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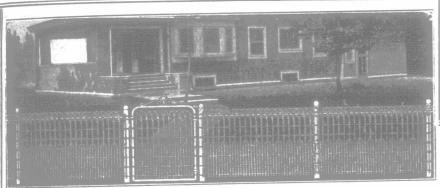
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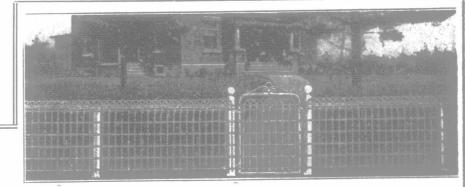
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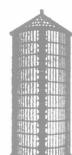
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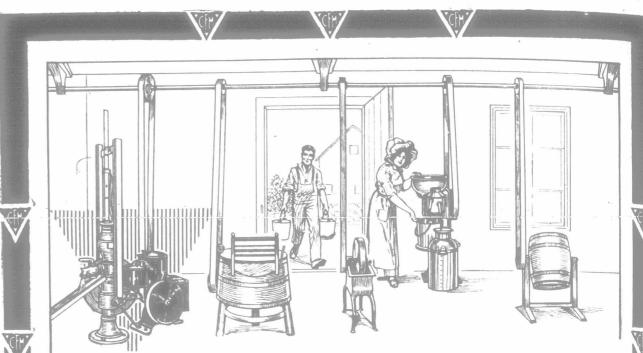
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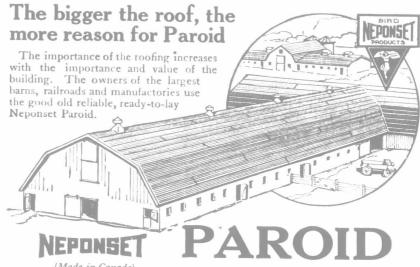
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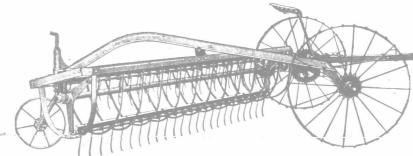
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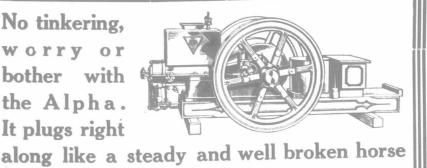
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summer is a wasteful practice.

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Potatoes have been cheap, but this should not

cut down the acreage this year. It is easy to solve the farmer's problems on

paper, but a vastly different matter in the fields. Breed brood sows now for early fall pigs, which will get a good start before cold weather

We hope Canadian casuality lists have killed and buried forever political disloyalty talk in

The middle of May is a good time to plant potatoes. The boy will appreciate a real holiday

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Try some rape in drills at 11 lbs. per acre this year. It will make good feed, and if wellcultivated proves one of the best cleaning crops.

son should be early throughout.

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Not all the foul German gas is shot at the Allies' trenches; some of it is distributed by ambassadors of the Kaiser to neutral countries. Fortunately the latter is a "laughing" gas which is not deadly.

The election talk will not down. The only people which would countenance an election under present conditions are petty politicians and wire pullers who think they stand to gain by rushing it on. One side seeks to blame the agitation on the other. Who is responsible?

LONDON, ONTARIO, MAY 13, 1915.

Campaign Literature.

For a short time previous to a Dominion election the country is always flooded with the campaign literature of both parties. As a general thing this literature throws very little true light upon the affairs as they exist at Ottawa. Each side is an overdrawn account of the good that party has done and intends to do, and a scathing and always also badly overdrawn criticism of the other party, magnifying its weakness, corrupt practices and inability to manage the affairs of the nation. To read either side and believe it all is to be convinced that the other side is all wrong, and that under its leadership the country would be doomed. To read both sides and believe is to be convinced that politics are in a very bad state in this country, for indeed this party literature is not very edifying. The man who reads both sides must be convinced that neither sticks any too close to the truth, and that the great part of it is simply "mud slinging." After all, do the respective parties really gain much from all this literature? True, it makes work for publishers and printers, and is a good way, possibly, to spend some of the campaign funds, but does it change many votes? Certainly not if the literature of both sides reaches the same voters, and it does in no small degree, and even though the voter only gets one side of this questionable literature we do not believe that it will change his mind. The man who reads and digests is not so easily fooled into thinking that all the good men are on one side of politics, and all the bad men on the other. Then, why should the mails be crowded with this non-productive, useless trash?

