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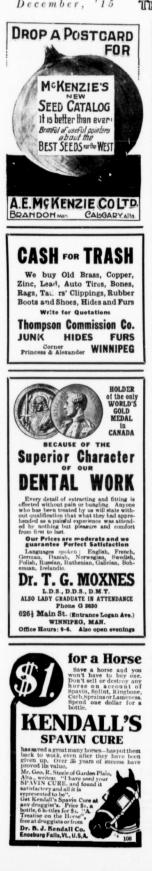
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Our Christmas Thought

ITH thankfulness in the memory of recent mercies and a hope in our hearts such as we have not known for many a day, we wish every reader of the "Canadian Thresherman and Farmer" all the joys of Christmas. 1915 has proved a year of fatness to the homes of these western prairies, and therefore the whole Dominion of Canada shares in a material prosperity that in its far reaching character and sheer solidity, is without precedent.

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This prosperity has not rushed in upon the wings of inflated land values. It is not made up of "unearned increments," but every dollar of this new wealth represents a real coin of gold, obtained in exchange for the biggest delivery of farm produce the country has ever raised. The bulk of the crop, its wonderful grading, its net result in cash to the farmer, is now a fixed chapter in the national history.

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In the midst of all the rejoicing this unexpected fortune inspires, there is but one fly in the ointment. The heart grows heavy as it thinks of the gallant boys-so many of whom had helped to raise this wonderful crop-who are at this moment fighting for the Homeland on the battlefields of France and Flanders. In the name of love and the warm blood of our kindred, let the brave lads have our first and final thought.

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The consciousness-expressed continuously in tangible form-that they are never forgotten at home, will do far more to cheer them in their exile, to comfort and sustain them in their lonely vigils, to alleviate the mental anguish of their life in a military prison and the sufferings of their shot-riddled bodies than anything in decorations for bravery or the kind words of strangers.

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They are heart-hungry, but your letters can feed them. Many are returning to us with honorable scars and shattered nerves that unfit them for further service on the battle front. Through the rapacity of the ubiquitous grafter and the bungling of heartless officials, some of these, on their way home, have suffered hardships and neglect to which they were unaccustomed at the hands of the great heart and the splendid brain that watched over them in the battle front. But this has been stopped, and the guilty ones will be dealt with.

"God save our splendid men: Send them safe home again !"

Let this be the prayer of every Canadian heart this Christmastide. Let every homestead circle catch the refrain that is ringing through the land to-day, and keep singing it till the last shot has been fired on the far-flung battle line. .

"Keep the home-fires burning. While your hearts are yearn-

ing; Though your lads are far away,

They dream of Home;

There's a silver lining, Through the dark cloud shin-

Turn the dark cloud inside out Till the boys come home."





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SINCE the grey-haired wisdom of the world has proved itself incapable of keeping the peace, the world at many points is turning its eyes to the young folks, and in response to this expression of belief in their ability, the young folks are lining up with an enthusiasm and success that no generation in the past ever dreamt of.

This new movement interests us immensely. If we have crossed the half century parallel, we are still "young people." The companionship, the viewpoint, the faith of the young people is the only companionship viewpoint and faith worth holding in this tumbling world. This has always been our habit of thought,

and we refuse to give it up. In all sorts of disap pointing experien. ces it has been our solace. The eager faces of our young friends have again and again proved a very baptism of goodness to us. Among compensations for blighted hopes, baffled expectations and betraved confidences there is nothing like them. Why?

Because they are the incarnation of sincerity, a thing we don't usually dig up at first hand from the "Give them standing grey-hairs of the

market place or the diplomatic service. So instead of the usual reproduction of the antique, or giving up our pages to dry-as-dust biographies of old-timers, the privations of the pioneers or the handicaps of the has-beens, our table is spread and chairs are provided at this time for young people only.

In our last month's editorial we referred to some remarkable achievements of farm boys and girls in the United States, and promised to return to the subject in this issue. We do so now, and

our enthusiasm is in no way affected by the fact that this wonderful record has been established by our young cousins across the line. A start has been made among our own young folks, but naturally the aggregate result could not yet fairly be set alongside the wonderful cumulative effort of the American boys and wirls. tion. They have been "doing their bit," and we are not complaining, but as suggested in our opening lines—here is something that we can build up and bank upon, in which the war-drain of labor has little or no influence, in which the "finest opportunity on earth" is offered to a great virile community of intelligent but unemployed brain and brawn.

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The "clubbing" idea has done the trick An impressive introduction to thees articles in the "American" sets out in graphic detail the tragedy of selling out the old farm and moving into town to satisfy the craze some young people develop for city life. Everybody knows what that has meant in wrecking the whole fabric of the family life-certainly not on every occasion, but in very many cases. The purpose of the clubs was to stimulate interest in the farm and garden and starting in a very modest way they have culminated in a widespread enthusiasm and in economic results -almost beyond the dreams of avarice.

start was made with a boy's

corn club, and we gave some startling figures from its proceedings in November issue. The girl's club was the idea of a young lady teacher. Miss Marie Cromer, who started the first girls' tomato club at Aiken, South Carolina, with a membership of forty-six -"the founders of the most fruitfully blessed sociological movement that has ever come to the relief of the neglected woman on the farm.'

"Give them standing-room anywhere and they'll move the world." A group of young Manitobans visiting one of the Agricultural College (extension dept.) demonstration trains.

> For a good deal of what follows we are indebted to the American Magazine, in three successive issues, of which considerable space has been given to the proper display of these striking episodes in intensive cultivation from the pen of Stanley Johnson.

> We consider no apology is due to a single subscriber. It is a subject, in our judgment, of the very first importance to Western Canada. Nothing yet undertaken could more worthily engage the attention of our Departments, both of Agriculture and Educa-

In last month's issue some striking particulars were given of what some boys had accomplished, notably the two whose pictures are published herewith. We also referred briefly to what had been done by girls of the farm home in growing and canning tomatoes, and we now appropriate more of these wonderful records, again without apology, because they are such splendid living models and provide the very incentive in reliable data we must have for the emulation of our young folks.

These forty-six girls put up six thousand cans of tomatoes, besides many gallons of ketchups and other products. At the end of the first year 325 girls were enrolled; the following year that number had swelled to over 3,000 in the Southern states. In 1912, 23,550 were registered, and this was increased to 30,000 in 1913.

As the result of Miss Cromer's idea, Congress in 1914 assigned a quarter of a million dollars for this special work. That investment literally "coined money" for it produced from the girls of the

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A CORN CHAMPION AND HIS ACRE

Walker Lee Dunson looking over his acre of bushels of corn at a cost of less than 20 cen equaled by any raised, in 1913, 232 record has never been land on the bushe which he

South alone nearly two hundred shown at the state fair Orange's thousand dollars in profits! The average of each girl reporting to Washington was \$24.30, and by their united efforts they filled 1,918,024-nearly two millions of cans, jars and other containers! Had we space, some extraordinary individual records could be given, but the impressive factor in this crusade for the regeneration of the rural homes lies in the average results of the work of all the girls taking part in it.

Pigs and Baby Beef

Scarcely less spectacular than the Boys' Corn Clubs and the Girls' Clubs have been the results of the Pig and Baby Beef Clubs. The boys and the girls have run neck and neck in the pig business, the first club being started in Caddo Parish, Louisiana, in 1910, with 59 members. Now there are pig clubs in all the Southern States and in others, notably Iowa and the Dakotas.

The government stepped in with valuable aid, in text-books telling just the way to raise a pig, how to make him cholera-proof, what sort of balanced ration to feed him, and how to free him from the slander of that lack of personal pride which for centuries has made his name the synonym for something that is incorrigibly filthy and disreputable.

A boy named Orange McGee, of Goldonna, Louisiana, was the first to spring a sensation comparable. to the achievement of Jerry Moore, the lad we referred to last month, who in 1910 raised 228 bushels of corn on one acre (We are now able to present Jerry's picture standing by his plow with the lines in his hands).

Orange and a neighboring "experienced" farmer of mature years entered into a friendly rivalry between the old "root-hog-or-die" plan of pork culture, and the new way of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The two pigs were eight weeks old when the contest began. When they were

and he won the first premium at the state fair. His rival spent \$5.00!

A Ten-Year-Old Pig Champion

Corson Sullivan of the Natchitoches Parish Pig Club, winner of the state sweepstakes and four other prizes at the age of ten years, published an address to the pig club boys of his state.

"Now, since I was two years old" he wrote, "I have been taught to save what dimes I got hold of, and then my papa is agent for the Cumberland Telegraph and Telephone Company, and I have made several dimes as messenger boy. I then sold my little yearling, and it made me enough money to buy a pig. I was an inexperienced boy in the pig business, but I determined to learn all I could, and proceeded to do my best. The pig cost me, from the time I bought it, until the fair, four and one-half cents a pound. I won four prizes, and made sweep-stakes also. So rise up, boys, and let us get busy in the pig clubs. Everyone try to have the best



from the me from the same litter. A mature, way. Orange McGee, pig club boy, the hds and the boy's pig weighed 485 pc experience The farmer's Have been sho 65 DOU ds. pourall over

The railroad company decided that it was worth their while in time and money to send those two pigs all through the southern states as an object lesson! Orange had spent \$15.54 in raising his pig,

weighed 485 pounds and the "ex-

perienced farmer's" 60 pounds!

Have a look at these on this page.

The Cotton Belt railroad bought both-the little 'un for

\$8 and Orange McGee's for \$58.

pigs, and by so doing we will have the best hogs and lots of them. Lets make this the grandest thing, next year, at the Louisiana state fair.

And so it was the "grandest

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The boys and girls had thing." 185 exhibits, along with breeders and experts from the environing states, and represented thirtythree parishes of the state. There was an enrollment in all these pig clubs of over 2,500 boys and girls. The railroads carried them free, and the State Fair Association paid all the expenses of feeding and caretaking. The pig club exhibitors, competing with breeders from Texas, Oklahoma, Missouri, Kentucky, Kansas, and other states, took ten prizes, including championship and a reserve grand championship. Clarence Martin, of Crowley, won the last competing with some of the most noted herds in the United States.

The most instructive exhibits was a pen of four pigs (all of the same age), two of them raised by a Louisiana farmer in the old way of letting the hogs take care of themselves, and root out their living in the woods and fields. The two belonging to the pig club boy -one a half-bred and the other a pure-bred Berkshire-were fed according to government instruction. These weighed 205 and 305 pounds respectively, while the farmer's pair weighed about 50 pounds each. From a market standpoint the two small hogs were not worth more than \$3.50 each. The boy's half-breed was worth \$15, from the market standpoint, and the pure-bred, from a breeder's standpoint, would bring \$50. That exhibit taught the farmers of Louisiana and the rest of the world a lesson that by another decade will be adopted in every state in the Union.

Louisiana selects forty of her most promising boys every year, as free scholarship students for a winter course in the state agricultural college. This year thirteen of the forty were from the ranks of the pig clubs.

There are very many of these instances of success, but the best of all is the winning of the Grand



Championship of her state by thirteen-year-old Alice McCoy, of Blanchard, Caddo Parish, over all the other one hundred and eightyfour boy and girl competitors. Her zeal to enter a pig club was encouraged by a loan of ten dollars from the superintendent of schools to buy a "finished Berkshire gilt." Eleven months old, it weighed five hundred pounds. A breeder offered Miss McCoy \$50 for it. The significant part of her achievement is the conversion of her father from being a poor cotton farmer to a pig raiser. Alice made more money from her one pig than he did from his whole farm, from which he gained one bale of cotton, worth about \$45. It cost her only \$8 to raise her pig, a little more than two cents a pound. Her ten dollars brought more than his investment in two mules, farming implements and a year's work. The daughter made the father a wiser farmer. Other girls were successful. Mary Douglas, a little girl from Gilliam, Louisiana, is saving money to go to college, through her pig club operations. And Lillian Turner, of Minden, specializing in Poland-China gilts, won first class among the boys' exhibits, and first honors in the open classes against the pigs of the breeders!

Baby Beeves

The founder of the Texas "Baby Beef" clubs (C. C. French, of Fort Worth), said:

"We were getting very much depressed about the cattle industry when I called on our boys for help. All the rest of the world was complaining about the price of beef, and we were complaining because the beef itself was disappearing.

"As scientific cattlemen we all knew what the matter was, but we could not make the adult Texas randhman see. We knew that property that would be worth millions by waiting a few months, a year or more, was being destroyed; we were killing calves when

we should be raising "Baby Beeves.'

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YOUNG MANITOBA POULTRY ENTHUSIASTS Judging competition at Stonewall fair. There are many thousands of these spiendid units awaiting organization and a little encouragement.

"But the boys caught on. Such boys as Sam Matthews, and the many like him, are worth more to the state at sixteen than a dozen of a certain kind of impenetrable men at forty.

These boys of our beef and pig clubs are going to help bless Texas, and all our states, by getting our agriculturists to understand the meaning of 'diversification.

"What I think of the American boy I have gained by watching him show us where there is at least \$35,000,000 more money in the state.

"We have never understood him. He should be allowed to vote earlier. Next to the possibilities of the earth, the American boy is our greatest national asset, and without him, in Texas at least, we should never have had these possibilities."

When Mr. French called on the

reserves of youth to save the most

important agricultural industry of

his state, boys to the number of

five hundred responded the first

In speeches he urged fathers to

give their boys a chance to be

more than "chore boys" to become

farmers in embryo, partners on

year (1912).

1910 raised 228 bushels of corn from one acre in S. Carol within 3 years the corn crop of that state jumped from fifty million bushels. the ranch. "Every ranchman," he Worth. Sam became president preached, "should get his boys in-

terested in their home life. Give a boy a pig or a calf-and he will want to stay on the farm."

The plan became amazingly

popular. The Texas Industrial

Congress offered \$1,600 in prizes.

its founder, so he drafted Sam

Matthews, who, at the age of fif-

teen years, became an orator as

well as a winner of prizes in the

great Fat Cattle Show at Fort

But it became too big a job for

of all the baby clubs of Texas. As the first winner of the state championship, and a state campaigner, young Matthews has become a leader in the affairs of a great state before he is a voter.

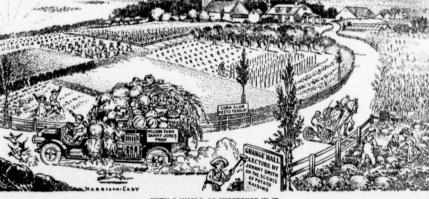
"Stick to the Farm, Boys!"

Sam advises the boys of Texas to stick to the farm. "I think there is a good future for the boys and girls on the farm," he says, "if we can get it out of their parents' heads that they should not leave to become lawyers, doctors, or governors, or anything along that line. Give the boy on the farm something to interest him, so that he will become an educated farmer. Send him to an agricultural school, when he is old enough, and not to practise law at the bar."

What About Our Young People?

Were it possible to assemble all that has been done among the boys and girls of Western Canada, the grand aggregate would be one of the most encouraging. It might not have the spectacular features of the foregoing record of their American cousins, but assuredly there are thousands of these boys and girls, silently working wonders in their own little circumscribed fields. Like our soldiers to-day on the battlefield-thousands have richly earned the Victoria Cross whose deeds have not come to public view and are therefore unrecorded.

We've got the "raw material" of the very finest type in the world and it is multiplying every day. Could not our College Extension departments make a bold line upon this one thing? We are prepared to do our bit, but what is wanted is some ripe enthusiast, a man full of energy (like our own Duncan Anderson) with an insistent personality who will stump the country as a sort of circuitiding apostle of improved agriculture-addressing himself solely to he young people.



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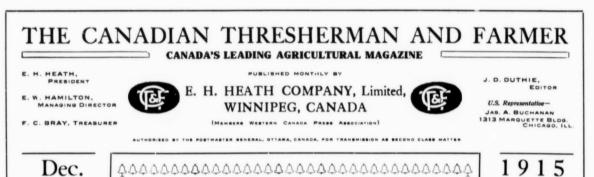
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HE GREATEST DEED OF THE WAR is to be found in the immolation of one devoted English woman.

• Not only did she lay down her life for her friends, but her last words on earth expressed a whole-hearted forgiveness of her enemics. The incident of the murder of Edith Cavell by a puppet of Prussian militarism, has found its way with every hellish detail to the remotest hamlet and home in the British Empire. We try to get away from the nightmare of its atrocity, and to invite everything within reach of our influence to appropriate and for ever cherish

its mighty lesson. That lesson is found in what were probably her last articulate utterance in the English tongue.

"PATRIOTISM IS NOT ENOUGH —I must have no hatred or bitterness towards anyone."

What a message to the centuries! And from a simple British woman whose virgin life of many crowded years was devoted to the alleviation of human suffering. What the strenuousness of that life of service had been is indicated in what we know of her final interview with the British Chaplain who was permitted to see her. "I thank God for this ten weeks' quiet before the end", she said. "Life "Life has always been hurried and full of difficulty, but this time of rest"-(the interval between her arrest and what was to be her last day in the flesh) "has been a great mercy. I have no

fear nor shirking; I have seen death so often that it is not strange or fearful to me. Legally I have done wrong, but I am happy to die for my country."

THERE WAS NO CAN'T IN THOSE DYING WORDS. She did not invite so much as one word, not to speak of the armed strength of her country in an act of vengeance. She knew nothing of hostile feeling in the hour of death. "I must have no hatred or bitterness towards anyone" were the matchless words. That being so, what right have we to defame her memory with our hatred and bitterness? If we honor her, why do we hesitate to follow her splendid example? It may be hard, but to the creature of shrinking flesh and blood and the fiful words of mere human frailty, duty somehow is always hard. Sterne knew Duty and

called her "Stern daughter of the voice of God."

"HATE" BELONGS TO AN OBSO-LETE SHIBBOLETH so far as the British sailor man and his pal of the trenches is concerned.—We could fill space equal to a year's volume of this paper with authentic records of the conduct of our men to prove this. The young men who are flocking to the colors are not propelled by "hatred and bitterness". Thank God they are inspired by higher passions. They are inspired by love, the love of their country, the love of liberty. They are inspired by pity for the

weak, the oppressed, the downtrodden. Furthe more, these splendid fellows, who have come from France and Gallipoli tell us that they came to regard the Germans and the Turks as men like themselves. "The

Turks are clean fighters" one affirms who has killed a few of them. "The Germans are not all bad," another affirms, who had come to close quarters with the Teuton and had actually smoked his tobacco!

THERE IS A HUN IN EVERY HEART. Germany has not always held a monopoly of the spirit of frightfulness. There was a Hun in the hearts of the English who burned Joan of Arc alive in the market place of Rouen and gave a new Saint to France, just as that tool of the Prussian mailed fist has given another to England in the person of Edith Cavell. There

is a Hun in the hearts of those hysterics who would urge Britons to behave like Huns in order to terrify the Germans who behave like Huns. "They howl for reprisals and the reprisals they demand are the very horrors which have damned the Germans," writes a big souled friend. "They ask us to sink as low as the Germans have sunk."

BUT LOVE ABIDES in the British heart. Even in Germany with all its parade of hatred, the children will dance around their Christmas tree, and the logs will blaze upon the hearth. And in every land, though love may be weeping in bitter anguish yet love abides, and will abide. For God is love, and so love is indestructible upon the earth. The soul of the world is love and not hatred, and love will yet come to its own.



EDITH CAVELL





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Sheep Raising

Sheep might well occupy a more prominent place on Western farms than they do at present. They are easily kept, require little care except at lambing time and are excellent weed With comparativedestroyers. ly little outlay they bring in a very acceptable increase in revenue. However, on the arable farm they should always be kept in the place of a minor side line. Used as weed destroyers and utilizers of waste, they are very profitable, but if a man undertook to make the raising of sheep the main feature of his

farm the profit would probably dis-The only appear. exceptions to this are that very unproductive land that would not pay to farm, might be profitably used in large areas as sheep ranches, and a few breeders who dewelop great reputations for pure-bred stock for which they can command high prices, can afford to devote their main energies to sheep raising. The ordinary man can do better to make grain, cattle or some other line his main moneymaker and use the sheep as a minor. vet nevertheless valuable and even im-

portant factor in the management of the mixed farm. Probably a hundred breeding ewes should be the limit on the ordinary-sized farm, and less than that would be plenty on a quarter-section farm.

The principal obstacles in the way of the introduction of sheep on to more farms are the question of fencing and the danger of loss from covotes and dogs. The first should not really be an obstacle though it may seem so. Anyone going in for mixed farming really needs to have the farm fenced. The fenceless prairie can be farmed only by a purely graingrowing system. Perhaps sheep need a tighter fence than would be necessary for cattle and horses,

but in any case the farm should be fenced with woven wire, as barbed wire is dangerous and unsatisfactory. Woven wire fencing is really part of a mixed farming system and should not be charged up against the sheep alone.

The dog and wolf problem is a real problem, and is far from being solved. Nearly every farm has at least one dog and every country village is overrun with them. Ninety-nine out of every hundred are absolutely useless and they form a real menace to the sheep raising industry. Unfortunately, dog lovers are more numerous and more influential than sheep raisers, and as a result the dog is the favored one in the

wolves by tight fencing around the pasture is, to a great degree, a futile effort. None of the ordinary woven fences are of fine enough mesh to be dog and wolf proof. A fence that would really keep them out would be too expensive to be practical and would have to extend below the ground as well as above. Sheep worrying by dogs and the depredations of coyotes are almost always carried on at night. If they should be attempted by day they would usually be seen or heard on the average farm before great damage were done. At night they have a chance to do all the killing they like without being disturbed. Thus the danger of loss can be greatly reduced by providing night shel-

the mutton breeds are preferable. The Merinos and Merino grades used on the ranges are small and undesirable for farm use. The Down breeds, especially Shropshire, Oxford and Suffolk, are well suited to Western farm conditions. They are good sized, thrifty and vigorous, produce a good carcass of mutton and are well protected by their thick heavy fleeces. The South Down is of similar character and even finer mutton quality, but being small is not so suitable in grading up inferior stock. The Long Wool breeds such as Leicester and Cotswold are large sheep of good mutton quality, but their open fleeces are hardly as good protection against snow and storm, neverthe-

less, their crosses make good sheep if reasonable shelter is given.

It is not at all necessary for the beginner to get pure bred or even high grade ewes to start with. It is wonderful how quickly the mongrel range stock can be graded up through the use of pure bred rams. The range ewes though small and mean - looking are thrifty and are good mothers. Bred to pure bred rams of a large thrifty breed, they produce lambs of creditable size and quality. In a few years the original range stock may be discarded and a uni-



Down in the Brush Lot

laws. An effort should be made by stock breeders to obtain laws giving greater freedom for the sheep owner to shoot at sight the itinerant dog. As things are at present the dog pest is a great danger especially to the flock situated near a town or village. The coyote is quite a cause of loss in some districts, especially in districts where there is a good deal of scrub land. Unlike the dog he is fair game for the hunter and is being gradually driven out and should eventually be exterminated. In the meantime, methods of protection should be studied and adopted where practicable. To try to keep out dogs and

making and administering of the ter. If convenient, the sheep may come to the barn and be shut in. or a dog-proof corrall can be made in the pasture and they can be shut in there. They are easily trained to come to such a place. If they are fed some grain there in the evening for a while in the spring and occasionally throughout the summer and are given salt there, they will form the habit of coming to the shelter to sleep at night and can be enclosed without any trouble. A dry, clean sleeping place should always be kept for them. Sheep dislike very much to lie in dirty damp places, and if compelled to do so will have colds. Breeds

For the mixed farm districts,

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ewes will be ready to take their place. In this breeding-up process it is of the greatest importance that the same breed of ram be used continuously. Choose a good breed and stick to it consistently! Two crosses with rams of good character will produce sheep that can scarcely be told from pure breds.

Feeding

In the summer time the sheep can gather most of their own feed. The land that is being summer-fallowed makes a good run for sheep. In the early part of the season before this land is ploughed, they will range over it

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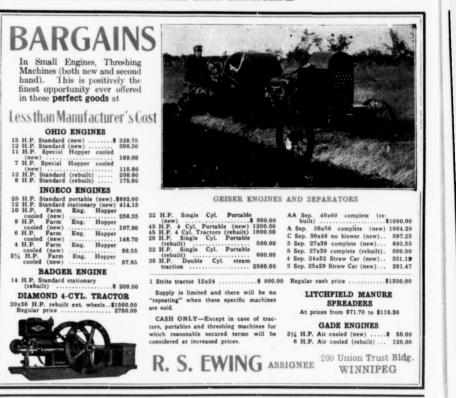
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Power Losses in the Gas Engine

One pint per horse per hour is considered approximately the right amount of gasoline for an engine to use. There are, however, gas engine users in almost every community who complain because their engines are burning more than this amount of fuel. The trouble may be due to faulty construction of the engine, but it is more frequently due to mis-adjustments. One of these is the incorrect timing of the exhaust valve. This valve should be open more than one complete stroke of the piston, when properly timed. It should begin to open before the piston has completed the power or explosion stroke, and remain open during the entire exhaust stroke, closing just after the beginning of the second stroke.

The crank shaft usually travels through 190 to 195 degrees while the exhaust valve is open. It travels 10 degrees during the power stroke, 180 degrees during the exhaust stroke, and from 3 to 5 degrees on the suction stroke. If it is not open long enough the exhaust valve push rod should be lengthened; frequently a slight adjustment here will mean a great increase in the power which the engine will deliver. Not very long ago the writer was called to examine an engine that was being used to run a thresher, says E. M. D. Bracker, in Farm Implement News. The operator complained that the engine would run the thresher empty but as soon as they began to thresh the engine would stop. The timing of the valve was the first part of the engine investigated. It was found to be out of time, and it required only a very few minutes to make the proper adjustment, after which the engine was again started. The operator then tried to feed the thresher fast enough to choke the engine down, but was unable to do so. If the engine should heat up quickly, especially when running empty, it is possible that the exhaust valve is not open long enough.

The time at which the spark occurs should also be carefully investigated when an engine fails to deliver power. The spark should occur early enough so that the flame shall have time to travel through and ignite the entire mixture, just as the piston gets to dead centre. Then the exploding gas will strike the piston just as it starts on the downward or outward stroke. It must be remembered that the explosion does not occur the very instant that the spark does. Power is lost by either an early or a late spark. In the first place, the force of the explosion, although not as great as it would be if the piston was on



dead center, comes against the ascending piston acting as a brake. This is frequently indicated in a running engine by a sharp pounding sound. In the second case a weak explosion always results. The time at which the spark should occur will depend on the speed of the engine. It should come earlier for high speed engines than for low speed. If a slow burning fuel mixture is being used, the spark should also come earlier than would be the case if a mixture that was readily ignited was being used.

The power of an engine is also frequently lost through faulty compression. This may be due to poorly seating valves, broken piston rings, etc. These factors are, however, sufficiently well understood by the dealer so that they do not need to be discussed here.

Likes Gasoline Power

A correspondent writes:

"Being the owner of several gasoline engines and also an 8-16 gasoline tractor and 28 horse power steam engine, I would like to say a few things about my experience with gasoline engines, gas tractors and steam engines for use on the farm.

"With our steam engine we pull 9-16 Emerson plows and with the International 916 gas engine we pull three 14-inch Case plows. We think very much of the engines for plowing purposes, but cannot eliminate horse power from the farm. We are also running four sulky gang plows and one triple gang plow where we are running in full force. We could not get along without the horse power on the farm, as under certain circumstances we cannot use the engine. In a season like we are having this fall with the excessive amount of rain the ground is too soft to use the engine at all times with good success. We use 29 horses to pull the gang plows.

"We also use a small one-horse engine for running the washing machine and cream separator at the house, and a 12-horse power Fairbanks-Morse gas engine for grinding feed for the stock on the farm. I think one of the paying propositions on a farm is to grind all the feed given to the stock, especially to work horses. They seem to do very well on the ground feed and I think it is a matter of economy to use it.

"We also use a three and onehalf horse power portable gas engine. This engine is mounted on four wheels and we use it for a great many different purposes; i.e., to run a portable elevator, to elevate all of our grain into the granaries. We have used it this season for elevating over 25,000 bushels of wheat, oats and barley and are not near through threshing yet. We have used this engine for seven years. We also use it to clean about 1,500 bushels of seed grain every spring, running the cleaning machinery with it; also use it for pumping water and for turning the grind stone to sharpen the tools used on the farm. The original cost of this engine was \$180 and I consider it one of the best investments I ever made in a piece of machinery for use on the farm. The running expense of this engine is about 50c. per day when we are running it all day for elevating grain.

"I am very much in favor of gasoline power for use on the farm."

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Get Busy Now

This matter of bringing the idle manufacturer to a realization of the fact that there is business to be had, if he will only go after it, is like getting a sleepy boy out of bed. You have to call the boy several times, and if that does not suffice, dash cold water in his face or pull him out of bed on to the floor. There is business to be had right now and it is getting better right along. If you are not getting your share of it, it is because you have not dispelled your dreams of hard times. It is often a difficult matter to wake up from a nightmare, but a bad dream is unpleasant and racking to the system. Come, come, it is time to wake up. If you don't wake up soon somebody is going to eat up your busines breakfast, and you will have to take the leavings.

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The evolution of the gasoline tractor has proved that weight is not necessary to furnish traction to farm tractor engines. This fact no doubt accounts for the increas-ing popularity of this modern aid to successful farming. A hold upon the ground is the prime requisite for traction. This has made possible the present designs of light-weight traction, machines which will deliver a draw-bar pull of at least 50 to 75 per cent of its net weight. The old style trac-tor did not have a draw-bar pull greater than 40 per cent of its net weight.

"The farmer to-day, therefore, has at his command," says C. M. Eason, manager of the tractor department of Hyatt Roller Bearing Co., "a machine mobile in its operations and effective in its power.

"This change has been made possible only by the use of high grade materials and workmanship, equal to or better than used in automobile or truck construction.

"The designers of the old-style traction engines started with a heavy gas or kerosene engine of the stationary or semi-portable type and carried out this scheme throughout, being particularly lavish with heavy cast iron gears

semi-steel. The result of this sort of design was a heavy, cumbersome tractor which actually used more fuel to propel itself over the field than was transmitted into effective draw-bar pull.

