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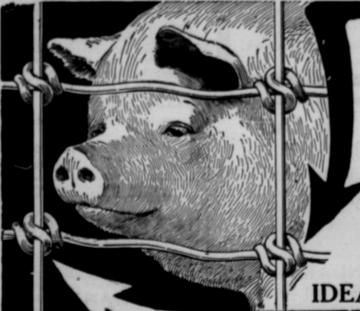
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Grain Growers secure Victory from Senate and tell of the loss due to the defeat of Reciprocity (By The Guide Special Correspondent)

Ottawa, March 29—The prediction was made in this letter of a week ago to-day that the farmers would score a victory in the Senate over the contentious clauses of the Canada Grain Act. That forecast was based on the belief that the opposition majority, acting upon the advice of the representatives of the grain defends and the content of the canada Grain Act. That forecast was based on the belief that the opposition majority, acting upon the advice of the representatives of the Grain defends and the commission unlimited powers in regard to the distribution of cars, Hon. Senator Lougheed, the government leader in the Upper House, agreed to the amendment. In doing so he said that while the government was of the opinion that the bill as sition majority, acting upon the advice of the représentatives of the Grain Growers' associations of the three Prairie Provinces, would throw out the objectionable car distribution and sample elevator clauses. The victory in so far as it per-tains to the car distribution clause, and all will admit that is the big thing, came about in an entirely unexpected manner. On Thursday afternoon, when Senator T. O. Davis, of Prince Albert, moved for the elimination of the objectionable

drafted would not be to the detriment of the farmers, the feeling in the West was very strong against this section of the bill. He would therefore on behalf of the government withdraw it.

The announcement came as a complete surprise and at the present time it is current gossip that it was made by Senator Lougheed on his own responsibility and without any definite agreement having been reached between himself and

Hon. George E. Foster, who, at the last preceding conference with the Grain Growers, declined to comply with their request. If this is so, and your correspondent has the best authority for it, the Western farmers owe something to the Conservative leader in the Senate as well as to the Liberal majority for saving to them the system of car distribution on the basis of rotation. It is doubtful, however, if anything would have been done, but for the representations made by Messrs. McKenzie, Fream and Green tho have been untiring in urging the claims of the grain growers to consideration since their arrival in the capital several days ago. There was, it is admitted, a natural and altogether human impulse on the part of some of the Liberal majority to allow Mr. Foster's Bill to go through in the form on which he had insisted when it was under consideration in the

Senators Favor Farmers They figured out that it would not work well and would result in political government. It must be freely admitted, however, that many senators of both stripes of politics conscientiously endeavored to arrive at an understanding of the situation and after hearing the arguments of the farmers' representative ments of the farmers' representatives, were frankly inclined to admit that it would be little short of a crime to take away from the grain growers the advan-tages which they had secured after many years of hard fighting.

having taken the responsibility of eliminating subsection (e) the Minister of Trade and Commerce had no choice but to accept. Had he done otherwise it would have created a decidedly curious situation. It is doing no injustice to Mr. Foster, however, to state that he still believes that the legislation as pressed through the Commons by him would have done no harm to the Western farmer.

The victory in connection with the sample market clause was not so decisive,

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#### MINNEAPOLIS MARKET AVAILABLE

Arrangements have finally been made by which it is hoped that the damp wheat in the West that is in danger of ruin can be saved if prompt action is taken. Last week T. A. Crerar, president of the Grain Growers' Grain Co.; Charles A. Dunning, manager of the Saskatchewan Co-operative Elevator Co., and A. F. Mantle, Deputy Minister of Agriculture for Saskatchewan, personally investigated conditions at Minneapolis, Chicago and Milwaukee. The conclusion reached after careful consideration was that the Minneapolis market would be able to absorb a very large quantity of damp Canadian wheat. This market possesses many advantages over other American markets and the Grain Growers' Grain Co. has made arrangements to assist Canadian farmers whose grain is in danger of spoiling. After investigating the southern markets it was seen that the only thing required to make the Minneapolis market available was the co-operation of the Canadian railways. With this in view there was a meeting held with the freight traffic managers of the C.P.R. and C.N.R. in Winnipeg on April 1. After the case was laid before them they promised that they would endeavor to move all cars billed to Minneapolis as fast as pos-

It is estimated that there are at least 5,000,000 bushels of damp grain in Saskatchewan and possibly 2,000,000 bushels more in the other two provinces. If this does not reach driers or go into consumption by the end of April the chance of saving it from a total loss is small. The aim of opening the Minneapolis market more fully was not to get the Western Canadian farmers a big price for their damp grain. It was to get them any price at all. The facilities at Port Arthur, Fort William and Duluth are not sufficient to handle the damp grain, so it is of the utmost importance that some other outlet be found at once. Any farmer who has damp grain should be active. He should make out affidavits describing the condition of his grain, whether damp, wet or filled with snow and ice, and in danger of spoiling, and send these affidavits immediately to C. C. Castle, Warehouse Commissioner, Winnipeg. The Warehouse Commissioner will then order cars out of turn to these farmers who need them. The cars should be billed to the Grain Growers' Grain Co., Minneapolis, "advise Grain Growers' Grain Co., Winnipeg," and the shipping bills should be sent to the company's office at Winnipeg. The shipments can be made to any other commission firm if desired. The only hope now remaining of getting the damp grain upon the market in time to save it is that the farmers attend to it very promptly and that the railways perform their functions with equal promptness. In addition to the above figures there are over 12,000,000 bushels in the West yet to be threshed, a good deal of which will need prompt treatment, so delay is dangerous. It should be borne in mind that if the reciprocity agreement had been passed by the Canadian Parliament there would have been no car shortage and the resulting losses to Canadian farmers.

One of our subscribers in renewing his subscription says:

"It is not neglect nor carelessness that kept me from renewing sooner. I didn't see a dollar since last November until I got my first car a few days ago."

This letter was dated March 22 and from a Manitoba farmer. This gives some idea of how the car shortage has handicapped the farmers in the West this year. Of course,

they should go into mixed farming, as the railway men and manufacturers say. is no doubt good advice but a good many things in the West today are already too much mixed for the general good.

#### A GIFT TO SPECULATORS

The public, we think, are entitled to some information as to the reasons which lie behind a remarkable change of front on the part of members on both sides of the House of Commons with regard to the extension of time for the location of South African Scrip. It will be remembered that when the Bill authorizing the issue of scrip for a half section of land to the Canadian volunteers who served in the South African war was passed in 1908, one of the conditions was that the land was to be selected by the volunteer or his substitute by December 31, 1910. In March, 1910, however, a bill was introduced by Hon. Frank Oliver, then Minister of the Interior, extending the time for the location of scrip till December 31, 1911. The bill was vigorously opposed by the organized farmers, by The Guide and by Conservative members of parliament from the West, including Dr. W. J. Roche, Arthur Meighen, W. H. Sharpe, R. S. Lake and Glen Campbell, all of whom spoke in the House against the proposal, maintaining that the only result would be the enrichment of speculators at the expense of bona fide settlers. The bill, however, was passed and the predictions of the honorable gentlemen referred to above were fulfilled, the price of scrip, practically all of which had been disposed of by the volunteers to speculators at prices ranging from \$200 to \$500, rising rapidly and reaching eventually \$1,000. Intending settlers, however, refused to pay the prices asked by the speculators and when the extended time for the location of warrants expired on December 31, 1911, there were still about 250 warrants unlocated. Whether or not any of these warrants were in the hands of the original volunteers is not known, but practically all had been disposed of, it being the practice to assign the warrant in blank, leaving the settler to fill in his own name when selecting the land and making entry. extension of time to December 31, 1911, was granted by parliament in the face of opposi-tion by Western Conservatives on the distinct understanding expressed by Hon. Frank Oliver that this was to be positively the last extension, but Hon. Robert Rogers shortly after assuming office as Minister of the Interior announced that another extension would be granted. Accordingly on March 13, 1912, Mr. Rogers introduced a bill for the purpose, and speaking in the House of Commons on that date he said:

"When the original Volunteer Bounty Act was passed in the month of July, 1908, the limit of time within which to locate land certificates issued thereunder was fixed as the 31st December, 1910. This was considered amply sufficient, as it gave the claimants a period of eighteen months within which to exercise their rights of location. A very large number of the claimants complied with the requirements of the law ants complied with the requirements of the law in this regard, but in the spring of 1910, it was felt that those who had not been able to make proper selections should be given a further opportunity to do so, and with that end in view, the Act 9-10 Edward VII., chapter 60, was passed, extending to the 31st December, 1911, the time within which certificates could be located. Evidently most of the claimants realized that they had thus been liberally realized that they had thus been liberally treated by the Government, because it is found now that when the time expired on the 31st December last, 250 certificates only, out of a total of 7,258 had not been redeemed by the department in exchange for land. Of these 250 certificates 188 are held presumably by the original volunteers themselves, the remaining

62 having been transferred to substitutes prior to the 31st December last.

"The object of the present bill is to afford an opportunity, until the 31st day of December next, to the original volunteers to exercise their right of location, provided they are willing to remain on the land themselves and earn title thereto. The right of providing a substitute, as provided under the original Act, will not apply to these volunteers, because it is considered that it would not be fair to the rest of the claimants who have made their selections within the required time, if the govern-

rest of the claimants who have made their selections within the required time, if the government were to extend more favorable treatment to those who have been dilatory in this regard. "The Act further provides that as regards the outstanding certificates, whether held by the original volunteers themselves, or by their substitutes, the government will undertake to redeem the same by a cash payment of \$500 in each case. While it is quite true that in the case of scrip issued to the volunteers of to redeem the same by a cash payment of \$500 in each case. While it is quite true that in the case of scrip issued to the volunteers of the Rebellion of 1885 extensions for location were granted by Parliament from time to time till the year 1908, such a policy would not appear to be in the public interest, as instead of protecting the interests of the volunteers originally concerned, the action of the government has rather been to stimulate speculation in favor of persons who had no direct interest in the settlement of the public domain. It is true that the redemption of the outstanding certificates may involve an expenditure of perhaps \$125,000, if all these certificates are exchanged in this way, but the lands that will thus remain vested in the government will more than compensate for the expenditure."

This, most people will agree, was decided-ly generous treatment. South African warrants entitled the holder to a half section of land on condition of settlement, provided the land was selected by the end of last year. After that date they were valueless, and if any one was so foolish as to neglect to select his land he could not complain because his rights had expired. This new bill, however, gave volunteers another year in which to make their selection and gave them and persons who have bought scrip the alternative of redeeming the scrip for \$500. This generosity, however, did not satisfy the speculators who hold the scrip and they at once sent delegations to Ottawa to see if they could not obtain further concessions. The result was that in the early hours of the morning of March 27, when the attendance of members in the House was very small, Hon. Robert Rogers, without offering any explanation, moved the insertion in the bill of a few words which entirely changed its effect, and extended the right of location of all scrip whether held by volunteers or speculators to the end of the present year. Hon. Frank Oliver objected to this being done at that time, pointing out that it was a direct contradiction of the statement made by Hon. Mr. Rogers when he introduced the bill. Mr. Rogers admitted that this was so, saying that he had since met many deputations who had urged him to make the change which he now proposed. The Bill was at Mr. Oliver's request left over for two days in order that other Western members might have an opportunity of expressing their opinions, but it is remarkable that when the bill came up again not a single Western member raised the slightest objection to the change. Mr. Meighen who, when speaking of the previous extension said: "The principle is bad and cannot be defended," was silent. Hon. Dr. Roche, who had said at the same time: "The speculators will use the scrips for their own aggrandisement and to he disadvantage of the bona fide settler,' was also dumb. Dr. Molloy, who had said in 1910: "I am in favor of a year's extension to the veterans, but I also wish it to go on record that I shall never vote for any extension for the speculator," made no protest. No one in fact made any protest except Mr. F. B. Carvell, a New Brunswick member, who said a gentleman had been loppying

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around the House for three or four days making frantic appeals to the members to support the unqualified extension. This lobbyist evidently was successful in muzzling every one but Mr. Carvell. The bill is now law, and the warrants which volunters sold for \$200 apiece are again worth \$1,000.00. It would be interesting to know who this very influential lobbyist was, and what were the inducements by which he persuaded the other members referred to to swallow their words.

#### A CHANCE TO MAKE GOOD

The Winnipeg Telegram devotes a great deal of attention to The Guide in its issue of March 30. The Telegram publishes in parallel columns our article entitled "Mr. Foster's New Role" and its own reply entitled "A Traitor in the Camp," and asks the public to form its own conclusions. That is quite satisfactory to us. So long as the Telegram will tell the truth and not misrepresent The Guide we have no criticism to offer. But the most humorous part of The Telegram's attack is a long editorial in the same issue claiming that it is the only and original advocate of tariff reduction on farm implements. Here is what the organ of Special Privilege has to say:

"The Telegram would have reason to confess recreance to its duty to the farming community of Western Canada if its contribution to the fight for lower duties on farm implements was not more conspicuous than that of the Grain Growers Guide."

This is as good a specimen of humor as ever came from the pen of Mark Twain. No further comment is needed. The Telegram goes on to say that its fight for implement tariff reduction "has been as strong as it has been consistent." This we agree with. In fact The Telegram declares that on account of its low tariff sentiments it has lost the advertisements of implement dealers, who are now patronizing The Guide, and in-sinuates that these dealers know that The Guide is not in earnest in fighting for low tariff. The Telegram declares that its editorial columns are not for sale and that it is a great friend of the farmers. But The Telegram still does not tell us from whom it takes its orders. This is most peculiar. Surely a great moral journal fighting so valiantly for the people of the country should give credit to its owners. Do Mackenzie and Mann really own The Telegram? If so, they should be put in their proper light as the farmers' friend. Or did they give this great moral journal to its present owners? This is something The Telegram should clear up thoroughly and thus quiet all curiosity. Let The Telegram give its history for the past fifteen years and let the people know just how independent and democratic a jour-nal it is. Again, The Telegram hasn't explained about that money it took out of the provincial treasury without giving a return. The Telegram should also tell of the patronage it receives in return for its lamblike obedience to orders. It is a shame to work in the dark and to hide its light under a bushel. All the readers of The Guide know who owns The Guide, why it was established and the work it is doing for the West. Now, if there is any sincerity in the claims of The Telegram it will come forth with its story. Or is it ashamed of its history and its ownership? We will venture that the only reply The Telegram will make to this challenge will be a torrent of abuse, if it replies at all. Watch and see.

A newspaper that dares not admit its ownership or control must have something decidedly shady to hide. No journal can be thoroughly appreciated until its readers are allowed to see the "men behind." We

would suggest that our readers demand from journals that protest friendship for them that they publish in their own pages the story of their ownership and control.

#### CO-OPERATIVE STORES

In this issue and last we have given our readers the results of co-operative distribution by means of stores in the United States and Eastern Canada. It will be readily seen that co-operation in these cases has very considerably reduced the cost of living. There is no doubt but that co-operative stores in Western Canada would, if properly conducted, save to their patrons from 15 to 20 per cent. on the necessities of life. This would be a very large item and one well worth considering. In the beginning cooperation must start small and carefully, lest it meet the end that has been the fate of so many co-operative stores in the past. The only safe principle upon which to start such store is to buy and sell strictly for eash. By this means the margin of profit will be larger, there will be no losses, and the benefits accruing to the patrons will be proportionately greater. Another very essential provision to sucess is that goods be sold at the regular market value. If they are sold at cost the purchaser sees very little benefit and does not realize the value of loyalty to his own institution. Further, there are no profits going into reserve and a very poor outlook for permanency. By selling at the market price and distributing profits halfyearly the dividend is an important item. The farmers who have co-operated in the purchase of flour, binder twine, formalin, etc., have reaped the benefits immediately and have seen the actual reduction in the cost of living. This method of purchasing is a good nucleus upon which to start a co-operative store. It pays to get together. It pays still better to stay together. Cooperation will probably not spread so rapidly in Western Canada as in Great Britain owing to greater prosperity and plenty of cheap land. But as the country becomes more thickly settled the need of co-operation will become more apparent.

#### THANKS TO THE SENATE

The people of the West will be very glad to know that the Grain Growers have won a victory through the action of the Senate in compelling the Government to eliminate the objectionable clause from the new Grain Bill. The Western farmers owe a vote of thanks to the Senate. The new Grain Bill has become law without the clause allowing the car order book to be suspended at the will of the commission, against which the Grain Growers protested. It is a sad commentary upon our system of government when the people have to pass by the House of Commons and go to the Senate for a square deal. Of course the clause was actually withdrawn with the approval of Hon. George E. Foster, but only when he saw that the Senate would not pass it. Mr. Foster had fought the clause through the House and refused to listen to the demands of the Grain Growers, so there is no credit due him for rescuing the farmers when forced to do so. If all the Western members had stood by the farmers the objectionable clause would never have passed the House of Commons. Now that the Dominion Government has been compelled to back down, some members of the Government are making a virtue of necessity and explaining that their action is for the good of the farmers. Premier Roblin a few days ago in the legislature blamed the Grain Growers for protesting against "Clause E" which the Dominion Government has at last dropped. Is Mr. Roblin now also in favor of the Grain Growers' contentions in regard to this clause? Possibly his attitude in opposing the best interests of the Grain Growers in this matter may explain his "suspicions" against The Guide.

#### PREMIER ROBLIN IS SUSPICIOUS

Speaking in the Legislature last week Premier Roblin said that the Conservative members of the Legislature viewed with suspicion anything that appeared in the Grain Growers' Guide. Why do the premier and his followers have that feeling? The Guide has presented every matter related to the Manitoba Government in a very fair and truthful light. The Guide has no choice between the political parties, and does not believe that either party will properly pro-tect the interests of the common people until the people have the Initiative, Referendum and Recall in their own hands. We believe that we have the right to criticize the acts of the government in the interests of the people. We intend to exercise that right. Premier Roblin dislikes criticism very much We intend to exercise that right. and resents very keenly any insinuation that any single act of his government is not for the benefit of the people. Every party politician dislikes most cordially an independent newspaper or an independent politician. The spirit of independence is rapidly developing throughout the West and is finding voice in independent journals. It finds little voice today among politicians, as there are only the two old parties, each playing the game for party advantage, in which the people come out second best. Will Premier Roblin kindly tell us what it is that he objects to in The Guide? We want argument and facts, not abuse. The attempt of the Premier appears to be a desire to set the followers of the government against The Guide. This attempt will be a decided failure. The people of Manitoba will suit themselves as to which party they will support, but they will not surrender their in-tellect to any one man. When Mr. Roblin finds an untruth in The Guide we shall be glad indeed to correct it. The Guide believes in progress and is supporting principles which are opposed by both of the political parties. The people of Manitoba are also believers in these progressive principles but are too easily divided by the old appeal to party loyalty. But inside both parties is growing up a spirit of revolt which the leaders do not like. The people want a square deal and the politicians will have to give it sooner or later. We shall be glad to hear more of Mr. Roblin's suspicions and the ground for them.

#### CAR DISTRIBUTION

There is good reason to believe that the emergency amendment of the car distribution clause of the Grain Act, passed two months ago to save out-of-condition grain, has been considerably abused. We have reports of elevator operators making affidavits and securing cars to empty their houses when the grain they shipped passed inspec-tion as straight grade. No doubt a great deal of necessary relief has ben afforded by giving more power into the hands of the warehouse commissioner. But he acts only upon receipt of affidavits, which the elevator operators can easily prepare. It would be well for farmers to take the numbers of cars that are secured by the elevator companies out of turn upon affidavits. Send these numbers to The Guide and we will get the grade and ascertain to what extent the emergency clause is being abused.

A few weeks ago we had reports that railway agents and employees were charging farmers for "spotting" cars. In some cases this charge was as high as \$25 and in one instance in Saskatchewan the agent was reported to be doing a land office business. Any such cases as this should at once be reported to the manager of the railway company and also to the warehouse commissioner. Of course many farmers would have been glad to pay \$25 to get a car, but no

discrimination should be allowed.

