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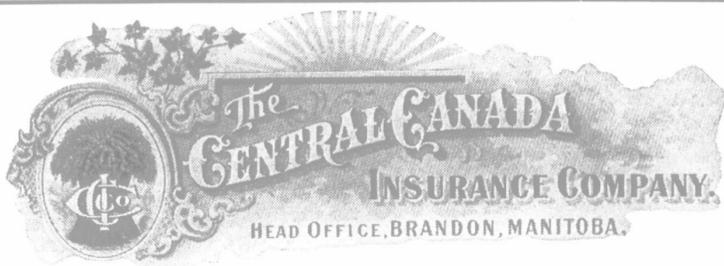
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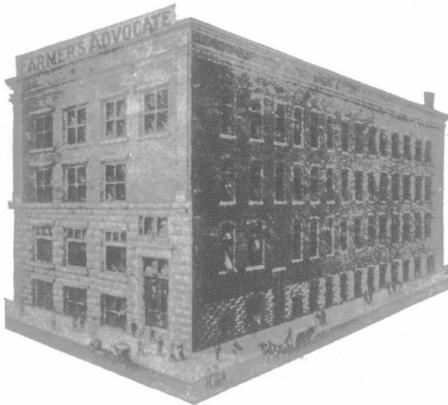
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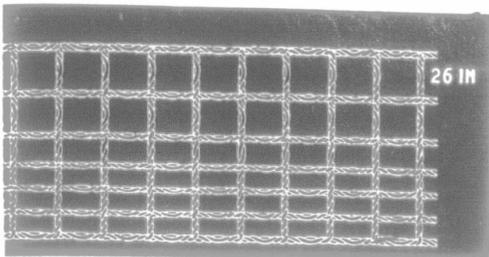
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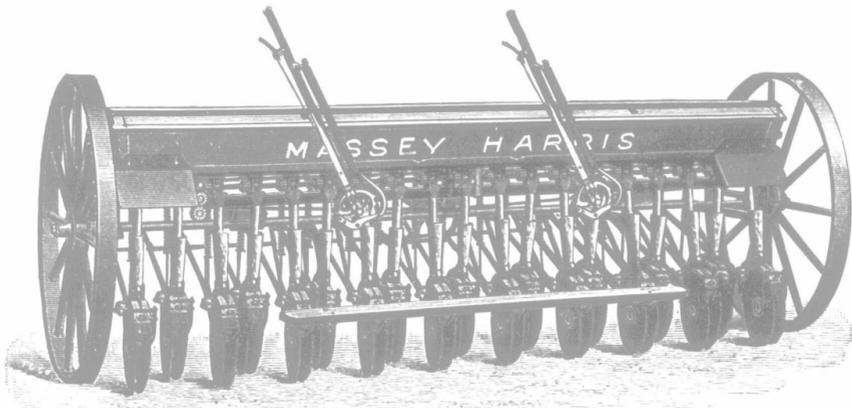
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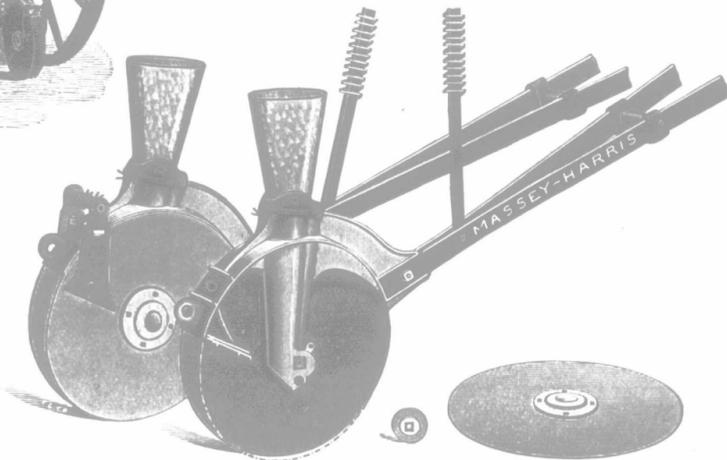


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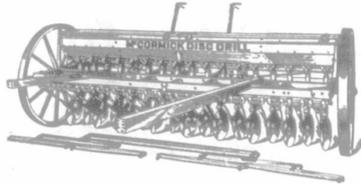
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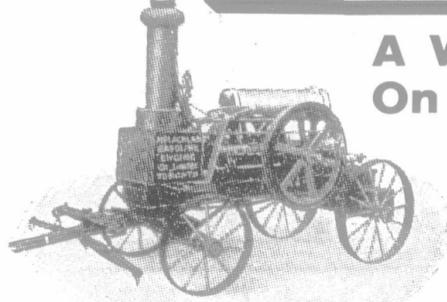
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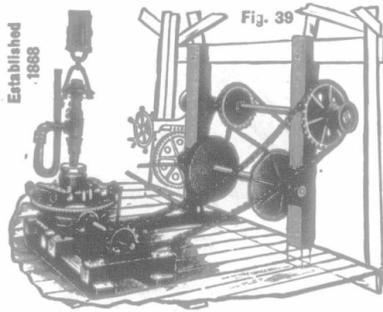


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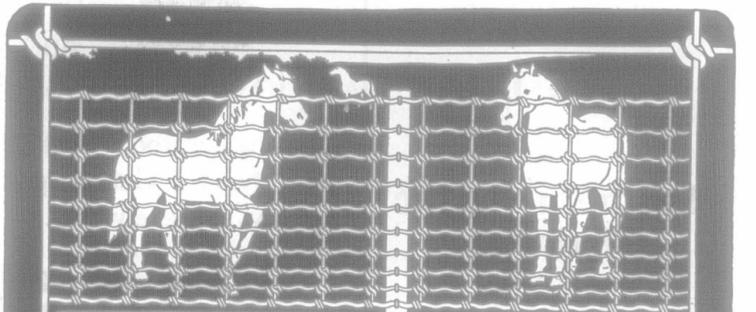
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EDITORIAL

Hog prices are going up. Is it because of scarcity or greater demand for hog products!

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Judging by appearances there will be a bigger war between Congress and Senate at Washington than between Congress and the trusts.

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To make assurance doubly sure the government assures us that insurance companies will surely be investigated. Sure!

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When you hear of the revolution in Russia being settled be sure to notice which one it is or your knowledge of modern history will need tinkering.

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The teachers of public schools have begun to complain. The wonder is that there has not been more expressed dissatisfaction on the part of teachers, parents and scholars.

Will the Embargo Be Repealed?

Canadians whether west, east or centrally located will watch with interest the efforts of a considerable faction of old country politicians and cattle men to secure the abolition of the British embargo on Canadian cattle. The supporters of the measure have so far advanced their case as to have introduced in the British parliament a bill to repeal the law of 1896. This bill is in the hands of Thos. Cairns, Newcastle, and Mr. Hamar Greenwood, York, a Canadian by birth and education, and is backed by strong representation of cattle feeders. As we said before the disposition of the embargo is essentially within the jurisdiction of the British government but as it has so direct a bearing upon the Canadian cattle raising interests the British treatment of it will be closely followed. The bill which proposes to abolish the embargo is slated to come before the house of commons on the 6th of April for debate upon its second reading and there is quite a general impression that it will carry since the present personnel of the government party is so decidedly representative of the farming and commercial classes who are more generally politicians of expediency rather than of tradition in which respect the present house of commons differs widely from the average. Difficulty however is expected for the bill in the house of lords, who are more conservative in their views and more strongly wedded to the theory of the unalterableness of British laws.

The Wealth of the People.

Canadians would not be true to the traditions of their forefathers if they were not thrifty and saving. As a nation we have been economical and as individuals there are few examples of extravagant living to be found in the whole population. Added to these facts is the reputation of Canadians as business men, yet we are not a people of great private fortunes. This does not imply that the thrift and intelligence of the people are misdirected but rather shows that as compared with most new countries natural and acquired wealth is more equally distributed. The statements of the banks for January show that the total deposits of the public amounted to \$521,222,298, an increase of nearly seventy millions over the same month of 1905. Besides this amount in the chartered banks, there are the large public deposits in the post office and government savings banks which amount to nearly another two millions or in all a deposit in the savings banks of almost one hundred and twenty dollars

per capita. This is a showing decidedly above other countries and about seventeen dollars higher than Denmark which comes nearest to Canada in individual savings.

It further enhances the interests of these statements to know that banks consider the farming communities as the great source of savings deposits, and the commercial and industrial interests as the chief borrowers. Thus it is seen that not only is the wealth which farmers originate and spend upon their necessities and luxuries used in the building up of commercial bulwarks but the greater part of the expansion of industrial life is made possible by the surplus savings of the farms.

Alberta Fat Stock Show.

We have at hand the prize list of the Alberta Provincial Fat Stock Show to be held in Calgary May 7, 8, 9, and 10 and of which C. W. Peterson, Calgary is manager. Rule 5 states that all animals entered in the purebred classes must be recorded in records recognised by the Alberta Department of Agriculture and rule 7, ages of animals will be computed from the actual date of birth.

The Live Stock Associations have arranged a uniform rate of \$2 per head for cattle and 75 cents for sheep and swine properly crated.

The prizes are good, but there are hardly enough of them, only two in each section for pure breeds. In classes 1 and 2, if sufficient money could have been secured, it would have been well to have had three prizes in each section. The grade classes are well provided for, and rightly so. Sheep and swine are also well looked after; although we still think as last year that it is a mistake at a fat stock show to offer a prize for a barrow over nine or ten months old. The fat stock show is practically a show of the products of the live stock man finished for the market and it seems hardly consistent from the educational point of view for a live stock association to endorse such a class, as the packers do not want the barrow over eight or nine months old, neither is it a profitable pig for the farmer to raise, judged by all the feeding experiment data available. We should like to have seen it stated in the rules that any female showing evidences of pregnancy be at once disqualified. We are glad to note that a judging competition for farmers and farmers' sons is to be held. Single fare on the railroads in the province is the rule, and for people outside the province a single rate also may be obtained, provided they obtain a standard railroad certificate from their home station agent.

The Agricultural Sign Board.

Every indication points to an inclination on the part of farmers to engage more generally in mixed farming in spite of the low prices of stock products and the unsatisfactory condition of the dairy industry. Experience shows that an extensive system of specialized farming invariably brings some reverse, and, that just as soon as a reverse comes people are anxious to adopt a general system regardless of its inducements. Probably out of a diversity of resources it is blindly hoped something will prove a reliance. At any rate there seems to be more avenues of escape from the monster of debt through general than through specialized farming. The necessary untoward circumstance to drive farmers to change their methods has arrived, or its shadow is lengthening, in the fact of depleting fertility and the increase of weeds. A few years ago it was drouth and frost, and before that again lack of markets.

Looked at superficially the prospects of the mixed farmer are not particularly bright, either from the standpoint of economical production of products, or the convenient marketing of the same; the latter being the greatest bugbear. The situation is not without its promise, however, as a general production of any particular commodity

tends to create a market for that commodity. Probably this has been the great drawback to mixed farming in late years, the amount of any particular product produced in a given district has been so inconsiderable that the expense of marketing it has been proportionately high, and the total of most of the products of mixed farming such as butter, cheese, poultry products, horses, beef, pork, etc., have been so small that dealers have not depended upon them, but have bought similar goods from outside points. With the desire to follow more diversified lines will also come a readiness from dealers to assist in placing before the producers just what the consuming market demands and this phase of the mixed farming industry is the one that is giving the great results to-day. We are coming to the days when originality, and efficiency, and thoroughness count in farming and they are the price of success.

Poultry Illustration Station for the West.

The large yearly importations into the West (\$100,000 in 1905) of dressed poultry, and the price the consumers pay for the same has drawn attention to the field for extension in the poultry industry. Up almost to the present time, few of the Western poultrymen grasped the situation, and frittered their energies away on the holding of poultry shows in which the non-utility breeds got more encouragement than such should have. The Manitoba Poultry Association, which is now quite strongly tinctured with utility ideas, made requests for fattening stations and two were started, at Morden and Virden, and to speak technically died in the shell.

It is hard to enthuse the farmers over poultry, when seven and eight cents is the summer price for a dozen eggs in country towns, and that not always cash. The Territorial creameries in Alberta solved the problem by collecting eggs as well as cream and as a consequence the farmers netted 20 cents a dozen for eggs; consequently the Farmer's Advocate is of the opinion that in Alberta illustration station work would not be wasted, and that that province is entitled to two or three stations, the industry is on its feet there; and educational work along poultry lines would be timely and beneficial. In Saskatchewan and Manitoba, provinces more given over as yet to cereal growing than mixed farming, the poultry industry is on a different footing, and as is to be expected is a bigger infant industry in the older of the two last mentioned provinces. Unfortunately in neither province is the industry at all organized and it is a question how far the government should go in the matter, it cannot be expected to father the poultry industry but should do educational work, especially along the lines of organization, which is, we believe, the desire of the Minister and the aim of his officers.

It is to be expected that a modern poultry plant will be established in connection with the Manitoba Agricultural College and therefore the Red River Valley district will be amply supplied thereby. Other parts of Manitoba, however, need attention and we throw out the following suggestion re location of the illustration stations for Manitoba. Why not locate one on the ground of each of the following societies, the Southern Manitoba Agricultural and Arts Association at Killarney; the Western Agricultural and Arts Association, Brandon; the North Western Agricultural and Arts Association at Neepawa? Each has suitable grounds, high and dry and with a good sunny exposure, and are not under control of the provincial department of agriculture, so that no clashing of authority need follow; not only so but the benefits of such location would be twofold, first being suited to the work, second an advertisement for the stations and an educational attraction of considerable value for these fairs, which bring visitors from considerable distance.

Each of the towns mentioned is a well known center for enthusiastic poultry breeders, who could

be relied upon to support the government in such educational work, and at each place or in the vicinity a man could be got, posted on the climatic conditions, and capable of doing the work required. A similar method might, we think, be worked out in Alberta, and in Saskatchewan also, when ready. Many a farmer has been saved meeting big grocery and store bills in the fall by the ability and energy of his wife in superintending the work of the hen and other feathered food providers, and has thus been enabled to show a profit on the year's work, when otherwise a deficit would have been the result. Farmer's wives in Manitoba and Saskatchewan have been less fortunate in a market for their hen fruit than their Alberta sisters.

By all means let us have poultry illustration stations, the West is as much entitled to such as the East, but we do not think that the government can do it all, good strong requests must be made for them, the farmers and others in agricultural societies need to see that their prize lists are made to foster the industry, and not to encourage fancy and non-utility birds.

HORSE

It was a battle of the Giants at Brandon.

The success of the French coach and Hackney cross upon range stock is proof that there are good individuals in all breeds.

A bold, proud outlook from a head well set on a strong, high neck counts for more in a stallion than mere appearance. It means vim, vitality, and "bottom" in the stock he leaves.

Thoroughbred stallions are the longest lived of the entire males of any breed of horses. This is undoubtedly traceable to the fact that they are never loaded up with fat to improve their appearance and receive plenty of hard steady work.

Some Scotchmen realized that it was necessary to draw attention to size and substance in their favorite draft breed, hence the Brydon trophy. Three year olds have to be at least 16.3 hands, and aged horses 17 hands and must pass the vets. as sound.

The Breeding of Coach Horses.

In a former article I have reviewed briefly the claims of the various stallions of the imported and native breeds of horses likely or not likely to produce coach horses when coupled with the ordinary mares of the country, as found in the hands of the average farmer, and have tried to show that, as a general rule, the Hackney is likely to give the most satisfactory results. Of course much depends upon the class of mare, many farmers finding it to their advantage to use for general farm work mares more or less mixed with draft blood. In such cases it would not be at all probable that high-class coachers could be produced by mating these mares with a stallion of any one of the coaching breeds, and the only method likely to produce the desired result would be to use a Thoroughbred or running horse, and right there is where one runs up against a snag, for no sooner do you mention Thoroughbred than the average American farmer at once asserts, "I don't want to raise a running horse." But where the mare to be bred is of the light or roadster type, and of fairly good size, my advice is, use the best Hackney stallion available; by doing so you will get enough of size, with the necessary action, conformation and style, without which no horse can be properly termed a coach horse.

I have in many cases, had farmers come to my place with a couple of mares to breed, one of as good a type to produce a coach horse, if properly mated, as you could well wish to see, the other showing unmistakable evidence of draft blood, weighing from 1,300 to 1,500 pounds, and consequently a good sort from which to raise a good draft horse, and, strange as it may seem, after asking the question, "How do you wish to breed?" I would be answered: "Well, I guess I will breed the small mare to the big (i.e., draft) horse, and the larger mare to the Coach horse," thereby hopelessly mixing things, and making it little short of a miracle to get anything of "class" in either case. On expostulating with the owner of the mares on the inadvisability of such a course, I have often been told, "I guess I pay the bill, and

know what I want—something for my own use." This is one of the greatest fallacies, and one of the main causes of the large number of nondescript horses in the country. If any measure of success is attained a definite object must always be kept in view. Breed for the market, and even then you will always get enough misfits to go round the family for "its own use."

I am not at all surprised that so few really good coach horses are raised. So many men in the great breeding centers of the middle West have the idea, first of all, that a coach horse must be 16 hands high or over, whereas the requirements of the present day call for a horse from 15.1 to 15.3 hands, and any New York dealer will tell you it is the snappy, thick-set horse, with action, around 15.2 hands in height, that is most in demand, and that he does not want the leggy, 16-hand (or taller) horse at any price.

This is the age of quality, and without it a horse is hard to sell. Carriages are more lightly built than formerly, and consequently do not need such large horses to draw them. In addition to good looks, a horse must show his ability to "step away some." Extreme speed, of course, is not necessary, but a good 12-mile-an-hour gait is required. Most half or full-blood Hackneys can show such a gait, and at the same time do it handsomely and showily; and with their rotund form and high action, always look as if they were on "dress parade," and to me, that is indispensable in a coach horse.