"The engineers who have designed the modern highly efficient light weight tractor used very wide wheels equipped with sharp spurs or growsers to give them the hold upon the ground. The balance of the machine is made as light as is consistent with durability. In order to transmit the power of the motor to the rear wheels, they use cut and hardened gears very often of alloy steel. They also use heat-treated shafts mounted in Hyatt roller bearings with all working parts enclosed in oil tight cases. Strength is obtained by increasing the quality of the material rather than the quantity. Common cast iron for the working parts of a tractor is very rapidly disappearing.

"Even the hubs of the wheels are now very largely made from cast iron steel and the wheel rims are built up from special rolled shapes. In one of the late designs, the wheel spokes even are made from heat-treated nickel steel, which is three or four times stronger than a given section of wrought iron which formerly was used to quite

much as the old style machine, yet which deliver the same or even a greater drawbar pull.

"This reduction in weight is of vital importance to the operator of a tractor. For every hundred pounds gross weight of a tractor it is necessary to allow at least onetenth of a horse power in the motor. A tractor having 2,000 lbs. excess weight, absolutely wastes at least two horse power in propelling the machine over the ground. Horse power wasted means gasoline wasted and gasoline costs money.'

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Locating Engine Trouble Some Suggestions for Automobile Owners

Many automobile owners have experienced trouble with the motor and although it might have been slight they were unable to get the machine started because they did not know how to locate the difficulty. E. R. Gross, of the Colorado Agricultural C olle g e, gives the following suggestions

"If your engine has been in use very shortly previous to the time you experience trouble in starting, trouble may be due to dirty or short circuited points. With a contact ignitor test completely without removing the ignitor from engine as follows: First see that all connections in battery and wiring are firm, then loosen the wire from the insulated stationary electrode and with switch closed, snap wire across other terminal. If a good spark- is produced you are sure battery is giving current.

"Next turn engine till ignitor trips and try wire on insulated electrode. If a spark is produced here, the points are short circuited inside, probably by water or carbon. If no spark, the points are not short circuited. Now turn engine again but stop just before ignitor trips. Points are then in contact inside. Try wire again on the insulated electrode. If no spark is produced points are dirty. If a spark is produced the ignitor is all right.

"If points are dirty or short circuited the ignitor must be removed and cleaned. Tests are best made in order given above as it would do no good to test for dirty points if battery is worn out or if points are short circuited.

"With no jump spark system, the test is not so easy, but the plug can easily be removed, examined and tried while outside the cylinder. Be sure the plug is dry as a very fine film of moisture, even though it be gasoline, covering point and porcelain will short circuiting plug on outside before removing from cylinder. For this purpose use screwdriver or other tool with wood on handle to prevent receiving a shock."

Some Common Misconceptions

A mass of aluminum weighs one pound; a mass of lead of equal size weighs something more than four pounds. Some will thoughtlessly say that aluminum is more than four times lighter than lead. Weight (heaviness) is an attribute of matter; lightness is absence, or deficiency of weight. To say that one article is a certain number of time slighter than another is like saying of two vessels that one is four times emptier than the other.

It might be added that it is

equally erroneous to say that one body or substance is colder than another. There is no such thing as cold; there are only varying degrees of heat, although we commonly regard as cold those things that are below 98 deg. F., or below the temperature of the human body. A substance that is at the freezing temperature is quite hot compared with liquid air, as the latter boils violently when placed upon a cake of ice. Temperatures that are fatal to life are far below those used in metallurgical processes.

Teaching Pat Politeness

The president of a railroad running between Kansas City and Chicago is a great stickler for formality, and carries his mania for politeness and the observance of the little amenities of life into his daily work. Not long ago he was sitting in his office when suddenly there burst into the room a very large, red-headed, and exceedingly fine specimen of Irishman.

"I'm Pat Clancy, for-r-reman extra gang number wan in the yar-r-rds. I want a pass for meself and wife and five childer to Chicago," he shouted, standing in the middle of the room.

The president gazed at him, somewhat dazed with the abruptness of it all. Then he grew stern.

"See here," he said. "You go out in the hall and knock at the door. You'll hear me say, 'Come in.' You open the door and come in quietly and take off your hat. You'll say, 'Good-morning.' Then you will tell me who you are, and I will ask you what you want, and I will ask you what you want, and then we can proceed to do business politely. Let's see if we can't be gentlemanly about it."

The Irishman turned without a word and went out into the hall and closed the door. But there came no knock, as the president expected. Indeed, it was two hours before a gentle rap was heard.

"Come in," the president called. The door opened, and the Irishman stepped softly into the room and removed his hat.

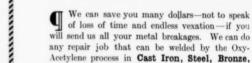
"Good-mor-r-rnin'," he said, and the president returned the greeting cordially. "A-r-r-re you th' president of. th' road?" Pat asked. "I am."

"I'm Pat Clancy, for-r-reman extra gang number wan in th' yar-r-rds."

"Ah, I am glad to see you, Clancy"; and the president beamed at the success of his little lesson in politeness. "What can I do for you?"

The Irishman edged toward the door and shifted his hat into his other hand.

"You c'n go to h——. I got me pass ov'r-r th' Wabash"; and he bolted out the door.



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Winter Work Pays

One of the main faults that many men find with the farming business is the fact that the bulk of the work must be done in the summer. This is followed by a winter period which is often very uninteresting as it consists largely of cutting wood and doing chores. There is too much time spent beside the kitchen stove on some farms to make winter a very profitable season. Of course, there is a lot of work to do every day of the year but the fact still remains that there is too much over-working in the summer and over-resting in the winter. To a certain extent this canot be avoided but on the other hand there is a great opportunity of finishing many of the usual summer jobs in the winter and this helps to lighten the summer work. Of course, if you are going to overwork anyway during the summer it does not pay to work too hard in the winter, but where the work may be divided into moderate amounts at all seasons it makes farming a more enjoyable business.

The vegetable grower can repair his hotbeds in the winter and where cement hotbeds are to be constructed there is now a process by which cement work can be done efficiently in freezing weather. The farmer who raises tomatoes will doubtless wish to stake them up and where several thousand plants are to be staked the work of cutting the supports will take considerable time. These can be made from scrap lumber in the winter and they can then be tied in bundles and stored up for summer use.

The poultry farmer has his work more evenly divided throughout the year but still the

rush season is in the spring and there is always a lot of cleaning up to do in the fall. This means that the winter hours should be used in a profitable manner in order to reduce the labor necessary at other seasons. A good sized carriage room can be used for the building of small colony houses and the farmer with a nice tool room or work shop can spend many profitable hours building brood coops, trap nests, automatic feeders and many practical devices which come in handy in the spring and summer when there is no time to make them.

Winter should be used for repair jobs. The new feed bins in the granary can be carefully constructed during a season when time is less valuable and work is less urgent than during the summer. The farmer with some skill in mechanics can possibly overhaul his automobile long before it will be used frequently in the spring, and the gas engines can be placed in first-class repair. Study the catalogues for needed repairs and see that all the farm machinery is fixed before it is time to haul it to the field. We have seen many days lost during the summer because the repairs for the binder were ordered the day before cutting time. We have never yet seen a farmer without plenty of work to do and the hours of rest during the winter are exaggerated by many writers. However it is a fact that too many farmers overwork during the summer and a more careful planning of the winter work may save time and labor in the summer when hard work and long hours are very necessary.

Outstripping

Crawford-"Women want to wear things just because the other women are wearing them."

Crabshaw-"That may be so, but my wife seems to be trying to get along with just a little less."

In the Cyclone Belt

Teacher (catching a culprit looking out of the window)-"Willie Wimble, you stop that."

Willie (watching tornado approaching)-"I'll try, if it comes this way.



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Winter Care of the Cellar

A peep into the cellar on the average farm reveals many reasons why so few farmers carry any appreciable quantity of stored products through the winter.

In most of these cellars we find the stored fruit and vegetables piled around promiscuously, some of them decaying or entirely rotten. The air is close, damp and stuffy. In many cases the rats and mice harbor in the cellar, and besides their ravages on the stored products, the nauseating and unsanitary odor they soon establish is enough to lay the foundation for ill-health and dangerous diseases among the family occuping the rooms above the cellar.

Cellar Must be Kept Dry

Since it is necessary to keep the cellar closed practically all the time, it is imperative that it be kept absolutely dry, else storage conditions will not be ideal.

If there is water standing anywhere about the cellar one should locate the point of trouble in the drain ditch and remove the cause of it at once. When there is only a dampness, sprinkle a coating of ashes over the floor. Dry sand also is good.

Maintain a Uniform Temperature

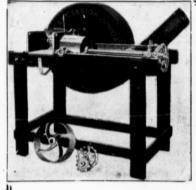
A good, dependable thermometer is the first requisite in keeping the temperature uniform in the cellar. With a variable temperature in the cellar the stored products are sure to wither and greatly depreciate in nutritive value. If the range of temperature in the cellar is too frequent and wide, decay may be started among the stored products by the alternate cooling and warming.

One should secure a temperature safely above the freezing point, then endeavor to keep it near there. This not only makes for ideal conditions in preserving the stored products, but their nutritive elements will be retained for a longer period than with the variable temperature.

On severely cold nights we have hung or set the lantern in the cellar. A pot of hot coals also helps in keeping up the temperature. However, we have found the oil stove (kerosene) to be most effective in this respect, as it is safe, economical and easily regulated to suit conditions. With the lantern or the coals one must provide well against accidental fire by hanging the vessel up, or setting it on a perfectly level surface.

Cleanliness an Important Factor

The cellar should be kept absolutely clean, especially during the storage season. Keep a close watch, and at any appreciable sign of deterioration among the fruits or vegetables have a little cleaning up, sorting out any products that are starting to decay.



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A light sprinkling of lime over the surface of the cellar floor now and then will prove an excellent plan, as it sweetens and purifies the atmosphere, as well as absorbs any moisture present. All this not only adds to the preserving conditions of the cellar, but makes for more sanitary surroundings. Ventilation is Essential

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Cold weather does not in itself injure roads, no matter whether they are earth, gravel or mac-adam. An earth road will stand

more traffic when it is solidly frozen than at any other time Excess water, however, is always detrimental to a highway. When cold weather turns this water into ice, the damage that it does is greatly increased. Ice occupies considerably more space than the water from which it is formed, and every person who has lived in a cold climate is familiar with the powerful bursting effect of water when left to freeze in a confined vessel. The same action takes place when a wet road freezes to any considerable depth. It simply bursts, or, as we generally term it in road parlance, the road heaves. Later, when the frost leaves, the road is disintegrated

and ruts badly. If this process is repeated a number of times during the winter, a gravel or macadam road may be practically destroyed, while an earth road may become entirely impassable.

A dry road will not heave. Rock, gravel, sand and even clay, when perfectly dry, contract slightly in freezing weather. In order to expand these materials must contain or be mixed with water, and the more water they contain the greater the expansion which takes place. But so long as the road remains frozen, the damage does not become apparent. Hence the frequent and erroneous idea that it is the maw that injures the road. The injury was



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done when the water in the road froze and the particles of the road surface — broken stone, sand or still finer particles of earth or clay —were pushed apart by the expanding power of the freezing water. The thaw merely allows the ice to melt and assume its original volume of water.

The remedy is self evident. Keep the water out of the road. The time to begin preventive measures is early in the fall, before the rains and snows begin. If the road goes into the winter thoroughly dry with the surface and drainage in good condition, the chances are extremely favorable that it will come out all right the following spring.

Keep the ditches and drains open. Remove all accumulations of weeds, grass, etc., which tend

restrain moisture and obstruct drainage. Furthermore, do this work early, while the ground is still hard and dry. Vegetation and litter hold water like a sponge and allow it gradually to soak in and soften the earth. The job before the road man is to keep the hard dry surface formed in the summer time from becoming softened by the fall and winter rains and snows. When the fall rains begin the earth or gravel road should be dragged frequently to prevent the formation of ruts and the collection of water. All ravelled places on macadam surfaces should be carefully filled in. In many instances proper drainage and the correcting of soil acidity by liming is all that is necessary

During the winter, whenever a thaw is coming on, the cross drains and side ditches should be opened up as far as possible, so as to prevent water collecting along the roadway. If the thaw is so pronounced that the roadway is softened, the drag should be used; sometimes one round trip of the drag, with the hitch reversed, will entirely rid the earth road of slush and melting snow and leave the road surface practically dry. Don't get the idea that the drag is not needed on your earth and gravel roads in the winter time. Instead, keep it where you can get at it readily, for if the winter is an ordinary one you will need it many times.

Winter destruction begins early in the fall. The best way to prevent such destruction is to forestall it. Keep the road dry and remember that so long as it remains so, it will not be seriously injured by frost. Keep the drains open, the ditches clear, remove all vegetation and litter, aud use the drag frequently. If the road is kept dry to a depth of two feet below the surface, little trouble will be experienced from the coldest winter.

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And a "don't-know-when-toquit."

You must take a blow or give one, You must risk and you must lose.

And expect that in the struggle You will suffer from a bruise.

But you mustn't wince or falter, If a fight you once begin;

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-Edgar Guest.

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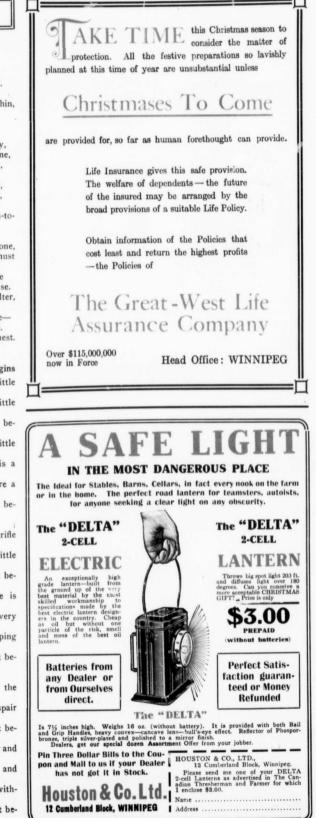
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The Farm Office Farming is a business and the manager of one is, or should be, a business man. Every city business man has an office because it has been proven an asset to his business. A few farmers have also tried it and proven its efficiency.

A few reasons why every farmer should have a business office, even if it is no more than a space partitioned off in the tool house, are as follows:

1. Bulletins adapted to every phase of the farming business are now available and unless these are filed away, they are never to be found when wanted.

2. He often has business callers who feel averse to walking into the house and talking freely before the women members of the family, but who are at ease when alone with the farmer. An office fitted up cozily with a stove and chairs is a fitting place to take them especially in cold weather.

3. The time is fast approaching when the successful farmer will know something of science, and an office or den is a good place to make his experiments on soils or other materials, or to keep his samples of fencing, soils or seeds.

4. There is no farmer but keeps some accounts, more or less correct, according to the business ability of the man. He should

have a place to keep these account books. Neatly printed farm stationery, and a typewriter in his office will help the farmer to find a better market for his products.

The cost of fitting a farm office can depend upon the inclinations of the man. It should contain a desk, preferably roll top on account of its many drawers and pigeon holes, an extension of the phone from the house; shelves or cabinet for filing his books, pamphlets and samples; a stove and a table for his experiments. Other equipment may be added as is needed.

Ruts

A rut is a track not left by a steam roller, and one which by constant usage comes to resemble a hog-wallow.

The more a rut is travelled in the deeper it gets. The deeper it gets, the more one wallows.

Some ruts are so deep and wide that you can almost hide in them —at least so no one will ever guess you a re a human being. They will take you for a clod in the roadway.

Some men always run in one rut; others manage to get out of one only to tumble into another. It's easier to follow a track al-

ready made then it is to make a new one.

Sometimes a new man on a job finds a well worn rut ahead of him. If he wants to get along fine with 'the boys," all he has to do is to follow that same old rut.

Most bosses like men who won't travel in ruts. Some bosses don't. They have pet ruts themselves nice, deep, narrow ones.

Some men are too broad-gauged to run in the old ruts—their tread isn't the same. These chaps are so contrary they just won't stay in a rut. They insist on smoothing out the whole road. This is against all precedent and should not be tolerated. "The boys" don't like it either —it's disturbing to have to get out of a rut. Changes are dangerous —someone might lose his job.

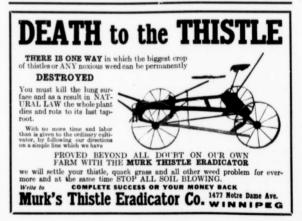
"The only difference between a rut and a grave is the depth."

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Inspected

"Did you stop in the employment agency to get a cook?" asked Mrs. Crosslots.

"Yes," replied her husband gloomily. "Eight of 'em looked me over and decided that I wouldn't do."



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Sanitary Engineering

A Review of the Advancement and Fundamentals of Sanitary Engineering

By H. Colin Campbell

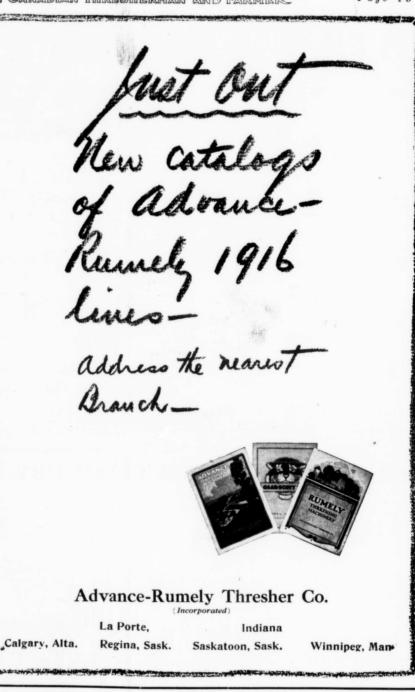
Perhaps it would not be claiming too much to assert that the advancement of sanitary science within the past few years has done more to reduce mortality and raise the period of expectation of life than has the study and application of drugs since the science of medicine began. Neither physicians nor sanitary engineers who are abreast of the times will dispute this statement. The control which man has claimed over natural forces has so often been made the subject of magazine and popular news articles that we are prone to give little thought to the wonderful strides that have been made in the various fields of progress. Man has harnessed previously uncontrolled forces, such as electricity, and has applied many sciences to accomplish engineering feats and other marvels.

Sanitary science owes its existence and success to the strict beand observance of the lief old adage, that "prevention is better than cure." We assert nowadays with can confidence that the death rate in any given community from contagious diseases is largely within the control of the community itself, and that an excessive death rate means ignorance, carelessness or indifference on the part of the people of that community.

Proof of this is found in recent reports of state boards of health, which show that in spite of the general notion to the contrary most of our cities are more healthful places in which to live than is the country, with its much vaunted pure air green fields and blue skies. The reason for this is that in the cities the principles of sanitary knowledge are enforced : even in the slums, so-called principally because the poorer classes live there, boards of health and building departments are strict in enforcing ordinances which require that only a certain number of persons shall live in apartments of certain size, that houses shall be designed so that windows will admit the proper amount of light and ventilation to living rooms, and that household wastes be disposed of according to ordinances based on sanitary engineering knowledge. Plumbing must be installed after approved and well defined practice. The insanitary, malodorous privy is not tolerated. Cesspools likewise are tabooed. The modern plumbing system connects directly with the complete city sewer system that leads to disposal plants where the wastes are rendered harmless by

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chemical or other scientific treatment aided by the forces of nature.

Rural dwellers, feeling overconfidence in the pure air of the country, fail to appreciate the advantages of the sanitary appointments and surroundings that have made the city death rate lower than that of the country. House wastes are thrown out upon the ground or allowed to be discharged into some stream where dairy cattle graze and drink, and thus typhoid, scarlet fever and other diseases become epidemic in the country and from the country are sent to the city, principally through the milk supply.

So the development and enforcement of sanitary precautions in the city have been in self-defense against the country, and this self-defensive attitude has as a result made the city almost a real health resort.

Typhoid fever is one *ci* the diseases which causes the greatest number of deaths in the United States. It was estimated that during 1911 there were 250,000 cases involving 25,000 deaths, a large percentage of which occurred among young people. Lack of "conservation in natural resources" in this one instance alone is appalling. We know the cause of typhoid—know that it is preventable—and if we figure the court value of a life at \$4,000, a figure that has been arrived at by accepting the average court awards, the 1911 waste from these deaths was

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over \$100,000,000, and this from only one disease. Hence there is opportunity for conservation by sanitation.

Sanitary engineering is a broad and almost limitless term. By extension it can be made to include practices which are not engineering ones in the true sense of the word, since engineering is a term which is commonly associated with achievements that involve the building of various classes of structures. However, the abatement of all nuisances to further the cause of good health is really sanitary engineering, because in its broader sense, engineering means scientific thinking and planning so that efforts may be directed along predetermined lines.

One marvel of sanitary engincering which has been given too little prominence, but which will, as the years roll by, attain its proper aspect in the world, is the Panama Canal. Most persons lose sight of the fact that it was not simply engineering that built the canal. In spite of all the millions of cubic yards of earth which had to be removed to join the waters of the Atlantic and the Pacific, in spie of the enormous locks and all associated true engineering features which this construction involved, it was plain, homely sanitary engineering that cleaned up the Isthmus and kept it clean, and made the world's pest hole one of the world's health resorts, gave to the Canal Zone cities a death rate lower per thousand than many of the healthiest of our large cities in the United States, and built the Canal.

Not so many years ago almost the same marvel was performed in Havana, where the United States sanitary engineers, by cleaning up the filth of ages, completely stamped out yellow fever.

Sanitary engineering may seem at times to step from the sublime to the ridiculous. The possible extent of its application in rural districts is, as has already been mentioned, almost limitless. Screening the manure pit robs flies of a breeding place in sanitary engineering. Paving the feed lot so that hogs or other animals may eat where slime and mud cannot envelop their food is sanitary engineering. These are simple applications of sanitary science. Although the farmer may not know it at the time, when he plans the house by introducing pienty of windows for light, when he plans the dairy barn for plenty of ventilation, when he drains the swamp and robs mosquitoes of their favorite breeding place, he is practising sanitary engineering.

One of the greatest pest holes of the country home is the cesspool. The more efficiently it operates as such, the more dangerous it is to health. That is, in sandy soils the contents gradually distribute themselves throughout the surrounding subsoil and sooner or later the fith is bound to get into and contaminate the water of the nearby well. The necessity for protecting wells a g a i n st any chance of pollution from surface drainage or infiltration of water just below the surface of the ground, is a well known principle of sanitary science; but it seems that in the minds of many there are but hazy ideas of the proper ways and means to secure this protection.

Every rural home without city sewer connection should have a miniature sewer system of its own, designed with proper regard for the principles of sanitary engineering, to dispose of household wastes. This is the penalty of equipping a rural home with those twentieth century appointmentsthe kitchen sink, the indoor toilet and the bath. From \$100 to \$150 will install a septic tank that will accomplish in a sanitary manner the disposal of house wastes for a family of six. Too expensive. you say? Well, there is not a single case of typhoid fever which fortunately terminates in convalescence that is likely to cost loss than this, and the average decent funeral costs more, so the profits of conservation by sanitation represent a balance on the right side of the ledger.

Of course light, air and water are free. We all know that, yet we seem very much averse to taking or securing our share of them.

What's a Farmer's Time Worth?

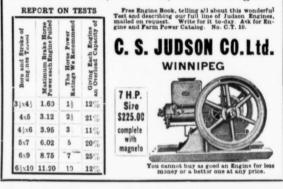
Most farmers are long on production and short on salesmanship. This is to be expected when we remember that all the agencies of agricultural education has been devoted largely to the two-bladesof-grass proposition and very little to farm economies. To-day a few farmers are turning their attention to the development of better markets, efficiency and business methods.

As a rule farmers do not keep books. Not one in a thousand knows what it costs to produce a pound of corn, meat, milk or wool. He simply grows the stuff and takes what is offered. Many farmers try to figure on the cost of production and most of them leave out of their calculations a proper estimate for their own labor. We have heard a stockfeeder say that he paid a certain sum for a bunch of cattle, kept them so long and made so and so on the transaction. When asked what it cost to carry them he mentioned the amount of feed consumed but not one word about labor, rent or interest on the land, insurance, depreciation and interest on buildings and equipment.



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If he were asked to put a price on his time, probably each man would have a different answer. The average farmer places too low an estimate on his occupation and his labor. His financial methods would plunge a merchant or manufacturer in to bankruptcy. Rarely does he allow for managerial expense and usually he is content with mere wages.

It is not for one farmer to say what another should receive for his labor and enterprise. That is a personal matter. Yet standards of living for all farmers will remain at a low level so long as some are willing to accept mere wages without protest. For besides hard work the farmer invests money in lands and equipment; he superintends the labor of others; he takes risks in raising crops and animals; he sells off the native store of soil fertility or replaces it at heavy cost.

As a working capitalist the farmer is both employer and employee. As such he is entitled to dividends on his capital and wages for his labor. A good many need to regard themselves as business men instead of drudges. They should set their ambitions a little higher each year. They ought to know accurately what farm produce costs and what are the net profits after deducting all expenses.

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We are delighted to welcome our old friend, Professor Jacobs, home again, and to wish him complete success in his new sphere in charge of the Animal Husbandry Department at Manitoba Agricultural College. From his record and the assurance he may take to himself that he will receive the loyal support of his colleagues and of the Department, we feel sure that the appointment will prove to be one of the happiest which has yet been made.

Professor Jacobs "began life very young"—as an absent-minded one said in a Sunday-school address. His opportunities at the public school terminated when he was twelve years of age, at which early period of life he started in on the farm—a mixed farm in Simcoe county, Ontario. He had learned to plow in his tenth year, and was considered an expert in all operations of the farm before he was sixteen.

After leaving school he took up whatever came in his way in farm operations, including custom threshing and lumbering until he was twenty-two, graduating from Toronto University in the option of Agriculture in 1902. During his final year in college. Mr. Jacobs was on the stock-judging team from Ontario, which competed for the Spoor Trophy against eight other colleges, and was awarded second place.

After graduating Mr. Jacobs came West, and took a position



F. S. JACOBS Professor of Animal Husbandry—recently appointed to take charge of this department at Manitoba Agricultural College.

on the "Farmers' Advocate" in Manitoba and Saskatchewan in the summer of 1902, and in the fall of the same year he returned to Ontario as associate editor of the Advocate. In 1904 he returned to Manitoba, and in 1907 became editor-in-chief of the Advocate, published in Winnipeg, retaining the position for two years.

In 1909 he purchased an interest in the "Farm and Ranch Review," published in Calgary, and made that paper a semi-monthly. He did herculean work in building up its circulation, and extended its influence until it now ranks with the first class in farm journalism.

While a citizen of Winnipeg in 1905 Mr. Jacobs organized and promoted the Winnipeg Horse Show, which has since grown to be one of the most important events of the kind in Canada. At Calgary he was director of the Al berta Horse Breeders' Association and Honorary Director of the Provincial Exhibition held at Calgary.

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It Wasn't His Fault

"Now, Thomas," said the teacher, severely, "how many times must I tell you not to snap your fingers? Put your hand down and presently I'll hear from you."

Five minutes later she said:

"Now, then, Thomas, what was it you wanted to say?"

"There was a man in the entry a while ago," said Thomas, serenely, "and he went out with your new silk umbrella."

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CAPITALIZING THE FARMERS' CHILDREN

By CHARLES FRANCIS REED

An Interesting Experiment on a Big Farm that is Working Out Successfully.

HOW can I keep them at home on the farm?"

It was the age-old question that John McCallum asked himself, and then as if bound to find an answer went out onto the porch and stood looking over the broad acres that were his property. For years mothers and fathers had been asking themselves the same question, and most of them had never found the answer. They had seen their children grow up and drift away from the home nest, and those that remained, more from force of duty than anything else, had always grumbled because they had never had the chance to go out and fight with the world.

John McCallum was born in Scotland, and it was only by hard work that he had made a fortune for himself, and possessed a stock farm which covered 1,800 acres. He was a breeder of Percheron horses, Shorthorn cattle, Duroc Jersey hogs and Oxford Down sheep, and he was justly proud of the products of his farm. His land and stock business must remain intact, and yet he knew that his nine growing sons and daughters were becoming restless - they would soon be wanting their own -and he must supply it for them. McCallum thought it over for several days, and then one afternoon paid a visit to his lawyer in a near-by town. It was a most satisfactory visit, and he came home with a smiling face-for he was sure that he had found the way for which he had searched. The very fact that he wished to keep the farm intact had given him an answer.

The following morning after breakfast the whole family assembled in the front room, and the father laid before them the plans of a scheme which would give them all a share in the farm—and which created at once a spirit that meant success. Each one of the children had a definite activity to be responsible for, either the buying of supplies, the care of stock or the running of the home. They knew that they would have a full share of the profit of their labors.

John McCallum had incorporated his stock farm, dividing it into shares, and giving each child a portion. The capital was \$100 000, divided into blocks of stock of which Mr. McCallum kept enough to give himself the controlling interest. Mr. McCallum was elected president of the corporation, his oldest son was appointed general manager, the second was voted the position of vice-president, while one of the other boys was made secretary and treasurer. When these posts were filled (they had to be filled for this incorporated farm, which is called the Lismore stock farm, after the district in Scotland in which Mr. McCallum was born, is run as though it were a city business or a big factory) the work was assigned to the different members of the corporation. The girls were assigned to the different departments about the house, the buying, the overseeing of the cooking, and the other household duties, and the boys were made superintendents of the different divisions of the farm work.

One boy took over the care of the cattle, another the horses, one the hogs, and the fourth the corporation of the Lismore stock farm and any ordinary corporation. Mr. McCallum had a special set of checks printed. At the end of each year a certain percentage of the surplus is set aside, and each director may write a check on this surplus, indorse upon the check what he is going to use the money for, and then cash the check without the permission of the other directors. The advantage of this is that each superintendent can try out experiments in his own department, and not have to ask for money he wishes to spend. The president was afraid that the other directors would not agree with some proposition advanced, and thus hinder an idea which, while it might not sound entirely feasible, would prove very helpful.

The only time on record that the directors overruled the presi-



A Wonderful Army-on a distinctly "Peace Footing"

sheep. Each person has supreme authority over his or her portion of the work, and the others are powerless to interfere unless as a board they should find that a certain department was doing damage to the general welfare of the corporation.

The plan as the president of the corporation outlined it was that each year the sons and daughters would buy some of his stock, so that in time they will have purchased all of McCallum's stock and be absolute owners of the farm.

