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## THE NORTH-WEST.

its possibilities and hesonhers.

Few rualize that before the purchase of Alaska, Canada was larger than the United States, but such was the fact. The territory of the Dominion is $3,470,392$ square miles while that of the United States was but $3,025,600$ square miles.
The area, in square miles, of the organized districts of the North-west is as follows:-

| Manitoba | 73,000. |
| :---: | :---: |
| Kewatin | $100,000$. |
| Assiniboia | 950000. |
| Saskatchewan | 11.1,000. |
| Alberta. | 100.0\%0. |
| Athabasca | 122.010. |
| British Columbia | 311:30\%) |

Beyond these provinces and districts lies an unorganized territory with an aren of more than sixteen hundred thousand syuare miles.
The Canadian Northwost falls naturally into three great d.visions. The territory lying between Hudson's Day and the great chain of inland lakes in the valley of the Mackenzie River, extending from Lake Superior to the Aretic Ocein, is wooded, mostly rocky, and swampy, but with some areas of good land, merging finally into what are lenown as the barren lands,
northwest of Hudson's Bay. Second, the great stretch of fertile plains, part prairie and part wooded, lying between the great lakes above mentioned and the Rocky Mountains and extending from the international boundary line almost to the Arctic Occan. Third, the Alpine region, extending from the Rocky Mountains to the Pacific coast.
It may seem far-fetched, but it is a fact, tried and proved, that the limit of the profitable cultivation of wheat lies at least twelve hundred miles to the northwest of the City of Winnipeg. Rye and oats can be grown at least two hundred miles still further north.
The map we give speaks for itself, and will be a surprise to many who have the idea that the wheat belt of the Northwest is but a comparatively narrow strip.
Latitude has a good deal to do with climate but not everything. Altitude is at least as important. The great central plain of North America is two miles high in Mexico and graduatly slopes down towards the north, so that the navigable chamel of the Mackenzie River is but three hundred feet above the sea level. Heince, the climatic conditions from Iowa north to the Peace River valley, a range of nearly twenty derrices of latitude, are essentially the same. It is a region marked by great heat in summer and great cold in winter.
The greater length of the day in the summer
is a great factor in the growth of vegetation in the far northern latitudes. In latitude 50 degrees, which may be taken as the average of the Peace River country, on June 20th sunrise occurs at 3:12 a.m and sunset at 8:50 p.m. To this is partly due the wonderful rapidity with which vegetation matures. At Fort Simpson, Archbishop Clut speaks of trees passing in a single week from bud to perfect leal.
In the great Northwest, the region of rigourous winters, cold, moist springs, and dry but intense summers, the undue luxuriance of stem and foliage is checked in the earlier stages of growth, greatly to the adrantage of the fruit and seed. Dr. Samuel Farry states as a miversal fact that the cultivated plants yield the greatest product near the northermost limit at which they can be grown. His illustrations include nearly every plant known to commerce. Cotton is a tropical plant, but yields the best staple in the temperate latitudes. Consul Taylor cites the fact that in Iowa. near the southern border of the spring wheat region, seldom more than two well-formed grains are found in each cluster or fascicle forming the row; in Manitoba three grains become habitual, while in wheat from Prince Albert and Fort Vermilion each cluster is made up of five well-formed grains.
West of the great bolt of wheat country is an enormous area not adapted to the production of cereals, but admirably suited for the raising oi


cattle, horses and sheep. Dr. J. B. Hulbert, of Ottawa, says in regard to this :-
"The entire area is fit for pasturage, as the native grasses grow over the whole country, even to the shores of Hudson's Bay and the Arctic Ocean, and down the Mackenzie to the sea, and all the region in the valley of the Mackenzie and its tributaries is fit for the production of summer grass. Through all the country east of the Great Lakes of the Mackenzic River system the grasses are like our June grass. The Dominion embraces the chicf pasture and meadow lands of North America, and theses with their accompanying flocks and herds, are of more importance than wheat lands."
Over all the plains south of the Great Slave Lake buffalo roaned in countless millions in days gone ly: One peculiarity of the grasses of that region is that they cure naturally on the stalk. In nutritious qualities the buffalo grass is equivalent to a combination of lientuchy blue grass and oats, and the horses and cattle of these northwestern plains will turn, with a contemptuous sniff, from the finest cultivated hay placed before them in the manger, and go outside and paw away a foot or more of snow, and eat their fill and fatten on the sweet grass lying underneath.

In a territory so vast and so little explored it is not likely that more than a mere fraction of its mineral riches are linown. The coal area of the Northwest is estimated at 85,000 spuare miles with from a, 000,000 to $9,000,000$ under each mile. Fuel will be in no wise lacking for future settlers in this great country.

The tangled mass of the mountain ranges are seamed through and through with veins of precious metals. More than $\$ 33,000,000$ of gold alone has already been taken from the mines of British Columbia. Mines of grold are worked also on the Lake of the Woods. Salt, sulphur, asphalt petroleum, metals and minerals of every kind and sort lie beneath the soil., waiting the needs of the coming millions who shall one day make the great Northwest their home.

Our great West needs only to have the truth told of its resources and its abilities. Its climate, soil and products will stand criticism and fullest investigation in the light of day.

Mamitoba, being the first portion of Rupert's Land to be inhabited and developed, it has of necessity made greater progress than the territory to the west of it.

From s population of 62,260 in 1881 , it rose to a population of $159,006 \mathrm{in} \mathrm{1891}$, an increase of 90,246 in 10 years. The total acreage occupied in 1851 was $1,511,485$, and in $1891,4,416,592$. In 1851 only 45,750 acres were in wheat, which rose in 1801 to 896,471 acres, and there were 1,000,000 acres in wheat in Manitoba in 1893, yielding $16,000,000$ bushels of the finest wheat that was ever pat through an elevator-an average of 10 bushels to the acre, while Ontario only yielded 15! bushels; Wisconsin, 121 ; Minnesota, 13; Iowa, 113; Nebraska, 121 , and Dakota, $12 \frac{1}{2}$ bushels-and it was not a good year for yield in Manitoba either.
$115: 807$ bushels of oats were raised in 1881 , and $8,470,212$ in 1891. They only had 11,800 horses in 1881, but could boast of 86,753 in

1891 and their cows ran up in the same period from 17,621 to 82, , 614 . The farmers of Manimade $4,857,132$ pounds of butter in 1891, as arainst 857,868 pounds in 1881. In 1881 there were oniy about 130 miles of railway constructed and operated in Manitoba, now there are in Manitoba and the Territories 6,372 miles of railway.

In 1881 Wimnipeg had a population of 6,245 , with an assessment of $\$ 4.208,460$; in 1891 its population had risen to 24.068 , and its assessment to $\$ 19,914,2 \mathrm{r} 0$, and for 1893 its assessmont is $\$ 21,692,700$, exclusive of $\$ 1,500,300$ of exemptions, and it is sale to say that the population of Winnipeg is to-day 30,000 and over.

The volume of commercial business in Winnipeg done in 1892 was $\$ 10,000,000$; the combined capital represented by tho chartered banks of Canada having branches in Wimnipeg is $\$ 10,000,000$; the city has now 26 churches, 19 schools, 12 banks, 16 newspapers, 122 miles of sidewalk, 20 miles of wates mains, 11 miles of ras mains and 19 miles of street railway, as against 20 miles of very indifferent sidewalk, 8 churches, no street railway, a great deal of mud, 4 newspapers and 4 banks in 1891.

What has been said as to the soil and capabilities for wheat growing in Manitoba applies equally well to the districts of Assiniboia, Alberta and Saskatchewan, since as fine samples of No. 1 hard Fyfe as were ever grown in Manitoba have bcen produced in the districts named. And when the day comes when these future provinces shall have absorbed the samo agricultural population as Manitoba has today, and the population of all these provinces increases from year to year, as it is bound to do, the $16,000,000$ bushels of wheat raised in Manitoba in 1893 will be as a juint is to a bushel, compared with the millions of acres of golden grain that will await the harvest of the hardy toilers on what will yet be the greatest wheat ficld of the world.

