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## THE FARMER'S ADVOCATE.

## EDITORIAL.

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#### Kerries and Dexter-Kerries.

The cattle represented on our first page, although not introduced into Canada, are the only pure-bred native breed of cattle in Ireland that possess much merit. They have been bred pure for a great number of years; but only in an aimless way until within a comparatively recent period. For a considerable time their excellent dairy qualities have won for them much favor in many parts of Britain, as well as in their native home. In general outline they are small but handsome, possessing finely-formed limbs. Their average height is about forty inches, and dressed weight of bullocks is from 400 to 500 pounds, and the average live weight of the cows is from 500 to 600 pounds. They are exceptionally hardy,-will live and thrive in almost any ordinary climate. The Kerry is known as "the poor man's" or the Irish cotter's dairy cow, especially in cold and inferior districts; but the breed also possesses the power of beef production in an eminent degree.

Points.-The true Kerry colors are orange skin with black hair, though specimens with red-brown hair do occur in the purest blood, but more frequently, perhaps, in the Dexter variety than in the others. White patches also appear from time to time. The head is small, fine, tapering, and wellbalanced; cheeks lean; muzzle fine; nostrils high, well-placed, and rather open; eyes mild, full, and lively; horns well-sprung, rather upstanding, and smooth, rather thick at the base, but gently tapering and tipped with black; ears small, fine, and of rich orange color within. The neck is straight and fine. The body is well-rounded, the back being straight and even and the ribs well-sprung. The chest is fairly deep and broad ; shoulders sloping and wethers fine; hind-quarters proportionately large, but narrow at the rumps and high at the thighs; udder well-rounded, full, and capacious, in line with the belly and well up behind; teats large, well-placed, and rather far apart. The fore legs are short and straight; hind legs squarely placed and well-proportioned.

Mr. James Robertson (England), who has done a great deal to advance the interests of the Kerries, makes the following observations: "I have made no extended experiments and am unaware of any having been made; but my experience of an average Kerry cow is that she will yield twelve quarts of milk per day, and ten to eleven quarts of milk will make a pound of butter. My herd is kept on prime old pasture which has been most judiciously 'laid down.' The part the Kerry plays most prominently in the agriculture of the country is that they are bred by small farmers in the Kerry Mountains, where they have a temperature and climate much resembling that of the Welsh Mountains. They are kept in and about that district until they are from two and one-half to three years old, when they are bought up in the local fairs in Kerry and elsewhere for the richer lands of surrounding districts; in fact, the popular idea is that if land is not good enough to fatten Shorthorn cattle it will be occupied by Kerries. "Considering the utter neglect with which the Kerry has been treated-no method whatever being followed in their breeding-it is a wonder that they are not extinct long ago. They are very easily kept. Two will consume very little more food than one large Shorthorn, and when crossed with it make both good dairy cows and butchers' beasts. The Kerry cattle are extremely hardy, not liable to disease, are handsome, docile, pretty in the park or paddock, and excellent butter-makers. My champion bull, Busaco, who has never been beaten in a show-yard, and who obtained Royal prizes, measured 68 inches in girth, 36 in height, and 34 from tail to top of shoulder.' The Dexter variety, or Dexter-Kerries, though now distinctly, in all senses of the term, a pure Kerry, whatever may have been its origin, is a much more compact, more substantial and lowerset animal than the Kerry proper. The leg bones are shorter and more substantial, the neck thicker and shorter, and the horns heavier, not so elevated and airy, and the head heavier and not so deer-like as in the case of the original Kerry. It is claimed by some authorities that they contain Devon blood; others are of the opinion that their difference is due only to selection. The name Dexter comes from the name of a man who was the founder of this variety.

Book, 288, won first prize at the Oxford Shire Show, first at Bournemouth, and also at the Royal at Darlington, and has, therefore, an unbeaten record. As regards symmetry and style, this bull leaves but little to be desired, whilst his exquisite touch and quality cannot fail to captivate. Our engraving has been re-engraved from the English Live Stock Journal.

The Dexter-Kerry bull, Tommy Dodd, also the property of Mr. James Robertson, is of the miniature type. He has several first prizes to his credit, and with luck cannot fail to add further honors to his list as time goes on. He is very refined in bone and very true in character and quality. This bull was sold on July 11, among 52 others of Mr. James Robertson's, for fifty guineas, to the Prince of Wales.

Mr. Robertson has held two previous sales. At the one recently held, the animals (all females but Tommy Dodd) averaged £2 a head more than at former sales. The highest price paid for a female was forty guineas for Gilia, sold to A. N. Cookson. The average for the 53 head was £18 2s. 11d., making a total of £961 16s., which shows the high value set upon the breed where well-known.

#### Speeding Horses at Agricultural Exhibitions.

SIR,—Several applications having been made to this Department by various Agricultural Societies for an interpretation of Section 29 of the Agriculture and Arts Act, 1895, the following decision is given to the officers and directors for their guidance, as being the evident intention of the Legislature when passing the Act.

By Section 9 of the said Act, the object of such Societies, as relating to live stock, is confined to two things: (a) the purchase or importation of valuable animals, and (b) awarding premiums for excellence in the raising of stock, etc. Sub-section 3 of this Section declares that none of the funds shall be expended for any purpose inconsistent with the above.

The opinion of the Legislature, as expressed in Section 29, was that horse-racing, as ordinarily conducted, is inconsistent with the objects above set forth. It is presumed therefore, in awarding premiums for light horses of any class, that form' soundness and style shall always be considered as well as speed, and that no horse shall be placed first for speed alone. If, in the judgment of the officers or judges, it is deemed desirable to test the speed of the contesting horses, it is competent under this clause to do so; but the prizes must in every case be awarded on general excellence, as possessing the above characteristics. Neither is it intended that purses shall be prepared of offerings from owners of contesting horses, but that premiums shall be offered in the ordinary way.

It is hoped that the operation of this clause will do away with the professional racehorse at our agricultural shows, and tend to promote the development and encourage the breeding of sound, stylish, right-stepping horses, so much in demand in the great horse markets of the world.

#### The Stock Feeding Problem.

Late July and early August rains wonderfully improved the barley, oat and other grain crops, so that the shortage in hay will result in the extra straw being more carefully utilized than in past seasons The corn and root outlook is generally reported very bright now, and there is far greater acreage of the former than usual. A vastly increased area of millet, Hungarian, rape, rye, white turnips, etc., for supplementary fall feeding, was also sown this season in order to remedy the serious effects of drought. Seedsmen report the run on these classes of seed as something enormous; especially so in the case of rape, the supply of which was completely exhausted.

The stock feeding question will, however, still be a serious one in some sections during the coming winter. Mr. C. P. Goodrich writes in the Prairie Farmer that he does not believe it unreasonable to hope that the short hay crop may prove a blessing to hundreds of farmers by compelling them to adopt better methods of saving their forage, and above all to build silos, as did his son, after a tremendous flood, a few years ago, had swept away 120 acres of bottom land hay, which was being depended upon to feed 75 head of cattle and a number of horses. The young man had 90 acres of corn and 25 acres of clover on upland. It was his custom to break off the ears of corn and allow the cattle to brouse upon the stalks for a short time. On this particular season, a round silo was built, having a 30 feet inside diameter, and 25 feet high to the eaves. Into this he cut 40 acres of good, well-eared corn, which was planted thin so as to be heavily eared. After he had been feeding ensige a short time, he discovered that he had not stock enough for the food. He therefore got 25 more cows and young stock. He wintered his 100 head of cattle and his horses in fine shape, and had in the spring half his clover hay to sell at \$12 per ton. He had milked over 50 cows during the winter, and said he never had cows produce so well in winter before, besides having never fed them at so small a cost. That winter's experience taught him that silos were "all right," and he put up another smaller one for summer feeding, which enabled him to get through the summer of 1893 on 60 acres of pasture for his 100 head. They were fed ensilage twice a day, and so well did they like it that by four o'clock every afternoon they were at the gate waiting to come to the barn for their feed. They allowed the timothy and clover to grow up so well in the pasture that several tons of hay were cut therefrom. Besides this, the cows did better in giving milk than they had done in previous summers, and the butter was better flavored, because the cows had eaten fewer weeds. During the severe drought last year that summer silo caused the cows to produce about as well as if they had had the best of pasture. No other cows in that part of the county could begin to compare with them in the amount of butter they produced. "It was a perfect bonanza," says Mr. Goodrich.

#### Agricultural Societies.

A circular from the Ontario Department of Agriculture, addressed to officers and directors of agricultural societies, notes that the Agriculture and Arts Act was consolidated and amended at the recent session of the Legislature, and directs atten-tion to the following principal changes: 1. All new societies—district, township, and horticultural —must hereafter be organized in the same way, with the compared of the present and only a set of the same way. with the approval of the Department, the month of January (see section 7). 2. All societies previously organized are now bodies corporate. 3. Heretofore the directors made by-laws, etc.; hereafter the making of by-laws and regulations is in the hands of the members (section 13). 4. All township and horticultural societies must send their reports directly to the Department (section 12), and applications for grants must be made to the Department before September 1st (section 19). 5. The division of grants will be made hereafter by the Department, and cheques will be forwarded directly from Toronto. In order to participate in the legislative grant the regulations of the Act must be carefully observed.

AUGUST 15, 1895

Our Illustration.—The Kerry bull, Gay Lad, the property of Mr. James Robertson, The Firs, Hatton, near Warwick, Eng., number in Herd JNO. DRYDEN, Minister of Agriculture. Toronto, Aug. 7, 1895.

[NOTE.—Section 29 of the new Act referred to above reads thus:—

"It shall not be lawful to carry on any horse-racing other than trials of speed under the control and regulation of the officers of the Society during the days appointed for holding any Exhibition by any district or township Society at the place of holding the Exhibition or within five miles thereof."

Evidently, the purport of the Minister's letter interpreting this Section is that the Agricultural Department—very wisely, we think,—seeks to discourage the professional racing class of "attractions," and lead the people, so far as possible by these Exhibitions, to produce the class of horses that just now commands the highest price in the market. Horse-racing, so called, does not accomplish this object.—EDITOR.]

In the last issue of the FARMER'S ADVOCATE we gave in popular phraseology an account of the principles observed and practice pursued in originating new varieties of grain by cross-fertilization. Considerable work of this nature has been carried on at the Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa, under Prof. Saunders: and we are pleased to state that Mr. C. A. Zavitz, the well-known Experimentalist of the O. A. C., Guelph, Ont., will soon devote special attention to this line of investigation. He

d, recently made a tour of other leading experiment
s, stations and seed establishments, picking up many
d valuable points in connection with his work,

Attention is also directed by the Department to the new regulations regarding agricultural shows, a summary of which was given in the ADVOCATE for May 15th.

#### Market Reports.

For the special information of feeders and stock farmers generally, we have, at considerable outlay, completed arrangements for regular reports, prepared by trustworthy parties, of the four principal centres of interest to our Canadian and United States readers, viz., Montreal, Toronto, Buffalo, and Chicago. We now devote a regular department, "Live Stock Markets," to this important subject. What we have published heretofore has met with an appreciative reception on the part of our readers, and in response to further enquiries, we have very considerably extended the scope of the department, which we believe will prove of value.

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#### RIGHT HON. WALTER HUME LONG.

The new President of the British Board of Agriculture, whose portrait appears herewith, is the youngest member of the present Salisbury Cabinet. being some 40 years old. His father and grandfather were also members of Parliament, in which he has sat for fifteen years. His home is at Rood Ashton, Wilts, and Wraxhall, Somerset. He is the eldest son of the late Mr. Richard Penruddocke Long, by Charlotte Anne, only daughter of the Right Hon. Wentworth Fitzwilliam Hume-Dick, of Hume Wood, County Wicklow. He was born in 1854, and was educated at Harrow and Christ Church, Oxford. He married, in 1878, Lady Dorothy Blanche, fourth daughter of the ninth Earl of Cork. He is a J. P. and D. L. for Wiltshire, a J. P. for Somerset, and a captain and hon major in the Wilts Yeomanry Cavalry. Mr. Long was member for North Wilts from 1880 to 1885, and for the Devizes District of Wilts from 1885 to 1892. Being unseated at the general election of 1892, he was subsequently elected for the West Derby Division of Liverpool. In 1886 he was appointed Parliamentary Secretary to the Local Government Board, and occupied that post until 1892. He is the owner of landed estates in England and Ireland, and is said to have distinguished himself by the ability with which he has repre-sented the interests of agriculturists in the House of Commons. Canadians will watch with interest the course he pursues as it relates to live stock interests in this portion of the Empire, notably in connection with the embargo against our cattle.

Interest in the latter subject is revived by the alleged discovery of "pleuro" in one or two Can-adian cattle landed at Deptford on the Hurona from Montreal on July 10th. There was apparently nothing wrong with the cattle prior to slaughter, but the "vets." reported discovering affected lungs afterwards. Cable despatches state that the matter was not brought before the attention of the Canadian representatives until it was too late to make an independent examination. This "discovery will help those who desire to see the embargo maintained, and a section of the British press is certainly making the most of it in reading a sharp lesson to Hon. Mr. Long just as he is getting into harness. At the same time it is worthy of remark that determined effort is to be made by the Scotch feeders to obtain the removal of the embargo. A joint meeting of the Glasgow, Dundee and Aber-deen authorities is being held, with a view to approach the new President of the Board of Agriculture to urge that, as Belgium is removing its embargo, the British Government should do the same, at all events till Christmas, as a test. garding the alleged new cases discovered, it is felt impossible that the disease should exist in Canada without showing itself before now.

#### The Western Crops.

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Before this issue is in the hands of our readers the harvest will be in full blast throughout Mani-toba and the West Barley and some oats were cut as early as August 1st, while a few very early patches of wheat were cut about the 5th inst.

The general crop, while it will not turn out quite so heavy as at one time promised, will be above he average, and with the prospect of fair prices, the future looks more favorable for the agricul-turist than for many a long day.

There is the usual talk in the city papers about the great scarcity of laborers to take off the crop, but we fancy most farmers will manage somehow to take off their harvest with the help they have rather than pay big wages in hard cash to men imported for the occasion.

The potato crop promises to be enormous.

The hay crop has been rather light in most districts, though it thickened up wonderfully the last week or so before being cut.

## STOCK.

#### Winnipeg Industrial Exhibition.

The Exhibition of 1895, while in many respects the most successful yet held by the Association, was certainly the most unfortunate as to weather.

## CATTLE AT THE WINNIPEG INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION.

The display of cattle at this show was such as to call out general expressions of surprise and satis-Surprise that a comparatively new counfaction. try could in so short a time show such a grand collection of high-class animals, and satisfaction that such a solid foundation has been laid for the improvement of the live stock of the Prairie Province

When we reflect that only comparatively few of the well-established herds in the Province were represented, and that many small herds have in them single animals, and some more than one, of superior merit which were not sent up for examination, we may rest assured that there is a leaven of good blood at work which will show its influence in future years in raising the standard of produc-tion both in regard to beef and to dairy produce.

The expert judges from Ontario who passed judgment upon the various classes, Mr. James Russell, on Beef breeds, and Mr. J. C. Snell, on Dairy breeds, spoke in high terms of praise of the general excellence of the animals shown, and in many cases had considerable difficulty in deciding between those of nearly equal merit.

#### SHORTHORNS.

The show of Shorthorns was the largest yet seen here, totalling over seventy entries, and the quality was generally of a high order, with very few inferior specimens. The bulls were especially meritorious, showing that Manitoba breeders realize the importance of keeping sires of sterling character at the head of their herds, knowing that the sire has a commanding influence in marking and making a uniform herd.

The call for bulls three years old and over brought out nine entries, all of which were of more than average merit, even in show-yard company, and when three had been selected for the prize list there were at least three others that were worthy of high commendation. The first place was gener-ally conceded to Purvis Thompson's red-roan three-year-old, "Hilliary," bred by Mr. Redmond; a bull of smooth, even flesh, with neat head and horns, strong crops and well-sprung ribs, and brought out in fine condition. The second place was given to John G. Barron's Topsman, a red three-year-old, bred by Messrs. Russell, of Richmond Hill, Ont; sired by Stanley, and dam by Vice-Consul, two crosses of sweepstakes bulls which have made their park in the records of prize-winning Shorthorns in mark in the records of prize-winning Shorthorns in Canada and the United States. Topsman, while somewhat plain in his head and light in brisket, somewhat plain in his need and light in brisket, has an uncommonly smooth and thickly-fleshed carcass, with fine handling qualities and straight top and bottom lines, standing well on his legs, and showing strongly the characteristics of the favorite modern type of the breed. Mr. Lister's roan Gravesend's Heir 2nd, imported in dam (a favor-ite mith many good judges outside the ring. Gravesend's Heir 2nd, imported in dam (a lavor-ite with many good judges outside the ring, who, from their standpoint, would have placed him higher) was awarded third prize. He is a good big bull, with straight lines and long, smooth quarters, a well-filled brisket and deep flanks, and stands for a good representative of the herd in good company anywhere. The ring for two-year-old bulls was filled by four The ring for two-year-old bulls was filled by four very useful ones, among which was J. Lawrence & Sons' Indian Warrior, a son of Indian Chief, bred by Arthur Johnston. This was the winner of the grand sweepstakes prize at the Columbian Exhibi-tion for best bull under one year, of the beef breeds. He was an exceedingly good calf and gave promise of making a better bull than he is, but has evidently been overdone at some stage of his life, and though or making a better built than he is, but has evidently been overdone at some stage of his life, and though having many good qualities would not take high rank in first-class company. Yet he was considered good enough for first place in his class. And Mr. Andrew Graham's red-roan Manitoba Chief, by the same breeder. was a worthy same sire and from the same breeder, was a worthy second. Mr. Thomas Fraine's Dennis Chief taking third place.

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#### Letter from the Dominion Live Stock Inspector.

SIR,—The following copy of a cablegram is all the information I have about the reported pleuropneumonia discovery at London :-

"Hurona arrived at Debtford on July 10th. Nothing "noticed amiss with animals on landing. After slaughter "lungs of two animals were regarded by Veterinary Inspector "as being affected with pleuro-pneumonia. Diagnosis con-"firmed by Officers Board of Agriculture."

We have all necessary information to enable us to trace the entire shipment if necessary. The fact of no notice having been given to Sir Charles Tupper, or anyone representing Canada, indicates a want of confidence in their diagnosis

a want of confidence in their diagnosis. In my opinion, we are likely to find it another blunder on their part. It cannot be otherwise, as the disease does not exist in Canada; therefore, could not be exported from here: nor could the contagious form of the disease arise spontaneously on the voyage. They may have found a case of on the voyage. They may have found a case of transit pneumonia, but not of contagious pleuropneumonia.

Mr. W. Hunting, F. R. C. V. S., is the veteri-narian usually employed by Sir Charles Tupper as an expert, representing Canada at British ports; but neither were notified. D. MCEACHRAN.

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Montreal, Aug. 12th.

There were four very good yearling bulls entered, and the first prize went to A. and G. Chadburn's Sir Victor, by (imp.) Royal Don, a handsome, straight, red and white bull, showing much promise

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of future fame and usefulness. Mr. Barron's entry a neat, straight, red bull, got second place, and Mr.

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a neat, straight, red bull, got second place, and Mr. Lawrence's Warrior 3rd made a third. Some spec-tators expressed the opinion that J. P. Campbell's Duke of Wales should have come in for a place. Mr. McNaughton's Lord Stanley, a light roan, son of Farmer's Friend and Mary Anne, a lengthy, straight, well-proportioned calf, was a clean first, followed by John E. Smith's entry for second, and Man Barnov's for third place Mr. Barron's for third place.