Canada's Duty in the Situation.

Readers who follow "Scotland Yet's" articles in this paper will have noted the seriousness with which he looks upon the situation caused by the present great war. In each of his three most recent letters in our columns he has pointed out plainly that he does not look for peace in the very near future. In fact, he says frankly that he believes the war will be a long one, and that in his opinion it would be wise for the people of the British Empire and Allied countries to stand prepared for a protracted and desperate struggle. The advice seems sound. Notwithstanding the fact that the soldiers of the Allied Armies have been successful in staying the onward rush of the mighty legions of the German war lord there is still a great deal to be done, and the lines of battle have not changed very much since last November. Large head lines from time to time proclaim successes, which, when one realizes the nature of the obstacles to be overcome, are really brilliant, but many of these will be reported before peace is procured and mil rism is crushed. Certain men prophesy an early ending of hostilities, some going so far as to say that they will be over in two weeks or a month or by June 1; but we heard just such prophesies last November. The Austro-German armies have not been driven to the desperate straits some would lead us to believe. In the beginning, Kitchener said it would take three years, and that was only a little over nine months ago. The British people stand calm, convinced and confident of the outcome. No one doubts for a moment the ability of the Allies to finally crush the worst monster this world has ever known, but too much cannot be expected all at once. When mer-fallow should be worked early. In fact, it is Kitchener, Asquith, Lloyd-George, Churchill, necessary that the best part of the summer's weed

Jellicoe and others complain of "slackers" at home who are not doing their duty in providing necessary munitions of war, it is the duty of every Canadian, and every Briton to put forth every effort to make it possible to hasten the end of the war. The sooner everyone at home does his duty to the utmost the shorter will be the conflict. Let us show the determination and patience characteristic of our race, and let un realize that we are at war with a mighty, relentless, aggressive, well-organized and resourceful foe who is not yet "on the run" or "starving," and it behooves all of us to do what we can to hasten, by our own best efforts, the day of final success of the Allied Armies and the restoration of peace, which everyone hopes will never again be broken by any clique of war makers.

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Attack the Weeds Early.

"The early bird catches the worm," and the early man catches the weeds at the time when they succumb most easily to the onslaughts of harrow, weeder, cultivator, spud and hoe. Anyone who has had turnips to hoe knows what it means to kill weeds as soon as they show themselves above ground, never letting them get a start. Sometimes seeds germinate slowly, owing to unfavorable weather conditions, or to the inferior character of the seed sown, and the weeds get a start. Hoeing is delayed and haying and harvesting press on, causing a few rows of turnips or mangels to be left to hoe "between times." Weeds soon form a perfect mat, and it takes as long to hoe one row as it did at the proper time to hoe three or four. Experience of this kind should prove to the man who must fight the weeds that getting them while they are small saves time and kills more weeds at smaller cost.

What can be done now towards this? The corn land may be harrowed every two or three days after the corn is planted and until it is up and big enough to cultivate. The potatoes, ploughed down every third furrow, may be harrowed as often as desired until well up. It is surprising how many of the thread-like, silky weed rootlets will be pulled out and killed, saving after-work, and giving the crop the best possible chance. The working necessary to kill the weeds gives the crop cultivation when it needs it most, so is doubly valuable. The land being prepared for turnips or later crops may be ploughed and worked and allowed to lay a few days, and then re-worked after the weeds have sprouted. These operations are important, for they mean the difference between easy and difficult hoeing later on, and very often the difference between a good, clean hoed crop and a poor, dirty field.

Fighting the weeds must extend to the other fields, the fence corners and the roadsides as well. Sheep are great weed destroyers, and some good farmers give their flocks the run of the fence corners around fields while being sown and until the grain peeps through. They are permitted to pasture the fence corners in the root fields until the roots and corn are put in. It is surprising how they will crop these corners down and give the weeds a setback which destroys many of them. At the same time grass in the regular pasture field is saved.