Twenty years ago I was laughed at by some of the most intelligent business men of the town in the middle West where I lived, when I first mentioned and described the "tight little horse with high action that has forced his way to the front in spite of all kinds of opposition and mud-slinging." I then made the prediction that the people would be crazy for that type of horse in ten years from that time. Whether that was the case or not, history tells. Had the Hackney not been so good a horse as he is, there never would have been so much jealousy shown. Some people seem to think we are on the eve of a horseless age, on account of the increasing number of automobiles now in use, but some of the best-posted coach-horse men in the country evidently do not share this opinion, if we may judge by the picture which appeared recently in the New York Sunday papers, of a colossal structure, to cost \$750,000, to be erected not far from the 59th Street entrance to Central Park, and devoted almost exclusively to the coach-horse business. Personally, I may say I share this optimistic feeling, and have little or no doubt that, as long as our time lasts, good coach horses will be in demand. To me there is a certain exhilaration in controlling a team, or a pair, of spanking good horses, that no mechanical device could ever produce in my system, and may the good, healthy, old-fashioned sport of riding and driving good horses never die out.

If farmers will breed their mares on the lines indicated, they need not fear for the result; they do not need to experiment and find out after waiting five years that they must commence again where they started. In this rapid age we have no time for experiments. Choose methods which others have proven to be correct by experience; look around you and see where and why others fail; profit by their mistakes and impractical theories, for, as a renowned writer has said, "No man was ever endowed with a judgement so correct and judicious, but that circumstances, time and experience would teach him something new, and apprise him that of those things with which he thought himself the best acquainted he knew nothing, and that those ideas which in theory appeared the most advantageous were found, when brought into practice, to be altogether inapplicable."

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Stallions at the Glasgow Show.

The Scottish Stallion Show is over for another year, and the results have to some extent been a surprise. The winning horses are got by young sires now making names for themselves, and in whose veins there flows the blood of new combinations. Mr. Matthew Marshall, Stranraer, has won both senior and junior district premiums for the Glasgow Agricultural Society with Gallo-way-bred horses. The aged horse is Malvolio (13088), a rich, dark-brown four-year-old, got by Marcellus (11110) out of a mare by Mains of Aries (10379), and therefore a horse which according to U. S. A. Customs managements would not go in duty free. He has great weight and substance with capital cart horse action, and was

a popular enough winner. The three-year old is Memento (13100), a black horse got by Baden-Powell (10963), a very bonnie, stylish horse. His dam was got by the noted Prince Robert (7135), and Memento has taken largely to that side of the house. He is a big lean upstanding horse with good feet and pasterns, and big broad bones. He moves extra well, but lacks depth of rib, in this particular greatly resembling Prince Robert which never, until his dying day gathered middle. Memento is a colt of great promise and of course judges prefer a horse which is not too matured at three years old. Marcellus is a very celebrated winning horse bred by Mr. Marshall himself, and promising to make a successful sire. He was got by the great Hiawatha (10067), whose sire was Prince Robert. Baden-Powell is a beautiful horse, bred and owned by Mr. John Findley, Springhill, Baillieston, the breeder of Baron's Pride (9122), and Royal Chattan (11489), and Baden-Powell is uterine brother to the latter being out of a daughter of Baron's Pride while his sire is Sir Everard (5353), the sire of that horse. In the open competition for horses not necessarily competing for the Glasgow district premiums, Memento held his own, again winning first prize against all three year olds, and he also secured the Brydon 100 guineas Challenge. Trophy which is confined to horses three years old and upwards, which must, if three years old, be 16.3 hands high, and pass the vets. for soundness, or if four years old and upwards, be 17 hands high and pass the vets. as well as be proved stockgetters. Malvolio was not so fortunate in his class when confronted with new opponents, and he had to take second place to Mr. George Alston's handsome five year old horse Revelanta (11876), which in 1904 won the Cawdor cup, and could not again compete for it. He was in for the Brydon 100 guineas Trophy, but unfortunately was one-quarter inch short of the 17 hands high necessary to qualify for that victory which it is understood was otherwise certainly his. The Cawdor Cup winner was Mr. James Kilpatrick's first prize two-year old Oyama (13118), a beautiful colt, got by Baronson (10981), and a remarkably close mover all round. He beat everything on the ground except Revelanta, which could not compete for the Cawdor Cup having already won it. Oyama's sire is one of the choicest horses got by Baron's Pride, and on the dam's side he is of the same descent as Marcellus. He is owned by Mr. Matthew Marshall, and on Tuesday secured the unique distinction of being hired for the season 1907 by the Scottish Central Horse-Breeding Society. Never before had a horse been hired so long in advance, and the tribute paid to Baronson is thus unprecedented. The second prize three-year old stallion and the second prize two-year old stallion were both got by Mr. Taylor's Sir Hugo (10926), a big horse by Sir Everard which breeds extra good stock. These colts were respectively Mr. Geo. A. Ferguson's Allandale (12418) and Mr. Wm. Taylor's Sir Spencer (13211). Both are admirable specimens of the Scottish cart horse breed.

Surveying the premiums awarded on Wednesday, the leading sires are found to be in order—Hiawatha (10067) four wins, viz. one second, one fourth, one fifth and one Com.; Baron's Pride (9122), three wins, viz. a first, a third and a fourth all in the aged open class; Sir Hugo (10924), two seconds; Baronson (10981), two, the Cawdor Cup champion and the third prize two-year old colt in the same age; Marcellus (11110), a first and a second with the one horse Malvolio; Lord Lothian (5998), two, a second and a fifth, with Lord Lonsdale and Lothian Again, full brothers owned by Mr. John Kerr, Redhall, Wigton, Cumberland; Baden-Powell (10963), a first and the Champion Trophy with Memento; Marmion (11429), a third with a grand big horse named Dunedin (12951); and the following had one each—Sir Everard (5353), Eletor (10340), Labori (10791), Balmedie Queen's Guard (10966), Pride of Blacon (10837), Baron o' Buckleyvie (11263), and Royal Edward (11495). Apart from the gets of Hiawatha and his sons Marcellus and Labori, and Mr. Park's Marmion, the awards were a notable victory for the Sir Everard tribe. Baron's Pride, Sir Hugo, and Baden Powell are his sons. Lord Lothian was his half-brother, Eletor, Baronson, Balmedie Queen's Guard, Pride o' Blacon, Baron o' Buckleyvie and Royal Edward are all sons of Baron's Pride. This is in the main the Darnley (222) side of the Clydesdale family; Hiawatha and Marmion are more of the Prince of Wales (673) side. Many of the best horses in the breed to-day combine both.

Glasgow,

SCOTLAND YET.

How Shall We Mate Our Draft Mares?

The breeding season is now approaching, and prospective breeders will necessarily soon have to decide how they shall mate their heavy mares. Of course, those who have registered mares will simply need to consider the individuality of the sires, while those whose mares are not pure-bred may be undecided as to the breed as well as to the individuality of the sires to be chosen. In this respect there is great danger of very expensive mistakes being made when the subject is not well considered. One of the strongest principles of most, if not all, successful breeders, has always been "stick to type." The breeder who, either from disappointments in former efforts, desire to experiment, or other causes, decides to patronize a sire of a breed other than that which predominates in his mare, will, with few exceptions, be doomed to disappointment. Experiments in breeding animals are very expensive, and should be tried only by those of independent means, and who are breeding as a pastime rather than with a view of financial success. If the prospective dam has one or more crosses of any recognized draft breed, a first-class sire of that breed should be selected, and in such cases reasonable probability of the produce being a better individual than the dam exists, but where a sire of another breed is selected there will, in all probability, be a deterioration rather than an improvement in qual-

heavy horses of different types will make an improvement in type and characteristics. In fact, it has been proved by actual experience, that when such crosses are made the progeny is inferior to their parents on either side. I have no fault to find with any of the breeds mentioned, either as breeds or individuals. There are excellent animals of all these and other breeds, but I object to the mixing of the breeds. The draft-horse breeders of Canada having for so many years been breeding to the Clydesdale and Shire, it cannot be other than disastrous to attempt to make a change now. If they keep on as they have been doing for a few generations more, they will have practically pure-bred mares of their own production, and the size, type and characteristics of their horses must of necessity be improved; while, on the other hand, if we change to another breed, these will just as surely deteriorate, and we will have a class of animals with no definite character or type. Hence I repeat. "Stick to type."

"WHIP."

The first indication of spring—the immigrant train.

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The champion Clydesdale mare at Toronto Exhibition, Donna Roma, recently sold for \$1200. She was by Woodend Gartley.

date and place of the accident. No. 18 of 1895, s. 1; No. 38 of 1897, s. 43 (1).

2. The agent shall in all cases forthwith post in a public place and manner in the station house a notice giving a full description of the animal or animals with a statement of the time and place where the animal or animals were killed or injured and such notice shall not be removed for three months unless in the meanwhile the owner becomes known to the agent. No. 18 of 1895, s. 1 (a); No. 38 of 1897, s. 43 (2).

3. Any person infringing any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be liable on summary conviction thereof to a penalty of not more than \$50. No. 18 of 1895, s. 2.

Shorthorn as a Dairy Cow.

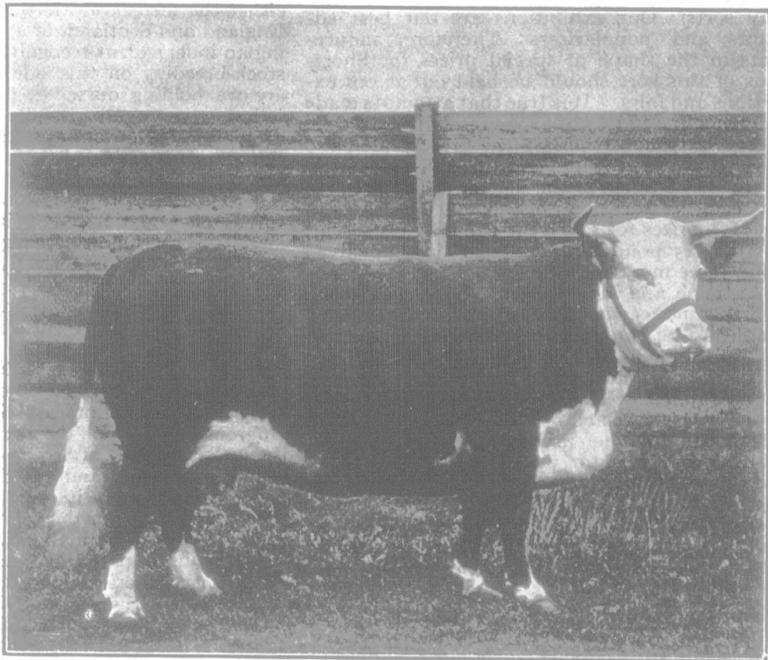
EDITOR FARMER'S ADVOCATE:

The primary function of the Shorthorn cow is the production of beef, but, at the same time when one questions the average user of this class of cattle, he finds that except possibly by some of the Western ranchmen and some of the larger pure-bred breeders, they are preferred above other classes of beef stock because of their better milking qualities. Moreover, when one analyzes the matter, he cannot but concede that the ultimate success of any breed of stock depends upon the ex-

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ity; we might say a mongrelization. If the dam have one or more crosses of Percheron blood, a sire of that breed should be chosen; if of Clydesdale or Shire, choose a sire of either of these breeds if of Suffolk, choose a Suffolk sire, etc., etc.

During late years there have been a great many Clydesdale and Shire stallions, and of late years no inconsiderable number of mares imported. Breeders of heavy horses have of necessity patronized these sires, and now, in most sections of the country it is seldom we see an animal with any pretensions to draft size and type in which the characteristics of these breeds are not well marked. The mares, with few exceptions, out of which we must produce our draft horses, have two or more crosses of Clyde or Shire. This, Mr. Editor, is a fact that cannot be denied. The intelligent breeder, who gives the subject any consideration, must arrive at the conclusion that in order to be successful in breeding operations he must continue to intensify in the offspring the type and characteristics that predominate in the dam, and that an attempt in any other direction must of necessity mongrelize the offspring and bring disappointment. It would require many generations of careful breeding to "breed out" of the progeny of these mares the characteristics they now possess, and it has yet to be shown that the crossing of

STOCK

Damages for Cattle Killed.

Last spring at the Western Stock Growers' Association at Medicine Hat, one of the chief topics of discussion was the recovery of damages from railway companies for stock killed upon their lines. Dissatisfaction with regard to the treatment by railways continues to exist and in order that certain men may know how to proceed, both to recover damages and to suggest legislation we publish at the request of the Deputy Commissioner of Agriculture for Saskatchewan, the ordinance of the North West Territories respecting stock injured by trains.

1. In the event of any stock being killed or injured by any railway train, the conductor or other person in charge of the said train shall forthwith notify the nearest station agent of the railroad company upon whose line of railway the accident has occurred and the said agent shall forthwith in case the owner is known or afterwards becomes known to the agent send a notice to the owner stating the

tent to which they satisfy the requirements of the average farmer. True, the large breeder, for the most part, depends upon the small pure-bred breeder for his market, and does not always realize this; but the smaller breeder, who sells mostly to the general farmers, soon hears criticisms when the milking qualities of his stock fail. And there is good reason for the criticism, for, at least in Eastern Canada, the margin of profit on feeding cattle, under average conditions, is so small that the farmer must look to the milk pail for part of his return. In discussing this question I would prefer to consider the milking beef cow rather than the dual-purpose cow. Perhaps it's only a difference of terms, but to me it conveys a different meaning. Yes! At least a large proportion of Shorthorns should be good milkers. The statement has been made in many sections of Canada, that Shorthorns are not so good milkers as they used to be, and the explanation is not hard to find. We have at Truro a good herd of Shorthorn cows. We have one good strain of milkers. The others are just good enough milkers to raise their own calves well, and, in some cases, give a little extra during the first few weeks of lactation. We look for sales, for the most part, to our young bulls and heifers, and in every case we find that given the same food, we can raise a more parallelogramic,

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low-set, well-filled out calf from our pure beef strain than from our dairy strain, and in practically every case we can sell these more beefy calves for a sufficiently more profitable figure to offset the profit from the increased yield of milk from our milking strain. Therefore, it pays us, as breeders of pure-bred stock, to breed the pure-beef sort. But that does not prove that it pays the country best. If we would advocate the milking Shorthorn, our experience is that we must advocate a somewhat different type of Shorthorn from the one that wins in the show-yard. True, I am quite aware that there are Shorthorn cows, such as Mr. J. Deane Willis' "White Heather," that can win in both the beef and dairy classes, but, as far as my experience goes, this is the exception rather than the rule. Our Shorthorns that are in the highest favor to-day are not fulfilling the function of milk production so well as they might.

Experience will teach any breeder of Shorthorns that his best breeding cows—i. e., the cows that produce strong calves regularly and rear them well—are almost always above the average as milkers. So much is this the case, that such a world-famed breeder as Mr. Duthie, of Aberdeenshire, considers a good udder an indispensable requisite of his Shorthorns, and taboo those cows that cannot raise a calf well. But this is not all that is wanted in a milking Shorthorn. She must produce more than enough milk for her calf. The question, therefore, arises, how can the milking qualities of Shorthorns, as a rule, be improved, or, if you will, restored? In answer to this, it appears to me that there must be a popular movement along the line, similar to that which to-day puts the premium upon the more beefy sorts. Our exhibitions are our best educators and popularizers. Therefore, inducements in the shape of special prizes for Shorthorns of this sort should be held out at our exhibitions and fairs. It is true that attempts made along this line have not as yet met with large response, but, nevertheless, the present demand for such cows is growing, and this will cause more interest to be taken in the matter. The proposition made by the English Shorthorn Society, to give cash prizes for four-year-old cows giving not less than 25 pounds of milk per day, if calved within three months of the date of the show, etc., is a good one, and will, I believe, accomplish much.

Further inducement for the milking competition should also be held out. But in this connection I do not think that the inducement should be for Shorthorns capable of excelling in milk production the pure dairy breeds. This is more than can reasonably be expected of a breed that is primarily intended for beef production. A Shorthorn that can produce 30 to 35 pounds of milk per day, as compared with a pure dairy cow that, under the same conditions, will produce 40 to 50 pounds per day, is a good paying sort, for her calf, when he is fed, will pay the difference. The beef breeds should stand in a class by themselves in this competition.

Then, there is the practical management. Allowing calves to suck their dams after the first week, is not so conducive to as good a flow of milk as if the cow were milked by some person, and the calf pail-fed. Moreover, attention must be given to the feeding of rations conducive to good milk flow, rather than to fat production.

The establishment of an appendix in which to register cows of the milking sort would also, I believe, be invaluable. However, it occurs to me, for the same reason as mentioned above, that the amount of milk a cow must give, in order to be entered, might be considerably below the amount required by the American Shorthorn Breeders' Association. A beef cow that can produce 6,000 pounds of milk per year and raise a good feeding calf, is a paying proposition for anyone. Perhaps the standard could be subsequently raised to 8,000 pounds, as required by the American book. How to make the tests is the difficult point. Weekly tests would not be satisfactory, for many Shorthorns will give a good flow for a few weeks, and then drop off in their milk flow. It's the yearly test that counts. Arrangements are now being made by some of the Dairy Associations for the carrying on of authentic yearly tests. When these are perfected, the Shorthorn men can surely fall in line. Testing cows for milk production is in the air, and we feel sure that the Shorthorn men will not be the last to acknowledge the merits of the system and adapt themselves to it. Success to the milking Shorthorn! The farmers want her.

M. CUMMING,
Principal N. S. Agr. College.

The Significance of "Imp."