Purvis Thompson's 1st prize three-year-old bull, Hilliary, was adjudged worthy of the championship prize for best bull of any age in his class.

The section for cows over four years old was wellfilled by seven entries, among which was Mr. Law-rence's seven-year-old white cow, Village Lily, of the same family as the championship bull of the Columbian Exhibition, the unbeaten Abbotsburn, a cow of great substance and fine quality, with a grand back and crops, but getting past her best days, having been kept in show fix for so many years

The same exhibitor showed the fine red-roan five-year-old Wimple of Halton, by Grand Warrior, a cow of fine type with great constitution, standing on short legs, having grand spring of ribs, strong back and crops, and full neck-veins, but a bit short in her quarters and wanting in levelness at that point

Purvis Thompson showed a good big, level, roan cow, Minnie M., not in as high condition as those above mentioned, but capable of being fitted into a strong show cow.

The prizes were placed in the order named ; the white cow being also later in the day crowned queen of females in the contest for sweepstakes.

In the ring for three-year-old cows, Mr. Law-rence's roan, Lenora of Sylvan, bred by Mr. Nicholson, a short-legged, strong-backed, blocky cow, standing somewhat faulty on her hind legs, but a good one, was placed first, followed by the lengthy, straight, well-proportioned Crimson Queen shown by Mr. Ayearst.

In the two-year-olds, Mr. Lawrence won first and second with two useful heifers bred from Mr. Nicholson's stock, and Mr. Lang had a good third in his Gaiety of Spruce Bank.

Purvis Thompson won first honors in the class for yearling heifers with the bonny White Rosebud by the sweepstakes Hilliary, a heifer of strong character and fine quality. And Mr. Chadburn had a good second in his handsome red Marion, by Royal Don.

A good ring of heifer calves was shown, and R. D. Foley had a clean first in his blocky red Duchess of Rosedale by Defiance, a perfect model of the modern Shorthorn as we want it. The herd prize went to Lawrence & Son.

#### POLLED ANGUS.

This fine breed of beef cattle was well-represented by selections from the herds of Messrs. Barrett, Stewart, Traquar, and Clifford, and the prizes rett, Stewart, Traquar, and Chilord, and the philes were pretty well distributed amongst the exhibi-tors; Mr. Barrett's fine Chilton of Brandon win-ning 1st prize for bull over two years, and the sweepstakes for best bull any age. Mr. Stewart won 1st prize for cow, and the herd prize, while Mr. Clifford carried off first honors for three-year-th Missis of Brandon and first for heifer old cow with Missie of Brandon, and first for heifer calf with Marchioness. Mr. Traquar got first for yearling bull and bull calf, second for four-year-old cow, and first for two-year-old heifer.

AYRSHIRES made a strong show, there being representatives of eight herds, including that of Messrs. Smith, of of eight herds, including that of Messrs. Smith, of Fairfield Plains, Ontario, who were awarded the herd prize, but found a close competitor in Steele Bros., of Glenboro, who won 1st prize and sweep-stakes with their handsome yearling bull, "What Care I," a typical Ayrshire, full of style and dairy character, bred by D. Drummond, Petit Cote, Que-bec, a son of Silver King 5809. R. Garvin, Bird's Hill, showed his grand five-year-old bull. Emperor, Hill, showed his grand five-year-old bull, Emperor, and was awarded 1st prize. He is a bull of good dairy form and character. W. A. Scott, Emerson, was awarded first-class honors on his handsome and typical two-year-old bull, Albion.

Andrew Mutter, Brandon, showed a very fine bull in this section, "Selkirk Lad," bred at the Brandon Experimental Farm, and won second prize

W. M. and J. C. Smith had the 1st prize bull calf; a very promising youngster; a son of the 2nd prize cow at the World's Fair, and head of the 1st prize herd here. This calf has since been sold to J. S. Cochrane, Crystal City. W. H. Allbright had a capital calf in this section and made a good second.

The cows in this class were not as good as the bulls, but Messrs. Smith's ten-year-old. Gerta XI., the 2nd prize winner at Chicago, would rank high in any ring for a model dairy cow, and Mr. J. S. Cochrane showed a cow which won 2nd prize and showed fine dairy character. Robert Jackson, Bird's Hill, showed some very fine heifers and won 2nd prize for two-year old heifer and heifer calf.

#### HOLSTEINS

made a strong show. Selections from nine herds were on exhibition. The competition was close and the prizes were widely distributed. As in all the dairy classes, the bulls were strong in this class, and the cows of higher general merit than in any other.

other. Jas. Glennie made a very successful exhibit, winning the herd prize and 1st prize for cow with his Daisy Teak's Queen, bred by Smith Bros., a typical dairy cow, with a perfectly-formed udder and grand dairy form. Christie & Fares had a capital cow in Tempest 3rd, which won 2nd prize. R. McKenzie, High Bluff, won 1st prize in the section for four-year-old bulls with his Emperor of Canada, bred by Smiths Powel & Lamb, a grand specimen of the breed, combining great size with fine quality and good dairy form.

fine quality and good dairy form. The diploma for sweepstakes herd of dairy cattle was won by Jas. Glennie's Holsteins.

#### GRADES.

The division of this class into two sections, beef

type and dairy type, meets with the approval of breeders of special purpose dairy cattle. There was a fine showing in both sections. The beef Short-horn and the dairy Shorthorn, with their grades, were well brought out, as were also those of the Jersey and Holstein grades in the dairy section. Prominent amongst exhibitors in the beef section were D Ersey as Smith and Los Law were D. Fraser & Sons, Jas. Smith, and Jos. Lawrence; in the dairy section, Messrs. Muller, Shar man, and Waghorn & Sutton. Fat cattle were shown in goodly numbers and of fine quality. The three steers shown by Kolved & Co. were especially creditable, being large and smooth and wellfinished.

#### SHEEP.

Judge-D. G. Hanmer, Mount Vernon, Ont. Exhibits of sheep surpassed that of any previous exhibition, both in quality and quantity. The quality of many of the entries called forth the admiration of all who examined this department of the show. The pens were very much crowded, many of the exhibits had to be placed in outside kraals, and during Thursday all the sheep suffered more or less from the exposure to the heavy rain, the pens not being at all suitable for such conditions.

For the first time in the history of this Exhibition, Merinos and Dorset-Horns were exhibited. In the former class, W. & J. Smith, Fairfield Plains, Ont., were the only exhibitors. Ed. Vance, of Emerson, showed some capital specimens of the Dorset-Horns, which were well worthy of the prizes awarded them. In fat sheep, some fair specimens were brought out

#### SWINE.

Judges-D. G. Hanmer, Mount Vernon, Ont., and James Elder, Virden, Man. The swine exhibit is, without doubt, ahead of anything before seen in this Province, nearly every exhibit called in the ring causing general comment. The Berkshires and Yorkshires were exceptionally strong classes. followed by the Chester Whites and Poland-Chinas.

#### BERKSHIRE In the

class, S. Coxworth, Whitby, Ont., made a stong exhibit with fourteen animals brought out in the pink of condition ; a large proportion of the red tickets were captured by this herd.

The famous boar "King Lee" headed a strong class, while the aged sow "Bonny Queen" won 1st in class, diploma and 1st with litter of pigs.

Trilby, a very handsome young sow over six months and under one year, was first in her class.

R. McKenzie, of High Bluff, also showed strong in this class with some twenty extries, winning 1st on a very handsome sow under six months, bred by J. C. Snell & Bros., Edmonton, Ont., 2nd prize on a boar of outstanding merit, but slightly off his feet, and also 2nd prize on aged boar "Milton Lad," bred by Levi Pike.

W. Kitson, Burnside, had forward a few excellent Berkshires, and was fortunate enough to win a number of prizes, winning second on "Black Bet" with litter of ten pigs, a very fine, rangy sow; also 2nd on sow over six month, and second on a young boar under six months, just imported from George

Green, Fairview. R. L. Lang, Oak Lake, also had some capital entries, and came in for a share of the prize money. In sow and litter, "Maiden Lass," bred by S.

loxworth, is an exceptionally good animal, being almost a perfect type of what is wanted in the Berkshire to-day; she was only a little over a year old, and had to show in the age class, otherwise we doubt if anything on the ground could have beaten her. Mr. Lang got third on a boar under six months, and showed good, useful pigs in the aged sow "Spruce Bank Gem" and the boar 'Sambo.'

F. P. Carey had a pair of good pigs with litter, and got 3rd prize on boar.

#### YORKSHIRES

were an exceptionally fine exhibit, particularly in the aged sow class, where eleven animals entered the ring. The judges had no small task in making the awards in this class. James Bray captured first honors with a magnificent animal; A. Graham, 2nd, and A. B. Potter, 3rd. Every section in the Yorkshire class brought out keen competi-tion, and gave evidence that the Yorkshire men have not been asleep during the past year. James Bray also captured a diploma on sow any

age, besides numerous other prizes. J. Oughton won 1st and diploma on aged boar,

1st on boar over six months, 2nd on boar under six months, and 1st and 2nd on sow over six months.

Months, and 1st and 2nd on sow over six months. A. B. Potter showed some good hogs in this class; was 1st on boar under six month, and 1st on sow and litter of pigs. W. J. Lumsden, J. Colen, and F. Nugent were among the other exhibitors in this class.

#### GALLOWAYS.

Mr. William Martin showed 15 head of Galloways, making a very fine display of these hardy, thrifty beef producers, showing strong constitution and character, and all brought out in fine condi-tion,—a credit to the breeder and the breed. He was awarded a full list of prizes worthily won.

#### HEREFORDS

were shown by Mr. Sharman, of Souris, who had a good even herd of the white faces, headed by the fine stock bull Cronkbill Chief, and the shapely cow (imported) Bell of Fellhampton.

The diploma for sweepstakes herd, open to all beef breeds, was won by Joseph Lawrence with his Shorthorns.

#### JERSEYS.

were shown by seven exhibitors, and made a very interesting display of representatives of the butter breed, which is gradually spreading in the Northwest.

Mr. Jas. Bray, of Portage la Prairie, showed a very nice selection from his herd, headed by the 1st prize three-year-old bull, Pete Hugo of St. James, bred by Mr. Reburn, of Montreal. Mr. Millidge, of Winnipeg, had a good second in his Marquette by Canadian John Bull 3rd.

Mr. James Walsham had an elegant entry in two-year-old bulls in his Rudolph of St. Lambert, bred by Mrs. Carpenter, and sired by Nell's John Bull

Mr. Wm. Kitson won 1st prize for his yearling, Burnside Prince, by Pete Hugo, and Jas. Bray second with a close competitor on his Rover Pogis.

The herd prize and the championship for bull went to Mr. Bray, who also won 1st and 2nd for cows; the imported cow Mountain Lynda taking the lead, followed by his Mountain Lady, and Mr. the lead, followed by his Mountain Lady, and Mr. Murray got second place with his three-year-old cow, Maggie Messena; Mr. Bray's Whip-poor-Beauty taking first honors. The cows in this class were not as strong as we could wish, but the bulls were of a high-class, and the heifers were exceed-ingly momising ingly promising.

In Cotswolds, S. Coxworth, of Whitby, Ont., made a strong exhibit with 20 head, most of which were well up in quality, a two-shear ram at the head of the flock being an exceedingly fine specimen of the breed. A pair of shearling ewes also attracted much favorable comment. There was very little opposition in this class.

In Leicesters, J. Murray, of Lyleton, had it all his own way and made one of the best exhibits of sheep on the grounds; his Leicesters being splendid specimens of the breed, and brought out in the pink of condition.

Few Lincolns were shown, and with the excep tion of one pair of ewes shown by W. L. Lytle, were not of conspicuous merit.

As usual, Shropshires made a strong display. J A. S. Macmillan was forward with a good lot, and captured a fair share of the prizes. J. Oughton also made a large entry and came in for some prize money. Diploma for the best ram any age went to Dr. Corbett, on a very strong, handsome entry. Wm. Grogan showed some good specimens in this class. The pen prizes offered by the Shropshire Association went to J. A. S. Macmillan.

In Oxford-Downs, Menzies Bros., James Bray, and P. B. McLaren made exhibits of good, strong, useful sheep, and prizes were pretty well divided up. McLaren's sheep were brought out in better exhibition form than were the others. There is little use nowadays bringing sheep to the Exhibi-tion without properly fitting them.

Southdowns were a medium lot, some of the best sheep being off in color and markings. D. Fraser & Sons, and F. Markland, were among the principal exhibitors in this class.

#### CHESTER WHITES,

though not numerous, were a very creditable ex-hibit; R. S. Preston, K. McLeod, and E. Vance being the principal exhibitors, the honors being shared pretty equally between the first two.

#### TAMWORTHS.

E. H. Carter and R. McCowan were the only ex-hibitors: this breed being still new in the Province. The animals shown, however, were very fair specimens of the breed.

#### POLAND CHINAS.

D. Fraser & Sons and Wm. & J. C. Smith were the only exhibitors. Some very fine specimens of the breed were put in competition. The honors were pretty evenly shared.

#### DUROC-JERSEYS

were shown by Gillespie and Snarey.

#### The Regina Fair.

The greatly-boomed Territorial Fair was opened The greatly-boomed Territorial Fair was opened at Regina on July 30th with great pomp and cere-mony. Among the distinguished visitors that took part in the official opening were: Their Excellen-cies Lord and Lady Aberdeen; Sir Mackenzie Bowell, and Hon. Thos. M. Daly, Minister of the Interior; His Honor Lieut.-Governor Macintosh. Representatives of the Territorial Assembly, the Canadian Pacific Railway the Mounted Police. Canadian Pacific Railway, the Mounted Police, and others, were also present at the grand opening. But with gold lace, feathers and fine speeches the FARMER'S ADVOCATE has very little to do.

In passing, we cannot but condemn the extor-tionate rates charged by the Regina hotel people for the miserable accommodation provided. It was for the miserable accommodation provided. It was a case of grab, right straight through. Although called a Territorial Fair, in the live stock depart-ment it was largely an exhibition of Manitoba and Ontario products, held in the Territories.

The accommodation for stock was, unfortunately, most inadequate, there being neither stalls nor AUGUST 15, 1895

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pens enough for the very large number of entries. The water supply was also very deficient. In fact, everything was in a state of chaos, it taking several days to get all the snarls unravelled and things working smoothly. Instead of the judges getting to work on Tuesday, as announced, they did not get started till Wednesday, and many not until Thursday. Many of the leading exhibits shown at the Winnipeg Industrial appeared here also. There was a magnificient display of agricultural and dairy products, etc.

#### Highland and Agricultural Society's Show at Dumfries.

This show, which is the most important in Scotland, was well up to its highest point of excellence this year. There have been years when entries were more numerous, but seldom, if ever, has the quality of stock reached the fine distinction of this year's exhibit. There are 269 cattle, as comof this year's exhibit. There are 205 caute, as com-pared with 255 at Aberdeen last year; 333 horses, against 324; and 226 sheep, against 183. Of the cattle, 51 are Shorthorns, 73 Aberdeen-Angus, 55 Galloways, 27 Highland and 63 Ayrshires. Agricul-tural horses number 159, draught geldings 22, hunters and roadsters 76, Hackneys 33, turn-outs 3, ponies 40. The sheep comprise 61 Blackfaced, 49 Cheviots, 64 Border Leicesters, 21 Shropshires, 14 half-bred, and 17 in extra sections.

#### CATTLE.

As might be expected, Shorthorns made a fine display, as the best in the country were there. Lord Polwarth's bull, "Nonsuch," illustrated and described in the ADVOCATE of July 15th, was the lst premium winner in an exceptionally well-balanced class of stock. Mr. John Gordon Smith, of Minmore, Glenlivet, was 2nd in this class with a stylish roan, Faugh-a-Ballagh (64013), bred by Mr. Bruce, Inverquhomery, and got by Banadullac, whose get have so often distinguished themselves at the Smithfield Shows. He is of the thick, fleshy winner at the Bath and West of England, was placed third here. Lord Rosebery's Sittyton Seal, a white bull of Collynie breeding, was very highly commended. Two-year-old bulls were a very fine class; in fact, they were better all 'round than the old bulls. The 1st and reserve champion at the Royal came 1st and reserve champion at the Royal came 1st here. This famous youngster, Champion Cup (65240), shown by Mr. Geo. Harrison, was bred by Mr. Deane Willis. He is of that fasci-nating roan color, has fully more quality than most, and in thickness of flesh has few equals. Next came a red bull, Sign of Riches (63326), bred at Uppermill. He was champion at Dublin and Belfast. He is possessed of marked quality, being especially straight in his lines and particularly good over the rib. Lord Rosebery's Collyine bull, Lord Provost, a son of Scottish Archer, came 3rd. He is a big, stylish animal, likely to get useful stock. In a fine class of yearlings, Collynie-bred stock scored well. The roan bull Watchword, by Scottish Archer, shown by J. Douglas Fletcher, was 1st, followed by Mr. Gilmore with another roan, Bridegroom; both of these were bought at Collynie last year. The 1st winner is a remarkable yearling, full of Shorthorn character and quality. Bridegroom, by Touchstone, is a bigger bull than Watchword, but is scarcely so nice in front.

The female classes were fairly well filled with good ones. In the cow class, Lord Polwarth scored 1st with his roan cow, Heroine, by Royal Riby. She was 1th at the Royal She curries She was 4th at the Ribv wealth of even flesh, but might be better covered on the shoulder. Lord Rosebery came 2nd with the Collynie cow, Fragrant Blossom; much might be said in her favor. Mr. W. T. Malcolm, Dunmore, was 3rd with the neat cow Rain Drop, bred by himself. Two-year-old heifers were a specially good class. Among them was found the champion female of the breed in Graceful III., shown by Mr. Arthur W. Law. She was bred by Mr. C. E. Law, Holl Farm, Keith, and got by Prince of the North. She has been a winner on several former occasions. Last year she was 2nd at Aberdeen, and 1st and champion at Nairn. She also won 1st in her class and the championship premium at the Royal Northern this year. She is full of quality, being extremely hard to fault. Her position as champion female was not for a moment criticized. Second to her, in her class, came the roan heifer Pearl, the property of Mr. John Hill, Langside, Kennoway, who bred the champion bull Nonsuch. Mr. Geo. Harrison was 3rd with Gratia, also a roan, by British Ingrim II. Yearling heifers, after the first and second, were only of moderate quality. Mr. A. W. Law was again 1st with Aggie Grace, a beautiful roan, got by Sanquehar, which stood champion at Aberdeen when a two-year-old. Second prize went to Mr. Geo. Harrison for his red heifer, Rose Blossom, bred at Kinellar. Lord Rosebery and Lord Polwarth came 3rd and 4th with a red and white heifer respectively. It is worthy of notice that roans and whites captured a very large per cent. of the best premiums. Aberdeen-Angus cattle were out in big force, although not nearly so large as at the corresponding show last year. At the same time there was a strong representation of the best of the kind. The strong representation of the best of the kind. The president's medal for the best Aberdeen-Angus was won by the veteran, Prince Inca, the Ballindalloch stock bull. He is an extraordinary animal, being much admired for his enormous scale, and especially the wonderful development of his thighs. To refer to all of the many good winners in this grand

breed would take more space than is at our disposal. It will suffice to say that in every class extremely worthy animals were found to carry off the awards, and in some cases good ones had to leave with only the commendation of the public. Females were numerous and meritorious in every section, there being as high as twenty entries in the yearlings, which number was followed quite closely in the two-year-olds.