But the wealth of resource in these great prairies is not bound up in the grain proance


alone. While there are millions in wheat, barley and oats, the luxurlant grasses of the prairie yield pasture and has of unexcelled dquality for dairy and heef cattle. The farmers of Manitoba and the Territories have been paying more attention to mixed farming during the past few years. Nowhere in Canada can better butter or cheese be made than the farmer of the Northwest can produce from his prairie grass fel cattle. Checse factories and dairies are in operation, and yielding good profits to their proprictors.
The grass land of tilberta is the only ranch country of any size left on the American continent ; so that along with the immense spring wheat belts of Manitoba, Assiniboia, Saskatchewan and Northern Alberta, Canada is rich in the possession in Southem Alberta of the greatest free range lor cattle on this continent to-day, and in Western Assiniboia for sheep.

One of the factors which conduced to the huilding of a trans-contincutal railway through Canadian territory wore the terms made with British Columbia when that province came into confederation, it being afreed that the Government of the Iominion of Canada should, within a given period, construct a railway which would unite the Pacific province with the rest of Canada. The history of this greatest of Canadian undertakings is well known. After many years hitd been spent in exporatory surveys, the great undertaking was given into the hands of worthy Canadians, who entered into their contract in 1881. So well did they sarry out their part, that the road was constructed and the first train sent through from Montreal to Vancouver in 189t, marking one of the greatest triumphs in enterprise, skill and gool manangement that have ever bcen exhibited by man in the history of the world.
The building of the Canadian Pacific Railway has opened up and is developing the resources of the great province of British Columbia, and exhibiting the richness it possesses in mine, field, forest and stream. These alone
await capital and industry for development, and this province lat a crreat and glorious future. British Columbia contains a superficial area of $3 . .1,1100$ square miles, and $s \bar{f}(H)$ miles from north 'o outt. and sor miles fror. cast to west. The timber resources of British Columbia are practically inexhaustible. Jxtensive mills have been erecter throughout the province. So far the lumbering to a great extent has been confined to the vicinity of the salt warer. Jouglas fir, spruce, red and yellow cedair, hemlock, jellow cypress, white pine, oak and many other kinds of timber are widely distributed, The Douglas fir and cedar reach gigantic proportions. There are many thousands of miles of arable land suited to the production of every cereal, fruit, vegetable, plant and flower, so diverse are the soil and climatic influences.
The Hon. T. M. Daly, Minister of the Interior, speaking recently, said:
"There is nothing going on in Canada to-day which is more likely to bring about that Canadian national feeling or sentiment, which we all so much desire to see in our fair land, as the commingling together in our North-West and British Columbia of the representatives from each of the older provinces who are living side by side in every town and village, and are cultivating and farming the land in every settlement. Meeting as strangers in this far-off country; they have become brothers, united in the united cause of building up and developing
is magnificent resources. It is theirs to possess and occupy in right of their common citi\%enship, and as natives of the older Canada, whose statesmen had the foresight and sagacity to acquire it. This good land is for the use and benefit of future generations of Canadians, a heritage that we and our children's children :an possess, in which every Canadian of every degree can live and work and prosper, governed by the laws of the country which gave him birth, and beneath the folds of that flag all true Canadians love so well. But this good land is not for Canadians only: There are welcome the people from Great Britain and Ireland, the English, the Scotch and the Inish, and the (dermans, the French, the seandinavians and other good veople from continental Europe."
It has been written, "Population moves westward as it driven by the mighty hand of God." From the mountain valleys of Asia, where the race was cradled, a ceaseless pilgrimage has moved ever on and on. Mountain walls and continental wilds and long leagues of trackless sea may lie across the appointed path, but still the mighty column in its own onward march surmounts, subdues, and crosses all, impelled by forces as resistless as those which speed the Pleiades on their course. But on the great Northwest of this continent the long, long journey will at last be done; and the race will reach its final home. Here have been grouped, as nowhere clse in all the world, mountain and ralley and plain, river and lake. Here has been stored illimitable wealth in mine and forest, soil and fisheries not cxreeded in the known world, and to these broad foundations for a sure prosperity thero has been added a climate which cmbraces exactly those conditions best adapted to prorluce the hishest development of the individual and the race. Here genial summers' sun woos the fruit from fertile fields, and winter's stinging cold tend alike to physical and moral health. Here for long years to come shall they who hunger for a home be satistied and all the needs of countless millions be well supplied.


Vista looking south towands the obelisk and colonnade, between the agricultural building and machinery hall.,

## Our World's Fair Views.


 M. Assifi:

Tuns month we give cight other Wordd's J'air illustrat:ons, which will probably conclute the series, though we may occasionally insert one or more during the next few months.
On the previous page is a view of the Electricity bulling, as seen across the Wooded Island when passing around the istand in a gondula. At the lontom of the sume prege is a fine illustration of the ranal or lagoon between the Agricultural Building on the left and Machinery Hall on the right. At the end of this lagoon is a beauiful colomade, and just beyond it the spacious luilding where the cattle and horses were exhibited. kinown as the Stock P'avilion. The view from this colomnade, look-

vien from niat the " coldien mentrance" of the transportation butlonge.
ing north from it, was onte of the finest on the erroumts. Two pictures on this prse illustrate some of the batitiful landsrape efferts. The centre picture is a curiosity and was taken just a few moments after the areident happened. Fortumately no no one was injureal. A number of these heary traction rollers were ased to form the splendidly-formed roadways through the park and around the buiddings. At: this particular point a road had h:en built upon old logs and rubbish. in part supported hy posts, to save the expronse of filling in a little yavine below. 'lhe contractor's work was decidelly superficial, and hence the arcident. However, considering the fact that so vast an :monnt of worls was performed for an exhibition to bast lunt six months, it scems wonderful that they took so much pains to do jt as well as it was done.

The picture at the top of


LOOKIN(: ACROSS WOODED ISIANH TOWARD THE MINES AND MNLNG EUILULNGADMINISTRATION HOME BEYOND.
the next page is even more curious, and is an illustra tion of one of the trying ex periences of the amateur photographer, due to too much haste, and resulting in a comical blunder. The handsome colossal animal statues which omamented the entrance of some of the buildings and the bridges were made under this colon nade, and then transported to their final resting places This lion had just been finished and had lueen taken out, and mide a very good subject for a photorraph but, alas! fergetting that an exposiure liad been made, our photographer exposed the same plate in traling a picture of the manmoth Jruamos in the llachinery Hall ; hence the two pictures in one.
The photograph of the Allis engine does not show it to grood alvantage, and scarcely convers a correct iden of its enormoussize. This ongine had the some relation to the Wordds fair as did the sreat Corliss engrine to the Centennial. It has a rated capacity of 2, ,no to 2,510 horse power, when working under such conditions as to develop the best economy in stcan consumption, lont has a maximum capacity of from 3,000 to 4. (1) horse power. The steam passes sucesssively through four eylinders, doing a part of the total work in each, and then to the condenser. The first, or high pressure cylinder, is 23 inches diameter ; the second, or first intermoliate, is 10 inches diameter; the third, or sceond intermediate, is (6) inches diameter; and the fourth, or low pressure cylinder, is 70 imches diameter. The stroke is 72 inches, and the speed ( 30 revolutions per minute. The balance wheel, 30 feet diameter by 68 inch face, weighs lon,000 pounds, and the total weight of the ensine is 315 tons. This engine was used to drive two large Westinghouse generators, each rated at 13,00016-c.p. lamp capacity. This is the engine that President Cleveland set in

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motion by the pressure of a
Victor Key at the opening ceremoniesof the Exposition． It was much more powerful than the great Centennial Corliss engine，which was designed to develop only 2，200 horse power．

