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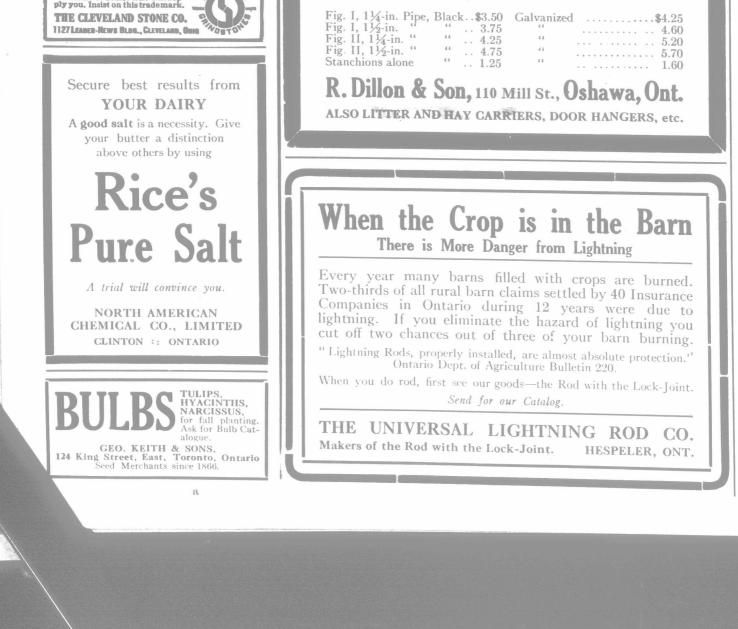


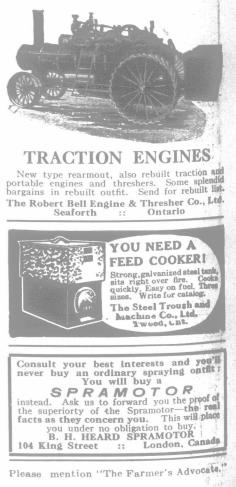
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EDITORIAL.

Dry weather is a good time to kill weeds.

Cultivate the cleared fields as soon as possible.

The important question-"Have you seen the army worm''?

The place to influence the youth for good is in the home.

This get-rich-quick idea has a great grip on human nature.

Money is tight, but Western oil has loosened up a good deal of it.

If oats are scarce try the work horses with an oat sheaf. Start gradually.

Plan a holiday for your nearest large fair, and also for your county show.

It is just as necessary to cultivate roots as it is to work the corn frequently.

The hum of the thresher is again with us. Take good care of the straw.

Calves should be fed well at this season. Try a little rolled oats after the sweet skim milk.

How would you like to have a small summer silo, Mr. Dairyman, to keep the cows from drying off at this season?

According to reports there is little need of extra men to harvest the Western crop this year. The man who has work had better stay East.

LONDON, ONTARIO, AUGUST 6, 1914.

The Man, the Land or the Fertiilzer.

Not long ago we had a call from one of our valued Quebec subscribers who emphasized very strongly the advantages offered by cheap land to the man commencing on the farm. There is no doubt but that the high cost of making a start is what is driving many country young men to the cities and deterring others from "committing matrimony," as we have heard it termed, and starting farming "'on their own hook." It takes considerable money to buy and equip a farm. The difference in the good land and the poor land is great, both as regards prices and crops, but a good man on the poor land may do a great deal better than an indifferent farmer on the best of soil. Here is a case our friend cited. In a certain section a farm may be bought for \$10,000, while in another section, not far distant, the same sized farm could be purchased for \$2,000. At five per cent, interest there is \$400 difference between the annual interest payments on these investments. Now, our correspondent claims that if this amount is spent in fertilizers for the poor farm it will outyield the good land without fertilizer, and give larger net returns one year with another, and save the purchaser from the worry of a heavy debt.

Four hundred dollars will buy a lot of fertilizer, and a good farmer can soon bring comparatively poor land up to profitable production. Just how much difference there would be in these instances we are not prepared to state, but this we know, that our Quebec friend has taken a farm upon which it was said nothing could be grown, and which was purchased for almost nothing and he is getting crops. Of course, there is wind and weather and other things over which man has no control to contend with, and some years crops are light on the best of land worked in the most up-to-date manner, but one year with another it does seem that it is the man more than the land that is to blame for failures.

in a trio of books ("Farm Boys and Girls," "Training the Boy," and "Training the Girl"), by Prof. Wm. A. McKeever, of Kansas University. Most people when they think of that great State are likely to associate with it such things as wheat, corn, alfalfa and live stock. It has had a most aggressive Department of Agriculture, but the people and the authorities are to be congratulated upon the profound and practical wisdom that has been to the front in their university program, a department of "Child Welfare" which ought to prove an incalculable boon to the future of the State. In this very direct way they are seeking to make their educational system supply one of the recognized needs of the times. On all sides people should awaken to the responsibilities of home-making and home life, and realize that they cannot without grave peril dodge their duties and shift them wholly upon the church, the public school, or the boy scout movement. Some of the big city newspapers carry a daily column headed "Where to go to-night," and in vain you scan its list of thrilling recreations for any suggestion that there is such a place as "Home" to go to. If we let the purely material side of farming or business or so-called recreation crowd a wholesome home life off our social program it will be an ill day for the family and an ill day for the country.

Prevention Better Than Salve.

The universal law of treating undesirable conditions is with prevention rather than cure, but the new world has grown so speedily that our governing bodies have been busy curing rather than preventing outcroppings of disease and corruption. When the governor of American machinery becomes steady and equilibrium is established, it is to be hoped that a preventive rather than a remedial policy will be adopted to preclude future disturbances, economical, social or political. For many years the malarial mosquito spread disease far and wide in the tropics, preventing construction work and making its cost enormous financially and in the toll of human life. The breeding grounds of these insects were attacked, and the mosquito itself was prevented from coming in contact with the human individual. This method was found more effective than treating malarial fever after it became established in the human system. The Cottony Cushion Scale threatened to destroy the orange industry of California. Did the people of that State prune and spray and burn to rid themselves of it? No! They introduced the lady bird beetle, a natural enemy of the scale, and nature herself took the work in hand with satisfactory results. The farmer cools his milk to prevent the reproduction of germs that cause a bad flavor, while the herdsman and shepherd rotate their pasture fields to prevent insects and disease attacking their herds and flocks. In all this world-wide enconomic system there is a lesson to be learned. For the struggle for titles, the acquisition of wealth and power, the control of the people's industries for the aggrandizment of the exploiter, and the increased taxation of 82 percent. per capita in the townships, 73 per cent. in towns and villages, and 40 per cent. in the cities of Ontario from 1900 to 1912, are conclusive evidence that some undesirable germs have developed that are sure to give conditions a nasty complexion. The seed of inflated values and unwarranted progress are now bearing fruit in Canada, with the result that Canadian securities have



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Dry summers are said to be generally followed by wet harvests. The rain will have to come soon in some sections or it will not catch even the oats in the fields.

Reports state that in some of the counties hardest hit by the drouth the milk flow has fallen off 30 per cent. Provision for summer feed would surely have been profitable.

Canada is playing a peculiar role in Mexican affairs. Our country was chosen as a suitable place to "mediate," and now the deposed Huerta and others of the fallen are coming here to plan a new insurrection.

We never appreciate the importance of "the balance of Nature" until something comes along and upsets her equilibrium and crops suffer. If it were not for such occurrences we doubt whether half as much of her doings would be understood, as is the case to-day. Truly, it is a wonderful world.

Home Life and the Youth.

It is characteristic of Western communities, as of radical spirits in older lands, to break away from conventions and cut new and more direct paths to desired ends. The tomorrow of humanity has always been wrapped up in the youth of to-day. Over nineteen centuries ago the world's Great Teacher set a child in the midst as the ideal and the criterion. The world learns its greatest lessons slowly and often with halting steps, but the movement for better child nurture is forward. The present day is full of hope and more or less promise in all lands. In our anxiety for success on the purely material side of farm life, however necessary this may be, there is always the risk that we become over-absorbed in the crops of the field, or the herds and flocks in comparison with the vastly more significant human crop of the household, which is not infrequently left to grow up after a go-as-you-please fashion, Children have a right, not only to be born well but to have a fair start by such an up-bringing as will enable them to steer safely past what have by common consent come to be known as the rocks and shoals of early life. This is far more essential than any financial endowment. Educational systems are relating themselves more and more seriously to the younger periods of school life. This line of thought is suggestested by the last

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Nature's Diary.

A. B. Klugh, M.A. When on the surface of the stream

The sun's rays beat, . And all the world seems drowsy With the heat,

Glancing hither, darting thither, O'er the surface of the river, Flits the brilliant Dragon-fly.

Strongest winged of all the insects, Keenest of sight,

Sparkling like a thousand diamonds In the light,

Glancing hither, darting thither, O'er the surface of the river,

Flits the brilliant Dragon-fly.

Vision among the insects is a very different thing to what it is with us or among the higher animals. Most insects possess eyes of two kinds, simple eyes termed ocelli, which are apparently of use only in telling light from darkness, and compound eyes which are made up of a number of hexagonal (six-sided) facets. The number of facets in the compound eyes varies in different insects from four up to over thirty thousand. Each facet requives only those ravs which come to it from objects directly in front of it, so that

Fig. 1 .- Dragon-fly Nymph, with wings developing

the image of an object as seen by an inspct is made up of a sort of patch-work of the different parts of the object, hence the insects are said to possess mosaic vision. The acuteness of vision in the insects depends upon the number of facets, the size of the facets, and the depth of that part of the eye (the crystal ine) below the facet. In the Dragon-flies the facets number more than thirty thousand, they are small and the crystallines are very deep, so that they have the keenest sight of all insects. Another interesting thing about the Dragon-fly's eye is that it is made up of two parts, an upper part in which the facets are very small, and which is adapted for long sight, and a lower part in which the facets are larger, and which is, hence suited for near vision. The Dragon-flies are such active insects that they use up a large amount of oxygen consequently breathe very rapidly,-from and seventy-three to a hundred and eighteen times per minute.

The Dragon-flies feed on small-winged insects, very largely on Mosquitoes and hence are highly beneficial. They catch the insects with their legs all six of which are placed far forward and close together, like so many spiny grasping arms. The prey is then devoured while the Dragon-fly is

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nymphs hide in the mud at the bottom of the water and catch aquatic insects and young fish which approach them with their long extensible lower lip, which is armed with sharp, pincer-like claws.

The nymphs breathe by means of internal gills which are arranged along the lower part of the intestine. Water is taken in through the posterior opening of the intestine and after passing over the gills is forced out again. When this water is violently ejected the nymph is propelled forward. The nymphs moult frequently, and at each moult the wings appear more and more developed (see Fig. 1.)

(in the case of most After about a year species) they crawl out of the water and mount the stem of some plant; the skin splits down the back, the mature Dragon-fly emerges, and after expanding and drying its wings, flies away.

All-Year-Round Dairying.

In the Dairy Department appears an enlight. ening and well-written article entitled, "Does Winter Dairying Pay ?" Mr. Ferguson, the writer of the article, suggests the scales and Babcock Test as a solution of the problem mentioned in an article in the issue of July 9th, under the heading, "'Eastern Ontario, the Home of the Dairy Cow." This writer from Carleton County has grasped the situation, but he sees it in a little different light than the representative of this paper who visited that district. It was not the purpose of the article of a former issue to discourage dairying, as it now is, but with the dairyman's interest at heart the "Advocate" aspired, through its columns, to disseminate all the information that could be gleaned that dairymen generally might profit. For this reason Mr. Ferguson's letter is doubly acceptable, as it sets forth a phase of the industry, and any remarks in this article are not meant to refute his statements, but to arrive at a clearer understanding of the enterprise.

In the first place, a man milking a 3,500 to 4,500-pound herd is playing a losing game, and neither winter nor summer dairying can ameliorate conditions very much until their production be doubled. Such cows are an incongruity in a dairy district, and the scales, as Mr. Ferguson suggests, should act as an eye-opener to their owner. However, with cows giving, on the average, 7,000 pounds of milk per year there is some chance for an argument pro and con. The other herd is not worthy of consideration, yet there are only too many of such cows grazing on good pasture and occupying good stable room in Ontario.

Profitable winter dairying first depends upon the amount of home-grown fodder stored away for winter use. Clover or alfalfa hay, roots, silage, chop and straw, are indispensible in economic production, but Mr. Ferguson has not vet been fortunate in the production of clover and alfalfa, and has had considerable expense in the acquisition of protein-rich concentrates. The result of this has been that the cost of production has been approximately one cent per pound of milk, when the price at the factory has been little more. Many dairymen agree that 75 cents per cwt. of milk is a reasonable cost for production, and any alteration one way or the other will probably depend upon the character of feeds grown on the farm. Coming more particularly to the question of winter dairying, the stables are there, the utensils are there, and the cows are there, and there should be little additional outlay in the direction of "upkeep of buildings, hired labor, bedding, interest on investment, insurance and service fees." The labor question might become involved, but with proper farm buildings the other item's remain much the same, With regard to our belief that milk should flow into the factory, the fact that there is usually a difference of from three to five cents @ pound in favor of creamery butter is the ground for such opinion. True, it is, good dairy butter will sell for more than creamery butter when the maker of the home product is known to put out a good article, but such is not always the case. In winter the farm dairy is in better shape to put out good butter, and if the people of Eastern Ontario can sell their home-made article for 30 or 35 cents it is one strong argument in favor of winter dairying. The skim milk and but termilk are retained at home, and with the pres-

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fallen from their advantageous pedestal, and loans are difficult to float. Sir Edmund Walker recently said in England that Canada is now turned towards recovery, but with her face towards recovery for the past two years she has gradually lost ground, until the winter of 1914 and 1915 threatens to be the tightest in the last two decades. The organized oil companies in Calgary now have a capitalization of over \$400,-000,000, and this is only indicative to what distance Canadians will go. The result of wildcatting has been lost confidence, failures in collecting taxes, inability to pay interest on debentures, and a general tightening all round.

The fault is not altogether with the public.

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The people of the United States know the effect of water when mixed freely with railroad stocks, and so do we in Canada in all lines, and a law preventing the holding of stocks, not paid for, would considerably alter circumstances. The appointment by the people of an astute inspector to look into the standing of our Chartered Banks might forstall a recurrence of the Farmer's Bank calamity, and if our Parliament Hills would assume the aspect of watch towers they would do a better service than applying treatment to chronic troubles.



Fig. 2.-White-tail Dragon-fly (Plattemis Lydia).

They are extremely voracistill on the wing. ous, and one has been known to eat forty houseflies inside of two hours.

These insects exhibit the most beautiful, metallic colors. These colors are known as "interference colors" These colors are what are that is they are caused by white light being broken up into the respective colors of which it is made up, by the thin plates which constitute the exterior of their bodies, just as colors are formed on a soap-bubble. After the insect is dead these plates soon collapse and the brilliant coloration disappears.

When watching Dragon-flies over a pond you may occasionally see one poising just over the surface of the water and striking it with the tip of the abdomen, or another swoop swiftly down to the surface and dip the tip of the body for a moment in the water. These are females laying eggs. From several hundred to several thousand eggs are laid by each female. In those species which oviposit in mid-summer the eggs hatch in about ten days, but in those which lay them in the autumn they do not hatch until the following spring.

From the eggs come tiny, spider-like nymphs, with long slender legs and no sign of wings. The

What Makes Your Farm Pay?

Ask a business man in the city what particular line of his stock gives him his best returns, and he can tell you without hesitation. Upon this hangs his chance of success. Farming is a business of many parts, but few farmers have any correct idea of just what portion of their mixed operations pays them best. In this issue there is an article on farm bookkeeping, which should interest all our readers. The modern method of profitable farming is not all work in the fields, but considerable "head work" is made count in the final reckoning. To use the head to best advantage it is necessary first to find out what is wrong and what is right with the farm operations. There is only one real way to do this, and that is by figures. Figures talk in farming, and the quicker more of our farmers get busy and by a simple method of bookkeeping find out for themselves what makes the old farm pay its way and what keeps it from paying more, the better for all.

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ent price of hogs the by-product is a valuable commodity. Manufacturers depend upon their by-products for profits, and dairymen should attain the same efficiency in utilizing the products on the side. We are not set in our belief that milk should always go to the factory, but if the majority of dairymen practiced winter milking and all made butter at home the multiplicity of grades and brands would quickly confuse the markets, for the makers at creameries. all trained in the same school and students of the same creed, put out different articles; what then could we expect if the people at large undertook the art? We still believe the creamery and factory are the outlet for the bulk of milk produced in Ontario. The city milk trade is an opportunity for the few, and dairymen generally cannot be influenced or led aside by the favorable reports from that quarter.

A review of conditions in Denmark shows that two-thirds of 34,217 cows enlisted in cowtesting associations freshened during the winter, half of the year in 1912-13, while in 1773 twothirds of a smaller number freshened in the summer. This is indicative of the progress in Denmark where dairying has attained teminence. They have been governed by the scales and Babcock Test, and we are firm in the belief that winter milking is the logical outcome of allegiance to the scales and test. As we said before, a cow cannot do herself justice by milking only a few months in the summer, and with the scales and test and a determination to have a better herd we look for a growth of winter dairying in Ontario.

THE HORSE.

A little wheat in the oats improves the ration.

We have seen very bad cases of sore shoulders. cured by applications of white lead.

Never mind how much white the colt has on his legs or face, a good horse was never a bad color.

If the colt is to be shown educate him first, or he will be at a great disadvantage in the ring.

If you are going to breed draft colts get them big and with quality, or they will find a slow sale.

Sometimes we wonder if a horseless age is coming, but still we have faith in the future of the right kind of horses.

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Dietetic Diseases in Horses—III.

LYMP_ANGITIS.-This is a disease of the lymphatic or absorbent system, but as it is usually induced by good feeding accompanied by idleness it may properly be classed as a dietetic disease. It is known by a variety of names, as "a shot of grease", "weed" and "Monday morn-ing disease." It is given the latter name from the fact that it is often seen in heavy horses on Monday morning, after having rested since Saturday evening and in the meantime having received. their usual quantity of grain. It consists in inflammation of some region of the lymphatic glands, usually of one or both hind legs, but occasionally one or both fore legs are attacked. Some horses are particularly predisposed to an attack, which follows a day or two's rest, and high feeding. In rare cases it occurs without rest and is supposed to be caused by a highlyfibrinous condition of the blood. It is also occasionally noticed in horses in poor condition and poorly fed, in which cases its pathology is hard to explain.

SYMPTOMS.-The local inflammation is usually preceded by rigors (a shivering fit), which often occurs during the night and passes unnoticed. This may continue for hours, and, as a rule, the intensity of the attack is denoted by the intensity duration of the rigors, which are accompanied by more or less restlessness. Lamein the affected limb is manifested in an early stage. The rigors are succeeded by an increase of temperature. The patient now breathes heavily and sometimes perspires freely, paws, and may show symptoms simulating those of colic; the pulse is full and strong; the visible mucous membranes intected; howels constinated and the urine is secreted in small quantities and of high

dom occurs except in a contagious form of the disease, little known in this country. Horses that are predisposed to the disease are liable to a recurrence of the malady on slight provocation. One attack succeeds another, and after a second or third, or sometimes the first, it will be noticed that the swelling of the limb, especially below the hock or knee does not entirely disappear. It becomes greater after each attack until the limb assumes a greatly enlarged and incurable condition known as "Elephantitis".

TREATMENT.—Preventive treatment consists either in giving horses that are highly fed and predisposed to an attack, exercise every day, or reducing the grain ration or partially substituting bran for grain during days in which they are idle. In fact, it is good practice to reduce the grain ration of any horse that is worked regularly and highly fed, when he is about to have a day's or longer rest.

Curative treatment consists in the administration of a purgative as 6 to 10 drams of aloes and 2 drams ginger, according to the size of the patient and feeding bran only until the purgative commences to act. In the meantime, water from which the chill has been removed should be given in small quantities and often. If evidence of considerable pain be noticed, an anodyne, as 1 to 2 drams solid extract of belladonna or 1 to 2 oz. chloral hydrate may be given, but this is seldom necessary. If the pulse be full, strong and frequent it is good practice to give 10 to 15 drops Fleming's tincture of aconite in a little cold The patient must be warmly water as a drench. clothed and excluded from drafts. The disease is more common in cold than in warm weather, hence he must be kept comfortable. The affected parts should be bathed long and often with hot



water, and after bathing be rubbed dry and a cam. phorated liniment applied as one made of 8 oz. alcohol, 2 oz. of turpentine, 1 oz. spirits of ammonia, 4 drams gum camphor and water to make a pint. If the weather be quite cold, unless the patient can 'be kept warm and comfortable, the bathing should be dispensed with, a s the reaction caused by a draft of cold air after bathing tends to complicate matters. Diuretics, as. 8 dram doses of nitrate of potas-sium should be given 8 times daily. He should be allowed to stand idle until the soreness and lameness have disappeared; and then should be

Do not be discouraged if your horse or colt does not win at the first show; animals have their "off days" too.

Broad-rimmed sun hats are worn by many city horses. Would not many a horse on the binder or plow appreciate such protection?

How often do you visit the colts in the back pasture? Go down and look them over frequently, and pet and handle them to keep them quiet and tractable.

Do not expect the work horses to be in harness at hard work six days a week and be forced to pick their living nights and Sundays and keep in good condition. They must have some hard feed, particularly grain.

Now that the season is over it is not wise to neglect the stallion altogether. Do not let him go down in flesh too rapidly, but give green feed in plenty. If possible give him the run of a good pasture paddock for at least part of the time. It is better to work him than to give him no exercise, and withal do not neglect grooming.

The slower market has had an effect upon the horse exhibits in connection with the Western shows. In the days of highest prices and keenest demand the breeder and dealer is out with his stock to make sales, chiefly. This falling off when the market is slow demonstrates again that the real reason for making large exhibits is not to win the prize money, but to win fame and make a name to sell stock; and then, too, it educates the people to better stock, and this improves demand.



A Winner at the Royal. This good Shire won his class at England's greatest show.

color. The local inflammation is manifested by swelling of the inguinal glands (those on the inner surface of the thigh) when the posterior extremity is affected, and of the brachial glands (those on the inner surface of the fore-arm) when in the anterior limb. The first symptoms are often noted when the teamster goes to the stable in the morning after the horses have had a day's or longer rest. He asks the horse to stand over and notices that he goes lame. If a hind leg (it is remarkable that the off hind leg is more frequently involved, and the reason cannot be given) be affected it will be noticed by passing the hand gently down the inner surface of the thigh with gentle pressure, that there is heat and tenderness, and if in the early stages, the surface will have a beaded feel, but as the disease advances the swelling increases and this peculiarity can no longer be detected. If the fore limb be involved, this peculiarity to the touch will be detected by passing the hand slowly down the inner aspect of the fore-arm. The patient is usually very lame and does not care to move or put weight upon the affected limb and if the inflamed glands be pressed intense pain will be manifested by violently lifting the leg, and in extreme cases the patient has been known to moan or shriek. The swelling usually extends rapidly and involves the whole circumference of the limb, from the body down to the coronet. As the swelling increases, the pain and lameness usually become less. In rane cases there is the formation of abscesses, but fortunately this selgiven regular exercise which helps to dissipate the swelling,

Even in the acute stages forced exercise reduces the lameness and dissi-

pates the swelling to a great extent, but when he is allowed to stand idle again both reappear, and it has been noticed that each time the swelling is lessened in this way during the inflammatory stage, a portion of it has a tendency to become organized and per-manent. Even after the inflammatory stage has passed, the swelling reappears to a greater or less extent during the night. Hand-rubbing and bandaging between the hock or knee and fellock, as the case may be, tends to prevent swelling after it has become dissipated. Some authorities recommend regular work during all stages, but the experience of most practitioners has been to WHIP. the contrary.