Galloways are always a strong class at Dumfries. This year's exhibit lost nothing by a comparison with that of any former like occasion. The first Royal winner was not present, but R. F. Dudgeon's Crown Jewel II., the 2nd Royal winner, took ist and championship here. He was followed by H. B Murray Stewart's Pathfinder II., who fell behind the first winner only in gait. They are both grand animals, being large, firm and level through-out. Two-year-olds numbered five entries. The cow class had twelve entries, among which were some of extraordinary scale. In eleven entries of two versed heifers was Mr. John Cunningham's two year-old heifers was Mr. John Cunningham's Dora of Durhamhill, who won the female championship award. One-year-olds numbered 16 en-tries, the first ten of which may be truthfully spoken of as being extra fine.

Highlanders, although far from home at Dum-Highlanders, although far from home at Dum-fries, made out a nice showing. The entries num-bered as follows: Aged bulls, 4; two-year-olds, 4; yearlings, 8. Aged cows, 5; two-year-olds, 5. The champion male was Valentine XI. (1160), a two-year-old shown by Mr. Smith, of Ardtornish. Ayrshires.—Taken as a lot the Ayrshires were of

very good quality, and some of the classes were pretty well filled. This, of course, is nothing more than should be expected when it is remembered that the show was held quite near some of the best dairy districts in Scotland. The champion of the bulls was the Royal winner, Mr. Reid's Royal Kyle. He was bred at Lessnessock, and is owned by Mr. Robt. M. Reid, Bonshaw, Stewarton. He also led in the aged bull class, being followed by Mr. Thos. Barr's White Cockade, bred by Mr. W. Hood. He held the same position at the Royal. The 3rd was Mr. Leonard Pilkington's Field Marshal, the champion at Ayr last year. In two-year-olds, Mr. Mitchell's Son-of-a-Gun, from Barcheskie, won 1st after a long struggle and the calling of a third index to double between him and Mr. Montreaman's judge to decide between him and Mr. Montgomery's Royal Magregor, who was ultimately placed 2nd. First Choice, shown by Mark J. Stewart, M. P., was placed 3rd. This is the reverse order from what they were placed at the Royal. There was rather a good show of cows and heifers; indeed, of the latter the show was about the best ever seen at the Highland Society. Cows in milk made a class of ten entries. Mr. Alexmilk made a class of ten entries. ander Cross, of Knockdon, was 1st with Soncy of Outmains, a useful cow that deserved her place. Mr. Robt. Wilson, Mansuraes, was 2nd with the black cow-the first winner at Paisley. Mr. Pilkington secured 3rd award on Brownie, bred by Mr. George Alston. There was yet another class of three-year-old heifers or cows of any age calved in 1892, and due to calve within one month of the first day of the show. Here the champion of the (7807), from West Newton, Strathaven. Mr. Cross, of Knockdon, was 2nd with Bright Lady, by Bobby. Two-year-old heifers were the best class of the show. Mr. W. P. Gilmore, Balmangan, Borgue, was 1st with the white heifer bred at Orchardton. She is a very pretty heifer, and it is noteworthy that last year's 1st prize winner in this class came from this herd. Mr. Andrew Mitchell was 2nd with Cecilia, a handsome heifer bred in Eaglesham

He is sweet, thick, short-coupled, and moves like a hackney. The 3rd ticket was given to Mr. Matthew Marshall, Stranrear, for Vanguard, bred by Mr. James F. Murdock, and got by Flashwood, out of the Darnley mare Anita. Last year he stood 1st at the Royal. He is well-limbed, but lacks a little in style.

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Two-year-old colts formed the strongest class in the male division, numbering, in all, seventeen. The 1st winner was not hard to find in Mr. Wm. Carr's grand colt, Knight o' Corval. He has been shown all the season and has won all the way along. He is sired by Gallant Prince and out of a Top Gallant mare, owned by Mrs. Lamont, Killellan. Wm. Graham, Edengrove, came 2nd with his Royal winner, Bridegroom (9886), by Knight of Lothian, out of Delilah by Macgregor. Messrs. Mont-gomery's MacMartin (9948), followed next in order. Ho is own brother to their 2nd prime three years of He is own brother to their 2nd prize three-year-old horse Macfie.

Yearling colts made a fine display. Here the Messrs. Montgomery stepped up to 1st place with a son of Macgregor and a Lord Erskine mare. Messrs. James A. Wallace and Matthew Marshall took the 2nd and 3rd awards.

Brood mares numbered half-a-dozen good ones. Wm. Graham's Royal Rose was chosen as the best. She was champion at Glasgow, 1st at the Highland last year, and 1st at the Royal this year. She is a daughter of Macgregor and a Top Gallant mare. The Darnley mare, Vanora, owned by Mr. Geo. Alston, came next; Lady Louise, bred at Hill of Petty, and owned by Mr. Wm. Park, Brunstane, stood 3rd.

A fine class of barren mares came forward. Here many really good ones had to return to their stalls ticketless.

Three-year-olds were a medium lot, and twoyear-olds were an extra fine lot of seventeen. Year-lings, twenty-three strong, contained many good ones

Hackneys.-Although the entries in this section Hackneys.—Although the entries in this section were not very numerous, the quality was well up; nearly all the principal Scotch studs having exhibits forward. In stallions any age, Mr. G. E. Galbraith was 1st with Danebury. Mr. Alexander Morton was 2nd with Glenlyon, and Mr. J. G. Mackie was 3rd with Sir Wilton. For brood mares 15 hands and upwards, Mr. G. E. Galbraith again scored 1st with Lola, followed by Mrs. Mackie's Lady Wilton II. For brood mares under 15 hands, Mr. Galbraith carried off another 1st premium for Danish Lady. carried off another 1st premium for Danish Lady. Mrs. Mackie again followed with Lady Wilton III. The filly sections contained many good representatives.

#### SHEEP.

Blackfaces were altogether the best and most numerous shown, although Border Leicesters and Cheviots were well shown. Shropshires were not sively to the flocks of Mr. Buttar, of Corston, Coupar-Angus; Messrs. Jordan & Sons. of Kendal; and the Earl of Strathmore. Mr. Buttar carried off all the leading prizes.

#### FARM.

#### Notes from Prince Edward Island.

Crops are looking well now since the extended drouth is at last broken.

Haying is just finished. The crop is under an average.

Pasturage was good early in the season, and the dairy industry has been very successful so far. The output of cheese will be nearly double that year.

parish, and got by an Orchardton bull. Mr. Pilking-ton was 3rd with Daisy Bell, which was 1st at the Royal. Yearling heifers numbered seven entries.

#### HORSES.

The Clydesdale exhibition was one of the great features of the show. Although there were numerous empty boxes, the quality of those present brought the exhibit up to a successful issue. Eight evenly-matched aged stallions put in an appear-ance, but the winner was easily found in the Marquis of Londonderry's famous Holyrood (9546), which thus secured his third 1st prize ticket at the Highland ; having won as a two-year-old in Edin-burgh, and as a three-year-old at Aberdeen. This grand horse has improved up till the present, when grand horse has improved up thit the present, when he may be rightly regarded as one of the great horses of the country. He also won the champion-ship. His sire is Mr. Riddle's Gallant Prince. Holyrood stands 17 hands high, is very evenly-balanced, and moves close, free and easy as a colt. His bone, ankles and feet lack nothing desirable. Prince Albert of Rosehaugh (9357), shown by Mr. J. Douglas Fletcher, was placed 2nd, after a close contest with Gold Mine (9540), who has for three Gold Mine is a hard horse to get over while standing, but his action is not as good as his more suc-cessful competitors'. The 2nd prize horse was sired by Prince of Albion, and his dam a Springhill-Darnley mare. Gold Mine is owned by W. C. Mc-Farlane, Greenburn, and got by Goldfinder.

Three-year-old stallions were a fair lot of eight. Mr. J. Douglas Eletcher's celebrated McEachran 9792), which won at the Royal, Darlington, and the Highland last'year, was an outstanding 1st winner.

Prof. Robertson and Mr. McLaren have visited the Island cheese factories and are well pleased with the quality of cheese made.

The Patrons of Industry are being organized on the Island.

The sixth annual Provincial Exhibition will be neld at Charlottetown on Sept. 24-27. Mr. A. B. Warburton is the Secretary, from whom prize lists and other information can be obtained.

#### Sowing Clover Alone.

When people advocate sowing clover without a nurse crop, it is a little hard to see where the advantage comes in. While it is a fact that clover sometimes winter-kills, or fails to obtain a good catch when sown with wheat or barley, the same may be said of a clover crop either sown alone or along with timothy. When grass or clover seed is sown alone, every opportunity is afforded strong growing weeds to develop, and not only smother the desired plants, but, unless they are mown once or twice during the first season, they will go to seed. Another disadvantage is that of losing the most of one season's crop. It is true that some autumn pasture will be afforded; but, as a rule, very little.

#### Sacaline.

Mr. Falconer, editor of Gardening, states that he has had the Polygonum Sachalinense under cultivation since 1879, and that it is a much more gigantic plant than the P. cuspidatum, and is not as useful for ornamental purposes as the latter. He also finds that the former is not as pestiferous a runner as the latter, and this is very much in its favor, as one of the chief objections to the plant has been that it would prove as bad a thing to get rid of as the Canadian thistle. He says he has had no experi-ence with it as a forage plant, for which it has been

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Bulletin No. 48, of the Kansas State Experiment Station, gives their six years' experience with ensilage, from which we take a few points applicable to our conditions.

The time has gone past in the more advanced parts of North America, where stock raising is the right arm of agriculture, to argue the benefits of the silo. Each year sees the erection of more silos than the one previous, and were money a little more plentiful, the number put up this year would have been enormous.

To the beginner there is always a felt need of a few pointers on filling, etc., which we will endeavor to give from this Kansas bulletin and our own

knowledge. In Kansas, as in more Northern latitudes, corn is the main silage crop. It has been found that there is no crop which will yield more nutrition to the acre, one year with another, than corn.

When there is a large acreage to be handled, the harvesting should commence when the grain is in the milk or soft dough, as then the grain frequently hardens before completing the filling. The proper time to fill is when the grain is in hard dough and the lower leaves begin to get yellow. At the Kansas Station, as at the Guelph Station, the one-horse sled cutter is most in favor for cutting the crop in the field. It is provided with two knives, which are hinged to the body of the sled and can be folded in on the clock when part in use [An illus folded in on the sled when not in use. [An illus-tration of this sled was given in the FARMER'S ADVOCATE, Aug. 15th, 1894.] It has been improved and made easier to pull by providing it with four low and broad cast-iron wheels, but that makes it more difficult to guide. It is pulled by a single horse, and cuts two rows at a time. Two men stand upon the cutter, each facing a row; as the corn is cut they gather it into armfuls, which they drop in heaps on the ground. A wagon with a low, broad rack follows, on which the corn is loaded and hauled to the silo. The advent of a machine by which the heavy corn can be loaded directly onto a wagon will be heartily welcomed. When this low wagon is used for hauling the corn to the silo, there should is used for hauling the corn to the silo, there should be a raised platform beside the ensilage cutter upon which the load can be driven, so that the unloading will be done down hill. In this way the cutter can be easily kept full. Without this platform arrange-ment, we doubt the advantage of the low wagon, as it is better to provide an extra hand or two in the field, to do all the elevating there, than to have any lost time at the barn. Load the stalks across the lost time at the barn. Load the stalks across the wagon, reversing the ends of each layer; the bundles can then be lifted separately and slid down a slanting platform into the cutter.

Judging from the present prospects, the cutting sled will be all right this season between rows that are three feet or more apart, but where the corn is rank and at all twisted or lodged, better results are secured by using the sickle hand-cutter. The oldfashioned sickle or reap-hook is still used by the majority. There is also another implement liked by many, the blade of which resembles about a foot of a scythe blade next the heel, except that it root of a scytne blade next the heel, except that it has not the heavy back, but is about as thick throughout as an ordinary sickle. The edge differs from the old sickle in being serrated or scalloped. The handle is just a straight piece of wood about a foot long, having a leather loop which the hand grasps along with the handle. The loop is attached to the handle by means of a screw-neil and reliance to the handle by means of a screw-nail, and relieves

the necessity of grasping the handle tightly. At the Kansas Station the corn is cut int

it and one or two pails dashed down into the corners. This forms a dense mat or blanket of mould a few inches thick, which makes a better covering than almost anything else that has been tried. After the water is put on, never put a foot upon it until ready to commence feeding, or it will break the mould and admit air.

THE VALUE OF CORN FODDER AND ENSILAGE. O. P. Clinton, Waukesha Co., Wis., writes the Prairie Farmer as follows:—"I built a round silo three years ago. It holds 120 tons, and cost \$140. The feeding value of an acre of ensilage is from \$15 to \$30, according to crop—fed mostly to cows. Fed mostly to cows. Fed some to sheep with good results. Corn fodder, if well-cured and saved, is worth four-fifths as much is ensilage; but these conditions rarely obtain, and hence, generally is worth about half.'

#### Fall Wheat Growing.

Mr. James Miller, Brougham, Ont., reports as follows:-

Comparatively little fall wheat has been sown in this part of the County of Ontario in recent years. At one time this was one of the best localities for the profitable raising of it, and the older settlers got so infatuated with the profits that the dream remained long after the reality. They grew it years after it ceased to be a paying crop, and it was very lucky for them that the growing of barley held out remuerative inducements for a number of years afterwards, but it, too, now has failed. I think with a re-turn of better prices for wheat, farmers will return to it again. There has been an increase in the number of bushels to the acre realized during recent *rears* 

All things considered, the present winter wheat crop will turn out as profitable a grain crop this season as any the farmer has raised. The heads are long and the berry plump and bright. It wintered well, and got a good start in the early spring—be-fore the drouth set in. The frost in the latter part of May hurt it considerably, but it was remarkable how it recovered. The straw was a good length, which the farmers in recent years more highly prize than formerly. It is turning out from 20 to 25 bushels to the acre.

Our soil is a clay loam (but somewhat varied) naturally rich in both vegetable and mineral natter.

The neighboring farmers generally sow fall wheat now after an Alsike clover crop, as it has many advantages, found out from practical experience based upon theoretical or technical knowl-edge, which is that clover deposits nitrogen in the soil and wheat takes it out again (in the form of albumen and gluten, of which the grain of wheat is for the greater part composed) faster than nature leposits it.

It might be profitable as well as interesting to your many readers to know that the amount of nitrogen contained in the roots and stubble of an ordinary clover crop will amount to from 150 to 180 lbs., while a crop of winter wheat yielding about 25 bushels to the acre will only take out about 35 lbs., so that it will be easily perceived that by such a system of farming the land would be built up, as well as the direct profit realized, as many of your readers can testify that have tried the experiment, Alsike clover yielding, as it generally does, from 6 to 7 bushels per acre.

Barnyard manure is not so generally used now on the winter wheat land, as a largely increased acreage is now grown with roots and corn, which requires the whole of it Some grow a green crop of buck wheat instead of the bare summer-fallow of olden times, and plow it under when about at the blossom stage, previous to sowing their winter wheat All things considered, a usual crop of Alsike followed by a similar wheat crop at, say, \$1.00 per bushel, ought to be two fair paying crops, and with comparatively little labor; but I would not recommend a too frequent repetition, as the land is apt become dirty. It appears to me the best method to plow the clover stubble only once and harrow it over about twice at intervals afterwards with the spring-tooth harrow to retain the moisture for the reception of the seed. The wheat should be sown about the lst of September, so that it may get a good top before the winter sets in.

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## DAIRY.

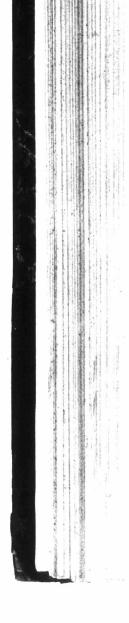
#### Winnipeg Industrial Dairy Test.

Following are the results of the dairy test for the special prize offered by the Pure-bred Cattle Breeders' Association at the Winnipeg Industrial Exhibition. Test was conducted by Mr C. C. Mc-Donald, Provincial Dairy Superintendent.

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#### Cold Storage for Cheese, Butter, Etc.

As stated in the July 15th ADVOCATE, sufficient butter was not on hand to fill the cold storage compartment in the first steamer fitted up at Montreal, under the direction of Dairy Commissioner Robertson, and the space was filled with cheese. Regarding this the Liverpool Post says :-"Since its arrival in Liverpool we have had an opportunity of inspecting the cheese thus shipped. The consignees express themselves as highly satisfied with the outcome of the experiment. The cheese, which in all comprises upwards of 840 boxes, has been warehoused in the very pink of condition. The paramount object in shipping cheese hitherto has been to obtain as great an immunity as possible from 'sweating' of the article. Not only does the cheese itself become impoverished in quality by 'sweating,' but foreign flavors are imparted, owing to the presence of other cargo in the hold of the The new experimental process adopted by vessel Prof. Robertson in the instance under notice not only prevents 'sweating,' by reason of the refriger-ating resorted to, but also by isolation absolutely precludes the possibility of any foreign flavor being contracted. The whole of the boxes of cheese received are quite free from 'sweating' marks and as fresh as when first taken on board the Mongolian. Hence, it is not at all improbable that Prof. Robert-son's method as applied to cheese, if not prohibitive in point of cost, will at no distant time find universal acceptance.



inch lengths, which packs tighter and is more cleanly-eaten by the stock than when cut longer. There is a good deal written and spoken in favor of the shredder for preparing corn for the silo, and we have every reason to believe that the claims advanced in its favor are fully warranted, as by it the corn is reduced to a pulp, extremely palatable to the stock and packable in the silo.

A few years ago it was thought necessary to keep a man in the silo during filling, to level the corn and tramp it down around the edges and corners; even yet the Kansas Station and many others adhere to that method, but according to John Gould, of Ohio, who is an authority on silo and ensilage, the man in the silo can be better dispensed with. Just as long as John kept a man tramping and spreading, just so long had he spoiled ensilage. Now he sends a man in for a few minutes every two hours, and the silage is all good from top to bottom. Mr. Gould's plan is this: To arrange a platform, five feet square, at the center of the top of the silo, upon which the ensilage falls from the carriers of the cutter. The silage forms a cone, about five feet high, which sheds the heavy and light corn to all sides alike, always leaving the centre the lowest. If the sides or corners are getting a little slack, the platform is given a slight turn to throw the corn into the lower spots. The last load of each day is run into the centre by removing the platform. In this way the sides and corners are evenly and equally filled, and is tramped or pressed down by its own continuous weight. The eighth load tramps the seventh, and all before it, and so on all the way up. A few days after filling, it will have settled sufficiently to hold several more loads, which are put in by the same method. The Kansas Station people cover their silo with a layer of six or eight inches of fine green grass, and this covered by a few loads of earth, which excludes the air fairly successfully. Just here, again, John Gould claims to have found an easier and better way. After the corn is all in and well-leveled and tramped on the tion of the United States is being extended into

top, about twenty pails of water is sprinkled over | Canada.

The varieties sown are principally the Clawson and Democrat.