## World＇s Fair Gossip．

The expense incurred in construction of buildings， improvement of grounds， and preliminary organizi－ tion amounted to $\$ 19,015,081$ ． The buildings alone costover $811,000,000$ ．
The gencral and operating expenses averaged $\$ 19,3(1)$ per day，amounting in all to $8(6,750,000$ ．
Compared with the Paris laxposition in point of attendance the Columbian World＇s Fair khows well．Its grand total by months is as follows：

|  | palls． | frese． | TOTAL． |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Misy | 1，050，037 | 151，917 | 1，931，¢1： |
| Tune | 2．675， 113 | $3 \times 2.01$ | 8，372， 3 31 |
| July | 2，700，263 | 1，217．239 | $3,977,312$ |
| August | 3，915，913 | 1，172， 215 | 1， 1587,708 |
| September | 1，63： 871 | 1，149，071 | 5，818，442 |
| October | 7，000，600 | 1，150，（）00 | $8,150,000$ |
|  | 21，661，927 | 1，新，1 | 33：， |

As shown above，passes were freely issued． At the Paris Exposition，passes were issued fory sparingly，and the free list did not oven include concessionaries．
The following tables give a summary of the fesults of the Centemnial Exposition at Phila－ helphia，the Paris Exposition，and the Colum－ pirn World＇s Fair：
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The largest attendance on any one day，paid admissions：
At Chicago，Chicago Day，Oct．0．．．．．．715， 881 At Paris，closing day，June 10 370，354
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Sept． 28.

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Net proceeds．$\$ 1,823,988 \quad \$ 1,000,000 \leqslant 2,092,162$
The area covered by the exhibits of Canada in the Agricultural Building was 7,$7 ; 0$ square feet．
The lion of Canada，and perhaps of the Agri－ cultural Building，was the mammoth cheese， weighing 22，000 pounds，the colossus of all curdles，a monster in whose heart an elephant might play，and a marvel to be＂smelled the length of the building，＂as our envious neigh－ bors were pleased to say．

The Manufacturers＇Building cost $\$ 1,760,000$ ． The Agricultural Hall cost $8(618,000$
The orange globe，in the California Building， took 6,500 oranges to cover it，

The highest Sunday at－ tendance was 88,000 ，the lowest 16，000）．
The premium realized upon the sale of the souvenir coins was 5820,000 ．
The income from percent－ ages on concessions was $53,500,000$ ．

It is estimated there wore nearly $t$, （世夫），（м）visitors to the city of Chicago during the World＇s Fair．
The entire interior of the Manufacturers＇Buildingwas painted or calcimined by the elcetric painting machine， which spraycd the paint or calcimine on the surface by means of a force pump．A fre：$t$ s：ving in brushes and $t$ mo was the reult．

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Because she has mot any lnearl.

A tea-kettle without a spont. A meat cask with the botton out. A "comfort" with the cottous sone And not a hed to putit on A handle without an axe
$A$ hatcher withont wool or fax A pot-lid and a wagon-hinh. And two ears of a washing tuh.

Tharee broken wates of difierent kinds. Some matckerel taiks and hacom finds $A$ talle withont leares or leges. One datar and half a dogen pase: Trumbler of dint cruen flass, A fiddle without any strings A trun-stock and two turkey wings.
O cabler of this imventory
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Who wears erood shitits with hattons on inn Ever to plut out colton cherde And oaly lave bras pins to pin i.m. Tis, remember. lititestithos Keres the rent from wrowing eread,
Whan rou can't tell heds for batcles W"arnine" words will be tor bate. - Mict ('iriy.


Farmers' Institutes have been in full blast throughout the country during the past month. As a rule the meetings were well attendel, the phenomenally fine weather permitting of this with comiort. To follow the course of the meetings would be tedious and unprofitable, the talks being practically the same in each circuit. If one typical mecting be taken, the reader will have a fair specimen of them all. Taking the meeting at Baltimore, Ont., at which the deputation were Messis J. C. Snell, H. Arkell, H. L. Beckett, B. S. A., and G. A. Caston. 'Mr. Sinell read a paper on swine brceding, giving his experience in the breeding and preparing for the market. In the discussion which followed he said "that he had sold pigs 5 months and 10 days old; weighing 280 pounds, gaining 3 pounds per day. What is intended should be pushed from the start, sell young. The next speaker. Mr. Arkell, addressed the meeting' on sheep raising. This was a yery practical address. Fach paper evoked interesting and intelligent discnssion,

Two English gentlemen-Messrs. G.B. andE. Samuelson-who are manufacturers of implements in their own country, have been making a tour of the United States, with a view to studying the implement manufacturing trade in that country. What they want to find out partioularly is, why Cavadian and United States machines. :c preferred in foreign markets, as aqainst English machines. This point they lave not been able to decide yet to their full satisfaction. They have, however, come to the conclusion that the implement trade is not in a particularly flourishing condition in the United

States or Canada, owing partly to the prevailing finaucial depression, and failure of crops in some sections. They have also come to the conclusion that there is too much competition in the trade, and that machines have frequently been sold at a too narrow margin of profit. This is the opinion expressed by these English gentlemen, in an interview with a newspaper in one of the cities which they had visited. Coming from men who are not interested in the trade in Canada, but who are endeavoring to compete with Canadian manufacturers in other markets, their opinion is worthy of respect. In these days, when there is much talk from men who know nothing about the cost of farm machinery, to the effect that prices are too high, it is certainly a relief to learn that the implement trade is suffering from over competition, and selling goods at unprofitable prices. These English gentlemen, being themselves manufacturers of implements, though not interested in the business here, are competent to form a reasonably close opinion as to the condition of the trade; and this is their opinion after visiting the various implement manufacturing centres, and studying the situation on the spot. We have men here about us, however, who are neither farmers nor mechanics, and who know absolutely nothing about either building or operating a binder, yet these men will undertake to explain how much it costs to build a binder, and what the selling price of the machine should be. How absurd all this is? How can a man who has no mechanical knowledge of any kind, and who never engaged in a manufacturiug business of any lind, sit down and firure out on paper the cost of an intricate machine like a binder? The thing is ridiculons. But there are men whose self-assurance is equal to anything. It is on a par with the efforts made by city men to tigure out on paper the cost of producing a bushel of wheat, though even more absurd than this, for the variety of conditions and features which would have to be taken into account would certainly be much more mmerous and intricate, in attempting to arrive at the cost of a binder, than in undertaking to figure out the cost of growing wheat. The fact that no two alleged authorities agree as to the cost of growing whent, indicates how little these parties can know about the cost of a binder, or any other article of farm machinery' of an intricate nature.

## Yankee Justice at the World's Fair.

Mir. J. S. Larke, Canadian Commissioner at the World's Fair, is in town. He was asked yesterday for a statement of the facts concerning the difficultics in connection with the awweds for agricultural implements to Canadian firms, those primarily involved being the Massey-Harris Co., Toronto; the Sawyeh, Massey Company, Hamilton, and the John Abell machine worls, T'oronto.
Mr. Larke said: -"The exhibits of these firms had been examined by the jurors at Chicago, in accordance with the regulations laid down for granting awards, and a wards had been recommended by these jurors. On that jury there were no Canadians, nor anyone of whom the Canadians had any personal knowledge. It was composed of Germans, Russians, and citizens of the United States, therefore it could never be protended that Canada received any favors. The recommendations of awards by this jury were destroyed by the agency of the Executive Committee, who had been empowered by the National Commission to control the granting of awards. In order to cover this act of injustice, the Rxecutive Committee had had the implements re-examined, and when the award was still recommended after re-examination, the committee had a sncond re-examination made. This would lead to the conclusion that they had determined at the outset that these implements should not receive a award, and had passed them from one judge to another until they found someone who was willing to find as the Executive Committee wished their opinion to be."
"Why did the Executive Committee, when they did give so many awards to Canada, with hold from them in this case?"
"The only answer that can be given is that it was done in the interest of certain largi manufacturers in the United States, who came into competition with the Massiny-Harms Compary and other Canadian machinery firme in forcign countries, and they were determined to secure an advantage over such competition at all events, in the exhibitat Chicago. In the evidence of the men who finally recommended that no award should le given, he stated that it was understood that all the exhibits re-ex amined belonged to the Massey-Harnis Com pany, but it turned out that some of them wer: owned by other firms. Another well-knowi fact is that the recommendations of the Com mittee of Jurors granting awards to the Massey-Harms Company had been shown to rival Ameriran exhibitors, when the Masser Harris poople could not see them themselves To continue, however, I may say that even the second re-examination did not decide agains the award upon the merits of the machines, but solely upon the contention that they were no Canadian inventions, but the machines were copies of American inventions. In no case was an opinion given that the implements shown were not first-class machines, the design an construction being of a high character. It had been iletermined in tine interest of America competitors that no award should be given to the Camadian implements, and cridence bearim! this out is found in the fact that it came oul that the second re-cxamination upon which th committee based the refusal to grant awards to Canadian firms did not take place until the 4th of November, and the result was not known on the 6th, whilst the awards had been refused be fore the end of October, so that the Executive Committee made an excuse for doing in Octobei an event that did not occur until the following month. An appeal was heard, lasting for eigh days, and the decision is now under the consid eration of the court appointed by the Nationa Commission. In doing this the commission took the work out of the hands of the Executiv Committee on awards, and created a disput between these two bodies that has not yet beel settled. and will perhaps lead to a consideratio of some other awards."-E'mpire, Jan. 23r'd 1894.

