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League of Nations Finally Constituted

New York, April 28.—The Assembly of the League of Nations, the first session of the League of Nations, was opened yesterday morning at Geneva, Switzerland, by the president of the League of Nations, M. Aristide Briand, and the members of the League of Nations.

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President of National Assembly on Peace Terms

COPENHAGEN, April 28.—The president of the German national assembly, Konstantin Fehrenbach, speaking at Freiburg yesterday, said it was very possible that a plenary session would be convened to decide regarding the signing of the covenant of the league of nations of a racial equality clause. Japan, he added, was obliged to revert to her original position on this question.

Baron Makai announced that the offer would be submitted to have the racial equality principle adopted as part of the covenant.

The Japanese statesman added that he felt it his duty to declare the poignant regret of the Japanese delegation over the failure of the League of Nations to do justice to the Japanese demand which was based on a discredited national convention.

"We are in doubt as to what it would mean for the southwestern corner of the empire if we refused to sign the peace treaty," said Herr Fehrenbach. "I take it that in any case we shall not sign a peace treaty which leaves prisoners still in captivity and does not bring the musing of the blockade. Neither will we sign a peace which surrenders the Suez region to our enemies or promises Danzig to the Poles."

"The government and parliament jointly bear a tremendous responsibility, but behind them stands the entire German nation. Our enemies must know, and it must penetrate their countries, we will not accept any dictated terms and will not be a slave nation."

The personality of the teacher. No schools could be better than its teacher. The ideal teacher would be a lover of literature. It was that bound men together in a spiritual world. It was a storehouse of the basic things in life. The ideal teacher would have a passion to make scholars, and he would command enter lines which were dark and unattractive to any except himself. The ideal, of course, was sometimes difficult of attainment, but this was the goal which should be sought.

Premier Martin followed the president in his address in which he told of some of the difficulties with which the department of education had to contend insofar as provincial educational matters were concerned.

Premier Martin dealt at some length with the problem of the permanency of the teaching profession. The number of teachers who left the teaching profession each year, he stated, was reaching appalling figures. That one-third of the Saskatchewan teachers leave the teaching profession each year was the startling revelation made by the premier. This was the percentage which obtained in a number of the states across the line, and he had every reason to believe that the

same held true of this province.

As a result, the department was forced to issue permits. Almost 1,000 permits were issued in 1918, and the average for the last ten years was 750. Of course each year Saskatchewan lost a few teachers to other provinces of the Dominion, but this did not amount to very much.

As an illustration of this statement statistics were quoted which showed that for the years 1916-17.

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Great War Veterans of Sask. Held Successful Provincial Convention at Moose Jaw

With more than 125 delegates in attendance, representing 55 local associations, the third provincial convention of the Great War Veterans' association, was formally opened in Moose Jaw on Tuesday last week. Mayor Hamilton extended the civic welcome to the delegates; Dr. Eber Crumby welcomed them on behalf of the citizens and Captain J. L. Bright extended the welcome of the Moose Jaw branch of the association. In his address Dr. Crumby paid a remarkable tribute to the returned soldiers when he said that he looked to them for a better and greater Canada of the future. Harris Turner, M.L.A., vice-president of the association, answered the address of welcome.

The feature of the morning session was the annual address by the president, Lt.-Colonel James Mc Ara. [The president asked the delegates to give careful attention to questions affecting pensions. The address follows in part:

Comrades—As President of our Provincial Organization, it is my pleasure and privilege to welcome you to this, our third annual convention.

At the present time we have 53 branches organized in the province, which shows a net increase of 32 new branches. I wish to extend to these new branches the fraternal greetings of our provincial organization, and all good wishes that the enthusiasm, which they have shown on their organization, will continue to manifest itself for the benefit of the Association as a whole.

Our provincial command came into existence in November, 1917, as the result of a convention held in the city of Regina and which was attended by representatives of the six branches then in existence.

In July of last year, we held our second convention and spent three days in very profitable discussion of those matters which vitally affected our interests as an organization.

In welcoming you on this occasion I wish to express the hope that the spirit of free discussion and

friendly forbearance which characterized our last convention will mark our deliberations during the next three days, for it is only by the free exchange of ideas on the subjects brought before us that we as a representative body, can hope to arrive at the consensus of opinion of our membership.

Our Association in this province has seen considerable growth during the last nine months. At the date of our last convention, we had organized 24 branches with a membership of approximately 2,500.

Three of the branches which were organized at that time had practically died, but fortunately we have been able to reorganize two of them. Up to the present, however, it has been impossible to get the branch at Rosetown reorganized.

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Owing to the laxity of some of the branches in regard to submitting membership statements, an accurate account of our membership in the province is not available, but we consider that we are well within the mark in placing our membership at 7,000.

There have been two changes in the personnel of the executive committee during the year. Comrade McConnell, who represented Regina on the committee, asked to be allowed to resign on his removal to Saskatoon, and this resignation

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Dominion Parliament

Liberal Opposition Fighting Bill to Incorporate Canadian National Railway—Government Determined to Adopt Bill Without Delay, Employing Closure.

The house met again after the recess on Tuesday, April 22. The acting premier's answer to Mr. Lapointe as to the return of Sir Robert Borden was characteristically indefinite. It was to the effect that he will be here when he arrives.

The answer means nothing but is indicative of how things stand. It is a waiting game—waiting for Borden, waiting like M. Lemieux, for something to turn up.

Usually, the Easter vacation is the occasion for ministers to sit down and work out a policy for the rest of the session. This year there was none of that, all but four hiked off for a rest. The house resumed with a very slim attendance of the western group. Dr. Clark alone was present. He did not go home and perhaps it was as well. Some of those who did go are expected back with a little more vigor of opinion than they have heretofore indicated.

Hon. C. C. Ballantyne was in his place in the house today for the first time this session. He has recovered from a serious illness and a very grave operation. When the tariff is discussed, Mr. Ballantyne will, certainly, be among those present. He is a Liberal high-protectorist and a former president of the Canadian Manufacturers Association. On that point he is against certain Liberals in the cabinet, by whom he has stood throughout with consistency.

Keen continuous fighting characterized the proceedings in the house of commons on Wednesday, April 23. The afternoon and evening session, the government's bill to incorporate the Canadian National Railway company, which is to administer the government railway system, was under discussion. There was amendment after amendment. A. R. McMaster, Brome, had an amendment that the directorate of the company should be chosen from a list of 15

Incidentally there was some discussion over the government's steamship policy on the part of the government.

Hon. Dr. J. D. Reid, in reply, announced that the new ships now under construction were intended to be used in connection with the National railways.

About half the clauses of the act had been disposed of when the house rose.

Notice was given on the evening adjournment of the personnel of the special committee of the com-

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Items and
Articles of
Special
Interest to
Our Farmers



Suggestions for Handling the Wool Clip

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Provincially, the sheep industry has proposed greatly during the past four or five years and a portion of that prosperity is no doubt due to the methods that have been adopted in the marketing of the animal wool clip. Since 1913 the Department of Agriculture, through the Co-operative Organisation Branch, has been collecting and marketing the wool upon a co-operative basis with most gratifying returns to all concerned. The small producer with 10 or 20 sheep has had an equal chance of getting full value out of his clip along with the man who owns and shears annually several thousand head.

Along with this gradual development in connection with the marketing of the wool, we have been improving slowly and gradually in our methods of shearing and handling. Many of us are now at the sheep game and we are still on the "long, long trail" as far as efficiency at certain phases of it are concerned. We do not shear, roll, tie, pack and ship our wool in such a way that it realises the full value upon reaching the market. The raw product is worth money now-a-days and it is to our advantage to see that neatness and attractiveness play their part in its disposal. Preparation is everything and it is with the idea of helping to improve in this respect that this article is prepared under the following heads:

1. Care previous to shearing.

5. Some common fleece defects.

3. Packing and storing for shipment.
4. Selection for better wool.
5. Some common fleece defects.
6. Shipping instructions.

1. CARE PREVIOUS TO SHEARING.

At the outset let us realise that the care of the raw fleece does not consist only of the manner of handling at shearing time. It dates right back to the time of dipping which has most likely occurred two or three weeks after the previous shearing. This annual dipping or "bath," as it might well be termed, cleanses the skin and promotes the growth of a sound, clean, lengthy fleece. It should not be omitted under any condition. Next in importance to dipping comes the care exercised in feeding, particularly during the winter, when it is found necessary to feed large quantities of roughage such as oat straw, oat sheaves, or prairie wool. The feeding of any one of these in a careless, thoughtless manner, filling the fleece with chaff, bits of straw, twigs and seeds, brings about a condition known as "seedy" and means a loss of at least 5 to 15 cents per pound at present day prices. The following grader's reports taken from the 1917 grading sheets show quite clearly what is meant and how much a man can lose financially through carelessness in his feeding methods.

Grade	Lot 1			Lot 2		
	Lbs.	Net price per lb.	Total	Lbs.	Net price per lb.	Total
Fine medium staple	8	\$0.63	\$ 5.04	8	\$0.63	\$ 5.04
1/2 blood staple	19	.67	12.73	13	.67	8.71
1/2 blood clothing	7	.63	4.41	50	.63	31.50
3/8 blood staple	485	.68	329.80	195	.68	132.60
4/8 blood staple	983	.68	668.44	60	.68	40.80
Low quarter	227	.68	154.36	97	.68	6.12
Seedy	680	.55	374.00
Tags	42	.22	9.24	17	.22	3.74
	1,771	... \$1,184.02	1,032	...	\$602.51	
Average per lb.	... 66.9 cents	Average per lb.	... 58.38 cents			

The parties owning these two lots received very gratifying cheques but it is readily noted that in Lot 1 no "seedy" wool was found as compared to 680 pounds in Lot 2. The wool in each case was equally good in strength, fineness and general quality but the presence of so much dirt in Lot 2 kept it from falling into the three main grades, simply meaning a loss of 13 cents per pound or \$88.40 to the owner. A tidy little sum and very satisfactory pay for the extra care. Too much of Saskatchewan's wool (13,429 pounds) grades as "seedy." Let us all work together in an endeavour to eliminate this grade by allowing our flocks less freedom about the straw-stacks and adopting better methods of feeding. It is poor business to sell straw if it lessens the price upon our wool.

2. SHEARING AND TYING THE FLEECE.

(a) The shearing floor.

Shearing should only be carried on under the most favourable conditions; upon bright, warm sunny days when the sheep are dry and fleece and the wool has "risen" somewhat from the body. Cleanliness and care in the removal of all fleeces is very essential and the

shoulder wool which is always the superior portion, on the outside of the roll. The grader always estimates the grade by the appearance and quality of this wool over the shoulder and heart-girth, that over the hind-quarters usually running a grade or two lower.

(d) Tying the fleece.

Having rolled tightly, tie both ways with the special paper twine supplied by the Department. Never under any consideration use binder twine as the fibres become attached to the wool and follow right through into the cloth where they always show up quite prominently. Many mills have refused to have anything whatever to do with clips that have been tied with binder twine. If the paper twine is not available use any stout cord other than binder twine. Tie each fleece separately, never tying two or three together in the same bundle. Furthermore, avoid as much as possible the shipping of loose wool. If you have two or three different breeds of sheep, possibly a grade flock and a pure bred flock, it is wise to keep the wool from each breed separate and pack it so.

3. PACKING AND STORING.

In order to facilitate the work of handling and grading in the warehouse, pack in as few sacks as possible and preferably in those sacks supplied upon demand and at cost by the Co-operative Organisation Branch, Regina. Several growers have formerly sent in 20 or 30 fleeces packed in 7 or 8 grain sacks. All this wool could have been packed in one large jute sack, thereby saving space in shipping and storing to say nothing of the time saved in handling. Many of these large sacks too are often packed much too loosely thus using more than are required. A 40 inch by 90 inch sack should hold at least 40 range fleeces or 30 domestic fleeces if it is packed properly.

Where two or three different breeds are kept, the wool should be packed separately, using paper if necessary to designate divisions of wool in a sack. Pack tags and damp stained pieces separately also black fleeces. When the "blacks" are packed with the "whites," locks from the black fleeces often become mixed with the white and cause no end of work to the grader who has to pick them all out. The manufacturer objects strenuously to the presence of any black locks in the white wool that he wishes to use in the manufacture of light coloured fabrics.

