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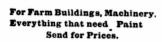
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#### Our Great West.

(Editorial Correspondence )

ANADIANS have a rich heritage in the great country west of our inland seas. It velopment of the next few years will take place. The immense fertile plains stretching west to the Rockies and north to the regions of almost perpetual snow, have wrapped up beneath the unturned sod capa-bilities that the inhabitant of Eastern Canada little dreams of. twenty years which have elapsed since the great agricultural capabilities of the West were first recognized, have wrought great changes. The open wrought great changes. The open prairie has given place to populous cities, towns and villages, and acres and acres of waving wheat fields, which this year give prospect of an abundant harvest, now cover the wild prairie, a source of wealth and prosperity.

But there is much to be done vet. and thousands of acres of fertile lands are yet awaiting the plowshare, in order to give forth their abundance. It is more people this great country needs. And unless all signs fail more people this land will have, and that very shortly. For the young farmer with little capital and lots of energy and push, the opportunities of West are many-fold. Here the very best that is in him has full

chance for development.

The people of this great land are full of hope. It is in the air, it is everywhere. In all our travels so far It is in the air, it is we have not met one who is despondent as to the future of the If anything, they are perhaps too much the other way, and put their trust in the future rather than in making the best of the present. The years of big wheat crops are the ones remem-bered and looked forward to. True, the more practical and common farmer has begun to realize the folly of this to some extent, and by engaging more extensively in live stock husbandry is not so hard pushed when these years of big wheat yields are absent. But we will have more to say along this line in a later issue.

This year, at any rate, all eyes are centered on wheat, which from all reliable accounts will excel any preand quantity of product. So sure are many of the farmers of this that they are already beginning to negotiate for buying more stock and laying plans for investing the proceeds from the harvest. And there is every reason to believe that their hopes will

be realized There are only two things that might perhaps come in the wav The country has had enough rain to satisfy the needs of the growing crop till it is harvested, and any extended rain might cause a lot of the grain to go down, especially where the crop is heavy and on low ground Another drawback might arise in the inability of the farmer to get sufficient help to take off the crop This is, perhaps, the more serious problem of the two. Where every farmer has from 200 to 500 acres of wheat to harvest a lack of sufficient\* help to gather it in in good shape would mean a serious loss

For the crop of 1899 the Canadian Pacific Railway brought into the West over 10,000 harvest hands, and everyone of them was needed This year the crop is at least one-third better than two years ago, and there is a largely increased acreage; therefore, fully twice as many hands will be required to take off this year's crop as in '99. But where are they to come from is the problem? The people of the West are looking to Ontario for the great majority of them. Will she be able to send them? We must confess to having grave doubts on the matter. The bulk of these 20,000 men should be on the ground by August 10th, as the harvest will be earlier than usual. To get this number in on time is not an easy task. But this bumper crop must be saved.

#### Wool or Mutton.

The "Lyttelton Times" (New Zealand) says: An aspect of the sheepfarming industry in New Zealand which has not hitherto received much consideration from flock-owners has been brought into prominence at the wool sales in the various centers, particularly in the South Island, this sea-This is the increasing scarcity of wool suitable for the requirements of the local woolen mills. Year by year a steadily increasing quantity of the tweeds, flannels, blankets and other fabrics used for clothing by our population is manufactured in the Colony, and year by year our sheep farmers devote themselves more and more to the production of meat-lamb and mutton- making wool, except in comparatively few flocks, a secondary consideration. It may be thought that with a yearly production of about 150,000,000 pounds of wool, the Colonial mills should find no difficulty in supplying themselves with the 4,000,pounds or so which they require for manufacturing purposes; but a

glance at the constitution of our flocks will show that the contrary is the case

The Merino provides the chief taple demanded in New Zealand woolen manufactures, and the sheep returns show that of the nineteen millions of sheep in the Colony only some two and three-quarter millions are of that and manufacturers find that breed, much of the wool of even this small number of Merino sheep is unsuitable for their purposes. The result is seen in the keen competition which takes place at the local sales for suitable Merino wools, and which has raised their value to a level estimated at id. to 1d. per pound above the current London rates. The value of Me-rino wool in New Zealand is, in fact, at the present time governed by the local demand and not by London or Australian prices. Next in request by our mills is the half-bred description the produce of sheep bred by longwoolen rams from Merino ewes or of sheep for the half-bred breed (now generally termed "Corriedale".

With so small a number of Merino

sheep in the Colony, and the Corriedales numbered as yet by scarcely more than thousands, the mills have an even more restricted choice in this class of wool. The North Island af-fords practically no supply of the desired quality, and the South Island is, as already stated, so given over to the production of fat lambs as to furnish an extremely limited quantity of good half-bred hogget wool, and next to none of the wether wool, which manufacturers hold in such high favor. In fact it is not beyond the bounds of probability that the present thods of sheep-farming are persisted in the woolen manufacturers will be compelled to seek supplies of raw material beyond the Colony. They will not do so except in the last resort, for New Zealand is singularly free from the burrs and other pests which add to the difficulties of manufacturers, and the importation of wool from Australia, the nearest foreign source of supply would almost certainly involve the introduction of special machinery for treating it.

The cry to preserve the Merino may now be said to come from the woolen manufacturers as well as from the most far-sighted of those who desire to maintain the standard of our export of frozen mutton. The prices which have been obtained locally for wools suitable for local manufacture show that for such produce there is always a profitable market, irrespective of the vagaries of old-wool speculators, and sheep farmers will do well to bear this in mind.

#### THE FARMING WORLD

#### Increase in Farms.

Farming in United States Becoming More Intensive

During the past decade there has been an increase of over one million in the number of farms in the United States or fully 24 per cent increase has been due to two causes: The opening up of new districts, and the sub-dividing of large ranches, plantations, etc., into smaller and more compact farms. A remark. able feature of this increase has been the large gain in the number of farms in the South Central States. which amounts to fully 60 per cent. There has also been a considerable gain in the north and west and a healthy increase in the South Atlantic States. But the North Atlantic States are about in the same position as regards the number of farms as they were ten years ago.

The largest new district opened up for settlement was Oklahoma, and our readers will remember the excitement that prevailed throughout the west when that territory was thrown . open to homesteaders. There are only one or two small Indian reserves to be opened, and the Great Republic will have exhausted all her free lands. In fact, those to be opened up are so insignificant in themselves, that practically speaking, people looking for fine lands will have to journey beyond the confines of the United States to Canada at the North. There they will find good farming lands in abuildance. With no virgin soil to temps him, the United States will not be able to hold the foreigner as formerly.

The fact that the large ranches in the West are gradually being cut up into smaller and more compact farms is of considerable significance to agriculturists, and more especially to stockmen in other countries. The cheapness with which the Western ranches have been able to produce beef cattle has certainly made it. harder to make the business of cattle feeding a profitable one in the older settled parts of the country. Likewise, the breaking up of her great ranches west of the Mississippi means less competition and a greater opportunity for the large ranching country of Western Canada. Everything points to a most rapid development of that portion of the Dominion during the next decade, and eastern breeders should not lose sight of that market for their pure bred stock.

#### Practical Butter Making.

MOTTLED OR STREAKY BUTTER AND SPECKS IN CREAM.

A series of practical articles on the management of a dairy have been appearing in The London, England, Dairy, for sometime back. The following is one of these and deals especially with mottled or streaky butters and specks in cream from a practical standpoint:

There are at least two causes that appear to produce these results-dried cream and the coagulation of the drops of milk by the action of germs.

In the autumn, when the cows are being dried off, and the milk remains for some time in the cow's bag, specks in the cream are very likely to appear, If the milk is minutely examined in a transparent vessel, they may be often seen developing at the bottom of the receptacle. The growing germs will curdle a small portion of the milk and by the fermentation that centres round that spot gas will be formed in it will become lighter the "fleck," than the milk, and float to the top, where it will be found in the cream At another time it will be developed in the cream and remain there, and when churned will not be broken to pieces.

These "specks" are sometimes developed by the action of air or sunlight. Of two pans of milk of the same setting, side by side, one will develop germs or specks, while the other may be quite free. The reason for this is that a bright ray of light striking on one pan of milk develops the germs more rapidly than that set in the shade. Specks will also develop in the milk from one cow, and not in that from another cow in the same herd, although both are subjected to the same influence in every particular.

Specks of dried cream may not injure the butter, but if the condition of the milk or cream is such as to produce "flecks" by coagulating drops of milk, such good butter cannot be

#### SPECKS IN DUTTED

The specks in butter may be dried cream, but they are more frequently caused by bacteria in the milk. A current of air will quickly produce "flecks," hence the necessity that draughts should be avoided in the dairy. The germs may be in the air. or may be latent in the milk, but in either case the air will tend to develop them, and it will be best to cover the milk in a darkened room where there is no current of air (except of course that necessary for ventilation) Note.—The safer plan is to cover up the milk set for creaming.

#### STIRRING THE CREAM.

Cream should be frequently stirred when waiting to be churned, especially in cold weather, and if exposed to the air, for unless the temperature is artificially regulated, the ripening will proceed slowly, and a thick crust of hardened cream will form on the surface, which, if not separated from the by being strained for churning, will be conveyed into the butter.

#### REMEDIES

1. Scald the milk or cream whilst in a fresh condition and cool it again. Do not mix the milk of stale milkers with that of others.

2. Heat the milk to a temperature of 130 F. and cool again rapidly to 70 F., stirring during the process of cooling to prevent an albuminous skim forming, and preventing the rising of the cream globules.

Reasons.-1. The scalding the germs, while the cooling prevents

2. Stir the cream frequently whilst ripening, to prevent the growth of undesirable bacteria by letting in oxy-

#### Loss in Weight of Eggs During Incubation

During 1900 the West Virginia Experiment Station carried on a number of experiments to test the loss in weight of eggs during incubation, and a recent bulletin issued on the subject gives the summary of results and conclus sions as follows:

1. Fertile eggs, when incubated in

normal manner, decrease in weight.

2. The eggs which hatched lost 4.17 per cent. of their weight during the first five days of incubation. During the seven succeeding days they lost 6.35 per cent. of the weight of the eggs at the end of the fifth day, and during the next seven days lost 6.98 per cent. of their weight at the end of the twelfth day.

3. One hundred fertile eggs of average size will lose 234.9 grams, or 8.28 ounces, during the first five days of incubation; 341.8 grams, or 12.05 oun-ces, during the next seven days; and 352.8 grams, or 12.44 ounces, during

the next seven days.

