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The Cardston Seed Fair

The Cardston Seed Fair was held on Monday in the Assembly Hall. There were many entries and considerable grain was offered for sale as represented by the samples on exhibition.

In the wheat classes the grain graded very high and the judging was necessarily very close. Many of the entries in oats were disqualified on account of wild oats. The judges were Hugh MacIntosh, Macleod, and W. H. Fairfield, Superintendent Experimental Farm, Lethbridge.

WINTER WHEAT

In the winter wheat class there

were seven entries. First prize was taken by J. B. Ririe, Magrath with a score of 94 points.

Ben Matkin, Magrath, took second with a score of 92 1/2, and R. N. Howes, Kimball, third with 92 1/2. S. M. Woolf's grain scored 91 points.

SPRING WHEAT

In the spring wheat there were six entries. The first prize was taken by J. B. Ririe, Magrath, grain scored 92 1/2 points.

Ben Matkin, Magrath, took second prize with a score of 91. Third prize was taken by R. Wm. Pilling with a score of 89.

OATS

There were six entries in oats but all were disqualified on account of wild oats.

BARLEY

A. Perrey was awarded first prize in Barley.

BROME GRASS SEED

A. Perrey was awarded first prize.

In spring Rye the entries were disqualified on account of wild oats.

RYE GRASS SEED

In Rye Grass Seed A. Perrey was awarded first prize.

ALFALFA

In Alfalfa J. B. Ririe, Magrath, took second prize and Ben Matkin 3rd.

A. Perrey was awarded 2nd prize for the best collection of grains (5 kinds).

EVENING MEETING

Many people were present at the evening meeting which was held

in the Assembly Hall. Mr. H. MacIntosh and W. H. Fairfield were the speakers. Subject: Weeds and Farming.

NOTICE

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Cardston Public School will reopen on Monday, Jan. 31st. No scholars permitted to attend whose home has not been out

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PANCAKES.

Pancakes.—Three cupfuls of buttermilk, one scant teaspoonful of soda, one-half teaspoonful of salt, two cupfuls of flour, one of corn meal.

Graham Griddle Cakes.—Warm one pint of milk and one pint of water, put half of the mixture in stone jar, add five teaspoonfuls of Graham flour and two cupfuls of wheat flour, one sugar-spoonful of brown sugar, beat until smooth, add rest of milk and water, lastly one cupful of batter before adding one-half teaspoonful of salt and one spoonful of soda dissolved in a little water. Every night mix two-thirds Graham and one-third flour, according to the amount desired; add milk once in awhile when it can be spared—it helps to brown them nicely. Cheaper and healthier than buckwheat.

Best Pancakes.—While doing up the evening work put the required amount of sour (thick) milk into a mixing bowl. Beat in flour enough to make a thick batter. Beat in salt, cover, and set aside. In the morning dissolve soda in cold water. Beat into batter thoroughly. Beat the required number of eggs for amount of batter light. Fold lightly into batter. This will hasten the breakfast getting and you will have pancakes fit for a king.

Cornmeal Cakes.—Sift together one and one-half large cups cornmeal, one heaping teaspoon baking powder, teaspoonful salt, table-spoon sugar. Rub in one teaspoon lard and add enough water to make thin batter. Then add one or two eggs. Beat well and fry on hot griddle. This makes enough for two, and they are certainly fine.

PIES AND FILLING.

Pumpkin Pie.—Two cupfuls of grated pumpkin, four cupfuls of milk, three cupfuls of sugar, three eggs beaten separately, one salt-spoonful of salt, one teaspoonful of nutmeg. Enough for three small pies or two large ones.

Pie Filling.—Beat two eggs light, add one heaping cupful of prepared pumpkin, one scant cupful sugar, one-half cupful of ground nutmeg, one teaspoonful allspice.

vanilla, a little cream, together with half pint of milk. One pint of milk may be used instead of cream. Mix in the order given, beating well, pour into a pie tin lined with rich pastry, and bake from twenty to thirty minutes.

Preparing Pumpkin.—Scrape the hard shell with a piece of broken window glass before cutting. Then cut in half, then into strips, and slice into small squares, after which put into covered roasting pan with a pint of water and place in a moderate oven. Let steam until tender, then remove the cover, and cook down to a dry pulp. Cool and press through a colander. This prepared on ironing day requires no extra fuel and needs less attention than if cooked in the usual way.

CLEANING.

Gasoline Cleaning.—Gloves or neckwear much soiled should soak for some time in gasoline before rubbing. To keep the gasoline from evaporating during the process put it in a glass jar or jelly glass if it is large enough. Cover tightly and let soak until the dirt is loosened. The danger of igniting is removed by having the gasoline in a covered receptacle.

Plumes.—If black plumes are gray, take a little tube of black oil paint and mix in gasoline enough to cover them; dip them in, shake well until dry, then hold over steam or hot air to curl and they will look like new. Paint of any color used in the same way will brighten and clean colored plumes, or white ones, also flowers.

Cleaning Net.—To clean delicate net yokes and waists make a thick paste of flour and gasoline, use the paste with a small stiff brush and rub well. Leave a thick coating of the paste on to dry. When gasoline has evaporated the flour will brush out leaving net clean and white.

Indelible Marks.—Soak the stains in kerosene before putting them in water, then wash in the usual way and the stains will all disappear.

Black Taffeta.—To freshen black taffeta or satin sponge with strong tea to which a little ammonia has been added. Then press on the wrong side over a damp cloth.

CAKE DON'TS.

Don't expect success if you make your cake "by guess."
Don't use strong butter; it is poor economy.
Don't neglect to cream butter

and sugar thoroughly. When the butter is too hard to blend easily warm the bowl, and if necessary the sugar.

Don't melt the butter as this will change the flavor and texture of the cake.

Don't forget that sweet milk makes cake that cuts like pound cake, and that sour milk makes light, spongy cake.

Don't forget that long beating before the baking powder is added makes fine delicious cake, but don't beat violently after adding baking powder.

Don't measure your flour before sifting, and don't forget to do it after sifting. It means economy in flour and a light cake.

Too much flour causes the cake to break open while baking.

Don't hold the flour sifter high and turn rapidly, allowing the lighter baking powder to be blown away.

Don't forget that the smaller the cake the hotter should be the oven. Large, rich cakes require slow baking.

Don't forget to add fruit before putting in the flour, as this will prevent it falling to the bottom of the cake.

Don't walk heavily about the kitchen while the cake is in the oven.

Don't thrust a heavy broom straw into the middle of the cake; it will surely fall if you do.

Don't allow cakes to cool in pans unless the recipe specially calls for it. Such cakes are sure to be damp in the bottom.

LAUNDRY.

Handkerchiefs.—Drop the handkerchiefs, before washing, into cold water to which has been added a little borax and plenty of soap. Boil thoroughly. Rinse in two waters. They will be white as snow and perfectly clean.

Ironing Blankets.—Use a small whisk broom, brushing when dry on the line, not too hard, and in one direction. This raises the nap and they appear like new.

To White Linens.—Put to soak over night in water in which has been dissolved one teaspoonful of

water. When ironed they will be snow white.

Ironing Board.—The ordinary board may be made much simpler for ironing garments of all descriptions, but especially skirts and shirts by the use of the saw, plane and square. Notches are made near the ends to allow the tops of the chairs to pass through, while a clothes basket or some heavy object placed on one of the chairs will steady it.

GINGERBREAD.

Soft Gingerbread.—One-half cupful of butter or lard, three-fourths cupful of sugar, one-half cupful black molasses, one-half cupful of sour milk, one egg beaten light, one teaspoonful of ginger, one-half teaspoonful of cinnamon, one even teaspoonful of soda dissolved in milk, two cupfuls of flour.

Fairy Ginger Bread.—Two table-spoonfuls of molasses, one table-spoonful of milk, one teaspoonful of ginger, one-half teaspoonful of soda, flour enough to make a stiff cake batter. Spread thin on iron sheets or inverted pans, bake in a slow oven, and cut into squares while hot.

CIDER RECIPES.

Homemade Cider.—Wash, wipe dry, and quarter apples. Put through meat chopper, using the finest knife. Place in muslin bag and put in a fruit presser.

Boiled Cider.—Boil three gallons of perfectly sweet cider down to one gallon and bottle while hot. Superior to brand for fruit cake or mince meat. Skim carefully and see that it does not scorch while boiling. Copper, brass or agate should be used, never tin. A brass kettle thoroughly cleaned with vinegar and salt and washed in clean water is about as good as anything you can use.

HOME HINTS.

Never rub soap directly on the hair when shampooing, as it is very hard to wash out. Always use soap in a liquid form.

When darning stockings run a thread round each hole before beginning, and draw until the edges lie flat. This makes the hole appear smaller, and it will be much easier to mend.

Pork is not good for children, as it is too rich; but bacon-fat is good for them with bread. It acts like cod-liver oil in strengthening the system. Beal should not be given to young people, as it is difficult to digest.

An ingenious bed for a baby can be made from a clothes-basket covered with a bright color, with a frill round and a sofa pillow for a mattress. The handles could be tied with ribbon to match the valance. A baby can be easily carried about in this.

It is not generally known that common alum melted in an iron spoon over hot coals forms an exceedingly strong cement for joining glass, china, metal, or breakages of any kind. Articles mended with this cement may be washed without fear of coming apart again.

A small block of pumice-stone should find a place on every washstand, for nothing more effectively removes stains from the fingers or better keeps the scarf-skin from encroaching on the nails. The finger-tips should be rubbed every day with pumice-stone.

When babies are teething they suffer very much from thirst, which is caused by feverishness. To allay the thirst it is a good plan to give a teaspoonful or two of pure cold water several times during the day. It is wonderful how this will soothe and quiet a fretful baby when everything else has failed.

After sweeping a room, leave it a little time for the dust to settle; then take a clean damp cloth and wipe the furniture, polishing afterwards by rubbing well with a dry duster. In this way the dust is really removed, not merely scattered, as is generally the case. Do not overlook the top of high pieces of furniture.

KAISER'S NEW CASTLE.

It Deserves Rather to be Called a Fortress.

The German Emperor's new palace in Posen—it deserves rather to be called a fortress—is nearing completion. It was designed by the German architect Frans Schwechten not merely as an imperial residence, for the Kaiser will not spend more than a few days each year there, but as an imposing sign of the German Government's determination to maintain its grip on Prussia-Poland, of which Posen is the capital, and carry out unflinchingly its policy of Germanizing an alien and hostile people.

