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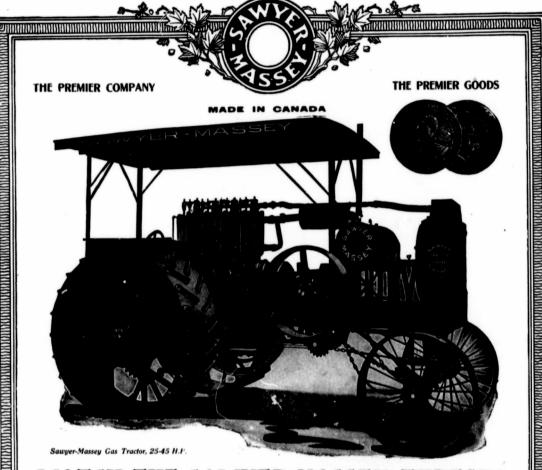
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WATCH THE SAWYER-MASSEY THRESH!

Put a Sawyer-Massey team to your threshing and watch the straw fly! And watch the ripe grain flow down into the sacks, too, every kernel of it! The Sawyer-Massey team, gas tractor or steam tractor, "Great West," "Daisy" or "Eclipse" thresher will make short work of your harvesting and threshing and put in your pocket the extra profits which come from a good job quickly and well done.

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You saw this advertisement in this magazine. Don't forget to say so when writing.



E must follow the "Path of Progress" whether or not we 40 desire. This applies to-day to the light tractor as much as to any other one thing. A great many had come to believe that the internal combustion tractor as a means of farm power had reached the height of its popularity and was gradually sinking behind the "Hill of Obscurity," to be remembered only as a passing fad in the long line of farm implement development.

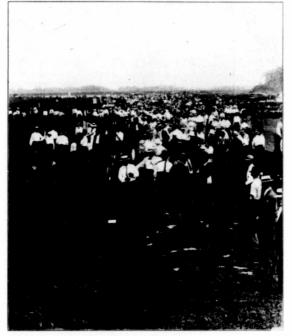
From the old sweep horse power to the steam traction engine was quite a big jump. From the use of this engine as a mere power for drawing a grain thresher to its adaptation as a means of pulling plows was a bold step that was advanced more on account of its being new rather than because it was practical. The original steam plowing engine was a heavy clumsy affair that pulled a big load, but was costly when it came to wear and tear and depreciation. It created a demand for something that was more satisfactory and in due course of time gave birth to the big internal combustion tractor, weighing as much as fifteen tons in some cases.

The large grain raising areas hailed this big iron giant as something that would surely "fill the bill" and money was spent fr ely in the purchasing of thousands of these machines.

In all fairness, it should not be stated that these big tractors were a failure, because they were not. The main trouble arose from the fact that the agricultural public tried to make this big giant do many things for which it was not The Path of Progress as Blazed by the Light Tractor

By E. W. Hamilton

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A Corner of the Crowd who viewed the Fremont (Nebraska) Plowing Demonstration

intended. It ruined not a few of our farmers and more than one manufacturer was driven to the brink of bankruptcy (some even went over) while the public sat back and condemned it.

The years 1913 and 1914 really looked bad for the internal combustion tractor as a means of farm power. Bankers sat in condemnatory conclave upon it. The farmer bought sparingly and the United States Government even went so far as to issue a special bulletin upon the subject of "Farm Tractors" that would lead one not closely acquainted with the business to believe that the future fate of this particular farm implement had been practically decided—that it had been weighted in the balance and found wanting.

There were those, however, who believed differently and with faith in their convictions they continued to study the situation closely until out of darkness there came a true light. It was discovered that the real trouble was due to the fact that in the beginning our attempt was made to make the "Farm fit the Tractor," while what was really necessary was to make the "Tractor fit the Farm,"

Until a short time ago it was the habit to speak of tractors in terms of so many acres plowed or harrowed, or seeded, or harvested in a day. The manufacturers have now stopped that practice and talk only about horse power at the draw bar and the belt. It has been found that there are no real tractor standards and that guaranteed ratings are more or less of a misnomer. An 8-16 tractor of good design will run at a speed of about one and a half to two miles an hour and draw a two-bottom plow, but the area of land it can plow in a day depends so much upon the kind of land, the kind of plow, the grades, the shape and size of the fields, the skill of the



The Avery String of Tractors at the Fremont Plowing Commetration

operator and similar conditions that vary widely in every section of the country that about all manufacturers can feel safe in guaranteeing is that the machine will give its rated horse power at drawbar and at belt.

It is then distinctly up to the owner to get the work out of the tractor according to his soil and soil conditions. There is a distinct difference between the prairie loam in certain sections of Illinois and Iowa and the tough gumbo of the Red River Valley. A tractor might do a certain amount of work on the Portage plains in Manitoba that it could not possibly do in certain other sections of this province.

In conversation with one manufacturer recently, he told the writer that it was his intention to advertise his tractors according to plows in future. In other words, he would have, say, a three-plow tractor, a five-plow tractor, an eight-plow tractor and a ten-plow tractor and put his machines out under these names. The manufacturer who attempts such a proposition is very likely to come to grief and in the Province of Saskatchewan, where the new implement law requires that the manufacturer state the capacity of his machine, such a rating cannot possibly be lived up to.

As soon as we have arrived at the happy stage where the tractor is to be made to fit the farm, the numbers of internal combustion machines are bound to multiply very rapidly. Millions of dollars will be spent in this class of farm implement and it therefore behooves someone to work out a scheme of tractor rating that will permit the farmer to buy intelligently.

Why would it not be a good proposition to have dynamometer tests made of the various sections of the country. This could be done by our agricultural colleges with the tractors that are now at hand. It would be a very simple matter to chart each province and arrive at the approximate pounds pull per plow. Then let the manufacturer give his drawbar pull in pounds and the farmer knows then how many plows he can pull.

The light tractor seems to be having its day at the present time. On the United States side of the line there are approximately two hundred different machines, good, bad and indifferent. An observer of the situation will naturally ask himself why such a wave of enthusiasm for the light tractor. The light tractor will tell you that it is because it is the only thing. It is the real solution of the problem. A careful canvas of the farmers will tell you they have found they need a means of mechanical power on the farm to do certain kinds of work and for the present at least, the light tractor seems to fill the bill better than anything else.



The Hume Tractor, Hume, Ill., Drawing La Cross



The Waterloo Gasoline Engine Co., Waterloo, Ia., Hauling La Crosse Plows.



Avery 8-16. Avery Company, Peoria, Ill., used Avery Plows.



The Rotary Tiller, Allis-Chalmers Company, West Allis, Wis. I have talked with men who wouldn't have a light tractor on their farm and who still cling to the old heavy type but these are men who have mechanical ability sufficient to make a success out of any machine.

The great trouble with the light tractor business to-day is the fact that we are trying to arrive at the solution of the problem in too many different ways. Henry Ford might build a car that would suit some people better than his present product, but Henry Ford has built an automobile that he can continue to build from year to year with as few changes as possible, and it gives the greatest satisfaction to the greatest number. By doing so he has been able to get away with a proposition that is second to none in the world's industrial history.

The light tractor business has got to be reduced to the Ford idea and the manufacturer who is going to make a real success of the light tractor business will have to put a type or the market and standardize it and stick to it year in, year out, with as few changes as possible.

The proposition of adding a little more horse power, a little extra weight and a little wider drive every time some farmer wants it, is not going to get anybody anywhere. In the first place, it costs money to scrap machines, re-design and rebuild, all of which cost must be added to the farmer. The manufacturer who has sufficient nerve, backed up by a knowledge of the real tractor needs of the farmer, and who will carry out his ideas, will be the manufacturer that will make a success of the game and at the same time will put the light tractor on the market to stay.

The question naturally arises, "Is the light tractor an all-purpose machine?" Will it do all the work that is required upon the farm. In order to answer this question intelligently, we must necessarily first define what a light tractor is. When we get down to the facts of the matter we will find that nearly everyone has a different definition. In a text book on traction farming, issued in 1913, we find these words: "The average weight of gasoline or oil traction engines should be from five to ten tons. Such a machine as this should develop from 15-40 drawbar horse power and be relied on at all times to perform the hard work usually performed by the horse. In the light of modern experience the above weights are excessive, and we find a great many good machines on the market to-day that weigh anywhere from three thousand to seven thousand pounds. One car not define a light tractor in terms of weight and be absolutely correct, neither can horse power be taken as a basis of definition. For the sake of convenience we will therefore define a light tractor as one that will pull from one to three plows



All of these Tractors, as well as these shown at the bottom of the following page, are equipped with Wankesha Cylinder Motors

in average soil where the drawbar pull is not over 750 lbs. per plow.

The first thing that the farmet thinks of when he buys a tractor is plowing, and this is primarily what he buys it for. Any machine that is confined to this one operation will very likely not prove profitable. Discing, harrowing, seeding and harvesting all come in for their share of attention, for in this connection it must be remembered that an idle tractor makes no money.

When it comes to threshing, the problem is one for serious consideration, and it is a question in the writer's mind whether or not the light tractor can be used with profit by the average farmer as a means to drive his threshing machine. The man with a small acreage can no doubt thresh his own grain to advantage, but if I am to judge from the experience of a great mony farmers in the middle West who have tried out the proposition, it is better to solve the threshing problem in another way. These farmers have found that the syndicate thresher works out better, meaning by the syndicate thresher one that is owned by anywhere from six to a dozen farmers. These same farmers in turn buy small tractors with which to do their individual farm work apart from threshing.

In making the above statement, I do not place any reflection whatever upon the small threshing outfit. It has its place and under certain conditions, a description of which does not occupy a place in this article, they are all right. I am simply giving you a summary of the experiences of many farmers who have tried out the proposition.

In buying a light tractor, there is one fact that the farmer must not overlook when hesitating about putting money into the proposition. He must consider the fact that while he is buying a tractor he is at the same time getting a complete stationary plant, one that will grind feed, saw wood and do practically all of his other light work around the farm. This is where the big tractors do not come up to expectations. It was too large for the ordinary light work around the farm, and the farmer prepared to buy a small stationary engine which compelled him to maintain two power plants whereas one would do the work.

When we sum the whole proposition up, it is safe to say that there is no such thing as an all-purpose tractor. Were it possible to have every farm of the same size and of practically the same soil conditions, growing the same crops, it might be possible to so design a tractor that would meet every requirement, but as it is out of the question, the farmer must study the situation carefully and do his part in making the tractor fit the farm, governing his purchase of a tractor accordingly.

A few years ago we heard much about the



Leader Tractor, Dayton-Dick Company, Quincy, Ill



The Universal Tractor Company, Columbus, Ohio.



Sweeney's Iron Horse, Sweeney Manufacturing Company, Kansas City, Mo.



The Simplex Tractor Company, Minneapolis, Minn., and Deere Plows.

horseless farm. Any manufacturer who believes that he can crowd the horse off from the farm, is on the wrong track.¹ One manufacturer tried this and lost millions of dollars, practically ruining his company and nearly putting it out of business.

There is plenty of work for the horse and still a place for a tractor on the average farm to-day. There are still plenty of odd chores around the farm where a team is useful to increase a tractor's efficiency. When it comes to cultivating, the horse's intelligence is a factor not found in a machine, though many manufacturers are attempting to overcome this difficulty with steering devices and automatic controls. The horse still holds his place on the average farm and may hold it permanently. What gasoline is doing is to cut down the heavy cost of the extra power needed in a few busy weeks of the year handled by several teams that must be kept and fed twelve months to be equipped for two months work. This extra power can now be had in a machine that eats nothing when it is standing idle.

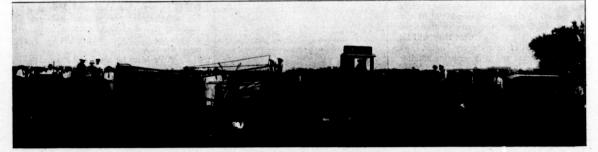
The writer recently had a conversation with one of the United States Government farm management experts who has made a careful study of farm efficiency, and his statement, based upon an investigation of hundreds of farms in the United States, is to the effect that the horse is the most expensive power that the farmer can use.

The average farmer does not take into consideration the cost of horses' upkeep. The horse has been a part and parcel of his farm for generations and he no more thinks of calculating the cost of keeping these horses than he does of calculating the cost of keeping his family. Some farmers will almost regard it as an insult to the horse himself if one were to calculate in dollars and cents what it costs to keep his horses.

However, this is a matter that the farmer must reckon with. We hear our farthers say that they are not making money, that there is nothing in farming, and until the farmer gets down to a cost basis, farming will be nothing more than a hit and miss proposition. The light tractor will do as much as any other single thing to bring about this proposition.

The manufacturer builds a machine. He puts into it the best iron and steel that can be iound. He pays high priced designers and mechanics to assemble this iron and steel into a workable implement, but there is one thing he cannot do and that is endow each machine with a set of brains. The farmer who knows very little about a tractor, especially its power plant, but who is contemplating buying one, had better acquire all the knowledge he can if he has any idea that he is going to make a success of it. I have followed this tractor proposition almost from the beginning.

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Two-"heelers. Three-Wheelers and Four-Wheelers, as well as "Caterpillar" and "drum" prods

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I have seen the successes and failures, and I can truthfully say without fear of contradiction, that had the operators been as competent as the machines themselves that the number of failures would have been reduced to a minimum. Three things are necessary, a good machine, a good operator and one who knows what his machine will do and what it will not do.

A few weeks ago I journeyed to Freemont, Nebraska, where a plowing demonstration was taking place. I saw half a hundred different makes of tractors in operation. I saw them pull plows, and discs, and harrows, and wagons and road grinders. I saw all types of machines. I saw one-cylinder machines, twocylinder machines and four-cylinder machines. I saw three-wheeled machines. I saw machines with the caterpillar tread. I saw machines with the drum tread. In fact, one could scarcely imagine the lengths to which the designer had gone in the construction of light tractors.

I spent three days carefully watching these implements and 1 am thoroughly convinced that the light tractor is here. I did not rely upon my own judgment entirely but I talked with hundreds of farmers who had been using these machines and their experiences convinced me that the light tractor has a place with the farm machinery equipment. I do not mean by this that every farmer should immediately place his order for such a machine without first studying the conditions carefully, but I am convinced that when he does look into the situation that he will sooner or later be in the market for a tractor.

The Freemont plowing demonstration to me was a wonderful sight. When you see an old veteran of the game, like J. B. Bartholomew, of the Avery Co., sweltering in a 104 degrees in the shade temperature in order to study the tractor situation, you, as a farmer, can rest assured that the mechanical end of your farm power requirements is going to be pretty well looked after. J. B. Bartholomew was not the only man on the grounds, because I likewise saw Mr. Brantingham, of the Emerson-Brantingham Company. In fact the heads of practically all the concerns who are in the tractor business to-day were there, and they did not ride in limousines either, men who sweltered in the dust and grime of a plowing field in order that nothing in the way of tractor development might escape them, and not only were the manufacturers of the implements themselves on the field, but those who build motors, carburetors, magnetos, spark plugs were there in order to gather all the information as to what was required with a view to building the best possible tractor.

Without pretending to be a prophet, I predict that the light tractor is here to stay and that the next five years will show the light tractor used upon a scale that was never before dreamed of. Volume of business will have a tendency to decrease the price of the light tractor and within a short time they will be within the reach of nearly every farmer.

I love the horse and if it were for nothing more than a consideration of what he has done for the farmer in the past, I would not want to see him wiped off from the farm, but a careful study of the tractor sloution convinces me that I need have no fear on this score.

You cannot compare the horse with the tractor. One is an animal with a certain amount of brains, and the other is a machine. They each have their place to fill and they





"Hackney Auto Plow," Hackney Manufacturing Company, St. Paul, Minn.



A Good Job of Breaking by Aultman & Taylo"'s Tractor, Mansfield, Ohio.



Nilson Tractor Company, Minneapolis, Minn.



Bates Steel Mule, Joliet Oil Tractor Company, Joliet, Ill., Using Grand Detour Plows.

are going to fill it. You as a farmer, with due regard for your future welfare and success, had better look into this light tractor situation very carefully. Study it from every angle, for if you do so I am thoroughly convinced that you will sooner or later want a machine.

One writer in discussing the light tractor



The Parrett Tractor Company of Chicago, Ill., with Grand Detour Plows.

has the following to say, which is so apropos to the situation that it is well worth repeating:

In the business of farming there is free competition. This is one of the facts that a man who would succeed on the land must accept.

He must conform his business to it or else discover some day that he isn't making any money.

Prices for farm products are made by the relation of supply and demand—world supply to world demand. It follows that the man who



The Bull Tractor preparing a nice seed bed near Headingly, Manitoba.

produces most economically and who has the largest economically produced crop to sell, makes the most money.

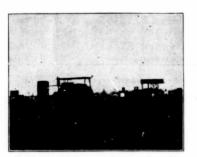
Under these circumstances the small farmer has been more or less handicapped. The basic principle of American agriculture has been and is yet, the highest production per man-not per acre. Labor in this country is expensive. Land is relatively cheap. The development of machinery for farm use has had in view, mainly the conservation of labor. It has multiplied the number of acres that one man might till and from which he might harvest. So the tendency has been toward the big farm, enormous aggregate production and consequently, lower prices. The small farmer, whose crops cost more to produce than does the crop of the big farm, feels the competition-feels it as the East felt it and as the European farmer felt it when the cheap rich land of the West came under the plow.

A Problem for the Small Farmer

This competition must go on even though land is disappearing and the problems of maintaining fertility of the big farm and of making the money invested in it earn dividends, must be given more attention. It ought not to mean the passing of the small farm, and it will not, because there are thousands of men who believe that the small farm affords the ideal farm life. They are going to find a way

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to make it pay as fast as necessity compels. Intensive cultivation, co-operation and other means of cutting the cost of production and marketing will be adopted. They are being adopted now. And inventive skill is coming to the small farmer's aid in his efforts to reduce operating expenses.



"Flour City" Kinnard-Haines Company, Minneapolis. Used Case Plows.

Power is one of the most expensive factors of small farm operations. The horses that must be maintained to do the work make sad inroads on profit. A considerable acreage must be given over to producing their feed. They are a risky investment as well as a costly one. A severe attack of colic or azoturia or an attack of glanders, or a stroke of lightning. or the happening of any other of the numerous troubles that are possible, and there is another horse to buy-may be a team. I have known small farmers to lose their holdings through an



The Manitoba Universal Tractor breaking Manitoba Gumbo 7 inches deep.

entanglement of debt brought about from "bad luck" with horses

Cheaper Power is Needed

A cheaper and more dependable power is needed for the small farm. And inventive skill has produced it in the small farm tractor. This implement has gone beyond the experimental stage. It is an assured success, an economy, a convenience, a necessity, to the man who would make his small farm pay more.

It costs about \$2 an acre to plow land with horses. It can be plowed for from 50 cents to 80 cents an acre with the tractor. And its utility is not limited to plowing. It will pull the disk, harrow and binder. It will have the crop to market. There is no work necessary to production that the tractor can not do. And it eats none of the crop.

It is always ready for service, no currying, feeding, harnessing or doctoring of sore shoulders. it may be worked 10 hours a day or 24, and pulls as strong the last hour as it did the first. That's one big advantage over the horse.

Monkey Wrench Cheaper than Drugs

The horse requires a warm stable-a shed for the tractor. The horse often requires a veterinarian. You get after the tractor when it goes wrong with a monkey wrench, which is decidedly cheaper than drugs. And, given good care, it seldom goes wrong.

The horse, under average farm conditions,



Bullock Tractor of Chicago, harvesters. Ill., pulling two

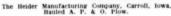


Hart-Parr Company's Little Devil, Charles City, Ia.



Electric Wheel Company's "All Work" Tractor. Quincy, Ill.







The J. I. Case Threshing Machine Company's Tractor Pulled Saitley Plows.

is a "plug" after five or six years of service. The tractor is good for ten years of service. And one of a size suitable for the small farm can now be bought for less than the cost of a hightam team.

There is much land that ought to be plowed deeper than we can profitably plow with horses. It would take and hold more moisture, provide more available plant food and so raise bigger crops in dry years or wet. With the tractor, deep plowing is easy. The increase in yield will pay a nice interest on the investment.

One of the arguments for the small farm is that work may be done in season, therefore is more profitable. The tractor increases this power of the small farmer. It gives him more complete mastery over the Monarch Weather by allowing him to crowd three or four or a half-dozen days' work into one.

And the value of the tractor is not limited to field work. It is a hired man that will perform numerous farm chores without tiring, without "kicking," or reminding you that Jones, Smith or Jackson want men at \$5 more a month than you are paying.

A Hired Man That Never Kicks

Drive in out of the field after plowing an acreage that fills your heart with joy and the tractor will pump the water for the stock, grind, cut or shred feed, saw wood, run the separator, churn or milking machine, or do any similar thing that may be wanted. Contrast this with unharnessing, rubbing down, feeding and watering a tired team-when tired yourself, but maybe with these other numerous chores waiting.

This is a good time to invest in a tractor. There are war prices on horses. The man whohas two teams can sell one and just about buy a tractor big enough for his 160 acres with the proceeds. There will in all probability be war prices on next year's crops. With a tractor to speed the spring work along and get the seed into well prepared ground in season, better erces will be obtained.

Think it over.

DEEP TILLAGE

Recognizing that the seed bed is the home of the plant and that from it the plant receives its supply of food material, it stands to reason that there must always be present a sufficient supply of humus if the plant is to be supplied with growing material. Hence in plowing, great care should be practised in gauging the depth, for we know that the subsoil is deficient in food and therefore to turn this up is to merely dilute or weaken the crop producing surface layer. In our efforts to secure a wider feeding range for the plant we are sure to do harm, unless the depth is gradually increased and with each slice of new soil brought to the surface, organic matter, preferably barn yard manure, is thoroughly mixed with it.

Compactness being essential to insure capillary attraction, it is advisable to plow as early as possible, in order that the seed bed may have time to settle before seeding time. The sub-surface packer helps materially in compacting the soil and so re-establishes capillarity between the lower and upper strata. The disc harrow is also a very helpful implement for this purpose. By all means, the land should be well harrowed or disked, double disking is preferable, as soon as possible after plowing. Thus the furrow slice is packed down, so that it will not dry out so readily. Further disking and harrowing before seeding renders possible a well packed seed bed.

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A Few of the Light Weight Tractors Now on the Market Weighing Under 10,000 Pounds

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The Farmer as an Engineer

Every farmer is an engineer, whether he knows it or not. The engineers of the various agricultural colleges are teaching the things farmers have always had to teach themselves, and teaching them better; but they are the same things. They study agricultural machinery, but it was the farmer himself who invented most of the machinery they study.

More than ever the farmer must be an engineer now. It took engineering to shear sheep with the old shears, and good engineering, too; but now it is best done by shearing machines operated by power. It took engineering to house cows in the old barn, feed them the hay and grain, water them economically, milk them by hand, strain and set the milk, and churn it; but it takes better engineering to build a sanitary barn, keep out contamination from the milk as is now necessary for the best markets, build and fill a silo, carry away the manure in a carrier, milk with machines run by gasoline engines, separate the cream with either a power machine or one run by hand, and get the cream to market in good condition. Yet to all these things we must come if we have not already done so.

