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NOTE AND COMMENT

Hogs are selling at pre-war prices. Bacon at the same old war rates.

Why is the 2 1/2 per cent brew called "near beer"? And beer would be a better name as it tastes no more like real beer than does warm lake-water.

After June 1 the Board of License Commissioners for Ontario will stop filling prescriptions at the dispensaries for any medical practitioner who issues more than fifty orders for one quart each of liquor in a month.

The equipment of two automobiles as travelling dental parlors to look after the dental requirements of children in outlying settlements was decided upon at a recent meeting of the Provincial Executive of the Red Cross Society at Regina.

There are four hundred boys under twenty years of age in the penitentiaries of Canada, according to Gen. W. S. Hughes, Superintendent of Penitentiaries. General Hughes is undoubtedly right in putting a large share of the blame on the lack of proper training in the home.

A harrowing tale of a big slump in farming comes from Harrow. Eggs have been down to 17 cents, butter to 25 cents and oats to 23 cents, while tobacco, which was grown for an expected price of 60 cents, has been sold for 5 cents. Old H. of L. must be dead and buried in Harrow.

During 1920 there were \$1,375,402 worth of apples imported into Canada, while probably an equal amount of Canadian apples were not exported or went to decay. Potatoes to the amount of \$1,678,551 were also imported, while the same vegetable here was almost unsalable. Do your part to correct this condition of trade and thus help to rectify exchange.

It took the village of Formosa to show the electors of Ontario what a real thirst is like, by recording 365 votes against, and only one for prohibition. Just who polled that one dry vote is a mystery, and while some of the villagers claim it was an old lady who got her wires crossed and voted contrary to her wishes on the issue, yet others maintain it was put there by a dry scrutineer from Teeswater who came out to look after the prohibition interests. Even with this one ballot against, Formosa easily polled the thirst record for Ontario.

Under arrangements recently entered into with the British postal authorities, a person sending a parcel to the United Kingdom may write on the wrapper a request that if it cannot be delivered as addressed it may either be treated as abandoned or delivered at a second address. If there is no definite request for abandonment, a parcel which cannot be delivered at the original address, or at the alternative address (where one is furnished) will be returned to the sender at his expense. The sender's name and address should be plainly written on the wrapper of every parcel sent by parcel post.

We like to hear of people who really enjoy life. We hear sometimes of persons who "enjoy good health," and we know that they enjoy it about as much as a preacher enjoys a criticism of his sermon. There may be nothing specially wrong with them, but they certainly seem to get little joy of life. Whether they are a trial to themselves we cannot say, but they certainly are a trial to their friends. They may not mean it, but they are veritable gloom-spreaders, laughter-extinguishers, and merriment-annihilators. They never enjoy a picnic, a good meal, nor even a wedding without serious reservation; and they think the folks who have a genuinely good time are poor "fools."—Christian Guardian.

Premier Smuts, of South Africa, like Premier Hughes, of Australia, has recently delivered speeches dis-

ussing the question of the renewal of the Anglo-Japanese treaty, and other questions of world policy. General Smuts recognizes that if Britain were to denounce the treaty made many years ago with her eastern ally, it would raise very grave questions, but he agrees with the Australian Premier that there should be no renewal unless it is possible to satisfy America that no jeopardy to her interests are involved. The question of the status of the Dominion would not be settled at the Prime Minister's meeting, but would be taken up at a special Imperial Conference, the agenda for which would be drafted at the meeting next month, Premier Smuts added.

St. Thomas Times-Journal:—The law rightly and properly holds that when two or more criminals perpetrate an unlawful act, all are liable for whatever crime was committed. This is a principle recognized in all criminal codes, and to hold otherwise would provide an easy loophole of escape from the death penalty whenever the partners in crime refused to peach on each other and no direct evidence of the murder could be obtained. Not so much for their own personal guilt, but as a deterrent to crimes of violence of that kind and as a warning to all who deliberately take up robbery as a business, should the extreme penalty be inflicted with out regard to the sentimentalists who are more concerned with the criminals than with their victims.

PALE AND NERVOUS SCHOOL CHILDREN

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Many children start school in excellent health, but after a short time home work, examinations, hurried meals and crowded school rooms cause their blood to become weak, their nerves over-wrought and their color and spirits lost. It is a mistake to let matters drift when boys and girls show symptoms of nervousness or weak blood. They are almost sure to fall victims of St. Vitus' dance, or drift into debility that leads to other troubles. Regular meals, out-door exercise and plenty of sleep are necessary to combat the nervous wear of school life. But it is still more important that parents should pay attention to the school child's blood supply. Keep this rich and red by giving Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and the boy or girl will be sturdy and fit for school. The value of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills in cases of this kind is shown by the statement of Mrs. Watson, Grand Falls, N. B., who says: "In the spring of 1919 my daughter, Thistle, then 12 years of age, began to show symptoms of nervousness which developed into St. Vitus' dance. She seemed to lose control of her limbs and at times every muscle in her body seemed to be twitching and jerking, and the trouble seemed to be growing worse. We finally decided to give Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and the result was better than we had hoped for, and she is now enjoying the best of health."