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fighting be done on these fields before July 1. Cultivate! Cultivate! Cultivate!

In the grain fields use the spud early, if it must be used on the weeds and thistles, while the grain is small and does not hide half of them from view. Grain fields should not be weedy

Hoe the garden; harrow the corn and potatoes; cultivate the summer-fallow; plough the root ground; spud the thistles. Do it early. Give your enemies no time to entrench. Attack them while they are in the open, unprepared, and your mastery will be easy and complete.

#### Out With Prejudice.

"I could build a silo each year and pay for it out of the increase in my cattle due to silage." These words emanated a few years ago from the lips of a well-known cattle feeder in Western Ontario. The utterance was made when many silos were already erected, and here and there they could be seen dotted over the level country without the observer moving from his tracks in the steer feeder's yard. These words fell when farmers were satisfied with the old-fashioned, two-inch, stave sile, without regard to permanency, and when labor and material were cheaper than they are to-day. However, north, sourt, east and west were farmers glorying in the fact that they had stood firm and had not departed from the ways of their fathers, had not strayed into the paths of radicalism or denied the ritual of their parents or their grandparents, had not inscalated the seed of legumes with nitro culture, that not sprayed their orchards with

Ir many lestoness perhaps, as it is to-day, the absence of a sile was due to financial circumstances, which is the beginner or the renter are difficult to overcome, yet too many, we fear, refrained from advancian because it was a com-

paratively new idea, and because a retired farmer at the corner grocery store said that cattle would not eat that sour stuff, and if they did their teeth would drop out and calves would be born without eyes or ears or tails. The prejudice which fought silage for two decades has at last become insignificant, because feeder after feeder after giving it a trial proclaims its palatability, its economy and its effectiveness. Those who talk without knowing about a silo are now laughed at. proved itself valuable beyond a doubt. Recent evidence regarding silos and silage is to be found in the Stock Department of this issue, and it is surprising how this addition to the farm equipment and fodder may be brought into service to reduce the cost of production. However, the prejudice which fought the silo and failed will now direct its forces against other methods and practices which may be springing into promin-

The farmer should not leap from one thing to another, nor should he espouse every cause that is given birth. Too often, on account of financial advantages to manufacturers of certain articles, a movement will be encouraged by unseen forces, and there are few operations indeed about the farm that do not influence the profits of some institution outside of agriculture by their progress or their failure. For instance, if silos are looked upon with favor, manufacturers of silos, cement, corn-growing and harvesting tools and implements, silo-filling machinery and even forks and baskets will profit by an increased demand. We have chosen a particular case where the transactions are all legitimate and will result in profit to the manufacturer and farmer alike, but if the silo were not a useful thing on the farm the manufacturer would gain and the farmer would lose. This only illustrates from whence influences might emanate that would be harmful rather than good.

It is well to be wise and insist on being shown, but on the contrary it is lack of wisdom that induces one to close his mind to all teachings that are different from those of our ancestors. Their farming was good in its time, but they labored under different conditions, different influences and different opportunities as regards information and knowledge. We must change with time, and destroy the barb-wire entanglements about our heads that keep out all the good and new ideas. Never before were farmers obliged to figure so closely, never was it so necessary to grasp every idea and develop it to increase economy in all our operations. We should have

#### Nature's Diary.

A. B. Klugh, M. A.

The trees are now rapidly assuming their leafy garments. From day to day we can note the expansion of the leaves of different species, and see how the buds of some species are just bursting. while the leaves of others are about half expanded. It is interesting to notice the way in which the young leaves are protected; many of them are reddish in color at first, the red pigment acting as a screen to protect the developing chlorophyll; many of them in their early stages stand straight up, so that their surfaces do not receive the most intense light of the day. At this season one can also see that the bud-scales play another part besides that of protection for the leaf-buds against dryness and sudden changes of temperature during the winter, as they also shelter the young leaves in the very early stages of their expansion. Many young leaves are downy or woolly at first, this covering protecting them, when their tissues are extremely delicate, from dryness and also from the attacks of in-