And the end of the new agricultural engineering is not yet. We must have a water supply in the house, run by gravity, power or hydraulic ram. We must dispose of the sewage-civilized life will soon require it of such of us as have not already made the break to the new system. We must have bathrooms and sanitary closets. We must have lighting systems, wherever possible, in which we will use some sort of gas, gasoline or electricity. The children must have these things or they will go where they can get them. There is no use kicking against progress. There are neighborhood laundries to build, and creameries and cheese factories. The whole matter of better schoolhouses will soon resolve itself largely into a matter of buildings-buildings and teachers.

Then there is the whole field of

tractors. This industry has not yet begun. American inventiveness will one day bring forth machines for every sort of farmand machines which will be cheaper than hand labor. The farmer of to-day needs to study and understand the internal combustion engine - and the farmer of the future will be an expert. The farmer is the best equipped average man to handle the modern machine in the world. He runs his engines and his motor cars more economically than the average town man, because he lives with machines of many sorts. He is an engineer, and he will steadily become a better one. From typewriters to tractors is a long range, but the farmer covers it, and not half badly either.

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to increase your crop acreage and at the same time cut down expense? You cannot fix the price that you will get for your wheat, oats, barley or flax, but you can, to a great extent, overcome the loss through a slump in prices by increasing your yield and at the same time decrease the cost of raising it. You can do this with a

Manitoba Universal Farm Tractor

This tractor is strictly in keeping with the "Spirit of the Times." The tendency to-iday is towards Light Weight and Low Cost. The big plowing demonstrations held during the past two months in the United States have shown conclusively that the big heavy weight tractor is practically out of existence. What the farmer wants is something that will pull from two to three plows and work in all kinds of soil conditions. The big tractor cannot move when the ground is soft and what is more, it is injurious to the soil through packing it. The result is a demand among farmers for a minimum of weight with a maximum of pull. The "Manitoba Universal" is a happy combination of these two requirements. So perfectly does it do its work that it has been dubbed

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Horses on the Mixed Farm ORSES are a necessity on every farm. Cattle, sheep, swine may or may not be raised according to individual choice, but no satisfactory way of eliminating the horse has been brought forward. True, the first settler may do for a while with the slow but easily kept ox, or mules may be used, but the farms where these continue to supplant the horse are rare indeed, and even in the case of mules, mares are necessary to raise them. On every farm there is power needed for drawing implements and transporting supplies and crops, and so far the horse has proven himself the most satisfactory allround power on the farm. There has frequently arisen the idea that mechanical power, such as tractors and motors, would drive the horse off the farm. While the usefulness of gasoline and steam power on the farm cannot be questioned, there is a place for the horse than cannot be assailed by any of these, and when it comes to a question of economical labor, the horse has strong arguments in his favor. Especially on the mixed farm of small or moderate size the horse seems to be the most desirable type of power.

Feed and Care of Work Horses

There is a great difference of opinion as to how horses should be fed. Much loss is occasioned every year throughout Western Canada by errors in feeding. Yet it is not advisable to lay down any definite or fixed set of rules for the guidance of those who have horses to feed. The horse can make use of a great variety of feeds, and the needs of a horse will vary greatly with the kind and amount of work he is called upon to do. Good judgment, or, in other words, common sense, is the main requirement in feeding horses properly. While it is impossible to impart this quality. still some suggestions may be helpful to those who already have it. Lack of regularity is the commonest cause of trouble in horse feeding. If a horse is accustomed to a certain quantity of feed, and is suddenly given a much larger feed, there is a danger that he will get sick. If more feed is needed, the ration should gradually be increased to the new requirement. When it is required to reduce a horse's feed owing to quiting work or getting sick, it is quite permissible to reduce suddenly, but increases should always be made gradually.

Moderation in feeding is always advisable. This does not mean under-feeding; the horse should get enough to keep him in good flesh, but often when a horse is expected to do unusually hard work, he is given unusually heavy feed to make up for it. This is a mistake, it is better to stick to what the horse is known to be able to digest rather than put on his system the extra burden of heavy work and heavy feed at the

for an idle horse to about four and a half gallons of oats per day for a large horse at hard work. This amount might very well be taken as a maximum and not exceeded under any conditions. The question of whether chopped or whole oats should be fed, depends on the cost of chopping. If chopping can be done conveniently and cheaply there is no doubt but that it increases the value of the feed enough to make it worth while.

It is not my intention to discuss the many kinds of hay that may be used for horse feed, except to say that if they are properly cured, any of the kinds commonly grown are quite satis-



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same time. A better plan is to spread the extra feed out over a longer period by feeding up a little before the heavy work starts and continuing a little while after for recuperation.

Oats is the standard grain feed for horses. When reasonable in price they are unexcelled and there is no need to look for any other feed. Occasionally oats are scarce and very dear. This has been the case for the past year. At such times it often pays to substitute other feeds. About the best substitute for oats is a mixture of corn and bran if they are cheap. Corn is a good feed for fattening and is used very much in the United States for working horses as well. However, it is rather heavy and unbalanced and a mixture of bran lightens it up and makes a better balanced mixture. Barley and bran might also be used for horse feed if corn were dear. The amount of grain should vary with the work the horse is doing, from nothing

factory. Sheaf oats are used very much for roughage for horses. They make excellent feed, especially if cut on the green side. Generally speaking, a horse should get all the hay he will eat up clean. Sometimes an idle horse that is inclined to be a glutton has to be restrained, but a working horse should get all he wants. He should, however, be made to clean it up and not to waste it or leave it in the manger. A feeder can soon learn how much each horse can finish; he should then give just that amount so that the manger is empty for the next meal.

Next to feeding, the most important thing in caring for working horses is the prevention of sore shoulders, feet, backs, etc. This is largely a method of vigilence, to observe any trouble before it actually comes and to prevent it. Harness, and especially collars, should be made to fit properly. Hard worked horses should be thoroughly groomed every day and the sweat and dust worked out. Shoes should be changed frequently enough to avoid causing foot trouble. The weak spots of each horse should be known and a careful watch kept on them to prevent the outbreak of trouble.

Wintering Idle Horses

With the long periods of frozen ground and winter weather that we have in this country and the great rush of work at seed time and harvest, it is impossible to avoid a large amount of idleness in horses. It has been pointed out in previous articles that mixed farming distributed labor much better than a one-crop system. However, even though mixed farming does make some winter work for horses in hauling out manure, etc., it is small compared with summer labor. Consequently many of the horses that are absolutely necessary in the summer, are only a bill of expense in the winter. It is important that the expense they cause be made as light as possible. This may be done by turning them out doors. If they have an open shed to shelter in during storms, they will do as well outdoors over winter as in the warmest stable; in fact, their health will be better than it would be if they were tied up in idleness. They will grow a very heavy coat of hair and after the first cold snap they will not suffer any particular discomfort. This may seem cruel and heartless to newcomers who have not seen it tried, but it has been thoroughly demonstrated that horses winter d in this way come in, in the spring, fat and in the best of health. If they have a straw stack to forage around, they will get most of their feed from it. Sometimes horses are able to live on a straw stack alone, but it is usually advisable to feed them a little grain or some un-threshed oats. If they appear to be losing flesh, they should get more grain but on the other hand if they are getting fat it is a sure sign that they are faring well.

Raising Horses

We have discussed thus far working horses only. On many farms horses are kept for work only and the farmer has to buy the new ones he needs. It would appear to me to be a more efficient method to have brood mares as part of the working force Continued on page 25 September, '15 THE CANADIAN'THRES'HERMAN AND FARMER.

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Just a Moment, Mr. Traction **Owner!** The fall plowing season will soon be with you, and you will, as usual, be requiring a considerable quantity of oils and greases. If we are too late to talk with you on your harvest needs, why not secure our prices for your fall requirements? "Quality" has always been our first consideration. For 38 years we have been continually striving to improve our products, and we to-day feel that our "National" Products, from a standpoint of efficiency and economy, cannot be equalled. hite Rose Motor Gasoline Absolutely the highest grade gasoline made. Through a special process of double distillation all the carbon-forming elements are removed. Guaranteed to develop more power with less carbon than any other. **Lily White Engine Kerosene** The finest engine kerosene on the market. Water white in color and of high gravity. LET US FIGURE ON YOUR OIL ORDER! Simply fill in coupon below and we will mail you at once full information about our products, and prices F.O.B. your station. **CANADIAN OIL COMPANIES L** Regina Saskatoon Edmonton Winnipeg Brandon Calgary CUT OUT COUPON AND MAIL Will be in the market on CANADIAN OIL COMPANIES, LIMITED. WINNIPEG-REGINA-CALGARY. Gentlemen :- Without any obligation to purchase, send me prices and litera-ture on your products as listed. NATIONAL GAS ENGINE OIL Gallons NAME P.O. ADDRESS R.R. STATION COOLING OIL Gallons You saw this advertisement in this magazine. Don't forget to say so when writing. Our purpose in this

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forefathers which have been swept away by the breath of knowledge. Ascertained facts took the place of superstitions, human intelligence and human energy applied these facts and the thing was done. Had these facts never been dug up, the remedy had not been found; had the remedy never been tried out we would still be fighting the "black plague" if it had not long since swept our race from the face of the earth. The price of this wonderful deliverance is a sum that can be "raised" by any one for any trouble that a human creature may have created for himself, viz.: the knowledge of certain facts and sufficient energy to apply them until the trouble is overcome.

SIN AND THE SOW THISTLE have their sovereign remedies. Christianity is the one cure for sin. Where it seems to have failed it will be found that it really has never been *tried*. Many things called by

the name are in operation, but any one of these lifeless impersonations of Christianity, or all of them together, will no more eradicate sin than incantations will exterminate the sow thistle. But we have seen Christianity really tried and can bear testimony to its power to transform certain twolegged creatures from brutes into men. We have also seen the sow thistle remedy applied to certain portions of Canadian soil and can also testify to the fact that in every case it transferred the mastery from the weeds to the workers.

THIS IS NO CHEAP SPECIFIC, this wonderful weed-killer. You can no more buy an automatic weed-killer that will "do the job" than you can buy a bar of soap that will keep the body clean by holding it at arm's length from the sweat and grime. This remedy (which we have seen operating in Manitoba) was nothing more than the *invincible* energy of one or two farmers harnessed to an implement of the cultivator species. There is quite a variety of these weed destructors, but their effectiveness does not appear to be so much in the design of the machine as in the use that is made of it. Now, everybody who reads this has seen or heard of these "eradicators," which are simply a type of guillotine for the decapitation of everything in plant life that grows upward from roots in the soil. There are also a host of other "remedies" such as tar-paper for smothering, poison mixtures, etc., all of which are common knowledge, as well as the various proposals to introduce antagonistic crops (as sweet clover, etc.) into the weed-infested fields.

WE WOULD NOT DISCOUNT any one of these. Our purpose in this brief space is not to discuss any other

than that one "treatment" without which all of them are futile, the one that has never really been tried, namely—the element of human energy carried on persistently till a certain point has been reached. We are quoting from no authority. We claim no monoply of information, but simply record our own observations, confining these for the present to the farms, railway property and town sites of Manitoba. What we have to say may seem commonplace, but we would rather hold aloft a neglected or despised commonplace than claim the authorship of the slickest novelty in human expression that has no foundation in fact.

THE SOW THISTLE PEST is of comparatively recent growth we are told. Something like ten years is about the period during which it has existed as a pest in Western Canada. Our acquaintance with it and its fellow criminals in Manitoba extends to within a few months of that period, but those nine odd years have produced some remarkable developments in "weed culture." Now, if all this that we have seen can be built up by simple neglect,

how much more might not be torn down by well directed energy? We make no indiscriminate onslaught upon the farmers of the Province. The most heart-breaking circumstance of the case is that so many of them are doing all that human skill, energy and well-conceived machinery can do to keep the weed pest out of their fields, and their best efforts are rendered abortive by—it may be—their immediate neighbors, still more by the railway "clearances" near to their farms.

THE BEST LIGHT SEEN YET in this murky outlook is the energetic campaign the Minister of Agriculture has initiated. It might be called his "maiden speech" as a Cabinet Minister, and we would rather have this silent *force* constantly at work than any flamboyant vaporings "on the floor of the house," unsupported by a single act outside of it that did not demonstrate to every son of the soil that there was such a thing as the Noxious Weeds Act on the Manitoba statute book. We haven't a word of "advice" since he has taken this course and had the wisdom to engage in it the services of one whom the whole West regards with feelings of unqualified respect and confidence.

IF A CIVILIAN CAN DEAL EFFECTIVELY with habitual law breakers; if character, information and experience can direct this onslaught upon the weeds to a successful issue, surely Professor Bedford is one to whom we may look for the best that can be done—in leading, if not in driving, men to the performance of their simple duty. As time goes on there is one thing he will certainly "demonstrate": that he cannot be led blindfold past a notorious weed-preserve to oblige one who has become "indispensable to the party."

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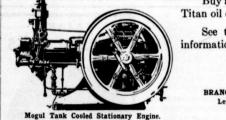


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As fine or coarse as desired—and we mean what we say. Vessot grinding plates have such a nicety of adjustment and do their work so uniformly well that a clean, satisfactory job is assured. The two-sieve spout removes all foreign matter, from nails and stones to dust and sand.

One caution only—use steady, reliable power to drive a Vessot grinder, such power as is furnished by an International Harvester oil engine—Mogul or Tita:a.



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You saw this advertisement in this magazine. Den't forget to say so when writing.

HE gas tractor has come. It is a practical device, serviceable, ever ready, efficient. This efficiency will greatly increase when the average man ceases to regard the tractor in terms of horse and thinks of it as simply mechanical. The tractor is not a horse and the comparison is not justified. Years ago when the first street cars were built engineers were handicapped by the same comparison. The automobile has been charged with being the agent that would crowd out Dobbin, but it has not yet occurred, and the most vehement friends of the horse have come to regard the automobile as an economic necessity. Later, the situation in regard to the tractor will so adjust itself that the wonder will be that we got along without it for so many years.

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Spectators at a traction demonstration always compare the machine to the horse. What will it do on soft ground? What will we do with our horses if we use a tractor? Why buy a tractor when we must keep our horses for work that the tractor will not do? Why do not the manufacturers build a lighter tractor? These are some of the questions asked and not without reason. The tractor is rather mysterious, a sort of mechanical wonder, in most localities where it has been but little tried,

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and the term tractor too often brings a mental picture of the enormous West. It seems a difficult matter to apply it to the chopped up farms of the corn belt or the small farms of the East until one has become acquainted with its uses and purpose.

We will look into some of the "horse questions" regarding the performances of the tractor. Manufacturers agree that the greatest problem now is to get farmers and others to realize that farming methods must change before the tractor will accomplish its full measure of efficiency. It will not now or ever take the identical place of the horse, and, although many interesting and valuable experiments have been made with light powers, it is an assured fact that the light farm tractor will not do the work of their heavier brothers now in use, even if their purpose to do the light work given to the team is accomplished. Either the heavy

tractor must be used in conjunction with horses or with a heavier power to retain its efficiency. A gas or gasoline tractor known as a "fifteen-thirty" means that it will deliver about fifteen horsepower at the drawbar and thirty under the belt. It will do the work of a large grain farm and is yet small enough for the cornbelt farm. It will pull four plows in heavy sod and manage a medium sized grain separator. Such a tractor cannot, of course, be used for corn plowing and similar work, but can be used in all the operations of seeding, dragging, disking, harrowing and harvesting. On a recent trip through the central west many such tractors were found hitched to hay wagons and loaders and to binders and other heavy work.

For soft ground the manufacturers have provided extension rims for the drive wheels, but when the ground is wet these are of little advantage. These ma-

chines weigh in the neighborhood of eight tons and their use when the soil is wet will show in the growing crop. But with a machine capable of two acres an hour there is but small excuse for working the soil when it is in improper condition. Even on wet soil the danger of packing can be largely overcome by pulling harrows or other soil pulverizers behind the plows. Here, again, we encounter the horse comparison. The farmer is used to getting at the plowing in a rush season and pushing it to the utmost in order to get his crops out in time. With the tractor the rush system may be distributed until it is no longer a rush season. Plowing can be done when the soil is partly frozen. Even when the teams are busy one man and the tractor will do more work than three men and six horses, and do it better. All of the heavy work of a quarter section can be done in sixty days of the year.

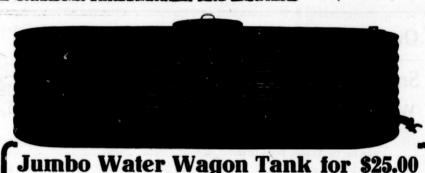
Still it is safe to assume that tractors will be made lighter as the demand increases and various experiments are worked out. The industry is just now getting a footing. Heavy casting and cumbersome equipment was the rule with the earlier models, but in all probability the automobile has set the example for the tractor and steel will largely take the place THE CANADIAN THRESHERMAN AND FARMER.

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of cast and the machines will be built more and more flexible. Also the cost will doubtless be reduced as the demand grows. The worst feature that the small tractor will have to contend with will be its abuse on the part of the owner. It is natural for the user of any small power to overload it and the small power overloaded is neither economical or safe. When purchasing any agency for power, whether it be steam, gas, gasoline or kerosene, it is well to base its horse-power on the basis of the heavy work that will be required of it. If it will do the heavy work it will do light work easily and cheaply, but if it is bought with the idea of having a light purpose engine heavy work with it will in too many cases be expensive and unsatisfactory.

With the automatic guides now common on the tractor one man can handle it well in the field when plowing. He has ample time to give attention to the plows themselves. With a little skill any average man can handle it, and manufacturers assist in spreading knowledge concerning the tractor. Many of them have schools of traction engineering in connection with their plants, and there are a number of correspondence schools in this country that teach a similar course. It is not a mysterious thing and there are well defined principles that once learned apply to all machines and form the basis for the operation of all tractors. Just now there seems to be a demand for tractioneers who can qualify as experts for the large manufacturers or take charge of a machine in the field.

But to get back to the original comparison of the horse to the tractor-there is no comparison. The horse has its place just as the tractor has, and the greatest degree of efficiency can be attained only by an intelligent use of each. It has been charged that the manufacturers have been foisting a heavy tractor onto the buying public in order to obtain the greater price at a comparative even cost of production. But this has two sides. The demand has been for the larger tractor and it is only of late years that the small machine has come to the front. Just now a tractor for practically any purpose can be purchased. It is the business of the manufacturer to supply the demand. If the demand is for small tractors then small tractors will continue to be produced, but it is a wise plan before buying to consider well the heavy work the machine will be asked to perform. If it is heavy work for even a short time of the year buy an engine that is capable of handling it and the light work will take care of itself. Time will prove that the farm must come up to the tractor



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rather than the tractor down to it, if cost of production and great efficiency are to be achieved.

Rumely Again

It will no doubt be a source of considerable satisfaction to a great many of our readers to once more see the advertisement of the M. Rumely Co. in the columns of The Canadian "Thresherman and Farmer.

During the past eight months we have received a number of letters from our subscribers desiring to know whether or not it was safe to buy goods from the M. Rumely Co., and whether they could reasonably expect to secure repairs on these goods in the future. We were not on the inside of the M. Rumely affairs, but from what we knew, we at all times gave the assurance that it was safe to do business with the M. Rumely Co., feeling that their embarrassment was only temporary, and that ere long they would again be in sound financial condition.

Announcement has now reached us to the effect that our predictions were by no means unwarranted for the M. Rumely Co. is practically relieved of its financial embarrassment, and is on the way to a good sound business footing.

Mr. Finley P. Mount who was appointed receiver some few months ago has undoubtedly worked wonders. This is especially true in view of the period of financial depression through which practically the whole world is passing. The securing of several millions of dollars to put into a financial enterprise is no small task, and this task Mr. Mount seems to have accomplished. From the information we have on hand we learn that Mr. Finley P. Mount will be President of the reorganized company, and that Mr. Guy will be Secretary-Treasurer. Mr. Guy has been with the Rumely Co. ever since the financial troubles first began, which was some two years ago.

We also understand that all the outstanding obligations will be taken care of, as well as the unpaid commission certificates. The company in the future will devote its efforts to the manufacture and sale of heavy machinery, having abandoned practically all of their small lines.

A more detailed announcement will appear in the October issue of this magazine.

New Company Takes Over Manitoba Universal Tractor

The Western Steel and Iron Works, Limited, of Winnipeg have taken over the manufacture and sale of the Manitoba Universal Farm Tractor.

This little machine has met with a great deal of success in the few months that it has been on the market, and the demand has been so great that it was found necessary to provide larger manufacturing facilities.

The Western Steel and Iron Works have a well equipped plant in Winnipeg, and are therefore in an excellent position to handle this tractor.

This light weight machine has been put to some very severe tests during the past few months, and in every case has backed up its inventor and builders. It is a machine well worth looking into by any farmer. There is not the least question of a doubt but that the light tractor is coming, and it would be well for every man with 80 acres or more under cultivation to investigate this little machine.



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The "Bull" in the Field at Fremont

Recently we journeyed to Fremont, Neb., attracted there by what was perhaps the largest tractor plowing demonstration that has ever been held in the world.

Fremont is about 45, miles west of Omaha on the Union Pacific Railway and is situated in what is known as the La Platte River Valley.

We reached there about ten o'clock on a certain morning and upon getting off the train one of the first things that attracted our attention was a long line of flat cars about twenty in number, each one of which was loaded with three Bull tractors. One's first thought was "Just what could be done with so many machines in one place." We took an automobile ride of about two and a half miles which brought us to the plowing field which solved the problem of the Bull tractor's presence in such large numbers at Fremont.

This little machine which sells for about \$600 on the United States side of the line was giving a demonstration along with a umber of other makes. We saw t pull two 14 inch plows 8 inches deep in stubble, and it performed the stunt without any trouble. Its low price combined with what it would actually do attracted a large crowd of spectators. At one time we counted 120 farmers following this machine down the field. This interest is particularly noteworthy in view of the fact that over 200 tractors representing more than fifty different makes were on the field.

The ground was comparatively soft and while it was not wet it did not make very firm footing for any machine. The Bull tractor, however, had no difficulty in performing its work as the drive wheel was running in the furrow which gave it better footing than other makes which run on the land. One man operated the outfit and drove the hali mile initial furrow down the field in a straight line that was an object lesson in plowing.

The best evidence of what the Bull tractor did at the plowing demonstration at Fremont is the fact that over 60 machines were sold on the plowing field to the farmers in the vicinity of Fremont.

We were told that these sales were not unusual as compared with the sales made at the plowing demonstrations at Bloomington, Ill., Hutchinson, Kan., Enid, Okla, and Sioux Falls, S.D.

The Bull tractor in Canada is

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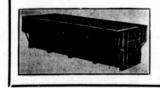


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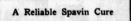


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manufactured at the plant of the Western Dry Docks Co., of Port Arthur, Ont. and is backed by a strong, well organized company with ample capital to finance a steady output of large capacity.

Diameter of the Silo

The diameter of a silo, says the North Dakota Experiment Station should be determined by the amount of ensilage to be fed. If less than 1 1/5 inches of ensilage are removed daily, moulding is likely to start. The warmer the weather, the greater the depth of ensilage that should be removed. In winter 12 dairy cows fed 40 pounds a day will use up the right amount from a 14-foot silo, while in summer it would require 18 cows to use up the amount of ensilage that should be removed daily. For the 12-foot silo, 9 cows in winter and 13 in summer; for the 16-foot silo, 17 cows in winter and 25 in summer. Let the amount of ensilage fed daily determine the diameter of the silo and let the height determine the capacity.