When a sack is packed sew firmly with strong cord, never with binder twine. The latter used for this purpose is almost as troublesome as some if used in tying the fleeces. Store the sacks where they will be kept dry until the time of shipping. Care must be taken not to allow the wool to become wet or damaged in any way after it has been removed from the sheep's back. Such wool always brings a much lower price. Be sure that it does not lie exposed on the station platform several days before it is shipped out as such exposure often means a damaged condition.

4. SELECTION FOR BETTER WOOL.

The majority of Saskatchewan wool is and will continue to be (more increasingly each year) what is known as "domestic wool," a class of wool that comes from sheep of a dual nature, or sheep that are useful in the production of mutton as well as wool. Hence in our selection we have two things to bear in mind and we must be careful not to improve along one line at the expense of the other. Breeding sheep of good mutton conformation must be well and evenly covered with a fine, sound, compact, weighty fleece of good length and in order to effect such a combination the following rules must be closely adhered to.

(a) Use only a pure bred sire and be very careful in the matter of his selection as he has a wonderful influence for improvement upon the flock whether it be grade or pure bred.

(b) Practise rigid selection year after year amongst the breeding ewes retaining those that possess in a marked degree the combination of wool and mutton desired.

(c) Through reading, through a close examination of individual fleeces at shearing time and better still by spending a day with the grader at the grading point, obtain a working knowledge of the various grades of wool. Get to know those grades commanding the highest figure and get suggestions as to how improvement may be wrought within your own flock. This feature of visiting the grading warehouse is a commendable one. The grader will always welcome you and you will find him willing to impart any knowledge he possesses on the subject.

(d) Weed out all sheep having a tendency to run black or gray in the fleece. They only propagate more of their kind.

The points just outlined may have more bearing upon future clips than they have upon the present one but that old adage "a stitch in time saves nine" holds

good here as elsewhere. Start now upon a system of improvement that will mean dollars to you in a very short time.

5. SOME COMMON FLEECE DEFECTS.

The following brief definitions may be helpful to some who have already noted defects in the wool as it is removed from certain sheep:

(a) Break in wool.—The staple (fibre) is weak and easily broken at some particular point, thus making it hard to use in the process of yarn manufacture. It is usually due to scant feeding, the vitality of the sheep being lowered to such an extent that the fleece cannot be properly nourished. Sickness interferes with the growth in a similar way.

(b) Cloudy wool.—Usually caused by rain dripping on the sheep from leaky roofs or irregular and uneven exposure. It is sometimes inherited and is recognised by the presence of discolourations scattered through the fleece, particularly on the back and sides.

(c) Clotted wool.—We often find that the oil or yolk secretion being insufficient, the fibres become tangled and felted close to the skin. This lack of yolk and consequent felting is usually due to sickness, a high fever or inferior vitality.

(d) Damp wool.—If sacked wet or stored in a damp place the wool becomes yellow and in some instances mildew develops. Scouring will not remove the discolouration and hence the wool is unsuitable for white yarns and its value is materially lowered.

(e) Frowsy wool.—Lack character and general appearance and usually dry and harsh due to lack of oil.

(f) Keenly wool.—Consists of many dead fibres that are chalky white and lacking in strength and lustre. Most commonly due to inferior breeding or lack of vigour.

(g) Second cuts.—Careless shearing results in many short second cuts being made when removing the fleece and the presence of a large quantity of these short cut fibres results in a decided shortening in value. To the beginner the machine shear is unquestionably the solution of this difficulty.

(h) Wiry wool.—Harsh stiff wool, very low in spinning properties. Due to heredity and a very poor class of wool to produce.

FOR THE GUIDANCE OF PERSONS MARKETING WOOL THROUGH THE CO-OPERATIVE ORGANISATION BRANCH

1. Preparation of Fleece:

(a) Remove all manure or paint clotted locks.

(b) Roll the fleece with the flesh side out.

(c) Tie each fleece by itself using only paper fleece twine.

2. Packing:

(a) Include only dry wool in your consignment.

(b) If 100 or more breeds of sheep are kept, pack the wool from each breed by itself, or when necessary pack in the one sack and place sheets of strong paper between the different kinds.

(c) If you wish to forward the tags (manure or paint clotted locks clipped from the fleeces) or black or brown fleeces, always place these in sacks by themselves.

(d) Pack the wool tightly into the sacks. A 40 inch by 90 inch sack should hold at least 30 range fleeces.

3. Labelling:

(a) Fill out two shipping labels for each sack, being careful to give name and address of shipper, and net weight of fleeces.

(b) Place one label inside the sack and seal the sack up, using strong, hard twine.

(c) Sew the second shipping label securely to the side, not to the end of the sack.

4. Storing:

Store the sacks where they will be kept dry until ready to ship.

5. Shipping:

(a) Forward the wool by freight via the most direct route, to the Co-operative Organisation Branch, Department of Agriculture, Regina, making the shipment between June 1 and July 26. No shipment should be forwarded later than July 26.

(b) Either prepay the freight to Regina or forward the shipment, freight charges collect, and the department will pay the freight and deduct the amount from your cheque when making final settlement.

(c) As soon as the shipment is made, forward the bill of lading at once by mail to the Co-operative Organisation Branch, Department of Agriculture, Regina.

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WINTER RYE

By Prof. John Bracken, College of Agriculture, Saskatoon.

Saskatchewan grown Rye won all the first prizes and the Championship for Winter Rye at the Dry Farming Congress, El Paso, Texas, in October, 1916.

Notwithstanding this, however, the cultivation of winter rye has as yet received but little attention in Saskatchewan. It is true that on the Experimental Farm at Indian Head rye has been grown with marked success since 1903, and of late years a few progressive farmers in the province have grown a small acreage each year. The great majority of farmers, however, have had no experience in growing this grain, and consequently do not realize that its introduction would result not only in a direct financial benefit, but would also aid materially in solving some of the problems of cultivation and management which now confront them.

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(a) Forward the wool by freight via the most direct route, to the Co-operative Organisation Branch, Department of Agriculture, Regina, making the shipment between June 1 and July 26. No shipment should be forwarded later than July 26.

(b) Either prepay the freight to Regina or forward the shipment, freight charges collect, and the department will pay the freight and deduct the amount from your cheque when making final settlement.

(c) As soon as the shipment is made, forward the bill of lading at once by mail to the Co-operative Organisation Branch, Department of Agriculture, Regina.

Canadian Provinces

Saskatchewan

SWIFT CURRENT FARMERS SURE TO NOMINATE AN M.P.

SWIFT CURRENT — It is expected that a date will be set shortly for a convention to be held in this city for the purpose of nominating a candidate to contest the Swift Current federal constituency on behalf of the Grain Growers. Such is the information that comes from Cudliffe, Burnham and other locals that have been discussing the situation at their meetings.

WHEAT ABOVE GROUND IN CABRI DISTRICT

While most of the farmers in the province are still sowing, to a farmer at Cabri, on the Empress branch of the C.P.R. belongs the honor of leading in the race for an early crop. This farmer, whose name is not stated, has 180 acres of wheat already above ground. The grain was sown before the snowfall of three weeks ago.

FINE FOR RECEIVING LIQUOR

Pleading guilty to knowingly receiving a consignment of liquor from the Dominion Express company, Louis Schwartz was fined \$200 and costs by Judge Parker, at Yorkton.

SASKATOON AND WEST HAS FINE PROSPECTS

SASKATOON — Farmers in the district west of Biggar to the Alberta border are most optimistic over the present conditions. They declare that the prospects have never appeared brighter at this time of the year. Seeding has started in many places, but in some the water is still preventing operations. Between Biggar and Saskatoon the situation is also said to be excellent, although considerably more rain is needed. Seeding has been in progress for some days.

DESEETERS GIVEN JAIL SENTENCES

Pte. G. Bittner, of Walheim, has been sentenced to one year's imprisonment on being convicted of deserting from the Depot Battalion, July 21, 1918. Pte. Jacob Baumgartner, of Neudorf, for the same offence, has been sentenced to two years. The sentences were pronounced on Thursday morning at Sherwood barracks by the adjutant of the district depot on a full parade of all troops in the barracks.

SERIOUS CHARGE AGAINST L. MURRAY

SWIFT CURRENT — Lloyd Murray was arrested in the south district by Constable Buck, of the local detachment of the provincial police, on a charge of a serious offence against a girl under fourteen. He was brought before M. J. McCloskey, justice of the peace, at Neville and was committed for trial at the next session of the court of King's Bench at Swift Current. Murray was allowed his liberty upon bail of \$4,000 being imposed.

Six months' imprisonment was imposed by Justice Austin and Belva upon Ted Godfrey, at Webb upon Tate Godfrey, found guilty of the theft of a canoe from the buggy of J. N. Jaswett on Saturday last. Another provincial police case was the fine of P. Fishback, of Ponteix, \$20 for selling cigarettes to minors.

BUTTER AND EGG PRICES FAR BEYOND NORMAL QUOTATIONS

SASKATOON — The Saskatchewan Co-operative Creameries here report that the demand continues strong for both butter and eggs. They are shipping another car to the coast. The unusual demand for butter has stiffened the price, the market having gone up to sixty-three cents wholesale.

The situation regarding dairy butter is explained by the possibility that all old stocks have been used up, according to officials here, and the new stocks have not yet reached the market.



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tant resolutions up for consideration, among them being:

An endorsement of the Veterans' memorial temple idea, with recommendations as to methods;

An assertion that Canada alone must be the judge as to desirable immigrants and a demand that all alien enemy immigration be stopped for the present, and complete registration of all alien enemies in this country with deportation of those unable to prove their loyalty during the war;

A demand that private employment bureaus be closed as it was claimed, they gave no guarantee of preference to returned soldiers;

A demand that women be admitted to full and equal suffrage with the right to sit in parliament;

A demand to open the St. Peter's Indian Reserve as a colony for disabled soldiers, widows, dependents and orphans;

A demand that the Dominion government insure returned men at rates based on their physical fitness at the time of attestation;

A demand that all discrimination against heirs and estates of deceased soldiers be removed in the granting of gratuities;

A demand on the Dominion and provincial government that they take combined action so as to impose conditions for teachers that returned soldiers and men generally enter the profession;

A demand that disloyal English speaking citizens be deported.

AYING LIVESTOCK INDUSTRY

WINNIPEG — Approximately \$200,000 will be expended by the provincial department of agriculture this season in buying young breeding stock and placing it on Manitoba farms, Hon. Valentine Winkler announced.

SEIZE MENNONITES' HORSES TO COLLECT SCHOOL ACT FINES

SWIFT CURRENT — On April 2

eleven Mennonites were fined \$10 and costs each for non-compliance with the Provincial School Attendance act. Five of these men refused to pay these fines at the time, and were given a stipulated period in which to do so. The time expired with the fines still unpaid and Sgt. Parker and Constable Buck of the local detachment of provincial police went to Wymark and seized five horses belonging, one to each of the five delinquents. The animals will be sold for the amounts due the government on May 2 unless settlement is made. Concerning the strict enforcement of law by the police, the Mennonites say they were willing to go to jail for defaults of the fines but though the police had no right to seize their property.

SWIFT CURRENT SENDS DELEGATION AFTER NEW LINE

SWIFT CURRENT — On April 24, Stephen Morrey, M.L.A., for Hayfield, and J. A. Congdon, M.L.A., for Maple Creek, took their departure from Swift Current for Ottawa, as delegates from the Northwest Farmers Railway Association. These delegates will appear before the Canadian National Railway Board at the meeting of that body next week and will urge the construction of the Government Railway northwest from Swift Current, as originally planned, to connect with the governments projected line from Hailey to Medicine Hat. This will practically mean a continuation of the Gravelbourg-Swift Current line through this city. In connection with the projected C.P.R. line from Leader to Swift Current, the delegates will demand that if the company intends to continue its charter that it be compelled to have the road completed within a stipulated time.

MILLION AVAILABLE IN HOUSING SCHEME

WINNIPEG — One million dollars has been made available for the housing scheme in Manitoba by the provincial government in view of the feeling against recent appointments to public offices were presented and carried unanimously without enthusiasm.

