

TRADE TOPICS.

IN DARKEST RUSSIA.—The Russo-Japan war, should it be prolonged, will create a boom in wheat such as has never before been experienced, all of which will materially benefit the American farmer. Indeed dollar wheat is now an actuality. It is perhaps not generally known that Russia is a great producer of wheat, and that the great wheat industry of Russia and Siberia formidably rivals that of America. The development of wheat-growing in Russia, as in America, has been largely due to the use of American harvesting machinery. The Deering binder, mower and reaper are as common sights in a Russian field as in this country, and their use elicits the same enthusiastic praise in Russia and all European countries as is given by the American farmer.

ECONOMY.—There seems to be little possibility—at any rate, not any immediate possibility—that a substitute for horse-power in the operation of farm-machines will be adopted by modern farmers in their field work. The horse still pulls the binder, the mower, the reaper; in fact, is indispensable in grain fields the world over. Because of his general usefulness and great capacity for work, the horse is given much consideration and usually the best of care by the considerate farmer. The far-seeing, practical farmer of to-day, believes it will inure to his own benefit to take the best care of his field power. Real economy is to get the most actual work out of a horse for the longest possible period of time. The McCormick Harvesters are known to be remarkably easy on the horses, and thousands of farmers have purchased O. K. machines because they knew it meant the saving of their horses.

MESSRS. D. McLACHLAN & CO., of the Canada Business College, Chatham, Ont., write: "It is not very generally known that March and April are two of the best months in the year for commencing our work. Yet this is a fact. The reason is, that we have our heaviest inflow of new students in January, and as these are now all well started in the work, they do not require so much individual attention as does the beginner, and as our registration of new students is never very large during March and April, those who can make it convenient to enter during either of these two months would be assured of more individual attention from the teachers than if they were entering at a time of the year when a large number of others are also entering. The new registration for January alone, apart from previous attendance, usually runs close to 100 additional students, while the registrations for March or April will not likely exceed twenty for either month, and we are only closed for two days at Easter—Good Friday and Easter Monday." Those whose circumstances will allow them to take advantage of this suggestion should write for circular giving necessary information.

LAND.—With the progress to be seen on every hand in Western Canada, and with the spontaneous advertisement which that progress is giving the country, a great influx of desirable immigrants may be expected in the coming season. One of the perplexities which always troubles new arrivals come to farm in a strange land is the lack of definite information that will lead to the selection of a farm suitable to their individual means, and in a location suitable to their individual temperaments. The Cooper-Walch Land Co., Canada Life Building, Winnipeg, Man., are about to remedy that drawback, so far as the land in their hands is concerned. They are owners of a large tract of land, situated partly in Eastern Assiniboia and partly in North-western Manitoba. Readers of their advertisement, which appears in this issue of the "Advocate," may be supplied with a booklet of thirty-two pages, beautifully illustrated and printed, and containing maps and comprehensive information from reliable sources regarding all the features and climatic conditions characteristic of the district in which the land is situated, by addressing a request for the same to Cooper-Walch Land Co., Canada Life Building, Winnipeg, Man.

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Arthur Johnston, Greenwood, Ont.

GOSSIP.

Elsie: "There's a man at the door, pa, who says he wants to 'see the boss of the house.'"

Pa: "Tell your mother."

Ma (calling down-stairs): "Tell Bridget."

Teacher: "Johnny, write on the black-board the sentence 'Two heads are better than one.' Now, Johnny, do you believe that?"

Johnny: "Yes'm. 'Cause then you kin get a job in a dime museum and make lots o' money."

One of the stories concerning the traditional dish of roast goose on Michaelmas Day refers to Lord Byron, says an English newspaper. The poet always insisted on keeping up old customs in small things, such as having hot-cross buns on Good Friday and roast goose on Michaelmas Day. This last fancy had a grotesque result when he was in Italy. After buying a goose, and, fearing it might be too lean, Byron fed it every day for a month previous to the festival, so that the poet and the bird became so mutually attached that when September 29 arrived, he could not kill it, but bought another, and had the pet goose swung in a cage under his carriage when he travelled.

The Ayrshires, Oxfords, Berkshires and Buff Orpingtons belonging to Messrs. H. J. Whitteker & Son, North Williamsburg, Ont., were seen last week, and, as usual, this large stock found in the pink of condition. The forty-four head of Ayrshires are a grand, typical lot, with massive, even udders and well-developed teats, the cows giving, on ordinary feed, from forty to sixty pounds of milk a day, and there are several two-year-old heifers that give thirty pounds a day. Messrs. Whitteker are offering for sale, just now, eight bulls, from five to eighteen months old, sired by Sir William of Elm Shade, whose sire and dam were both imported. These young bulls are straight, smooth, and have the true dairy conformation, and should go quick at the price asked. The Oxford Downs are in fine condition, and have already dropped five lambs, one of them at five days old weighing 19½ lbs. Their sire won first and sweepstakes at Ottawa the last two years. The Berkshires are of the true bacon type, and there are for sale several of both sexes. This firm takes great pride in their Buff Orpingtons, and already have a number of orders for eggs booked. Last fall, they sent cockerels and trios to different parts of Ontario, Quebec and the Maritime Provinces. Eggs are being booked at \$1.00 for 13.

The celebrated debaters, Abram Lincoln and Stephen A. Douglas, when young men met familiarly around the stove at the corner grocery before they met in the political arena. The comment of one old gentleman was that two men of more opposite demeanor and mental characteristics could hardly have been picked out. Douglas, small, wiry, vehement, talking at times until he frothed at the mouth, reminded him of a rat terrier. Lincoln, tall, slender, always absolutely cool and calm, was the personification of the greyhound. Each was widely known in Central Illinois by his first name—Stephen and Abe.

At one of the meetings, it is stated, Douglas had spoken first, and had evidently made a most profound impression on his auditors by his arguments. When he sat down it was plain that no easy task was before Lincoln to get the sympathy of his audience. After a few minutes of silent and expectant waiting, during which all eyes were upon Lincoln where he sat, seemingly in profound thought, he began very deliberately to rise. Slowly he unwound his great length until he stood a full height before the silent throng. Quite unperturbed by the crisis of the moment he leisurely removed his linen duster, and, reaching it back to one of the men behind him, remarked, "Here, hold my coat while I stone Stephen!"

The tension of the occasion was at once relieved by a roar of laughter which was followed by cheers, thus putting him in touch with his hearers from the start. Whether the remark was from a pure impulse of humor or was a well-calculated stroke of policy may not be known, but the advantage that it gave him can easily be imagined.

Case of Nervous Prostration

For Months Mrs. Myles Lay a Helpless Sufferer—Attributes Restoration to

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