4. The unfertile eggs lost 3.6 per cent. of their original weight during the first five days of incubation. During the seven succeeding days they lost 5.6 per cent. of what they weighed at the end of the fifth day. and during the next seven days lost 5.6 per cent. of their weight on the twelfth day.

One hundred unfertile eggs will lose 217.2 grams, or 7.66 ounces, during the first five days; 323.3 grams, or 11.40 ounces, during the next seven days: 306.9 grams, or 10.81 ounces, during the next seven days.

SUGGESTIONS CONCERNING THE USE OF THESE DESILITE

Before placing eggs in an incubator they should be weighed upon a pair they should be weighted upon a par-of scales reading to ounces. This may be done very conveniently by first weighing the trays, placing the eggs upon them ready for the incubator, and then weighing trays and eggs to-The difference will be the gether. weight of the eggs. At the end of the fifth day the eggs and trays should be re-weighed, the loss in weight determined, and compared with the figures given in the summary and Conclusion of this bulletin. It is important, however, that the trays be thoroughly dry when first weighed, as wooden trays, especially when recently washed, may appear quite dry and yet con-tain several ounces of water, which will evaporate when the trays are placed in the incubator, and thus make the loss in weight of the eggs during the first five days appear larger than it really is.

#### Returned From Europe

The Hon Sydney Fisher, Minister of Agriculture, Ottawa, Prof. Robertson, Agricultural and Dairy Com-missioner, and F. W. Hodson, Dom-inion Live Stock Commissioner, returned last week from England, where they have been during the past two months in the interest of the work of their several departments. We hope to have particulars regarding the work accomplished in a later issue.

# Brandon and its Big Fair

(Specially Reported.)

The city of Brandon is the chief centre of Western Manitoba. It is surrounded by a fine agricultural district, and some of the best farmers in the Canadian West are to be found in the Canadian west are to be found in this section. To the north a most delightful view is presented in the stretch of rising country covered with fields of wheat as far as the eye can In a north-westerly direction, about one and one-half miles from the city is located the branch of the Dominion Experimental Farm system that does duty for Manitoba. directly west of the Brandon Farm is a well-equipped Indian school, and to the east, the Provincial Asylum for the Insane. These three public institutions, located as they are, within a mile or two of the city, make the outlook to the northward a most strik-ing one, and one that will be rong remembered by visitors to the Writ.

The Brandon Experimental Fair is looking exceptionally well at this season, and Supt. Bedford is to be congratulated on its splendid appearance and the excellent crops in prospect. Nowhere in the West, or for that matter, in the Dominion, are to be found better prospects for wheat, oats and other grains than on the Government Farm. But we will have more to say regarding the work there in a later issue. The Farm is a very popular institution among Manitoba farmers, who have peofited very much from the experimental work conducted there. This season farmers' excursions were run to the farm from different parts of the Province, and they have hear very largely acceptance.

have been very largely patronized.

The city itself is an interesting one. Twenty years ago a small cabin or two marked the present sight of Brandon. To-day a town of fully six thousand people, with public buildings, well-laid out streets, fine private residences, etc., that eastern cities of much larger pretensions might well feel proud of. The central school is a magnificent structure with ample grounds well-laid out with walks and flowers, an indication of the important place the education of the children holds in the minds of Brandon citizens. And this is characteristic of nearly every Manitoba town. The school buildings are among the very best to be found in any of the towns or villages of the West, a fact that means much for the future prosperity and position of Western Canada.

But it is Western Manitoba's big fair with which we wish to deal more particularly just now. At Brandon every year is held a fair that takes a high rank among the larger exhibitions in the Dominion. It took place this year from July 23rd to 26th, and everything considered was a great success. The weather was rather unpropitious, which prevented the usual crowds from attending on one or two of the best days. However, the fair was largely patronized by farmers from many parts of the Province. The distances which people in the West will travel to shows of this kind is somewhat surprising. At the fair every day were to be found farmers who had driven ten or fifteen miles to

the station, and then travelled a coup le of hundred miles to the fair. Many of these would return the same day after visiting the show. Evidently distances do not count in this great western country, and a few hundred miles' ride coonty for little more than a street car ride to some Easterners.

The management of the fair displayed much commendable enterprise in their conduct of the exhibition. less than four expert judges, three from Ontario and one from the United States, were brought at considerable expense to judge the live stock exhibits. In addition, Mr. A. S. Smith, of St. Thomas, Ont., was engaged to look after the races and attractions before the grand stand, and it is needless to say, that all these gentlemen from a distance, performed their duties to the satisfaction of all concerned. The attractions were of a varied and interesting character, consisting chiefly of horse racing, which seems to have a special fascination for the people of the West. They like to see things go in more ways than one.

The fair grounds contain eighty acres, and are well arranged for the purpose, with special live stock stables for horses, cattle, sheep and swine. The grand stand has a seating capacity of several thousand, and on the whole, the general equipment is ahead of that of many fairs of much larger pretensions in the East.

#### HORSES

The exhibits this year, on the whole, were good, and much better than a person fresh from the East would expect to see. As one would naturally except, from what we have already said, there was a large display of light horses with some very good quality, indeed. These with the Hackneys, were judged by Mr. Alex. Galbraith, of Wisconsin, who pronounced the exhibit a very creditable one, indeed. Standard breeds were out in large numbers. This is perhaps to be regretted from an agricultural point of view. Ontario's experience with crossing these on the ordinary farm stock has not been satisfactory, and we feel sure that the Manitoba farmer has nothing to gain, and much to lose by breeding largely to this type of animal

There was, however, a very good expibit of heavy draft animals, principally Clydesdales, thus showing that not all the farmers of the district are wedded to the light classes. Especially was there a good showing of young animals, and Mr. Robert Beith Bownanville, Ont., who judged this class, reported many of the young animals to be fit to enter any show ring in the country. We have u. t space here to deal with the exhibits in detail. In the stallion classes Mr. J. A. S. McMillan, Brandon, was the largest winner, capturing the championship and several firsts. His imported stallion, Dukedom, won the silver cup given by the Dominion Clydesdale Association. In three year old stallions, an animal, bred by Graham Bros., Claremont, was first. He was shown by W. Swenerton of

Carberry. Another winner was Mr. Cahoun, of Brandon. In the classes for mares and fillies,

In the classes for mares and fillies, some very good animals were shown. In this section, Mr James Thompson, of Hamiota, was the chief winner with McMillan and John E. Smith, Brandon, well up the list. McMillan's yearling filly was a particularly good one. There were one or two Shires and Percherons shown, but it was evident that the Western breeder is very much inclined toward old Scotland's favorite, the Clydesdale. Some very fine general purpose teams were shown.

#### CATTLE

The display of cattle was hardly up to that of other years. Among the beef breeds the Shorthorns predominated, there being one or two very good exhibits, especially that of Mr. John G. Barron, of Carberry, who was chief winner. His bull, Nobleman, purchased at John Isaac's sale last fall, was first. A young bull, son of Golden Missie, and exhibited by John E. Smith, was first in the yearling class. This animal was also purchased from John Isaac and is one of the Duthie breeding. Thos. Spears, Oaklake and J. W. Binnie, Castleavery, also made creditable exhibits.

A. Cummings, Lonetree, was the chief exhibitor in Polled Angus, and the principal winner. A very good showing of Herefords was made, incicating that the breed is gaining a strong foothold in the West. J. A. Chapman, Beresford, and J. Wallace, Cartwright, were the chief exhibitors.

In the dairy classes the Holsteins were strong. J. Glennie & Son, Longburn, were the largest exhibitors and winners. Other exhibitors were A. B. Potter, Montgomery, and James Herriot, Souris, the latter winning several prizes. Several Jerseys were shown by W. O. Edwards, Souris. Strange to say, only one Ayrshire was shown. One would expect to see this popular Scotch breed out in larger numbers in the West where so many from "Auld Scotia" have taken up their abode. Mr. James Snell, Clinton, Ont., was judge in cattle. Judging competitions in both the beef and dairy breeds were held, so Eastern breeders will see that their Western kinsmen are right up-to-date.

#### SHEEP AND SWINE.

If we are to judge from the exhibits in these classes at Brandon our Western friends are not much on mutton and pork. Only a very few animals in each line were shown, and these of only fair quality. Why the Western farmers ignore these branches of animal husbandry is somewhat surprising. Of course, they do not get within two cents per lb., live weight, for hogs, of what the Ontario farmer gets. This may account for the sparse exhibit and the apathy of the Western farmer as to hog raising.

#### OTHER EXHIBITS.

The exhibits of Agricultural products and the dairy were fairly numerous. Some fine samples of wheat, oats, barley and peas were shown. Even corn had its place, and a sample of fully matured corn was shown that some more southerly countries would

find it hard to beat However, the Canadian West has not as yet been demonstrated to be a great corn country. But we know not what the future will bring forth.

The poultry display was good, with the utility breeds predominating. That veteran judge, Mr Sharp Butterfield, of London, scored the birds and pronounced them of very high merit.

Altogether, then, the Brandon people are to be congratulated on gathering together a very good all round agricultural show. And we would advise visitors from the East nextyear to make an effort to be present. They will see some of the best that our Canadian West can produce, not only of live stock and farm products, but of a genuine hospitable people who love the land of their adoption, and have every hope for the future.