The children set to work with a will, and it was a new zeal that helped them, for they were working for their own benefit. The breakfast table grew to be the meeting place of the board of directors, and inside of a month many of the small leakages that had been eating into the profits of the place had been stopped by ideas which originated with the different superintendents.

The check book is the only decided difference between the

dent was when he voted against buying an automobile. Mr. Mc-Callum offered an objection, but the others were for it, and the automobile was bought. He hasn't said so, but Mr. McCallum intimates that he was only trying to see if the directors would use their right to show that they had good judgment.

"I wished to keep my property whole, yet I wanted my sons and daughters to have an interest in their home." This is the way that Mr. McCallum explains how he started the most novel stock farm in the United States. "My plan has now been in operation for nine years, and it has worked out exactly as I hoped it would. It has been very satisfactory from the start. Each of the children do their best to make their departments show a handsome profit, and they are succeeding."

What has been the result of the nine years of work that has been done by Mr. McCallum may best be told by saying that of his nine children eight are very happily working away on the farm where they were brought up. And it is not because they have never known any other form of life that they stay in their father's home, for five of them have been to college, and all have travelled whenever they wished to. Two of the girls are at college now, and each vacation they hurry back to Minnesota to see how the work that they have had to leave in the hands of a substitute is progressing.

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The one boy who is not on the farm is a lawyer, and a successful one. "I guess he must have been cut out for a good lawyer from the start." Mr. McCallum laughs when he is asked about the one member of his family who does not work for the corporation. This son has always had a fondness for the law, and Mr. McCallum is far too sensible a man to try to persuade a son of his to give up a profession which he really wishes to embrace. The lawyer son is making good in his chosen field, and his father is justly proud of him even though he has followed a different line of work than the one the big Scotchman planned for his sons.

"The plan is entirely original as far as I know," Mr. McCallum tells us, "and while I do not see how it would work out on a very small farm, it is very excellent for a farm were there are a number of children and enough land to make the division of the work possible and profitable. At least it has fulfilled its work for me, and I should think that it would for other parents who want their young men and young women to have an interest in the homes of their childhood."

Mr. McCallum did not tell it, but the farm that he incorporated is the only farm corporation in the state of Minnesota, and one of the few in the United States that makes reports to the state and the United States—just as if it were a big banking or railroad corporation.

Mr. McCallum is exactly the type of man one would expect would give such a message to the world as he has in his incorporated farm. He is fairly tall, broad shouldered, and has a pair of smiling eyes, which seem always to look for the good. December, '15 Ifee CANADIAN THRESHERMAN AND FARMER.

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The Holiday Season is Full of Happiness-No Worries-When Your Farm is Equipped



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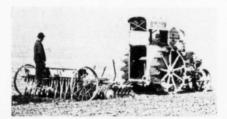
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Oil King has hundreds of less manufatcured parts than any other tractor of its size on the market. In tests, its drive-wheel cast into one piece of toughest steel, withstood a 216,000 pound pile driver blow.

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Put your farm on a better paying basis, keep the boy interested at home by deciding as a New Year's resolution, to buy a Hart-Parr tractor. To-day is a good time to start. Write and ask us to send you our little book on the "Other Fellow And What He Said." The Other Fellow's Holiday Season is full of a sense of deep security, contentment, and Thanksgiving, because he followed the Hart-Parr way.

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OXY-ACETYLENE WELDING AND CUTTING A New and Paying Proposition as Regards Farm Work

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HAT does oxy-acetylene welding mean to the farmer? It means saving of time and money. In the following, an every-day case: A broken wheel or gear in a farming machine. It can be rivetted, 'patched," or soldered, of course, but how long will this repair last and how long will the piece hold? Or a new piece has to be ordered, which means delay caused by waiting for it. Now, in 95 out of 100 cases the defect could rapidly and cheaply be remedied by oxyacetylene welding, making an absolutely lasting job. The number of machine shops in the open country, employing the process, is constantly increasing. This spells saving of time and, consequently, money.

by welding. Rims for wheels are joined quicker, better and cheaper by oxy-acetylene welding than by the old-fashioned, tedious process of welding in the open forge fire. Corroded parts and leaks in boilers are filled by the oxy-acetylene flame. Defects in stoves, furnaces, like cracks, etc., are perfectly remedied by the process in short time. Automobile parts, for instance, motors, chassis, gear cases, differentials (also in aluminum) in damaged state, are quickly made as good as new by the process. The amount of money and time saved in such cases often results in very large figures, considering the fact that the owner will not have to order new parts, which would mean a higher price and a delay caused by

waiting for them.

Welded water t a n k s, containers, etc., are cheaper, better, lighter and neater in appearance than rivetted ones. Welded water mains or mains for neutral gas or oil are flexible, solid and easier to handle, and last longer than mains joined by flanges, which often need caulking - welded mains have n o flanges, they are simply welded butt to butt. So are welded smoke stacks, which can be manufactured much below

the cost of rivetted ones. Welded articles in steel, like ladders, stools, staircases, balconies, fire escapes, mean lightness, reguness, good appearance and durability-at reasonable cost.

Wrecking work can quickly be carried through by oxy-acetylene cutting. Scrapping of old boilers, tanks, etc., by this process means an enormous saving of time. Old boilers can be removed without having to tear the walls down, by cutting them up into suitably sized pieces. Iron bridges, structural steel work-after fires, for instance - can be scrapped in much less time by the oxy-acetylene flame than by saw or chisel. Rivet heads in boilers, girders and the like are burnt-off at an enormous speed.

These lines show just a few examples, of course, picked out at random. The fact is there, that wherever two pieces of metal have to be joined, or wherever steel or wrought iron has to be cut, the oxy-acetylene process is really worth serious consideration.

The apparatus used to do the work consists of a welding or a cutting blowpipe connected by tubing to a bottle containing oxygen under high pressure and a bottle containing dissolved acetylene, which makes an ideal portable plant, specially suitable for outside and emergency work. For stationary work, in shops, the bottle containing dissolved acetylene is oftentimes replaced by a generator making acetylene on the premises, from calcium carbide and water.

What is oxy-acetylene welding? It is the joining by fusion of two pieces of metal brought about by the flame of a blowpipe. It is different from brazing or soldering; these two terms mean the joining of two metals by the interposition of a foreign substance, such as brass spelter between two steel plates or tin between two brass pieces. Welding means the actual melting together of the edges or ends of the two pieces to be joined - whether steel, cast-iron, brass, bronze, copper, aluminum or other metals-a process which results in a joint having practically the same properties as the metals joined, and with practically the same resistance.

This process is only possible, of course, with a very hot flame, and one which changes the properties of the metals to the least possible extent. The oxy-acetylene flame fulfils these requirements in a very satisfactory degree. A temperature as high as 6,300 deg. Fahr. is obtained and the gases, oxygen and acetylene, do not affect the metals if their proportions are properly regulated. The instrument used for applying the oxy-acetylene flame is a specially constructed blowpipe, and suitable welding rods are employed for filling the gaps or chambers which have to be prepared on the edges of the two metal pieces.

The advantages of oxy-acetylene welding are, first that the work it does is permanent. It often shows more resistance to fracture than the unwelded portions, and is stronger than when rivetted, patched, overlapped, caulked, brazed or soldered. It follows that these welded joints can be successfully subjected to high pressure, shocks and heavy vibrations. Further, repairing may be done with the oxy-acetylene apparatus which could scarcely be

done at all by any other process -as, for example, reclaiming the inner wall of a cast-iron motor cylinder, where patching or riveting would be out of the question.



Broken Cylinders before Welding

The amount of time saved is a very important one. Heavy pieces of machinery can be repaired right on the ground, thus obviating considerable delays and expenses in transportation. An example of this is the welding of cracked pipes in mines. Another example is the repair of a cracked automobile steel frame without dismantling. Considering all this, welding means cheaper, quicker and neater work.

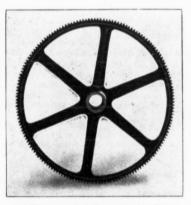
What is oxy-acetylene cutting? It is the rapid and clean cutting of steel and iron (except cast iron) by means of an oxygen jet thrown on the red hot metal, through a specially constructed blowpipe. which also does the heating of the metal.

The main advantages of this process are the following: Rapid work; much quicker and cheaper than hand sawing, air drilling or chiseling, even on hard steel; adaptability at places which cannot or hardly be reached with a saw, drill or a chisel; easy operation-as only a comparatively



Same Cylinders after Welding

small blowpipe is to be handled instead of a heavy saw, sawing machine or tool, which could not be transported so easily.



Gear Wheel broken in 4 places reclaimed by Welding white lines

This is just one case. The following shows a few striking examples :

Broken pieces of plows, harrows, threshing machinery, etc., are quickly and lastingly reclaimed at low cost by welding, be it cast iron, steel, brass. For instance, broken spokes of a pulley, a wheel, etc., are rapidly made like new by welding; missing teeth in cast iron gears are easily and cheaply replaced by new ones which are built-on with welding rods under the heat of the welding blowpipe. Many cases are known where the process has saved the owner of a machine a great deal of money by having it applied over night for a quick repair of an important machine part, thus getting the machine to work again in the morning. Worn-out tools can be filled up at the defective places, even in hard steel. Broken iron parts of shovels, forks, axes, etc., are made like new

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Christmas Greetings To Our Customers– Present and Prospective

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"My Aultman-Taylor Tractor does the best work I have ever seen. I broke with it over 1,600 acres and the gears are as good as when they left the factory." Gus Giese, Plaza, North Dakota.



We wish each and every one of you a full share of the Season's Compliments and Blessings. May Health and Prosperity shine on you throughout 1916.

You, as farm power users, will be interested in the announcement for 1916 of a smaller Aultman & Taylor Tractor of 18 Draw Bar H.P., 36 Brake H.P. This 18-36 Tractor is destined to be a winner. It is staunchly built with lots of power. Quite a number of these tractors are already in successful use. The Aultman & Taylor 18-36 has been tried and proved to be just as good as either the Aultman-Taylor 25-50 or 30-60—only smaller in size.

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We know many of you will be interested in a high grade tractor of this size. It's just the tractor you've been waiting for, so do not delay, write us for full particulars at once.

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE A MONUMENTAL BUSINESS GRAIN GROWERS' GRAIN COMPANY

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CHAREHOLDERS of the " Grain Growers' Grain Co., Э Ltd., gathered at Winnipeg, November 11th and 12th, to hear the report of the board of directors, to discuss the company's business for the financial year ending August 31st, 1915. and to offer suggestions for the future. The usual dividend of ten per cent on paid up capital and the announcement of a handsome profit from the year's operations indicate sound and successful management of this big farmers' concern.

Resolutions were passed favoring free wheat and urging confederation of the farmers' organizations so that each will be a source of stability and strength to the other in the conduct of the farmers' business. The old board of directors were re-elected : T. A. Crerar, John Kennedy, Wm. Moffat, R. McKenzie, John Morrison, F. J. Collyer, F. M. Gates, J. F. Reid and E. J. Fream.

President Crerar, in his annual address covering the ninth annual report of the directors to shareholders, gave a comprehensive report of the various phases of the company's activities. Following is a digest of the address with some excerpts from parts of general interest to grain growers' Western of Canada.

Auugst 31st last was, he said, in almost all re- creased revenue spects the most successful in the company's history. Considerable extension had taken place in some of the departments of the business which had only been in operation a short time previous to the last annual meeting.

During the year, owing to the reduced crop yield, there was a reduction of several million bushels in the volume of grain handled through the Manitoba government elevators leased by the company. This reduction had to be met as far as possible by a corresponding reduction in expenses. The profit for the year in this department was \$7,390.95, as against \$4,317.29 for the previous year. This was a better result financially than was expected because elevators in Manitoba are operated against a

much keener competition than exists in the neighboring provinces, particularly because of the milling companies, who in a season with a crop yield below the average such as we had last year are particularly keen buyers of grain. It was pointed out that the company should continue to operate these elevators, because when combined with the other farmers' companies in Saskatchewan and Alberta it increased the amount of elevator storage controlled by the farmers and to that extent increased their power as a factor in the grain trade of the country. It was anticipated that in the next few months negotiaions might take place between the Manitoba government and the company whereby the latter would secure permanent control of these houses either by purhandling of the terminal elevators also had been quite satisf ctory. Economy in operation and in-

\$1,062,000 last year. For the 1915 crop the twine handled totalled 6,750,000 pounds against 2,395,000 pounds in 1914.

Machinery sales amounted to \$86,734.93. While this volume was fairly satisfactory, it was pointed out that much more could be handled with the same overhead expense. Dealing with this phase of the company's business. President Crerar said:

'There can be no doubt that our entering into the handling of machinery was the means to some extent of bringing about a general reduction in prices and in this way a benefit to farmers all over the West resulted. The gross percentage of profit is very slightly in excess of ten per cent. The overhead expenses have been heavier than we expected. It can almost safely be said that we could have handled three times the value, with comparatively very little additional expense, which would, of course, have made the

sible put the business of Western Canada on a cash basis.'

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Dealing with the necessity of placing complete orders some time in advance, he spoke as follows:

"Taking twine as an illustration, we had this season orders coming in right up to the middle of August, and in practically every case orders that were placed earlier in the season were in the months of June and July increased very considerably beyond the quantity they originally covered. A moment's thought will convince any reasonable person that this made it extremely difficult for us to arrange our supplies. As it was, we found ourselves last summer, owing to the exceptional demand, in the position of having to very largely increase our orders to the manufacturers almost at the last moment, and while I am convinced that they did everything in their power to meet our wishes, it was simply impossible for them to

get the stuff to the head of the lakes at the time it was required and as a consequ e n c e very considerable amount of dissatisfaction arose, vigorous kicks came in, and the company was blamed where in no sense blame was attached to it.

"If this department of the business is to be carried on so that the lowest cost possible to the purchaser can be as-

from storage total showing very much different from what it is. As a result of the experience gained, econo-In dealing with the co-operative mies can probably be introduced and machinery department, the that will considerably cut down president referred to the business the amount of expense. At the done in supplying coal, flour,

same time the margin of profit in apples, lumber, builders' supplies, selling may have to be increased. wire fencing, fence posts, oil, twine, potatoes and different lines "I would like here to refer to of farming implements including certain difficulties that have arisen gas engines and vehicles. Referin this department and have in ence was made to an agreement some cases led to dissatisfaction. made with the Saskatchewan The aim of the company in enter-Grain Growers' Association last ing into this enterprise of supply-March whereby the supplying of ing such commodities as I have commodities and machinery to referred to, direct to our sharefarmers would be carried on holders or others in carload or less While the machinery than carload lots, was to reduce lines showed a loss, the departthe cost of them, by introducing ment as a whole gave a substantial an element of competition that profit. The volume of business in would tend to prevent the charging of exorbitant prices by the general supplies increased from \$580,000 for the previous year to regular dealers, and as far as possumed, it can only be done by farmers ordering early what they require and ordering enough of it. If, for instance, could have in our hands by the 1st of March orders for twine, wire and other commodities to the full amount of what the farmers require, it would be a very easy matter to make arrangements to have those orders filled, and it would unquestionably work out to still lower prices. There is no doubt that implement companies. twine dealers and other merchants engaging in this class of business have been compelled in the past to raise their prices in order to protect themselves against the possibility of having to carry large stocks over until another year, and it is equally certain that we will have to do the same thing if Continued on page 47



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The Canadian Thresherman and Farmer

Now is The Time to Think and Act

The present is the time to plan for the purchase of your threshing machinery for next season.

Decide upon your wants. Buy your machinery and get the matter out of your way so you can plan for and carry out your spring work without being bothered when that time comes.

When you have decided what you want, then decide from whom you will purchase. You will want effectiveness-something that will be popular with your customers, something that will last long enough to make its purchase profitable to you.

You are asked to investigate the RED RIVER SPECIAL LINE carefully. Such investigation on your part will prove the following, viz .:-

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It is built upon the strongest boiler made for use in a Traction Engine.

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A STORY WORTH READING



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HE Saskatchewan Department of Agriculture to-day issued a final report on the grain crops of the province. The average yield of wheat per acre is 25.2 bushels. At no time in the history of Sas-batheme he the katchewan has the average yield been so high, with the exception of the year 1901 when 25.4 bushels were recorded. In that year, however, some 469,953 acres only of wheat were grown.

The acreages of 1901 and 1915 afford a striking contrast as to the progress of the province during the last ten years. We have been very successful this year with oats also. During the last six teen years, although often approaching it, at one time only, in 1909, has the average yield per acre in Saskatchewan been over 45.9, the average yield for oats this year. The average yield per acre for barley, 33.2 bushels, beats all previous records and, as affecting the total yield, almost makes up for the decreased acreage. So much attention this year was given to wheat that flax was somewhat overlooked, and, while taking that into consideration, it is satisfactory to know the average yield per acre, 11.2 bushels, gives a total yield of 1,000,000 bushels in advance of last year.

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In the outlying districts of the southwest some threshing still remains to be completed, but the percentage is small and considering the enormous amount of work that faced threshermen in September last it must be quite evi-

dent that no time was lost in coping with the situation. As was expected, there is a considerable decrease in the acreage of land prepared for next year's grain crop, and it shows the reactionary effect the saving of such an enormous crop may have on the acreage of fall-plowing, especially when wet weather delays threshing and does not permit of fall plowing being carried on as was the case this year. Farmers have been so fully occupied threshing their own grain, helping their neighbor to thresh his, hauling the grain to town, that work on the land has suffered in consequence, but money is circulating and by the time Christmas is with us farmers will have met outstanding accounts, and both debtor and creditor will feel the better for it. Christmas 1915 will be a much happier one tor south-

west Saskatchewan than was that of 1914. A special enquiry into the mount of damage done to oats

y early fall frosts elicited the fact hat crop districts 7 and 8 (northast and north-central) suffered nost in this respect, but the quarity of oats fit for seed in these listricts is ample to meet all re-

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quirements. A very small percentage of the oat crop in the remainder of the province was caught by frost. In crop districts 1 and 4 (south-eastern and eastcentral) fourteen per cent of the flax was damaged by frost, while the remainder of the province shows slight damage only. As a matter of fact, quite a number of reports indicate that weeds have done more harm and caused more loss through dockage than frost.

A further report with Livestock and the yields of potatoes, hay, roots and other farm produce will be issued shortly.

Boys and Pedigreed Seed

The Saskatchewan Provincial Exhibition Board has taken a hand in furthering the problem of agriculture with the boys of the province by taking the initiative in a campaign to interest the boys in growing pedigreed seed grain.

The idea comes from Manager Elderkin who has been looking for added features for his great agricultural exhibition at Regina. Last year demonstrated that an exhibition purely agricultural can be a pronounced success and experience has taught the directorate that the agricultural side of the great fair must be made very interesting.

Among the added features at last year's fair was the boys' camp, and the homemakers' exhibit. This year there are several talked of, but for 1917 if the plans of the manager carry through there will be one big feature and it will spell success for the exhibition in the fact that hundreds of farmers' sons will be given a special place in the exhibition list of entries. In short it will be a particular class for exhibitors between the ages of 14 and 18 years and the exhibit will be pedigreed seed.

According to the plan outlined by Manager Elderkin an attempt is to be made in the spring to secure pedigreed seed, wheat, oats and barley for the farm boys of rural municipalities where agricultural secretaries are employed. A hushel of seed will be furnished to each boy and instructions given him on how to plot it out and keep it free from weeds and seeds.

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From the first year's seeding the boy will realize about 20 bushels of seed, which, if sown the next year should give four hundred bushels under ordinary conditions. Thus in three seedings sufficient pedigreed seed could be grown to crop a whole section with the very best of seed grain.

The idea primarily, to secure for the farm boys an agricultural education will be carried further in getting for the farmers the highest grade of seed grain. With the addition of a suitable prize for the best bushel of seed wheat, seed oats and seed barley at the provincial exhibition, thousands of entries will come into the class which in a very short time should grow into the largest at the fair in the point of number of entries.

Believing that in competition greater efforts towards success can be obtained all bodies who have inaugurated such ventures have made it a point to bring together the boys and girls in some kind of exhibition where prizes are offered. The schools agriculture venture has resulted in junior fall fairs, employment of agricultural secretaries in the farm boys' camp at the exhibition, and although these agricultural problems are but in their infancy in the province, they have attained a measure of success according to the men who are directly responsible for their promotion.

The possibilities of the plan of Manager Elderkin are limitless, if applied to all branches of agriculture. For the present he is satisfied with the wheat, oat and barley raising, but in a short interview he stated that he firmly believed the scheme could be adapted to all branches of agriculture. December, '15 The Canadian Thiresherman and Farmer. Page 29



Don't Feed Your Crops Into Idle Surplus Horses This Winter

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TRACTOR WHEELS AND TRACTION By E. R. GREER

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HE friction between two surfaces is proportional to the weight or pressure holding them together. A locomotive gets traction by means of the friction between its wheels and steel rails. The draw bar pull it can deliver is equal to its weight multiplied by a coefficient of friction which is almost a fixed amount for locomotive wheels on steel rails.

Some people have assumed that the above law of mechanics applies to the case of tractors and have asked the question, "How many pounds must a tractor weigh per pound of pull it can deliver at the draw bar?"

If any one attempts to answer this or make up a table by listing the weights and draw bar pulls of standard makes of tractors, he will find that weight has very little to do with draw bar pull.

The law of friction does not apply because tractors do not propel themselves by friction with the ground. Tractors propel themselves by the toe hold or grip they get on the ground due to lugs or cleats.

The draw bar pull a tractor can exert depends largely on the diameter and width of the wheels and, most important of all, it depends on the right size, shape and spacing of lugs or cleats to suit the ground on which it has to work

As regards the diameter of wheels, there is no question but that the larger the diameter the better the traction. This is true on level ground and on rough ground the traction advantages of large diameter wheels multiply. greatly. The diameter is limited only by cost, mechanical difficulties and clumsy construction.

As regards width, the amount of traction is almost proportional

to width on level ground, but as soon as uneven ground is encountered, causing one edge of the wheel to cut in, the wide wheel becomes a disadvantage and is very likely to dig itself into a This has proved to be eshole. pecially true of tractors with a single wide driving drum, because as soon as one side cuts or sinks in, it tips down to that side and makes it all the harder to get traction.

Now as to the proper size, shape and spacing of lugs, a great deal of experimental work must still be done, although many companies have been experimenting for a good many years. The problem is not an easy one as each field may vary each day in the year and two tractors of different weight or different size wheels will very likely give the best results with different lugs. In any case, lugs must be used which will enter into the ground, push against it without pushing it away and pull out fairly clean.

Lugs can be made to enter the ground by either having enough weight on them or by having them sharp. They will push against the ground without tearing it if there are enough of them of the right shape and they are The spaced far enough apart. cleaning depends a great deal on the condition of the soil, although lugs made at the correct angle will stay clean where others clog, also lugs set too close together prevent their pulling out clean.

Of course, it is impossible to get traction if an engine is so heavy for the size of its wheels that it sinks. If its wheel surface is enough to hold it up, then the right choice of lugs will generally secure all the tract on needed.

Some experiments with different lugs gave the following results. A certain tractor when breaking sod worked perfectly using three inch high cone lugs. When it came to disc the plowed ground it dug itself into a hole. The cones were replaced by a 3in. x 3in. x 3%in. x 5in. angle irons bolted on with the two edges against the rim and the five inch length crosswise. After this there was no more trouble from slipping. When the engine went back to breaking again, the angle lugs were too blunt to enter the ground, there was a loss in power. a large per cent of slippage, and the engine was jolted as each lug struck the ground though there was no trouble from digging into a hole.

An attempt was being made to work a tractor in very sticky clay. Angle lugs, spuds and cross cleats were all tried but simply clogged up and a smooth tire would have done as well. When four inch angle iron cleats were put on at a slight angle and allowed to extend six inches beyond the edges of the rim so as to act like paddles, the tractor could pull its full load where it could not move its own weight before.

A tractor working in light sandy soil was equipped with three inch high angle cleats set square across the tire and extending four inches over the edge. There was trouble from slipping and digging in, though no dirt stuck to the lugs. The angles were tried with the two edges against the rim and also with one edge sticking up but the result was the same. When all but six of the angles on each wheel were taken off and a few very sharp long spikes were placed between the angles, the traction was perfect.

At the Hutchinson and Fremont demonstrations many tractors had trouble due to poor traction and

they dug themselves down while other tractors easily pulled the same load through just the same ground conditions. The trouble in some cases was due to too much weight for the size of the wheels and in other cases it was due to the wrong kind of jugs being used. There was no engine which was too light to get all the traction it had power for.

In selecting a tractor it will be well to remember that weight has very little to do with traction, the size of wheels is quite important and suitable lugs or cleats to fit the tractor and the lau ! are absolutely necessary.



In spite of the fact that the croaker is everywhere in evidence, there is a rapid improvement in business conditions throughout the country. We are meeting manufacturers every day who are behind in their orders, others who have good business and big business in immediate prospect. Not all of them are building gas engines, not all of those in the accessory lines even, are sticking to their regular product. Several managers of machine shops that have been building engines have shown us orders for machine tools. Not all this prosperity among the factories comes in the shape of war orders. Nor is all of it the direct result of the conflict in Europe. But indirectly, the war is responsible for a depletion of stocks in many lines. Still more is our splendid crop responsible for many thousands of orders that cannot be filled. If you feel that business is dull in the gas engine line (which we have assured you, time and again, it is not) look about you, and you can keep your shop going on a wide variety of work.



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MOGUL 8-16 IN CANADA



<u>A New Size of the Famous Mogul Kerosene-Burning</u> Tractor Now Ready for Canadian Farmers

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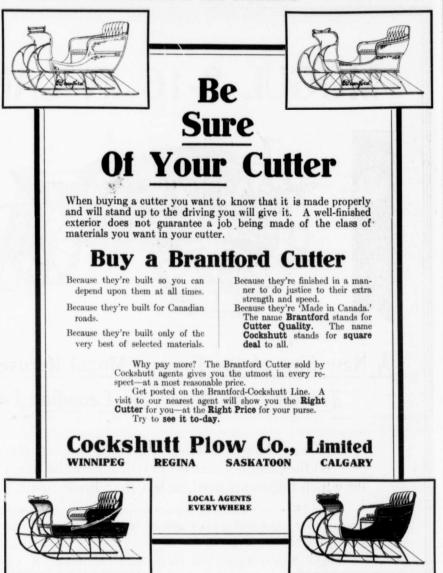
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MIXED FARMING IN WEST-ERN CANADA

and clip off the young weeds as they show up. Sheep are less discriminating in their tastes than other stock and will eat many kinds of weeds that the others will refuse. Ewes nursing them should have some grain at this time of year. This will make the milk better, and the lambs will eat grain themselves. In this way the lambs can be brought along more quickly, and the biggest of them will sell in the summer for as much as lambs that get no grain would be worth at Christmas. The grain fed need not be high class; screenings will do provided they have a fair share of grain or wild oats in them. After the summer-fallow is ploughed, the sheep will again eat off the growth that comes up. Then after the crop is taken off they can run over the grain fields and pick up the shelled grain and loose heads. It is not advisable to depend entirely on scavenger pasture for sheep, there will be times during the season when nothing of this kind is available. For instance, immediately after summer-fallow ploughing, the land will be all bare and black and in dry weather may remain that way for some time. Even after weed growth starts on the fallows, good farm practice demands that it be kept down by cultivation. And while there is sure to be some pasture, it is not good farming to be compelled to let the fallows get dirty in order to keep the sheep from starving. Some supplementary pasture should be provided for such emergencies. On many farms there is a piece of rough broken land that may be sown to permanent pasture and the sheep may be turned on this when the fallows are black. However it is not advisable to sow good arable land to permanent pasture except for a small run near the buildings. Where permanent pasture is not available, or is used by the cattle, a piece of annual pasture will help out very well. Some of the best crops for this are rye, oats and rape. Rye, either fall or spring, makes early pasture. Oats, or peas and oats makes an excellent early summer and midsummer pasture, and rape does well for for midsummer or fall use. Usually midsummer is the time when supplementary pasture is most needed, and there is nothing better than a piece of late sown peas and oats to help out at that time.

The winter feeding of sheep will depend on what feeds are available. On most farms, straw is the great waste product and the winter feed that is most plentiful and least valuable. Sheep can winter on good oat or barley straw all right, but they



should get some grain along with it. The grain ration need not be large, one-half to three-quarters of a pound of grain per sheep per day is sufficient. If they are fed screenings, the quantity should be a little larger, so that they could discard the small inedible seeds, and still have their full ration of grain or edible weed seeds. Where hay is abundant, sheep will naturally do better on it than on straw, and less grain may be fed, or if the hay is alfalfa or of extra good quality, grain may be cut off altogether. The wise feeder will watch the condition of his sheep and feed accordingly. They should be kept in good condition if the lamb crop is to be satisfactory. They should be fat as the farmer would use the term, but not fat in the meaning a butcher would attach to it. Too fat sheep are apt to have trouble at lambing times, but thin impoverished sheep are still more likely to be unsuccessful at that time. They produce weak lambs, and have no milk for them and no desire to look after them.

After the ewes have lambed they should be fed much more liberally so as to encourage milk production. If there is a limited quantity of hay for their use, it should be saved for this time. The grain ration should be increased to about one and a half to two pounds per day. Oats are about the best grain at this time, as they are a good milkproducing feed. Mangels or turnips are a great help also at this time. As soon as the lambs are old enough to take a little grain, they should be given some separate from the ewes. A lamb creep should be made through which the lambs could get to trough that is shut away from the ewes. Here they may safely be allowed to nibble all the whole oats or bran that they want to take.

Lambing Time

The one critical time in sheep raising is when the lambs are coming. Sheep need about as little attention as any kind of stock could, and lambs are about the hardiest kind of young thing after the first few days. But for the first few days of its life there is almost nothing so easily put wrong, so delicate and so helpless as the young lamb. For this one time in the year, the farmer CI

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Accommodations for those attend-

ing the schools are being arranged in each town. Outside of board and lodging, there will be no expense attached to the Short Course; a small registration deposit of \$2.00 will be required, but will be refunded to all those who attend two-thirds of the lectures.