In many of our streams are little fish, very small and very beautifully colored, known as Darters. They always remain near the bottom, often resting on it on the tips of the pectoral (breast) fins. When at rest the pectoral fins are ourspread, and the sharp points on the fin-rays take hold of the gravel like little toe-nails and give the fish the appearance of walking on its fins. When the Darter is frightened it shuts both the dorsal (back) fins so that they are scarcely visible, closes the tail and the anal fin, and spreads out the paired fins (pectoral and ventral) on the underside of the body so that the body lies flat on the hottom. There are a great many species of Darters, the most beautiful of all being the

Rainbow Darter, whose sides flash with blue, crimson and green.

Another very interesting little fish is a denizen of stagnant ponds which do not dry up in the summer. It is called the Stickle-back, from the five sharp, strong spines which are placed in a row along the ridge of its back. These spines may be laid flat or they may be erected stiffly, making an efficient saw, which does great damage to fish many times the size of the stickleback. If a larger fish wants to make a meal of a Stickleback it must catch it from behind, as this little fish is much too alert to be captured in any other But swallowing a Stickleback tail first is a dangerous operation, as the sharp spines rip open the throat or stomach of the captor,

When swimming the Stickleback darts about rapidly, its dorsal and anal fins extended, its spines all erected, its tail lashing the water with strong strokes, and the pectorals flying so fast that they make a blur. When the fish wishes to lift itself through the water it seems to depend entirely on its pectoral fins, and these are also used for balancing. Its favorite position is hanging motionless among the pondweeds, with the tail, the dorsal and ventral fins partially closed.

At this season the male Stickleback is building his nest. He constructs it of the fine green Algae which are commonly termed "Frog-spittle." These green Algae are really simple aquatic plants, much lower in the scale of plant life than the mosses. It fastens the Algae to some stems or reed or grass, cementing it together with a waterproof glue, which he excretes from an opening near the anal fin, spinning it out in fine threads. He makes his nest in the form of a hollow sphere, finishing the structure with a circular door at the side.

As soon as the male has finished his nest he goes a-wooing. He selects some lady Stickleback and conducts her to the nest. She enters the nest through the little circular door, lays her eggs, emerges and swims away. The male then enters the nest and scatters milt over the eggs. He then looks up another female and induces her to come and deposit some more eggs in his nest and thus he proceeds coaxing female after female until his nest is full. The eggs are white and shining like tiny pearls, and are fastened together in little packages. He now stands guard by the door, and with his winnowing pectoral fins sets up a current of water over the eggs. off all the intruders by most vicious attacks, and keeps off many an enemy simply by a display of Thus he stands guard until the reckless furv. eggs hatch and the little Sticklebacks come out of the nest and float off.

### THE HORSE.

#### Diarrhoea in Foals.

While young animals of all species are subject to diarrhoea from various causes, it is probable that none are so susceptible as foals. We do not refer to that form of diarrhoea that, in some cases, becomes epidemic in certain localities premises, and is doubtless due to a specific virus, and from which calves chiefly suffer. We propose to discuss sporadic or accidental diarrhoea in foals. This is a serious and often a fatal malady, and in some cases its appearance cannot readily be accounted for. The newly-born foal is very susceptible to the actions of irritants of any kind to the intestines. Intestinal irritation may be caused in many ways and usually results in In some cases it is evidently caused dirrahoea. by some unfavorable condition of the dam's milk, and this is especially the case when the mare has been fed largely on food of a very laxative nature; in other cases it occurs without apparent We must infer that in such cases there is some injurious ingredient, the nature of which is not well understood, in the milk under certain conditions. In other cases it is caused by careless or ignorant administration of drastic purgatives to the nursing mare. Aloes, especially, appears to have an affinity for the lacteal apparatus; at least it is largely excreted by these glands, as is demonstrated by the well-marked odor of the drug that can be detected in the milk a few hours after the administration of a dose. In such cases the drug has not been deprived of its purgative properties, and a foal rartaking of milk thus contaminated is very liable to suffer This teaches us that we from acute diarrhoea. should not administer aloes to a nursing mare unless absolutely necessary. In most cases, where the purgation in the mare is demanded, it can be produced by the administration of raw linseed oil, which has not the same injurious action upon the lacteal secretion.