#### To Destroy Weeds

An Iowa farmer gives the following three methods for eradicating weeds, and which might be practised to very good advantage by many a Canadian farmer (a. ).

farmer:-"One of the best ways to destroy bad weeds on a farm is to summer fallow one field on a farm at a time and plow the field, carefully turning everything green under in June and again in July, and the first half of September, and at the proper time sow the field with wheat or rye. The next year as soon as the grain will do to harvest and remove from the field, plow the stubble and weeds under very carefully, and in the last half of September plow the field again and scatter all the stable manure on the land that can be had. The next spring plant the field to corn, and by good management that field can be clean of every class of weeds and kept so. Another very good way to help clear a field of weeds is to plow the field in a good manner as soon as the small grain is cut and hauled

off the field, which should be done as

soon as the grain will do to stack

or thresh. Later in the fall plow the

field a second time, say, in October,

or at such time as to turn under the

grass and weeds before any of them

same field into corn and farm thor-

oughly, and by such management a

farm can be cleaned of weeds and kept

very nearly so. A third good way is to sow a field to grass and mow for

a few years and finally pasture with

stock rather close, providing the

owner will mow the weeds at the

proper time while pasturing the field

The next spring put the

go to seed.

and then run the mower over it in June for ragweeds, thistles, and some other weeds, and also mow in July and August so as to cut off such weeds as will be left from the first mowing. Also mow in September to cut the frost or collie weed and iron and horse weeds—in fact, cut each and all weeds just before they begin

to seed, running the mower bar high

enough to cut the weeds without cutting any more grass than is necessary. By trying to kill weeds as well as most farmers know how, and at the proper time, will rid the farm of most of the noxious weeds. The better way to kill thistles, burdocks and some of the few of the larger weeds is to take a sharp spade and cut the last named weeds off two inches below the ground just before they blossom and you will be done with such weeds, Morning-glories can be killed by pasturing the grass in the field short and salting the stock on the patch of vines once or twice

each week through the season, or by plowing the field where the vines grow and sowing to millet and cutting the millet off before the vines begin to mature seed, and then take off the hay as soon as possible and plow the ground where the vines grew thoroughly. By so doing you will finally get rid of them."

# Studies in Nature

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The editor of this department will be glad to identify for subscribers was specimen of natural history sent to this office for that surpose and will answer any questions on the subject that may be asked through The Farming World.

#### EIRD NOTES.

How quickly the seasons pass. But a few weeks ago we were noting the arrival of our summer birds as they reached us from the South and gradually distributed themselves their nesting ground. Already many of them have fulfilled the purpose for which they came here, and with their young have abandoned their nesting haunts and are now hiding in secluded woods to pass through the moulting season, or are drifting about the country, remaining for a short time at such places as will afford them an abundance of some favorite food, when that supply is exhausted moving off in search of another favorable spot. Both old and young are pos-sessed of the spirit of unrest, sessed of the spirit of unrest, they have no ties to bind them to any particular locality, and food may be had anywhere. The adult males of some species are even now moving southward. The male Hummingbirds and Baltimore Orioles being the first to go. The Bob'o'links left the hay fields some time ago and are now to be found in flocks in the low meadows which adjoin the marshes; the black and white plumage of the males has entirely disappeared, the whole family now being similarly clad in sober suits of ochre vellow with brown markings. With the change of dress they have ceased to sing and have assumed such a quiet, unobtrusive manner that few people recognize in the unassuring brown bird of to-day, the gay, rollicking Bob'o'link of the June clover fields. In a few days they will have left the Province for the rice fields of the Southern States and thousands of them will be sacrificed to furnish epicures with the greatest delicacy of the season.

#### BIPDS OF THE ROADSIDE.

Neither of our cuckoos can be said to be expert nest builders; in fact, their nests are a discredit to birds that are so neat and trim themselves; of the two, the black billed forms the neatest cradle for its young; the best specimen of its skill, however. that I have yet seen was a poor affair and looked something like the nest of a very slovenly robin. vellow billed is even less artistic in its architecture, its nest being little better than a loose platform of twigs, grass and strips of bark. Both species lay three or four eggs of a bluish green color. the blackbilled cuckoo's being rather larger than a robin's, and the vellow bill's a little larger still. After the young leave the nest they are fed for some time by their parents, and when a brood of them are sitting among the branches of a tree waiting for food to be brought to them, they manifest their impatience by uttering the greatest combination of uncouth noishas ever been my fortune to hear in the woods. The young inherit all the hiding propensities of their race and put them into practice at an early age, so that although you may locate the tree from which the noises proceed with great certainty, yet it will take a long and careful search before you are able to see a voung cuckoo

#### INSECTS.

Insect life is now at its height, and everywhere you go representatives of some of its various forms will be met with. As is usual, some species generally common are this season very scarce, while other species that in most years are comparatively rare are this summer common. A not-able case is that of the potato hawk moth (protoparce celeus). I do not remember a season in which this magnificent insect was exactly rare, but I certainly never before saw it as common as it is this year. This moth produces the large green, horntailed caterpillar that feeds on tomatoes, potatoes and other allied If abundant plants. these larvae are liable to become injurious. In their early stages Paris green will destroy them, and when they become large they may easily be hand picked off the plants. This insect has so many natural enemies that it is not likely to be a source of annoyance for two years in succession, but owing to its large size and great voracity, market gardeners should be on their guard against it this summer or their tomato plants will be likely to suffer

# The Sugar Beet World

Devoted to Sugar Beet Culture in Canada and Allied Industries. Specially Representing the Farmers' Interests

Edited by TAMES FOWLER

#### Sugar Beetlets.

The value of a sugar beet is in the quality, not quantity.

The soil properly prepared will grow paying quantities of sugar beets.

The farmer is the one most benefitted by the establishment of a sugar factory.

The sugar beets are the finest table beets. Why do the farmers not grow them for that purpose.

Beets stand the dry weather nicely, and the crop can be depended upon when nearly all other crops fail.

The sugar beet is not a tender plant, and will not be injured by spring frosts that would kill corn.

The sugar beet takes most of its sugar qualities from the air. Plenty of sun is required in the ripening stages.

The sugar beet is a cash crop, and the introduction of a new cash crop to diversify the old system, is full of promise to the farmer and the business public.

Experience in sections where the industry has flourished has demonstrated that it is more economical to sow the seed thick at the start and remove all the surplus beets at the time of thinning.

Beets grown from seeds which have not been carefully selected will be low in sugar content. Sow no seed not obtained from reputable dealers. To secure a profitable yield of surar it is necessary to use selected seed.

The farmer who knows how and, knowing, carries his farm work on systematically, will succeed and prosper where his neighbor farmer, possessed of equal industry, but lack of knowledge and pursuing haphazard methods will fail to make farming pay. This is especially the case in sugar beet culture. It may be said to the credit of farmers that as a class they are anxious to learn and to profit by the experience of others, and by and by they come to the conclusion that beet culture is a good thing, as the beets will find always a ready market for an agreed price. At the same time it will improve the fertility and productivity of the farm and consequently its value.

#### Crop Reports.

The late rains have benefitted the beet crop, and the farmers growing beets for shipment to Michigan are very hopeful that it will be the best paying crop raised this year, not-withstanding that they are only getting \$3.00 per ton for them. With a home market at \$4.00 per ton the Canadian farmer would find that he

has only to grow beets a few years to become independent.

#### Ontario Did It.

One of our American exchanges contains the following:

"Not many years ago lumbering was one of Michigan's chief industries. So vast were these lumber operations that in a comparatively few years, the log supply was exhausted and Canada's prohibitive export duty on logs did the rest. How to supply work for the people formerly engaged in the lumber business and a market for the farmers' produce became in a very short time a most perplexing question.

"The sugar beet arrived in time to solve the problem. Nature gave to Michigan a soil and climate adapted to the production of this crop. Mr. Saylor calls special attention to the fact that after the sugar is extracted the pulp retains all the plant food furnished by the earth and is practically as nourishing and fattening to dairy or stock cattle as before the factories have obtained what they want. The side products of the facother than pulp, are to be chemically prepared commodities, as pointed out in connection with the big plant for that purpose that is being built and equipped at Bay City. It will be years before the enormous domestic consumption of sugar met by the sorghum can be met and beet sugar producers, this is only the better this is only the better guarantee of sure sales and profits."

#### What the Sugar Trust Thinks.

President Havemeyer of the sugar trust has opinions of his own on the conquering march of American grown beet sugar. Before the United States Industrial Commission not so very long ago, in reply to a question as to whether or not in his opinion the beet sugar industry will eventually supply all the sugar consumed in the United States, he made answer as follows:

If the people in the United States continue to consent to a burden of \$40 on imported sugars, I suppose that one of these days the beet sugar industry will furnish the United States with all it consumes—provided, of course, that Cuba, Porto Rico and the

hilippines are not annexed, or their products are imported free.

In other words, if the Dingley tariff tax on foreign sugars is continued and products from the Philippines, Porto Rico and Cuba are to be regarded as "foreign." importations of sugars will gradually decline until finally they cease altogether, and the sugar supply of this country will come chiefly from beets, even the cane of Louisiana and Hawaii gradually disappearing. This view, coming from such an authority is highly significant. Equally significant is the report that Have-meyer is increasing his sugar beet holdings just east of the Rockies

Beet sugar has come to stay in Canada also, and there is no reason why Ontario cannot produce enough beets of the proper quality and manufacture all the sugar used in the Dominion.

#### Grow Reets

Prof. McKerrich, of the University of Illinois, in a recent address, says: "The rapid development of the beet sugar industry in America has opened another large and promising field of endeavor for young men. This industry is now but a giant in its swaddling clothes. No need of going West now, to grow up with the country. But rather, learn the arts of cultivating high grade sugar beets and grow up with this rapidly developing and prosperous industry."

#### Wallaceburg.

The contract for the building of a beet sugar factory at Wallaceburg has been awarded to the Kilby Mfg. Co., of Cleveland, Ohio, and the work will proceed immediately. The main building or factory proper will be 244 feet long, 4 stories high, with steel roof. The remainder of the building will be of brick, stone and cement with steel structure, making it absolutely fire proof. The storage building for sugar will connect. with the main building, and is to be 200 feet long, 2 stories. There will be ten beet sheds each 400 feet long. and a complete electric lighting plant will be installed. The entire plant will be of the most modern type, embracing all the special features of the business known up-to-date, and will be a model for other factories which are in contemplation.

The promoters and deserve great credit for the business-like way in which they have taken hold of the enterprise. It is sure to be successful.

#### The Sugar Beet Fields Surrounding Lansing

Few persons who have not investigated the tremendous industry that the establishment of a sugar-beet factory in this city brings to our doors, have an adequate idea of what it means to the city and country.

An early drive on Wednesday among the sugar-beet fields gave us a glimpse of the great industry, its ramifications and possibilities.

North and south, east and west, and all intermediate points around the city, could be seen hondreds of persons, men, women and children, differing in ages from 16 years to three

score and ten, weeding, thinning and hoeing beets. Thus means hun-dreds of dollars every day; thousands of dollars every week coming into the homes of the city; this means an exchange of these dollars with those who sell groceries, clothing, books; this means more boys and girls in our schools, attending our colleges and universities. From the sugar-beet fields many boys and girls see the door open to the college and the uni-We were talking with one boy who has long desired to attend the Michigan Agricultural College but could not get the money necessary to purchase clothing and other essentials. essentials. "I shall enter the col-lege this fall," said the boy.