A special effort will be made to make the trip worth while for farm women, special courses being provided at each place in Dressmaking, Cook-

SPECIAL: A Special week's course in Farm Me-chanics will be conducted at Killarney, Dec. 27 to Dec. 31, when particular attention will be given to Blacksmithing, Carpentry, Blueprint Reading and Drawing Plans for Farm Buildings.

ery, Millinery and Home Nursing. There will be opportunity for social intercourse and a very pleasant and profitable outing is assured.

Lantern illustrations and interesting demonstrations will be used in connection with many of the lectures. A glance at the following partial program will indicate the comprehensive range of the subjects which will be dealt with at these Short Course Schools:

FOR FURTHER PARTICULARS WRITE THE EXTENSION SERVICE OF THE MANITOBA AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE AUTHORIZED BY THE MANITOBA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

who wants to have a good lamb crop must give the sheep first attention and spend a good share of his time with them. The time that the lambs should come will depend on the shelter available. If they have to come in the open or in open sheds, May is about the right time, but if there is a place that the wind can be kept out of during cold spells, they can come as early as April 1st. On the Experimental Farm we breed the ewes for lambing to begin about April 1st. The weather is generally fairly warm by that time, and once the lambs are a few days old they can stand quite a bit of cold. Strong lambs can usually do for

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themselves all right. Hence the importance of having the ewes in good thrifty condition. But even under the best of conditions, there is a percentage of weak lambs. These fellows usually do not want to suck, and one of the first things is to persuade them to take nourishment, the principal requirement on this job is patience. If the lamb has got chilled, he should be warmed up. A good way is to immerse him (keeping his head out) in a pail of warm water for ten or fifteen minutes. then rub thoroughly dry when taken out. Or he may be taken in beside the kitchen stove for an hour or so. Sometimes constipation troubles the new lamb. Usually a good feed of the mother's milk will start the bowels going, but where this fails a small dose of castor oil should be given.

All lambs should be docked at between one and three weeks of age. The sheep's tail is unsightly and causes the accumulation of The removal adds greatly dirt. to the appearance, and as the pain caused is very slight, this operation should not be neglected. Male lambs that are not to be used for breeding purposes should be castrated at the same time. The neglect to castrate ram lambs causes a great loss to sheep raisers every year. Ram lambs do not fatten well, as they are restless and spend their time worrying the rest of the flock instead of fattening. They are worth considerably less per pound than wethers. Consequently there is loss both in weight and on price per pound.

Hot House Lambs

For a limited number of people who have accommodation in a warm stable, there is an opportunity for the production of hot house lambs. This term is applied to lambs that arrive about New Year's and are marketed about Easter. These youngsters bring fancy prices and realize as much per pound as good 100 pound lambs do in the fall. There

is good money in it for those who are able to handle the proposition. Time to Market Lamb Crop.

keting. DAIRYING-Care of Milk and Cream; Cow Testing; Milk and Cream for Creameries; Building up the Dairy

There may come a time when winter fattening of lambs will pay, but markets in recent years have not shown enough range between fall and spring prices to justify carrying lambs over winter. They pay best under present conditions when got on to the market as quickly as possible. Some of the most growthy ones will sell well in July or August. The others will be ready in the fall.

Shelter for Sheep

Sheep do not require an expensive building. They want plenty of exercise and fresh air, and do better when running outside than when confined. They should have an open shed that will protect them from snow and wind. So long as they are dry and out of draughts, low temperatures do not disturb them in the least. Only in the case of early lambs is protection from cold needed.

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In Mourning

"What are you wearing that thing for?" asked Mrs. Gabb, when her husband came home with a band of crepe around his hat.

"For your first husband," replied Mr. Gabb. "I'm sorry he died."

Controlling Insects Affecting our Trees. **PARM MECHANICS**—Home Smitaion; Praumatic Tank, Sewage System, Sewage Disposal; Heating, Ventilation; Farm Power, Electricity; Gas Engine Con-cretet; Labor-Saving Devices, etc. **POULTRY—Breeds** and Varieties, Their Characteristics and Adaptability; Winter Egg Production; Co-operative Market-ing of Poultry and Poultry Products; Poultr RUBJECTS—Thee-Keeping and Clatter, Together with the Names of Speakers and Dates.

Agriucltural Short Courses

The first continuous four weeks' short course ever held in Manitoba is to be conducted, beginning January 10th next, under the auspices of the Manitoba Department of Agriculture and the Extension Service of the Manitoba Agricultural College. It will be the newest and most systematic course ever offered the farmers of the province, their wives and the young people. In fact, those who are fortunate enough to attend this continuous course in agricultural study will receive the same practical benefits that would result from actual attendance at the College itself for a similar period; for the course will be conducted by the very best men and women available-instructors who have earned a reputation as specialists in their respective subjects.

It is being planned to hold the four weeks' short course at four district centres-Morden, Boissevain, Neepawa and Virden. Accommodation for those attending will be arranged in the town and the only expense entailed will be for board and lodging, plus a small registration fee which will be refunded to those who attend two-thirds of the lectures. Arrangements have been made with the railways for half-fare rates.

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The following is only a partial list of the subjects which are to be dealt with ; but it will serve to indicate the very comprehensive and practical nature of the program :

Field Husbandry

Soil Classification; Management; Cultivation and Conservation; Crop Ro-tations; Seed Selection and Improve-ment of Varieties; Weed Identification, and Eradication; Forage and Control Fodder Cr

Animal Husbandry

Animal Husbandry Breeds of Beef and Dairy Cattle, Sheep and Swine, Characteristics of each and their Suitability or Otherwise for Western Conditions; Care and Man-agement, Feeding, Breeding and Grad-ing Up; Cost of Production; Type of Stock suited to Different Conditions of Farming; Marketing.

Dairying

Care of Milk and Cream; Cow Test-ing; Milk and Cream for Creameries; Building up the Dairy Herd.

Horticulture and Forestry

Horticulture and Forestry Varieties, planting and Care of Fruits and Trees for Shelter Belts; Shrubs; Laying out Farmsteads; Lawm Mix-tures; Perennial and Annual Flowers; Vegetable_Gardening. Practical Meth-ods of Controlling Insects Affecting our ods of Trees.

Farm Mechanics

Farm Mechanics Home Sanitation: Pneumatic Tank, Sewage System, Sewage Disposal; Heat-ing, Ventilation; Farm Power, Elec-tricity; Gas Engine Construction and Operation; Use of Concrete; Labor-Saving Devices, etc. Poultry Breeds and Varieties, Heir Charac-teristics and Adaptability; Winter Egg Production; Co-operative Marketing of Poultry and Poultry Products; Poultry Houses; Diseases. Other Subjects

Other Subjects

Bee-Keeping and other subjects will be announced later, together with the names of speakers and dates.

All the lectures will be as practical, instructive and interesting as it is possible to make them; in some cases lantern illustrations will be used, and judging from the preparations which are now being made by the Department and the College those who can attend and fail to do so will miss a distinct opportunity

In addition to the subjects partially set forth above, there will be much to interest the farm wo-It is intended to hold at man. each place a week's course in dressmaking, a week's course in cookery, a week's course in millinery and probably a week's course in home nursing.

Also, between Christmas and New Year's a week's course in agricultural mechanics will be held at Killarney.

College Education but the Beginning

The student upon entering college, and doubtless his parents, when arranging for his leaving home to continue his education, sometimes seem possessed of an exaggerated notion of what the college may be expected to do for a student.

"he college seeks to develop in its students, habits of study, to show them the best methods of study and to familiarize them with what has been done in var-

ious lines of human thought and development, and finally to show them where the material for further advancement is most readily to be found.

This line of work necessarily includes a more or less thorough mastery of underlying principles in the various branches.

When it is remembered that in the course of his four years attendance at college, the student gives his attention to upwards of forty different subjects, any one of which might well claim his entire time for four years if he desired to have a complete mastery of it, it is apparent that there can be no mastery of one or all of these subjects.

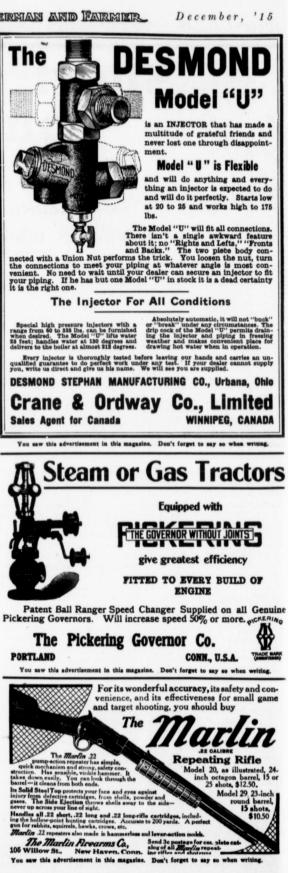
If a student has secured one intelligent view of what the world has done in the line of his chosen vocation; has mastered the principles of his art, and is ready to start even in the race of the world when he graduates, the college has done all for him that can properly be expected of it.

The notion so often expressed in the statement made by the student when given his diploma, "Now my education is finished and I am ready to go to work," should be changed to say "Now that I have completed my preparation, I am ready to go out and get my real education."-C. F. Davis.

Aluminum the Most Abundant Metal

Aluminum is the most abundant of all the metals. In the form of its oxide, lumina, it constitues about 15 per cent. of the earth's crust, according to the United States Geological Survey. Yet until recent years it was a curiosity; there were only a few hundred or few thousand pounds in existence, and its value was \$14 or \$15 a pound. Within a generation it has become very useful, now selling at about 20 cents a pound. The entry of aluminum into the field of useful metals came with the discovery that it could be extracted from the mineral bauxite, a clavlike substance. This mineral itself is by no means plentiful, but known deposits are sufficient to make aluminum an important competitor of certain metals, such as copper and tin, in a good many lines of work.

Already aluminum has displaced steel in certain classes of construction where strength is required in combination with extreme lightness, such as in the manufacture of flying machines. An alloy known as duralumin, containing about 95 per cent of aluminum, is claimed to have qualities as good as those of good Bessemer steel, although it is only one-third as heavy. This alloy possesses great hardness



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when annealed, and its melting point is above 1,200 deg. F. The great future of aluminum lies in the perfection of a process whereby it can be commercially extracted from the unlimited deposits of aluminum—rich clays and rocks which exist in all parts of the world. The day which shall yield really cheap aluminum holds out boundless possibilities. The chemist or investigator who can devise the needed process of extraction will not be forgotten by succeeding generations.

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Roadmaking and Moisture

"One of the important factors in roadmaking is to control the moisture content of the soil in making up the roadbed. When the soil is dry it crumbles to dust and when it contains too much water it becomes mud. These are the two extremes to avoid. To make a hard roadbed the soil must contain a fair amount of moisture. The control of the moisture requires that the roadbed be higher in the middle and smooth so that water can not stand on it but will run off. If water can stand on the road, ruts will result and when these are ground down, dust forms and finally a loose roadbed results. "Keeping the roadbed well

crowned and smooth, will hold

the moisture in it so that it will pack hard.

"Weeds must also be kept several feet from the wheeltrack else they will draw the moisture from the roadbed and thus loosen it, this is especially true in regions of moderate rainfall.

"The making of a smooth roadbed requires that when the soil is put on, it be laid in layers and not in piles. When dumped in piles some places will be more packed than others and there will likely be a difference in the density, while if laid in layers this will be avoided. Each layer should be harrowed, or better yet, disced and packed before the next one is laid down. In this way a good roadbed is secured from the first, while if the soil is just dumped on the road to be leveled and packed by the traffic over the road a good roadbed will never be secured

"The best tool for keeping the road well crowned and the surface smooth is the splitlog drag. This tool should be used soon after a rain. The soil is then loose and easily moved. The drag moves but small amounts of soil and smears it on the roadbed in thin layers, which is just what is wanted. It cuts off any projections and fills any low places.

"Where there is standing water

the roadbed should be kept at least a foot above the water surface and 18 inches is better. The nature of the soil and the length of time that the water stands along the road will to a degree determine how high the roadbed must be above the water.

Distribution of Seed Grain and Potatoes from the Dominion Experimental Farms 1915-1916

By instructions of the Hon. Minister of Agriculture a free distribution of superior sorts of grain and potatoes will be made during the coming winter and spring to Canadian farmers. The samples will consist of spring wheat (about 5 lbs.), white oats (about 4 lbs.), barley (about 5 lbs.), and field peas (about 5 lbs.) These will be sent out from Ottawa.

A distribution of potatoes (in 3 lbs. samples) will be carried on from several of the Experimental Farms, the Central Farm at Ottawa supplying only the provinces of Ontario and Quebec.

Each application must be separate and must be signed by the applicant. Only one sample of grain and one of potatoes can be sent to each farm. If both

samples are asked for in the same letter only one will be sent. Applications on any kind of printed form cannot be accepted.

The destruction by fire of the cereal building at Ottawa, which contained grain-cleaning machinery and a large stock of seed grain for distribution, may make it necessary to curtail the distribution to a certain extent. We shall fill as many as possible of the applications which conform to the rules; but requests received after the end of December will probably be too late. Samples cannot be sent in response to applications (no matter when received) which fail to state clearly the needs of the applicant, his experiences in crop-raising, and the character of the soil on which he intends to sow the seed.

All applications for grain (and applications from the provinces of Ontario and Quebec for potatoes) should be addressed to the Dominion Cerealist, Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa. Such applications require no postage. If otherwise addressed, delay and disappointment may occur.

Applications for potatoes from farmers in any other province should be addressed (postage prepaid) to the Superintendent of the nearest branch Experimental Farm in that province.

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The Goods

The Goods CAN you deliver "the goods"? Is your word as good as your bond? Do men believe in what you say without oath or confirmation? Are you rated "A1" in the realm of moral values? Do men think of you in their troubles and ask for you when they are dying?

Carlyle says that in 1848, during the riot In Paris, the mob swept down a street blaz-ing with cannon, killed the soldiers, spiked the guns, only to be stopped a few blocks beyond by an old, white-haired man who uncovered and signalled for silence. Then the leader of the mob said: "Citizens, it is De la Eure. Sixty years of pure life is about to address you!"

Great Expectations

EXPECT little from the world and while Lyou may sometimes be surprised, yet you will never be disappointed. Let all your deeds of generosity be done without thought of reward. Ever reserve for your-self the consciousness that you have always sought to be kind, just and true. But re-member, many of your most unselfish deeds will never be mentioned or recognized. Nay, you will often be misunderstood. An American writer says, concerning that French statesman Talleyrand:

"For nearly half a century this veteran diplomatist acted a prominent part in the affairs of Europe. As the prime minister or ambassador of the Directory, the Consulate, the Empire, the Restoration and the Mon-archy of Louis Philippe, he negotiated the important treaties which determined the boundaries of empires and fate of kingdoms, and formed plans which made Napoleon an emperor, and the emperor an exile. Such a man's view of an eventful life of fourscore years furnishes instructive lessons to men who are wasting the energies of being on political ambition or worldly aggrandize-Just before his death, a paper was ment. found on his table on which he had written, by the light of the lamp, such lines as these: Behold eighty-three years passed away! What cares! What agitation! What What cares! What agita anxieties! What ill-will! What sad complications.""

Do It!

F RIEND, get into the way of doing thing ... a genius for bringing things to pass. Have it often said of you: "If it can be done, he will do it." Let no difficulty stand in your way. Let no problem master your disposi-tion. Let no obstacle conquer your zeal. Say to yourself, "If he can do it, I can do it." Refuse to believe that others are superior to you in stemming the currents of

life. The London Spectator tells a story of India in which a subaltern was ordered to take a gun up to the top of an apparently inaccessible hill. After several ineffectual attempts, he returned to his superior officer and reported the feat to be impossible. "Impossible, sir," was the reply. "Impos-sible? Why, I've got the order for it in my pocket."

"God Almighty, Sir !"

GOD is the highest authority in all things G — "I believe in God, the Father, Al-mighty, maker of heaven and earth." Do you? Are your convictions deep-rooted? Are your ideas centered in the eternal?



Have you the authority of clear thought and the moral certainty of a high motive? Then act on your inspiration and follow your mood

And here is that Christian nurse who followed the line of battle close up to the rifle-pits, and kindled her fire and prepared hot drinks for dying men; who, when asked by the colonel who told her to build those fires, made answer: "God Almighty, sir!" and went right on to fulfil her vision.

Titles

Titles I F YOU are not worthy of a title, how silly it makes you look. "Mr." Muddle-head, "Rev." Mr. Slowtothink, "Sir" Boodle-getter, "Lord" M on e y m a k e r, "Earl" Upperdom. What transparent misrepre-sentations! How the poor man sneers and the thinking man laughs when a title is conferred on brainless fools or swaggering money-bags. The Cyclopedia of Biography records concerning Lord Byron: "He was a schoolboy, ten years old at the

"He was a schoolboy, ten years old at the time, living in Scotland with his mother, who had an income of £135 a year, equal to about \$25 a week on our present currency. All at once came news that Lord Byron, the grand-uncle of the boy, was dead, leaving no heirs to his title and estates except this poor widow's son. Imagine the effect upon a forward, sensitive, bashful, imaginative boy-painfully ashamed because he had a lame foot. It seems that he was puzzled at first with his new lordship. The day after he news arrived he ran up to his mother, and said, 'Mother, do you see any difference in me since I became lord? I see none.'"

Hours of Vision

THERE are vision hours. There are mo-ments when God speaks to us. There are seasons when the hills, the woods, the glens and the rivers are flooded with a golden glory. Guard well your inspirations. Live forever in the light of your best moments.

It is recorded of the great Dean Swift, toward the close of his career, when dissipa-tion and self indulgence had sapped his powers, that looking at one of his books, written in the zenith of unwasted energy, he exclaimed with a sob, "My God! what a genius I had when I wrote that book!"

Follow Your Bent

THERE are two things which you ought to do: The things which you like to do -and the things which you don't like to do. Create a strong character and then follow your "bent." In the beginning, do the hard things. Read the books which are hard to read. Take the exercises which are hard to take. Memorize the lines which are hard to remember. Solve the problems which are difficult of solutions. In a word love your difficulties. But, later in life, when the

foundations of your character have been laid—follow your bent. Do the thing which you love to do. Work at the tasks which bring joy, love and inspiration. Cultivate your mood and then plume your wings for a flight. Do what you like to do and do it when you like to do it.

Lord Byron, who did nearly all his writing at night, said, "I never could make much of a subject suggested to me by another."

Tied Up

TIED up! That's the trouble with one-half of your young men. Glued to a A half of your young men. Glued to a pipe. Chained to a cigarette. Bound to a card-table. Imprisoned in a pool room. Tied! Enough said! When a man becomes the slave of a time-killing and money-sap-ping habit, he is done for. Side track him or he will side-track you. If you are linked with him you will go down with him, you will go down.

One winter's day, a gentleman standing by Niagara saw an eagle light upon a frozen lamb, encrusted in a floating cake of ice. The eagle fed upon the carcass as it was drifting toward the rapids. Every now and again the eagle would proudly lift its head into the air and look about him, as much as to say, "I am drifting toward danger, but I know what I am doing; I will fly away and make my escape before it is too late." Near-ing the falls at length, he stooped and spread his powerful wings and leaped for his flight. But alas! alas! while he had been feasting on that dead carcass his feet had frozen to its fleece. He leaped and shrieked and beat upon the ice with his wings; but uselessly, for with the ice and frozen carcass the eagle went over the falls and down into the roar and darkness below.

Exercise

WHEN Henry Ward Beecher was ad-monished to take care of his health, he replied, "I have already more than I know what to do with."

Every man has more health than he knows what to do with. It is wrapped up in the bones, nerves, muscles, sinews and brain of his body. When a man says that he is "nervous" he registers the fact of a surplus of nervous force and mental energy. surpus of nervous force and mental energy. Thirty minutes exercise every day will bring your health currents to the surface. You say "it takes will" to exercise for "thirty minutes" every day. That is true, but at the end of a month you have not only an added percentage of "health" but an educated will. Almost every physical failan added percentage of nearth but an educated will. Almost every physical fail-ing can be cured by exercise—if you begin before you are thirty-five years of age and unlocks the vaults of health.

Personality

PERSONALITY in eloquence is mag-PERSONALITY in eloquence is mag-netism. Personality in literature is style. Personality in art is design and atmosphere. Personality in conduct and character is originality. Personality in architecture enthrones the unique. Personality in moral traits and spiritual value breathes a perfume which men call "INFLUENCE."

Once Charles Lamb wrote thus to Wordsworth: "Coleridge is absent but four miles, and the neighborhood of such a man is as exciting as the presence of fifty ordinary persons."

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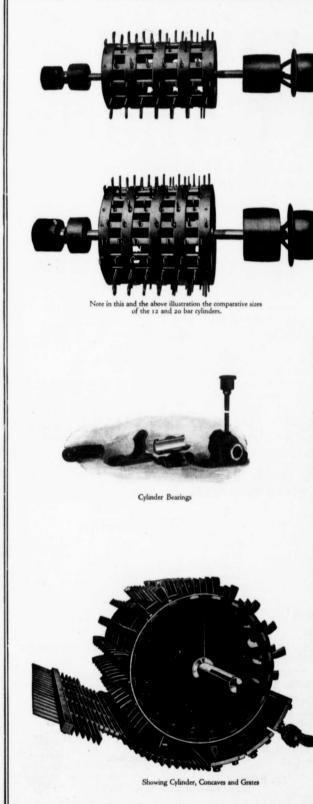
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ID you see our ad in last month's "Canadian Thresherman"? It told all about the rigid steel construction of the frame of the Case Threshing Machine. A copy of this ad is shown on the opposite page.

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Contrast this feature with the machines having the small cylinder furnished in so many of them. The small cylinder, you know, can not be equipped with a grate surface for separat-ing, neither can the machine be run with as steady a motion, and these are important features in clean threshing. Many thresher-men with the small cylinder machines have been forced to wait for favorable conditions, while Case Threshermen with their big cylinder machines user tight along motion. Delaw men cylinder machines went right along working. De money lost when the threshing season is at its height. Delays mean

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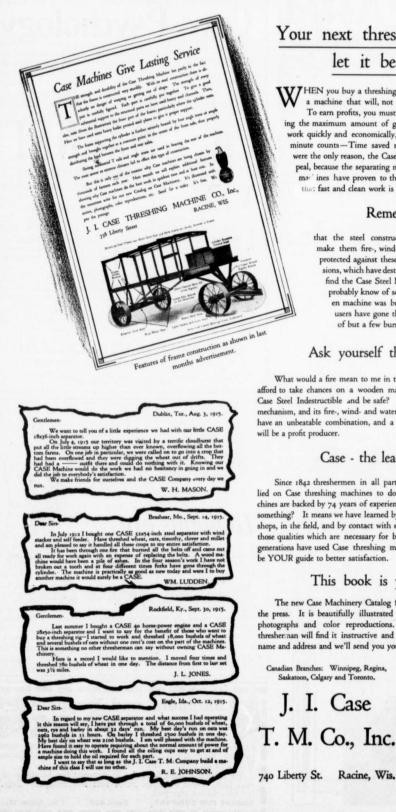
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The main object of any business is to put out a valuable product which, when sold or used, will pay for its production and leave a profit. Any enterprise which does not do this will soon cease to exist. The increased competition in in all lines of business makes it necessary for better methods to be used in their management. The most important cost in the production of farm crops is the use of land, and it is necessarily rising because of the limited supply and the increased demand for his products. For the farmer to make a profit with this increased rent of land, one or all of the following must happen, says Prof. J. B. Andrews, of the University of Illinois, in Wallace's Farmer. The other costs of production must be decreased, the output must be increased, or the price of the product must rise. The farmer has no control over the markets, although he watches them very closely, hoping that he may benefit from a rise. He is, however, able to influence the cost of production and the yields of his crops or the gains of his animals to some extent, and it is to this that he should devote his attention. Every farmer knows the advantage of better crops and more of them, but few give much thought to the lowering of the cost of producing these crops. Of course, everyone tries to "cut down expenses," but they do not start with a definite and systempurpose of atic deliberately lowering the cost of production and at the same time maintaining

increasing the yields, and or thereby increasing the profits.

Next to the interest on investment in land or rent, horse labor is the largest single item in the cost of producing farm crops, and it is therefore well to consider how it might be reduced or used to better advantage, it has been found that the cost of horse labor has varied over nine cents per hour on different farms in the same community, and with the same type of farming. The cause for this difference may be due to care and feeding, the number of horses to be kept for the work to be done, and the system of farming, which includes the arrangement and size of the fields, the kind of crops and the number of acres of each grown, and the method of marketing the farm products that is, selling the grain directly or through live stock.

Divisions of Labor

Much attention should be given to the general care and feeding of the work horses. However, these factors are the least in need of remedying than any of the others that enter into the cost of horse labor. Farmers ofttimes give their horses too much feed and care, which increases the expense and does not add to their comfort or efficiency.

The number of horses kept and the amount of work per horse are the direct cause of the varying costs of horse labor, and they in turn depend directly upon the system of farming.

All farm labor is divided into two principal kinds. They are the fixed, which must be done at a certain time, and the non-fixed, which may be done at odd times. For example, the final preparation of the seed bed, planting, and cultivating, are operations upon the corn crop for which the time is fixed, while plowing, hauling



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manure and fertilizer, are nonfixed as to time. Husking corn is semi-fixed, as it may be done any time before snow flies. Husking corn is semi-fixed, as it may be done any time before snow flies. Cutting corn for fodder or for the silo is fixed labor. The farmer should have his work planned ahead, so that he will not have any of his non-fixed or semifixed operations to do when he must be doing something that is absolutely necessary. Plowing is good example of non-fixed bor. Many discussions have labor. been held to settle the relative value of spring and fall plowing from the standpoint of fertility, but few have considered either as to the utilization of farm labor.

In the fall there are times when there is not much fixed labor to be done. Other conditions being favorable, this is the time to plow. The spring is the busiest time of the year for horses, and all work possible ought to be done at other times. Every farmer keeps a few extra horses for a whole year, for a few weeks of extra work in the spring. All of these extra horses can not be eliminated, but if the work was so arranged, the number could be reduced and a great saving result.

Keep Horses Working

The rotation or the arrangement of fields and crops is generally studied from the standpoint of fertility, but it may be a great factor in influencing the cost of horse labor. A variety of crops should be grown whose fixed operations do not come at the same time. Corn is recognized by most people to be the most profitable crop in the corn belt, and yet it is most unwise for a farmer to plant all of his land to corn. Alfalfa and corn make a good combination with reference to maintaining the fertility, but the fixed operations come too near the same time to give a good distribution to the farm labor. They should be grown in connection with other crops.

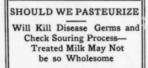
To sum up, the way to reduce the cost of horse labor is to give proper feed and care, and to obtain a large amount of work per horse, not by working the horse too hard, but by avoiding idleness. This is accomplished by proper planning of the farm work, and establishing suitable rotations. All this is no simple matter, but requires the careful study of the farm managers.

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When She Grows Up

Nurse—"Why, Bobby, you selfish little boy! Why didn't you give your sister a piece of your apple?"

Bobby—"I gave her the seeds. She can plant 'em and have a whole orchard."



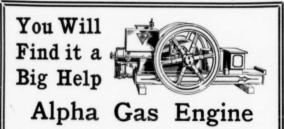
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The argument for natural milk is that it is the best balanced and most nearly complete single article of food found in nature and that it is peculiarly adapted to the young of all mammals, furnishing them with an easily digested food, containing all of the elements necessary for the development of the body, combined in proper proportions. The objections to it as food are that it is easily contaminated with disease-producing forms of germ life, that it is preserved in a fresh state with difficulty, that it contains an excessive amount of water in proportion to its solid constituents-pump water is not here referred to-that it does not supply the digestive tract of mature animals with the bulky fibrous matter needed to promote digestion, and that it is expensive to produce.

To overcome some of the objections to natural raw milk, the process of pasteurization has been developed. By pasteurization is meant the raising of milk to a sufficiently high temperature, and keeping it at that temperature for a sufficient length of time, to destroy all disease-producing germs that may have obtained access to it and, incidentally, to destroy the lactic acid bacteria which promote the souring of milk. A temperature of 145 degrees, maintained for thirty minutes, is specified by law in the New York Sanitary Code.

The argument for pasteurized milk is not that such milk is completely sterilized, for it is not, but that any disease-producing germs in it are destroyed, and that it is thus rendered incapable of transmitting tuberculosis, diphtheria, typhoid, scarlet fever, etc. The objections to pasteurized milk are numerous and valid, notwithstanding that the process is becoming more extensively used and there is a growing disposition upon the part of cities to require it in the case of all ordinary market milk offered for sale in them. In practice, pasteurization is a difficult process; if the milk is not uniformly heated to a sufficient degree, and maintained at that temperature for a sufficient length of time, the object of the process is not accomplished; on the other hand, if the milk is overheated, certain properties of the milk essential to its use as infant food are destroyed.

While the value of properly pasteurized milk as infant food is still a matter of dispute, there seems ample evidence that the ordinary commercial product cannot be de-



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pended upon for good results in infant feeding. Pasteurized milk does not readily sour, because of the destruction of the lactic acid bacteria in it. Consequently, it may become stale and unwholesome without giving evidence of that fact in taste and appearance. Other harmful bacteria which in raw milk are kept in check by the action of the lactic acid bacteria are, in pasteurized milk, free to develop unhindered.

A less technical, but still valid. objection to pasteurizing market milk is that the word "pasteurized" may easily give a false sense To most people it of security. means sterilized, and safe, whereas such milk is not sterilized, and unless greater pains are taken with its handling and storage after pasteurization than are even necessary with raw milk it is likely to become an unwholesome, or even dangerous food. Pasteurized milk is not equal to clean, uncontaminated, raw milk, but where it is difficult or impossible to get the latter, it may become a necessary substitute.-Rural New Yorker.

Standardizing Canadian Eggs

From present indications it would appear that one of the most important developments to date in the improvement of the Canadian egg trade was the action taken by the Canadian Produce Association last winter in adopting definite standards for Canadian eggs.

Hitherto each market and in most markets each dealer had a system of grading peculiar to his own trade. This resulted in endless confusion to the consumer and great difficulty was experienced at times on the part of the producer in finding a satisfactory market for his product.