The castle is expected to cost from five to seven million dollars before it is finished. It confronts in granite grimness the stranger as he leaves the Posen railway station, his eye being at once attracted by its central tower, over 220 feet high. Smaller towers and bastions relieve the sombre effect of the high tran-

shooting guns fired by the full armament of the ship were used in the seventeenth century, as it is said: "Now every gun is empty and we are unarmed." Blank salutes became the eighteenth century fashion, but like many other customs of that polished, formal period, were carried to a ridiculous extreme.

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TURBINE LOCOMOTIVE.

Experiments With One Being Made in Glasgow.

The North British Locomotive Company are carrying out an experiment at their works in Glasgow which may lead to the turbine system—which has revolutionized steam propulsion on the Atlantic—being applied generally to railway engines.

The company have at present under construction an electric locomotive on a self-contained principle—that is to say, it will generate its own motive power as it travels and be altogether independent of such familiar and cumbersome adjuncts as rail slots, storage batteries, or charged cables. This arrangement has been made possible by an ingenious application of the steam turbine to the work of generating electric energy while in motion.

Steam will be got in the ordinary way from a copper-tubed boiler, but after doing its work in the turbines it will be condensed and pass direct again to the boiler instead of up the funnel. A great reduction in the coal bill will be the result. The turbine will work at a speed of 3,000 revolutions, and be directly coupled to a dynamo which will supply the electric energy. The engine is intended for express passenger main line work, and comparisons of its actual working alongside locomotives with ordinary reciprocating engines will be made.

A REASON.

"Why do they want to preserve the great forests?"
"So that they can have forest fires, my son."

ORIGIN OF SALUTES.

Showed That a Person's Intentions Were Peaceable.

The custom of firing a salute in honor of Admirals, Captains and other naval dignitaries as well as other forms of greeting originated in the desire to show to the person saluted that the saluting person was unarmed and could do the other no injury.

This was a very important matter in the olden days when most people went armed and violent encounters were quite common. When any one approached another it was necessary to assure the latter that no harm was intended, and this sign of good faith was made by the newcomer's handling his weapons in such a way that they would be useless for immediate action.

The present courteous raising of the cap or hat had its origin in the removal of the basinet, or small metal helmet, an act which showed an absence of fear by leaving the head of the wearer open to attack and which likewise occupied his right hand, so that he could practically make no assault.

The dropping of the swordpoint to the ground now, as and ready use makes the weapon temporarily of no service, says St. Nicholas. The bringing of arms to "present" in salutation of superiors is a custom of precisely similar origin.

The ancient custom of entering the presence of royalty uncovered likewise originated in the desire for safety. So also did that of retiring backward from the royal presence. In either case the person admitted to the throne, with his sword-arm occupied in holding his helmet, could not easily reach or use his weapons. These precautions in mediaeval times were very necessary, when it is considered that the King, Prince or Duke, being seated, would not be able to defend himself immediately or even readily against sudden attack.

The word "salute" itself has the idea of "safety" in it, as it comes directly from the Latin *salus*, signifying "health," then "welfare." To "salute" is to wish health and safety. The root of the word goes back to the Sanscrit *sa*, which meant to "protect" or "guard."

Naval salutes are interesting to landmen as well as to jack tars. The artillery salute is the survival of one of those ceremonial practices which formerly had some definite meaning, and is meant to signify not only an honor to the flag or representative of a friendly nation but also that the vessel saluting

has no hostile intent. Shotted guns fired by the full armament of the ship were used in the seventeenth century, as it is said: "Now every gun is empty and we are unarmed." Blank salutes became the eighteenth century fashion, but like many other customs of that polished, formal period, were carried to a ridiculous extreme.

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REAL TROUBLE.

It's little that I care
For the burdens I must bear;
It's not the little trials
Here that fret.

In my heart I'll keep a song,
Though a friend may do me wrong,
And I'll try to smile
At poverty and debt.

I can take my share of woe,
Grimming ever as I go,
And I'll fight off grim
Depression and the blues,
But I still insist that I
Have a right to growl and sigh,
When I'm breaking in
Another pair of shoes

I can stand the iron heel
Of oppression and not squeal,
Undaunted and misfortune
I can greet,
Though my money slips away
I can smile and still be gay,
And I never whine
Or whimper at defeat.

Old Man Trouble, I declare,
With his daily grist of care
Isn't going to leave me
Broken and a wreck,
But I have a right to growl,
Raise a kick and loudly howl
When I have a saw-edged
Collar round my neck.

Broughne—"How are you getting on with Miss Plunks?"
"Splendid! Her father generally boots me clear into the road, but last night he only pushed me off the step."

ELECTIONS IN OLD ENGLAND.

Liquor an Item—Overcoming the Residence Law.

Liquor was a very serious item of oldtime unreformed election expenses. For an election dinner in Forfarshire in 1830 the Hon. S. Wortley paid: Ginger beer, 6s.; brandy, 20s.; champagne, £30; claret, £21; gin, 20s.; ale, 16s.; brandy toddy, £2; gin toddy, £1; dinner, £4 10s.; Maderia, £17 10s. Total, £69 2s.

From July 21 to Sept. 15 his bill from the same landlord amounted to £209 5s. 10d.—every item with the exception of that £4 10s. for dinner and £4 7s. 6d. for suppers, being for liquor. If the nation has been known to "drink itself into solvency," certainly electors used to drink candidates into Parliament.

As a contrast to our instances of enormous sums spent at certain elections, a correspondent quotes a case in the reign of Queen Elizabeth, referred to in Sir Edward Coke's "Institutes," where one Long, member for the Borough of Westbury, obtained his seat by the simple method of bribing the returning officer with £4 to return him as member. But some one got to hear of it and the member was unseated, while the returning officer was fined and imprisoned. And in another case in 1623, cited by Sir John Glanville, a certain Mr. L. was sent to the Tower because "some money, though very little, had been given in his behalf to grant him votes."

As to the corruption at elections, says a correspondent, it had other forms besides the gift of money. The Borough of Seaford, for instance, saw an ingenious plan for securing the election of the desired candidate in 1790. It was doubtful which way the polling would go unless a receiving officer could be found willing to pass some twenty-six persons who still wanted seven days to complete the six months residence required by law. Accordingly it was arranged that the candidate should insist on all the six oaths demanded by statute being administered to each voter individually; and this, together with every frivolous objection raised by counsel, making it impossible to poll more than four votes a day, the twenty-six were duly qualified by the time their turn came to vote.—London Chronicle.

CLOSING THE NORTH SEA.

The British Admiralty's Plan to Shut It In.

The London Daily Chronicle of November 8th, publishes the following from "Lloyd's News"—A new strategic base of the first importance is to be created by the Admiralty at Scapa Flow, in the Orkney Islands, for the use of the home fleet.

Scapa Flow is a basin lying principally between the islands of Hay, Walls, South Ronaldshay, Pomona, and Burray. It is a magnificent harbor, fifteen miles long and eight miles broad, and from it extends an opening, known as Scapa Bay, two and a quarter miles long and a mile and a half broad at the entrance. A strong base here will effectively prevent a hostile fleet getting into the Atlantic by the Scottish passage.

With the home fleet spending most of its time at Scapa Flow, the North Sea will be effectively bottled. The advantages of Great Britain of being able to confine a possible conflict to the North Sea are: first, we can bring into action the huge number of battleships not actually of the first class which we possess, and which would be useless for long-distance steaming or fighting; second, it would be impossible for the enemy to attack our trade; thirdly, the war would probably be over after one or two pitched battles, instead of drawing itself out to the great detriment of trade, infinite expense, and loss of life.

A DUSTY SPOT.

A school inspector, noted for his idiosyncrasies, happened to notice that a terrestrial globe in one of the class-rooms was very dusty. This annoyed him, and, putting his finger on the globe, he cried out, "There's dust here an inch thick!" "It's thicker than that, sir," calmly replied the new teacher. "What do you mean?" asked the inspector sharply. "Why," came the answer, "you've got your finger on the desert of Sahara."

A SURPRISE.

"I never was so surprised in my life."
"What's the matter?"
"I just overheard one of my twenty-dollar-a-week clerks telling a friend that I was paying him \$3,500 a year."

Visitor—"Can you tell me where Mr. Greenock's cottage is?"
Country Youth—"I can for five cents."
Visitor—"Here you are; now, where is it?"
Country Youth—"It's burned down."

FASTING IS INJURIOUS

REASONS ADVANCED WHY IT IS DANGEROUS.

Theory That it Purifies the Blood is Fallacious—Clumsy Method.

Whenever a drug or a method is found beneficial in any case, experience seems to show that there will always arise, sooner or later, a prophet to proclaim that this drug or this method is a cure-all. Those who eat too much (and their name is legion) are benefited by fasting and so we might have expected voices to be raised in advocacy of a "fasting cure" for all ills. In Good Health, Dr. J. H. Kellogg gives some reasons to show why fasting cannot be thus universally beneficial, and why it may even be injurious and dangerous. He says:

"The fasting fad is growing. Perhaps it is not doing much harm, as on the whole we eat far too much, and the total abstinence of a few will bring the average amount of food consumed per capita a little nearer the rational standard. But many spend money and time, to say nothing of the inconvenience experienced, only to meet disappointment in the end. I am constantly meeting patients who have fasted one to four weeks without experiencing relief of any sort.

AVOID THE FAST.

"There is benefit to be gained by fasting. There is no doubt of that. But there are some dangers and inconveniences which may well be avoided if possible. Hence it is well to avoid the fast as a routine measure and to seek to accomplish the same ends by better and more rational means. . . .

"It is held (by advocates of the fasting cure) that the blood becomes impure through overfeeding, and that hence fasting is the rational remedy. This theory has the virtue of simplicity at least! But unfortunately it is not backed up by either authoritative laboratory research or reliable clinical observations. Such sweeping generalizations are always hazardous and most never justifiable unless warranted by wide investigations and most profound research.

"It is, of course, true that the blood is the healing agent of the body, feeding and cleansing the tissues. It is also true that the blood is replenished by the ingestion of food. But the supposition that fasting is the only means of purifying the blood is

A SERIOUS ERROR.

Indeed, there is evidence from the experience of fasters that fasting actually increases the pollution of the blood.