To earnest students and breeders of live stock the word "Imported" has always had a definite, rational meaning, and the value of "Imp." attached to a pedigree has ever been measured in their minds in the light of careful knowledge. The use of imported animals in the herds, flocks and studs of such men has been an evident, if silent, recognition on their part of the British stockman. Until on this continent some certain breed or breeds may have attained a standard of excellence equal to, or surpassing, that of the corresponding breed or breeds in the mother country, until then, selected animals of such breeds may be successfully and profitably imported, to be used in the improvement of our herds. And even then, when Canadian and American breeders have reached such a position, an interchange of blood may serve a useful purpose. But in the common parlance of the country there has been such a magic charm surrounding the word "Imported" that a consideration of the utility of an imported animal may call to mind some facts that may have been forgotten. If our thought is fettered to such a degree by our regard for imported stock that in private and public sale a premium is placed upon such stock, sometimes at the expense of equal excellence, both of individuality and of pedigree, in the animals produced by breeders in our own country, then it would appear that, to a certain extent, we are allowing our judgment to become perverted by this regard, and we are waiting too long to give due acknowledgment to the intelligent and patient effort of the stockmen of our own land. Moreover, it may be we are tacitly admitting that we cannot produce in Canada either the men or cattle that are to be found in England and Scotland, or at least we are not giving an independent recognition to the progress of stock-breeding on this side of the "water," nor are we holding ourselves prepared to take the fullest advantage of it. Such an attitude, if at all manifested on our part, cannot but make for retrogression rather than for advancement, and serves but to stamp us as imitators, while we inherit the right to be fashioners of our own destiny. The superiority of British-bred stock is due largely to the following suggestive facts. It has been bred pure for a goodly number of generations, and the sires possess, therefore, such prepotency as enables them uniformly and impressively to reproduce in their offspring the distinct and peculiar characteristics of their own breed. It has been bred for a sufficient period of time with a definite, specific object in view to allow the specialized, dominant characteristics of the different breeds, i. e., the characteristics by which the utility of each of the breeds is judged, to become firmly fixed and established. It has been bred, each breed in its own locality, so that the breeds, in process of their improvement, have become naturally adapted to the climate, food and environment of particular sections of the country, and possess, therefore, the constitution, ruggedness and vigor that is so essential to animals kept under the somewhat artificial conditions of domestication. Herein, then, lies the value of imported stock for use in the improvement of our herds. From purity of blood we get prepotency, or the ability to transmit the desirable characteristics of the different breeds. From long continued specialized development we find the ability possessed in typical representatives of these breeds to improve our stock in particular, specialized characteristics whether it be mutton production in sheep, bacon production in swine, the capacity for speed or power in the horse, or beef or milk production in cattle. From the natural adaptation to external conditions of climate and treatment, we find very often in imported animals a robustness of constitution and a development of bone and frame that, when their blood is introduced into our own herds, while not making our animals any more hardy or healthful, it tends to increase the size, and at the same time to retain and frequently improve the quality of our stock. These, it would appear, are the advantages to be derived from the use in our country of selected imported stock.

But there is another phase of the question which should be briefly touched upon, and there is a biological principle involved that must not be forgotten. These much-to-be-desired characteristics are at best but artificially developed, and are possibly more easily acquired than retained. The variation of the animal organism has made possible, under the control of man, the improvement of our domestic animals through intelligent breeding and systematic selection. Further, the animal organism varies, naturally, under, and is in-

fluenced directly by changing conditions of climate, food and habit. Contrast the Shetland pony with our modern draft horse. Characteristics thus acquired, whether through artificial selection or natural adaptation, can only be successfully retained under like conditions and under similar treatment. Herein lies the danger of too great dependence upon imported stock. We may and should be able to continue the same systematic and intelligent selection that is practiced by the British stockman, but it is scarcely logical to expect a reproduction in our country of the environment and treatment that the animals have become accustomed to at home. The change is evidently not a marked one, but it is often great enough to disturb the equilibrium of the organism sufficiently to cause a modification in the offspring, to a greater or less degree, of form and character. Moreover, we sometimes find a distinct modification in an imported breed when bred pure in this country for some length of time. Contrast the St. Lambert and Island type of Jersey. In this principle of natural adaptation there are problems of breeding to be solved.

It is not the purpose of this article to advocate the evolution of new breeds. We have breeds enough, perhaps too many. But may not this business of importation be encouraged too far; is it not now too easy a way out of a difficulty? At one time imported stock was necessary to the country, and we honor the enterprise of those who brought it here. But now, choosing the best of what we have, might we not make greater progress if we imported less and bred better? The independence of the Hereford breeders of the United States has won them an enviable reputation. Can Canadians not have a like courage and a like resourcefulness? Selection is the vital principle of improvement. Patient and unwearied perseverance is the price of success. Can Ontario, can Canada not mould and fashion animal form into a purely Canadian product, which shall at once be a monument to the energy and intelligence of our Canadian breeders, and a factor in establishing the reputation of Canadian stock?

O. A. C. Guelph.

H. S. ARKELL.

The Dairy Shorthorn.

1. Is the mission of the Shorthorn cow in Canada to make beef only, or beef and milk?
2. If beef and milk, is she fulfilling that function as fully as she might?
3. If desirable to improve her milking qualities, how can it best be done?
4. Is the establishment of a special record for milking Shorthorns desirable?

Ans.—1. Both, but, unfortunately, purchasers, while they ask about milking qualities, will accept nothing unless of an entirely beef type, hence breeders are obliged to cater to their wants, and very often at the expense of—one might almost say—the eradication of milking qualities.

2. No, for reasons given above, milk is a secondary consideration.

3. By educating purchasers to allow any animal due credit for milking qualities, and not look upon them as food for the block only. Heavy milker scarcely ever look as well as the beef type, and are consequently ignored by visitors to a herd, with the quite natural result that the breeder tries his best to supply the animal most admired by the public.

4. I think it would improve the standing of milking Shorthorns to have a special record, as it would draw particular attention to them and encourage the breeder of such to persevere in his good work. Besides, it would be something of a guide to those looking for or particularly interested in milking Shorthorns.

Bruce Co., Ont.

W. D. CARGILL

Makes a Good Plumb Line.

Dear Sirs:—As I am practically a new hand at farming, I do not feel able to dispense with the aid which the Farmer's Advocate gives me. It not only confirms many of my ideas, but points out new ones, and saves me by its timely advice many a mistake. I have recommended it to my friends many times and shall continue to do so as I feel that no farm library could be complete without it. Yours truly,

Hill Side Farm, Leavitt.

J. M. COOMBS.

Once Tried Always Used.

Dear Sirs:—We enjoy your paper very much, especially the Quiet Hour Department. I have been a subscriber to your paper for upwards of fifteen years, and can truly say that as a farmer have been helped by a great many practical ideas. Yours truly,

Emerson.

W. G. FORRESTER.

The Live Stock Conventions

The past winter has been remarkable for the educational campaign along agricultural lines in Western Canada, a fitting culmination being the convention held at Brandon, February 27 to March 2.

New features were introduced notably, a provincial spring stallion show at which a very fine lot of draft stallions were exhibited; the exhibit of Clydesdales being especially fine. The interest evinced was keen, although the membership shows a slight falling off, possibly due to the migration.

MUTTON AND BACON MEN DELIBERATE.

The Sheep and Swine Breeders opened the ball with their annual meeting with Dr. Thompson presiding, the following satisfactory financial statement being presented:

RECEIPTS.	
To Cash on hand.....	\$ 50 90
" Cattle Breeders' Association, 1904, rent.....	\$30 20
" Horse Breeders' Association, 1904, rent.....	\$30 15
" Government grant.....	60 35
" Membership fees.....	200 00
" Office rent.....	59 00
" Office rent.....	22 90
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EXPENDITURES.	
By Office rent, telephone, furnish- ings, etc.....	\$ 84 15
" Convention expenses.....	17 05
" Stationery, printing, postage, etc.	15 95
" Diplomas.....	23 40
" Directors' expenses.....	25 10
" Secretary's salary.....	100 00
" Loan to Horse Breeders' Associa- tion.....	50 00
" Balance in hand at bank.....	77 50
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The election of officers resulted as follows:— President, E. R. James, Rosser; vice-president, Geo. Allison, Burnbank. Directors—Representing sheep, John Rankin, Hamiota, Leicesters; T. Jasper, Harding, Oxford Downs; A. C. Hawkins, Swan Lake, Shropshires; James Riddell, Rosebank, Shropshires; directors representing swine, Stephen Benson, Neepawa, Yorkshires; T. E. M. Banting, Banting, Tamworths; Jos. Laidler, Neepawa, Berkshires; Andrew Graham, Pomeroy, Yorkshires; representative to Industrial Fair Winnipeg, W. G. Styles; to Brandon fair board, A. D. Gamley; auditors, Dr. A. G. Hopkins and Geo. Batho, Winnipeg.

The executive of the Sheep and Swine Breeders consists of the presidents, and Andrew Graham.

The prevalence of noxious weeds has stimulated the interest in sheep considerably, and was shown by the call of some of the sheep men for lectures and demonstrations of their favorite stock. We understand the Secretary had endeavored to secure an authority from Minneapolis on sheep feeding on screenings. The programme was however full to overflow and the time available was even too short for the discussions, etc., as it was.

The representation on the directorate seems to be a little onesided at present, considering the present relative commercial positions of sheep and swine; Dr. Hopkins giving notice of motion to provide additional directors, as in the Cattle Breeders, so as to overcome the difficulty. Geo. Allison gave notice of motion to make separate associations for sheep and swine.

President Thompson gave an interesting address and welcomed the members and referred to their loss, by the death of a noted sheep breeder the late D. E. Corbett. The Doctor touched on the question of hog prices at Winnipeg as follows: "Our object in meeting together is to learn all we can from each other, and from the professors who will lecture to us at our annual conventions about sheep and swine feeding, breeding, etc.

You have no doubt seen many letters in the papers from farmers saying there is no money in raising hogs at 5c. a pound live weight. I am pleased none of these letters are from members of our association. The farmer who cannot raise hogs and make some profit at 5c. a pound live weight should learn more about the business. I believe every member of our association makes

it pay, but our profits are not what they should be, or would be if we received a fair market price for the animals we have to dispose of

The Winnipeg abattoirs control the price of hogs in Manitoba and I believe they are as great a combine as there is in the country. I say this because the price of hogs in Winnipeg is generally 1c. per pound less than in Toronto and Chicago. (Winnipeg prices are below Chicago very rarely. Ed.) while their products are much higher in Winnipeg than in either of the places named. Their managers must work overtime to devise the means of squeezing the prices down for the farmer and up for the retailer.

The past year has been a successful one from the standpoint of the breeders of pure-bred swine. The demand has been good and I believe fully up to the supply. Prices realized have been very satisfactory. The market for pure-bred sheep has been very good, but the demand has been limited, but I believe it will be greater year after year. The price of wool and mutton are both good, and if sheep can be protected from dogs and wolves, I believe they will pay as good or better than any live stock. Lately we have heard a good deal about noxious weeds, and the harm they are doing, which we are free to admit, but they are doing some good in teaching farmers that they must farm better, keep more stock, and grow more timothy, clover, corn and roots. I think you will admit sheep are the greatest helpers a farmer can have to keep down weeds. I believe the time will soon come when sheep will be kept on many farms in Manitoba.

Jas. Riddell, Rosebank, advocated sheep in place of weed inspectors. Agriculturist Grisdale's address on Bacon production and the discussion which ensued, is held over for our next issue, as it is valuable enough to give in its entirety. Mr. Grisdale gave a demonstration on judging hogs in the Kelly block, where he had a crowded and enthusiastic audience; owing to severe burns from a stereopticon explosion, C. M. McRae, Ottawa, was debarred taking part. The afternoon and evening sessions were jointly given over to the various live stock and seed grain interests. At the stockmen's matinees demonstrations on swine by J. H. Grisdale, on poultry by F. C. Elford, on horses by Robt. Ness and C. D. McGilvray, were given to crowded houses, while at the evening meetings, stereopticon and chart pointed a moral and adorned a tale at the hands of the lecturers.

HORSEMEN FEEL THE COLLAR.

The Horse Breeders of Manitoba held their fifteenth annual meeting on the morning of Wednesday, February 28, and after listening to President Benson, elected officers. Mr Benson drew the attention of the members and others present to the work of the past year, and advised their earnest consideration of the making of stallion lien notes given by syndicates non-negotiable, and referred to the question of the minimum valuation of horses coming in from the south. He gave high commendation to the Dominion veterinary department for its good work in stamping out glanders, and to the farmers for the way they were reporting the presence of that dread disease.

Dr. Thompson, representative to the Industrial, gave a lucid report and made several valuable suggestions as follows: "I have pleasure in reporting a good show of horses in almost every section. The year before we had the Dominion exhibition, which was very largely advertised, and the premiums were much larger than last year, but although there were a number of horses from Ontario and British Columbia, yet last year we had only twenty-one less entries than at the Dominion exhibition, showing that there was no falling off from Manitoba or the Northwest Territories in either numbers or quality. Last year the directors tried the experiment of getting along without a manager, which I believe was a great mistake, and I know it will not occur again.

They also tried the experiment of having the fair extend into two weeks. This I also believe was a mistake, and I am sure it will not occur again, but I would be pleased to have an expression of opinion from you on the subject. Every one attending the fair the first week will have an idea of what had to be contended with; the rain came down in torrents and the grounds became almost impassable. We could not get the horse

ring into condition to show the horses at the time advertised, and as we had one less judge than the year before, the judging was late in being completed and it gave the judge far more work than any judge should be called upon to undertake. I certainly would not consent to such an arrangement again. We are assured the sewers will be extended into the grounds in such a way as to thoroughly drain them and that the grounds will be put into first class condition before our next exhibition. I also expect the stables will be much improved and our premiums made larger.

I thank you for the kindness I have received from every director and member. I feel I should thank every exhibitor of horses for the way he put up with inconveniences, and their kindly assistance to me.

J. G. Barron moved, Geo. Allison seconding, that the exhibition board be requested to confine the fair to one week. The motion was carried unanimously.

The secretary presented the following audited statements of receipts and expenditures, after which the officers were elected.

RECEIPTS.	
To Cash on hand.....	\$ 5 18
" Government grant.....	200 00
" Membership fees.....	50 00
" Winnipeg City, grant for horse Show.....	250 00
" Sheep & Swine Breeders' Associa- tion, loan.....	50 00
" Balance due bank.....	5 82
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EXPENDITURES.	
By Balance of office rent, 1904.....	\$ 30 15
" Office rent, telephone, furniture, etc.....	84 50
" Convention expenses.....	21 15
" Printing, stationery, postage, etc.	25 45
" Director's expenses.....	63 15
" Diplomas.....	10 50
" Horse Show Ass. grant from City.	250 00
" Secretary's salary.....	100 00
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OFFICERS FOR 1906

President, J. G. Washington, Ninga; vice-president, John Graham, Carberry; directors, Clydesdales, John Wishart; Shires, Dr. A. G. Hopkins; Hackneys, T. Jasper, Harding; Thoroughbreds, R. I. M. Power, Carberry; Standard breds, W. H. Galbraith; Shetlands, J. E. Marples, Deleau; auditors, Geo. Batho and A. P. Ketchen; secretary-treasurer, Geo. H. Greig. On motion the association created G. W. Grant Wright, secretary of the Saskatchewan, and C. W. Peterson secretary of the Alberta Live Stock associations, honorary directors of the Manitoba Horse Breeders association. Dr. S. J. Thompson was appointed representative to the Winnipeg Industrial, Henry Nichol to the Brandon Fair board. The executive is made up of the presidents, Dr. Hopkins and the secretary.

A motion to bring a Clydesdale judge from the Old Country was not carried, although it provoked some discussion. The meeting unanimously endorsed the principle of the Horse Breeders' Lien Act.

Secretary Greig read a letter from Arch. McNeilage, secretary of the Clydesdale Horse Society of Great Britain and Ireland, announcing that that society will present two gold medals for registered Clydesdales of any age, at the Winnipeg exhibition, one for the best Clydesdale stallion any age, the other for the best Clydesdale mare or filly any age, registered either in the stud book of this society or in the Clydesdale stud book of Canada. This announcement was greeted with applause and a vote of thanks was passed. Mr. Galbraith, said that the ordinance of Wisconsin covering similar ground to the new Horse Breeders' Lien Act had been in force a year and was already working well in weeding out scrub stallions. Mr. Grant Wright, of Regina, was asked to speak on the conditions in Saskatchewan, and explained how they found their act working. He said the altered pedigrees, of which many were offered, were nearly always found to be with American stallions.

On the principle of making syndicate stallion notes non-negotiable, Mr. Galbraith expressed the opinion that though he was personally opposed to stallion syndicates, at the same time he feared that if such legislation was passed it would have the effect of keeping out many desirable horses where men could not afford to purchase horses individually, as it had in the Dakotas.

Another man thought that it would have no such effect, as a majority of the farmers that would syndicate a stallion could, if they chose, raise the money and buy their horse for cash. Mr. Burns of Napinka, who had belonged to the syndicate who had bought Woodend Gartley, said he was sure if they had had to pay cash the horse would never have been bought. What "non negotiable" really means seemed to be but indifferently understood by many present. Mr. Galbraith pointed out that if dealers sold fifty horses in a season and had to hold all the paper, no dealer could afford to do it. Dr. S. J. Thompson suggested that notes be made in such a way that each man in a syndicate would only be responsible for the amount of his own note, and not for the total price of the horse, his suggestion met with approval, a vote showed that the meeting was not in favor of making notes given for stallions, non-negotiable.

CATTLE BREEDERS HELD SESSION.

The meeting of the cattle breeders was well attended by many, other than members, it being the last of the livestock series. People were interested in finding who got elected to the directorate, such being the consolation prizes.

President Barron's address was statesmanlike and full of meat as was to be expected from a breeder of the beef type of cattle and was broad in its scope. Mr. Barron hoped the provincial government would be generous in its aid to the livestock associations and landed the painstaking work of secretary G. H. Greig, and urged the establishment of a provincial fat stock show, pointing out that Alberta and Saskatchewan were ahead of Manitoba in that respect. He eulogised the efforts of the Dominion Government and railways in their Seed Grain Special work and spoke of the successful sale held by the association, aided as it was by the L. S. C. at Ottawa.