Realizing the importance of having definite standards for all live stock products the Live Stock Branch of the Dominion Department of Agriculture has endeavored by means of pamphlets, placards and other means to give the standards for eggs as much pub-licity as possible. The co-operation of exhibition associations has also been secured, prominent among which has been that of the Canadian National Exhibition Association at whose exhibition in Toronto this year in response to prizes offered, probably the largest collection of eggs ever brought together in one exhibition of the American continent was displayed. Some 7,000 dozen in all were on exhibition. The prize list for eggs was prepared in accordance with the standards and the judges made their awards according to the accuracy of the interpretation, on the part of the exhibitor, of the definitions of the various grades.

At a number of exhibitions where no extensive classes for eggs have been offered, the Live Stock Branch has made a display of eggs graded in accordance with the standards and in each instance has supplemented the display with actual demonstrations, in a candling booth specially designed for the purpose, of the way in which eggs of the various grades appear when candled.

In order that the consumers and producers generally may become more familiar with the various classes and grades the following explanation is given.

Three general classes for eggs are provided under the standards, viz :---

"Fresh gathered," "storage," and "cracked and dirties." Four grades are provided in the first class, three in the second, and two in third.

The grades in the "fresh gathered" class are "specials," "extras," "No. 1's," and "No. 2's." The grade "specials" is omitted from the "storage" class, and both specials and extras from the class for "cracked and dirties."

"Specials" according to the standards are eggs of uniform size weighing over 24 ounces to the dozen or over 45 pounds net to the 30 dozen case; absolutely clean, strong and sound in shell; air cell small, not over 3-16 of an inch in depth; white of egg firm and clear and yolk dimly visible; free from blood clots.

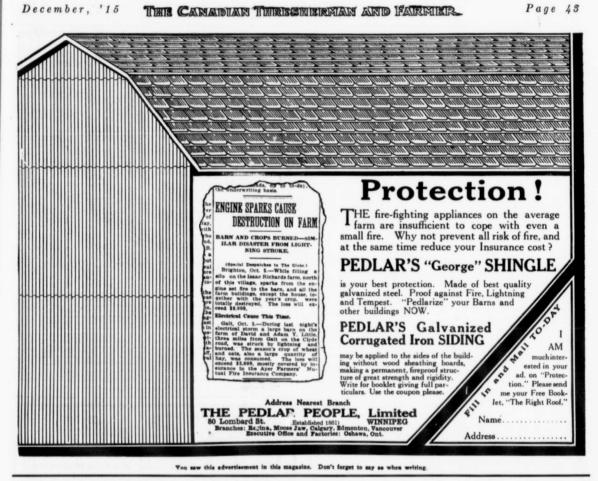
"Extras" are eggs of good size, weighing at least 24 ounces to the dozen or 45 pounds net to the 30 dozen case; clean, sound in shell; air cell less than 3% of an inch in depth; with white of egg firm, and yolk slightly visible. "No. 1's" are eggs weighing at

"No. 1's" are eggs weighing at least 23 ounces to the dozen or 43 pounds net to the 30 dozen case; clean, sound in shell; air cell less than ½ inch in depth; white of egg reasonably firm; yolk visible but mobile, not stuck to the shell or seriously out of place.

"No. 2's" are eggs clean; sound in shell; may contain weak watery eggs, and eggs with heavy yolks, and all other eggs sound in shell and fit for food.

Consumers in order to protect themselves in the matter of purchasing eggs should acquaint themselves with these standards and the above definitions of the grades. Only by creating a demand for certain grades of eggs will the supply be forthcoming, and the demand can come only with a thorough knowledge on the part of the consumer as to what constitutes the various grades. Consumers generally, in order to safeguard themselves, would do well to insist that all eggs as offered for sale be labelled in accordance with their proper grade.





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THE average small rancher would like to increase his flock of poultry, but is often held back from doing so on account of the cost of building. This is the case, too, with some men who through force of circumstances are compelled to rent land. They would like more poultry, and the keeping of a good sized flock would help out their incomes and work no injury to the land owner, but they can't afford to build houses to leave on another man's premises, and so it goes that this side of the farm life is neglected.

Now one of the first lessons the farmer in a new country learns is that unless he can get a cover over his stock and machinery, he is bankrupt before he starts. This causes men to think up some means of doing this very cheaply. **Pioneer Barns**

Our first barn in Dakota was made of sod, but as we had not put in enough timbers, the cattle pushed the walls down and the cold and snow drifted in. The

second was hay with heavy timbers enough to hold the roof up, and as the walls were about six feet through it took the cattle a long time to eat their way out. This idea was quite common in Dakota in pioneer days; make your roof strong, then build a haystack over and around it. Later we improved on that idea and built a frame near the grain stacks where the thresher could throw the straw over it. A man with a fork worked the straw along evenly, as the thresher threw it on top; and when the grain was threshed we had a commodious and nice place, warm. After the straw got settled, holes could be sawed in the sides to let in light during fine weather and a sort of shutter was arranged to protect from snow and cold during the night. Fodder Houses

There is always some kind of cheap fodder, it matters little whether it is Kaffir corn, real corn, spoiled hay or bean straw, wheat or oats straw. Any or all of these can be made to serve as shelters for poultry. I would make the outer frame fairly strong and put rough poles over the roof, then tack on poultry wire to hold the roof up so that when it rained the sagging would not let the water run in the building. Kaffir corn fodder can be made like the old thatched roof and battened down. If there is plenty of material on hand, the whole building can be of the same material and if it was made large enough it would make an excellent place for the chickens to seek shelter on rainy days.

If mites or other vermin got in during the summer it could be burned, or moved to new ground and the loss even if burned would not be felt, after it had served a season's usefulness.

The roof being the main feature of a building, should project quite a bit all the way around; and if this is done and the building is rather low, you leave it free to the sun and air and your chicks will be sufficiently sheltered. Where the rainfall is heavy, it would be well to have three sides closed in, leaving only the front open.

The Paper House

This is another cheap house, though it costs considerably more than the straw or fodder house and will not be so cool in summer. In making this house the frame need not be heavy; in fact, the



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whole thing can be made of either one-by-threes put on flat, or the $1\frac{1}{2}$ inch stuff called "tree props."

Make the frame as large as wanted; a house 8x12 will accommodate fifty hens and give ample room for feeding in rainv Put the dropping weather. boards and perches crosswise, or if dropping boards are excluded. sling the perches from the roof with baling wire. The cheapest wiring to use is the thin spool wire; tack this crosswise over the frame of the roof and up and down, or lengthwise of the three sides and ends, tacking with a double pointed carpet tack at each stud or rafter. When the wiring is done, spread your paper, being very sure to pull it tight and keep it so until fastened down. If the item of expense is too much for paper all around, just use it for the roof and use burlap or gunny sack cut open for the rest. The life of gunny sack in summer is about eight to ten weeks, when it must be renewed; in winter, it will last three months. Personally, I prefer to have the frame houses covered with 2-inch chicken wire. When this is well stretched and tacked down thoroughly it increases the life of the paper indefinitely, because when the paper gets worn it can be painted over with some coal tar product and be just as good as new. I have one roof that has seen three year's service and is as good now as the first day because it was put on right; another one with just one year's service needs replacing because it was left to sag down in the first place, and the paper wore itself out in chafing. Where the rainfall is heavy, alfalfa hay would make as good a roof as any if it was put on in the manner of the old-fashioned thatch stitched across with baling wire.

Other Uses of Cheap Houses

This is the time of year to get ready for increasing the size of your flock, so that it will be to your advantage to build a few of these cheap poultry houses; they can also be used for ducks, and, with a fly arranged to the side of the house, for pigeons. So that no matter what sort of feathered pets you want to keep, these cheap houses will be better and more sanitary than the old miteridden lumber house that is full of cracks, that never seem to be clean.



SOLD BY ALL DRUGGISTS

For the Throat

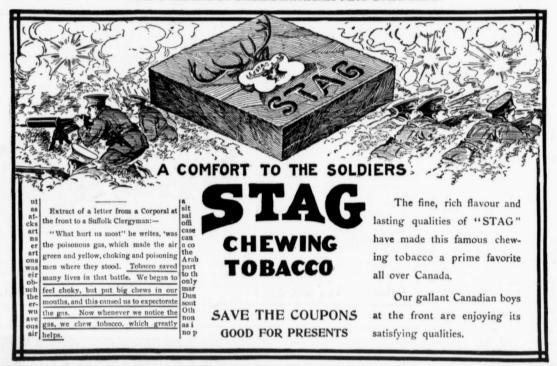
We know a gentleman who was annually prostrated by an attack of sore throat, invariably terminating in ulceration, which had to run its course, with great suffering to the patient. He had always consulted a physician who prescribed gargles of various kinds and often brought the lancet into play to reduce ulceration. Someone advised him to resort to Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil when he found the ailment coming on, but he laughed at the idea of a patent medicine having any effect on throat affections of that nature. But when the winter came and he felt symptoms of his old malady which he dreaded, not only because it entailed great suffering, but because it confined him to his house for from a week to ten days and his business suffered in consequence, he bethought himself of the advice he had received as to Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil and he decided to try it, having little hope that it would benefit him. He filled a dessert spoon with the medicine, dissolved some sugar in it to counteract the oily taste and wallowed it slowly. Afterward, he found that the soreness in his throat was not so perceptible, so he took another dose and doses at intervals till the pain of swallowing entirely disappeared, and not only did he avoid having ulcerated sore throat that winter but never had it afterwards. This is many years ago and he never hears anyone complaining of sore throat but he is quick to give the advice: "Try Dr. Thomas's Electric Oil. It will cure you." And whoever follows that advice will have reason to concur in the wisdom of it. This is only one instance of the thousands which can be given of the great value of Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil, and it refers only to one phase of its supreme usefulness in the treatment of disease.

It has met with so much favor from those who by use have convinced themselves of its superior qualities as a medicine, that its good name is an influential agent for it everywhere. Simple, safe and sure, and put up in compact and portable form, a supply of it can be easily carried so as to be available in the case of injury or sudden attack of illness: for this reason a bottle of it should always be kept on hand. Travellers setting out for distant lands, where medical men are few and drug stores not at all, should include Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil in their stores, as a more serviceable preparation cannot be found. prospectors, miners, freighters, stockmen, lumbermen, sailors and soldiers, who are exposed to dangers unknown to denizens of towns, this Oil commends itself



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as a preparation of great value, inasmuch as it contains in concentrated form, healing ingredients that cannot be produced in the same combination in any other medicine. Contusions, wounds, sprains, burns and scalds are very common occurrences, but immediately dressed with Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil no suffering from pain will follow their infliction. Affections of the air passage, catarrh, asthma, sore throat and ailments of the bronchial processes spring from simple causes and often result disastrously. Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil will relieve the distressing conditions that these affections give rise to and will prevent them from becoming chronic.

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A Not-Too-Well-Known Goat

"Most parts of Canada where live stock production prevails are suitable to the raising of Angoras, especially if the land is high and dry the greater part of the year. They will withstand the rigor of even the coldest winter and do not require any greater shelter than a shed to protect from wind and storm, providing a sufficient quantity of nutritious food and pure water are supplied. The Angora goat performs a two-fold service in the Canadian scheme

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of farming. It produces a high grade of mohair and at the same time may be used for the destruction of underbrush on lands to be broken for subsequent cultivation." Such is one of the opening paragraphs of Pamphlet No. 12 of the Sheep and Goat Division of the Live Stock Branch devoted to the Angora goat and a general discussion of methods of management, feeding and breeding, and of mohair production, by T. Reg. Arkell, B.S.A., B.Sc., and Horace V. Bent, B.S., that can be had at no cost whatever by application to the Publications Branch, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa. The pamphlet gives a brief sketch of the origin and history of the Angora, which from being a native of Turkey in Asia, has travelled somewhat extensively into South Africa, is fairly well known in the United States and not as well known in Canada as desirable. Mohair, of which Turkey in times of peace supplies 10,000,000 pounds annually, South Africa 15,000,000 pounds, and the rest of the world 6,000,000 pounds, is the technical name given the hair of the Angora goat. The word is derived from the French "mohere" and, primarily, from the Arabic "mukhayyar," meaning mohair cloth. This, with a vast deal more information about a particularly useful goat, is furnished in the pamphlet under notice. Nature and the necessary treatment for breeding and raising are set forth with details of market possibilities, of shearing, of grading and of preparation for shipment. Extracts from letters written by successful breeders in Canada and the United States telling of their experience are printed as well as some account of the complaints to which the animals are occasionally subject, with advice as to preventives and remedies. Illustrations of types and the fleeces carried at various ages lend impression, expression and interest to the pamphlet.

Sleighs for the Farm

We are pleased to add a strong word to the announcement of the John F. McGee Co., on another page, dealing with a special line they are carrying in strong, serviceable sleighs specially constructed for the tortuous roadbeds of the country at this season.

First of all this company can be absolutely relied upon to deliver the goods and to the complete satisfaction of the purchaser. There is only one way to build up a permanent business. It isn't done by slick advertising but by providing something that everybody will talk about in such a way that everybody wants to have it. Confidence is the first requisite to a permanent business and it can only be secured in this way, by that application of the golden rule which states most definitely 'Satisfaction or your money back."

These sleighs we can positively state are at least all they are stated to be and, perhaps, somewhat better; in any case we are glad to bear testimony to the reliability and business zeal of our friends who are selling them.

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The Pure Bred Flock

Pure bred poultry possesses every possible advantage over the dunghill variety. There are more failures in the chicken business due to not recognizing this fact than are caused by disease and pestilence among our chickens. That is putting it pretty strong, isn't it? But it is a fact only too true.

A good definition of a pure bred chicken is one that has no foreign blood in it. That is, suppose you had a strain of white birds which you were told were pure bred and, when breeding season came around, you allowed a black bird to mate with them. Then the next year someone told you that you ought to mate a Barred Rock to that bunch now and you would get some good layers. You then mated a Barred Rock on your birds and the result after awhile would be indescribable. In other words you would have a fine mixture of mongrel stock. Now then, we can say, on the other hand, that a pure bred bird is one that has pure blood lines through many years of breeding.

Advantages of Pure Breds

There is more reliability in pure breds in their breeding true to type. Now what does that mean? Just this: When you are trying your best to get a fine looking bunch of chickens it is very discouraging to have a lot turn out with various colors and shapes and sizes, as they will do with mongrel stuff. A pure bred lot of birds which has had no foreign blood introduced for many years back will breed just as true to type as it is possible for a chicken to breed. There is no foreign blood to bring out bad points and the farmer who is interested enough to do careful breeding will soon find that he can put absolute dependence in his matings and know every time just about what he will get.

More Eggs

Then the egg production from pure breds is larger. In the first place if a man is going to bother with pure breds he is going to pick out his best layers from year to year by one of the methods that I have given in earlier articles. He picks out his best layers and sells the rest for meat. That is, he keeps the very best for himself. He then gets a male from some bird that has a good egg record and mates this male on the best of his flock. The resulting offspring will invariably be improved.

Now, with this going on from season to season the birds are bound to lay better because they have been "bred" to do so. You breed them so that every spark of energy they possess will go to

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Owner has purchased a new roadster and has no further use for the touring model. The car cost \$1636.00 in the summer of 1915. Owner will take \$1,000 cash and give a guarantee that the car is in every respect as good as new.

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carrying out this all important duty of egg production. They have been bred so that every particle of feed goes to the right place at the right time and higher egg production results. With mongrels you do not pick out the best; poor layers produce others like themselves, and you never get anywhere.

More Meat

These same facts apply to the meat question. In other words, the pure bred fowls have been bred for generations to make the best use of their food it is possible for them to make, where the growth of meat is wanted. In the Plymouth Rocks, which represent the highest perfection in the pure bred meat birds, the flesh growth is noted for its abundance; it has considerable fatty tissue among the layers of the lean meat, and a small amount of connective or gristle tissue, thus giving it a finer texture and making it a much more tender bird when cooked. The pure meat breeds are far superior to the mongrel as table fowls.

More Uniformity

Then we look for uniformity in eggs. In the pure bred you select and select until after awhile the flock lay eggs that are just the same in each case and there is no particular fear that you will get a various lot of shapes and colors. Each breed has its own distinctive shape and color of egg. As soon as you cross-breed you will get most anything. In other words you cannot put any dependence in the uniformity or character of the cross-bred eggs that are produced. A medium large egg brings a special price when you have your market worked up.



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are making history for Canada in the fact that they are a distinctively Western Canadian Product. For all that is expected of an overall, that is at once strong, roomy and conveniently supplied with pockets, etc., they are known and valued above all others by farmers and threshermen.

Distinctive Master Mechanic Features

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Demand The Best-The "Master Mechanic"-and accept nothing else.

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A Monumental Statement

Continued from page 26 e are going to remain in the usiness and have it conducted in its way. The solution of this ifficulty lies in having farmers rder early and up to the full mount of their requirements. It better for them to have a little it the goods left over, than to be hort in the quantity required."

The export business showed a tal profit of \$530,000 from the ar's operations. Over 45,000,000 shels of grain were handled, st of it American grain. Up to e close of navigation a year ago, Grain Growers' Export Co. nfined its activities to exporting madian grain. Owing to the reced vield and the fact that alst all the crop had been shipped t before the close of navigation, was a certainty that very little iness would be done in Canain grain until another crop was rketed. Under those circumances, the managing director ggested going to New York and ening an office temporarily ere to carry on some business in export of American grain. A favorable line of credit was tred through a New York bank business was opened early in

t Profits Reach Quarter Million The financial statement coverthe various activities of the

company were placed before the shareholders present for consideration. After deducting all expenses and charges the profits of the year are \$226,963.08, the best year's showing in the company's history. The president discussed it as follows:

"Leaving out of consideration the profit of the Grain Growers' Export Co., the profits of the Grain Growers' Grain Co. for the past year were \$144,463.08, or about \$7,000 under that of last year. When we take into account that the volume of grain handled in the past season, owing to the smaller crop of 1914, was only 18.800.000 bushels as against 29,900,000 in the year before you can readily see that the earning ability of the company improved considerably over the previous year. By better management we were able in the past year to reduce expenses over all from \$716,-000 to \$650,000, or a saving of about \$66,000. While this reduction has been made it has not been done at the expense of efficiency, for the efficiency of the office has never been as high in its history as during the past year. The directors feel it is a matter of satisfaction that this reduction in running expenditure could be secured and at the same time the efficiency of the office increased."

It was pointed out also that

\$8,000 in grants had been given to farmers' organizations, including \$1,500 each to the Manitoba and Saskatchewan Grain Growers' Associations and United Farmers of Alberta and \$500 to the United Farmers of Ontario.

The assets of the company have increased from \$1,531,782 last year to \$1,619,342 in the present year, or an increase of about \$88,000. There has been also an increase in the capital stock of the company. The total subscribed capital now stands at \$1,199,400. The increase in the paid-up capital has been \$96,015, the total now being \$876,422. The reserve a year ago stood at \$200,-000 and \$15,000 in a special reserve; this year the general reserve is increased to \$340,000.

Following are some interesting figures: Since the company was organized in 1906 it has handled 156,642,904 bushels of grain; the profits earned total \$915,936.64; dividends paid to shareholders (including provision for this year) amount to \$442,511.48; and grants for educational work total \$60,200.

After referring to amendments made to the company's charter by the Dominion parliament last winter, and announcing that shortly after the New Year opens a live stock commission branch would be added to the activities of the company, President Crearer dealt with the apathy that is apparent on the part of a great number of members of the different farmers' organizations.

"In this connection," he said, "it might be well to point out that the future of the company is bound up very largely with the future of the other farmers' organizations in Western Canada. I think the conviction is steadily growing in the minds of those who might be termed the leaders of the various organizations that some step must be taken to draw them more closely together in such a way and by such means as will tend steadily with the passing of time to weave into the very fibre of the organizations the elements that will lead to increased stability as their various enterprises and activities expand and develop.

"The question as to the best means by which this can be brought about," he concluded, "is unquestionably the most important as it is in many respects the most difficult one that has ever come up for our consideration. While the working out of it calls for a display of the biggest kind of statesmanship, it is not, if approached in the proper spirit, an impossible thing by any means.

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Permanent Construction on the Farm

Now that farmers have finished their threshing they can give their attention to their barns and buildings

The only permanent construction to-day for the farm is of metal, and among the best brands of metal coverings are Pedlar's "Perfect" products. They are lightning proof, fire proof, rain proof and wind proof. For the roof of the barn a splendid shingle is either Pedlar's "George" or "Oshawa" shingle. Both are locked on all four sides. The "George" shingle is a big generous shingle (size 24 x 24 in). Twenty-five of these shingles cover a space 10 feet x 10 feet or 100 square feet. On account of its size it is especially adapted for roofing large buildings such as barns, warehouses, churches, etc. The "Oshawa" shingle is the same construction as the "George" only smaller in size, viz., 16 x 20 in. Forty-five "Oshawa" shingles will cover a square (10 feet x 10 feet), and for use on smaller buildings, houses, etc., the "Oshawa" shingle is highly recommended. Both these shingles are made of heavily galvanized steel and require no painting. They are easily applied all the tools necessary being a hammer and snips to lay them.

For the siding of your barns, Pedlar's galvanized corrugated iron is excellent. It makes a light, strong, fireproof covering, and is easily applied.

All up-to-date barns are properly ventilated, and to take care of this Pedlar's "Superior" barn ventilator, reasonably priced, is recommended.

Pedlar's hip or half pitch silo covers shipped complete for erection, are made to fit any silo.

Turning your attention to the home interior the complete assortment of Pedlar metal ceiling and wall designs, which make a room sanitary and fireproof, are permanent as well as ornamental, and are within the reach of all. A complete catalogue can be secured free on request, with suggestions of designs.

The Pedlar catalogues give detailed information, which is valuable to every Canadian farmer. The Pedlar People, Ltd., Western Warehouse, 80 Lombard Street, Winnipeg, will be glad to send you these catalogues on request.

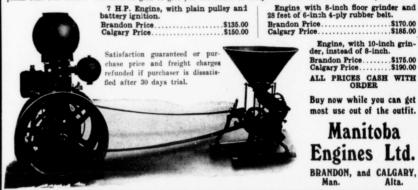
Portable Electric Lights

Portable electric lights have rapidly developed from the experimental and novelty stage until today thousands are in service for many different uses. To bring them to this high state of useful-

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At these prices we do not need to send travelers through the country: our customers now come to us to buy where we used to go to them to sell. This is one of the many reasons why we can offer these engines at lower prices than ever before. We shall be glad to give you the names of many owners of this machine on request.



ness many thousands of dollars have been invested in materials and equipment employing the best type of brains in the professions of electrical engineering and chemistry. Experiments covering endless labor for many years have resulted in a form of chemically generated electricity both highly efficient and economical. To-day these conveniences are being used all over the world by people in every kind of business and every walk of life.

The Interstate Electric Novelty Co. of Canada, Ltd., winners of the "gold medal," the highest award, at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition at San Francisco, are manufacturing a line of flashlights and portable lamps ranging from the "Penlite," an excellent imitation of a fountain pen, to carriage lamps using their largest type - the nitrogen battery.

For pocket use there are lights which will burn steadily for from 11/2 up to 14 hours, depending on the style and size. Hand lanterns take a larger battery, which will burn for two days steadily. Prices range from 75c. up to \$5.50.

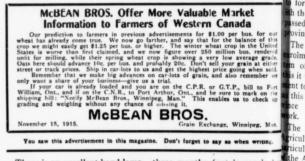
Probably the most notable feature of the "Franco" line is the wireless non-short circuiting fibre case. This case when charged with a battery and lamp may be placed on any kind of metal without damage to the light. Every other fibre case made will burn out the battery when carelessly placed on any metallic article. These other cases also have brass strips inside, running parallel with the battery. Any moisture will eat away the wires and cause the case to become useless.

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Enforcement of Manitoba Horse Breeders' Act

All Manitoba farmers and horsereeders will be interested in owing that a proclamation has en issued by His Honor the eutenant-Governor, bringing inforce on and after November h the new Horse Breeders' Act. ssed at the 1914 session of the ovincial legislature.

The new Act provides for the rolment of stallions under a sysm of inspection. In view of is it will be necessary for enrolnt to begin as early as possible, this first inspection in the proace will entail considerable rk.

tr. Man. The Provincial Department of riculture is now sending out mung. vice) on the Act, together with applica-ar on the forms. All owners of pure-date and stallions enrolled last year If the receiving these by mail. The urned the artment is anxious to receive ticulars regarding the working new bat allion into the province since the te hard enrolment, and urges each one

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It is intended to conduct this work from convenient inspection centres throughout the province. As soon as the itinerary of the inspectors is arranged, due notice will be posted in every district, giving place and date at which inspection will be made for that locality. Personal notice of inspection points will also be sent to stallion owners.

All owners of stallions, therefore, should make application to the Provincial Department of Agriculture, Winnipeg, without delay, enclosing the enrolment fee of \$2.00, together with certificate of pedigree, by registered mail.

Pelts of Silver Fox being Sold for \$41,500

The largest single sale of raw furs ever recorded in Canada was effected last week when the firm of A. & E. Pierce & Co., St. Paul Street, paid over \$41,500 in one cheque for a lot of 137 silver fox skins. Representatives of twentyseven of the leading fur houses of the United States were present, yet in a period of so-called local depression, Canada bought up three-quarters of the offerings.

A. Pierce showed a representative of The Star the little pile of furs which represent probably

lected by a great corporation during the past season. The early war impression that the fur trade had been affected was a mistaken one, he said. The great consuming market for furs is on this side of the Atlantic. Germany, while not a fur producing country, had practically cornered the fur market both in Russia and in Canada, reselling to these countries 75 per cent of the furs bought in them after being dressed. The fur industry has now adapted itself to the new conditions and Canada is taking a bigger place in the trade than heretofore. The German fur agencies are eliminated for good.

Huge Orders

It is the first time in the local fur market that home dealers have preponderated over the big American buyers to such an extent. Inside the last month, A. & E. Pierce & Co. has paid over \$90,000 for raw furs.

Their new stock of silver fox furs alone represents over \$48,000. One skin picked up and examined by a prospective buyer recently, valued at approximately was \$2,250, the best skin in the pile. Nearby lay piles of skins of white fox, red fox and skins from a cross between silver and red, which are quite common in the St. James Bay district.

Ingredients for Stock Food Tonic Increased in Price

Stock food tonic is usually made up of condiments and medicinal ingredients. That this is so will be at once apparent when it is reniembered that usually only one tablespoonful is fed at one time. Some farmers make up their own tonics, while others purchase them at their dealers.

The advantage of buying a prepared stock food tonic is readily apparent because on the outside of the package the ingredients are plainly stated and the farmer knows that he is only feeding to his animals a preparation which has been tested through years of experience and found to have a very beneficial result.

Then another point for the farmer to remember is, that the price of drugs has increased so rapidly that to make up his own preparation it would cost him many times more than the cost of purchasing a stock food tonic which is already on sale at the dealers. Although the price of drugs has advanced very considerably, the better known firms putting out stock food tonics have not in any way taken away from the quality of their tonics, believing it better business to continue with the same good quality

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in spite of the fact that it is costing them more to produce the article.

The time will never come when intelligent farmers will cease to use stock food tonic for their live stock. The necessity for using them and the advantage therefrom will become greater as feeds become increasingly dear. The point to remember is that it is cheaper to keep live stock in condition than to allow them to become run down through improper feeding.

The animal's system is disordered when the appetite is below normal and when it is in this condition it does not digest its food well. It requires something to help it assimilate its food, and it is here that the stock food tonic is of value.

The farmer would do well to look into this matter, because it would be in his best interests to keep his live stock in good condition

Corn a Satisfactory Substitute for Oats when Fed to Mature Horse at Hard Work

It may be correctly stated that millions of horses in United States get all their strength from corn and that these horses do not even know the taste of oats. Yet conceding this fact, Canadian farmers, and especially those of Scotch ancestry, look with disfavor upon corn as a satisfactory horse feed. It is claimed that the oat contains some hidden property which stimulates the horse's spirit and which gives the animal additional endurance. This point, however, is questioned by those who have undertaken actual experimental work along this line.

A number of farmers' letters were received at the college during the months of March and April last, requesting information relative to the feeding value of corn. Corn during these months was available at country points at from 70 to 75 cents for a bushel of 56 pounds. Oats were costing those who had to purchase feed about 55 cents for a bushel of 34 pounds. Thus corn cost one and two-eights cents a pound and oats more than one and fiveeighths cents for each pound.

Recognizing the desirability of having some experimental evidence on hand and in the event of another such fluctuation in the price of these two cereals taking place, the Animal Husbandry Department of the Manitoba Agricultural College decided to conduct an experiment with a view to obtaining some reliable information on the relative merits for feeding horses of corn and oats. The experiment being now concluded, the department is in a position to publish the results.





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Object of Experiment

To determine, if possible, the comparative feeding value of a given weight of number three yellow corn with the same weight of ordinary feed oats when fed to mature horses at farm work under summer conditions.

Plan of Experiment

Four teams were selected and one horse of each team fed corn and the other oats. The teams were not broken up during the experiment, but each worked on the same doubletree against his regular team mate. The horses were weighed on the 14th and 15th and the last two days of each month at 6 a.m. Each horse was given an allowance of seventeen

pounds of prairie hay and four and one-half pounds of bran. The bran in each case was mixed with the cereal. The corn was fed in a cracked condition about the size of wheat and the oats coarsely ground. In each case twelve and one-half pounds of cereal were fed. On Sundays or wet days half the regular amount was fed. A period of two weeks without weighing was allowed the horses to become accustomed to the new ration.

Result of Experiment

Corn fed Oat fed 1. Lot. 2

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Number of days in ex- periment	104	124
lotal gain for period		
Average gain per animal	91.5	49
Average daily gain for		
group	2.95	1.5
Quantity of cereal eaten		
group	6200	6200
Quantity of bran eaten		
by group	2232	2232
Quantity of hay eaten		0.00
by group	8432	5:32
Total cost of feed, corn 70c. per bus., oats 55c.		
per bus	146.19	1.08
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Conclusions from the Experiments

HON. DUNCAN MARSHALL,

Minister of Agriculture

While the average weight 1. of the oat fed horses was less than the average weight of the corn fed horses at the beginning of the experiment, great care was exercised to select the horses as carefully as possible as regards easy keeping qualities as shown when all were fed alike.

2. When the corn fed horses lost weight, the oat fed horses also lost weight. The same was true of the gains made.

There was a saving of 3 \$5.70 on each horse in four months by feeding corn. This same ratio covering 10 horses for summer months would be \$99.75 saved by using corn instead of oats.