DESERTER FINED \$250

WINNIPEG — Charles H. Schenider was fined \$250 and costs in police court on a charge of being a military deserter.

WINNIPEG WORKERS AND 44-HOUR WEEK FIXED MAY FIRST

WINNIPEG — Practically all classes of workers are included in organized labor's drive for the 44-hour week and increased wages in Winnipeg.

Negotiations affecting thousands of employees and almost all classifications of industry are being carried on daily in an effort to reach a settlement before working agreements expire on May 1.

Railway shopmen demand a 44-hour week and an increase of 20 to 30 cents per hour in pay. A union committee will leave Winnipeg before the end of the week to negotiate with the railway war board in Montreal. Their demands are backed by 37,000 shopmen throughout Canada. About 6,000 Winnipeg men are affected.

MANITOBA

MANITOBA WAR VETERANS DEMAND STATED BONUSES FOR ALL ARMY AND NAVY

WINNIPEG — Declining the "Paternalism" of governmental aid to returned soldiers at its closing session the Manitoba Great War Veterans' convention on April 18th, by resolution, demanded that the Dominion government extend its soldier land settlement scheme to all approved settlers and give soldiers and sailors houses as follows:

For men with service on a belligerent front, \$5 a day.

For men with service in England only \$2 a day.

For men with service in Canada (over six months), \$1 a day.

Service was defined as mean date of attestation to date of discharge.

The afternoon session was particularly busy with many impor-

ALBERTA

BOLSHEVIST GETS YEAR

CANADA — Charged with being a vagrant and a member of the Social Democratic party, an association deemed as unlawful, Joseph Banog, a man of Austrian birth, was sentenced to one year's imprisonment with hard labor in the police court this morning. The police alleged he is a Bolshevik.

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dy employment for returned and returning soldiers, to grant your request for an immediate dissolution would demonstrate the unfitness of this government to govern as your demand for dissolution has demonstrated your unfitness to act as public advisers.

"I have an absolute conviction that the best interests of this province will be served best by the practice of industry, economy and stability as opposed to agitation, strife, strikes, dissolutions, elections and chaos.

GOVT. GETS C.P.R. STOCK

MONTRÉAL — Mr. Justice E. Dulos issued an order transferring stock in the C.P.R. railway company to the value of \$22,600,000, held in New York on behalf of enemy aliens, to the finance minister of Canada.

ENEMY PROPERTY STILL TAKEN OVER

TORONTO — Probable enemy property valued at \$100,000 at present in custody of the National Trust company, was, by order of Mr. Justice Middleton, at Osgoode hall, vested in the minister of finance as public custodian. The property consists of one hundred bonds of the Pere Marquette railway of a par value of \$1,000 each. They are collateral trust twenty years gold bonds.

An affidavit by the under secretary of state asserts that from documents filed it appears to him probable that Count Alfonso Mauschka, for whom the property is held, is an enemy.

HUGE LIQUOR SEIZURE

TORONTO, ONT. — Two thousand four hundred and sixty bottles of whiskey were seized by the police in the Canadian Northern railway freight sheds. George Austin and H. Smith were loading 18 cases of the whiskey on an express wagon, which the police say the men had brought to the freight sheds. On charges of breaches of the Ontario temperance act, Austin and Smith were arrested and the whiskey was taken possession of.

MARRIAGE ACT IS TO BE AMENDED

TORONTO — Amendments to the Marriage Act providing for nullification of marriage in cases where impediments are discovered after marriages, will be recommended in a bill to be presented at this session of the legislature. The decision was reached by a special committee of the house, appointed to consider Dr. Forbes Godfrey's bill to amend the Marriage Act by requiring medical examination of all persons, with a view to debarring from marriage those suffering from communicable diseases.

The committee agreed that the principle of the bill required further consideration and will present an interim report asking for an extension of life until next session. The bill relating to the nullification of marriages will meanwhile be prepared for submission to the legislature next week.

EARLIEST FOR FORTY YEARS

SAULT STE MARIE — Opening navigation to the Soo recently, the earliest in forty-one years, the steamer Parry docked at Kemp's fuel dock here at six o'clock. The steamer is the first of the fleet of winter storage wheat vessels from Georgian Bay ports scheduled to break through the ice in Hay and Mud Lakes. A great deal of ice-breaking was required.

QUASHES DAYLIGHT SAVING LAW

LONDON, ONT. — Justice Logie in the weekly high court quashed the bylaw number 568 which put daylight saving into effect in London. A citizen, Dennis Flanagan, brought the action on the ground that the city council had no power to pass such a law.

MASSEY-HARRIS CO. TO GIVE OLD AGE PENSIONS SOON

TORONTO — At a banquet given by the directors of the Massey-Harris Company Ltd., to the full staff of factory, sales and office employees here, General Manager Finlay announced a new era of co-operative endeavor in connection with the Massey-Harris and all its subsidiary companies in various parts of Canada.

The scheme includes old age pensions and an opportunity for all employees to acquire shares in the company on easy terms. The announcement of the plan was received with much enthusiasm by the assembled employees.

DRUG HABIT INCREASED

NEW YORK — Asserting that three New York physicians, recently investigated, have been found to have dispensed 1,500,000 narcotic prescriptions to drug addicts in six

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OUR ORGANISED GRAIN GROWERS

Prosperity of Denmark Result of Co-operative System

What co-operation has done for Denmark is told in the following abstract from Circular No. 29, issued by the Illinois Department of Agriculture.

Denmark is a little more than one-half the size of New Brunswick. At one time much of it was a bleak waste of sand dunes. Only the eastern portion of the mainland and the neighboring islands were considered fit for agriculture. In addition, the country was impoverished by the Napoleonic wars and by the robbery of the province of Schleswig-Holstein by Germany in 1866. Yet, today, Denmark, in proportion to its population, is the wealthiest country in Europe. It is essentially an agricultural country and poverty is very rare. Owing to the excellent system of land tenure, 89 percent of the families own their own farms and houses.

"One of the chief reasons for Denmark's phenomenal prosperity is to be found in the system of education. This includes the long-term elementary schools, circulating schools, travelling experts, school and state bulletins, farmers clubs, educational camp meetings and the University of Copenhagen. There are now 70 high schools and 29 agricultural colleges in Denmark and old as well as young people attend them—their former for periods of a week or two at a time for the purpose of studying social problems and kindred subjects as they appear in other countries all over the world. After completing the high school and agricultural college courses, students enter the University of Copenhagen. There, they come to understand the complexity of modern business and to regard agriculture not only as a science of production but as a system of distribution.

"The success of rural co-operation depends in a very large measure upon the terms and conditions of land tenure. Co-operation can not well succeed in a country where tenancy predominates. In Denmark, legislation has been in operation for a number of years providing for the acquisition of land upon 50-year loans at four per cent. At this rate, a laborer who has one-tenth the purchase price of a parcel of land can borrow the other nine-tenths, either from a state bank, or from one of the 356 co-operative savings banks. There are approximately 240,000 farms in Denmark, averaging a little over 40 acres each, and varying in size from 1½ acres to 150 acres, not including a few large estates. Thus, it will be seen that land is not so evenly distributed as to destroy personal initiative, one of the dangers pointed out by the opponents of co-operation. On the contrary, co-operation in Denmark has encouraged personal initiative and, in doing so, has checked the evils of individualism, most important and beneficial result.

"Agricultural co-operation began in Denmark in 1882 when the first

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"Turn Your Victory Bond Interest Into W.S.S."

This is the slogan of hundreds of War-Savings committee members throughout Saskatchewan to-day. They point out the unequalled advantages of this plan, both to the holder of a bond and at the same time to the Canadian government.

In this province alone \$630,000 in interest of Victory bonds of the last issue will be due May 1. This represents the simple interest for six months on the bonds sold last November, at 5½ per cent. Reinvested into Thrift and War-Savings stamps, this simple interest will grow and be virtually compound interest on the bond. Everyone knows the advantages of compound interest over simple interest.

Every bank teller, postmaster and bond broker in the province has Thrift and War-Savings stamps, which he will give out instead of cash to anyone asking for them when redeeming Victory Bond coupons.

The appeal of the War-Savings stamp on its own merits alone is great. By buying the stamps, you are lending money not to send the boys overseas to be wounded or perhaps killed, but to get them home and reinstated into normal life as quickly as possible.

Pure Bred Bulls For Province

Over two dozen young, pure bred bulls of good type, purchased by the Live Stock Branch of the Saskatchewan Department of Agriculture are now at Regina ready for shipment to any farmer of the province who wants to obtain good breeding stock at first cost. More will be purchased as orders come in. The bulls on hand include Shorthorns, Herefords, Polled Herefords and Aberdeen Angus, but Ayrshire and Holstein bulls will be secured on request, and will be sold on very easy terms, half or quarter cash and the balance in December 1919 and December 1920. Prices range from \$200 to \$350.

Clean-up Weeks

Arthur E. Fisher, Fire Commissioner for the province of Saskatchewan has written to all the mayors of cities, towns and reeves of rural municipalities, asking for their active co-operation in cutting down the very heavy annual fire loss for the province.

Instead of one "Clean-up week," there will be two this year starting on Monday the 5th and continuing till Saturday May 17th. Last year the fire loss for Saskatchewan reached the high total of \$2,250,000 and 45 lives were lost by fire besides a large number seriously injured. The majority of these fires were due to carelessness. There were 46 fires caused with children playing with matches, 25 in carelessness with matches by adults, 52 by defective stove pipes, 36 careless handling of gasoline, and 60 by overheated stoves. Of the 45 lives lost nearly all were in rural districts or small towns. Eight deaths were due to coal oil stove explosions, 2 were killed and 18 severely burned by having a light too near gasoline.

Fire Commissioner Fisher states that only \$800,000 was received in insurance for the two and a quarter million fire loss. He urges the necessity of preventing this tremendous loss, the major portion due to carelessness.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

FORTY-HOUR WEEK MOVEMENT STARTED BY AUSTRALIANS

MELBOURNE.—A movement for the establishment of a 40-hour week in all industries in Australia has been started by the Melbourne trades hall council.

A circular issued by the organization points out that the increase of productivity during the war, the cessation of work since the signing of the armistice and the demobilization of soldiers, has increased the unemployment problem. A reduction of hours, it is urged, will facilitate the absorption of all unemployed.

Under the majority of existing awards unionists in Australia work 48 hours a week, but in some industries the 44-hour week has also been established.

Welcome News For Our Readers

With this issue of the Courier we are mailing to our readers for the first time 4 pages printed again in the German language. The reading matter contained in these four pages is of a purely literary and scientific nature.

Thousands of our subscribers, and many thousands more of women readers of the Courier are not able to read and understand the English language at all. Thousands of others have, what is called a "speaking knowledge" of "every-day-English," but are not able to read English intelligently, and to understand fully articles or fiction published in the English language.

During the first few days of the present month the Dominion Government at Ottawa passed a new amending Order-in-Council to the Order-in-Council of last September respecting so called "Enemy-Language Publications." This new amending Order-in-Council put periodicals of a purely religious, literary or scientific nature on the same basis with books of such a character. It permits the printing in or the importation into Canada of periodicals containing reading matter, which is purely religious, literary or scientific, provided that a copy of each issue of such periodical is forwarded to the Chief Press Censor for Canada at Ottawa. Availing ourselves of the provisions of this new order-in-council, our company petitioned the Secretary of State for Canada, good results are bound to follow.

Gardening in Saskatchewan

by W. W. Thomson, B.S.A.

THE IMPORTANCE OF THE GARDEN

The time is now long past when farming in Saskatchewan could be considered as an experiment of uncertain outcome. The experience of the last three or four decades has demonstrated that the province is without a rival in the realm of cereal production. The live stock and dairy industries are also becoming well established and it is generally recognised that this is destined to develop into one of the world's greatest centres of agricultural production. The economic future of the province is assured, but as yet sufficient attention has not been given to those smaller details of the home surroundings, which can add so much of beauty, interest, comfort and contentment. We have so far been too much inclined to order our activities with a view only to the immediate financial returns and to relegate to the area of about an acre should be set aside for garden purposes.