# Canadian Co-operative Stores

The Story of the Origin and Progress of Co-operative Distribution in Canada

By GEORGE KEEN

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During the last half-century, many attempts have been made in different parts of the country to introduce the economic methods of the Rochdale Pioneers. Frequently they were initiated by immigrants who had enjoyed in the old immigrants who had enjoyed in the old land the advantages accruing from cooperative distribution but had contributed little or nothing there by personal service to the financial success which they enjoyed as fully as anyone. It was a policy of "get" and not of "give" to which they were as a rule attached. They could appreciate the great benefits to be derived, but took no interest in the obligations involved or the moral prinobligations involved or the moral prin-ciples upon which every true co-operator insists as the fundamental basis of the co-operative movement. Instead of inco-operative movement. Instead of introducing associated fraternalism into the country they relied entirely upon associated selfishness. Consequently when mistakes which, through lack of experience, marred the success of their enterprises, were made, and the profit expected was not readily forthcoming they lost enthusiasm, gave up the struggle, and co-operation was regarded as a failure unsuitable to this new country, whereas, as a fact, owing to our "protective" system and trade combines, the co-operative movement is far more necessary to Canada than it is to Britain.

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While in the past there has been on the part of organizers of co-operative societies an almost entire absence of appreciation of the moral character of the co-operative movement and that therein is the secret movement and that therein is the secret of its British success, the private trade interests were fully conscious of the difference between British and Canadian organizations. If would-be co-operators did not know it the trade interests were quite cognizant of the fact that co-operation in Canada would never amount to anything on the lines which had been followed. They treated co-operation with such contemptuous indifference that they allowed the Co-operative Bill of the Laurier government to pass the House of Commons without a dissentient voice, notwithmons without a dissentient voice, notwith-standing the fact that parliament was then, as it is now, almost entirely monopolized by the capitalistic interests. The bill was defeated in the Senate by one vote only, not so much owing to the antagonism of the organised traders as the fact that the Ontario and Quebec Governments declared the bill to be an infringement of provincial rights, and induced members from their respective provinces to so represent it to the Senate.

#### The Co-operative Union

In March, 1909, the Co-operative Union of Canada came into existence. For the first time in the history of the For the first time in the history of the Dominion a propaganda and legislative organization conducted on the lines of the great British Co-operative Union was established. The attention of the people was then, is now, and will in the future be directed not so much to the individual advantages to be obtained by co-operation as the principles themselves. The people are being educated in the noble purposes of the Rochdale Pioneers and are being advised to follow in the footsteps of men like Robert Owen, Edward Vansittart Neale, and George Jacob Holyoake rather than to concentrate their efforts upon their own individual aggrandisement. In consequence the people will discover that the secret the people will discover that the secret of co-operative success so conspicuous in Britain is to be found in mutual service and association for the common advantage and not the pursuit of a selfish interest.

It was knowledge of the existence of a national organization conducted on the lines of the British Union, animated by the ideals of the Rochdale Pioneers and propagating progressive social policies which caused the panic some years ago in trade circles and the Retail Merchants' association to send to Ottawa a deputation of some 500 representatives at a cost of probably \$10,000 to oppose the Co-operative bill. The organized Co-operative movement is still very small, but it is the

practice, as the trade interests well know, to start in a very humble way. It grows, however, at a remarkable rate when once it firmly takes root. The trade interests made such frenzied opposition to the enactment of co-operative legislation in the belief that their success in that directhe belief that their success in that direction would kill the movement. Had they sent a commission of enquiry to Britain, they would have found that legislative obstruction and trade and social persecution of the Co-operative movement contribute more than any other activity to its development. So it is in Canada. The selfish antagonism and organized greed of the trade interests is the greatest propaganda asset the movement has had since its inception. While through lack of suitable legislation, which we shall

absolutely necessary before societies can be extensively developed. This is an erroneous impression. Legislation is, we feel, urgently needed, but whenever a body of men are sufficiently enthusiastic to make a success of a co-operative business they will have no difficulty in incorporating under the provincial "Companies" Acts or, in some of the provinces, by procuring a special statute to suit their needs.

Federation with the Co-operative Union is open to all kinds of bona fide Co-operative Societies but, up to the present,

ative Societies but, up to the present, its membership has consisted of distributive organizations only. I, therefore, propose to give some idea of the progress so far made in this branch of the movement. There are thirteen societies federated at the present time and there are

We have societies at Dominion, Glace Bay and Sydney Mines, the members being principally engaged in the coal mines of that district. The first named has been the longest established. It has been in operation nine years. Secretary James McLeod is good enough to furnish me for the information of the Guide the following report of the history of his society, which is known as "The Workmens Store Company."— Upwards of twenty years ago, six stores conducted on the co-operative principle (so far as that principle was understood by the workmen at the time) existed in the mining towns of Cape Breton. Ten years ago all these stores had passed out of existence leaving nothing but an odious reputation for Co-operation. A number of circumstances contributed to the failure of these stores, but chief among them was the neglect to provide at the outset for the formation of a good substantial reserve fund. The capital was all withdrawable cither in cash or credit. The advent of the Dominion Coal Co. swallowing up the smaller coal companies revolutionized industry. New conditions were created to which the co-operative stores did not readily adapt themselves, so they had to go under.

Many of the workmen, however, had be benefited by them while in operation. Among these a desire always remained for a revival of the system. In December, 1902 a few of the men employed at Dominion No. 1 Colliery, gave practical expression to that desire by calling a meeting of those interested for the purpose of restarting the movement. Nineteen were present at that meeting. They resolved themselves into "The Workmen's Store Co., Ltd." to do business on a mutual co-operative basis. Our present manager, Mr. A. McMullan, was there and then engaged to conduct, the business. "There was no place suitable available for rental, our first undertaking was the building of a small store suitable available for rental, our first undertaking was the building of a small store suitable available for rental, our first undertaking was the building of a small store suitable available for the business. We recognized that we had an uphill job, but we went at it. On March 17th, 1903, the total amount of capital realized was \$1,900. The business on that day was opened wih a small stock of groceries. On March 19 the pit on which the few members we then had depended for their work, took fire, and was out of commission for one year. A large number of the workmen had to fin

which the few members we then had depended for their work, took fire, and was out of commission for one year. A large number of the workmen had to find employment at the other collieries necessitating their removal from the place. This retarded our progress at the outset and for the first year our sales were \$17,519.08. This we more than doubled the second year. We extended our lines of merchandise to all the staple articles required in the household. Beginning our third year we found it necessary to enlarge our premises, and on three occasions since we have made extensions.

"Nearly two years ago a few of our members moved to New Waterford, the new colliery district, a district which will be the largest colliery district in Nova Scotia, but five miles away from our central store. These members had profited so by the store that they would not leave it. This compelled us to buy land and erect a building and open a branch for them. The volume of business in the branch during the coming summer will exceed that of the central. In connection with the central we have opened a fresh meat department. Our turnover for the

with the central we have opened a fresh meat department. Our turnover for the first year including the branch is \$129,777. 21, an increase of \$37,774.04 over the

previous year.

"The company is incorporated by special act of the Provincial Legislature. The liability of the members is limited, any workman can become a member by paying an admission fee of \$1.00 and taking one \$5.00 share in the capital stock of the company. No member is allowed to hold more than sixty shares (\$300). The profits of the business are ascertained twice a year, 10% of the profits is added to reserve fund, and 6% per annum is paid Continued on Page 13

certainly get in time, the movement is subjected to considerable inconvenience and discomfort, the value of these period-ical advertisments in parliament which the trade interests give the movement are of incalculable value.

#### Legislation not Essential

A satisfactory Co-operative Act is needed in order to protect, as far as possible, the people from fraudulent exploitation in the name of co-operation and to secure satisfactory supervision and simple, uniform and inexpensive machinery of incorporation throughout the Dominion. Merchants and others, however, seem to have the idea that co-operative legislation for which we are agitating is

some others in process of incorporation. I believe the majority of genuine societies are federated with the Union, but there are probably several bona fide institutions entitled to affiliation which have not applied. Cognizance of these cannot be taken as the Union has had no opportunity to investigate their constitution or management. There are many more in the Dominion which are described as co-operative societies which cannot be so regarded in any case. I propose, therefore, in compliance with the editor's request, to give a review of the progress made by those Societies of which I can speak with authority.

The distributive movement is most highly developed in Cape Breton, N.S.

# Co-operation by Western Farmers

The Spread of the Co-operative Movement throughout Western Canada, and the success with which it has been attended. is one of the most hopeful features of the organized farmers' movement. The following reports show that co-operative buying of supplies has saved many thousands of dollars to Western agriculturalists. amounting in some cases to upwards of \$1,000 to the members of a single branch of the Grain Growers' Association or the U.F.A.

The Shoal Lake Grain Growers' association has bought twine co-operatively since 1906. Last year we paid 7 cents for standard. In the year 1905, before we started to buy co-operatively, we had to pay 14 cents for the same twine. We bought coal this winter, but it did not prove satisfactory as we did not order soon enough. We intend to purchase our supply of flour and feed co-operatively this season and also our stock of apples. CHAS. FINDLAY, Sec'y.

\$1,000 SAVED
Daily Creek local of the U.F.A. did a fine stroke of business last year, somewhat on a small scale, but very good for a starter. We bought our binder twine, a starter. We bought our binder twine, coal, kerosene, flour and apples co-operatively and thereby saved our mem-bers in round figures a little better than \$1,000.00. These figures could be ma-terially increased if we had better facilities for handling such necessities in carbon for handling such necessities in carload lots. To do this we should have our own scales and warehouse, yes, our own elevators and general stores. Local unions as a rule are not strong enough financially to go to such an expense single handed and therefore they should combine with other local unions in their respective neighborhoods and put up their own buildings and other facilities.

SEED WHEAT

At a recent weekly meeting of West Lethbridge Union it was decided to give a report on our experiences at co-operation. Last year we made our first attempt in the matter of seed wheat. We apno the matter of seed wheat where No. I seed wheat could be found and almost every member availed himself of the opportunity to buy the selection made by the committee, and the crops we received have amply proven the wisdom of the course we pursued, not only as to the number of bushels per acre, but in the fact that the district has much in the fact that the district has much the same grade and kind of wheat, so that when shipping if one has not sufficient to fill a car he can depend on another having the same kind. We believe that if the different unions could go in for a certain kind of grain and stick to it, the result would be that the market price would be enhanced through given districts being enabled to ship out large quantities of the same kind of grain.

JOHN B. ALLAN, Sec'y.

TUGASKE IS PROSPERING

The Tugaske Farmers'

company was organ-ized just a bout a year ago. It was created to eliminate the unnecessary profits of the middleman by the establishment of farmers' a farmers company, so organized as to en-able the farmer to buy his farm equipment, fuel and necessary commodities at more reasonable prices. We have done this to a certain extent, but not so far as I would like to see it, the reason of which is that there have been large interests working against

Lethbridge, Alta.

At the time of or-ganization there were seventy-two shareholders at \$20.00 a share A president, vice-president, secretary and five directors were ap pointed, and shortly afterwards an execu-tive was called. The necessity for the appointment of a secretary-manager was recognized at this meet-

ing and I was appointed to fill that position. It was also decided to secure coal shed site from the C.P.R. and to make arrangements for lumber to build a coal shed 20 x 40 with four bins. A set of pitless five ton scales was also purchased. After we got our shed com-pleted we ordered some coal, formaldehyde, flour, bran, shorts, posts, wood, wire, etc, etc. We sold this stuff a good wire, etc, etc. We sold this stuff a good deal cheaper then we had been paying for it, after allowing for the cost of hand-ling. The farmers then commenced to see the benefit derived from it and more farmers took a share. Our organization

TWO GREAT ENTERPRISES

Space forbids the telling in detail in this number of the story of two of the in this number of the story of two of the greatest co-operative enterprises of the world, both founded by Western-Canadian farmers; the Grain Growers' Grain Co., and the Saskatchewan Co-operative Elevator Co. The history of the Grain Growers' Grain Co. was, however, related by the president of the company, Mr. T. A. Crerar, in the Progress number of The Guide, published on December 6 last, while the record of the success of the Saskatchewan Co-operative Elevator Co. was given to our readers in the report katchewan Co-operative Elevator Co. was given to our readers in the report of the general manager, Mr. C. A. Dunning, to the Saskatchewan Grain Growers' Convention at Regina, published on Feb. 21. The Grain Growers' Grain Co., which is owned by 13,000 western farmers has marketed 23,000,000 bushels of grain of the 1911 crop up to the present time. crop up to the present time.

has kept growing not only in numbers, but in unity. When crops commenced to look good and the promise of a bountiful harvest was in sight another executive meeting was held and the advisability of ordering some binder twine, wagons, lubricating oils, was fully considered and determined upon. These we also sold and saved the farmers money.

Such has been the growth of our company until now we have 120 shareholders.

Up to the present date we have handled 35 cars of coal, 3 cars of flour, 3 cars of wood, 2 cars of posts, 1 car of wire, with

wood, 2 cars of posts, 1 car of wire, with some local shipments, 1 car of wagons, 2 cars of machinery, 1 car of oil with some local shipments and 2 cars of binder twine, 65,000 lbs.

have extended our coal shed 20

feet which makes it 20 x 60, 8 feet high, and it is all paid for. We also bought 3 lots in the town which are also paid for and so are our scales.

While this total result is very satisfactory it would undoubtedly have been much larger but for the lean crop of last year and the congestion which has existed on the railways this year, leaving large quantities of grain still in the hands of the farmers who are unable to finance their obligations and in a great many cases are suffering a real hardship. I know of several shareholders who have

aved twice the price of a share in the company in one year's buying. By the efforts of the Saskatchewan Grain Growers' association inaugurating the Saskatchewan Co-operative Elevator Co., a great work has been done towards giving the farmers a means by which they can get a fair and square deal in marketing their products, so I see a great future get a fair and square deal in marketing their products, so I see a great future for the farmers of the Farmers' Cooperative companies of this province if they will only organize themselves and work co-operatively together, being of one united farmers' movement, having for its object the social and economic uplift of the farming industry.

ROBERT WILSON, Sec'y.-Mgr.
The Farmers' Co-operative Co., Ltd.
Branch No. 22, Tugaske.

SUCCESS AT BLACKFOOT

Blackfoot Union has found the co-operative purchase of supplies to result in a considerable saving of money to its members. At a meeting of the union on March 5 orders were taken for a considerable quantity of formaline and strychnine. Arrangements are also being made for the purchase of a carload of

CO-OPERATIVE BUYING AT

MURCHISON
Empire branch of the Manitoba Grain
Growers' association has co-operated
with Bethany and Crow's Hill branches
for two cars of flour and feed at a saving
of 40 cents per 100 lbs. on flour and \$5.00 per ton on bran, and a car of apples at a saving of 75 cents per barrel. We had a few barrels of coal oil during the winter. and last year the members used 4,500lbs. of twine bought co-operatively at an average cost of 73/4 cents a lb,
H. JACKSON, Sec'y.

Murchison P.O., via Franklin, Man.

BIG SAVING ON COAL

The Mountain Chase Grain Growers' association this last year bought 140 tons

of coal, laid down at our station for 87.90' This we sold to members for \$8.50° allowing 60 cents per ton for expenses At the same time the same coal was selling in neighboring towns for from \$9.50 to \$11.75 per ton. Our savings, \$1.00 to 83.25 per ton. HARRY A. PELLE, Sec'y.

CO-OPERATIVE HAIL INSURANCE
As manager of the Mennonite Mutual
Hail Insurance company for Western
Canada, whose head office is at Laird,
Sask., I can give you a little information
how it runs. The company has worked
successfully for three years, 1909-1911.
We had in 1909 255 members with 29,
485 acres insured at a premium of 18 We had in 1909 255 members with 29,485 acres insured at a premium of 12 cents an acre, and to 12 members we paid for hail damage \$1,462.00. In 1910 we had 546 members with 70,100 acres insured at 15 cents per acre, and to 44 members we paid for hail damage \$7,115.50 In 1911 we had 816 members with 108,601 acres insured at 10 cents per acre, and to 37 members we paid for hail damage \$4,484.53. In each year 5 cents per acre went into a reserve fund and the society had at the end of the year 1911 in cash had at the end of the year 1911 in cash and in notes the amount of \$9,666.79 as reserve fund.

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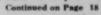
In addition to conducting a co-operative meat market the farmers of Dundurn last fall bought a car of binder twine and sold it at near cost, a fraction above 7 cents per pound for standard quality. If every per pound for standard quality. If every farmer meets his note there will be a balance of 865 after paying expenses. We also bought a barrel of formalin direct, sold same to farmers, who provided their own bottles, jars and cans and sealed it down for them, at 15 cents per pound, which left 2 cents a pound profit and the barrel free. Formerly we could not buy formalin for less than 35 and 40 cents per pound. cents per pound.

W. HORDERN.

#### LIKE MONEY FROM HOME

Buying co-operatively in the experience of the Springhill Grain Growers' associa-tion is like getting money from home. We had been paying 14 and 15 cents for twine and our association discussing the matter in 1909 wondered if it was possible to get a good twine any cheaper. After due consideration the secretary-treasurer was instructed to place an advertisement in the local papers calling for tenders for a carload. There were five dealers in town,

but no tenders came in, and they were quite unconcerned. But we were not, and you could not stick us in a foot of glue. We ent the papers with the advertise ment marked to the different manufacturers and the tenders came in plenti-We accepted one offer of Canadian make at 91/4 cents per lb., 600 ft. to the lb. Then we were told we were unpatriotic, disloyal, etc., but that kind of mollycoddling did not We continued carloads and now these men tender for our twine and we are getting the same brand they formerly charged 14 and 15 cents for at 8 cents cash. one year above men-tioned the saving to cach ¼ section was about \$15.00, and do you know even then some of the farmers would not join us.





This photograph shows 400 acres of grain in stook, covered with snow, on the farm of G. E. Woodward, Bradwell, Sask.

# The Farm Garden

One of the greatest surprises in the West, not only to new settlers but those who are old timers is the dearth of gardens. Seventy-five per cent of the farmers kitchen gardens consist of potatoes, sometimes turnips and perhaps corn, the latter more for cow feed than for table use. In no country can vegetables be grown finer or more productive and with so little attention. The farmer and his so little attention. The farmer and his family can have an abundance of fresh delicious vegetables for five months of the year, if he wants to, and there is no great skill required, just a little time and common sense. Now I will tell how I manage my garden. I usually put in an acre and a half. Of course this is not necessary for the average farmer. A quarter to a half is plenty without the potatoes and turnips. First, if possible have your garden sheltered from the north. If you have a slope to the east so much the better. Be sure to fall plow it and harrow it. Plow deep, 6 to 8 inches. In the spring, sometime about the middle of April, hand rake it so that the surface is fine and loose. Never trouble with the is fine and loose. Never trouble with the earth if it is wet. Plan ahead how you will lay out your garden. Have things like radish, lettuce, green onions close to the house, convenient for watering and for the women to gather without walking all over the garden. Seed onions, par-snips and carrots, also should go in at all over the garden. Seed onions, parsnips and carrots, also should go in at the same time as radish and lettuce. For variety this depends upon your soil. If sandy soil, either the white Portugal or the Yellow Danvers, if heavy loam or clay, the Réd Weathersfield, gif strong sticky clay, the Flat Red do best. With carrots either the Ox Heart or Half long Danvers. The Ox Heart are the easiest to gather, but if a dry season many of them split and are only fit for horses. The parsnips, the Student or half long. The first sowing of early peas can be made at same time. They will stand quite a frost-without being cut down. With peas, the mistake many make, is they just buy one sort, then they have green peas for about a week. The best way is to sow two sowings of early medium and late peas with an interval of a week between sowings, then you have green peas for nearly two months. About the first week in May sow beets and another sowing of radish and lettuce. For summer use the long beets. About the third week in May sow beans, corn, cucumbers, squash, pumpkins and winter cabbage seed in drills where you wish then to remain. When sowing the first lot of radish, do not forget to plant out some Dutch Sets for green onions. These come into use about two weeks after planting if weather is favorable, and those not used use about two weeks after planting if weather is favorable, and those not used can be left and will make fair winter

The Hotbed

For cauliflower, celery tomatoes and early cabbage, the plants must be started in a hot bed or in the house in boxes. To make a hotbed take a couple of loads To make a hotbed take a couple of loads of green manure with a good proportion of straw bedding in it direct from the barn and throw it in a heap where you are going to have your hot bed. Three or four pails of water thrown on it will make it heat quicker. When good and hot fork it over and let the rank heat out. Do this about three times forking it all over, mixing it well, then build it when you want it about two feet high, sloping it towards the south. Make it a foot or eight inches larger than the frame you are eight inches larger than the frame you are going to put on it. When building it tramp it well and get it good and solid then place your frame on it and have your frame about eighteen inches high.