Seven thousand acres of land are required to feed the Lansing sugarbeet factory. The cultivation of the beet requires hundreds of helpers to weed, thin, hoe, pull, top, prepare the soil, drill in the seed, haul the crop to the factory, change the beets to This industry is not a temsugar. porary affair; but a business that has come to stay, and means a steady stream of money, alternating between the city and country; it means better roads leading from the country the factory, for the problem of transportation of the sugar beet, crop is a costly one, and will need good roads to reduce it to the minimum; it means a better preparation of the soil for the crop, since sugarbeet culture, to be successful, means the very best cultivation of the soil; it means diversification of agricultural productions, and a husbanding of the resources of the soil. The de-livering of the crop to the factory will commence about October 1.

#### The Beet Sugar Factory

A modern beet sugar factory exhibits in the general construction the triumphs of mechanical skill and ingenuity, at the same time that its methods of actual sugar making are the result of careful chemical investigation and are controlled at almost every stage of chemical analysis. Every detail of construction and arrangement is planned to serve its particular end.

The best storage is provided in sheds, into which the beets are discharged from wagons or unloaded from the cars. Each of these sheds has the bottom sloping to the middle beneath which is the flume; in it the beets are carried by flowing water to the factory proper, and out of it they are lifted by a wheel and delivered to the washer. After washing, the beets are automatically thrown within reach of the carrier, by means of which they are taken to the top of the building and delivered to the weighing machine; this machine discharges at a definite weight, about 600 pounds, meanwhile recording the number of loads, and the beets drop into the hopper of the slicing ma-The curved knives of the slicer cut the beets into pencil-like strips, or cossettes, as they are called, which are in turn delivered to the open diffusion cell or chamber of the diffusion battery below, through the long, sloping spout. About two and

one-half tons of cossettes are required to each cell of the diffusion battery; after filling, the newly filled chamber is placed last in the line of flow of the hot water passing through these chambers to extract the sugar, or other substances dissolved in the beet juices. Herein is the essential difference between diffusion and direct extraction of saccharine matter by grinding or crushing and subsequent pressure. The slicing into cossettes is the preparation of the beet for extraction of its juices by the diffusion process. All are more or less familiar with the primitive crushing juice extraction and juice extraction practiced with sorghum, with apples and with other fruits as exemplifying the old process of juice extracation.

The sugar juices from the diffusion cells, will be diluted more or less according to the volume of water used in their extracation; manifestly there is a limit in the extracation of the sugar from the cossettes, now become the pulp, beyond which profitable extraction cannot be secured because of the dilution of the diffusion juice.

Broadly speaking, about one-half of one per cert of sucar remains in the pulp for the reasons stated, a more complete extraction would involve greater dilution and mean more water to evaporate in the process of sugar separation. The technical control of such processes involves many factors that will scarcely occur to the non-technical reader, or visitor at a beet sugar factory.

The mice, or liquor from the diffusion battery, is passed through the sulphuring tanks where bleaching is to be secured by the jumes of burning sulphur, then the same liquor is passed to a tank for first carbonation. This process consists in the addition of lime in excess to precipitate es-

pecially the albuminoid substances in the juice and subsequently in passing gaseous carbon dioxid (saved in the process of burning the lime required) through this limed juice to precipitate any excess of lime and reduce, or neutralize the alkaline reaction. From the first carbonation the liquor is passed through the filter presses to remove all precipitated material, such as lime, albuminoid substances, and the like. From the filter presses come the lime cake of the factory. From the first set of filter presses the liquor passes through a second course of liming and carbonation, the "second carbonation" and again through a succeeding set of filter presses.

After the second carbonation, the somewhat changed juice or liquor is ready for the evaporating tanks, or vacuum tanks as they are usually called, where, in a series of four tanks the liquor is evaporated, under re-duced air pressure, to a "thick liquor" containing about fifty per cent, sugar. The vacuum tanks are interesting as illustrating the effect of the atmospheric pressure upon the boiling point of a liquid. These tanks are closed chambers, connected with each other and capable of containing a large volume of liquor. Through the tanks and liquor are a series of copper pipes. Through pipes of the first tank live steam is passed while the vapor from the evaporation going on in the first tank passes through the copper pipes of the second, and so far each one successively. The air is exhausted from the upper space of each chamber by trickling water and pump, so that a nearly uniform pressure is maintained for each, though different for the several tanks. This means about as follows:

#### Experiments With Sugar Beets.

The Dominion Government reports of the Central Experimental Farm at Ottawa contains the following in regard to sugar beets:

Six varieties of sugar beets were tested in 1900. They were sown side by side on land adjoining that used for the trial plots of turnps, mangels and carrots, the soil was similar and the treatment and pre-

paration of the land and the method of sowing were the same. Two sowness were made, the first on May 16, the second on May 30. They were also pulled at two different dates; the first pulling was in October 16, the second on November 6. The yield per acre has been calculated from the weight of roots gathered from one row 66 feet long.

#### SUGAR BEETS-TEST OF VARIETIES.

NAME OF VARIETY.		Vield per Acre from 1st Sowing, 1st Pulling October 16.		Vield per Acre from 2nd Sowing, 1st Pulling October 16.		Yield per Acre from 1st Sowing, 2nd Pulling November 6.		Vield per Acre from 2nd Sowing, 2nd Pulling November 6.	
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2	Wanzleben	. 40	355	31	1,030	40	520	35	455
,	Improved Imperial .	. 38	1,335	25	430	32	1.340	33	330
•	Red Top Sugar	. 37	580	26	1.130		1.360	31	700
.,	Danish Red Top	2.4	805	31	1.030	35	620		
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The increase in crop from the early sowing of sugar beets was very marked this year, the gain amounting to 9 tons 362 pounds per acre. There was a slight decrease in the crop in

the second pulling of the early sown plots, but on those increase was 5 tons 1,908 pounds per acre.

The "thick liquor" from the vacuum tanks, containing, as is stated above, about 50 per cent. of sugar, is drawn off from the fourth tank, filtered through bag filters, sulphured again and then passed into "the vacuum strike pan" on the next level In this, evaporation proabove. ceeds under even better vacuum, until the desired consistency is reached for subsequent crystallization of the sugar. From the strike pan the thick, pasty mass is discharged into the graining pan, where it is contin-ually stirred to induce proper crystallization; thence it is drawn to the centrifugals, which are chambers, or hollow cylindrical bodies with the outer margin of the hopper of perforated brass, revolving at a very high speed and surrounded by a fixed external jacket. The molasses is thus thrown out of the mass and caught by the external jacket; the crystallized sugar remains behind, is washto free from adhering molasses and is then ready for drying in a heated dryer, and subsequent pulverizing of any lumps. As the finished sugar drops into the barrels, it is yet warm and almost entirely free from moisture, polarizing between 99.5 and 100 per cent. of sugar; in fact any slight deviation from 100 per cent, in polarization is usually to be attributed to imperfections in drying or to subsequent slight absorption of moisture.

There are further vacuum pans found here for the handling of motases; and there are special processes, such as Steffen's, Osmose and some others, that have not beer perioduced into the Fremont works. The largest loss in beet sugar manufacture is undoubtedly in the final molasses, which in our country is not utilized, and is in fact, difficult to utilize even with pulp for stock feeding, as is reported to be the practice in Germany. The beet pulp too is not as yet utilized, though promising to be valuable in cattle feeding; it is dropped into a large silo outside the factory.

So much by way of explanation of the factory processes. Lime kilns, seed houses, cooper shops, boiler sheds and other features of a sugar factory do not differ essentially from similar features of any other industrial enterprise.—Ohio Exp. Station Bulletin.



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# The Use of Limestone in Sugar Factories.

A sugar factory is a large consumer of lime-stone. This stone is burn-ed in the factory in a specially arranged kiln. In the process of burn-ing, carbonic acid gas is driven off, and the object of burning the lime in the factory, instead of buying the prepared lime, is for the purpose of securing this carbonic acid gas, which is used in the process of manufacturing the beet sugar, as well as the lime. The burned lime is put into the juice, either in the powdered state or as milk of lime, as the first process after the juice has been suf-ficiently warmed. The object of this is to have the lime unite with the impurities in the juice both chemically and mechanically, and then by the carbonic acid gas, by bubbling it through the limed juice, a union of calcium and the carbonic acid gas is effected. This combination forms calcium carbonate, the substance or-iginally started within the limestone before burning. In this process the crude stone is separated into its eleand after performing functions is united again, and holds in its grasp the impurities that were in the beets. It is then removed from the juice by forcing the juice under very high pressure, through very fine cloth filters. This lime-stone must be very pure and is a necessary condition of a sugar factory.

#### Two Views of Sugar Beets.

One of our exchanges publishes the following editorial:

"Seldom has a brand new industry been brought so rapidly to public notice in Canada as has the sugar beet industry during the past few months. As it should have in an enlightened country the proposition to the cultivation and manufacture of sugar beets by government aid, has its critics proand con. Some of the arguments on one side are no better than some of those on the other.

For example the Bowmanville Statesman makes the hogs devour the sugar beets in this way:

A farmer could grow sugar beets and deliver a ton a day to a sugar beet factory here if we had one (Whitby is very anxious to have one) and he would drive home with \$4.50 in his pocket. The same farmer with the same wagon could deliver a ton of live

hogs in the same time and return home with \$100 bulging out of his pockets, if the hogs brought only \$5 per cwt. See? The sugar beets all must be delivered within two months say when the farmer could deliver logs every month in the year. The farmer twenty miles distant could easily deliver his hogs here, but the beet raiser that distance off would find a day's work for a man and a team too costly for delivering teets at \$4.50 a ton. Then about the exhaustive nature of beet raising on land? Would not constant cropping in of beets impoverish the soil in those constituents that make the vegetable. Heavy manuring and much labour is imperative to produce good crops. But how is it with hog raising? The land would be fertilized. Coarse grains would be fed on the farm and would be returned to the soil. labour is scarcely noticeable. O, ye farmers, everything is in favour of the

That is certainly a hog argument. It chiefly proves that \$100 worth of hogs can be put into a smaller box than \$100 of sugar beets. It no more proves that a farmer should raise hogs instead of sugar beets than that he should raise humming-birds instead of Barred Plymouth Rocks. The space things take up in a wagon box is not very superior guide to their value. What it costs to raise and market \$100 worth of sugar beets and hogs to the same value and which leaves the bigger net surplus are points that do not seem to have occurred to the Statesman expert, but with a glance into the wagon box he exclaims: "O. ye farmers, everything is in favor of the hog." It evidently is around the Statesman office. If newspapers are to be of such assistance to farmers on this question they must discuss it in a more rational way than the Statesman has adopted."

