

Rather Warm These Days

In fact too warm for one to do any more work than is absolutely necessary. Are we not right?

work than is absolutely necessary. Are we work than is absolutely necessary. Are we had a substantial and stool and miking penhaps 6 or 8 or 10 ows, and at the same time running the risk course, and the same time running the risk count of the flee and the same time is over, skimming your milk with a hard to turn, hard to And then when milking is over, skimming your milk with a hard to turn, hard to flee and the same in the

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Back to the Land

H. Percy Blanchard, Hants Co., N.S. King James, of blessed memory, whom someone styled "the wisest fool in Christendom," once upon a time asked his courtiers the question: "Why is a dead fish lighter than a live fish." After many and varied After many and varied ingenious reasons were given to ac-count for the phenomenon, His Majesty explained that a dead fish was not lighter.

was not lighter.

The title chosen for this little talk, "Back to the Land," is heard now in most every place where men do congregate. Some who urge the repeopling of the abandoned farms are doubtless actuated by most benevolent impulses: others with the feeling that more farmers, meaning more production, the cost of living to the consumer would at once go down upon analysis, these respective motives are diametrically opposite.

dametrically consists.

Is it then advisable that under present conditions a farm paper should advocate the multiplication of producers of farm stuff, either for the benefit of the present farmer or of the prospective one?

Some of us can remember 40 years ago when every little settlement had its shoemaker and any village could boast several. But now almost the last man of them has vanished. They made boots, beautiful boots, that were a work of art alongside the facwere a work or are alongside the rac-tory stuff of to-day. But the big factories, where one man with a ma-chine can do in a day the work of 300 shoemakers, has driven out this craftsman

So, years ago, there were more farm houses, proportionately to the population, and these farm houses at dinner time full of big strapping sons and buxom daughters; but what of the acreage tilled. smart man with a triple team of Clydes will more than do the work. Clydes will more than do the work. The mower, reaper, rakes, tedders and loaders, the gasoline engine and big tractor, all these, like the factory, are doing the work of the multitudes of men and women who would be needed if working under past conditions.

1911. Nova Scotia had a bumper ron of apples. But the prices realized were so low that many would have fared better with no apples at all. Last fall was a "poor" year; all. Last fall was a "poor" year; and yet the few apples a man had, brought him a profit.

The trouble seems to be that except in a lean year the middleman gets all the profit and the producer farms almost at a loss. Two things yet re-main to be done before any farm main to be done before any farm paper can invite more workers back to the sod: The first is by Govern-ment or private cooperation to get the food more directly to the con-sumer. The other is to edineate many of the laborers with mode ator low wages to a more varied, hearth-ier and cheaper diet. More orchard fruit and vegetables should be on ier and cheaper diet. More orchard fruit and vegetables should be on their tables. Meat and potatoes, white bread and jam need in addition a wide choice of vegetables; and apples, baked, raw or stewed, are like a merry heart; they do good like a

When the conditions of those wh now farm are bettered; when a n muneration to the farmer for his hours can be got equal to the man's income; when there is reas able assurance, not that a man c raise the stuff, but that he can a what he can raise; then there will no need to sound the toscin "back the land," for the farm itself will a aloud and there will be many want ones ready to answer.

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rst premiums run from \$30 to 8 Mention has been made from to to time of the great Social Sc Congress held at Ottawa early The discussions at this gress covered all of the problems affect the well-being of society. dresses that would be of particular terest to farmers were given by E Drury. Rev. John McDougall. P J. B. Reynolds and Rev. S. F. Sh Cooperation among farmers was with by Alphonse Desigrdines addresses are given in full in Service Congress." a book of ore pages just issued. It may be of ed for \$1 on application to \$5 Grigg, 223 Church St. Tor Farm and Dairy recommends book to all its readers who wish to form themselves on social problem



Trade Increases

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T is not often missed a train recently at Macd cussing dairy catt Paul A. Boving, though we made train was out a m ing for the next few minutes, Mr. of the work they college experimen esting did it soun ing the next train the day investigat work being cond College. We first inspecte

ed to show the va tablishing the a plots were seeded July the previous nurse crop. Plot ! did stand almost This plot had bee to seeding. Plot ! almost bare. It exactly the same w had received the s the manure had No. 3 was the bes plot," said Mr. Bo previous to seeding was top-dressed in see that alfalfa giv applications of ma size of the crop an of the stand."

QUANTITY OF The high price of the next series of examined the most All of these plots cast with a thin no ings varying from f different plots. P rate of 20 to 25 lbs. equally good, preser stand. When we ca ed at the rate of appeared to be ve a closer examination that it could not be Close inspection wa the plots seeded at were thin. Mr. Box 40 per cent. Any fa five pounds to the ac

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