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Put about six to eight inches of fine soil in the frame on the tramped manure. Before putting in the soil soak the manure well with water, seven or eight pails. This makes it heat evenly. Then put on your windows, storm windows do fine. Get some more manure and build up around the outside of the frame level with the top. This helps to keep in the heat and break the wind on cold days and nights. Look at it in about three days time, and if too hot, open the windows a little in the middle of the day. If warm, in about ten days press the soil well down as some parts may have sunk lower than others and level it all down and sow your seeds. The mistakes generally made, are, too thick sowing, letting the bed get too hot. It will heat very quickly if the sun shines on it, and it is not watered regularly and plentifully.

Transplanting

#### Transplanting

When your plants get well started give them all the air you can to harden them before transplanting. Plant out in the evening, say about six or seven o'clock. Some people have considerable trouble with transplanting, covering them with old tins, shingles, etc., I never do this and hardly ever lose a plant. I thoroughly soak the hotbed the night before I am going to transplant. Do not let your plants get too large before you transplant. I generally transplant about the 20th of May. Then I take up with a good share of soil, about fifty plants at a time. Previously I stretch a string along where I am going to plant them. With a bar or sharp pointed stick I make holes for the plants, tomatoes two feet apart, cabbage and cauliflower eighteen inches. Then go along and put one plant carefully into each hole, being sure that the fine roots go well down the ground. With water can I pour water down the holes. This washes some soil and the roots well down together. I follow this by firmly pressing the top dry soil around the plant. Do not water them again till next day, and if done carefully you will not lose two per cent.

With celery I dig a trench about six inches deep and work up the bottom of it fine and plant the celery about six inches deep and work up the bottom of it fine and plant the celery about six inches deep and work up the bottom of it fine and plant the celery about six inches deep and work up the bottom of it fine and plant the celery about six inches deep and work up the bottom of it fine and plant the celery about six inches deep and work up the bottom of it fine and plant the celery about six inches deep and work up the bottom of it fine and plant the celery about six inches deep and work up the bottom of it fine and plant the celery about six inches deep and work up the bottom of it fine and plant the celery about six inches deep and work up the bottom of it fine and plant the celery about six inches deep and work up the bottom of it fine and plant the celery about six inches apart. Place a board ove

The three principal things making for success in gardening is clean cultivation, good seeds and the right variety. Buy your seeds from a good reliable seed man. Get the early varieties. Do not be tempted by the handsome colored pictures and the wonderful novelties. Try at first only tested varieties. Later on you can experiment if you wish to. Do not let the weeds get the start of you, for if they once do, it is good-by garden, for it means hand weeding and this is what very many farmers will not do. Another common mistake is changing the garden ground every year or two, and another and more common mistake is cleaning the weeds out once and leaving the garden at that. The garden should be gone over at least three times during the summer, and no weeds allowed to go to seed. This makes it easy for the following years. One of the things that make for good garden is a wheel hoe. I use a double wheel one. It is really astonishing how much garden you can get over in an hour and it does the work five times as well and ten times as easy as the hand hoe. I have not mentioned potatoes or turnips in this article. I consider them a field crop, and not really belonging to the kitchen garden.

In laying out the garden do not fail to get a few roots of rhubarb, and plant them in a row where they will not be in the way when you are plowing your garden. Before planting the rhubarb dig holes at least three feet deep and fill up for two feet with rotten manure or manure from the cow barn with no straw, then put in your roots, the second of the second of the pot in the pot in the pot in the put in your roots, the second of the pot in the put in your roots. The three principal things making for

dig holes at least three feet deep and fill up for two feet with rotten manure or manure from the cow barn with no straw, then put in your roots, the eyes about an inch below the surface and fill in with earth and firm them. You will be pleased and surprised at the quantity and qualiry of the rhubarb you will get, not forgetting a pail of water when you are using it. It is a thirsty plant but will well repay all the labor tenfold.



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# Co-operative People's Banks

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But there is a pitfall which we must single out in an unequivocal way so as to prevent any mistake being made in that direction. No imperialistic scheme or view should be taken up at the start, that is, no large organization should be dreamed of at first. As experience has repeatedly shown, it is of the utmost importance to proceed with caution and wisdom. To lay a solid foundation to such an up-building movement, it is of the greatest possible necessity to start with mere local organizations, working them with care, not trying to do the grand at once. Grand achievements will inevitably come later on, and sooner than expected, but they will be the legitimate reward of perseverance and energy.

Many large schemes with state aid,
backed by millions have ended in miserable failures. France has seen a of these schemes and failures, until taught by a rude experience the people have realized that the Germans, people have realized that the Germans, with their apparently slower method, were on the right path and in fact, had found the very solution of the problem. Their splendid success is to-day an example for the rest of the world in all things belonging to agricultural credit, because they have struck the right way of using the savings of the masses for the real benefit of these same masses, in keeping for themselves the advantages that capital brings to those who control it. After the initial stage of mere local reservoirs of credit and when the organisms were prosperous enough to justify isms were prosperous enough to justify an enlargement of their beneficial activi-ties, federations of such societies were formed without impairing in any way the action of the autonomy of the local organizations, on the contrary, helping them in a good many ways and, through them, their members by affording a larger basis of business, more extended credit and at much more advantageous onditions, the very strength of the federation coming in as a powerful factor to aid the local organizations in their dealings with their members. Thus the goal aimed at was successfully reached without outside interference, the sentiment of complete self-reliance on the part of the interested people having been preserved, which brought forth in its turn, the respect and, per-haps, a little more than the respect of the Government itself for those energetic co-operators. All that tends to the con-trary should therefore be guarded against with the greatest care. It is a more with the greatest care. It is a more difficult task than most people would be inclined to believe, and my own ex-It is a more perience teaches me how one has to fight against this dreadful evil in order to keep such a movement within its proper bound in the initial stage, until it is ripe for a larger conception of its scope and possi-bilities. What I call imperialistic ideas, that is, the desire to do the grand at once and, above all, in a grand way, is a most dangerous delusion because it treacherdraws one into a whirlwind so ously draws one into a whirlwind so powerful, so captivating and so fascin-ating that it brings as an inevitable result a more or less obscure neglect of the vitality of the units before they have acquired all the desirable strength that would insure their prosperity with a vigorous life of their own. To begin slowly is the part of real wisdom. Energy and perseverance will do the rest and do it splendidly.

#### Parliament Should be Just

The idea insisted upon here is emphasized in a general way in the following extract of a recent article published in the "Irish Homestead" devoted to the interests of the farmers of Ireland. Canadian farmers must, too, insist that their representatives make laws for the benefit of the agricultural community, above all, laws that will allow farmers to organize themselves in the way that is best suited to their needs and circumstances. And the first law they should fight for is a broad, liberal and complete one on co-operation with no proviso to soothe the middlemen and entangle the action of the farmers in their effort to organize themselves, for such a legislation would be harmful to the latter and a source of endless unnecessary troubles to both. Let parliament give the farmers the

unbounded right to associate themselves to further their interests in all the fields they choose either as producers, dealers and consumers of wealth, just as widely and as freely as capital can, by the Companies Act, associate and congregate even to and including the combines and mergers limits, in order to squeeze the public and make it sweat every possible dollar and cent that can be taken out of its labor. Let Parliament pass a law authorizing farmers to use their self-help to protect themselves by associating their activities, thereby availing themselves of all the fruits of their labors.

That is just what the Parliaments of the most progressive nations of Europe have been doing during the last half-century and what our own Parliament and Legislatures should do. And as they do not seem to have any disposition to act on their own initiative and understand the situation, farmers should then step in in an effective manner and make themselves heard in a way that will have an echo in our legislative halls, awake our legislators and make them realize that there are other people in the land than the capitalistic promoters of all colors and shades. Let it be known that little bits of legislation on seeds, inspection of binder twine, and the like cannot satisfy the farmers, because such measures are mere surface remedies, not going to the root of the evil, for it would be an easy task for the agriculturists to protect themselves much more effectively against dishonest dealers if they could freely co-operate, such measures serving as pretexts for politicians to proclaim their zeal for the farmers without daring to give the true kind of legislation that is wanted.

#### The Curse of Party

It is the contrary that has been done in Europe as shown by the following lines from the "Irish Homestead."

"When we look into Germany, France, Denmark, or Italy we will find that in each of these countries there is a long list of acts designed to aid the farmer, giving power to him to create ASSOCIATIONS IN INVINITE VARIETY. The parishes in these countries are organized and their interests are not forgotten in the interests of the cities. We saw a list of eleven co-oper-ative measures passed in France since the French farmers were organized, since they refused to support the members of any party which would not accept the program, of the organized farmers or pledge themselves to carry it out. For years the farmers in these islands have been trying to get the Thrift and Credit Banks Bill through the legislature and it has never gone further than to a committee. There was no political power behind the promoters, farmers were entangled so idiotically in the games of great political parties that they neglected their own interests and were afraid of urging on their representatives' support of measures which would enable the rural community here to build up the same huge democratic systems of credit and rural co-operation which have saved agriculture on the Continent in face of Whenever the parishes give their representatives in the legislature general permission to vote any way they like, the interests of the parishes are neglected. Unless the parishes through their organizations insist on particular and precise action in respect of their organizations, their interests will be neglected every time. The other organized interests, labor, middlemen, capital, etc., know well what they want, and leave their

Parliamentary representatives no choice."

The deplorable history herein given of the "Thrift and Credit Bill" in the English Parliament savors like that of the Co-operative bills in our Ottawa Parliament, and the same causes seem

Tanament, and the same causes seem to have had the same effect in both cases.

The advice to farmers to look more closely, to their own class interests and take less heed of the game of the great political parties is a timely one. Let it be heard and followed by every farmer in the land, be he from the West or from the East, and we will very soon see a fruitful change of scene which will redound to the benefit of the whole of Canada.



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The St. Catherine Cold Storage company is a joint stock affair, but is

pany is a joint stock affair, but is working toward true co-operation. It was organized in 1896, has a working capital of \$2,000, and the plant is valued capital of \$2,000, and the plant is valued at \$13,000. It handles all kinds of fruit, and the sales amount to about \$75,000. A supply branch handles packages, spray pumps, chemicals, fertilizers, ladders and other tools, and is a whole-saler for the federation of fruit associations. The Donnville association handles small fruits shipped to local markets, each member grading and shipping under his own name. Its chief activity is in buying fruit packages, aiding in securing good markets, arranging meetings and the like.

All the associations have nearly the same form of organization—president,

same form of organization—president, vice-president, secretary-manager, trea-surer and board of directors. Expenses are met by a straight charge per package. Directors usually work gratis, also the president, though in some cases a small remuneration is allowed. One as small'remuneration is allowed. One association with an output of from 1,200 to 1,500 barrels a year pays its manager two dollars a day. Four associations with packs of from 4,000 to 8,000 barrels pay ten cents a barrel. In the larger associations this has been raised to fifteen cents. Two associations with packs of from 3,000 to 7,000 barrels pay five cents a barrel. One association with an output of from 20,000 to 40,000 barrels pays twenty cents; but the manrels pays twenty cents; but the manager has to pay all expenses of inspec-tion, bookkeeping, and so forth. In 1906 thirteen societies affiliated under the name of the Co-operative Fruit Growers of Ontario, with an office at Toronto. The annual fee is five dollars. Through it supplies are bought for all the societies.

Packing and grading are generally done by the societies, either in a packing house or in the grower's orchard. One society employs a number of packing gangs, with inspectors who insure uniformity in the pack. This relieves the grower of the work of packing at a time when he is very busy. Three methods are used to determine prices to growers; peoling all returns, pooling remethods are used to determine prices to growers; pooling all returns, pooling returns from certain varieties and fruits, and prorating prices for each variety and grade. The first, once common, does not discriminate between good and poor varieties; the second is more popular, prices being pooled on classes of certain varieties; the third method gives absolute justice to the grower, but entails an elaborate system of bookkeeping. an elaborate system of bookkeeping.-The Country Gentleman.

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### ERADICATION OF CANADIAN THISTLES

Editor, Guide:—The important thing in the eradication of Canadian Thistles is to keep them from the light and from growing green, and so storing up energy for the winter months. I have always found the following treatment to be successful. About the 10th July when the thistles are in full bloom, plow the land from four to five inches deep, turning down every thirtle union above. the thistles are in full bloom, plow the land from four to five inches deep, turning down every thistle, using a sharp plow share, so as to cut each plant, and thus exposing the roots to the sun. Do not harrow or give any other cultivation to the land, as the purpose is to leave the land open so that the thistles will not easily sprout again, as if packed or harrowed they would grow very quickly and the effect of the plowing would only be to increase them. Repeat this operation in one month's time, which had better be done with a walking plow, plowing across and a little deeper than the previous plowing. This may not make such a nice looking job of plowing but will have the effect of dragging out the thistles to the surface, where the sun will get at them. Plow again about the 10th Sept. either direction, a little deeper than the previous plowing. This last plowing should leave the field in good shape for the fall, but if any thistles are showing up in the field it should be plowed again in October before freeze up. It is especially important that the land should not be harrowed or cultivated after either of the plowings. not be harrowed or cultivated after either of the plowings. Terence, Man. D. B. McMILLAN.

#### A FEDERAL ORGANIZATION

Editor, Guide:—If anything were needed to intensify the feeling of regret western farmers feel over the defeat of the reciprofarmers feel over the defeat of the reciprocity pact, it would be found in the present grain blockade. This regret has always been over the event, but if the present condition of affairs continues, it will turn to personal resentment against the opponents of free trade. Of course we must give credit to our provincial governments, urged on by the Grain Growers' Association for the work they have done in bringing partial relief, but had we been given access to the southern market given access to the southern market this thing would not have happened, at least it would not have been nearly so bad. It is needless to state there is a serious grievance, that has already got past generalities and has become a personal matter to each individual farmer over most of the grain growing sections. How long is this thing to last? and when the pressure is relieved, will the relief be permanent; or may we expect a repetition? To the first there is no answer, to the second, what is to prevent a re-currence of such a tie up every year? Nothing in sight, at least nothing reliable. We cannot for a moment believe that this can continue indefinitely, farmers of Canada are being exploited by and for the benefit of the self-constituted classes. They are being fed and flattered as the backbone of the country by these manufacturing barons for the sense manufacturing barons for t facturing barons for the same reason that we care for our farms or stock, simply to get more out of them. It is surely time for this backbone to straighten itself out, and since no remedy can be found without, find one within, and apply it. A continuation of the present oppression is opposed to progress and the advance-ment of civilization, for there are among the farmers of Canada, men of just as enlightened minds as in any walk of life, men who glory in their occupation, and would raise the agricultural community, unfettered by artificial bonds,

to further advancement, and the position it should occupy in the national life. The remedy is the same that has done so much for labor, has built up the Manufacturers' association, and has already done so much for Western Canada. Organize. The idea that farmers cannot unite has received its death blow in our very midst. The delegation to Ottawa a year ago, clearly revealed two things, our strength and weakness; our strength to control a section of the country and to control a section of the country and make a government sit up and take notice; our weakness that we were not extended enough. Our provincial associations are a necessity, but the time has come, and the occasion demands that a Dominion association should be formed. The Dominion Council of Agriculture is a good thing, but its scope is not wide enough; it is the nucleus around which should centre the united farmers of Canada tra is to cover interest; but on reading the note he has to sign he will find that the interest rate is either 7 or 8 per cent., and that it is calculated on the \$39.50. Say at 8 per cent. This is \$3.16 for one year. This, with the \$3.00 graft, makes \$6.16, which is very very nearly 17 per cent. on \$36.50, and this on the selling price, mind you, not on the money really invested. Now, what we would like to know is if there is any law against "usury" in this country, and if so, why is it not enforced in so obvious a case. They cannot have the nerve to say that the \$3.00 is a disthe nerve to say that the \$3.00 is a disthe nerve to say that the \$3.00 is a discount for cash, that would look to brazen, because you may look at \$36.50 for a pair of ordinary sleighs a long, long time before you will notice any scars left by the discounts that have been chopped off. Again, they could not write 17 per cent. on the face of their notes, they would turn pale and fade out. So they simply take the \$3.00 without a reason, or even if they could fade out. So they simply take the \$3.00 without a reason, or even if they could produce one, \$3.00 is a pretty high price for any reason a robber can give to the robbed for robbing him. Still the policy of our excellent (†) government is to 'fprotect'' the home industries, and the very ones who are being so systematically shorn of their hard-carned little mites, are the ones to throw away every other consideration when election day comes round, but the old leader, the old flag and the old foolishness. old foolishness.

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So get busy, Grain Growers. You are the only hope. You are the nucleus round which will grow, or can be made to grow, the greatest nation the sun has ever shone on. But get together. What matters it if a few childish ones get sore hereause you are not because your area. get sore because you are not more a Tory machine than a Grit machine and refuse to play. Such ones are useless anyway. And what matters it whether you are a Tory machine or a Grit ma-chine so long as you do the work better



An unusual scene in Alberta. A backward season doubles the work. The farmer is trying to get the snow off his stooks.

Surely the thing is possible. The Manufacturers' association was once provincial, they found it necessary to cover the whole country. If we are to show the same strength in our arguments, we must likewise grow. Keep our provincial associations, we cannot do without them, but also unite in a central, whose object should be to harmonize the varied ideas of the several provinces, and show a united front when urging our claims on the powers that are.

R. M. JOHNSON.

INTEREST CHARGES

Editor, Guide:—It seems that our law-givers are overlooking a great number of smaller evils in trying to eradicate what they consider the larger ones. There are a few of the smaller ones we would like to bring before their attention. When I say "we" I mean the class of producers in contradistinction not to the consumers, but to the non-producers. By producers I mean people who produce things by manual labor, as mechanics, farmers, farm laborers, etc. As a little instance farm laborers, etc. As a little instance that is easily seen by any casual reader let us take the exorbitant price of manufactured articles, and as an example of manufactured articles let us take a set of common bob-sleighs (2 in. steel shoe). The agent handling these very necessary farm articles here, will tell us the selling price of this simple, cheaply made implement is \$36.50 cash or \$39.50 in a year's time.

The ordinary uninitiated buyer would naturally suppose the \$3.00 ex-

and cheaper than any other machine But get together, organize, form new branches and get the branches together, and the day is not far distant when the Grain Growers will be manufacturing their own machinery and running their own mills of all kinds, their railroads, own mills of all kinds, their railroads, their steamships, without any motive for graft, and, here is the point, paying their own skilled mechanics far more wages than they are getting today. For the same amount or more machinery will have to be made. The same amount of people or more will have to be fed and you are the ones to do it SUBSCRIBER.