Having decided upon the size of the garden, its location should be at least sufficient to supply the home with small fruits and vegetables for the entire year. An average farm family will generally require the products from about one-half acre of garden truck, and in this province an equal quantity of land should be under summer-fallow in preparation for the following year. On the average farm, it is therefore suggested that land to keep down the weeds and to establish and maintain a dust blanket which will prevent the evaporation of soil moisture.

A good application of well rotted barnyard manure just previous to plowing the summerfallow will be found beneficial. It will loosen up the heavy soils and, besides increasing the supply of available plant food, will add water holding capacity to the lighter or sandy types. The use of sawdust or shavings for mulching purposes is not recommended as it is almost certain to produce an acid condition of soil. The use of commercial fertilizers is not considered necessary except in special cases where the soil is particularly deficient in some element essential to plant growth. Where a limited area, as on a city, renders impossible the summerfallow system above suggested, a rotation should be adopted and barnyard manure applied annually to the portion that seasons set aside for roots and tubers.

All garden crops require a thorough cultivation of the soil during the growing season. The frequent stirring of the surface soil with a hoe, rake or light garden cultivator will keep the soil in the fine physical condition necessary for proper growth of all plants.

Protection.

' Protection from wind storms and also from animal depredations is one of the first requisites of a successful garden. This may be obtained temporarily by erecting a strong board fence around the garden plot, but for permanent protection good windbreaks should be planted and a wire fence will then suffice for protection from animals. Some rapid growing varieties of trees, such as the Cottonwood, Willow or Russian Poplar should be selected, and several rows of these trees should be planted on the west and north sides of the garden; two rows might be planted on the eastern side and the south might be left open. If an extensive windbreak is being planned, it will usually be found best to plant a single row of trees well to the west and another to the north of the general plantation. The space between this row and the main shelter belt will serve in winter as a snow trap, and can be used in summer for growing corn, roots, rape or other hardy crops. Without a snow trap, large quantities of snow will accumulate in the shelter belt and is likely to seriously injure the trees during the spring thaws. No vegetables or small fruits should be planted within thirty feet of a well established windbreak, on account of the fact that the roots of large trees will absorb practically all the moisture in the soil for that distance from the windbreak.

Plan.

No plan that will universally acceptable can be suggested. The arrangement of the crops will, how-

ever, depend largely on the methods of tillage that are to be adopted. It is usually found desirable to employ horse cultivation wherever possible, and if this is done, the vegetable and other crops should be planted in long straight rows rather than in short rows which would entail much turning.

The permanent crops, such as small fruits, rhubarb, asparagus, etc., should be located together, so that they will not interfere with the cultivation of the rest of the garden.

As the conservation of moisture is an important point in growing vegetables and other crops in this province, it will be well to arrange the garden so that the rows of plants will run east and west. This arrangement will cause the plants to shade the ground and prevent evaporation of soil moisture more quickly and completely than if the rows ran north and south.

Cultivation.

As previously suggested the writer is of the opinion that the best results can be obtained with most garden crops, if they are planted on land which has been summer-fallow during the previous season. Scarcity of moisture is always a limiting factor, and garden crops, because of their heavy growth of foliage and the large amount of unoccupied soil between the rows, always require more moisture than cereal crops. It would therefore seem advisable to have half of the garden plot under summer-fallow each year, so that one season's rains can be stored up for the next year's crop. The portion under summerfallow should be deeply plowed early in June and thereafter should receive frequent and through surface cultivation to keep down the weeds and to establish and maintain a dust blanket which will prevent the evaporation of soil moisture.

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Hot Beds.

For the successful production of cabbage, cauliflower, celery, tomatoes, pumpkins, squash and other plants which require a long growing period, it is necessary to make use of hot beds. The form of hot bed usually employed consists of an enclosure covered with sash and heated by fermenting stable manure. A very serviceable hot bed can be made by constructing a box five feet wide, three feet high in front, four feet high at the back and of any length desired. This should be placed in a well sheltered location, with the lower side to the south, and then filled to a depth of about two feet with well compacted horse manure containing sufficient quantity of straw or other litter to prevent it packing solid. The manure should be covered with five or six inches of good garden soil, and the top of the bed should be closed in with glass sash (storm window sash will do if regular hot bed sash are not available).

Operation of Hot Beds.

In Saskatchewan the hot bed should be prepared about the end of March. No seed should be sown until the temperature has become constant, which will be in from three to five days after the bed has commenced to heat at which time the temperature should be about 55 to 60 degrees. Before seeding destroy all weed growth, then sow seeds in rows about five or six inches apart. Sow fairly thick and later thin out to allow plenty of room, as close planting will cause plants to grow tall and weakly. Sufficient head room is as important in the hot bed as is heat.

While the plants are in the hot bed, care must be taken to supply plenty of water and to keep the temperature as uniform as possible. The morning is the best time to water the hot bed. Late watering reduces the temperature too much during the night. By watering in the morning the plants and soil get a chance to dry off and warm up during the heat of the day. Rain water slightly warmed should always be used. On bright days the bed is likely to become too hot owing to the action of the sun on the glass and it will be necessary to ventilate by slightly raising the sash on the side away from the wind. If moisture collects on the under side of the sash, ventilation is required. During cold nights it may be necessary to cover the sash with blankets, sacks, or other coverings to prevent the temperature from getting too low. For tomatoes the temperature should range from 75 to 85 degrees during the day and may go down to 60 degrees at night. Cabbage, cauliflower and celery require temperatures of 65 to 75 degrees during the day and may go as low as 40 at night without harming the plants. A good thermometer should be kept in the hot bed at all times, so that the temperature can be accurately known. When plants are from three to four weeks old additional ventilation should be given during the day to harden them.

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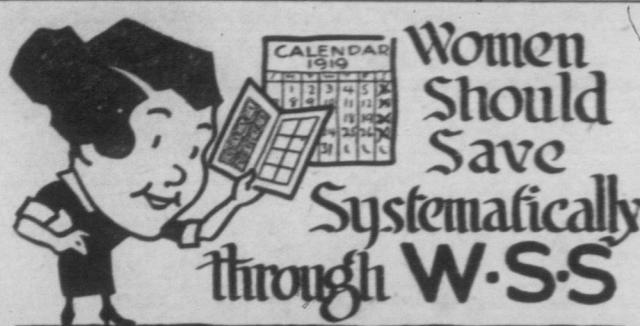
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Allied Press Not Enthusiastic At Feeding Russia

Some French Papers Think It's a U. S. Scheme to Get Concessions.

PARIS, April 19.—Dr. Fridtjof Nansen, head of the commission to feed Russia, is having difficulty in getting in touch with Nikolai Lenin, the Russian Bolshevik premier, concerning the revictualling of Russia, on condition that the Bolshevik cease hostilities.

The wireless service of the entire countries is apparently not available and a messenger will be sent to Norway to communicate Dr. Nansen's messages to Moscow. Consequently Lenin's reply will probably not be available for several days.

The French press is showing a hostile attitude toward the revictualling plan. One paper describes it as "Another Prinkipos," and several charge that it is an attempt by the United States to migrate themselves to obtain concessions, and stout the suggestion of humane, rather than political, motives.

Although the United States peace delegation has repeatedly stated that William C. Bullitt and Lincoln Steffens were not empowered to negotiate with the Bolsheviks when they recently visited Russia, the fact that they were accompanied by Captain W. W. Pettit, of the United States army, lent such official coloring to the party that both the French and English newspapers are inclined to regard the delegation as official and credit the revictualling plan to their report.

Captain Pettit did not remain in Moscow to continue as liaison officer between the Bolshevik and the United States peace delegation, as reported in the European press, but is now in Stockholm, having come out of Russia with Steffens and Bullitt. Before the United States entered the war Captain Pettit was in Russia looking after the relief of German prisoners. He is connected with the Russian information section of the United States peace delegation.

Lessons Learned, etc.

(Continued from Page 4) move in the right direction, and with some modifications, may be made the basis of a great revival of the live stock industry; thus not only avoiding the ravages of summer frost as it disastrously affects the exclusive wheat grower, but also developing a profitable industry that a hungry world is sadly depleted at present.

(8) That in view of the next preceding statement, the activities of the Live Stock Branch of the Provincial Department of Agriculture in the sale and distribution of live stock should be preferentially directed to this free range area.

LEAGUE COVENANT WILL BE RATIFIED BY U.S. SENATE

WASHINGTON.—Senator Hitchcock, of Nebraska, retiring chairman of the senate foreign relations committee, declared that the changes made in the League of Nations constitution as officially announced in Paris, would remove virtually all objections to the covenant. He predicted that the peace treaty containing the league covenant would be ratified by the senate.

PUSH EX-ROYALITIES ONTO SWITZERLAND

GENEVA.—All the Austrian archdukes, with their families, including Archduke Friedrich, a former marshal, have been expelled

from Austrian territory, according to information from reliable sources.

A special train, escorted by republican guards, left Vienna, conveying the archducal party to Switzerland.

The Swiss, it is declared, are not particularly gratified at this for they continue to be severely rationed.

ZAPATA OF MEXICO HAS BEEN KILLED

MEXICO CITY.—Emiliano Zapata, the bandit leader in southern Mexico, has been killed, according to a newspaper despatch received here.

Later the Mexican government received an official bulletin confirming the press reports of his death.

At the height of his power several years ago, General Zapata figured as the possible head of the Mexican government. At three different times during the last ten years his followers were in control of Mexico City for brief periods.

JELLICOE AND BEATTY RECEIVE PROMOTIONS

LONDON.—The king has approved the promotion of Admiral Viscount John Jellicoe and Vice-Admiral Sir David Beatty to be "admirals of the fleet" in recognition of their distinguished war services.

Admiral Jellicoe, who was created Viscount Jellicoe of Scapa a year ago, served as commander of the Grand Fleet during the early part of the war, and also as first sea lord and chief of the naval staff.

Vice-Admiral Beatty succeeded Admiral Jellicoe in command of the Grand Fleet and saw the war through at that post.

LUXEMBURG STARTS MOVE FOR ALLIANCE WITH FRANCE NOW

LUXEMBURG.—The government submitted to the chamber of deputies a plan for closer economic relations with France and Belgium, as well as a bill for a referendum on the question of the future form of government for Luxembourg.

The chamber decided to discuss the question of economic relations with France and Belgium, but rejected a proposal to send a parliamentary delegation to Paris.

CANADIANS REJOICE AT EARLY RETURN FROM SIBERIA

VLADIVOSTOK.—There is great rejoicing among the Canadian troops over the announcement that the Canadian forces will be withdrawn from here soon, embarkation commencing from this port about the middle of the present month.

Two companies of the Imperial Battalion of Middlesex, now at Omsk and Krasnorsk, are coming to Vladivostok as garrison guards, the Hampshire Battalion remaining at Omsk. General Elmsley will remain here administering affairs until the end of May.

CANADIAN SOLDIER BEHEADED

LONDON.—The decapitated body of a young Canadian, John Alexander Proctor, Eighth Reserve, was found on the railway near Guilford, on Monday night. When returning to Witney Camp from London he appears to have absent-mindedly opened the wrong door of the carriage and to have fallen on the tracks. Proctor, who was to have returned to Canada today, was from Beaverton, Ont. He was unmarried and came to England in July 1917.

CHURCHILL TALKS ABOUT PEACE

LONDON.—Winston Spencer Churchill, secretary of state for war, said that in a few weeks, or possibly less, the terms which the Allies had agreed to impose on the enemy would be known. Mr. Churchill continued:

"Any agreement that is reached by the experienced and able heads together in Paris, must be a comprehensive and general agreement. It must therefore be judged as a whole, and not in part. Nobody is going to get all they want. Nobody ought to get all they want, and everybody must expect something to be disagreeable about."

"It is a question of peace that shall be a just peace and a lasting

peace. If this is achieved, the opposition will be forgotten in time. Therefore, I say that the work on which the conference is engaged must be judged as a whole, and not upon this point or that."

Mr. Churchill added that what Great Britain wanted was a peace that would not be a fleeting triumph, but a peace of solid structure, on a broad and lasting foundation.

DUTCH AID TO GERMANY

AMSTERDAM.—The visit to Paris of the Dutch financiers Van den Hoven and Ter Meulen, a local news agency says, has reference to the conclusion of a loan by neutral states to Germany of \$200,000,000. The loan is to be made under the supervision of the allies, and is for the purpose of restoring the economic situation in continental Europe, Swiss and Scandinavian bankers, it is added, are participating in the negotiations.