The financial statement was satisfactory, as is seen below, all members had had ample time to peruse it; the combined reports being sent out by the Secretary some weeks previous to the meetings.

INCOME.	
To Cash on hand ...	\$ 15 78
"Transportation of stock to N.	
W. T., 1904	96 00
"Government grant	200 00
"Membership fees	191 00
"Transportation of stock to N.	
W. T., 1905	96 65
"Office rent	22 95
"Provincial auction sale receipts..	6,035 51
"Unpresented cheque.. ..	24 20
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OUTGO.	
By Balance of office rent, 1904 ...	\$ 30 20
"Office rent, telephone, furnishings, etc.	82 65
"Convention expenses	68 20
"Stationery, printing, postage etc	40 35
"Directors' expenses	82 25
"Secretary's salary	100 00
"Transportation of stock	82 01
"Diplomas.....	26 10
"Provincial Auction Sale expenditure	5,972 65
"Balance on hand at bank \$195 68	
"Cash on hand	2 00
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That the midnight oil was not wasted was evidenced by Jas. Bray's report of his work as representative of the cattle men on the Winnipeg Fair board. He laid emphasis on the disastrous system of having no general manager for the fair, and called attention to the increased exhibit of Shorthorns and the need of increased facilities for ring judging, saying that the cattle men deserved better at the hands of the exhibition. In this regard he recommended that the exhibition begin on Monday and close on Friday night and that all judging be done early in the week so that breeders may get the advantage of having prize ribbons in place when visitors pass through the stables.

The association recognised the arduous work done by George H. Greig in getting up the cattle sale and bringing it to a successful conclusion by voting an honorarium of \$50 in addition to his regular salary. Officers were elected as follows: President, Sam Martin, Rounthwaite; first vice-president, Geo. Allison, Burnham; sec-

ond vice-president, Henry English, Harding; directors, Shorthorns, Andrew Graham, Pomeroy; Herefords, James Bray, Portage la Prairie; Aberdeen Angus, Walter Clifford, Austin; Holsteins, M. Oughton, Middlechurch; Ayrshires, Geo. Steel, M.P.P., Glenboro; Red Polls, H. V. Clendenning, Harding; additional directors, Waldo Greenway, S. Benson and John Rankin. Representatives to Winnipeg and Brandon Fair boards, Jas. Bray and Wm. Chalmers respectively. Auditors, Geo. Batho and Dr. Hopkins. The executive consists of Messrs. S. Benson and A. Graham and the presidents. A motion was also passed that a meeting of the Nat. Live-stock Assoc. to be held annually, and that an early date be set, Messrs. Clifford and Benson being the movers. A resolution was passed which left the time and location of the next cattle sale to the executive. The Manitoba Agricultural College director is Principal W. J. Black, the other associations making similar provision so as to keep in touch with the work of the college and also to show the interest taken in the great work undertaken. The temporary livestock pavilion was crowded, the acoustics being far from perfect, owing to the birds, fanning mills and other noise makers in the upper story. Messrs. Cook and Grayston contributed two very practical papers on 'Beef cattle feeding in Manitoba.' Votes of thanks were tendered Messrs. Elford, Grisdale, Murray and Ness for their efforts in aiding Secretary Greig and the W. A. A. Association to make the Winter Fair a success, and also to the following who contributed livestock for demonstration purposes, the Experimental Farm, hogs; Trotter & Trotter and J. Nelles, horses; Sam Martin, Rounthwaite, Aberdeen Angus; J. A. Chapman, Herefords; Wm. Chalmers and Henry Nichol, Shorthorns.

THE FIRST PROVINCIAL STALLION SHOW.

The Wheat city has for years held great summer shows, its forte being the exhibit of horses, especially the drafters. Clydesdales predominate, due so Archie McPhail says "to the fact the farmers around are all Scotch Presbyterians and each keeps a good draft brood mare;" although we think by the successful efforts of Irish and English, it would be safe to retort 'there are others' as the Irishmen and Englishmen get 'a look in' quite frequently.

Seldom has Robert Ness been up against such a proposition, demanding as it did suavity and horse knowledge of no mean order, and that his judgments were not acceptable to every individual owner or onlooker was only to be expected, and as the epitaph on the cowboy's tombstone read 'he did his damndest, no man can do more.'

Excitement was at fever heat, and partisanship ran high and we doubt if every one agrees even yet as to the merits of the different horses, and it would be futile to attempt to reconcile the difference of opinion. Nine aged stallions paraded in the City Hall Square and went up and down accompanied by the plaudits of those assembled. Cairnhill came out in better shape than ever before, went well, is in fact a splendid specimen of a draft horse; the Galbraith stables had out some topnotchers in Baron Afton and Baron Robgill, the first named a low set fellow with lots of quality and ability to move, what he may lose in muscling or substance, he balances with quality and breed character. The judge was hardly as fortunate in his choice for third horse, as it seems to us that the Graham entry, Storm King, might have been placed a notch higher, and it is no discredit to the third prize horse to say so, the black horse from Carberry had quality and style to burn and while a very short person may look under his belly, he is not yet thickened out and with more flesh on him would undoubtedly have won his way further up. Several horses with reputations were there, but every man and horse have their day and are "has beens" afterwards. Nick O'Time got fifth and begins to show his age, as does Cloth of Gold, both good horses yet, but in a battle of giants forced to play the part of onlookers.

The class for horses foaled in 1902 brought out seven horses, the shortlet bringing two sons of Hiawatha, in Perpetual Motion (W. H. Bryce, Arcola, Sask.) and (Macmillan, Colquhoun and Beattie's, Brandon) Fiscal Policy for first and third, the former being made champion of the breed; sandwiched between these colts sprung from the loins of Hiawatha, was that right good horse, Show King (Alex. Galbraith & Son, Brandon). The three winners are well worthy of a place in any Manitoba show ring, and the evidence of the quality of the stock is shown, when

Balcray by Up To Time, did not get a place. The class of nine 1903 colts was whittled to three for the money, Chief Boss being first, and the two Carberry horses (Baron Marshall and Baron Wales) second and third, we would have placed the half-brothers in the reverse order, but not being the judge, the ruling stands. Perpetual Motion won the championship, Cairnhill being reserve.

In Shires there was a small entry, Newton won with a pretty good imported horse, a son of Holland Major being second. In Percherons, Stout had first, second and champion with Medoc and Porte Boone. Gay Pioneer, a flash actor from the Galbraith barns, was first and champion in Hackneys. Jim Bryson had it hands down in Standard Breds, and Galbraiths in Thoroughbreds with Howard S.

The stallion show was a success and held the crowd to the rails of the enclosure to the finish.

MANITOBA GRAIN GROWERS' CONVENTION.

Owing to lack of space we are forced to hold over the report of the convention of Manitoba Grain Growers for a week, along with many of the papers delivered.

FIELD NOTES

Events of the World.

CANADIAN.

At a meeting of the Dominion Cabinet a commission, consisting of Judge McTavish, Ottawa, J. W. Langmuir, Toronto and A. L. Kent, Montreal, was appointed to investigate life insurance in Canada. This commission has been given authority to employ expert assistants, to summon witnesses and require them to give evidence or produce documents deemed necessary to a complete investigation.

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In the Manitoba Legislature a resolution was unanimously adopted urging on the Dominion Government the necessity for a readjustment of the financial relation between the Province of Manitoba and the Dominion. Attention was drawn to the fact that the grants made to the Province by the Dominion are practically the same as were granted when Confederation was established, yet the revenue of the federal authorities has advanced to large proportions.

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The Grain and Flour section of the Toronto Board of Trade have presented a resolution to the government showing the desirability of offering generous terms to Newfoundland and the West Indies to enter Confederation. The annexation of the West Indies would give Canada tropical products at reduced cost, and Newfoundland would be supplied with a good market for fish and provide a good flour market.

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The third annual dinner of the Old Timer's Association was held in Winnipeg on March 1st. Over a hundred men who had seen the West grow from its beginning were gathered round the board. Speeches were made by Captain Allan, Rev. Father Drummond, Lieut. Col. Scott, Hon. Colin Inkster, Andrew Strang, and others, who recalled the varied experiences incident to the awakening of the West, and connected with its early history. The menu which was above criticism consisted almost entirely of articles of food produced in Manitoba.

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Prince Arthur of Connaught on his return journey from Japan, expects to arrive in Victoria, B. C. on the 28th of March. He will reach Winnipeg on the 10th of April, the intervening time being occupied by visits to Vancouver, Glacier, Field, Banff, Calgary and Edmonton.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN.

The death is announced of James Arthur Laing, who conveyed the body of the great African missionary and explorer, David Livingstone, from Zanzibar to London.

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Kaiser Wilhelm and Empress Augusta of Germany recently celebrated their silver wedding anniversary.

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The British House of Commons has appropriated \$273,000 to compensate France for the loss of her fishing rights on the coast of Newfoundland.

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The Labor party in Great Britain has brought in their first bill, which aims to empower local authorities to provide food for underfed school children.

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The revolutionary movement in Venezuela is becoming more active. Those who are dissatisfied with President Castro's administration are concentrating on Trinidad Island and making preparations to land on the Venezuelan coast.

Arthur Balfour, late Premier of the British parliament, was elected as member of the Commons for the city of London by a majority of 11,340 votes over his Liberal Free Trade opponent, Thomas G. Bowles.

Alberta Farmers Active.

The Agricola Alberta Farmers' Association recently held a meeting which drafted resolutions to be presented to the Alberta government, as follows:

1. Resolved.—That the prevailing rates of interest are extortionate, and in view thereof we ask the Legislature to adopt the plan in force in New Zealand whereby the government of that country, loans money to settlers at 4½ per cent. on good security, by which means extortionate usuary such as now prevails here, was utterly abolished.
2. Where powerful monopolists are in control of our local markets for farm produce as is the case here with beef and pork, we ask that the government take such steps as may be necessary, to obtain markets at points beyond the influence of such local monopolists, by handling the produce of the farm as is being done by the Dominion government regarding creameries.

The president of the Association, Mr. T. G. Pearce, writing us on these subjects says: "There is a combine existing here in the cattle and hog markets which is slowly but surely strangling the business of raising both cattle and hogs, to the great detriment of the Province. The very best of beef cattle have been sold at 2 and 2¼c. live weight and hogs at 4½ and 5c. Such prices are not warranted by actual market conditions.

Notes from Ireland.

We have just emerged from the upset and excitement of the general election, and, as all the world knows, the affairs of the State are now under the control of the Liberal party, the heads of all the Government Departments and Boards being persons drawn from its ranks. There is one exception, and, from the Irish farmer's standpoint, a very notable exception, and that is the Vice Presidency of the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction. The nominal President of this body is the Chief Secretary for Ireland but, in reality, the administration falls on the Vice President, and in that office no change, up to the time of writing, has taken place. Consequently, Sir Horace Plunkett who has been Vice President since the Department started five years ago under the Tory regime, still fills the post under the Liberal Government. Of course it is to be anticipated that a change will sooner or later occur, and speculation is rife as to the likely successor. At the same time there are many who advocate that the position should be made a permanent one, and independent of party changes.

Lord Aberdeen, our new Viceroy, announced a day or so ago, the likelihood of some kind of governmental inquiry as to the result of the working of the Department, not to imply any dissatisfaction or misgiving as to the methods and procedure of those responsible for its work, but because, that, while recognizing the value of the work already done, it was felt that the experience gained might suggest certain modifications or extension of operations in certain directions,—a kind of stock-taking, in fact.

Sir Horace, and his work have been severely criticised, and perhaps with unwarranted severity, but principally by people who, because Irish agriculture has not been entirely restored to its once flourishing condition, hasten to condemn right and left the Department and the man responsible for its control during its brief career of five or six years. In spite of all this adverse criticism, however, those who are competent to judge admire the way in which Sir Horace has discharged the responsibilities of his office. He played a prominent part in the movement that called the Department into being, and, during his tenure of office as its first Vice President, his wide experience of agricultural conditions both in Ireland and in competing countries, has been devoted without reserve to laying the foundation of the work which the Department hoped to accomplish. Under his guidance, the administrative ground-work necessary for the discharge of the Department's functions has been established, schemes have been formulated, initiated, and carried into effect, often in face of opposition from an unenlightened community, and in short, more onerous duties have fallen to his lot than are likely to confront his successor in office. When he retires from his post, it will be as one who deserves the respectful thanks of all who recognize the great part he has taken in the reformation of the country's staple industry.

SELECTING "PREMIUM" BULLS.

An event of considerable importance to Irish cattle breeding interests took place recently at the Royal Dublin Society's exhibition grounds at Ballsbridge, Dublin, when the annual show and sale of pure-bred bulls was held. This fixture among a few others, has been selected by the Department of Agriculture for the award of premiums to suitable sires under the Cattle Improvement Scheme. These subsidies amount to £15 each, and this sum is provisionally allowed to the purchaser of each animal selected and approved by the Department's inspectors. The ticketed bulls are then taken home to different parts of the country, and "stand" for the season in their respective districts, during which they must serve fifty cows at a nominal fee of 1 shilling, the premium being given when this condition has been complied with. It is in this way that high-class bulls are introduced and used in the various counties. At the Dublin Show, above mentioned, Mr. C. M. Cameron of Balnakyle, Scotland, judged the Shorthorns, Mr. W. Wilson of Coynachie, Scotland, the Aberdeen Angus, and Mr. C. Williams of Holmer, England, the Herefords, all three experts in their favorite breed of cattle.

The great bulk of the animals exhibited were of the Shorthorn breed, the red, white and roans numbering seventy-six out of a total of 128. Taken all round they were a great improvement on previous years, the animals being of a more uniformly blocky stamp, and displayed better substance. It is to the use of bulls of this stamp that may be traced the increased number of "deep and close to-ground" animals now in evidence over Ireland, and the gradual disappearance of the lanky and weedy beasts that were at one time so largely kept. Of the seventy-six Shorthorns, close on forty were provisionally chosen for premiums, and at the sale most of these sold at prices ranging from 35 guineas to 57 guineas.

The comely Aberdeen Angus did not show up to such prominence as their more cosmopolitan rivals, the Shorthorns, but the winning exhibits were of a good sort and a number of them made over 40 guineas, which was not a bad price. Nine premiums were awarded the twenty-eight animals of this breed present.

The third variety represented were the picturesque white faces of Herefordshire, which mustered eighteen, of which the good proportion of seven were chosen for the coveted premium. The younger animals of this breed were a nice even lot, but the seniors did not fill the bill quite so well. The top figure realized by this breed was 45 guineas.

Dublin, Ireland.

EMERALD ISLE.

Our Scottish Letter.

The elections are over, and Great Britain and Ireland have got their political masters for another term. My opinion is that we have got them for a prolonged term, and unless the government of Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman meddles with some such thorny subject as "Home Rule," by which I mean a separate and independent Parliament for Ireland, I expect the Liberals will remain in office for a good dozen years at least, or let us say for the natural term of three Parliaments. How the agricultural interests will fare under such circumstances is a hard question. At any rate nothing will be heard of what is called Tariff Reform. Whatever the late election did not do, it certainly gave the quietus to Mr. Chamberlain's scheme for amending our fiscal system. True, he held his ground much better than Mr. Balfour, whose half-and-half policy is of no use to anybody, but the verdict of the country at large is an emphatic negative to Mr. Chamberlain's proposals. The future of agriculture in this country is for better or worse, allied with the maintenance of the statue quo so far as open ports are concerned. The British farmer can survive only by finding ways and means of living in consistency with competition in his own markets from all parts of the world.

The hope of many is, that the new government may by-and-by be able to grapple with the land question so as to give Great Britain the same kind of option as Ireland at present enjoys. In other words many hope the time is coming when the tenant will have the option of purchase by means of loans guaranteed by, and repayable to the State. Under this system, in a very few years, Ireland has rapidly recuperated itself, and there is a return to tillage methods as distinguished from grazing. There is no idea of confiscating the landlord's property. The landlord

is free to sell or not to sell as he pleases, but under the favorable conditions guaranteed in the Act most of them elect to part with the land and invest in other securities. In this way, many large estates are being broken up; the tenant becomes the owner, and the farmer has absolute security that all improvements effected by him are guaranteed to himself. This is a method of procedure fair to the landlord who gets value for his land, and it paves the way for the creation of an occupying ownership which must conduce to the settlement of the people on the land. At present in some cases we are face to face in this country with a determination to clear the people off the land. Whole country sides are being converted into sporting runs; cottages, when they become vacant are allowed to lapse into decay; and no one is encouraged to follow a rural occupation or educate his family for a rural calling. The outcome of a policy of that kind is not doubtful. The people stand it for a while, and then they begin to speak out. Goldsmith's lines are hackneyed, but they are perennially true.

"Ill fares the land, to hastening ills a prey;
When wealth accumulates, and men decay."

The new Minister of Agriculture, Earl Carrington, is an extensive landowner in Lincolnshire and Buckingham. He has made extensive alterations in the occupancy of his estates, and has somewhere about 3000 allotment holders on them. The policy of converting large farms into these allotments has proved an unqualified success on his estates, and if he is able, no doubt he will endeavor to embody ideas in legislation which will encourage others to follow his example.

Cheesemakers here are considerably perturbed by the results of the trade in 1905. Better home cheese was put upon the market than in some preceding years, but the testimony of at least one great firm is that while the top prices last year were made by the home cheese, the average price for Canadian cheese was higher than for home cheese. The position is being eagerly canvassed, and possibly an improvement may be made which will enable the home-producer to keep in front. Conferences are being held, at which expert makers give their experience, and hints for the benefit of their neighbors, while the merchant endeavors to let the maker know what the consumer wants. So far our makers easily excel in finishing their cheese. For a window show a lot of Scots Cheddars can easily beat a lot of Canadians, but the outside of the cheese is after all of secondary moment. The main thing is to produce a cheese such as the public desire to eat. An old cheese may be a fine thing for the connoisseur, but the number of such customers is limited, and the masses of the people want a soft, meaty cheese, of good flavor and close texture. Badly colored cheese are not wanted from anywhere, and the prejudice against white, or uncolored cheese is not nearly so strong as it used to be. The present discussion rages around the question of starter or no starter. It would appear as if choice cheese was made either way, the principal thing is not the method, but the maker. The starter is a good servant, but a very bad master, and many are using it who know nothing of the dangers attending its reckless application.