In fact, the fasting cure consists, Dr. Kellogg assures us, in producing acute intestinal poisoning by crippling the action of the intestines, then sitting down to wait until the body in some way or other manages to overcome the obstacle. He goes on:

"Think of waiting for forty days for the tongue to clear off and a malodorous condition of the body to disappear. By proper management of the anti-toxic method of diet and treatment this should be accomplished in a week or two and without the risks and hardships of the fasting method. The number of cases of 'biliousness' and allied maladies cured by this method without fasting is many thousand, which is a sufficient demonstration of the value of the method.

"The object claimed for the fasting method is that it cleanses the body and the alimentary canal in particular, by withholding food and

FARMER VINCENT'S SAYINGS.

How apt we are to think any old stuff that spoils about the house is good enough for the hens. It isn't though. Feed only good clean feed. Clean the coops thoroughly before you put them away. Get them under cover, too, if you can. They will last so much longer.

If any of the pullets look as if they never would amount to much better let them go. Keep only the very best ones.

Wood ashes are good in their place, but that place is not in the hen-house.

One reason why hens do not do well is because they are kept too long on the same ground. The very earth gets foul and full of insect pests. Change about every two or three years. It will pay.

New corn is not a safe feed for fowls of any kinds. Let it get fairly seasoned before you begin on it.

The fight against mites and insects must be kept up till the last one has been driven out. Your birds cannot do well so long as they are afflicted with these enemies.

Keep busy—this must be the motto in every poultry yard. A lazy hen will soon be a sick hen. Make her stir around. Too heavy feeding is apt to cause breaking down behind.

WOMEN WHO SUFFER

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills Give Regularity and Good Health.

Every woman at some time needs a tonic. At special times unusual demands are made upon her strength. Where these are added to the worry and hard work which falls to her lot, weakness will result unless the blood is fortified to meet the strain.

Weak women find in Dr. Williams' Pink Pills the tonic exactly suited to their needs. Most of the ills with which they suffer are due to bloodlessness—a condition which the Pills readily cure. These Pills save the girl who enters into womanhood in a bloodless condition from years of misery, and afford prompt and permanent relief to the woman who is bloodless, and therefore weak. Mrs. R. Fisher, Coates Mills, N. B., says: "Sometime ago my system was in a very anaemic condition as the result of an internal hemorrhage caused by an accident. Though I had the services of a skilled doctor for a time, I did not recover my strength, and gradually I grew so weak that I could not do any house-work. As I seemed to grow steadily weaker I became much discouraged, for previous to my accident I had always been a healthy woman. About this time I received a pamphlet telling me of the strengthening powers of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I procured a box at once and began using them, when they were gone I got three boxes more, and by the time I had used these I found myself somewhat stronger and my appetite much better. Before I began the Pills I could scarcely walk up stairs, and could do no work at all. Now after taking three boxes I was able to walk out in the open air. I kept on with the Pills, and after using six boxes was delighted to find that I could again attend to my household affairs. I took two more boxes of the Pills, and I felt that I was as well as ever I had been, and equal to any kind of exertion. I have since recommended Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to friends with beneficial results."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are sold by all medicine dealers or will be sent by mail at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50 by The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

CANADA DRINKS TEA.

Only Two Countries in the World Which Consume More.

It has been supposed that the English nation drank more tea than any other, but recent statistics show that the average consumption in Australia is 7.11 pounds a person a year, while in England it is only 6.03 pounds. Next to England comes Canada, with 4 pounds. Then there is a remarkable gap, as Holland, the next country on the list, only accounts for 1.4 pounds a head annually. The United States record is only 1.3 pounds. The smallest consumers of tea in the civilized world are Germany and France.

BABY'S OWN TABLETS

A SMILE IN EVERY DOSE

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PHYSIOLOGICAL.

"Effe," said Margie, who was laboriously spelling words from a first reader, "how can I tell which is a 'd' and which is a 'b'?" "Why," replied Effe, wisely, "the 'd' has its tummy on its back."

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Spanking does not cure children of bed-wetting. There is a constitutional cause for this trouble. M. M. Summers, Box V 720, Windsor, Ont., will send free to any mother her successful home treatment, with full instructions. Send no money, but write her to-day if your children trouble you in this way. Don't blame the child, the chances are it can't help it. This treatment also cures adults and aged people troubled with urine difficulties by day or night.

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"Say," growled the boss, "you've got to stop chatting with giggling girls over the 'phone. That telephone is for business purposes only."

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POULTRY.

We call the attention of our readers to the advertisement of Gunn, Langlois & Co., Montreal, which appears elsewhere in this paper. If you have any poultry to place on the market during the holiday season, take their advice and communicate with them before rushing goods to market. It is a good plan to write to these people if you have eggs, butter, poultry or honey to dispose of at any time, as they are known to be a very reliable house.

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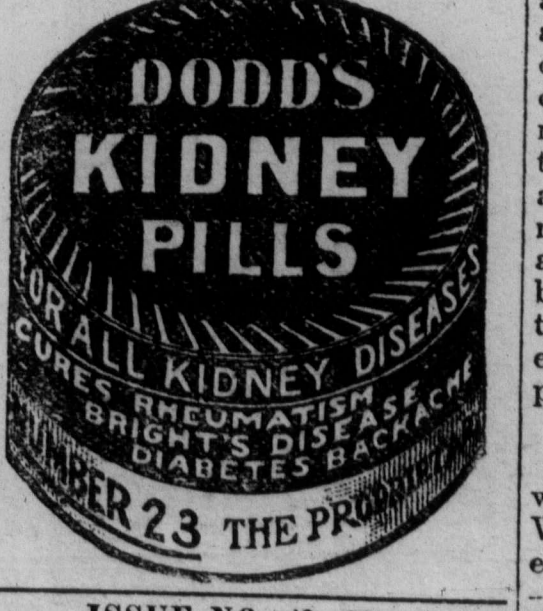
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JANUARY 28, 1910.

The wheat shown at the Seed Fair was certainly some wheat.

And now we learn that this comet is not Halley's comet after all.

Our merchants will do a fine trade next week, if the beautiful weather continues.

Some day Canada's wheat crop will exceed Russia's record of 782,000,000 bushels.

As a producer of wheat Russia has still to be reckoned with as a rival of Canada.

And who do you think will be the two new senators and the new lieutenant governor of Alberta?

And after all, it is possible that it is unwise for us, with this climate of ours to go in very much for these winter sports.

And the most satisfactory feature about these elections in Great Britain is that they do have an end sometimes.

Cardston showed up well at the recent Provincial Seed Fair at Lethbridge.

First prize in oats, second in grass, and second in barley.

And who wants the new senatorship and who wants to become lieutenant governor of the province? There are sure to be some people who would take the positions if forced upon them.

It is estimated that the British government will have a majority at the finish of something like 100, which isn't so very bad and even in Alberta we have been able to get along with less.

It may be all right for Montreal and those cold parts of Canada to have winter carnivals, but in this country we have to use ice cream freezers to keep the hockey league going through the month of January.—Calgary Albertan.

And the people of Edmonton glory in the fact that there are other cups, which are more useful for some of the purposes for which cups are usually used in that northern city.—Calgary Albertan.

Polling in Great Britain extends over two weeks, but Americans are remarking that the whole campaign in the Old Country lasts only six weeks, while that in the United States disturbs the country for four months.

You just can't beat western Canada. The Halley comet press agent has been working overtime for the last six months telling about the wonderful show that was going to be put on. Now the west has a comet that puts the Halley proposition in the dark.

There seems to be some doubt as to whether the comet that has been visible for the last few nights is Halley's comet. It was not supposed to come into view so as to be seen with the naked eye until the middle of February. This one must be a stray upon which no scientist had yet put his brand.

If anyone has a kick coming these days it can't be on the weather. For several weeks we have had typical Sunny Alberta weather. Since the first of the year there has been a constant succession of bright clear days, fine and pleasant, with nights just cold enough to add zip. One or two short storms have come up but have blown away very quickly. The coal man don't get rich this weather.

The Standing of the Parties

London, Jan. 26.—The election to parliament of 18 Liberals 17 Unionists, 2 Nationalists, and 1 Laborite, with one seat for Sutherlandshire still to be heard from make up the 39 results left over from today's balloting. Out of these seats the Unionists gain 5 and the Liberals 2. With but 71 holdings remaining to complete the membership of the Commons, the parties stand thus:

Government coalition: Liberals 231; Irish Nationalists 74; Laborites 38.

Opposition: Unionists, 255. Deducting the eight Nationalists still to be returned, the election prophets calculate that the remaining seats will be so divided as to give the Liberals and Labor parties combined majority any where from 15 to 30 over the Unionists.

The Unionists gains to date are 116, the Liberals 18, and the Laborites 1.

Comet Named

Ottawa, Jan. 25.—Good views could be seen in the evening early of Borake's comet in the western sky.

The way the automobiles make great long trips these January days all over Southern Alberta would be a heart break to the snow-blockaded south and east if they only knew of it. Weather between thirty and fifty degrees and dry roads all through January are two advantages that must appeal strongly to outsiders under their present circumstances.

Cardston Wins Prizes

At the Provincial Seed Fair held at Lethbridge, Cardston captured several prizes.

Mr. Arthur Perrey was the exhibitor. In two rowed barley he took second prize with a score of 92 points, the grain weighing 54 3/4 lbs. to the bushel.

In oats he took first prize with a score of 92 points, the grain weighing 44 lbs.

He also captured first prizes in rye and brome grass.

Miss Sadie Wolsey Honored

Cyclone Glee Club Entertains in Magnificent Style

The Cyclone Glee Club held a most enjoyable evening at the home of Mr. Wm. Wolsey last evening.

The party was in honor of one of its retiring members, Miss Sadie Wolsey, who is about to leave for Utah.

About 30 guests were present, and the evening was very pleasantly spent in games, programs, etc. A magnificent supper was served at 9 p.m. the menu of which was as follows:

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Grape Fruit, Cream Bouillon
Toasted Squares,
Boiled Salmon, Shrimp Sauce,
Graham Bread and Butter,
Scrambled Brains, Cheese

Straws
Roast Turkey & Dressing,
Cranberry Sauce, Baked Squash,
Green Peas, Mashed Potatoes,
Fruit Salad, Wafers,
Apple Pie, Coconut Pie,
Jelly, Whipped Cream, Nut
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Relief Society Meeting
There will be a meeting of the Cardston Relief Society Feb. 3 at 2 p.m. All members are expected to attend.
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RELIEF SOCIETY CONFERENCE
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Jane Hinman, President.
Rhoda C. Hinman, 1st. Coun.
Lydia J. Brown, 2nd. Coun
Jane W. Bates, Secty.