ALSACE IS FRENCH

BERNE, April 15.—If a referendum was to be held today in Alsace and Lorraine, an immense majority of the people would vote in favor of joining France, declares Edward Bernstein, the old German socialist democratic leader, and a member of the German peace delegation, in an article in the "Neues Wiener Journal," of Vienna.

FRENCH ELECTORAL LAW PASSED

PARIS, April 19.—The electoral reform bill providing for the election of members of the chamber of deputies by departments instead of by arrondissements, passed the chamber last night after an all day debate, by a vote of 287 to 138.

BOLSHEVIK RULE MERE CILESS AND INHUMAN

OMSK, Siberia.—Indisputable evidence of the massacre by the Bolsheviks of more than 2,000 civilians in and near the town of Omsk has been obtained by Messrs. Simmonds and Emerson and Dr. R. Teusler, of the American Red Cross, who have just returned from Perm, Omsk and other re-occupied Russian territory. Approximately five hundred persons were killed at Omsk and 1,500 in the surrounding districts. The murders were without provocations and the victims were largely of the thrifty and intelligent classes or servants of the church, which latter it was the announced intention of the Bolsheviks to exterminate.

The evidence discloses almost unthinkable atrocities. A blacksmith, by economies, had attained a shop. He was required to pay 5,000 rubles.

He was shot because he could not be shot. A man was shot because he lived in a brick house. All attorneys and jurists were killed and doctors, whose services were not required for the moment, were disposed of in a similar manner.

A woman, whose husband and two sons had been seized, went to the commissary for information as to their fates. She was told they had been taken to Perm. After repeating her visit several times, she was informed that if she bothered the commissary again she would be shot, as they had been. The body of a woman was exhumed and identified in the presence of the United States citizens, as the wife of a general, through jewels sewed in the lining of her clothing, of which relatives were aware. Another woman was compelled to fetch a lamp and gaze upon her murdered son for the amusement of the slayers.

A wife, required to pay a thousand rubles for the release of her husband, borrowed 800 and paid it over. Later she returned with the remainder and was then informed that her husband had been shot. There were scores of similar cases. All were killed without any form of trial.

The soviet called a meeting and prepared lists of those to die. The houses prescribed were visited by squads, the doors smashed in and the victims dragged to the edge of the town and forced to dig their own graves. Those resisting were shot in the streets.

A survivor testified that he had seen men thrown into a pit and buried alive. This testimony has been confirmed by bodies exhumed, the clenched hands of which were clinging to the mud at the bottom of the pit.

SAY \$5,000,000.00 DUE

MELBOURNE.—Reports cabled here of the proceedings of the reparations committee of the Peace Conference at Paris, place the losses of the British dominions and colonies, for which payment shall be asked from Germany, at \$5,000,000,000.

BRITISH IN TREBIZOND

LONDON.—British forces have occupied Trebizond, Asiatic Turkey, according to a Constantinople despatch under date of Thursday to the Exchange Telegraph company.

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A WONDERFUL DISCOVERY

An eminent scientist, "the other day, gave his opinion that the most wonderful discovery of the year was the discovery of Zam-Buk. Just think! As soon as a thin layer of Zam-Buk is applied to a wound or a sore, such injury is insured against blood poison!" Not one species of microbe has been found that Zam-Buk does not kill!

Then again. As soon as Zam-Buk is applied to a sore or a cut or to skin disease, it stops the smarting. That is why children are such friends of Zam-Buk. They care nothing for the science of the thing. All they know is that Zam-Buk stops their pain. Mothers should never forget this.

Again. As soon as Zam-Buk is applied to a wound or to a diseased part, the cells beneath the skin's surface are so stimulated that new healthy tissue is quickly formed. This forming of fresh tissue is often better than Zam-Buk's secret of healing. The tissue thus formed is worked up to the surface and literally casts off the dead tissue above it. This is why Zam-Buk cures are permanent.

Only the other day Mrs. Hector McDonald, of Oyster Foods, N.S., wrote to the Zam-Buk Company and told them what Zam-Buk had done for her. She said that for over a year her hands were covered with scabies. Doctor's treatment did her no good and the numerous salves and ointments prescribed also proved useless. Then Zam-Buk was recommended. Treatment with this wonderful balm soon brought a decided improvement and permanence resulted in a complete cure. To-day, after several months, there has been no return of the disease.

All druggists sell Zam-Buk at 50c. Box contains 100g. Send for stamp. "Our Return postage is Zam-Buk Co., Toronto, for free trial."

Egyptian Party on Way to Paris

MARSEILLE, April 18.—A delegation of Egyptian Nationalists, headed by Said Pasha Zagloul, vice-president of the Egyptian legislative assembly; Ismail Sadky Pasha, a former minister, and Ahmed Tel Bassi Pasha, a deputy, all of whom were interned at Malta by the British, arrived here today. It is understood they will go to Paris to present their claims to the peace conference.

Nearly 2,000 Teachers

(Continued from Page 1) 18, while 1,440 teachers entered the province, Saskatchewan lost only 153 to the other provinces. In this same period 4,605 teachers had taken out licenses in Saskatchewan. Almost 3,000 had been trained in our provincial normal schools during the same length of time. Fifty-five teachers had been transferred to Manitoba, while Saskatchewan got \$33 back from this province.

The question of what was to be done to make the teaching profession more permanent was receiving the attention of the department. It naturally followed that the schools became more efficient according to the number of years that teachers remained in the work. Salaries were more attractive. In the outlying schools the salaries were as good or better than salaries paid in the same kind of districts in either Manitoba or Alberta.

Then there was the question of pensions, which was receiving the consideration of the convention. Any pension scheme in order to be a success, Mr. Martin stated, must have the united support of the teachers and the state, and all the teachers at that.

He was of the opinion that those teachers who enter the profession intending to remain only for a short time should be prepared to sacrifice a little to put the teaching profession on a solid and permanent basis. If the convention decided to place the superannuation plan before the government, the premier promised that it would receive every consideration at the hands of the personnel of the department of education.

"Old and New Points of View in Education" was the subject of Dr. Coffman, who gave the first of a series of addresses at the noon session on the first day of the convention.

Sectional conferences were held on Wednesday morning. The teachers of the secondary group held a meeting at the collegiate institute. The elementary section divided, the junior department meeting in Metropolitan church and the senior section holding their conference in the first Baptist church.

A particularly strong address was given that by J. H. Galloway, B.A., of Wilkie, before the senior section, on the subject of "Economy of Effort in Rural Schools." Mr. Galloway's address showed that a great deal of thought had been given to the subject, and that the subject matter had been carefully prepared.

Miss J. Hay, of the normal school, Regina, opened the junior section convention with a paper on "Primary Reading."

Miss F. E. Forge, of Moose Jaw, also delivered an excellent address on "English in the Primary Grades." She spoke in a clear and concise manner and was given an excellent hearing.

"The Contribution of Psychology to the Winning of the War" was the subject upon which Dr. Lotus Coffman addressed the convention at the afternoon session on Wednesday, April 23rd.

During the holding of the Saskatchewan Educational convention in Regina important meetings of the Teachers' Alliance of Saskatchewan were also held when organization of that body was furthered. An important step was taken when it was decided that the alliance should consist of a federation of local alliances instead of merely a group of individuals as formerly.

The individual teacher, however, may still become a member of the provincial alliance. Any six teachers in a locality or district may form a local branch of the provincial alliance.

E. O. Walker, principal of Strathcona school, Regina, was elected president of the alliance.

A resolution was passed favoring the formation of a federation of alliances for the four western provinces and the organization would also favor the establishment of a Dominion alliance.

It was the unanimous opinion of the alliance that teachers' salaries were much too low and that they are not at all in accord with the preparation which is necessary in qualifying for the teaching profession.

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Peace Treaty, etc.

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Treaties of Brest-Litovsk and Bucharest to be Nullified

PARIS, April 28.—One of the eleventh hour questions awaiting decision of the peace conference is the validity of the treaties concluded by Germany during the war. A clause which has been approved for assertion in the treaty provides that Germany shall renounce all advantages from the treaties of Brest-Litovsk and Bucharest, and an additional sentence is still before the council of three, which provides for a similar renunciation of "All treaties concluded by Germany August 1, 1914, including those with Poland, Finland and the Baltic provinces."

This would operate to terminate various telegraphic and other conventions negotiated with neutrals during the war.

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The Mill on the Floss

BY GEORGE ELIOT

(31. Instalment.)

Maggie obeyed, with that terrible beaing of the heart which makes existence seem simply a painful pulsation. The very quietness with which Mr. Turnbull spoke had frightened her susceptible imagination. Her father's eyes were still turned uneasily towards the door when she entered and met the strange, yearning, helpless look that had been seeking her in vain. With a sudden flash and movement, he raised himself in the bed—she rushed towards him, and clasped him with agonised kisses.

Poor child! it was very early for her to know one of those supreme moments in life when all we have hoped or delighted in, all we can dread or endure, falls away from our regard as insignificant—is lost, like a trivial memory, in that simple, primitive love which knits us to the beings who have been nearest to us, in their times of helplessness or of anguish.

But that flash of recognition had been too great a strain on the father's bruised, enfeebled powers. He sank back again in renewed insensibility and rigidity, which lasted for many hours, and was only broken by a flickering return of consciousness, in which he took passively everything that was given to him, and seemed to have a sort of infantine satisfaction in Maggie's near presence—such satisfaction as a baby has when it is returned to the nurse's lap.

Mrs. Tulliver sent for her sisters, and there was much wailing and lifting up of hands below stairs; both uncles and aunts saw that the ruin of Bessy and her family was as complete as they had ever foreboded it, and there was a general family sense that a judgment had fallen on Mr. Tulliver, which it would be an impety to counteract by too much kindness. But Maggie heard little of this, scarcely ever leaving her father's bedside, where she sat opposite him with her hand on his. Mrs. Tulliver wanted to have Tom fetched home, and seemed to be thinking more of her boy even than of her husband; but the aunts and uncles opposed this. Tom was better at school, since Mr. Turnbull said there was no immediate danger, he believed. But at the end of the second day, when Maggie had become more accustomed to her father's fits of insensibility, and to the expectation that he would revive from them, the thought of Tom had become urgent with her too; and when her mother sate crying at night and saying, "My poor lad...it's nothing but right he should come home!" Maggie said, "Let me go for him, and tell him, mother: I'll go to-morrow morning if father doesn't know me and want me. It would be so hard for Tom to come home and not know anything about it beforehand."

And the next morning Maggie went, as we have seen. Sitting on the coach on their way home, the brother and sister talked to each other in sad, interrupted whispers. "They say Mr. Wakem has got a mortgage or something on the land, Tom," said Maggie. "It was the letter with that news in it that made father ill, they think."

"I believe that scoundrel's been planning all along to ruin my father," said Tom, leaping from the vaguest impressions to a definite conclusion. "I'll make him feel it when I'm a man. Mind you never speak to Philip again."

"Oh, Tom!" said Maggie, in a tone of sad remonstrance; but she had no spirit to dispute anything then, still less to vex Tom by opposing him.

CHAPTER II.

Mrs. Tulliver's Teraphim, or Household Goods.

When the coach set down Tom and Maggie, it was five hours since she had started from home, and she was thinking with some trembling that her father had perhaps missed her, and asked for "the little whuch" in vain. She thought of no other change that might

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She hurried along the gravel walk and entered the house before Tom; but in the entrance she was startled by a strong smell of tobacco. The parlour door was ajar—that was where the smell came from. It was very strange: could any visitor be smoking at a time like this? Was her mother there? If so, she must be told that Tom was come. Maggie, after this pause of surprise, was only in the act of opening the door when Tom came up, and they both looked into the parlour together. There was a coarse, dingy man, of whose face Tom had some vague recollection, sitting in his father's chair, smoking, with a jug and glass beside him.