### APIARY.

#### Ill-Shapen Combs.

Mr. G. M. Doolittle, replying to a correspondent n the American Bee Journal, explains why bees build ill-shapen combs. As the thick, clumsy comb is usually found near the edge of the rack, some suppose the cause to be low temperature at that point while building is going on, but this theory is not sanctioned, because comb building never goes on at a temperature below 95 Fahr. The real reason is given as loss of the queen. The writer states that he has often discovered that a colony has lost its queen by the style of comb being built. That not nearly as nice comb is built when a colony has no laving queen in the hive is one of the reasons why he does not like the plan of taking away the queen to prevent swarming.

A NOTE FROM THE DAIRY COMMISSIONER.

Editor FARMER'S ADVOCATE SIR,-I think a modified form of cold storage at the port of shipment, and insulated compartments on board the steamships, will be adopted for all shipments of cheese during the hot weather. We have suffered considerably from the want of that in the past, as our cheese have in many cases arrived in such a heated condition that they were apt to go off flavor and become deteriorated in the English market. That would have wholly been avoided if suitable cool rooms had been provided in Montreal in connection with insulated compartments on board the steamships.

Our arrangements for the refrigerator car service on the railways, refrigerating accommodation in Montreal, and insulated compartments on board tle ial

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the steamships, have been very satisfactory. The shipments have been nearly 3,000 packages per week lately, and the reports from England of the arrivals of the first shipments sent in the cold storage compartments are all that could be desired. Our Department accepts no responsibility in regard to the selling of the butter.

I feel confident that the cold storage service (\*) which has been inaugurated will prove of enormous benefit to the producers of perishable products in Canada. I can see already how, by means of these preserving and protecting facilities, a very great expansion in the shipments of poultry, eggs, and fruit, as well as butter and cheese, can be made to Great Britain, with the certainty that our goods will reach the consumers there in excellent condi-Yours very truly, h. JAS. W. ROBERTSON. tion. I am,

Ottawa, Aug. 5th.

#### (\*) THE COLD STORAGE SERVICE.

(\*) THE COLD STORAGE SERVICE. Following are particulars of agreements made on behalf of the Government for the cold storage service:--Railways.-The agreement with the railway companies is in substance that the Government guarantees a sum equal to two-thirds of the amount which would be earned at the car-load rate from the point from which the car starts to Montreal. The shippers of butter by these cars are charged the usual less than carload rates, and the revenue so earned by the several cars is credited to the amount guaranteed by the Government. Thus the Government has agreed to pay only the difference between the earnings of each car and the two-thirds of each carload rate upon such car from the point of starting to Montreal. In some cases the earnings will equal the amount guaranteed by the Government. In addition, the Government pays for the cost of icing the cars.

In addition, the Government pays for the cost of icing the cars. Steamships.—An agreement has been made with the steamship companies by which the Dominion Government agrees to pay from Montreal to Liverpool the sum of 15s. per 40 cubic feet (one ton by measurement) for the space occupied by the refrigerator compartments which are being put up in the several steamships. The steamship companies agree to issue bills of ladings to those who ship creamery butter in these compartments at the ordinary current rates for that week for butter and cheese. The amount so earned is credited on the sum guaranteed by the Government as specified above. Only such butter as has been handled in compliance with the conditions announced in the circular issued specifying this service is entitled to the privi-leges of the cold storage service on board the steamships. The Government puts up the compartments at its own expense, and of such a permanent character that they are expected to last for several years—practically part of the ship's equipment.

expected to last for several years—practically part of the ship's equipment. The rate agreed upon between Montreal and Bristol is 20s. per 40 cubic feet, or ton measurement. The cost of these com-partments will vary from \$250.00 to \$350 00 per steamship, for a capacity of 1,000 packages of butter;—package of butter contains about 70 pounds. Warehouse in Montreal.—The Montreal Cold Storage and Freezing Company offer to store butter which used the cold storage on the railways and was intended for the cold storage service on steam-ships, provided by the Government, at lower than usual rates, viz. Scents per 100 pounds of butter for the first 15 days, at a temperature not exceeding 20' Fahr., and 10 per 100 pounds of butter for the subsequent 30 days or any part thereof. The Government offer to charge those who comply with the requirements as to shipping the butter while still fresh at the rate of 5 cents per 100 pounds for the first 15 days, and for the following 30 days, or any less period, 8 cents per 100 pounds of butter. 100 pounds of butter

#### Feeding Standards and Rations for Dairy Cows.

[Farmers' Institute address by G. E. Day, B. S. A., Professor of Agriculture and Live Stock Lecturer, O. A. C., Guelph.]

A great deal of attention is at present being devoted to the economical use of our stock foods; and since a knowledge of the composition of food stuffs and an intelligent conception of the use of their different constituents cannot fail to be of value to the thoughtful feeder, this paper has been prepared in the hope of simplifying the subject and of attracting more attention to this very important

force. It is also stored up in the body as fat, to be used when required. Thus fat animals can live a long time without food, the fat that has been stored up supplying heat.

Carbohydrates are concerned chiefly in the pro-duction of heat, and are not stored up in the body. They form the largest part of vegetable foods.

If an animal is fed upon protein alone, it cannot live long, but becomes sickly and dies in a com-paratively short time. Protein is also more expen-sive than carbohydrates, and therefore it is a wasteful practice to feed more protein than is necessary. At the same time, in order to obtain the best results, a certain amount of protein is necessary, as is also a certain amount of fat; and the object of the feeder is to compound a ration which contains these three substances (protein, carbohydrates and fat) in the most suitable proportions. Such a ration is called a "balanced ration.

The relation which the digestible protein bears to the digestible carbohydrates and fat is called the nutritive ratio" of a fodder. Thus, if we say that the nutritive ratio of a fodder is 1:7, we mean that there is one part of digestible protein to seven parts of digestible fat and carbohydrates.

The value of a fodder depends upon its composi-tion and its digestibility. No fodders are entirely digestible, though roots and milk are very nearly so. We cannot, therefore, determine the nutritive ratio of a fodder from its composition only, but we must know what portions of the different constituents are digestible.

Digestion experiments are very difficult to con-duct, but the following table shows the latest con-clusions of experts as to the amount of digestible nutrients in the several food stuffs named, and may be regarded as approximately correct. The column under "Total organic matter" contains the total amount of digestible and indigestible protein, carbohydrates and fat in the different fodders.

Pounds of nutrients in 100 pounds of fodder :-

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	Digest-		Digest-	Total
Fodder.	ible	ible Car-	ible	Organic
	Protein.	bohydrates.	Fat.	Matter.
Pasture grass	2,6	10.6	.5	18
Green fodder cora	1.3	11.8	.7	19.5
Green clover		14.1	.4	27.1
Green rye		14.1	.4	21.6
Green oats		22.7	1.0	35.3
Corn silage		14.0	.7	24.2
Fodder corn, dry	3.7	40.4	1.2	66.8
Red clover hay		34.9	1.6	78.5
Alfalfa hay	7.6	37.8	1.3	84.2
Timothy hay	3.0	43.9	1.2	82.4
Oat straw	1.6	41.4	-7	85.7
Pea straw	4.3	32.3	.8	79.8
Potatoes	1.4	16.1	.1	20.1
Sugar beets	1.1	9.3	.1	12.6
Mangels	1.1	4.8	.2	8.0
Turnips	.6	5.5	.2 .3	8.7
Carrots	1.0	7.1	.3	10.4
Corn	7.1	62.7	4.2	87.6
Cora and cob meal	6.5	56.3	2,9	83.4
Oats	9.1	44.7	4.1	86.0
Barley	9.5	66.1	1.2	86.7
Wheat	9.2	64.9	1.4	87.7
Wheat bran (roller).	12.6	44.1	2.9	82.4
Wheat bran (stone).	10.1	47.5	2.6	83.1
Wheat shorts	11.6	45.4	3.2	83.6
Wheat middlings	12.2	47.2	2.9	84.5
Rye	8.3	65.5	1.2	86.5
Buckwheat	7.7	49.2	1.8	85.4
Pea meal	18.0	56.0	.9	86.9
Malt sprouts	19.8	36.2	1.7	2 84.5
Brewers' grains	3.9	9.5	1.3	23.3
Brewers' grains, dried	16.2	35.5	5.3	88.7
Gluten meal	25.0	49.4	5.6	89.7
Starch fed wet	5.5	21.7	2.3	34.3
Cottonseed meal	36.9	18.1	12.3	84.6
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process	28.3	32 8	7.1	85.1
Linseed meal, new		02.0		
process	27.2	32.9	2.7	84.1
Skimmed milk	3.1	4-7	.8	8.9
Buttermilk		4.0	1.1	9.2

#### Best Methods of Reducing the Cost of a Pound of Butter. (BY F. J. S.)

#### II. FEEDING.

Quantity.—Many cows do not get at all times sufficient to eat. To any thinking person this is a penny-wise and pound-foolish practice, and one that materially increases the cost of butter production. At time of writing (July) the vast majority of Ontario cows are in this position. It is well to remember that it is only from the feed that is eaten over and above that required to maintain the system that any profit can be reaped. Cows should be fed liberally always,—this will of a certainty re-duce the cost of the product in more ways than one. Let us illustrate. Shortage of feed at this season means increased cost per lb.:(1) In immediate reduc-

tion of product. (2) In continued reduction of product throughout the season. Cows that early in the season fail in flow of milk cannot be induced, even by full feeding later, to return to their former flow. (3) In a shortened milking season. (4) A lengthened period of feeding while dry, and, therefore, an increased cost of winter maintenance. (5)

An impaired progeny. The general practice of putting dependence upon grass for summer feeding is one that brings a train of disastrous results that together combine to increase the cost of our butter product. And this is common at other seasons, notably when the cow is dry, which is usually in winter. Were our cows more liberally fed when dry they would certainly give a greater quantity of butter in the season, and at less cost per lb. Insufficient feeding while dry is a sure method of developing unprofitable dairy herds. Quality.—This is often neglected, to our injury.

It is quite possible to feed a cow liberally as regards quantity, but very illiberally as regards quality. It is usually better to feed two kinds (or more) of grain rather than one, and the same may be said of grain rather than one, and the same may be said of coarse fodders. To feed largely of coarse fodders and little or no grain is not advisable. A ration made up almost solely of carbohydrate fodder is always a wasteful one. Carefully-conducted experi-ments upon a combined scientific and practical here here proved that one eided actions do not basis have proved that one-sided rations do not digest as fully as well-balanced rations, and that increased waste of nutriment results. Corn stover, straw, and wheat, or shorts, could not, for instance, be considered a very profitable ration. The same principles apply to rations exclusively albuminoid in character.

Palatability.-That digestibility and palatability are more or less closely linked we believe it would not be wise to deny. That roots and silage owe much of their feeding excellence to this we think is equally true. Under customary practice the cost of butter might be considerably decreased by attention to this matter, especially during late winter and late fall.

Regularity.-Irregularity in feeding-(we mean in quantity and quality rather than in time)-especially in early life—causes the wreck of many an otherwise good cow. A calf that is stinted in feed for a more or less lengthened period—due to shortage of feed or a busy season—is doomed to give disappointment when a member of the herd. Such an animal will not in later life respond to good feeding, as not only the digestive but the assimila-tive powers have been destroyed. Liberal feeding from calfhood up is absolutely necessary if the cost of butter would be reduced.

#### MANAGEMENT.

The Calf.-Generally speaking, we believe the

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In the first place, we must understand that plants contain substances almost identical in com-position to the substances which comprise the animal body. Animals eat plants, digest a portion of them, and use the digested portion in building or them, and use the angested portion in building up the different parts of their bodies, in producing milk or in producing heat and energy. Thus, some of the substances form bone; some form flesh, muscle, blood or milk; some form fat, while others are consumed in the production of heat, which is necessary to sustain animal life and energy.

The substances of which plants are composed may be grouped under five heads, as follows: (1) water; (2) ash or mineral matter; (3) protein (some-times spoken of as "proteids" or "albuminoids"); (4) carbohydrates (also called "nitrogen free extract"); (5) fat (sometimes called "ether extract").

It is impossible to accurately estimate the value of the water which foods contain. In many cases the water seems to very materially increase the feeding value of the fodder, which fact is strikingly illustrated in the case of pasture grass and roots; and apart from their feeding value, such succulent fodders have a beneficial effect in keeping the animal system in good working order. Ash, or mineral matter, is used in the formation

of bone, and is, therefore, of importance in feeding young growing stock. The high value of oats in feeding young animals is due to the fact that oats are especially rich in mineral matter and are, therefore, good bone formers: while it is well-known that an exclusive grain ration of corn is injurious to young stock, simply because corn is deficient in ash.

Protein contains nitrogen, and is concerned in the formation of flesh, muscle, blood, milk, hair, wool, horn, etc., and to some extent fat. It will also supply heat and mechanical force, enabling the animal to do work. By work is meant any kind of muscular exertion.

Fat undergoes combustion in the body, producing heat which is necessary to create mechanical prudent.

Buttermilk. Whey Whole milk 4.7 4.8 .8 3.5

.**3** 3.7 N. B.-Linseed meal is the American name for oilcake.

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In the production of heat, fat has about 2.2 times the value of carbohydrates, and as the production of heat is closely associated with the nutritive value, it is customary to count fat 2.2 times as valuable as carbohydrates for fodder. Therefore, if we multiply any given amount of fat by 2.2, the product will represent the amount of carbohydrates that the given amount of fat is equal to. If we wish to find the nutritive ratio of a fodder,

we must first find the digestible nutrients which it contains. Then the amount of fat is multiplied by 2.2 to express the amount of carbohydrates that it is equal to. The product thus obtained is then added to the amount of carbohydrates, which gives the total amount of carbohydrates which the fat and carbohydrates are together equal to. Then this number is divided by the amount of protein.

For example, we will determine the nutritive ratio of barley. According to the table, it contains digestible nutrients in 100 pounds as follows: Protein, 9.5: carbohydrates, 66.1; fat, 1.2. Then multiplying the fat by 2.2, we get  $1.2 \times 2.2 = 2.64$ . Adding this product to the carbohydrates, we get: 66.1 + 2.64 = 68.74. Therefore, nutritive ratio = 9.5; 68.74. But it is customary to express the digestible protein as 1, therefore we must divide by the amount of protein, which gives nutritive ratio, 1: 7.23.

#### (TO BE CONTINUED.)

The Australian Minister of Agriculture has nstructed the Government dairy expert to visit ew Zealand to enquire into the manufacture of cheese on the Canadian principle. Since New Zealand has adopted the Canadian method of manufacturing cheese, she has obtained a considerable foothold upon the London market. Australia sees this and is anxious to also learn from the wise and

fall calf outstrips its spring relation, mar cow more likely to produce cheap butter. The spring calf that is exposed to the heat and flies of summer is not usually a record-breaker. The Heifer.—Were the heifers with their first

calf milked at least ten to twelve months, instead of being allowed to go dry in six or seven, the cost of butter production would be very largely decreased. Careful training will accomplish wonders in this direction. Six or eight months cows are very common, and as long as this practice is persisted in the cost of butter will be correspondingly high. We should not forget that, milking or not, the cow is to be fed twelve months each year, and as she is very largely a creature of habit, the length of her first milking period will largely control all subsequent ones.

The Cow-One point only here-the question of stabling in summer time during the day, while heat is intense and flies continue troublesome. All farmers who have faithfully tried this practice speak highly of results, and others need not hope to successfully deny it. No financial outlay is needed, and the labor connected with it is amply repaid by increased product. We believe that no other one practice-extra feed not excepted-will so cheapen butter production in the summer season. A cool and darkened stable is a positive paradise for cows, and they will not forget to respond. There is right here a possible saving of at least two cents per pound of product.

The By-Products. Many people lose as much butter-fat in the skim-milk and buttermilk as would, if regained, reduce the cost of the whole butter produced from one to five cents per pound. An astonishing statement. Perhaps so; but none the less true, being based upon actual facts. From five to ten times as much butter-fat is frequently lost in these by-products as good work would warrant. The reduction of the cost of a pound of butter is truly a wide and important subject to the dairy farmer.

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## Essentials to Success in Breeding and Feeding Dairy Cattle.

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[A paper read before the Manitoba Central Farmers' Institute by J. C. Snell, Edmonton, Ont.]

The men who have been successful in originating, establishing and perpetuating distinct classes of pure-bred stock have been men of skill and good judgment, who have had an ideal in their mind, an object and aim which they kept constantly in view and to which they worked. These men have been among the world's greatest benefactors, have been instrumental in adding millions to the wealth of the nations, and their names and work are worthy to be held in lasting remembrance by those who follow them. The originating of a breed is the work of a lifetime, requiring patience, per severence, and a determination of purpose which will not be swerved from the straight line that leads to the desired goal. It would not be wise for many men to attempt such a work. The man who would succeed here must be a genius. It has been said with a good deal of truth that "there are ten men qualified to be a premier where there is one fitted to be a breeder." The best thing we can do is to take up this work where successful men have left off and study to maintain the excellencies achieved, or to improve on them if we can. The general farmer will wisely hesitate to embark in a business he does not understand, and we would not advise him to put his money into thoroughbred stock until he has learned by experience to improve the stock he has, by grading it up by the use of pure-bred males; then if his tastes run in the direction of breeding thoroughbred stock, let him advance cautiously as his means seem to justify, by buying one or two females of a good sort, and with patience posses his soul till he has bred up a little herd or flock without much outlay of capital. The choice of a breed is always an important matter, but not the most important; there are many good breeds, and the keeping up the standard of excellence of the breed adopted is more important than the choice of a breed. The choice can only be decided by a careful and intelligent outlook, considering the circumstances and surroundings, the soil and the climate, the markets and other environment. When a choice has been made, and it is found from experience to be reasonably well-adapted to the locality and surroundings, the man who takes pride in the breed he has adopted and stands by it through evil as well as good report, is the man who will in the long run prove himself a successful breeder, and will find it reasonably profitable. "Be not carried about with every wind of doctrine," is safe advise to follow in the business of breeding stock as well as in theology. Fashions may change, and booms may come and go, every breed will have its ups and downs, its seasons of posperity and of adversity, but the man who stands by his favorites and keeps them up to the highest stand-ard of the breed will find himself in the long run as often at the top, or "in the swim," as any of his rivals. And since the question, Which is the best breed? has not and may never be definitely settled, he is as likely to be right as any other. Having made choice of a breed, we should next fix in our mind an ideal or standard of type to which we aim to attain, and in all our work the effect should be to maintain a uniform type, to breed so that one animal shall be as nearly like another in general appearance, in stamp and style, as possible, and that of course a good *stamp*. This will involve some sacrifices, as it will necessitate weeding out and sending to market, or the shambles, such

Depth of ribs and consequently capacity for working food into blood and into milk and butter are prime requisites in a dairy cow, but that width of shoulders and chine and brisket are not needed; she should be wedge-shaped, broader behind than before; her handling qualities should be somewhat similar to those of the beef cow. The same soft hair should be sought after, but the skin should not be so thick, and yet not so thin as to be called papery. Particular attention should be given to the development of the milk-vessels and the milking tendency. The udder should be well-balanced, fore-and-aft, and not fleshy, and such that will collapse when milked ; the teats of good size and well-placed ; the milk veins should be prominent and well-spread. In order to secure all the points, or as many of them as possible, in as great perfection as possible, care must be exercised in the selection of a bull for use in the herd. He should have the points of a dairy bull well-developed, must be free from the broad shoulder tops and broad and be a vigorous animal. If his rudimentary teats are large and far apart, so much the better. He should be the son of a mother that is near the ideal model of a perfect dairy cow as possible, and if her capacity for good work has been proved by a care-ful test, all the better, for appearances are some-times deceitful and should not be trusted too far. If the sire of your bull is also the son of a cow of **mown merit**, he will be all the more likely to perpetuate the dairy tendency in his offspring. Then the treatment and management of these

Then the treatment and management of these two classes of cattle requires to be different. To bring a beef animal to greatest perfection, as a beef producer especially, it should be kept fat from its birth and never allowed to go back, if intended only for a butcher's beast. If it is intended for breeding purposes, a more moderate system of feeding should be adopted with more exercise given, and food not so rich in fattening properties, but should always be kept in thriving condition and should not be put to breeding so early, if a female, as one intended for milking purposes.

as one intended for milking purposes. The calf of a dairy cow, on the other hand, should not be allowed to suck a cow and get fat; skim milk is good enough for it and better than whole milk. The tendency to lay on fat should not be enouraged. Out door even is computed to be encouraged. Out-door exercise is essential to develop muscle instead of fat; she should be put to breeding early, to have her first calf not later than when she is two years old. To induce and encourage the milking habit she should be milked a long term before having her second calf-a year at least. This tends to increase what is called persist ency in milking. A cow that will continue to give milk the year around is a better dairy cow than one that quits at six months' service. A dairy cow should pay for her feed at least up to within a month or six weeks of producing her next calf, and many are willing to continue giving milk from year to year without a halt, though my own opinion is that it is not wise to allow this, save in exceptional cases. From my own observation I have concluded that a cow does not do as good work the following year, if she is milked close up to calving : but some good dairymen claim that her average work for the year, and in a series of years, will be quite as good or better.