Lethbridge has emerged from darkness to light and doubtless will start the conversation about the baseball team for 1910 where they left off when nature blew out the electric light.—Calgary Albertan.

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Perhaps it will always be thus in United States the people of certain cities and states from year to year return to power the very politicians that plunder them, and in England there is a marked disposition to favor the lords which have taken but little interest in public affairs except to interfere with the rights of the people.
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Local and General.

R. Wm. Pilling left for Great Falls, Mont. today.

Scribblers all prices and some as low as 4 for 5c at Burtons.

The Big Sale is now on at the Spencer & Stoddard Ltd.

A Car of lumber arrived at the Stacy Lumber Co. this week.

Dr. E. Ardiel has opened an office over the Drug Store.

J. W. Woolf is expected from the south the first of the week.

Another big arrival of gingham at Burtons.

Read W. P. Harper's ad in this issue. It will interest you.

Miss Nona Stoddard was a visitor at Magrath this week.

We keep the best—Fruits of all kinds in season.—Phipps.

Jas. Rodeback, Raymond, spent Sunday in town.

Dandy school lead pencils 3 for 5c at Burton.

37 passengers were killed in the C. P. R. wreck at Webbwood, Ont. last Friday.

Wm. Aldridge has opened up a vegetable store in the old land office.

Edmonton lost both hockey matches to Ottawa, 8 to 4 and 12 to 7.

Mrs. Jas. Rodeback Raymond, is visiting with her daughter, Mrs. A. M. Heppler.

Just think of it, only two more coon skin overcoats at Cardston Mercantile Co. which will be sold away below cost.

The "Elite" Millinery Store will re-open shortly with a complete line of millinery. All the latest styles will be shown. Watch for announcement.

A rush of work in the job department forces the Star to dispense with the usual amount of reading matter this week.

Rev. A. W. R. Whiteman preached in the Presbyterian Church at Macleod on Sunday. He returned to Cardston on Monday.

Mrs. Henderson, Mt. View, accompanied by her son and daughter returned from Maple Creek on Monday.

When you want an office stationery of any description, call at the STAR OFFICE and let us show you what we can do.

Pencil boxes with lock and key containing lead pencil, slate pencil, pen and pen-holder all for 5c at Burtons.

Messrs. Ben. J. Wood and M. A. Coombs returned yesterday from a ten days visit to the northern settlements. They went in the interests of the Sabbath School, and they report a splendid trip.

You don't have to sit around the stove shivering with the cold when you can buy all wool shirts and underwear at less than cost at the big 13 day sale.—Cardston Mercantile Co.

Not wishing to carry our stock of storm windows through to next season, we are going to dispose of them at cost during the next week. Secure some before they are all sold.—The Stacy Lumber Co.

A daring robbery of eight head of horses from the Cochrane ranch was made by two unknown men on Christmas night. The horses belong to Mr. Emil Elbert. The R. N. W. M. P. are working on the case and it is hoped developments will soon be disclosed as to the perpetrators of the outrage.—Magrath Pioneer.

During the recent cold spell parties from Canada, who are spending the winter here, state that they never experienced colder weather in Canada than has been here during the past six weeks.—The Republican, Logan, Utah.

A very interesting meeting of the Literary Society was held in the Court House, Thursday evening Jan. 20th. Over 20 persons were present. The organization was effected, and the society will hereafter be known as the Canadian Club. Meetings every Thursday evening at the Court House.

What might have been a serious accident occurred on Sunday afternoon last on the Raley road just across the river. Mr. and Mrs. Willis accompanied by two little children, were out driving, when the front axle of the buggy dropped. This frightened the horses and a runaway ensued. The occupants were thrown out on the ground. But except for a few bruises and a severe shaking up, were not injured in the least.

Pen-holders 5 for 5c at Burtons. We are sole agents for Christies Biscuits. Soda Crackers—Phipps Storm windows at cost.—The Stacy Lumber Co.

Priesthood meeting was held on Saturday.

Best slate pencils 5 boxes for 5c at Burtons.

This is pretty fine Alberta weather.

Mr. R. W. Reeder and daughter spent Sunday in Lethbridge.

School sacks at 5c 10c and 15c at Burtons.

H. D. Folsom paid a business trip to Lethbridge on Friday last.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Banner and daughter spent Sunday in Lethbridge.

Misses Agnes and Eunice May attended the Calico Ball at Raymond, last Friday evening.

Read that ad. of the Spencer & Stoddard Ltd. on the 1st page. It has some big bargains.

The Stake Presidency left yesterday morning on a trip to the northern wards.

New spring suits for men and boys are marked terribly cheap at Cardston Mercantile Co.

Spencer & Stoddard Ltd. is giving away a neat Spool Holder and Thread Cutter.

Big reduction in hand gloves mitts. Winter Lap Robes.—M. A. Coombs & Co.

Dr. Cartwright dentist will be attendance at the Cahoon Hotel on January 27 to 31st. Call and make appointments early.

The trial of Frank Woolf, on charge of keeping liquor for sale came up on Monday before Justice Jacobs. He was fined \$175.00 and costs.

J. M. Burrows, representing Smith, Davidson & Wright, Vancouver, was in town on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Pilling, returned on Tuesday from their visit to the south. During his absence, Mr. Pilling visited Spokane, Wash. and Boise City, Idaho.

A nice shower of rain fell in the Cardston district on Monday morning. How is that for January weather?

If you want to see any of the country folk just come to the big sale Saturday and every day for thirteen days at Cardston Mercantile Co.

The Bank of England again reduces the price of money, but it is the high cost of other commodities that bothers most people.

As the result of the examination held last week before Dr. Stacpoole, Jacob I. Enders, Boundary Creek, was committed to Lethbridge goal on charge of alleged insanity to await action of attorney-general.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy never disappoints those who use it for obstinate colds and irritations of the throat and lungs. It stands unrivalled as a remedy for all throat and lung diseases. Sold by all dealers.

If your shoes leak, just as well come around and buy a new pair and save a dollar or two. The big sale will offer big bargains in mens, womens and childrens shoes. Cardston Mercantile Co.

Services will be resumed on Sunday next Jan. 30th in the Presbyterian Church at the usual hours 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. A cordial invitation is extended to every one and especially to strangers.

The residents of Cardston were surprised on Thursday evening to see a comet in the western sky. It has appeared every evening since and can be seen during the hours of 6 and 7.30. The comet is heading apparently towards the horizon and a long curved tail spreading towards the south, extends behind it.

The fourth annual convention of the Association of School Trustees was held at Lethbridge on Wednesday and Thursday. Over two hundred delegates were present from all parts of the province. Mr. W. O. Lee is representing Cardston. Edward Leavitt, Glenwood, and Messrs. Wm. Henderson and Wm. Tolley Mt. View.

A bulletin will be published by the Dominion Department of Agriculture, giving a list of and description of all the commendable exhibits of seed at seed fairs held in Alberta and Saskatchewan previous to Feb. 1st. You can get a copy by writing the Seed-Commissioner, Ottawa, or his representative at Regina or Calgary.

Music at the big sale at the Cardston Mercantile Store.

Bliss Native Herbs purifies the blood. Agents—Phipps.

Read the Home Missionary appointment for next Sunday.

Don't miss attending the big sale of the Spencer & Stoddard Ltd.

The first dance of the season since the Scarlet Fever quarantine is being held this evening.

A large shipment of Neverslip Calks will arrive on Tuesday.—Folsom Iron Works.

Now would be a good time to get some modern business stationery. Ring up 4.

The Spencer & Stoddard Ltd. are giving a big sale, this and next week. Read ad. on 1st page.

FOR RENT—10 room house Single rooms or entire place.—Apply S. Williams, Cardston Loan Co.

Bon Bon's Candies of all kinds. Chocolates, milk Chocolate, Nut milk chocolate, in all these lines we go in for quality.—Phipps.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is not a common every-day cough mixture. It is a meritorious remedy for all the troublesome and dangerous complications resulting from cold in the head, throat, chest or lungs. Sold by all dealers.

An Institute Meeting will be held under the auspices of the Department of Agriculture, at Cardston, Wednesday, Feb. 9th. S. S. Stansell will lecture on "Birds in their relation to Agriculture." Everybody welcome.

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The first shipment Spring goods all the latest novelties for the Spring season **CALL EARLY** and get your order in while the selection is good and avoid the rush. Good fit and style combined with

Good Workmanship Guaranteed,

a trial order will convince.

Large Stock of ready to-wear pants to be cleared out at cost price

\$3.50 pants for \$2.75.

\$5.50 dress pants for \$4.50

\$4.50 strong whipcord pants for \$3.50

Working vests made in corduroy and strong tweeds and tailored on the premises for \$2.00

W. P. Harper, Merchant Tailor.

WALL Paper WALL Paper

We now have the most up-to-date stock of Wall Paper in Southern Alberta, at eastern prices. Call and inspect our samples.

See our special line of **Fountain Pens, Stationery, Post Cards etc.**

Watch this ad.

And be ready with your old and broken RECORDS for EXCHANGE

500 new Edison Records just arrived.

DON'T FORGET!

we make Picture Frames to order.

"The store of quality"

Layne Henson MUSIC CO.

Photos

that will last
Give us a trial

Photo Postcards

finished while you wait

The Henson Studio

Merry-Isabel Dairy

E. L. JESSEN—Proprietor

Milk delivered to all parts of the town, morning and evening.

Cardston, — Alberta.

Mr. L. H. Jelliff is erecting a large barn on his farm near Raley, and when completed it will be the largest in Southern Alberta. The size of the building is 70 x 36, and 54 ft. in height. It will have three floors and will contain 50 tons of hay and 50 horses. The building is built along the same line as the barn at the Experimental Farm, Lethbridge. Mr. P. G. Peterson is the contractor.

After a quarantine of five weeks Cardston is now practically free of the scarlet fever, there being but a few cases and those are lifting rapidly. Public meetings have resumed again, and the first dance in town since the quarantine is being held this evening. The lower standards in the Public school will re-open on Monday but no scholars will be permitted to attend whose home has not been out of quarantine for at least two weeks.

The Great Closing Out Sale of the Cardston Mercantile Co. Ltd. commences tomorrow and will continue for thirteen days, if the stock lasts. The entire stock of \$30,000 worth of high grade merchandise, will be thrown on the market and sold regardless of cost. The sale is in the hands of the United Sales Company of Chicago and Spokane, who have agreed to convert the entire stock into cash within 13 days time. See full page ad. in this issue.