If you have a horse that has bone spavin, ring bone, or split, not over two years, it can be absolutely cured by using Hawkey's

Spavin Cure. In cases of long standing and those that have been fired or blistered, it will cure the lameness and sometimes remove the blemish.

This is sold by H. R. Hawkey and Co., Winnipeg, Man., and they guarantee to refund full purchase price if it fails to cure. The price is \$3.00 per bottle.

This firm are also giving away free of charge, a 96 page vest pocket veterinary book, showing in a clear and plain manner all diseases pertaining to stock, under four distinct headings, Definition, Cause, Symptoms, Treatment. All that is necessary is to drop a card to H. R. Hawkey and Co., Winnipeg, Man., and the book will be immediately mailed free of charge. It is well worth having.

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In the Canadian Fairban's "Farquhar Separator" ad. appearing in August issue the item 33 in.x58 in. complete, etc., band end. should read:

36 in.x58 in. complete, etc. We regret the misprint.



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GREAT many gas engines have poured—cast in the bed —babbit bearings. Sometimes through carelessness or otherwise these do not get the lubrication they should, and consequently get hot and wipe or melt out. It is really a simple matter to re-pour such a damaged bearing. Any farmer with mechanical ability should have no hesitancy in attempting the job. A few simple rules are necessary.

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Clean all the old babbit from the bearing shell. If the shaft is damaged from the heating or cutting, smooth and polish it very carefully with fine emery and oil. Cover that portion of the shaft which is to run in the bearing with lampblack. This is most easily done with a smoky kerosene lamp." Play the flame under the shaft until it is nicely coated with greasy carbon. This is to prevent the babbitt sticking to the shaft.

Now block the shaft in position, taking care to see that it is directly in line with the other bearing, or if both bearings are being replaced, see that the shaft is exactly in its former position and perpendicular to a line drawn through the axact center of the cylinder. Get some common clay and mix it with water to a putty through the exact center of the bearing in position with some shims between it and the frame half of the bearing. Mold the wet clay around both ends of the bearing and make a little clay funnel on top at each end with the hole passing down into the annular space around the shaft.

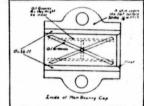
Melt your babbitt, which should be a good medium hard grade costing not less than 25 to 30 cents per pound, until a white

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pine stick thrust into it is charred. Don't get the babbit hotter than this, else its anti-friction character will be destroyed. Be sure that you have enough metal melted to fill the bearing and both the little clay funnels. Now quickly pour the metal into the funnel at one end until it rises and fills the funnel at the other end. As soon as it has cooled somewhat you may knock off the clay and projecting pieces of babbit.

Scraping the Bearing

If the shims have not kept the two halves entirely separate, carefully do what cutting is necessary to remove the cap. The mud mold should have been so placed that the metal could run up to and around the fillet turned on the shaft next to the crank. Clean the shaft and bearing all up nicely. Then smear a very thin coating of greasy lampblack on the shaft.



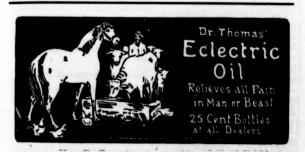
Put the latter in position with the cap on the bearing and rotate it. Remove the shaft carefully and you will find that the lampblack has been rubbed off on the high spots on the babbitt.

These high spots should be carefully scraped down with a scraper. A scraper for this work can easily be made by grinding a three-cornered file on a carborundum stone until the three edges are sharp. All the roughness should be removed and the corners made as sharp as possible. Coat the shaft with lampblack and proceed as described above. repeating the operations many times if necessary until a good bearing all over the surface of the babbitt is obtained. The bearing should be relieved all along the parting some 1/4 to 1/2 inch back. This is, there should be no bearing of the shaft against the metal 1/4 to 1/2 inch each side of the parting of the two halves. If there is bearing there, heating is liable to result since lubrication may be wiped off. If heating does result in a bearing not so relieved, pinching of the shaft due to expansion will occur and excessive heating with consequent melting or wiping of the babbitt will be experienced.

Be sure that a good bearing is obtained in the fillet. If the babbitt is scraped away so that it does not bear here, endwise motion in the shaft will result. If the babbitt bears too heavily against the fillet, heating is bound to result.

Drill the oil hole through the babbitt in the cap. An eighth or three-sixteenths hole is large enough for bearings found on the average farm engine. Leading from this oil hole cut oil grooves in the surface of the babbitt. Practically every mechanic has his own best way of cutting oil





grooves. Probably two grooves lengthwise of the bearing spaced so that the cap surface is evenly divided into three rectangular sections will do all that is re-quired. The oil hole should be joined to the two long grooves by a short one cut crosswise. These grooves will be about one-eighth inch wide and three-thirty-seconds deep. Possibly a better way is to cut two diagonal grooves through the oil hole at such an angle to each other that neither the parting nor the edge of the bearing is approached nearer than a half inch. This applies to the two longitudinal grooves mentioned above. They should not approach the edge of the bearing too closely, else the oil will simply run out the end of the bearing.

Work Should be Done Carefully

Carefulness and patience cannot be too strongly urged in all the above work. The success you have with the running of the bearing depends entirely upon it.

When you think you have the bearing properly scraped, put the engine in operating condition and start it. It is advisable to loosen the governor springs so that the engine will run slowly. Use plenty of oil and if possible get some powdered graphite. If there are no signs of heating, run the engine thus for an hour or two. If heating occurs to a dangerous degree, remove the cap and scrape the high spots. If it still con-tinues, remove the shaft and scrape the lower half of the bearing.

Run the engine slowly during this procedure. When you have succeeded in running the engine an hour or two slowly without heating the bearing and with the cap drawn down snugly until there is no looseness in the bearing, speed the engine up to normal. But be careful! Use plenty of oil. Watch that bearing carefully. If it heats at the higher speed, go back to slow speed, after allowing the bearing to cool, and give it a chance to wear in. Take all looseness out of the bearing, but be careful not to get the cap on too tight. That would make any bearing heat.

Keep all dirt out of the bearing. Be careful. Be patient. Don't hurry. Give plenty of time for wearing the bearing in. Follow the above directions to the letter. And you will have no trouble whatever.

High-Geared Farming

"Efficiency" is the biggest word in the dictionary of 1915. In agriculture the term takes on a broad significance. It means conserving strength; doing things in the most direct and economical way;



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quality and time; saving steps; cutting out lost motion; eliminating the wastes; making every lick count ; using more machinery and less hand labor.

China is the oldest agricultural nation in the world. The average farm of 2.6 acres supports a family of nine persons besides producing a surplus of food for the towns and cities. Almost all the work is done by hand-much of it by women. It is hardly necessary to add that the Chinese exist only by the most prodigious toil. Long hours, severe labor, no luxuries and no leisure make up their standard of living.

In younger Europe the peasantry also work hard; much of the farm work is done by hand and woman is always a conspicuous figure in the fields. But they use horse power to some extent and conditions are not quite so slavish as in the Orient.

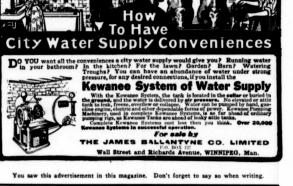
Crossing the Atlantic we find that in New England and the Southern States the common practice is to do field work with one horse or one mule, although occasionally two horses are seen. In the western half of the corn

belt the usual custom is to use a two-horse team. West of the Mississippi River four-horse teams are more in evidence. As we go further west, the farms are larger and labor becomes more difficult to secure. These two facts account largely for the use of more power.

A four-horse outfit can be operated as economically on a forty-acre farm as a two-horse team. Even in a ten-acre field four horses abreast can be handled almost as easily as two and they will do twice the work at the same cost for labor.

It is hard to understand why a farmer will continue to plow and disk with two horses when he can double his personal output by adding two animals. Probably he feels that he cannot afford to keep the extra team for the small amount of work they can be used for. Here is where the tractor beats the horse. The ideal tractor is at once flexible and discontinuous in its efficiency. It will develop as much or as little power as is needed at a corresponding cost for fuel, and when not in use it consumes nothing but storage room.

when the man who was brave enough to ride a sulky plow was hooted at by his neighbors as lazy or a sissy. To-day the hoot is the other way around. He carries a "lazy man's load" who will deliberately tire himself out by walking, when he might as well ride, save his vitality and go to the evening meal in condition to enjoy life and be an inspiration to others. Furthermore, it is no economy of time, money or



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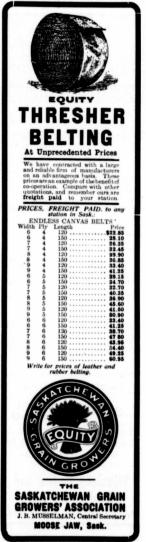
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strength to use up human energy in gruelling tasks which leave the farmer no nerve force with which to think or plan. The mind is supreme and good management is the basis of all success, but a tired body means a tired brain, and healthy thought is not created by a tired mind. Even the hired man who sells his muscle is worth more to his employer when he is not compelled to use up his strength walking all day in the soft ground. Horse power is cheaper than man power.

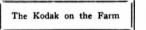
More horse power out in front and less man power in the rear is the keynote of high-pressure farming. Quoting a homely expression from the "Hoosier Schoolmaster": "Git a-plenty while you're a-gittin' says I."

It is probable that mechanical power will be made so nearly perfect that within a few years some form of gas tractor will crowd the horse to the smaller and poorer



farms. At present the large tractors are too expensive and too heavy for medium-sized farms, but the nearly-perfect general purpose farm tractor is on the way, and just as horse feed is cheaper than bacon and eggs, so will gasoline prove to be cheaper than oats and hay for the generation of power.

The man who uses high-gear methods is farthest from the Chinaman who plants his wheat by hand, harvests it by hand, threshes it by hand, ekes out a bare subsistence on the simplest fare and gets out of life just about as much joy as a mule



We have received a copy of one of the most captivating booklets it has ever been our privilege to handle illustrating something of the remarkable photographic effects which can be obtained nowadays by ordinary intelligence and care at little cost from the wonderful "Kodak" lines.

The subjects are entirely from the farm and farm home life, are of strong human interest, and the atmosphere, clearness of detail and grouping leave nothing whatever to be desired. We are using a "Kodak" ourselves all the time, and the results are never disappointing except in such cases as we can directly trace to our own stupidity or carelessness.

Here's a mint of satisfaction in taking and preserving these records of our daily life and associations which could be obtained in no other way. They write history in a way that beggars the best 'that language and type can do, and crystallize memories that one would willingly perpetuate at any cost.

An Open Letter

To "The Canadian Thresherman and Farmer."

We shall be glad if you can find space before closing to inform your readers that owing to the unexpected demand made upon us our "Manitoba Universal for Farm Tractor," we have found it necessary to arrange for larger manufacturing facilities. We have therefore transferred our business to the Western Steel and Iron Company whose large and finely equipped plant at Elmwood we feel sure will do ample justice to the biggest call that may be made upon it. For the future, the Western Steel and Iron Company will take care of all orders and shipments, and from all past experience of this firm, your interested readers may count on a perfect service.

We are, yours truly, The Manitoba Universal

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A Unique Farm Lantern

We gladly direct the notice of our readers to an inexpensive novelty in the shape of an electric lantern specially designed for use in the stable, around threshing outfits, by autorists, etc. Particulars and illustration will be found on another page in the advertisement of Houston and Co., Limited, of Winnipeg. "Safety First" is the strong feature, but it offers many points of convenience and efficiency which are sure to create a big market for it among readers of "The Canadian Thresherman and Farmer."

A Fine Recruit for the Sow Thistle War

We have seen a new device, simple and wonderfully effective, for the handling of summer-fallow, which we feel to be of sufficient importance to warrant a strong suggestion on our part to the readers of "The Canadian Thresherman and Farmer" that they should also see it or get in touch with its inventor—Mr. O. Murk, of Winnipeg.

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Whether overridden by weed pests or not, the probability is that the reader is at least within the infected radius of some unfortunate or criminally careless neighbor against whose neglect he must everlastingly protect himself. This new implement is a weed killer pure and simple. Roughly. it consists of a triangular hollow knife, with a plow shaped point, bending back in arrow shape to That is to a base of six feet. say, it cuts a swath of weed crop six feet wide at any desired depth in the seed bed. It is carried on a lightly constructed but very strong four-wheeled steel frame, with levers fore and aft to raise or lower it to any depth.

The driver sits behind and operates his two or four-horse team just as he would an ordinary gang plow or harrow cart. While we say "new," the implement is new to Western Canada, but it has already been tested by Manitoba farmers of long experience on their own farms, and pronounced a perfect success. Further, the inventor, Mr. Murk, has farmed since boyhood in the United States, and his implement is the outcome of his own thought and experience in extensive agricultural practice. He is about to issue a hand-book on soil cuture, the proof sheets of which we have seen and can say that they contain information and advice of exceptional value. It is not the outcome of studying other men's written stories, but is compiled from established facts, dug out of his long and successful career in the work of raising crops.

We hope in another issue to deal at greater length with Mr. Murk's eradicator. Meanwhile we refer our readers to his announcement on another page, and have pleasure in adding a strong recommendation to our friends to thoroughly investigate it.

As Deputy Minister of Agriculture

As we go to press, the information has been made public by the Hon. Valentine Winkler, Minister of Agriculture that one of "Manitoba's own" has been appointed to the important position of Deputy Minister. In the words of the announcement: "To fill the position of deputy minister, we have secured, I am glad to say A. J. McMillan, of 'TheNor' -West Farmer', an honor graduate of the



A. J. McMillan

Manitoba Agricultural College and one of the most popular and efficient young agriculturists in the West."

We hasten to congratulate the Department (and incidentally "Archie") on this appointment. He is all that the official announcement says of him. We have known and followed him since he graduated with honors shortly after he "sat" for the picture which will illustrate this little appreciation of our friend.

It says more for him than any flattering terms we can employ that he should provide once again the exception to the old adage that "a prophet is not without honor save in his own country." It is very gratifying indeed to find that the men are not yet all dead who can rise to an appreciation of a man's worth even if he happens to have been reared in the home circle. With a profound contempt for that prejudice which will go to the ends of the earth to find "a man," we have the conviction that if the Honorable Minister had ransacked any other sphere of agriculture to discover a suitable henchman, he could not have found one who more richly merits his complete confidence.

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Blasting Out Stumps By HARRY THOMPSON

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The time which the blasting of stumps can be done most economically is when the soil is well filled with moisture. At this time the water fills the air spaces and the stumps leave the earth more easily. The saving is very apparent in .oose sandy soil. Stumps in sucl soils should never be blasted when the soil is dry.

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In all but exceptional cases of stumping, it is better to use powder of a strength equal to 20 to 30 per cent nitro glycerine powder, rather than higher explosives. Powders of the above grades are found to give as good results at less expense than the higher grades.

No man should attempt to use powder without first thoroughly familiarizing himself with the best methods of handling the explosive that he intends using. This can be done by observing others at work, by reading directions furnished by the manufacturer, or the Dominion department of agriculture bulletins upon the subject.

In order to get results when blasting stumps, it is necessary to place the powder at the point where the maximum power will be exerted upon the stump. To do this is not always an easy matter, and it can be learned only by experience where to place the charge and to estimate exactly the amount of powder to use under a given stump. The rooting systemage and size of stump, as well as the soil and subsoil, must be taken into consideration when placing the charge.

The hole in which the powder is to be placed may be made in several different ways, depending upon the kind of soil, rooting system and size of stump. All stumps except those having a taproot are blasted by placing the explosive in the earth beneath the stump. For small sized stumps that do not require more than one stick of powder, the hole may be made with an ordinary crowbar. For larger stumps an auger of from two to three inches in diameter is used, while holes under the largest stumps are often dug with bar and shovel. The making of the holes is the most important as well as the most laborious part of the work. The auger should be started at a point a short distance from the body of the stump between the two largest roots, and the hole should be bored at an angle of 45 deg. or more with the horizontal, until it reaches a point of from four to eight inches beyond the center of the stump. The charge should be placed beyond the centre of the stump rather than in front of it. From observation it has been noted that the force of the charge is directed more toward the side from which it is loaded, and if any part of the stump is left in the ground it is the opposite side. For this reason in order to get good results it is necessary to place the charge slightly beyond the center of the stump.

After the hole has been completed and is in the proper place, the amount of powder decided upon is poured in; if a nitroglycerine powder is being used it is compacted by means of a wooden tamping stick, but a chlorate powder is never tamped. The primer is placed on the charge. It consists of a blasting cap crimped upon the proper length of fuse and imbedded in a small piece of a stick of powder when using nitro-glycerine powder; but only the cap and fuse are used when other powders are used.

The caps used to detonate the powder are very sensitive and should be handled with care. While they are innocent looking, they are very powerful and should be kept out of the hands of children and others who do not know what they are handling.

After the primer is placed on the charge, fine soil to a depth of' three or four inches is sifted upon it and packed lightly, after which the earth can be shoveled in and packed solidly by means of the wooden tamping stick. The tamping should continue until the surface of the ground is reached. When the tamping has been completed, the charge may be fired. If the ground is wet or cold the blast should be fired soon after loading. If neither of these conditions is found it can be left until convenient. The fuse is usually lighted by a match, but often some other form of lighter is used, as a red hot iron rod or a short length of fuse.

The success of the shot depends upon the position of the charge and the quality and amount of explosive used. If either of the above is not correct the blast will be only partially successful.

The objections that are offered against the use of explosives in land clearing are that they are dangerous, the use of some kinds cause headache, they are too expensive. Men experienced in this work have reduced these objections to the minimum. In many sections, however, the cost of explosives is prohibitive.

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In addition to weight and vitality of the germ, seeds possess other characteristics-as, early or late maturing, or a tendency to contain the maximum or minimum amounts of certain compounds, as starch or gluten. These properties are, to a high degree, inherent in the seed, and are reproduced in the offspring. The physical characteristics of seedsas, hard or soft-generally indicate the character as glutenous or starchy. From the appearance of the seeds it is possible, between certain limits, to pick out glutenous and starchy kernels capable of transmitting the same individuality to succeeding crops. From an apparently uniform lot of seed the crop will contain two distinct types, one starchy and the other glutenous, the glutenous kernels differing from the starchy by containing from one to five per cent more gluten proteids. Each seed has an individuality, and it is by studying the individual characteristics-as, larger yield, stiffer straw, early maturity, and more glutenous character-that the resultant crop is improved. Often some of these characteristics are to a certain degree antagonistic, and an improvement in one direction may be followed by a loss of some desirable quality.

To secure direct results the cerealist often resorts to crossbreeding of varieties. To illustrate, in the Canadian Northwest an early maturing variety of spring wheat is desired. Such a one is secured by crossing Fife wheat with Ladoga, and, as a

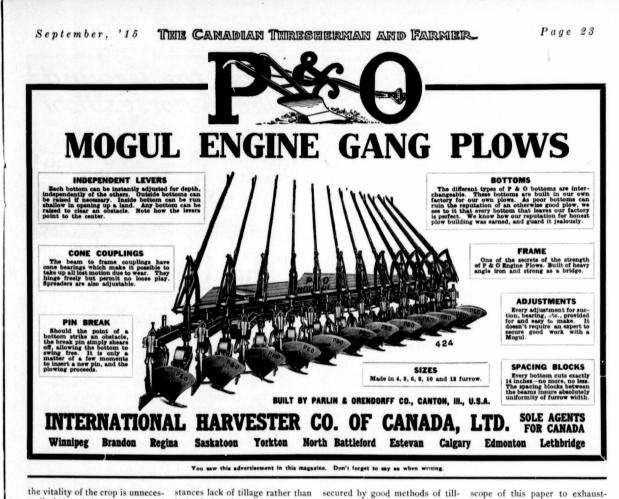
result, a wheat known as the Preston is secured which has the desirable qualities of the late maturing parent with the early maturing habit of the other parent. In the breeding of plants many interesting peculiarities develop. Part of the progeny will resemble one parent and part another, and occasionally a new characteristic-as in the case of wheat, a beard, which was a peculiarity, probably, of an ancestorwill make its appearance. By careful selection of the parent stock in plant-breeding, as in animal breeding, certain characteristics can be intensified and more firmly fixed, while other and less desirable ones can in part be eliminated.

The general principles of heredity formulated by Mendel give much promise in the way of crop improvement through more systematic methods of breeding. It is believed by many biologists that Mendel's law offers in part a solution to some of the perplexing problems in plant and animal improvement. It is too early, however, to predict what benefits can reasonably be expected from its application. This law attempts to reduce to a mathematical basis the characteristics of the progeny of plants and animals; a certain percentage having the individual characteristics of each parent, and a certain percentage the blended characteristics of both parents. It is not too much to expect that the proposed law with modifications will do much to place the science of plant-breeding upon a rational basis.

In the case of corn, careful selection of seed has resulted in the production of plants which have a tendency to produce an additional ear, thereby increasing the yield ten to twenty-five per cent. Also ears of larger size and more uniform character are secured by breeding and selecting the seed-corn. One of the best examples of the improvement of a crop by selection and breeding is the sugar beet, which has been developed from the common stock of garden beets that contain only a small amount of saccharine material and are unsuitable for the manufacture of sugar, until high grade beets containing sixteen to eighteen per cent of sugar are secured.

As a result of the study of seeds, their requirements are better known. In many instances





the vitality of the crop is unnecessarily lowered through storage of the seed in poorly ventilated rooms and bins. The life process of the seed goes on to a certain extent even during storage. There is a slight activity of the cells, resulting in the production of carbon dioxide. This might be called vegetable respiration. When this ceases death and decay ensue. With the seed it is either a state of life or death. There is no absolutely dormant period in seed life.

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While the selection and breeding of seeds has done much, and is destined to do more for the improvement of crops, plant-breeding alone will not produce the results that can be secured through the judicious feeding of crops coupled with seed improvement. Feeding of crops is too frequently neglected. A larger supply of plant-food is the crying need of many soils, and low yields and poor quality of crops are more frequently due to lack of food than to any other cause except adverse climatic conditions.

There is a close relationship between soil and crop. The improvement of the one is dependent upon the upbuilding of the other. Half-starved, struggling plants that fail to mature a reasonable seed crop are of too frequent occurrence. In some inlack of plant-food is the cause of restricted growth. But tillage alone, important as it is, fails to maintain the fertility of the soil and to produce maximum crops. Tillage and fertilizers both have their place in crop production and plant improvement, and neither can take the place of the other. It is when tillage and fertilizers are judiciously combined that the best results are secured. The role in plant nutrition of certain elements-as, nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium, and calcium-is so well established that the fertilizing of soils to secure maximum crops has become a reasonably well-grounded science. It bears to crop production the same relationship as the science of animal nutrition bears to animal production.