Why Horsemen Should Exhibit.

From reading the reports of the Western exhibitions it is plain 'that the quietness in the horse market is having an effect upon the business, particularly that of the big importer and dealer. Exhibits of horses have been much smaller numerically this year in the West than has been the case for some time, and the interest has not been so intense at the ringside. The horse (business must go on, and most of the horsemen are staying in the business of breeding, importing, buying and selling. Then in view of all this why not exhibit? The prize money is just as good as it was previously. In fact it is better in many cases. Just as good horses, and we believe better are being bred now as ever was THE FARMER'S ADVOCATE.

When the market slows down it is the case. harder to make sales, and there is more need of bringing the stock before the public by advertising. It pays to advertise, and outside of a steady newspaper campaign the exhibitions are the places to impress the quality of one's wares upon the people. Exhibitions are or should be upon the people. Exhibitions are or should be educative, and it is upon this feature that breeders rely more or less to bring their particular breeds into popularity. That which a man knows best he likes best, provided it meets his requirements. The public must be shown good horses of the different breeds regularly, and these horses must be kept constantly before them, else they are sure to lose interest in the breed to the detriment of horse breeding generally. It will pay breeders to exhibit if they get nothing more out of it than the keeping up of the reputation of their breed and their studs. The horse-breeding industry will be injured by the breeders themselves if they stay away from the shows. No strong line-up of any one breed fails to stir up enthusiasm. Younger men and new breeders take this as an indication of the value and popularity of the breed, and resolve that the particular breed showing strongest is the one they will take. Such resolves mean sales, and sales mean business, and brisk business means a surer, steadier and hetter-paying market.

If there is any one time when strong exhibits should be put up more than another it is under just such conditions as the horse industry is now passing through. Every available show horse should find his way to the ring. This is the way to establish confidence in the minds of all those would-be-horsemen who are halting between two opinions, as to whether or not they had better make a start in the horse business when the outlook appears so dull. Show all those who hesitate that the horse is here to stay, that the business is one which will stand depression and that Canadian horsemen have confidence in the business in which they have been engaged for years. If the older breeders are shivering in their boots regarding the outcome, if they are afraid and bring out few horses, how can they expect the younger breeders to spend their money to go into the business? Here is a question for you Mr. Horseman. If you heard a man complaining about his business and grumbling that it had no future, and prices were bound to be low, and sales few, and slow, would you buy any stock in that busi-ness? The same applies to your horse industry. There is no getting around the fact that the de-mand for horses has slackened, but there is nothing to be gained by whining about it and stay-ing home from the shows. The demand for any ing home from the shows. The demand for any class of stock fluctuates, and when the sale pendulum swings most slowly is the proper time to wind up the main spring and hustle things along. The main spring of the business is producing the goods and showing them to the people. Now is the opportunity. Let us have the greatest show ever in the East this fall. Let our breeders show their faith in the horse. The horses are in the country and good importations are coming. Eastern exhibitions, for the good of horse breeding generally, should show no signs of market depression. Each breeder should do his share to keep his majesty the horse in his due place with the stock-loving public. Show a due place with the stock-loving public, man a good thing and he'll buy it. I If he buys

youngsters take nearly a pail of water each per day besides two feeds of sweet, skim milk of over one-half pail each. Water is essential.

There is too much carelessness or neglect in the keeping of breeding records. How often when a cow is bought at a sale and advertised to freshen at a certain time, she does not come in for several weeks longer. We do not believe that these mistakes are wilful, but they cause considerable trouble and could be avoided by keeping a service record book. No man can trust everything to memory.

A cross bull that cannot be caught in a loose box stail should be given all the freedom the stall permits, by having a rope attached to the ceiling of the stall over a pulley with one end snapped in his ring and the other carrying a light weight. This arrangement allows the bull to move about freely, and there is no danger to the attendant when it becomes necessary to take the bull out of the stall.

Considerable trouble is always experienced with foul in the feet in cattle. A remedy that has been recommended to us is: Take ½ Ib. powdered bluestone and 1 Ib. of blackstrap molasses. Heat the bluestone in the molasses over a slow fire until it is dissolved. Do not boil. Allow to cool and saturate a cloth with this mixture, and draw it up between the clouts of the affected foot. Wrap the ends around the foot. Apply fresh frequently. It is said to quickly effect a cure.

There has been a marked decline in sheep breeding the world over during the past few years. France shows a decline of nearly 1,000,-000 head. The United Kingdom has 4,000,000 head less than she had a few years ago, while the German flocks have fallen behind a like number. During the last four years Russian flocks have decreased by two millions, and since 1909 American flocks have declined three and one-half millions. Argentine is increasing her flocks by

gether in the ring? In taking from one and gether in the ring? In taking from one and perhaps adding to the other no two judges will agree, and in the end "confusion worst con-founded" must result. We do not imply that there is no place for the milking Shorthorn, for there is a place for her on thousands of farms in Canada as there is in Britain, but they should not be brought together in the ring. A reporter at the Royal Show, held recently at Shrewsbury, frequently remarks that the animals were sometimes in poor condition. "But the rest were short of flesh," or "again there were evidences of lack of flesh in a number of the exhibits". these are two comments regarding the stock on exhibition, and to which exhibitors take objection, and justly, we believe, for no breeder will put a valuable animal into first-class show-ring shape that is to be subsequently used as a breeder. They will keep the good ones at home and show the second grade. The Canadian Naand show the second grade. tional or the International at Chicago have classes for milking Shorthorns, and they are patronised. That is the only just way of exhibiting Shorthorns when the two characteristics, flesh and milk, are emphasized. It allows the judge to exercise his wisdom, and it permits in the ring animals that otherwise might foolishly be brought there. With the example already set by leading fairs in this country and the neighboring Republic, it will be easier for local fairs to adopt the same method of giving prominence and justice to a breed and type which is popular. necessary and sought for, but must suffer when brought into competition with animals bred for one purpose only.

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THE FARM.

A Plank-frame Barn at Weldwood

In this issue are two illustrations showing the new hay and stock barn which has been built up Weldwood this summer. To house the amount of stock which it is intended to keep on the farm it was necessary that more room be provided. Accordingly the new building shown has been



erected running at right angles to the old barn and stable, leaving the large silo in. the corner between the two and convenient to both. The new barn is 66 feet long and 36 feet wide, is of plankframe construction throughout, and is set on twenty-foot posts, the foundation being slop-wall cement one foot thick. The entire upper part of the building is loft for straw and hay, the hay being unloaded at the south end by means of a hay fork,

it that is good for business.

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Rape makes great pasture for the pigs.

Select the ram to head the flock early. Too many good rams are never found.

If they are all fair-sized, thrifty pigs, a big litter is more valuable than a small one. Get prolific sows.

Early lambs should be weaned early, and put on a good fresh clover or rape pasture or fed cabbage. It will pay to give a little grain.

Put the ewes, after the lambs are weaned, on good pasture, and get them gaining in flesh before fall breeding. It means more lambs next spring.

The pasture has dried up of late, and if the corn is ready a little would go a long distance towards keeping the cattle up in condition or in maintaining milk flow.

Good grade beef cattle are scarce, and they will be much scarcer unless something is done to stop the replacing of beef sires by inferior bulls of milk breeds, and these latter crossed on beef cows.

It is surprising how much water the calves will drink besides the milk they get. At Weldwood a bunch of over a dozen growing Owned by Sir Herbert Leon Bart. Champion Shorthorn bull at the Royal Show at Shrewsbury.

Silver Mint.

about 3,000,000 head per year, having now 15,-000,000 more than in 1909. New Zealand is going ahead slowly in this particular, and is now turning more attention to dairying.

How Must Shorthorns be Judged?

Dairy Shorthorns are coming to the front, and with the increase in their numbers there must be an increase in trade in that type. The exhibition or fair is used as a medium for comparison of different breeders' stock, and the winnings are used as a basis for advertising in farm journals and in correspondence. In order to give them due prominence they must be shown, else they will occupy an unimportant. position among breeds and types, and their breeder must remain in obscurity with his stock. Yet what chance has a Shorthorn, milking 10,-'000 pounds of milk per year, in competition with a blocky Scotch-bred animal that might perchance require assistance in rearing her calf if the young one is to be forced or used for show purposes? They meet on different footing with vastly different qualifications, despite the fact that they are both Shorthorns, pure and well bred

The low-set kind have been popular in Canada, and in the judge's eye and mind is the image of a Missie or a Gainford Marquis. This is as it should be, for what can come of a comwhile the straw will be blown in through a gothic in the roof from the threshing machine in the old barn.

The entire lower floor is to be used for stock^{ℓ}.

At the south end is the horse stable, the 36 feet being divided into six stalls, some a little wider than others, to allow for the big and smaller horses. All horse stalls are 9 feet deep, and the passage behind is 7 feet wide. The feed passage in front is 4 feet wide.

Running down the west side from the entrance next the silo to the horse stable is passage 5 feet wide. A passage the same width also extends along the north end. From this latter passage the feed is placed in the troughs in two large box stalls for feeding cattle loose. One of these stalls is 27 feet by 15 feet, and the other 27 feet by 16 feet. At the south end of these stalls wide doors-a ten-foot openingallow teams to drive across the building to clean The outside doors are one sixout the stalls. , foot, and one four-foot, the smaller one for ordinary use. Just south of these large stalls are three smaller box stalls, each 12 feet by 10 feet 4 inches. These are for colts or calves or the bull. Feeding is done from the same alley from which the horses are fed, and doors open from each stall to the bigger stalls in the rear so that they are handy to clean out when the teams are going through cleaning out the larger stalls ... The larger stalls are divided by a stout plank partition, the passage being closed by a heavy roller door. All partitions are plank. That at the front of the horse stalls goes to the The ceiling, while the others are 41 feet high. horse stalls are plank 5 feet high, with iron rods

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extending half way back, and set in holes in the top planks and in a scantling at the top. These allow free circulation of light, and prevent all fighting or teasing over the stall partitions. Ropes with strong hooks are arranged to keep the horses up to their places in the stalls.

fighting or teasing over the stall partitions. Ropes with strong hooks are arranged to keep the horses up to their places in the stalls. There is plenty of light from three windows in each end and four on each side. Each window has four lights 14 inches by 18 inches. Three slide windows are placed in the high partition in front of the horses for light and ventilation. Four small windows are placed in the gables to light the loft.

The entire stable floor is cemented with the exception of two small box stalls for colts. These have a hard clay floor. The horse stalls

are planked on top of the cement. Running water is supplied in the stable from the windmill and tank already in operation for some time. The barn has a metal roof, is equipped with lightning rods, and while plain and not elaborate is very well suited to the purpose for which it was built. Two ventilators are installed, one in either end, being simply galvanized iron pipes 18 inches in diameter opening at the bottom and with a regulated opening near the ceiling. They seem satisfactory, and were made by a local tinsmith and constructed at small cost. The barn is eave-troughed to carry all water from the yard. The contractors who did the work were Messrs. Taylor & French, of Talbotville, Ont.

How a Farmer Keeps Books.

By Walter M. Wright.

Farmers are being more and more thrown in with business men and their ways of doing Where they used to get to town once a things. month or once a week only, they now get the daily papers, speak to town men over the 'phone or get on a train and in half a forenoon have been to town and back. This communication forces them to notice the business man's occupation, and farmers wonder why they too haven't the same respect for their farm business. Now they find out that it is largely because the prospering town man understands his work from A to Z. systematizes everything and knows to a dollar just what he is worth, what luxuries he can have, and in what pleasures he may indulge. They see, too, that it is because he keeps account of affairs by his books that he knows his business so well. This is the reason we hear so many queries on, how can farmers with their complicated business keep a proper set of books, and why it is that agricultural journals encourage farmers to keep books.

The first great question is the Capital Account; what goes into it and why it is kept at Many farmers would be far better off to all. sell their farms, invest their money in 5% or 6% bonds than to keep on farming, and if they kept a set of books, with a proper Capital Account, that is what they would do, or else change their ways. Many of them lose sight of the fact that the money they have tied up in fences, Morses, buildings, windmills, machinery, hoes, axes, plows, waggons, harness, etc., has power to earn money for them. The only acquaintance many will have with the business term of "interest" will probably be the money that the bank collects on notes or a lawyer on a mortgage. There is another use for the Capital Account

There is another use for the Capital Account besides showing what interest you could earn if you sold your place; it shows what your business is worth should you want to sell, insure, or borrow, and many other important facts.

In the Capital Account should be placed the cost of the land or the price you would accept But be careful not to put it too high. Just to explain it we will suppose Mr. Walker buys a piece of land from the British Columbia Government, paying \$2,000. He buys a team of horses \$400, a set of harness \$40, a wagon \$125, a plow \$20, a scraper \$15, goes in and takes possession of his place. All these items would, added together, give Mr. Walker his Capital-\$2,600. He starts in to clear his land and spends two months fencing, clearing, etc. He should then place as value on these two months work, and add it to Capital at just the rate he could have hired a man and team to do the work. Suppose he buys more horses, builds more fences, gets more tools, such as hoes, axe, mower, rake, etc., all these would be added to his Capital. In other words the Capital is the value of property, tools, equipment, and money that a person uses to conduct his business. It is upon this investment he must make his dividends, and in figuring whether his farm pays him or not he must take this into consideration. Consequently if an owner of a farm can't make 6% on his capital it is far better to sell out and invest his money otherwise, or find out just where his loss occurs.

returns, and see just how much we have to apply towards our dividend, or in other words, what interest is earned by our capital.

Some prefer in figuring gains not to deduct anything for their own salary, nor to charge up their own time against a crop. They take all the net returns as salary and charge up interest on investment as the only item of cost, other than direct outlays. This may appeal to some but it doesn't seem right, because if one does

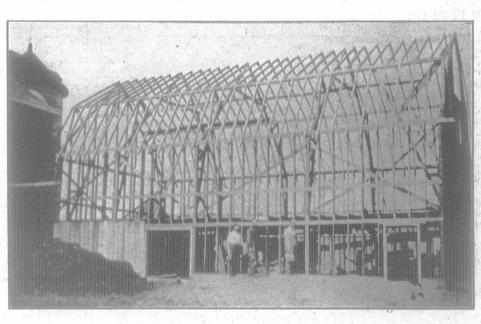


There is a term used by manufacturers which in a measure explains itself, i. e., Cost Account-This describes the work of a business man ing. when he is trying to find the cost of manufacturing a certain article, perhaps an example will explain it fully, Say a manufacturer wants to find out what it costs him to make an overcoat ready for shipment. He starts a "Record" and will place on this record the price of the cloth used to make up a large number of coats ; then the time at so much an hour of the designer who makes the pattern, then the time of the cutters, the price per hour he has to pay them for the time they take to cut the cloth, then the time at so much per hour for the time spent by the sewers, the button hands, pressers, etc. These when added will give him the cost of making; to this he adds his overhead charges which will be a fair proportion of the expense account, such as light, heat, taxes, interest on investment tied up in machines, buildings, etc, and other ex-penditures. These charges he divides among the number of coats and thus finds his cost of pro-Suppose he found it to be \$9.00 each; duction. then he must sell his coats at more than \$9.00 in order to make a profit. This is cost accountancy, and it is the new method that has been working wonders for manufacturers, storekeepers, contractors and business men generally. It is the method farmers are going to use, a method

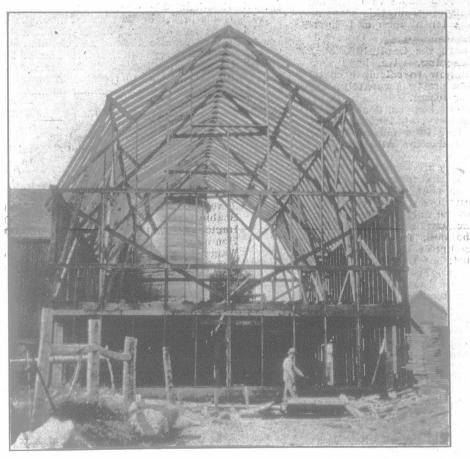
some are using and we want to see more use it.

How it may be worked on a farm to advantage and yet not take up much time often seems to be a problem, but it is really not a problem.

No man can make his business pay if he does not k n o w what it costs to produce the goods he has to sell, for he cannot intelligently fix his selling price. Farmers have come to a place where they must fix the price, not leave it to buyers. It is foolishness to sell below cost. Cost Accounting on a farm is not nearly as intricate as it is in most factories. On some goods manufacturers cannot get very close to the cost of certain articles, yet they do not give up; they get as close as they can. Many peo-ple on the farm have started in to keep account of the cost of raising a colt. and



The Plank-frame Barn at Weldwood.



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TREATMENT OF GAINS.

No business is kept running unless it is showing a gain, at least not if the proprietor is aware of its condition. It is because we have made a gain that we can take a salary and an interest on our investment, (declare a dividend), but we must know all the items of cost and expense before we can tell what part of our revenue is gain. Because a man with a dairy, grows all his own feed, has his barn paid for, and does the work himself, it does not follow that because be receives a check monthly from the creamery that the amount of those checks is his gain; we shall see why later on.

This being so we must know how to figure out our gains in order to find what interest we are getting on our investment, what dividend we can declare. To do this we must be able to calculate the cost of production at least approximately. To have it accurate would be still better. With this cost known we can deduct it from our End View of Plank-frame Barn.

this he is too liable to overlook the value of time, and also will not be as careful in economizing with the hired help or systematizing their methods, because they can't see where the waste comes in, and it's not because they are not clear thinkers. If time spent on a crop is not charged then there is no accurate way of finding which crop is giving the best returns for ones labor, or in other words, which crop pays the grower the best salary. Grow the crops that pay the most for your time. because they forgot to jot down some item have quit altogether. It is better far, to keep on even if some item is missing, and get an approximate result than to drop it alo together.

Many of our most prosperous farmers are using the time card of the factories to get at the cost of production. It is a splendid plan, and there are two classes to choose from; the daily card, and (for farms) the crop card. The big trouble with the daily card is that it is forgotten. One farmer using daily cards hangs his card, which has a pencil tied to it, on the nail where he hangs his work-

ing clothes, so that when the day's work is done the card confronts him. On these cards each day is placed a record of the time spent on each crop, then at the end of the month the time of men and horses are figured out from these cards, and charged up at so much per hour against the cost of production.

With the crop card the method is a little different. One farmer who uses this method has at the gate going into the fields, a tin box nailed to a post, a card with a pencil is hung inside. The box being upside down keeps the rain off. In these fields he times the hoeing, cultivating or other routine work done once or twice during the season marks it on the card and then each time after that he simply marks down the date and what the work was, how many were at it, and what part of a day was spent. At the end of the season he gathers these cards and charges the time to the various crops.

That "time is money" is more and more be-ing recognized by farmers. Manufacturers and labor unions long ago recognized it, and now in cities men are no longer paid by the month, but by the hour. Overtime is now a common charge and more paid for it. Farmers are gradually being forced to pay by the hour. Soon what is now known to us as "Chore Time" will be our "Overtime," paid by the hour.

Time, however, is not the only item in Cost Accounting; seed, fertilizers, the crates and packages, bags and baskets, in which the produce is shipped form part of the cost. All these should be included with time spent in growing, packing, hauling to the shipping point or market.

If a crop has proved itself not profitable, any one can, with a fairly accurate cost system, find out whether his methods were at fault or conditions such that other crops would pay better. Below is a sample, of a daily time card and a crop card. They are worth examination.

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May 20	It took 44 hours for 2 men and 2 horses to cultivate.
May 21 and 22	It took 2 days for 2 men to hoe the whole field.
May 20	Cultivated.
May 21	Hoeing, 2 men all day.
May 22	Hoeing, 2 men all day.
June 2 June 18 and 19	Cultivated; 2 men and horses. Hoeing, 2 men.
July 8	Cultivated; 2 men and horses.
July 4 and 5	Hoeing.
	Team ploughing out crop, 10 hours; 4 men plcking, 10 hours.
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This card shows—Cultivating, 3 times; charge 2 horses, 2 men, each time for 41 hours; 2 men 6 days of 10 hours for hoeing also to be charged.

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This is a sample of a daily time card. On the 1st a man and horse spent 5 hours in this field; on the 4th a man spent 2 hours on this crop; on the 7th 4 hours; on the tenth man and horse spent 5 hours.

We have seen what part the Capital Account must play in our bookkeeping, We have seen what makes a gain, and how to calculate costs, so as to get at our gains pretty accurately, and now we must look at our losses.

Losses come from various sources, depreciation of buildings, fences, machinery, etc., will give us one source of losses, selling in a market at a price below the cost of production will make an other source, and so on.

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hour on most farms would permit of a thorough analysis of the account, and a very accurate placing of the cuts for depreciation. Treatment of depreciation presents a different proposition from the treatment of loss. Take for instance fences and flumes-two cases where capital depreciates very rapidly. Here fences go down very quickly on account of the dry ground, and 20 per cent. per annum will not meet the de-mands, thirty-three and one-third per cent. would be nearer. Flumes do not go so rapidly. Here we have two examples that show the lack there is in the twenty per cent. method. Perhaps an account kept with such portions of capital as fencing, etc., would show where a saving could be made, and would certainly show the proprietor how much he must allow for depreciation on like parts of his capital.

With these parts of capital account such as fences, etc., (where the proprietor keeps everything repaired) his capital account would not Then comes the question, how are we change. to treat this case. For instance, we say a farm

No: 1.

June 5 Three pigs

Dec. 20 Grain fed as per bills

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fence was put up for \$100. In two years it is thoroughly overhauled and left as efficient as new, at an outlay of \$25. The fence is worth no more than it was, hence we can't increase the capital, but it is worth no less and we cannot decrease the capital; what is to be done? The \$25 is an expense, and we must charge it up as a loss. These general principles should be sufficient to guide us in treating almost any farm loss or depreciation.

There are many methods of keeping books, hence there are many methods of keeping farm books. Accountants give us two general classes of systems, known as the Double Entry and Single Entry, but to explain Double Entry would because the system is a little intricate, take too much space. It is the best system, there is no doubt, but requires a little training and practice to make it satisfactory, Outside of Double Entry most farmers will find the Ledger Journal the most practical, because it combines the entry Below is a full set of and explanation together. accounts that will prove interesting as examples:

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No.	2	FIELD	CROP OF
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commission charges, etc.

