat of fine grain and have been found to cross satisfactorily with the fat breeds of hogs.

until early winter, when the corn had been cleaned up and the rape killed down by freezing. During this time they received little attention other than light feeding, since they had access to running water. As Mr. Crow puts it, "I hardly knew I had any hogs around."

When winter came, however, he found that he had around a numerous bunch of thrifty, half grown hogs with nearly unappetizable appetites and a surprising capacity for further growth. He fed them corn, mill feed and tankage until March, when they were sold at \$7.50 per 100 pounds, bringing \$2,640.75.

Up to the time they were sold, these hogs had consumed 2,160 bushels of corn, valued at 40 cents per bushel, or \$864; also mill feed and tankage costing \$80.50. Thus their total feed bill, aside from the pasture, was \$944.50, leaving a profit of \$1,696.20.

As Mr. Crow figures it this \$1,696.20 represents the returns from the ten acre field of rape and corn, since full allowance has been made for all other feeds; hence he realized \$169.62 per acre from this field, whereas from the remainder of his corn land, which bore a straight crop of forty-five bushels per acre, worth 40 cents per bushel, he actually realized a return per acre of only \$18.

### SOME SILO ADVANTAGES.

Modern Farmers Agree as to the Benefits of Silage as a Feed.

The silo has proved itself to be highly profitable in many ways over different sections of the country. Its means for increasing the supply of feed for the stock has been fully tested, writes an Illinois farmer in the Iowa Home-stead. Silage is not only a benefit to the dairy farmer, but the general farmer as well, for all stock will eat some well kept silage, and it is much relished by them.

A silo should by all means be erected on all farms where live stock is to be kept. The silo not only saves all the crop for feeding purposes, but saves

much labor in feeding.

One should never think of keeping a dairy herd through the winter without silage as a part of their ration. When cows are properly cared for in winter, more profit may be derived from them than during the summer months, as the prices for cream and butter are always better, besides the milk being easier to handle and keep fresh. When cows are fed a goodly supply of well kept silage in connection with their other feed it is almost equal to the pasturage in summer, giving the butter a rich color and good flavor.

Some do not build silos owing to the cost. It is true the first cost seems great, but the money and labor saved in utilizing every stalk of corn will pay for the cost of the silo in a few years. Farmers are waking up to the fact that they need a silo in their business and can't afford to let the cost hold them off from so profitable an investment.

### Keep Flies Out of the Barn.

Flies are hard on all animals, but the colt seems to suffer most from the pests. A dark stable will make the colt bigger, says the Farm and Fireside. And if there are one or two light windows to draw the flies and plenty of fly paper to catch them the colt will do still better. Good wire screen traps and some sort of evil smelling lure for the flies will be just as good. And why stop with protecting colts? Why not the cows, the horses and the entire barn premises? Traps are not expensive. As for the house, we are addressing progressive people and they will not insult them by assuming that they are neglecting the protections of screens, traps, sticky paper and the other aids to the fly swatter.

### KIDNAPING VOTERS.

Once a Regular Feature of Political Warfare in England.

In England a generation or two ago kidnaping was a regularly organized feature of political warfare. On the eve of an election especially men of influence on either side would mysteriously vanish to reappear later with strange tales of forcible seizures, mad races across country in post chaises driven by yelling postillions, followed by longer or shorter terms of gilded imprisonment in great mansions, where they were wine and dined in sumptuous style and treated right royally in every way, only their liberty being denied them.

Quite humble voters, too, were forcibly abducted, but these did not always fare quite so well. Thus one victim made complaint before a magistrate that he had been decoyed from his house by a ruse and kept shut up in a coal hole for three days.

Wholesale kidnaping of voters in batches, too, was not unknown, the process being rendered easier by the custom of candidates paying the traveling expenses of their electors to and from the polling places.

For instance, at a certain Newcastle election a whole shipment of freemen of the borough, dispatched from London by sea, were taken by the captain—who had been heavily bribed—to Ostend and there left stranded.

During the same contest, too, and under similar circumstances a number of Berwick electors who happened to reside in London were dumped down in Norway, and a group of dirty Irish voters found themselves on the day of the poll cooling their heels upon the quay at Rotterdam.—Pearson's Weekly.

### MARRIAGE FAILURES.

Two Crises in Wedded Life That Are Mainly Responsible.

That there should be such involved discussion and so many amazingly contradictory theories about the cause of the failure of marriage is surprising.