The quality of wheat is greatly influenced by the fertility of the soil. In some experiments with soils that were deficient in available plant-food the addition of fertilizers increased not only the yield of wheat, but also improved the bread-making qualities of the flour made from that wheat. Larger, plumper, and sounder kernels were produced when there was a liberal supply of plant-food in the soil. Better and more nutritious bread can, as a rule, be secured by good methods of tillage and the use of fertilizers. Spring wheat grown upon wornout soil yielding ten bushels per acre was found to contain from ten to thirteen per cent of glutenous compounds, while wheat grown upon adjoining plots well fertilized yielded twenty - four bushels per acre, and contained from twelve to fifteen per cent of gluten. The composition and character of a crop are largely dependent upon food-supply, and crop improvement is mainly secured through feeding and breeding. Plants, like animals, must be reasonably well fed in order to reach their maximum perfection. It is not consistent with the

scope of this paper to exhaustively discuss the part which each science has taken in the improvement of crops. In addition, however, to the sciences of botany, bacteriology, animal biology, physics, and chemistry, the benefits from which have been briefly alluded to, there are also others that have taken an important part in crop betterment. No one science is paramount. The apparently indirect influence of some of the sciences is in reality of much importance. For example, the regulation of the water-supply by irrigation and drainage, which is primarily a problem of engineering, is an important factor in influencing the composition and



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commercial value of crops. In the case of wheat, excessive amounts of water produce large yields of starchy wheat, while the amount of gluten is increased by supplying the requisite amount of water at the right time and avoiding an excess.

The geological study of soils has also been of benefit in crop production. A knowledge of the history of a soil is of value, for the kind of rock materials out of which it has been produced, together with the agencies that have taken part in its formation and distribution, are important factors in modifying the character of crops. All this knowledge relating to the improvement of farm crops and other agricultural subjects, secured by scientists in their

laboratories and experimental fields, is disseminated in the form of bulletins, and distributed, without cost, by the agricultural experiment stations of the various States.

There are two distinct phases of the problem of crop improvement. The first is the acquisition of new facts with the view of enlarging the knowledge relating to the subject. It is this quest of knowledge and desire for discovery that is so keenly enjoyed by the true scientist. The second phase is the application of the knowledge to some useful purpose. This is the educational side of the question. While only a few can engage in scientific inquiry, all may benefit by the results obtained.

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Q. Will you please give me all the information you can in regard to an electric plant of miniature lamps? Will the coil of a make and break gas engine increase the voltage or amperage? I have been using three cells of dry battery for a three candle power lamp. I connected it to the battery on my engine and it made a brighter light by passing through the coil than through the battery alone but I feared the lamp might be burned out. Would three cells of battery connected up with a coil light a four candle power lamp to full power? If not, how many cells would it take and could gravity wet cells be used? Are they of the same voltage and amperage as dry cells? What make of lamps would you advise? Would it be better to connect the cells in multiple or in series?

A. The make and break coil mentioned in your question has only one winding of high inductance but not necessarily high resistance. Direct current will flow through this coil continuously and on breaking the inductive kick is what causes the ignition spark. When you connected your lamp in series with this current, the coil acted as a simple resistance low enough so that the light was brighter using the five cells which your outfit requires, than on a straight three cell circuit. This, you understand, was in spite of, not because of, the presence of the coil. The light would have burned much brighter had the coil been removed.

Whether or not three dry cells will light a four candle power lamp to full power depends entirely on the voltage of the lamp. Three dry cells when new will give a voltage slightly under four and a half. As they are used, the voltage decreases until at the end of their useful life it will probably be not more than two and a half. The candle power realized from this range will also decrease at the same time. As a general proposition, we would not advise the use of four candle power lamps on a single set of cells, for the reason that the current drain will be so heavy that the cells will be exhausted in a short time. A four candle power tungsten lamp will consume not less than four watts and since three dry cells will furnish about four volts, the current consumption will be one ampere. This drain is entirely too high for economical use in dry cells. Taking, however, the case of a four candle power, six volt lamp, the current consumption will be four divided by six, equals twothirds of an ampere. Now, onefourth of an ampere is about as much current as a single set of dry cells can economically furnish, but if we use three such sets in multiple it will reduce this current drain to two-ninths of an ampere per cell, which is well within the limit. The result of a large number of experiments have shown that two sets of cells connected in multiple will give approximately five times the life of one set.

Gravity cells are of the same voltage and amperage as dry cells. When new they show a voltage of from .9 to .95 as against 1.4 to 1.5 for dry cells. Although designed for closed circuit work, the allowable current drain on a gravity cell is very much smaller than that for dry cells. Such a battery would not give you much, if any, better returns than the dry cells you are using. There are other types of wet cells, however, that are much superior to the gravity cell.

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and to raise colts. A mare can raise a colt and do a great deal of work besides. Horses are, and for a good many years have been, high enough in price to make the raising of colts attractive financially. While prices are lower now than a few years ago they are still high enough and are probably on a more permanent basis than when they soared. While horse prices must always have their ups and downs, it is safe to say that the man who raises good ones can always sell at a profitable price. Certainly there is no prospect of low horse prices for a good many years, if one may judge by present indica-tions. Probably the greatest handicap to colt raising at the present time is the disease known as joint-ill. This makes its appearance in very young foals and is fatal in a very large percentage of cases. Veterinary authorities tell us that this is due to bacteria which gain entrance to the colt's system through the navel shortly after birth. Cleanliness and disinfection of the colt's navel are consequently the means of prevention. By following the methods prescribed by veterinary authorities the fatality from this disease can be very greatly reduced.

Another obstacle to colt raising

is the general practice of having colts come in the spring. This means that the mare foals and has the colt to nurse during seed time, one of the busiest times of the year. As a result, many mares that would otherwise be bred are kept from it because their work is needed on the drill, and many others foal and have to go right back on the drill again and the foal gets indigestion from an overfeed of milk from an overheated mother and dies, or keeps himself thin and undersized in trying to keep up with his mother as she works. I believe that it would be a good idea to breed mares for autumn foaling. The mare's time could then be easily spared for nursing the colt without interfering with farm work. Fall born colts do quite well where they are raised, and there does not seem to be any good reason why there should not be more of them.

Kind of Horse to Raise

I am strongly of the opinion that the draft horse is the horse to raise. He is the horse that is always saleable, and the bigger he is the easier he is to sell. The light horse is an unknown quantity; for one good one, a person is likely to get a good many second raters and culls, and it takes a very small blemish to make them culls. Light horses are needed in the country, to be sure, but there are generally enough enthusiasts to raise them because they love them, even if those who are studying the profit side of the question all go in for the heavy draft.

Some people advocate breeding a general purpose or agricultural type of horse. It is true that this type of horse is required in large numbers, but there always seems to be plenty of them. They come, not as the result of intelligent breeding, but as accidents, mis-fits, and from the crossing of varying types. There is no breed commonly bred in Western Canada that purports to be either general purpose or agricultural. Consequently it is practically impossible to try intelligently to breed these types. By trying to breed draft horses, we shall attain plenty of agricultural" horses which are simply undersized drafters. These will supply our own farm needs, and any real drafters that we are able to produce can be sold at premium prices for city drays and other heavy work.



Nine years ago the Live Stock Branch of the Federal Department of Agriculture, in co-operation with certain record associations representing breeds of dairy cattle, began to record the performance of pure bred milking cows. Each record association agreed upon a standard of yield for cows of its respective breed to qualify for registration, while the Live Stock Commissioner formulated regulations under which the tests were to be carried out. At the end of each year a report of the work has been issued, containing a list of the animals that qualified for registration during the year, their breed, age, ownership, milking period, production of milk and fat and such other information as might reasonably be looked for in an official report. Each year the work has increased until the seventh report, just issued, contains no.less than 152 pages of information. During the year, 413 cows qualified for registration, including 196 Holsteins, 123 Ayrshires, 35 Jerseys, 9 Guernseys, 14 French Canadians and 36 Shorthorns. The highest records made were: Shorthorn, 15,535 lbs. milk, 540 lbs, fat; French Canadian; 10,767 lbs. milk, 453 lbs. fat; Guernsey, 11,445 lbs. milk, 520 lbs. fat; Holstein, 23,717 lbs. milk, 834 lbs. fat; Jersey, 15,211 lbs. milk, 754 lbs. fat; Ayrshire, 16,696 lbs. milk, 729 lbs.

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HOW TO SAVE GRAIN AT THE SEPARATOR

RAIN saved is money saved because grain in Western Canada at least is real currency not one whit less than the gold coinage of the Dominion. The wastage of grain from "shelling" and from the parasitic birds is as nothing to what is often lost through ineffective machinery. This fact and its remedy has long exercised the brains of inventive genius until we are getting near the point at which one might say that scarcely a single kernel of good grain is spirited away into the straw pile or into any other than the "pile" that is being transported to the market.

The wind-stacker is now such an old friend, it is not needful to speak of it in detail. Every thresherman or farmer who threshes his own grain realizes the advantage of having one attached to the separator. Its utility has been settled by the wide popularity it has earned, no less than ninety-five per cent of all the threshing machines sold in the United States and Canada having wind-stackers attached before leaving the factory.

From the evolution of the wind-stacker has come the old geared stacker, then the gearless, the latter being recognized as the most modern and effective stacker until the objections to it and all its predecessors has brought into the field a device that knocks the bottom out of all else in grainsaving machinery.

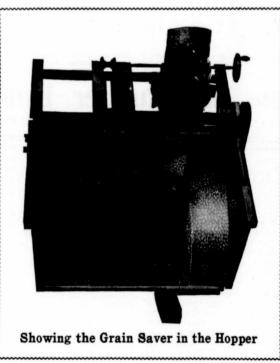
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Wind Stacker Company have introduced from time to time in their progress towards a stacker that may be pronounced humanly perfect.

In the spring of 1913 the Sharpe grain saving wind stacker was brought to the attention of the Russell Wind Stacker Co. by the Indiana Manufacturing Co. (who own and control the wind stacker patents) and under which the Russell Wind Stacker Company is a licensee. This device — the last word on the subject—was invented by J. K. Sharpe, who has wind stacker. It filled a long felt need in the threshing machine world as there had not previously existed a threshing machine which was automatically adjusted to every phase of the many conditions it had to fulfil that would effectually prevent the slightest wastage of grain.

This company at once proceeded to thoroughly test the Sharpe device, not merely on paper but by actual sales to practical threshermen. In the one season of 1914 the Russell Wind Stacker Co. sold the Sharpe grain saving



devoted the greater part of his life to experimenting in the United States and in other countries with a view to bringing the wind stacker to the very highest point of development. He has succeeded beyond the most sanguine expectations and the result which the Russell Wind Stacker Company are now seeking to bring to the notice of the grain-growing world is felt to be an abundant reward, apart from its financial recompense, for all the labor and thought bestowed upon it by Mr. Sharpe.

The Russell Wind Stacker Co. were quick to recognize the merits of the Sharpe grain saving wind-stacker in seventeen grain growing states in the Union, attaching them to twenty-six different makes of machines with a success the remarkable character of which is evidenced by the very large number of unsolicited and highly appreciative testimonials they have received from leading men who had purchased and used this stacker.

As indicating the demand for this fine new grain saver, the Russell Wind Stacker Company report that already the trade for 1915 has doubled and in some quarters trebled all previous record, and that many fresh orders continue to come in from localities

wind stacker. It filled a long felt in which they had sold the grainneed in the threshing machine saving stacker last year.

> The Sharpe grain saving wind stacker is mechanically correct, scientific and has unlimited capacity. The back-lash, which has always been troublesome and objectionable, has been eliminated. This is accomplished by the specially constructed fan drum, which is offset at the point of air compression, so that it is relieved of the surplus air at this point by means of an auxiliary blast pipe, which runs underneath the hopper.

> This pipe is provided with an air distributing nozzle which enters the hopper near the grates or guides, forming a grain trap ,and distributes the air blast constantly over the trap, which is located in the bottom of the hopper. By this blast loose grains and unthreshed heads are winnowed from the straw and chaff and caught in the trap to be returned mechanically to the separator and recleaned and saved, while the straw and chaff goes into the fan as usual. This blast pipe is provided with a screen located on the inside of the drum at a point where the pipe is inserted, which prevents the pipe from choking.

> Such in brief are the rough details of the Sharpe device, but mere descriptive matter on such a subject can give nothing like an adequate idea of what the combination means at work in the actual business of threshing the grain. Its remarkable results have rivetted the attention of many thousands of interested and thoroughly practical observers and its economic points can scarcely be overstated.

> Some of the largest manufacturers of threshing machinery in the States have found it necessary to furnish the Sharpe grain saving wind stacker on account of the heavy demands made upon them by customers. The Russell Wind Stacker Co. is in position to furnish this stacker for new or old machines, and it would be to the interest of every thresherman who is really sincere in his economical ideas of threshing, to investigate it. It stands guard over faulty adjustments of the separator, bad conditions of grain and careless pitching, and saves the grain which has heretofore been lost in the straw pile.

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COMMON-SENSE ICE-HOUSE

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N ice-house that will keep ice! And that is so reasonable in cost as to be within the means often of thousands who would put up ice if they only knew how to keep it into the summer months! Such an ice-house was designed some years ago by Dr. Edward Wheelock, of Rochester, New York, and is now giving complete satisfaction on more than two hundred dairy farms around that city. It has, in addition, been the ughly tested by the Health Department of the City of Rochester, New York. From an ice-house on the grounds of the Municipal Hospital ice was taken in August that had on it half-frozen snow, just as it was harvested in mid-winter. In no case has an ice-house constructed as hereinafter described failed to keep ice through the season.

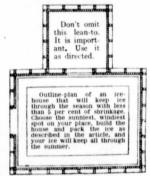
The plan of this ice-house is very much like that of the Irishman's overcoat, which he said would keep the cold out in winter and the warmth out in summer. In other words, non-conductivity of heat by the material in which the ice is packed is the essential feature of ice-keeping. The model ice-house will keep ice because it is so constructed that the sun and wind, playing over and around the ice-house, convert the outer layer of saw-dust in which the ice is packed into a dry non-conducting covering.

A house 12x20x12 feet will hold about seventy tons of ice and will carry it over the season with a loss in shrinkage not to exceed five per cent, if the ice, when packed, is not much less than ten inches thick. For an ice-house of these dimensions the lumber will cost approximately \$65.00, nails \$2.15 and spikes \$1.50. A shingled instead of a battened roof would add about \$2.00 to the cost.

High, well-drained ground should be selected as the site for the ice-house. If, however, the only available location should be on wet ground, trenches for the foundation may be dug, and a drain laid. The space about the foundation should then be filled in with broken stones and sand, so that warm air will be prevented from travelling along the drain

and melting the ice. A further precaution might be added by protecting the outlet of the drain so as to prevent entirely the circulation of air in it. Whatever the condition of the soil may be, it is imperative that sun and wind shall have free access to the house. The more of each, the better. Both have drying power, and the ice keeps, as will be shown, because a dry, non-conducting layer of sawdust is constantly between it and the outer atmosphere. Neither this nor any other house will keep ice if it is shaded and protected from the wind.

The foundation may be of brick, wood or cement, provided it has good drainage. On the foundation erect 2x4-inch joists ten inches apart. On the **inside** of the joists nail six-inch hemlock boards laid horizontally, with half-inch cracks



all around between the boards. The roof should be half-pitched and may be either battened or shingled. The gables should be left open wide enough to allow thorough circulation. If the roof overhangs enough to keep the rain out, the gables may be left entirely open. The house has no floor other than the soil or a layer of stones if it is desirable to improve the drainage. At one end of the house leave an opening for putting in the ice. This should extend from the ground to the level of the saddle. As the ice is put in, this opening is to be laid up with common hemlock boards.

At one side of the house build a lean-to approximately 6x8x6 feet, into which the sawdust may be thrown, to dry for future use. In the wall of the ice-house against which the lean-to is built leave an opening so that the excess sawdust may be shoveled into the lean-to as the ice is removed. Not more than two feet of sawdust



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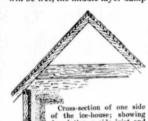
should be on top of the ice at any time. In filling the house with ice this opening should be closed by boards in the same way as the opening where the ice is put in. This room for storing and drying sawdust is one of the most important features of the model icehouse

When ready to harvest the icecrop, cover the bottom of the house with eighteen inches of clean litter or short shavings, similar to horse-bedding. Put the ice in, one layer at a time, taking care not to place one cake directly upon another; the joints must be broken so that they do not come opposite each other. The ice must be in a solid block, so that any tendency to melt will have no crevice to follow. Leave at least twelve inches of space all around between the block of ice and the walls of the ice-house. As each layer of ice is put down, fill this space with clean, dry sawdust, tightly rammed in. When the house is filled to within a foot of the saddle or hip, cover the whole mass of ice with two feet of sawdust. Do these things, and you will have ice on the hottest and latest day of summer-unless you use it up.

Summed up, the salient points in the construction of the model ice-house are as follows: It is cheap. It can be built by any one capable of handling tools. If the soil is wet, it must have a foundation, drained with loose stones into a blind drain. It must not have a drain-pipe opening into it. for then the warm air will pass up

through the drain and melt the ice. The upper part of the house must be well ventilated. The crevices between the boards must be half an inch wide. The layer of sawdust between the ice and the walls of the ice-house must be at least twelve inches thick. The layer of sawdust next the ice will be wet, the middle layer damp

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Cross-section of one side of the ice-house; showing foundation, a side joist and boards, and root. Points to be noted; the open gable, overhanging caves, spaces between boards forming the side wall, stone filling (optional) and foot of saw-dust surrounding ice, which is to be in a solid block in the centre.



and the outer layer dry. By ventilating the upper part of the ice-house, draining the lower part, and drying the outer layer of sawdust through half-inch cracks in the boards, the ice is kept from melting.

Finally: do not build the icehouse in a sheltered place. Put it in the sun.-George W. Goler, M.D., in "Good Housekeeping."

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your horses as soon as you stop and fasten them on. It is the first two minutes that chill your horses, especially if they are very warm.

174. In working colts, remember that they are like childrenhave to be shown over and over again. They should not be expected to learn their business the first year, and always get over a tongue right or wait for their turn to be unhitched, or stand perfectly still in the field and not turn around to see what you are doing. You must exercise patience and good judgment and not spoil them. Be one of the few hired men who are allowed to handle the young horses. You are worth more money.

175. Never set a lantern on the ground in the barn under any circumstances. Get a strap and tie it where you want it, if there is no nail for it. This foolish habit has in all probability set more barns

173. In cold weather, blanket on fire than all other causes combined. A wire stretched overhead with snaps sliding on it is best for most occasions.

176. Don't mend a harness with nails or tacks. They are almost sure to pierce the horse in time and probably will not be noticed until a bad wound has been inflicted.

177. Watch the blinkers on the bridles. Sometimes the stays get wet and hard and bent up so as to hold the blinkers over the eyes. Sometimes one gets bent back, and that pulls the other one over the eye on its side. When your horse acts as if he were blind and goes stumbling along feeling for his footing and falling into holes, maybe the blinkers are to blame. You know a horse's eyes look out sideways

178. When you rake the dandy brush with the curry comb to clean it, draw the comb toward you. The bristles of the brush spring back and scatter the dust

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in the opposite direction. Watch closely and see. And yet some men have curried horses all their lives and have always raked the brush away from them and covered themselves with dust.

179. If a horse objects to being curried, practise on him at the close of his day's work when he is tired. Most horses like to have the neck rubbed. Commence there and work back.

180. Look out for runaways while closing gates, especially if ou have a colt in the team. When spring work is starting some of the old horses are worse than colts about running. Running away is a bad habit. If a horse runs away once he is very apt to try it again. After a few runaways some horses can never be trusted again. When the team is not hitched to anything, you can very easily turn them around and have them face you while you are closing the gate, but you cannot turn a wagon or piece of farm machinery. The best plan is to set a convenient post and attach two or three hitching ropes with snaps ready to hold the bits of the most restless horses in the team. This is the absolutely safe method, and would save the value of many a fine colt in his breaking. After a few trials, your team will stand to this post without being snapped up. The post should be out of the way to one side and far enough from the gate to accommodate the longest piece of machinery. Be sure and figure on that.

181. When you tie a fractious horse to a wagon, put the halter rope or tie strap around the rim of one wheel and also around the step or through a ring in the standard or something solid about the box or gears so as to prevent the wagon from being pulled ahead or back. If tied to either the wheel or the box alone, the wagon can be drawn about unless there is a break and it is set tight.

182. When you see a nail coming out or a board coming off about the place, don't leave it for the boss to fix. Get the hammer and fix it yourself. It will score one for you, and you will get to be a boss that much sooner.

183. Help to keep the tools and supplies in place, whether you are the one who took them out or not. If you bring in a pail of grease or a wrench left out by some one else you shall receive your reward. Some men will not do a tap not positively required of them, and then wonder why they are not kept the second year.

184. Be a real help-mate and you will be appreciated and enjoy life the more. If you see a fence wire down, and it would take too much time to fix it up yourself, mention it to the boss so that proper repairs can be made before the stock gets out or a favorite animal injured.

185. A mule will usually lie still when he gets in a tangle and let you unfasten his harness and pull his feet out if necessary, but look out for a horse. When you have him only partly extricated he invariably gives a plunge or begins struggling to help himself out. It requires the greatest caution to keep from getting hurt yourself. In the case of a horse being tangled in his harness or fence wire or anything of the kind, it is best to have some one hold his head down so that he can't struggle until you get ready for him to get up. If you are alone, look out for his feet for he will lie as still as a kitten until you begin to trust him, and then he will surprise you with a fourfooted scramble, and you will be under and he on top before you know it.

186. Don't let lines drag on the ground in the field. Tie the ends up or tie them in a knot to keep them from touching the ground. In dry weather the ground will wear them as thin as paper at the ends and be of little use. Of course in wet weather the dirt sticks to them and protects them.

187. The women folk always brag of the man who wears an over jacket when he curries the horses. It should be left in the barn. If you curry horses in your regular suit, it is impossible to prevent the dust and hairs from being carried into the house and being communicated to the butter, the gravy, the coffee, the wash basin and what-not.

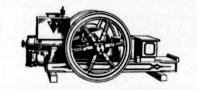
188. If your hair comes out, have your own comb for other people's sake. If their hair comes out, have your own comb for your own sake. Don't be a common guy, willing to throw in with anybody. Be particular for your own sake and you will be esteemed accordingly.

189. The wagon spring seat is made to perch on the edge of the side boards of the wagon box. I have never seen a spring seat broken while it was in its place, but the minute you take it off to use it on the bottom of the box, or on the ground, or in a hay rack, then there is danger of it swaying sidewise and breaking the bolts which hold the seat board to the springs.

190. When a wagon or other implement is to stand unused for any length of time, place a stick or piece of board under the end of the tongue to keep it off the ground and prevent its rotting.

191. Don't talk of your difficulties in the morning. Both you and your boss are most irritable in the morning. Take it later in the day, when all hands and the cook are sailing with steady keel. It is a fact that nine-tenths of all disputes in every line of business occur in the forenoon.

192. Key up your patience for



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the beginning of the day's work. Your horses are not so docile as later in the day, your nerves are not so steady, and this accounts for the fact that a large percentage of careless breakdowns, quarrels, runaways, crooked driving, the forgetting of important things and almost every trouble you can think of occur before nine a.m. The superintendent of a large manufacturing concern once said that fully nine-tenths of the resignations of his employes were handed in before nine o'clock in the morning, and that a large number were withdrawn before the end of the same day. So if any one scolds you in the morning, don't lay it up against him. He may repent before night and he will think more of you than ever if you walk away looking pleasant

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193. Don't be a tattler. Many a hired man has been fired because he was like a phonograph. Everything that was talked into him was talked out again. All the family affairs became known all over the neighborhood. Don't be of the phonograph kind, if you want to be a success. You must necessarily hear many things not intended for your ears, but no one will care if you don't blab.