Glasgow.

SCOTLAND YET.

Buried the Hatchet.

Dear Sirs:

I had a little tiff with you about two years ago, and left off taking the Farmer's Advocate for one year and took another farm paper, but I am very glad to tell you I was obliged to come and subscribe for your paper again. I take seven different papers, and the Advocate is the best and most scientific of them all, from a farmer's point of view. I have taken it for sixteen years.

Coombe Farm, Glenora, Man.

WM. MACHLIN.

It's a Good Idea.

EDITOR FARMER'S ADVOCATE:

I saw an article in your February 7th issue which advised farmers to build pork-packing factories. This is what is needed but before we build these we should build flour mills where we could get our grain ground and could buy the mill feeds at about half the price we pay now. Not until we do this can we raise hogs profitably. We farmers should get together and discuss the whole business in detail then form joint-stock companies to operate mills, which would also act as elevators. This organization could be managed by an executive composed of one representative from each branch.

Alta.

GENERAL FARMER.

Notes by the Way.

Alberta's most southerly seed fair was held at Magrath recently. The attendance was good, and although the entries were not numerous the quality was excellent. The district of Magrath holds a splendid record for its freedom from weeds, very little grain from that district coming into the rejected class. In winter wheat R. W. Bradshaw was the winner of first prize for Turkey Red and Mr. Winterton took the lead for soft wheat. J. B. Ryrie and Bradshaw divided the money for spring wheat and Bradshaw came first on oats, the Seed Growers' Association medal going to the same gentleman. It is a noticeable fact that in Southern Alberta the soft wheats tend to improve, due no doubt to the rich soil and comparatively dry climate. Even Turkey Red is said to improve in quality and the change to "Alberta Red" is a change in more than name. There were a few exhibits of grass seeds and one sample of corn was to be seen.

The judging was done by Messrs. McKillican and Mitchell. At the afternoon meeting the representative of the seed division spoke on seed improvement and weed control. In the evening Mr. Mitchell took up the question of dry land farming and the conservation of moisture. He was followed by R. J. Deachman, of the Farmer's Advocate, who spoke of the strong necessity for individual effort in the struggle against weeds and in the improvement of western agriculture. Very thoughtful and reverential are these men of the South. Their meetings are always well conducted; the questions are carefully put; and little time is wasted in getting the meeting in motion. An efficient secretary is always on hand to take full notes of everything said, and thus the lectures can be made of service at future meetings. In fact there were many things at Magrath Seed Fair that might well be copied by other districts in this Province.

Lethbridge had an advantage in that the Seed Fair was held at the same time as the Stock Judging School. Dr. Standish of Walkerton, Ontario, took up the work with horses and Duncan Anderson, of Rugby, handled the cattle end of the business. Both of these gentlemen are fluent speakers and experts in their special line; they are doing splendid work, and it is to be regretted that more time cannot be given to these demonstrations. Great good certainly accrues from even these short visits of the live stock experts, but it takes time to fix a type clearly in the mind and unless the student follows up the work much of the benefit is lost. In view of the fact that many of these meetings are still to be held throughout the West it may be well to repeat here the rules for judging live stock given out to the students at Michigan Agricultural College:

- (1) Have confidence in your own powers.
- (2) Concentrate your thoughts on the breed and breed type of the animals you are working upon.
- (3) Do not hurry. Take time to decide. Having done so stick to it. "Be sure you are right, then go ahead."
- (4) If possible watch the class as it comes into the ring. There is often something about the style and carriage of the winner which marks him out as he walks.
- (5) Take a minute to look over the line from as near the centre as possible in order to get a general idea on conformation.
- (6) Then pass slowly clear round the ring inspecting each animal from front and rear.
- (7) Never be satisfied when judging cattle or sheep without using your hand in addition to the eye. Appearances are often deceitful.
- (8) In handling always work from front to rear. With cattle work on the right side approaching the animal from behind.
- (9) First pick out the winner of the class, then use it as your standard in placing second and third.
- (10) When the first is placed briefly sum up its strong points.
- (11) Look for breed characteristics and most common breed defects.
- (12) Pay no attention to either the men with you or the crowd around you. Your business is with the animals. Knowledge is power only when applied, and constant practice is essential in order to develop accuracy in judgement in live stock work. May the work go on and prosper until we have not only judging schools at leading towns but also at places more remote from the railway, and possibly to us may come the Live Stock Special as well as the Seed, Grain and Dairy trains, thus forming a complete course of agricultural instruction—an agricultural college on wheels.

Okotoks was the next seed fair. Some splendid samples of wheat were to be seen there for Okotoks is a wonderful fall wheat district. There was one excellent lot that lost its otherwise just deserts of a high place on the prize list owing to smut. This is regrettable. Smut can be prevented, and with the power in his own hands no farmer should neglect his opportunity.

A good example of the value of seed selection was given by one of the speakers. In a recent issue of the Farmer's Advocate, a subscriber told of how by selection he had secured an increase of twenty-three bushels per acre. Supposing every farmer with a hundred acres in crop could only make one quarter of that record what would it amount to? And if every reader of

this paper could only do one-fifth as well as "Wheat Head" would not the increased wheat production pay for all the agricultural literature used in Western Canada in addition to leaving something to the farmers themselves? We believe it would and even then there would be enough left over to foot the full bill for a better system of agricultural education than we now have in the west.

Crows Condemned Again.

EDITOR FARMER'S ADVOCATE:

I have read with interest an article in your paper on "The Crow Nuisance," and I readily agree with the writer that these birds are getting to be a great nuisance. It is true they help to eat up the dead animals and kill the gophers. But the hawks, owls, badgers and coyotes readily do this. The badgers are experts at weeding out the gophers. It is true they leave holes, but these would be there whether there were crows or not. I think that crows do more harm to small wild game than the sportsman's gun. They are great destroyers of prairie chickens, ducks and wild pigeons. These have become nearly extinct and the crows and other birds of prey are largely responsible for this.

Crows are also great destroyers of rabbits, which afford much sport for the sportsman, and song birds, and of the latter we have far too few already. Of course the owl and hawk do their share of this destruction, but they are not nearly so numerous nor so stealthy in their methods as crows. I have seen them, time and again, in the spring sweep down upon small rabbits or unsuspecting birds and kill and eat them. They never find a nest of any kind of bird but what they rob the nest and in many cases kill the owner of it. Last spring there were more crows around than any time before, and I found many nests. They continued to be thick all through the summer and all. I think something ought to be done to reduce their numbers, and have no hesitation in saying that the sooner this is done the better.

Souris, Man.

A SUBSCRIBER.

Things to Remember.

Entries close, Saskatchewan Cattle Sale... Mar. 19.
 Entries close, Stallion and Foal Show, Calgary, Apr. 5
 Entries close, Alberta Fat-stock Show... Apr. 5
 Entries close, Saskatchewan Fat-stock Show... Apr. 16
 Entries close, Saskatchewan Horse Show... Apr. 16
 B. C. Pure-bred Sale... Mar. 21-22
 Alberta Stallion and Foal Show... May 7-8
 Pure-bred Cattle Show, Calgary... May 7-8
 Fat-stock Show, Calgary... May 8-10
 Horse-breeders' Association, Calgary... May 7
 Cattle-breeders' Association... May 8
 Saskatchewan Judging Schools—Prince Albert and Kirkella branches... Feb. 21—Mar. 31
 Saskatchewan Pure-bred Cattle Sale, Horse Show and Fat-stock Show... May 16, 17-18
 Winnipeg Horse Show... May 23-25
 Inter-Western Exhibition, Calgary... July 10-12
 Birtle Fair... Aug. 9

It Sticks.

Dear Sirs:—I thought I would stop some of my papers as I get three farm journals, but I would not like to do without the Farmer's Advocate. Enclosed find my renewal subscription.

Pilot Mound.

PETER CRAM.

In the south and east the ground hog has lost his reputation as a prognosticator.

MARKETS

Last week witnessed quite a sharp decline in wheat prices, but with the opening of the present week there is a firmer tone. Some Chicago dealers think the bottom has been reached, claiming that the recent decline has practically crowded out all the holders. Others think that American prices will have to descend yet to an export basis.

Thompson Sons and Co. say:—"It can readily be recognized that the United States Markets are gradually adjusting themselves to World's conditions, and in the meantime their action has a weakening effect on the wheat trade all round. Whatever may have been the aggregate yield of the United States crop for 1905 it is evident there is a fair sized surplus from it over domestic requirements, and this surplus must either be carried into next crop season or exported. Farmers are marketing the surplus at a greater rate than merchants and millers want to take it. Owing to local conditions in the United States wheat trade, prices over there were kept up during the fall and early winter months from 6 to 8 cts. per bu. over a free export value, and so long as the wheat marketed was absorbed by current requirements and the replenishing of millers' stocks, the visible stocks did not show the increase which was looked for from the size of the 1905 crop. But by Jan. 1st., the surplus began to show itself and

the Visible Supply began to increase at the rate of about 2,000,000 bus. per week, just at the time of year it usually begins to decrease. Traders on the United States speculative markets have been slow to acknowledge the changed situation and have held up prices in these markets in almost a wonderful way. But gradually the weight of increasing stocks and the fact of Europe having no necessity to come to the United States for wheat at their prices, has worn down prices in these markets so that in the two months to this date there has been a decline of 6 cts. to 8 cts. per bushel, whereas in the Winnipeg market which is governed this year wholly by the value of Manitoba wheat for export, the decline is only one cent on cash wheat and 3 cts. on May and 2½ cts. on July. Unless European prices advance or unfavorable crop prospects develop, the United States prices will doubtless decline a little more for they are still about 3 cts. above export value, and so long as they continue to ease off it will have a dull basis, however, the whole trade will get into a healthier state, and then the future of prices will be governed more closely by demand and crop prospects. We do not consider there is much danger of lower prices worth speaking of, and any development in conditions likely to lead to shortage in the coming season's crops would quickly advance prices.

In our local market Manitoba wheat has been fairly firm and moderately active. The continued easing off in the United States markets has influenced our prices to decline, but only to a slight extent on 1, 2, and 3 Nor., while No. 4 wheat and Rejected (smutty) are unchanged and a good demand obtains for these low grades. Prices are 1 Nor. 73½c., 2 Nor. 70½c., 3 Nor. 69c., No. 4 wheat 67c., spot or March delivery, futures are March 73½c., April 74½c., May 75½c., July 76½c. All prices are for in store Fort William and Port Arthur.

CALGARY GRAIN INSPECTION.

During the month of February 264 cars of grain were inspected at Calgary, including 94 cars of wheat, 153 of oats and 15 of barley.

LIVERPOOL PRICES.

March 2.—Wheat spot, nominal, futures quiet. March 6s 7-8d; or 9½c. per bushel; May, 6s 6½d; July, 6s 6½d or 97 1-5c. per bushel.

OATS—No. 1 white	33½		
No. 2 white	33		
Feed oats	32		
BARLEY—Malting grades	39		
No. 3	38		
No. 4	34		
MILLFEED, per ton			
Bran	15 00		
Shorts	16 50	@	17 00
CHOPPED FEEDS—			
Oats and barley	21 00		
Barley	18 00		
Oats	25 00		
FLAX	1 06		
HAY, per ton (cars on track),			
Winnipeg	5 50	@	6 50
Loose loads	6 00	@	7 00
BUTTER—			
Manitoba creamery bricks,			
Winnipeg	27		
Creamery, in boxes	24	@	25
DAIRY BUTTER—			
Tubs, choicest	21	@	23
Second grade, ground lots	15	@	17
CHEESE—			
Manitoba	13½		
Ontarios	14		
EGGS—			
Fresh gathered, Winnipeg	23		
Pickled eggs	21	@	22
GREEN VEGETABLES—			
Potatoes, (farmers' loads)			
per bushel	65		
Carrots, per bushel	90		
Beets, per bushel	60		
Turnips, per bushel	65		
Onions, per bushel	1 50		

LIVESTOCK.

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Beef, \$3.80 to \$6.30; good prime steers, \$4.35 to \$6.30; stockers and feeders, \$2.75 to \$4.75.
 Hogs—Mixed and butchers, \$6.10 to \$6.35; good heavy, \$6.25 to \$6.37½; light, \$6.10 to \$6.27½; bulk of sales, \$6.20 to \$6.32½.
 Sheep, \$3.25 to \$6.10; yearlings, \$6 to \$6.25; lambs, \$5.25 to \$7.

BRITISH CATTLE MARKET.

Canadian cattle in London are steady at 10½c. to 11c.; Americans are 12½c. per lb.
 Refrigerator beef continues weak and slow at 8½ to 9c. per lb.

HOME JOURNAL

Life, Literature and Education

CHARLOTTE BRONTE.

Charlotte Bronte's works are the autobiography of an unhappy life whose every element added to the general gloom. Her mother died when Charlotte was five years old leaving six little children; the two oldest girls died of illness brought on at school; the only boy of the family contracted vicious habits, became an opium eater and drunkard and brought no comfort but only shame to his sisters.

With the idea of starting a school of their own, Charlotte and Emily (her sister and a remarkably clever girl in spite of many peculiarities) went to Brussels to perfect their knowledge of languages. They entered a school kept by M. Héger and his wife.

Here occurred the decisive tragedy in a tragic life. The agony of a love unexpressed and unrequited was raised above the constant dull ache of existence. M. Héger with his enthusiasm, his kindness, his accomplishments, was a type of man never before encountered by Charlotte Bronte, and a steadily increasing affection and admiration for him sprang up in her heart. Friendship, arising from pity for her

protests and won a public which it has never lost.

Miss Bronte had kept her identity a secret from even her publishers and the many conjectures as to the author of the much discussed book were not satisfied until some time after the success of the book was assured. Then the publication of Shirley revealed the secret of the authorship, for in it nearly every character was a Yorkshire friend, Shirley being her sister Emily, and Louis Moore, her former tutor M. Héger. Vilette, her last completed story is a further account of her life in Brussels and the finest of her work. "Its picture of love, its romance, its poetry, its sarcasm, and occasional playfulness captivated the world."

But this constant living among memories in order to stifle the pain of her present surroundings could not but have its effect on her spirits. Her marriage with her father's curate, Mr. Nicholls brought a measure of comfort and peace to her, but the gleam was short-lived dying out with her life in less than a year after their marriage.

RAIN.

This is an autumn evening wet and wild. There is only one cloud in the sky, but it curtains it from pole to pole. The wind cannot rest: it hurries sobbing over hills of sullen outline, colourless with twilight and mist. Rain has beat all day on that church tower: it rises dark from the stony enclosure of its graveyard: the nettles, the long grass, and the tombs all drip with wet. This evening reminds me too forcibly of another evening some years ago: a howling rainy autumn evening too—when certain who had that day performed a pilgrimage to a grave new made in a heretic cemetery, sat near the wood fire on the hearth of a foreign dwelling. They were merry and social but they each knew that a gap never to be filled had been made in their circle. They knew they had lost something whose absence could never be quite atoned for so long as they lived; and they knew that heavy falling rain was soaking into the wet earth which covered their lost darling and that the sad sighing gale was mourning above her buried head.

—From Shirley.

PRIZE ESSAYS.

The school pupils of Strathcona electoral district awarded prizes in the competition for best essays on the wheat plant are:—

1st Jessie Holbrook, Mill Creek school.
2nd Harkin Govenlock, Oliver school.
3rd Lillian Bishop, East Edmonton school.

STONEV PLAIN.

1st Conrad Spady, Glory Hills school.
2nd Henry Gablehouse, Glory Hills school.

STURGEON.

1st Worthy Putman, Excelsior school.
2nd Grace Bland, Excelsior school.
3rd Edith Frazier, Belmont school.
The sweepstakes prize of a set of books for the best essay in the four electoral districts was won by Miss Jessie Holbrook of Mill Creek school.

The prizes for the best drawings of a stook of wheat were won by the following, in each of the above mentioned electoral districts.

STRATHCONA.

1st Eva Sheppard, East Edmonton.

2nd Harriet Inkster, East Edmonton.
3rd May Duguid, Clover Bar.

STURGEON.

1st C. Kirkness, Belmont.
2nd W. Gantly, Belmont.
3rd Grace Bland, Excelsior.

The sweepstake prize for the best drawing in all the electoral districts was won by Eva Sheppard, of East Edmonton.

FAITH'S STAIRWAYS.

Long years ago, on a day of thick fog and pouring rain, I ascended a mountain by an old bridle-path over the slippery rocks. A weary, disappointed company we were when we reached the cabin on the summit. But towards evening a mighty wind swept away the bank of mist, the body of the blue heavens stood out in its clearness, and before us was revealed the magnificent landscape stretching away to the sea. That scene was at the time, and has been since, a sermon to my soul. It taught me that faith's stairways are ever steep and slippery rocks, often through blinding storms; but God never loses His hold on us, and if we can endure to the end, he will yet bring us out into the clear shining after rain.

So it's better to hope, though the clouds run low,
And to keep the eye still lifted;
For the clear blue sky will soon peep through
When the thunder cloud is rifted.

THEODORE L. CUYLER, D.D.

CAN WE BE SURE OF GOD?

Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him; If ye continue in My Word, then are ye My disciples indeed; and ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.—St. John viii.: 31, 32.

"They must upward still and onward,
Who would keep abreast of Truth."