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#### A Vice-Regal Dairy Event.

What is termed "the largest creamery in Canada"

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## POULTRY.

#### Battle of the Breeds.

BY CAPT. A. YOUNG, KENT CO.

I inclose you the results of a test (eight yards) with poultry as to their laying capabilities. The result was somewhat of a surprise to me, as I fancied the Brown Leghorn would lead the score, but I place results as I found them :--1st, Silver Spangled Hamburgs; 2nd, White Leghorns; 3rd, Light Brahmas; 4th, S. G. Dorkings; 5th, B. Spanish; 6th, P. Cochins; 7th, Brown Leghorns; 8th, Silver Wyandottes. About the middle of the season, six Dorkings, four Brown Leghorns, one Spanish and the Cochins and Brahmas wanted to sit, all of which were allowed to except the Cochins and Brahmas. This reduces the average on the Dorkings and others, so perhaps the result is scarcely fair. The annexed table shows the number of fowls in each pen, the total number of eggs laid during the seventy days between March 23rd and June 1st, and the average :

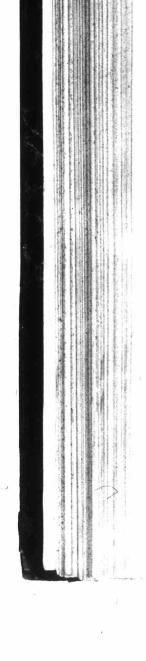
VARIETY.	No. of Hens	Davs.	Average per Hen.	Total	Relative
Silver Spangled Ham	-	Dayor	per mon.	1.680.	rosition.
burg		70	49.	98	lst
White Leghorn			50.	50	2nd
Light Brahma			35.	105	3rd
Silver G. Dorking			36.80	368	4th
W. F. B. Spanish			28.48	171	5th
Partridge Cochin	2		30 50	61	6th
Brown Leghorn	11	••	26.27	289	7th
Silver Wyandotte	1	••	22.	22	8th

[NOTE.—We are glad to receive figures upon such work as Capt. Young has undertaken, but are not sure that one season's observations with such uneven pens numerically means much with regard to the laying capabilities of the many good breeds with which he has experimented. Laying hens are like milking cows : the best breeds do not include all equally good individuals, and sometimes an extra performer is found where least expected. We would therefore ask Capt. Young and others who have different breeds of fowls, to conduct these laying experiments with more even numbers in each pen.—EDITOR]

#### Poultry Pickings.

#### BY JOHN J. LENTON.

Again we have grown tired. This time it is because Mr. P. H. Jacobs, editor of the Poultry Keeper, still declares it is "lice" when any one writes him that their chickens die. Now, we have lost quite a few this year, and we know it is not lice or the remedies we used on them that killed them. At first, although we could see no lice, we were almost sure they were there. We had them in the brooder, so we thoroughly cleaned it, and then went to work at the chicks until we were certain they were free from the pests. But those chicks would still die. The brooder was run just the same as it had been for previous hatches, and they were fed almost exactly the same. However, we had a few hens sitting, so we concluded to free them from any close companions they might have before the chicks hatched, and then leave the chicks with the hens. We fed these chicks very carefully, and were particular to keep them free from lice. The first thing we knew, they began to sleep on their backs. We began dreaming about dead chickens at night, and in the morning we almost dreaded to go near them. Our constant mental inquiry was "What is the cause?" Was it the dry weather? Was it the extreme heat in the day, and the cool nights? Had the breeding stock strong vitality, or were they (the breeding stock) fed right? Or, — well, we thought of dozens of things; but still we think the real cause has not entered our thoughts yet. However, we are developing the remainder into first-class specimens. Yakob Pilsener, that interesting writer, was lately asked if lice originate on the head, and he wrote back to his questioner that "lies oreegenate in der hed." Then the man got mad. Mr. Pilsener also gives advertisers a grand piece of advice, and we feel certain that if all advertisers would follow it there would not be half the kicking that advertising does not pay. Here it is: "Eef you vant ter sell'a sheeken or a lidder uff peegs, don't vas batronizing der shtory und fashun bapers.' Turkeys are one of the most profitable fowls for farmers. Some say they are hard to raise; but we know of several cases where large numbers are raised with very little trouble. Three things are necessary: care, proper feed, and common sense. True, turkeys have many very peculiar complaints, and it is almost impossible to avoid them all. No rules for success can be laid down; where one fails, another succeeds. To those raising these profitable fowls, the experience of prominent men should be eagerly sought after. We have seen specimen pages of Mr. Samuel Cushman's coming report, wherein the diseases of turkeys are able and ex-haustively treated. Mr. Cushman is superintendent of the Rhode Island Experimental Station poultry department, and as that is a great turkey centre he has devoted a great deal of time to them.



and sending to market, or the shambles, such animals as do not come nearly up to the desired standard. It will require good judgment in the selection of the proper stamp of sires to succeed each other to carry on the process of improvement. And here a false economy may do much to retard improvement,—may, indeed, upset the work of years. Do not grudge a good price in order to secure the stamp of sire you feel sure you need, if you can find him. The cheapest is not often the best, but the best is often the cheapest if the price is within reasonable limits. "The bull is half the herd" is a strong statement, but as applied to breeding it is not far from right, since he has a part in the production of all the calves in the herd during his regime, while each cow has only part in one calf in each season, as a rule.

one calf in each season, as a rule. In the breeding of cattle, for instance, a man's plans and course will depend largely on what purpose his cattle are intended for. If it is a beef breed he has adopted, his ideal will be a good feeding animal; one that will readily respond to generous feeding by putting on flesh rapidly, and reach maturity at an early age. This demands a broad chest, giving abundant lung capacity. He should have a large heart girth, deep ribs and flanks, strait top and bottom lines, a strong back and loins, long, level quarters, short legs, and be beefed well down to the hocks, and have a soft, mellow skin covered with fine, soft hair, having the feeling of fine fur; these are some of the indications of a good feeder.

of a good feeder. If, on the other hand, the object is to build up a dairy herd, and he has chosen to handle a milking breed of cattle, he will look at the matter from a widely different standpoint. In this case, as well as the other, he will wisely give attention, first, to the constitution and feeding qualities, for a cow that has not strong vitality and a good appetite will never make a successful dairy animal, but the type will be different from the beefing animal, and the treatment will require to be different, especially in the first years of its life. 1895, by His Excellency the Earl of Aberdeen. In connection with the opening of the great creamery was the new town park opening by Her Excellency the Countess of Aberdeen, which two important occasions drew together a concourse of people such as was never before witnessed in the flourishing town of Renfrew. His Excellency, Her Excellency, the Dominion Dairy Commissioner, and others, made brilliant, pithy and practical addresses upon this occasion.

The new creamery is based upon a system long operated with much success at St. Alban's, Vermont. A large central factory is erected and surrounded by seven separating stations. At each of these a separator is kept to extract the cream from the new milk sent in by the patrons, who take the skim milk home with them. The cream is sent into the central factory from two stations by rail, and from the others by wagon. The average daily make is about 1,800 pounds of butter from 50,000 pounds of milk. The price of the butter retail has run from 20c. to 25c.; and at present shows a decidedly upward tendency. There are three separators in the central creamery. The churns, three in number, made of cypress wood, are 10 feet long by 3½ square, and make 65 revolutions per minute. The churning operations average 45 minutes. The farmers of the Renfrew district have not yet had time to thoroughly fall into line with the new conditions, so as to supply all the milk the creamery stations can take. When the new industry has make its full development the output of butter will be very large.

After being fined for watering his milk, a Michigan farmer was expelled from church membership by his minister.

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### THE FARMER'S ADVOCATE.

#### Manitoba Poultry Association.

The annual meeting of the Manitoba Poultry Association was held at the Exhibition grounds, Winnipeg, July 17; President Chadwick in the Reports of a satisfactory nature were prechair. sented and adopted and a hearty vote of thanks tendered to the retiring treasurer, Mr. Geo. H. Greig, who positively declined to accept re-nomina-tion. The election of officers resulted as follows: Honorary President, E. L. Drewry; President, H. A. Chadwick; First Vice-President, S. J. Thomp-son, Carberry; Second Vice-President, A. Law-rence, Morden; Honorary Secretary, Ed. Marsden; Treasurer, Jos. Lemon. Executive Committee-Messrs. Maw, Ling, Rutherford, Wise, of Winnipeg, and Rolston, of Brandon. Auditors—Messrs. Rich-ardson and Van Vilet.

## GARDEN AND ORCHARD.

Scale of Points for Judging Fruits.

[A paper read before the Ontario Fruit Growers' Association by L. Woolverton, Secretary.]

Already the Ontario Fruit Growers' Association has taken steps to secure greater uniformity and fairness in the judging of fruits at agricultural and horticultural exhibitions throughout Ontario. The fruit catalogue published annually in our report is referred to by intelligent judges for final appeal in disputes concerning the value of varieties, but it is not, however, used as widely as it should be. Some judges make free use of it in judging their collections, while others pay no attention whatever to it and jump at hasty conclusions. I think it most important that we should pursue this matter still further, until we are able to furnish every secretary of every agricultural and horticultural society with a score card for the use of their judges.

True, it requires a great deal more time to judge fruit in this careful way, assigning to each variety its value on some systematic basis, than it does to merely jump at conclusions from the general appearance of the collections, but such careful work amply repays the time it occupies. As conducted at present, our fairs fail entirely in accomplishing the end for which they were intended. They do little or nothing in educating the public with regard to the real value of the varieties shown, or in directing planters concerning the most profitable or most useful kinds to plant for the various purposes. No doubt there are judges who take into consideration more than the mere appearance of the collections, but if they do base their decision on some sensible list of points, the public do not know what these are, and consequently are no wiser in this respect than they were before. Now, if a score card were used with clearly-defined points showing every investigator the points taken into consideration in giving the decision, and showing the real value of each variety as made up of the various points of merit which it possesses, the public would take great interest in reading these over, and would soon become educated regarding the important points which guide the judges in estimating the value of varieties, and planters also who are about to plant orchards would be able to do this much more intelligently after having made a study of the exhibits at the various fairs.

I do not propose to give you a form for a score card that would be beyond criticism. I simply place before you two or three forms, with the object of stirring up that careful discussion on this subject which it so well deserves, and hope that either in the open meeting, or by the aid of a com-

in our report, is twenty-two, and adding these to gether, we have twenty-seven as the total value of the variety in the collection.

I have made ten the maxium in this case rather than one hundred, for the sake of simplicity. On a large collection it will be best to just keep in mind the relative value of the points, and to work out the value of each sample mentally on that basis. For a collection of varieties for dessert purposes a somewhat different card should be used. Thus:

Variety Baldwin	Value of Sample.	Catalogue value of Variety. 2	Total Points. 7
To sum of	total points	add maximum	of 10 for
covering seas	on.	Farm 9. dino	1. color

Ten points, as follows : Fo 2; clearness, 3; uniformity, 2. Form, 2; size, 1; color And for cooking, the following will be adapted:-

Catalogue value of Value Sample.

Variety. 5 Variety. Baldwin... Points. To sum of total points add maximum of 10 for

covering season. Ten points, as follows: Perfection of form, 1 color, I; size, 2; uniformity, 2; freedom from blemishes, 2; quality, 2 In these two last forms, instead of taking the

total value as given in our catalogue, the value there riven for dessert or cooking should be used respectively. Thus the sample of Baldwin which, on account of lack of color, lack of uniformity and for blemishes, has a value of only five, gets two additional points only as a dessert apple; while for a cooking apple the same Baldwin is worth five marks, making the value of this variety in the col-

lection ten for cooking. For judging grapes, of course quite a different set of points must be observed from those used in judging apples and pears. I would propose for

single plates :		
	Value	
Grapes.	of Points.	Score.
Flavor	. 30	
Form of bunch		_
Size of bunch		
Size of berry		
Color		
Firmness		
Bloom		
Freedom from blemishes		
Freedom from oremands		
Perfection	. 100	
Score card for collection of		
Value O	Catalogue value of	Total
Variety. Sample.	Variety.	Points
Concord 8	21	29
	26	32
Delaware	28	33
Niagara	22	31
Pearl	4	12
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Add maximum of 10 for covering season .....

Ten points, as follows : Flavor, 3; form of bunch, 1; size of bunch,  $1\frac{1}{2}$ ; size of berry,  $1\frac{1}{2}$ ; color, 1 firmness,  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; bloom,  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; freedom from blemish, 1.

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POTATOES AND TOMATOES. The Massachusetts State Board of Agriculture has established a scale of points for judging vege-tables. Pamphlet forms, containing cuts and scale of points for two or three of the finest varieties of all the different vegetables, are being issued for the use of incorporated agricultural societies. This is one advance needed by all agricultural societies, as ten men are appointed to judge at shows very often men are appointed to judge at snows who differ very widely in their ideal of a perfect specimen, and by having an authorized scale of points to guide them, much less unjust decision will often be given. As an example of their plan, we give scale of points given for "Beauty of Hebron" potatoes and tomatoes potatoes and tomatoes : Size.—Should be 41 inches long and 31 inches wide for perfection—30 points. Form.—Should be according to engraving as

ing the points for "covering the season" in collections, the maximum be computed on a basis of five points for each variety shown in such collection instead of allowing ten marks as a maximum in all cases.

#### Celery Culture.

It is well known that the celery plant delights in a rich and moist soil, and those who have the opportunity to use liquid manure in the cultivation of this plant have a great advantage over others. In addition to this, some cultivators who grow the celery for market are introducing water artificially, and find it to be a profitable practice. In Alle-gheny City, Western Pennsylvania, one grower has a supply-pipe from one of the city water mains, so arranged that at the end where the flow commences, guano or some other artificial fertilizer can be placed in the water pipes. He can get double the crop from the same ground as by the ordinary methods, and stalks that bring a much higher price in market.

#### Sun Printing Fruit.

The rosy cheek of an apple is on the sunny side, the colorless apple grows in the leafy shade. Ad-vantage may be taken of this to have a pleasant vantage may be taken of this to have a pleasant surprise for children. A piece of stiff paper placed around an apple in the full sun will shade it, and if the "Mary" or "Robbie" is cut in the paper so that the sun can color the apple through these stencilled spores, the little one can gather the apple for itself, with the name printed on the fruit by Nature herself.—Mechan's Monthly.

#### THE HELPING HAND.

#### Handy Farm Contrivances.

Upon almost every farm there are some handy, original devices, or improved methods and practices not generally known, which, if given to the public, could be utilized by others in rendering farm management more economical and remunerative. This department is intended to bring out such information for the benefit of our readers, and is to be main. tained by them in holding out a helping hand to their fellowworkers by the interchange of descriptions of labor-saving tools and contrivances, particular ways of management, original and successful experiments tried, or any other feature in connection with farming not generally known

To encourage subscribers to contribute to this department of the FARMER'S ADVOCATE, we offer a cash prize of \$2 for the best, and a second peize of \$1 for the next best contribution received prior to the 15th of each month. These and other contributions deemed of sufficient merit will be published as rapidly as our space will permit, but will not necessarily appear in order of merit. Compensation according to our standing offer for accepted matter will be allowed for suggestions published, but not awarded a prize. The decision in every instance will be final. Suggestions must be written upon one side of the paper with pen and ink, and must bear the contributor's full signature and address. They must be as short and concise as possible, 100 words being just as good or better than 500 if they tell the same story. Where an illustration will assist in making a description clearer, a rough pen sketch should accompany it on a separate sheet from the written matter. Every contributor must be a subscriber to the FARMER'S ADVOCATE. These contributions must not be mere reproductions of what have been published elsewhere. What we want is original matter. Plan sufficiently ahead so that the contributions will be as seasonable as practicable. The following received from one of our readers recently, illustrates one class of articles suitable for this department :--

#### A Good Hoe.

SIR,-We are constantly getting improvements

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mittee, we will be able to procure such a score card as will secure the approval of this whole Associa-tion. These should then be printed in quantity, and a sample of them sent out to the secretary of each agricultural and horticultural society in our Province.

I think it is important that not only the judges should use these, but also that the public should be fully acquainted with them, in order that the exhibits may be made with greater intelligence than they are at present.

Here is a sample of the score card proposed for judging single plates of apples and pears:

Apples and Pears.	Value of Points.	Score.
Form	. 10	
Size		
Color		
Freedom from blemishes	. 20	
Uniformity		
Quality		
Quality		

#### Perfection..... 100

Then, for judging collections of apples and pears, I propose quite a different form; perhaps this one for a large, general collection :--

, 0, 10	Value	Catalogue	Total
Variety.	of Sample.	value of Variety.	Points.
Baldwin			m of 10 for

To sum of total points add max covering season.

Ten points, as follows : Form, 1; size, 1; color,

1: clearness, 2; uniformity, 2; quality, 3. On this card the list of the varieties may be entered, the value of the sample shown, and the absolute value of the variety as shown in our apple absolute value of the variety as shown in our appre-or pear catalogue, as the case may be. The sum of these will be the number of points gained by the variety in the collection, and the total value of these sums will be the total value of the collection.

Thus, the value of the sample of Baldwin shown may only be five out of the total of ten possible points; the absolute value of the variety, as shown score cards, with the amendment that in award-

iven in pamphlet—30 points.

Smoothness-Free from deep pits, warts or excrescences-30 points.

Quality.—Fresh appearances, freedom from coarseness, and bright color—10 points. Total—100 points.

The following is the scale of points for tomatoes:

Form.-Should be according to engraving-40 points.

Color.-Should be bright red, or purplish-pink,

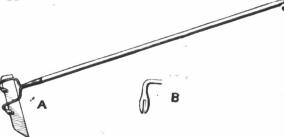
according to variety -30 points. Size.-should not be less than 21 inches and not more than  $3\frac{1}{2}$  inches in diameter-15 points.

Quality.—Firmness, ripeness, and freedom from green spots or cracks—15 points.

As such a manner of judging fruits would entail a great deal more trouble than the plan now adopted, I suggest that only one judge be appointed in each section, instead of three, as at present, and that this one judge be an expert, and one who has the confidence of the exhibitors as well as of the authorities. Further, I recommend that this judge should be allowed the amount now paid to the three. In this way, there would be sufficient compensation for the work done, and better work would therefore be secured. One judge would work almost as fast as three, and, if properly paid for his time, could afford to do the work well.