194. Some hired men never tell any family secrets until they get mad and leave, and then they tell everything they ever heard,

That is a puppy trick. That is worse than stealing. You are giving away something you never had any right to. Keep your honor even if you did get mad. No one will have confidence in such a man. Who knows who will be the next victim of his fiery tongue.

195. Keep a taut line; a horse should be broken or taught to drive upon the bit. No man ever ploughed a straight furrow with a loose line.

196. If the lines bother by catching under the tongue, buckle a strap to one ring of the neck-After the horses are voke. hitched, pass the strap through the ring on the end of the pole and snap it to the other neckyoke ring.

197. Give your horses ample bedding; straw is cheap. How would you like to sleep on a stone or earth floor on a couple of inches of straw? Make the bed a foot deep.

198. Always groom horses well at night; an hour is little enough to spend on a four-horse team. Horses groomed thoroughly at night will only need a brisk brush-over in the morning and they will rest better.

199. Always water your horses the last thing at night. Many a horse stands all night with a manger full of feed because it is too thirsty to eat.

200. Never water immediately after feeding grain; this washes the grain through the stomach in an undigested state and is apt to cause colic.

The Farm Engineer

In these days of intensive farming methods, more machinery and less muscle is the essential need. To meet this requirement it is necessary that the farmer equip himself with machinery knowledge and be able to apply it intelligently

Skilled labor is employed in the construction of all farm machinery in use to-day; especially is this true of tractors and gas engines, the principal factor in the development of power farming. While every effort has been made mechanical engineers and by skilled mechanics to make the farming machinery power SO simple in operation that a child can operate them, they have not yet been brought to the "fool proof" stage of perfection.

A railroad locomotive engineer is permitted to run an engine only after several years apprenticeship and study. While the farm tractor, a locomotive, in a sense, is not as complicated a piece of machinery as the railroad locomotive, it requires some degree of intelligence in its operation. The

man or boy who operates it should have some idea of the common principles of mechanics.

To meet this need of the farmer of to-day, many of the agricultural colleges are giving special courses in traction engineering, including a thorough study of the gasoline and oil engines.

The work these colleges are doing is intensely practical. Instruction is given with actual machines in operation before the student. With nearly all kinds of machines available, the student has the opportunity to familiarize himself with as many types of engines as he would probably come in contact with in his lifetime. Various parts of the engine are discussed and their functions explained by experienced lecturers, and the student, by practise and intelligent explanation, learns the fundamental principles of farm engineering. In a few years a gasoline engine or tractor will be found on every farm. To supply men who are capable of operating them is the primary object of the colleges in extending their efforts to developing the farm engineer.

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DEBTORS AND CREDITORS ARE PARTNERS

Every man who gives credit to another whether it be in the form of a threshing machine, lumber, horses, cash, houses, groceries, land, seed grain or other commodities becomes through such transactions and to the extent of the credit a partner with the debtor. And the partnership imposes responsibilities on each party. It implies co-operation for the purpose of earning enough to enable the "active" partner (the debtor), to buy out in time the interest of the "silent" partner (the creditor). Creditors have for years been forming such partnerships with farmers in Saskatchewan and it is perhaps not surprising that some of the partners on both sides should have misunderstood their relations or have failed to discharge the partnership obligations. When the situation is understood clearly and the responsibilities are faced fairly the results of the partnership will be more satisfactorily to all con-cerned."

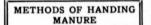
Above are the opening paragraphs of an exceptionally wellwritten pamphlet on this allimportant subject which is being issued by the Saskatchewan Department of Agriculture. We regret we cannot spare the space to print in full, but add the concluding paragraphs with the advice that every implement dealer or manufacturer, as well as their numerous debtors, we add do well to get it and study it:

"Implement companies tell us that they are compelled by the aggressiveness of their competitors to keep an efficient collection staff in order to get "their share" of the annual crop proceeds, but would be perfectly agreeable to taking 'their share' when debtors cannot pay all, although until methods change they cannot expect to get 'their share' unless they go after it. The collection agency is a big expense to the companies which they would gladly save, and certainly no farmer would urge them to keep collectors in the field.

"What is the solution? Could debtors in their dealings bring about an improvement by distributing their revenue among

their creditors on an equitable basis so that each one would get a fair share? By adopting such a practice and establishing a reputation for fairness and reliability, might not farmers who do so reasonably expect that in a year or two they would cease to be visited by the special collector? 'Dishonest through force of circumstance,' is a phrase some-times used by creditors, but it merely means, 'Forced by special collectors to give some creditor a preference to which he is not entitled and unable by circumstances to pay the others what he would like to pay them.' Many a man has got into costly difficulty with his other creditors or his loan company because he was too much influenced by an expert at collecting and paid one creditor more than he could spare without treating others unfairly.

"Mutual confidence is necessary, and if there be dishonest debtors, and some think there are a few, they cannot expect to escape attention except by acting so wisely and fairly as to restore confidence. So long as people buy on credit they will have notes to pay in the fall, but could not much of the present difficulty be avoided by being frank with creditors, by laying full and correct information before them regarding assets and the proposed distribution of revenue, and by following unswervingly a fair and equitable plan of paying creditors from the resources at one's disposal? The more this is done, the sooner will 'co-operation' replace 'competition' in collection methods."



Next to drainage, the manure problem is of greatest importance to the farmer. When thinking of manure for our land we are apt to think of it as only refuse from our barns and stables and of our straw piles. But this is a great source of fertility, which is often largely wasted, if allowed to lay out in the weather.

The stable manure should remain under cover until it can be taken to the fields and spread as hauled. This has been our practice for a number of years and the longer we have practised that plan the better we like it. Our farm is rather rolling and the subsoil is a close-grained gravelly clay but we find that even on that type of soil the plan of spreading as it is taken to the



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field gives splendid results. One place on the farm was found a bare, gravelly hillside, no vegetation of any kind growing upon it. It was some twenty rods long and four rods in width. It was our first experience with such a condition and we began five years ago to apply stable manure once or twice a year at the rate of five spreader loads to the acre with the result that last year the bare spot was well covered with clover and timothy. This year the field will be in corn and we expect to get a crop from it. At first thought one might think that the rains would wash the manure from such a slope but it has proven otherwise. On that farm as well as the home farm which is level, we clean our stables twice during the winter and spread as hauled regardless of frozen ground and snow.

There is one benefit to be derived from the use of stable manure which, I believe, we often overlook, and that is, the mulching value-its value as a covering for the soil. It also is our practice to put our manure on the sod land for corn which is the only kind of land we plant to corn, spreading the manure as far in advance of the plow as possible. A few years ago we covered some three acres of a field with the straw from an old unused straw stack quite heavily. It so happened that I bought some land adjoining and in arranging the fields, it was necessary to leave that particular field to lay over a year. The result was that on the part of the field where the

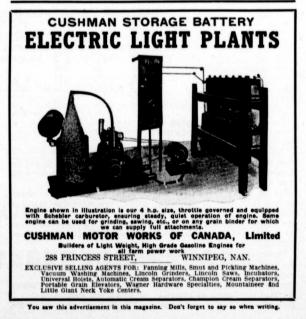
straw was put and laid from August until the second spring following, made the best corn in the field. We then had no scale, but the yield was estimated from 90 to 100 oushels per acre. I have since become so much in favor of allowing the stable manure to lie as long as possible that we put no manure on our land intended for corn later than the 1st of February. All manure taken to the fields after that date is spread upon the stubble and young grass which is intended for pasture the following summer.

I know of farmers who will delay the spring plowing to get their stables cleaned and the manure out on the land intended for corn. If these men would compare the results from using this covering as long as possible, even more than a year with that taken from the stables and at once turned under they would change their practice. When I began this practice, my wife thought that I was doing without the benefit of the manure for a whole year. But one would be astonished at the growth the grass makes through this splendid covering and how well it resists dry weather. We have covered ten acres of pasture land since 1st of February, and have some 125 loads yet to get out this summer when we have the time. But instead of doing without the use of manure for a year we are getting full value in the grass crop and getting our next year's land in excellent shape for corn.

LEACHING

"Why is leaching of manure under the eaves of the barn more wasteful than the same manure leached in the field where the liquid escapes down the streams? I believe that both methods are wrong and that the manure shed is the only correct way to handle manure."

There is a decided difference between the leaching of the manure in the field and allowing it to wash away, under the eaves of the barn, although as suggested, both methods could be improved. At the barn, the manure is invariably piled up under the eaves and catches not only the water that would otherwise fall on it but the barn roof gathers up much more and pours out on it. As this water slowly percolates through the three or four feet of manure it comes out fairly laden with the farmer's highpriced fertilizers and every bit of it is carried away beyond recovery or soaks into the ground where only the weeds get the



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benefit of it. None of it gets back to the field where it belongs

But when the manure is hauled directly to the field, the plant food that is leached out during the rains is practically all retained in the soil unless the surface is rolling and is inclined to wash. Very little actual plant food is leached out of the soil by the soil water and carried away in the under-drains. Another point comes up, however, which the inquirer doubtless had in mind. There is indeed great danger of losing the value of the manure by surface drainage, if the surface is rolling and the water is permitted to run off rapidly. Here is where the greatest danger lies in hauling the manure to the field as it is made.

In such cases if the manure cannot be spread on level ground. it had much better be protected in some way at the barn. No well organized farm should attempt to do business without making adequate provisions for taking care of the manure. A manure pit or shed should be just as essential and necessary as the corn crib or hay mow.

Sensible Summer-Fallow

The Indian Head station, though by no means in the dryest part of Canada, has for years led in advocating summer-fallowing liberally "to accumulate two years' moisture for one year's crop." Early rightly-tilled summer-fallow at this station, when the writer was there, showed as high as 35 bushels of wheat to the acre, while right alongside it vielded less than ten on land cropped the year before. Still more striking differences were made at some of the substations, and the one great gospel we heard from Indian Head and from there all over Western Canada, was dry farming by summer-fallowing one-third to one-half the land under cultivation. As a rule the man who tried to get around this failed to get much of a crop. To be sure there were exceptions to this certain seasons, and in certain slightly more moist sections, but they were exceptions, one year with another, in these parts even.

SUBBBB 2223 Average Acre Values of Prairie 3 **Provinces' Field Crops** ñ 23 22

The figures in the following table are derived from the Census and Statistics Monthly for December, 1914 and January, 1915.

Profits per acre for 1914 will vary with the cost of production, yield and market price.

Average Yields and Values Per Acre of Field Crops for the Prairie Provinces in 1914 and Some Profits Per Acre, 1913.

	Acre, 1913.								
Crops	Ave. yield acre bus.	Ave. price per bus.	Ave. value per acre	Profits per acre 1913					
Fall wheat	tons 18.40	per ton \$.96	\$17.66	4.53					
Spring wheat	16.50	1.13	18.64	2.15					
Oats	30.26	.45	13.62	.88					
Barley	21.63	.52	11.25	.76					
Flax	7.50	1.05	7.87	1.48					
Rye	20.97	.74	15.52						
Peas	17.25	1.47	25.36						
Mixed grains	25.25	.49	12.37						
Potatoes	130.09	.81	105.37						
Turnips and other roots		.62	159.74						
Hay and clover	1.57	8.09	12.70						
Fodder corn	3.74	4.87	18.21						
Sugar beets	6.00	5.00	30.00						
Alfalfa	2.47	13.21	32.63						

These figures are interesting in considering increased production for 1915. The cost of production includes the cost of preparation, seed, seeding, cultivation of crop, harvesting, threshing, wear and tear of implements and rental value of land. Preparation includes the cost of applying manure (if any). The value of the manure is counted as off-set by the by-products, straw, fibre, stalks.

Figures are not available for the profits per acre of the heavier yielding crops as potatoes, roots, etc., but their high values should not lead the farmer to overlook their increased cost of production.

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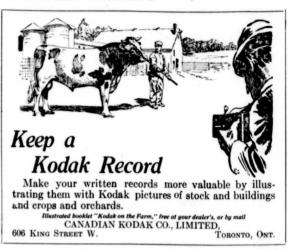
The clerk was at a loss, and the floor-walker minced up and took a part in the conversation.

'Now, how about my money back?" demanded the red-faced lady

"We return money when cases so justify. What is it-ribbons, shoes?"

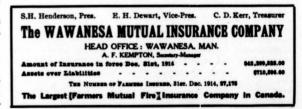
- "Naw; it's a book."
- "Has the book been read?"
- "Of course."

"Um. We can't return money on books, you know." The red-faced lady grew purple.





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The crop of 1914 with its fam-20 bushels would make the latter estimate.

ine prices toward the winter's end and its big slump in prices, when stocks were really small, is now a memory. Old wheat is no longer enquired for, though in ordinary years old wheat is at a big premium usually late into September, the new crop is high in grade and engrosses the attention of all the West. The farmer's jubilation in his great yield of high grade grain is almost surpassed in degree by the Western business man's gratification. The biggest crop by far in our history is being safely garnered, despite a season of freakish weather with little heat and frequent frosts. Western Canada has done herself proud as "the Granary of the Empire."

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But the drastic drop in all the grain markets of North America has, just at the beginning of marketing, brought home to the thoughtful farmer the fact that his grain markets are restricted and easily warped by the professional speculator. Europe played the part of an indifferent buyer and joined in selling down all North American markets. Quite confident of getting all she needs from the huge surplus of North America, she may follow her advantage further, always skilfully holding up that well-worked bugaboo "the early opening of the Dardanelles." So, growers must give special study to marketing carefully and as leisurely as possible, holding over till midwinter or later, as great a quantity as they can. All Farmers' Organizations have joined in a statement to this end.

Lake and Ocean boat space are both scarce, and high prices rule and likely will be higher as the movement gets heavier. Rates of exchange have recently been very adverse to our prices, in fact last week the discount amounted to as much as ten cents per bushel against us. This, it is hoped will be cured by the establishment of huge credits by Great Britain in the U.S.A. Another serious break in exchange rates when crop movement is heavy might bring a very serious drop in all American markets.

Estimates of the big crop by experts range from 222,184,071 bushels, in the case of the Free Press, to about 250,000,000 bushels by others. An average of

Hail damage in Saskatchewan was only 56 per cent of that of Harvesting has been last year. hurried during the most favorable weather and the movement of about 500 cars per day past Winnipeg shows that much threshing has already been done. The grade is remarkably high, for instance, on September 3rd, out of a total of 374 cars inspected, there were 14 cars of No. 1 Hard and 217 cars of No. 1 Nor. With the railways keen to make earnings after a lean year, and given fair threshing weather, the movement will likely be very heavy, and consequently prices forced unduly low. For the next three weeks, farmers would do well to sell on track as soon as cars are loaded, hence forestalling a probable drop in the market while en route.

To September 1st the movement of the American Winter wheat crop was hardly half what it was last year, owing to con-tinued rains. The American tinued rains. Spring wheat crop is relatively as much greater than that of 1914 as is ours greater than our last crop. So with three big crops to ship in the next few months, ocean boat space will be scarce. The Canadian Government is taking steps to get a large number of vessels into the grain trade. The United Kingdom will require about as much wheat as last year, France about 80,000,000, Italy about as much wheat as last year. Holland, Scandinavia, Switzerland, Spain and Portugal in excess of last year. Reserves of old crop in all these countries are light. The crop in Greece is only 60 per cent that of last year, Southern Russia has a good corp. but of course none of that is available for Western Europe until the Straits are opened. Should the Allies succeed in this great enterprise, all markets would likely have sharp sinking spells. Yet. if our Western farmers would put out what they absolutely must this fall, the market would likely soon steady, but at present a steady lowering trend of prices seem inevitable.

Coarse Grains

A few farmers early got their arley sold to arrive. Yet, ere barley sold to arrive. fifty cars of new barley had passed Winnipeg, the markets were down about 16c. The great wave



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of temperance sentiment which has swept Canada, and to a less extent the U.S.A., and the harvesting of large crops of barley on both sides of the line have brought barley down sharply until now, it is only a feed proposi-The narrowness of the tion. market since the recent Order-in-Council, prohibiting exports to any European country, save any one of our Allies, indicate lower prices for barley.

Oats have probably gone low enough, though ocean freight congestion may bring lower prices when the movement gets heavy. The crop is large and of good quality. In some districts, considerable frost damage was done.

Yet, Ontario and Quebec have big crops of oats and barley, though some have not been well saved, and Eastern demand will be slow for some months. Farmers should store at home till January, all possible oats and bar-The oat crop in the U.S.A. lev. is large.

Flax

This seed seems too low in The Free Press estiprice. mates the crop in Western Canada as 6,645,370 bushels, a comparatively small crop. The American Northwest hopes to thresh about 14,000,000 bushels. Taking seed out of this, the amount for crushing is not burdensome, and flax should improve in price ere long.

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Managing the Pig Crop 22223 23 23 Ways Which Help to Make Good Hogs B 23 By EDWIN HOUSTON 23 (Address given at the August annual meeting of the Texas Swine Breeders' association.) 3 23

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HERE are two features of pork production that are of the most importance, and that, if thoroughly mastered, will nearly always assure success in the fine art of hog raising. They are "Pig Management" and "Feeds and Feeding." · Either one of these questions could be used as the subject for a whole library.

The physical condition of the sow at the time she has been bred and during the period of pregnancy is most vital to the health and vigor of the future litter. This is usually a time, too, in a sow's life that is neglected and when nearly any kind of feed and care is considered good enough for her. Part of this is neglect, caused, no doubt, by the general teachings of hog men, that when a sow is too fat she will not raise the best pigs. This is so, all right, but it is also true that when she is too thin she will not do her best or even when she is carrying the right amount of flesh, but when that flesh is not of the right kind. I mean by this, when the meat carried is composed of too large a percentage of fat and not enough muscle.

Keep the Sow Gaining

The successful litters are usually had from those sows that are rather thin at the time of breeding and are gradually gaining in condition and continue to gain These gains until farrowing. should be made while the sow is in a pasture where she can take plenty of exercise and should be made from feeds that have a reasonable amount of protein in them, and, if possible, succulent feeds

What should be carefully avoided is to feed and handle the pregnant sow so as either to make her lazy and fat, or to let her get thin and unthrifty. The first condition will cause the loss of many pigs by overlaying and the second will tend to prevent a large enough milk flow. When either too thin or too fat the pigs will not be born with enough vitality to carry the largest number through the weaning stage and when the sow is in either of these undesirable conditions the pigs are much more apt to have scours, sore mouth or some other of the troubles that little pigs are heir to

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At Farrowing Time

It will be well worth your while to give the sow just a little extra care and attention just before she farrows. If she is in the right physical condition at this time she will be active, with plenty of flesh on her but not much fat, and if you can put her in a green lot with an individual hog house in it, there is every chance that she will do the very best that her breeding and individuality calls for. Some sows, no matter how carefully handled, have a tendency to get constipated before farrowing, but a little epsom salts given in the slop for a few successive feedings will put them right again.

Many of the pig losses occur while the sow is farrowing. It follows, then, that, if carefully watched at this time, she will save more pigs. Don't let yourself or anything else disturb her or irritate her in any way, as this may be disastrous.

Perhaps you have had a sow get away in the pasture and make her own nest and farrow without your help or attention and, if the weather was fair, you might have been surprised to find that she saved every pig farrowed. Rarely

Very Important Information to the Farmers of Manitoba Saskatchewan and Alberta

Since the date of our last letter to you regarding flax, the weather for the maturing of your crops has been all that could be desired over the greater portion of the provinces, resulting in estimates being made by experts of a large increase over previous years. Within the last two weeks several things have transpired to unduly depress the price of wheat. First, the decline in the price of sterling exchange, which in itself counts for several cents per bushel decline. Second, the prospects of the opening of the Dardanelles. Third, high freight rates across the ocean, which, we figure, will later on get down to more normal conditions. Fourth, the extreme anxiety of farmers to rush their grain forward and have it sold, which is practically the greatest depressing influence in both Canada and the United States. If the farmers would remember that the four chief reasons given above can be entirely altered in a day, they would not be so anxious to sell their grain on a declining market and at such low prices. This war is still going on and the devastation in the countries at war, no matter what is said to the contrary, is still very great, and we claim this war is yet a long way off being settled. We know that vessel owners are demanding ridiculously high freight prices across the ocean which will not be granted, and the will have

contrary, is still very great, and we claim this war is yet a long way off being settled. We know that vessel owners are demanding ridiculously high freight prices across the ocean which will not be granted, and they will have to reduce their rate several cents per bushel before much business will result, which will be added to the price of wheat. This hue and ery about the danger of the submarines is simply a tempest in a teapot, and could be compared favorably with a wreck on the C.P.R. in which a few box cars are destroyed. If the Dardanelles are opened in the near future, we do not consider this a bearish feature, as all the railways, which in time of peace are inadequate to the handling of grain, are at present being used to their fullest capacity in the handling of troops. This argument is freely used by speculators to depress prices, especially when farmers begin to rush their grain to market. The deeline of the sterling exchange is nothing more or less than the manipulation of large financiers of the continent to further depress prices. It is wonderful how all these arguments being put out now to depress prices can be changed to help advanced prices when the parties interested are ready. We would strongly advise farmers not to rush their grain to market, but if they have got to ship their wheat forward to terminal elevators it is not make them big advances against each carlot.

necessary for them to sell at once, because almost any commission firm can make them big advances against each carlot. In conclusion, we would say to the farmers not to pay any attention to reports circulated throughout the country to depress prices, as there is generally not a word of truth in the bulk of these reports. We claim that the great fear of lower prices takes hold of us all, which is one of the strongest features in depressing prices, and there is absolutely no reason for this fear, and we wave these more demined it. must try to guard against it.

If you entrust your grain to us you can rest assured we will handle it to the best of our ability, and will give you good advances on each car, and we will try to figure the situation out so that your grain will not be sold at ridiculously low prices. Just a word about flaxseed. We have no reason yet for changing

Just a word about flaxseed. We have no reason yet for changing our minds. Keep it back in your granaries. You will make from \$1.00 to \$1.50 per bushel more than present values by holding, and this advance may come sooner than you expect. We might just say that there is very little flaxseed in this country, and what there is is all badly frosted. If you are on the G.T.P. or the C.P.R., bill your grain to Fort William, Ontario, and if on the C.N.R., to Port Arthur, Ontario. Advise McBean Brox, Winnipeg, Man. We will always check up the grading and weighing. P.S.—It has just been reported that a large percentage of the winter wheat being shipped from the United States to Europe is arriving there in bad condition, due to excessive rains, and it will be wise for farmers to remember this item, because there are millions and millions of bushels of the same kind of wheat still in the United States which they are trying to get sold and shipped before it rots. This will be a strong bullish influence in advancing prices later on. es later or advancing pri



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will one be overlaid under such conditions.

Why Pigs are Lost

For a sow to kill her own pigs, either by eating them or by overlaying them, is against the laws of nature, to say the least, and can only happen by man-made, artificial environment and one not suited to her natural habits of life. Men are compelled to put swine under artificial conditions in order to make them the more profitable, but it is well to do this without breaking any fundamental natural laws of hog life. Most pigs are lost by lack of an understanding of these laws and the resulting unintentional abuse of the sow and litter.