4. The farmer should always reduce the cost per bushel to cost per pound or cost per ton for comparison.

5. The drivers state that the horses getting corn did not sweat more freely nor did they seem less spirited than when they were fed oats.

6. During the four months none of the horses were off feed. 7. The oat fed horses were more eager for hay and would eat more of it if provided.

8. At certain times corn is much more economical to feed than oats and is a satisfactory substitute for oats.

9. That one pound of corn is slightly better than a pound of oats for horses at hard work.

10. The result of this experiment is contrary to the popular opinion of Western Canadian farmers who much prefer oats to corn but the same result has been obtained at several other colleges and experiment stations.

Winter Fairs in Saskatchewan

At a meeting of the Provincial Winter Fair Board, held in Regina on October 5th, it was decided to hold two winter fairs in Saskatchewan this coming winter as follows

Regina, March 14 to 17, 1916. Saskatoon, March 21 to 24, 1916

Prize lists will shortly be prepared and in the meantime breeders and feeders of live stock are asked to begin the preparation of exhibits. At the Regina fair the prize list is expected to be even more generous than at the last fair and will include many classes for heavy horses, light horses, beef cattle, sheep and swine. The Saskatoon fair will be the first one held in that city but is expected to be fully up to the standard of other winter fairs in the West.

Committees of management appointed for the fairs are:

Regina-Robert Sinton, F. H. Auld, Alex. Mutch, R. H. Taber, P. F. Bredt and D. T. Elderkin.

Saskatoon - W. C. Sutherland, J. Rutherford, R. W. Caswell, 11 E. Greenway, A. M. Shaw and C. D. Fisher.

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The cheerful gathering of the family around the evening lamp in our farm homes is a great factor for family unity, and it creates strong ties and deep sentiment among young people. After the labors of the day are over, the evening meal eaten, the gathering in the circle means rest, conversation and reading, which entertain and instruct the young people and knit the fibers of the family ties in solidarity. In after years when the children, now happy and contented, have homes of their own, the evening lamp will be installed and thus the influence of this sentiment lives and enlarges as the years swiftly pass.

Reading in the home is responsible for ambition that stirs many boys and girls for education and useful service in rural society. The farm paper, current literature, magazines, books with useful information must be read, if at all, around the circle of the country home during the early evening hours. The busy daylight hours will be used, for the most part, for

earning a living and meeting the exacting duties of farm life. The schools, as useful as they are in giving information to children, would fall very short of their opportunity without home study. In fact, it is the reading and thinking done out of school that counts in an education after all.

Fortunate is every child that likes to read and cultivates regular habits of reading. Such children have themselves solved the problem of education. Regardless of the country schools and the time such children have for attending school, they will train the mind and gather information that will make them useful and efficient in life. Parents who wish to give their children educational opportunities should install the evening lamp, encourage their children to read and study and set the example themselves in regular hours for reading. This is where one can help himself in helping others.

8 8 8 Caution

A Pennsylvania farmer was the owner of a good Aldernev cow. A stranger, having admired the animal, asked the farmer, "What will you take for your cow?"

The farmer scratched his head for a moment, and then said, Be you the tax "Look-a-here! assessor or has she been killed by the railroad?"

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The secret of a man's success is locked up to a great extent in the way in which he looks out upon life. We have an illustration of this in the mental attitude of men towards the great war, which is now in progress. The mood of probably the great majority is a constantly varying one, veering towards cheerfulness at one point or depression at another according to the despatches which are supposed to record the varying fortunes of the combatants.

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So it has been to a great extent in connection with the business and commercial life of this great western country. Until recently many men were depressed because business did not come quite so easily as it used to, and were apt to take a dismal view of the country. But this year it is different, the resources of the country and its possibilities of devolopment are as boundless and limitless as ever they were. What is needed is the long view, for it is the long view of commerce as of life, that will keep men and corporations full of buoyancy, vigor and courage.

It is this view that is taken by the management and staff of the Ontario Wind Engine & Pump Co. Ltd., a concern that has been established for over a quarter of a century, not only selling its products from coast to coast in Canada, but also in far distant lands.

The special needs of the time have been met by the infusion of new blood in the veins of the organization and the greatest optimism prevails in every department and branch of the company's many sided activity. The future before never looked so promising.

Mr. S. H. Chapman, who has been connected so long with the company, retains the presidency, and Mr. A. T. Thom has been promoted to the position of general manager. Mr. Thom has been in the company's service for over ten years in various capacities, and fully deserves, as he enjoys, the friendship and loyal support of every member of the entire organization.

The head office and factory are located at Toronto, and there are branches in the East; but plans are being made to cover the West in a more vigorous and efficient manner than ever. It is recognized by the management that while the West is surely destined to be one of the greatest wheat producing countries in the world, yet that mixed farming methods will be increasingly adopted, and it is therefore necessary to prepare for this development. As mixed farming comes more and more into vogue, so the need for adequate water supply will be increasingly felt, and the Ontario Wind Engine & Pump Co. Ltd., is equipped in every possible way to solve any problem relative to this essential requirement of modern farm life.

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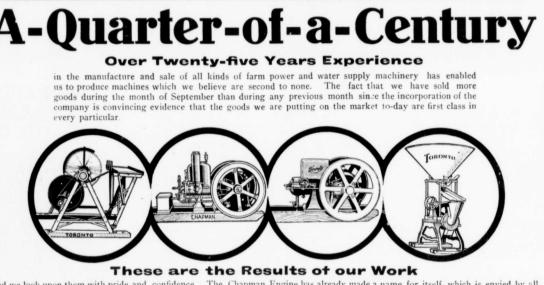
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O. E. CHAPMAN Sales Manager, Winnipeg Branch

O. E. Chapman is sales manager of the Winnipeg branch, than whom it would be hard to beat as a thoroughly experienced machinist, with a wide acquaintance of ali kinds of farm machinery and implements. He has for over twenty years been handling machinery, both as a practical mechanic as well as in a business way.

Mr. Chapman's first connection with this firm was as a mechanic in the shop, but as the officials recognized his business ability he was soon given an opportunity in the office of their Winnipeg branch, and was finally promoted to the position he now holds.

He is recognized as a first class gasoline engine man by all who have come in contact with him. He also possesses a thorough knowledge of all other lines of farm machinery, and we believe that this is the result of hard work and continuous observation.

Mr. Chapman is decidedly optimistic as to the future of our great Western country, and believes that the company he is serving will be an important factor in bringing about and giving effect to the great financial revival, of which we see so many indications.

The ambition of Mr. Chapman is to serve the Western farmer with good useful machinery, and we believe the firm he represents will benefit to an unexpected extent by his ability and energy.

D. C. Thom has charge of the sales department at Calgary. Although still young in years Mr. Thom is nevertheless an old hand

at the farm implement business, having been engaged in the manufacture and sale of machinery practically all his life. His first experience was in his father's implement business at Watford, Ontario, where he was born in 1883.

He first was connected with the Ontario Wind Engine & Pump



D. C. THOM In charge of Calgary Branch

Company some seven years ago in the capacity of travelling salesman at Calgary, but was later transferred to the Winnipeg office, where he held a position of sales manager with most gratifying results. Later on the firm recognized his excellent connection with the people of Alberta, and gave him his present position.

The fact that he has studied conditions carefully and understands the many problems of the West, should lend impetus and effect to the part that the Ontario Wind Engine & Pump Company intends to play in the great revival of Western prosperity of which we see so many indications.

We wish Mr. Thom every success in his present position, and trust that his service to his firm and its customers may produce the result which they are looking for and deserve.



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A WOMAN'S TALK TO WOMEN LILLIAN BEYNON THOMAS

A Christmas Message

7HAT can we say to each other this year that will help to raise our thoughts above the tragedy of life, which is ever present, and enable us to look straight into the clear region of eternal truth? As never before we feel that we need guidance. We are approaching the birthday of the Prince of Peace, and hate stalks the earth in its most hideous form. Ministers are shouting that Christianity has not failed for it has never been tried. Others from the safe security of their pul-pits shout "Coward" at the men and boys who have not offered to go and kill their fellow men.

Parents with broken hearts are blessing only sons, as they march away; while others wipe the tears from eyes worn dim with weeping for the ones who have given their all. Beside us are those who love all men, and with no shadow of hate are marching, marching, ready to go because they feel that duty is calling them to a task, however repugnant, must be done. So it is, all logic has failed, and people all over the land are struggling mentally to bring to agreement the teaching of Christ, and the world conflict in which every nation is calling on the same God to bless their cause, and confound their enemies.

In the midst of all this come a few rays of hope. There are nations pleading that this must not be a war of conquest, and in England leading men are demanding that "Peace" must be the object of the Allies; "Peace" just as soon as it is possible. Lord Courtney, in the House of Lords, said, "We must be free or die," and added, "The consummation of the tragedy is this, that precisely what we believe and say, is believed and said in Germany. 'Inexcusable,' you may say, and it is I admit very difficult for us to see sufficient reason for the German conviction. So they find a great difficulty in understanding our te ror.

Lord Loreburn the same day to the same body said, "Any man must be strangely constructed who did not grasp at any honorable opportunity to prevent what would be the most frightful calamity that had ever befallen the human race."

The Premier of France has expressed for that nation the feeling which is strong among the most sane, and that is, that France must not make this a war of conquest. Germany must pay for her mistake. She must suffer, and must realize that not in her hands must rest the fate of nations: but that in the great democracy of nations she can have only a fair share of influence. But she must have a fair share. As a nation she must work out her own destiny, for to no man or nation has been given the divine insight that would enable him or it to determine for another its fate. Democracy is a hard road to travel. It has many barriers, but the prize is worth the struggle.

But from the edge of the grave there comes a message that no woman can hear unmoved. It comes from a woman who paid the final and great price for nationality. Because she loved her country she took the great chance. She saw death on the other side waiting for her, but she went dauntlessly on, just as our soldiers go. She walked fearlessly up to the mouth of the cannon of hate and distrust; and as she stood there, waiting for the shot that would waft her soul to its Maker, Edith Cavell said, "Standing before God and eternity I realize that patriotism is not enough; I must be free from hate and bitterness.

Edith Cavell's body died on alien soil, but Edith Cavell's soul belonging to the world. Edith Cavell lives in the hearts of all women, and the time will come when German and French and Austrian and Turkish and Russian and English mothers will tell her story to their children, while tears of pity wet their cheeks.

And so for my Christmas message, I would like to give you the words of Edith Cavell, and with them I would like to link the message of the heavenly host when Christ was born, "Peace on Earth, Good Will Towards Men."

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Women and the Schools

There is so much to be done for our little country schools and for out town schols and for our city schools that it is difficult to know where to begin a discussion of the matter. Last month I wrote of the need of women on the school boards. I do not know how many there will be on such boards after the civic elections, but I hope someone will send me the names of all who are elected this year. In this issue I am publishing the pictures of two of the women trustees in Manitoba. There is another one, and the first woman who was elected a trustee, Mrs. Gee, who belongs to a district near Virden.

The consolidated schools seem to be doing good work, in fact as good work as can be done, under

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present conditions. But it seems to me that we are not going to get the best work done in our schools until more practical work is undertaken right at the schools. It has been found by experiment in New York city that the students who



Mrs. E. E. Brown, School Trustee Ward 7, Eimwood

do manual work half the day take just as high marks in a written examination as those who spend the whole day over their books, and the ones who do the manual work enjoy school much more.

At the consolidated schools there is generally a yard of from five to ten acres. If that land was cultivated and intensive farming done, there is no doubt but that the small plot of land could be made a means of educating the people in the whole district. specialist from the agricultural college could go out and lay out the plot to the best advantage He could explain his work to the children in the afternoon and in the evening give the grown people of the district a lecture on landscape gardening and give illustrations.

The preparation of the soil might be another lesson for both children and grown people, and so on, until every one in the district understood at least something about landscape gardening, preparation of the soil for the conservation of moisture, tree plant ing, growing of shrubs, and intensive farming. It seems possible that there might be such farms in the districts where there is no consolidated school if the people so desired.

It might be possible to give the boys and girls in the country the first two years of their college course right at home. A small stock farm would be necessary. but it might be accomplished. And such an arrangement would

323 educate not only the boys and girls going to school, but the whole neighborhood. 8 8

One has only to spend a day around Indian Head to see the influence the experimental farm there has had on the whole country for miles around. Great farm

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Mrs. Dr. Speechly, Pilot Mound School Trustee

homes, splendid stables and pure bred stock are to be seen everywhere. The people there always have a crop because they know how to farm in the most up to date way. They have trees and shrubs because they have seen how much they improve the place, and how easily they can be grown. They get more off an acre of ground than the average farmer, who has not had such advantages, because they have learned that one acre well farmed is better than two not half cultivated.

Theory is all right, but a practical demonstration is what many people need. Many like lectures, but everyone likes a moving pic-ture. That is the difference between telling people what they should do and showing them. The little farms around the schools would do wonders, if we could only get them started. And if the women would take up this matter there is no doubt we could make a start. In the United States the women take a deep interest in such matters.

In Times Like These

Mrs. Nellie L. McClung has written another book. It is not a story, but it is a series of her addresses, each prefaced by a bit of original poetry, and better than nything she has written before. "In Times Like These" expresses her philosophy of life. She speaks with her usual force and charm and intensity of the war against meanness and greed and unkind-bess-the war that never ends.

Mrs. McClung wished to call her book "The War That Never Ends," but her publishers said people were so sick of war books that they would not read anything with that title. So the name of the book was changed and the new title is just as good, for it is a book to be read and studied and passed on to a friend in times like these.

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The book is fearless, and in bright colloquial language drives home good everyday homely truths that many are apt to forget. It is a book that will make people think, and it will make people act. and act better. It handles without gloves such subjects as "What do Women Think of War (Not that it Matters)," "Women and the Church," "The Land of the Fair Deal," and "the War Against Gloom."

In her chapter on "The New Chivalry," she says: "This cruel convention that women must be beautiful accounts for the popularity of face washes and beauty parlors and the langor of university extension lectures. Women cannot be blamed for this. All our civilization has been to the end that women make themselves attractive to men. The attractive woman has hitherto been the successful woman. The pretty girl marries a millionaire and travels in Europe and is presented at court; her plainer sister equally intelligent, marries a boy from home and does her own washing. I am not comparing the two destinies as to which offers the greater opportunity for happiness or usefulness, but rather to show how widely divergent two lives may be. What caused the difference was a wavy strand of hair, a rounded curve on a cheek. Is it any wonder that women capitalize their good looks even at the expense of their intelligence? The economic dependence of woman is, perhaps, the greatest injustice that has been done to us, and has worked the greatest injury to the race.'

Of course it is impossible to give any adequate idea of the book, but the following paragraph from the chapter on "Women and the Church" is characteristic. She says, "Almost all the books written about women have been written by men. Women have until the last fifty years been the inarticulate sex, but although they have had but little to say about themselves they have heard much. It is a very poor preacher or lecturer who has not a lengthy discourse on "Woman's True Place." It is a very poor platform performer who cannot take the stand and show women exactly wherein they err. "This way, ladies, for the straight and narrow path!" If women have gone aside from the straight and narrow path it is not because they have not been advised to pursue it. Man long ago decided that woman's sphere was anything he did not wish to



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do himself, and as he did not care particularly for the straight and narrow way he felt free to recommend it to women in general. He did not wish to tie himself too closely to home either, and still he knew somebody should be on the job, so he decided that home was woman's sphere.'

The University in the Country

The time was when all the money spent on the university was spent on the fortunate few who could afford the time and money to attend college. That order is past. The modern method is to take the university to the people. It is not enough to give all the educational advantages to the few fortunate ones. Those who are past the age for college and those who cannot afford the time and money for a university course, are asking that some of the advantages of higher education be turned in their direction.

This is possible, and is being done to a considerable extent, but not to the extent that it should, or that it will be in the future. The return for the money put into our higher educational institutions has not been adequate, and many of us are tired of the old saving, "You must look to the children; they are our only hope"

We realize that the children are taught by the older people, and if the older people have low ideals and a narrow vision, the children cannot be expected to soar far bevond them. It is the great average mass of people we must look to, and we will never get much past them. This great mass is asking that the joys of intellectual life be given them, and the exten-

sion courses that are being given by the Agricultural College and the University are an attempt to meet this need.

President Tory, of Alberta University, is reported to have said that it is his aim to extend the outside work of the university until half the money grant for that institution is spent in extension work. This is an end devoutly to be wished. All over, the minds of people are open for the great truths of the universe, and the seed sown broadcast will bring forth a much greater harvest when thrown into such well prepared soil, than is possible, when sown in the minds of two or three hundred students who are immature, and only a small percentage alive to the advantages of the whole course.

Not that I wish to dispara the work of the university at home or of the university students. Much good has resulted, even from Manitoba University which has been starved and made a political tool; but it is not to be expected that all students who attend will Continued on page 86



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December

There are snowdrifts by the wayside' there is writing on the pane, Where Jack Frost has left a message about winter come again; ther. Where Jac about

There's that tingling in the blood and there are sleighbells in the air, There is coasting down the hills, and slipping, sliding, ev'rywhere!

There's a stocking by the chimney hung on Christmas Eve because There's a chance you'll have a visit from our old friend Santa Claus.

There's a bright star in the heavens that en the Chosen Child of Children brought His Christmas day to earth; Whe

There are mistletoe and holly in the woods to deek the hall, Here's the Christmas spirit wishing Merry Christmas to you all.—

Dear Boys and Girls:-Cousin Doris wishes that every boy and girl who reads The Canadian Thresherman and Farmer will be happy this Christmas. Perhaps you may have no coppers to buy presents for those you love. I will tell you what to give. Give love, kind words, helpful acts and smiles. I am sure mother and father and brothers and sisters would be happier with those gifts than anything you could buy. And now for prizes for January. To the boy and girl who sends in the best essay on the following subjects I will send a dollar. The sub-ject is: "What I intend to do this year." Merry Christmas to Everyone.-C.D.

THE CHIVALRY OF THE BRITISH FIGHTING MAN.

Dear Cousin Doris. — Forming my opinion from the very bright and intelli-gent letters you get from your big family of boys. I should say that most of them have read some of the very delightful real incidents which have been made public, and which add fresh laurels every day to the fighting quality. the true sportsmanlike ideal and the in-bred chivalrous character of our Brit-ish boys. ish boys.

I have a big boy of my own in the ranks, but he hasn't got into the scrap yet. He has mastered the details and Set. The has mastered the details and become an expert in that wonderful Colt machine gun, and is being employed at a certain place on the English channel in training other fellows to handle that terrible weapon, which, as your campers will probably know, is one of the most delicate bits of mechanism employed in the service.

deficite bits of incentains compared the service. But I'm sending you a picture of a cuum of his, a young man for whom I cuum of his, a young man for whom I cut the teachage of the teachage He is who has been for some months now heavily engaged in the trenches. He is not a chap who cares to advertise him-selt, so I will not publish his full name I don't know what John (that is his



real first name) will say to me if you publish this picture of him and his young admirer, but as he is a most for-giving and lovable fellow 1 am going to take my chances on that and protect you against all unkindly influence from him.

you against all unkindly innuence from him. John is a young Scotchman, one of a big family of very big brothers and sisters, most of them quite as tall as himself—if they do not all carry his "fighting weight." His father and mother are among my choicest friends and I am writing about John because he and bis home environment are typical of so much of that splendid fighting force of the older "Campers" who have gone to fight for all that Canada and Home mean to them. John enlisted in Winnipeg, and after putting in a whole winter and spring of severe training, he and his hattalion (the 43rd—or 79th Cameron Highlanders of Canada) were shipped to England las

of Canada) were shipped to England las'

I just thought I would give you this o start the boys on this train of hought as Christmas draws near. My

I just thought I would give you this to start the boys on this train of thought as Christman draws near. My message, as you will gather, is to set a model of chivalrous conduct, if I can, in the form of a real and somewhat strik-ing, because picturesque example. I know a very large number of the men who are fighting side by side will John; God's own splendid men on whom the world can bank under the worst trials that can come to men. These fellows don't talk of what I am writing to you about boys—they live it They are clean sports, like yourselves. They find a strange appetite ri ing within them when they see the under-dog in some unequal struggle, and they don't waste moments in identifying themselves some unequal struggle, and they don't waste moments in identifying themselves with the claims of under-dog. And when is comes to their treatment of a woman; well, they think of their own mothers, sisters and sweethcarts. Wherever they meet her—on the street or in the drawHer gown was crimson, touched with green For cap, she wore a Christmas Bell, Her face I knew I'd somewhere seen, Her voice my heart remembered well.

A smile for me upon her lips, Beneath my bough of mistletoe She k ssed her rosy finger tips, And "Merry Christmas" whispered low.

What is your name, sweet maid?" I said, St ll "Merry Christmas!", laughed the

elf, And then I saw, all green and red She Merry Christmas was herself!

Songs and Stars

(If too long for single recitation, this may be given by three children.)

'Tis said that thirty-one bright days Once put their heads together, And each resolved to be a song, So glad and clear, so sweet and strong, Whate'er the wind and weather.

Then thirty-one dark little nights They talked the matter over, And each resolved to be a star To throw out golden beams afar From Florida to Dover.

To old December then they came; She, quite delighted, mixed them; And so to her the joy belongs Of little days like little songs, With stars set in betwixt them! A. E. A.

A Christmas Wish

A soldier-boy As bold as could be As bold as could be On dress parade On the Christmas Tree, Bent 'way, 'way dewn As far as he could And kissed a Dolly Where she stood. "Twas the thing to do— As, perhaps you know, She was under a sprig Of mistletoe!—A. E. A.

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TABLEAUX REPRESENTING TRADITIONAL FIGURES OF CHRISTMAS

CHRISTMAS I St. Nicholas Saint Nicholas, the reverend, Comes as the orphan maidens' friend, And leaves without their cottage door A marriage portion from his store. The children's saint and hero he, All mechaness and humility. The tableau represents St. Nicholas in his traditional dress as Bishop of Myra. He has long white hair, ruddy cheeks a white beard, and a long, full gown of a dark color. He wears a mitre, and carries a crosier or pastoral staff, while a basket loaded with packages hangs on his arm. (Pictures of mitres and croilers nay be found in any dictionary.) The mitre, at table, tongue-shaped cap, terminating in two points, may be made of pasteboard and covered with gilt tissue or paper, gold cloth or yellow chiffon, and studded with colored beads to represent jewels. The crosier should be a staff about five feet long gilt, richly ornamented and termin-ting either in a Mattese cross (crosier of crosser should be a staff about five feet long, git, richly ornamented and termin-ating either in a Maltese cross (crosser of ceremony) or a crook. The basket is supposed to be the eclebrated one in which the kindly Bishop bore the wedding gifts for the three destitute maidens. The lines accompanying the tableau are to be recited while each is being shown— or to precede them, if desired.



THE ENTENTE CORDIALE French Maid-'Somewhere in France

Our young Scottish Soldier Friend John of Our young section shows refut a Joint of womany May. Not long thereafter the company to which John belongs was drafted to France, and the picture (a snapshot made by one of his comrades) was taken just after they landed at Boulogne. The moment I saw it, it struck a responsive moment I saw it, it struck a responsive chord in my heart. Kaowing John as J do-a big lump of elevan, British man-hood, the soul of chivalry and kindli-ness, it raised a lump in my throat as I thought of che untutored instinct of that little French maid, demonstrating in the way you see her doing, a complete con-fidence in this oig, burly young Scotch-man, and her gratitude to him as one more of that gallant army of British brothers who have come from the far off Canadian prairie to save her country and all that she hoids dear in her heart Now, I used to go to France when I Now, I used to go to France when I lived in England some years ago, and one of the vivid recollections of my visits there is the little band of maidens just like Louise in the picture, who warmed around the railway carriages as

warmed around the railway carriages as they drew up along the quay offering the wares and innocent refreshments they carried in the baskets you see our little friend holds in her "disengaged" arm. I can hear the rich, musical voice of one just like little Louise calling out in her broken English, o-ran-gais, swee-e-et o-ran-gais; I will take Inglish monnaie or French monnaie!" Well, I intended to give yon some of John's experiences in the trenches, but I have taken so long to introduce yo- to

John's experiences in the treasures, but 1 have taken so long to introduce yo' to him that 1 fear . must hold these up until next month, if you will kindly grant me the space 1 will give yon some very interesting, not to say thrilling extracts from uis letters to mother.

and the little French Muid—Somewhere in France. ing room, they regard and treat her just exactly as they would expect any other decent fellow to t, eat their mother, siter or sweetheart. That is their un-written code, but there are no laws on any statute book that are held so sacred as those unwritten and unspoken pre-cepts that are the "better angels" of our brave boys on the battlefields of France and Flanders. brave boys of and Flanders.

At Christmas

Everything shines at Christmas-Candles and stars and faces, . In all the wonderful glory, Can there be any dark places?

Everything shines. But I'll add One little smile—love behind it; The world is so big and so crowded Some dark corner may find it.

Sing a song of Christmas-Pocket books so slim; But heart all full of loving-ness, 'Way up to the brim. When the day has ended,

hen the day may be clear Everyone sees clear ennies help, of course, but Love Makes the Christmas Cheer! A. E. A. Pe

Merry Christmas

With hair of golden candle-flame, With lips of holly, warm and gay, A little naid this morning came, And all the shadows ran away.

nd Flanders. With every good wish from Uncle Jack.

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II La Dame De Noel

(The Christmas Lady)

(The Christmas Lady) The Christmas Lady, far in France, Doth with the Christmas Tree advance, And bears it swift, and bears it far, To all who bless the Christmas Star. This traditional French figure, the bear-er of the Christma Tree, should be as beautiful as humanity possible in an all-too-plain world. She is young, far, and has long, floating hair. She is clothed in white drapery and a long, transparent white drapery and a long, transparent white drapery and a long, transparent white drapery and a long transparent white drapery and a long transparent white drapery and a long transparent white drapery and best be simulated, or furnished with Tames of orange-colored paper, unless electric lights can be pro-cured. The Lady of Christmas bears aloft a tiny Christ as Tree, decked in full pomp. pomp.

III Babouscka

Babouseka, wrinkled, old, and gray, Is she who scorned to show the way To those who sought—the Three Wise Men

The road to blessed Bethlehem.

The road to blessed Bethlehem. Babouseka is the old Russian woman of tradition who refused to show the three kings the way to Bethlehem, and who has been doomed to wander forever to find the Christ Child. She is old, bent, and bowed, is enveloped in a long gray cloak, the hood slipping from her white hair, leans upon a staff, and carries a basket full of toys on her arm. Some one capable of considerable facial expression should take the part, and give the idea of one who has sinned, is unhappy, and seeks f rgiveness. rgivenes

IV The Christmas Waits

'Tis break of day, and from the East The light begins to pour; We've trudged and sung this many a

we've trudged and sung this mai-mile, And stopped at many a door. We pray ye, kindly householders, Some silver for our pains, For at the blessed Christmastide Each man should share his gains.

For at the blessed Christmastide Each man should share his gains. Christmas Carols were sung fro 1 door to door in England as carly as the fifteenth century, so any quaint old English cos-umes are suitable for the Christmas Waits. A group of boys or men in smock frocks, bright woolen comforters tied about their meeks, and old felt hats pulled down over their heads, would be effective. Some of the singers should be stout and old, and some lean on their staves. They may carry instruments—a bass viol, a flute, etc., if desired. If wigs are used, the hair of the English ruities in carly times was usually cut square over the forehead and worn rather long and loose in the neck. Lanterns of antique pattern may be carried if any can be found or made, and one of the carollers, with a plaintive look, holds of day, and the tableau illuminated by the lanterns. The Waits may sing, if de-sired, or be accompanied by a carol from the wings. the wings.

V Jack Horner

See, here is Jack Horner, Plucked out of his corner, And eating his Christmas pie. What strange jubilation, What over-elation, He seems to evince in his cry!

Jack Horner should be a plump and rosy

Jack Horner should be a plump and rosy little fellow attired in any picturesque costume, preferably white, pale blue or scarlet. A Peter Pan suit, or a Kate Greenaway smock frock are suitable, with an appropriate cap, which may be abaker's cap, fashioned from white paper. Jack Horner holds an immense pie, made in the largest yellow bowl (or tin pan) to be had, and covered with brown paper to imitate pastry. A hole is seen in the crust, and the boy holds his prize high, looking up toward it exultantly. An expressive child-face is needed for this picture.

VI Bob Cratchit and Tiny Tim

VI Bob Cratchit and Tiny Tim Bob Cratchit comes, with Tiny Tim Upon his shoulder riding; A humble pair, but Christmas cheer Within their hearts abiding, Twas Tim who, at the Christmas feast, When all the cheer was done, Cried out with thin and piping voice, "God bless us; every one!" In Dickens! "Christmas Carol," Bob Cratchit is described as a small man, "dressed in threadbare clothes, with a least three feet of comforter, exclusive of the fringe, hanging down before him."

The story is early Victorian in date, so Cratchit may wear a high collar and stock and an old-fashioned coat of the proper date. A shabby, old-fashioned slik hat is on his head, and his comforter (red or blue) is hanging about his neek, but not wrapped around, lest his collar be hidden. He is shown as he came home from church to the Christmas dinner, bringing Tiny Tim upon his shoulder. The child should be a very small and delicate one, of pale and spiritual face. (If anyone can be found expert in preparing faces for the stage, both father and son should be made rather pales and neager, ard the child should both father and son should be made rather paled and neager, and the child should have dark shadows under the eyes.) The child's clothing is of no moment, for it is hardly seen as he perches on his father's shoulder; but the posing and lighting must be carefully done, so that he, as principal figure, may stand out well in the picture

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VII Carol of the Crutches

VII Carol of the Crutches This was the sweetest Carol was ever sung or suid, And children clustered at her side and gathered round her bed. On Christmas Day she came to earth, a mortal child, and then The Angels took her willing hands and led her back again. This tableau is presed from the cover picture of Mrs. Wiggin's "Birds' Christmas Carol." Carol, a grid of twelve or thirteen years, sits in a great arm-chair, pillows be-hind her, and a covering of some sort (pro-ferably a pale blue afghan or blanket), thrown over her knees. She wears a soft white or pale pink gown, and her long hair thrown over her knees. She wears a soft white or pale pink gown, and her long hair is unbound and falls loose over her should-ers. Her hands rest on the arms of the chair, and in the bend of her right arm she holds her crutches. The back of the chair should be high enough to serve as a back-ground for her head, and should be dark in tone. A small table covered by a white cloth, and holding books and a vase of holly, stands by her side. The light, as in the previous picture, should be centered on her head.