No. 8	Expense.	
an. 8	Repair stable door	32.00
an. 12	Glass in hen-house	.25
an. 18	Gate repairs	4.00
an. 19	Buggy repairs	4.00
eb. 2	Horseshoeing	2.00
	Harness mending	
eb. 9	New water tins to replace old ones	
	in hen-house	.60

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Having found, through our accounts, that a certain crop has not paid, that does not say we should discontinue to raise that crop. See what caused the loss, and then uproot that cause for the next season. It may be only one particular thing that is causing the loss, and one of the main reasons for keeping books is to be able to get all our facts so well before us that we can not only see the cause of losses, but may also be able to see where we can reduce the cost of production. In any account items that keep recurring often intrude themselves upon our notice, and stimulate us to an endeavor to decrease them.

Losses on a farm are a good thing where books are kept. They tend to make good farm-ers better farmers, for they compel us to check up our methods and improve where possible.

The treatment of depreciation of capital and losses in general is as different by accountants as feeding is by dairymen. Like feeding they all agree it should be dealt with carefully. An example will explain a good method for handling certain losses. Suppose a farmer has a horse, he has charged up against his capital, where it rightly belongs. This horse dies. In his capital account it had appeared at a value of \$400. He buys a new one at \$350; then arises the question shall he leave the \$400 in the capital and add the \$350? Certainly not. The \$400 is lost, take it out and enter the new \$350. The same applies to machinery. A new machine bought to replace the old one should be put in the capital, and if the old one is a complete loss take it from the capital.

So much for direct losses. Depreciation in value is another problem. In some business a depreciation of capital is allowed for by taking off a certain percentage of the amount shown at the end of the season. That is better than nothing, certainly, but not what it should be. One Total loss.....\$13.60

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Jan. 1 Five acres land			Horse died	
Implement shed	150.00	Dec. 9	Hen-house burned Buggy burned	125.00
Hen-house, ,	150.00		000	
Wagon	110.00	Total		\$475.00

	Horse	200.00
	Flumes and pipes ,	200.00
	Fences	175.00
	Implements	100.00
r. 31	Trees for hedge, planting,	
	etc.	40.00
	Improving road to stable,	
	making lawn	30.00
y 10	Complete cost of dwelling	2,200.00
g. 10	Team of horses	450.00
Total		\$6,620.00

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Allowances for Depreciation. Fences.....\$55.00 Implements..... 5.00 Harness..... 25.00

Total... .\$85.00 Loss brought down..\$475.00

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Loss during year	560.00
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2		ANNUAL Revenue Accounts.
an.	81	Pig account, gain\$ 35.90 Tomato gain 1,291.00
		Total gains\$1,326.90
		Results : Gains \$1,826.90 Losses 573.60

Year's gain\$ 753.30

THE DAIRY.

Why Pasteurize Dairy Products?

Editor "The Farmer's 'Advocate":

Mankind is continually assailed by unseen foes in the form of minute plants called bacteria, commonly known as germs. These gain access to the human body through openings of the skin, such as a scratch, a cut, or a bruise. These apparently trifling things should not be neglected, as the human skin is like a silken shield against foes invisible. "Blood poisoning," "lock-jaw" and similar causes of human destruction are fre-quently the result of not paying attention to a minor injury, and the weak system is unable to resist the attack of "germs." The strong person is able to overcome these attacks, hence thousands of scratches, cuts, etc., do little or no harm, but it is always safer to disinfect by some means-tobacco juice, if nothing else is available, as tobacco is a slow poison and germ killer.

The second means by which bacteria gain entrance to the system is by means of the food and For instance, medical authorities tell us drink. that typhoid infection can come about only through the mouth-if what we eat and drink be clean and free from typhoid germs we cannot "take" the disease. It is probable that other contagious diseases like tuberculosis, or what is commonly called "consumption," are spread by the food which people eat. The "breathing" theory of spreading disease is gradually being The probabilities are that the mouth discarded. is the great source of infection for contagious diseases.

While milk is undoubtedly the most valuable food for humans, especially in the early stages of our career, it is unfortunately also a good place for disease germs to grow and multiply. Hence the chief reason for the pasteurization of dairy products intended for human consumption lies in the fact that this is an easy and effective method of killing germs causing various ailments among humanity. Fortunately practically all among humanity. these organisms causing sickness among members of the human race are killed at a comparatively low temperature from 140 degrees to 160 degrees While some recent investigations would indicate that probably electricity may be used for sterilising milk in the near future, thus doing away with the need of heating, and we may be able to electrocute bacteria in milk effectively, without the so-called injury to its food properties, caused by heat, up to the present we know of no such effective agent for purifying as heat. A strange thing about heat or fire is that man appears to be the only animal that understands fire-who can renew it if it goes out, who can control it, and make it serve his uses. No doubt the man who first discovered fire was persecuted, probably consumed by the agent which he had produced, but fire, heat is the greatest aid to man in making pure his foods. The second advantage of dairy pasteurization is that it makes a clean seed-bed for pure cultures or pure seed of the desired type. This is specially advantageous in buttermaking, and in making sour milk drinks, such as the much advertised Bacillus Bulgaricus, which if taken often enough and in large enough quantities might enable a person to live forever, if one would believe all the articles which have been written concerning this rejuvenator of the human species. A third advantage is that milk and cream properly pasteurized will keep sweet much longer than if not so treated. We have kept samples of pasteurized milk sweet at ordinary room temperature in summer for five or six days, whereas similar milk unpasteurized would sour in 12 to 24 hours. Nothing makes the house-wife so cross and out of temper as to find the milk and cream sour. Probably some is needed for baby, or a sick person, and on going to the pantry, cellar or refrigerator, for the needed supply, it is found to be sour. In all probability when the milkman next appears at that house he will hear something not at all pleasant about his milk being sour. The remedy is pasteurization. In winter time it is almost impossible to prevent more or less feed and stable flavors in milk. The air of the stable contains these odors, and as the stream of milk passes from teat to pail, it carries with it the flavor-laden air. (This danger is eliminated with the milking machine, and is one of its advantages.) Most of the feed fla-vors are due to volatile oils, which are driven

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Jan. 31	Loss Accounts. Expense
	Total loss\$573.60

off in the process of heating. Anyone who has stood near a pasteurizer while operating in winter cannot help but notice these flavors coming from milk and cream. In most cases it will pay to pasteurize in winter, in order to prevent un-desirable flavors in the milk and cream, thus pleasing customers, which means increased trade. The buttermaker should pasteurize milk or

cream in order not only to improve the flavor of his butter, but chiefly to improve the keeping quality of butter exported, if this is done, and for summer backer placed in cold-storage for winter use. A considerable quantity of summer butter is stored for winter trade, and the merchants are usually willing to pay at least half a cent a pound more for pasteurized goods as compared with unpasteurized, because they know from practical experience that they can depend on the quality of butter made in creameries where pasteurization is properly carried out.

Up to the present pasteurization has not been practicable for the manufacture of Cheddar cheese, but we may yet strike some plan which will be feasible and result in a good quality of cheese. If we do, it will no doubt be as valuable for the cheese business as it has proved to be in the milk and cream trade, and for the manufacture of fine butter. Pasteurization is the chief factor in Danish butter, as this results in

ever, to the cost of this feed the other items which enter into the cost of keeping a cow, such as upkeep of buildings, hired labor, bedding, interest on investment, insurance, service fees, etc., and we find that the cost of keeping a cow will run to nearly \$80.00 or \$90.00. A man would need to have a herd of 10,000-ID. cows to show much profit, and I think the above explains why winter dairying is as yet not very much practiced in districts remote from city markets, where the city milk trade gives larger returns for milk and cream

My herd is as yet but an average one, having in it cows running from 6,000 lbs. to over 10, 000 lbs., the majority of them being about 7,000 My experience is that many of these cows, Ibs. milking in winter, will give scarcely any profit. over food consumed. This is due to the high price of concentrates containing protein, and also to the low prices received for milk at the factory. With regard to the former we have been trying for years to grow our own protein in the form of alfalfa, but have not yet met with very great success. We have not had good alfalfa or clover for years, consequently bran, oil cake or cotton-seed meal must be bought at fairly long prices if we are engaged in winter dairying. We are waiting for some cheaper Ontario-grown alfalfa seed, or for seed of the Don variety, which is said to be hardy and spreads from under-ground root stocks. With regard to the latter reason let me say that the price received for winter milk at the country factory is not very satisfactory. The first four months of the present year we received an average of about \$1.02 per cwt. Not very encouraging figures for winter dairying are they 7.

On the other hand, where the farmer is convenient to a city, he receives in the winter con-siderably over \$2.00 per cwt. These are the men who should go into winter dairying; they can at those prices afford to buy good cows, and buy good feed for them.

I will give a few figures from the record of a two-year-old heifer which last year produced 5,482 lbs. milk, freshening in the fall. January she gave 606 Ibs. milk; in February 601; March 548; April 528; total 2,278 Da. milk at a food cost of 528: \$24.64. A three-yearold gave the first four months of last year 2, 665 lbs. milk at a food cost of \$25.77; y et in the year she gave 6,211 .Ds. milk. These are not bad yields of milk for helfers, yet the a bove figures show why win ter dairying is not practiced much down here.

You say in your arti-cle that you "cannot conscientiously recommend the manufacture of dairy butter, and firmly believe that milk should



A Profitable Trio. Three grade Shorthorn cows on the farm of John Warner.

uniform quality, which gives confidence to the flow into the factory in almost every particular British huver and consumer. It will do as much where an article can be produced that commands

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for Canadian butter-makers if properly carried out and consistently and persistently followed. H. H. DEAN.

Does Winter Dairying Pay?

Editor :'The Farmer's Advocate'':

In your issue of July 9th appeared an excel-lent article entitled, "Eastern Ontario, the Home of the Dairy Cow." That article raises some questions and offers some suggestions of particular interest to dairymen of Eastern Ontario, who depend almost entirely on the dairy cow with her hy-products for a living.

One thing, however, which may mean profit or loss in winter dairying, you neglected to empha-size very strongly, and that is individual cow-testing. Would winter dairying pay with the average Eastern Ontario dairy herd? Decidedly not, I think. With herds, such as Mr. McKay and Mr. Grant possess, and which you visited, there would, no doubt, be a good profit in winter milk production, but with the average herd giving 3,500 to 4,500 pounds milk per cow per year, the owner is wise to confine himself to summer milking. It seems to me that the cow-testing has considerable work to perform yet in weeding out unprofitable cows, before we venture too far into winter dairying.

This idea is based on my own experience, and in your article you intimate that you would like to hear from readers who sell milk exclusively to the cheese factories, and who keep herd records and cost of maintenance. As I can qualify in practically all of those respects I submit a few examples along these lines. In the first place, let me state that Mr. McKay is about right in in his estimation of the cost of production of his milk, viz., 75 cents per cwt., and the cost of a cow's feed for one year at \$60.00 Add, how-

higher price and is more appreciated." does that statement tally with these facts ? The first four months of this year all we could get for our creamery butter, and it was good, was from 261 to 28 cents per ID., and the manufacturer, out of this, received three cents. At the same time good dairy butter was selling on Ottawa market at 30 to 35 cents. Of course you will say that one price was wholesale and the other retail, which is true, but ten cents a pound difference means a good deal to farmers who are not too busy in the winter time and like a trip to town occasionally. Is not cow testing the key to the whole problem, or else the old slogan to breed, weed and feed ?

Carleton Co., Ont. JAS. F. FERGUSON.

Three Good Cows.

Editor "The Farmer's Advocate":

I am enclosing a photo of three cows which I believe are worthy of a place as "Stars of the milky way," as they are grade Shorthorns, and have never been fed for records. During May they averaged 68 pounds per day, milking three times a day, during which time they were fed five pounds of grain. The cow in the center frequently gave 42 quarts per day, and compares very favorable with R. O. M. Holsteins in the herd.

Haldimand Co., Ont.

JOHN WARNER.

La Freix Part

In an "Editorial" paragraph in our last week's issue a typographical error occurred, the word "spring" being used in connection with the sowing of fall wheat. This word should have been left out. A State A Martine

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Making Buttermilk from Skim Milk.

Editor "'The Farmer's Advocate'':

It is no doubt the opinion of many dairymen as well as a great many consumers of milk that good buttermilk can only be produced from whole milk. But I am enabled to state from practical experience on my own farm, as well as the experience of others, that first-class buttermilk can be made from skim-milk, thus making better use of this valuable by-product of the dairy than is generally done. The quality of buttermilk depends chiefly upon the proper ripening of the milk or cream, and does not depend upon the fat content. In either case the good qualities, such as palatability and flavor, are not due to the development of the lactic acid fermentation.

In order to produce good buttermilk from skim-milk it is necessary, first, that the latter be aerated and cooled, for there is a considerable amount of air incorporated with the milk during the process of separation which causes it to foam, and as this air is warm it is necessary to When it is allowed to remain in the remove it. milk undesirable fermentation arises, and the will "whey" and form a tough, floating If the milk is permitted to stand for a milk will "whey" curd. short time after having been separated the foam will all come to the top of the milk and can then be skimmed off with a dipper, or the milk can be drawn off from the bottom through a faucet or poured from beneath the foam. After this foam has been gotten rid of the milk should be run over a cooler of some kind, such as the ordinary drum cooler, but in case this is not available the milk should in any event be cooled thoroughly by setting it in spring water or in some kind of an ice box or even in a cool-cellar. It is very important that the milk be kept cool for at least 12 hours.

After the skim-milk has been kept thoroughly cool for 12 hours its temperature should be railed to 70 degrees F., which is the best temperature for ripening, and allowed to become sour. When it has reached this temperature it will not take the milk long to become sour, and in about 12 hours it will be clabbered but not yet ready to be churned. It should now be cooled to 60 degrees F. or lower. This should be done in the same way as it was cooled previously and the milk allowed to set at this temperature at least 24 hours longer before being churned, thus making it from 86 to 48 hours old when put on the market. It is better not to break the clabber up until ready to churn.

Prior to churning it is very important that the maximum development of lactic acid take place. If a small amount of whey rises on the top of the milk no harm will result. The damage is done by a floating curd and whey at the bottom. Hence in successful buttermilk making it can be seen that the proper cooling and ripening of the milk are both very important features.

The process of churning can be varied to suit local conditions. The wood dasher, the same as is used in a common dash churn, can be used to thoroughly break up the clabber while it is yet in the "shotgun" or cooling cans. This is fairly good method where only a small amount of buttermilk is made. Or the milk can be put in the churn and churned for 20 or 30 minutes. In any event the clabber must be thoroughly strained to remove all lumps of curd and to make it smooth. The consumers should receive the milk as soon as possible after it has been made, because of the fact that they wish it fresh. Keeping it cool from the time of making until it is delivered is a very important factor. In hot weather the receptacles should be wrapped in wet blankets or have ice cylinders in them. Cleanliness in all things and at all times in making and handling the milk is quite essential. It may be supposed that because the buttermilk is already sour it is not necessary to exercise so much care in keeping the utensils as clean as possible, but buttermilk of good quality cannot be made from skim-milk without cleanliness in all things pertaining to it. Unclean vessels will cause the milk to sour too rapidly, the milk will 'whey'' badly, and tough, gassy curds will form which will be difficult to break up during the process of churning, and the resulting product will have an undesirable flavor and not be easy to dispose of. Good buttermilk is very popular and is in great demand, especially among people in cities and large towns. The supply is not al-ways adequate. It is a splendid food for invalids as well as a healthful one for those who are well.

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POULTRY.

Conveniences and Details in Poultry Work.

Editor "'The Farmer's Advocate'':

Possibly nothing turns our attention more to easy ways of doing our work than the exceedingly warm weather, which absorbs our energy most rapidly. I doubt whether there is any other means of doing our work easily, and still doing it thoroughly, than to have proper and modern conveniences. It lightens labor like many hands.

Let us consider a number of conveniences to be had at small cost in work amongst poultry. First, the young chicks may be fed with much less work and time than is the rule, and still it may be done in a way that is just as thorough. Good drinking fountains may be had for about thirty-five cents apiece, and two of these will do one hundred chickens well. They are easily kept clean, and may be filled every morning with fresh water. One advantage of these is no water is wasted or dirtied and the smaller chicks cannot drown. There is no reason, if these fountains have reasonable care, why they should not last for years. A good large feed chest means wonderful saving of time, and is also a thorough way of feeding. It can be large enough to hold three or four bags of feed. All kinds of dry feed can be mixed in these boxes, or better still, light partitions can be placed to separate grain, grit, The box should be placed on a siant with etc. a water-proof top, and an opening one inch wide made along the bottom of box on lower side. As the birds take the feed more is supplied from The writer has tried this plan and finds, above. it excellent. A cheap way to secure a good chest is from a dry-goods merchant. The merchant with whom you deal will generally be very reasonable.

ings, but work great mischief. Insect powder will surely destroy vermin when dusted into the So much has been said and so much feathers. has been written that one feels timid about mentioning this matter in these pages, but those in position to know consider that in many places vast improvements must be made in this particular before any great success may be attained. If one wishes to sell eggs to give perfect satisfaction in exceedingly warm weather, have eggs infertile and keep clean and in coolest possible place, remembering of course such place must be It is to be regretted that so little attendrv. tion is paid by the majority to the removal of male birds when breeding season is over in June. Until this practice becomes common poultrymen and farmers must continue to lose money on eggs during summer weather, not only because wholesale dealers pay several cents per dozen less for eggs injured in such ways, but the demand in the large cities is decreased when there is such uncertainty as to quality. In this respect the innocent must suffer with the guilty to a large extent. Some steps have been taken of late by which eggs are paid for according to quality, but as a rule prices are lowered for all. robably the only people whose business is not injured in this respect are those who candle their own eggs before selling, and are in a position to have private custom in large centres. But this class includes but few of us. As far as local markets are concerned the man with a basket of choicest goods receives, as a rule, the same price as the man with a basket of stale and dirty eggs, or even worse in different stages of incubation.

Let us look ahead lest in our eagerness to grasp the shadow to-day we lose the substance to-morrow. Another point must be impressed upon the poultry-keeper; that is, be very quiet with fowls of all ages. Handle them when growing so that they may become accustomed to their keeper by the time the laying period begins.

This applies to all birds, especially to the Leghorn. Hens are nervous creatures. Never allow them to be chased or frightened. Nervousness checks egg production more than inexperienced people would ever believe. Frights are disastrous.

Allow as far as it can be made possible a separate place for birds of different breeds and ages, a lways allowing the growing birds a place by themselves undisturbed by laying hens and male birds. Lastly might I

a d v i s e making a study of your work. Read all you may find that has been written by people

well informed on the

M. H.



Johnson Co., Ill. W. H. UNDERWOOD.

An old fence row is unsightly, and is a fine breeding ground for weeds and harmful insects; such places have harbored the army worm this season. No farmer can afford to leave such places alone. This fall is a good time to commence cleaning them out. Begin early.

Primrose Gift.

Champion Dairy Shorthorn at the Royal.

For hens brooding chicks always use bottomless coops. One has no idea how handy this is until it has been tried. They can be lifted each morning onto clean grass, making them fresh and sweet without any changes being necessary. Of course, when such coops are used the hens must be taught to lead the chicks into a tight building at night, ventilation being made only through top part of building. No chicks are safe at night, save in such a building, from their many enemies. Such coops are also convenient for broody hens during summer, after the breeding season is past. Broilers and table fowl to be fattened for ten days or so may be kept to advantage in such coops.

Proper and convenient tables must be placed under all chicken roosts, and always should be used in winter houses. We realize, only after we have tried it, how wonderfully clean this method keeps houses. It saves much time to have large boxes convenient to houses, in which a quantity of grain can be kept at a time. It is absolutely necessary to have everything convenient if work is to be wholly satisfactory.

A variety of grain must be given in some form, whether whole or in a dry mash. It is necessary, particularly in this hot, dry very weather, to see that good water is always available. All houses must be kept absolutely clean. Vermin cannot exist where both birds and houses are as clean and sweet as possible. Nothing is perhaps better than lime or wood ashes. Great care must be taken to know that ashes are thoroughly cold before using, as there is very great danger of fire, especially in winter, when litter of straw or shavings is kept upon the Mites flourish only in fitting surroundfloor.

Royal. Royal. success of their business. Strive to meet and and converse with those who are⁴ recognized as authorities. Visit occasionally, even if at some expense, a well-equipped poultry farm. Let us not find ourselves falling at the same stumbling blocks where we have fallen before.

Durham Co., Ont.

HORTICULTURE.

The Profitable and Beautiful English Walnut.

Editor "The Farmer's Advocate":

Cultivation of the English Walnut is not only one of the newest but one of the most rapidly growing industries in the United States; and, of course, the reason for this is readily traced to the fact that this country is producing only about one-half enough of these nuts to supply the demand.

The Persian Walnut, commonly called the English Walnut, was named "Nut of the Gods," nineteen hundred years ago, by the Romans, and by them was distributed throughout Southern Europe, where descendants of these original trees are now standing—some of them more than a thousand years old—lasting monuments to the men who conquered these countries. In many places these same trees are producing a large part of the total income; in truth the United States alone is importing more than five million dollars' worth of nuts from these trees every year, and about half a million dollars' worth of



their timber. English Walnut timber is very valuable, having a handsome grain and being unusually heavy, so heavy, in fact, that the green wood will not float in water. The wood is used in the manufacture of gunstocks and furniture, having a greater value than mahogany. . Single trees have been known to sell for more than \$3,000.

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Realizing the importance of having a home supply of English Walnut trees, France passed a law in 1720 prohibiting the exportation of the How well-advised was this move may timber. be appreciated now when it is known that the United States is importing yearly from Southern France a large percentage of her total consumption of 50,000,000 pounds of English Walnuts.

The Romans did not neglect England; for as a result of their invasion, many of these fine trees, hundreds of years old, are scattered along the roads and drives in every part of the islands. Some are nearly a hundred feet high with a spread of more than a hundred feet and bearing thousands of nuts for their owners every year. One tree is reported to be more than a thousand years old and to produce more than 100,000 nuts a year, being a chief factor in the support of five families. In England, by the way, it is of five families. customary to eat the fresh nuts, after the removal of the outer skin, with wine, the two dainties being served together.

The Germans also were quick to discover the great intrinsic value to their country of these trees, and very early formed the habit of planting a young English Walnut tree to take the place of one which for any reason had been cut down. The Germans were also said to have down. promulgated in certain localities a law which required every young farmer intent on marriage to show proof that he was the father of a stated number of English Walnut trees.

It is believed the first English Walnut tree in this country was planted by Roger Morris in 1758 at what is now known as Washington Heights, New York City. George Washington must have found that tree in 1776. Just one hundred years later, Norman Pomeroy, of Lockport, N. Y., father of E. C. Pomeroy, of the English Walnut farms, found a tree in Philadelphia, possibly a descendant of the original Morris Mr. Pomeroy's tree was loaded with an tree. exceptionally fine variety of sweet-flavored nuts, thin shelled and with a very full meat. That very tree, with Mr. Pomeroy's help, was the progenitor of all the English Walnut groves in Western New York, as well as of the many fruitful and ornamental trees now growing in all parts of the north and east.

Experts say there is no good reason why this country should not raise, at least, enough English Walnuts for its own needs, and even export a few million dollars worth. We are now importing more dollars worth of these nuts than both Canada and the United States are exporting in apples-and this, too, when Canada and the United States are known as apple countries.