Another common cause of diarrhoea in the young animal is exposure to damp and cold weather, or confinement in damp, foul and ill-ventilated premises. One of the most frequent causes probably is allowing the foal to partake freely of milk from a mare when she is in a heated condition, especially when the dam has

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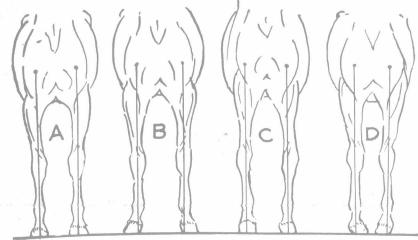
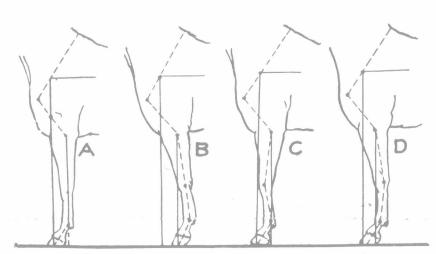


Fig. 1.-Front legs viewed from in front. A, proper set; B, toe wide; C, too wide; D, toe narrow.



A, proper set; B, leg too far back; C, knee-Fig. 2.—Front legs, side view. sprung, buck kneed; D, calf kneed.

for a few hours and is hungry after its long In such cases some of the milk should be extracted by hand and the mare allowed to stand for a few minutes and become somewhat cool before the foal is allowed to nurse.

Another, and not uncommon cause of the trouble, is the dangerous and uncalled for habit many people have of administering a purgative or laxative to the foal shortly after birth. This, even though the dose be light, often causes serious and sometimes fatal diarrhoea. Under ordinary circumstances nature should be allowed to have her course in these cases, and we find that the first milk of the mare, "the colostrum," has a sufficient laxative action. In rare cases when the mare has lost considerable milk for a few days before foaling, hence the colostrum has escaped, it may be necessary to give the foal a

slight laxative, as about an ounce of castor oil, but in most cases it is wise to withhold medicines until symptoms indicate their use, and this is seldom seen, especially when the removal of the meconium has been attended to as advised in a former article.

In colts, that from any cause, are reared hy hand we find that the partaking of cow's milk in its purity usually causes serious digestive trouble, which may be diarrhoea, or the reverse condition, constipation. In such cases about one part of pure water to two parts of milk, to which has been added a little sugar, gives good results at first, and when the foal and accustomed to the food, he can digest pure cow's milk.

Symptoms of course are evident and unmistak-The little animal voids liquid or semiliquid faeces frequently. At first there is usually little distress noticed, but in a short time more or less violent straining occurs, indicating that the mucous membrane of the intestines has be-The patient become irritated and inflamed. comes dull, lies a great part of the time, refuses to partake of his usual amount of nourishment, possibly refuses to nurse at all. He loses strength quickly, will not or cannot stand for any considerable length of time, pants, looks towards his flank, strains violently, or, in the later stages the liquid faeces escape without apparent effort on the part of the patient. His mouth becomes cool, the circulation very weak and pulse

very frequent, and death soon results. Treatment - Preventive treatment should never be neglected. When we understand the causes we

should endeavor to prevent them When the disease occurs in a very young animal, from a few hours to a few days old, we are forced to admit that it is a very serious case. If it occurs in a strong foal of a few weeks of age it is not nearly so serious, but in all cases requires prompt and energetic treatment. The principle of treatment is to make the patient as comfortable as possible, allay pain, check the excessive cretions of the mucous and digestive ands of the intestines, and keep up st ength. Many authorities claim that trouble is always due to some irrit :: and that this must be removed before a cure can be effected, hence the administration of a lavatice is the first essential. Theoretically this argument may have force, but the writer has not and that in most cases it is unwise to went this way. The ad-