A committee was appointed by the meeting at Orillia to consider the above subject and report. The committee recommended the adoption of the

made upon all our machinery, and sometimes it looks as though perfection has surely been attained. Vet, strange to say, the old hoe stays on with mar-vellous stability, undergoing practically no change whatever. Perhaps the accompanying cut may suggest something new to somebody:



The sides or jaws should be about five inches apart, shaped to form a fork, as it where, and welded together for insertion into the handle. At about four inches from the handle, turn down at right angles, or rather with a slight inclination in-wards, about two inches of the iron, which should be half-inch round iron, and slightly flattening the ends, make a slit in them seven-eighths or one inch deep to receive the blade. A piece about two inches wide of an old saw will do nicely for the blade. An where of an out saw with do interly for the blade. An iron band around the handle to prevent splitting completes the hoe. The advantages are obvious. A blade of any width may be inserted at any time by simply knocking out the other, and then tighten-ing the issue again by a clight tar. ing the jaws again by a slight tap. The hoe is light to handle, cuts easily, and preserves a good edge. E. R. edge.

If the ground were loosened up in one location each day or two for the poultry to dust in, they would not give trouble by scratching where they would do harm, and they would be kept almost enentirely free from vermin.

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### QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

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#### Veterinary.

HORSE STOCKING. SUBSCRIBER, Bluevale :-- " Please give treatment for horse that stocks in the fall."

[When horses are worked hard during the autumn, and fed well on new grain, and then allowed to stand in the stable for days together, stocking of the legs is almost certain. By lowering the diet, feeding plenty of bran and roots and giving a moderate amount of exercise, the stocking will gradually pass away in ordinary cases without any medicine; a tablespoonful of Glauber's salts, three times a week, will, however, help a little. In bad cases of stocking the following treatment is found very serviceable -- Fast the animal 12 hours, give purgative ball made of six drachms aloes, half drachm each of podophyllin and calomel, enough molasses to make ball; feed lightly on bran mashes for two days, and give a tablespoonful of the following twice daily for five days :-- 1 part sulphate of iron, 4 parts of gentian, 2 parts nitrate of potash, and 1 part Peruvian bark. Feed moderately on laxative food and give moderate exercise.]

#### Miscellaneous.

#### TURNIP LICE-STRAWBERRY FERTILIZER.

W. A. McG., Chatham, Ont .: -1. " Is there any effectual remedy for the turnip louse? 2. Would land plaster be of any value as a fertilizer for straw berries; if so, at what rate per acre should it be applied ?'

[Kerosene emulsion is the most effective insecticide that can be used against this insect. It is prepared by adding two parts of kerosene to one part of a solution made by dissolving half a pound of hard soap in one gallon of boiling soft water, and churning the mixture through a force pump with a rather small nozzle until the whole forms a creamy mass, which will thicken into a jelly-like substance on cooling. The soap solution should be hot when the kerosene is added, but should not be near a fire. The emulsion thus made is to be diluted before using with nine parts of cold water. It may readily be applied by one of the many good sprayers.

2. Land plaster would be of little or no value as a fertilizer for strawberries. The chief action of land plaster is its effect on the double silicates, which it decomposes, the potash being set free. Strawberries do not need much potash.]

#### MANURING WHEAT GROUND.

"I have two fields which I purpose sow-A. F. ing with fall wheat, one where a crop of millet is being taken off. Last year barley was grown and the ground seeded down to clover, but failed to 'catch.' The other is a timothy sod, from which two crops have been taken, and which was plowed in the latter part of July. The soil is clay loam, in fair condition and clean. I have a very small quantity of stable manure, and from what I have seen, except in case of summer-fallow, a liberal dressing of manure seems almost essential to a good crop. I have read that mixing chemical fertilizers with stable manure causes loss, and is not economical; also that stable manure is far more expensive than artificial fertilizers. Is this the case, and what form of fertilizer would you advise me to use on my wheat land?

[To obtain a good crop of fall wheat stable manure is required. This is true even of clay loams that have been summer-fallowed; but it is particutrue where some grain crop ha been grown

ones while trotting. 1. How must he be shod to prevent this? 2. What is the best means of com-bating the 'horn-fly'?"

[Over-reaching is a common fault, especially in young horses. It is often due to weakness of the animal, which may be largely corrected by less roading and more feed. Many drivers of light horses consider they must have their colt shod heavy in front to give him a stronger front action. This is often the cause of over-reaching and strik-ing, because he cannot lift his fore feet quickly enough to get them out of the way of the hind ones, which are shod lighter. Keep the colt's feet as nearly balanced as he was before being shod.

2. Apply to the cattle some substance that serves as a repellent. Either of the following for mulæ (applied with a sponge, flannel, or wide brush) are recommended for this purpose. 1. Crude cotton-seed oil or fish oil, three parts; pine tar, one part. 11. Crude cotton-seed oil or fish oil, one hundred parts; crude carbolic acid, three parts Kerosene emulsion and tobacco decoction are also serviceable-prepared by adding two gallons of kerosene to one gallon of a solution made by dissolving one-half pound of hard soap in one gallon of boiling water, and churning the mixture by forcing it back into the same vessel through a forcepump with a rather small nozzle, until the whole forms a creamy mass, which will thicken into a jelly-like substance on cooling. The soap solution should be hot when the kerosene is added; but of course must not be near a fire. The emulsion thus made is diluted before using with nine parts of water to one part of emulsion. There is then added one gallon of a decoction made by boiling one pound of strong tobacco in a gallon of water. This is sprayed upon the cattle by means of a force-pump and a spray-nozzle. Wherever the liquid comes in contact with the flies it kills them instantly, and remains on in condition to act as a repellent for two or three days. In this respect it is not as satisfactory as the oily combination, although the cattle to which it was applied will be cleaner and less greasy. By spraying with this combination three times a week the cattle can be kept free from the horn-

fly with very little trouble, and at small expense. We would also direct the attention of our readers interested to Rogers' Horn-Fly Paste, advertised in another column.]

SEEDING WITH GRASS AND CLOVER. WM. C. WATSON, St. Lawrence Co., N. Y.:-"I would like to ask a little advice in regard to a piece of ground which I seeded down to grass last spring, but owing to the dry, hot weather there is not a single spear to be seen. I would like to seed down with clover and timothy this summer as soon as I get the grain off, but I don't know just how to go about it. Would it be wise to put the pulverizer over it and then harrow after the seed is sown, or would it do to sow the seed on the stubble?

[Although a failure to secure a grass "catch" sets the crop rotation, it is just a question in our mind whether seeding, as you suggest, can be sufficiently depended upon to warrant much effort in that direction. A recently issued bulletin recommends the following line of action to secure a fall "catch": "1st. Burn the stubble to destroy all rubbish that would interfere with the proper pre-paration of the seed-bed. 2nd. Harrow repeatedly with a disc or spade harrow until the soil is thoroughly loosened to the depth of two or three inches. 3rd. Pulverize the soil very finely with a finetoothed harrow. 4th. As soon as the soil becomes thoroughly moistened, sow the clover seed, harrow

would especially recommed the use of orchard grass and lucern clover, as they both come early in spring, and by going deep into the soil withstand drought well.]

BLACK-KNOT-SCALY LEGS-ARCLEPIAS CORNUTI,

JOHN EVANS, Simcoe Co.:-""The cherry trees around here are almost covered with 'black-knot." A couple of weeks ago every knot had one or more white grubs in it; now we can see a small small hole in each knot where they came out. 1. How can we destroy them, and prevent them from destroying the trees? 2. What causes the scales on hens' legs, and how can we cure them? 3. I enclose the leaf, blossom and pod of a plant that grows on the brow of a hill in the bush. What is its name and use? 4. Where can I get a good cheap telescope?

1. The only successful treatment for a badly. infested tree is to cut and burn it, trunk, branches and all. Knots on trees but little affected should be cut and burned. Never throw the removed knots on the ground, as spores are developed off as well as on the tree. When young knots appear on large limbs or on limbs that one does not wish to remove, it is believed that painting them with a mixture of red\_oxide of iron in linseed oil will destroy them. The grubs noticed in the knots had nothing to do with causing it, but the knot afforded an inviting location for either the eggs from which the grubs hatched or the grub to crawl after being hatched.

2. Scales on hens' legs are due to a minute insect or mite about one eight-hundredth of an inch in length. Beneath the scales there are spongy, scabby growths, in which the eggs and pupe of the mites are to be seen in great numbers by the aid of a microscope. The disease can be successfully treated by applying to the legs a mixture of lard with one-twentieth part of carbolic acid. This should be applied with a stiff brush, such as a painter's very small sash-brush, by which the medicated grease can be thoroughly applied to the crevices between the scales.

3. The plant is Asclepias cornuti (milk weed). Some of the species are medicinal, but none of much consequence.

4. Chas. Potter, optician, 31 King, E. Toronto.] CORN AND STRAW IN LAYERS.

W. S. Sinklater, Huron Co.-"When a person

has no silo, and has a lot of fodder corn, how would it do to put alternate layers of corn and dry straw into a mow, and would it be better to cut both be-fore being put in? Would it do to haul the corn in as soon as cut or should it be stooked up for a time?

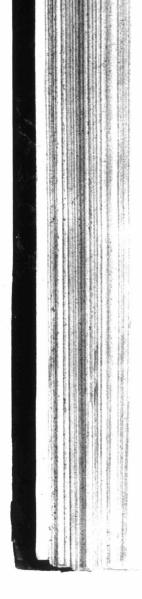
[It will do perfectly well to fill a mow with alternate layers of corn and dry straw. We have known that plan to be followed in a stack with perfectly satisfactory results. The corn should be cut and stooked until fairly well cured before putting in or it will heat and mould. If bound it should be in small bundles. It would not do to cut the corn and straw before putting in, as then it would be too close and heat sure, even if fairly dry.]

#### RULES FOR PLOWING.

SUBSCRIBER, Lambton :-- "1. What are the rules by which sod should be plowed? 2. Also rules for plowing stubble?

[1. It is impossible to lay down a set of rules for plowing sod that will suit all conditions of soil, times of year, and objects sought in plowing. For plowing clay sod in the fall, the following will serve as a sort of general guide:—The furrows of clay soils, be they sod or stubble, should be turned over, so as to lap on the preceding, and lie at an angle of  $45^{\circ}$ ; and for this purpose the depth of the furrow-slice should be about two-thirds of its width. Thus a furrow six inches deep should be about two-thirds of its whith. Thus a furrow six inches deep should be about nine inches wide; and if eight inches deep it should be twelve inches wide. This will allow of the furrows lying regularly and evenly, and in the proper posi-tion for the drainage of the soil, the free circula-tion of air, and the most efficient action of frosts, which in this way have even a cover side of the source of the sourc which in this way have access to every side of them. The width of the lands should depend upon the lay of the field and condition of the subsoil. If flat and retentive, the lands should not be wider than one rod. There should be a gradual and even slope from the centre of the ridge to the furrow, to allow the rapid escape of surface water. Where the land has a fair fall and is less retentive in character, the lands may be wider, even up to thirty yards. While the above is particularly applicable to fall plowing, the same general rules may govern spring plowing—although at this season it is better to be done with a skimmer attached. This skimmer is fastened to the beam, just back of the coulter. It is set to pare off a sod a few inches in thickness, and invert it into the bottom of the previous furrow. The second or main-plow follows, and throws up the lower soil, completely burying the inverted sod and giving a loose, mellow surface to the field. This forms an excellent preparation for all crops, with one or two harrowings. Sandy or dry soils require flat plowing. To insure this, on an old sward the depth of furrow should be about half the width, and the land or ridge as wide as can conveniently be made, so as to preserve as much uniformity of surface on the whole field as possible. 2. It has become a rule with the best farmers of the present day, to skim their stubble-land as soon as possible after the harvest is taken off, and before the winter sets in it is plowed as deeply as the depth of soil and the custom of former years will admit. At this plowing the land is usually put up in ridges from two to ten rods wide, according to

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and removed from the land instead of summerfallowing. The ordinary fertilizers : as phosphates, mitrates, and muriate of potash, mixed with stable manure, cause no loss; but lime and ashes mixed with farmyard manure liberate ammonia from the manure, thus causing loss of nitrogen. Stable manure varies so much in quality that a fixed price would be very indefinite. A barnyard manure might not be worth 75c., or it might be worth \$4, depending upon its quality. A special fertilizer, being of a particular composition, is intended for a special purpose, and used where needed may secure results at less cost than barnyard manure. I would not advise the use of any artificial fertilizers on the above wheat land. To use them would mean a direct outlay for an uncertain crop. They do not, like barnyard manure, carry a crop over a severe winter. A. E. SHUTTLEWORTH,

#### **Professor of Chemistry.** Ontario Agricultural College.]

#### LEG WEAKNESS IN POULTRY.

GEORGE DUNN, Huron Co.:-"There is some disease spreading among my hens. It appears at first in the feet and legs, which become paralyzed and then quite swollen and inflamed, which does not appear to reach the body. The hens are in good condition, but fail very rapidly after becoming lame. Can you give disease, with cure?

[The symptoms given indicate over-feeding, together with too little exercise. It is not at all uncommon among young fowls when being pushed too rapidly while the diet is of a fattening nature. The bodies grow more rapidly than the legs can stand; then they cease altogether to exercise; at the same time they are feeding well, increasing the trouble, until they become sick and commence to We would recommend lowering the diet; fail. give ground green bones, green vegetables, and enlarge their run.]

#### A STRIKING HORSE, -THE HORN-FLY.

SUBSCRIBER, Hazeldean :- "I have a young horse that strikes his hind shoes against his front

it in lightly, and roll the ground. The timothy or grass seed may be sown later, say about the usual time of sowing wheat. If the work is done well at the proper time, a "catch" will be reasonably certain." While the above is as good advice as can be given

to secure a fall seeding, the chances of securing a hay crop next season by so doing are only moderate even with most favorable conditions. If fall wheat or rye does well on the field you wish to seed, we would advise sowing timothy along with the wheat or rye, and the clover next spring—in March or April—when the warm days commence to thaw the surface.

One of our readers speaks favorably of seeding to timothy with summer-sown rye, which will afford pasture in the fall, and if not cropped too close again in the spring, a crop of hay and rye combined. PERMANENT PASTURE.

E. RICHARDS, Middlesex Co. :--" Would you kindly advise me what kind of grass seed, mixed, would be best to sow on clay soil to make a permanent pasture?"

Among the most lasting grasses and clovers, we recommend the following as being very safe to sow upon any soil :

Grasses Masses— Orchard grass, 4 lbs. per acre. Meadow fescue, 4 lbs. per acre. Fall oat grass, 3 lbs. per acre. Timothy, 2 lbs. per acre. Meadow foxtail, 2 lbs. per acre. Total grasses, 15 lbs. per acre. Clover-

rer-Lucern, 5 lbs. per acre. Alsike, 2 lbs. per acre. White or Dutch, 1 lb. per acre. Total clovers. 8 lbs. per acre.

Total grasses and clovers, 23 lbs. per acre.

This may seem like a heavy and expensive seed-ing, but the first outlay, in the matter of laying down a crop so important, and enduring as a permanent pasture, should not be scrimped by leaving out nutritious and enduring grasses. The object should be to obtain a mixture that will take com-plete possession of the ground, and also to furnish green fodder all through the pasturing season. We the drainage of the land. AUGUST 15, 1895

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## THE FARMER'S ADVOCATE.

### LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

#### Toronto Markets.

The tone of the cattle market is improving, and prices show an upward tendency—more buyers present. The quality of the cattle is better, and there is a disposition to hold for an advance price. There were 71 loads of cattle on offer, 1,509 sheep and lambs, 1,100 hogs, 31 calves, a few milk cows. Total receipt for the week : 2,028 cattle, 2.552 sheep and lambs, 2,828 hoge.

The top price was paid for two loads of picked exporters, \$4.50. One load sold at \$4.40. Quite a few loads went at 4 cents per pound. A good number of bulls were purchased for export at 3 cents and 31 cents per pound; 21 cattle, 1,280 pounds average, sold at 48 cents per pound. Ten 1,300-pound cattle sold at \$55 per head. One car load of cattle, 1,200 pounds, average 31 cents per pound and \$5 over on the deal. About half a dozen car loads of butcher cattle and 35 car loads of exporters were sent forward.

Butcher Cattle.—This line had a better tone; all the cattle offered were sold; nothing touched 4 cents; the top figure was \$3.90; ruling figures 3 cents to 3? cents per pound. The quality of the offerings was better, and most of them show the results

of the offerings was better, and most or them show the results of better feed. Milk Cows and Springers.—For the first time in five weeks there is perhaps a little better tone in this line, and very few on offer. All sold at a slight advance, \$25 to \$35. One choice cow sold at \$38. Sheep and Lambs all sold readily at \$3.60 to \$3.75 per cwt. for good ewes and wethers fitted for export; ruling prices, 23 cents to 3 cents. Lambs sold well, all cleared off at \$2.50 to \$3.95 each.

cents to 3 cents. Lambs sold well, all cleared off at \$2.50 to \$3.25 each. Stockers and Feeders were in short supply. Any kind of beef fetched \$3. Some were taken for the Walkerville dis-tillery at \$2.50 per cwt. Hogs.—Prices had quite a drop from last week, when they were fetching \$5.50, weighed off cars. To-day \$5.25 was the top price. Thick, fat hogs sold well, at \$4.75 to \$5. A few sows for breeding purposes sold at 33 to 4 cents for pick. From the packers point of view the quality of hogs has much im-moved in the past two years.

the packers point or view the quality of hogs has much im-proved in the past two years. Horses.—Trade at Grand's Repository the past week was as dull as it possibly could be. In driving horses the trade is slow. A pair of brown horses, very good action, suitable for a pheeton, fetched \$135 for the two. Maud C., a bay mare, Standard-bred, five years old, a natural pacer, fetched \$145. The feeling amongst dealers is that there will be an improve-ment shortly, and a disposition to hold for higher prices results. results

*Cheese.*—The situation shows little or no improvement, the export is light, and prices show an inclination to go lower, 74 cents to 74 cents. There were only 49,000 boxes of cheese shipped from Montreal to England last week, against 51,000 last year. This makes a total to date, 588,000 odd boxes, against 671,000 last year, being a decrease of 83,000 this year. *Wool.*—The wool market is duller, and if anything a shade easier; there is no demand for export. *Hides* are scarce and firm at 9 cents. *Poultry.*—Scarce and in good demand. Poor quality brought 60 cents per pair. PRICES RANGE AS TABULATED.