Have you a weak throat? If so you cannot be too careful. You cannot begin treatment too early. Each cold makes you more liable to another and the last is always the harder to cure. If you will take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy at the outset you will be saved much trouble. Sold by all dealers.

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FOR SALE

One new Remington Type-writer, latest model No. 10.

Will sell for \$100. Cost \$125

f. o. b. Calgary

Apply, Star Office

NOTES AND COMMENTS

The Savilian professor of astronomy at Oxford, England, has suggested a method for explorers, arriving at the north pole, to furnish satisfactory evidence that he had reached the exact point. He proposes that a series of contiguous photographs of the horizon or of an irregularly constructed snow wall built up all round the camera at a short distance from it might be taken, in which there was a considerable and recognizable overlap in the successive plates. Then if the sun be photographed on at least three of these plates, showing three equal altitudes, the series must have been taken at the pole.

Another astronomer suggests that a star near the equator might be selected which, by refracting, would appear just above the horizon, and that this star remained at the same distance from the horizon all through the twenty-four hours a sufficient proof would be furnished. But this method requires that the sun be below the horizon. Another way would be to stay at the pole for six months, and determine how long perpetual day or night lasted. Another method less onerous is proposed with a pendulum.

The pendulum, suspended on a point so as to be equally free to swing in any plane, set up at the pole, would appear to describe a circle about the point of suspension in exactly twenty-four sidereal hours. The drawback to this method is that it would require accurate mechanism and a good chronometer. For at a degree from the pole the length of time required for the complete rotation would exceed that at the pole by only thirteen seconds.

"Stop, thief!" in Rio de Janeiro means the cry of an electric signal. At different street corners throughout this progressive South American city 500 call boxes similar to the fire alarm boxes have been erected. These are connected by electricity with a central station and these call boxes are numbered keys, which numbers correspond with the names and addresses of the respective owners. By this means all possibility of misuse is prevented. For once the door of the call box is opened the key cannot be removed save by a policeman, who carries a special key for releasing the mechanism, so that he knows exactly who is responsible for the call. As soon as the key is put in the lock the signal is given at the central station by means of an electric bell and by the instantaneous lighting of a red glow lamp, so that the official in charge knows at once on which line the call is made. A strip of paper in the receiving apparatus registers the number of the call box, also the time at which the call is made.

The message is at once forwarded to the office in the particular district, or, if necessary, it may, by the mere turning of a lever, be passed in to all the offices on the system. The time occupied in this is from fifteen to twenty seconds. A policeman is then sent from the office in the district from which the call has come. He learns the reason for the call, and inside the call box there is an indicator which he places on the word on a dial, thereby informing the head office what is wrong. On this dial are such words as "Ambulance," "Fire," "Police," and the like. It naturally follows that as the central office is in connection with all these different departments the necessary help is immediately forthcoming. The same instrument also serves as a control for the police on duty, as there is a clockwork arrangement for receiving the time at which they pass the call boxes in their district.

Young lady—"The last bread I got of you was so hard I couldn't eat it." Baker (indignantly)—"Young lady, I want you to know that I made bread before you were born." Young Lady—"Oh, I don't doubt it. I think that was some of it; you sold me."

The trouble with the average young man is that he doesn't think seriously of marriage until after he faces the parson.

HEALTH

TREATMENT FOR BURNS.

Not every one knows what to do if he is burnt; nor is it time to learn remedies when touched by fire. Every household should have some preparation for quick relief of burns and bad cuts. While any severe burn or cut should mean a doctor, much can be done to alleviate pain until he comes. An emergency shelf should contain a package of absorbent cotton, rolls of bandages, court plaster, surgical scissors, soft pieces of old linen, antiseptic washes, witch hazel, some good salve, a bottle of carbolic acid labeled poison, a cake of antiseptic soap, a hypodermic syringe, hot water bottle, turpentine, box of mustard, lime water, and linseed oil.

For burns a soothing application is equal parts of linseed oil and lime water. Soak strips of linen in this mixture and renew when necessary. A slight burn kept soaked with witch hazel will often cease to burn. If this is not at hand, cover tightly with ordinary kitchen soap and dredge the wound with flour.

A bad bruise can be eased by applying turpentine. This is also excellent if one has run a nail into the flesh. In case of a deep cut wash it out well with warm, soapy water and then with some antiseptic solution, such as a weak solution of carbolic acid—a half teaspoonful of the acid to a tumbler of water.

For a bad sprain put first under hot water, then under cold. Keep this up until the doctor arrives; or bandage the part in some of the clay preparations recommended to reduce swelling and pain.

If the clothes seem to have stuck to the wound, do not tear them off, but soften with warm olive oil the parts that adhere, having first cut away the clothing close to the wound with sharp scissors.

WILLING WORKERS.

II. Cor. 8: 3-5.

In life's inviting morning Ourselves to Christ we give, That we, His truth adorning, May in His service live. He leads our friends to aid us, While for His work we stand; He by His grace has made us A willing workers' band.

Chorus.

To spread redemption's story Our gifts to Him we bring; And we ascribe all glory To our exalted King.

Our gifts and hands and voices We yield to Him alone; Each youthful heart rejoices To make His goodness known. Such lives as ours He uses To go at His command; And in His work He uses The Willing Workers' band.

Chorus.

To spread redemption's story Our gifts to Him we bring; And we ascribe all glory To our exalted King.

Our lives with gladness filling, He strengthens mind and link; And thus He makes us willing To live and work for Him. Since what He is providing Must reach to every land, We praise His name for guiding The Willing Workers' band.

Chorus.

To spread redemption's story Our gifts to Him we bring; And we ascribe all glory To our exalted King.

In Him we have salvation; To serve Him is our aim, That every tribe and nation May know and love His name. All fulness He possesses; Our all is in His hand; He hears our prayer and blesses The Willing Workers' band.

Chorus.

To spread redemption's story Our gifts to Him we bring; And we ascribe all glory To our exalted King.

Granthurst, Ont., 1909.

By better and more humane treatment, which is the better and more profitable plan—making cows hardy and tough by exposure, or making them profitable, and that by a plan which begins the wintering of a cow by October 1st, and leaves the idea of making cows tough and hardy to the Western ranchmen, who expect to lose 25 per cent. each winter while undergoing the hardening process.

What becomes of the two cents a woman saves when she buys a dollar article for 98 cents?

Subsequent events frequently demonstrate that the bride was the best man at the wedding.

On the Farm

BREEDING THE DAIRY COW.

It has been a matter of question, as a writer says, whether the produce of developed or undeveloped animals were more likely to reproduce the qualities for which they were bred. It is, however, now conceded by all intelligent breeders that the only correct and safe course to pursue is to breed only from developed animals. In fact—the more highly developed the animals are the better and the more generation of developed ancestors, the greater assurance of success, for inheritance is stronger when the possession of great capacity is found in several members of a family than when it appears only at rare intervals.

The bull is not developed like the other animals mentioned, but he inherits his development, he acquires it through his dam, and his sire's dam and his female ancestors. Although the good milking quality of a cow is not transmitted to her son so that he gives milk, it is transmitted through the son to the son's daughters, influenced in quality by the fact that the son did not exercise it. The sire's dam is, therefore, as close to the sire's daughter as is the daughter's own dam.

Reference is made to this opinion of an experienced breeder and widely-known writer who says:—

My experience of over forty years, as a breeder clearly demonstrates to me that the get of any sire, whether equine or bovine, has a tendency to generally resemble the characteristics of the dam of that sire more than that of any other ancestor back of its own parents; consequently in breeding dairy cows of different classes I have always endeavored to obtain a bull to head my herd from the best milking or butter cows to be obtained and generally with the best results.

ARTIFICIAL MANURES.

The appearance, smell and color of artificial manures are no guide as to their value; the only true test in buying is chemical analysis although the best test is made by the crop itself.

Sulphate of ammonia is a substance which is very variable in appearance; it may be red or white or yellow or blue, without any real difference to the quality.

Similarly, potash, salts and especially kainit, is subject to considerable variation in color. It may be light grey or yellow or light red, but the tint of color has absolutely nothing to do with its fertilizing value.

Superphosphate may be a light grey or a brown; its tint simply depends on the color of the raw material from which it is manufactured. The farmer need not trouble about the tint so long as the percentage of phosphate of lime is up to the guaranteed standard.

In bone manures, some farmers like to see pieces of bone, looking like plums in a plum pudding; they regard their appearance as evidence of the good character of the manure. They are nothing of the sort, and very likely have been purposely put in to catch the farmer's eye. In a properly made bone manure the bone material is ground fine, and so changed in appearance by the action of the acid that the bones cannot be seen.

AWKWARD.

A young recruit was set on sentry-go, and was, of course, new to his duty. A good-natured comrade brought him a sandwich from the canteen, and the recruit was about to eat it when the major appeared. As the officer was in mufti the sentry did not recognize him and did not salute. The major took in the situation and asked: "What's that?"

"A sandwich," replied the recruit; "have a bit?"

"Do you know who I am?" asked the major.

"Don't know you from a crow; perhaps you're the major's coachy."

"No, I'm not."

"His groom, perhaps?"

"No; try again."

"Perhaps the old chap himself?"

"Right this time," said the major.

"Oh, good gracious," exclaimed the frightened sentry, "hold the sandwich while I present arms!"

PREVENTIVE.

The little girl was acting naughtily before company. Her mother warned her sharply.

"If you do that again I'll smack you," she said.

"No, you won't," replied the pert daughter. "I'll sit down on myself, and then you can't."

GREAT SPOT-CASH DEALS

CONCERNS CHANGE HANDS IN A FEW MOMENTS.

Millions of Money Handed Over for Great English Estates.

There have been numerous sales of great English estates during the last twenty years, and more than \$2,500,000 has been paid on at least two occasions. One estate alone—the Kensington—realized over \$3,000,000, and the whole transaction did not cover two hours.

Even within the past three months two estates changed hands for \$1,250,000 apiece, says London Answers.

Mr. Pierpont Morgan has been associated with many big deals. Some years ago he was shown a collection of old masters, and promptly purchased the lot for \$5,000,000, drawing a single cheque for the amount.

Lord Amherst of Hackney's Caxtons were withdrawn from the sale because the American millionaire privately offered \$125,000 for the set; and his cheque was promptly accepted.