California is producing about 12,000 tons a year. That State's crop last year would have been more than 13,000 tons had there not been three days of extremely hot weather about the middle of September, the thermometer registering 115 in many of the walnut sections. This torrid period seriously burned about 2,200 tons of nuts, yet the crop realized more than three and a half million dollars. The California growers do not have the frosts to open the outer shucks which we have here in the east, but they overcome this drawback in a great measure by irrigating a few days before the nuts are ripe. They begin the harvest the last of September, gathering the nuts which have fallen, drying them in trays for a few days, then taking them to the Association packing houses, where they are bleached and sacked. The Association does the shipping and the marketing, the grower gets his check on delivery at the warehouse. For there is no waste and the nuts are all sold before the harvest begins; in fact, often oversold. In some of the old missions of California there are English Walnut trees more than one hundred and forty years old, with trunks four feet in diameter. There are many of these individual ancient trees throughout the State, but the oldest of the orchards are from thirty-five to forty years. Some of these trees have a spread of eighty feet or more, and the growers consider that an English Walnut orchard will bear profitably for at least two hundred years. If trees will do this in irrigated sections, they will live and grow much longer in unirrigated places, for it is well known that the roots of trees not irrigated go much deeper into the subsoil and get the moisture and nourishment which this sub-soil furnishes. The roots of irrigated trees remain nearer the surface, and are not so long lived.

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Jose scale or any other insect pest. This free-dom from scale is attributed to the peculiar have succeeded in their object. alkali sap of the tree.

The demand for this nut is increasing rapidly, as its great food value is constantly becoming better known. Its meat contains many times more nutriment than the same amount of beef steak.

The price is keeping pace with the demand, the growers now receiving three times as much for a pound of nuts as they got a few years ago when they were producing only a tenth of the present output.

Thus it may be seen that the planting of English Walnut trees not only is an exceedingly lucrative venture for the present generation, but it means the conferring of a priceless boon upon the generations to come. Some states are considering the advisability of planting these trees along the new State Roads, after the custom in England and Germany, where practically all the walnuts are distributed along the drives or serve as ornamental shade trees upon the lawns. There is one avenue in Germany which is bordered on both sides for ten miles by enormous English Walnut trees which meet in the center, thus forming a beautiful covered lane, and at the same time yielding hundreds of dollars worth of nuts each season.

It is the custom in England and Germany to lease the trees to companies which pay so much for the privilege of harvesting the nuts, thus attaching to the trees a value similar to that of gilt-edged bonds, yielding a steady income to the owners with no work involved.

Besides the demand for English Walnuts as,a table and confectionary delicacy, they are often used for pickles, catsup and preserves, and in France many tons a year are made into oil, furnishing a splendid substitute for olive oil Connecticut, U. S. A. HOLLISTER SAGE.

The First Cars of Pre-cooled Fruit. Editor "'The Farmer's Advocate'':

The first carload of pre-cooled fruit to be shipped from the Grimsby Cold Storage, was a carload of Montmorency cherries, purchased by the Department from the growers at 371 cents per six-quart basket delivered at the cold storage. After cooling, the cherries were loaded in a re frigerator car and consigned to the Scott Fruit Co., Winnipeg. The car left Grimsby on the evening of Thursday the 16th and was opened in Winnipeg on Wednesday the 22nd. The Account Sales just received is as follows :--

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Dairy and Cold Storage Commissioner.

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FARM BULLETIN.

Thoughts on Canada. By Peter McArthur.

A few days before the field of mixed oats and barley was ripe enough to reap there came an urgent call for chicken feed, and taking the scythe I proceeded to mow a swath. As the mowing machine came into use when I was a boy I never learned to be an expert with the scythe, though I can swing one without jabbing the point into the ground too often. In my boyhood this implement was used chiefly to mow the fence-corners and the job was left to experts who The had been trained to mowing real meadows. scythe we have was bought for the purpose of cutting weeds,-and not used nearly so much as it should have been. As I said above I took the scythe and proceeded to mow a swath for chicken When the swath was cut, I raked it into eed. bundles and proceeded to bind it into sheaves. had done enough binding years ago to be able to make the bands without giving the matter a thought. My hands seemed to go through the motions instinctively. And it was because this little trick of binding seemed marvellous to the boys-they had never seen any but self-binder sheaves-that I was led to think of the change that has come over Canada even in my time. My memory goes back to mowing hay with scythes and raking with handrakes; to reaping with cradles and binding the sheaves by hand To my children, these things are as strange and far away as the glacial period. The Canada of to-day is as far removed from the Canada of the pioneers as that Canada was from the homes they left behind in England, Ireland and Scotland. Indeed, I think it is easien to find ploneer conditions in the Old Country than here in In England I saw men mowing Canada. meadows with scythes and raking with handrakes less than ten years ago and on a trip through Yorkshire I saw from the car-window a group of laborers reaping a field of wheat with We have moved more rapidly than the sickles. older countries so rapidly that we are in danger of losing the most significant part of our history As a nation we are trying to acquire a martial strut, and making much of the few military skirmishes that we dignify with the name of battles, entirely forgetful of the fact that Canada was conquered with the axe, the torch and the plowshare.

As a boy I learned, from the lips of the pioneers, the story of the great war with Nature that changed the wilderness to fertile fields. All my life, in other lands and in far cities, my imagination has brooded on that story until I have come to regard it as the most wonderful in the history of the human race. There have been many wars, recorded by historians and sung by poets, that yielded nothing but slaughter and a questionable glory. Not even the glamour of romance and song can hide the horror, cruelty and injustice of the wars that form so large part of the history of struggling, futile, blind But few centuries ago a man had humanity. a dream and courted the favor of kings so that it might be fulfilled. His purpose was to find a shorter and more direct route to India. But the purpose of Columbus was not the purpose of the God of Nations. The dream that urged him to sail "beyond the sunset and the paths of all the western stars" was to have a fulfilment beyond the flights of his imagination. He did not find a shorter passage to India. He found a new world. Then began a movement of the race and a struggle without parallel in recorded time. After the first plundering adventurers had failed in their quest for gold the oppressed and downtrodden of the old world were moved by a fierce hunger for homes that they could call their own. In ever increasing numbers they broke the ties that made them seris of the soil or gave up the trades that yielded them a meager living. Peasants, fishermen. sailors, weavers, shepherds-men of all servile occupations began a flight from lands of bondage to a New and greater Promised land. It was a hejira that was destined to change the history of the world. Practically without leaders they plunged into the wilderness and few of them ever returned. Men, women and children made up the army that was to conquer Nature on a continent that she had held as her own since the beginning of time. Each man was his own general in that war, and every hero left his bones on his field of victory. A generation of men and women sacrificed themselves on the altar of toil so that their children might be free. They left to their descendents a new world in which they need call no man master. They accomplished more than any other men that ever walked the earth-and their names are forgotten.

As an ornamental tree the English Walnut is unsurpassed. It has a light bark and dark green foliage which remains until late in the fall, being shed with the nuts in October and never during the summer. It is also an exceptionally clean tree and beautifully shaped, and, so far as known, has never been preyed upon by the San

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Other sour cherries were selling in Winnipeg on the same day (July 22nd) at 38 cents.

The car was accompanied as far as Winnipeg by Edwin Smith, who is in charge at Grimsby and both his report and the report of the Scott Fruit Co., state that the cherries were in perfect condition.

A little calculation will show that the net proceeds of this car was nearly \$100 in excess of the price paid the growers. The commission of 20 per cent. for handling seems altogether too high. I do not see why a commission agent should receive nearly twice as much for disposing of a car of fruit as the railway company redelves for hauling it nearly 1,400 miles.

A second carload of cherries, which was put through the warehouse and pre-cooled for E. J. Woolverton & Sons, was sold in Montreal on Monday the 27th. These cherries were picked at different times during the ten days preceding shipment and they were placed in the coolingroom the day they were picked. Some of them had been in storage for over a week when the car was lifted on Friday the 24th. The Montmorencys in this lot sold as high as 45 cents, and Windsors as high as 75 cents per six-quart basket. The fruit inspectors report that the cherries arrived in Montreal ex refrigerator car in good condition. Messrs. Woolverton's object in this shipment was to extend the season a week or ten days and thus avoid the glut which

To Canadians is given the opportunity of fully realizing the purposes of the pioneers. If we do not allow ourselves to be led astray we can make this the land of homes it was meant to be. We can cherish the new birth of freedom that gives to all men an equal opportunity and the blessings of peace. Our brothers to the South have forgotten their true heroes. They have had their wars and their pride is all for the men of '76 and the heroes of the great civil war. In the course of their development as a nation they have

"Mixed with kings in the low lust for sway, Yelled in the hunt and shared the murderous prey."

But our peaceful history is without such stain. We may have committed follies in the pursuit of wealth, but we still have the tradition and heritage of the pioneers. If we cherish the indomitable spirit that made our fathers conquer the wilderness no man shall ever call us servants, and we shall never help to put others in bondage. It is because I find the true history of Canada so vital and the promise of destiny so great, that I find it hard to choose fitting words in which to express my feeling of loyalty. And it is because I see such possibilities of high loyalty to my country that I find loyalty to party so trivial and feel humiliated to find in myself a trace of that partisan spirit which divides us when we should all be united.

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As these words are being written the world is clamorous with news of war. Before they are in print the great nations of Europe may be embroiled in a conflict such as has never been. But whether the outcome is peace or war we must watch lest we be stamped into the destructive militarism that has been the curse of the world. It was to found a land where such things would be impossible that our fathers sacrificed themselves and their sacrifice must not be in vain. In case of a general war we shall doubt-less have duties to perform as citizens of the Empire and we must perform them like men, but always with a view to banishing the specter of war from the earth. If we must fight we shall fight, but only to bring about conditions that will ensure peace. If the old order can do nothing better than plunge nations into war the old order must be changed. Though we are far removed from the scene of conflict there is no knowing how great a part we may play if we are but true to the traditions of our fathersthose men of peace-those common men who have given us a heritage of freedom beyond the gift of kings.

Highly Appreciated.

Editor "The Farmer's Advocate":

The Farmer's Advocate is the most wholesome paper any one can subscribe to,—reliable not only on matters relating to farming, but also on matters relating to higher life. I find it useful for all members of the family. My copy goes to far off India every week, and is highly appreciated there as well as here in Canada.

CECIL LANCASTER. Northumberland Co., Ont.

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Soil and Manuring for Corn and Roots.

Editor "The Farmer's Advocate":

At different times during the year we read articles regarding the proper method of applying farm-yard manure, but this is the time we see the best results of manured ground. In the early spring we drew out a large quantity of wellsaved manure for corn, this was spread on clover and timothy sod and ploughed about five inches deep, the ground was a sandy loam, so that it did not need any extra disking any more than made a proper seed bed. Then a log-drag was used for levelling, and this leaves the field in better condition for the marker if the corn is planted with a planter in squares.

An old stubble field, where oats were grown the previous year, was also manured and ploughed under about five inches. This field received the same dressing with manure as the clover sod got and has received the same amount of cultivating, but the leaves have a pale-green color, and altogether the corn is not any more than one-third as good as where it is on the sod. Many farmers in this district use such a field and are complaining about the short corn which is also thin on the ground. We plant nearly all of our corn on sod of some kind, and have found it a better paying crop than where planted on an old stubble field; and very often for lack of manure the corn is planted on sod without any manure. This also shows a large decrease in the crop, as we have a field which lacked enough manure to cover, and at present it is not any more than half as high as the manured part of the field.

All crops require manure, but no crop shows its effects better than a corn crop where a good dressing is ploughed under. And at all times of the year farmers should look after their manure pile. Don't throw out that straw into the yard to have it trampled and wasted. there is no room put it in a stack, and next winter have it cut and used as an absorbent under the cattle, sheep and horses; we use all kinds of absorbents and have it stored up ready for the winter, dried bush earth, sawdust, planings, muck and dried dung which accumulates in the barn and in the pasture lots. Some condemn sawdust. but we bedded our yearlings and horses all winter with it. Sawdust alone is of very little benefit to the soil, but when used as an absorbent it has no equal. We fertilized half an acre of roots out of a shed where the calves ran loose and where sawdust was used for bedding. As soon as one load got wet another load was scattered on top. This dung was spread sixteen loads to the acre for turnips, and when spread looked as if there was none there at all. It looked like sawdust. However, the turnips are the best in the district. We never draw out any more manure than we can plough in at once. If manure is left for days lying in the sun and air it becomes hard and dry, and will blow with the wind. Manure of this sort ploughed under has lost fifty per cent. of its value, especially if the weather is hot and windy. Plough the manure in green and wet, and this will draw an extra dampness in the soil which will resist drouth if the spring and summer happen to be All the plant food is taken direct into the dry. when ploughed under, but on the other hand soil

Death of a Distinguished Statistician.

The death last week in Ottawa of Archibald Blue. Chief Officer of the Census and Statistics Department, somewhat suddenly after a couple of year's failing health, removes a worthy figure from the country's public service. Beginning his career as a teacher he entered journalism in St. Thomas, Ont., and later became an editorial writer in Toronto, where his aptitude for marshalling facts and figures ultimately drew him into the Provincial Department of Agriculture He distinguished himself in the development of the Ontario Bureau of Industries and in the organization of the Provincial Bureau of mines. until his advancement to Ottawa as Chief Census Commissioner and subsequently Chief of Census and Statistics. He ably represented Canada at the International Institute of Agriculture in Rome, and was a delegate to the International Deep Waterways' Convention. Apart from re-ports he was the author of several valuable. works relating to the resources and growth of the country, and contributed articles of special value at times to "The Farmer's Advocate." A widow and three sons survive him, the latter Capt. W. A. Blue of Ottawa; Walter Blue, inspecting engineer of public works, and Wilson Blue, Managing Editor of the Vancouver, B. C., News-The late Mr. Blue was likewise a Advertiser. man of literary tastes and gifts, and highly esteemed for his social qualities as well as for the valuable public services which he rendered Canada.

Drouth and the Crops.

Continued dry weather is proving rather serious in many sections of Ontario, and is also reported as shortening crops in Western Canada. From a fairly good idea of the conditions in old Ontario we think that only those few counties in the southwestern peninsula have anything like a full crop all the way around. The dry weather in the eastern counties has shortened the straw, and must, of course, lessen the yield. Reports from Middlesex Co., Ont., state that fall wheat now being threshed is turning out between 25 and 30 bushels per acre, which is not a bad yield, but Middlesex has been favored with almost enough moisture up until the past week or so, and consequently yields are better than they will be in many other districts. Corn, roots and pastures are now suffering from drouth, and rain is badly needed over a wide area. Reports from the West are none too reassuring, and a short crop on the whole is expected.

Twenty One Years' Service.

A distinguished agricultural official, F. D. Coburn, for 21 years Secretary of the Kansas State Board of Agriculture, recently retired voluntarily from that position. He was truly a father to farming in the State. Able to discern policies needed to advance and maintain the prosperity of agriculture, he possessed the gift of organizing effort and the genius of a journalist in making use of printer's ink in the dissemination of graphic and helpful literature. Many of the reports of the State Board prepared under his direction, have never been excelled, and viewed in conjunction with the results recognized as the agriculture and live-stock husbandry of the State form a fitting monument to his official career.

One thing that would be popular with agriculturists generally in connection with forthcoming exhibitions is a stronger showing of farm implements and farm machinery. These are the farmer's labor savers, and anything which saves time and steps on the farm and also lightens the work interests the farmer and his wife. The big exhibitons are where they expect to find what they are looking for in this particular, and they should not be disappointed. there is a loss too great to be trifled with. Lanark Co., Ont. FARMER JOHN.

Foot-and-Mouth Disease Again.

Just when nearly all restrictions had been removed regarding foot-and-mouth disease in the Old Land, particularly Ireland, a new outbreak was located near Clonakenny, Ireland, and once again the embargo goes on Irish stock from certain places.

Toronto, Montreal, Buffalo, and Other Leading Markets.

Toronto.

Receipts at Union Stock - yards, West Toronto, on Monday, August 3, numbered 139 cars, comprising 2,862 cattle, 701 hogs, 726 sheep, and 377 calves. Cattle market was firm. Choice steers sold at \$8.50 to \$8.80, and one load at \$9; good, \$8.25 to \$8.40; common to medium, \$7.25 to \$8.15; inferior, \$6.75 to \$7.10; cows, \$3 to \$7; bulls, \$5 to \$7.85; stockers, \$5.50 to \$7; milkers, \$50 to \$95; calves, \$6.50 to \$11. Sheep, \$3.50 te \$6.50; lambs, \$7 to \$10. Hogs, \$9.15 fed and watered; \$8.50 f. o. b. cars, and \$9.40 weighed off cars.

REVIEW OF LAST WEEK'S MARKETS The total receipts of live stock at the **Oity and Union Stock-yards for the past** week were :

	City.	Union.	Total.
Cars	41	324	365
Cattle	567	8,702	4,269
Hogs	276	6,575	6,851
Sheep	696	4,194	4,890
Calves	37	980	1,017
Horses	46	53	99

The total receipts of live stock at the two markets for the corresponding week of 1913 were :

	City.	Union.	Total.
Cars	23	339	362
Cattle	325	5,221	5,546
Hogs	75	5,485	5,560
Sheep	788	3,257	4,045
Calves	133	990	1,123
Horses		1	1

The combined receipts of live stock at the City and Union Stock - yards for the past week, show an increase of 3 cars, 1,291 hogs, 845 sheep and lambs, and 98 horses; but a decrease of 1,277 cattle,

and 106 calves, compared with the corresponding week of 1913.

Receipts of live stock were moderately large in nearly all of the different classes. The quality of fat cattle was better than for the previous week; that is, there were more good to choice, but not enough to supply the demand, as several outside buyers from Montreal and Hamilton were on hand on Monday. Between three and four hundred were taken by these two cities. Trade was good all week for good to choice quality fat cattle, but the common and medium classes were not as readily picked up. Choice and good cattle were about ten cents higher. There was a fair demand for choice stockers and feeders, of which class there was a scarcity, and too many Holstein and dairy-bred steers that buyers do not take to. Prices were about steady. Early in the week there was a good demand for milkers and springers, at good prices, but later on the demand

eased off, and prices became lower by five to ten dollars per head. Veal calves, of which there was a larger supply, sold at firm quotations. Sheep held steady, but lamb prices were lower, as the supply was fairly liberal. Hog supplies were fairly liberal, but not enough to supply the local demand, and prices remained firm.

Butchers' Cattle.—Choice steers sold at \$8.50 to \$8.75, about eight loads going at the latter price; good steers and heifers, \$8.25 to \$8.45; several straight loads of heifers sold at \$8.30 to \$8.35; medium butchers', \$7.85 to \$8.10; common to medium, \$7.25 to \$7.50; inferior, light-weight steers and heifers, \$6 to \$7; choice cows, \$6.75 to \$7, with a few extra choicé, well-finished cows, at \$7.25; good cows, \$6.25 to \$6.50; medium cows-\$5.50 to \$6; common, \$5 to \$5.50; canners, \$2,50 to \$4.50; bulls, \$5 to \$7.25. Stockers and Feeders.—Prices for these were unchanged. Choice steers, 800 to

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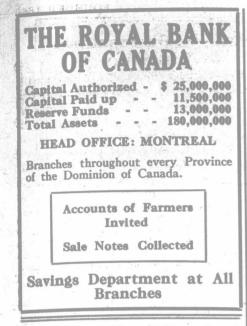
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900 lbs., sold at \$7 to \$7.25; good quality steers, \$6.50 to \$7; medium, \$5.75 to \$6; stockers, \$5.50 to \$6.

Milkers and Springers .- A few top quality cows sold from \$85 up to \$100 each early in the week, but later on the demand fell off. Prices ranged from \$45 to \$85, with the bulk going from \$65 to \$75 each.

Veal Calves .- The market remained firm, although there was a large supply. Choice calves sold from \$10 to \$11 per cwt.; good, \$9 to \$10; medium, \$8 to \$9; common, \$7 to \$8; inferior, \$6 to \$6.50.

Sheep and Lambs .- Light - weight ewes sold at \$5.50 to \$6.25; / yearlings, \$7 to \$8; heavy, fat ewes and rams, sold at \$8.50 to \$4.50; spring lambs, the bulk sold at \$9 to \$10; but there were many cull lambs that sold at \$7 to \$8.

Hogs .- Prices closed firm, at \$9.25 fed and watered, and \$9.50 weighed off cars, and \$8.90 f. o. b. cars at country points.

BREADSTUFFS.

Wheat.—Ontario, No. 2 red, white or mixed, 98c. to 99c., outside; Manitoba, No. 1' northern, 971c., track, bay points; No. 2 northern, 964c.; No. 8, 98c.

Oats .- Ontario, No. 2 white, 39c. 40c., outside; 414c. to 424c., track, To-ronto; Manitoba oats, No. 2, 43c.; No. 3, 42c., lake ports.

Rye.-Outside, 63c. to 64c.

Peas.-No. 2, 98c. to \$1.03, outside. Corn.-American, No. 2 yellow, 78c.,

track. Port Colborne. Barley .- For malting, 56c. to 58c., out-

side Buckwheat.-No. 2, 88c. to 90c., outside.

Flour.-Ontario, 90 - per - cent. winterwheat patents, \$3.60 to \$3.65, bulk, seaboard. Manitoba flour-Prices at Toronto were: First patents, \$5.50; second pat-

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low, No. 1, per lb., 54c. to 7c. Wool, unwashed, coarse, 17 tc.; wool, unwashed, fine, 19c.; wool, washed, coarse, 26c.; wool, washed, fine, 271c.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

Receipts of both fruits and vegetables were liberal all week, with prices easier in many instances. Apples, 30c. to 50c. per 11-quart basket; blueberries, \$1.50 to \$1.75 per basket; cantaloupes, Canadian, 75c. to \$1 per basket; cherries, red, 35c. to 50c. per basket; red currants, 50c. to 85c. per basket; currants, black, \$1 to \$1.15 per basket; gooseberries, 40c. to 50c. per basket; Lawton berries, 12c. to 14c. per quart box; pears, Canadian, 75c. per basket; plums, Canadian, 75c. per basket; raspberries, 10c. to 13c. per box; watermelons, 40c. each; beets, 20c. to 25c. per dozen bunches; beans, 20c. per basket; carrots, 20c. per dozen bunches; celery, 50c. to 60c. per dozen; cauliflower, 75c. to \$1 per dozen; cucumbers, 35c. to \$40c. per basket; corn, 15c. to 17c. per dozen; eggplant, 75c. to \$1 per basket; onions, large, green, Canadian, 15c. to 35c. per dozen bunches; onions, Bermudas, \$3.25 for 45-lb. case; lettuce, 25c. per dozen; peppers, green, 25c. to 50c. per basket; tomatoes, 50 per basket.

Montreal.

Live Stock .-- Supplies of cattle continued light, and prices remained very firm at recent advances. There was quite an active trade. Several carloads of mixed stuff were shipped to Buffalo. No extra choice or choice steers were offered. There was a fair supply of steers of the good order, and sales of these were made at \$8.25 to \$8.50. Fairish steers and heifers brought \$7.75 to \$8, while the poorer grades went at \$7 to \$7.50. Butcher cows brought \$5 to \$7.50, and common and inferior bulls, \$4 to \$5.30 per cwt. The tone of the market for live hogs was firm, under a keen demand. Supplies were small, and sales of selects were made at \$9.50 to \$9.75 per cwt., weighed off cars. The trade in sheep and lambs was active, with sales of the former at \$4 to \$4.50 per cwt. for common stock, while lambs brought from \$4 to \$6 each. Calves sold at from \$3 to \$12 each, according to size and quality.