## Interesting to Farmers.

Anyrimes pertaining to the welfare of the farmers of Canada, is always welcome to out columns. Mr. John Hallam, in a letter date Jan. 4th, writes us. "I send you a pape which I had the pleasure of reading before the Live Stock Association at their last meeting a Guelph." Wo have much pleasure in present ing it to our readers:-
"Owing to the constantly declining prices of wheat and barley, the attention of Canadian farmers is being rapidly directed to dairy and cattle products. The wonderful success an extent of the cheese production is inducing the Dominion and Provincial Governments to use praiseworthy efforts to accomplish simila gratifying results with butter, in which direc tion much improvement has already been mad both as to quantity and quality. The great ex tension of these two industries has created similar increase in the number of cattle and hogs fed. The increase is largely in excess of the requirements of the population.
The profitableness of the dairy and cattle in. dustry must largely depend upon the prices obtained for the cattle and hogs which are raised in conjunction with it. The home mar Ket will soon prove utterly inadequate for the consumption of animal products, even undet the exreptionally favorable conditions which Canadian centle and sheep were formerly ad mitted into Great Britain.
The disposal of live cattle there was attended with so much risk and expense, that it was
thought that some cheaper means of transportation must be found. The withdrawal by the British Government of the preferential terms of admission for Canadian cattle on foot, has emphasized the necessity for such a change.
Many believe that agreat improvement in the price of cattle and their products, would be effected by free trade with the United States. Such expectations have no foundation in fact, as is evident from the following statement taken from the Official Report of the Bureau of Statistics at Washington, for the year ending June the 30th, 1892.
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From this it will be seen that Canadr purchased from the United States a much larger value of these products than it sold to that country. The trade in animal products between the two coumtries could be very largely increased, if it was not for the excessive duty paid on live animals and their products. Canadian lambs under one year old, 7 jc . per head; sheep and lambs over one year old, $\$ 1.50$ each; cattle less than one year old, $\$ 2.00$ each; cattle over one year, $\$ 10.00$ each.
The success which has attained the beef and pork packing business in Chicage, and other places, is almest incredible. In 1842 the United States sold to foreign countries, besides supplying their own market, of log products for humau food, bacon, hams, lard and pork $1,225.538,352$ pounds valued at $\$ 85.116 .556$, averaging a little over 7?c. per pound. They also sold beef products fresh, canned, cured and preserved, including rendered tallow, 468,522,$7: 0$ pounds valued atit $\$ 34,436,169$, averaging a little less than 7 lic. per pound.
The demand for animal products seems to be unlimited. Canadla should have a share of this growing and prosperous trade; she is unexceptionally situated for growing cattle, hogs and sheep.
TI: develop this trade and centre it in"Toronto, will require men of ample means, with cnterprise and brains, and free corn, so that the farmer can feed more hogs, and give a constant supply to the packing houses.
The farmer should raise cattle and fatten them to meet the requirements of the home and foreign markets. Tlo make this business successful in Canada, the packing houses must have a constant and increasing supply of hogs. The statistics of live stock in Canada, are very scanty and unreliable. The latest statistical information concerning live stock in the Province of Ontario, is as follows:-

## Cattle.. <br> Sheep.

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Number of animals slaughtered for home consumption and sold to foreign countries, in the Province of Ontario:-

| Catils | 150,000 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Hog | \% |

It is of the utmost importance that farmers should see the necessity of increasing their live stock. It would be much more profitable than growing wheat and barley, at the very low prices now prevailing. Besides it, would give the land a much needed rest from the exhausting process of constantly growing wheat and barley. The manure would enrich the land and make it more produative. By this means the farmer would be ellabled to grow a rotation of crops, and not to depend upon any one crop for his living.
It is quite clear from the forcgoing, that for the surplus of animals and their products,

Canada must look to Furope, and especially to Great Britain, forits market. For this country the great objects to accomplish are, the cheapest possible methods of preserving and curing for home and forcign markets, and the quickest and most economical means of transporting to the markets of the world. These are the ends which capitalists and railway companies should try to accomplish for the Dominion of Canada, for as sure as the sum shines at noon day, there is in this country an extensive, progressive and profitable field waiting the energy and enterprise of those who have the pluck to enter and take possession of the promised land. The establishment of packing houses in Toronto and the North West, with ample capital, employment of the best skill and latest improvements, is a step in the right direction, that will not only conduce to the advantare of farmers, but to the general prosperity of the country.


Tho the Editor of Massey's Illustrated.
Sir:-It has been reported to us on several occasions during the past two years, that the organizers of the Patrons of Industry lodges and others, have made statements to the farmers to the effect that at sume time the Massey Manuractuming Company had a car load or car loads of binders wrecked whilst in transit from the factory over one of the railroads, which necessitated the ConpAN: making a claim upon the Railway Company for damages, and that Mr.H. A. Masser. President of the Massex. Manufacturnc: Comilany, or his representatives, made an affidiavit as to the value of the machines.
We believe these statements have, to a considerable extent, injured our business, and many have believed the stories because we did not deny them, or explain the matter before. We therefore take this opportunity of saying that at no time in the history of the Massey Manufacturing Company's business, or of A. Harres, SOn \& Company's business, or of the present Company's business, did cither or any of them ever have a car load of machines wrecked, which necessitated a claim being made on the Railway Company, and evidence taken or given as to the cost of the machines. Neither Mr. Masser or any other officer of either of the old Companies or of the present Company, was ever called upon to make any statement in regard to the cost of binders, and never did make any such statement either directly or indirectly, and further if such a statement had been made, or if they had been called upon to make such a statement, it would have been impossible for them to have mado the preposterous statement that is credited to Mr. Masser, that a binder cost only $\$ 505$.
We wish therefore to give the most ungualified denial to any such statement ever having been made, and the story is absolutely untrue and entirely false. The only time that the Massey Manufacturing Comidany or any of the Companies had any machines injured in a railway accident was aboutseven or eight years ago, when a car load of mowers was shipped from the Toronto factory to Wimineg, and before thi $y$ had left the city of Toronto some heavy shunting had beon done by the railway, and four or five drive wheels were broken in the end of the car. The Railvay Company put the car back on the Massay Manufactumin; Companys sliding, and it was unloaded and the wheels replaced.
With this full information our friends will be prepared to refute any statements that are made with reference to the above matter.

MASSEY-HARRIS CO., (Limrted).