The truth flashed on Tom's mind in an instant. To "have the bairf in the house," and "to be sold up," were phrases which he had been used to, even as a little boy: they were part of the disgrace and misery of "failing," of losing all one's money, and being ruined—sinking into the condition of poor working people. It seemed only natural this should happen, since his father had lost all his property, and he thought of no more special cause for this particular form of misfortune than the loss of the lawsuit. But the immediate presence of this disgrace was so much keener an experience to Tom than the worst form of apprehension, that he felt at this moment as if his real trouble had only just begun: it was a touch on the irritated nerve compared with its spontaneous dull aching.

"How do you do, sir?" said the man, taking the pipe out of his mouth, with rough, embarrassed civility. The two young startled faces made him a little uncomfortable. But Tom turned away hastily without speaking: the sight was too hateful. Maggie had not understood the appearance of this stranger, as Tom had. She followed him, whispering, "Who is he? Is he Tom?—what is the matter?" Then, with a sudden undefined dread lest this stranger might have something to do with a change in her father, she rushed upstairs, checking herself at the bedroom door to throw off her bonnet, and enter on tiptoe. All was silent there; her father was lying, heedless of everything around him, with his eyes closed as when she had left him. A servant was there, but not her mother.

"Where's my mother?" she whispered. The servant did not know. Maggie hastened out, and said to Tom, "Father is lying quiet; let us go and look for my mother. I wonder where she is."

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thought o' marrying your father! And the pattern as I chose myself—and bleached so beautiful, and I marked 'em so as nobody ever saw such marking—they must cut the cloth to get it out, for it's a particular stitch. And they're all to be sold—and go into strange people's houses, and perhaps be cut with the knives, and worn out before I'm dead. You'll never have one of 'em, my boy," she said, looking up at Tom with her eyes full of tears, "and I meant 'em for you. I wanted you to have all o' this pattern. Maggie could have had the large check—it never shows so well when the dishes are on it."

Tom was touched to the quick, but there was an angry reaction immediately. His face flushed as he said—

"But will my aunts let them be sold, mother? Do they know about it? They'll never let your linen go, they'll keep it! Haven't you sent to them?"

"Yes, I sent Luke directly they'd put the bairies in, and your aunt Pullet's been—and, oh dear, oh dear, she cries so, and says your father's disgraced my family and made it the talk o' the country; and she'll buy the spotted cloths for herself, because she's never had so many as she wanted o' that pattern, and they shan't go to strangers, but she's got more checks ready nor she can do with." (Here Mrs. Tulliver began to lay back the table-cloths in the chest, folding and stroking them automatically.) "And your uncle Glegg's been too, and he says things must be bought in for us to lie down on, but he must talk to your aunt; and they're all coming to consult... But I know they're none of 'em take my chany," she added, turning towards the cups and saucers—"for they all found fault with 'em when I bought 'em, cause o' the small gold sprig all over 'em, between the flowers. But there's none of 'em got better chany, not even your aunt Pullet herself—and I bought it wi' my own money as I'd saved since I was turned fifteen; and the silver teapot, too—your father never paid for 'em. And to think as he should ha' married me, and brought me to this."

Mrs. Tulliver burst out crying afresh, and she sobbed with her handkerchief at her eyes a few moments, but then removing it, she said in a deprecating way, still half sobbing, as if she was called upon to speak before she could command her voice—

"And I did say to him times and times, 'Whatever you do, don't go to law'—and what more could I do? I've had to sit by while my own fortin's been spent, and what should ha' been my children's, too. You'll have niver a penny, my boy...but it isn't your poor mother's fault!"

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"Don't fret, mother," he said tenderly. "I shall soon be able to get money: I'll get a situation of some sort."

"Bless you, my boy!" said Mrs. Tulliver, a little soothed. Then, looking round sadly, "But I shouldn't ha' minded so much if we could ha' kept the things wi' my name on 'em."

Maggie had witnessed this scene with gathering anger. The implied reproaches against her father—her father, who was lying there in a sort of living death—neutralised all her pity for griefs about table-cloths and china; and her anger on her father's account was heightened by some egoistic resentment at Tom's silent concurrence with her mother in shutting her out from the common calamity. She had become almost indifferent to her mother's habitual depreciation of her, but she was keenly alive to any sanction of it, however passive, that she might suspect in Tom. Poor Maggie was by no means made up of unalloyed devotedness, but put forth large claims for herself where she loved strongly. She burst out at last in an agitated, almost violent tone, "Mother, how can you talk so? as if you cared only for things with your name on, and not for what has my father's name too—and to care about anything but dear father himself!—when he's lying there, and may never speak to us again. Tom, you ought to say so too—you ought not to let anyone find fault with my father."

Maggie, almost choked with mingled grief and anger, left the room, and took her old place on her father's bed. Her heart went out to him with a stronger movement than ever, at the thought that people would blame him. Maggie hated blame: she had been blamed all her life, and nothing had come of it but evil tempers. Her father had always defended and excused her, and her loving remembrance of his tenderness was a force within her that would enable her to do or bear anything for his sake.

Tom was a little shocked at Maggie's outburst—telling him as well as his mother what it was right to do! She ought to have learned better than those heeding, as summing manners, by this time. But he presently went into his father's room, and the sight there touched him in a way that effaced the slighter impressions of the previous hour. When Maggie saw how he was moved, she went to him and put her arm round his neck as he sat by the bed, and the two children forgot everything else in the sense that they had one father and one sorrow.

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"Seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve—middle of the night, and no time to be awake." She snuggled down under the covers and stopped counting. But lo and behold, the clock went on striking, and she bounced up again.

"Thirteen, fourteen, fifteen—"

"O my!" said Mildred with a yawn.

She counted six more of the solemn strokes, and could hardly believe her ears. Then—"Twenty-two, twenty-three, twenty-four." The strokes stopped, and there was silence.

Mildred shook a little in the big bed. "Twenty-four o'clock," she said slowly. "Who ever heard of such thing?"

She remembered that people sometimes pinch themselves to find out whether they are dreaming. She tried it on herself and said, "Ouch!"

"But what time of night was twenty-four o'clock?" Mildred lay still for ten minutes, then her curiosity got the better of her. She decided that she could stand it no longer. She slipped out of bed and went softly to the top of the front stairs.

There was no sound to be heard except the ticking of the dining-room clock downstairs. But was that the way the dining-room clock ticked in daytime? Such a funny, jerky sound—tictet-tockey-tick! She decided to go down and solve the mystery.

She felt her way down to the dining-room door. The curious tictet-tockey kept up, louder than ever.

"The old clock must have hic-coughs," Mildred said; but even that would not explain its striking two dozen times at once.

Halfway across the room she stopped short.

She was a strange thing. From the centre table right beside her came a steady ticking. What was the dining-room clock doing on the centre table? At the same time she could plainly hear a steady ticking over on the mantel. Mildred did not wait another moment. A clock that struck twenty-four was bad enough, but a clock that could be in two places at once was too much.

She scampered upstairs like a rabbit, jumped into bed and burrowed beneath the blankets. In five minutes she was fast asleep.

The next morning Mildred overslept. When she went down to breakfast a little late the dining-room clock was ticking away on the mantel as smoothly and politely if nothing had happened at all.

Mildred gazed at it in surprise, but she did not say anything.

All at once it began to strike the hour, which was eight. Mildred counted the strokes. When it had struck eight times the clock stopped, and her face fell. Then, all at once, the strokes began again: nine, ten, eleven—straight on to sixteen; but strange to say the last eight strokes seemed to come from across the hall.

Mildred's father burst out laughing at the sight of her round eyes. "I came home late last night and brought a new clock," he said. It's a little bit slow, too."

Mildred looked at him quietly. "Did you leave it in here on the table when you went to bed?" she asked.

It was her father's turn to look surprised. "How did you know?" he inquired.

But Mildred was not going to tell her secret. She put down her oatmeal spoon and laughed; but all she said was, "Oh, I knew!"

STAND IT ON END AND THAT WILL

make the two floors. Then you can put rugs on the floor made of old pieces of carpet, and paper the inside and out. On account of the slats it is perfectly easy to make windows and doors, because you will have only the paper to cut through. Little fine curtains at the windows will make it dainty and sweet, and the furniture you can either make or buy. Oh, I tell you, it will make a very fine summer house for dolls. Try it!

KING LION COMES TO HAVE HIS HAIR CUT

Pink flowers in their hair. I halted with a wondering word—Who did this magic thing?

And from the heart of each bird Cried: Spring, Spring, Spring!

Regina Gave Royal Welcome to "Red Saskatchewan" or "Fighting Fifth"

Last Thursday was a big day in the history of Regina, when the city welcomed back to Saskatchewan the fifth Battalion, 80 per cent. of which have been Saskatchewan men.

Regina people cast off the reserve which too often in the past has marred welcomes to returning soldiers, and gave themselves unrestrainedly to showing vociferously that they were heartily glad to see the members of the Fighting Fifth home again.

It was a great occasion for the citizens and for the returning men also. In the minds of both was the recollection that on that date four years ago the Second Battle of Ypres began, and the Fifth was in the thick of the fighting. One of the officers yesterday gave a clear idea of what the Second Battle of Ypres meant. "I went in with 120 men," he said, "and I came out with 30. The rest were killed or wounded. There were no prisoners."

It was a gay occasion, for was not the war with all its horrors, partings and sufferings over? Husband and wife could meet again and enjoy the security and peace of family life, so sorrowfully interrupted in 1914.

The Fifth Battalion was met at the station by Lieut.-Governor Lake, Premier Martin, Colonel Cross, D.S.O., and staff; Commissioner Perry, C.M.G., and staff; Senator Laird, Mayor Black and the aldermen, and James Ballfour, K.C., chairman of the reception committee and members of that committee. As the men stepped from the train a mighty cheer greeted them, and hundreds of relatives rushed to find their boys, all anxiety to see them.

The parade started at schedule time and went from the C.P.R. station to the City Hall and later on the Sherwood barracks.

Lieutenant Governor Sir Richard Lake, standing on the raised walk which leads to the city hall took the salute of the various units as they marched past the saluting base. To the rear of him were Brigadier-General Dyer, C.M.G., D.S.O. and bar, and Colonel Cross, D.S.O., commanding officer of Military District No. 12.

When the procession reached the McCallum-Hill building, the headquarters of the Great War Veterans' association, the men were greeted with a big ovation not only from the crowds on the street but also from those in the building. The big building with its large windows was a vantage point for many spectators who were armed with welcome flags.

At the barracks the process of demobilization with such a large

P. ESSIG TO BUILD ON ST. JOHN STREET—GEO BRODER ALSO OBTAINED BUILDING PERMIT

A building permit has been issued by the building inspector's department to P. Essig for the construction of a one and a half story frame residence on lot 14, block 291, St. John street, at a cost of approximately \$4,000.

During the month to date an improvement has been shown in the building prospects for the coming season. Permits totalling in value about \$41,000 have been issued as compared with \$29,000 for the whole of April of last year. The permits include a number of new residences. Geo. Broder is building a couple of houses on lots 3 and 4, block 21, Broder's Annex, at \$2,000 each and several permits have been issued for the construction of cottages ranging from \$1,000 to \$1,500 each.

Officials state that a number of enquiries are being made as to building regulations and this is taken as an indication that a considerable number of houses will be erected this summer.

EIGHT YEARS OF ECZEMA.—

"For 8 years I was afflicted with eczema," writes Mr. Andrew Goetzelman of Bloomington, Wis. "I was treated by three different doctors, to one I paid seventy dollars; but all was for naught. After using two bottles of Forni's Alpenkreuter I was cured."

Letters like this have earned for Forni's Alpenkreuter the enviable reputation of being the 'peerless blood purifier.' It is a plain herb remedy and is not sold through drugstores, but is supplied to the people direct by specially appointed local agents.

A booklet and paper, containing much valuable information, are sent gratis, on request, by Dr. Peter Fahrney & Sons Co., 2501 Washington Blvd., Chicago, Ill. Delivered free of duty in Canada.

If Victory Bond coupons bore 4½ per cent, compound interest—

they do—Change them for W.S.S. Keep Canadian money in Canada for Canadians—Buy W.S.S. with your Victory Bond interest coupons.

Dominion Parliament

(Continued from Page 1) mons, which will enquire into the development of industrial scientific research in Canada and the civil service.