#### REGARDING SOCIALISM

Editor, Guide:-Mr. Nesbitt wants the Grain Growers' conventions to come out boldly and endorse the Socialist party, as they will have to eventually. I think not. We have among us men of all parties—Liberals, Conservatives, Independents and Socialists. The idea that as grain growers we will ever that as grain growers we will ever "come out and endorse" one of these parties is a mere dream. The Alberta convention has already refused to en-dorse the "third party." Our farmer candidates the last election did not obtain one per cent. of the votes cast in their constituencies. "Socialism offers the only logical solution of the griev ances that confront us as producers of wealth," Mr. Nesbitt says. The New Encyclopaedia Britannica that Mr. Nes-bitt quotes tells us: "Many men have become Socialists less from logic than from sympathy with suffering." I am from sympathy with suffering." I am often styled "Socialist" (though I do

not so name myself) because I am a strong advocate for removing unjust laws and grievances, especially those that oppress the poor man, the working classes and the farming class. I demand equality of opportunity for all men, and desire to prevent poverty on the one hand and great wealth on the other, among men, and am a follower other, among men, and am a follower of Lloyd George.

of Lloyd George.

A steady progressive system of social reform is a reasonable position, such as Lloyd George is working out. But many Socialists are opposed to "reforms." They boldly demand "the destruction of the present system," and the advent of a Socialist state by a revolution (something like the French revolution) and sign themselves "yours for revolution." It is difficult to understand why Socialists take up this extreme position. I often read the two Canadian Socialist weeklies and hear Socialist lecturers. I cannot understand why they assail anybody's religion, especially Christianity and Christian Socialists; also thrift, co-operation, even our efforts as grain growers are sneered at. Men are advised to shirk at work; work is called slavery, ers are sheered at. Men are advised to shirk at work; work is called slavery, and ease and pleasure are held up as the chief aim of life. It has never been proved to me that "capital producs nothing and labor everything," nor can I see how the workers can have handed over to them "all the means of production, distribution and exchange," nor the "abolition of rent interest and production, distribution and exchange," nor the "abolition of rent, interest and profit." Neither the wisdom nor the justice of these views do I see. They are extreme, far-fetched and politically impracticable, in our lifetime anyway, and they repel many of us. Although New Zealand is often quoted, it is not a Socialist state, but has more advanced "social reforms" than any other country. The Encyclopaedis Britannica says: "One of the worst risks of a Socialist state is bureaueracy, governsays: "One of the worst risks of a Socialist state is bureaucracy, government by officialdom, a new despotism." Also it wisely says: "The Socialistic experiment is likely to be tried by provinces than by states, by districts than by provinces, by towns than by districts. Co-operation teaches men self-government, and gives them the control of the means of production and distribution." Again: "It seems not improbable that in the future, the strong, central government will be so strong, central government will be so democratic, and at the same time so wise with the wisdom of a great representative council, that all that is sound in the contentions and aspirations of Socialists will be secured. The people need to be represented at their best.

need to be represented at their best."

I am in sympathy with a great deal that our Socialist friends aim at, and believe they mean well. But my letter will show how unlikely it is that as grain growers we will "come out and endorse the Socialist party."

W. HORDERN.

SAVE WESTERN CANADA

J. A. M. Aikins Tells Eastern Manu
facturers How It Can Be Done
Hamilton, Ont., March 21.—J. A. M.
Aikins. M.P., of Brandon, was the chief
speaker at the annual dinner of the
Canadian Manufacturers' association here
toxicity and in a long speech warned a tonight and in a long speech warned a gathering of 300 prominent manufacturers that the great problem of the West was to nationalize and subdue the ardor of the thousands of Americans who threw up their hats and shouted every time the eagle screamed over head. He urged the eagle screamed over head. He urged Eastern capitalists to establish branch industries at once in the West if they wished to save Western Canada for Canadians. He also favored an alteration of the tariff so that Western Canadians would be able to secure the same profit on exports and imports as Eastern Canada with its factories was receiving and process. with its factories was receiving and urged the manufacturers to back up the West-erners in appealing for lower trans-portation rates between the East and West.

#### TREATMENT FOR SMUT

As a result of five years expe at the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph, it has been found that the most effective treatment for the prevention of smut, in either oats or wheat, is found from immersing the seed in a solution made by adding one pint of formalin made by adding one pint of formalin to 42 gallons of water. The grain is immersed in this for a period of twenty minutes. The grain should, however, be sown as soon after immersion as possible as if it is left out of the ground too long after immersion there is danger of the vitality of the seed being reduced.

### Canadian Co-operative Stores

on the capital at the credit of the members. The balance is divided as dividend over the amount of payments for goods purchased by the members for the half year. We take the following concise illustration from our books to show what this means

the Retail Merchants' association for the Retail Merchants' association for they resorted to every known means to retard the progress of this workingman's organization. In addition to this and many other difficulties the committee found that they were regarded with suspicion by the very class they had started out to help. The committee persevered, however, and by much hard work succeeded in establishing the Cooperative society and the balance sheet for the half year ending Dec. 31, 1911 indicated that a business of 89,872.45

NAME	of Term.	Interest for 6 months 6 sper an	Payment for Goods a.	Rate of Dividend	Dividend	Total	Cash Paid Sept. 1911
Adam, Alex. J. M.	\$300.00	89.00	8273.64	10%	827.36	8336.36	\$36.56
Coldwell, John	300.00	9.00	412.27	10%	41.98	350.22	50.22
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"Members are allowed credit to the amount of four-fifths of their capital. If they hold a lesser amount than \$25.00 the interest and dividend earned is credited to their capital account until the amount of \$25.00 is reached. They may withdraw any amount over \$25.00, or if they are leaving for other parts or are not satisfied with the business they may

withdraw altogether.

"The success of our business for the first three years of its existence, was so marked, that the workmen of the other mining towns began to move in the same direction. Nine years after mining towns began to move in the same direction. Nine years after our start we find that a business of 8577,000 is done by the co-operators of the Island of Cape Breton. Prejudice has been uprooted, opposition has been overcome and we stand to-day the leading business in the town, the envy of the private traders, the admiration of the workmen, and sought after by the wholesalers."

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The above report will fairly reflect the history and position in the adjacent mining towns of Glace Bay and Sydney Mines. According to the figures furnished by them for 1910 and published in the "Canadian Co-operator" the net profits for the year of the societies in those towns were as follows:—Glace Bay \$12.287, 62. were as follows:—Glace Bay \$12,287.62, Dominion \$11,367.99, Sydney Mines \$9,104.81, the same being estimated after payment of all charges for interest on capital and other trade expenses, a truly remarkable showing, considering that they represent absolutely new businesses created within the last six and a half years. A saving in the last six and a half years. A saving in the cost of living by co-operative distribution in Cape Breton ranges from 7% to 10% but it should not be forgotten that it, in addition, prevents private trade interests from combining for the purpose of artificially increasing the prices. This advantage will be considerably increased as the trade and membership grow.

There is also a successful society at Inverness, N.S., established about six years ago which has a permanent share capital of \$1,060.00 and made a net profit of \$1,928.51 in 1910.

At the present moment a co-operative wholesale society is being organized by the Cape Breton Retail Societies, the constitution of which will be similar to those of the great British co-operative wholesales.

Ontario

The pioneer society in this province is in Guelph, and the writer cannot do better than quote the following record of its career written for the purpose of this article by Secretary Bush:—

"In January, 1904, the working men of Guelph felt that they were being charged excessive rates for bread and a number of Trade Unionists through the Trades and Labor Council entered a strong protest. Ontario

Labor Council entered a strong protest against the tactics adopted by the local bakers. Finding that this did not avail them, anything and learning of another contemplated advance in the price of bread they determined to adopt drastic measures. The result was that about twenty of these workmen under the leadership of Jos. Danduro formed themselves into a society for the purpose of selves into a society for the purpose of starting a bakery. They made a canvass of all their fellow workmen and succeeded in inducing about eighty to purchase shares at \$2.00 each and with this money they bought out one of the local bakers and started business.

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"Clouds of adversity gathered quickly around this brave title band, for they found themselves confronted at every turn by almost unsurmountable obstacles. These impediments were attributed (and ery justly so) to the other bakers and "Business increased as people gained confidence and it was not long till two more bakers found it necessary to retire from business which drifted towards the co-operative society. Let it not be supposed for a moment that it was the intention of these co-operators to drive any one out of business, their object was self-preservation. The bakers claimed that it was necessary to advance the price of bread, but when the co-operators started to produce it the other bakers reduced the price to drive the working man out of business. But by standing by their own convictions, these Co-operators proved that under the co-operative plan, the purchaser got the benefit as the profits were returned to the purchaser where otherwise they would have gone into the pockets of the individual. Hence the increase in business was a natural consequence and the books for 1906 indicated pockets of the individual. Hence the in-rease in business was a natural conse-quence and the books for 1906 indicated business of \$20,144.76.

"Delighted with the success which

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attended their efforts the committee recommended the purchase of a fine property on Quebec Street which would enable them to branch out into other lines, the first of which was grocery and soon after a butcher shop. The trade did not develop instantly but with a modest start it gradually assumed a gratifying look and at the end of the year 1907 the business done amounted to \$29,689.15

"The co-operators were not destined to get a grip on the business without a desperate struggles however, for in addition to the innumerable inconveniencies they were subjected to by competitors, their building was almost destroyed by a disastrous fire. This only served to urge the committee to renewed efforts and enabled them to remodel their building to suit the business. This little incident proved almost invaluable to the business as it served to arouse the members to a sense of their responsibility as they now had a



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#### Continued Progress

"Another department was now added in the shape of a fine stock of shoes and with the bakery, grocery, butcher shop and shoe department all thriving the committee looked forward to great results, nor were they disappointed as the balance sheet for 1908 indicated a business of \$52,227.36 for that year. for that year.

for that year.

"This magnificent showing did not satisfy the progressive inclinations of the directors, however, for a few months after they began a coal business and adopted a method which was a source of much convenience to their patrons. Up till this time the coal merchants had been asking prices which were considered excessive, but they contended that there was very little profit in the business and were forced to act as they did.

The co-operators allowed their patrons to get the coal at summer prices and pay at the rate of 33½ cents per ton per week and this enabled the poor people to get the benefit of the summer prices.

The other dealers did not content themselves with cutting the price to a lower figure than that at which the coal had been sold for years but they made an organized effort to prevent any of the coal companies from supplying the cooperative association with coal and it became necessary to put up a bond for \$20,000.00 before these companies would

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supply the association with coal. All
this helped the co-operative association
by enlisting the sympathy of the people
and the business again took a jump in
1909. The balance sheet indicated a
business for the year of \$71,543.56, which
was most gratifying to the directors.
"A stock of chinaware and graniteware
was next added to the business, another indication of progressiveness and
the year proved another record breaker
as the receipts amounted to the magnificent sum of \$81,698.77 and almost
immediately the directors began searching
for other means of extending the good
work. The search proved most profitable
as they were enabled to make a very
satisfactory agreement with one of Guelph's
largest dry goods stores by which the largest dry goods stores by which the co-operators made their purchases at that store and were able to procure dividend on their purchases just the same as though it was a co-operative store they were dealing with. The increase in business made the arrangement most satisfactory to the merchant.

The increase in business caused the directors of the co-operative society to think of other extensions and the result was that a branch grocery was established.

was that a branch grocery was established in the east end of the city. Some of the shareholders were afraid that the venture would not prove successful as the mer-chant who formerly occupied the store never did more than \$150.00 of business in a week. Before the store had been opened three months however, the busiopened three months however, the business averaged nearly \$200.00 per week; of course a certain portion of this trade was drawn from the main store but not more than \$75 to \$80 per week and that was soon atoned for. The balance sheet for 1911 indicated a business at the main and better the store of \$45.000 or \$100.000. and branch stores of \$45,028.23 for the first half year and \$50,773.55 for the balance of the year, and after paying all expenses and making liberal allowances for depreciation a profit of \$5,600.57 was declared for the year.

"The shareholders were not disposed."

"The shareholders were not disposed to claim all their profits in the form of dividend, however, and on the advice of the directors accepted a 4% dividend on purchases, thereby leaving a balance of \$1,339.24 for future extensions.

One of the aims of the directors has been

to erect a large, up-to-date hygienic bakery where conditions for workmen will be ideal and the surroundings will be conducive to far greater advances in securing the trade of the city. It is their intention to utilize this \$31,339.24 to start this worthy movement as soon as

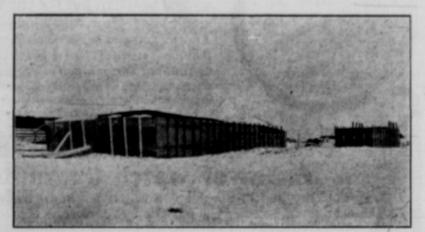
It is an undisputable fact that in Guelph co-operation has been a decided success and it will be admitted by all that a large proportion of the credit for this success proportion of the credit for this success is due to the officers of the organization, especially Mr. Carter, who was elected president in 1907 and has filled the president in 1907 and has filled the office most creditably ever since. The great aim of the committee has been to make the people pay cash for all goods, as they feel that one of the greatest menaces



# Results of Car Shortage



Showing Wheat stored in open air bins, exposed to snow, at Zealandia, Sask., due to car shortage.



Open air bins at Hanley, Sask., containing 15,000 bushels of wheat.



When elevators are full and no cars in sight even wagons are used for storage.



How wheat was stored in open air bins at Harris, Sask. Due to car shortage

to the working man to-day is the credit

to the working man to-day is the credit system, and by encouraging economy and thrift these men hope to aid the working man to keep free from debt and gradually acquire a little bank account.

Much more might be said if space would permit, about the hopes and aims of the directors of this association, when they hope in time to supply all the wants of their many patrons and procure a large proportion of these commodities from their own farms and factories. All the directors give their services gratuitously directors give their services gratuitously and are proud to tell of their connection with an organization where the motto is 'Each for all and all for each.'"

Other Ontario Societies Apart from a society organized within the last year by the civil servants at Ottawa, and which is doing a large and rapidly increasing grocery trade, co-operation in Ontario is confined to the eastern ation in Ontario is confined to the eastern section of the province. At Preston, a small town not many miles from Guelph, a society organized by working men within the last three years has made considerable progress; indeed it may be claimed it now does the largest business of the kind in the district notwithstanding attempts to put it out of action by the enactment of a prohibitory by-law by the town council which was subsequently quashed on the initiative of the co-operative society by the High Court at Torative society by the High Court at Toronto. After paying all trade expenses, making the necessary depreciations, and paying interest on capital, a net profit of \$775.65 in the last six months was shown in the accounts recently published, enabling the directors to declare a 5% dividend on purchases. This profit will represent more than 100% per annum on the capital employed.

A society organized by the railroad men of St. Thomas for the supply of groceries, commenced operations a year ago. During the first few months their capital was doubtless impaired owing to lack of trade support, but the result of the year's trade just ascertained, owing to the remarkable increase in turnover of the last few months, has resulted in the restoration of such loss and the comple-

tion of the first year's business with a substantial profit balance.

The hosiery workers at Penman's Mills of Paris, consisting for the most part of skilled workmen from similar districts in England where the movement is strong, have just organized a society for the supply of groceries and butcher's meat. They are already doing a trade which, if properly conducted, should insure a substantial saving in the cost of living, and as some of the members are experienced old country co-operators it seems probable a strong society will

be developed.
Within the last month the Co-operative Union has also secured the incorporation of a workmen's society which will shortly commence business with the supply of groceries at Berlin. The movement has just received its first "set back" since its organization in the failure of the society at Brantford. As, however, it never succeeded in getting on its feet and is due to conditions which are purely local and pioneer mistakes in organization and management, it is of no importance beyond providing an illustration of things which should be avoided in establishing societies in cities of a certain type.

Quebec

The movement in Quebec is represented by societies at Valleyfield and Magog, both of them consisting of operatives employed in the cotton mills of those towns. These men hall from the Constitution towns. These men hail from the County Palatine of Lancaster, which has pro-vided both the birth-place and, in the past, the brains of the movement, a county known throughout the world for the high intelligence of its working men and the efficiency of its remarkable cotton industry, contributed thereto, directly or indirectly, by the educative influence of the contractive movement. To compare the co-operative movement. To compel the average immigrant cotton operative to sacrifice a portion of his wages at the altar of the mercantile god "profit," is about as distasteful to him in the sentimental sense, apart from the manifest waste, as it would be to a Christian if he were compelled by political conditions to worship at a heathen shrine. The following report supplied by Secretary Geo. Lawson of the Industrial Co-operative Society at Valleyfield, a small colony of English in a French Canadian town. of English in a French-Canadian town will, therefore, be of interest.

will, therefore, be of interest.

"Valleyfield, as every Canadian ought to know is the Cotton City of Canada to know is the Cotton City of Canada and as that industry has drawn from the

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This year our apples cost us for eight different varieties \$3.68 for No. 1, and \$2.68 for No. 2, freight paid; flour, \$2.60, freight paid; twine, 8 cents, freight paid. We get bran, shorts, rolled oats, etc., at reduced prices. We have been buying B.C. and Ontario small fruits at half what they formerly cost us. We have money in the treasury and lots of it.

W. A. A. ROWE.

Neepawa, Man.

#### DON'T LET THEM WORK FOR

In 1907 the farmers of the Foxwarren district paid the local dealers 14 cents cash or 14½ cents on time for twine. The local dealers always told us that there was no money in handling binder twine, and as we thought it was not the base them. right to have them working for us for right to have them working for us for nothing we took compassion on them and decided to buy our twine by the carload, and in 1908 the local secretary of the Grain Growers' association was instructed to ask for tenders for twine f.o.b. Foxwarren station. The local dealers quoted prices from 12 cents to 13½ cents, and the wholesale trade quoted from 9 cents to 11 cents. We bought at 9½ cents, thus effecting a saving of 2½ 9½ cents, thus effecting a saving of 2½ cents per pound or \$600.00 on 24,000 pounds. In 1909 the local dealers quoted 111/2 cents cash or 12 cents on time, and the wholesale trade 8½ cents, a saving of 3 cents per pound or \$750.00 on 25,000 pounds. In 1910 local dealers quoted 11 cents cash or 11½ cents on time, and the wholesale trade 8½ cents, a saving of 2½ cents or a saving of 8675.00 on 27,000 pounds. In 1911 local dealers 8½ cents to 9 cents, wholesale 7½ cents to 9‡ cents. We gave the local dealer the preference at 8½ cents. Thus we

the preference at 8 ½ cents. Thus we have made a saving on twine alone of over \$2,000.00 in three years.

To keep our merchants from working for nothing in handling flour and feed we thought we would see what we could do in that line. The secretary was instructed to communicate with several milling companies, also our local dealers.

The large milling companies referred us The large milling companies referred us to our local dealers and some of them to our local dealers and some of them did not acknowledge our communication. The local dealers quoted prices as follows: Flour, \$3.10; bran, \$21.00 per ton; shorts, \$24.00 per ton. Then we got in touch with some of our local mills, one of them quoted flour, \$2.60; bran, \$17.00; shorts, \$19.00, f.o.b. Foxwarren, satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded. We ordered one car on trial, it proved to be satis-factory and we ordered another. We paid out in cash \$2,069.00, with a saving of \$403.40, making a total in cash saved to the members in four years on twine and flour and feed of \$2,472. Now you see what we saved by buying co-operatively and not letting those poor fellows work for us for nothing. I would advise every branch to buy wherever possible all their staple goods co-operatively. It is an inceptive to build up your association. Since ordering our car of flour I have received several communications from different branches asking for information with regard to our method of co-operation. "I want to Tell You a Big Secret of Building"

#### DEAR FRIEND:

I am sitting here at my desk, thinking how I shall write many people. I am an old man now-70 years old. 50 long years of my life were given over to making a perfect roof for any kind of building (for everybody has to use roofs), and the right roof works day and night to help a man's daily work.