Mr. Morgan is famous for his quickness of decision in these matters; but his promptness has not always been successful. On one occasion he went into a curio shop in Paris, where he was well known. The proprietor produced for his inspection an ancient cope; in fact, the one worn by Pope Nicholas IV.

The millionaire took out his cheque-book, and paid \$90,000 for the treasure. Later on he was informed that it had been stolen from the cathedral at Milan, and, in deference to popular desire, he restored the cope. As an acknowledgment, the Pope had a special medal struck in his honor.

Many people will remember the sensation created by M. Blanc when he attended the sale of the late Duke of Westminster's horses, and gave \$187,000 for Flying Fox. Oddly enough, it proved one of the animal's progeny brought over \$500,000 to M. Blanc. But even more remarkable in its way was the cheque for \$50,000 which Mr. Siever paid for Sceptre. The mare was a yearling, and what she could do was merely a matter of conjecture; but that did not deter Mr. Siever, and in a few minutes the animal was his property.

But deals are not always satisfactory, as the following story proves: A wealthy man was spending a few days at Brighton, and he was overjoyed to see a magnificent painting by an old master hanging in the dining-room. Now, he prided himself upon his art knowledge, and he was certain that the picture in question was worth at least \$50,000.

To avert suspicion, he decided to purchase the boarding-house as it stood, and accordingly he approached the landlady. She was greatly surprised; but he told her he wished to set up a poor relation as a boarding-house keeper. Finally, the place changed hands for \$10,000—about four times its real value—and the delighted purchaser hastened to secure his treasure. Later, a committee of experts broke the news to him that it was a clever forgery, worth about \$250.

When the Egyptian Government discovered that the construction of the great dam was absolutely necessary, if the land of the Pharaohs was to be kept intact, they looked round for the best man for the job. Contractors from every country in the world competed for it, but in the end Sir John Aird was selected. In effect he said: "Give me \$15,000,000, and I will see that you have the very best work." They did, and he kept his word, for the work accomplished was really marvellous, and had it been accomplished by an American his contemporaries would have boomed it so loudly that it would have been added to the wonders of the world. As it was, Britishers regarded it as all in the day's work.

A COOK WANTED.

Mrs. Jollie was a lady who was fond of a joke. One evening she chanced to meet her cook in the company of her sweetheart. Now Jane's "young man" boasted of a hirsute adornment on the upper lip of the first quality, while Mr. Jollie kept his face clean shaven.

The following morning the lady said to her: "Jane, I cannot imagine how you can allow your beau to kiss you with such a heavy moustache; I should think it must tickle very much."

"Well, ma'am," replied Jane, instinctively drawing her hand across her mouth, "I can't say but what it do tickle a bit; but—give me that before the scrubbing the master gives ye—he fairly makes yer face sore."

Customer—"Have you pigs' feet?" Waiter—"No, sir. It's a corn what makes me walk this way."

YOUNG FOLKS

OUT OF PLACE.

Carl Chapin shut his grammar with a yawn of relief. "Let's have a game before supper," he proposed.

"Oh, yes, that new one!" chimed in Bertha. "Out of Place, did you call it, Aunt Ruth?"

"For lack of a better name," her aunt assented.

"May I be it this time?" begged Alice.

"If you'll promise not to make it too hard," said Norton.

"If you'll agree not to make it too easy," said Carl, laughing. "Don't put the tongue on the table!"

"You come, too, Aunt Ruth and mama!" called Bertha, as she ran into the hall, and Alice was left alone.

She looked round the library, to see what article she could put out of place and have it least observable, for that was the secret.

"The very thing!" she thought, as her eye fell upon Bertha's golf cape, and she chuckled to herself.

Back into the room they flocked, and at once began a search for the misplaced object.

"Is it in plain sight?" asked Norton.

"Enough of it," answered Alice. "Oh, not all!" cried Bertha.

"That gives a clue." "But it did not seem to be of use, for round and round the room walked the five, yet no out-of-place article could be discovered.

"Is it little or big?" queried Norton.

"Is that a fair question, Aunt Ruth?" appealed Alice.

"We all seem to need more light," replied Aunt Ruth.

"Well, then," answered Alice, "I should call it pretty big. When it was new it was larger than its owner wanted."

"What in the world can it be!" mused Carl.

"And where?" scowled Norton, pacing up and down in front of the bookcase.

"There!" cried Bertha, suddenly. "I told Clementine Hotchkiss that the next time we played this I would ask her over. She thought it must be fun. Say, you wait for me—don't try to find it—and I'll run in and get her. Where's my golf cape? I thought I left it right here on the couch. I'm sure I didn't carry it up-stairs. Do you know where it is, Alice?"

"Oh, I have a big guess that's what she has hidden!" cried Carl.

"Yes, it is! I know by the looks of her face. Come on and let's find it!" Clementine can wait for the next game. A golf cape can't be in the match-box."

Eagerly the searchers peered into every corner for the missing cape, and although Alice had assured them that it was in sight, cushions were overturned, newspapers peeped under, and even the couch-cover lifted.

"Because she acknowledged it was only partly in view," apologized Norton.

"I wonder if she can have stuffed it in back of the books!" thought Bertha, and then a familiar shade of blue caught her eye. She stepped nearer the bookcase, and there, neatly wedged between the volumes and folded so as closely to resemble a book, was the missing garment.

With a glad cry Bertha drew it forth.

"That was a bright thought," praised Carl, with a smiling nod toward his sister. "This game may do us all some good."—Youth's Companion.

COUGH REMEDIES.

Onion Syrup—Pare and slice five large onions and cook them in three pints of vinegar. When tender strain through a thin cloth, squeezing to extract all the juice, add a pint of granulated sugar and dilute until reduced to one pint. Bottle and cork securely for future use. A dose for a child of from four to five years old is a teaspoonful every hour, increasing to a tablespoonful for an adult. This remedy acts on bowels as well as lungs, so it is not necessary to administer a physic as is often the case.

Flaxseed Tea and Lemon Juice is another most excellent cough remedy. To prepare it, put a heaping tablespoonful of whole flaxseed in a pint and a half of cold water, and boil until reduced to one pint. Strain and add the juice of one large or two small lemons and enough granulated or loaf sugar to give it a pleasant taste, and take a sip of it as occasion requires, and relief will soon be obtained.

Glycerine and lemon juice taken in equal parts and thoroughly mixed, is an other effective cough remedy, but it is a good plan to use a compress in connection with any of the remedies, as water possesses a strong remedial value and is always a helpful adjunct to other remedies.

Fashion Hints.

SEEN IN PARIS SHOWS.

Every other hat seems turned up at the left side.

Fluffy malices are usurping the place of the jabot.

There is an enormous vogue for full draperies.

The little bonnet is coming in for evening occasions.

Long jeweled gold chains are now worn outside the coat.

There are many marabout neck-pieces in shawl collar style.

Watered and moire silk surfaces were never more popular than now.

Among the fads of the moment is that of dyeing furs to match the gown.

Tulle, edged and weighted with embroidery, is much used for over drapery.

Ottoman cloth—a woolen material with a raised rib—is fashionable.

The smartest overcoats for the small boy are double breasted with plain coat sleeve.

Jet buttons are a favorite mode of adding the invaluable touch of black to a colored garment.

Many of the handsomest silk gauzes have printed borders which work well into the new draperies.

The spherical button in gilt and also in silver, is appearing among the novelties in dress trimming.

Small dogskin gloves for the little one are made like a man's glove and close with a single clasp.

Black and black and white—or magpie effects bid fair to remain in favor all through the winter.

The puff is again in evidence; it adorns the sleeve anywhere seemingly, between the shoulder and wrist.

There is little limitation upon the length of sleeves, but the general tendency is toward shorter ones.

Tulle is to be worn not only as a foundation material of many dresses, but as the trimming and decoration of many others.

Black hats may be worn with everything and are always a wise choice for the woman who may not invest in many chapeaux.

Some of the handsomest evening and house dresses are glove fitting princess forms with a leaning toward the stiff boned waist portion.

There are renewed predictions that the old hip paniers are to come back into style and that it will be before the winter is over.

Plaittings of narrow box plaited black velvet ribbon are used again in trimmings, not only for coats and gowns but for hats.

Black satin dinner gowns with only gold or silver lace in the bodice or sleeves to relieve them are among the smartest evening costumes.

The Robin Hood hat is decidedly piquant, made of green velvet with a brim of russet beaver and with a couple of queer feathers at the side.

Large turban toques with crowns of draped velvet and brims of fur are among the most generally attractive and becoming of the winter hats.

The latest aigrettes are shaped like a palm leaf fan and many of them have two small Mercury wings poised at the base in a most effective manner.

Nothing makes a more attractive afternoon gown than the silk and mercerized cotton mixtures. These are to be had in a wide variety of lovely colors.

Among the new buttons are those made of wood, highly polished and exquisitely inlaid. The designs are often quite unusual, both as to coloring and form.

The newest hood for automobiling in rough weather is the one which is used abroad for skiing and tobogganing. It is a knitted scarf shaped affair that has a point at the top and back of the head, and pointed ends that wind around the throat and cross at the front.

AMUSING SICK CHILD.

When the child is able to sit up he will be amused for hours at a time with a piece of paraffin. Warm it thoroughly, then suggest that he have a menagerie, making animals for himself by breaking off pieces of paraffin and forming dogs, deer, elephants. Another time let him make a toy tea set, molding it over some small article of the right shape. Give him a pair of blunt scissors to snip with. We have seen one little girl get a great deal of fun by persuading the older members of the family to make animals for the menagerie, which resulted in a laughter provoking collection.

This is inexpensive, clean, and perfectly harmless, and will pass away many an otherwise fretful hour for the little convalescent.

A woman makes as much fuss about getting her complexion on straight as a man does about getting his hair cut.

An Unexpected Confession;

Or, The Story of Miss Percival's Early Life.

CHAPTER XXXII.—(Cont'd)

He was very sure that she returned his love, for her shy glance and the tremulous, happy smiles that had illumined her face when they had parted, after his half-way confession of his own affection for her, had given him every reason to hope for a favorable answer to his suit. True, a little cloud had risen between them when he met her, that same evening, at the theatre; but he had attributed it to momentary feeling of jealousy, upon finding him the escort of Miss Dexter, and believed that the explanation in his letter would make everything right between them once more.