Take the breeding life of a wild sow, for instance. She is first bred when nearly mature but still putting on flesh, and if she is fortunate in her foraging she will be in rather high condition when farrowing time comes, but will still be active and alert. She makes her own nest on the ground in some secluded spot and stays with her litter for the first few days very closely and her main sustenance is water. As the litter grows older she gradually forages for more food and when the pigs have gotten larger still they go out of the nests with her and begin to eat what she eats. Not until the pigs are eating well and are not dependent on her does she wean them. At weaning time she is very thin. Nevertheless, she will be usually bred again as soon as she finds enough food so that she can pick up in flesh and then, if the woods are provident, she will be in rather good shape by the time the litter arrives.

Of course, we can improve greatly on the profitableness of the wild hog and on the number of pigs farrowed. We don't let our sows fight with wild animals for the lives of their young, nor should we let them suffer for food as the wild usually do, but many a farmer can take lessons from a wild sow on pig management.

The Individual Hog House

The individual hog house is the best at farrowing time because it isolates the sow from other hogs and makes her less nervous and restless. Unless very wet, the ground is the best floor and unless the weather is very cold no more bedding is required than the sow can gather herself about the lot.

Many breeders contend that guard rails should be n a i l ed around the farrowing house on the theory that when a sow overlays her pigs she mashes them against the side of the house. Personally, I believe guard rails are worthless and the pigs that I have found overlaid were killed in the middle of the floor. I attribute the trouble of overlaying almost entirely to an improper condition of the sow, though it can sometimes happen on account of an uneven floor, too much bedding, extreme cold or just from a careless, nogood sow.

At Weaning Time

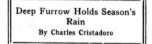
Weaning time is stunting time. If you get runts this is usually when they are made. Three mistakes are usually responsible.

First mistake, weaning too young. Pigs should never be weaned while they are heavily dependent on their mother's milk and too young may mean six weeks or three months, depending entirely on how you have trained them to eat.

Second mistake, giving the pigs unsuitable foods just before and just after weaning. The ration at this time should be very digestible, as nourishing as possible and of a kind pigs will eat greedily.

Third mistake, changing the range of the pigs at the same time you take their mother away from them. They are very restless anyway and unless they have old known feeding places to go to they are not as likely to thrive.

In conclusion let me say that many runts can be rejuvenated by simply putting the min separate pen from their larger mates and giving a little extra food and attention.



If you furrow your land twelve inches deep, plowing or say discing shallow at first, before the rain, and then after the first rain driving the plow-share deeply into the moist soil, you open the mouth of the earth to abundantly drink from the clouds. And the rain fills furrow and gravity takes it far down into the earth, there to be stored for future use. The saying that, "What goes up must come down," is reversed, for what water goes down in the earth must come up again or it will be of no service to the plant roots. So we start in and trap the moisture from the clouds, and once in the



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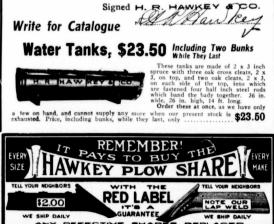
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ground, the trick, the science of good farming is to bring it up again so far as the root influence, and stop it there. Thus far and

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tion, would soon draw it away. So if a crop is to be put in after plowing (and summer fallowing be not employed, we start capillary attraction by subsurface packing the earth around the seed drilled in. The packed earth connects with the wet earth below, and thus a continuity is established , a capillary conduit established with the water stored below. The seed moist earth, when drilling follows, subsurface packis snugged into firm. ing, now having insured n

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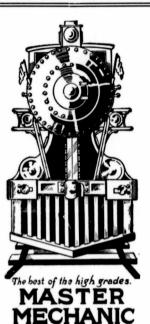
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the capillary uptrend of the moisture from the underlying stores, the next point is to see that the grain gets the free benefit of such moisture, and we accomplish that when we break the further capillary action by the mulching of the surface.

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once or twice, even after the grain is up, we destroy weed life and when we do that we prevent the water-sucking and transpiring roots and growth from dividing the stored moisture with the grain roots below. Hot winds and weeds will turn a sodden field wet six feet down, into a patch of desert land as dry as dust in an incredibly short period of time. When a wise farmer harvests his grain he will follow at once with the disc and harrow

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and freshly break and mulch his ground to retain, keep stored, any surplus moist-ure that was left unused in the ground after the crop was matured and harvested. That's e onomic, scientific and successful farming-the economic conservation of the unused moisture in the soil

If the land is to be summer fallowed the subsurface packing may be dispensed with, perhaps to the greater benefit along the lines of soil bacterization. When we open up the earth by plowing and mulch the surface the land does not lie idle by any means, even if it is summer fallowed and a crop be not drilled in. Bacterization, a clod of earth might seems to have no romance in it, but it was one of the most wonderful things imaginable. The soil was alive, it was a living machine, where microbes so small that 10,000,000 to 100,000,000 were contained in enough earth to cover a halfpenny were working together in a systematic way. They could not be



Studying the Operations of Gas Engines-Manitoba Agricultural College

the combined result of moisture, earth, humus and warm air goes on, in other words a plant food factory is kept in first class running order. The following from the London "Globe" illustrates the meaning of soil bacterization: "Professor W. B. Bottomley, in

a lecture recently delivered at the Royal Botanic Gardens, said that

seen and were only known by their work, and the greatest benefactors to the human race were those who promoted their activities. The wise gardener looked after their well being, for without them there would be no plant life and no human life, since all nutriment was drawn from the soil."



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N submitting his annual report for 1914, the Principal of Manitoba Agricultural College closes with the following paragraph: M "I desire to place on my appreciation of the fine

record my appreciation of the fine character of the young men and women who have enrolled as stu-Physically, intellectualdents. ly, and morally, I consider they are above the average of young people of similar age to be found elsewhere. It is noticeable that the education of those entering as first year students is gradually showing a higher standard, and being, for the most part, the sons and daughters of the pioneers of this western country, they come to us with a splendid determination to overcome difficulties and to make use of every department of the institution in improving and better fitting themselves for their life's work. As a result the conduct of the student body is good, and it is comparatively easy to maintain discipline within the College halls."

Coming from a land of universities, colleges and seminaries of all sorts it is a matter of the profoundest satisfaction not only to have such a high testimony written over the student body of our Western youth, but to be able from the closest intimacy of the past ten years to be able to substantiate it without one qualifying sentence.

Principal Black also pays a generous tribute to the character and ability of his teaching staff to which (speaking again from personal observation) we say that no encomium was ever more fairly and squarely earned.

The body and the soul of any institution are the men and women who run it—no less the struggling student with his text book and pencil than the professor of degrees and ponderous intellectual equipment. If bricks and mortar, cantilevers, cupolas and classroom furnishings were the main thing in an educational institution, surely Manitoba Agricultural College is second only to some other thing of its kind,

What Manitoba Agricultural College Means to Western Canada

which has yet to be designed and built.

The accompanying pictures do all that is needful to supplement what is common knowledge as to the magnificent scale on which the shell of our farmer's college has been conceived and carried out. We will not dwell on what are purely architectural details, either in terms of praise or censure except to say that if the governing body responsible for them started out with the feeling that nothing which brains could conceive or money might buy in bricks, mortar and classroom furniture, can be too good for the sons and daughters of the farms, that governing body is entitled to the fullest credit.

But no "governing body" can purchase a monopoly in character and brains. Judging by the salaries offered when vacancies have occurred, and the number of supremely able men and women who have created these vacancies in response to the overtures of other institutions with their own idea of enterprise, our M.A.C. governing body has never yet made a serious effort to establish a premium on character and real educational genius.

It has been one of the greatest privileges of our life to have come in touch, more or less intimately. with the men and women of the M.A.C. faculty almost from the day on which the doors of the old home of undying memories were opened on the banks of the Assiniboine. Without a single exception we have found them men and women whose sterling character not only commands the highest esteem, but is a perennial source of inspiration, particularly to the young folks who are brought in touch with them.

In many cases they have given abundant proof of exceptional scholastic attainments and teaching ability, and it has occasioned feelings of the deepest regret

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when we have learned that one and another of these have "resigned" in order to avail themselves of opportunities presenting something better in tangible acknowledgment of their services.

In the annual report already referred to we note that Principal Black expresses the same regret, and adds: "As this is the second time that serious losses have occurred in both those departments (animal husbandry and agronomy) and for practically the same reason in every case, it seems necessary that a change be made in our policy which will enable us to hold strong men when t ey have become sufficiently familiar with conditions in this country to render really valuable service. If important departments in this college are to continue to be training grounds for men for positions elsewhere, we undoubtedly will be great losers both in the losing of men and in the instability thus created in our staffs.

No one, however inexperienced in the conduct of an educational institution, can fail to endorse this very mild protest, which is really the only one we would seriously place on record while contemplating the future of the college.

The last weakness of any of these teachers whom we have been privileged to know and to follow in their educational work would be a tendency toward the mercenary habit of mind, to think that their worth and services could be tabulated on a scale of dollars and cents. Speaking from close personal observation they were first, second and last impelled by an inborn desire to "im-Their stock-in-trade is part." knowledge carefully specialised. It has filled them with a satisfaction known only to that being who is born with an insatiable heart-hunger for more information. As he gets it, the desire to impart it cannot be restrained, and in some men and women the

enthusiasm it begets reaches that degree of intensity known as "white heat."

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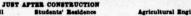
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That is largely the disposition of the teaching staff of Manitoba Agricultural College, and that so many of them have stuck to the institution almost if not altogether since its inception is not due to the policy of the "governing body" in its salary appropriations but in spite of it. While good men are not to be baited and corralled by dollars, in these days not even a parish dominie can lightly regard the subject of the national currency. The old "dominie" was never classed among the business men of his community, but to-day the teacher who is found wanting in business habits is considered a fool to every interest beginning with his own.

In point of value to society, there is an eternity of difference between the schoolmaster and the usurer, and if there is one employee of society more than another that commands its first, thought and its most generous recognition it is the schoolmaster. If there is one servant of the state more than another who should never find it necessary to remind his paymasters of what is "coming to him," it is the educator of the nation's young hope.

Manitoba Agricultural College —the permanent, living organism, not the set of buildings that may be moved at the caprice of mere politicians—is an institution operated by "men of education, enlightenment and character" for the training of more men (and women) of education, enlightenment and character. Acres of type are in existence

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Physics and Chemistry

certain "elevations," interior decorations, floor space, seating accommodation for people and breeding pens for pigs and poultry, but we have not yet seen one decent appreciation in these newsprints of the real heart and soul of the business which is simply this, that the young men and women of the Manitoba farms are far more concerned about and attracted by the character and personality of the living associations of the place than its "dead environment" even if it represents the very last thing in comfortable lodgings, immaculate cooking, perfect sanitation and a cheerful outlook.

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The "reason" for such a college and its special code of education is that "agriculture is the basic industry, and the success of all enterprises which contribute to the upbuilding of a new nation is dependent upon the extent to which the resources of the soil are util-ized and developed." This is the college "creed," so to speak, and it is lived out in every feature of ground work and new departure in the course-never forgetting that the young men and women under training have a home life to be cultivated no less than the business interests of their great outdoor profession.

Besides the unique facilities for gaining special knowledge in every department of agriculture which the college does afford, it aims from the outset of every student's career to make a man of him in every respect-able to take his place and do honor to it in any public sphere. Quoting from Professor Sproule: "Considerable time is given to this work (that of training for public speaking in the 'English' course) because we believe it most desirable that farmers be able to discuss intelligently and forcefully on the platform leading questions of the day, and to take their place in the legislatures of our country.'

Professor Sproule's department also provides for a course in farm book-keeping to first-year students; a course in rural economics to second year, one in general history to third year, and one in civics and constitutional history to fourth year men. A magazine (entirely conducted by the students) is regularly published, and practically the same work in English is taken with the young women that is mapped out for the men through the successive 'years" of residence at college.

Not the least remarkable work which is being accomplished by the college is through its provisions for the young women stu-

This department presents dents. a most gratifying record, and the arrangements outlined in the new 1915-16 calendar are on a particularly generous scale.

We strongly urge upon every reader who desires to make the most of his or her life in the splendid vocation of farming and in the household economy of farm-life to write to the college for a copy of this calendar. We say without reserve to every parent and guardian that to give their young people the advantage of a course at the M.A.C. is to give them the most perfect equipment for success that you can give them. To withhold it is to incur a responsibility that we should not care to carry if we could get rid of it at any personal sacrifice.

Since the people of Manitoba through their representatives of that day inaugurated and completed the transfer of the college to these buildings, a new governing body has been entrusted with the administration of its affairs. It is expected of this body that it will see to it that nothing shall be spared in talent, experience, energy and high character on the part of the teaching staff to fulfil the highest ideals and purpose of the institution.

This new administrative body has "come in" at a most propitious moment of our national life. It has the advantage of all the "hits and misses" of its predecessors to draw from in deciding as to what will do and what will not do. It has witnessed the utter collapse of a boasted "civilization" both in Europe and in Manitoba that will "paint a moral" for all time in the world's future.

They have been rudely awakened to the fact that "kulture" has had the bottom knocked out of it forever in so far as kulture stood for the ascendancy of mere in-tellectual craft. This body has scarcely started in yet, but its clean record, resting as it does on the acknowledged heart-qualities and rich experience of the men composing it encourages the belief that a new day has dawned for Manitoba-for the "true interest, the chief strength, the real power" in one of its greatest assets-its own College of Agriculture.

8 8 8 Good Reason

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Chimmie: "Huh! When de umpire owns de only bat, ball and glove and mask in de neighborhood?

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Girls' Cozy Corner

The Foolish Bee

Listen children! while I tell A sad but simple story, A foolish bee, one summer morn,

- A foolish bee, one summer morn, Lit on a morning glory So gay he looked, so fine he felt Al' dressed in black and yellow He wakked right into honey-hall, The dashing, greedy fellow! And straightway he began to sip As tho' to stay all summer! What cared he for work or hive, This dandy lazy hummer.

He robbed the flower of its sweets And dozed there all the morning; Tho he knew the flower would close He heeded not a warning. A gente zephyr passing by Looked in and saw him dozing And tried in yain to shake him out—

She saw the flower was closing.

"Ah well," she sighed, A worthless drone No time for melancholy. And wafting on she left him there A victim to his folly, The flower closed and shut him in, Poor silly, drunken fellow! And thus he died, a worthless bug All dressed in black and yellow.

Mrs. E.C.R.

Will the girls read the prize offer in the Boys' Department?

A Curious Fishing Scheme

By Betrice M. Parker

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\$165.31, the latter being made by a 12-year-old boy growing onions as a single crop. The 30 members of the club, 12 years old, made \$133.90 growing onions as a single erop. The 30 members of the second and single erop. The 30 members of the vegetables and flowers to the amount of \$1.376.25\$. The boys and girls belonging to this garden club live in a gardening district near a city where vegetables and flowers for a single eron, and the second s

Canadian Boys' Camp

The Whistling Farmer Boy

I've heard the greatest masters play The greatest masters 'art, I've heard the greatest orchestras Perform their sweetest part; Pianos, bands and violins Have added to my joy, But none can equal in my mind, The whistling farmer boy.

There's music in the warbling birds, There's music in the breeze, There's music in the brook's murmur, There's music in the trees; There's music in the beetle's buzz, And in the maiden coy, But none can cheer my heart just like The whistling farmer boy.

I've heard him at the morning's dawn, When rising from his cot, Whistling a tune that sweetly told His joyous, happy lot. Kitchen and halls, woodshed and barn Rang and echoed aloud, With tunes that told o'r his young life, There hung no dismal cloud.

Throughout the day of manly toil, If you should only ask, He labors with a zest and smile, Unconscious of his task,

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And when in darkness nature sleeps, And others rest enjoy, You can hear across hill and plain, The whistling farmer boy.

And oh! if we, the aged ones, Could so happily meet The tasks that fate brings to our hands, Bitter lives would be sweet; And when by heavy burdens pressed, If we'd only employ His spirit, we'd be happy, too, like The whistling farmer boy. Noel Johnson.

It always pays to be a gentleman, there is no doubt about that. An in-stance comes to our notice of where a waiter in a restaurant was courteous to a homesick Englishman. Some time afterward the waiter was surprised to receive notice that the Englishman had died and left him \$70,000. It is rarely that good manners and kind acts are thus materially rewarded but the respect and good will of one's fel-lowmen are sufficient reward for acting as a gentleman.

"Taint no use to grumble and complain, It's just as cheap and easy to rejoice, When God sorts out the weather and sends rain,

Why rain's my choice.

Prize Offer Open Another Month

First—How many can describe the flags of different nations? Just now we should be familiar with the flags of nations

To the boy who sends in a description of the most flags I will send a dollar. This offer is also to girls.

Second—Boys and girls are cultivating gardens this year. I will send a dollar to the boy who sends in the best descrip-tion of his garden. The same prize is open to girls.

too the selection of the same pile is open to girls. Third—How many have a camera? It may be that on your place or near by, there is some curiosity of nature, a cave, a queerly shaped rock, a picturesque river, or, it maybe, some relie of former days such as an old fort, a monument. Get a good picture of these. Write out whatever facts you can assertain about the photograph and mail it. Or perhaps you have a picture of a feld or garden or animal on the farm. For the most interesting photo taken by the sender of the photo I will give as a prize one dollar. This is open to both boys and girls. Mow boys and girls get busy. Let us see who shall win. The competition will

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close 30th of October, and the prizes will be sent as soon as the work is published. Send all communication to P. R. H., 983 Grosvenor Ave., Winnipeg. Let us have a bright and interesting department for next month. Pest wishes to all.

Cousin Doris.

The Breaking Plow

Nixon Waterman, in Success.

I am the plow that turns the sod That has lain for a thousand years; Where the prairie's wind-tossed flowers nod

nod And the wolf her wild cub rears. I come, and in my wake, like rain, Is scattered the golden seed; I change the leagues of lonely plain To fruitful gardens and fields of grain For men and their hungry breed.

I greet the earth in its rosy morn, I am first to stir the soil. I bring the glory of wheat and corn For the crowing of those who toil; I am civilization's seal and sign, Yea, I am the mighty pen That writes the sod with a pledge divine, A promise to pay with bread and wine For the sweat of honest men.

I sm the end of things that were And the birth of things to be, My coming makes the earth 10 stir With a new and strange decree; After its slumbers, deep and long, I waken the drowsy sod, And sow my furrow with lits of song To gladden the heart of the mighty throng ' Slow feeling the way to God.

A thousand summers the prairie rose Has gladdened the hermit bee,

Has gladdened the hermit over, A thousand winters the drifting snows Hrve whitened the grassy sea; Before me curls the wavering smoke Of the Indian's smoldering fire, Behind me rise—was it God who spoke At the toil-enchanted hammer's stroke? The town and the glittering spire.

I give the soil to the one who does,

For the joy of him and his, I rouse the slumbering world that was To the diligent world that is;

Consider angent world that is; Consider with vision that looks away A thousand long years from now. The marvelous nation your eyes survey Was born of the purpose that here, to-day. day, Is guiding the breaking-plow

Morgan's Fondness for Dogs

The late J. Pierpont Morgan was very fond of all dogs and had a just apprecia-tion of their admirable qualities. He is reported to have said on a certain oc-casion, "Perhaps if men had four legs and could bark they would be more truthful and less treacherous."

The Multi be more truthful and less treacherous."
The abuse or cruel treatment of a dog may one always aroused his indignation. Some years ago a handsome colle belonging to a neighbor in New York was run where the second of the se

The Whip I looked around and saw a man carrying under his arm a number of small whips. He was surrounded by a group of boys who, not having money to purchase, were looking on with wistful eyes. Curious to ascertain whether the man could earn a livelihood in this occupation, I watched him for nearly an hour, at the end of which time he had already sold six.



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The first was purchased by a woman o pleasing appearance for a little boy about two years old, whose first employment of it was in striking his mother. Another child, walking with its nurse, also bought one and immediately began to whip a little stray dog that was looking for its mester

whip a little stray dog that was knowing to its master. Another, rather older than the others, after making a similar purchase, laid it on the back of some sheep which a butcher's boy was driving to a slaughter-house. A fourth quickly loreed a poor eat to take refuge in the shop from which she had just ventured. The fifth, a bad-looking fellow, bargained for one, and then refused to buy it because it would not give sufficient pain. I was disgusted with the cruelty, and was just turning away when I saw a kind-looking man, who was holding a little boy

by the hand, stop to purchase one, but a sign from me made him change his pur-pose. He passed on and I fol owed him.

Address

pose. He passed on and I fol owed him. "Sir," said I, "excuse the libe ty I have taken. I think you have done well not to place a whip in your little boy's hand lest it should have produced in him a love of giving pain to which, judging from his face, he is as yet a stranger." "Look," I continued, as we approached the end of the street, which made a rapid descent, "at those two wretched horses, which can hardly keep their footing on the slippery pavement—see how cruelly the driver is flogging them. You may be sure their driver had a whip for his first toy."

education. He begins as a boy by flogging his wooden horse, and afterwards flogs the real horse and all the animals under his nower."

power." "I am resolved," said he, "never again to place a whip in the hands of a child."

A little stream had lost its way Amid the grass and fern; A passing stranger scooped a well, Where weary men might turn; He walled it in, and hung with care A ladle at the brink; He thought not of the deed he did, But judged that all might drink, He passed again, and lo' the well, By summer never dried, Had cooled ten thousand parching tongues, And saved a life beside. —Charles Mackay

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"You are right," he said. "Yes," said I, "a man, naturally harsh and cruel, becomes still more so by his

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Nature, so far as in her lies, Imitates God, and turns her face To every land beneath the skies, Counts nothing that she meets with base, But lives and loves in every place. Tennyson.

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It was Alice Carey who said: "Look for goodness, look for gladness, You will find it all the while; If you bring a smiling visage To the glass, you meet a smile.

The light of friendship is like the light of phosphorus, seen when all around is dark.—Crowell.

Complain! when God has been so good to

And when His blessings with my days in-

crease, Giving for every day of misery A recompense of tranquil days of peace: Even as the morning, with her smiles and Link. light, Is over-payment for the weary night. —Phoebe Carey.

He who is boasting of his ancestors is ike the potato plant: the best part of it is down in the ground.

We are told to let out lights shine in this world, that others may see our good works and derive some enjoyment also.

A bright sunny face always wins con-fidence.

Home Economics

Miami

The officers of the Miami H.E.S. went to Roland by auto on Saturday, July 17th, and conducted the Roland H.E.S. meetand conducted the Roland H.E.S. meet-ing. The meeting was opened by singing "The Maple Leaf For Ever," after which the sec-treas., Miss Bowman, read the correspondence, which was duly discussed. Miss Seip, 1st vice-pres., then gave a valuable paper on the food value of cheese. Some discussion followed, which brought out the facts that cheese was a substitute for beef, eggs, fish, fowl, etc. Then followed the appointing of committees as follows: programme, social, finance and refreshment, the ladies for each committee being equally chosen from those mittees as follows: programme, social, finance and refreshment, the ladies for each committee being equally chosen from those of the town and farm. Mrs. Kerr then gave an excellent paper on the care of young turkeys, which was well received. After this, new members names were taken and every lady joined except those who were visitors from other towns. This made the total membership thirty-nine. Mrs. McNevin then read a paper on the relation between the home and school and, judging by the applause, this paper greatly pleased the Roland ladies. Over 45 ladies were present and the meet-ing was very lively and thoroughly en-joyable. After singing God Save the King, dainty refreshments were served by the Roland ladies. This brought to a close a real pleasant and beneficial meeting of the H.E.S.—The Miami H.E.S. served meals on Sth July, Fair Dav, and the receipts at the door amounted to \$53.10 which goes towards the upkeep of our Rest Room.