"What is truth?" said Pilate, and that is the question men are everywhere asking to-day. Someone has declared that the symbol of this age is an interrogation point. It is not enough to tell intelligent men and women that the Bible says so-and-so, for the Bible itself is on trial; it is being tested and minutely examined, weighed in the balances by learned scholars—will it stand the ordeal? Shall we join the ranks of those who say that God's Word is above man's criticism? Are we afraid that it will not come out of the furnace as gold tried in the fire, but will be destroyed as chaff that is burnt with fire? Let us venture to look this burning question of the present day squarely in the face, it will surely force itself on our attention before long. Anything that is true will bear the closest scrutiny; in fact it courts inquiry, and the more light that can be brought to bear on it the better. Anything that is not true will surely be exposed sooner or later—the sooner the better. Let us never fear to bring our faith to the light; if we shrink from the light, then it is very plain that we have little faith in the truth of the faith we profess. It is well that we should know the certainty of those things wherein we have been instructed. In these days it is not enough to say, "The Bible must be true because my mother taught me to believe in it." A child naturally accepts his mother's statements confidingly,

but a man must have stronger grounds for his faith than that. It is folly to shut one's eyes to the results of modern Biblical research, to say obstinately, "I will not listen to a word the higher critics are saying, I will hold the opinions I have always held without examining them at all." That was the plan adopted by Saul of Tarsus, when he zealously and conscientiously tried to crush out what he considered to be a heresy, without taking any trouble to examine its claims. Though he acted conscientiously, his position was a very narrow and mistaken one.

Now I don't profess to believe in the higher criticism, but neither do I venture to condemn a movement which has enlisted on its side so many good and learned men. Let them find out all they can about the Bible, and the world will be enriched by their hard study and patient researches. But let us not fear that the ark of God can be shaken.

"The Scripture cannot be broken," says our Lord and it has already endured many dangers and weathered many storms. Gamaliel's advice is, I think, very sensible: "Refrain from these men, and let them alone; for if this counsel or this work be of men, it will come to nought. But if it be of God, ye cannot overthrow it; lest haply ye be found even to fight against God."

We say that the Bible is the "inspired Word of God," but do we all mean the same thing by that statement? One man says: "I believe that the Bible is an infallible book, and that every word in it is absolutely true." One might think that the sixty or more books which we find bound together for our convenience had dropped down from heaven, ready printed for our benefit in the English language. But, as a matter of fact, we have more than one English version—I have two at my own elbow now, with a third version of the Psalms. These differ considerably, and they have been translated from old MSS. which differ even more. If we can only believe that the Bible is the inspired Word of God by accepting the literal inspiration of each word, then which of these many versions are we to believe word for word?

Is our faith in the inspired record of the Creation any less strong because the rocks, which do not lie, have proved beyond the shadow of a doubt that the world was not created in six of our short days? If we could go back to that belief, how cramped and poor it would be, as compared with the grand sweep of God's Great Days. So also we may accept the deep spiritual reality of the story of the Fall, without feeling quite sure that Eve talked to a literal serpent or picked fruit off a literal tree. In fact, it comes home to us with far more force, if accepted spiritually, for we know the sad consequences of listening to the old Serpent's subtle temptations, and plucking the forbidden fruit from the tree of knowledge of good and evil. We too, can understand that the punishment for sin is banishment from a happy Garden of Eden, a garden of innocent pleasure from which sin shuts us out.

If not from our own experience, at least we have the overwhelming testimony of a great multitude, which no man can number, that the Bible has proved itself, and is continually proving itself, the "Word of God." This it does



CHARLOTTE BRONTE.

loneliness, and recognition of her mental gifts, was unquestionably his attitude towards the girl.

When she had returned to her dismal home her pen became her solace and her real life was laid on paper. Her first story which she herself ranked highest of her work, was called The Professor, an "exquisitely fresh and tender story" of the love between a master and his pupil.

Several firms refused the manuscript, but one even in its refusal, spoke so encouragingly of her work, that she summoned up courage to send them a book, which she had just finished. This was immediately accepted and Jane Eyre created the sensation of the day in the literary world. The conventional were shocked at its marked departure from established conventions, its unknown author was most severely scored for being so outspoken, but in spite of many and vigorous protests the glow and energy of the story expressing the passion of a strong nature triumphed over the

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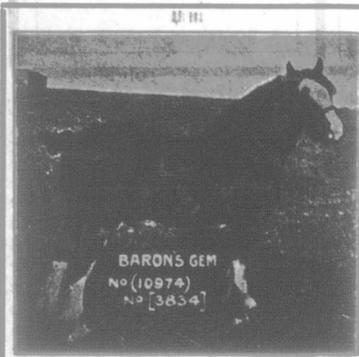
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not by historical research—though that is valuable in its place—but by its marvelous power of striking home to the hearts of sinful men. No criticism can dull the edge of God's Word, for it is in every age, "quick and powerful and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart." Anyone who denies this must deny the

personal experience of innumerable witnesses, and measure his bare word against theirs. He must also try to prove a negative. Just because he may not have felt the power of that sword of the Spirit, and that is no proof whatever that others have not felt it. The Bible has inspired untold millions to live noble and beautiful lives, and to hold up to the world grand and lofty ideals. How do we know that such things are true, that love is nobler than selfishness,

courage than cowardice, kindness than cruelty? Surely we can all recognize soul-beauty without having to be told that it is beautiful. It is folly to argue with a man born blind about a beautiful sight, and if a man's spirit cannot instinctively recognize the beauty of courage, love or purity, then it is only wasting time to try to prove it to him. We do not need miraculous proof that the Scriptures, which testify of Christ from Genesis to Revelation, hold up before eager, hungry humanity the one ideal Life the world has ever seen. Throw all the light possible on that one Figure, hanging between earth and heaven with arms outstretched for love's dear sake, and still no flaw can be found in Him. Still we struggle upward after Him—to whom else can we go for the words of eternal life? We must try to reach the best we see. No criticism of the Bible can shake the confidence of one who "knows" Whom he has believed.

Outside proofs may fail when the hour of trial comes; they are so far away in the past and we must have a "present help" in the time of trouble, a present help that never fails a soul, that hangeth upon God. He has never left Himself without a witness, not only an outward witness, but the absolute certainty of a soul that hears for itself the Voice of God. Over and over again St. Paul speaks of this inner witness, "the earnest of the spirit in our hearts." We have still much to learn about the Bible and about God, we must "upward still and onward," if we want to keep abreast of Truth; for truth is not like a dead language, it is glowing with life—life which is shown by growth—and it has a new message for each generation and for each individual soul. God has yet many, many things to reveal to his listening disciples, who are continually learning more and more of His beautiful secrets. Each one receives from the King a token of favor, a "white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth, saving he that receiveth it." He meets the need of each soul, and His revelation is different to each, as each soul's needs are different.



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Half waking me at night, and said,
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INGLE NOOK CHATS

HOUSEKEEPING FOR BOYS.

A recent visit to a farm home has deepened the impression I always have had that genuine family life is to be found to a greater extent in the country than in the town. In both places the members of the home are separated during the day, father at work, children at school, and mother keeping the nest cosy. But with the setting sun the resemblance between the urban and the rural home vanishes. In town Johnny skims over his books and races away to the rink, Mary goes to do her lessons with a schoolmate, father and mother go their various ways to club or concert, or if the latter is a stay-at-home, she spends a long evening by herself. In the country, except on rare occasions when the evening chores are done within and without the house, the family, an unbroken group, gathers round the evening lamp; and there is time for sewing and singing, reading and games, and interchange of the day's experiences.

You will be wondering what that paragraph has to do with the text. Not very much I confess, and apologize, but the two were impressions made on my mind during the visit referred to. That family to whom I intended to introduce you so many sentences ago, consisted of father, mother, five boys and one tiny girl. The mother is a delicate little woman physically but with the spirit and heart of a female Goliath. Her desire has always been to make the house a real home, to be interested in what interests her boys from the violin and hockey of the heir to the marbles of the small chap.

But as many a homemaker can testify, to so freely give herself and also to neglect none of the household duties proved too much for her slender strength and an attack of nervous prostration was the revenge her body took upon her spirit. The enforced rest developed a germ of inspired common sense. She was not willing to give up her share in the boys' lives—it was her life as much as theirs—but why not ask them to share hers, to help in the house with those tasks which when done ministered to their own comfort?

The boys had missed "Little Mum" dreadfully during her illness, and in the joy of getting her back received the details of her plan with acclamation and to their credit be it said, did not do any complaining after the glamor had worn off. The two older boys helped considerably with the farm work and so were excused from regular domestic service; "a little too old to be taught new tricks" their mother said laughingly. But the two school boys and the chore boy were pressed into service and did nobly, as my own eyes witnessed. We two women could go to town on Saturday morning because Jim would scrub the floor and polish the kitchen stove, and Frank had the table set for tea when we returned hungry and tired. Ross felt no shame when he went late to school on Monday mornings, carrying a note explaining that he stayed to run the washing machine.

Girl-boys! Tied to mother's apron strings! Not they, you couldn't find a quartette of boys anywhere more interested in the things that attract boys, or more capable of holding their own in boys work or sport. Do you suppose the one who plans to take a medical course is going to find his career as a doctor hampered because he will know a great deal about the strain and difficulty of the life led by the majority of his patients? And the boy who is to be a carpenter—well every woman holds the belief that no man should be allowed to build a house in which a woman must live and move and have her being, who has not taken a course in housekeeping broad enough to enable him to put hooks and shelves and cupboards and closets in their proper places. And surely the rudiments of cooking, house-keeping and sewing will never come amiss to the host of our western lads who leave home to take up a quarter-section and who are forced to "bach." They realize what comfort a little

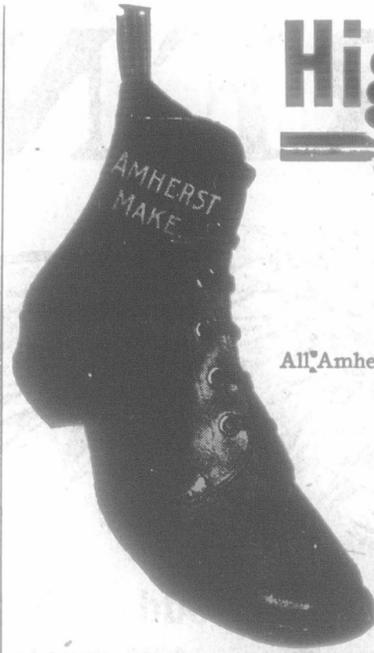
knowledge along the line of Home Economics brings under those circumstances.
DAME DURDEN.

COOKIES.

One cup of sugar; one half cup of butter; one-half cup of sour milk; two tablespoonfuls of clear, strong coffee; one tablespoonful of soda; one-half teaspoonful each, of cloves, ginger and nutmeg. Mix with as little flour as possible and roll rather thin. Lay each one top side down on a plate of granulated sugar before putting in pan. Bake in a quick oven.

SPIDER CAKE.

One pint of sour cream; one half cup of butter; one-half teaspoonful of soda and as much salt; one tablespoonful of sugar and flour to make a soft dough. Mix lightly, roll very thin, cut into rounds, place them on a hot spider, brown on one side, turn and brown on the other. Serve hot, with butter and syrup.



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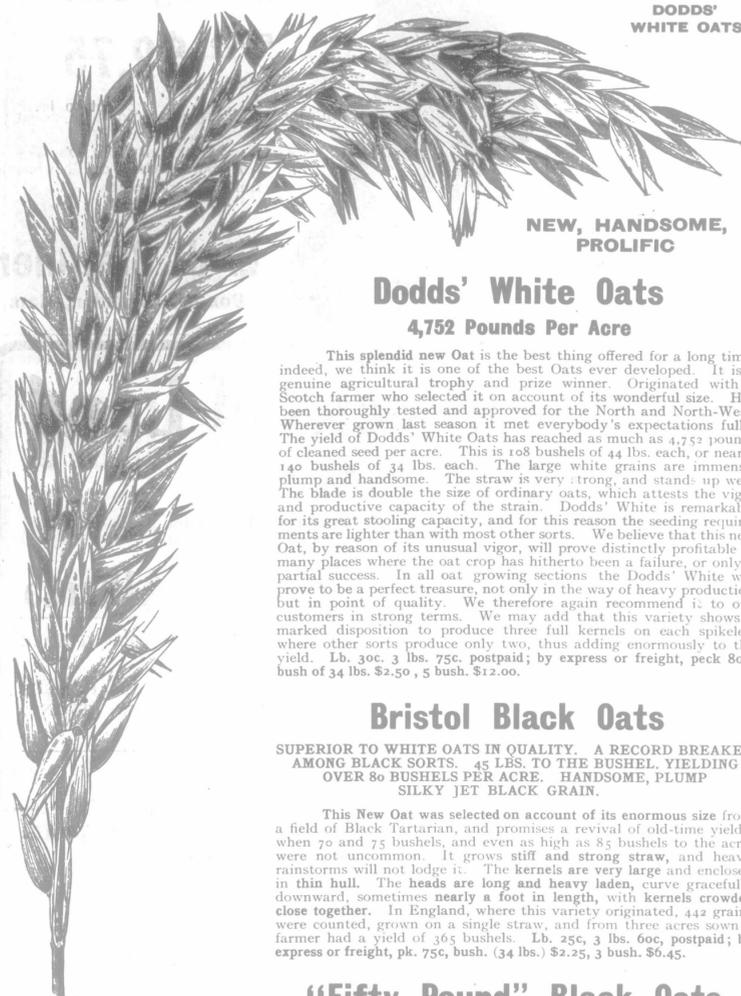
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And though the rivers flow, They cannot wash my Rock from under me.

I will arise ere long; My duties call me to their daily round; The voices of my earthly home awake; I long to meet them bravely for His sake.

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Yes! and this memory Shall be a solace in that stormy hour; A witness of the Father, very true; A token of His presence, even now, A word of power,

To keep me close to Him where'er I be. I hear the robins' hymn;

And, standing at my window, I can see The flush of sunlight over all around.

I do give thanks to God. In every sound,

In every lovely sight, He speaks to me. He still is very near—

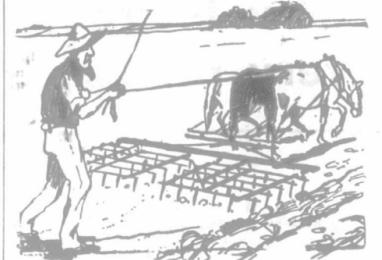
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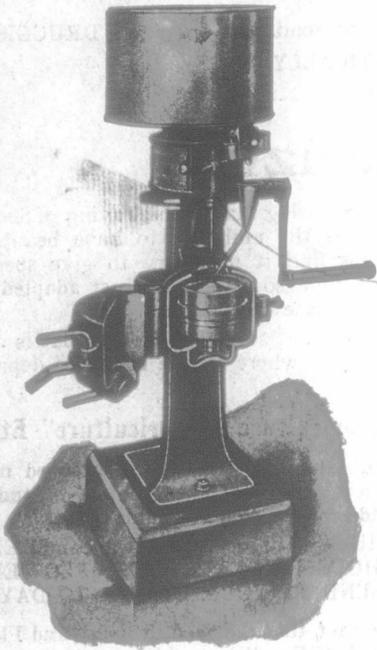
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man is much the same in every age and under every kind of circumstance. If you doubt the beauty of the book, read it! Drink in the marvellous, restful music of that old devotional work and you may understand something of its magic. The writer evidently walked with God, and he speaks as one who dwelt in the quiet peace of the Holy of Holies. A well-known Methodist deaconess, who is fighting the "battle for the slums" in a great American city, strongly advised all busy workers in the outside world to drink in the devotional spirit of the "Imitation of Christ," that the ever-present danger of a noisy shallow philanthropy might be guarded against. Workers for Christ should be careful to live much with him, lest they try to draw water for others when their reservoir is empty. They cannot give out what they have not first received, they cannot feed the hungry multitudes unless they continually withdraw themselves for quiet times of communion with their Master that they may receive from his own hands the bread of life. It is a good thing to hear what others have to say about Him, but no book—not even the Bible—can take the place of daily, hourly communion with God. We must speak to Him often, and listen for the quiet voice of the Holy Spirit in our hearts, if we want to become a power for good in the world. No preaching, no books, no Christian fellowship can really supply our deep spiritual need—though these things are all very helpful. Any Christian teacher who is worthy of the name will, like John the Baptist, rejoice when a disciple turns from Him to follow the Master whose shoes he is not worthy to unloose.

"I will hear what the Lord God may say in me,
Blest is the soul that hears its Lord's voice speaking within it,
And takes the word of comfort from His lips
Blest are the ears that catch the throbbing whisper of the Lord,
And turn not to the buzzings of the passing world;
That listen not to voices from without,
But to the truth that teaches from within."

God has told us that "the work of righteousness shall be peace; and the effect of righteousness quietness," yet the people who are considered "great church workers" in these days scarcely seem to know the meaning of "quietness." They are constantly dashing about to meetings or are in a flurry over a church supper or sale of work, as if their one business in life were to make money—for church purposes of course. Martha still thinks that Mary has left her to serve alone, and expects the Master to find fault with her sister for spending a quiet hour at His feet, while all the time Mary's silent devotion and listening attitude gives Him greater pleasure and is a greater power in the world. Our business in this world is not to make money, but to do God's will and to grow in holiness, imitating Him as far as we can. How silently yet mightily He works! The great clock of the universe keeps perfect time, but there is no jarring or buzzing of machinery—the sun, moon and stars swing round in their tremendous orbits without a sound. The lilies of the field and the trees of the orchard silently put on their beautiful robes. The mighty, silent power of life is working on every side. Little children change into men silently and imperceptibly, and the Holy Spirit is quietly working in them mightily. God always "takes time." People may doubt that statement and say, "There are such things as sudden conversions." Well, and so you might say that there are such things as sudden apple blossoms, for one day you don't see any blossoms and the next day there may be thousands. But you know the blossoms developed slowly, out of sight; and so does the soul, though the outward change may be instantaneous. Take the case of Saul of Tarsus, for instance—that is generally supposed to be a typical "sudden conversion." But was it as sudden as it seemed? "It is hard for thee to kick against the goad" (R. V.) said a voice from heaven, and the strange words were plain enough to the man who had long found it hard work to resist the conviction that he was making a great mistake. The revelation was instantaneous, and so was the outward conversion—the turning about

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LENA M. COLE.