A roof on a building is the weak link in a chain. Good foundations and good timbers rot-good products stored under a poor roof are spoiled because the roof doesn't protect. I want to stop that big waste. After years of work, I now know how to do it.

I worked for a long time to get a roof that could be easily laid by anybody. It had to be neither too heavy nor too light. It had to be smooth and clean. It had to be a real water shedder, no matter how long it was laid. It had to be proof against ice, snow, lightning, sun and time.

My Oshawa Shingles are the result. I worked for years to find a metal that wouldn't rust. I worked on an iceproof lockjoint. I have a shingle to-day that is the best ever put on the market. People buy it from me all around the world, it is so good. These people see how worth-while a good roof is.

I know my Oshawa Metal Shingles so well,

and anybody can lay a roof in them so well and easily, that it makes the safest and best roof you can get. But I

have a new 100-year metal now. My Oshawa Shingle is Perfected. A 100-year roof is a mighty good article-far better than even old-style, handshaved cedar shingles. I know my roof is four times as good-and it won't burn.

Not only that-when you get a roof, get the best you can find. Here is fireproof and lightning-proof protection for you for a century. Yet the roof costs a common, every-day price.

My "Roofing Right" book lets you dig down into my Oshawa Shingle proposition. I want you to send for it. You can get all the facts. Even if you do not use my roof this book is worth money because it gives valuable building hints. My Oshawa Shingles are on the best and most modern buildings. These are pictured in the book. You can get it for a postcard. Send that card to-day. My book will help you in your plans.

Yours truly,

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If all local unions within a radius of thirty muiles from Lacombe would affiliate together to make their purchases it would be beneficial. We would make

I am glad to see that the co-operative sentiment is spreading throughout this Western country. R. J. DONNELLY, Sec'y. Foxwarren branch M.G.G.A.

#### SUCCESS AT SYLVANIA, SASK.

The Sylvania Co-operative Society is off-shoot of the Sylvania branch of the Grain Growers' association, and was organized in July, 1911. The Sylvania branch of the Grain Growers' association branch of the Grain Growers' association had previously experimented in buying co-operatively, and, although the results were all that could be desired, it was felt that an institution for the specific purpose of co-operative buying would be more efficient. This was amply justified by the results, as when the books were balanced up at the close of 1911, the directors were able to declare a dividend of 32 cents on the dollar. Owing to the fact that by-laws had to be drawn to the fact that by-laws had to be drawn up, and rules for the carrying on of the business constituted in the rush season of the year, the volume of business done was not very large, but was considered very satisfactory by the members, and it is confidently expected that the results is confidently expected that the results for the present year, will be even more so. The modus operandi of this institution is very simple. The society purchases goods from the wholesale houses, and re-

goods from the wholesale houses, and retails them to the members at current retail prices, the profits being divided among the members, in proportion to the amount of their purchases.

While an institution of this kind, located in the country as this one is, can be moderately successful, its sphere of usefulness is too limited to be of much value, except to those in the vicinity of its base of operations: still, the country is the best place for such a movement to spend its infancy, and if it has anything like the virility that the same movement has shown in older countries, it will not be long in branching out.

In conclusion, as nothing of this nature

not be long in branching out.

In conclusion, as nothing of this nature can be carried on successfully without proper machinery, I would like to suggest, that The Guide publish a set of by-laws and regulations, suitable for projects like this, for the guidance of farmers who would like to organize themselves in this

WM. RATCLIFFE, Jr. Sec-Treas. Sylvania Co-operative Society.

#### SUBSTANTIAL SAVINGS

We hereby beg to submit to you a report of the co-operative buying of the Ridge-ford Grain Growers. We bought our twine last fall at a saving of a cent per lb., two car loads of coal at a saving of \$1.00 per ton; three car loads of wood at a saving of \$1.25 per cord. We also bought flour from our local dealer at a saving of \$5c. per cent and three harrels saving of 25c. per cwt. and three barrels of coal oil at a saving of 10c. per gallon. We also expect to buy fence posts, formal-dehyde and other things as we need them. We would like to hear from someone who has had experience with a Midget mill. W. I. WELLS,

CO-OPERATION IN THE COUNTRY

Just a few lines to let you know the benefit derived by Kimbey branch of U.F.A. making purchases co-operatively. We organized in May last and at once went to work with a will. We are 55 miles from a railroad but this has not hindered us from deriving a benefit from co-operation in buying. On binder twine we saved 75c. per 100 lbs. and sold the same twine from the same firm that our local merchant sold. We bought six binders saving \$20 on each binder, a our local merchant sold. We bought six binders saving \$20 on each binder, a car load of flour at 70c. less per 100 lbs. than our local merchant sold it for. The same merchant sells Sunlight oil at 40c. per gal. but we get it by the barrel at 25½ cents. We also make a saving on sugar, coffee, tea, matches, in fact almost everything we need. On March 23rd we are ordering a car load of woven wire, also a car load of barbed wire. While we save a goodly sum on wire fencing alone we also have a saving of 74c. per 100 lbs. on freight rates. We make it a daily study to find the cheapest markets (quality combined) even should we have to go to United States or England for what we want. If all local unions would thus look after their own interests and buy co-operatively we could soon make ourselves felt.

our wants known fo them or be only too pleased to have them join us. We must congratulate you Mr. Editor for what you are doing for the farmer through the

columns of The Grain Growers' Guide. Keep pushing the thing along. JOHN H. BEELEY.







#### EXTRACT FROM OFFICIAL CIRCULAR NO. 3, 1912

Gentlemen:-- I wish to thank all those who have assisted so ably in the work which has been undertaken in the effort to better conditions relating to the ne-Grain Bill. This fight is not yet over and we shall probably have something further to say on the matter at an early

By special request of West Salisbury Union the following resolution is pre-sented for your consideration:— "Resolved that this Union is con-

vinced that in order for the wealth pro ducers to secure legislation in their interests and to protect them from the grasp of corporate greed it is essential for all workers to be drawn closer tofor all workers to be drawn closer to-gether for the purpose of united action and that it is hopeless for us to pin our faith to either of the old parties, as has been demonstrated by the action of the Alberta government in guaran-teeing the bonds of railway companies and not giving any consideration to resolutions presented to them by the United Farmers and the labor organizations endorsing public ownership and protesting against the guaranteeing of bonds of any railroad. Nor do we cononds of any railroad. bonds of any railroad. Nor do we consider the Opposition have even as much claim upon the people, because, although apparently pledged to it, they have failed to present a solid front for public ownership, and we would suggest that the U.F.A. be instructed to take that the U.F.A. be instructed to take steps at once to arrange with the Trades and Labor Councils of Edmonton and Calgary for a convention to be held in June for the purpose of drafting a policy that will be satisfactory for both the farmers and organized labor, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Secretary of the U.F.A.'

I have left out a small portion of the resolution, but have given you the main

resolution, but have given you the main part, as the only part left out has no bearing upon the resolution.

#### Farm Help

I am requested to give you the fol-lowing letter relating to farm help:— "We are expecting a large number of men to arrive from England over the Canadian Northern railway during the next month, men who are suitable as farm hands, and in many cases have already been on farms in England. of these men will come out on the assisted passage and would require an advance from the employer, which sometimes amounts to \$55.00 plus the railroad fare from Winnipeg to destina-tion. An eight months' contract would be signed by the mon. It is not always be signed by the men. It is not always be signed by the men. It is not always easy for a man in a strange country, and in order to help our young Englishmen and also to see that men capable of filling the wants of the farmer are obtained, this agency has been undertaken. I am addressing you believing we can be of the greatest possible assistance to you if you will place this matter before the farmers of Alberta. I shall be in a position at all times to I shall be in a position at all times to supply them with as many men as they

require."

Further information on this subject can be secured on application to this office.

#### Loans to Farmers

Considerable discussion on this subject has ensued lately, and to place the matter before you, I am presenting the following resolution which has reached

me:—
"Whereas we consider the rate of interest charged by the loan companies for making a loan and their charges for making a loan

entirely too high; and "Whereas such high interest and costs must necessarily keep back the progress of the people and of the Do-

"Whereas the Government loans to the railways and large corporations large sums of money at one-half the rate of interest that the loan companies

charge the farmers:
"Therefore, be it resolved that we

are in favor of the Government borrowing money from England at a low rate of interest and lending it to the farmers, said money to be loaned out to farmers only upon good security at a rate of interest not to exceed four or five per cent."

this resolution is considered it should be remembered that the third preamble is not well put, and that the Government has not loaned to railways and corporations, but has guaranteed the bonds of these companies to en-able them to get the cheap money. Hogodone Union has also submitted the following resolution on the ques-

"That the Government be asked to enact legislation to enable the farmers Alberta to obtain money at from three to five per cent. interest, as we believe that when the Government guarantees the bonds of railway com panies for large amounts, even to the full value of the line, and as the railways and all other branches of industry depend upon the farmer, we believe the farmers are entitled to an equal privilege with the railway companies in ob-taining cheap money."

If your members are in favor of this

resolution it might be advisable to send your views thereon not only to the Central office but to the Premier of Al-

#### Supplies and Returns

Word has been received that the annual reports have been shipped. As soon as they come to hand the orders already received will be filled. Have you sent in your order yet?

The combination membership roll, cash and minute book will be on hand from the printers in a few days now. The cost of this book will be about \$1.50, and you are asked to book your orders as soon as possible.

Under the terms of the new constitution it is intended to arrange for transfer blanks and other extra supplies at an early date, but you will be advised of these later.

The first quarter of the year has nearly elapsed. Have you made any returns to the Central office yet? Please remember that they will be acceptable.

Organization work is proceeding apace and since the convention over forty new Unions have been added to the list, while many of the old ones have taken on a new lease of life. This encouraging and we appreciate all such assistance

#### Life Membership

I wish to draw your attention to section 31 of the constitution relating to life members. This is something which can now be considered as being on a proper basis and those who are in favor of this plan are asked to keep same in mind.

Other matters will be presented to you, together with some special circulars dealing with specific subjects, at an

early date.
The first Estray Animal Bulletin for 1912 is enclosed herewith. Extra copies of same may be secured on ap-plication to the Central office.

Awaiting your further commands. Your obedient servant, EDWARD J. FREAM, Calgary, March 16.

#### WHAT THE UNIONS ARE DOING

Westcott Union, No. 327, sends in the following report: Please send us twen ty-five copies of Scott's Direct Legisla-tion, for which I enclose \$1.00. At the last meeting four new members joined and several said they would consider it. The membership roll now numbers 25. We had a fine meeting, the chief topics discussed being the pork packing plant and the proposed flour mill. As the discussion advanced it was found that none of us had more than a very hazy idea of either scheme, so I was instruct ed to write you and obtain all informa-

especially the pork packing plant scheme. Copies of the agreement and any literature you may have throwing light on this subject would be welcome. Please send them in time for the next neeting, as the meeting and anticipated discussions will be widely advertised. Already you will be glad to hear that we are benefitting materially through getting together in a feeling of followship. We are working in conjunction with Didsbury Union in getting seed oats to supply the demands of all our members desiring same, also eight of us (all members) have formed a company and bought a threshing outfit.

W. M. HODSON, See'y.

The regular semi-monthly meeting of Moyerton Union was well attended in spite of the very cold weather. The telephone question aroused some discus-sion and the secretary was instructed to prepare some petitions for circula-tion between here and Kitscoty. A mittee volunteered to circulate these petitions and see if it is possible to get enough subscribers to have the gov-ernment take action in the matter. The secretary was also instructed to order a supply of strychnine and formalin and to communicate with neighboring Unions regarding binder twine. HENRY BENNER,

At a large and representative meet-ing of Keoma Local Union, No. 328, of the U.F.A., the following resolution was moved and unanimously adopted: "That this Union most earnestly protest against any change being made in clause 207 of the Grain Bill as tending right they now enjoy of securing a car by placing their name on the car order book." to deprive the farmers of the statutory

Also be it further resolved: "That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Rt, Hon. R. L. Borden, G. E. Foster, Sir Richard Cartwright, Frank Oliver and R. B. Bennett and also to the Central office.

It was also moved, seconded and una-mously carried: "That this Union nimously carried: "That this Union approve of the minutes of the Irriga tion Committee meeting, held in Calgary on Feb. 29, 1912." As you were un-able to attend our meeting on March 1 nany thanks for sending us such an able substitute as your assistant, Mr. Woodbridge, for he certainly gave us a very able lecture. We had a good large crowd out and everyone went home satisfied. I think it will help our Union wooderfully. Union wonderfully as we got four new members that day and the promise of more, so hope we will be able to make a show in Keoma before long.

W. N. RINTOUL,

Carlton Union have sent in the following response to the appeal made in Circular No. 2: "We, the farmers of Carlton Union, U.F.A., do most emphatically protest against any changes being made at present believing as we do that same would be detrimental to the interest of the farmers."

This resolution was sent to Rt. Hon.
R. L. Borden, Hon. Geo. E. Foster, Sir
Richard Cartwright and Hon. Frank
Oliver. The Union also believe that the government should provide facilities on the Pacific coast so that the Alberta grain can be shipped West in the future, thereby relieving the Eastern route, which this year has proven imadequate. At our meeting on Feb. 24, a paper was read on the Steel Corporation of Canada, after which the following resolution was unanimously passed: "Re-solved that we, the members of Carlton Union, vigorously protest against the Steel Corporation of Canada being granted any assistance from the Dominion treasury, believing that same is not in the best interests of the country." A copy of this resolution was sent to Dr. M. Clarke, M.P., as was also

#### UNITED FARMERS OF **ALBERTA**

Hon. President: Red Deer James Bewer President: W. J. Tregillus Calgary Secretary-Treasurer: E. J. Fream

First, A Cochran, Stettler; Second, D. W. Warner, Edmonton: Third, M. E. Sly, Strathmore; Fourth, J. Quinsey, Noble. Dissrict Directors:

Victoria—P. S. Austin, Ranfurly; Edmonton—George Bevington, Spruce Grove; Strathcons—J. R. Pointer, Strome; Red Deer—E. Carawell, Penhold; Calgary—H. Sorensen, Strathmore; Macleod—G. W. Buchanan, Cewley; Medicine Hat, W. S. Henry, Bow Island.

one to the effect: "That we, the mem-bers of Carlton Local, desire to go on record as being in favor of Woman Suffrage."

Four new members joined our membership, at present numbering forty-

> J. J. PRICE. Sec'y-Treasurer.

The following resolutions have been sent in by Kasimir Union, No. 168:

"That we, the members of this Union, are strongly opposed to any change being made in section 207, being the car distribution clause, of the Manitoba Grain Act.

"That we, the members of this Union, believe that the government should inaugurate a system of govern-ment loans similar to that employed by the governments of Australia and New Zealand, and which is being advocated at the present time by the Family Her-ald and Weekly Star, of Montreal." Both resolutions were carried by a

unanimous vote.

L. L. CUTTER, Sec'y-Treasurer.

At the regular meeting of Wheatland Center Union, held March 2, 1912, the attendance was not very large on account of so many of our members being absent loading cars with wheat. About ten cars a week are arriving at Noble and three cars a day at Barons. We had G. L. Noble, of Noble, give us an address on the advantages of mixed farming, which all present appreciated very much and thought it would be betvery much and thought it would be better than depending on the one cropwheat. J. J. Tighe, of the Board of
Trade at Barons, also came to the meeting and gave us a short address. Mr.
Tighe hoped that the farmers and the
board of trade would work together
for the mutual benefit of each other.
Two more members were added to our
Union. Mr. Noble was invited to give
us another address at some future time us another address at some future time on some other branch of mixed farming. J. QUINSEY,

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E. RHOADES, ecretary-Treasur

#### It Did Good Work

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Dear Sirs: Replying to
your letter of August
5th. I have pleasure in
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have used. The farmers
in this township are more
than pleased at getting
poison ready for use,
and not having to mix
it in the old way. I
trust that all the
Local Improvement
Districts will take the
matter up another
year as I consider it
is the only way I
have seen that gives
such good results.
Yours respectfully,
JOHN A. MASSEY,
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Gentlemen:

Please send me a Free Sample of Bolduan's Poison Grain, postage paid, also copy of your irree book on Gophers.

Name		



This section of the Guide is conducted for the Manitoba Grain Growers' Association by E. C. Henders, President

Beresford branch of the Grain Growers' Association held their annual concert\_in Cannons Hall on the evening of March 22. The program consisted of several short brisk speeches by local members of the association assisted by Mr. McArthur of Lauder, Man., who spoke principally on the question of co-operative buying and selling and the distribution clause of the Grain Act.

Songs. recitations and instrumental

Songs, recitations and instrumental numbers were listened to with rapt attention, the local talent being admitted by all to be of very high order, and an enjoyable evening was spent by those

SWAN RIVER COUNTY ASSOCIATION

SWAN RIVER COUNTY ASSOCIATION
A very enthusiastic meeting of the
Mapitoba Grain Growers' was held in
Swan River on March 18, at which was
for loed a County association in this
constituency. Delegates from most of
the branches mentioned below were
present, and all agreed that much good
will result from the organization of a
County association. The following is a
list of the branches represented at that
meeting:—Minitonas, Geo. Smith; Benito,
W. W. Graham; Bowsman, B. F. Embry;
Pretty Valley, M. Arthur; Thunder Hill,
W. J. Ford; Rolling River, C. H. Spicer;
Durban, R. S. Goldsmith; Lidstone, A.
Anderson.

Anderson.

A. McClary of Minitonas was elected president of the association for the ensuing year. W. J. Ford, vice-president and G. Dickerson, secretary-treasurer.

The delegates also elected an organizer or a district director who will work to further the interests of the Manitoba Grain Growers' association in the northern part of Mr. Avison's district. Mr. Andrew McClary was unanimously chosen to fill this most important post. The following resolutions were passed unanimously:—

mously:-"Resolved-That the County Organization of the Grain Growers' association of the Swan River constituency note with appreciation the stand taken by W. H. Sharp, M.P. for Lisgar; Dr. Schaf-fner, M.P. for Souris and Robt. Cruise, M.P. for Dauphin in defending the cause M.P. for Dauphin in defending the cause of the farmers in connection with the car distribution clause of the Grain act and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the above named gentlemen, to the Grain Growers' Guide and to the Swan River Star."

"Resolved—That the County association of the Manitoba Grain Growers' association of the Swan River Valley wish to go on record as being in favor

wish to go on record as being in favor of Direct Legislation as a means of relief from party bosses and by its enaction we shall have a parliament of true repre-sentatives of the people."

The next meeting of the County association for the constituency of Swan River will be held in Kenville on June 1.

That the first social gathering of the Waskada Grain Growers' association is not likely to be the last, is the verdict of those present on Friday evening last. The basement of the Presbyterian Church was taxed to its utmost capacity to accommodate the large attendance, the seating facilities being quite insufficient and many standing throughout the

Addresses on appropriate themes were made by Councillor Peter Spence, Jas. Smart, I. T. Lennox of Melita, Ed. Strange, D. D. McArthur, director of the Grain Growers' association of Manitoba, President E. Horseley and others, while an interesting program was contributed. program was by the Misses Lawrence and Stalker, Messrs. Lowe, Horseley, Strange and the

The refreshments bounteously furnished by the ladies added not a little to the enjoyment of the evening. A number of new members were enrolled and increased interest for the coming season is ensured. E. HORSELEY, President

#### EMPIRE BRANCH

At a meeting of the Empire branch of the Manitoba Grain Growers' association

held on the 12 inst. the following resol-

utions were passed:—
"Resolved—That the members' annual fee be raised to two dollars and to take

effect at once Ten members immediately responded

to the above.

A resolution strongly objecting to the amendment of the car distribution clause of the grain act was also passed. Mr. H. Jackson was appointed secy-treas. in place of Mr. E. E. Bailey who lately left the district.