1st.-The Manchester ship canal opened for meneral traffic. serionsly wounded. . . . The wiolent political crisis in

$2 n d .-T h e$ Bucharest chamher of deputies pased irgislation modifyins: the cistomst tariff. ... Royal Vic-
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lery headuarters and the military arsenal at Venice, destroyed ly a great lire.
Mrd-Remains of Sir Samuel Baker. the famons traveller, explorer, and writer, cremated at Woking. Fug. John D. Rockefeller donated mu additional fifty thousind dollas to the Chicago University. ${ }^{\circ}$. Johin Hope, the well-known mallager of Bow Hark fium, near Brantford,
died. died.
4th.-Nova Scotia Legishature opened. Ihemomenally cold wenther in Paris caused severat deaths. Trame Fourth place.
5th.-Flection netitions presented against all hut two members of the Whiteway purty, New foundiaul, on the
 Africa, fired unou by Fiench troops and several hilled.
Frelh. -Trial of Augugte Vaillaut who threw a homb in Fremeh Chamber of Deputies herun. in 'Twenty-ane
Sth.-Immirration returns show 8 ats, 000 to have landed in New York in 1993. . . Wilson made his opening speceh on his tarifl bill.
9th.-A. F. Ganlt, Montreal, presented with a portrait of himself, wiy the deryy ind liaty of the Church of Eugland, Central fair ly law defented in Hamiltont and the directors recommend that the Fiin property be olfered for sale.
10th- Paul William Forehamer, archacologist, died at Kiel. $\qquad$ The Giut German Co. made defank in prying interest on its delentures.
11th.- The widow of the great. Thackeray, died to-day at Leigh, Lancashire, Eng., seventy-five years of age.
1:th.-Police licenses in Montrenl during jast year yielded nerrly sixty*even thousaud dollirs.
13th.-M. Waddington, French Amhassador to Britain,
 electorate.
15th.-Mr. Wm. Lane Bonker. Consul General of Great
Britain in New York, received the honor of kinghthood.
16th.-Larly Ritchie was elected bresident of the local
manch of the National Council of the Women of Canada formed in Ottawa, todity.
17th.-Royal decree prochamed astate of siege in Carrara,
 cent instend of twenty; on harler:
19th.-Fourth ammal convention of the Camadian 13rotherhood of St. Andrews opened in ottawa.
190h-Serions illuses of Mr. Geo. Wr childs, the meat Philadepphia jommalist and philantimopist, reported.
onclo-The traty letween France and siam. was ratimers of North Grey, for the Local Honse.
zend.-The British Colonial Office recoumended a phan to subsidise a purcly British cable to Austradial via ( amada . esird-Lonal Bumkes Association formed in Muntreal in Austen, the last survivinu sister of Cardinal Yianinge (a wothhe Eughish wontan, died.
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erth.-The saw and hour mills at Lion's Head, destroyed ly tive.
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Heary snow stoms in the south west.
ancit.-Rumored revolutionary outbreak at Oporto, Porlugal.


## Sterilization of Milk.

Ar the request of the Secretary of Agriculture, the Chief of the Bureau of Animal Industry has furnished the following simple directions for the sterilization of milk :-The sterilization of milk for children, now quite extensively practised in order to destroy the injurious germs which it may contain, can be satisfactorily accomplished

with very simple apparatus. The vessel containing the milk, which may be the bottle from which it is to be used, or any other suitable vessel, is placed inside of a larger vessel of metal, which contains the water. If a bottle, it is plugged with absorlent cotton, if this is at hand, or in its absence other clean cotton will answer. A small fruit jar, loosely covered, may be used instead of a bottle. The requirements are simply that the interior vessel shall bo raised about half an inch above the bottom of the other, and that the water shall reach nearly or quite as high as the milk. The apparatus is then heated on a range or stove until the water reaches a temperature of 1 Bis degrees Fahrenheit, when it is removed from the heat and kept tightly covered for half an hour. The milk bottles are then taken out and kept in a cool place. The mill may be used any time within twenty-four hours. A temperature of 100 degrees maintained for half an hour is sufficient todestroy any germs likely to be present in the milk, and it is found in practice that raising the temperature 155 degrees and allowing it to stand in the heated water for half an hour insures the proper temperature for the required time. The temperature slould not be raised above 155 degrces,otherwise the taste and quality of the milk will be impaired.
Tho simple plan is to take a tin pail and invert a perforatel tin pie-plate in the bottom, or have made for it a remevable false bottom per-

forated with holes and having legs, half an inch high, to allow circulation of the water. The milk-bottle is set on this false bottom, and sutticient water is put into the pail to reach the level of the surface of the milk in the bottle. A hole muy be punched in the cover of the pail, a cork inserted, and a clemical thermometer put through the cork, so that the bulb dips into the
water. The temperature cin thus be watched without removing the cover. If preferred, an ordinary dairy thermometer may be used and the temperature tested from time to time by removing the licl. This is very easily arranged, and is just as satisfactory as the patented apparatus sold for that purpose.

## A Farmer's Home for Every-Day Use.

Do you wish to see the most cosy and comfortable farm house in America? Just come into the back door and let us go through it. We will enter the back side of the house, because it is a honse not built for show, hut for use. Plans of city houses are shown usually with the front as the point of entrance, but the business of farming compels the more frequent use of rear

and side doors ; hence we will start right. It, will be easy to observe, however, as we go through this model residence that it is not devoid of modern comforts which are so frequently wanting in comntry houses. The kitellen has a door at the south, which is entered from the piazza that extends nearly around the house. This shates the kitchen in summer and keeps it cool. The room is capacious, has set tubs, hot and cold water, pipes for conveying away waste water, and a large range connecting wilh the chimmey in such a manner as to carry off both the smoke from the fire and steam from the cooking. The dining room is 12 by 18 , and is entered from both kitchen and living-room, which is 16 by 20 , and corners on the southwest with a large and well-glazed bay-window, or addition for plants. The dining room may be entcred from the piazaia also. Back stairs extend from kitchen to the hall in the serond story. 'The pantry is conveniently near the kitchen, and is provided with closets for dishes, drawers for linen, spices, boxes for corn meal, graham flour, dc., as well as the customary place for hiding the barrel of what flour. Should the bell of the front door ring, tho summons is casily answered without going through the dining room, simply by passing from the kitcinen, beneath the front stairs, and through the reception room. This room is fitted with a se:tee and two or three chairs of substantial design and contains a firephace. The same chimney permits firc-places in the parlor adjoining and in the liviug-room and dining-hall.

A guest is shown upstairs from the parlor or reception room through the hall and front stairway. This stairway is broad and winding, and
enters a roomy, well-lishted hall on the second floor. From this hall the bath-room and three chambers are enteied, as well as the man's room. Each of these rooms is supplied with an ample closet. The guest-chamber is placed at the northwest, not the pleasantest part of the house, which is reserved for the regular occupants, who have the east and south for their enjoyment. This spare chamber has a fire-place in which a hospitable blaze may be started to cheer the chilled comer. If this house is not heated by a furnace it can be conveniently warmed by drums or registers from stoves on the lower floor. This little room over the front stairway and near the bath-room may be used for a clothes-press, receptacle for linen, or connected with the adjoining bath-room by means of a wide arch, and used for a dressing or sleep-ing-room, the bed-room proper being kept in neat order for an upstairs sitting-room if desired.
The house is nearly square, 32 by 41 . The front is toward the north, the parlor, halls, reception room, bath-room and gucst-chamber are placed so that they protect the portion of the house most in use during cold weather. This leaves the rooms that are in daily use compactly connected and makes them easier to warm. Holdister Sage in Country Gentleman

## Sub-Irrigation.

Sub-irrigation is the latest scheme for greenhouse culture. It is astonishing to a novice to see how glass gardening is increasing. Around the great Northern cities are acres of glass un. der which are grown lettuce, cucumbers, rhu-barb-in fact almost all the outdoor vegetables. In this way Northern gardeners meet competition with the South. Cheap coal gives them a Florida temperature and glass permits them to surround enough of that heat to make the crops think summer has come to court winter. Experiments have been made at the West Virginia Station and at the Ohio Station and a recent bulletin gives an account of them. The device used for sub-irrigation ir these experiments is shown by the accompanying cut. As

shown it is a pipe, with numerous holes, that run around under the soil at the buttom of the bed. At the top is a tumuel through which the water may be porred. Piof. Rane, who made the experiments at West Vnginia, considers that sub-irrigation in greenhouses is a pronounced success. He considers it a more completesystem of watering than the usual sprinking, as with it the soil does not harden, bake or dry out. It saves time, labor and water, and causes plants to run more evenly. Ihis under-watering hastened the growth of parsley and spinach and gave better lettuce, tomatoes and radishes. Fungous diseases were better held in check-in fact, lettuce rot, one of the worst troubles in many greenhouses, was prevented by sub-irrigation. In fact, this system of watering greenhouses is well worth the attention of those who try to deceive plants by turning winter into summer.