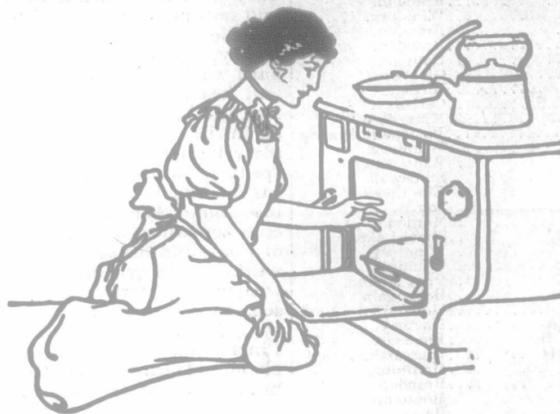
Your letter was a very interesting one for the first, and we all hope you will come again. There was one point you completely forgot, that I feel sure you will not forget again: you wrote on both sides of the paper, which makes it awkward for the printers. Better luck next time, eh?



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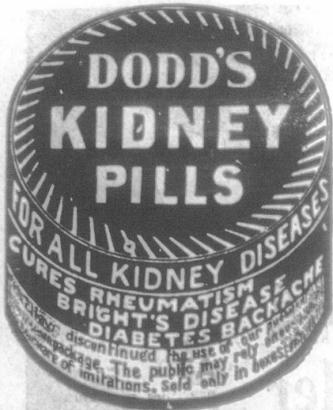
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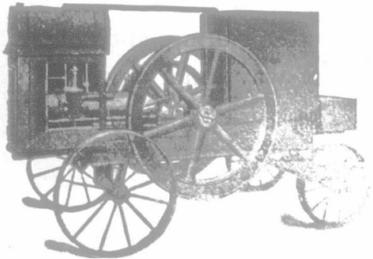
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"Now, mither," said Thomas, dropping into her native speech, "ye mauna be fashin' yersel. Ye'll jist say 'Now I lay me,' and gang to sleep like a bairn."

"Ay, that's a guid word, laddie, an' a'll tak it. Ye may kiss me guid nicht. A'll tak it."

Thomas bent over her and whispered in her ear, "Ay, mither, mither, ye're an angel, and that ye are."

"Hoots, laddie, gang awa wi' ye," said his mother, but she held her arms about his neck and kissed him once and again. There was no one to see, and why should they not give and take their heart's fill of love.

But when Thomas stood outside the room door, he folded his arms tight across his breast and whispered with lips that quivered, "Ay, mither, mither, mither, there's nae like ye. There's nae like ye." And he was glad that when he went upstairs, he found Hughie unwilling to talk.

The next three days they were all busy with the planting of the potatoes, and nothing could have been better for Hughie. The sweet, sunny air, and the kindly, wholesome earth and honest hard work were life and health to mind and heart and body. It is wonderful how the touch of the kindly mother earth cleanses the soul from its unwholesome humors. The hours that Hughie spent in working with the clean, red earth seemed somehow to breathe virtue into him. They seemed to him a hideous unreality, and he could not think of Foxy and his schemes, nor of his own weakness in yielding to temptation, without a horrible self-loathing. He seemed aware of a strange feeling of sympathy and kinship with old Donald Finch. He seemed to understand his gloom. During those days their work brought those two together, for Billy Jack had the running of the drills, and to Thomas was intrusted the responsibility of "dropping" the potatoes, so Hughie and the old man undertook to "cover" after Thomas.

Side by side they hoed together, speaking not a word for an hour at a time, but before long the old man appeared to feel the lad's sympathy. Hughie was quick to save him steps, and eager in many ways to anticipate his wishes. He was quick, too, with the hoe, and ambitious to do his full share of the work, and this won the old man's respect, so that by the end of the first day there was established between them a solid basis of friendship.

Old Donald Finch was no cheerful companion for Hughie, but it was to Hughie a relief, more than anything else, that he was not much with either Thomas or Billy Jack.

"You're tired," he ventured, in answer to a deep sigh from the old man, toward the close of the day.

"No, laddie," replied the old man, "I know not that I am working. The burden of toil is the least of all our burdens." And then, after a pause, he added, "It is a terrible thing, is sin."

To an equal in age the old man would never have ventured this confidence, but to Hughie, to his own surprise, he found it easy to talk.

"A terrible thing," he repeated, "and it will always be finding you out." Hughie listened to him with a fearful sinking of heart, thinking of himself and his sin.

"Yes," repeated the old man, with awful solemnity, "it will come up with you at last."

"But," ventured Hughie, timidly, "won't God forgive? Won't he ever forget?"

The old man looked at him, leaning on his hoe.

"Yes, he will forgive. But for those who have had great privilege, and who have sinned against light—I will not say."

The year deepened in Hughie's heart. "Do you mean that God will not forgive a man who has had a good chance, an elder, of a minister, or—or—a minister's son, say, like me?"

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There was something in Hughie's tone that startled the old man. He glanced at Hughie's face.

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But Hughie stood looking at him, his face showing his terrible anxiety. God and sin were vivid realities to him.

"Yes, yes," said the old man to himself, "it is a great gospel. 'As far as the east is distant from the west.' And plenteous redemption is ever found with him."

"But, do you think," said Hughie, in a low voice, "God will tell all our sins? Will he make them known?"

"God forbid!" cried the old man. "And their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more." "The depths of the sea." No, no, boy, he will surely forget, and he will not be proclaiming them.

It was a strange picture. The old man leaning upon the top of his hoe looking over at the lad, the gloom of his face irradiated with a momentary gleam of hope, and the boy looking back at him with almost breathless eagerness.

"It would be great," said Hughie, at last, "if he would forget."

"Yes," said the old man, the gleam in his face growing brighter, "If we confess our sins he is faithful and just to forgive us, and forgiving with him is forgetting. Ah, yes, it is a great gospel," he continued, and standing there he lifted up his hand and broke into a kind of chant in Gaelic, of which Hughie could catch no meaning, but the exalted look on the old man's face was translation enough.

"Must we always tell?" said Hughie, after the old man had ceased.

"What are you saying, laddie?" "I say must we always tell our sins— I mean to people?"

The old man thought a moment. "It is not always good to be talking about our sins to people. That is for God to hear. But we must be ready to make right what is wrong."

"Yes, yes," said Hughie, eagerly, "of course one would be glad to do that."

The old man gave him one keen glance and began hoeing again.

"Ye'd better be asking ye're mother about that, She will know."

"No, no," said Hughie, "I can't."

The old man paused in his work, looked at the boy for a moment or two, and then went on working again.

"Speak to my woman," he said, after a few strokes of his hoe. "She's a wonderful wise woman." And Hughie wished that he had dared.

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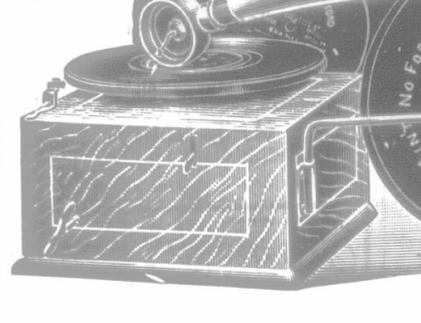
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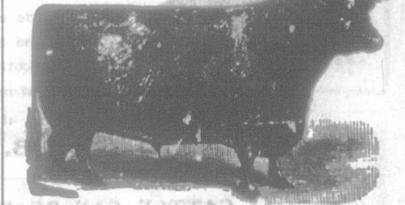


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ALBERTA'S IRRIGATION WORKS.

This journal frequently is asked about the irrigation project of the C. P. R. in the Calgary district and what the prospects are of the scheme being a success. Different representatives of the Farmer's Advocate have had an opportunity of looking over the work of constructing the irrigation canals and of examining the lands it is intended to irrigate and each have pronounced the scheme most feasible and the land of a high average of fertility. The work is being pushed with all possible speed and by May 1st next it is expected the first division of the work will be ready to distribute water to the farms adjoining it. This ditch will serve an area of 24,000 acres of land in the Gluchen district about fifty miles east of Calgary. Two other trunk canals are to be built in the same district which when completed will make it bring the irrigated area up to 300,000 acres in the Gluchen district alone. Just how much more will be irrigated it is difficult at present to say except that all lands which will admit of it will be made as prolific as nature's water and C. P. R. enterprise and money will make them.

Five years ago it was considered by many that the country east of Calgary would never be of value for agricultural purposes, but would remain for all time the property of the rancher. When fall wheat was successfully raised in southern Alberta a new idea began to take root, and at the present time thousands of farmers are finding their way into this new country. The experience of the past year has fully demonstrated that the whole of this country is well suited for all kinds of farming operations, and with a supply of water assured, at the particular season of the year when it is most needed, it is difficult to prophesy what the maximum of development will be.

Throughout the whole of the district served by the canals, the soil is a black sandy vegetable mold, from six inches to two feet in depth with a subsoil of porous chocolate earth, from two to six feet in depth, resting on sandy clay. At the present time the land where unbroken is covered with a heavy growth of native grasses, from six inches to two feet in height. There are few stones, brush or timber, and the whole country is ready for the plow. At the same time there are a number of settlers scattered throughout the country, all of whom seem to be doing well.

Of late years irrigation has become one of the prominent sciences a few hundred miles south of Calgary, so much so that special engineers have been trained, journals devoted to irrigation have come into existence, and immense areas of previously unproductive lands have been made to yield of latent riches. The success of agriculture aided by irrigation has been demonstrated over and over again so that it would appear that this is absolutely no experimental venture in Alberta.

It may be interesting to Canadians to know that the work now being carried out by the Canadian Pacific Railway at Calgary is many times larger than has ever been carried out or planned by either the federal government or by any other corporation in the whole of the United States or in fact on the continent. The largest area attempted across the line is approximately 25,000 acres, and the first irrigation district comprises 110,000 acres, while the whole of the first district is one and a half million acres of irrigable land. The whole of the area to be brought under ditch between Calgary and Medicine Hat is a total of approximately three million acres.

What this area of irrigation will mean to the Canadian west when planted with wheat, oats, alfalfa, sugar beets, and other root crops and cereals, would make a list of figures for statisticians to glory in. Official United States government reports prove that the farmer on irrigated land raises larger crops every year than does the farmer in any year, who is forced to depend on rainfall. This proves clearly that the question is not "is irrigation necessary," but rather "is irrigation possible?"

The water supply of this immense undertaking is the Bow river whose minimum discharge at the point where the irrigation canal taps it is 3,000 cubic feet per second. The company is allowed to use 2,000 cubic feet. But during the season when water is required for irrigation the river is always swollen from the melting of snow in the mountains so that its minimum during the irrigable season is 6,000 cubic feet per second. Last spring Dr. Elwood Meade, irrigation expert of the department of agriculture at Washington, visited Calgary and prepared an extensive report on the proposition. After a thorough examination he gave it as his opinion that the soil of the irrigable area is fertile and well suited to the application of the water. The water supply is ample and the rights of the company thereto are secure. He also thought that there would be no difficulty in securing ample settlers for the new districts, as many farmers in the Western States have come to realize the value of irrigation, and would take advantage of the cheap lands, which were valuable not only for agricultural purposes, but also in connection with stock raising, the present leading industry of the district. He believed that a man who had once farmed by irrigation would never revert to the old style of depending on natural rainfall, if he could possibly help it.

There is no question as to the suitability of the land, for the most casual spectator can readily see that the distribution of the water can be very easily accomplished. The whole country, which is rolling prairie, resembles a number of irregular saucers, grouped together. Here and there scattered through it are small swales, which are flooded during wet seasons, but in dryer ones are covered with a heavy growth of native grass. At other points are high knolls and ridges, gradually falling away toward the east. The first irrigation district comprises the divide between the Rosebud and the Bow rivers, the land sloping gently either way. Here and there are small creeks, chief of which are the Serviceberry, and Crowfoot, tributaries of the larger rivers, whose courses makes excellent natural channels for the distribution of the water. On each irrigable piece of land the company delivers the water to the highest possible point on the boundary of the quarter section, and the owner then distributes it over his land as he sees fit. For water the farmer pays fifty cents per acre per annum, and very little experience is required to know the amount that best suits a crop.

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In a letter from Professor Goldwin Smith, of Toronto, to Mr. Reid, the leader of the Free Trade Party in the Commonwealth Parliament, the veteran Anglo-Canadian scholar and political economist says: 'All my political friends in England tell me that the Chamberlain policy is dead. In Canada it has never been alive.' After some strictures on the methods of Canadian Protectionists, Professor Goldwin Smith remarks: 'Of all things, that which most needs adaptation to the special circumstances of each community is the tariff, and the enforcement of artificial conformity in this respect upon a number of scattered communities widely different in their circumstances would be the most certain way of setting them by the ears.—*Westminster Gazette.*

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Temperance people in Canada will note with interest a decision given recently in the Quarter Sessions Court of Chicago, when Judge Tuthill awarded \$17,500 damages against three saloon-keepers in favor of the children of John Hedland. The man in question was a journeyman carpenter and five years ago was earning a salary which allowed him to keep wife and children in comfort. He began to drink, lost his position and his home and left five children starving. A guardian was appointed who, on behalf of the children sued the three liquor men who had supplied Hedland most regularly with alcohol. They naturally, put up a strong fight, but their arguments failed to win over the judge who held that they were liable for damages to the amount stated above to the children who have been deprived of a father's care. The case will probably be carried to the Supreme Court, and defeat there will mean a powerful blow to the liquor interests.

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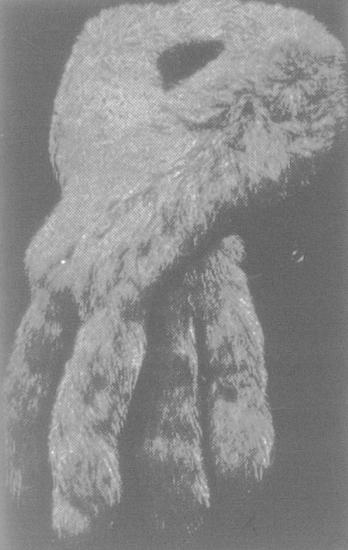
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Besides being one of the most successful business and financial men of modern times, James J. Hill is also one of the most versatile thinkers and talkers upon economic questions, art and education. Transportation and agriculture are his two favorite subjects. Of his mastery of the former, the wonderful success of his railway and steamship lines bears ample testimony. Of his knowledge of the latter, farmers are frequently given an opportunity to judge by his vigorous advocacy of advanced systems and methods of farming. When he turns his mind to education the same clear discernment of the logician is observed. At a recent gathering of friends in St. Paul, Mr. Hill is reported as saying:

The nation at large feels that it is immensely prosperous. We are cutting a wide swath; there is no doubt of it. But if we will get down closer and examine what we are doing, we will find that we are living profligately and squandering our heritage in every possible manner.

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In the west of England, which was a great center of broadcloth manufacturing and of woolen goods, their output is less than quarter of what it was twenty-five years ago. Germany is selling cutlery in Sheffield.

And I took pains to look around London, and to walk into the shops and find out. I couldn't buy a pair of lisle-thread gloves that were not made in Germany. Underclothing, stockings, cloth, almost everything made in Germany. They have a system of education in Germany. They educate their men.

I am not going to undertake to say that their way is better than ours, but I want to impress this on you, that when this country has 150,000,000 of people, they have got to do something; they have got to earn a living.

It is all well enough to talk about what we are doing. Examine it closely and you will find that we are doing nothing except selling our natural resources and exhausting them. When you dig a ton of coal out of the ground you can't plant another ton, as you could potatoes; it is gone. And when the fertility of our fields, the fertility of the soil is gone, where are we going to replace it from?

I am not going to find fault with education; it never hurt anybody. But if in place of spending so much time and so much money on languages and higher studies, we fitted children for the life that they are going to follow, for the sphere in which they are going to move, we would do more for them.

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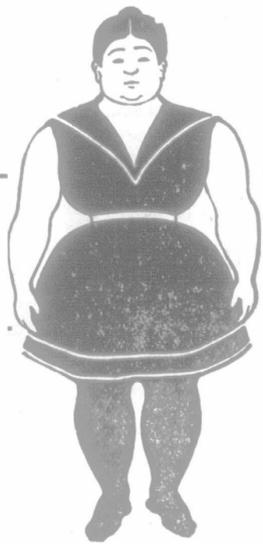
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FROM THE HUMOR OF THE
PRAIRIES.

The Western lands produce Western men and a very good sort of men. These men produced a Western humor all of their own, and it was a goodish sort of fun, too. It was perforce big, broad, elemental, at times grotesque. Why? Ask the mountains; ask the plains, and the badlands, and the buttes, and the deserts, and the river-beds." The carven faces of the Rockies are not saints but goblins. The twisted souls of the cactus and the mesquite tree tell of want, privation. The peaks and mesas speak a language of solitude and self-communion and loneliness. Above all they speak of lack, of want, of waiting.

We are getting close now, it would seem, to one distinguishing characteristic of Western humor. It should be courageous; and it is. It should be grotesque; and it is. It should speak of a lack, a privation; and it often does.

Always there was the feeling in the bosom of the man who went West that some day he would have all the things that he had left behind him back home. Usually it was his son or grandson who got them, and not himself; but meantime the emigrant to the new country made believe. He mocked, to ease his soul. The laugh at things sacrificed is on the lips of Western humorists, professional or amateur. "You wouldn't want a thousand shirts, would you?" asked the man who was found in bed while his shirt was in the laundry. "God Bless Our Home" was the motto on a thousand bachelor abodes in sod or log or 'dobe'. An outdweller worked in mocking "Welcome" in tin cans in the short-grass door-yard of his corrugated-iron home.