Horses .- As was the case the previous week, very few horses were offered, and the market showed no life. There was sufficient demand for the supply, and prices remained unchanged.

Dressed Hogs .- Abattoir - dressed, freshkilled hogs were 25c. per cwt. higher, and the market was firm, at \$12.75 to \$13 per cwt.

Eggs .- There was a big trade in eggs, and they found a firm market. Quotations were: Selects, 27c. per dozen; straight receipts, in quantities, 22½c. to \$9; prime, fat heifers, \$8.25 to \$8.50;

Buffalo.

Cattle .-- Improved trade at Buffalo last week, shipping steers selling generally 15c. to 25c. above the preceding week, with butchering grades ruling strong. Western markets were weak, and only some few choice, weighty cattle, brought steady prices. Several loads of Canadian shipping steers, among the nineteen loads from across the river offered for the week, these running generally from \$8.50 to \$9.25, best offered ranging from \$9.15 to \$9.25. Best Ohio steers sold from \$9.35 to \$9.50. Load of yearlings brought \$9, and heavy, fat heifers and cows sold up to \$8.50 and \$7.50, respectively. Best handy steers-very few of these being offered-showed a general range of from \$8.25 to \$8.50, some light, too crooked steers for feeders, selling down to \$6.75 to \$7. Good demand for shipping steers, and the thirty-five loads or so were cleaned up in short order. Medium butcher stuff sold steady to strong. In the stocker and feeder line, receipts were mainly light, common Canadians, probably out of the Montreal section, and some of the tail-enders sold slow. Best feeding steers of good quality brought from \$6.90 to \$7.25, but they were picked up mainly in small bunches. Canada supplies very few of these good quality, very desirable kinds of feeders at this time. Raft of little Holstein bulls coming to market, and these are selling from \$5.25 to \$5.50 generally, with reds and roans of good quality fetching up to \$6 ,to \$6.25. Young grazing cows, unless of desirable quality, sold slow, at from \$5.25 to \$6.25 generally. Dairy cow trade looked higher by \$2.50 to \$5 per head, demand being strong for large, good producing cows. As has been the rule for the past few months, strictly prime cattle sold to much better advantage than the medium stuff. Well-finished steers were scarce, few strictly dry-fed ones being offered, and the outlet for these ample to find a place for them every marketday early in the session. With war in Europe threatening, some authorities are of the opinion that food products will undoubtedly advance, and opinion generally here is that beef will be one of the first items to advance in price, as the supply of canned stuff is thought to be none too large, and that this product will show a large advance if real hostilities are begun. Offerings the past week totaled 4,400 head, as against 6,650 for the preceding week, and 5,150 for the corresponding week a year ago. Quotations :

Choice to prime shipping steers, 1,250 to 1,500 lbs., \$9.25 to \$9.50; fair to good shipping steers, \$8.60 to \$8.90; plain and coarse, \$8.25 to \$8.40; choice to prime, handy steers, \$8.25 to \$8.75; fair to good, \$8.25 to \$8.85; light, common, \$7.50! to \$7.85; yearlings, \$8.25 to

year ago, 1,925. Top veals first days of week sold mostly at \$11, but prices advanced the latter part, of the week, bulk of Friday's sales on top yeals being made at \$12, some toppy Canadians sell-ing from \$11.75 to \$12. Most of the Canadian offerings, however, were grass-ers, and the majority, which were on Friday's market, went to a feeder buyer at prices ranging from \$5.50 to \$6.75. Butter .- Creamery, prints, 81c.; creamery, extra, tubs, 30c.; creamery, extra, firsts, 27c. to 28c.

Cheese .- New, fancy, 16c. to 16 tc.; fair to good, 141c. to 15c.

Eggs .- White, fancy, 27c. to 28c.

Chicago.

Cattle .-- Beeves, \$7.30 to \$10; Texas steers, \$6.40 to \$8.40; stockers and feeders, \$5.50 to \$8; cows and heifers, \$8.75 to \$9.15; calves, \$7.50 to \$11.25. Hogs.-Light, \$8.65 to \$9.15; mixed, \$8.50 to \$9.15; heavy, \$8.35 to \$9.05; roughs, \$8.35. to \$8.50; pigs, \$7.40 to \$8.95; bulk of sales, \$8.65 to \$9.05. Sheep and Lambs .- Sheep, natives \$5.15 to \$5.85; yearlings, \$5.60 to \$6.50; lambs, native, \$6 to \$8.10.

Cheese Markets.

St. Hyacinthe, Que., 124c.; Cowane ville, Que., no sales; butter, 241c. to 25c.; Belleville, Ont., 12 15-16c. to 13 1-16c.; London, Ont., 12#c.; Stirling, Ont., 12‡c.; Campbellford, Ont., 12‡c.; St. Paschal, Que., 12‡c.; butter; 24c.



T. J. Berry, of Hensall, Ont., has taken passage on the Empress of Britain. to sail on Thursday, August 6th, for his annual importation of Clydesdals and Shire horses. He informs us that his axiom for this year will be, not numbers, but quality. Full particulars of the shipment will appear in these columns on their arrival home.

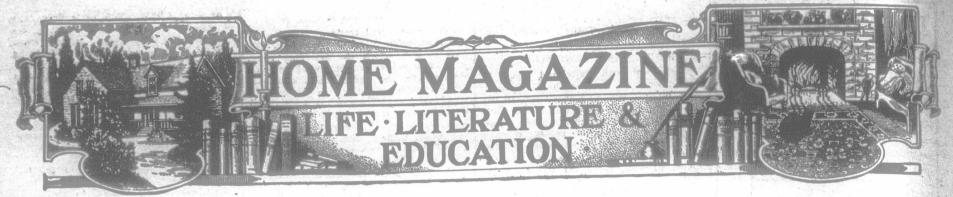
Volume 28, of the Canadian Ayrahire Herdbook, compiled and edited in the office of the Canadian National Livestock Records, has been issued from the press and a copy received at this office. This volume contains pedigrees of animals numbering from 88171 to 41725; also Canadian record of performance, scale of points, and a list of members, breeders, and owners. The volume contains 560 pages, and is exceedingly well printed and bound. The Secretary of the Association is W. F. Stephen, Huntingdon, Que.

Gerald Powell, Commission Agent, of Nogent-le-Rotrou (France), writes : shipped on the S. S. Minnewaska (At-

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Beans.—Imported, hand - picked, \$2.30; Canadians, hand - picked, \$2.30; Canadians, hand - picked, \$2.30; Canadians. Potatoes.—New, per bag, \$1.50 to \$1.75 for Canadians. Poultry.—Turkeys per lb., 18c. to 23c.; spring ducks, 18c. to 20c.; chickens, yearlings, 17c. to 23c.; hens, 14c. to 17c.; spring chickens, live weight, 20c. to 25c.; squabs, per dozen, \$4: HIDES AND SKINS. City hides, No. 1 inspected steers and cows, 14c.; No. 2, 13c.; city butcher hides, flat 14c.; country hides, cured, 15c. to 16½c.; green, 12c. to 12½c.; lamb skins and pelts, 35c. to 60c.; calf skins, 16c.; horse hair, per lb., 37c. to 38c.; horse hair, per lb.	Cheese.—The cheese market was very strong under a good demand. Finest Westerns were quoted at 13c. to 13åc., and finest Easterns at 12åc. to 12åc. Grain.—Owing to the situation in Europe, export trade was at a stand- still, there being no demand. There was a steady trade in coarse grains. Corn— American No. 2 yellow, 79c. Oats— Canadian Western, No. 2, 47c.; No. 3, 46c.; extra No. 1 feed, 45c. Barley— Manitoba feed, 57c. to 58c. Flour.—Manitoba first patents, \$5.60; secends, \$5.10; strong bakers', \$4.90. Ontario winter-wheat patents, choice, \$5 to \$5.25; straight rollers, \$4.70 to \$4.75; in bags, \$2.15 to \$2.20.	good butchering heifers, \$7.75 to \$8; light, \$7 to \$7.50; best, heavy, fat cows, \$7 to \$7.25; good butchering cows, \$6 to \$6.75; canners and cutters, \$3.40 to \$5; best feeders, \$6.90 to \$7.25; good, \$6.65 to \$6.85; best stockers, \$6.25 to \$6.75; common to good, \$5.50 to \$6; best bulls, \$6.75 to \$7.50; good killing bulls, \$6.25 to \$6.75; stock and medium bulls, \$5 to \$6; best milkers and spring- ers, \$75 to \$90; good, \$55 to \$65; com- mon, \$35 to \$50. Hogs.—Narrow range in hog prices again last week. Packers paid up to \$9.60 for mixed grades, and at no time during the week did they get anything, excepting heavies, below \$9.50; Yorkers, \$9.55 to \$9.65; lights and pigs, \$9.50 to \$9.65; roughs, \$8.10 to \$8.40; stags, \$6.50 to \$7.50. Three decks of Cana- dians, one deck selling Monday at \$9.45; Thursday another deck made this price, and Friday the third deck sold at \$9.40. Quality of Canadians not very good. Receipts: Past week, 28,320; previous week, 25,120; corresponding week last year, 22,720. Sheep and Lambs.—Trade steady most all of last week. Top lambs sold from \$8.50 to \$8.75, not many above \$8.50, and culls \$7 down. Top yearlings, \$6.50 to \$7; best wether sheep, \$6 to \$6.25, and ewes, \$4 to \$5.25; heavy ones, \$4 to \$4.25. Receipts: The past week, 6.600; previous week, 7.600; correspond- ing week last year, 9.800. Calves.—Receipts last week numbered 2,325, which included close to 300 head of Canadians. Run for previous week	lantic Transport Co. Line), on July 16th, for Hodgkinson & Tisdale, of Beaverton, Ont., five stallions and five marces. Sev- eral of these were winners at the last Percheron show held at Nogent-le-Rotrou, July 2nd, being second in the three-year- old class of marce, third in two-year-old class of marce, and fourth in two-year- old stallions in a strong class of ninety head. At the same show, another horns that I bought, with Truman Bros, Bush- nell, III., U. S. A., won first in the three - year - old stallions. So, you see, horses bought through me always do well in the show-rings, and it shows I know where to find the best ones." The reason given by many for refusing to remain on the farm is the long hours, while in town you have definite hours, from seven to six, and the day's work is finished. We agree that long hours is practiced on most farms, in fact all except those who run their farms on a business basis. And yet, do you work any longer than the clerk? Consider for one minute. Are you docked in your pay if you happen to oversieep ? How long do you rest on the hoe handle or sit on the fence conversing with a neighbor? How long do you get off at noon ? Consider summer and winter; it's all the same to the clerk, except the temperature and holiday rush. In busi- ness, time is money, and the idler dur- ing business hours usually gets short shift. Consider everything before being positive that the farmer works the long- est hours — Canadian Live-stock New
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The following poem, by John Keats, is considered by many to be the finest short poem in the English language :

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Ode on a Grecian Urn.

- Thou still unravished bride of quietness, Thou foster - child of Silence and slow Time,
- Bylvian historian, who canst thus express
- A flowery tale more sweetly than our rhyme ;
- What leaf fringed legend haunts about thy shape
- Of deities or mortals, or of both ?
- In Temple or the dales of Arcady? What men or gods are these ? What
- maidens loth? What mad pursuit? What struggle to
- escape ?
- What pipes and timbrels? What wild ecstacy ?
- Heard melodies are sweet, but those unheard
- Are sweeter; therefore, ye soft pipes, play on ;
- Not to the sensual ear, but, more endeared
- Pipe to the spirit diffies of no tony; Fair youth, beneath the trees, thou canst
- not leave Thy song, nor ever can those trees be
- bare ; Bold Lover, never, never canst thou
- kiss. Though winning near the goal-yet, do not grieve;
- She cannot fade, though thou hast not thy bliss,
- For ever wilt thou love, and she be fair !
- Ah, happy, happy boughs I that cannot Shed your leaves, nor ever bid the Spring adieu;
- And happy melodist, unwearied, Forever piping songs forever new ; More happy love! more happy, happy
- love ! Forever warm and still to be enjoyed,
- Forever panting and forever young ;

Browsings Among the Books.

THE ESCAPE FROM COMMONPLACE. (From "Ourselves and the Universe," by J. Brierley, B. A.)

There is a story of a man of loisure who found his future—an endless vista, as it seemed of days in which he would go through exactly the same round of getting up, dressing, feeding, and going to bed again-too appalling in its monotony, and so escaped from it by suicide. In such a position we could sympathize with his feeling if we did not proceed to his extremity. One of the greatest of human burdens is the sense of being imprisoned by 'the commonplace. A man spends his working day in making the eighth part of a pin, or in totting up columns of figures, or in selling calico. His wife, meanwhile, is occupied with an incessant cooking, cleaning and arranging, which has all to be begun over again to-morrow. "If there were only a respite, and a chance of travel and change !" They take it for granted, and are here voicing the almost universal feeling, that the escape from commonplace is simply an affair of change of circumstances.

How great an illusion this is will be patent to anyone who has the opportunity of studying his fellows under widely varying conditions. Riches in themselves furnish no escape from the commonplace. They can purchase innumerable things, but not this. There is a mob of rich people to-day, and they are, on the whole, less interesting than the poor. Their money can, if they choose, buy them laziness, which they share with the tramp, and to about as good purpose. It can secure the indulgence of animal sensations with all manner of luxurious accessories. But some fatal laws block the way to felicity along this line; the law of familiarity which robs the sensation of its first flavor, and the laws relating to excess which exact the grisliest of after penalties. Leading performers in this line, a Tiberius and a Sardanapalus, offer great rewards for a new pleasure. The new pleasures, alas ! turn out to be neither new nor pleasant. Consumed with the thirst for enjoyment, and with a whole world waiting to minister to it, they are at last unable, from the whole complicated apparatus, to extract one satisfying drop. People who have to stay at home imagine, we have just said, that a sure escape from the commonplace is by travel and change of scene. It is enough to rub shoulders with the average globetrotter to be disillusioned on that head. He carries, alas ! the commonplace everywhere about. with him. We call to mind, how, at a Swiss hotel, when an expedition was being planned, a British tourist who was listening exclaimed, wearily, "I suppose it is just the same there as here, a lot of mountains and that kind of thing !" The Alps awakened in him absolutely no response. He wanted Paris. It was a brother soul who, on the Aegean, with Salamis and the mountains that look on Marathon in full view, grumbled in our ear, "I can't for the life of me see what people find 'to rave about in these places; a lot of barren rocks and tumble-down ruins !" One meets Americans, spending half their holiday in railway carriages, rushing Europe and Asia, the driving power behind them the fear that their neighbors in Philadelphia or Indianapolis will want to know if they inspected this mosque, or saw that picture, and will triumph over them to their life's end if they did not. To be carted round the planet by contract is, after all, a thin, surface business, that will never turn a fool into a

wise man, nor put insight into a blockhead.

So far, then, as at present appears, the business of escaping the commonplace is a difficult one, out of the reach apparently of any but the rarer natures. But that would be a hasty conclusion. The most important factors in the problem have not yet been touched. To begin with, Nature does not seem to have organized man's life here with a view to its being a purely humdrum affair. That she placed him in such an astonishing universe, and with a relation to it so marvellous, is in itself the answer to such a supposition. When, a million years ago, she turned this new-comer off the track of his fellow mammalian primates and began to add to his brainpower while these others were merely developing limb.power; when bit by bit, she brought him along this fresh line until, with a body in the same zoological kingdom as the chimpanzee, he attained to a mind that demanded infinity for work-room and play-place, she gave notice that here was a being whose experience and destiny were to be certainly not common. Nor will she allow anyone of us to forget this. The knowledge of good and evil that she rubs into us; our encounters with pain and trouble, the fact that we can never get through a day without some rebuff, some tangle of circumstance; and, most strikof all, that in full view there is ing placed before every mother's son of us, for wind-up of our present career, the tremendous adventure of death, are all Nature's stern refusal to man to permit himself to be trivial.

And with this plain hint from headquarters to start us, we may now profitably turn our attention to 'the ways in which, imprisoned as we most are in our narrowing labors and positions, we may yet individually escape the commonplace. There is but one way, and it is an inward way. The only change as to our circumstances that is really effective is the change of our mental and moral attitude towards them. It was to this that Madame Swetchine arrived as the result of her wide experience, "At bottom there is in life only what one puts into it"; and which Montaigne, from an experience still wider, has expressed in the aphorism, "External occasions take both flavor and color from the inward constitution." Precisely in proportion as we become in ourselves deeper, purer, more refined, more open-eyed, does our environment become more wonderful, more wholly removed from tedium or vulgar-There is no need to travel a thouity. sand miles in search of the sublime. A starry night is vastly more sublime than Niagara. Samuel Drew, the Cornish shoemaker, without going from his last, sounded the deeps within him to such purpose as to produce an astonishing work on the soul. Let anyone to whom the hedgerow by his door has become common, take with him on his next visit there some handbook of botany, and he will find his hedge-bottom grown miraculous to him. The moment we take ourselves in hand this way, and realize that the whole question of change, whether it be of scenery or circumstance, is, from beginning to end, a question of our own interior, and of what goes on there, our deliverance has begun. Maeterlinck, in his "Wisdom and Destiny," strikingly illustrates this in what he says of Emily Bronte. Here, he says, is a young woman, daughter of a country clergyman without means or the excitements of travel or society, who never had lover or husband or family of her own. And yet, as her one wonderful book shows. she lived out all these experiences in her own soul, and in their highest forms. The world for us, let us repeat, is our own interior. We are not all, it may be said, con-

structive geniuses like Emily Bronte. But if we cannot speak, we can at least listen, and in the great literatures which come now to our doors almost gratis, we may at any hour escape from mean surroundings into the rarest society. Homer and Socrates and St. Paul and Shakespeare are of our circle, we can dispense quite easily with an invitation to the next Lord Mayor's dinner. We have touched literature here, however, not to dwell upon it, but for something to which it leads us. The power of great book, we soon discover, is the power of the personality which it enshrines. What moves us is that we are there in contact with a soul, and the more soul there is in 'the book the more we are moved by it. A treatise of mechanics is not literature simply because this personal element is lacking. It is here that literature helps us to understand religion. The life of literature, its whole emancipating power, lies in this contact with personality. It unites us with the world's greatest spirits. And it is because of its revelation of the Greatest of all Personalities that religion is for us the everlasting deliverer from the commonplace. The humblest peasant who has felt God, steps at once into the world's selecter circle. He can never be, henceforth, either to others or, what is more important, to himself, common or unclean.

"Stripes and Stars."

Here's an appealing little poem I came upon years and years agd, which was found scribbled in pencil under the pillow of a young Federal soldier who had died in the hospital of his wounds. The conceit in the last line of the last verse seems to me as happy as it is pathetic :--

I lay me down to sleep With little thought or care Whether my waking find Me here or there.

A bowing, burdened head That only asks to rest. Unquestioning upon A loving breast.

All breathing human passion far above, That leaves a heart high-sorrowful and cloyed.

A burning forehead and a parching tongue.

Who are these coming to the sacrifice ? To what green altar, O mysterious priest.

Lead'st thou that heifer lowing at the skies,

And all her silken flanks with garlands drest ?

What little town by river or seashore Or mountain-built with peaceful citadel, Is emptied of this folk, this pious morn ?

And little town, thy streets for evermore Will silent be: and not a soul to tell Why thou art desolate, can e'er return.

- **O** attic shape ! Fair attitude! with brede Of marble men and maidens overwrought.
- With forest branches and the trodden weed :

Thou silent form, dost tease us out of thought

As doth eternity; Cold Pastoral !

When old age shall this generation waste.

Thou shalt remain in midst of other woe

Than ours, a friend to man, to whom thou say'st.

"Beauty is truth, truth beauty,"-that is all

Ye know on earth, and all you need to know.

My good right hand forgets Its cunning now; To march the weary march I know not how.

I am not eager, bold. Nor strong; All that is past. I'm ready not to do At last 1 At last 1

My half-day's work is done ! And this is all my part ! I give a patient God My patient heart.

And grasp his banner still. Though all its blue be dim. These stripes no less than stars Lead up to Him !

-T. P.'s Weekly.

Forbearance.

Hast thou named all the birds without a gun? Loved the wood-rose, and left it on its stalk ? At rich men's tables eaten bread and pulse? Unarmed, faced danger with a heart of trust ? And loved so well a high behavior,

In man or maid, that thou from speech refrained.

Nobility more nobly to repay? O, be my friend, and teach me to be thine !

-Ralph Waldo Emerson.

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Hope's Quiet Hour.

Letter From a Missionary. "Mission Hill," Jebba, N. Nigeria, W. Africa, June 15, 1914.

Dear Miss Farncomb,-Greetings in His Name ! Probably you remember (some years ago) a request from a backwoods young man who was thirsting for something which he could not get, and how he wrote to you for the name of a company wherefrom he could get "good" reading matter, and asked you for names of some "good" books. And how, instead of doing that, you sent him a number of books from your own library, among them "Rainsford's Sermons." "Quiet Talks on Service," and-later onyour own book, "The Vision of His Face." Do you know that those books and others he got from the firms mentioned in your letter, gave this young man "a vision of His Face," and created new ambitions ? Can you picture that same young man poring over those books in his backwoods home, seated on a stump or fallen tree, and with a friend or two discussing the chapters which were then too deep to be fully understood? May it mean something to you to know that that young man some seven months ago sailed for Interior Africa, and is to-day a missionary among the pagans and Mohammedans, and is drawing men to Christ, both Mohammedan and pagan, and is, I think, the hap-piest man that ever was, for the Lord is growing more precious to him every day, and he cannot do enough to carry the "good news" among all people. How glad I am to say that not only is he in the foreign field partly as a result of those books you sent him, but that through him a number of others are going through seminaries, universities, and Bible colleges, preparing for work among the lumber camps and foreign lands. Little, probably, did you think what the result of those books would be some day. -(One of my African friends is very fond of looking at his conversion in this way. He says, "Once my face and heart were black, but now my face is black only and my heart is white, for Jesus has washed it whiter than wool.") What a privilege it is to be in the Master's Service!-What a joy to lead souls to Christ!-Tho' forsaken by old friends-what does it matter when have Jesus? Can we count it hardship to have at times to be laid low with the dreaded African fever? No. Can we count it sacrificing when we might have lived in comparative luxury in Canada, and now to live on native chop? (for this is often necessary as it costs so much to order goods and takes so long

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tests us and we wonder where will our money come from, but He has a purpose in it all. We could not go under a Church or

Mission Board for the doctors could not pass us because of weak hearts. So we went on-faith for the Lord lead us thus and therefor we are not supported-this being the case we took the Lord's word and He sees to our needs.

One evening just before we sailed, I called at your brother's home, you were then proof-reading a new book of yours which you said, if I gave you my address, you would send it to me-unfortunately I neglected to bring hardly any books with me save a few (including "The vision of His Face") and how long for reading matter,-how I do miss your talks in the "Quiet Hour"!-The only thing we miss is Christian fellowship, out here.-Even a book or paper would help some. Thanking you again and again and praying that the Lord will bless you richly and make you blessing to all you reach. I remain. 8.