H. JACKSON, Secy-Treas.

INKERMAN BRANCH

The Inkerman branch of the Grain Growers' association held a very enthusi-astic meeting on Monday, March 11. Mr. Drayson, president of the County

#### FARMERS' FIGHTING FUND

Contributions to the Manitoba Grain Growers' Endowment Fund

Grain Growers' Endowment Fund received during the past week amount to \$19.00, which brings the total received to date to \$361.50

In sending his donation, Mr. A McCleary of Minitonas writes:—
"Enclosed please find \$4.00 for the Farmer's Fighting Fund. I hope the farmers will wake up and swell this fund. On every car of wheat we ship we save seven to sixteen cents per bushel on account of the Grain Growers' association. The writer has sold wheat in the elevator here sixteen

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association was present and addressed the meeting at some length on various live topics, especially the proposed amend-ments to the car distribution clause of the Grain Act. A resolution was passed to petition Sir Richard Cartwright to use his influence in the Senate to

frustrate the proposed amendments.

Mr. J. W. Warner, vice-president of
this branch was appointed director of
the County association at Neepawa.
The buying of formalin co-operatively
for the district was discussed and a for the district was discussed and a committee was appointed to enquire into the needs of the district and report at our next meeting, March 25. It was decided to have different members of our branch prepare papers on the subject of Consolidation of Schools, Good Roads, and proposed changes in the School Trustee Act.—G. M. DEVESON, Sec'y

#### LORNESDALE BRANCH

On March 13 the Lornesdale branch of the Grain Growers' association was addressed by Mr. Simpson. On account of an auction sale and other meetings coming on the same date their numbers were slightly decreased, but an encour-

were slightly decreased, but an encouraging feature of the evening was the number of the ladies in attendance.

Mr. Simpson spoke on various subjects of interest to the farmers, and the evening was much enjoyed by those present.

JAMES ALLEN, Secretary

SALEM BRANCH

Salem branch of the Manitoba Grain Growers' association held their annual social in the school-house on March 19, Rev, Mr. Hallawell presiding. The evenns. Mr. R. McKenzie citations. expectedly called away, Mr. R.C. Henders, president of the association addressed the meeting on the aims and objects of the association, which was listened to with great interest. Mr. C. H. Burnell, of Oakville Branch also spoke at some length on co-operation and its benefits. A good program was given, Mr. Thos. Hood (Scottie) of Elm Creek taking a very active part. Remarks were made by the president of Salem branch on associate membership in encouraging

social life on the farm. Refreshments were served and the meeting came to a close by singing the national anthem.

B. N. THOMAS, Secretary

WOODMORE BRANCH

A meeting of the Woodmore branch, Grain Growers' association was held on March 18 at the Forester's Hall, Green Ridge The attendance was very good. March 18 at the dance was very good.

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Mr. John Oatway of Green Ridge, occupied the chair, and introduced the principal speaker, Mr. Peter Wright.

Mr. Wright spoke for a considerable time and was listened to with much attention, his remarks on the necessity

of co-operation and organization among farmers meeting with marked approbation. At the close a resolution was passed pro testing against any changes in the Grain Act which would affect the present distribution of cars to farmers and a copy of said protest has been sent by the secretary to J. P. Molloy, M. P. and Rt. Hon. R. L. Borden.

J. F. BATTEN, Secretary.

PIONEER MOVEMENT IN SWAN

VALLEY In connection with the Roaring River

GROWERS' ASSOCIATION Honorary President:

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Vice-President: J. S. Wood Oakville Secretary-Treasurer: Winnipeg

Directors:

Peter Wright, Myrtle; R. M. Wilson, Marringhurst; D. D. McArthur, Lander; Frank Simpson, Shoal Lake; W. H. Bewell, Rosser; R. J. Avison, Gilbert Plains.

Grain Growers' association, a well attended and enthusiastic meeting in sup-port of woman suffrage was held in the Roaring River school house Friday, March 22.

The meeting was addressed first by Mr. Sifton, who outlined the benefits the vote would confer on Canadian women, and afterwards by Mrs. Dexter, who spoke on the subject from an Englishwoman's point of view.

An organization was then formed, of which Mrs. Dexter was unanimously elected president, Mrs. Livesey secretary, and a committee of three ladies, Mrs. Cox, Mrs. Martin and Miss Shaw, was elected to carry on propagands. The meeting was addressed first by

was elected to carry on propaganda

work for the ensuing year.

Mr. C. H. Spicer very ably acted as chairman. This is the pioneer movechairman. This is the pioneer m ment of the kind in Swan Valley.

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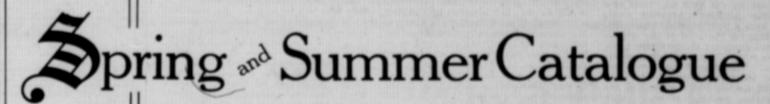
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# ASKATCHEWAN SECTION

This Section of The Guide is conducted officially for the Saskatch swan Grain Growers' Asseby Fred. W. Green, Secretary, Moose Jaw. Sask.

I- MORE NEW ASSOCIATIONS

We have succeeded in organizing a branch of the Grain Growers' association at Kronan with thirty members enrolled and I think we will have fifty more in a short time. Complete harmony exists and we have a number of members who are working for the good of the organi-zation and prospects are decidedly good. I enclose a money order for \$12.00 member-ship fees. Kindly send me some more copies of the constitution and by-laws. We intend holding our meetings on the first and third Saturday of each month

W. M. McCALL, Sec'y

I am happy to announce the formation of a local Grain Growers' association at Margo, following the lecture given by Mr. Reid on the 13th inst. Please send me as secretary, all necessary information and literature that would be of any help in the carrying on of our meetings. We have taken up the elevator question and would like you to forward us by return mail information and application form

CHAS. DEGALLIER, Sec'y. Margo G.G.A.

MOUNT GREEN REORGANIZED

A reorganization meeting of the Mount Green association was held in the school house on Saturday, March 16. Some very interesting discussions took place and several new members were enrolled and officers were elected. It was decided and officers were elected. It was decided to elect two directors at each meeting until the required number were appointed. The next meeting will be held on March 30 at 1 p.m. after which we hope to send you fees from at least one half of the farmers in this district. Kindly send me 75 membership tickets by return mail and any literature which would help to get the farmers interested that are not already members. already members. WILFORD N. SCHULTZ, Sec'y.

HAWKES IS WORKING

I wish to inform you that on the 11th of March the farmers in the district of Colfax joined the Grain Growers' association. Mr. Hawkes was with us and gave a very interesting and instructive talk about the association and elevator question. If all the farmers of this country were as willing and enthusiastic workers as Mr. Hawkes is, the work would be easy to secure farmers rights. Our meeting shewed a good spirit as we secured one life member and twenty-six annual members, of which eight were ladies, who brought well filled baskets. Refreshments were served, followed by an impromptu program which was enjoyed by all. HAWKES IS WORKING

Enclosed and \$13.50 for twenty six members and 50c. for tickets. Kindly send the tickets by return mail as we are to have a meeting on the 25th and hope to swell the membership to fifty that night. Also send me the price of the

> H. E. MEYER, Sec'y. Colfax G.G.A.

MR. REID REPORTS AGAIN

Enclosed please find the sum of \$36.00 fees for three Life Members, Oren Gowan, Sigurd J. Sturlaugson and Arni Kristinson, all of Elfros associa-tion and Elfros P.O.

On the 21st March I visited Foam On the 21st March I visited Foam Lake association by request, and we had a splendid night. The hall was well filled with a very good proportion of ladies (accent on the good). A very fine program was rendered by the local talent and I was given an opportunity to elaborate on the why and where fore of the S.G.G.A. organization. collection was taken to implement the funds of the local and a number of new members were enrolled. Foam Lake is having a co-operative elevator built.

The following day I drove out to Ladstock, and in the afternoon I met with a bunch of very enthusiastic Grain Growers. This association used to be Ladstock and Bankend. They are now reorganized, and the associa

They start tion is called Ladstock. out with about twenty members, and if the interest displayed at the meeting may be taken as a criterion, Lad-stock Grain Growers will be heard from in the future. My teamster and myself were royally entertained at the house of Mr. Garland, the worthy president of the local, and his hospitable wife, and when the time arrived for us to leave so as to get back to the station to catch the train to my next appointment (Elfros) it was like leaving the Land o' the Heather, for we were "a' Scotch the

gether ye ken."

At Elfros on Saturday, the 23rd inst., I had called a meeting to organize and to my delight I met on the platform at Elfros Mr. Robinson, one of our executive, and Mr. Mills, his private secretary, who had come to the above

place to help complete the organiza-tion of a co-operative elevator.

We had a splendid meeting, which was well attended by the surrounding farmers and a number of our Grain Growers from Birch Creek. Mr. Mills led off with a brilliant oration on the benefits of the Grain Growers' organization, which was listened to with mark tion, which was listened to with mark-ed appreciation by an intelligent audi-ence. I followed Mr. Mills, believing that it is always better to have a good firstly and a good lastly in presenting your case, and Mr. Robinson did justice to his reputation as a worthy exponent of the Grain Growers' organization and the Saskatchewan Co-operative Ele-vator scheme. vator scheme.

At the close of Mr. Robinson's speech a unanimous vote was given in favor of organizing a local branch of the S.G.G.A. About twenty members joined, three of them for Life.

JOHN F. REID,

Dis. Director. Oreadia, Sask.

LESLIE IN LINE On the 9th inst. the farmers of this district, with the aid of Mr. Reid, of Yorkton, formed a branch of the S.G.G.A., and have enrolled a membership of twenty-three and one Life Member, with good prospects of making it over one hundred. Mr. Frank Hornby was elected president and Mr. P. W. Geron, vice-president. I am enclosing you \$11.50, this being the amount of fees due the Central.

fees due the Central.

We are taking steps to have a Cooperative Elevator built in Leslie. Will you kindly forward petition forms and all necessary information to properly carry on this undertaking. Thanking you for the same. FRED W. BARNETT

Sec'y Leslie G.G.A.

THORNDYKE WILL THRIVE

I herewith send a report of the or-ganization meeting held today in Thorndyke school house. Your letter did not reach me until the 23rd inst., so I had not time to write to Mr. Smith or Mr. Sheppard to come and address

The meeting was called to order by H. Hesterman, chairman, and a paper was read by the secretary on the organization and growth of the Grain Growers' association. It was then moved and seconded that a branch association be formed, which was carried, but not unanimously owing to the fact that both the reeve and secretary-treasurer of this municipality spoke against the S.G.A.A., saying it was a political organization and not in the farmers' interest now as when first organized. However, we managed to secure enough members to form a branch to be known under the name of "Thorndyke G.G.A." Mr. W. T. Bromley was chosen president; John Richardson, vice-president; Bernard McKay, secretary-treasurer, and the following as directors: Hugo Hesterman, A. B. Parmenter, C. P. Maloon, Thomas Clark, and John John

After much discussion and an earnest request that a speaker be sent to address us at our next meeting on April 20 the meeting was adjourned. We 20 the meeting was adjourned.

secured fifteen members, but would have had fifty had a capable speaker been here. Please send thirty membership cards and reports of your last convention at Regima, also any other literature that will be helpful. Enclosed find \$7.50, being half of amount collected.

BERNARD McKAY,

Sec'y Thorndyke G.G.A.

SPRING VALLEY STARTED

At the Pine Lake school house, Sec. 10-19-5, W. 3rd, on the 22nd of March, a Grain Growers' association was organ-Grain Growers' association was organized by Mr. Whitney and Mr. Ellwood, of the Valjean association. Twenty-eight farmers joined, twelve of whom paid the fee of \$1.00. I am forwarding herewith \$6.00, and will forward the balance, \$8.00 soon after April 6, when another meeting will be held and the other members will pay their fees.

Kindly send us a few copies of the constitution and by-laws, in order that

constitution and by-laws, in order that we may properly conduct our meetings and business. We would deem it a great favor if you would send us any other literature or advice which you have and think would be a help to us in starting. Any suggestions you may offer will be appreciated. Is it necessary that membership certificates be issued and given each member I should like to get some pamphlets of Parliamentary rules. Can you tell me where to send for same! FLOYD J. PEVISS, Sec'y Spring Valley G.G.A.

Chaplin, Sask.

BUILDERS WANT BUTTONS

Enclosed find \$10.00, for which please send me fifty Grain Growers' buttons by return. We are now thirty-two strong and expect to be fifty-six next

We have commenced to build a hall for our own use, and at the last meet-ing where the matter was brought up was only a matter of a few moment until \$320.00 was subscribed. The list is still growing and when we have fifty members we expect to have a thousand dollars. Every member wants a button, so please send them along.

HARRY A. PELLE, Sec'y Mt. Chase G.G.A.

Clapton, Sask.

HERON HEARD FROM

Enclosed please find order for \$6.50, \$5.00 for one box of buttons and \$1.50 for membership fees. This makes for membership fees. This makes thirty-one members for Heron with a few more to be trapped yet. WM. STEPHEN,

Sec'y Heron G.G.A.

FLORADALE FLOURISHING

Yours to hand of Feb. 24, in which you state you were mailing under separate cover one dozen constitutions and twenty-five membership tickets. I and twenty-five membership tickets. I received everything O.K. I am enclosing \$5.00, which is half of our membership fees as yet and also 50 cents for the cards and constitutions. I might say we are doing well in our association. We have now twenty-four names on our list. Just ten have paid up so far, but I expect to receive the rest in a short time.

A. CARSWELL, Sec'y Floradale G.G.A. P.S.—Just received another \$1.00 and enclose further 50 cents.

Lockwood, Sask.

CLAIR WILL CO-OPERATE Enclosed please find \$7.50, being fif-teen more subscriptions from the Clair We have now forty-seven members and are trying to get a co-opera-tive elevator in. Kindly send us any literature you have on hand.
CYRIL SMITH,

Sec'y Clair Association.

SKALHOLT STIRRING

I have the pleasure to inform you that we organized a branch of the G. G.A. the 14th of March. We wish be registered under the name of Skal-

SASKATCHEWAN GRAIN GROWERS' ASSOCIATION

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Vice-President Charles A. Dunning, Beaver

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holt G.G.A. We consist of fourteen members at present, for whom I here by send you the amount due to the. Central association in accordance with the constitution. The names of the executive are as follows: President, Paul Gudmundson; vice-president, Sigurgeir Austman; secretary-treasurer, G.

G. STEVENSON, Sec'y Skalholt G.G.A.

Leslie, Sask.

ENTHUSIASM AT ETONIA

I beg to inform you that we have organized a sub-association north of the town of Maymont with headquar-ters at the Etonia school house. Will ters at the Etonia school house. Will you please send us fifty membership tickets, also copies of the constitution and by-laws so that we may know how to govern ourselves. Any literature you may have on current topics or anything of live interest to the association would be appreciated. I enclose order for \$8.00 representing subscriptions of sixteen members and hope soon to considerably increase this number.

siderably increase this number.

The officers elected are as follows:
A. McDonald, president; Thos. Nicholson, vice-president; H. G. Langley, secretary-treasurer.

H. G. LANGLEY Sec'y Etonia G.G.A.

Maymont, Sask.

LANGHAM SAFE AND SOLID

sorry to trouble you again so I am sorry to trouble you again so soon after my last letter, but I hope you won't grumble. Here's another Life Member. This makes me four since I came back from convention. I only wish I could keep up the pace until next convention. I really believe that a lot of our men are beginning to realize the importance of the life membership scheme and that it is the only bership scheme and that it is the only safe and solid foundation for the asso ciation to be on. Please send certificate and button to Jacob Waldner, Sr., Langham, and ask him to try and get another life member. THOMAS SALES.

Langham.

HAWKES WILL BE HAPPY Mr. A. G. Hawkes, of the Executive, will be at the following places on the dates mentioned below, in the interests of the Co-operative Elevator company, and would be pleased to take charge of a meeting of any association at these points or to assist in organizing an as-

sociation while there.

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' 11 and 12—Griffin.

' 13 and 15—Riceton. 16 and 17-Gray.

18-Reifstein

FINDLATER FORMED

Our association was formed on March 2 in the town of Findlater. We had two Saturday, the 16th, at which we obtain ed twenty new members, for which you will find enclosed \$10.00, being usual membership fee. Kindly let me know if it is necessary to send you the names of our members? You will also find enclosed 50 cents for twentyfive copies of the constitution and by-

> R. DICKIESON. Sec'y Findlater G.G.A.

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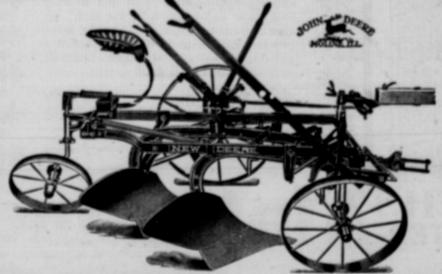
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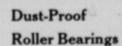
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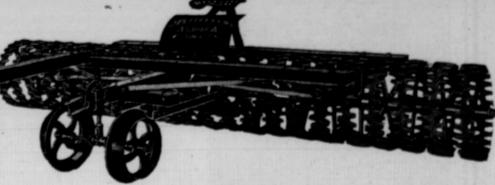
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Ques.-What are the present regulations regarding fencing a homestead, and keeping stock on it in lieu of cultivating land to earn patent for the same.

—L. J.

Ans.—The regulations with regard to keeping stock have been withdrawn, and patent can only be earned by cultivation of homestead.

#### GRAIN LYING AROUND

Ques.—Can a man leave grain lying around outside an open granary inside the town limits? 2.—If another man's stock are injured through eating this grain can he recover damages from the owner of the grain?—Reader.

Ans.—There is nothing to prevent a man keeping grain exposed on his own premises, and if horses are loose in town they would be liable to be impounded, the and owner would have to pay for damage they do to grain or property.

#### RENTING A HOMESTEAD

Ques.—Can a homestead that has been rented or leased before patent is obtained be cancelled?—L. Barr, Langham.

Ans.—A homestead must not be disposed of before patent is obtained, but so long as the homesteader performs his residence duties and the necessary improvements are made he can make his own arrangements for the breaking and cropping of the land.

### BUILDING ON PURCHASED HOME-STEAD

Ques.—When a man filed on a purchased homestead prior to January, 1912, and is performing his residence duties by residing on his first homestead within nine miles of his purchased homestead, is it necessary for him to erect a \$300 house on his purchased homestead?—G. T. Ans.—No.

#### BEE KEEPING

Miss Herron, Eigenheim, Sask.—An article on bee keeping which will contain all the information you ask for is being prepared and will be published in The Guide shortly.

#### THE CO-OPERATIVE BILL

No action has been taken by Parliament during the present session towards the enactment of co-operative legislation. The government has been urged by the Co-operative Union of Canada to pass the bill which has been before Parliament for several years past, but so far without

The following letter has been received by the editor of The Guide from Premier Borden.

My Dear Sir:—Your letter of the 10th inst. to Mr. Monk has been forwarded to me. I fear that it will be impossible to undertake legislation in respect of cooperation during the present session. has been necessary to postpone several matters of importance. You may, perhaps, remember that we were obliged to meet Parliament in about four weeks after we assumed office in order that provision might be made for the needs of the public service. Since then the demands on our time and energies have been very insistent and imperative in dealing with the pressing work of the

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# The Home

LAUS INFANTIUM

In praise of little children I will say God first made man, then found a bet-

For woman, but His third way was

Of all created things, the loveliest And most divine are children, Nothing

Can be to us more gracious or more

And tho', when God saw all His works were good,

There was no rosy flower of babyhood; Twas said of children in a latter day That none could enter heaven save such as they.

The earth, which feels the flowering of

Was glad, O little child, when you were born: The earth, which thrills when skylarks

scale the blue, Soared up to God's own heaven in you;

And heaven, which loves to lean down and to glass Its beauty in each dewdrop on the

Heaven smiled to find your face so pure

and fair,
And left, O little child, its reflex there.

-William Canton.