Now, the recording angel alone may know how many hearts of sweet women yes, and of strong men as well—were broken by the lack, the want, the missing of things in the early Western life; but the men for the most part smiled when other men were near and the women always smiled when the men were around. Laugh and let it go; that was the Gospel. If the grasshoppers came, and if fever came, and if the hillocks in the door-yard grew in number and if the relief fund did not reach so far, and there was no crop to raise and no work to do—why, then, the hollow-eyed man might hitch up the remnants of the old team and take his thin-framed wife back East again. Yes, but on the cover of his eastbound wagon he wrote: "Back to my wife's folks." The argonaut westward bound in Indian days carried the legend, "Pike's Peak or bust;" but coming back eastward, like an honest man, he wrote on his wagon cover "Busted, by thunder!"

The infinite pathos which lay back of these light words is something unwritten and never to be measured. A generation of Greathearts—and your Greatheart smiled at slings and arrows—literally so, sometimes; for once a pioneer asked his neighbor to cut out of his shoulder an Indian arrow-head. "It don't hurt me any," he said, "but it sort of tickles me so I laugh and wake up in the night with it." He was first cousin to the man who settled and went to farming in Nebraska because he broke an axletree en route up the Platte, and found cottonwood too brittle to make a new one.—EMERSON HOUGH, in Saturday Evening Post.

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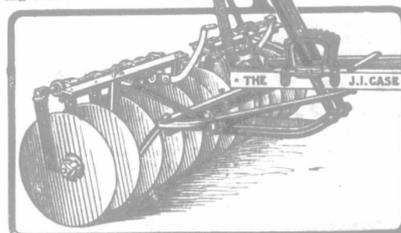
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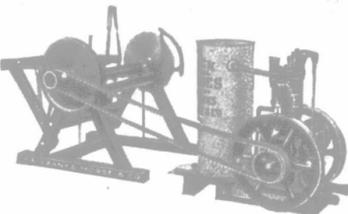
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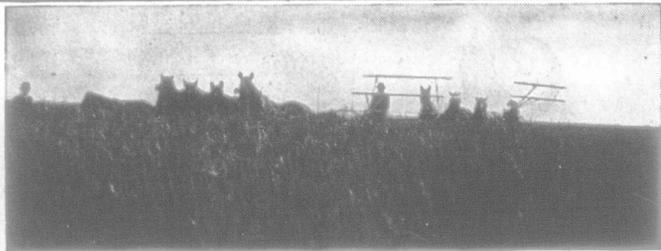
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Veterinary.

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I have a stallion which I wish to use for service this year, he weighs 1,500 pounds in good working condition now and seems in perfect health, only his legs stock when he stands in the stable, and there is a sort of scurvy on them which itches. The hair comes off in places and is full of coarse dandruff. It reaches up the legs as far as the hock, especially noticeable on the front part of the leg. On the front legs it extends up to the knees. I also have a mare troubled the same. She has had it on her for two years. I think the horse caught it from her. How should I feed the stallion for the next two months? How should I treat the scurvy?

Ans.—Scrub the legs thoroughly with warm soft water, two gallons; strong liquid ammonia, six ounces; soft soap, four ounces. Mix well and use with grooming brush. Dry with coarse cloth and apply the following lotion once daily by light friction with the hand, until the skin regains its natural condition: creolin, six drams; formalin, four drams; water, one quart. Mix. There is no better food for any horse than good oats and good hay, with a scalded bran mash, containing one or two teacupfuls of flaxseed three times a week. The horse should get walking exercise every day and be well groomed.

SORE EYE.

I have a cow due to calve in March, with a sore eye. It is badly swollen on both upper and lower eyelids so she cannot close them. There also appears to be a film coming over the ball of the eye, it has been getting worse for two months or so and now runs matter which has a bad smell.

Alta.

A. F.

Ans.—This is a cancerous condition, fungus hamatodes, which will eventually not only destroy the eye, but also the life of the animal. The only remedy is to extirpate the eye and fatten the animal as soon as possible. The removal of the eye is a painful operation and should be done by a skilful practitioner when the animal is under the influence of chloroform.

MANGE.

Would you kindly give a cure for mange on colts? Does it need treatment inwardly as well as externally?

Man.

A. L. S.

Ans.—The hair being long and shaggy at this season of the year, it will greatly facilitate the cure to have the animals clipped. This being done, wash the mangy parts with warm soft water, one gallon; liquid ammonia, four ounces; and soft soap. Dry off by rubbing well with coarse cloth, and then apply to the parts by light friction with the hand the following: sulphur eight ounces; turpentine six ounces; raw linseed oil, one and a half pints. Mix. Shake well when using. After three days wash off. If weather is cold, put on blankets. Give internally to two year old colt: one tablespoonful of Fowler's solution of arsenic morning and evening in food, for one week. To a younger colt proportionately less.

LAME MARE.

I have a mare that took lame in left hind leg or hip about one year ago. It took her suddenly and she could hardly walk home. I had a veterinarian examine her who blistered her stifle but she was no better; she walks on her toe and goes slightly to the right side with her hind quarters while walking. She showed no sign of swelling or soreness from handling till about a month ago a slight swelling came on fetlock joint, so I blistered it but it is no better.

Man.

W. G. G.

Ans.—The cause of lameness is sometimes very obscure, and, therefore, difficult to diagnose. If the veterinarian who personally examined the animal was unable to locate the seat of lameness, you can scarcely expect one at a distance to do so, from the few symptoms you have mentioned. Walking on the toe does not indicate the lameness to be in any special joint or part of the limb. Being so long lame a skilful

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Man. E. E. T.
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PROBABLY RHEUMATISM.

I have a cow that went lame on one hind leg two days before calving. I cannot find any heat or tenderness but when she steps on it the stifle gives a little crack.

Man. J. L.
Ans.—The cracking sound is an indication of rheumatism, an affection to which some cows, especially those up in years, are more or less subject. Apply to the joint affected, the following liniment: soap liniment and tincture of cantharides, of each three ounces; liquid ammonia and tincture of opium, of each one ounce. Mix. Rub in well with the hand twice daily until the skin becomes quite sore. Leave off for two or three days and repeat if necessary. Give in food morning and evening for ten days salicylate of soda four drams.

A STABLEFUL NEEDING TREATMENT.

2. What is cure for cracked heels which healed up but a scurf remains, the hair does not grow?

3. What is the best thing to kill chicken lice on horses or cattle?

4. What is the best thing to give a horse to make him shed his hair quicker? Is linseed oil good?

5. I have a mare which has a sore tial. The hairs seem to fester at the roots.

Man. J. M.
Ans.—1. December to February under any circumstances.

2. If the cracks are altogether healed would advise you to let well enough alone. Give the mare morning and evening, in food or water, for two weeks: Fowler's Solution of Arsenic, two tablespoonfuls.

3. Remove the chickens form the stable and apply to the lousy animals a decoction of tobacco or quassia chips. Boil half a pound of tobacco, or the same quantity of quassia chips, in two gallons of water, and when sufficiently cold, it is ready for use.

4. If an animal is in a healthy condition, nature will attend to the shedding of its hair. A mash containing one or two teacupfuls of flaxseed is a good ration for an animal, two or three times a week, at any time and in the proper season will expedite the shedding of hair.

5. If it is four or five inches of the extremity of the tail that is affected the trouble may have been caused by tying the hair up too tightly in a muddy time, with a cord. The cord is sometimes drawn so tight that it stops the circulation of blood and the consequence is that a portion of the tail becomes gangrenous and drops off or has to be amputated. If the tail is generally affected would advise you to cleanse well with warm soft water and castile or carbolic soap, and afterwards apply once daily the following lotion: bichloride of mercury, half a dram; water one pint.

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Man. J. T. J.



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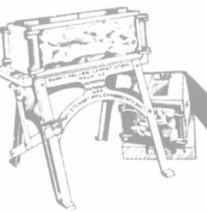
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Man. G. C.
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Sask. A. F.
Ans.—Sue B. for value of crop.

DIVIDING ESTATE.

On death of parents leaving no will should the eldest of the family have the share of the property or should a lawyer

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Sask. H. A. B.

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A. bought land and while in the process of fencing it, it grew dark before the wire was nailed to the posts it having been stretched. During the night B's horse runs into the wire and is badly hurt. Can B. collect any damages or make A. pay for said horse? If so how much?

Alta. S. S. S.

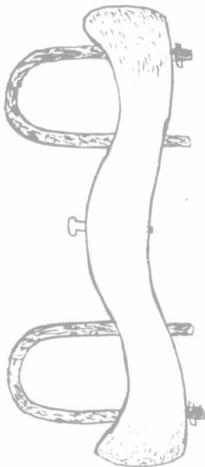
Ans.—No.

OX YOKE.

1. Will you please give diagram of yoke for oxen also describe method of hitching them to wagon of implements?

2. What wood which can be obtained locally is suitable for smoking bacon?

Alta. A. C. O.



Ans.—The cut herewith illustrates the shape of an ox yoke. It should be a little wider from front to back than from top to bottom. From seven to nine inches would be average dimensions depending upon the strength of the timber.

2. Any of the common woods would do they are not resinous and would not taint the meat.

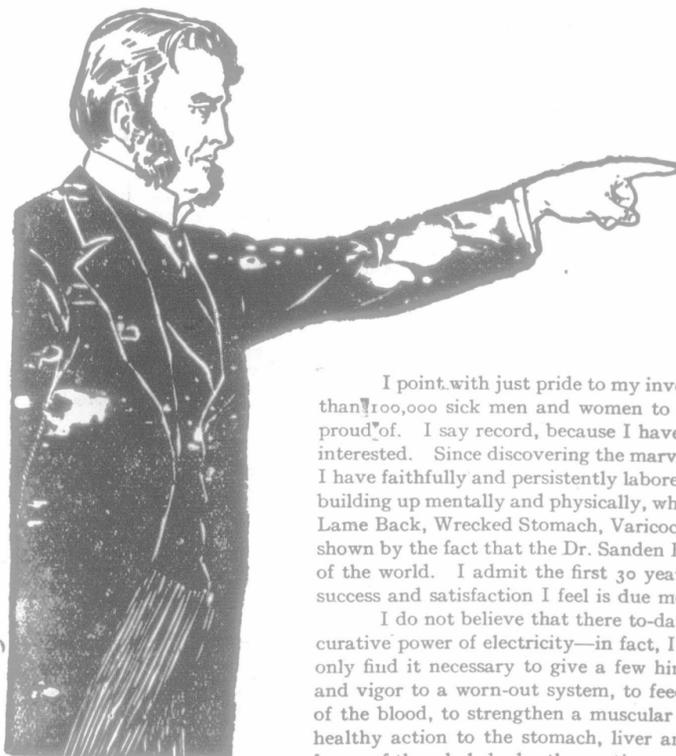
THE NATIONAL DAIRY SHOW AT CHICAGO.

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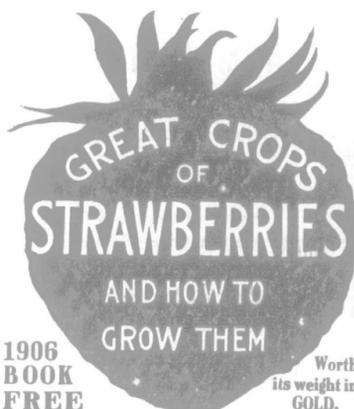
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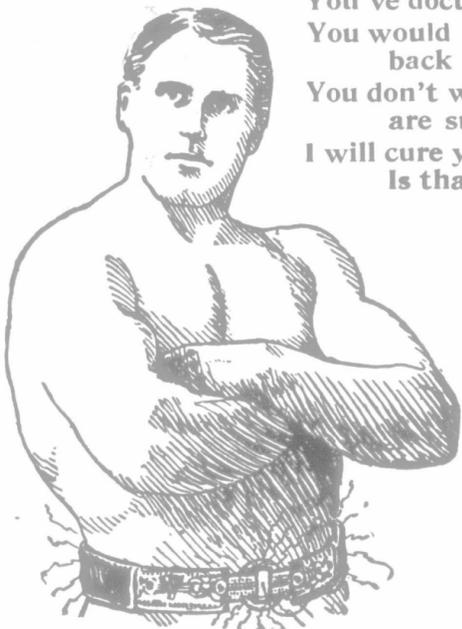
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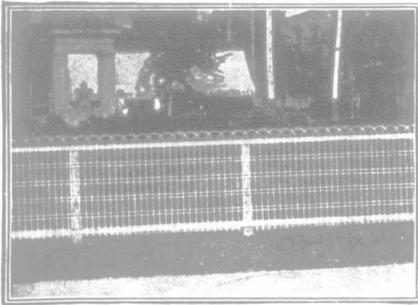
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- SKAFSE—Since August 1904, mare branded I T U, quarter circle over T on right shoulder. K. Van Petten.
- RED DEER—Steer, red, one year old. Arbitrary brand on left ribs resembling spittoon. E. P. Cronquist.
- RED DEER—Since December 4, 1905, heifer calf, red, white on face, notch in under side of left ear. W. S. Metcalf.
- LEDUC—Steer, red and white, rising three years old, no brand or marks visible. Miss Ema Kruger.
- OLDS—Since February, 1905, steer, dark brown, rising three years, indistinct brand on right ribs. Since November, 1905, steer, red and white, rising three years old, indistinct brand on right ribs. Joseph H. Johnson.
- PENHOLD—One stallion, dark grey in color, white strip on face, right hind fetlock white, two years old, no visible brand. Captured February 13. Wm. J. Douglas.

The following newsy letter has been received from H. Cargill and Son, Cargill, Ont.

Our cattle are wintering nicely and calves coming regularly, about thirty-six being the number about here now.

We still have a number of young bulls to dispose of, though none of them are spoiling or running to seed yet, few of them being much over a year old. It seems to us that the below list of sales should do away with the idea which we know many farmers have regarding our cattle, that is, that we ask fancy prices for them or sell only to fancy breeders who do not care so much about the price; so that they do not come to see us when requiring animals. The enumerated lot are sold to farmers entirely which should be all the evidence necessary to other farmers that they may do likewise if they wish.

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We have the following sales to report:—
 To Noah Bruder, Chepstow, Ont. the dark red bull Jiltman,—59620—, out of the imported Durno bred Jilt cow Julia Lyndoch, and sired by the Duthie bred, Missie bull Merchantman (Imp) (81686).

To E. G. Kuntz, Formosa, Ont. the bull Stormy Lord—59636— out of imported Snowstorm, bred by G. Walker of Tillygreig, and sired by the Duthie bred Missie bull Lord Mistletoe (Imp) (81552).

To Peter Mitchell, Ont. the red bull The Florentine—59637— out of the Flora cow Florence 14th (Imp), and sired by the Marr bred Roan Lady bull Diamond Rex (Imp)—45168—.

To A. Edward Meyer, Guelph, Ont., three beautiful heifers beautifully bred as follows: a Killeen Beauty yearling out of Bessie 13th (Imp), sired by Lord Mistletoe (Imp); a Mayflower calf out of the Bruce bred cow, Sappho 2nd (Imp), and sired by Merchantman (Imp); a Broadhooks calf out of Silver Bangle (Imp), and sired by Merchantman (Imp).

To James F. Burr, Annan, Ont., the bull Lord Buddha, out of the Brawith Bud cow, Victress 4th (Imp), and sired by Lord Mistletoe (Imp).

To A. Stringer, Kingarf, Ont., the bull Cluny King—59617— out of the imported Flora cow Cluny Flora 85th, and sired by Diamond Rex (Imp).

To Thomas Scarf and Sons, Rocky Saugeen, Ont., the red yearling bull Prince Mistletoe—53808— out of the Princess (Imp), and as his name would indicate, sired by Lord Mistletoe (Imp).

To L. N. McLean, Glamis, Ont. the white bull Nonpareil Choice—596320— out of imported Dalmeny Nonpareil 6th and sired by Choice Koral (Imp)—50020.

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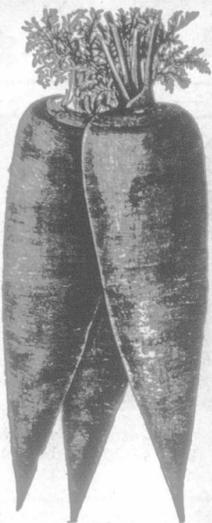
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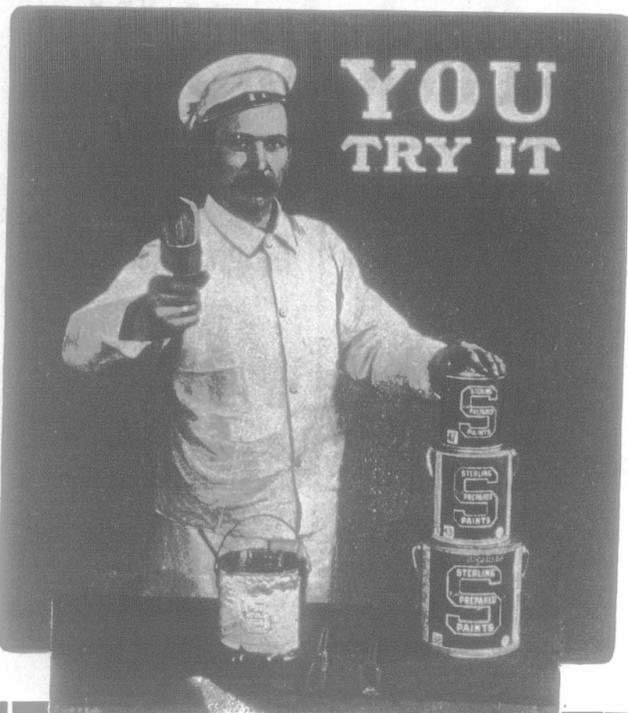
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