I should think you would be afraid to eat onions in the middle of the day," said the blonde typewriter to the brunette when they met at dinner.

"I'm not a bit," replied the dark one; "you see, our office is on the thirty-sixth floor, and when I go up in that elevator it takes my breath away."—Yonkers Statesman.

"Some folks," said Uncle Eben, "seems to think dey is havin' an ahgument, when 'tain' nuffin' but a hollerin' match."—Washington Star.

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Each member receives a free copy of each publication issued by the Association to which he belongs, during the year in which he is a member. In the case of the swime Breeders' Association this includes a copy of the swime Breeders' Association this includes a copy of the swime Breeders' Association is allowed to register pigs at 50c, per head; non-members are charged \$1.00 per head.

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A member of the Sheep Breeders' Association is allowed to register sheep at 50c, per head, while non-members are charged \$1.00 per head.

The name and address of each member, and the stock he has for sale are published once a month. Over 10.000 copies of this directory are mailed monthly. Copies are sent to each Agricultural College and each Experiment Station in Canada and the United States, also to prominent breeders and probable buyers resident in Canada, the United States and elsewhere.

A member of an Association will only be allowed to advertise stock corresponding to the Association which he belongs, that is, to advertise cattle he must be a member of the Dominion Cattle and the stock of the Association will not advertise where he caust be a member of the Dominion Sheep Breeders' Association.

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#### FARM HELP EXCHANGE.

The Farm Help Exchange has been started with the object of bringing together employers of farm and domestic labor and the employees. Any person wishing to obtain a position on a farm or farm or district the start of the start The Farm Help Exchange has been started with

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#### Farmers' Institutes.

Under this head the Superintendent of Farmer Under this head the Superintendent of Farmase Institutes will each week publish matter relating to Institute work. This will include instruction to scretaries and other officers general information about Institutes and Institute work, suggestions to delegates, etc. He will also from time to time review some of the published results of experiments conducted at the various Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Stations of Canada and the finited States. In this way he hopes to give Institute members some valuable agricultural institute members some valuable agricultural institution which they might not otherwise reconstitution which they might not otherwise reconstitution which they might not otherwise reconstitution which they might not otherwise reductions publications. If any more agreed the discussed, by applying to the Superintendent he will be put in direct communication with the Institution that has carried on the work. will be put in direct communication was substitution that has carried on the work.

G. C. CEPEIMAN,
Superintendent Farmers' Institute.

#### Women's Institute Notes

By the Superintendent.

Six months ago only three Women's Institutes existed in this Province, with a total membership not exceeding one hundred. At the close of the

half year, ending June 30th, thirty-three Institutes had been organized, and were holding monthly meetings, with a total paid up membership of 1,369. The latest addition to the number is South Simcoe, which was organized under favorable auspices by Miss Maddock on June 3rd, with Miss Christina Sutherland, Cookstown, as Secretary-Treasurer.

Mrs. J. S. McTavish, in her president's address at the annual meeting of the West Bruce Women's Institute, said:-

"As a new Institute, starting with a very small organization. I think we may congratulate ourselves on the success we have achieved Seven members were on the roll at our first meeting six months ago, and today we have lifty-four. Those who have attended the meetings have received much benefit; directly from the information received, and indirectly from a social point of view Solomon said, 'As iron sharpeneth iron, so a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend." and this is equally true of women, as we have proven in our meetings together. We have been much benefited by the literature sent out by the Department of Agriculture. We have also during the year purchased a few books, which are the nucleus of a library to which we hope to add from time to time as our funds will permit. Among the books purchased are, 'The Veget able Garden. 'Flowers, and How to Grow Them.' 'Food and its Func-tions,' 'Primer of Hygiene,' 'Early Training of Hygiene, 'Early Training of Children, 'Dust and its Dangers,' and 'Diet in Sickness and Health.'

#### NORTH GRAY.

In North Grey the officers of the Women's Institute are most businesslike in their methods. Being convinced that the municipal council should assist them in their efforts to improve the social conditions of the women of their farms, they approached the county fathers without fear or

trembling, and, as the following clipping from an Owen Sound paper will show, accomplished their object :-

Wm. Gardner, of Kemble, President of the North Grey Women's Farmers' Institute, accompanied by Mrs. Beckett, also from Kemble, were present in the interests of their Association, and presented the objects of their Society in a well thought out and pleasingly presented address by Mrs. Gardner. So much time had been taken up by the Owen Sound deputations that in order to catch the train for home the ladies had rather a poor opportunity of presenting their case. However, the address was convincing as to the utility of such organizations, and the council readily voted them a grant of \$10 to aid the work. This grant brings a similar amount from the Ontario Government. The Women's Farmers' Institute bas no reason to be ashamed of the representatives who appeared before the county council."

#### SOUTH ONTARIO.

The Institute of South Ontario held their July meeting at the home of Mrs. J. L. Smith, Whithy. Smith is one of the mothers of the Institute movement in Ontario, and being the wife of a successful farmer, her practical experience has been very helpful to many a new Institute. As would have been expected she proved charming hostess, and cordially welcomed the hundred ladies who arrived from all parts of the riging.

A pleasing feature of the meeting was an address and presentation to the retiring secretary, Mrs. Wm. Anderson, who was obliged to resign her position on account of all health.

#### WEST DURHAM.

Miss E. E. Haycraft, Ecwmanville, secretary of the West Durham Women's Institute, in her annual report

organization last October, eight meetings have been held. Good programmes, consisting of addresses and papers on useful subjects, have been given, interspersed with musical selections. A union meeting in connection with the Farmers' institute was held in Mr. Jonathan Stephen's grove, north of Bowmanville, on June No meetings are to be held during the summer months, but arrangements have been made for a large meeting in October."

#### EAST HASTINGS.

The East Hastings Women's Institute held an out-door annual meeting at Plainfield last month. Blanche Maddock, of Guelph, was present and delivered an address on "Bacteria, as they affect the Home, the Soil and the Dairy." Sixty ladies were in attendance.

#### WEST HURON.

Mrs. Colin Campbell and her co-

workers in West Huron have held meetings during the past year at Goderich, Blyth, Holmesville, Kintail, St. Helens and Wingham. These meetings were attended by 1,655 persons, while twenty-six papers on women's work were read and discussed.

#### NORTH ONTARIO.

Mrs. C. S. Goodrich, secretary North Ontario Women's Institute, reports that their meetings are being well attended, and that they have a paid membership of 53. The efforts of the officers and directors are being appreciated.

#### PEEL.

In Peel the ladies are making arrangements to hold meetings during the coming winter at Cheltenham, Streetsville, Bolton and Brampton.

#### SOUTH WENTWORTH.

The receipts for South Wentworth Institute last year were \$63.63. With this amount they have been enabled to hold a great many meetings and supply good literature to their members. A branch of this Institute has been formed at Carluke.

#### The Annual Meeting of the West Bruce Women's Institute

The meeting was called to order at 1.30 p. m., and after a few preliminary remarks by the President, Mrs. McTavish, she introduced to the audience Miss Laura Rose, of Guelph, who gave a very instructive address on "Difficulties in the Dairy, and How to Overcome Them." There was a very good attendance at this meeting, upwards of two hundred, and much interest was taken, both in answering and asking questions.

After the address, the business meeting was called, When the President, Secretary and Auditors read their reports. The old Board of Directors, and also the other officers were reelected.

At 5 o'clock, after the business session, luncheon was served, and over one hundred sat down to a bountiful repast, which all seemed to enjoy. Fach married lady had the privilege of inviting her husband and a friend, while the single members had also the privilege of inviting two. The luncheon was provided by the members only, and the gentlemen present, were, of course, unanimous in their opinion that the Wor a's Institute was a seccess.

The evening meeting was called at 8 o'clock, but owing to showery weather, a number had to go home. However, there was a very good attendance—about two hundred and fifty. Miss Rose gave two addresses, one on "Butter," and the other on "Bread Making," which were both very instructive and much appreciated by the audience.

Dr. Annie Clelland, of Victoria, a member of the National Council of Women, gave a paper, "The Prevention of Tuberculosis in children."

Between the addresses, Mrs. Nicholson and Mr. Wismer sang a duet, entitled, "The Invisible Land." Miss

Rose gave a recitation, and the meeting closed by the audience singing "God Save the King." Altogether a very enjoyable time was spent, and during the afternoon quite a number of new members were enrolled, and we hope, if spared, to be able to make our organization even more successful than it has been in the past.

Mrs. J. H. Wismer, Secv.

#### ANNUAL REPORT

To the Officers and Members of the West Bruce Women's Institute:

In presenting to you this first annual report I have the honor of calling your attention to a review of the principal transactions of our Society during the past seven months of its existence.

While there are those before me who have attended every meeting since organization, the majority of those present have not been able to do so, and many have joined us quite recently, so for the benefit of these, I shall describe in detail, more than I otherwise would.

The first meeting for the purpose of organizing was held in the Council Chamber, Port Elgin, on November 17th, 1900, at which nine ladies were in attendance, and the following officers were elected: Mrs. McTavish, president; Mrs. P. Cummings, vice-president, and Mrs. Wismer, secretary.

The second meeting, December 1st, was very poorly attended, only five being present, and on this discouraging account, with the exception of the election of Mrs. McEwing to the office of treasurer, little or no business was transacted.

The third meeting, January 12th, was attended by fourteen ladies, a sufficient number from which to elect a Board of Directors, and the following were appointed: Mrs. C. Nicholson, Mrs. John George, Miss M. Elliott, Mrs. George Simpson, and Mrs. W. Gowanlock.

At this meeting the president read an interesting address, entitled, "The Aims and Objects of Women's Institutes." Eight new members were enrolled, and after adjournment fifteen additional nan es were secured.

The principal features of the fourth meeting held on February 9th, were three addresses by Mrs. John George, Mrs. C. Nicholson and Miss M. Elliott, and the framing of a letter of condolence to our vice-president, Mrs. Cummings. Attendance, eight.