PAPER BAG COOKERY

Where there's a will, there's a way. Having sent out invitations to a Papakuk Lunch, I found, to my dismay, Papakuk Lunch, I found, to my dismay, that my supply of paper bags had run out. In this emergency, I used the ordinary foolscap paper. It can be bought at any stationery shop at 10c a quire, and flat paper clips made of twisted wire. And I defy even a professional cook to turn out more appetizing meals than I do now when using these simple appliances. I soon using these simple appliances. I soon using these simple appliances. I soon found that it is not advisable to use pins, as they make holes in the paper, which should be kept air-tight.

The main points to be remembered

The oven must be really hot before the food is put into it.
 The food to be cooked, after be

ing wrapped in paper, should be placed on the gridiron bars in the oven, not on a solid iron shelf. In an oven containing only solid shelves, I find it a good plan to put a meat trivet into the oven, and let the food stand on this. This ensures even heat all round

3. Any edges of the paper must be placed together, rolled over twice lightly, and then secured with a paper fastener of a pattern that will not pierce any holes.

The paper used should be well brushed over inside with warm drip-ping, lard or butter, before the food

placed in it. Here is a most excellent breakfast

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dish that I always cook in paper.

dish that I always cook in paper. In no other way can I get the same flavor: Six rashers of bacon, three tomatoes, pepper and a little butter.

Take a sheet of foolscap or grease-proof paper, and brush it over with warmed butter or dripping. Lay the edges of the paper together, then fold them over twice on three sides, creasing them each time firmly down; this is important. Secure them in position with important. Secure them in position with paper elips.

After trimming off the rind and rust After trimming off the rind and rust from the bacon, lag it flat in the bag. Stalk, wipe and halve the tomatoes, and lay them on the top of the bacon, add adust of pepper, and fold and fasten the top opening. Make sure that the oven is very hot, then lay the bag on the gridiron shelf in the oven and cook for about six to ten minutes.

To find out if the contents of the bag

To find out if the contents of the bag are really cooked, press one of the tomatoes gently, but do not prick the bag. If the tomatoes are nice and soft, the bacon will be done. When done, unfasten the bag, slip its contents gently out on to a hot dish, and serve

#### STEWED MACKEREL

Fish is particularly nice cooked in paper, and it is far less trouble than either boiling or frying, while there is no chance of the fish becoming tough, as it sometimes does when boiled. Wash and clean the mackerel, then split it through the backbone, open it out like a book, and dip it in a little flour. Buta book, and dip it in a little hour. But-ter some foolscap paper and make it into a bag; put into it the mackerel and parsley. Season the milk care-fully with salt and pepper; pour it into the bag, and close up the end as already directed. Put it on the grid shelf in the oven, having first made quite sure the oven is very hot, then let it cook for fifteen minutes. Turn the contents of the bag on to a hot dish, and serve at once.

#### HINTS FOR THE COOK

Steamed Dumplings When steaming dumplings, a cloth should always be placed over the steamer before the lid is put on. This prevents the steam from condensing and dropping on the dumplings, and in sures light, puffy pastry.

A Useful Hint

The pockets of kitchen aprons are continually catching on door handles, nails, etc. Try putting the pocket in the centre of the apron. The pocket can be reached by either hand, and cannot catch on anything and tear.

To Make a Jelly Bag

To make a jelly bag, take a yard of heavyweight flannel, fold together the two opposite sides, and stitch the edges, sides and bottoms together. Bind the top with tape, and fasten on the upper strong ropes by which it may swung.

A Good Test
A fine knitting needle is excellent for testing to find out whether baked or boiled fruits and vegetables are sufficiently cooked. It does not break them or leave unsightly marks like a fork

Stained Hands

A slice of raw potato is excellent for removing stains from the hands. It is a good plan to keep a bowl of cold water at hand, in which to dip the fingers when working with fruit of any kind, as this helps to rinse off the

A Good Fire

Sprinkle a few tablespoonfuls of salt over the kitchen fire after it is made up, and it will keep going for hours without requiring any attention.

For Flavoring

If only a few drops of onion juice are required for flavoring, cut a slice from the root end of the onion, and press it against a grater with a rotary movement.

A Scrubbing Hint
Cold water is much better than warm
for scrubbing boards, as it does not
sink into the wood, and dries very

#### HOW I KEEP MYSELF FIT

Every morning I get a tepid bath, and, sponge myself all over with perfectly cold water. I squeeze the water down my spine, and this, I find, has a tonic effect upon my nervous system and general health.

The absolutely cold bath never water the system and general health.

and general health.

The absolutely cold bath never agreed with me, as I did not like the shock and could not get sufficient reaction afterwards. So I began by standing in cold water and sponging myself with tepid water, which I gradually made colder and colder, until I could quite

comfortably enjoy a cold sponge.

After a week or two I ceased to be troubled with perpetual colds, which I had always suffered from, and began to sleep better also.

found that my constant slight headache became much less common, and that I gradually improved in

The daily sponge and cold water applications to the spine seemed to keep me fit as nothing else had done, and in hot weather especially I found the



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#### A CHILD'S RIGHT

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Once I heard a friend say, in speaking of a small boy in whom we were both deeply interested: "Yes, Richard is always on his mother's heart." In that she gave me the key to the problem. I had been studying this boy to ascertain wherein lay the cause of some of his shortcomings. That was the trouble with him—he had always been on his mother's heart. It is almost invariably the case, where a loving woman is the mother of only one or two children, that she manifests too much anxiety over her small brood, or perhaps a special one; and this trouble with children is especially prevalent in this age, when families are almost universally small. In the old days of large families there was less time for the mother, however devoted, to worry over any one of her darlings. I believe the very worst thing a mother can do for her child—more especially a boy—is to have him always in mind, to be worried and anxious for his welfare. This is not to love the child with intelligence and wisdom. If she seeks her child's well being she will come to see, sooner or later, that it is better found without seeking; that if she seeks his highest or later, that it is better found without seeking; that if she seeks his highest good she must seek first not to seek it —which sounds paradoxical, but is in

which sounds paradoxical, but is in reality a truth.

For the true way to find his welfare is to know in her heart that his good has already been provided by a Higher Power; and in the peace which follows this blessed assurance she can be more to her child than she could ever hope to become through worry and anxious seeking. When we read of the foremost characters in history, the men who have seeking. When we read of the foremost characters in history, the men who have done things, and who have left admirable records, we do not, as a rule, find them the product of homes where every comfort was supplied by doting parents, and where they were continually watched over by anxious mothers. We do find that these great men usually had great mothers, wise mothers; but in many cases they were mothers whom circumstances of one kind or another restrained from devoting too much time restrained from devoting too much time or anxiety to their little ones—not to the extent of "fussiness," at any rate.

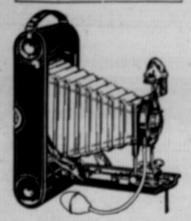
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#### **EUGENICS**

#### THE PURPOSE OF EDUCATION

Instruction is only an instrument of. education. The misuse of the instrument may even ruin the material upon which it works. Essentially, education is not a process of insertion or intrusion or instruction, but of extrication. If a child's mind—that is, the developing mind of man—be likened to a portmanteau, education is not packing the pormanteau, as we commonly suppose, but unpacking it. We have failed to look at the problem biologically, but it is a biological problem, for it is a problem in the development of a living being. education. The misuse of the instruin the development of a living being

Here, of course, we are prepared to look at it in that way, and so we may book at it in that way, and so we may be willing to accept the definition of clucation which the present writer has now employed for many years. Education is the provision of an environment—no more and no less. It creates nothing whatever. Whenever we suppose that education has created something, we should ourselves learn to see that it we should ourselves learn to see that it has only provided the environment, the nurture, the opportunity, the stimulus, for the development of what was al-ready potentially there.

Influence of Environment

At first hearing, many have supposed that "the provision of an environment" is a phrase which reduces the function of education unduly. But if we will begin by asking ourselves what man is, we shall soon see that the provision of an environment for the whole vision of an environment for the whole of man, in his young state, is a great and complex business.

Since the body of man is an animal, it shares all the environmental needs of animals. But since man is more than animals. But since man is more than an animal, he has special environmental needs and susceptibilities of his own. A child and a puppy may live together in the s me house. Both require air, light, cleanliness, and so forth, as part of their environment. Books and illustrated papers lie about a house; and there is a piane or a piane player. What trated papers lie about a house; and there is a piano or a piano-player. What those books and papers contain, and what is placed upon the piano, matters immensely for the education of the child's thought and eye and ear, but it is all one to the puppy. The dog is limited, but man is unlimited; and there is no limit to the provision of the whole environment for the whole man.

Our difficulty is to appreciate the potency of environment, and therefore, of its provision, which we call educa-

of its provision, which we call educa-tion; and at the same time to realize that it creates nothing. Life grows and develops from within, in virtue of what it is.

#### To be Continued

Dear Mrs. Green:—I was very glad indeed to have your letter, especially as you take up the point of a home market for farm produce.

I cannot see why this could not be started this year in a small way. If we wait to start a million-dollar association for the reception of the farm produce to be sold direct to the consumer, I am afraid we will have to wait a very long time; but I am sure a few women could be brought together very easily in Winnipeg to receive the farm produce, and sell it direct to the consumer.

I have a very big plan under way at the present time, which, if it can be brought to completion, would open the market to country women. Just how fast or how soon my plans will mature will depend very much on the business women of Winnipeg.

I also have desired to have crochet patterns on the page, but of course, as I am only opening up the work, it is rather

I also have desired to have crochet patterns on the page, but of course, as I am only opening up the work, it is rather difficult to carry out all the plans I have in order to help our women. I am perfectly certain that a woman's exchange would be a very valuable asset to our page. However, in a very short time I think you will see that we are working for the best interests of the women on the farm, and just as soon as possible, were improvement to that and will every improvement to that end will

appear on our page. Write often; such letters as yours are a help to me, and also I feel sure, to every reader of the page.

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often come across

A fifty-dollar saddle on a twenty-dollar

hoss; An' Sukin' in de low-grouns, you dis-

kiver, as you go,
Dat de fines' shuck may hide de
meanes' nubbin in a row.

I think a man has got a mighty slender chance for heben Dat holds on to his piety one day out

Dat talks about de sinners wid a heap

o' solemn chat, And nebber draps a nickle in de mis-

sionary hat; Dat's foremost in the meetin-house for

raisin' all de chunes, But lays aside his 'ligion wid his Sun-

day pantaloons.

I nebber judge o' people dat I meets

along de way

By de places whar dey come fum an'
de houses whar dey stay;
For de bantam chicken's awful fond o'

roostin pretty high,
An' de turkey buzzard sails above de
eagle in de sky;
Dey ketches little minners in de middle

of de sea, An' you finds de smalles' possum up de biggest kind o' tree!

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My Dear Nephews and Nieces

I am printing a few useful hints for the preparation of your gardens. I hope that it will help you in preparing the ground, and also caring for your plants afterwards:-

#### The Place to Plant

Plant in the sunniest part of the yard. A border near the fence makes the most attractive garden. Cover all fences in your yards with vines.

#### How to Prepare the Soil

Do not dig when the ground is wet. Dig a foot deep, making the soil fine and free from lumps.

Mix rich earth or old manure with your soil. Fresh street sweepings will burn the little plants.

#### How to Plant the Seed

Soak large seed over night.

Be careful not to plant too deep. Fine seed should be merely covered.

A good rule is to plant to a depth four times the greatest length of the

Water the seeds gently.

Your garden will be most attractive if you plant all of one kind, or all of one color together.

#### How to Make a Box Garden

The box should be six to eight inches

Bore holes in the bottom of it.

Put pieces of broken flower pots or small stones on the bottom. Fill with good soil.

Put in a sunny place in the porch or on the window.

Plant vines and low growing plants in the boxes.

Water twice a day. A box needs much more water than the garden does.

#### How to be Successful

Water your garden thoroughly. Do not merely sprinkle it.

Keep the top soil finely worked. Never work it when it is wet.

Pull the weeds. They rob your plants of food and water.

Train your vines. Make them cover the fence.

Pick your flowers every day. The more you pick the more you will have. Do not waste them. The hospitais will gladly receive well-made bunches.

Let a few of the best flowers go to seed for your next year's garden.

A garden will not stand neglect.

If you follow these directions, your garden will be a pleasure to you all summer and your school will have a fine flower show in the fall.

Your own

UNCLE WEST.

Dear Uncle West:—I have enjoyed reading the boys' and girls' letters in the Young Folks Circle, and wish to become a member. I am ten years old, and am in the fourth grade. Every Friday we have concerts at our school; the boys and girls give recitations. We have three hundred and twenty acres of land. We have five horses and four cows. Our teacher is very kind to us

Yours truly, EDWARD PUGH. Arlington Beach, Sask,

#### SAVED BY A NOSE

"The wolves were upon us," he related to the girl he was trying to impress. "Their howling penetrated to our very marrow. We fled for our lives. But each second we knew that the ravenous pack was gaining on us. Closer, closer—at last they were so close that we could feel their muzzles against our legs, so that"—"Ah!" sighed the lady, greatly relieved, "how glad you must have been that they had their muzzles on!"—

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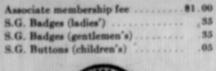
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#### JUST WHERE YOU STAND

Just where you stand in the conflict,

There is your place!

Just where you think you are useless,

Hide not your face!

God placed you there for a purpose,

Whate'er it be;

Think He has chosen you for it;

Work loyally.

Gird on your armour! be faithful At toil or rest,

Whiche'er it be, never doubting
God's way is best.
Out in the fight, or on picket,
Stand firm and true;
This is the work which your Master
Gives you to do.

#### MARGARET'S MESSAGE

My dear Chicks:—Don't forget that the Sunshine child must learn to smile at home first, at school, and then on everyone they meet. There is always some heart aching, and a child's smile



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has a wonderful soothing effect on the tired heart. So I want my Sunshine children to be sunbeams really and truly.

#### SPUN FROM LIFE

A cheery invalid has written her life story in a beautiful poem called "Spun from Life," which has been published in a tasteful little booklet, and is for sale by the authoress, Miss Emma M. Stimson. 210 Union Street, Hillsdale, Michigan. Postpaid 52 cents.

The Stimson family (the two invalid daughters and their aged mother) have been doing dressmaking, but because of a recent and serious illness of the dress-maker, Miss Belle, are now without any income, except the sale of the little booklet. They wish the chamber of their cottage home (one block from the college) could be raised. This would give them two pleasant rooms to rent to students, making the home one source of income.

Miss Stimson's next birthday anni-

versary will be May 11. If Sunshine friends gave her a "birthday shower" of orders it would glädden sad and anxious hearts. Her mother's birthday anniversary will be July 18, when she will be 76 years old, and frail. Her name is Mrs. Sarah B. Stimson. A "summer shower" of orders at this time would be much appreciated.

much appreciated.

This family have cared for an invalid husband and father (£5 years) until his death, and broke down in their labor of love; have struggled now nearly forty years with continuous invalidism and

consequent poverty.

Any kindness you may be able to extend to them will be most timely and most gratefully received. Miss Stimson furnishes best of references

Dear Sunshiners and fellow workers: It has been my privilege for nearly three years to help in the Sunshine work with Margaret, our Canadian organizer, and to know her is to love her. Through her Margaret, our Canadian organizer, and to know her is to love her. Through her kindness and your kind help I have been able to assist several needy cases in the way of clothing, etc., never once has she failed to listen to the sad tales of poverty and help them. You know, dear friends, it has not been all Sunshine for her. She has had dark shadows too, but her sunny nature was bound to shine through it all, and as the old song says:

Sunshine and shadow.

Sunshine and shadow. Sorrow and joy, Life is not pure gold, But tinged with alloy; Sorrow and sadness are oft o'er us cast, But sunshine seems brighter When dark clouds are past."

So, dear friends, you are doing a great work, go on. Clothing is needed, specially for children. One doesn't expect new goods, but clean ones. Some that I have unpacked were only fit for the furnace. One doesn't mind repairing clean goods. I am a district visitor in the north west of city and know just how pleased poor folks are to get help in the way of clothing. folks are to get help in the way of clothing, groceries, milk, fruit, etc., also Sunday school papers, pictures, etc. There are 140 Sunday scholars in this mission, and through Margaret's kindness they get a paper each every Sunday, so you are helping a noble work in helping to feed the Lambs of Christ's kingdom.

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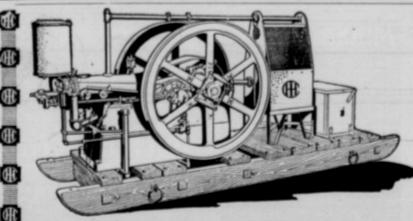
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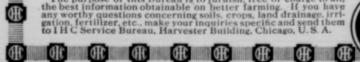
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### News from Ottawa

but it is nevertheless quite satisfactory. The clause remains in, but it is provided that it shall not come into effect "Unless that it shall not come into effect "Unless and until the Governor-General in Council is satisfied that proper conditions exist, for bringing this section into force." In other words sample markets will be established only after a proclamation has been issued and if when it is decided to take such a step, the farmers do not consider that the conditions exist, they will still have opportunity to enter a protest. The notice to strike out the sample market clause was also made by Senator T. O. Davis, who led the fight on behalf of the farmers, and the subamendment containing the concession on behalf of the farmers, and the subamendment containing the concession
was moved by Senator Lougheed. It
was carried by a vote of seventeen to
sixteen. Speaking in support of his
proposal, Senator Davis assured his fellow
members of the Upper House that the
elevators, interior and terminal were in
the hands of a combine and that the
provisions of the act would be of no use
to any one but the members of the combine. It would simply have the result bine. It would simply have the result of legalizing the mixing of grain for the benefit of the elevator men and to the loss of the grain growers
Reciprocity Defeat Meant Loss

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The Senate committee to inquire into losses or gains sustained by the defeat of reciprocity held its opening sitting for the hearing of evidence on Monday morning with Senator Edwards, the outspoken champion of free trade, in the chair. The first evidence was given by Roderick McKenzie, secretary of the Manitoba Grain Growers' association who gave to the committee an immense array of comparative figures which made it gave to the committee an immense array of comparative figures which made it abundantly clear that the prices which prevail for wheat, barley and other grains on the Minneapolis market are, at all seasons of the year, considerably higher than can be secured by the Canadian farmers on their own side of the boundary line. "We need staple marketa," declared Mr. McKenzie emphatically. "Take the case of potatoes for instance. Last year potatoes were thirty cents a bushel f.o.b. Winnipeg, when in Chicago they were \$1.05. Of course there are times when the difference is not so great, they were \$1.05. Of course there are times when the difference is not so great, but the wider market would make for stability in prices. You cannot sell a few carloads of stuff on a market one year and drop it off another year. We have to have our channels of trade cut out."

Senator Bell of Pictou, Nova Scotia at this point offered the observation that the channels of trade are clearly cut out

the channels of trade are clearly cut out between the east and the west, but Mr. McKenzie promptly retorted: "But we have outgrown these channels."

Chairman Edwards wanted to know if any of the Western farmers were inclined to be opposed to the idea of a wider market for their products and Mr. McKenzie assured them that if there were any against it he had never had the fortune to run across them.

"Provided the expansion in production

across them.

"Provided the expansion in production goes on, especially in hard wheat what will be the consequence in the near future if the market remains restricted?" queried the chairman of the committee.

"My opinion is" said Mr. McKenzie in reply, "that under existing conditions with all the wheat going out one spout we will not make any progress. We had

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with all the wheat going out one spout we will not make any progress. We had fifteen million acres under crop in 1911. In that year four million acres of new land were broken. That means eighty million bushels more of wheat. If we get it we can't get it out. Put that eighty millions more on top of what we have got and we will lose ten to fifteen cents a bushel on our wheat."