VIII Santa Claus

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A Royal Boy Scout

The Crown Prince of Italy, King Victor Emmanuel's eleven-year-old son, is now a member of the Boy Scouts. Since joining he has been about the hap-piest and proudest Boy Scout in the world, entering with zest into the train-ing and eagerly exchanging greetings with his comrades in France and Eng-land:



BOYS. You don't need to pay \$4.70 or \$4.00 for the constry you want. Here a the Jim-dandised coast ry you cost. This cancer is a similar to the similar term of the similar term of the similar term of the similar bottom single's have rrand sixed series runners. But have road a similar to be similar the road size with a wave tool, main bottom of the similar term of footess. Here hol's chained to running bord, and all is instantial familiar to be similar to the similar term of the similar term of the similar term of similar term of the similar term of the similar term of the term of the similar term of the similar term of the term of the similar term of the similar term of the term of the similar term of the similar term of the similar term of the term of the similar term of the similar term of the term of the similar term of THE REGAL MANUFACTURING CO

different from the scort during the festiv-ities that he could hardly contain his disgust at his own attire. He entered the grounds in a flower-entwined landau, which carried Princess Yolanda and Princess Falia'da, Queen Helena preced-ing her chilaren in a landau with a lady-in-waiting. Then Prince Humbert was given a big basket filled with photo-graphs of himself and his sisters, which was hung around his neek by a broad rubon, and he wiked through the crowd with his tutor to sell the photo-graphes. An escort of Boy Scouts en-circled him, two of them in front carry-ing a long pole between them before the Prince. which effectually protected him ing a long pole between them before the Prince, which effectually protected him from too close intercourse with a possible

Prince, which effectually protected him from too close intercourse with a possible anarchist who might have slipped into the crowd with the intention of doing narm to the Prince. At the close of the afternoon he com-plained bitterly to his mother that he had been made to act just like a girl. He wanted to be a boy, like other boys, and nothing would satisfy him but permis-sion to don the Boy Scouts' uniform, exchange his handsomely trimmed sailor cap for their broad-brinmed brown hat and carry the staff. A few days later the Prince was ini-tiated in the gardens of the Villa Savoy when Queen Helena received the chief officers of the Scouts and then reviewed a detachment of the boys, her son taking up a proud position in the middle of the first line, his black eyes bubling over with delight as he gave the salute and ward theough the newsmonts.

with delight as he gave the salute and went through the movements. It was explained that his tutor had

been training him in the meantime and

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that the boy had been assiduously prac-tising so as to be able to show as much skill in the manoeuvres as his big com-rades. He rusted off with a boylike "whoop" when the exhibition was over, to show everything in the park of the Villa Savoy to the other Boy Scouts.

Expert Advice

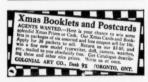
A correspondent wrote to the editor of country paper as follows: "I have a horse that has been afflicted

"I have a morse that has been annexes for the last year with periodical fits of dizziness. Please let me know what I should do with him as the seems to get worse instead of better. I am afraid he will be unfit for work if something is not done soon."

In the next issue this answer ap-peared: "When the horse is looking all right sell him to some one."

It Certainly Does

It Certainly Does Andrew's grandm. ther had been telling $h \rightarrow$ Bible stories, his favorite being that of Daniel in the lion's den. At the age of four he was taken 'o a circus' for the first time. When the lion tamer put his head into the lion's month Andrew's ex-citement knew no bounds. Jumping up and down he gleefully screamed: "I say, that knocks the spots off Daniel doesn't it?"



THIS

Young Man



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living witnesses. Write me the barest particulars of your case. What has been done for those sufferers can be done for you.

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Ilis experiences at a great fete held It is experiences at a great rete held at the Quirinal Palace, recently, made a great impression upon him. His manly little figure, in a spotlessly white sailor suit, worn with white shoes and stock-ings and a white sailor hat, made him so different from the uniformed Boy Scouts who formed his escort during the festiv-tion that he could heally contrin, his

VIII Santa Claus What shall we say of Santa Claus, So near to us, so dear to us? What shall we say of Santa Claus, So dear to us forever? Why, nothing say, but "Hip hooray!" So near he is, so dear he is; Why, nothing say, but "Hip hooray!" And cheer his name forever. The traditional figure of Santa Claus, as he may be seen in inumerable pictures, now appears within the Garland.

IX Christmas Angels

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CHILDREN AND SHEPHERDS THE THE rs. Edwin Markham i People's Home Journal in The Mrs By

- Oh, quick the shepherds ran by threes and fours. Far down Judea's rocky hillside ways;
- Far down Judea's rocky miniside ways;
 They fain would reach the open stable doors,
 To kneel, and give the Holy Young Child praise.
- And as they went they cried with happy
- "Oh, come: for angels in the night called down. That in a manger near the village inn. Our King was born in little Betble-hem town."
- The scribe was writing out a rich man's will The mother swiftly sewed her child a
- The merchant turned away to count his till: The fisherman, forsooth, must launch his boat.
- The husbandman must feed his hungry herds; The builder stooped to smooth a cor-
- The high priest said: "Go cease your silly words;
- If angels spoke I surely should have known."
- But no: the reaper's wife fast plied her loom, She had her web to weave and could
- not join; Her neighbor said: "I go to sweep my
- room To seek to day a long-lost silver coin."
- The miller's son was grinding barley
- meal, Grumbling he shook his head, and turned away; "I cannot leave my swiftly whirling wheel,
- Upon this busy, crowded working day."
- "Twas only children of old Bethlehem Found for the Lord that day an hour to spare; Gladly the least of these ran on with
- them To greet the Babe in loving worship there.
- Strange, strange, that any then so near should stay From God, their hearts so dulled to
- the Divine! the Divine! the can it be that on our streets to day We, too, refuse the wonder and the sign?

IANET'S AWAKENING By Pearl Richmond Hamilton

Janet said she did not like men yet she sat before the fire with the latest magazine opened to the mushiest love story in that particular number. On the right page the handsome hero em-braced the little heroine in tenfer ex-pression of affection and Janet looked earnestly at the picture but quickly closed the book as soon as she discov-ered an intruder. ered an intruder.

"Queer kind of reading for a high-brow!" exclaimed her sister sareastic-ally as she gave the fire a poke, then crossing over to the window she bored

a hole with her finger into the thick trost until a place was big enough for her to look down the road for Jack Lester. Janet road from the sudden change of expression in Maud's face that the big bay horse was plainly in sight and the faint tingle of sleigh hells became a mingled iron jingle is her sister left the window to give her hair an extra touch before the mirror that hung above the sewing machine. Mand, the younger of the two girls, was extremely popular among the young people of the neighborhood and her bright vivacious manner brightened the home.

the home.

"That extra curl will not make Jack

"That extra curl will not make Jack propose any sconer," complained Janet, closing the magazine impatiently. Then rising from the closir quickly she hurried from the room. Now Janet did not intend to be mean. Her big generous heart was so full of pain that she found it difficult to control herself. If mother needed a big day's work done, she called on Janet. When the little sister was longly Janet impro-vised dolls from clothes pins. Tow's room was made briefly and easy

Tom's room was made bright and cosy her delightful thoughtfulness

by her delightful thoughtfulness. When the new house was built and a little back room was assigned to Tom, Janet said: "No. hoys should have the best room in the house," and

she accordingly arranged the guest room into a den of delight for boys. Tot brought his boy friends to his hom Tom bino a den of dengal for boys. For brought his boy first boys is home with a feeling of pride because the place was so pleasant. In one corner his trophies had a setting so conspicu-ous that every boy immediately was drawn to the collection. The cabinet was like a magnet to the heart of a boy. There were stamps from all over the world, postal card photographs, books, a cornet, a collection of stones and woods. In the corner near the window three geraniums—red with blos-soms—brightened his writing table. A little music box on a table was in ser-tice most of the time. The parents of the neighbooring boys wondered why Tom was such a home boy.

For was such a nome boy. For years Janet's father had worn an old fur coat mended to the last thread. One day after drawing her sal-ary tor her work as teacher in the home community, she bought her father a big warm coat and mittens to match, Everywhere in that home the touch of Janet's generosity and thoughtfulness was evident—but Janet was misunder-stood.

Somehow her ambition and soul de Somenow her ambition and soul de-sire lifted her above the minds of those about her. She wanted an education, a course in College. She wanted a piano, books and company that uplifted her and satisfied. Every time her father swore it cut her to the heart.

When Maud wrinkled her nose and threw her head up in haughty ridicule at Janet's ambitions, the blood rushed to Janet's head till it throbbed. When her mother with tousled hair and greasy wrapper answered a knock at the door, Janet blushed with crushed with the state of the state state of the state of t pride.

pride. Somehow the girl with the heart of a woman had no sympathy in the home to which she devoted so much. Janet was an isolated member, and on this particular evening when she longed so much for a little bit of love —she went to her room in a mood of deep depression.

deep depression. What was the use any way—no one in the home cared for her? She opened her trunk and wrapped each of the Xmas presents in paper, labeled them and put them into the dresser drawer. Then, stung by the frost of parental indifference and family criticism she packed a little grip and went out into the cold. The twenty dollars she had left from her Xmas purchases would latke her some where. Always before her she felt the Prince Charming of her heart would find her and make her heart would find her and make her happy.

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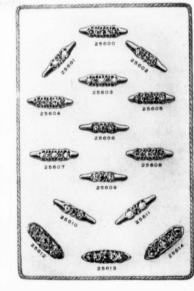
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"When e'er you bake A dainty cake, And PURITY is your brand; You'll smile with me And quite agree It's best in all the land." JELLY ROLL RECIPE: 1 cup PURITY Flour. 3 Eggs. 1 teaspoon Baking Powder. 1 cup Sugar. 2 tablespoons Cold Water. ½ teaspoon Salt. Flavor to suit. Roll when hot. ANITOBA 98 More Bread and Better Bread 🛩 WESTERN CANADA FLOUR MILLS COMPANY LIMITED MILLERS TO THE PEOPLE 1/2

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December, '15

She waded through the deep snow until she reached the station. In an-other hour the train was due. The agent looked up surprised when Janet asked for the ticket. Every one in the village loved the little teacher; but she made no exploration. There are times made no explanation. There are times when explanations are not necessary

when explanations are not necessary. Janet had made a decision. She had built her life on high ideals. Truth was written on her face—it was indi-cated by her gesture and reflected in the gleam of her eye. Her whole life was inspired by faith and she had de-veloped a purpose. The force of a fine unstained ideal elevated her heart and out because determined and unstand ideal elevated her neart and soul.—Janet's courage, determined and magnificent created an atmosphere of personality that made intruders afraid to approach too close. So armed with this power of character she had no fear.

Down the track the light of the en-gine and whistle thrilled her for the moment. Nearer and nearer it camesomehow the excitement facinated her for a moment. It was good to get away from a home that laughed at her.

Would anyboay care? Perhaps – perhaps not. Father might swear, mother might complain, Maud would laugh and Tom would not think it worth while to bother about. So Janet

settled down in the car seat to reflect. The spell of excitement subsided and the motion of the car made her sleepy. After a few heurs she was roused by the conductor.

Next station!"

"Next station." "anet stepped down from the train, alted througn the gate, on through the waiting room to the outside and there she had the first glimpse of the

A boy passed with an armful of papers and Janet bought one, went back to the waiting room and read the

back to the waiting room and read the Want advertisements. She finally decided to try housework as she ficit she would face less dangers even if the work was hard. A few evenings later, tired and lonely she went down to the city to see a

"You are alone" asked the woman in the next seat. When Janet answered "yes," the new

acquaintance sympathizingly took her

hand. "I'm so sorry for lonely girls. Come to my home. We'll have a cup of tea." Janet felt that surely a change had come at last. A few young men happened to call in the evening and she met several girls. A little music, conversation, a cup of tea and an escort home brought something new into her misunderstood life life

sometining new into ner misunderstood life. The days passed quickly and evenings happily. On her day out the new friend and Janet went to a fortune teller. Though Janet paid her two dol-lars she felt it was money well spent since the mind reader said she was to meet her Prince Charming that very evening. So perfect was the description that later when he called at the home of her friend, Janet felt that surely fortune telling should not be ridiculed. Mrs. Smith, the hostess who so kindly befriended Janet seemed to be a gen-eral favorite for men and girls met and accepted her hospitality. A gay little theatre party was planned. "Thank you, Janet, you'll be the

"Thank you, Janet, you'll be the happiest girl in the city this evening," Will Manning—so clean and well groomed acknowledged Janet's acceptce in a manner that thrilled her with delight.

The lights were brilliant-the was ent another entertaining. Janet was lifted to

'To the restaurant for dinner!

"To the restaurant for dinmer!" The invitation from the men was gladly accepted by the little party. In less than half an hour the group, flushed with excitement, entered a little private dinner room. The walls were decorated in rose colored panels, highly carved woodwork in cream added a rich tone to the magnificence. Soft blue lights gave the whole place a touch of the beauties of a fairyland such as girls dream of.

girls dream of. Suddenly Janet was blinded by a daze. Everything before her seemed to disappear and before her eyes up above mirrors appeared a picture of the the

home she had left. Father at the head of the table—mother pouring the tea, Maud at the side spreading bread with butter for the little sister and Tom enjoying his second piece of pie. To every girl comes a crisis when in a moment, without chance for reflec-

a moment, without chance for reflec-tion, she must decide to act instantly. What determines her decision? Her whole past, the daily choices between good and evil—her faith in the honest ideals of life. This crisis came to Janet. She acted instantly true to her honor and courses

"Excuse me," she said calmly, and hastened out of the room. Once out-side she rushed down and out into the open street and on to the home where

she worked. Just as she opened the door the familiar face of a man waiting in the hall

greeted her. I've come to take you home, Janet, Christmas." for Janet looked up into the fine honest

space tooked up into the more nonessi-eyes of the most successful business man in her home town. All through her girlhood she had admired him—but he held himself aloof from girls and was considered a hardened bachelor—though ung in years. Think you, my dear girl, I have not young

"Think you, my dear girl, I have not been longing for you to grace my home? The little home town is lonely for you. The parents you left are broken hearted: Maud goes about like a lost child. You're coming home with me, as my wife. The minister is down at my sister's home waiting for us. How did I knew you loved me? I can feel the sout hat speaks through hon-est eyes. I have watched the expres-sion change when you looked from others to me. You were too true to cover the inspiration of sincerity that marked your tone of voice." And Janet, too moved to speak, did not resist when he drew her to him in silent satisfaction. Just then the minister appeared at

Int satisfaction. Just then the minister appeared at he door of the library. In her amazement, Janet seemed parthe

alyzed.

Alyzed. His sister's home? This home where she was in domestic service? Ah now, the explanation of her discovery was clear.

clear. Just outside the cry "Evening Pa-pers! Evening Papers!" pierced the harmony for a moment. "A thrilling arrest!" shouted the newsboy.

Armst, total a mouster a paper during the mewshoy. An interruption—a paper during sometimes interrupts bliss. "Arrested in—Cafe! A group of men and one woman! A part of a fortune telling gang. Mrs. Smith rented a room and advertised for a position as house-keeper to bachelors and widowers. In this way she got in touch with certain men. Then she haunted picture shows to "befriend" young girls and invited them to her home. They were taken in turn to a fortune teller who was in league with her and she prophesied the young men friends who would be in-troduced by Mrs. Smith. In this way a young men friends who would be in-troduced by Mrs. Smith. In this way a clever ring of men and women are

troduced by Mrs. Smith. In this way a clever ring of men and women are working among young girls." Janet leaned nearer and nearer to her manly husband as her hungry heart felt the power of his protection. Outside hells and bells rang in the

Outside hells and bells rang in the joy of Christmas Day and Janet had found her own soul. The spiritual force that comes from the power of faith in the Christ Child had warned her in the great crisis of her life, and her heart was filled with peace—peace and good 300 will

Mother's Corner

HIS FIRST CHRISTMAS

Children are what the mothers are No fondest father's fondest care Can fashion so the infant heart As those creative beams that dart With all their hopes and fears, upo The cradle of a sleeping son.

His startled eyes with wonder see His startled eyes with wonder see A father near him on his knee, Who wishes all the while to trace The mother in his future face. But 'tis to her alone uprise His wakening arms; to her those eyes Open with joy and not surprise.

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"No, we need not stop celebrating Christmas. The ideal for which it stands has not gone out. War has blotted out much that we have depended on in modern life. But amidst all the destructions of War some things stand out, not merely unshaken, but infinitely more firm. They are the eternal reali-ties for which Christmas stands—Faith, Unselfish Courage, and Love. From Woman's Home Companion.

A short time ago, while talking to a group of young mothers, the question arose as to the proper amount of cloth-ing an infant should wear at night. I was quite shocked to learn that it was the habit of many women not to undress a young baby at all at night. A number of the mothers to whom I was talking bathed and dressed their babies in the morning, and the clothing put on at that time was not taken off until the follow-ing morning, the baby sleeping in the same clothing it had worn all day. Most of the mothers confressed their babies did not sleep well at night, which, under the circumstances, was not to be won-dered at. dered at.

These mothers were not ignorant nor careless, but women of average intelli-gence, each striving to give her baby the best of eare. The trouble was they were bound by an old tradition, handed down from their mothers, that a new-born babe should be swathed in swaddling clothes during the day and kept in them also during the night--traditions of the days where the fathers and mothers took turns in walking the floor trying to quiet the uncomfortable baby. Happily. for the infant, these days are rapidly passing. passing.

passing. There was not a woman in the little company who would for one moment have entertained the thought of going to bed in the same clothing she had worn the entire day. Healthy sleep under such conditions would be quite impossible, to say nothing of the discomfort. Still the influence of tradition was so strong that not one of the women had thought of applying this same principle—comfort or discomfort—to the baby.

Every child, no matter how young, will be healthier, sleep better, and be far more comfortable by having an entire change of clothing at night; the change will be

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as welcome and refreshing to it as to the adult

An infant's clothing at night should be comfortably loose, with nothing to restrict the breathing or the circulation. Sufficient clothing for the night consists of band, shirt, diaper and night gown. of band, shirt, diaper and mgnt gown. It is best to have separate night and day shirts and bands. For the first week or ten days, or until the cord falls off, the band will have to be worn fairly snug in order to keep the cord dressing in place; after this it may be loosened, place to the set of the source to be seen the second set of the source to be seen the second sec I would suggest that the night gowns be made quite long, six or eight inches below the feet, and drawn together at below the feet, and drawn together at the bottom by running a tape through a casing or narrow hem. Winter night gowns, especially for a young baby, should be made of light weight flannel, non-shrinkable and non-irritating.

MY CHRISTMAS GIFT OF LONG AGO.

"Yes, children, once upon a time

When grandpa was a country lad, A chore-boy, toiling for his 'keep', In coarse and humble garments clad, Into his somber life she bloomed, A little sees all bloomed,

A little rose, all glowing-bright, Tho scattered cheer along his path And touched his days with golden W light.

"When Winter brought the Christmas tide

tide With all its happy care and stir, What boyish transport set his heart A-throbbing o'er a gift from her-A pair of mittens, warm and soft, That her dear fingers, fairy-slim, In many a moment snatched from play.

- With patient zeal had knit for him !

- "Though years that followed, sweeping on As swiftly as do swallows wing Their autumn journey to the south, Have brought him many a wondrous
- thing, No guerdon, rich beyond conceit, E'er stirred him with such thrill and
- glow s did that simple gift from her, His Christmas girl of long ...go.

"Where is she now ? Just glance across To grandma, in her stately grace, A twinkle in her hazel eye. A smile upon her placid face ! No, no, I do not jest with you; Your grandma, children, is the pearl Of all the goodly gifts I prize-My own and only Christmas girl!"

MOTHERS By Ralph M. Thompson, M.D.

woman who has ever borne a son, have Death filch him from her Each To

frantic breast, nows something of the grief which came to stun The Heart of Mary, crushed and dis-

possessed ;

But only that poor wretch on bended knee, Whose wayward boy has cast with

crime his lot, an understand the depth of agony Of her, who gave the world Iscariot. Car

THE KNOCK-BOX

THE KNOCK-BOX Be polite. Perhaps your family won't mind if you practice it on them. There was more than average content-ment and general "get-alongness" in a Connecticut family where I visited one summer. Back of the politeness and pleasant attitude of each to the other lay a secret of some sort which was joked about and laughed over but never divulged to the general public. The mys-tery hovered about a slitted box which stood on the parlor mantel. It resembled tery hovered about a slitted box which stood on the parlor mantel. It resembled a mail box, and when it was emptied each evening, notes were handed around to mother, father, brothers and sisters. Sometimes they were read with quiet gravity, sometimes with a smile. One morning a missive fell on my plate. Here is the message it held: "If our company would be good enough to phone when she decides not to

return for luncheon, the cook would be exceedingly grateful." I re-read it, mystified a trifle, also a bit ruffled, I confess, and a laugh went

bit ruffled, I confess, and a laugh went round the table. "Mother," cried one of the girls, "ex-plain to the company about our knock-box. It was not exactly fair to discipline her without a warning." That forenoon while I helped to empty a darning basket I suggested, "Now tell me about the knock-box." "The knock-box." explained my host-ess, "is an ancient and honorable institu-tion of this family, but it was not fair to initiate you as we dd." "It was perfectly fair. I felt guilty enough yesterday when I found you had waited luncheon for me. Now for the story."

story." "When we were married," she began "When we were married," she began "I was a fault-finder, a petty. fussy housewife, picking on somebody about something all the time. One evening my husband took me to task and I suddenly realized that if I did not take heed I might develop into a genuine nagger like a woman next door, who is the terror of our neighborhood. He suggested as a cure that instead of blurting out every little fault I found in him I should write it down each day and drop my criticism little fault I found in him I should write it down each day and drop my criticism in a box. He said he would do the same thing with me. We christened it the knock-box. Two rules were made: that complaints should be politely worded and read over several times before being mailed. If they seemed too trivial for utterance they wore to be destroyed. I remember the first time we emptied the knock-box. I found a suggestion that coffee ought to be served staming hot and that when a man loaned his knife to a lady he expected it to be returned.

and that when a man loaned his knife to a lady he expected it to be returned. "My husband had one solitary knock to read. I had destroyed ten or twelve during the day; on a second reading they had sounded petty. This one was about a man who left his belongings scattered all over a house when he dashed out to catch a car. It was seed sown in good ground. The work grew lighter each day after that, because my husband became tidier. It is years since he found a complaint in the knock-box about care-less habits. When the children were old enough to read and write they found enough to read and write they found little reminders in the box. They were also allowed to send knocks to us, and also allowed to send knocks to us, and some of them were very funny. I re-member one from Bobs about hanging the key of the preserve closet where he could not reach it. At the age of eight Margaret objected strenuously to wear-ing pinafores. Eace one agreed that eight o'clock was much too early to go to bed. You have not any idea of how the knock-box saves a family from snarla One little bit of fault-finding is to bed. You have not any idea of how the knock-box saves a family from snarls. One little bit of fault-finding is capable of stirring up a storm of reerim-ination. Besides, a written hint sinks in as no amount of nagging can."

Xmas Ideas

WORK BASKETS.

WORK BASKETS. Everyone likes work baskets because they are useful. A market basket padded with cotton and lined with pretty silk makes a very nice Christmas gift. After the basket is lined make a ruffle of silk to cover the outside and wind ribbon around the handle. Then make a cushion and sew inside, and pockets on each of the other sides. This makes a very pretty and useful work basket. Smaller baskets or toilet boxes for the dresser can be made from the little quart boxes baskets or toilet boxes for the dresser can be made from the little quart boxes that are used for fruit in the summer. When I canned fruit during the summer I saved the quart boxes for this purpose. A fruit box lined with silk and a ruffle of silk on the outside makes a neat dresser ornament. A tiny cushion fastened to the inside and pockets for jewelry and pins make it useful as well P. R. H.

GIFTS FOR LITTLE GIRLS By Kate Campion

Let me tell you of my plan for giff giving to the little daughters of several of my friends. These friends are all wealthy while I must count every penny, therefore it is a little difficult to decide what will be appropriate for one in my



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position, hnanciarly, to bestow upon the little daughters. I bought several yards of sateen, net. cheap lace and ribbon, and with these materials I made each child a real grown-up dress in which to "play lady." For one little gil of ten, I made a gown of levender asteon. the skirt is made of lavender sateen; the skirt is made with a train, the frock has a fashionable tunic, the bodice has vest and revers and tunic, the bonce has vest and revers and Medici collar, and the whole thing is made as carefully as though for a grown person. The tunic is covered with net, and little bows of ribbon decorate the bodice. A bouquet of violets is placed on the left shoulder, and the effect is very smart.

NOTICE. The reports of the H.E.S. and Home-makers' Clubs will all be published in the January number. Kindly send in as

CI	HRIST	MAS BE	LLS
By	Karla	Wilson 1	Baker

The Christmas bells of memory are ring-

ing my heart! And do you hear the echo, though we are so far apart?

They fill the air with melody, a music

faint and sweet, A pensive festival of sound, where pain and pleasure meet.

Oh, let us banish pain and tears, and welcome hope and smiles; We'll build a fire of fellowship, in spite of years and miles; And warm our hearts with hoping that,

when next the music swells, Together we shall listen to the happy Christmas bells!

MY MOST ACCEPTABLE GIFT By Inez Shull

onestly believe the most acceptable I honestly believe the most acceptable gift I ever gave was a stuffed pumpkin, and I gave it to a dear lady who counts her wealth by thousands, whilst I must be content (and am) with hundreds. I cut a round lid off the end of the pump-kin and scooped out the seeds. Then I lined it with waxed paper. I then filled it with a glass each of jam, jelly, chili sauce, celery relish, and mixed pickles. Over these I placed a disk of waxed card-board. The next layer was a slice of fruit cake, a slice of plum pudding, seed cakes, and home-made candies, more waxed paper; then sprigs of red geran-ium and holly. Then I placed the "cover" December, 15

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on the pumpkin, wrapped the mammoth thing in green crepe paper and tied it with red ribbon and holly.

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Christmas Recipes

CREAM OF CELERY SOUP.

CREAM OF CELERY SOUP. Cut two large bunches of celery into one-inch picces and set to boil in a quart of boiling salted water, to which a gener-ous slice of onion and three sprigs of parsley have been added. When the celery is tender, drain and mash it through a vegetable sieve, rejecting the stringy part left in the sieve. Put one quart of milk in a succepan with the celery and let it cools gently, not boiling. for ten minutes. Thicken with two tablespoonfuls of four and two table-spoonfuls of hutter which have been well spoonfuls of butter which have been rell

blended, and allow to cook for fifteen minutes more. Season with pepper and a little more salt if necessary, and serve with croutons. The croutons are made by thinly buttering slices of bread, cut-ting in cubes and setting in the oven until a golden brown color.

OATMEAL BREAD.

At three o'clock soak a yeast cake in one-half cupful of water, add two cup-fuls of warm water, add sufficient flour to make a batter and let rise. At five o'clock cover one cupful of oatmeal with

two cupfuls of boiling water and let stand until after supper. Then add the oatmeal to the batter with two more cupfuls of boiling water, one cupful of molasses, one teaspoonful of sait, and two tablespoonfuls of lard. Mix stiff with flour and knead well. Let rise overpicht oad in the moving atte down overnight, and in the morning stir down and let rise again. Make into loaves and bake in a moderate oven.

ECONOMICAL PLUM PUDDING.

Put one cupful of chopped suet into a basin, add two cupfuls of fine bread

crumbs, one cupful of molasses, one cup-ful of sultana raisins, one cupful of cur-rants, one cupful of milk, one teaspoon-ful of salt, one teaspoonful of powdered ci-namon, one teaspoonful of powdered ginger, one level teaspoonful of baking soda, and sufficient flour to make a stiff batter. Mix well and turn into a large buttered, greased mold, cover with a greased paper and steam steadily for four hours. Serve hot with hard or liquid sauce. liquid sauce.

Try Substituting a Salmon for an oyster stew. Prepare exactly the same as if you were to use oysters in place of salmon. To a pint of milk add all of the liquid and part of the meat of a can of salmon from which all bones are re-moved. Except for the difference in color you can not tell them apart.

RAISIN CANDY.

RAISIN CARDI. Three cupfuls of granulated sugar, one-half cupful of cream, one-half box of seeded raisins. Put the sugar and the cream into a saucepan over the fire, and stir until the sugar dissolves. Then boil cream into a saucepan over the fire, and stir until the sugar dissolves. Then boil until the candy forms a hard ball when tried in cold water. Remove from the fire, then add the raisins and stir until it grains. Pour into buttered tins and cut into neat squares when cold.

ORANGE GRANITE.

To the juice and pulp of six oranges (free from all skin and membrane) add the juice of one lemon, one cupful of sugar and a pint of water. Freeze as sherbert and serve after or with the meat course in a winter dinner.

POTATO BASKETS

Scleet medium-sized potatoes of uni-form size. Wash, pare and scoop out some of the center. Drop into cold water; soak one-half hour. Cook in boiling salted water ten minutes, and drain. Place in pan in which turkey is being roasted, and bake until soft (about forty minutes) basting with fat in pan forty minutes) basting with fat in pan when basting bird. Fill with turnip cubes, maitre d'hotel.



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TURNIP CUBES. MAITRE D'HOTEL.

Wash and pare turnips, cut in one-half inch slices, and slices in one-half nch cubes; there should be two cupfuls. Cook in boiling salted water twenty minutes, or until soft. Drain, and mix half inch slie Cook Drain, and mix rith maitre d'hotel butter.

MAITRE D'HOTEL BUTTER.

Work three tablespoonfuls of butter until creamy, and add one teaspoonful of lemon juice very slowly; then add one-half teaspoonful of salt, one-eighth teaspoonful of pepper, and one-half tablespoonful of finely chopped parsley.