A recipe for whitewash that will not be washed off by rain reads as follows: One peck of lime should be slacked in five gallons of water, in which one pound of rice has been boiled until it is dissolved. The rice water should be used hot, and the mixture covered over closely until the lime is slacked. Then add a pound of salt, and the whitewash must be heated to boiling point when used.

## Five §tock.

## Handy Derrick for Butchering.

Userul in butchering one beef or one hogr as vell as a number of them. The derrick is contructed of threesticks of strong timber, 13 feet ong. The roller for windlass is 4 feet between earings, and is 33 in . in diameter. The best vay is to have it turned from maple or other ough wood. A blacksmith can make the hooks

and other fixtures. For a number of hogs, use strong pole or scantling, suitable to hold the weight, by resting one end on the derrick and lie other end on a crotched post or a tree with crotsh in it. For one hor or beef, use the ackle in top of the derrick, as usual. Use ropes nd tackle to suit. Then you will have a handy ool for a number of uses.

Linced meai fed to horses will make their oats sleek.

OLD brood sows give stronger pigs that will rrow up rapidly.

Fat cattle marketed direct from pasture shrink in shipping.

THE flock of breeding ewes ought to have the best pasturage on the farm.

Sheer husbandry in connection with mixed farming is a profitable and pleasant business.

Triene are more of the "all purpose" qualities in a sheep than in any other single animal.

Low feeding, or feed of inferior cuality, will depreciate the best bred stock.

Goon breeding and early maturity are recognized as the highways toward profit with stock.

Soming is the best possible means for increasing the capacity of the farm for carrying stock.
$\Lambda$ wha bred animal of any sort is a machine for utilizing raw products to the best possible advantage.

Ir not allowed to get too sour, slop can be almost always fed to pigs to advantage, whether growing or fattening.

Ir the cattle have their hair rubbed off, showbare patches of skin in some places, rub on a little sulphur and lard.

IF you are feeding any stock with the iden of making a profitable gain of flesh see to it, that they are well protected from storms and cold.

Never let any animal get in poor flesh. If you do tho profit is gone. The expense of restoring it to good condition is greater than the profit.

Ir is a good plan to turn cattle out for a while every pleasant day. F :ercise, fresh air and sunlight help wonderfully toward keeping them well and hearty.

Tue sheep farmer who puts his dependence in the best breed rather than in tariff, and goes ahead to produce a valuable mutton carcass and a good flecee of wool is pretty sure to come out all rirght.

Tire better the pasture for growing pigs, the less feed required to keep them thrifty; and success in profitable pig-raising depends upon liberal feeding until they are three or four months old.

Common stock can be vastly improved by grood leed and care, but the same end can be accomplished more quickly, more surely and with a better final outcome by the introduction of new and better blood.

Carrots and cabbage are two items that should have a larger place in our list of feeding stuffs. The first are excellent for colts, horses, milch cows and all young stock. The second are valuable for pretty nearly all kinds of stock.

Every one who has tried it knows that fall calves are a little more difficult to raise than such as are dropped in the spring, consequently more attention should be given them, and an extra effort made to feed them well

It is always best to have some old com in the cril, when the new corn is harvested. There are many kinds of stock injured by eating new, soft corn, It is not so nutritious for any. Think of this while you are feoding fattening animals in the winter. Kill or dispose of them two or three wecks before your com is gone, and so keep some until next summer and carly fall, when it will bring you twice as much if fed then as it is likely to produce now.

## The foultry

The best roosts for a poultry house are strips four inches wide and onc thick. IThe fowls can roost on these with comfort to the feet.

No farmer or poultry raiser can count on results or expect anything but failure, if he leaves a lot of fowls to take care of themselves.

Cimarcoala should be fed to all poultry, young or old. It assists wonderfully in the growth of chicks, and contributes largely to their healthfulness.

Durinc: frosty weather the careful man will see that his water vessels are emptied every night. Refill in the morning with fresh water and the fowls will appreciate it.

Thire Langshan is the latest arrival among the Asiatics, but it has already gained the reputation of being the most productive. It is the smallest and most active of them all.

Fimidue often comes from attempting too much. $\Lambda$ single varicty of pure bred fowls, turkeys, ducks or geese can all be raised on the same farm without danger of intermixing. Better to handle six varieties and be successful than two dozen and partially succeed.

Economy and good management arenecessary to success in poultry culture as they are to any other business.

No other fowls have done more to stimuiate the interest in high-lred poultry than have the Asiatic races. They are the largest and most imposing breeds extant, and always attract much attention at poultry exhibitions for their magnicent carriage and form.

As Indiana poultryman says an equal amount of corn meal and pulverized alum mixed and placed in the yard, will be eaten by chickens aftlictel with cholera, to their great benefit; also, dissolved alum in water to drink. They will not eat or drink readily, but will, as
last resort before famishing.
Put a tablespoonful of sulphur in the nest as soon as the hens or turkeys are set. The heat of the fowls causes the fumes of sulphur to penotrate every part of their bodies, every louse is killed, and, as all nits are hatched within ten days, when the mother leaves the nest with her brood, she is perfectly free from nits and lice.

The business hen is the one that pays her Why as she goes and is never found eating her head off two or three times a year. She may wear the white feathers of the Brahma or the dark feathers of the Langshan. She may dress like a Wyandotte, or in any color to suit her taste, if she will only lay eggs enough to be profitable she will still be the business hen.

Trie plantain weed was called by the Indians "the white man's footstep," as it was most abundant in or near hard-trodden paths, and not much elsewhere. It is especially abundant in places where poultry is kept. Some entomologists claim that an insect parasite destroysit in the field, but the parasite is itself destroyed around man's dwelling by poultry. A further reason why plaintain does not grow in fields is that it is a plant hardy enough when grown alone, but easily smothered when growing surrounded by clover or other plants. It usually does not infest clover fields unless its seed is mixed with that of the clover

Cioose the first clear sunshiny day and give the coops a good cleaning, both inside and out, using a good stiff brush for the purpose, and then put them away in some convenient shed, or in one of the unused compartments of your poultry house, till they are dry. When hey are dry and in sood condition to do it, give them a good coat of whitewash, especially if they have been made either wholly or in part with unplaned lumber. If planed lumber has been used in their construction, and they have been made neat and tasty in appearance and substantial in build, paint them, instead of giving them a coat of whitewash, as it will adhere far better.

SULphur is quite useful to promoto general health and thrift among fowls. Give it to the ponltry only on bright, pleasant days. Once or twice a week a teaspoonful may be mixed in the feed of a dozen hens. Salt is very needful to all animal life, and a dozen hens may receive a teaspoonful mixed in their soft feed every day. Charcoal courects acidity and promotes digestion. Wood charcoal may be fed in minute quantity now and then, or ears of corn may be charred and then thrown to the fowls, and they will pick off the kernels and be given some work to do. All these substances are not foods in the proper sense of the term, but condiments and general health promoters, when used in very limited quantities.


Queer Characteristies of John Chinaman.
As an inventor John has achieved some distinction, and has won for himself the name of the "Yankee of the East." Besides the marincr's compass, type, printing, paper, porcelain, silk, gunpowder and clocks are some of his alleged discoveries. He has kept the knowledge of these things to himself as much as possible, scorning to give to those so much inferior to him as he supposes other nations to be, the knowledge which he has made his own. John himself and his countrymen are "celestials," his Emperor is the "Son of Heaven"; why should he stoop to benefit a people so much beneath him as the inhabitiants of England or the United States! John's school-books give amusing testimony to the abondance of this national pride and self-satisfaction. His geography allots nine-tenths of the globe to China, about a square inch to England, and no space
at all to our own great country! This same self-conccit helps to account for the lack of progress noticeable in Johm and his countrymen For centuries they held themselves quite apart from other nations.
At the same time, John's nation is, in its way, an educated nation. All public offices are open to the graduates of their colleges, without any distinction of class or creed. Brains and skill, rather than money, are the highways to honor and office.