The house went into committee for further consideration of the Canadian National Railways bill on Friday, April 25. Clause 20 met with strenuous opposition from Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux. This clause provides for an extension of two and five years in the time for the commencement and completion of lines which any of the companies comprised in the Canadian Northern system were authorized to construct previous to the beginning of the war.

Mr. McKenzie described Dr. Clark as "An Englishman who was a conservative in expenditure and had only recently become a Conservative in politics."

Sir Thomas White said that this afternoon there had been revealed the real issue which had divided the house—whether public ownership was to have a chance for the success of Canada, or whether it was to leave this chamber maimed, mutilated and deformed.

Hours had been wasted on sections of this bill, which, if before the house in connection with the charter of a private company, would not have occupied a minute of time. The acting premier declared that the so-called Liberal party stood for private ownership, but the government stood for public ownership. Were we going, asked Sir Thomas, to give public ownership a chance for its life, or were we going to strangle it in this chamber. They had often spoken in this house as to the true meaning of Liberalism but there was not a row seats on the government side that did not own more Liberalism than the whole party opposite.

Sir Thomas referred to the great western agricultural resources which could not be developed unless transportation was provided. Was there a member in the house, he asked, who would say that Canada should not build railways in the west. The western farmer, who had to draw his wheat a hundred miles to the market, was heavily handicapped.

Hon. Arthur Meighen said that the schedule of lines which the government had submitted was a political dodge. It led the people in certain sections of the country, especially the west, to believe that the government was going to construct a lot of railways in their territory. He noticed that nothing was promised to the province of Quebec, although some of the western provinces were almost bankrupt through lending money to Mackenzie and Mann, while the credit of Quebec was good.

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Die Wanderer der Welt

Von Peter Schell, übersetzt von Strudmann.

Sag mir, Stern, des helle Pracht
Sich im Feuerflug entfacht,
Welche Höhle du der Nacht
Wählst zur Ruhestelle?

Sag mir, Mond, der bleich und grau,
Pilgert durch das ew'ge Blau,
Wo ist in der Himmelsau
Deine Heimatzelle?

Müder Wind, der ohne Rast
Flieht, der Welt verstoßner Gast:
Ob du wohl ein Nestchen hast
Noch auf Baum und Welle?

Zum Geleit

Hiermit erscheint die erste Ausgabe der neuen Courierbeilage: „Der Plauderer.“ — Zu Beginn des gegenwärtigen Monats erhielt die Dominionsregierung in Ottawa eine neue Kabinettsordre, die eine Ergänzung zu dem Kabinettsbeschluss vom 20. Januar dieses Jahres bildete, durch den Zeitungen und Zeitschriften in deutscher Sprache vollständig verboten wurden. Der neue ergänzende Erlass der Regierung verfügt nun, dass Zeitschriften, die rein religiösen, literarischen oder wissenschaftlichen Inhalt sind, in deutscher Sprache gedruckt und verbreitet werden dürfen, wenn die Herausgeber von jeder Ausgabe ein Exemplar an den Oberpräsidenten in Ottawa einsenden. Wir wandten uns sofort wieder mit

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einer neuen Petition an den Staatssekretär in Ottawa um Erlaubnis zu erhalten, mit unserer den Regierungsverfügungen in englischer Sprache die erscheinende Zeitung „Courier“ eine literarisch-wissenschaftliche Unterhaltungsbeilage vom „Der Plauderer“ in deutscher Sprache herauszugeben zu dürfen.

Diese Erlaubnis wurde uns erteilt

und wir sind froh, unseren lieben Lesern und Freunden wieder etwas Lebhaftes in der Platterprache dienen zu können. Wir sind überzeugt, dass unsere Leser dies gleichfalls mit lebhaften Freuden begrüßen werden.

Bitte, besonders die Frauen, können nun einfach nur die eine, nämlich ihre deutsche Muttersprache lesen. Das

scheint! Schadet nichts, machen wir ein neues! „Videt sequens“ oder dielme „vident sequentes!“

Wenn es nur jetzt nicht nachhingeln wollte, es sieht sich zu behaglich! Auf die Art läuft sich die Sache schon aus.

Ich sah auf die Uhr, halb elf; in spätklein drei Stunden ist Müller zurück. Die werden schnell genug herum sein! Wenn ich gewohnt hätte, dass die Sache so gemütlich werden würde, hätte ich mich gar nicht erst so bitten lassen! Müller ist mir ja auch schon oft gefällig gewesen. Überhaupt ein prächtiger Mensch!

Einen Schnörler hatte ich ja, die Zigarette brannte, es sah nichts zur vollen Gemüthsart, als eben das Getränk, das ich mir nach bestandener Regel aus dem bereits lieblich summenden Wasser und einer entsprechenden Quantität „Spiritus vini Cognac“, zu Deutsch Cognac, zu bereiten im Begriff war. So fühlte ich mich dann noch so behaglich, wie man sich in einer fremden Apotheke nur fühlen kann.

Eigentlich war es doch ein starker

Stückchen, in der Apotheken-

wenstern hatte ich ordnungsmäßig

herabgelassen, die überflüssigen Gas-

flammen verlöschten; dann hatte ich

mit den Schlafanzügen meines Freunden und Kollegen angezogen,

die Schlafanzüge desgleichen und

es mit in dem alten Lehrbuch so

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Ich fügte zur Lobsicherheit und reihe

die Klappe auf. Draußen steht eine

Dame; sowie ich im flackernden

Scheine der Apothekenelektro-

nen kann, und soweit man das aus

der Füge und der Holzung zu beur-

teilen vermag, ist sie jung, von dem

Geist, und selbst wenn dieser Fall ein-

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natürlich wieder nachgegeben hätte.

Sein Brant, d. h. „in spe“, war ja

auf dem Kränchen, da musste er doch

natürlich hin; sollte und konnte ich

es verantworten, wenn er die gän-

sige Gelegenheit, sich der Dame sei-

nes Herzens einmal ordentlich zu mö-

gen, sich womöglich auszuprednen,

ungeachtet vorzeigend ließ?

Das tatte ich doch nicht, um so we-

niger, als ich bei der Sache eigent-

lich gar nichts riskierte. Müller

hatte mit fest beschrieben, dass sein

Chor noch nicht einziges Mal nach

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Der Brant war fertig! Lieber el-

ter, was mehr Cognac! Viel hilft viel!

Wie, wie das Leid und Seele wärmt!

Herrje, ist das Glas klein, das ist ja

sich auf, wenn man's mal schaue!

Das geht mir aber doch über die

Huiskunst: „Was?! Ein Bräutigam-

der?! Deholt! Klingelt! Sie mü-

der heraus? Aber das ist denn doch —“

gnügt über das ganze Gesicht, nem-

Das Bild des Großvaters

In alten Zeiten sah am hohen Tore von Danzig ein altes Mitterchen, Name Else, die in einer hölzernen Bude ein kleines Bartenlager von Nürnberg besuchte, bunte Bildergaben und einiges Altertum beförderte.

Die Bude war, wie das Mitterchen, alt und gebrechlich, denn Else war in derselben schon als Kind geschäftig gewesen; sie sah hier als Braut, als junge, blonde Frau, als Mutter. Sie trauerte hier als Witwe; sie sah hier mit bleichem Angesicht und rotgeweinten Augen, als sie ihr letztes Kind begraben hatte. Alle ihre Freuden und alle ihre Schmerzen hatte sie hier durchlebt, geduldig in Trübsal, dabei aber fröhlich, denn der Frühling war gekommen; aber sie ward immer weiter ums Herz, und sie wünschte sich schließlich doch hin, wo ihr brauer Mann wäre. Ihr Kinder langsam ruhen.

Da kam ein Mann dageholtender, der rüdig war, wie das Mitterchen, und seine Kleider waren auch kein Prachtstück.

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Der Kopf der Venus

Novelle von Sophie v. Kuenberg



In dem kleinen Landungsplatz des mächtigen Stromes wogte es von Winden. Ein schmäler, vollbelegter Dampfer hatte eben angelegt, und über den Zug hob es sich hund, drängend den Passenden entgegen. Einzelne Bogen und Autos hielten im Hintergrund. Spaziergänger gingen hin und her. Auto und Fußgängerschreie mischen laut, und die hämische Hölle aus müßigen Quatschern läßt, wie so oft, neugierig trittende die Ankommenen am sich vorziehen. Unter allerlei Schichten ist oft auch deutscher oder aufzuhaltender Reisetrieb, gab es auch versteckte Gefühle der Heimat. Seelische mit freundlichen, jungen Gesichtern, glatzäugige Bouviers mit dicken Würstchen und Süßwurstwürzen an den füntigen Seiten. Sie sind, trotz blühender Blumen in ihren Kleidungsländern über den kühlen Füßen und den rauschend-schwarzen Seitenlinien über d. vergrauten Haar. Lippen und allerlei Ausflüsse in Zähneausweitung mit Kind und Hund. Das alles könnte sich ein Weilchen in unruhige Minuten. Wie führt dann und führt nach verschiedenen Richtungen an. Der allzeitbedeckte nur dennoch der heimliche Gang der Provinz in dem häuslichen Bildreichtum, und der Strom fühlt sich in breiten, stillen Wellen wie ein Sinnbild dieses Lebens an ihm weiter...

Als einige der Leyden verließ Kurt Hellendorf den Landungsplatz. Endlos eigentlich, wie jeder, der vergeblich auf jemanden gewartet hat. Unwillkürlich läuft er im Freien noch einmal steilen, sich nach dem Schiff, so nicht eine verkippte Geltung plötzlich noch auftunnen und zum Zug eilen würde. Nein, nichts. Sie will denkt er, folgt einem Mädel in immer unpraktisch und hält nicht Bogen. Verschließen, verstecken, verdecken oder sonst was; und alle gleich! Damit sollte man eigentlich nichts machen — aber er hat es eben verlernt, an die typischen Eigenschaften junger Mädels zu denken in den langen glänzenden Ebenen an Helene Seite. Da war alles immer klar und mehr gewesen, ohne Stirnung und verdeckliche Untersuchungen, jeder Tag schien als der vergangene, von einer neuen Erneuerung unzähligen Verhältnissen aufzuheben. Oftgleich in beiden über den Postkommunikationen waren, konnten sie oft glücklich sein wie jung gebliebene Menschen, und in Gesellschaft stand man zweilen mit einem leisen, bewundernden Lächeln, das ohne Stütze, von dieser unverklärlichen Liebe...

Wie seit einiger Zeit französische Helene, als wäre das Schiff dieses ganz grüne Glück ein wenig darüberzummen, die beiden Umprengten führen ließen. Mein Leben bleibt ohne Zeit. Und doch hätte es dieser Nachmittag kaum bedurft, denn ein Weh klimmerte ja doch im Grunde ihrer Herzen — sie hatten kein Kind. Natürlich hatten sie über dieser einen Täufung sonst nichtsliches Geblüm andenkt, als daß Leute wüssten, daß es kaum mehr Kinder wird. Ja, es gab jetzt, in denen sie sich trugen, doch jenes unregelmäßige Inneneinrichtungsvorwerke, wann födernde Kinder ihrem Lebensanteil darum hätten. So trugte diese unerfüllt gebildete Schrift auffällig grünlich unter, und Helenes Kleinfrauheit, die erste Worte an den Langenarmen Grün und guten Manieren. Durch Vermittlung von Wiener Bekannten hatte man sie auch gefunden, die gesuchte Photografin hatte Frau Helene gefallen, und nun eben die Erwartete mit dem Schiff eingetreffen waren. Sie hatte geben, die Fahrt vor Wasser machen zu dürfen, und war nicht gekommen.

Als kenne seine sterile Wille zuwider, läßt Kurt Hellendorf noch einmal stehen, umfassst alle weiblichen Schwestern. Die vom Landungsplatz kommen, kann aber das beschleunigte junge Mädchen, in genauem Anhören mit blaugrünen Füßen und guten Manieren. Durch Vermittlung von Wiener Bekannten hatte man sie auch gefunden, die gesuchte Photografin hatte Frau Helene gefallen, und nun eben die Erwartete mit dem Schiff eingetreffen waren. Sie hatte geben, die Fahrt vor Wasser machen zu dürfen, und war nicht gekommen.