The attendance on March 9th numbered 17. The time was occupied by readings given by Mrs. McTavish and Mrs. Nicholson, and the selection of books for a small library.

"Work, Worry and Monotony," by Mrs. Munroe, and a humerous by practical article, "Food for Bees," by Mrs. McTavish, were the subjects under discussion on April 13th. Attendance, 13.

At the meeting of May 11th, the last of the Institute year, there was an attendance of 16. An address was given by Miss Elliott, and readings by the president and Mrs. Nicholson. Mrs. Campbell and Miss Elliott were appointed Auditors.

In addition to the above meetings, mention should be made of an informal session held on February 14th, for the purpose of meeting Miss Maddock, and receiving her suggestions as to the best way of promoting the interests of our Institute and carry it on in a business way

A Branch Institute has been organized at Underwood, and is under the directorship of Miss McLean. The president and Mrs. Nicholson (a directing), have attended several of their meetings, but, owing to ill health, I have not yet been able to meet with them.

At present date we have a paid-up membership of 51, including the Underwood Branch, but exclusive of those who have joined us since my books were audited.

We have held seven regular meetings and eleven is the total number of papers read and addresses given. My Financial Statement shows

receipts from members, ... ... \$12.75 Grant from Farmers' Institute 10.00

Mrs. Wismer, Secretary. Port Elgin, June 7th, 1901.

#### Some Impressions Received During a Short Trip to the Province of New Brunswick...

By T. G. Raynor, Rosehall.

The Department of Agriculture of this Province decided to re-organize the different existing Agricultural Societies, and to change them into Farmers' Institutes, that they might become more efficient and do some educational work, besides what they were already doing, namely, purchasing pure bred sires and holding fairs

I arrived in Fredericton on the 25th of June, and that evening met the organizers in the office of Mr. Thos. A. Peters, Deputy Commissioner of Agriculture. The working of the Institute system as we have it in Ontario, was then explained, and some beneficial results of the work were emphasized.

Commencing on the 26th inst., I was to go alternately with all three organizers, viz: W. W. Hubbard, of the "Co-Operative Farmer;" W. J. Tompkins, and Mr. Alward, Parliamentary Librarian. All three are efficient men. Mr. Peters was also to organize a few. In this way I saw a good deal of the Province, and noted a few things as I met the farmers of the different districts. I spoke at a number of the public gatherings, and, judging from the interest taken, they are ripe for organization.

#### THE MAIN CROPS.

The main crops of New Brunswick are hay and oats. Potatoes and buckwheat are also grown extensively. This year, along the St. John Valley, and in the southern and south-eastern part of the Province, the nay crop is excellent. Up the north shore, including all north-eastern New Brunswick, the season has been a very dry one. Only here and there are there really good crops. In the most favored places, or where good farming is

carried on, the crops look very well. under such adverse conditions.

#### BAD EFFECTS OF INDISCRIMINATE CROSS-BREEDING.

The Government has been aiding the farmers through the Agricultural So-cieties, in purchasing pure bred males. This has been done before any general knowledge of the breed characteristics were known by the masses, and it has resulted, as it has elsewhere, in mixing up the breeds of cattle and sheep to such an extent that the attempted improvement is worse than the orig-The French setinal in many cases. tlements are the farthest behind in methods and improved stock, of any 1 visited. A most hopeful sign of the times, however, was their evident eagerness to get information. came out by the fifties and hundreds to the organization meetings. Most of them can understand a little English

#### DAIRVING

Prof. Robertson has done some good work in encouraging co-operative dairying in the Province. The Prov-The Province is divided into three districts and presided over by as many inspectors, who are looking after their work well.

#### SHEED

There is no reason why sheep should not do well. In fact, where there are any kept they are looking well. It is claimed that the dogs down East are a great menace, as well as in the Away with the dogs then! and Wast let us keep more sheep.

#### PORK IMPORTED.

From western New Brunswick some hogs are shipped to Montreal. However, there are more hogs brought to New Brunswick, slaughtered and consumed there than the Province pro-

#### REMOVING FENCES.

In Carleton County, about the town of Woodstock, they are removing their road fences very largely, and working the land right up to the road bed. It looks very nice and clean, and where the road is properly graded, it is a decided improvement. They are paying considerable attention to their country roads, and all over the road machine is in evidence, more or less.

#### IN THE TRANSITION STAGE.

In many parts of New Brunswick farming is in a sort of transition condition. Considerable lumbering is still going on, and many farmers with their teams find steady work at the lumber camps during the winter sea-This has rather spoiled them for son. work on their farms in summer. Many, however, are finding it necessary to more attention to their farms, and Institutes will help them to avoid making a number of mistakes.

#### NOT ENOUGH FRUIT.

Fruit is not cultivated to the extent it might be, and they have considerable to learn along that line

On the whole I was favorably impressed with the agricultural possibilities of New Brunswick, and believe there is a bright future before her.

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#### President's Address.

To the Ladies of East Durham Woman's Institute:

After a few discouragements and difficulties experienced in getting started we are now a fully equipped Woman's Institute

Now, we have not taken the trouble to make a beginning without definite purpose. The rules and regulations for Woman's Institutes give as their purpose or object: the dissemination of knowledge relating to domestic economy, including household architecture, with special attention to home sanitation; a better understanding of the economic and hygenic value of foods, clothing and fuels and a more scientific care and training of children with a view to raising the general standard of the health and morals of our people.

Now, I do not suppose there is anything covered by these definitions of our object, but to some one of our sixty or more members has given some thought and, as our object is the development of home talent, cannot we mutually benefit each other by giving our ideas and personal observations on the various sides of these questions.

For instance, the first object named, the dissemination of knowledge re-garding household economy. Only garding household economy. Only those whose position in life has brought them in contact with the question can realize how many phases this subject has, and if our association but serves to lighten some of the burdens of everyday life our Institute will not be without fulfilling its object

Regarding architecture, I believe much more attention is being given by those intending to build, regarding healthful ventilation and sanitary surroundings than ever before, and without at all approaching the grounds of the New Woman, we think it quite within the sphere of the feminine portion of the household to think, talk and plan wisely for a new house, or what is often more within our reach, the remodeling of the homes which, perhaps, our grandparents have left us, so as to be more in keeping with the modern ideas of healthful surroundings.

Then in relation to the object stated, the better understanding of economic and hygenic value of foods, I think such a subject is welcomed by very many. I believe a great num-

ber of our ladies already take great pleasure in preparing suitable food for our tables and we hope this subject will receive the attention of more than one topic or paper to interest and profit our members during the year. Then there is the question of clothing. including talks on how to dress becomingly and suitably, also the use of fuels for cooking purposes and in cold weather for the comfort of those in the home.

The last named object is the scientific care and training of children.

Now, we think the mother connected with our society could find this a very wide field, and we fear too little attention is being paid it, or there would not be so many examples of home training or lack of it, which remind us of Mrs. Stowe's "Topsy," who "jest growed."

Then there are many other interesting subjects which have been taken by our Institutes named in the reports to us, as character, manners, drinking water, possibilities, cheerfulness, our beautiful home, food and its adulteration, pure air, bulb culture, influence, the love of mother, mothers and daughters, habits, food value in the whole wheat, the baneful cigarette and many others may be chosen from time to time.

We have sixty-three members, and I hope the officers will be elected to represent different portions of our district, and that they will at once bework by arranging with every member to do something to make our society effective.

Let the officers find what each one is in a position to do and forward such information to Mrs. Mulligan, our secretary.

It may be in place to give some ex-planation at this our first annual meeting, as regards the meetings to be There are four meetings requirheld ed during the year, besides this annual meeting which should be held between the 1st and 20th of June each vear.

The Institute year shall begin Jane 1st and end May 31st. We are required to hold two in December, called the regular meetings, when we will be furnished with a free delegate sent by the department to address our meetings. The other two meetings are held in January, and are called The other two meetings supplementary meetings, when, if we require a delegate, we must pay their expenses

Ada E. Richardson, President.

## The Farm Home

#### The Fading Years.

On the sunny side of forty, when my bones were full of sap,

I didn't care so very much about my morning nap;

At five o'clock the whole year round, I'd never fail to rouse.

And Mary'd cook the breakfast while I'd go and milk the cows.

But many a thing has changed since then, and somehow this old chap Has changed the most of all, I guess

and now my morning nap,
Is the best thing that I get all day:
I do not care a red

To hear the birds or beat the son in getting out of bed

There are no birds nor rising sun in all the earthly zones

Can drive away my rheumatiz and limber up my bones,

Like lying still o' mornings, in a gentle sort of drowse.

While Mary cooks the breakfast and the hired man milks the cows.

#### A Fairy Tale for Grown People.

Once upon a time a group of fairies were gathered about the most
wonderful object they had ever seen.
"Is it alive?" said one. "Yes, for
it is warm; and note the soft regular rise and fall of its bosom. It
breathes as mortals do here." "Let
us take it to fairyland with us,"
cried another. "No, it is too heavy
for us to lift, and so delicate we
should injure it." "Then let us
make another flower like this (for it
is most like a flower)."

With one accord the fairies began the delightful new task, talking as they hurried too and fro

What a quest for beautiful material! "Of what shall be its skin?" "White rose leaves,—it is just such a warm, soft white."

But the leaves were of too yellow a tint, of too coarse a texture. White velvet, white satin, the lining of the milkweed pods, were all brought in The white clouds of a sumvain. mer afternoon, and the rosy-white sky at dawn were too cold and too bright. One fairy held the warm, curling, dimpled hand of the wonder, and skrieked with delight to find she had exactly matched its lining with a wild rose petal, the very same shade of pink. Another held one soft velvet foot beside the lining of a fluted shell, and found the color of the sole of the wee foot exactly like the inside of the convolted shell. How she shouted in triumph!

At the sound of fairy laughter, like faint chiming of silver bells, two warm white eyelids slowly lifted, revealing orbs of liquid blue. O, wonder of delight! "How can we match that?" said one fairy. "It is most like the melting of late snow from early blue violets." But snow was too cold and too heavy for those eyelids, violets too pale a blue or too purple for those eyes.

Two blue fringed gentians half untwisted, were found just the shade of those pure-blue orbs; but how ever to match the long eyelashes, or the rounded cheek with its deep dimple, or the curving lins?