Home and School

By Mrs. A. McNevin, Pres. of Miami H.E.S.

These two are linked together by in-numerable associations; they stand side by side in our earliest recollections and it is side by side, shoulder to shoulder, that

those institutions should face their foe: Ignorance with her brood of attendant evils

Ignorance with her brood of attendant voils. United, the home and school may do much, in the words of Arnold, "to make an intelligent being more intelligent," and "to make the right prevail." Standing aloof from each other—nay, as they are too often, opposed to each other—cach must fail to accomplish its part in pro-ducing men and women of the highest type, fitted to carry on the world's work, physical, mental and moral. The unsympathetic attitude of teachers toward parents and of parents towards teachers, which too often prevails, is due to causes which have long cassed to exist. In the old world in olden times the peasant children were taught by teachers who had the privilege of a liberal education and who sometimes looked with a contemptuous pity upon people who understood neither Latin nor Greek. They emphasized the ignorant masses, of subjection to the authority of the wise among whom they. Latin nor Greek. They emphasized the ignorant masses, of subjection to the ignorant masses, of subjection to the authority of the wise among whom they, of course, numbered themselves. The peasant children, bright and intelligent in regard to other things than books, re-sented this "1-know-it-all attitude" on the part of the teacher and often doubted if book-learning gave much power to do what was required of the laborer in the field or in the workshop. Here in Canada other causes con-tributed to the antagonism between the teacher and the taught. Before free schools were established, there was in Canada no real class of teachers. The teachers were derelicts from other pro-fessions, maimed soldiers often too much addicted to drink, clergymen whose habits forbade their wearing the gown, doctors no longer able to practise. The discrepancy between the moral lessons presented to the teachers was too glaring. Children have a keen eye for hypocrisy, half-drunken men have some of the characteristics of the brute and the rod was applied without mercy and with-out discretion. Some of the pripildices

rod was applied without mercy and with-out discretion. Some of the prejudices created by those past ages still linger among us

It is for you and me to do our part in consigning them to the limbo of the past, where they belong with the burning of witches, the rack and the thumb-screw. We live in a better day. The Canadian teachers are of your own class, your sons and daughters in whom you renew your youth. The object they set before them is not mere outward sub-mission to the authority of the Church or the State. Children are not taught that one of the main things in life is to pull one's forelock to the squire or curtsy to the clergyman. one's forelock to the squire or curtsy to the clergyman. The avowed object of our education is

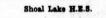
the clergyman. The avowed object of our education is to aid in evolving intelligent pure-hearted men and women, fitted to play a worthy part among that most honorable of all classes—the world's efficient workers in all kinds of honest endeavor. Western teachers are not a permanent class. Young ladies spend from three to five years teaching and pass on to make way for others. It follows that our teachers are mostly young and inex-perienced. It is by no means an unmixed evil. Youth is the period of enthusiasm, of high hopes and lofty ideals. Man, it marble," and the mudstains often show more plainly as we advance along the vulness, and a love for little children are often better than years of practical ex-perience in the schoolroom. Some old parobne," Wake life pleasant foryour young tacher and you will seldom ins your reward in better service. I shall say little of what is conmonly as down in the program of studies and

considered the ordinary work of the schools as laid down in the program of studies and shall only refer to the great work the Western schools are accomplishing as a melting pot through which the foreign element passes in becoming good Can-adians. Here the teacher needs assis-tance. The narrow-minded men and women who speak contemptuously of our foreign-born population as dagos, freezers, te.give wrong impressions to their etc., give wrong impressions to their children and retard the good work which should be done in making those strangers feel that this is indeed their own country

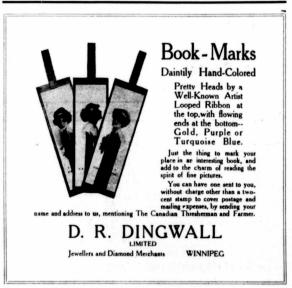
The home can aid the school in matters of discipline. If Johnny hears his teacher spoken of as a stuck-up thing who puts all she gets into clothes, and does not earn half what she gets, Johnny will likely make trouble in school. In helping the teacher you help yourself. Don't expect a young and inexperienced girl to control your boys and girls unless you do so yourself. A word of commendation costs little and is often more effective than censure. No sacrifice is too great to make in order that our sons and daughters —the men and women of the near future— Many unlovely children ding to the skrits of ignorance and none of us is wise in all things. We cannot hand over to anyone the responsibility of training our children, any more than we can hire a man to say our prayers or regulate our thoughts. Teacher and parent must work together and the chief responsibility must rest upon the parent.

together and the chier responsionity must-rest upon the parent. Each village, each rural community, has its own spirit, its own special char-acteristics, and it is well that it should be sees to life. One district is pre-eminent for outdoor sports, another for music, a third for public speaking, and so on. When our teacher can aid us in these things we should avail ourselves of their services as far as possible. Teachers, however, are transient, the community spirit is permanent, and we must find those among ourselves public-spirited enough to carry on the work ourselves. No teacher is an all-round expert, but with proper encouragement the lady teacher form of work or amusement which will benefit the community. The women of the community should

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The Shoal Lake H.E.S. was organized in May, when Miss Crawford gave a demonstration on cooking in the Town Hall and started our society, with the following officers: Pres., Mrs. J. M. Cameron; vice-pres., Mrs. Matheson, Mrs. J. D. McLean; sec-treas, Mrs. H. Sykes. We have three committees, viz: program, membership and room com-



mittee and have now thirty-six members on the list. Papers are given each month by differ-ent members. In June our topics were: Cold Dishes for Hot Days—1st, Cold Meats, Meat Rolls, Meat Pies and Jellied Chicken, Mrs. W. Stevenson. 2nd, Fruit Salad, Mrs. F. Dobbs. 3rd. Marehmallow Pudding, Mrs. I. D. MeLain. After that were given two papers: 1st, Prevention of Flies, Mrs. Statker. 2nd. Home and Its Influence, Mrs. Markle. In July our topics were: 1st, Preserving of Eggs, Mrs. S. Stevenson. 2nd, Pre-serving of Fruits, Mrs. Macdonald. 3rd, Apaper on Woman's Suffrage, contributed by Mrs. Robertson and read by Mrs. Matheson.

by Mrs. Robertson and read by Matheson. For the large Grain Growers' pienic in July the room committee provided a rest tent in the show grounds with seats and ice water. It was much appreciated by the visiting ladies and children.

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ed he M. n, H The secretary of the Shoal Lake society makes this very kind request: "Do you know of any district in Manitoba where the farmer's wives and families are in need of clothes? We might be able to send a barrel as we have done so in con-nection with our church work and the LO.D.E."

Portage la Prairie

Aug. 10, 1915 My dear madam:— Meeting opened by singing "The Maple Leaf For Ever." President then called for minutes of last meeting which were read and adopted after which the treasurer reported an expenditure of \$147.50, leaving 50c in the tills.

expenditure of \$147.50, leaving 50e in the tills. Mrs. Taylor then gave the report of the social committee followed by Mrs. Mc-Kenzie who gave report of programme committee after which Mrs. McKenzie read the report of the Burnside H.E.S. given in the Canadian Thresherman. It proved most interesting. At this point Miss Gribb gave an in-strumental which was much appreciated; Mrs. Y. B. Millar followed with a paper on canning and preserving which was very instructive, after which the subject was fully discussed. Mrs. J. D. McKenzie then read a paper from the College asking what courses and demonstrations proved most successful and it was decided to ask for a three weeks' course in woodwork for boys, also to ask for a once-a-week for five weeks' cooking class. cooking class.

The meeting then closed by singing, "God Save the King."

Yours truly, Kate Brydon, cor. sec.

Manitou

Aug. 7, 1915. The Manitou H.E.S. met in the Rest The Manitou H.E.S. met in the Rest Room to-day for the regular August meet-ing. After the routine business was over, a discussion was held as to the best way of collecting both money and work in aid of the Red Cross Society, many good suggestions were offered it being finally decided to make our September meeting a Red Cross Day. Every member is asked to bring a pair of socks and at our meetings hereafter a collection will be taken, which will be used in buying sup-plies for the members to make up. Miss Moore read an instructive paper on Art. She dealt particularly with Art in the home as applied to pictures, draperies and furnishings, and the great art of

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find piessure esewnere. We will hold our future meet-ings in the Orange Hall for the Rest Room is used so much by the women and children of the locality, it seems unfair to take it for our own use. A dainty lunch was served by the com-mittee in charge, and this meet-ing closed with the <u>1</u>National anthem. anthem.

Lilian M. Gillulain.

The Emerson H.E.S. (like most of the others) is working carnestly for the soldiers. Our monthly meetings are being regularly held and we have had enjoyable meetings although our program has fre-quently been omitted for discussion on the Red Cross work and the cutting and giving out of material for garments, etc., for the laddies at the front. Our Sociaty held a Red Cross Tea in

Our Society held a Red Cross Tea in March. (This may have been reported

First Year Cooking Class at Work.—M earlier.) The proceeds were \$134, \$100 being forwarded immediately and \$34 kept for to purchase material. In June we canvassed the town and vicinity meeting with a generous response. Some \$200 being collected, \$100 of this being at ones sent to Headquarters and the re-mainder retained for working purposes. Our Society (besides the blankets previously reported) have made up the following articles: 24 signing, 24 gray flannel night shirts, 26 kelmenes, 23 searves, 5 pair socks, 17 pairs prize al shirts, 26 nelmenes, 23 searves, 5 pair socks, 17 pairs birts, 20 khaki service shirts. We are now working on more birts, 20 khaki service shirts. We are now working on more birts and knitting. On Sock Day 167 pairs of socks were used to the Society. Wis Kate Crawford, which was mijoyed by the members. She wijoyed by the members. She avie us a praetical demonstra-tion of how to prepare three attractive and nourishing dishes, We hope to have he re soon again to address the society. E. B. C. B.

First Year Cooking Class at Work .- Manitoba Agricultural College

Wawanesa

The Home Economic Society of Wawanesa has been very busy during the summer

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The Emerson H.E.S. (like most

divided between The Free Press, Telegram and Tribune to be sent to the hospitals for the boys at the front. Hazel M. McKenzie, sec-treas.

Hartney The regular monthly meeting of the Hartney H.E.S. meet in the emporium of the Town Hall, Friday afternoon at 3 the o'cle ck with a small attendance owing to

harvest being in full swing. As the roll was called each member responded to her name by giving a recipe. This proved of great interest to the ladie

Miss Sutton rendered a humorous read-ing entitled "The Village Dressmaker," which all enjoyed.

Those present enjoyed the meeting very much, although hardly a representa-tive meeting, so few being present. O. M. H.

Have You Signed the Petition?

The women of Manitoba are signing a The women of Manitoba are signing a petition to present to the government for the Franchise. The following posters are being circulated through the Province. I trust every woman reader of this page who lives in Manitoba will sign this petition. Send to Mrs. F. J. Dixon, 694 Sherbrooke Street, Winnipeg, for the petition forms.

MANITOBA WOMEN! ATTENTION! MARCH!

By Lillian Beynon Thomas

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women to sign, to show that they wish the feranchise. Get a petition form now, and see that every woman in your district signs it. No woman who wishes to see the women enfranchised can afford to be idle. Mrs. F. J. Dixon, 604 Sherbrooke Street, Winnipeg, will send you the petition forms if you send her a card stating the number you wish. Each petition form holds thirty names. The Political Equality League, The Grain Growers' Association, The Women's Chris-tian Temperance Union are all helping to circulate these petitions. Give these societies a helping hand, if there is not, get a petition form and circulate it yourself.

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EQUALITY JUSTICE Why Manitoba Women want to Vote

By Winona Flett Dixon

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ARE PEOPLE. BECAUSE we believe just government rests upon the consent of the governed. Women have to obey the laws, and suffer the full penalty for breaking them, therefore, they should have an equal voice with men in the making of the laws they have to obey. BECAUSE we believe taxation without representation is tyranny. Women are taxed, yet are not permitted to say how they wish this money spent.

BECAUSE enfranchising women will quicken their eivic sense, and bring into public life a humanitarian element which will work for better conditions in the home, in the school, in the factory, in society.

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If YOU Don't Want a Vote for Yourself, Sign the Petition for Those Who Do

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Mother's Corner

A Mother Prayer By Marian Kepperley Lord, fill my heart with a deep desire To know Thee better still; That through me this dear child of mine May sweetly know Thy will.

I would not hide from her dear eyes The sunshine of Thy face; And that sh., too, may know Thee well, Oh grant me fuller grace.

The Wanderer To think I should have sought for God

In every corner of this sod:— Among the everlasting hills, Along the trails of mountain rills;— In valleys radiantly gay, Beneath the trees betrothed to May;—

Beneath the trees betrothed to May, Beside the sea-enamored strand, Across the desert's burning sand;— In crowded mart and quiet glen, In all the many walks of men,— To turn, at length, unreconciled, And find Him through a little child!

Amusing Baby

And nut thin through a more child. **Annual Raby** The Mowing letter from Mrs. F. W. B., when you way that with her work and the property full, but that her work and the property full, but that her babies are well when you way the work and the property property full, but that her babies must be done property full, but that her babies must be done property full, but that her babies are well with property of the babies of the babies of the babies property full, but that her work and the property property full, but that her babies have be done property full, but that her work and the property with pillows, and set it on the table where here. Now, he simply sits of the property here haves contented as low y and the property here haves and the older one sits property here haves and so and and the sits property here haves and so and and the sits property here haves and when here the hirth property here haves and when here haves and the souther the property of here haves and the sits property here haves and when here haves and the souther the property of here haves and the here haves and the souther the property of here haves and th

The Child's Reading

The Child's Reading It is a great blessing to a child to like to read, and parents should do all in their power to stimulate the desire to read when they find their children lacking in it. Most children like to have stories told to them. If the child learns to enjoy being read to he will be likely to want to read his favorite stories when he becomes able to, read

favorite stories when he becomes able to, read. If the mother whose children show no tendency to read has a task on her hands, that they may be led to enjoy reading because of the rich treasures it gives them access to, so also has the mother whose children are born readers, a task to per-form. The born reader will read. He will find an opportunity, he will find read-ing matter, and the problem before the mother is to see that only suitable reading matter is placed in his hands. He gets his ideas of life very largely from his

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Promises—Kept and Broken The statement, "His word is as good as his bond," made by those who through long-time acquaintance or business deal-ings, are in a position to know, is one of the highest compliments that can be paid an individual. If this feeling is sopportunity for influencing for good will be unending. On the other hand, the unkept promise to the child may mark the generally of his lack of faith in people generally, and his failure to realize the necessity for keeping his own word un-broken.

necessity for keeping his own word un-broken. If there were no reason for keeping one's promise to children other than pre-cluding the pain of disappointment, this habit should be carefully nurtured and developed. But the greater sin of being responsible for the careless life of one whose trust has been shattered, should make it imperative that we diligently guard our statements and see to it that none is made which we do not intend to fulfill—especially when it is made to one of limited years and experience, and whose life is a composite of the influences with which he comes in contact.



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A BIG EDUCATIONAL COURSE **ON WHEELS**

The better farming trains operated over the lines of the railways in the Prairie Provinces, appear to be meeting with a considerable measure of success and provincial agricultural authorities are convinced that the work so carried on will result in the spread of better agricultural practices throughout the

agricultural practices throughout the country. When such a lecture train completed its itinerary over the lines of the Ca-madian Northern in Saskatchewan re-cently, a compilation of statistics showed that, in all, 10,464 persons had boarded the cars at the various stop-ping places, thirty-four in number, and that of this total, approximately forty-five hundred were men, thirty-five hun-dred women and the remainder children. five hundred were men, thirty-five hun-dred women and the remainder children. The weather was unfavorable most of the time. At some of the points when lectures were given rain fell continually and a great many people were unable to attend on account of the conditions of the roads. The Saskatchewan Government representatives expressed themselves as greatly pleased with the attention given the train under the cir-cumstances. cumstance

cumstances. The Canadian Northern Railway train was made up of standard sleeping and dining cars, a nursing car, house-hold science car, model farm car, crop production car, boy's and girl's car, colonist car, refrigerator car, and a wa-ter car. Designation streamers were attached to the outside of the cars with lettering in letters large enough to be easily read, and when the train stopped at a station there was no con-fusion among the people. The children gravitated naturally to the "Boy's and Girl's" car, where lantern slides of various birds and insects were thrown on the screen and their good and bad habits explained. The older people, bent on more scrious matters, were ac-cordingly enabled to give close atten-tion to the lectures in the other cars. The "Crop Production Car" contained samples, mounted, of flax, oats, alfaffa. Canadian Northern The Railway

tion to the lectures in the other cars. The "Crop Production Car" contained samples, mounted, of flax, oats, alfalfa, western rye grass, wheat, millet, peas, barley, brome grass and clover. There were also illustrations of alfalfa in rows, of alfalfa seed cutting, alfalfa for seed, classes of barley, sample of corn, classes of wheat. There also, were descriptive charts illustrative of experiments of cropping fallowed land during a dry year as against the plow-ing fallow when land is free from grass and other perennial plants; carly as against late fall cultivation; effect of harrowing on yield of wheat; wheat yields on stubble land; alfalfa for for-age and seed; influence of tillage on 1914 wheat yields; rates of seeding in wet and dry seasons; effect of packing for second crop of wheat; effect of harrowing on fall-cultivated land, and charts showing relative increase in pro-duction moder different acid cultivation charts showing relative increase in pro-duction under different soil cutlivation. The Model Farm car, contained section

duction under different soil cultivation. The Model Farm car, contained section of barn showing method of bracing, sheep barn, cow stall, pig pen, split log drag, fence, home-made cattle stan-chion, photos of all kinds of stock and mountings of soil products. This car also contained the poultry section, showing model of portable poultry house, photographs of the different kinds of fowls, Saskatchewan trap nest, fattening crate, feed hopper for use on range; oats sprouter, hen coop. Cornell trap nest, Newmaine trap nest, result of experiments showing the effect of water glass and lime water on egg preservation, complete surgical outfit for operating on fowls and sample of proper food for fowls. In addition, the literature was in this car, and printed matter pertaining to agriculture was freely distributed. The Nursery Car was equipped with and boxes, toys and made un beda

freely distributed. The Nursery Car was equipped with sand boxes, toys and made up beds. This car was also a valuable addition to the train; mothers were able to leave their children in car and attend lectures without the usual annoyance. The chief speakers included: The Hon. W. W. Motherwell, Minister of Agriculture, Kegina; Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Kegina; W. W. Thompson, Director Co-Operative Organization Department, Agriculture,

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Regina; Professor John Bracken, Charge Field Husbandry, Agricultural College, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan; F. H. Red, K. Representative Dom. Seed Branch, Regina; A. Phillips, Representing Poul-ture, Rosthern, Saskatchewan; P. Stew-art, District Representative, Ontario Department of Agriculture, Kenora, Ont; Mrs. Jean Archibald, Professor Household Science, Saskatoon, and Miss E. Thompson, Leeturer on care of chil-dren, Saskatoon. The lectures usually required three hours in each town, and longer in some roses, owing to the late arrival of some of the visitors. The usual pro-redure was to keep the car closed for a few minutes after arrival, and until the people had gathered, when the cars would be opened and the audience dis-

tributed. Mr. Reed was generally the first speaker and lectured on the crop production and other points of field husbandry, followed by Prof. Bracken who dealt with soil cultivation. Mr. Mooney lectured on the eradication of obnoxious weeds. The Hon. Mr. Moth-erwell dealt with general farming con-ditions. Mr. Stewart spoke on stock-raising and dairying and at several points gave demonstrations of milk testing. Mr. A. Fawcett looked after the Model Farm Car, and answered questions regarding building matters. Mr. Phillips lectured on poultry raising and egg preservation and at the prin-cipal points gave demonstrations of the killing, plucking and preparing of chick-ens for market. Mrs. Archibald lec-tured on Household Science and gave demonstrations in cooking.

Only a Dog

"Only a dog!"—And yet a dog is the truest of all friends, the most forgiving, the most generous.

He will go with his master anywhere, and if fairly treated is always happiest at

He would live with him in poverty and ffering rather than in luxury without su. him. Wh

him. Whether of high breeding, and his value counted by the hundreds, or the weakest nalf-starved cur that roams the city's streets, the faithful, loving heart is the city's

You cannot give the poor outcast the least kindness - a crust of bread, a dipper of water, even a pat and a kind word-without awaking a gratitude that bright-ens his eye and changes his whole aspect. Mary Johnson. Mrs. Mary

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A New Mail Order Jewelerv Market

directing the We have pleasure in We have pleasure in directing the notice of our readers to the announce-ment in this issue of a new departure in the mail order method of supply to the farm homes of Canada. Louis Jacobs & Co., Ltd., of Winnipeg, are issuing a finely illustrated catalogue of high class jewelery. watches, silverware, plated goods, cut glass, cutlery, etc., containing come fine examples of a very large stock. goods, cut glass, cutlery, etc., containing some fine examples of a very large stock, in every case representing what appears to be excellent value. The catalogue speaks for itself. We are glad to bear testimony to the respectability and financial standing of this firm and to point out that it seeks to deal with its correspondents on the only satisfactory basis on which any trustworthy business basis on which any trustworthy business house can carry on a mail order con-nection, viz.: perfect satisfaction or the remitted for goods will be refunded.

The catalogue will be sent free to any request and charges are prepaid on all goods ordered from it.

"And all that makes the world so fair, Help us to do the things we should; To be to others kind and good, In all we do and all we say, To grow more loving every day."

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RECIPES

The following method for canning vegetables I have taken from The Deline-ator, as I believe many women would like to can their vegetables if they could learn of a reliable method.

A New Way to Can Vegetables The Cold-Pack Method is Not Difficult, and it Succeeds By Mae McGuire Telford

Difficult, and it Succeeds By Mae McGuire Telford Any woman can preserve vegetables as successfully as fruits. But the process is not the same: a little more time and labor are necessary. The dificulty in former days arose because the cause of fermenta-tion was not well known, so the remedy could not be applied with certainty. Vegetables in general contain very little of the acids that discourage bacteria; on the other hand, they contain large amounts of proteid, the food most hos-pitable to bacteria. Moreover, the bac-teria always present in corn, beans, and other vegetables have a peculiar life-his-tory that makes them extremely resistant to heat. Under favorable conditions they live and multiply as other similar growths,

tory that makes them extremely resistant to heat. Under favorable conditions they live and multiply as other similar growths, but under unknorable conditions they form thick-walled bodies called spores, which are able to retain their vitally even if bolied for hours. **The Little Spores Work Havoc** It was these spores that worked havoc in the jars of our mothers and grand-mothers. Long-continued boiling of the vegetable to be canned failed to kill all present; the few or many that escaped so rapid as to spoil all the contents. Although the spores are able to resist ong time, the bacteria that develop from them can not. Therefore the problem of recent investigators has been to devise a means of making the spores develop into bacteria at examing time, and then to kill these bacteria by boling. Fortunately a certain means of doing this has been dis-covered. It was found that boling does not kill the spores; in fact, it stimulates within twenty-four or forty-eight hours. Hence the method now used with com-pled success in canning vegetables of all inde jars.