Und Kurt Hellendorf macht nun endgültig Fahrt, läßt sich eine leichte Steigungshöhe an und geht langsam den gestraubten kleinen Platz hinunter, an dem alten Geschäft vorbei, wo er zweilen beim Schuhgeschäft gutes Leder mit Gewundenem trinkt, liegt in

tel... " sagt das Mädel etwas kleinlaut.

" Was — mit einer Haushaltung sind Sie gereift, dann legen Sie Gott, das Sie nicht per Schiff lassen... Oh, man soll niemals haben mit der göttlichen Vorsehung!" Und lachend wirkt er sich in einen Fausten im Ellen und zündet sich in leichter Revorität eine Zigarette an.

Jetzt erhebt sich Frau Helene des Mädchens.

" Sie dürfen verleiht Scherze nie annehmen, liebes Kind," sagt sie gütig, " das ist alles nicht schlimm gemeint. Sie müssen meinen Mann erst kennen lernen... Er sieht gern und hat seine familiären Scherzen. So — und nun will ich Ihnen selbst Ihr Studium zeigen, es liegt am höchsten und hat einen schönen Ausblick auf Stadt und Strom — kommen Sie!"

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" Gewiß — aber wir leben sehr zurückgezogen im allgemeinen, mein Herr, — immerhin wird sich schon Gelegenheit bieten, Ihnen dies und das zu zeigen." Da bin ich froh, einmal in der Woche sind wir immer in den Parks, modern, gleichsam gesellt von Hause und Komfort — die Volksschule, Kurt Hellendorf muß immer etwas leicht lachen, wenn er hier vorübergeht... ist es nicht eigentlich töricht grausam, den Kindern der Rot solche Paläste zu weisen, ihnen, die daheim alles Rötigste entdecken müßten, und die vielleicht ihr Leben lang darüber werden. Sauber, hell, sollen Schulen wohl sein, aber nicht prunkvoll, für das Geld, das hier auf architektonische Spielereien und zu kostspielige Inneneinrichtung verwendet wurde, kommt man den bungenden kleinen lieber Suppe oder Milch geben, ehe sie zu lernen beginnen...

Desmalson kommt mir, als wenn den beiden, heute aber sind seine Gedanken schon bei Helene, lärmend fort, als er an der Schule vorbei noch ein Stück Weg bergauf, öffnet in Hart Dor und wird geradewegs in das traumhafte Erkerzimmer mit dem Fensterplatz, wo seine Frau lebend oder schreibend auf ihn wartet, und ruft schon beim Eintreten in seiner lebhaften Art, den weichen, leichten Fußschritt schwentend: " Gott sei Dank, Herz, Sie ist nicht ankommen, da hab ich gedacht, das ist ein Wint! — Ein kleines, verlegenes Lachen und eine Handbewegung seiner Frau lassen ihn verstummen, er wendet sich zur Seite und sieht eine junge Dame in Grün, die sich von einem Stuhl loslost und leise den Kopf neigt gegen ihn: " Ich bin schon da, Herr Professor..."

Einen kurzen Augenblick ist er stark, sieht anders aus, als er erwartet hat, stolz und blühend, tizianisches Rotaub über der weißen Stirne, dann zieht er ihr, immer leichter, lächelnd die Hand. " Na und, mich lächeln, Sie unter am Wasser warten, wie einen Sonnengucker auf einen Fisch, der niemals ansieht," sagt er gesungen ulzig, " Sie haben dem das gemacht, Sie wollten doch mit dem Schiff fahren?"

" Freilich, Herr Professor müssen auch nicht böse sein, ich bin dann doch mit dem Zug gefahren, weil er später geht... mein Hut nämlich war nicht fertig."

Jetzt zieht es lustig um seinen Mund. " Ab jo — no ja, natürlich, das ist ein trifffiger Grund." Und zu seiner Frau gewendet, zwinkert er ihr zu: " Helene, du hast dem Hut doch keinerweise erwiesen? Es ist der dort auf dem Stuhl!"

" Nein, er ist noch in der Schauf, tausend andere sei, aber dasjenigen

beringt ihm immer das Wort. Dann ist ganz allein das Wort führen, sobald man die blaue Kleidung des Kindes anzieht, die weiße, ebenmäßig volle Gestalt des Mädchens, das fliegende Profil und das sprühende Haar, welche ab und zu mit einem lebhaften Wunschen, denken wir uns, sich begleitet. Dies ist sehr schön."

Jetzt zieht der kleine Doktor auf die Uhr. " Ich muß zum Sektor ins Büro, und ich habe mich hier nicht mehr, kann du uns heute Helene wird noch freuen, und du mußt uns gleich ein bißchen über diesen ersten Abend zu berichten."

Der kleine Doktor überlegte nicht lange, die Aussicht, dem schönen Mädchen bei Tisch gegenüber zu sitzen, lochte augen zu dieser Stelle manchmal und nimm sie überzeugt in den Gleichheit. Sie selbst hat auch schon oft und leichter Walderholung im Hoar liegen, aber da sie blond ist, merkt man es kaum, und ihre blauen Augen, in denen das Lächeln der beständigen Frau sitzt, sind groß und weit wie ein Stück Feuflingsblümchen.

Die näher Kurt Hellendorf seinem Freunde kommt, deins mehr schwandt der Arger über den unruhigen Gang. Im Grunde ist er herzig froh, daß das Mädel nicht so ist — so hat er noch einen leichten ungefährten Abend mit Helene — so hat er noch einen schönen Ausblick auf Stadt und Strom — kommen Sie!"

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Krankheiten und Behandlung des Schafes.

Der innere Bau des Schafes ist dem des Kindes dergestalt ähnlich, daß wir uns damit begnügen können, in Bezug darauf auf die Anatomie des Kindes zu verzweigen. Es gibt für das Schaf kein besseres Abführmittel als das Epsom-Salz, und keine schlechteren Hebermedizinen als Fingerhut, Brechheinsteine und Salpeter. Die Hauptaufgabe besteht in der Quantität, die eingesprungen wird. Der sechste oder siebte Teil der Masse, welche ein Kind erhält, wird für ein Schaf genügen. Bei Überläufen richtet sich die Quantität des abgesprungen Blutes nach der Größe des Tieres und der Natur der Krankheit. Vier Unzen dürfen beim Lamm und ein Pint beim ausgewachsenen Schaf genügen. Die beste Stelle zum Aderlassen bietet die Halsader. Legt man einen Verbund rund um den Hals, so tritt sofort die Adern so stark hervor, daß ein Ictem darüber nicht möglich ist. Bei der Überöffnung sollte die gleiche Langzeit verhindert werden, welche beim Menschen zu dem Zwecke gebraucht wird. Die Leffnung sollte groß sein und das Blut so schnell wie möglich abgezapft werden.

Das Lamm. — Die Dauer der Trächtigkeit des Mutterschafes beträgt fünf Monate. Während dieser Zeit sollte dem Tiere mehr Aufmerksamkeit gewidmet werden, als gemeinsam der Fall zu sein pflegt. Um es dem Muttertier zu ermöglichen, mit vergleichsweise leichter Geschäftigkeit zu kommen, sollte es nicht zu hart gefüttert werden. Eine oder zwei Wochen vor der Zeit mag es gut sein, das Tier ein wenig besser zu pflegen, um ihm hinreichende Kraft für den Geburtag zu geben. In dieser Beziehung hat der Landmann eine Art von Mittelkramm einzubauen; ein zu guter Futterzustand wird fürs Schaf disponieren, während bei einem zu magren dem Tiere die Kraft fehlen wird, den Alt gefahlos durchzumachen, auch wird es ihm an hinzehender Wild für die Jungtiere mangeln. Ist die Mutter vor der Geburt nicht bei genügender Kraft, so wird auch das gewordene Lamm schwächlich sein und später nicht sonderlich gedeihen. Ruft die Lammfleisch heran, so kann ein wenig Sorgfalt dem Landmann bedeutebare Verluste ersparen und ist in dieser Beziehung dringend zu empfehlen.

Die Sorge, welche der Farmer oder Schafherre dem Schaf zu widmen hat, wird je nach der Jahreszeit und der Witterung eine größere oder geringere sein. Bei dem Früh-Kramm treten die größten Verluste im Herbst ein und während das Lamm ein und röhren größtenteils von der Kälte her. Im März oder April ist das Ende der Lamm-Kramm am gefährlichsten, da dann der Futterstand ein sehr reichlich ist und in diesem Falle sich eine große Neigung zu Entzündungen zeigt.

Das „Klippen“ des Mutterschafes ist jetzt ein häufig angewandtes Gebräuch, der sich sehr gut bewährt hat. Man wünscht sie zu Boden und entfernt dann einen Teil der Wolle von den Schwänzen und Eatern. Das Verlusten der Wolle, das durch das Abziehen verursacht wird, wodurch das Schaf verloren geht, ist das falsche Verfahren, denn das Schaf aus dem bestellten Teile ersehen, ob das Schaf geboren hat, ein Merkmal, das um so wünschenswerter ist, als es häufig sein anderes gibt, um über die Tatsache klar zu werden.

Erfahrener Schäfer wird beinahe immer im Stande sein zu sagen, wenn das Schaf im Begriff ist, zu kommen. Treten die Geburtswehen bald darauf ein und verlaufen in regelmäßiger Weise, während das Tier am Boden liegen bleibt, so sollte er dasselbe nicht töten, aber gehen ein paar Stunden vorüber, ohne daß das Lamm geboren ist, so sollte er die Mutter sorgfältig untersuchen. Sind die Räse und die Spuren der Geburt bereits zum Vortheil gekommen und scheint das Lamm sich in der richtigen Lage zu befinden, nur daß der Kopf etwas groß oder die Öffnung enge ist, so überläßt er die Mutter eine weitere Stunde sich selbst. Lehrt jedoch der Augenchein, daß sich das Lamm in falscher Position befindet, so greift er mit einem oder mit zwei Fingern oder auch mit der ganzen Hand, nachdem er dieselbe tüchtig mit Sei eingeklemmt, hinein und befördert das Junge in die richtige Lage. Die Natur wird dann rasch das Urtheil tun. In allen Fällen, in denen sich das Junge bei der Geburt in unrichtiger Lage befindet, sollte geeignete Hilfe sofort geleistet werden, doch wo das nicht ist, sollte die Mutter sich selbst überlassen bleiben, es sei denn, daß sie Zeichen von Er schöpfung gibt, oder daß das Leben des Jungen in augenscheinlicher Gefahr schneite. Über den Zustand der Mutter wird die Betrachtung eines Augenblicks Aufschluß geben und was das Junge betrifft, so dürfte die Länge der ausgestreckten Junge und deren Farbe selten über sein Bestinden täuschen. Hängt die Junge weit aus dem Mund und nimmt eine bläuliche oder schwarze

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Der Schäfer sollte so wenig Gewalt wie möglich gebrauchen, doch dabei eingedrungen sein, daß das Mutterschaf oft ganz bedeutende Kraftanwendung ohne den geringsten Schaden für sich selbst und mit manchmal nicht großer Gefahr für das Junge auszuhalten vermag. Neben den Gründen der anwendenden Gewalt muß die Erfahrung des einen oder anderen entscheiden. Ist letztere bedeutend vorgeschritten, so sollte keine Zeit verloren und das Lamm unter allen Umständen herausgezogen werden. Die unvermeidliche Geburtsstörung des Jungen bietet häufig manche Schwierigkeit dar. In solchen Fällen treibe man das Schaf in die Hürde, lasse es dort einige Minuten ruhen und fasse dann mit einem Fingern oder mit der ganzen Hand, wenn dieselbe klein ist, in die Scheide. Findet sich nur ein Bein vor und bietet in Folge dessen die Schulter ein Hindernis dar, so wird man gelegentlich einen genügend großen, freien Auslauf haben, dann finden sie leichtlich Geißelketten und andere Anflecken. Ist der Hals gebogen und die Schädelknochen vorgezogen, so mag dieselbe zurückgedrängt und die beiden Vorherrnungen in die Scheide gelegt werden, worauf dann die Schnauze in natürlicher Lage geöffnet wird. Liegt der Röntgen auf der Seite, so wird die Nabelkrumpe und die Lage der Beine es dem Schäfer möglich machen, zwischen dem Rückgrat und dem Bauche zu unterscheiden.

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