The hair was almost the color of the golden corn silk which one fairy had brought; but the down of the milkweed was not more fine.

All the fairies were in despair before this matchless loveliness. Again the eyes opened, the rosy lips parted, and a strange musical sound was heard, softer and more joyous than the cooing of any dove, happier than the sighing of winds, sweeter than any sound outside of heaven. "Let us give up," said the wisest fairy; "such a sound! we could never equal that. Let us ask the wise ones on earth." So, the fairies, tropped So the fairies away. They went first to the great and good men who ruled the affairs of the nations. "Tell us," the cried, "how can such wonderful of "Tell us." they jects as that we have found, all pillowed on down and wrapped in robes of doves' breasts and cobweb lace be produced!"

Then the wise men beheld where the baby lay, amid a confusion of flowers, clouds, wavelets, rainbows, sea shells, costly labrics, ivory, gems and gold, which the fairies had abandoned

"O! foolish fairies," said they.
"This is a human infant, born under favorable conditions." "Conditions," said the fairies, "what are conditions?"

Then the most learned of the wise men told the fairies that the union of opposite temperaments with the absence of consanguinity in the parents, together with a careful observance of the laws of health by the mother (affording her fresh air, gentle exercise, proper diet, and a serene state of mind), had resulted in this consummate flower of humanity.

"O!" said the fairies in concert, and the wise man took off his gold glasses and beamed upon them, as they stood in a circle about him. "But," said the wisest of the fairies, who had understood nothing, "it seems to live; it is warm; has a fluttering in the soft throat; and that sound! not a laugh nor a song, but softer and sweeter than either. Surely, it is an echo lost from heaven." "O, yes," said the wise man, "the divine spark, life, that is given by the Creator, the loving Father, God."

At that name all the fairies hid their faces, and the truly-wise man humbly bowed his silvered head. Then the fairies hasted away to a sacred temple, where mother hearts were gathered in council. Here they made the same inquiries. How sunny was the foremost mother's smile! "Bless the little fairy people," said she. "I have not seen them since I was a little girl. So you want to make such a wonder? O, no," here her voice sank tenderly. "It is the

gift of God." "Strange," murmured the wisest fairy, "she begins where the great men left off."

The gentle mother voice went on: "First of all there must be love.
Then the altar and the torch whereby the flame of a new life is lighted, must be pure. Then is the mother sacred and set apart for her divine Upon her knees she reads the office. Holy Book, that her child may be spiritually endowed. She hears sweet music, that the growing soul may be attuned to happy harmonies. She looks on art and nature for beauty of form and color to endow the growing mind. She fashions dainty things to forms of grace, that the hands may be apt for skillful labor. She lives a life of love, wiping the tears of sorrow, and feeding the children of want, that the little heart she cherishes may be tender and She keeps herself purely merciful apart, lest the lighted breath of dearest earthly passion should mar the nestling body or the growing Her mind dwells upon great thoughts, and such heroism is hers that she lies calmly down upon a bed of torture and of agony to bring to the light her priceless treasure, knowing not that she will ever live to look upon its face. Thus come the wonders such as you saw."

But they were not content. This world of humanity was too sad for such light hearts as theirs. So they flocked away to the Man of Science, and to him the wisest fairy said, "Haw can these wonderful objects come to earth without suffering and the fear of death for the mothers?"

Then said the Man of Science: "Fairyfolk, the good Father of humanity never planned that anguish and fear should cloud the coming of the little ones, or that one tender babe should be left motherless, never to know the best love of earth. To keep His laws gives safety. These mothers suffer because their mothers and fathers transgressed. In the glorious future motherhood will be a sacred vocation, free from constraint of the will of another, free from danger and free from agony. Then will aerthe fairwind!"

will earth be fairyland."
"O!" said all the fairies in concert.

American Mother.

#### Fruit Salads.

A fruit salad, crisp and cold from its resting place on the ice, will refresh a tired palate as nothing else will on a hot day, and it may be served at luncheon or he used as the salad course at dinner, For a banana salad, take a large and perfect banana, turn back a strip of the peel, and carefully scoop out the pulp, with a small spoon. If you can get the short, thick variety of banana, in either red or yellow,—preferably the former— you will find it best for the purpose; but failing in these—and they are very difficult to procure—you they are very difficult to procure—you will find it best for the purpose;

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must make the ordinary vellow plantain banana serve the purpose. To fill the space left by the removal of the pulp-for the banana peels are to be the salad dishes-prepare a mixture of thinly sliced bananas, some shredded orange and stoned cherries, and a few kernels of English walnuts blanched and broken into small pieces; all these ingredients must be mixed in a bowl with a generous supply of mayonnaise or boiled dressing. after which the cases are filled with laid on crisp lettuce leaves, and set on the ice until serving time, This salad should be prepared only a short time before serving-just long enough to permit it to become chilled

Have you ever served fruit salad in fruit cups ? They are newer than frappe-cups, much less expensive, and every hostess can have them with very little trouble. I dare say many of you have made orange baskets in which to serve orange jelly, but how many of you have thought of it as a salad cup? Fill the basket with sliced bananas, and orange and grape fruit pulp, cut into dice and moistened with a French dressing, A few Spanish chestnuts or English walnuts -the chestnuts boiled and peeled, the walnuts blanched-may be added to the fruit, and will be found to give a pleasant variety.

A nice dessert for a somewhat elaborate dinner is a croquante of peaches. Use one and one half dozen nice. ripe, freestone peaches, one pint of strawberries-those of medium size preferred-one pound of finely granulated sugar and one half pint of water. Boil the sugar and water together until it is brittle when you drop it in cold water; as soon as it will snap when you test it, after dropping it in the water, take it at once from the fire. Rub a plain twoquart mold with melted butter. Have the peaches pared, stoned and cut in the peaches pared, stoned and cut in halves and the strawberries stem-med; put a piece of peach on a wooden skewer, dip it in the syrup, then dip a berry into the syrup and put it in the place from which the stone was removed, then press it against the side of the mold. Line the mold in this fashion, then set it .n the ice to harden while you prepare your cream. Use one quart of good cream-not the thick clotted kind, as that will not whip well, but one that will pour smoothly and easily-three-fourths of a cupful of powdered sugar, one teaspoonful of vanilla, one half boxful of gelatine. Cover the gelatine with cold water, and let it soak for half an hour to soften ; whip the cream and lay it on a sieve to drain. Add to the soaked gelatine just enough boiling water to dissolve it. Set a large basin into a pan of cracked ite, then turn the whipped cream into it; add the sugar carefully, then the vanilla, and last of all strain in the gelatine; begin to stir immediately, stirring from the sides and bottom of the basin until it begins to thicken, then pour into the peach and strawberry lined mold, and stand on the ice until serving time. When you want it for the table put a plate over the mold, turn it upside down, wipe the outside of

mold with a warm cloth, then carefully lift it off. My word for it. this dessert is beautiful to look at and delicious to eat .- Exchange.

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#### Washing Willow Ware.

Wash willow and wicker, in the natural finish, with a scrubbing brush and plenty of warm borax soapsuds, and dry quickly-in the sun if possi-But first dust thoroughly and after stains and splotches. Dry look after stains and splotches. clean varnish or enameled wicker by rubbing it hard with a swab of pre-pared chalk and very fine hardwood sawdust tied tight in a square of cheesecloth. When the cloth gets dirty put its contents into a fresh piece. After the rubbing, brush hard with a oft bristle brush. Rub very dirty places with a swab of tripoli as big as the end of the thumb, dipped as lightly as possible in boiled linseed

#### Cleaning Tufted Furniture.

Clean out tuftings with a little swab of cotton-wood tied on the end of a stout skewer and wet in alcohol. Throw away the cotton as soon as it gets dirty. Clear alcohol lightly used will not mark the most delicate brocades. The swab must not be wet enough to trickle under pressure. Clear the intricacies of carved work with the same sort of swabs, but take especial pains not to have them too wet. With very delicate carving one

must sometimes have recourse to a sandblast, using very fine tripoli and small hand bellows. Direct a quick stream of sand against the carving. In flying back from it, the sand brings away the dust.

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#### The Highland and Agricultural Society's Show at Inverness.

Inverness, the capital of the Highlands, had the honor of entertaining the great Scotch show this year. was the ninth visit in seventy-four years. Victoria Park, where the show was held, is convenient and commodious. The show was the best Owners of ever held in Inverness. valuable stock have often refused to go so far North, but this year the attendance was good and the show a marked success.

#### CATTLE.

Shorthorns had the first place. Scotch Shorthorns have become accustomed to that position. There were 119 entries as compared with 72 at Stirling last year. Seventeen aged bulls came out. Inspector and Golden Star had a close contest, the form-er winning. The champion was found at the head of the two year olds. James Nier-Choice Goods owned by son. He is a well-balanced blocky roan, not large, but a gay gamey fellow the cow classes a two year old heifer, Beaufort Pride 3rd, owned by Lord Lovat, was champion. She is by Royal Star and is said to be the best heifer of her age seen this year. In the Aberdeen Angus rings J. Whyte won with the aged bull. "Jipsey won with the aged bull, Baron," and gained the male cham-pionship. For the cows, Earl of Rosebery won first with "Effic of Dalmeney." She is a big fleshy cow a good specimen of the breed. Galloways, a yearling heifer, "Graceful 3rd of Garlieston," bred by the late Earl of Galloway, was champion. She is said to be a magnificent specimen of the breed and is owned by Andrew Montgomery. The winner in the aged bull class was MacDougall 4th, shown by Robert Wilson. He is a level stylish bull, thick-fleshed and symmetrical. He stood second last year to Cedric IV. now in Canada. There was a

grand lot of West Highland cattle, and one of the best displays of the breed ever seen. There was a small display of Ayrshires. Only 17 all told, but they were very choice specimens. W. Howe's "White Rose" was made champion of the class. This cow was first and champion at Kilmarnock in the spring. She is a cow of great style and substance.