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BIBLICAL TIME

Men who love to dig into what ordinary mortals accept as facts and wonder at them now say that the ancients of Biblical days reckoned time, not by solstices and equinoxes, or by the sun or the movement of the earth, but by the moon. Thus a year with them was a lunar year, or very time the moon came around they counted it a year. Roughly speaking there are a little more than 12 1/2 lunar months of approximately 29 days each in a year. This makes it easier to understand how Adam lived to be 930 years; according to our present reckoning he really lived to be 74. Noah's 950 years become 76 years; and the daddy of them all, Methuselah, with his 969 lunar years turns out really to have been 77 years, according to our way of figuring. Later, of course, the equinox was considered, and six moons, or approximately six months, became a "year." Hence Abraham's 175 years becomes about 87 years of our time. All of which sounds more plausible about these supposed long-lived patriarchs.

VERY, VERY SOON COME THE HAPPY DAYS OF JUNE

To the readers of the Guide-Advocate. When we are in a happy mood, Our being filled with wholesome food And feel inclined just to be good, Why we're just living. Eliminating all the sad; Cutting, weeding out the bad, All the worthless that we've had, Never dreaming to be mad, Why that's just living. Get the loving, kindly spirit, Altruistic is the merit This we surely can inherit By just living. As by practice comes perfection. So many needing our protection So many kindly need correction And mostly all of us instruction Its all in living. We're sure to get the needed graces No matter what or where our case is All just suited to our places In being living. Why we're created for the best And we can surely stand the test And all our energies invest And nothing can retard, molest This way of living. That fabric which we call divine Which dances in your eyes and mine Direct it in the happy line Of holy living. And we'll enjoy each blessed day To help our neighbor any way And help ourselves; "and let me say" The millennium's not far away If we be living. —W. B. LAWS

DESTROYING WEEDS BY MEANS OF CHEMICALS

(Experimental Farm Notes.)

While the hoe and the cultivator are likely to remain as the two most efficient weapons to use in the combat with weeds there are certain cases where the use of some chemical may be extremely desirable. A good example of the latter is the case of a grain crop infested with an annual, such as Wild Mustard where it is possible by spraying with Iron Sulphate or Copper Sulphate to injure the weed to such an extent that it is unable to ripen its seeds.

There are also numerous plots of waste ground in towns, mile of road-sides all over the country, railroad tracks, and large areas of stony or rocky ground that cannot be cultivated, where the employment of chemical means for keeping down weeds might be profitably considered. The spray should be applied in fine calm weather when there is a probability that no rain will fall during the next 24 hours. The amount of spraying mixture will vary somewhat with the kind of spraying machine used but as a general rule at least 60 gallons are necessary to cover an acre. The spray should be applied while the weeds are young.

The chemical substances that are most employed for killing weeds are sulphuric acid, iron sulphate, copper sulphate, common salt, caustic soda, sodium arsenite, carbolic acid, orchard heating oil and fuel oil. After the use of some of these the soil remains sterile until the chemical has been washed out by rain. In calculating the strength to be used it has to be remembered that a gallon of water weighs 10 pounds.

Sulphuric acid or oil of vitriol has a corrosive effect on the spraying apparatus and can be used only in a weak solution varying from 3 to 10 per cent. It has no injurious effect on wheat, oats, or barley crops and has a fertilizing effect on the soil.

Iron sulphate or copperas is used in a solution of 15 to 20 per cent, but cannot be applied with safety to a crop of beans or flax.

Copper sulphate or bluestone can be used instead of iron sulphate but only in a solution of 1 1/2 to 2 1/2 per cent.

Common salt or sodium chloride is used in a strength of 20 to 25 per cent. It checks the growth of other plants besides weeds until it has been washed out by rain.

Caustic soda or sodium hydrate is used in a 5 per cent solution. It kills all kinds of vegetation.

Sodium arsenite is used at the rate of 2 pounds to 60 gallons of water. It is very poisonous and the powder is dangerous to health if inhaled. It kills all vegetation.

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J. ADAMS, Division of Botany, Ottawa, Ontario.

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