The plain fact is that marriage is always the end of romance and the beginning of history. This is so true that Homer tells us the women of ancient Greece reckoned their ages not from the birth date, but from the wedding day. A good many husbands in this twentieth century are a good deal more certain about the number of years their wives have lived since marriage than about the summers and winters they had numbered before they became wives.

Failure to recognize the difference between romance and history causes failure of marriage. Romance is all play; history is a serious business. Courtship is pie; marriage is potatoes. The comedown from pie to potatoes sometimes overstrains matters seriously. But if this crisis is safely passed another awaits.

Love is the spice of life, but friendship is the nourishing food without which life, except to unusual individuals, becomes a burden. The marriage which is all spice and no food soon gives one or frequently both of the parties thereto acute indigestion. When the ecstatic emotions of the honeymoon have fled, marriage must find some other subsistence or it cannot thrive. And the only satisfying food is friendship.—Mother's Magazine.

### Mexico's National Pawnshop.

One of the most remarkable institutions in the City of Mexico is the Monte de Piedad, or national pawnshop. The monte is one of the oldest buildings in the capital, having been built for the private residence of Cortes in 1520, and it has been fortunate enough to escape the hands of restorers. It was acquired in 1744 by Count de Regla Terreros, who laid out \$300,000 in organizing the Monte de Piedad, with the idea of saving the needy from the usury of the ordinary pawnbroker. Its success is attested by its long history, and Mexicans today can get one-third value on their goods at a rate of interest seldom exceeding 3 per cent per annum. If any one fails to keep up his payments, the deposited goods are sold, and any balance over the sum advanced is handed to the depositor.

### A Monstrosity Among Newspapers.

Those who object to the widespread newspaper may see the apotheosis of their bete noire in the museum at Aix-la-Chapelle, the only existing copy of the Illuminated Quadruple Constellation, published in New York in 1859. Happily this monstrosity did not survive the first issue, for its pages measure eight and one-half feet by six feet, and each contains thirteen columns forty-eight inches long. By way of comparison it may be mentioned that the smallest newspaper in the world is the Mexican El Telegrama, with pages four inches square.—London Chronicle.

### Stoats Hunt in Packs.

In some years stoats appear to be more numerous than in others, and they are seen not in ones and twos, but in dozens, hunting together in small packs. Stoats will hunt together from scent and in full cry like a pack of hounds, one always keeping the line and followed closely by the others. This sight has been recorded by different observers who have also seen weasels hunting in the same way.

### Valuable Services.

"I have indeed done a service," the orator declared. "I have given the people cause to think."  
"That was something at least."  
"Yes, oh, yes. But I have done a further service. I have told them just how to think."

### Silent Service.

"Don't you like silent service in the house?"  
"Sure. That's one reason we put in a dumb waiter."

### Making Connections.

Knicker—Life is hard. Bocker—Yes. By the time your mother stops forbidding you to eat jam the doctor begins.—New York Sun.

### Trivial Causes of Wars.

A bucket was once the innocent cause of a terrible war. Nine centuries ago some soldiers of Modena stole a bucket as a joke from a public well at Bologna. When they refused to restore it scrimmaging commenced between the soldiers of the rival states, and a war ensued, which spread until it involved the greater part of Europe. In more recent times a debt of a few shillings of which the bey of Algiers demanded payment through the French consul led to a war which lasted twenty years, cost more than 500,000 lives and made Algeria a French possession.

### Good That He Returned.

"Boy, watch my horse till I come back!" called a man to a boy lounging around the station, as he hastened to bid farewell to a departing friend.  
"Sure!" said the boy, taking the reins.

Just then the locomotive whistled and the horse, rearing suddenly, started at full speed up the road.

The boy stared after the fleeing animal, and, as the owner appeared, exclaimed with relief:

"It's a good thing you came now, sir, for I couldn't have watched him much longer."—Ladies' Home Journal.

### Jolting Him.

Bashful Youth—Miss Bella, does—does your mother object to my coming here so much? Fair Charmer—Oh, I think not. I heard her telling papa the other evening that you merely came to pass away the time; you didn't mean anything serious.—London Tit-Bits.

### Word of Caution.

"Never propose to a girl by letter."  
"Why not?"  
"I did it once, and she stuck the letter in a book she was reading and lent it to my other girl."

### Talking Machines.

Willie—Paw, where are all the talking machines made? Paw—They are not made, my son. They are born. Maw—You go to bed, Willie.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Learning without politeness makes a disagreeable pedant, and politeness without learning makes a superficial, frivolous quoddy.—Chesterfield.

### Constipation

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