But to find that she had disappeared, leaving no trace, was a blow he had not anticipated, and this had set him thinking that his mother might be responsible for the peculiar situation.

She had vowed that she would "move heaven and earth" to prevent such a mesalliance; and, knowing her resolute character, he feared that she had wasted no time in putting her threat into execution.

A few days later he made another trip to Esther's lodging, determined to see the landlady and Jennie, whom he had not thought of upon his previous call, and question them. But the house was empty. Mrs. Field had changed her base of operations; and, with a feeling of despair at his heart, he began to fear that the task of finding his loved one would be more difficult than he at first imagined.

He kept up his search for weeks and months; but all his efforts proved fruitless, and his heart was heavy with hope deferred.

Meantime, Mrs. Lancaster had renewed the subject of his union with Marjorie Dexter; but she sternly refused to consider the matter for a moment, and finally told her that he should leave the house altogether, and live at his club, if she ever broached it again.

This threat effectually silenced the schemer, for the time, although she by no means relinquished all hope of ultimately winning the game.

Marjorie also hoped against hope, resolving that she would use every art within her power to entrap the man she loved as long as he remained single; if he eventually turned the cold shoulder upon her and married another, the bitter-sweet morsel of revenge would still be left to her.

And so she continued to visit the Lancasters from time to time during the last three years, and when they finally contemplated a trip abroad it was arranged that she should accompany them, although this fact was kept a secret from Donald until within a day or two of sailing.

And this is how it happened that Esther met them all together on her way home from the queen's drawing-room.

Neither Mrs. Lancaster nor Miss Dexter had recognized her, as was evident from the question of the former; but both had seen that it was a very lovely woman to whom Donald had bowed, and that, to all appearance, she occupied a high position in the world.

"Donald!" his mother exclaimed, in response to his information that it was Esther Wellington whom he had saluted, "what nonsense! That magnificent-looking girl, in her velvet and jewels, was never Esther Wellington!"

"I beg your pardon, mother; but she certainly was," the young man positively affirmed.

"And she dared to cut you?" cried Mrs. Lancaster, with blazing eyes. "I cannot believe it! Why, she was only a poverty-stricken little beggar in New York three years ago, while this girl was arrayed like a young princess. How do you account for such a remarkable change?" she concluded, looking askance at her son.

"I do not pretend to account for it; the fact that she is here, in London, and evidently living in the lap of luxury, is as much of a mystery to me as it appears to be to you," returned Donald, moodily.

"Why did she cut you?"

"I am not prepared to say."

"Maybe she did not know you."

"Oh, yes, I am very sure she did," the heavy-hearted lover affirmed.

"And, mother," he added, with more spirit, "Esther was never a poverty-stricken beggar; she was always a brave, independent and tireless little worker."

"Well, if she is the same girl, I never saw such a change in anyone, and she must be just rolling in

wealth," said Mrs. Lancaster, with an irritable sigh.

It was very annoying that this encounter should have happened just now, when Marjorie and Donald had seemed to become such good friends during the voyage, and she had begun to take heart again that her dearest hopes would yet be realized.

"Did you recognize her, Marjorie?" she inquired, after a moment, and turning to her companion, who during the recent conversation, had sat with downcast eyes and clinched hands, trying to conceal the wild rage that had taken possession of her in view of what had occurred.

"I did not at first, but after Donald spoke her name I knew her," the girl forced herself to reply with outward calmness.

"Well, it seems unaccountable," said Mrs. Lancaster, looking perplexed and uncomfortable. "Evidently she had just come from a drawing-room, for she wore the regular veil and three ostrich tips; and those people, with whom she was riding, looked like bluebloods. Possibly," she added, with a quick glance at Donald, "some old man in his dotage became enamored of her pretty face, and that is how she sprang to the top of the ladder so quickly. But I don't believe it. I'm sure it's only a case of remarkable resemblance."

Donald smiled slightly; but a dagger plunged into his heart would not have hurt him more than those cruel words regarding Esther having married some old man in his dotage. But he was game, and observed, with forced composure, though with suggestive emphasis:

"If your surmise regarding a marriage is correct, mother, she does not appear to have disgraced either her position or the family with whom she is connected, and I am sure the lady was Esther."

Mrs. Lancaster tingled in every individual nerve at this reference to certain remarks which she had made to him, three years previous, when they were discussing his intentions regarding Esther. But she wisely kept silence, and the subject was not again referred to during the remainder of their drive.

Three evenings later Esther, accompanied by her friends, attended a brilliant given by Sir William and Lady Arnault at their elegant residence in Manchester Square.

At one end of the magnificent white and gold drawing-room, which is paneled with glass and lighted with dazzling chandeliers of crystal, hung with rich draperies of satin and lace, frescoed by one of the finest of modern artists, and redolent with the perfume of myriads of flowers, stand the distinguished host and hostess receiving their numerous guests.

There are many notabilities present—statesmen, consuls, musical, literary and artistic celebrities, not to mention a liberal sprinkling of the nobility of England. There are the elderly, middle-aged and young among the guests; dowagers resplendent in velvet, satin, laces and diamonds; matrons lavishly attired, attended by their lords, and young men and maidens in the first flush of manhood and womanhood, who enliven and beautify the scene with their musical voices and sparkling spirits.

But among all that gay assemblage there is not one more fair and lovely than Esther, Lady Irvington, of Irvington Manor.

To-night she is clad in pale yellow silk garnished with chiffon of the same color, heavily embroidered in white.

Her ornaments are costly topazes set with diamonds, in Etruscan filigree gold, and are vastly becoming to her clear complexion and brilliant dark eyes.

Her hair is very simply arranged in a graceful knot at the back of her small head, and spanned with a band of dull gold set with precious stones.

Her neck and arms seem almost like molded wax, and her face like a lily just tinted by the morning sun.

As at the queen's drawing-room, she is attended by Mr. King, with Mrs. King as chaperon, and many admiring eyes are fastened upon the stately beauty as she moves slowly down the apartment to greet her host and hostess.

A group of four have just preceded her and passed to one side and stand regarding her with curious interest as the usher presents her:

"Lady Irvington, my lord and lady."

"There! I told you so!" triumphantly whispered Mrs. Lancaster in the ear of her son, as they catch

the name. "Your supposed Esther Wellington is a titled lady of the realm, whose face happens to strangely resemble that wretched little apron maker of New York. The likeness is rather startling, I admit; but it is positively absurd to believe that that friendless girl could become a social Cinderella, and gain the entree of the homes of the nobility of England. Now don't be a fool, Donald, and go about with such a face as that, for a fickle-minded little nobody who would have ruined your life," she irritably concluded, noting the hopeless look in her son's eyes as they rested upon the graceful figure that was saluting Sir William and Lady Arnault.

"You may say what you will, mother, but I know that Lady Irvington—God help me if she is indeed the wife of another!—and Estier Wellington are one and the same," the young man replied, in a hoarse whisper. "I cannot understand it—it seems next to impossible that we should find her here; but I am positive about her identity."

"Well, have your say, if you will be so obstinate," his mother coldly returned, while her keen eyes took in every detail of Esther's rich and faultless costume. "Whoever she may be," she added, reflectively, "she has exquisite taste, and evidently plenty of money with which to gratify it."

At that instant Esther turned and, by some singular power of attraction, looked straight into the face of the haughty woman.

She knew her instantly, although she gave no sign of recognition; while Mrs. Lancaster caught her breath sharply, for the girl wore the same quiet, self-contained look that had rested on her face three years before, when she had tried to browbeat and crush her, because she had dared to appear in public with her son.

Yes, she was convinced now—she could never forget that look, but she could not understand it—the situation was utterly incomprehensible to her.

Esther did not see Donald, however, for Mr. King made some light remark to her, and she turned to him with a laughing reply; but her dress swept her old-time lover's hand as she passed him, and he caught the faint odor of heliotrope, which he had once told her was his favorite flower and perfume.

His face was as colorless as his shirt front, and almost convulsed with pain as he watched her pass from the room into the great hall beyond and disappear.

A few minutes later he slipped away from his mother and Marjorie and followed her.

But he could not get near her. She was already the center of a group of gay young people, who kept her to themselves for nearly half an hour, when they went away to the ballroom together, and, following them thither, Donald soon copied Esther waltzing with the young Duke of York.

"Heavens! what ups and downs there are in this world!" he mentally murmured, as his yearning eyes watched her every movement. "Can it be possible that she is the same girl who nursed me and that cranky old maid back to health, in that homely cottage at Oakland, doing all kinds of drudgery for us, out of the goodness of her heart? And now she is here, dancing with the duke, chatting freely with lords and ladies of high degree, and the peer of the most peerless."

"From hotel to palace," he mused, a queer little smile flitting over his face; "it would be a taking title, and what a story one could make out of her life, although, of course, I know nothing of the details of the most interesting part of it."