John's langnage is said to be the hardest of: all to learn. His ajplabet has $21 \cdot 1$ letters, and such complications of tones and inflections that one word spoken in 10 different ways means 10 different things.

As a business man John is not remarkable for honesty, to say the least. One traveller asserts that the first Chinaman by whom he was swindled was the first one with whom he had any business transactions-and that the last one who swindled him was the last native with whom he had any dealings when he left the country a year later.

John, as a soldier, is so brave that he goes to a night attack with his lighted lantern. It may expose his whoreabouts to the enemy, to be sure, but if hostile soldiers are to be dreaded, much more the dark-in John's opinion.


John's religion? He has plenty-such as it is. Every trade has its patron divinity. The joss-houses have their idols by the dozen, and John sinokes and chats as he prays. Ashehas only a single tongue, however, he must use some device to do either the chatting or the praying. So he prays by means of two sticks half round, determining by the way they fall whether or not his prayer is granted. Or he prints his prayer on a strip of red paper and pins it on the wall near the door. At the proper time the priest sends it, with other accumulated prayers, up into the air on the wings of fire.-St. Nicholas.

## Dish Washing in India.

The Hindoos never pile their dishes "helter skelter" in the dish pan, as some of their American cousins do. In no Hindoo house have I seen tarnished silver or murky glassware. They never hang soiled dishcloths or tea towels on a line to dry, and then use them again, without rinsing; neither is their sink or slop-bucket ever greasy or grimy. Hired girls never break the cups and saucers, plates and bowels, in their undue haste to finish, their work, for, first, they are never in a hurry, and second, there are no dishes to break.
The common people of India have neither glassware, silverware, cutlery nor dishes. Sometimes each member of the family is provided with a brass drinking vessel and deep plate of the same material, though often one will suffice for the entire family. They are very fond of curry and rice and rice soup, which they eat very deftly with neither spoons, forks nor chopsticks. Their bread being served in the form of a tough, unleavened pancake, a portion of this does duty as a spoon.
They are exceedingly particular about keeping their brass dishes clean and bright, but would langh at the idea of using a dishpan to wash them in, or a dishcloth to rub them, or a towel upon which to $d r y$ them. They rinse them with hot water, scour with sand, rinse agrain, then place them in the sun to dry. A sink is entirely unnecessary, the mud floor being not only sufficient as a work table, upon which to prepare dinner but to "do up the work," on after dinner, as well.

There is never one vestige of food left upon the plates, every particle having been copped up and eaten, hence thre is no slop pail. The mothers do not encourage their children to habits of untidiness by allowing them to wear oilcloth bibs, or permitting a square of oilcloth to be placed under each plate, nor are the little ones allowed to use high chairs having little tables in front, either.
But could you see them, you would certainly wish that they had had something to keep the food off their clothing and faces, too. As for tables and chairs they never heard of such luxuries. Of what use would tables be to them, they think. Why desire chairs when they can sit so easily upon the mud floor?
To be sure the floor is not always clean, but they are accustomed to dirt, and upon some feast-day they will hire one of the sweeper caste to come in and clear up for them. Unless they belong to this caste themselves, they foolishly will not sweep, even if they mired in dirt The wealthier high caste families, have the house swept each day by the "sweeper" who with his whisk of small twigs, removes all the trash from the floor.

The water carrier makes daily rounds, carrying in a goat skin the water he has obtained from the public well. Sometimes this water is clean and sometimes not, but it is used, never theless, for drinking, cooking and washing dishes.-American Agricultarist.

Give me a tyrant king, give me a hostile House of Lords, give me a corrupt House o Commons-give me the press and I will overturn them all.-Sheridan.


Adjustable Cover for Books.
To preserve the covers of magazines or papercovered books while reading them, the slipcover, shown in our illustration above, is valuable. It is made of heavy paper or thin canvas, and is simply a plain strip a little wider than

the book is long, and long enough to fold over the outside of the cover and tum in about hall way over the inside of each leaf, the inner fold or flap thus formed being a little wider at each end than the rest of the cover. The loose, unfinished flap will be seen at the right of the sketch, and at the left the folded ends of the flap are pasted or sewed in position, that side being ready for the insertion of the book cover. It is ljest to insert with the covel two or three of the blank leaves also, and whien the book is in place open it near the middle and bind book and cover together by tying about them a narrow ribbon, tape or cord. It takes hardly a moment to remove such a cover when you have finished reading the book, and no longer to bind it on a fresh one when needed, and whicther one cares to so protect one's own books or not, it is only fair to take this little amount of trouble to care for borrowed ones.

## Toilet Trays.

Tun pretty scroll border of this dainty little tray, designed as a receptacle for fancy pins, ornaments, and all sorts of tiny belongings usually scattered about a toilet table, is worked with coarse silk or linen on a six or eight inch


Fig. 1.
square, as shown in Fig. 1, of heavy double linen, either white or colored, or upon fine, stiff canvas of any pretty shade. The outside edye of the design is worked in buttonhole stitch, and the rest in heavy outline stitcl; ; thatis, the stitches are quite short and overlap each other
more than in ordinary outline work. The material at the edge is cut away close to the buttonhole stitch, leaving a prettily scalloped border with an open space at each corner. The dotted lines show where the border is creased and folded to form the sides of the tray, which


Fig. 2.
are kept in place by laciner narrow ribbons through the eyelets at the corners. The prettyneedlework shows with better effect if the scallops are bent to curve outward, as scen in Fig. 2.
These trays are made in varions shapes, long and narrow, diamond shaped, or triangular, and are sometimes placed on the mantel or on a small table, to set off some beautiful or curious little article which one wishes to display. By untying the corner ribbons the tray may be flattened so as to be carried or sent anywhere as easily as a sheet of paper. If made of washable material and colors, a tray may be starched to any degree of stiffness.

## Knitted Bed Slippers.

Fon those whose feet are often cold at night, a pair of knitted bed slippers would be very acceptable. They are knit of gray Saxony yarn, on coarse steel needles. Cast on 75 stitches and knit a piece two inches deep, ribbing two

and two; now knit one row across plain, the next purled; continue this until the work, is six inches deep; then knit two inches more of ribbing. You now have a plain centre with a row of ribhing at each side. Sew up at each end and finish one with a bow for the front. 'lhis slipper is made like a bag and is shaped by wearing.
By using three-threaded Saxony, choosing it light color-for many dyes make wool harshand knititing on large needles, the slippers will be very soft and clinging.

## A Home-made Sideboard.

Tue advantages of a sideboard in a dining room consists more largely in the opportunity to place dessert and extra dishes, fruit, etc., conveniently within reach of the table when any of these articles are desired than in en-

closed closets and drawers. An ordinary sideboard obtained in the furniture shops is beyond the purse of many who would greatly like the convenience of such an article of fumiture,
while an attempt to make a full-fledged sideboard in the home work-shop is a decidedly formidable undertaking. As the upper portion of a sideboard is, after all, the part most used, and the part that gives the most con veniences, it may be more advisable to attempt only such a portion as is shown in the accompanying illustration, which may be used as a suggestion, rather than as something to be exactly copied. The broad shelf may be of ash or oak, highly polished, or it may be of white-wood dressed with a cherry stain and varnished. The whole top and back should be of the same wood. Bronze brackets support the two larger shelves, while the supports of the two upper and smaller shelves are plainly indicated in the cut. Beveled glass mirrors can be placed below these small shelves if desired. The lower brackets screw into the wall of the dining room.

