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The Other Side of It

HERE are many things about There are many things about farming which men of other occupations may envy; but there are other things which are not so pleasant, and which are not always considered. For instance, on the hottest day of the past summer—the-day when it was 102 in the shade in Toronto-I was out at Unionville, Ont. When there I dropped in to see Mr. J. A. Camplin. Mr. Camplin was busy at his having, and on looking him up I found him up in the peak of the barn clinging to the rafters, engaged in repairing some of the attachments of his horse fork. He looked quite warm, and anyone who has been there will know just about how he felt. However, this is only one of the many similar positions only one of the many similar positions in which the orthodox farmer is often liable to find himself, and which must be taken as a matter of course. I thought, as I saw Mr. Camplin clinging to the rafters, of some of our city ness men who take great delight in telling how they would farm, but who find it exceedingly trying during hot weather to hold down a comfortable office chair. How would they feel it they were in Mr. Camplin's position.

WHILE coming from Winnipeg to Toronto on the Canadian Government Railway, I got into con versation one day on the dining car with a Canadian soldier. This young man had been overseas for two years, and at that time was home on a nine weeks' furlough. His home was in Saskatchewan, and he was returning to Halifax in order to report for trans-portation. This soldier was being paid \$1.10 per day, and while on furlough was receiving an extra 80 cents a day for maintenance, making a total of \$1.90. He was working for the Do-minion of Canada. He had been to France and risked his life for the Dominion of Canada. He was travelling across the Dominion of Canada on a train owned by the Dominion of Can-ada. Yet if he took his 80 cents maintenance allowance into the dining car of that train how much food could he buy with it? In answer to an enquiry, buy with it? buy with it? In answer to an enquiry, he said that his meals on the trip had averaged him \$1.50 each, or \$4.50 per day, besides the cost of his berth, which expense he did not incur, as he preferred to sleep on a seat. Possibly his financial ability was not sufficient to enable him to cover that extra cost with his \$1.90. This is a problem for some financier to figure out.

F there is one implement which this year more than another has come into general use in Ontario it is the sheaf carrier. On many farms in the past the sheaf carrier has not been considered a necessity. In many cases two men were available for stooking grain behind the binder, and if the grain was not a very heavy crop, one grain was not a very heavy crop, one man could manage. This year, how-eyer, when there is an unusually heavy crop, and an unusual shortage of help, the sheaf carrier has come to its own. By this means one man can follow a binder in most any confollow a binder in most any crop, and if even the one man is not available, and the man who cuts the grain is shorter job when the sheaves are dropped in neat windrows than when scattered all over the field.

E will have two silos full this fall," said Mr. Foster, Jr., of A. D. Foster & Sons, Holstein breeders, of Bloomheld, when I was at their place a few weeks ago. "One of them will be full of corn and the other full of clover." At that time the clover one was full. Questioned as to how they nanaged it, Mr. Foster

said that they cut the clover when it was in full bloom and followed with the wagons right behind the mover, It must be wet to keep properly, and the sooner it is put in after cutting the better it will keep and the better slings it will make. The Posters have been using clover for silage for everal years, and are well satisfied with the results. By having one silo full of core, it simplifies the question of winter feeding to a very considerable extent. ing to a very considerable extent

EVERAL of the farmers in neighborhood of Bloomfield are making a good thing out of peas year. They grow a variety which this year. They grow a variety which are suitable for canning, and which also give a splendid yield as field peas, as one of the farms the This year on some of the farms the crop yielded as high as 30 bushels to the acre. With peas selling at three to four dollars a bushel, will be a nice little income for those farmers who had from 10 to 20 acres of this crop.

NE of the problems which confronts the average dairy farmer comes when there is a few feet depth of silage left in the bottom of the silo after the spring feeding is The question is, how to save it without too much less until it is required for feeding in midsummer or fall. Mr. W. G. Gough, of Bloomfield, solved the problem by taking the accumulation of dust and chaff which the winter and throwing it into the winter and throwing it into the silo to a depth of a foot or more. He thoroughly soaked the chaff with water and occasionally during the succeeding weeks threw on a few palls to keep it wet. When he came to feel the stuff during the summer he found the stuff during the summer he found that the chaff had made such a hor-ough mat that there wasn't a particle of his slage spoiled. He also had the extra advantage of turning the rub-hish, which is usually difficult to handle, into a fairly good quality of manure.

O NE of the means whereby those attending the cattle and other stock at the big fairs help to pass away the time is in listening to the amusing remarks which many people make regarding the cattle and things in general about the stables. For in-stance, a couple of fashionably dres-ed ladies were walking through the Holstein stables and remarking on the fine cows, when one of them noticed one of the men in charge put-ting some mangels through the root pulper. She turned to her companion and said that it was no wonder those cows gave such a lot of milk when they were chopping up cocoanuts and giving to them for feed.

A Wonderful Sweet Clover (Continued from page 5.)

aged four feet in height, and with some of them nearly five feet high, the seed spikes up to 14 inches in length. The height of the medium red clover was from three to five inches, that of the annual yellow sweet clover nine inches, the biennial yellow sweet clover 10 inches, and the biennial white sweet clover from 12 to 14

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The very remarkable uniformity in the plants produced in each of the rows was astonishing. Of the 22 plants from which seed was originally saved a few were not over 18 inches in height, and very fine in every way These plants reproduced the same type in the field. The great variation between the different strains in time of maturity was also marked, and a this respect the uniformity with each row was again very striking. "We believe that this clover will ultimately prove of very great value."

for soil improvement purposes as well as an annual pasture and hay croand that this station should be given due credit for its discovery, development and distribution."