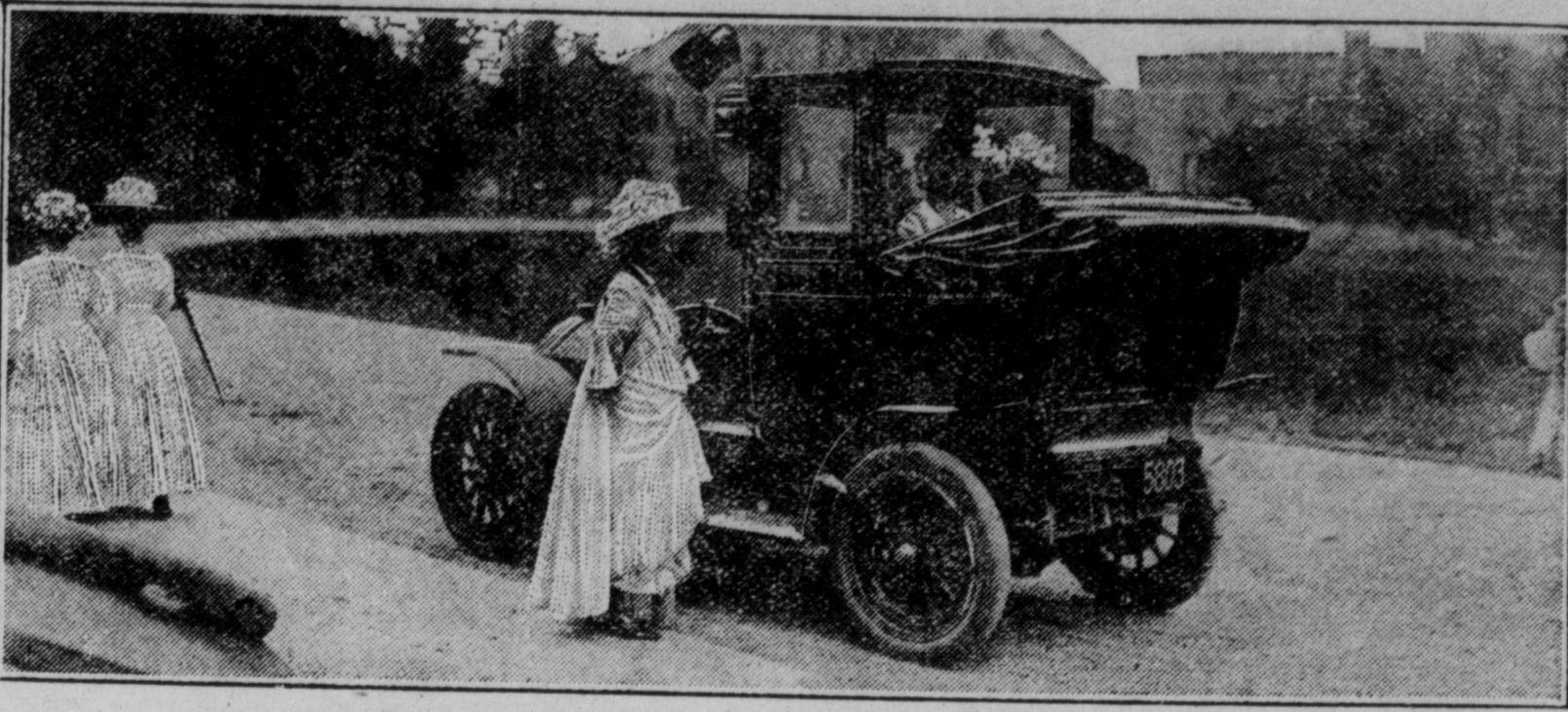
"But I must speak with her—I cannot endure this suspense," he continued, with sudden energy, though his under lip quivered from repressed emotion. "I must learn whom she has married; if she is happy—though to see her now one would think she never had a care; and if she still entertains kindly memories of one who owes her so much."

(To be continued.)

The Farm

RULES FOR FEEDING.

Professor C. H. Echles, of Wisconsin Experimental Station, says: "It is possible to feed a bunch of cows economically only when they are fed as individuals and not as a herd. A too common practice, even in the otherwise well conducted herds, is for all animals to be fed the same amount of grain regardless of the period of lactation or the quantity of milk individual cows are producing. Such feeding always lacks economy, as the high producing cow does not get enough, and while she may milk very well for a short time, she soon comes



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down to a lower level, while the lighter producing cow gets too much and accumulates fat.

The following rules regarding the amount to feed cows covers the case fairly well:

1. Feed all the roughness they will eat up clean at all times.

2. Feed one pound of grain per day for each pound of butter fat produced per week, or one pound of grain daily for each three pounds of milk.

3. Feed all the cows will take without gaining weight.

4. The rule regarding the amount of grain to feed per day for each cow applies best when based upon the amount of butter fat produced each week, as this makes it applicable to any breed. The second part of the rule in regard to feeding one pound of grain to three pounds of milk would not work out in all cases, since in a heavy-milking Holstein cow this gives a little too large a quantity of grain, and with a Jersey, giving very rich milk, it is a little too low."

Another test at feeding other food is given as follows:

1. We can conclude from the results of this trial that ground rejected wheat is capable of producing good gains when fed to swine in connection with shorts.

2. In comparison with corn it requires 80 per cent. more rejected wheat than corn to produce the same gains.

3. The quality of pork produce is even better than the produce by corn.

4. If pork is selling for reasonable price, a fairly good price may be expected from feeding the rejected wheat to swine.

FARM NOTES.

Farming is not considered a very desirable occupation by many people, but they are those who only look at the surface. They do not realize that one-half the people in cities haven't enough to eat, while the other half are engaged in a constant struggle to outshine their neighbors.

Cold storage for eggs may be a good thing for the consumers, as it enables them to get a fair, if not first-rate, quality of eggs in the winter much cheaper than the limed eggs that used to be brought out in the winter season. It also helps the producer to find a market at a fair rate for his eggs when they are so plenty in the spring.

Success in creamery butter making depends upon the business methods observed both in the manufacture of the product and of disposing of it when made, and upon the quality of the herds which supply the milk and cream. To make

fine creamery butter to-day all of the conditions and qualities above must be used intelligently. The farmers who will not co-operate with the creamery managers by supplying good cream and milk can kill the business in a short time. Many a creamery has simply been crowded out of localities by the action of the farmers who promised to supply a certain grade of milk and cream, but who failed to live up to their agreements.

The best testimony to the value and profit of the farm telephone is that when once a farmer uses it, he never willingly abandons it. Time is money, and the telephone saves time every day, enabling the farmers to transact business among themselves and with the town without losing hours in driving to the neighbor's house or to town. Success in farming depends on recognizing that it is a business and conducting it with approved business methods, and the use of the telephone is clearly among these methods.

WAS NO SPENDTHRIFT.

Among the prisoners brought before a police magistrate one Monday morning was a beggar whose face was by no means an unfamiliar one to the court.

"I am informed that you have again been found begging in the public streets," said his honor, sternly, "and yet you carried in your coat pocket over \$10 in silver and copper."

"Yes, your honor," proudly returned the mendicant, "I may not be as industrious as some, but, sir, I am no spendthrift."



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Two cars of live stock will be used for demonstration purposes, and instruction will be given on breeding, feeding, care and management of stock.

Field work in grain growing, laying emphasis on soil cultivation will receive special attention. Samples of grains, grasses and weeds will be used for illustration purposes.

Instruction in poultry raising will cover all phases of the subject. Incubators and brooders will be in operation. Crate fattening and marketing will be demonstrated.

An effort is being made to obtain reduced railroad rates and also rates for board and lodging, particulars of which will be announced later. Instruction is free and open to all. Women are especially invited to poultry lectures.

The Department would like to secure information as to the probable number that will attend and would therefore respectfully request that any who purpose the course kindly communicate with the Department.

H. A. CRAIG,
Superintendent of Fairs and Institutes
Edmonton, January 8th, 1910.

Northwest Mounted Police in the West

Ottawa Jan. 20.—The Royal Northwest Mounted Police report, which has been tabled in parliament states that on September 1st the strength of the force

numbered keys, 600 no-commissioned constables, and 558 horses. Compared with last year this is a gain of two constables and thirty-five horses. There are 240 men in Alberta, 306 in Saskatchewan, 31 in the North-West Territories, and 74 in the Yukon.

Commissioner Perry points out that every officer commanding a district finds much difficulty in meeting the legitimate requirements of his district with the strength at his disposal. Villages railway stations and isolated settlements are increasing so rapidly that the strength of the force would have to be doubled to meet all the demands made upon it.

Fourteen cases of murder were dealt with last year, which included three left over from the year before. During the eleven months of 1908-9, 5,249 cases were entered as against 6,377 during the previous twelve months.

The report says there is a decided increase in the offences against women. The crop of horse thieves does not fail, yielding 44 convictions. Excessive drinking was responsible for 1,561 convictions.

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Spring Coulee Items

Spring Coulee, Alta.

Jan. 21, 1910.

The Spring Coulee Trading Co. have torn out the partition in their store and built an addition to the rear of the building. The cellar has been newly cemented and the carpenters from Cardston are expected on today's train to complete the improvements the company has made.

W. A. Miller has purchased the lots east of the Hotel from John Thompson and has begun packing ice in a new structure erected for that purpose.

Mr. Elliott Stafford, chief engineer of the A. R. & I. from Lethbridge has been at the Hotel the past week surveying for the company with the aid of two assistants. He returned home on Friday's train.

The hard time dance at the school house was a great success. Mrs. Olsen carried off the prize among the ladies and Mr. Keadle was awarded the gentleman's prize. Mrs. Olsen's dress was uniquely made of crazy patchwork.

The Spring Coulee Trading Co. have just received a car-load of machinery and farm implements preparatory to spring work.

Geo. Matson gave another hard time dance at his home, "Slab town" last Thursday night, which was well attended by all the residents of Spring Coulee that were not detained by illness.

Spring Coulee needs more loyal citizens to encourage her development. From the observations taken of the lumber yards many newcomers are expected in the near future. Spring Coulee affords a fine opening for a laundry, a bakery and many other necessary establishments. A Turkish bath house might be found a source of great comfort.

A Short Course

in Agriculture

will be held at Lethbridge from February 8th. to the 19th.

Instruction will be given in LIVE STOCK, POULTRY RAISING and GRAIN RAISING.

Two cars of selected Live Stock will be used for demonstration purposes, and lectures given on the subjects of Breeding, Feeding, Care and Management of Stock.

Instruction in Poultry raising will cover every phase of the subject, with incubators and brooders in operation. Crate fattening and marketing will be specially demonstrated.

The subject of Grain Raising will receive particular attention. Emphasis will be laid upon soil cultivation, under irrigation and dry farming conditions. Samples of grains, grasses and weeds will be used for illustrative purposes.

The Lethbridge Board of Trade is offering

Two Silver Cups

one as a prize for proficiency in the judging of live stock and one for proficiency in judging grain. This Board has also arranged for convention rates with the railroads. If a sufficient number attend the school single fair rates will be allowed. It will be necessary to purchase a single ticket to Lethbridge and at the same time secure a standard convention certificate. Upon reaching Lethbridge students will kindly report to the Board of Trade office when they will be directed to lodging houses.

Lectures will commence on February 8th. at 2 a. m. in the Auditorium of the High School.

The Course is entirely free

All are invited to attend.
H. A. Graig,
Superintendent of Fairs and Institutes,
Department of Agriculture,
Edmonton, Alberta.

Miss Kate Brown is working at the Spring Coulee Hotel having begun Jan. 16th.

Billy Burton and John Sherwood were guests of Spring Coulee last week having come to town to attend the hard time ball at the school house.

The church social last Tuesday was quite successful although the attendance was small due to the high winds. The Misses Stafford of Lethbridge were the only out of town attendants being the guests of their sister Mrs. Bert Kelly. The amount of \$14.00 was realized from the sales of baskets.

W. A. Miller will make a trip to Mt. View next week to bring down horses for his sale stable in connection with the hotel.

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