Here Senator Bell again broke in with the declaration that the United States

the declaration that the United States is a big exporter of wheat, and the re-commendation that the Western farmers more attention to mixed farming, which Mr. McKenzie replied: "The biggest black eye you can give the country is to say that we must decrease our yield. The United States does not export any competition wheat which comes into with ours. The growth of wheat in the United States is not keeping up with the increase of population. Their soft wheat increase of population. Their soft does not compare with our hard. production of wheat in the United States in the last five years has been less than seven bushels per acre, and it takes five and a half bushels per head to feed them. Suppose we raised one hundred million

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### Canadian Co-operative Stores

Old country many cotton mill operatives who, in most cases have been born and bred true co-operators it was only natural when a sufficient number had got settled down in their new homes and had a look around with an observing eye as to the condition of things around them that the thought arose in their minds that there was need for co-operation in this new land just as much, if not more so, as in the old home land across the sea.

It was not until October 1902 that any material move was made to form a society. A meeting was then held and a provisional committee appointed. The committee got to work canvassing and collecting and their efforts were so far successful that on April 27, 1903 the society was incorporated at Quebec with 40 members and \$600 capital. They obtained the services of a suitable manager and acquired desirable premises opening their first store in Balmoral Block, 'Alexandra Street, Bellrive, on July 1, 1903, We have had in our history, as a society two periods of great depression in the staple industry, practically the only We have had in our history as a society two periods of great depression in the staple industry, practically the only industry in the town, namely 1904-05 and 1908-9 and 10. We are practically only now emerging from the last great depression and throughout all the time we paid out to all members leaving the town and to members requiring their capital during the bad times every cent asked for and paid full dividend and interest. This goes to prove that co-operators can and do manage whatever trade they engage in intelligently and successfully when they follow the true lines of co-operation and remember the motto "Each for all and all for each." We could not make a better claim to the fact that co-operation better claim to the fact that co-operation

better claim to the fact that co-operation will benefit any community and has benefited the English speaking community of Valleyfield, than refer you to our statement, which, if properly digested goes all the way to confirm that claim.

We only engaged in the grocery trade up to march 31, 1906. After that date, being them in more commodious premises we opened a boot and shoe branch which has proved also a success. Our success in these two lines will, when sufficient capital is forthcoming, be an encouragement to branch out and get into the centre of co-operation as at present we have only touched the fringe. Co-operation reaches its ultimate ideal development when the Producer shakes hands with the Consumer and each co-operates to remove all waste in labor and

hands with the Consumer and each cooperates to remove all waste in labor and
capital in bringing the natural products
and manufactured products to the door
of the Consumer who is the real controller,
naturally so, of his own wants.

We trust that in the very near future
co-operation will be the national slogan
of Canada and each will have as our
motto, 'Each for all and all for each.'

Secretary Lawson sends with his report
a detailed statistical statement showing
the operations of the society since its
commencement, but while of great interest, it is too long to publish in this article.
The same, however, indicates that a
workman's society commencing in July,
1903, with a membership of sixty and having now one of 120 only, has, in the intervening period effected for them a saving
of \$15,681.30 on the purchase of their
groceries the whole, and of their shoes,
a part of the time besides paying interest
on capital amounting to \$1,716.65. The
annual sales show an almost consistent
increase ranging from \$6,629.63 the first annual sales show an almost consistent increase ranging from \$6,629.63 the first to \$39,175.56 the last year.

Twenty months ago the other distributive society organized by cotton workers at Magog commenced business. It has a membership of 126, a capital of \$1,581, and, in the time it has been in business, has done a trade of \$40,000. During the ast year, a net profit of \$800 after paying all management expenses has been made and \$700 distributed as dividends on purchases of groceries

Saskatchewan

The Saskatchewan Purchasing Company, with headquarters at Broadview, has the distinction of being the only farmers' co-operative society in the Canadian Union. It has been some years in existence, but in the early days it had to contend with the usual pioneer difficulties in procuring satisfactory management. It is, however, now firmly on its ment. It is, however, now firmly on its feet and on a profit making basis. Under the competent direction of Mr. J. M. Hill, GET MORE PLOWING DONE IN THE SAME TIME!

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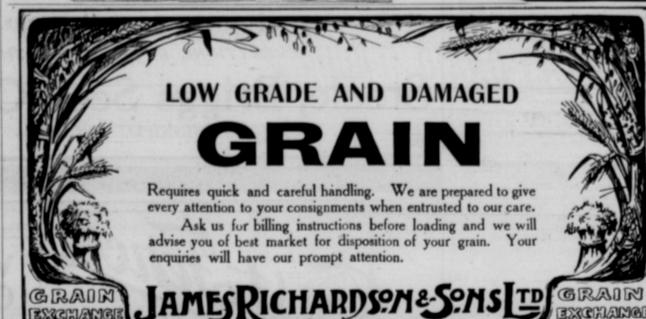
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your needs. INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER COMPANY OF AMERICA



the general-manager and secretary, this organization is likely to disseminate education in co-operative principles in

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that progressive province.

In reply to my enquiry, Mr. Hill

We are now successfully working "We are now successfully working four stores, namely Broadview, Percival, St. Hubert and Grenfell, dealing in farm machinery, binder twine, buggies, harness, hardware, lumber, dry goods, boots and shoes, groceries, etc. We have 275 shareholders, 85 per cent of whom are farmers. Not less than 900 customers use these stores weekly, and this in a sparsely these stores weekly, and this in a sparsely populated district. The general effect of our co-operative stores has been to re-

of our co-operative stores has been to reduce the cost of living 10 per cent. Non-co-operators readily concede this.

We intend to open three additional branch stores before June, 1912. The co-operative idea is spreading rapidly in this province. Before we open at any coint the district seeking a store must point, the district seeking a store must subscribe at least one-half of the requisite capital. This condition fulfilled, we are always ready to do our part, realizing that through these stores we can best demonstrate the great advantages of co-operative trading."

British Columbia

This review commenced with a description of co-operative activities on the north-east Atlantic seaboard, and it is only fitting it should wind up on the Pacific coast with our federated society at

Westminster. That organization New Westminster. That organization of working men commenced on January 1, 1909 with 128 members and it now has 310. On a share capital ranging from \$1,670.00 to \$8,142.94 it has distributed in purchase dividends the following amounts:—1909, \$1,226.20; 1910, \$2,792.82; 1911, \$4,355.80. The annual trade of an absolutely new business has increased in three years from \$37,049.69 to \$65,409.53. The society at present handles groceries only but preparations are now being made to have considerable extensions in the lines of merchandise xtensions in the lines of merchandise distributed.

It will be gathered from the above review that from coast to coast, wherever co-operative distribution has been tried in the Dominion with average intelli-gence and sufficient individual enthusiasm, success almost without exception follows, even in centres where the private trade interests are strongly entrenched. How much more successful should it be in the new trading communities in the West which are constantly coming into existence. It is an anachronism in this year of grace that the old-fashioned, out of date, competitive system of trading should be allowed to become established in nearly organized communities.

in newly organized communities.

In conclusion it should be mentioned that up to the present time not one dollar has been spent by the Co-operative Union of Canada in executive or literary services. Whatever progress has been made in the

national movement has been by purely honorary services. No attempt, therehonorary services. No attempt, therefore, has been made to promote societies, the Union responding only to enquiries for information, literature and advice by bona fide consumers anxious to establish organizations in their midst. The ever increasing demands upon the Union will soon render voluntary services quite inadequate. It is hoped at an early date to place the national propaganda in the hands of an expert British co-operator, when spind development throughout ator when rapid development throughout the Dominion may be expected. In the meantime, the writer will, to the best of his ability, be only too pleased to give the Western farmers any information or

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# The Farmers' Market

#### WINNIPEG MARKET LETTER

WINNIPEG MARKET LECTIER

(Office of The Grain Growers' Grain Company Limited, April 1, 1918)

Wheat.—The beginning of another week sees wheat working steadily higher, even though American arkets were off today, Monday, almost one tent per bushel. Now the lower grades at our own terminals reagain bringing better prices than the same grades in bond at Duluth and West Superior, and this will kely continue. One and two Northern wheat in bond Duluth or West Superior will probably not come to Fort William-Port Arthur prices. The chief reason for this is that in the past year one and two orthern have not been wanted for export nearly as keenly as the lower grades, and, of course, the wheat bond at Duluth must chiefly go for export. There seems a very good export enquiry. The spread on nugh grain remains about the same as it was last week. Shippers should bear in mind that absolutely to fough grain is being dried at any terminal today, nor will any terminal accept orders to dry tough grain, estocks at Canadian terminals decreased slightly last week, going to show that the Canadian Pacific allway company is moving stuff now inner rapidly east ward, and the improved movement should conner. Farmers aboutd not ship one or two Northern, or \$C. W. oats to American terminals, but if persistion can be obtained to hill to Fort William or Port Arthur, such grain should be sent there. Navigation expected to open hetween May 1 and May 5, but may be delayed even longer on account of exceeding easy ice.

WINNIPEG FUTURES

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it. John, N.B. Victoria Harbor	91,045	26,024	39,545
Totals	3,554,664	88,000	966,868
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#### Total ...... 5,904,690 2,780,831 694,748 TERMINAL STOCKS

Total wheat in store, Fort William and Port Arthur on March 29, 1917, was 16,250,839.80, as against 16,295,003.20 last week, and 9,759,835.10 last year. Total shipments for the week were 1,032,651, last year 219,659. Amount of each grade was:

No. 1 Northern No. 2 Northern No. 3 Northern No. 4 No. 5 Other grades	. 529,704.50 1,838,415.00 2,543,149.00 2,582,426.20 1,551,057.50	1,529,525.20 2,470,267.40 2,533,534.00 1,292,581.20 734,585.00 1,395,225.40
Stocks of Oats-	16,250,839.50	9,759,815.10
No. 1 C. W. No. 2 C. W. No. 3 C. W. Ex. 1 Feed No. 1 Feed No. 2 Feed	. 870,854 25 . 393,250 02 . 933,324 02 . 891,960 07	\$22,516.20 5,701,454.22 454,156.16
MixedOther grades		5,576.26 1,122,751.50
Barley	4,077,523.06 . 753,779.00 . 985,899.00	5,504,576.12 587,197.00 561,885.00

### CANADIAN GRAIN AT DULUTH

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Liverpool, Live STOCK
Liverpool, April 1.—John Rogers & Co., Liverpool, cable today that the general conditions in the Birkenhead market continued unchanged and prices last cabled of States and Canadian steers from 141 to 154 cents per pound, remain unchanged.

WINNIPEG	AND U.S. PRICES	3
Closing prices	on the principal western	3
Cash Grain	Winnipeg Minneapolis	g
I Nor. wheat	95 c. 81.07 95 c. 1.05	
5 Nor. wheat 5 White outs	95 1.05 sale.	
Barley	46c. to 65c. 75c. to \$1.50	2

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bushels more of wheat than we do, it would not make very much difference in the world's market in view of the total production."

Another advantage pointed out by Mr. McKenzie which would result from free access of the products of the Western farms to the United States would be that it would tend to prevent the car blockade it would tend to prevent the car blockade conditions such as have existed in the West in this and former years, as a great deal of wheat would be shipped to the

Once more Senator Bell became restive. "Who maintains the duty against Canadian wheat," he asked. "We do" came back the quick reply. "The United States offered to take it off." Senator Bell was

#### Mixed Farmers Handicapped

Equally interesting evidence was given by Mr E. J. Fream, secretary of the United Farmers of Alberta. He assured United Farmers of Alberta. He assured the committee that with wider and surer markets Alberta would become one of the greatest mixed farming countries in the world. This he said was fully realized by many men who had voted against reciprocity, but who afterwards felt like being kicked for having done so. Senator Taylor suggested that there were men who had voted for reciprocity who also felt like being kicked. Mr. Fream retorted that if there were such men in Canada he had not met them men in Canada he had not met them. He then proceeded to place on record figures which made it clear what a good

market there is in Chicago for the cattle and other products of the American West. Senator Pope, who has had some experience in ranching, expressed the view that the creation of a chilled meat industry in the West might go a long way



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to make up for the loss of reciprocity. Mr. Fream agreed that the development of this industry might do much for the cattle business but that nothing would ever compensate the ranchers and the farmers for the loss of the big market to farmers for the loss of the big market to the south. This he said was equally true of the sheep industry which is rapidly declining in the West. But for the duty large numbers of American sheep could be fattened to advantage for the Chicago market but the American duty spoiled all opportunity of sales in that quarter. In replying to a question by Senator Pope, Mr. Fream said that the Western farmers were not afraid to compete in the sheep business with all countries in the world, including Argentina. Speaking more particularly of existing business conditions in the West, Mr. Fream informed the committee that as a result of the failure on the part of the farmers to dispose of their crops to advantage writs are being issued at an alarming rate and many judgments were being given. Altogether conditions were far from being satisfactory. Undoubtedly they would be better had the farmers in September last secured the advantage of a wider market.

#### West Wants No Favors

When F. W. Green, secretary of the Saskatchewan Grain Growers, was giving evidence there were a number of lively interchanges between the witness and a number of protectionist Senators. Somenumber of protectionist Senators. Somewhat to the surprise of the members of the committee, Mr. Green displayed a knowledge of economics and an acquaintance with general tariff conditions which was somewhat disconcerting to his inquisitors. Touching on the problem of taxation Mr. Green informed the committee that, owing to geographical location Saskatchewan pays higher taxes per capita, than any other province in the Dominion. In spite of this handicap however, the Saskatchewan farmer was doing better than the eastern tiller of the soil, many of whom were paying \$18 a ton for their than the eastern tiller of the soil, many of whom were paying \$18 a ton for their hay, 53c. per bushel for western oats and importing eggs and potatoes from the United States. Things were not so bad as that in Saskatchewan. The present trouble was due largely to the long hauls necessary to convey the products of the prairies to market. The passage of the reciprocity pact would have done much to relieve the situation. Mr. Green was inclined to admit that the farmers of the West would have to do more in the way West would have to do more in the way of providing additional storage facilities. The question of the duty on horses being broached Mr. Green declared that he personally was prepared to compete with the world. Speaking as a farmer he was ready and willing to compete with any-thing that draws breath. "Its pretty thing that draws breath. "Its pretty hard" he declared, "to try to convince the Western farmer that the East wants him to have fair play when the East insists on shutting the West from its natural market."

J. S. Wood of the Manitoba Grain

Growers' association made a strong point of the circumstance that while the West is producing an immense quantity of wheat the farmers have to pay big prices for their flour. Some people liked to put their feet up on a radiator and advise the farmers to go in for mixed farming. But it was not so easy for one thing, there was the great difficulty of getting suffi-

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cient labor, then there were the people who seem to think that if anybody wants to buy something from you that is the thing you should not sell him. Mr. Wood was decidedly critical of the government for causing the price of lumber to go up by a stricter inforcement of the customs schedules. Other witnesses were Mr. George Lane who gave much evidence as to the benefit of a wider market to the cattle industry, Hon. Duncan Marshal, Minister of Agriculture for Alberta, and E. C. Drury, of the Ontario Grange, who assured the committee that the farmers of Ontario were not opposed to free trade in natural products. The committee will take more evidence next

# RECORD CUSTOMS RECEIPTS

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Increase
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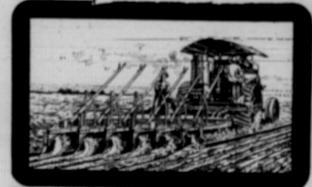
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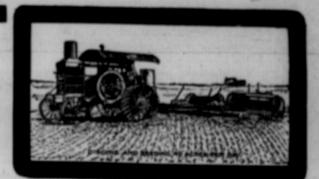
#### THE MARKETS AT A GLANCE

#### CORRECTED TO TUESDAY, APRIL 2.

WINNIPEG GRAIN	TUES.	WEEK	YEAR	WINNIPEG LIVE STOCK	TUESDAY	WEEK	YEAR	COUNTRY PRODUCE	TUES- DAY	WEEK	YEAR
Cash Wheat				Cattle				Butter (per lb.)			
No. 1 Nor	1001	994	88	Carre	8 c. 8 c.	8 c. 8 c.	8 c. 8 c.	Fancy dairy			
No. 2 Nor	97	964	85	Extra choice steers	6.00-6.25	6.00-6.10	*****	No. 1 dairy	26c	26c	17e
No. 3 Nor		964	83	Choice butcher steers and				Good round lots	24c	24c	15e
No. 4	86	84	771	heifers	5.50-5.75	5.50-6.00	5.75-6.25			and the same	
No. 5	745	721	724	Fair to good butcher steers				Eggs (per doz.)			18c
No. 6	63	61	65 1	and heifers	4.50-5.00	4.50-5.00	4.75-5.15	Strictly, fresh	23c	22c	
Feed	581	521	60	Best fat cows	4.50-5.00	4.50-5.00	4.75-5.00				
				Medium cows	3.75-4.25	3.75-4.95	4.25-4.50	Per bushel	80e		
Cash Oats				Common cows	4 00-4 50	4.00-4.50	8.95-3.50	Fer bushel	800	90e	70e-75
No. 2 C.W	451	431	311	Best bulls	3.00-3.50	3.25-3.75	3.00-3.25	Milk and Cream			
		-0.00		Com'n and medium bulls	6 00-6.75	6.00-6.50	5.50-6.00	Sweet cream (per lb. butter			
Cash Barley				Choice veal calves	4 00-5 50	4.50-5.50	4.50-5.00	fat	40e	40c	
No. 3	65	66	70	Heavy calves	A STATE OF THE PARTY OF THE PAR	4,00 0.00	4.00 0.00	Cream for butter-making	100	100	D. * * * * * *
Cash Flax	1000			Best milkers and spring- ers (each)	845-860	845-860		purposes (per lb. butter			
No. 1 N.W.	100	189	998	Com'n milkers and spring-				(at)	35e	35c	
No. 1 N. W	193	108	230	ers (each)	895-835	825-835		Sweet milk (per 100 lbs.)	82.00	82.00	
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May (old)	1014	1011	891	Hogs		THE STATE OF THE STATE OF	17 2 N A R A B	Dressed Poultry	Park State of	THE SERVICE	M. Suffer
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July			903	Choice hogs	88.00	87.50	87.50	Fowl (drawn)	15c	15e	16c-17
	1	1.00		Rough Sows	80.00	86.50	6.00-7.00	Ducks	18c	18c.	18c
Oats Futures	1			Stags	85.50	\$5.50	5.25-5.75	Geese	18e	18c	21c
May	474	45	321					Turkeys	24c	18c-20c	23c-2
July	46	45	331						100	100	Min was
			-	Sheep and Lambs				Hay (per ton)			
Flax Futures	1	Tours.			CARL TE	Production of the	1025080 3	No. 1 Wild	87	85	\$13 \$11
May				Choice lambs		*****	*****	No. 2 Wild	812	819	811
July		1	230	Best killing sheep		*****	*****	No. 1 Limothy	91%	41%	817



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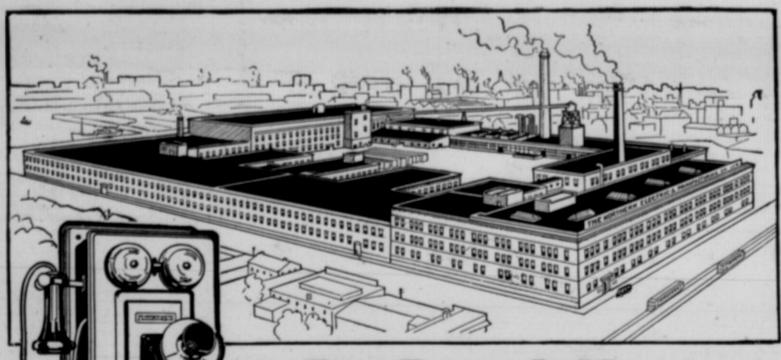


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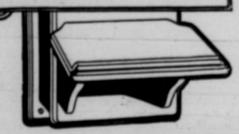
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