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Milkers and springer	18.9	-P	 .\$	25	00	to	\$ 35	00	
Butchers' choice				3	50	**	4	00	cwt.
Butchers' good				3	00		3	50	**
Cattle, export				4	00	66	4	50	* *
Sheep				3	00	44	3	75	
Lambs				2	50	44	3	00	each.
Hogs, thick fat				4	75	66	5	00	cwt.
Hogs, long lean				5	00	66	5	25	44
Eggs					11	66		12	per doz.
Butter					15	44		18	per lb.
Oats					38	**		40	•
Wheat					80				
Hay, new				14	00	66	15	00	per ton.
Hay, old				16	00	.6		00	• ••
Straw				8	00	44	10	50	
Cheese					7	ļ "		7	9

#### Montreal.

**Hontreal.** Since last writing, each successive market was apparently in a worse condition than the previous one, with no let up in the number of cattle offered. To make matters worse, the condition of the cattle have been anything but good; a fact that accounts for the extremely low prices realized for stock. There have been no choice stock offered, and very little that could be called good. This state of things has, however, received a slight set-back this week, largely owing to the plenteous rains reported in the west, and partly due to the improvement noted in cables, also influenced by the same cause—abundance of rain. Monday's market was the best that has been experienced for some time past, and a clearance was early effected of all useful stock. In export cattle we heard of one small lot mak-ing §4.40 per cwt., but cannot vouch for it; some, however, did change hands at 44c., although even this was an outside figure, the general run being from 3jc. to it. for the pick of the market, quite a number being taken at these figures. Butchers' cattle did not meet with the same advance, however, with this exception, that the most of the stock offered parent to be about ic, per lb, better than late markets. Thep remain steady at former quotations; all offerings of suitable stock are light. Spring lambs are in active demand, and range in price from \$2 to \$3.25 each, according to size and quality.

Chatty Stock Letter from Chicago. (BY OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

Extreme top prices now, compared with two weeks and e and two years ago :-

CATTLE.	Present prices.	Two wee ago.	ks 1894.	1893.	
1500 lbs. up	\$ 6 00	\$ 5 90	<b>\$4</b> 95	\$ 5 10	
1350 @ 1500	5 85	5 75	4 80	5 00	
1200 @ 1350		5 25	4 60	4 90	
1050 @ 1200		5 20	4 40	4 65	
900 @ 1050		5 10	4 55	4 15	
Stillers		5 70	4 30	4 60	
Feeders		4 25	3 25	3 30	
Fat cows		4 50	3 50	3 75	
Canners		2 60	2 20	2 40	
Bulls		4 00	3 30	4 00	
Calves		5 75	4 30	5 80,	
Texas steers		4 40	3 40	3 60	
Texas C. & B		3 50	2 60	2 25	
W. Rangers		4 85	4 10	4 10	
Range Cows		3 75	3 25	3 00	
Hogs.					
Mixed	5 15	5 25	5 40	5 75	
Heavy		5 20	5 50	5 50	
Light		5 00	5 35	5 95	
Pigs	P	5 00	4 90	5 65	
SHEEP.	0 10	0.00			
Natives	4 25	4 30	3 35	4 50	
Western	0	4 00	2 75	3 60	
Texas		3 60	3 00	3 75	
Lambs		5 40	4 60	5 50	
Sept. Wheat			56	593	
Corn		45	551	398	1
			13 20	12 45	
" Pork	3 343	11 40	10 80		

It was just about two years ago that, through a big Board of Trade collapse, mess pork dropped in a day from \$19.25 to \$13.10, hogs going off \$1 in the panic, and the cattle market being affected to the extent of 40 to 50 cents. The following table gives the receipts at the four leading markets for the first seven months of the year:-

Receipts.	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Chicago	1,315,789	1,479,384	1,836,513
Kansas City	773,052	1,490,577	501,130
Omaha	215,745	725,002	105,149
St. Louis	405,993	622,847	311,445
Total	2 741.579	7.317.810	2,754,441
Same period '94	3.210,681	7,456,955	2,234,657
Same period '93	3,341,737	5,755,110	2,432 747
Same period '92	2,256,301	7,795,551	1,878,573
Same period '91	2,836,500	7,850,155	1,847,066

The decrease in cattle is about 469,000 head at both points, with hogs also behind about 139,000, though the receipts at Chicago are considerably ahead. The magnitude of the sheep receipts is surprising

Chicago are considerably ahead. The magnitude of the sheep receipts is surprising. Cattle sold as follows on one day recently :-Some fancy 1182-lb. black polled cattle sold at \$6, with good to choice 1400 to 1413-lb. cattle at \$5.40 at \$5.85. Rough 1217 lb. fed Westerns, \$4.05; grassy natives, \$3.60 at \$4.50; medium natives, \$4.40 to \$5; 1391-lb. stillers sold at \$5.60, and 1150 to 1338-lb. Wyoming, Dakota and Montana cattle sold at \$3.85 at \$4.90. On the cor-responding day last year fancy 993-lb. steers sold at \$4.55, with best 1265 to 1600-lb. steers at \$4.75 to \$4.90. The Western range cattle now constitute a large share of the daily receipts of cattle. Range cattle receipts of range cattle on record. The following shows the receipts of range cattle at Chicago in July for ten years past; also average prices for steers. Prices were about 85c. higher than last year's average. Receipts. Av. Price.

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J. B. Hunter had on the market a train of Wyoming cattle, six loads of which averaged 1338 lbs. and sold at \$4.90. Cattle are fully \$1 per 100 lbs. higher than a year ago.

The Western rarge cattle owners are wearing a broad smile. Fall grass fat cattle and long prices are met often in "con-

junction." There were over 5,100 Western range sheep which arrived and sold on one day market, averaging 99 at 121 lbs., at \$3.121 to \$3.372. Just a year ago the following Western sheep sales were noted := 1.895 Utah, 85 at 94 lbs., \$1.50 to \$2.75; 609 Washing-ton, 101 to 104 lbs., \$2.65 to \$2.85; 536 Oregon, 103 lbs., \$2.85.

#### East Buffalo Stock Letter.

Hogs-There is, as yet, not a strong feature in the market. Receipts to-day about 15 cars, and prices lower. The markets in the West were 10 cents lower again, and the late market here to-day was 10 lower than the opening. We quote as follows:-

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Export sheep, good to prime\$4 00 t	0.94	30	
Choice yearlings 3 75 t	0 4	00	
Prime sheep, 85 to 100 lbs	o 3	50	
Good mixed sheep 2 60 to	0 3	10	
Cull sheep 1 00 t	0 1	75	
Prime lambs 4 65 t	0 5	00	
Good to prime lambs	o 4	50	
Fair to good lambs 3 25 to	0 4	00	
Cull lambs 2 50 t	0 3	25	
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#### SHOWS AND SHOWING.

#### Toronto Industrial Fair.

Toronto Industrial Fair. There is a great overflow of entrics for the Toronto Indus-trial Fair, which opens on the 2nd of September, especially in manufactured goods and machinery. It has been found im-possible to accommodate all applicants in these departments, and the management are considering what provision can be made for the overflow. Live stock and agricultural entries are coming in briskly. Much interest will attach to the special collection of the products of the Northwest Territories, which will be for-warded from Regina by the kindness of Lieutenant-Governor Mackintosh. It is a very large and representative assortment, and will receive much attention from all interested in the development of the Northwest. The apiary exhibit will be located in the "Little World" building, which has been specially fitted up for the purpose. More than ordinary pains will be taken to make the honey display an attractive and representative one, on account of the importance attaching to the North American Beekeepers Convention to be held here during the Fair. It was at first feared that the showing would be poor, owing to the pro-tracted drought of early summer, but bee-keepers state that the recent showers have so improved conditions that the present will be a fairly good honey season. The system of judging by a score of points, including flavor, color, body, finish, display, etc., has been adopted for the first ime. The bioycle exhibit will include wheels of all designs and sizes on the market, over thirty manufacturers in Canada and the United States being represented. After some discussion, it has been assigned a location in the western end of the carriage building, which will be presented in great number and variety. The prize list for the seventh International Dog Show,

attractions, which will be presented in great humber and variety. The prize list for the seventh International Dog Show, held on the Exhibition Grounds, is out. It provides for Can-adian as well as open classes in all the leading breeds. The prizes have been considerably augumented, and there are a large number of special premiums given by associations and individuals interested in particular breeds. The judges are James Mortimer, Hempstead, N. Y.; Charles H. Mason, New York; John Davidson, Monroe, Mich., and J. F. Kirk, Toronto.

#### VETERINARY.

#### A Remedy for Grease Heels.

A bad case of "grease heels" is a stubborn trouble to remove; in fact, in bad cases it is considered necessary to lay the animal up from work and give him a thorough course of medicine as well as external treatment. A correspondent of the National Stockman tells how he cured his two potash in hot soft water, making as strong a solution as possible. Bottle this solution when cool, tion as possible. Bottle this solution when cool, and use by diluting a wineglassful of the solution in two gallons of cold soft water, and bathe the affected parts thoroughly with this dilution. Apply with a rag or sponge for at least fifteen minutes to each horse. Do this twice a day, morn-ing and evening, and he will get well even if worked every day." Good care must be taken of the animals during the treatment, or nothing will cure them. cure them.

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and range in price from \$2 to \$2.5 and met with an active quality. Calves were scarce this week, and met with an active demand at from \$4 to \$10 each. The prospects for the next couple of markets are none too bright, as there are a large number of Manitoba (domestic) cattle reported in, which will tend to bring prices down again

again. Last week's shipments show a decided falling off all round, being, in fact, with the exception of sheep, the lightest of any week this season, the falling off in horses afone reaching over 300, due to the congested state of the British horse market. The total exports for the two weeks are: 6,719 cattle, 10,002 sheep, and 646 horses; and for the season, to July 31st: 44,627 cattle, 42,892 sheep, and 6,642 horses, against same date in 1894 : 42,941 cattle, 32,237 sheep, and 2,528 horses.

#### Sheep Trade With the States.

#### IMPORTANT REGULATIONS MODIFIED.

IMPORTANT REGULATIONS MODIFIED. United States Secretary of Agriculture Morton has announced that sheep and lambs intended for immediate slaughter may be admitted to the United States from Canada, when accompanied by certificates as follows, instead of those pro-vided for in section 3 of the regulations of the Department of Agriculture, dated February 11, 1895: (1) A certificate from the official veterinary inspector of the port of export, or of the province or district in which the sheep and lambs were raised or fcd, stating that no contagious disease affecting sheep has existed in said province or district during the past three mouths. (2) An affidavit from the owner or importer that sheep or lambs offered for importation are from the district covered by the certificate above mentioned; that they were not outside of that district during a period of three months preceding shipment, and that when not driven they have been add disinfected cars. and disinfected cars.

\$3.34. Just a year ago the following meters is 600 Washing-tweer noted: -1.850 Utah, 85 at 94 lbs., \$1.50 to \$2.75; 600 Washing-ton, 101 to 104 lbs., \$2.65 to \$2.85; 536 Oregon, 103 lbs., \$2.85. For the past month there has been a see-saw movement in the sheep trade—one week high and the next one low. There is no question but what good prices would obtain if receipts could be kept below 60,000 per week, but most dealers do not believe this will be the case the balance of the season, for large numbers of range sheep are in sight and preparations are being made to ship them freely. Best 150-lb. bacon pigs are now selling at 45c premium over the primest 300 to 400 lb. hogs. There is a great scarcity of pigs and young hogs at all western markets. It is also reported that sickness has carried away a good many young hogs in the feeding districts. There seems to be very little rhyme or reason in the depressed state of the hog market, but it is depressed just the same. The packers are certainly very willing to operate when they can do any good. They claim that the demand for provisions is still far below the normal. At the same time the hog receipts are far below the normal. At the same time the hog receipts are far below the normal. The horse market is in pretty good condition. Export chunks and drivers were in steady demand for both domestic and foreign trade, with but few gilt-edged offerings reported Medium to good drivers were in steady request at \$60 to \$100, and the tops of the 1300 at 1400 lb. chunks were easily negotiated at \$90 to \$110; with plain and medium offerings dull at \$55 to \$75. There was more inquiry to-day for 90 to 1100 lb. chunks, and the bulk of the offerings ranged at \$32.50 to \$55 for plain to extra choice specimens. Trade in some directions showed more strength, and dealers are anticipating an advance on ex-porters and good to fancy drivers in the near future, and the Southern demand is expected to show more strength by the first of next month.

first of next month. Prospects for corn are still as fine as at any time this year, and there is little doubt now that the country will have close to a 2,500 million bushel crop.

#### Canadian Butter at Liverpool.

Hodgson Bros., Liverpool, under date of July 27th, report

as follows:-"Butter.-There is no stock here, and the small imports of Butter.-There is no stock here, and the small imports of *Butter.*—There is no stock here, and the small imports of American and Canadian sell on arrival, and choice, good-con-ditioned lots will probably continue to do so, as Australian is scarcer and comparatively dear. We quote Finest Canadian Creamery 88; New York Creamery, Imitation and Ladles are selling at 60 up to 75 as in quality, and probably 80 would be obtainable for better goods than have fatherto come. We quote Irish Butter—Crek Firsts, 76 per cext.; Seconds, 75 ; Thirds, 73 : and Fourths, 64. Colonial Butter unchanged ; Finest \$6 to 98 and a few fine 92.

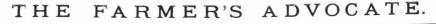
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### MISCELLANEOUS.

#### Stack Silage.

In July 1st number you ask for experience of those who have tried stack silage. Well, I have, and it was only a partial success;—with corn, a failure, on account of the corn not packing together tightly. Oats cut when in the "dough" stage tightly. Oats cut when in the "dough" stage made very fair silage. They were allowed to wilt one day in the swath, then raked up and stacked, and covered over with a load or two of hay. The whole was well tramped down and finished off like an ordinary haystack. Round the edges the silage was mouldy; but the stock ate all the stuff greedily, and it seemed to positively force the milk, even from strippers. For cleaning a weedy field I con-sider sowing the land after spring ploughing with three bushels or so of oats, and then cutting the crop before the weeds seed and making silage of the whole thing, weeds and all, a profitable method. Thistles, pigweed, etc., are all eaten when mixed with the oats as silage, and the field is left almost as clean as after a bare fallow, besides having produced a crop of good feed at small expense.

"INVICTA."



#### A LONG FARE.

I liked Sammy better than any cabman I had met before in London. I don't remember how I first became acquainted with him, or why he confided in me, as he ultimately did, but his cab-rank was the nearest to my office, and so I got into the habit when I wanted a vehicle, of sending the office boy down for Sammy, and thus he and I took many a journey torether. togethe

down for Sammy, and thus he and I took many a journey together. In the early spring of this year Sammy confided to me the vast speculation which he had undertaken. It was nothing less serious than the buying of his horse and cab on the in-stallment plan. Few cabmen in London own their own horse and vehicle, but Sammy had always been a careful man. I should judge, who did not drink and did not have rows with their fares, and consequently did not appear at the police court. Sammy was popular enough with his patrons and with his fellow cabmen, and when it became know that he had bought his horse and hansom, there was much interest in the ultimate outcome of the venture Sammy said little about his visions of becoming a cab proprietor on a large scale, although I am certain that he looked forward to this happy result. "The weather was good last summer," Sammy said to me, and he hoped for good weather this year also. Now, good weather, in the cabman's vocabulary, means rain, and plenty of it. Last summer, as everybody in England knows, was one continued downpour, and if it was bad for the agriculturist, it was good for the cabmen. But alas, for the predictions of Sammy, the spring of 1895 began hot, and the early summer continued hot, and people walked where they wanted to go or rode on the tops of busees. Anxious about Sammy and his speculation, I sent the boy for bim on many occasions when I did not strictly need a cab.

people walked where they wanted to go or rode on the tops of busses. Anxious about Sammy and his speculation, I sent the boy for him on many occasions when I did not strictly need a cab. The boy returned again and again without Sammy, and then I went down to the cab-rank myself and learnt the astonishing news. Sammy, horse and hansom had disappeared, and it was now a month since anyone on the cab-rank had seen him. When the summer was well advanced, as I walked along the pavement beside the cab-rank, all at once I saw Sammy on his cab, standing in his usual place. He did not look at all like the man who had disappeared, and there was about him an air of prosperity which was exceedingly noticeable. The cab had always been well kept, but now the paint was fresher and the glass more polished, and there was a sleek, well-fed look about the horse. "For Heaven's sake, Sammy," I said, halting beside him, "where haveyou been?" Sammy brought his forefinger to the rim of his hat and said: Well cir it a long story."

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"Then you can take back the £10 note, and you'll have to get another cab, sir,' says I, a 'anding down his portmanteau. "I think that 30 shillings is too little,' says the gent, 'or 40 shillings, either, and I propose to pay you 45. If that satisfies you, then get along, for we have a lengthy job before us.' "Right you are, sir,' says I, astuffin' the banknote back in my pocket again. And what number in the Ighlands, sir ' "Then the gent answers as calm as if 'e where a tellin' me to drive to King's Cross: 'Drive to Pibroch Lodge on the shores of Loch Skirling. As I take you by the hour, I have the right to nominate the direction in which you shall go. Take, there-fore, the east coast and drive through Eninburgh.' And with that the gent 'e steps into the 'ansom and closes the doors on 'sself.

sself. "Well, sir, s'elp me Gawd, I'd never been out o' London in "Well, sir, s'elp me Gawd, I'd never been out o' London in my life, exceptin' at Epping Forest, or a day at Rosherville down the river, but I was game for it, and I thought I'd give the gent is ten pounds' worth, at least, so I catches up the reins and turns the 'orse round and goes up Ludgate 'ill and through to Liverpool street; then I strikes north Enfield way, and by and by we gets out into the country. The gent he sits there, and never says a word. Once I lifts up the lid and looks down at 'im; 'e 'ad 'is cap down over 'is eyes and seemed to be asleep. When evenin' was comin' on, and I gets no orders, I lifts up the lid again and finds the gent awake with 'is arms folded across' is breast and a-lookin' out at the fields. "'Sir,' says I to 'm' the 'orse is gettin' a bit done up.' "'Very well,' says the gent, 'stop at the first public 'ouse that is respectable, and ask if they can give me accommodation for the night.'

that is respectable, and ask if they can give me accommodation for the night." "So I pulls up at a 'ouse called the Royal George and looks down from the cab, and a man comes to the 'orse's 'ead, and everybody comes and stands round, surprised like to see a 'ansom out there. The gent 'e steps out and says to the proprietor: 'Give this man everything 'e wants to eat and drink, and attend to the horse, as he orders you to, and charge it on my bill.' Then 'e goes inside, but 'e turns to me at the door and 'e says: 'I'll expect the cab ready for me at 8 o'clock to-morrow morning.'

door and 'e says: In expect the day that is a start of the morrow morning.' "'Very good, sir,' says I, 'but I've got a wife and family, and I'd like to let 'em know where I am, so's they won't be anxious like.' "The gent'e takes a shilling from 'is pocket and says, giv-"The gent'e takes a shilling from 'is pocket and says, giv-

anxious like." "The gent 'e takes a shilling from 'is pocket and says, giv-ing it to me: Telegraph them, and give your address as Pib-roch Lodge, Loch Shirling. Highlands of Scotland. Then, taking another shilling from his pocket, 'e says: 'Perhaps you'd like to hear from them to night, so tell them to telegraph an answer here. Of course we can't tell just where we will stop at night, but I will give you two shillings every evening, so you can hear from them each day. Tell your wife not to gossip too much about this journey, but then,' says the gent, as if speaking to himself, 'what's the use tellin' that to a woman?' "Well, sir, that's the way it went on, day in and day out. Every evenin' I sends a telegram, and gets an answer before I goes to bed. At 8 o'clock sharp every morning the gent was ready, and after the first day, I didn't have the portmanteau on top, for the gent used it to put 'is feet on; 'e would lean back in the corner of the cab and put up 'is feet quite comfort-able like. When we were at a rummy old town called York, with a wall all around it, a policeman stopped us, and asked what number this cab was, for 'e'd never seen a number as big as mine. 'E wanted to see my own number, and the blicemse for driving in York, too. The gent 'e gives the policeman a gold piece, and says: 'It's all right, officer, we've come from London, and are just driving through. So the policeman a gold piece, in ever would stop at a large place, but always at some old coaching inn, 'e 'ad a man come and unscrew the number from the back of the 'ansom, and 'e took off the plate of fares. 'E put them all in 'is portmanteau, along o'my badge and strap. 'We'll put them on again before we reach the four-mile radius,'he said. "Well, sir, we crossed the Tweed, and were in Scotland.

number from the back of the 'ansom, and 'e took off the plate of fares. 'E put them all in 'is portmanteau, along o'my badge and strap. 'We'll put them on again before wereach the four-mile radius,' he said. "Well, sir, we crossed the Tweed, and were in Scotland before I knew it, and the gent 'e never says a word, but I tell you, sir, Scotland is a bit 'illy ; it's worse than Ludgate 'ill to go up some o' the places. My eye! you ought to see the 'ills there; they are the biggest in the world. When we drove up to the gates of Pibroch Lodge, an old 'Ighlander'e opens the gates, and we drive down to the mansion along a fine evenue, all going this way and that way, and not straight like as the roads in Epping Forest. "The old 'Ighlander'e waits on the gent, and I tell you we 'ad a good time while we were in that 'ouse. There was the beautiful lake in the front, and the 'ills all around. I asked the man one day who the gent was, and the next day the gent comes to me and he says: 'Cabby, if you want to know any-thing, you'd better ask me. Now, what is it you want to know any-thing, so long as the money is all right.' And, sir, if you will believe it, that night, never saying a word about the 410 note. 'e gives me 45 shillings for every day we'd been away, and I sends all the money to the missus, a tellin' 'er to keep up the installments on the cab, for I see we'd soon 'ave the cab paid for at this rate, and sure enough it was, for before we'd left Pibroch Lodge the cab and 'orse was all paid for, and I was a putting money in the bank. Every afternoon the gent'e 'ad the 'ansom before the door, and we took a drive, sometimes around the roads, and sometimes out in the country, and over the 'ills. Most o' them 'Ighlander's I don't suppose ever see a 'ansom before, for they stood beside the road with jaws dropped and watched us go by : they seemed to think it was sort of a cart up on end, and me on top. "One night, the gent.'e says to me : 'Cabby, 'ave the 'ansom ready in the morning at 80'clock, 'and at 8 o'clock the'

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## THE OUIET HOUR.