Yours in the Master's Service,

A. J. S. The above is part of a letter which I received a few days ago. I am sure the writer will not find fault with me for passing it on, as he first became known to me through our "Quiet Hour." You notice how anxious he is for "good" books. If you, and a hundred other readers of the "Advocate," feel like helping him in his arduous task by sending him a book or two, he will soon have a well-stocked library. Please send them by book post to Mr. A. J. Schultz, Mission Hill, Jebba, Nigeria, W. Africa. I wish to thank "a friend in Frank-

I wish to thank "a friend in Franklin" and "a Walkerton reader." for generous gifts sent through me to the poor and needy. Some of the money went to a poor widow, who broke her leg a few weeks ago, and some of it has been spent on books and other things for my "shutin" friends in the hospital. As I have no space left for a talk with you to-day, I shall pass on to you one of the poems from my treasured M.S. book. HOPE.

THE DAISY.

(The Children's Flower.) "Once, many, many years ago, So long that when, none seem to know, An Angel came to earth one day And watched the children at their play. They played within a garden close, Bright sunflowers grew there, and the rose,

And there were lilies white and tall, That seemed the stateliest of them all. But all in vain the children tried To pluck the sunflowers side by side, And thorns were on the rose's stem, And lilies were too tall for them. The Angel watched them try in vain, Then flew back into heaven again, And smiled unto himself, 'I see They want a children's flower!- said he.

He brought from Heaven that very night A little flower with petals white,

With heart of gold and short, green stem

That should not grow too high for them.

And in the grass he bid it grow, That night, so many years ago. Ah! well indeed the Angel guessed Which flower the children could love best!"

-Anon.

The Windrow.

The "Bismarck," the largest ship ever built, was recently launched in the presence of the Kaiser. The ship's launching weight was 38,000 tons, and when completed for sea she will have a displacement of 56,000 tons.

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Mr. F. C. Philips, the author of "Varied Life," has truly had a varied life, and is a man of many experiences. He began as a soldier, left the army to undertake theater management, renounced that to study law, and after practicing law and journalism for some years, abandoned the law courts to devote himself exclusively to literary work.

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Powdered coal is now spoken of for fuel, the advantage claimed for it being a saving of about fifty per cent. over other fuels. It is now in use in saveral large plants in the United States, and is giving entire satisfaction. "The fires are usually started with oily waste or wood in front of the burner, much in the same way that gas or oil fires are kindled. The cost of installation is less than for producer gas; high temperatures can be obtained without regeneration, and the loss in gasifying is eliminated."

A Swiss musician, Frank Choisy, has devised a simple method to aid beginners in learning the violin. The "joujuste (from the French jouer, play, and juste,

correct) is a sheet of paper, slipped under the strings with marks indicating the exact points on the strings corresponding to the different notes. The scholar has only to place his fingers on these marks to produce the desired note correctly. All uncertainty 'seen disappears, and the fingers assume a habit of positioning that greatly facilitates correctness."

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In his address before the Royal Geographical Society, Theodore Roosevelt told of some of the strange creatures met with in his recent travels in Brazil. Among others, he mentioned the piranha, a fish no bigger than a good-sized trout, though deeper, but of incredible ferocity. Two of his party were severely bitten, and only a short time before, a 12-year-old boy had been torn to pieces while out for a swim; giant cat-fish, more dreaded by bathers than alligators; fire-ants, whose bite burnt the skin like hot cinders, each wound leaving a festering sore; vampire bats, whose bite is inflicted painlessly, but leaves a wound which bleeds for some time afterwards; and the jacana, a strange plover whose enormous feet enable it to walk on the leaves of the water-lilies in search of the insects and molluscs on which it feeds.

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J. B. Rather, Assistant Chemist at the Texas Agricultural Station, advocates the use of cotton-seed meal, mixed with corn meal or wheat flour, as a food for human beings. It is unpalatable and heavy alone, so the proportion of other flour should be large; four parts of corn or wheat to one of the meal. Its advantage will be found both in its cheapness and in its ability to serve as a meat substitute. A pound of digestible protein in this form costs only 5 cents, while in the form of steak it costs 78 cents, and of eggs \$1.06. "It is not impossible that a large number of people will be driven by economic reasons to search for meat substitutes. In such an emergency cotton - seed meal would deserve serious consideration. The available supply is enormous, and is increasing yearly. In proportion to its food value, it is the cheapest foodstuff known to the writer."

Writing of the founding of St. Petersburg by Peter the Great, in 1708, on ground which was made on swamps and morasses, and of which it was said a century ago, "the united magnificence of all the cities of Europe could but equal

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y? me to be Emerson. to arrive here). No, we can count it no sacrifice when we are doing it all for the Lord .- When I think what Christ did for me and then see how little I am doing for Him, when I think of how He suffered and how His suffering was such a far greater suffering in every way I can not think of mentioning suffering in case—it is all joy, it is all a my privilege. Tho' at times we face the daggers of the natives, tho' we are threatened of our lives for preaching Jesus, for the witch-doctors get very angry at times, yet what is my life? Men glory to be called soldiers of the King, they think it nothing to face death in defending the flag,-why should we then be alraid of the poisoned arrows when we are soldiers of the Cross,when the King of Kings is our Commander and says "Go"!

It is not necessary for me to say that the writer of this letter is the same man that wrote 'to you for books, or rather names of books, and not necessary for me to say that I can never forget you. In prayer I often remember you-May your life be a long and happy one-may many souls be saved and encouraged by your writings.

"We are now firmly established, and have a day school of 50 naked little "savages," a Bible Class of 40 every Saturday (mostly men and women) and have from 140 to 200 in church on Sundays—besides this, large open air meetlngs in 'the evenings. The Lord is with us. He is our Mission Board and all our requests are made to Him only and He supplies our need. Sometimes He



The Meadow Brook

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it," Prof. Barnes Steveni says : "Peter did not stop at the most heroic methods to carry out his pet scheme of making "a window to look on Europe," from which he did not wish to be debarred any longer by the jealous fear of . the Western powers. All good Russians hated the new capital, and in 1714, Peter issued an Ukaz, forbidding anyone to build a stone house except in St. Petersburg, under penalty of exile to Siberia and confiscation of property. Every nobleman was therefore obliged, not only to build a palace or house in St. Petersburg, but also to bring with him a certain quantity of rough stone. By these and similar measures, St. Petersburg was called into being."

'A fund is now being raised in England for the purchase and preservation of the battlefield of Waterloo, on which it has been proposed to erect buildings. A sum of £10,000 will be required for this purpose, and an additional sum is asked for to pay for the erection of a simple resting-place and monument for the bones of the heroes of all nations who fell on that day. The Pall Mall Gazette says : "Waterloo was more, much more, than a victory. . . . We do not glory in the defeat and humiliation of a gallant foe, now our closest friend in Europe, we glory because the men of these little islands set their teeth and battled for the liberty of Europe through twenty - four long years, often alone, withstanding Waterloo was the crown the spoilers. and consummation of that struggle. . . Are there no other spots less sacred, where pianos may tinkle, and the busy feet of the "daily breader" echo over the pavement as he betakes himself to work?" As yet the fund only amounts to a little over £6,000.

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fied that there was no cat beside herself outside of the glass. But where was the second cat? She sat down in front of the glass to meditate on the problem. Evidently inside, as she had often before imagined. Suddenly a new thought occurred to her. Rising deliberately, she put her paws on the glass in front and then behind, walked round to the other side, and measured the thickness in the same way. Then she sat down again to think. There might be a cavity inside, but it was not large enough to hold a cat. She seemed to come to the deliberate conclusion that there was a mystery here, but no cat, and it wasn't worth while to bother about it. From that time the baron said she lost all curiosity about looking-glasses .-- From Our Dumb Animals.

Junior Beaver's Letter Box.

Dear Puck and Beavers,-This is my first letter to the charming Circle. enjoy reading the letters very much. I am eleven years old, and I like to go to school. We have taken "The Farmer's Advocate" for about six years. If the waste - paper basket is hungry he will swallow this letter. I think I will close, wishing the Beaver Circle every success, as my letter is getting rather long, so NANCY LEIS. good-bye.

(Age 11 years.) St. Agatha, Ont., R. R. No. 1.

Dear Puck and Beavers,-This is my first letter to the Beaver Circle. We have taken "The Farmer's Advocate" for nearly six years. I enjoy reading the Beaver Circle very much. I have read that some of the Beavers try for a doll's dress competition. May I try, too? Ι am fourteen years old. What time of

would write one, too. I go to school nearly, every day. I am eleven years old and am in the Junior Third Class. My teacher's name is Miss Handy; I like her fine. I have two sisters; no broth-For pets, I have two lambs which ers. I call Daisy and Jack. My oldest sister goes to High School; she is sixteen years old, and my youngest sister is thirteen. We have five, horses and eight head of cattle. We milk five cows. As my letter is getting long, I will close. GRACE ILER.

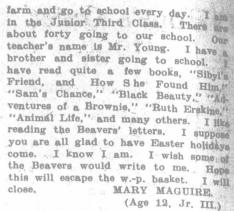
R. R. No. 1, Kingsville, Ont.

Dear Puck and Beavers,-This is my first letter to your charming Circle. My father has taken "The Farmer's Advocate" since the year 1900. I like reading the letters very much. For pets, I have a cat named Jumbo, a dog named Fido, and three calves, named Pat, Bess, and Bobbie. Jumbo weighs thirteen and a half pounds. Fido catches lots of rats and mice. I have a sister and two brothers. Celia, age 7; Eli, age 4, and Earl. I go to school, and am in the Second Book. My teacher's name is Miss Marchand. I hope this letter will escape the w.-p. b. I guess I will close (as my letter is getting rather long) with a riddle.

If butter cost 26 cents a pound, how much will you get for a cent and a quarter ? Ans .- One pound. Wishing the Beavers every success.

JOHN AYLMER CHRISTIE (age 8). R. R. No. 1, Exeter, Ont.

Dear Puck and Beavers,-I wrote twice before, and saw both my letters in print, so I thought I would write again. live in the country, between Welland and Fonthill. I think it is a great deal more healthful, and we can have more



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R. R. No. 1, Clandeboye, Ont.

Honor Roll.

Catherine Fraser, Lancaster, Ont. Maria Stobie, Port Lock, Ont. Catherine Ann MoGillis, Green Valley, Ont.

Ray Hellyer, Kenilworth, Ont. Maggie Clark, Ravenswood, Ont. Roxanna Sully, Peterboro, Ont.

Only a Tiny, Wee Pussy.

Only a tiny, wee pussy, With coat as black as a sloe, Four neat little paws, like velvet, And eyes that like emeralds glow.

Only a quaint little pussy, With a quaint little pussy-cat's ways, Sometimes just a romping madcap, That round me scampers and plays:

Sometimes, in more restful humor, A gentle, soft little thing, That nestles her head on my shoulder, And, contented, begins to sing.

Only a tiny, wee pussy ! But oft, when I'm burdened with care,

And the fret of life and its canker Seem harder than I can bear,

If she puts but her paws of velvet, In their own pretty, clinging way, Around my neck, and looks upward, With eyes wherein love-beams play;

When she seems to say with quaint humor, "Don't worry, for I am here !" The clouds seem somehow to vanish, And again the skies are clear.

Oh ! oft when my spirit was ruffled, And when within was all unrest, Her soothing purr has calm'd me, And lull'd the storm in my breast.

Only a tiny, wee pussy ! But ofttimes, when cold and bare eem'd the prospect of life, all hope She has sav'd me from despair ! -J. E. P., in The Animal's Friend.

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Just Plain Cat.

Our neighbor's cat is Persian, the Jones' is Maltese :

Aunty's big Angora has feathers to her knees

(At least they look like feathers) and a tail so big and white,

When that kitty meets a puppy dog, I tell you it's a sight !

But when I ask, "What breed is minemy pussy, sleek and fat ?" They laugh, and pull my curls, and say,

"I fear-just cat."

It's true her eyes aren't yellow, her tail is rather small.

I don't know if she ever had a ped-i-gree at all.

(That big word means her mother, her grandma, too, they say,

That they all took prizes at a show, were marked a special way.)

- What do I care for markings, for prizes and all that?
- She is the darling of my heart-and just plain cat.
- She was the dearest kitten, all scamper and all fur !
- Not one of all my other pets could make me laugh like her.
- She may be very common, but I know she's good and true,
- she meets me when I come from For school with loving little mew;
- And when she's round we never see a teenchy mouse or rat,
- And I b'lieve I love her better 'cause she's just plain cat !
- -Jennie P. Ewing, in Youth's Companion.

An Intelligent Cat.

Baron Von Gleichen, a German diplomat, used to tell a story of a favorite cat as a proof that the feline race can think and draw practical conclusions. The cat was very fond of looking in mirrors hung against the walls, and would the frames, as if longing to gnaw at know what was inside. She had, however, never seen the backside of a mirror. One day the baron placed a cheval glass in the middle of the room, and the cat instantly took in the novelty of the situation.

Placing herself in front and seeing second cat, she began to run round the mirror in search of her companion. After running round one way several times, she began to run the other, until fully satis-

Cat's Cradle.

the year do they try? We have four cows, five calves, and two horses. I like feeding the calves. I will close now, hoping to see this letter in print, and wishing every success to the Circle. LIZZIE LEIS.

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St. Agatha, Ont., R. R. No. 1.

The Doll's Dress Competitions are usually held in the early winter, and the prizes awarded before Christmas. If this competition is held again 'this winter, we will be very pleased to have you take part in it.

Dear Puck and Beavers,-I wrote once before and I did not see it in print, so I thought I would write again and see if I could do better. I live six miles from town, and I go to school every day. have two cats; one named Jack and the other Tom. I also have two calves; one named Daisy, the other Bob. We killed twenty-one rats a few weeks ago in about half an hour. I live on a farm of one hundred acres. We have twenty-one little pigs. As my letter is getting long, will close with a riddle. Where can happiness always be found ?

Ans .- In the dictionary.

OLIVE LAINE. (Age 10, Class II.)

Paris, Ont., R. R. No. 1.

Dear Puck and Beavers,-This is my first letter to the Beaver Circle. I like to read the letters so well I thought I

fun in the country. Papa has taken "The Farmer's Advocate" for a long time, and he always keeps every one of the papers. I am fond of reading. I have read such as "Black Beauty," "Jennie's Little Black Friend," "Strange Lands Near Home," and a lot more. For pets, I have a dog whose name is Prinnie, and a cat who goes by the name of Tutsy. I dress them both up; the dog I dress in my baby clothes, and I made clothes for the cat on the sewingmachine. I am in the Junior Third Class at school; my teacher's name is Mr. Hamblin. I go to the "Quaker Road School," which is just half a mile away. The reason they called it "Quaker Road" was because it was the road that nearly all the Quakers lived on that went to the "Quaker Church."

I was just learning to skate when the snow came the deepest and covered it all up. I would be pleased if someone of about my age (10) would write to me.

Well, Puck, don't you think this is a long enough letter, ? I will close with a few riddles.

Why do all little birds of a nest all agree ? Ans .- For fear of falling out. If a boy falls into the water, what is the first thing he does ? Ans .- Get wet.

ETHELWYN LEARN. R. R. No. 2, Welland, Ont.

Dear Puck and Beavers,-This is my first letter to your Circle. I live on a

Needs of the Cat.

The cat needs a good meal twice of three times a day. Kittens should be fed at least four times a day. The cat needs to have fresh water where she can always get at it. She ought to have fresh milk at least once a day. She needs a good clean, warm, dry bed. She wants somebody to love her.

No child can practice cruelty towards any living creature without doing himself far greater harm, yet in the majority of homes we hear, "Don't hurt the cat, she will scratch you," instead of "Don't hurt the cat, for she feels the pain as you would." Not a word is said as to the rights of the animal or the moral harm sustained by the child.

Cats are not endowed with the proverbial "nine lives," able to exist anywhere, under any conditions, as many people would like to have it believed. but are very sensitive, delicate creatures, depending wholly upon a good home and care for their comfort and health.

The Arabian teacher, Mahomet, was very fond of cats. One day his pet kitten went to sleep upon the wide sleeve of his robe, and he cut off the sleeve rather than disturb the comfortable pussy.

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The Ingle Nook.

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CLEANING FEATHERS-CLEANING SILK DRESS.

Dear Junia,-I am an interested reader of your circle, and get so many helpful hints from it that I am now coming for more advice.

Will you kindly tell me if you, would edvise trying to color white ostrich plumes with Maypole soap, or how would you clean them to leave them white ?

How can a white Brussels net dress. with silk trimmings and a Jap silk slip, be cleaned without shrinking ?

Thanking you, I remain very truly "BETH." yours. We have never heard of using Maypole

soap for dying feathers, but do not see why it should not answer. Perhaps some of our readers have tried it and can give their experience.

The Scientific American gives the following recipe for cleaning white feathers: "Dissolve four ounces of white soap in two quarts of boiling water, put it into a large basin or small pan, and beat to a strong lather with a wire egg - beater or small bundle of birch twigs; use while warm. Hold the feather by the quill in the left hand, dip it into the soap liquor and squeeze it through the right hand, using a moderate degree of pressure. Continue this operation until the feather is perfectly clean and white, using a secand lot of soap liquor if necessary Rinse in clean hot water to take out the wap, and afterwards in cold water in which a small quantity of blue has been dissolved." Shake well, and dry before a moderate fire, shaking it occasionally that it may look full and soft when dried. Before it is quite dry, curl each über separately with a blunt knife or 'ivory paper-cutter."

Possibly "dry cleaning" would be the best means for cleaning your dress. First of all look the garment over care fully, mend holes or rips, if any, brush carefully to remove dust, and take out any stains. When ready to clean, have three covered vessels half-filled with gasoline. Put the garment into the first ressel and let it stand for quarter of an tour. Then squeeze out the gasoline and drop it into the second vessel, where it should be left about the same length of time. After taking out the second dish it is put into the third. By this time it should be well cleaned, but if it is not so, it may be gently rubbed, and soap, even, may be used upon it, in the gasoline. gasoline. When the material is silk, however, care should be taken in the rubbing, as silk may generate enough heat from the friction of one surface against the other to ignite the gasoline. When the used gasoline has been allowed to settle thoroughly, the clean portion may be poured off and saved to use again. Alter taking the garment out of the last gasoline, shake it thoroughly in the air, and brush it well. It is not necessary to rip up a garment to clean it by this process. Remember, however, that gasoline is very inflammable, and no flame or fire of any sort should be allowed in the room where the cleaning is done.

girl is fair complexioned. How should her hair be dressed ? What salads and dishes, also courses, for a party about four o'clock ? How should boys and girls be seated at tables ? Would you have the party inside or outside? Please fill out invitation form to be sent on a card. What games would be suitable to play with boys and girls about twelve years of age? How should house be decorated ? Also outside, and tables ? Please give me some recipes for a birthday cake. Not to take up too much time and space, I'll close, thanking you very much. ROSEBUD.

Your letter, which is dated July 13, has evidently been delayed somewhere, and did not reach us in time for an answer in an earlier issue, and I am afraid this will be too late to give much assistance as to invitations or menu for the party, but generally speaking, these should be simple. Except for some very large function, children's entertainments need not be so formal or so elaborate as those of older people.

Have your party outside, if possible, and the table (one long one, or several small ones, as preferred) set either under the shade of some trees or in a marquee on the lawn. They may be prettily decorated with vases of golden - rod, or any wild flowers obtainable, with a little spray of flowers, or single flower, each place, and the refreshat ments need not be served in courses. Have plenty of sandwiches of two or three varieties, thin bread and butter. a nice fruit salad. ice cream, two or three kinds of cake, and the birthday cake, which should occupy the place of honor on the table, and should be surrounded by small candles, one for each year of the age of the child for whom the party is given.

pen, or other small gift, as a prize, and the one who fails may be given a copy of "Mother Goose."

Geographical Game .-- Seat the players in a ring. Let the first one say aloud the name of a city, mountain, river, lake, etc., located in any part of the world, the next player give the name beginning with the final letter of the name previously given, and the third supply one beginning with the final letter of the second, and so on. Thus: Canada, Athens, Spain, Niagara. Each player is allowed half a minute in which to think. If by the end of that time he has failed to supply a name, he must drop out of the game. The one keeping up longest is the champion, and may receive a little souvenir.

A Souvenir Pudding.-A large pan, filled with bran or sawdust, will make a nice pudding for a children's party, by putting some small favors or souvenirs in the bottom of the pan, then a layer of sawdust, then more presents, and so on, till the pan is filled. Have a large wooden spoon, and let each child make a dive with the spoon till he gets one souvenir.

Best wishes for many happy returns of the day, and may the weather be fine and the party a success.

MOULDY SMELL IN ROOM.

Dear Junia,-My husband has taken "The Farmer's Advocate" for several years, and we enjoy reading it very much. I naturally, I presume, turn first to the Ingle Nook, and have received help from Junia's letters, and from other members of the Ingle Nook. I would like to know if you or any of the readers of "The Farmer's Advocate" could

ing correctly may receive a goose - quill perhaps you could help me also. Could you tell me what would take yellowness off one's neck ? Thanking you in ad-BLOSSOM. vance.

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Try rubbing the neck with lemon juice every night. It is one of the best whiteners of the skin. If you have been wearing high, stiff collars, give them up and wear either low, or very soft ones. Or the following lotion makes a good bleach: Four ounces alcohol, two ounces rosewater, and fifteen drops tincture of rosewater. Apply at night, rubbing well in.

Rubbing the neck with olive oil several times a day is said to work wonders in removing the brown color; also applying the following mixture every night: Three ounces almond oil, two ounces cucumber juice, two drams white wax, one ounce spermaceti, ten drops oil of lemon.

TREATMENT FOR DANDRUFF.

Dear Junia,-May I, through the Ingle Nook, ask for information about the hair ? I will soon be fourteen years of age, and already I am bothered with dandruff. What would you advise me to get to cure my head of the same, and also to help the growth of the hair? How is a nice way for a girl of my age to wear her hair ? If I take my hair back loosely with a curl down my back, where would you put a ribbon ? Also, does curling injure the hair ? I mean, by curling it with tongs or putting it in rags or papers, when your hair is not naturally curly.

Well, I must close now, thanking you for any information I may receive BLOSSOM.

Blossom No. 2,-Curling the hair with tongs is apt to make it dry and brittle, but putting it up in rags or papers should not injure it. Tie your hair loosely with a bow of ribbon at the nape of the neck, and allow it to hang in one curl. A good tonic for the hair is made as follows : . One ounce of sage, steep it in boiling water' for ten minutes, then strain and add 2 ounces glycerine, + ounce powdered berax, ¿ ounce lac sulphur, 1 ounce tincture of cantharides, bergamot sufficient to perfume. Apply twice a week with the hand, and rub thoroughly in. It will remove dandrug and strengthen the growth.

HOMEMADE CHEESE.

Dear Junia,-We have taken "The Farmer's Advocate" ever since we started housekeeping, and like it very much. About two years ago there appeared the recipe for making homemade cheese. My paper was mislaid and lost, and I have been trying to get the recipe ever since. Do you think it could be printed again? The cheese was made the way an old friend used to make it, and I know it to be good. I would be very pleased to M. J. G. have it again.