The display of Clydes was large and good and far exceed the expectations of their friends, both in numbers and general good quality. The judges had a hard time placing the animals and the frequency that an umpire had to be called in was remarkable. Moncriefie Marquis by Prince of Carruchan was placed first after a close contest with Royal Carrick by Prince of Airles. The former is a thick, blocky horse, the latter bigger with a gay Third and fifth went to sons style of Baron's Pride and fourth to a get of Sir Everard. The winning three year olds were both by Baron's Pride. Pride of Blacon, being put over the Royal winner, Baron's Crown. two year olds Silver Cup for Seaham Harbor was first, and Macniven, a grandson of Prince Alexander, second. The former by Baron's Pride won at the Royal and the latter was Edinburgh champion. Baron's Chief, another son of the champion sire, placed third. Yearlings were headed by the white legged Everlasting. He has had an unbeaten record so far and looked well. For size, quality, bone and action he was a clear first, and won for his owners, A. & W. Montgomery, of Nether Hall, the
champion medal for the
Clyde in the show. Ardlethen, a fine big colt, was second in the yearlings. He is by Gold Mine. Third and fourth places went to colts by Baron's Pride. In the class for brood mares there was quite a con-test between "Balmedre's Queen Mab" and "Lady Douglas." The former is and "Lady Douglas. The former is an old winner, the latter the fresher of the two. Princess Beautiful, by Cedric, bred by Col. Holloway, of Alexis, Illinois, was third. Fourth, Nellie Grey, and fifth, Lady Garnet, these two, as well as the second winner, are daughters of B. P. The field mares were an extra good lot. The first prize winner, by Sir Everard, named Lady Margaret, is one of the biggest and best mares of the breed ever seen. For three year olds Topsey's Pride and Cedric Princess had a close contest. The former, the biggest of the two, won. They have frequently met this year with varying results. Both are by B. P., as was also the winner of the two year olds, Pomona, bred by the late Queen and now owned by Lord Rosebery. Second went to Lady Rose, by the same White Heather, another halfsire. White Heather, another hau-sister, was third. Yearlings were a good lot, but not so many as the two year olds. Royal Ruby, out of the Macgregor mare, Royal Rose, was placed first. Pyrene, winner at Edinburgh, was placed second, and third place to Lady Sybil, own sister to Benedict. All these three winners were by Baron's Pride. The championship went to Everlasting, the year-

ling colt, with Silver Cup the reserve. Lady Lothian won the Cawdor Cup for mares, with Lady Margaret re-serve. This is the third time that serve. Lothian has won this cup. Lady Light horses were not as numerous as when the show was farther south. There were some good Hackney mares shown but the class on the whole There was not of superior merit. were a number of ponies shown, both Shetland and Highfand.

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Though this is between seasons in quite a number of lines, business in general is satisfactory for this season. People have every confidence in the future trade of the country. Money keeps active at about 5 per cent. on call, though some report securing it at 41 per cent. Discounts are steady at from 6 to 7 per cent. as to name and nature of account.

The wheat situation during the week has not been marked by any striking event. The heavy rains in the Northwestern States have greatly improved the spring wheat and corn crop, causing a decline in the speculative market. Latest reports from Europe indicate a fair average crop in France and Russia. The big fall wheat crop of the United States is practically assured, and already some of the new crop is on the move. Then Manitoba will likely have an output of over 40,000,000 bushels, while a fair average crop prevails throughout Ontario, though some few sections in the west have suffered from the Hessian fly. The amount of wheat and flour now in transit to Europe, with the visible supply of wheat in the United States and Canada, is equivalent to 66,710,000 bushels, against 64,410,000 the week previous and 76,674,000 bushels one year ago, showing an increase of 2,-307,000 bushels on the week, and a decrease of 9,964,000 bushels as compared with this time last year. Locally the wheat market is rather quiet though prices are steady at from 65c. to 66c. for red and white, middle freights; 61c. to 63c. for goose, and 66c. to 67c. for spring, east. On Toronto farmers' market, red and white bring 69½c. to 70c.; goose 68c. and spring fife 68c. per bushel.

#### Oats and Barley

The oat market is quiet but steady with little or nothing doing on export account. No. 1 white are quoted here at 36c. east and No. 2 at port account. 34c. to 35c. On the farmers' market oats bring 39c. to 40c. per bushel. There is little doing in barley. On barley. On market it the Toronto farmers' brings 43c. per bushel.

The market for peas continues firm with a strong export demand. Prices here are nominal at about 70c. The corn market keeps firm; Canadian yellow is selling here at 43c. and No. 2 American yellow is quoted here at 59c. to 60c. in car '.ots, Toronto

#### Bran and Shorts

There seems to be a good demand both in Great Britain and the United States for Ontario bran, and consequently the supply keeps well cleaned up. Car lots are quoted at Montreal at \$15 to \$16 per ton. City mills here sell bran at \$14 and shorts at \$16 in car lots, f. o. b., Toronto.

A fairly good crop is expected this year. New potatoes are not offering here very freely, and consequently supplies are quickly picked up. Job lots sell at \$1.10 per busher. Toronto farmers' market new potatoes bring \$1.00 to \$1.15 per bushel.

Though the new crop is a big one a good business continues in old hav. there being an active export demand Prices show little change. Car lots of bailed hay are quoted at Montreal as follows: No. 1 \$11, No. 2 89.50 to \$10 and clover \$9 per ton on track. Old hay is selling here at \$9.50 to \$10 for car lots on track, and new at \$8 to \$8.50 per ton. On Toronto farmers' market old hay brings \$13; new \$8 to \$10, and sheaf straw \$9 to \$10 per ton.

#### Fees and Poultry

There is an improved demand in England for eggs which has caused more activity on this side. At Montreal straight lots are selling at 10 c. to 11c. and candled at 111c. to 12c. in a jobbing way. Selects are scarce here and firm at 12½c. Held fresh bring 11c. to 11 c. in case lots On Toronto farmers' market new laid bring 14c. to 15c. and held stock 12c. to 13c. per dozen. On the Toronto farmers' market old dressed chickens bring 50c. to 75c., spring chickens 50c. to 80c. and ducks 75c. to \$1.25 per pair, and turkeys 104c. to 124c.

The Canadian Produce Co., 36 and 38 Esplanade east, Toronto, will pay for week ending August 15, for ducklings and spring chickens, not less than two lb. each, 7c per lb. For hens (including last year's birds) 4c. per lb. These prices are for live weight on arrival. Crates shipped Crates shipped free and express paid up to 50c. per 100 lbs. of chickens.

It is reported that the apple crop of Ontario and Quebec will not be heavy, while that of Nova Scotia will be good. It is hardly arolable will be good. It is hardly probable that we shall see apples contracted for at 40c. per bbl. this fall. Red raspberries and Lawton berries are selling on Toronto fruit market at 10c. to 12c. per box; black currants at \$1

to \$1.15, red currants at 50c. to 60c and huckleberries at \$1 to \$1.15 per basket

Cheese on the whole is selling about of a cent lower than at the beginning of the week. A firm feeling continues in England and as stocks on both sides of the Atlantic are not large a good fall business may be looked for. As a rule the pastures are in good condition and a large fall make may be looked for. Finest Westerns are quoted at Montreal at 10c to 10½c and finest Eastern at 9¾c to 9%c. At the local markets during the week things have been rather quiet with prices ranging from 94c to 94c per lb., with the bulk selling at about 94c to 98c. At Brockville market on Thursday, sales were made at 91c to 9 c but little business was done.

#### Butter,

The Trade Bulletin summarizes the butter situation of the week as fol-

"The market for butter is firm and higher for anything strictly fresh and choice, which is scarce, sales of same having transpired in this market at 20c to 204c, and a lot of 250 boxes of very choice mild salted Eastern Townships creamery was taken for export at 201c. Of course, last week's make was nice and cool, and the quality was really worth more than the previous make in July. Apart from that, however, the market is undoubtedly better for finest cool creamery. Our special London cable this week is 2s higher with an improved demand. After the deluge of rain in England we were looking for a drop of 2s instead of the cabled rise to that extent. West Shefford creameries sold at 21c at the factory, and a fraction over that was paid for one creamery; but these sales are no criterion of this market, as the goods are specially made and saltless. The bulk of the sales on this market were at 20c for choice creamery. Quite a lot of seconds sold at 18½c to 19½. Great complaints are made of the quality of July Western dairy, some of which has been refused. It cost 15c f.o.b., and when it arrived here it was scarcely solid enough to bore, besides being off flavor. A nice lot of June dairy was bought west of Toronto at 15 c for this market."

Creamery is steady here at 21c for prints and 20c. for tubs and boxes. While the offerings of dairy are large, very little choice butter is coming in. The choice quality brings 16c to 18c and other quality 10c to 15c per 1b.

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#### Cattle

The deliveries of live stock at the Toronto cattle market on Friday, were not large, being composed of 662 cattle, 1,800 hogs, 1,200 sheep and lambs and 60 calves. There were not enough good cattle offered to supply the demand, while the poorer quality was all to numerous. Too many rough old cows are coming forward for which there is little or no demand. Trade for fat cattle was fairly active, and considering the quality, prices earlier in the week were well maintained. Very few feeders and stockers were offered. Trade for milch cows was inclined to be dull and prices ranged from 830 to 848 each.

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Feeders.—Heavy, well-bred steers, from 1,100 to 1,200 fbs each, sold at \$4.25 to \$4.50, and other quality at \$3.90 to \$4.00 per cwt. Light steers, 900 to 1,000 fbs each, sold at \$3.00

to \$3.50 per cwt. Stockers.—Yearling steers, 500 to 800 lbs. each, sold at \$3 to \$3.25, off Colors, and inferior quality at \$2.50

Calves—These are in slow demand at Buffalo, yeals bringing \$5.00 to \$5.50 per cwt. At Toronto market ordinary calves bring \$2 to \$8 each.

#### Sheep and Lambs.

Prices for sheep keep steady though lambs of which there was a large number of inferior quality offered were easy at quotations. Good lambs sold at fair prices. Sheep sold at \$3.35 to \$3.50 per cwt. for ewes and \$2.75 to \$3 for bucks. Spring lambs sold at from \$2.50 to \$4 each.

#### Hogs

Hogs continue to maintain the high prices of the past month or two Best select bacon hogs not less than 160 nor more than 200 lbs. in weight, unfed and unwatered off cars sold at \$7.25 and lights and fats at \$6.75 per cwt. Unculled car lots sold at about \$7 per cwt.

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Business at Grand's has been fairly good during the past few weeks considering the season. Things are expected to be more active in a week or two. The proprietor, Mr. W. Harland. Smith, is preparing for a big sale of registered Clydesdales early in September. A very fine lot will be offered, chiefly filles. Parties destring good horses should be on the look out for special announcement which will appear later.

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