Hence the method how used with com-plete success in canning vegetables of all kinds in the home without special appara-tus is to boil the vegetable for an hour to tus is to boil the vegetable for an hour to kill all bacteria present and to stimulate the spores; then to seal the jars and let them stand for twenty-four hours so the teria; and finally to boil the vegetable again for an hour to kill the new crop. Generally the boiling is repeated on the third day to make sure that no spores escape. This method of canning can be used with certainty by any housewife who will observe ordinary cleanliness and follow simple directions. The method is known by various names. Because the vegetable is put into the jars cold before cooking it is coming to be called the "cold-pack" method. It is perhaps best illustrated with corn, so directions for canning corn are here given in detail:

are here given in detail: **The Cold-Pack Method in Canning** <u>Corn</u> Use the best grade of sweet corn. Select ears that are not too hard, and do the canning as soon as possible after the ears are pulled from the stalk; the per-centage of sugar is low in hard ears and in ears that have been pulled for some time. Remove the husks and silks; if this work is done carefully, it will not be necessary Remove the nusks and suks; it this work is done carefully, it will not be necessary to wash the corn unless worms are present. Cut and scrape the corn from the cobs with a sharp knife in order to get all the nutriment possible. Salt the corn slight-hy; ordinarily a tensponful of salt to a quart of corn is sufficient. Have dess ince ready: these are the

quart of corn is sufficient. Have glass jars ready; these are the best, because they can be cleaned more easily than any other kind, and also more thoroughly. Pack the jars full of corn, fill them to the top with cold water, put the covers in place loosely without the rubbers, stand the jars in the wash-boiler on a false bottom of cloth or shingles, surround them with a few inches of warm water, mut be cover on the boiler loosely.

surround them with a few inches of warm water, put the cover on the boiler loosely, and steam the jars and their contents for an hour by boiling the water. Then put the rubhers on the jars and seal them. After twenty-four hours loosen the covers so they fit loosely and again boil the water for an hour. Seal the jars and allow them to stand for another twenty-four hours. Then unseal them, put new and the stand for some servery allow them to stand for another twenty-four hours. Then unseal them, put new rubbers of good quality in place, serew on the covers loosely, and steam the jars the third time for an hour. Serew the covers on tight while the jars are still hot, and the corn will certainly keep; more-over, its flavor is excellent.

over, its flavor is excellent. **Bay Devices to Lessen Labor** This method at first thought seems rather troublesome, but the amount simple device. The jars need not be removed from the boiler each day; all necessary work can be done without this operation and the boiler and its contents allowed to stand. If good rubbers are used, no change need be made; but long heating causes the cheaper kinds to crack, so that the jars can not be sealed tight covers must be loosened each time the jars are steamed, as otherwise the expansion of the contents would cause an explosion.

enough to shut out bacteria. Of course the covers must be loosened each time the jars are steamed, as otherwise the expansion of the contents would cause an explosion. Other vegetables usually canned may be preserved in much the same manner as corn. Details differ somewhat, and the method of preparing the vegetables for the jars varies; but the method of sterilization is substantially the same for all vegetables except tomatores. Many vegetables are improved if blanched before canning; blanching sets bacteria and undering be substances, and in many cases improves the taste. To blanch a vegetable substances, and of open vessel (preferably a wover-wire basket) junge it into boiling water or live steam from one to five minutes, and or optime of the pars, place it in some kind or optime of the same of the minutes, and or loue by dipping it in cold water or buring cold water over it. **To Can Lima Beams** Shell the beans, blanch them four of five minutes, cool them, and next

Shell the beans, blanch them four or five minutes, cool them, and pack them into jars. Fill the jars with cold water and steam them for an hour on

them into jars. Fill the jars with cold water and steam them for an hour on three different days as in canning corn. It is important to hurry the process after shelling the beans, as Lima beans lose their delicate flavor if allowed to stand after shelling. **To Can String-Beans** Select young and tender beans; those allowed to harden before canning are tough and stringy when served. String them, break them into short lengths, blanch them for two minutes, cool them at once, and pack them into jars. Fill each jar to overflowing with cold water, and a teaspoonful of salt for each quart, and sterlize the beas for an hour on three different days as in canning corn. **To Can Peas** Select young peas, shell them, blanch them until the skins winkle slightly, pack into jars, cover with cold water, and ateam for an hour on three different days as in canning corn. **Canning Beets**

steam for an nour of three dimerent days as in canning corn. **Canning Beets** Select young beets, cut off the leaves so about an inch of stem remains, and wash the beets carefully o as not to



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bruise the skin. Cook them until they are tender enough for table use, drain, and cover with cold water. Push off the skins, place the beets in jars, and steam for an hour. Fill the jars to overflowing with boiling water and seal them at once A little sugar may be added if desired. **Canned Cauliflower** Separate a head of cauliflower into flowerets and stand it head downward in a pan of cold salted water. Examine it carefully to see that there are no concealed insects. Blanch it for three or four minutes and then put it into jars, crowd-ing it as close as possible without crushing it. Cover it with boiling water, salt it slightly, and steam it for an hour on three successive days as in caning corn.

Successive days as in canning corn. Tomatoes Are Easy The one vegetable that is easy to can is the tomato. The trouble that house-The one vegetable that is easy to can is the tomato. The trouble that house-wives have in canning tomatoes is entirely needless, as they contain so much acid and so little proteid that bacteria have little opportunity to cause trouble if the canner does her part intelligently. The trouble nearly always results because tomatoes beginning to spoil are used, or because an attempt is made to preserve fully ripened tomatoes. If decay has already begun, the bacteria that cause fermentation in he jars are present in large numbers, and some of the spores are almost sure to seeape unless heat is applied for a long tully ripened tomatoes. The amount of acid is small in cully ripened tomatoes. The amount of the spore are almost sure them for an instant, cool them, remove the skins, and pack them whole into the jars. Add a level tablespoorful of salt to each quart, but no water. Steam the jars unenty-the minutes and then seal them. Bacteria flourish in warm, damp, dark places, and find cool, gring high, however, causes the natural color to fade, and some times brings about undesirable chem-ical changes; with the exception of tomat-ies and flavor is seldom appreciably affected, but fading makes the contents less attractive.

An Ant Trap.—Procure a large sponge, wash it well and press it dry, which will leave the cells quite open. Then sprinkle over it some fine white sugar and place it where the ants are most troublesome. They will soon collect upon the sponge and take up their abades in the cells. It is only necessary to dip the sponge in scalding water, to wash out dead ants by the thous-ands. Put on more sugar, and set the trap for a new hull. This process will soon clear the house and yard of every ant, uncle and progeny. and progeny.

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Comming on main teem is grown in the Dominion of Canada? And yet there is nothing in "animal husbandry" which can be carried on with less risk and greater profit on most of our Canadian farms than the business of sheep raising. Some friends we know are making a fine "side line" of it, but they are not the type of men who have time to spare in adver-tising their performances. One worthy friend a few years back netted a sum in clear profit from a small flock of "Leicesters" sufficient to send two mem-bers of his family on an extended trip to Europe-all the way from their farm home in Western Manitoba and

bers of his family on an extended trip to Europe-all the way from their farm home in Western Manitoba and back again. The sheep paid for the trip as well as a few "things" the young ladies bought in London and Paris! This, however, is neither a wool-rais-ing nor a "hair-raising" story but a few plain facts which demonstrate in a remarkable way what we could do for ourselves — how wonderfully self-con-tained this great country of ours might become by a little foresight and com-

which make our extreme winter not only tolerable but transforming an otherwise unsupportable atmospher into the most delightful and invigor atmosphere into the most delightful and invigor-ating elimate on earth, they would never again buy an "imported" gar-ment. They would conceive an affec-tion for the mutton-sheep which no pet-lamb ever enjoyed in the poetry books or out of them. As we write, Winnipeg alone of our Canadian manufacturing centes has a pay-roll of unsuspected textile indus-tries that is really astonishing—partic-



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and young folks could see what is be-ing done almost "at home" in manufac-turing some of those creature comforts

mon-sense hanging of our own re-

If our farmer friends, their wives

ularly in view of the fact that it has practically all sprung up during the past decade—most of it in less than five

years. One of the most striking of these comparatively new hives of in-dustry is the Northland Knitting Com-pany's big factory on Arlington Street -an entirely new building, carefully designed for the special purpose it is

designed for the special purpose it is fulfilling. According to the season, anything from three-score to two or three hun-dred "hands" are employed by this one firm, in the manufacture of knitted woollen garments such as sweaters and sweater coats, gloves, mitts, toques, strater coats, gloves, mitts, toques,

wonten gamenics and as sweaters and sweater coats, gloves, mitts, toques, etc. The writer has spent many years in a Sootch woollen factory in handling and purchasing the raw material from the sheep's back, going through the en-tire process of "sorting" the fleece, scouring, dying, teating, carding, spin-ning, weaving and finishing the yarn or fabric. He recently had the privilege of making a "top-to-bottom" inspection of the Northland Knitting Company's plant, and if from no other point of view than that of a loyal Canadian, the opportunity was one he would not have passed over in favor of anything else he knows of in manufacturing in-terest. terest.

The only regrettable feature was the The only regrettable feature was the fact that this enterprising firm is com-melled to import so great a proportion of its yarns, but this is tempered by the circumstance that these have all been purchased from another partner of the Empire. They are for the greater part from Scotland and the atmosphere of such renowned centres as Alloa, Gal-ashiels and Hawick is redolent in the Northhand Factory. But the time is ripe now when we-ought to be spinning our own yarns



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from our own flocks. There is, how-ever, the satisfaction that these yarns imported from the land of the Chev-iots are of the very finest quality and strength that can be manufactured by human skill from carefully selected wool

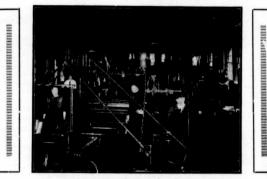
wool. When we price one of these articles -a confortable, close-fitting artisti-cally woven "sweater" or one of the "Northand" woollen leather-protected its at any country store. "Northiand" woollen leather-protected gloves or mitts at any country store, we marvel at the low price and wonder how on earth it can be sold over the counter at the money, having regard to all it has "come through"-starting with the raw material at say thirty certs a round

cents a pound. But when you see how brains have command of every detail in the long and intricate process in the Northland

the least touch of thoughtfulness on the part touch of thoughtuness on the part of the management is a spa-cious dining room provided for the employees in which light cooking at meal hours can be indulged in by those of them who may live at an incon-vanient distance.

meal hours can be indulged in by those of them who may live at an incon-venient distance. There is no "secret process" in this institution. Any reader of the "Thresh-erman" visiting Winnipeg is cordially invited to inspect every nook and cor-ner. All that is necessary in the way of passport is to ask for Mr. Harvey the courteous Secretary-Treasurer and say you are a subscriber to "The Cana-dian Thresherman and Farmer." The "Northland" brand is, in short, the product of the enterprise of a few Canadian business men who would rather have the satisfaction of accept

Canadian business men who would rather have the satisfaction of accept-ing a reasonable dividend on their



Section of Knitting Mill showing Power Machines

Factory—the remarkable division and specializing of labor, the problem is no longer a distracting one. Women folks for the greater part are employed as it is essentially women's work of a type that neither wears nor worries. The wonderful weaving looms and knit-ing maching are the work last model The wonderful weaving looms and knit-ting machines are the very last models of the kind employed in any factory. They save human labor to the vanish-ing point while they operate with all the delicacy and far more than the pre-cision and speed of the human fingers. In short, while there is nothing "rushed," there is nothing wasted in this human bee-hive where all are "rushed," there is nothing wasted in this human bee-hive where all are working — "unhasting yet unresting," harmoniously and happily under the healthiest possible conditions. We give a couple of illustrations of this home industry but mere photo-graphic illustration cannot adequately sur-

describe the lofty and splendidly sun-lit work rooms and the perfect system arranged for the health and comfort of the workers in winter or summer. Not

invested capital than sink it in thouinvested capital than sink it in thou-sands of acres to be held up at a ran-som and realized only, it may be, when they are in their graves. They would rather have the joy of providing re-munerative and healthy employment for as many hundreds of Canadian citizens as the demand for their product can provide for. What are you doing to encourage this home-industry—not from the mere sentimental impulse but to save money, to increase the number of the mere sentimental impuse but to save money, to increase the number of our employed citizens and to lift this great self-supporting country beyond the caprice of war and industrial strift at points upon which we have hitherto depended for so much of our supplies. depended for so much of our supplies. A visit to such an institution as the "Northland Knitting Factory" would send any one away with the determina-tion never again to buy an imported garment while one could be had with all the quality of the imported idea, at no greater cost, and with the added satisfaction of having been made by these who are practically of our own household.

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As considerable doubt exists—particu-larly in the minds of the mothers and wives of our boys who are now being called from every hamlet and home as to the conditions of service with the colors, I am reproducing the following authoritative statement which, to say the least, casts no unfavorable reflection on the thoughtfulness and fair-minded disposition of those who have formu-lated the scale of pay and pensions for our soldier herces and their dependents. P. R. H. Invalided Canadian soldiers and

P. R. H. Invalided Canadian soldiers and prisoners of war receive pay until they are pronounced fit to return to their civil occupations, or if permanently in-jured, until pensioned, according to J. W. Borden, paymaster-general of the militia council. It is further announced that the British government is arranging through the United States ambassador at Berlin, for the issue of one mark a week to all Canadian prisoners of war, as well as all British. This is to be part of the men's

pay, the balance due them to be paid at the end of the war, or as soon as they regain their freedom. Dependents of these men are, of course,

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still receiving the monthly separation allowance, and also any pay which had been assigned them by the men prior to invisionment to imprisonment.

Borden adds that an official re-Mr. Borden adds that an official re-port from the ambassador has just been received by the British government res-pecting treatment by the Germans of British prisoners. According to this, prisoners are well fed, housed, and clothed. The wounded and sick are treated in benefitial the same as Commen clothed. The wounded and sick are treated in hospitals the same as German soldiers, and when prisoners are required to work they are paid a trivial amount. **Takes Time to Investigate** Recruiting officers continue to receive complaints from vives whose husbands

have enlisted for overseas that they have received no money from the govern-ment or from their husbands since enlistment. It takes about six weeks or two months for Ottawa to complete the listment.

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necessary inquiries and begin the pay-ment of separation allowances, which, however, date from the day of the husband's enlistment. In some cases it has been found the wife has never com municated with Ottawa, though directed to do so by her husband, and in other to do so by her husball, and in other cases it is apparent the husball has been misleading his wife as to the pay he receives. The latter trouble is more often met with in the earlier stages of the husband's enlistment, before he has

gone to camp. Every wife should know that a private in the Canadian expeditionary force re-ceives \$1 a day and 10 cents field allowceives \$1 a-day and 10 cents field allow-ance. Besides this, he is clothed, equipped, and fed by the government. Till he has gone to camp he receives 75 cents daily for his meals. Every married man is compelled to allow his wife half of his day's pay, and should allow her far more, as he has no ex-penses save for tobacco, if he smokes. In addition the government nays the wife addition, the government pays the wife \$20 a month separation allowance from the date of the husband's enlistment. No allowance is made by the government for allowance is made by the government for children, but their welfare is looked after by the Canadian Patriotic fund, who will allow 10 cents, 15 cents, or 25 cents a day for each child, according to age, and bring the wife's monthly income up to \$45 including her separation allowance and other earnings, but not the money allowed her by her husband from his new pay.

pay. Permission to Marry Only men who obtain permission to marry from their commanding officer at the time of enlistment, and marry within 20 days thereafter, are entitled to a separation allowance for their wives.

Rates of Pension

soldiers totally disabled in Private action will receive \$264 a year. If totally disabled not in action, but totally disabled not in action, but on active service, or materially disabled in action, the pension will be \$102. Solidiers materially dis-abled on active service will receive \$132. A small degree of incapacity will earn a pension of \$75 a year. In addition to the above, a totally incapacitated soldier may draw \$11 a month for bis wife and \$5 a month for each child. The widow of a private soldier is en-titled to a pension of \$22 a month and \$5 a month for each child under 15, the pension to cease on her re-marriage.

pension to cease on her re-marriage though she is eligible for a gratuity of though she is engine for a gratuity of two years' pension. A widowed mother whose only son was her sole support and unmarried shall receive \$22 a month. Orphans may be paid \$10 a month. Pensions shall take effect from the day following that on which the death of the husband occurred.

Soldiers Discharged

Men returning from overseas dis-charged medically unfit from the service are expected to report at the office of the assistant director of medical service, in the Fort Osborne barracks. Up to the present there are quite a number of men who have not done so, and the Up to amber of men who have not done so, and the military authorities are now making the request that they report. In many cases it is largely to the man's advantage that they should call, as in some instances there are arrears of pay due them; in other cases it may be necessary that they should receive medical attention or be placed in a convalescent home, and all these things will be attended to if the men report themselves.

"It Is Time That This Man Should Fail"

"The last great struggle of imperialism to dominate the world ended a hundred years ago to-day, and the anniversary sees the struggle of another imperialism for the same purpose," says the New York Times York Times.

Whatever difference there is in the "Whatever difference there is in the two is in favor of Napoleon, at least from the American viewpoint. He was an autocrat, but he bore in mind the principles of the French Revolution, and where he conquered he established a despotism tempered by a regard for individual welfare and equality. The German imperialism creates a mechanical State whose purpose is not freedom or



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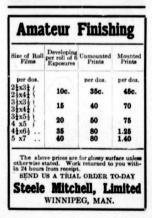
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"The world Napoleonised would have been a sorry sight; but there would have been some compensations. There would have been some freedom of scope. The citizens as well as the soldier would have citizens as well as the soldier would nave carried a marshal's baton in his knap-sack. The men of the Revolution, those who survived, still surrounded Xapoleon, and he had not forgotten all their ideals. and he had not forgotten all their ideals. But the world Kaiserised would be a world cut and trimmed to one design, reduced to one dead level; it would have in it the worst of what men fear in State Socialism, with the blighting difference that in theory at least State Socialism would be directed by the people, and Kaiserism would govern its

people, and Kaiserism would govern its world from above. "It was time that this vast man should fall, says Hugo. 'He vexed God.' It is time that this Frankenstein monster, this soulless, deadly machine of deadly efficiency, should fall. It must not make waste paper of Magna Charta, the Declaration of Independence, and the "ill of Riotia." Bill of Rights.

"The two terrors are alike in nothing but their aim. The domination of Napoleon came out of a struggle for liberty, and was an incident in universal liberty, and was an incident in universal history: the attempted domination of Kaiserism is a deliberate and long-pre-pared blow struck at the liberty of the world. It was the failure, the momen-tary failure only, of the great effort for French liberty, begun in 1789, that bred Napoleon; he passed, and French liberty was born again after the reaction. "But Knierism was deliberative bard

was born again after the reaction. "But Kaiserism was deliberately bred in a long era of peace, not in a con-vulsion, and its conspiracy against the liberty of man was born of a merciless philosophy. the philosophy of national gotism. June 18, 1815, saw the end of the first imperialism; June 18, 1913, sees the world fighting to save itself from the second."

The Ordeal of Hooge-Bringing it Home

"Looking at the faces of the men who fought at Hooge I found it hard to realize that they had been through an ordeal beyond the imagination of old historians of war who write of human courage and endurance," writes Mr. Philip Gibbs in the Chronicle. "A bat-talion of those who took part in the attack which regained our lost ground and something more had come out of the

attack which regained our lost ground and something more had come out of the trenches, and were now resting. "Some of them will no doubt be re-commended for high rewards of valour. History will write of them as heroes, though to me they seemed but ordinary young men, who had net found time to shave as usual and looked very tired. "It was the officer, with most 'It

was the officer, with most humorous eyes and a jaunty way with him, who first introduced me to the men who could tell me all about the 'serap,' as he called it. But it was the colonel who traced out the general idea of the action (drawing maps with the end of his stick on the floor of a wooden hut), and who pronounced the moral significance of the business.

of the business. "'As far as my own experience goes,' he said-and it goes a long way, from the retreat from Mons—it is the first time our artillery has done all that we could hope, and a bit more. Certainly, as far as my personal impressions go, it was the first time I have heard such an intense and prolonged bombardment. "Our gunners sceemed to have a real good supply of ammunition, and this made us feel cheertul. They prepared the way magnificently for our infantry attack, and I am convinced that if we could keep on like that we should have could keep on like that we should have the enemy "beat." They have been fighting this war on chemistry and machinery. Man for man they can't face us. If our guns can go on supporting us in the same way, we shall have them at our mercy

"Some of the tales of the men would have been incredible except that I heard them from soldiers who told the truth that lives on the lips of men who have seen very close into the face of death. "It is, for instance, difficult to believe



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soon: "A major had his side-pocket blown way and for a moment believed that he had been mortally wounded. But the shell-burst had missed him by some part of an inch. His servant was carry-ing a bag on his head when a shell blew the bag to bits and off the head beneath it, safe and sound. So death dodges men and selects its victims in a freakish way."

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"Discussions about the responsibility for beginning the war have been dying out of late," says the New York Nation. out of late," says the New York Nation. "But one thing we can never too much insist upon, because it goes to the roots of national morality and of eivilization itself. We mean the crushing moral handicap which Germany took upon her-self by her conduct towards Belgium. This she has never been able to overc

"Germans themselves admit this. They "Germans themselves admit this. They now perceive that the immense moral revulsion which shook the whole world when Belgium was trampled by German armies had an effect very like that of making the Allies a present of a million men

"Thus we have at least one great sentiwhich has persisted steadfast all through the war. It has been a manifestation of the war. It has been a manifestation of the soul of goodness in things evil. We need not despair of the future so long as the heart of man continues to thrill over Belgium's wrongs, and so long as the consensus of civilized nations outside the belgizerents, is that no ending of the war ought to be thought of which will not make the Belgians again independent and free. and free.

"That attainment is not yet in sight. I may have to be won by force of arms, or it is possible that it may consider through mediation and diplomatic negotiations, supported as these would be by the demand of the German Social-Democrats that no annexations be made as a result of the war.

as a result of the war. "When it came to moral or intel-lectual indictment, surely no man more than Burke himself showed that that was not impossible. Right or wrong, his denunciation of the spirit which pervaded France during the Terror was as sweeping and as seathing as the power of eloquence could make it. "To pass indement upon individual

"To pass judgment upon individual Germans—to assume that we in their place would individually be better— might truly be presumptions; but it is not presumptions to declare that some-ments of the social and intervention of the social hot presimptions to declare that soft-how or other a spirit evil and intolerable has gained such possession of those who control the destinies of Germany as to make her national conduct—in the large, and terribly often in detail—an abomina-tion in the sight of all the nations.

"If the inflexible backing up of Austria in a demark so arrogant and an attitude so unyielding as to make the desolation of this war a certainty be a crime; if the violation of Belgium in cynical disregard of treaty obligations be a crime; if the punishment of the Belgian people for resisting this aggression, exceuted with calculated ruthlessmess of the slaughter of non-combatants on the Lusitania in defiance of the dearest mandates of international law be a crime—what attitude is it possible for us to take towards the country guilty of these offences except that of indignant condemnation ?" in a demand so arrogant and an attitude

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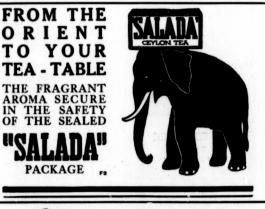




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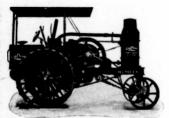
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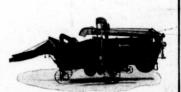
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