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Dear Junia,-Here I come like many others, asking for information. I would like very much if some of the readers could give me the words of "The Drunkard's Ragged Wean." I will be very grateful to anyone sending this song. Have received many useful hints from these columns. BESSIE CURRIE. Have never heard of the selection. Perhaps some one else may give the desired information.

BIRTHDAY PARTY.

Dear Junia,-I am a new member, and would like to join the Ingle Nook. came to you to ask you some questions about a birthday party to be given about the eighth of August. What color and style of dress would be suitable for a twelve-year-old girl? Also what color

Beauty Spots of Canada. "Soft is the song my paddle sings."

A pretty way to seat the children at table, is to cut a number of picture cards (half as many as there are children invited) in two, placing the different halves in two card-dishes. Have the boys choose from one dish and the girls from the other, and then match the halves for partners.

There is nothing prettier for the small hostess to wear than white, with white stockings and pumps; or with colored sash, hair - ribbons and stockings to match. If the hair is naturally curly, it may be tied close to the head with a bow of ribbon; or, if straight, it may be braided in one or two braids and tied with ribbon to match the sash. It will be too late, by the time this reaches you, to suggest any games requiring preparation, but croquet or any other out-door games will be enjoyed. Following are a couple of games which require no previous preparation, and which may help to fill the time.

Mother-Goose Game.-A slip is handed to each small guest with the name of one of the mother-goose characters upon The hostess retains a list of these, it. and calls each in turn to repeat, within the space of one minute, the familiar verse relating to this character. Failing to do this, a forfeit must be paid. of shoes or pumps and stockings? The The one who is most prompt in answer-

tell me how to get rid of a mouldy smell in a parlor. I think it was caused from having paper under the carpet and its getting damp. It is in the upholstered furniture. Have a new rug this spring, and the floor freshly painted around the border. Would paper on the wall cause the smell. I keep window and door open. Would be greatly relieved if you could tell me how to get rid of the mouldy smell in furniture and room.

A FARMER'S HELPMEET.

Have you tried lighting a fire in the room to dry it out thoroughly? Perhaps the dampness is in the walls. Or shutting the windows and doors and fumigating with a formaldehyde candle might help. If this is a permanently damp room, a small earthen bowl or plate filled with quicklime may be kept in a corner, the lime will absorb the dampness, and sweeten the air. As often as the lime becomes slaked throw it out (on the compost heap) and renew. If the mouldy smell is in the upholstered furniture and fumigating does no good, there will be no alternative except reupholstering.

TO WHITEN THE SKIN.

Dear Junia,-I have read so many helpful things in your corner that I thought salt are added.

We cannot find the fecipe you refer toyou are rather vague as to when it appeared, aren't you ?--- so give the follow ing recipe, which we hope will be "just as good."

Cottage Cheese .-- Put four quarts of sweet milk into a pan, and let it stand in a warm place long enough to become Care must be exercised to presour. vent it from becoming too sour, as soon as it gets thick it will be ready In summer, this may be at the for use. end of twenty-four hours; in winter, at the end of two or three days. Place the pan of sour milk over a kettle of boiling water, and heat it almost to the boiling point. When the pan has been over the water about six minutes, take a large spoon and turn the milk over by spoonfuls, getting the hot part on top. When the whey has become so hot that it cannot be touched with a finger, turn the entire mass into a colander and let it drain off. When it is free of whey, add a teaspoonful of salt and a tablespoonful of butter, and press the mixture into a dish of handsome shape, or mould it into balls about the size of hens' eggs. It improves the cheese to put in four or five tablespoonfuls of cream with the drained curd at the time the butter and

A Kitchen Scrap Bag. If a recipe calls for a cup of left-over

gravy, and there is not such a thing in the refrigerator, make a substitute by stirring into a cup of boiling water a teaspoon of beef extract.

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When buttering pans, molds, cake tins, or anything which requires greasing, use a small, flat, bristle, paint brush. It costs ten cents. and if kept clean, will last for years.

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Cold soda biscuits can be dipped quickly in water and heated through, or they may be sliced thinly, toasted crisply, and served with coffee. Cold muffins are good split and toasted. Cold Johnnycake, sliced thin, makes a sweet, crisp toast for breakfast.

A pint of new potatoes, too small to serve in presentable fashion, may be boiled, skinned, and covered with a white sauce, or allowed to cool and served whole as a potato salad, with a few shredded chives sprinkled over them.

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A pinch of ground cloves in a warmedup meat dish is often a pleasing addition. Nutmeg is the spice to use with poultry.

In making hash, never stir with a spoon, it makes the mixture disagreeably pasty. Toss lightly with a fork.

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A slight flavor of onion is almost a must - have in hot dishes prepared from cold meat.

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Before you fry cold potatoes, dust them with flour. They will taste better and brown better

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One of the most successful transformations of a plain omelet into a delicious dish is the pouring over it when cooked, a cup of hot, white sauce, containing a cup of peas.

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There are a few rules to remember in the keeping of left-over potatoes. Never put them hot into a refrigerator. Do not allow them to stand in an uncovered dish, or they will acquire a tough, disagreeable skin, and have to be reduced to nothing by paring. Use cold potatoes before they are two days old. In hot weather they will not keep more than twenty-four hours. The sense of smell will speedily reveal to you if they have soured.

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To make warmed-up meats appetizing, there are various commodities which should always occupy a place in the pantry. Have a bottle of caramel, a glass can filled with browned flour, a jar of finely-rolled bread crumbs, Worcestershire sauce, celery salt, mace, bay leaves, tabasco, cayenne, curry, catsup, canned mushrooms, paprika, & & chembouquet, and horseradish. The secret of appetizing food is good flavoring, and a frequent varying of flavor has more to do with a tempting table than a large butcher bill.

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When fresh vegetables are to be cooked, the water should be boiling when they are put into it, and salt should not be added until the cooking is nearly finished. The articles should be served promptly after they have been over the fire the prescribed time, for the most delicate will become dark and strong-flavored if cooked too long.

Carrots, turnips, onions, and cabbage, should be cooked in a great deal of water—at least four times the quantity of vegetables—and should be boiled only long enough to cook them thoroughly. Proper cooking and good modes of serving are of more account than a varied selection of materials.

Sauted Potatoes.—Cut into balls or cubes enough raw potatoes to make a quart. Put them in a stew-pan and cover with boiling water. Cook for ten minutes; then drain off the water and add four tablespoonfuls of clarified butter. Shake over a hot fire until the potatoes are a golden-brown. Dredge with salt and serve at once.

French Fried Sweet Potatoes.—Cut cold boiled sweet potatoes into sixths, lengthwise. Season them with salt, and, putting them into the frying basket, cook in fat for five minutes. This is one of the most delicious ways of serving sweet potatoes.

Carrots with Cream Sauce.-Scrape, wash, and cut into cubes enough carrots to make a quart when cut up. Put them into a stew-pan with two quarts of boiling water, and cook them for one hour, then pour off all the water except half a gill. Add one teaspoonful of sugar and one of salt, and boil rapidly until all the water evaporates; then add the sauce and serve at once. For the sauce, put three gills of milk into a stew-pan, and when it boils add two tablespoonfuls of butter that has been beaten, with a level tablespoonful of flour, to a froth. Now add half a teaspoonful of salt and one-eighth of a teaspoonful of pepper. Cook for three minutes before pouring over the vegetables. Stewed Turnips .- Pare and slice enough turnips to make three pints, and cut them into cubes about half an inch square. Put these into a stew-pan containing two quarts of boiling water, and cook for half an hour; then drain off all the water and add a heaping teaspoonful of sugar, two tablespoonfuls of butter, half a teaspoonful of salt, a little pepper, and half a pint of stock. Cook rapidly until the stock has almost boiled

a.wa.v. Parsnip Fritters .-- Put a pint of flour into a sieve, and add to it one teaspoonful and a half of baking-powder and a scant teaspoonful of salt. Mix thoroughly and rub through the sieve. Next beat two eggs till light, and after adding a pint of milk to them, stir the mixture into the flour. Follow with the addition of a pint of cold boiled parsnips, grated fine; and after beating the mixture thoroughly, drop it by spoonfuls into boiling fat, holding the spoon close to the liquid before you venture to drop the contents. Cook the fritters for about five minutes, and serve very hot. There should be fat enough to float the fritters, and it should smoke before they are dropped in. Stuffed Onions.-Boil six large onions gently for an hour in clear water in plenty. At the end of the stated time, remove the onions from the water, and with a sharp knife cut a piece from the center of each. Mix together two tablespoonfuls of fine-chopped ham, three of bread crumbs, one of butter, three of milk or cream, one egg, half a teaspoonful of salt, and a grain of cayenne. Fill with 'this mixture the spaces made in the onions. Sprinkle with dry crumbs, and put half a teaspoonful of butter on top of each onion, and bake slowly for an hour. Serve with cream sauce. Spanish onions are especially delicious prepared in this way. Broiled Tomatoes .- After paring and slicing the tomatoes, and seasoning suitably with salt and pepper, dip the slices in beaten egg and in crumbs. Broil over clear coals for about eight minutes. Place on a hot dish, with a bit of butter in the center of each slice. This dish is good for breakfast, dinner, or tea. Green Corn in Cream .- Husk the corn and boil it for ten minutes. Cool it a little. Draw a sharp knife down each row of kernels, thus cutting every kernel in two. Press the corn from the husks with the back of a knife. When all the

corn is ready, put it in a saucepan, and to each pint add half a teaspoonful of sugar, one-fourth of a teaspoonful of pepper, one tablespoonful of butter, and three-fourths of a cupful of milk or cream. Simmer for ten minutes, and serve very hot.

The Old Greasy Candle.

How dear to this heart are the lights of my childhood,

When fond recollection brings candles to view,

With their weak little flicker, they seemed to my mind good, Though my eyes could scarce see what

my hands sought to do.

Chorus :

The old greasy candle, The sputtering candle, The vile-smelling candle

We all loved so well.

How well I remember the days that we made them,

The kettles of tallow that stood on the stoves,

How we dipped them and dried them and in long rows arrayed them, Ah ! those were the days that my mem-

ory loves.

Chorus.

- How they sputtered and blurred the page I was reading
- And had to be snuffed every minute or two:
- While my eyes sorely acfied and to blindness were leading.
- From straining to read by that uneasy glow.

Chorus.

- I'm told they're artistic, electrics are garish.
- Our age lacks the spirit of art so divine;
- But though I court Art, 'tis comfort I cherish
- And I'll just take the bright incandescent for mine.

Chorus :

Oh, that bright incandescent, Whose light is so pleasant And is now omnipresent. It suits me full well. —Ihpa Thayer Frary.

—Inna Inayer Frary.

A Cat Story.

The latest animal story from America (says the Westminster Gazette) concerns a cat, belonging to Major Cannon, of the Quartermaster's department at Governors' Island. Commodore Nutt, as the cat is called, was sentenced to banishment from the island for making the squirrels his favorite diet. The cat was exceedingly wily in its methods. He would roll a nut near the squirrels' haunts, and then lie in wait for a victim. The Commodore was at length caught in the act, and reported to headquarters. As the outcome of the court martial held upon his pet, Major Cannon was notified that Commodore Nutt would have to leave the island, or else be provided with a bell. The bell was fixed to the cat at once, and the animal had perforce to go about the island tinkling like a bell-wether. But the squirrels continued to die as before, and a watch was set upon the crafty Commodore. He was spotted by a sentry among the trees, stalking his prey on three feet. His left forefoot clutched the bell at its neck ! When that bell tinkled it tolled the death knell of yet another squirrel. That settled the tenure of Mr. Nutt's lease of life on Governors' Island. He was brought from his happy hunting-ground and cast into outer darkness, joining the great army of unemployed cats in New York City.

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An Overworked Proverb.

"I think 'No news is good news' is rather a mean proverb," said an indigmant girl. "When mother asked the friend from whom she parted this morning to 'phone occasionally and let her hear from Mary's sick baby, the answer came as if it were the most natural in the world: 'Oh, well, I'll let you know, of course, 'if he should be worss; but as long as he is getting better there is nothing to 'phone. Apparently it never occurred to her that 'Heard from Mary to-day, and baby is still getting better,' would be a cheering message for one who cared.

"It set me to thinking how selfish, or at least careless, most of us are with our good news-not the great frappenings, but the little every-day bits of goodness and cheer. We don't write the letters that friends are longing for, or take the time to send "all's well," messages that others would be glad to hear, and we excuse ourselves with that miserable old proverb, 'No news is good news.' They know they would be sum to hear if anything were wrong. We are never in too great a hurry to write badnews letters, send bad-news messages, or make bad-news prayers."

The indictment against the old saying holds more than a grain of truth. Whatever it may have of connort in an hour of anxiety, it has its root in the fact that people are apt to be careless when all is going well. One of our greatest sins against love, human and divine, lies in selfish preoccupation and neglect when the wheels of life run smoothly.—Forward.

Why Orange Blossoms?

For many centuries the recognized thing for a bride has been a wreath of orange blossoms. But why orange blossoms? The question is especially interesting when you note the fact that in many countries the orange blossom is entirely tabooed. The German heids wears myrtle; the girl of the Black Forest takes the flower of the hawthorn -when she can get it. The brides of Italy and the French provinces of Switzerland use white roses. Spanish brides go in for pinks, carnations, and red roses. In Norway, Sweden, and Servia the bridal crown is of silver; in Bavaria and Silesia, glass, pearls, and gold wire are used; in the islands of Greece, vine leaves; in Bohemia, rose-mary; and so on. The Roman bridal wreath was of verbena. Holly wreaths were sent as tokens of congratulation. and the wreaths, of parsley and rue were given under the idea that they were the best preventatives against the influence of evil spirits. Why, then, the orange blossom wreath? The practice of wearing the orange blossom has been derived from the Saracens, among whom the

Seasonable Cookery.

The cooking of vegetables calls for the same skill and 'taste as are employed in making a delicate dessert. Perfect cleanliness, cooking the vegetable only until it is tender, and serving it with salt and sweet butter, or a delicate sauce, are 'the things necessary to secure perfection.

Turnips, carrots, beets, radishes, letc., should be gathered while they are small and delicate in flavor.

Vegetables that are picked in the early morning for use the same day can be cooked in about half the time that would be needed if they were kept a day or two longer. Ears of green corn that are just filled will, if plunged into boiling water as soon as gathered, cook in ten minutes, or perhaps less; while the same corn, if kept for one or two days, will require twice as much time for cooking, and will not be so tender and fine flavored as if cooked at once.

Talking about a shortage of food at one period during his last expedition, Sir Ernest Shackleton tells an amusing story of one of his companions. On his return to England his bootmaker met him, and asked.

"How did you find those boots I made for you $\ref{eq: 1.5}$

"Best I ever tasted," was the prompt reply.—Tit Bits. particular blossom was regarded as a symbol of a prosperous marriage, a circumstance which is partly to be abcounted for by the fact that in the East the orange tree bears ripe fruit and blossome at the came time.

How the World Sleeps.

Most people sleep on their sides, with the knees drawn up.

Elephants always and horses commonly sleep standing up.

Birds, with the exception of owls and the hanging parrots of India, sleep with their heads turned tailward over the back and the beak thrust among the feathers between the wing and the body. Storks, gulls, and other long-legged birds, sleep standing on one leg.

Ducks sleep on open water. To avoid drifting shoreward, they keep paddling with one foot, thus making them move in a circle.

Sloths sleep hanging by their four feet, the head rucked in between their fore legs.

Foxes and wolves sleep curled up, their noses and the soles of their feet close together, and blanketed by their bushy tails.

Hares, snakes, and fish sleep with their eyes wide open.

Owls, in addition to their eyelids, have a screen that they draw sideways across their eyes to shut out the light, for they sleep in the daytime.—Canadian Churchman.

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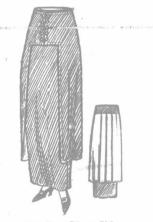
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The New Fashion.

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Nobody grows old nowadays. Women of forty are every bit as fascinating as girls of twenty, and men of fifty have a healthy, optimistic bouyancy that their sons can never rival. I fancy that in the future the serious, dull work of the world will be done by the young, and that at forty we shall be expected to begin sowing our wild oats .- The Carpenter, in the "Daily Express."

Cold almond blanc mange is a nice dessert for warm weather. Make a paste of four tablespoonfuls of corn starch, wet with a little cold water. Stir this into a quart of milk, with four tablespoonfuls of sugar, and boil until thick. Flavor with a drop or two of almond extract, and stir in one cupful of chopped blanched almonds. Pour into a mould, and put on the ice until very cold. Serve with whipped cream.



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News of the Week

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A motor life-boat which will attempt to cross the Atlantic on its own power, started from New York Friday last, carrying a crew of five persons. The boat is built of galvanized steel, from keel to top. According to Capt. Lundin, the inventor, "when the steel doors of the deckhouse are closed, she may be turned bottom upwards without sinking; when turned over in the dock with a crane, the boat righted itself as soon as the ropes were released."

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Four stage - coaches were held up in Yellowstone Park last week, by two men. and the 165 passengers robbed. It is said that the two men secured upwards of \$3,000.

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The United States Post - office Department will this fall issue two new stamps (a two-cent and five-cent), as part of its contribution to the peace celebration.

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A French statistician estimates that in the event of war in which the great powers would be engaged, the expense of the campaign would be something like fifty-four million dollars daily.

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The annual report of the auditor of the city of Montreal, shows that it cost, approximately, \$40,000,000 to finance the city last year. Only \$106,064 of this amount was spent on charity.

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Including derigibles owned by private firms or individuals, but available for Government use in time of war, Germany has now 34 airships, Austria nine, and Italy seven.

The C. N. R. has placed an order for one and a half million dollars' worth of equipment, for service on the road between Toronto and Winnipeg. The order has been placed with Canadian firms,

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On an average, only 211 out of every 1,000 of the population of Russia can A Bill is to be placed read and write. before the Parliament advocating a system of universal education.

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As a consequence of the assassination of the Archduke Francis Ferdinand, heir to the Austrian throne, by a native of Servia, on June 28th last, the whole of be drawn into war. At the Europ time of writing, England and France are using every effort to preserve peace, but the nations of Europe are already mobilizing, and there is little hope of their efforts meeting with success.







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and brary: A good story reaches the London Woman from the somewhat out-of-the-way region of Petaluna. Early last week all was going merrily at a very interesting wedding in the town until the bridegroom was called upon to produce the wedding ring. In vain he felt in his trousers pocket for the missing trifle. Nothing could be found except a hole through which the ring had evidently fallen into the fligh boot which is affected by young men of that country. What was he to do?

"Take your boot off," said the parson. The suspense and silence was painful.

The organist, at the priest's bidding, struck up a "voluntary."

The young man, sitting on the altar rails, removed his boot, the ring was found—also a hole in the stocking, which led the worthy divine to remark: "Young man, it is time you were married."

An Important Date.—"What was the date of the Union of the Crowns?" asked an inspector. "1603," he was instantly informed. "Right. And why was this date an important one for you to remember?" "Because you were sure to ask for it," replied the little victim of cramming.—Christian Register.

Lending Books.

A grievous habit is that of lending books. Not to the borrower, however, we hasten to say. He, on the contrary, is entertained, instructed, or it may be enriched by the spendthrift generosity of his friend, the book lover, who in his eager desire to share the delight, that a good book has afforded him, places it in the honest palm of his friend and visitor, all forgetful in the benevolent enthusiasm of the moment that time and the unconscious operation of the old maxim, "possession is nine points of the law," may cause his beloved volume to take up its permanent abode on his friend's book shelf. Who can adequately describe the pangs suffered by an unfortunate lender? May we be pardoned for the suggestion that in this genial spring-time when nature prompts us to sow good seeds in the ground and form good resolves in the heart that we gather up the "walfs and strays" from other libraries and gladden the hearts of their owners by returning them, with suitable acknowledgements to their accustomed shelves.—Canadian Churchman.

He-You look to me older than you said you were.

She-You can't expect me to remember age. Why, its' altering all the time.-Fliegende Blaetter. 1436

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inquired. Being sportsmen, we did as the Hunt desired ;

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And he played with a cork on the end of a string;

And walking a puppy was "just the thing."

But the days went by and the bundle grew,

And broke the commandments and stole and slew,

And covered the lawn with a varied loot Of fowl and feather and bone and boot, And scratched in the garden a hundred

holes, And wearied our bodies and damned our

souls As we chased him over the plots, and

swore There was "walking a puppy" for us no more !

If he's half so good in a woodland ride As he is at tucking young ducks inside, And half as keen on the scent of a fox As he is at finding my red silk socks, It is safe to bet when our bound goes back

He will make a name in the ducal pack, For he'll empty a cover-of beef or brose, And he'll stick to a line-if it's hung with clothes !

-Will H. Ogilvie, in Baily's Magazine.

The Melting Pot.

Fling them all in the melting pot, Native and strange to these harboring shores,

Where the scarlet fires are flaming hot And the noise of the conflagration roars.

Foreigners, citizens, gather here, Drawn by the light and held in thrall; Moths that out of the darkness appear To answer headlong the fateful call.

And some are lifted out of the ditch, And some are dragged from the hills of pride;

The lowly and noble, poor and rich, Seething and bubbling side by side.

And some bring thrift and brains and skill

And cast them all in the common store; And some bring sloth and the sins that

kill That into the fusing caldron pour.

It levels them all like the leveller death

up at once, surtout, straight-brimmed hat, overshoes (if he wore any), umbrella and all, and the four foot-falletwo cat-like and wabbly, as befitted the obsequious flunky, and two firm and decided, as befitted a grenadier crossing a bridge-could now be heard mounting the staira. "So here you are !" cried Peter, holding out both hands to the overjoyed

girls, many of whom had already

arrived, would know he was in the

house. Fifteen minutes later the flash

of a bald head, glistening in the glare

of the lower hall lantern, told him that

the finest old gentleman in the world

had arrived, and on the very minute,

Parkin's special instructions, repeated

for the third time, were to bring Mr.

Peter Grayson-it was wonderful what

an impressive note was in the boy's

voice when he rolled out the syllables-

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ing out both hands to the overjoyed boy—""way up near the sky. One flight less than my own. Let me get my breath, my boy, before I say another word. No, don't worry, only Anno Domini—you'll come 'to it some 'day. How delightfully you are settled!"

They had entered the cosey sittingroom and Jack was helping with his coat; Parkins, with his nose in the air (he had heard his master's criticism), having already placed his hat on a side table and the umbrella in the corner.

"Where will you sit—in the big chair by the fire or in this long straw one?" cried the boy, Peter's coat still in his hand.

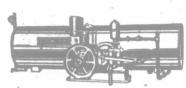
"Nowhere yet; let me look around a little." One of Peter's tests of a man was the things he lived with. "Ah 1 books?" and he peered at a row on the mantel. "Macaulay, I see, and here's Poe: Good, very good—why certainly it is— Where did you get this Morland?" and again Peter's glasses went up. "Through that door is your bedroomyes, and the bath. Very charming, I must say. You ought to live very. happily here; few young fellows I know have half your comforts."

Jack had interrupted him to say that the Morland print was one that he had brought from his father's home, and that the books had come from the same source, but Peter kept on in his tour around the room. Suddenly he stopped and looked steadily at a portrait over the mantel.