BREAD RINGS

Cut bread which is stale in one-eighthuctor of the state in one eight of the state in one eight of the state butter, and sprinkle with grated cheese. seasoned with cayenne. Bake in a mode-rate oven to melt cheese and brown rings. Arrange on a plate, covered with a lace paper doily, and serve with thristmas Consomme.

COFFEE CREAM PIE.

With a wooden cake spoon work one-fourth cup butter until creamy and add gradually one cup sugar while stirring and beating constantly; then add two and beating constantly; then add two eggs well beaten. Mix and sift one an' two-thirds cups pastry flour (once sift-ed) with two and one-half tenspoons naking powder and one-fourth tenspoon salt, and add alternately with one-half cup milk to first mixture. Turn into two buttered and floured Washington pie tins, and bake in a moderate oven twenty-five minutes. Remove from pans, put together with confee cream and sprinkle top with confectioners' sugar. For the coffee cream put one and one-half cups cold milk and two and one-half tablespoons ground coffee in double one-half cups cold milk and two and one-half tablespoons ground coffee in double boiler, and cook until scalded; then strain through a double thickness of cheesecloth placed over a fine strainer. Mix thoroughly one-half cup sugar, one-fourth cup flour, and one-eighth tesapoon salt. Pour on gradually, while stirring constantly, the scalded milk and add they yolks of two eggs, slightly beaten. Return mixture to double boiler, and cook fifteen minutes, stirring constantly cook fifteen minutes, stirring constantly until mixture thickens, then occasion-ally. Cool, add one-third cup cut-up English walnut meats, and one-half teaspoon vanilla

ENGLISH PLUM PUDDING.

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An unusual and simple variety that does not call for spicel: Put one cupful of suct through the meat chopper, and cream, using the hands. Add one cupful each grated raw carrot, grated raw potato, and molasses; then add one and one-third cupfuls of bread flour, mixed and sifted with two teaspoonfuls of baking powder, one and one-half tea-sponofuls of salt and one teasnoonful of soida. Seed one cupful of raisins, cut in halves, and dredge with one-third cupful of four and add to first mixture; then add three tablespoonfuls of brandy. Turn into a buttered mold (not having mold more than two-thirds full), adjust and tie down buttered cover, place on trivet in kettle, half surround with boil-ing water, cover and let steam four hours, adding more water as necessary. keeping water at the boiling point. Garnish with holly. Accompany with hard sauce. (An unusual and simple variety that hard sauce.

MINCE MEAT.

Take 1 lb. each of currants, raisins. sugar, mixed peel and suet, $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. almonds, 3 lbs. apples, juice of one lemon, spice and nutmeg to taste; chop fine altogether; add water.

CHRISTMAS CAKE.

¹/₂ lb. butter, ¹/₂ lb. sugar, ¹/₂ lb. raisins, ¹/₂ lb. currants, ¹/₄ lb. mixed peel, 12 oz. flour, 2 oz. almonds, six eggs, the juice and rind of one lemon, one teaspoon baking powder.

Third Week

"Whatever the weather may be," says he' "Whatever the weather may be, It's the songs ye sing and the smiles ye

wear That's a makin' the sun shine everywhere." —James Whitcomb Riley



It was Christmas Eve. The aged couple sat by the flickering fireplace, hand clasped in hand. Like tired chi-dren grown weary of life's toys, their eyelids drooped heavily. The dying flames cast weird shadows in the dimly lighted room. Suddenly the strains of sweet music burst upon their wondering ears. Someone was singing the dear old hymn, "Hark the Herald Angels Sing"-a voice so pure, it was as if the heavens had opened and an angel heralded the coming of another Christmas morn. But hark, other voices caught up the refrain, rising and falling in the sweetest cadences--and then dying away. The aged couple sat entranced.



In touch with this there is no growing old

"Merry Christmas, mother; Merry Christmas, tather," rang out a jovial voice, and their eldest son strode into the room. 'The music, the music," whispered the

old man

old man. "Why, dad, that's my little Christmas box to you," laughed the boy. "A Victrola, you know. So now you may hear the world's famous musicians whenever you wish. No mother, dear, it did not cost a fortune-just \$21.00-rather a triling sum for years of plea-sure-of course you can buy them up to \$400. 'Twas at Mason & Risch Music Store I got it," he added, putting on another record.

THE WOMAN'S NATIONAL ANTHEM.

Dear Cousin Doris,-While in London recently I came in touch with a little incident which, I think, will interest you. Latended, one day, at non. a recruit-ing meeting in front of the Mansion House. A great crowd of men and women listened to the recruiting ser-geants, all of whom had "done their bit"

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geants, all of whom had "done their bit" at the front. A lady, with a magnificent voice, sang patriotic songs, which, perhaps, were more effective than the speeches of the meeting, it was announced that after singing "The King," the lady would sing "The Woman's National Anthem." Then, in splendid voice, she sang:--"God save our splendid men Send them safe home again, God save our splendid men. Reep them victorious, Patient and chivalrons, They are so dear to us, God save our men. As she sang, every man stood, un-covered and with bowed head, and there were not many dry gess.

covered and with bowed head, and there were not many dry eyes. I think it would be a good thing if the women of Canada would learn this as "The British Women's National An-hem," for surely it is the prayer of every loyal British woman. After the meeting I wont un to the

every loyal British woman. After the meeting I went up to the singer, handed her my card, and asked her for the words she had just sung. When she saw that I was from Montreal. she said: "Oh, I sang in Montreal and I will be glad to send the words to the women of Canada."

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A WOMAN'S TALK

Continued from page 35 go out and be a force for good. I well remember a student who was taking his arts course when I was attending college. He declared that the university had made no change in him, and we could all well believe him. He also declared that it never would, and again we were forced, from facts before our eyes, to believe him. It would have taken more than a university course to make any change in him.

But if the university lecturers go out through the country and carry the story of the stars, or of the dreams of the old philosophers, or take views of great masterpieces of art, or talk of history they will enrich thousands of lives, and through those the influence will spread, as the few students, be they ever so earnest, could not hope to spread it. The universities in all the prairie provinces are sending out lecturers and those who wish for such lecturers should write to the university in the province in which they reside.

Christmas on the Farm: A Time for Music By EVERETT EWING

Make the Christmas chimes ring out to you and all of your iamily a Merry, Merry Christmas —a Christmas which shall be aglow with the spirit of happiness and a feeling of kinship for others.

There is no other gift that can compare with a good piano or player piano. It means happiness and contentment to your home, and is a gift that all of your family and friends can enjoy this year and years to come. A good piano will last a lifetime.

But a good piano is not to be judged by its outward appearance. The veneer on a piano may look very beautiful, but unless it is constructed by experienced workmen and with the best materials procurable, it will not give satisfaction nor stay in tune for any length of time.

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which asists in giving an upright piano the tone of an expensive grand, is the acoustic rim on the

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grand, is the acoustic rim on the sounding board at the back of the piano. All readers of the Canadian Farmer and Thresherman who possess a New Scale Williams piano can see for themselves that these acoustic rims give the sounding board at the back of the piano the shape of a grand.

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The piano and player pianos made in Canada to-day are equal to any instrument made on the American continent or abroad, and the people of Canada are to be admired on the way they have patronized "Made - in - Canada" goods by Canadians.

All lovers of music who read the Canadian Thresherman and Farmer and who are considering buying a piano can secure free a beautiful booklet giving pictures and the life history of the world's great musicians and singers. This is a book which every Canadian should have. It's free to all.





Christmas—The Home Day A Time for Music

HERE ARE the old songs to sing—a dance in the evening perhaps, or, a quiet day spent with good music.

Christmas without music would be like "June without Roses" You want your home to be brighter and happier than ever on Christmas—this day of days—don't you? There is no gift that will give as much pleasure to ALL the family as a



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T is a wise saying that one should aim at the stars, though one may only hit the gutter. This is true in respect to

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the gutter. This is true in respect to every occupation, and to every de partment of human activity. To have lotty ideals redeems the meanest labor from contempt and drudgery, and ele-vates both the labor and the laborer. In no field of labor is the laborer. vates both the labor and the laborer. In no field of labor is this more true than in that of education. The teacher who is not sustained from day to day with high ideals, with the dignity and power of his office, becomes the veriest drudge; and he that is so sustained can look forward with faith to the silver lining that fringes the darkest clouds. He can toil undauntedly under the most adverse conditions, un-supported, and unappreciated, believing in his heart that the bread he has cast upon the waters shall return after many days hence, and that if a child is trained in the way he should go, when he is old he shall not depart from it. To many, education is supposed to be

To many, education is supposed to be a loading or overloading of the pupil's memory with dates and facts, with memory with dates and facts, with words and phrases, with a smattering of this that and the other subject, which may have some commercial value in after life; and the most successful teacher is held to be the one who can called knowledge into the pupil's mind in the least possible time. As a rule this kind of knowledge specifily vanishes, when the pupil has cast off the trammels of the school room. of the school room.

of the school room. The word education comes from the Latin (e) and (duco), and signifies a leading forth or out of, and not a pour-ing in as so many misconceive. And what, may I ask, is to be led out or developed? To this I would reply—the dormant talents and capabilities of the pupil. Men and children have each a three-fold nature—a physical, moral, and intellectual nature; and education prop-erly understood is the art of drawing out or developing this three-fold nature to its fullest capacity. fullest capacity.

llest capacity. When universal compulsory education as first suggested in Great Britain, the Wellington was opposed to late Duke of Wellington was opposed to its adoption, and said that "Education would only make cleverer devils of the would only make cleverer devils of the children, and that they would be better without it!" That was the honest belief of a great military genius, who had not a true conception of what edu-cation really was. Quite recently this question was addressed to me in this city: "Did I believe the Germans were the best educated people on earth?" I replied that I thought they were among the worst, that they were among replied that I thought they were among the worst, that they were simply monstrosities — that the moral and spiritual side of their nature was dor-mant and undeveloped. Hence their wal-lowing in lust and murder—in riot and pillage, through the homes and vineyards of peace-loving and inoffensive Belgium. In other woros they were clever devils, whom that grim old warrior, the Duke of Wellington, so aply forceasted. A similar view was expressed by the

Wellington, so aply forecasted. A similar view was expressed by the great biologist, Dr. Virchow, at the conference on higher education which was held, at the instance of the Prussian Government, in Berlin, in December, 1800. "I regret," he said, "that I cannot bear my testimony to our having made any progress in forming the character of the pupils in our schools. When I look back over the forty years during which I have been professor and examiner, a period during which I have been brought in contact not only with physicians and scientific investigators, but also with many other types of men. I cannot say that I have the impression that we have made material advance in training up men with strength of character. On the contrary, I feel that we are on a down. contrary, I feel that we are on a down-ward path. The number of 'characters' becomes smaller, and this is connected with the shrinkage in private and indi-vidual work done during the lad's school life. For it is only by means of inde-pendent work that the pupil learns to hold his own against external difficulties

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EDUCATIONAL IDEALS

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and to find in his own strength, his own nature, in his own scrength, his own resisting such difficulties and prevailing over them."

Firsting such dimensions and processing such dimensions and processing such dimensions and processing such as a such

that every private in his army carried a marshal's baton in his knapsack. If this were true in the sphere of education, a brighter day would soon dawn for the scholastic world. The day of appointing Oxford Dons to legislate for and inspect schools should be past and gone. What would become of our Empire in this direful crisis if such a system prevailed in our army and navy? Jellico started as a midshipman and French as a subaltern. a midshipman and French as a subaltern a midshipman and French as a subaltern. We have practical solidiers at the head of our army and practical sailors at the head of our Navy, and practical teach-ers ought to be at the head of our edu-cational system.

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THE IMMORTAL TRINITY

Edith Cavell

Joan of Arc

of the race-a work that no one can measure, and that no honor or material

reward can ever fully repay; and last and greatest of all, the teacher himself. First of all, let us consider educational

legislation. Sometimes it is beneficial, and sometimes the reverse. The evil that sometimes arises in this connection is

and sometimes the reverse. The evil that sometimes arises in this connection is due to the fact that politicians are some-times pitchforked into positions for which they are eminently unfitted. Education with many of them is a side

Education with many of them is a side issue—a football for political tricksters. Many of them never taught a day in their lives, they have only a party inter-est in education. They have no real knowledge of it, even if they had the desire to help in its development. In my opinion, the highest posts in the inspect-orate and in the educational councils of the nation should be open to the success-ful teachers of the country and to them

the nation should be open to the success-ful teachers of the country and to them alone—to the men who have climbed by sheer character and ability from the lowest rung of the educational ladder. It was the boast of Napoleon Bonaparte

Florence Nightingale And now a word as to school trustees

And now a word as to school trustees. Their duty does not end in providing suitable buildings and equipment, and in levying rates. To me it seems their chief duty lies in appointing the best teachers that they can secure, and treating them afterwards as the late Professor Blackie, of Edinburgh, sug-gested when speaking on this subject, who said: "Treat them like gentlemen and pay them like lawyers." The Province has made wonderful strides for a new country as far as school buildings and equipment are con-cerned, and all honor is due to those who have aided in accomplishing this. But educational development can never be what it should be until the Province makes the position of the teacher so desirable that it shall attract the best daents attainable to the teaching pro-fession. Teaching shall then cease to be u makeshift, and stepping stone to more urrative callings.

a makesmit, and stepping some callings. Lastly, as the most vital factor in educational development, let us consider

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the ideal teacher. It has been said: "Poets are born, not made," and it is equally true of the ideal teacher Earnest application, normal and univerequally true of the ideal teacher Earnest application, normal and univer-Sity training, are not verything. Those qualifications are not to be despised but others are of more importance to the ideal teacher. First among the qualifications or gifts of the ideal teaching, and for the children committed to his care. He must always be a pro-gressive student with an intense thirst for knowledge, and an intense desire to impart it. His personal magnetism must be powerful, as he influences his pupils not so much by what he says and does as by what he is. Morally he should be like Caesar's wite, above suspicion; and intellectually he should be in sympathy with the aspirations of the young mind and with all the great uplifting forces of the world that set for rightcousness. Intuitively he will grasp the difficulties that beest the pupil in the various mental processes. He will give the processer, He is more help than is necessary. He gauges the physical, moral and intellectual char-acter of reach child, and teaches in con-formity thereto. When the pupil stumbles or reaches a deadlock, he de-vines the cause at once and removes the obstacle. In leading the pupis along the bowers of knowledge that fringe the "Tarian Spring," he passes upwards by gevy gradjents to the heights of the the bowers of knowledge that fringe the "Parian Spring," he passes upwards by easy gradients to the heights of the Temple of Fame, where the gods dwell and where there is perpetual light an' peace. Facts and knowledge are with the ideal teacher only a means to an end—the perfect and harmonious devel-opment of the body, mind and spirit of the child, "the mens sana in corpore suno."

sumo." The study of psychology and other cognate science helps him in his daily duties, but the assurance that he is engaged in the noblest work on earth, and that the divine blessing shall crown his labors, shall guide and sustain him even much the day of hourtgoons fruition even unto the day of bounteous fruition

"Men shall hang the trumpet in the hall. And study war no more.

"When man to man the warld ower Shall brithers be an' a' that."



Here are some very seasonable ex-racts from a private letter from Kud-ard Kipling, who has been visiting the French front

French front: "I thought I realized something of what was being done by France. I see I am now only beginning to understand what France is doing. France is not merely fighting this war. She is living it—living it with gaiety and a high heart that does not for a second hide the cold, deadly carnestness and tena-city of her purpose. I can testify that they bear themselves, men and women cually, resolute, without pride or selfqually, resolute, without pride or self-

"We had tea the other day in a town "We bad tea the other day in a town which the Bosches shelled because it is full of women and children, and has a fine old church. The cellars of the house were a hospital, but no one around that cheery table upstairs sug-gested or even hinted at the perpetual strain under which they live. "So far as I can see, there is not a single individual from one end of France to the other who is not colored, guided and soaked through by their strong determination.

strong determination. "The readiness and endurance,

and "The readiness and endurance, and again, the lightheartcheass among them is marvellous. They do not stop to argue about things. They are agreed that the only good Bosche is a dead Bosche, and joyfully and zealously do their best to make it so."

RED ROSE TEA" is good tea"

The Parting of the Ways A Story for Christmas, by E. L.Chicanot. Author of "The Wanderer Returned," "Friends of the Northern Zone," etc. 23 23 EUCS 3 3 23

To every young man with the merest spark of ambition there comes a "part-ing of the ways," a time when he must decide what is to be his life's work and to advert his energies in that di-rection. This is a period of great men-tal torture to a youth when the years and to advert in senergies in that di-rection. This is a period of great men-tal torture to a youth when the years he has put behind him seem of little avail—but so much lost time—and the immediate future becomes all import-ant. He is filled with a terrible energy

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immediate future becomes all import-ant. He is filled with a terrible energy and ambition, and yet knows not what he wants. His ambitions will no longer allow him to plod along in the old way, and Destiny obscures in shadow the path which his feet are to tread. It was in this position that Cecil Vernon found himself. Since complet-ing nis college course he had taught in a country district and life had gone pretty smoothly as rustic life does. But he had just awakened to a realiza-tion that there was something more in life than mere material existence. Some things, that life called him to a higher things, that life called him to a higher things, that life called him to a higher plane of action. He had come to the parting of the ways, and his struggle was to discover his penchant, to what sphere of action he was called. Syn-chronously he had awakened to a reali-zation of another kind—a sweet dream-like awakening, but just as serious to a young man in his position—that he was in love. For a year he had known Winnie Ellis, the teacher in the ad-joining district. Their common pur-suits and accomplishments had tirst brought them together, and the friend-ship increasing throughout the year had blossomed on his part, into a deep and carrnest love.

It was on a bright sunny afternoon in the early spring, as they walked through the crocus-covered pasture, that Cecil told his love and then informed Winnie of his intention of attending a Medical College. With her hand in his he told her of his struggle in the choice of a career and of his subsequent reso-lution to qualify in the medical pro-fession.

lution to qualify in the medical pro-fersion. "It will be many years if ever, before I can provide a home for you Winie," he said, "and I cannot expect a promise from you. But I will always love you and my heart will ever be yours, and if when I have gained a good footing on the elusive ladder of life you are still free, I'll come and claim you." "Don't be afraid Cecil," she said ten-derly, "I'll be waiting even if you never come. I have planned to go to college soon too, and I am going to do great things as well. You'll have a clever little wife to help you on," and she smiled up at him. Dusk was coming on as they returned to the house his arm around her waist. From her eyes shone the love that gleams as a holy light from the portals

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of some hallowed sanctuary. It was encouragement enough to hoist a man over unsurmountable barriers, and Co-cil felt supremely happy as he planned out the future. Two foolishly happy young things as yet ignorant of the hardship and sorrow of the world. And so in the thickening invilgit, as the last rays of the setting sun still tinted the grey sky, they plighted their troth, just as thousands of couples had done before, and a thousand will yet do until this beautiful world of ours be assimil-ated into the one omnipotent and uni-versal Love. For them locked in each other's arms, there was nothing else animate-they might have been Adam and Eve so alone were they-just they two and the all-conquering love which made them almost alone. Study and the various activities of ollege life now engrossed Cecil's atten-tion; there was always something joing on. If it was not a lecture or an examination, it was an afternoon in the field or an evening at the theatre or some "rag" with the other students, Loving letters still passed between him and Winnie, but as the term lengthened out his became shorter and fewer, as more exhaustive studies claimed his at-tention, or some innocent jollity filled up the evening. Thus amongst the

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tention, or some innocent jollity filled up the evening. Thus amongst the various doings of collegiate life other



both had to wait. Let him usen live his life and she her's until he could offer her a home. In short, as can be seen he loved this girl, but it was not the deep powerful love of an older man; he could not worship from afar.

ered. This rather worried him for a while, but after all, life at college was pretty gay: there was plenty of fun after a hard day's study and he had little time for idle regrets. He felt that it was a mistake that he could



Scottish Agriculturists, including Sir John Sinclair and other celebrities who visited Canada in the summer of 1909. Group taken at the Farm Home of Donald McVicar of Portage la Prairie, who is seen immediately behind Mrs. McVicar on her right. Miss McVicar is engaging the attention of two stalware champions.

things were forgotten. It was not that he loved Winnie any the less—he would have become wroth at any such impu-tatiom—but it just sected too much hother to keep up the correspondence, though he often thought of her. He loved her and she loved him and they

And as time went on the letters be And as time went on the letters be-tween them became shorter and fewer, until they ceased altogether; the few binding links had snaped. Christmas came around but no word from Winnie, and later Cecil's own greetings to her were returned, not having been deliv-

oon clear up-he would attend to it in a day or two. And thus Cecil and Winnie fell apart and dropped out of each other's lives. The medical course was ended and



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Eminent Woman Surgeon, who is also an old Suffraget (to wounded guards-man): "Do you know your face seems familiar to me. I've been trying to remember where we've met hefore." Guardsman: "Well, Mum, Bygones be Bygones. I was a police constable.

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Cecil Vernon was a fully pledged prac-titioner. With the parting from friends and the breaking up of old ties there came to him—almost selfahly—a long-ing for the little sweetheart of his teaching days, but his efforts to trace her were fruitless. And now when he had lost her, she meant more to him than ever before, and often he would ind himself unconsciously thinking of her during the busy day, at the hos-pital where he had become house-doctor. He worked hard at his profession, and though not brilliant, he became known as a hard-working young man, and was

though not brilliant, he became known as a hard-working young man, and was quite a favorite with the hospital staff. And then after two years he bought a country practice and went West. In the little country town, Cecil formed one of the elite, and enterpris-ing mamas were not slow to realize the attractions — financial and otherwise— of this pushing young doetor. It must not be imagined either that his heart remained absolutely unassailed. Many girls he met, who charmed and fasein-ated, but beyond this the affairs never

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Husband: "Ain't I enough?'—FW went, for in the contemplation of the attractions of some particular one, there would come before his eyes the vision of the little girl in the crocus-purpled pasture the purity of her soul shining through the innocent child-like eyes. With the years his love seemed to have grown and now it was the ardent, impassioned, yearning of the ardent, impassioned, yearning of the ardent, impassioned, yearning of the ardent, hoping against hope to some-time meet the sweetheart of his youth —often the words recurred to him, "T'll be waiting for you even if you never come," and he felt that she too in her heart was longing. One cold stormy night, but a short time before Christmas, the young prac-titioner was roused from sleep by a midnight summons to attend a sick woman twenty miles from town. It was a rough night, and bitterly cold and Cecil felt disinclined to go, but the common principles of humanity bade him; it was a call that could not be refused, and besides a young doctor in a new practice cannot refuse patients. So taking his bag of instruments, and his heavy is roat, he went out to the waiting sleigh. A long drive through the cold dark went, for in the contemplation of the

So taking his bag of instruments, and his heavy i ar coat, he went out to the waiting sleigh. A long drive through the cold dark night ended at a little log house amidst a clump of trees. The house was all alight as they drove up, and, without knocking he entered. The room was scrupulously clean like the majority of the strength of the strength of the strength of the scrup between the strength of the strength of the strength strength of the strength of the strength of the strength strength of the strength of the strength of the strength strength of the scrupilously clean like the majority of farm kitchens and cunning clever fin-gers had been at work titivating here and there, trying to hide the poverty, whose indications, however, were still only too plain. Divested of his coat he stood warming himself at the fire when someone came gently down the stairs and the curtain over the door-way was pushed back, then all sound seemed suddenly to cease and he felt his eyes drawn irresistably towards the door. He looked and stood transfixed at the figure of a girl framed in the doorway, holding the curtain with one hand. hand

e any relies?" ach. "Cecil," she breathed, and, "Winnie," he murmured and moved towards her. He gazed into her eyes as he took her hand, and she asked:---"You are the doctor Tom brought?" "Yes," he answered, "who is sick?" "It's my aunt," she replied. "Come upstairs," and they went up together. There, on the bed, was an old gray-haired woman, old not in years, but aged by the hardships and buffets of the world upon a gentle nature, and it meded but a cursory examination on the doctor's part to determine that her demise was but a matter of a few hours at the most. Briefly and gently he intimated the same to the girl at his side. In a burst of tears she dropped on her knees by the bedshie, and nilowed her head near that of the siek woma. "Tol soon he gone, Winnie," said her aunt, "and, oh, fil he so happy. But I worry about you, dear." "Don't auntie, darling," sobbed Win-nie. "I cam manage finely. I can go back to teaching again." Urewhelmed by the pathos of the seeh, Cecil had been standing an un-willing witness of the sad confidences. Now stirred by some unconscious irre-sistable impulse he moved to the bed-side and took Winnie's hand. "Madam," he said to the fast failing moan, "for many years I have loved nour are?" The dying woman looked up and meant was an look up and here wone won the work on the wean end

The dying woman looked up and gazed curiously at him for some mo-ments. "Are you Cecil Vernon?" she finally asked.

finally asked. Cecil nodded and turned to Winnie. "Do you still love me?" he asked She hung her head and the tears welled up afresh in her eyes; and as they stood hand in hand the old lady blessed them. But a short while after and she was dead.

and she was dead. It was Christmas Day. The funeral was over, and the re-united lovers were walking together. The bright son shone out upon the snow-covered ground, and



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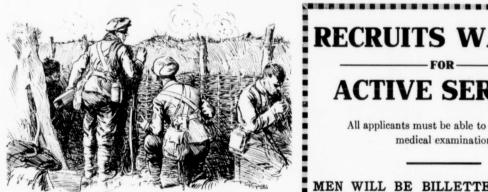
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ergeant: "Now, then, my lad, you're asking for it. Why don't you use periscope ?" Sergeant: Tommy: "I was using it, an' twice I nearly got a bullet through it."

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the season's spirit of happiness and goodwill seemed to pervade the atmost observer. You know, dear," he said, "you have mever told me how you came to leave your school and live in this wilderness. And the college, course, "he added. "It is soon told," the girl answered saily. "You know how I wanted to have a University course, and what a trillant career I had planned out. But the print of the way." It came when annutie, who had brought me of the 'parting of the way." It came when auntie, who had brought me of the 'parting of the way." It came when auntie, who had brought me of the 'parting of the way." It came when auntie, who had brought me of the 'parting of the way." It came when auntie, who had brought me of the 'parting of the way." It came when a so glad, for it made the whose to stay with her and give up my career, or to leave her in strange bands, which she could never have bound on the life happier than it would there wise hard, so hard, unew I am so glad, for it made the added whimsically, "contrary to what a lone told you, you are going to have a very ignorant little wite." "It was nord, so hard, une the her chose to the life happier than its. "A ma could ask never. I wish that so the had our partings of the way, the one day of all the year, begins a new life for us daring. Behold, the way, the one day of all the year, begins a new life for us daring. Behold, the way is the more than the set of the part day. "The anjutant was lecturing to the set way." The anjutant was lecturing to the set way."

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Tommy (To new arrival at prisoner's camp): "What was your occupation

German: "Army butcher." Tommy: "Cattle or babies?"

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fever, diphtheria, measles, whooping cough, and other discases. Such diseases make the teeth decay by weakening the body and softening the teeth. Secondly, if your teeth are not kept clean and smooth they get rough and dirty spots, or between the teeth, and dirty spots, or between the teeth, where it ferments forms an acid, and injures the enamel. What happens if the teeth are not eared for? Should food collect on the teeth or between them, the acid that is formed works through the enamel and into the ivory. Sometimes this happens on the erown of a tooth, sometimes on the erown of a tooth, sometimes on the act of a tooth, and sometimes under the gum in the rear of the root. Then dark spots begin to show on the tooth The tooth decays and a little hole is made in the enamel or dentine. Food and germs from the mouth get into the little hole in the tooth, and the hole gets bigger and bigger. The tooth ther begins to ache because the nerve in the acid and the germs. If there is a spot or hole in one of

begins to ache because the nerve in the tooth is irritated by the fermenting acid and the germs. If there is a spot or hole in one of your teeth, give it the best treatment you can obtain even though you have not much money. Go to the best dentist The best is the cheapest in the end. If you cannot afford much money, ask the dentist to put in a temporary filling of cement and amalgam, which looks like



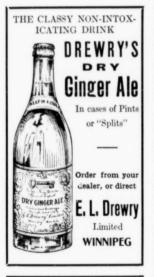
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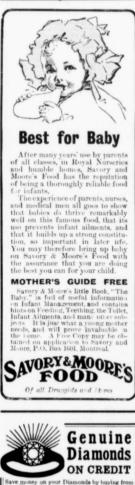
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especially the lower ones which lie just behind the tip of the tongue. If you want to preserve your teeth and to keep them from getting too soft dip the brush in salt and water, or use some tooth powder. Do not spend all the time in brushing across the teeth, but manipulate the brush in such a way that the bristles will get in between the teeth. Brush from the gums towards the biling edge of the teeth. Look at the back of your lower front teeth. You may very likely see a dark substance known as tartar upon the teeth. When you clean your teeth use the dental floss or rubber band between them, and this will do much to prevent a collection of tartar, thereby keeping your teeth from decaying. It is absolutely necessary that you go to a dentist twice a year to have your

to a dentist twice a year to have your teeth examined, thus enabling the dentist to fix your small dental troubles quickly, and your dentist's bill will be correspondand your dentist's bill will be correspond-ingly small. If you put off these neces-sary visits to the dentist from time to time, it will not only cost you many sleepless nights, but in the end you will, perhaps, have a large dental bill. You can save much money and unnecessary pain by following the directions which are given here.

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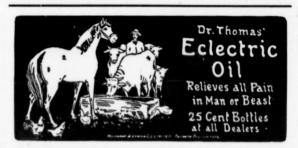
that the "best man" decided he would find out what the trouble was. "What's up, Jack?" he whispered. "Have ye lost the ring?" "No," answered the unhappy one, with a woeful look. "The ring's safe enough: but, man, I've lost ma enthusiasm."

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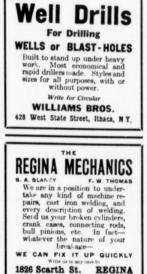
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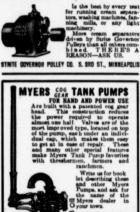
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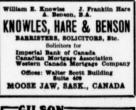
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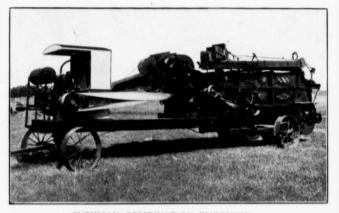
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