#### Love's Lesson.

Still in loving, still in loving, more than being loved, is joy; Here there lurks no disappointment, here is peace without

alloy Not in having, or receiving, but in giving is there bliss He who has no other pleasure ever may rejoice in this. Be it health, or be it leisure, be it skill we have to give, Still in spending life for others Christians only really live.

What in love we yield to others, by a charm we still retain, For the loved one's acquisition is the lover's double gain; Yet we know in love's increasing is increase of grief and care, For the pains of those around him, pained, the loving heart

Let the careless seek their pleasure, give, if e'er they give,

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their peir; But the loving, truly loving, gives, and loves to give, himself; Happy, if by his endeavor, - by his suffering others gain; If some comrade o'er his body may a wished for height attain.

Secrets here of love and sorrow, if in meekness we shall learn, Secrets soon of love and gladness we in heaven shall discern. In the light, so all-pervading, of the spirits' home above, We shall trace the perfect meaning of the saying "GOD IS

LOVE. And transformed to His likeness, we, O blessed thought!

shall be Loved and loving, loved and loving, through a bright eternity.  $-E_{c}W_{c}$ 

#### "Intercessory Prayer."

#### (Continued from page 303.)

Do not omit to calculate the power of combination. Many very slight muscular efforts, put forth imperceptibly, will create force enough to turn a heavy piece of furniture. The smallest contribution made by a vast number of people would soon fill a Monarch's treasury. Let, then, thy feeble intercession be put forth to move the will of God to show mercy to others. Other intercessions shall meet it at the throne of Grace, which shall convert it into a strong force. Yea, His shall certainly meet it, which is simply and by itself the strongest of all forces with God,-powerful at all times to bend His Will, and to obtain from Him the highest blessings. But in our reluctance to Intercessory Prayer we must acknowledge, if we be candid with ourselves, a great want of sympathy with others,-in other words, a lack of love. We feel no interest in them, and therefore do not care to pray for them. Now, so far as this is the case with us, we must consider, first, that such selfishness invalidates and empties of efficacy our prayers for ourselves. Our Saviour, in His comments on the cursing of the fig tree, lays down, you will find, two great conditions of success in prayer-the first, that we shall pray in faith; the second, that we shall pray in love. How does he pray in love who in his prayer looks only on his own things, and not on those of others? If we desire to gain anything from the Most High, our minds must be set, more or less, to the same key as His. If two harps be strung to the same key, but not otherwise, when one of them is struck the other gives a responsive sound. There must be some secret affinity between the lightning of Heaven and the conductor which draws it down,-between the steel and the magnet which attracts it. And there must also be a secret

affinity between God and the soul before the soul can lay hold of God's Will, and draw out a blessing from Him; yea, draw God Himself into it.

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There are, Sammy," I replied; "still I don't see why I should know it more than anybody else, though I suppose you meet queer characters now and then. But how about the horse and cab?"
"Oh, they are are all paid for, sir, every penny, and I have money in the bank."
"Bless me," I cried. "That's astonishing news. You must have struck a better paying cab-rank than this one, and the weather has not been good from your point of view."
"Well, kind o'speaking, sir, I did. Perhaps you remember, sir," said Sammy, "the day I took you to Regent street?"
"Yes," I replied," that was the last day I was out with you. I sent for you repeatedly, but the boy was never able to find you, and the rank said you had disappeared."
"Quite so, sir," said Sammy. "Well, you see, sir, I 'ad hardly been ten minutes 'ere after leaving you at your door, when along comes a gent with a portmanteau. 'E inquired from one cab to another; you see I was at the rear end, 'aving just come in from a fare, and 'e should have taken the first cab, but'e didn't, and at last someone pointed me out and e' comes up to me. 'Cabby,' says 'e, 'they tell me you own your 'orse and cab; is that true?
"'Well, sir,' I says, it's kind o' true; at least I'm a-payen another man on the installment plan for 'en, and I 'ope, if the weather 'olds good and we have a lot of rain, to own the cab myself before long."
"'Wery well, said the gent, short like, and then instead of 'anding me 's portmanteau to put on the top, 'c lays it down on the payement and feels of the cushions, for you know, sir, that some cabs with rubber tires 'as 'ard cushins. Then 'e walks some cabs with rubber tires 'as a'd cushions, Then 'e walks some cabs with rubber tires as 'ard cushing'."
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"Well, sielp me Gawd, you could have knocked me off the cab with a brick.
"It's a longish fare, sir, says I, and if you don't mind I'd "It's a longish fare, sir, says I, and if you don't mind I'd "It's a longish fare, sir, says I, and if you don't mind I'd "Then be pulls out a Bank o' England note, and 'ands it up "Then he pulls out a Bank o' England note. Now, I've 'a gents bilk me before. but I knows a Bank of England note then I sees it, for there is nothing in the world just like it : when I sees it. for there is plike, and a very comfortable thing to 'ave in a man's pocket, so I stuffs it away, and touches my 'at to 'im, and says: "The 'Ighlands o' Scotland or Jerusalem, it'd like to know, sir, that if you takes me by the day, the fare 'I'd like to shalt there's no trouble at the hend o' the journey, sir." "Onite right 'said the gent, 'but I don't intend to pay 30

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put on the cab again, and we were come within the four-mile radius. I says to 'im: "'What number, sir!' and 'e says: "Drive to your cab-rank on the Thames enbankment.' "With that we drives there, sir, and the gent 'e takes 'is portmanteau in 'is own 'ands; 'e won't allow any body to carry it for 'm. 'E pays me up, and says: 'Never mind the ±10 note. Cabby; keep that for yourself.' And with that away 'e goes. 'E looks over' is shoulder two or three times, to see if I was a followin' of 'im, but he turned at last up the Strand way and that was the last I see of him."-Robert Bar, in Detroit Free Press.

#### Our Library Table.

The "Ladies' Home Journal" for June contains many bright, interesting articles. The "Paradise Club" is, as usual, very amusing ridionline th absurd custom of dressing hardy, romping lads like fashion plates. In the July number the "Paradise Club" pictures most vividly the troubles of the "Married Man" left desolate in town during the holidays. He is forced to wear a curious mixture of bathing suit and dress clothes, as all the rest of his wardrobe is in the country, packed up by mis-take. "The Blot on our American Life" states very forcibly the great want of respect towards parents shown by children on this side of the Atlantic. There are several new and entertaining games for children, and many excellent recipes which will surely prove useful to the readers of this very interesting "Journal."

This affinity stands in Love. God, the great Father, loves all men. Therefore, he who prays with the largest sympathy, he who embraces in his prayer the widest circle of his fellow-creatures, is most in sympathy with the mind of God when he prays, has the key of God's heart, and therefore the key of His treasury. And as for him who prays in the total absence of this sympathy, does it not stand to reason that God must remain mute to such a man? The first words of the Prayer of Prayers are bound together in an indissoluble wedlock; and he who cannot in sympathy and love say "Our," cannot in faith and trust say "Father."

Then, pray for others, if you have not yet done so, uniting with your prayers, where opportunity offers, that kindly interest in their concerns which attests the sincerity of your intercessions. Pray particularly for those who have done you wrong. Do not be baffled by the thought that explicitness of request is always necessary. The mention of the name, the thought of the person before the throne of Grace, the simple commendation of him by prayer to God's mercy and blessing, is a great point gained, and in numerous cases is all that can be done. If we much desire explicitness, and yet do not know exactly into what form to throw the petition, the Holy Spirit, the gift of gifts, may always be petitioned for on behalf of all. You may do for your friend the same kind office which those interested in the poor paralytic did for him-bring him in the arms of prayer and lay him down in his helplessness before the Lord Jesus, thus silently commending him to the pity and sympathy of the Infinite Love. Yes, thou mystical Aaron, clothed in the righteousness of Christ, forget not to wear thy breastplate when thou goest in to offer up a spiritual sacrifice,-neglect not to exhibit silently before God, graven upon thy heart, the names of all thou lovest : yea, be an intercessor, as far as in thee lies, for all the people : for each member of the human family has a claim the armouthy and human family has a claim upon thy sympathy and kind offices. E. M. GOULBURN, D. D.

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### THE FARMER'S ADVOCATE.

## THE CHILDREN'S CORNER. A prize will be given in January for the best short original fairy tale. The writer must not be more than sixteen years of age. Send the stories, with name, age, and address of writer, to Censin Dorothy, FARMER'S ADVOCATE, London. Ont.

Dongola, June, 1895. DEAR COUSIN DOROTHY,-

We live in the Northwest Territory, in Assiniboia, on the banks of the big Cutarm Creek. It is nice around here in the summer time-the birds are singing nearly all the time. We have a little grey pony, we call her Jennie; she is so quiet that I can get on her back in the stable, and I can go just can get on her back in the stable, and I can go just as fast as she can go without holding on. I like riding very well. I go for the cows every night, and I go for the mail every other week ; she is grey in color. I was ten years old the 6th of June. never went to school, but I learn at home. Ma little Margaret, who then saw the fulfillment of the learns me. I am in the Third Book-more than half way through-and in reduction, ascending, and in the Fourth Copy Book.

We have an old cat; he is 12 or 13 years of age, and he is as cunning as anything; he knows the difference between milk and cream, and the difference between beef and pork; we call him Snooks. We have three more cats,-two kittens and one other black cat, the mother of the kittens. Snooks brings in young gophers for the kittens. One day he brought four in, one after another. We call the other cat Teenie.

We have eleven young turkeys; two are white, and the other ones are all grey. Yours truly, ADDIE MABEL SALKELD.

#### Pearl and Daisy.

"I wish I were a Princess," sighed little Margaret; "how nice it must be to wear fine clothes

and jewels every day, and to ride in a carriage." She was sitting in the garden as she thus spoke to herself, for she had placed her little stool in the arbor next to the great bush of Michaelmas daisies. Suddenly, out of the very middle of the bush, rose a stately lady, dressed in a fine chintz gown, sprinkled all over with daisies; wearing a superb tall turban on her head, frilled like a flower. "I have heard your wish, child," said she; "and as pocket. After diving down so deeply in search of what she wanted, that Margaret thought she would snap off at the waist, she drew up again with a string of blue silk having four large pearls threaded

on it, and a tuft of daisies in her hand. "Here, child," said she, "is a necklet of pearls and a bunch of daisies, and you can use which you please first. When you wish to change yourself into somebody else, you must either drop a pearl off the string or child on of round daises. And off the string or shake one of your daisies. And now, good-bye, my dear, for I have a great deal to do, and little time to waste." And down she went in the middle of the bush, leaving Margaret, with the pearls and daisies in her hands, in a state of delighted astonishment. Of course she could not wait a moment without trying the truth of the old

lady's promise, so, untying the silken string, she dropped one of the pearls. It rolled away, farther and farther out of her sight, and Margaret winked hard to see where it could have gone, and when she opened her was again she found have lift in a fine opened her eyes again she found have gone, and when he room that seemed panelled with mirrors, and was hung with splendid drapery. When Margaret found time to look away from the painted ceiling, the thickly expected from the rold and which the thickly-carpeted floor, and the gold and white couches, and chairs that were cushioned with green velvet, she cast her eyes on the mirror before her, which showed her a strange sight. There stood a little girl, dressed in an elegant morning dress of white muslin, trimmed with the richest lace and kid gloves were tightly fitted on her little hands. But the faithful glass, while showing all this grace-ful costume, gave back as truly the familiar face of old lady's promise.

"How charming," said she, as she viewed her-self all round, and admired her exquisite dress when she was interrupted by the entrance of several ladies, one of whom, the eldest, accosted her with:

"A bright morning to you, Ma Belle! How is Your Highness?

"Good morning, madam," answered the new little Princess, modestly.

Then four powdered lacqueys carried in a large table, which was evidently spread for dinner in a very grand fashion. Princess Belle, as Margaret was now called, was ushered to table with great ceremony by her gouvernante, La Marquise de Volauvent, and waited upon with a great deal of respect. A tall, powdered footman stood behind her chair, and bowed low whenever he handed her a plate, and every one, ladies in-waiting and all, flattered and praised her, and called her Madame Royale. But Margaret did not see that she gained very substantial comfort by this finery, for when she asked for some roast pheasant, Madame de Volauvent replied: "My sweetest Princess, con-sider your complexion!—not for the world shall you have anything but a cotelette de mouton, some bread, and a glass of water! We could not have sprinkled all over with daisies; wearing a superb tall turban on her head, frilled like a flower. "I have heard your wish, child," said she; "and as you are a little namesake of mine, I have half a mind to grant it. In me you behold Queen Mar-guerite, the Sovereign of all the Astor tribes of China." Margaret got up and made her best courtesy to the fine dame, who then daintily pulled up her gown, and put her hand in her large dimity pocket. After diving down so deeply in search of meekly. "No, my sweetest Belle; it breaks my heart to refuse you, but I dare not ; you must take care of your beauty, my child !

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## UNCLE TOM'S DEPARTMENT.

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MY DEAR NEPHEWS AND NIECES,

As very little interest has been taken in the puzzles during the last month, I think a change of will competition would prove very acceptable. I offer three nicely-bound books for the best letters descriptive of your holidays; or you may write in essay form if preferred. This competition is open to all our young readers, and those who have been unfortunate enough to have no holidays may describe imaginary ones if they wish. All competing must have their work in this office by the 5th of September. Hoping to hear from many of our old and many new friends, your loving— UNCLE TOM.

#### Puzzles.

#### 1-CONUNDRUMS

- Why is a one-eyed lover like a swan? How can comfort be spelled with only two letters? Why cannot a girl named Polly use short words?
  - cannot a girl named Polly use short wo 2-METAGRAM. Little Katie caught a ONE, And thought it would be lots of fun If she could find a two or more, And see them THREE the ONE SO FOUR. Her FIVE she found upon the SIX, Laid there by SEVEN SO full of tricks. And it was filled with EIGHTS SO fine, Which he'd been giving to a NINE. She TEN upon an ELEVEN and cried,— The ONE meanwhile escaped outside. ADA ADA ARMAND.

3-NUMERICAL ENIGMA.

- 3, 4, 5, 6, 2, is part of a poem; 9, 12, 7, 8, is to beat; 1, 8, 7, is a negative; 4, 6, 6, 10, 8, is an effort; 8, 11, 3, 2, is a number.

Total is my advice to those who feel discouraged if they do not win a prize at their effort. ADA ARMAND

4-DROP-LETTER PUZZLE. Every second letter is dropped. W-o-d-s-h-b-s-h-c-n-o-s-e-l,-

-s-o-l-,a-g-l-c-u-d-o-o-r. " EDYTHE."

5- CHARADE. Dear Cousins .-Cousins.— Back I've LAST to puzzle with you, Long I've wandered from the "dom"; But I beg you will forgive me, As I hope will Uncle Tom. Cousins, I can ne'er forget you, For the good time we have had, And I long again to share the Work that makes our hearts feel glad. As last night I conned the puzzles In the "Ads." of years gone past, Deeply burned my heart within me With a joy that age will last. Then resolved I to re-enter The FIRST contested puzzle fray. So, dear cousins, with your TOTAL I am back again to stay.

#### NAMES OF SOLVERS

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Lord Aberdeen, while attending the Regina Fair, bought an Ayrshire bull calf for his farm in British Columbia, from Robt. Jackson, Bird's Hill, Man.

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Sir Walter Gilbey, President of the English Royal Society, has purchased a couple of Clydesdale geldings — Sensation and Gold-finder—which, in the hands of Mr. Wm. Clark, Netherlee, Cathcart, won numerous prizes. They weigh close on 20 cwt. each.

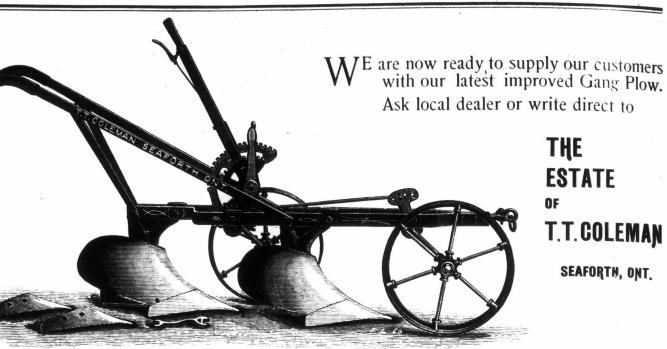
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the Crabbett Plate of £1,000 at Gatwick. The Illinois State Board of Agriculture has decided to offer \$600 cash for best car lots of steers shown at the forthcoming American Fat-Stock Show to be held at the Chicago Coli-seum, Oct. 23 to Nov. 2. There will be a class for two-year-olds and a class for yearlings, the first prize in each case being \$200 and the second \$100. Competition in this section will be open to all breeds, grades, or crosses. The slaughter test will be omitted.

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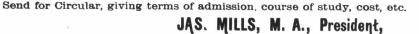


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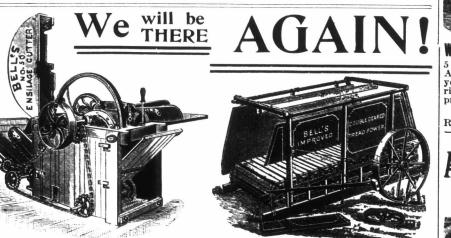
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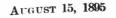
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