"Yes-your father-"

'You knew !'' cried Jack.

"Knew! How could one make a mistake? Fine head. About fifty I should say. 'No question about his firmness or his kindness. Yes-fine headand a gentleman, that is best of all. When you come to marry always hunt up the grandiather-saves such a lot of trouble in after life," and one of Peter's infectious laughs filled the room.



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Peter scanned the portrait. "Not a trace. That may also be a question of and another laugh grandfathers—" rippled out. "But just be thankful you bear his name. It isn't always necessary to have a long line of gentlemen behind you, and if you haven't any, or can't trace them, a man, if he has pluck and grit, can get along without them; but it's very comforting to know they once existed. Now let me sit down and listen to you," added Peter, whose random talk had been inspired by the look of boyish embarrassment on Jack's face. He had purposely struck many notes in order to see which one would echo in the lad's heart, so that his host might find himself, just as he had done when Jack with generous impulse had sprang from his chair to carry Minott the ring.

The two seated themselves—Peter in the easy chair and Jack opposite. The boy's eyes roamed from the portrait, with its round, grave face, to Peter's head resting on the cushioned back, illumined by the light of the lamp, throwing into relief the clear-cut fips, little gray side-whiskers and the tightD 1866

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"No-and yes. I can't see it in the portrait, but I do in the way you move your hands and in the way you bow, I keep thinking of him when I am with you. It may, as you say, be a good thing to have a gentleman for a father, sir, but it is a dreadful thing, all the same, to lose him just as you need him most. I wouldn't hate so many of the things about me if I had him to go to

now and then." "Tell me about him and your early life," cried Peter, crossing one leg over the other. He knew the key had been struck; the boy might now play on as he chose.

"There is very little to tell. I lived in the old home with an aunt after my tather's death. And went to school and then to college at Hagerstown—quite a small college—where uncle looked after me—he paid the expenses really—and then I was clerk in a law office for a while, and at my aunt's death about a year ago the old place was sold and I had no home, and Uncle Arthur sent for me to come here."

"Very decent in him, and you should never forget him for it," and again Peter's eves roamed around the perfectby appointed room.

"I know it, sir, and at first the very newness and strangeness of everything delighted me. Then I began to meet the people. They were so different from these in my part of the country, especially the young fellows—Garry is not so bad, because he really loves his work and is bound to succeed—everybody says be has a genius for architecture—but the others—and the way they treat the young girls, and what is more unaccountable to me is the way the young girls put up with it."

Peter had settled himself deeper in the chair, his eyes shaded with one hand and looked intently at the boy.

"Uncle Arthur is kind to me, but the life anothers me. I can't breathe sometimes. Nothing my father taught me is considered worth while here. People care for other things."

""What, for instance ?" Peter's hand never moved, nor did his body.

"Why stocks and bonds and money, for instance," laughed Jack, beginning to be annoyed at his own tirade—half ashamed of it in fact. "Stocks are good enough in their way, but you don't want to live with them from ten o'clock in the morning till four o'clock. In the afternoon, and then hear nothing else talked about until you go to bed. That's why that dinner last night made such an impression on me. Nobody said money once."

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"But your life here isn't confined to your uncle and his stock-gambling friends. Surely these lovely young girls -two of them came in with me—" and Peter smiled, "must make your life delightful."

Jack's eyes sought the floor, then he answered slowly :

"I hope you won't think me a cad, but- No, I'm not going to say a word about them, only I can't get accustomed to them and there's no use of my saying that I can. I couldn't treat any sirl the way they are treated here. And I tell you another thing-none of the young girls whom I know at home would treat me as these girls treat the then they know. I'm queer, I guess, but I might as well make a clean breast of it all. I am an ingrate, perhaps, but I can't help thinking that the old life at home was the best. We loved our friends, and they were welcome at our table any hour, day or night. We had Menty of time for everything; we lived out of doors or in doors, just as we pland, and we dressed to suit ourJOU WANE? In what locality? No of Acres? What Buildings? Shall we send you our list?

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drop into the Magnolia on my way up town and forget to wear a derby hat with a sack coat, or a black the with dinner-jacket, everybody winks and nudges his neighbor. Did you ever hear of such nonsense in your life?"

The boy paused as if the memory of some incident in which he was ridiculed was alive in his mind. Peter's eyes were still fixed on his face.

"Go on-I'm listening; and what elast hurts you? Pour it all out. That's what I came for. You said last night nobody would listen-I will."

"Well, then, I hate the sham of it all; the silly social distinctions; the fits and starts of hospitality; the dinners given for show. Nothing else going on between times; even the music is hired. I want to hear music that bubbles out -old Hannah singing in the kitchen, and Tom, my father's old butler, whistling to himself-and the dogs barking; and the birds singing outside. I'm ashamed of myself making comparisons, but that was the kind of life I loved, because there was sincerity in it." "No work ?" There was a note of aly

merriment in the inquiry, but Jack never caught it. "Not much. My father was Judge

and spent part of the time holding court, and his work never lasted but a few hours a day, and when I wanted to go fishing or shooting, or riding with the girls, Mr. Larkin always let me of. And I had plenty of time to read-and for that matter I do here, if I lock myself up in this room. That low library over there is full of my father's books." Again Peter's voice had a tinge of merriment in it.

"And who supported the family ?" he asked in a lower voice.

"My father." "And who supported him ?"

The question brought Jack to a full He had been running on, pourstop. ing out his heart for the first time since his sojourn in New York, and to a listener whom he knew he could trust. "Why-his salary, of course," answered

Jack in astonishment, after a pause. "Anything else ?"

"Yes-the farm." "And who worked that?"

"My father's negroes-some of them his former slaves."

"And have you any money of your own-anything your father left you ?" "Only enough to pay taxes on some wild lands up in Cumberland County; and which I'm going to hold on to for his sake."

Peter dropped his shading fingers, lifted his body from the depths of the easy chair and leaned forward so that the light fell full on his face. He had all the information he wanted now. "And now let me tell you my story, my lad. It is a very short one. I had the

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"Most men who have succeeded have first worked with their hands."

"Not my uncle.

"No, not your uncle-he's an exception -one among a million, and then again he isn't through."

"But he's worth two millions, they say."

"Yes, but he never earned it, and he never worked for it, and he doesn't now. Do you want to follow in his footsteps ?"

"No-not with all his money." This came in a decided tone. "But surely you wouldn't want me to work with my hands, would you ?"

"I certainly should, if necessary." Jack looked at him, and a shade of disappointment crossed his face.

"But I couldn't do anything menial." "There isn't anything menial in any kind of work from cleaning a stable up! The menial things are the evasions of work-tricks by which men are cheated out of their just dues.'

"Stock gambling ?' "Yes-sometimes, when the truth is

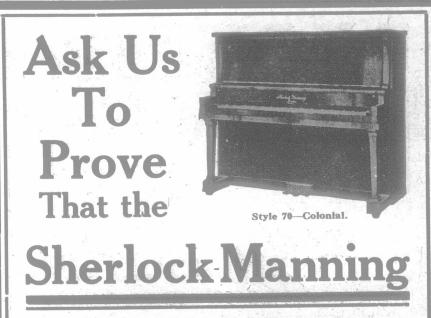
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meant last night when I told you about the faro-bank. I laughed over it, and yet I can't see much difference, although I have never seen one."

"So I understood, but you were wrong about it. Your uncle bears a very good name in the Street. He is not as much to blame as the system. Perhaps some day the firm will become real bankers, than which there is no more honorable calling."

"But is it wrong to want to fish and shoot and have time to read."

"No, it is wrong not to do it when you have the time and the money. I like that side of your nature. My own theory is that every man should in the twenty-four hours of the day devote eight to work, eight to sleep and eight to play. But this can only be done when the money to support the whole twenty-four hours is in sight, either in wages, or salary, or invested securities. More money than this-that is the surplusage that men lock up in their tin boxes, is a curse. But with that you have nothing to do-not yet, anyhow. Now, if I catch your meaning, your idea is to go back to your life at home. In other words you want to live the last end of your life first-and without earning the right to it. And because you cannot do this, you give yourself up evthing about you. Geto criticising ting only at the faults and missing all the finer things in life. If you would permit me to advise you-" he still had his hand on the lad's knee, searching the soft brown eyes-"I would give up finding fault and first try to better things, and I would begin right here where you are. Some of the great banking houses which keep the pendulum of the world swinging true have grown to importance through just such young men as yourself, who were honest and had high ideals and who so impressed their own personalities upon everybody about them-customers and employersthat the tone of the concern was raised at once and with it came a world-wide success. I have been thirty years on the Street and have watched the rise of half the firms about me, and in every single instance some one of the younger men-boys, many of them-has pulled the concern up and out of a quagmire and stood it on its feet. And the reverse is true; half the downfalls have come from those same juniors, who thought they knew some short road to success, which half the time was across disreputable back lots. Why not give up complaining and see what better things you can do? I'm not quite satisfied about your having stayed upstairs even to receive me. Your aunt loves society and the daughter-what did you say her name was-Corinne? Yes, Miss Corinne being young, loves to have a good time. Listen ! do you hear ?there goes another waltz. Now, as long as you do live here, why not join in it too and help out the best you can ?--and if you have anything of your own to offer in the way of good cheer,



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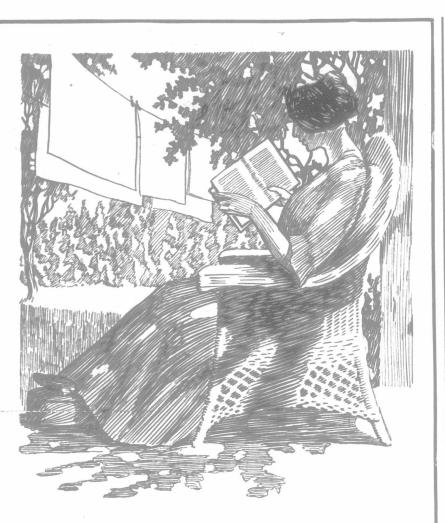
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or thoughtfulness, or kindness, whatever you do have which they lackor rather what you think they lackwouldn't it be wiser-wouldn't it-if you will permit me, my lad-be a little better bred to contribute something of your own excellence to the festivity ?" It was now Jack's turn to lean back

in his chair and cover his face, but with two ashamed hands. Not since his father's death had any one talked to him like this-never with so much tenderness and truth and with every word meant for his good. All his selfrighteousness, his silly conceit and vainglory stood out before him. What an ass he had been. What a coxcomb What a boor, really.

"What would you have me do ?" he asked, a tone of complete surrender in his voice. The portrait and Peter were one and the same ! His father had come to life.

"I don't know yet. We'll think about that another time, but we won't do it now. Lought to be ashamed of myself for having spoiled your evening by such serious talk (he wasn't ashamed-he had come for that very purpose). Now show me some of your books and tell me what you read, and what you love best.'

He was out of the chair before he ceased speaking, his heels striking the floor, bustling about in his prompt, exact manner, examining the few curios and keepsakes on the mantel and tables, running his eyes over the rows of bindings lining the small bookcase; his hand on Jack's shoulder whenever the boy opened some favorite author to hunt for a passage to read aloud to Peter. listening with delight, whether the quotation was old or new to him. Jack, suddenly remembering that his

guest was standing, tried to lead him back to his seat by the fire, but Peter would have none of it.

"No-too late. Why, bless me, it's after eleven o'clock ! Hear the music-they are still at it. Now I'm going to insist that you go down and have a turn around the room yourself; there were such a lot of pretty girls when I came in."

"Too late for that, too," laughed Jack, merry once more. "Corinne wouldn't speak to me if I showed my face now, and then there will be plenty more dances which I can go to, and so make it all up with her. I'm not yet as sorry as I ought to be about this dance. Your being here has been such a delight. May 1-may-I come and see you some time ?"

"That's just what you will do, and right away. Just as soon as my dear sister Felicia comes down, and she'll be here very soon. I'll send for you, never fear. Yes, the right sleeve first, and Ah, here

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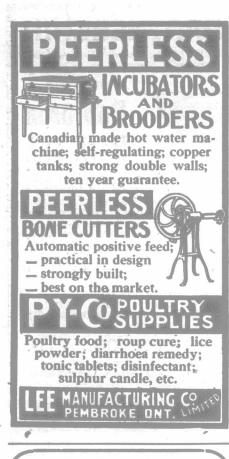
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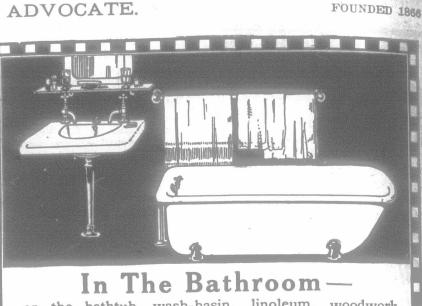
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Ans .- The insect sent is a moth known as the Pen-marked Sphinx (Sphinx cher-The larva is sometimes found on sis). ash and lilac. It is greenish, or bluishwhite above and darker below, with seven oblique yellow bands on the sides of the body, each edged above with dark green. It lives on the foliage of trees, but is not likely to become serious.

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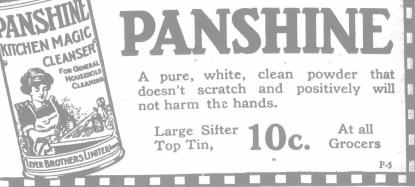
I have a cow four years old, she is very thin, very seldom chews her cud. Came in last March, gave a good flow of milk for a while, but when she was turned out on the grass she started to drop off in her milk, so we let her go She is not picking up in flesh dry. since she went dry. I have given her a few doses of Epsoms salts. What is the trouble, she won't feed like 'the other cows.standing in the shade a lot? H. W

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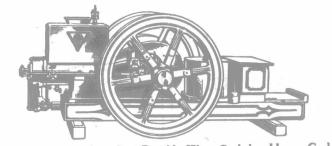
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The Highland Show at Hawick.

The Highland Society's Show is now a thing of the past for 1914. The attendance was satisfactory, but the number of entries was not up to the record of former years. Shorthorns came out in smaller numbers, but with good quality. Sir Herbert Lcon's Silver M.nt 3rd won the aged-bull class, and ultimately became the breed champion. Mr. Cornelius' Bankfield's Belle and R. J. Balston's Cumberland Orphan were a close pair in the aged-cow class, but honors finally went to the former animal. The winner of the two-year-old heifer class, Mr. Cazalet's Butterfly 64th won over the aged cow, and procured the female championship. She is by 'the famous sire, Village Beau.

The Aberdeen-Angus breed made a good showing, as one would expect them to do in their native country. Here, again, a wo-year-old won the premiership from an aged bull. Sir John Macpherson Grant was showing Eris of Harviestown in the two-year-olds, the strongest of the bull classes, and won easily. Dr. Clement Stephenson's Prince of Jesters won from the aged bulls, but took second place to The best cow was the two-year-old. considered Mr. Kerr's Pride of Palermo, and so well did she measure up to the requirements of the breed, that she won the breed championship, with the winning bull standing reserve.

Another female won the breed championship in the Ayrshire classes. Hillhouse Heather, owned by John Drennan, was an outstanding winner in the aged - cow class, and continued throughout the judging with success. Only two aged bulls came out, and first went to Jas. Howie, on Sir Hugh. This bull also won a special as being out of a cow with a stipulated performance of high standard, hut stood reserve to the winning cow in the final test.

Holsteins are just getting entrenched in Scotland, and cannot yet compete with the Ayrshire in numbers. Dr. Wm. Sinclair won the championship medal with Colton Queen's Own, a six-year-old which has the honor of siring last year's champion at the same show, as well as the bull which stood second to him at Hawick this year. The reserve for breed championship was a handsome four-yearold cow belonging to Adam Smith, which was first in the aged-cow class. Competition was keen in the heifer classes, where Geo. Francis won with Hedges Astern.

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"The Organization of Co-operative Egg Circles" is the title of pamphlet No. 4, by W. A. Brown, B.S.A., of the Poultry Division of the Live-stock Branch, Dominion Department of Agriculture. In introducing this subject the writer defines a co-operative egg circle, states the need for organization, and the work that can be accomplished. The benefits, methods, and details of organization are exhaustively dealt with, and directions for setting up and using an egg-testing appliance are given. The pamphlet, copies of which may be obtained upon application, from the Publications Branch, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, concludes with a proposed constitution and by-laws suitable for an egg circle.

British Live-stock Notes.

The Hackney stud maintained by Sir Walter Gilbey, at Elsenham, has been sold, and 23 lots realized £2,433 18s. The stallions sold very well. There was a strong competition for Romping Bonnie, but T. W. Simpson would not give way until he got him at 330 guineas, and there was an exceedingly spirited duel between J. H. Truman, President of the Continued on next page.

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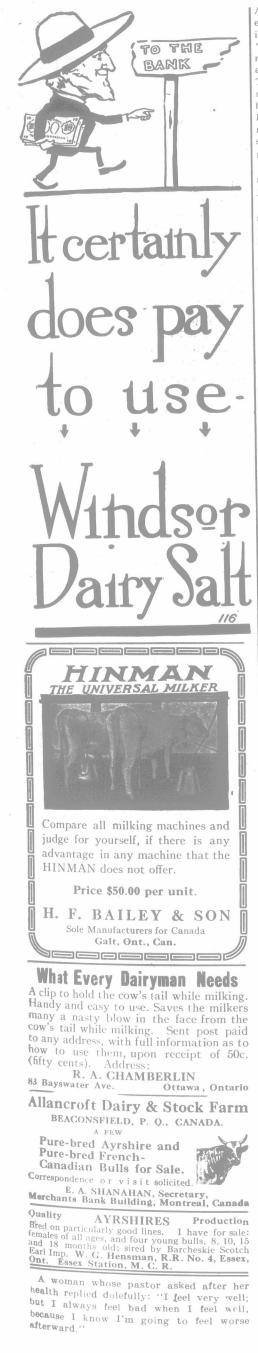
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American Shire Horse Society, and Joseph Morton, for Romping Flash. Starting at 100 guineas, the bidding went by "fives" to 275 guineas, when Mr. Morton made it 300, and Mr. Truman then bid another 10 and takes him to America. This horse is an extraordinary goer, and should do a lot of good for the Hackney breed there. The old London champion Royal Danegelt, although 20 years old, made a great show, and sold well, considering his age, to Mr. Gobb, for 130 guineas.

The 25 lots, several of which were old mares and very young foals, averaged just under £100 each.

C. W. Tindall, Wainfleet, Lincoln, has sold en bloc to the Edgcote Shorthorn Company, Banbury, almost the whole of his herd of Shorthorns, including cows with their calves, and numbering, altogether, twenty-six head, for £9,100. Among them were several Clippers, valued at £500 each. The foundation of the Clippers were bought direct by Tindall from the late Amos Cruickshank. All the bull calves from the Clippers remain with Tindall, two of them being of exceptional merit, and he has also retained one family of Violets, the original of which was bought direct from Cruickshank

Almost everybody 'who is anybody in the agricultural or sporting or fashionable world in Great Britain now possess pedigreed stock. The aims and objects of the great English Live-stock and Agricultural Societies are not only to develop the breeds to the interests of which they are devoting time and money, but to encourage the crossing of their animals with the inferior stock of the country for the benefit of the latter. There are, at the moment, plenty of cross-breds which are quite as salable as pure-breds. There are many "small men content to go on breeding crossbreds, and are satisfied when they can produce an animal that will pay for itself and leave a profit over. But gradally the missionary-work of the pure-bred societies is telling an undeniable story. Even in far-off Shetland an experiment is about to be tried in the way of improving the breed of the native sheep A commission which visited those islands some time ago to enquire into the matter, realized the necessity for taking some steps in this direction, as it was found that the sheep pastured on the hills had deteriorated a good deal, not only through the overcrowding of the holdings, but through in-breed ng. The problem that had to be faced was how to improve the breed without spoiling the wool, which has long been famous for the fineness of its texture. After careful enquiry, it has been decided to try the experiment of crossing the Shetland breed with certain selected English breeds, and the result is being looked forward to with much interest. Shetland cattle, as well as ponies of the isle, are growing famous. The Shetland Cattle Herdbook Society has been formed to grade up the breed and secure for it the recognition it deserves. The chief outstanding feature of the breed is its small size. It is no bigger than the Irish Dexters and Kerries, and in many cases smaller, the height varying from 36 inches in the smallest, to 46 inches, or thereabouts. It is of sturdy huild, robust looking, and short on the leg, and the cows have useful milking powers. A typical Shetland cow must be deep framed, level in the back, and fairly fine in the fore quarters, and the neck, while a full square, and deep shape of the udder, also forms a point of leading importance. The horns are of medium size, and point upwards, and in color the most prevalent and popular combination is black-and-white, somewhat similar to the coloring of the Holstein breed. Cows of the best class yield up to three gallons of milk a day, and steers, when fattened, attain dressed-carcass weights ranging up to six or seven cwt. Recognizing its value and potentialities as a breed for crofters and hill-farms, a herd of Shetland cattle has, I am told, been established by the Scottish Board of Agriculture at their stud farm near Inverness, which, no doubt, will lead to a further extension of the breed's influence



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on the northern parts of Scotland. Gloucestershire is reviving its spotted pig, a quaintly-marked breed which has been languishing these past. few years. James Peter, the steward to Lord Fitzhardinge, of Berkeley Castle, and Chair-(Continued on next page.)

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man of the newly-formed Spotted Pig Society, was invited to address the members of the Gloucestershire Chamber of Agriculture on this topic, and he stated that the points of most importance in the breed were : Head, medium length and wide between the ears, nose wide and medium length, slightly dished; ears, rather long and drooping; shoulders, welldeveloped, but not projecting, and in line with ribs (must not show any coarseness); ribs, deep, well sprung; sides, very deep and presenting straight bottom line; belly and flank, full and thick; skin and coat, skin light or dark, must not show colored splotches otherwise than ben ath the spots of the coat. The latter should be full and fairly thick, hair long and silky, but not curly, with an absence of mane bristles; color, white spots on black ground, or black spots on white ground, such spots to be of medium size. The pig was most prolific, said Mr. Peter, and gave a better return for feeding than other breed, and was immensely popular among small holders.

Guernsey cattle are just now going out from Britain to the United States. F. S. Peer, the live-stock exporter, has made his first shipment of the season. One hundred and four head of cattle have left Southampton docks, the animals having been selected from the following herds : A. C. Harris, H. Fitzwalter Plumptre, Sir Joseph Tichborne, J. I. Smail, D. C. Haldeman, Sir E. A. Hambro, H. G. Devas, E. A. Fitzroy, Mrs. Jervoise, W. H. N. Goschen, F. Pratt Barlow, A. H. Wingfield, Mrs. Cookson, Berkley, and De Paravicini.

On the same boat, a small but select consignment of animals purchased by J. L. Hope, Florham Farms, Madison, New Jersey, were being sent to New York.

The Guernsey herd kept so long at Rochampton, in Surrey, and founded by the late Pierpont Morgan, has also been sold to America, the purchaser being W W. Marsh, Waterloo, Iowa. This herd, which has been sold for a large figure contains many well-known animals which have taken prizes at the leading agricultural shows in Britain, and it is con-





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