## Hints to Housekeepers.

In case the oven becomes too hot a pan of water put in it will lessen the heat perceptibly.
Boil or roast a lemon, fill with sugar while hot and eat hot. It will often check your cold.
Mildew may be removed by dipping the stained part in buttermills, and then put the article in the sun.
Jute is reproduced in designs and colors of the French drapery silks, and is pretty for bedroom furniture and hangings.
The buffalo bug is to be eradicated only by henzine or naphtha. Apparently nothing else will have the slightest effect on him.
Use kerosene for blood stains. Wash colored cottons and linens as quickly as possible, dry in the shade, and take off the line as soon as dry.
The best way of removing the white spots caused by water drops on crene is an exceedingly simple one. Lay the crepe on a table with a piece of black silk beneath it. Dip a camel's-hair brush in ordinary ink and go over the stain. Wipe the ink off with a soft piece of silk. The stain will disappear as soon as the ink dries.
A good way to test ham is to stick a knife under the bone. If the knife comes out clean and with a sweet smell the ham is pure and wholesome. If not, not.
No matter what cleansing agent you use, never allow clothes to soak more than half an hour. No one thing makes white linen look worse than soaking over night.
Nothing should be cooked in iron vessels that can be cooked in carthenware. The heat is more uniform, the flavor is better preserved and there is less liability to burn in the earthenware vessel than in the iron.
There is a liability of disease germs in the dust and dirt that adhere to the ordinary wear of any person during the day, and it is wise therefore always to brush your clothing every time you change it after a day's use of it.
do rol know.
That wheat middlings make just as good bread as rye flour at double the price?
That sheets, pillow-cases, towels, etc., can be ironed nicoly by folding smoothly and putting through the wringer?
That anew cotton dress, accidentally torn, can be mended so that it will not show, by starching a piece like it, placing it carefully under the rent and ironing on both sides?
That cookics, ginger-snaps, ctc., bake much better if the tins are turned bottom side up?
That the letters can be removed from flour sacks by soaking these in butter milk?
That chopping bread dough instead of kneading so much, saves lots of work?
That sweet, skimmed milk is much better than starch for calicoes and ginghams.


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hal JNVESTIGATED.
One of the hind whels of a truck suldenty gave way on Michigan avente, vestertay, and he usualerowd gathered 10 sec and spirematic.
"Too heavily hader." ohserved mene. ina self-complareme way'rie sudden jar dill it as it frill into that rut." remarkerl a secoume.
"The ankeree wasn't heary emonth, myway;" added a third.
Se veral others passed remarks of a like nature aum then a moothack, who had lwo d ciarefully in westigatinf canses

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## PISTOLS ENPROFITABLE RNETMENTS

Now, as mondonot keng revolvers under their pillow: because they think they will le handy to have inthe house in case anybody should desire to die suddenly and mintlossly, why should they keep them at all? "To shoot burglars with," the victims of the revolver halit will tell you. Whendoes anyboly, baring hes a policeman, have ingent ocession to slout a barglay Why shond anyone yeirn to shost burglars? There is reelly nothing in it. If



 as you wish, havile, sou have only to make noise emonst to insuinc him wihi a stovicion that yon areavalse ant stiming. The ordinary domesth: lairelar regraves his nocturnal opnerations purely from a husiness point of view. He dues mot enter your heinse to cratioy a sradige auganst
 He is simply working athis trade. He hurghes for revenue only. Ile doesn't want to kill unymbly. Murder is en-
tirely out of lis line. If youl dive hinit into a comer, he

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 him tiest, of the murcher may shot hime. Somethines of this sort is the inveritille outcone of prowling with: pistoin.

aN EASY bariadn.
Woonsele-What will you give me for him?
Bress-a load of hay
Woonselc-What would I want with hay and no horse to cat it?
Buyse-Well, I'd lend you the horse till the hay was gone.

## as tivpeling act.

- Well," said Mr. Tripkins, at he sat down to his deek rather hater than usual. "They've been to se me at haxt."
"Who?" asked the man at the next dews.
- Bunelars."

You don't mean it! I suppese you ill have to lumow froms to use at dinuer tominght now:
"No. Thesumus aren'tsilver. They diln't toull 'em.' "Gake any money?"
"No."

## "Wearine apmarel?"

"Wuath. I don't see what cause yon have to be bue. "Maybe not, hut when you get atteched to an animal it, hard to lose him. They went throngh the honse and roulin't find anything elee worth tiking, so they stule my: watch dog."

## HOSPITALATY OVERDONE

King Oscar, of Sweden, once passed throughalittle fown which was festively decorated for the oreasion. Ammer the rest a huge trangparency, aflixed to a gloomy looking edifice, attracted his attention,, It bowe the inseription: $\because$ Weleome to Your Majesty!" in pigantic characters "What luilding is that?" the kimg inpuived. "That is the country nisen, your majesty" "renlied one of the aldermen. the king laurbed, und was heard to ubserve: "That is carying matters a little boo far!"

## DOHN( THE HONORS.

Tittle Girl.-" Yis'm, the gill who temds the from doon Was taken sick only a minute aryo, and the other girls are out, amb mamma is mpstars, so I cance to the door myself." Caller.-"' yon are very kind, my litte jet."
Rithe Gint.-"Walk into the parlor, mease, and I'll tell hatk. 'ruase I never can renember which of the partor chaits is mate to sit ons.

## THE BuY liNEN:

Teadme.-"Yes, children, when the war hroke cours all
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> As one could wish to behole
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 "bid gou risit the Catimombin in Rome?" "Y"s. If

Irof. Giamos says that gorilas do not talk with chim-


 days at once: it sates bother.


 down." Gurvicus. - Why wot? Witicus.-"1serallo. ho must stand hipher thain the man that does flue callines low:n."
"Oh what's the matter with Ris? "
1 voice fills: on the guier,
The phanster bold
and murmurs, "She's all Jtiot."
Mise Mimhattan (malicionsly).-" You must mise th: dear wh Lemdou fogs very much." Lord Tuflint (loftily; fur New york amp hatialy compensalted ly your chaming New York mud."

## swal shors

Wirfet isnmance is an incurable ailment
There is mothing more comtapious than grombing. Dos not fore athers to hear the barden of your somg. We follow beredent as lomgatit gives as the advantage. It certainly takes very little to make vain people happy. A fool is a great man who can raise a tempest in a teapot. The crank": methonds are maturally more or less revoluionary.
While one is studying he should not forget to do some thinking.
Eny is one of the mos expensive exercises one can inculye in.

A good man finds sonething painful eren in the downall or his rival.
It seems that the grool points of some people have all been broken oll.
The mesernger hoy goes slow becaluse he is determined not to run out of a jol).
The man who uses all the credit he cean pot willsoon find himelf without any.
Some men will get the upper hand of you even if they have to do it hy undermand methods.
A vigorots youner math expends emough energy in one: foot-hall same to saiw a wholecord of stowe woot.
"I've lwen lyine low for some fime now," aide the Fire; "ound dont"? suid the Coal, is the jantor dumper the hod; "I'm on to you!"
Ifotel Clerk. - "Did you tell that old gentleman from the "ountry that he musth"thlow ont the fas, as I told yon?"


> "Iake the world as you finu! it." Through bife from their lieth osme, evacme.
> Mrans wanting the carth.
"There's lots of pood in that Mrs. Stack who lives up treet." "To you think so?" "I do ; she is constantly" horrowing thing trom her neighbors, yet she never has an Ill word to say about any of them.
Mr. Nowlywed-" Now, my dear, have I to order anything elsce" his wife. "Yes, dent; two pounds of poures. You know, mamma is coming in a day or two, so 1 want to make some spong-cakes.
buxdkins- " Doctor, Jow can insomia be enred?" Doctor-" Well, the nulient should gount slowly and in a mell very well, doctor; bint our bally cmit count."
Mater Mendow. - " Pop. T wish yon'd buy me a bicycle." Farmer Meadow.-" Can't afford that my hay; hat never mind, the nest the we have any hols to sharion I'll rye nip a sadder so yon cem turn the srimbtone with your feet."


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