been at work and the foal confined in the stable ministration of a laxative can do no while if the weather be quite warm he should be good unless a reasonable length of time, at least 12 hours be allowed before means of checking the diarrhoea be resorted The disease causes weakness and loss of appetite very quickly, and if the necessary time be given as stated it is highly probable that the patient will be dead, or at least beyond any hopes of recovery. Hence, prompt and energetic methods to check the diarrhoea should be adopted. In quite young patients opium gaves the best results, as it eases pain and checks secretions. It is generally given in the form of laudanum, in 2to 4 dram doses in a little of the mother's milk every three or four hours until diarrhoea ceases. Care must be taken not to continue the dose after cessation of the diarrhoea, else constipation will be produced. In the meantime efforts should be made to get the foal to nurse. If he refuses

kept in a cool, shady place.

#### The Legs, Weight, Form and Quality of the Drafter.

The usefulness of a horse depends a great deal upon the quality and set of the animal's legs, including the feet. In a recent bulletin, by W.H. Palmer, of the Extension Department in Ohio, some very good illustrations which we reproduce herewith were published showing the correct and incorrect positions of both the front and hind legs, front and side views. In the first illustration will be seen the proper set of a horse's legs as viewed from in front, also the very common fault of having front feet which toe out or toe wide. one which is wide at the knees or a little bandy-

legged, and another one whose legs are set too close together and which toes in.

Illustration No. shows the correct leg from a side view, then one which is set too far back under the animal. Another which is kneesprung, and still another which is what is commonly known as calfkneed.

Any horses having front legs which do not set as indicated from the front and side views of the proper set, are not as efficient as horses having the proper set of front legs. Something must give out under the strain, and these weaknesses grow worse or cause more strain on other parts, which finally

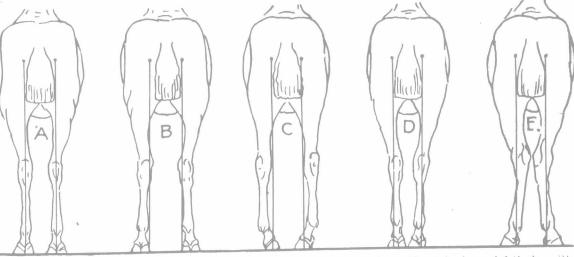


Fig. 3.—Hind legs from behind. A, proper set; B, too wide; C, too wide at hocks and fetlocks with toes pointing in; D, too narrow; E, cow hocked.

to do so small quantities of the dam's milk should be given every hour out of a bottle, and if he be quite weak stimulants as about  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. whiskey or brandy should be mixed with the milk to keep up the heart's action. If the patient be a couple of weeks or more of age, the amount of laudanum must be correspondingly greater and to it may, with advantage, be added 1 to 2 drams each of catechu and prepared chalk, and if necessary, the nourishment and stimulants according to size and age be given. In the majority of cases where treatment is resorted to in the early stages two or three doses of laudanum, with or without the astringents mentioned, according to age and size, will check the disease, but if diarrhoea has been acute for a few hours or longer before treatment is resorted to it usually requires very careful treatment and attention to

effect a recovery. If the weather be cold the patient must be protected from draft or chill,

A, proper set; B, sickle hocks; C and D, too Fig. 1.—Hind legs, side view.

nounced blemish.

Illustration No. 3, shows correct and incorrect set of hind legs, A, being a proper set. ers of draft horses at the shows know how common it is to see a horse travel wide at the hocks. The legs shown in B of this illustration are a very good example of legs set too wide, while C shows a very bad form, the hocks wide and the fetlocks and toes pointing in. The legs shown in I) are equally bad, as they are set too close together, and those shown in E, close together at the hocks, are commonly known as cow-hocks, making the animal stand very wide at the toes.

Illustration No. 4 shows the hind legs from the side view, A being the proper set, while B shows a bad case of sickle hock; C a leg which is altogether too straight, and D also another form of leg which is too straight. A little study of these four illustrations will give an intelligent idea of what is required in the proper set of a horse's legs.

The bulletin also gives a detailed description of the method of going over a horse carefully in judging his value. Among other things the following paragraphs on weight, form, quality, and temperament should be of interest to our readers.

"In order to classify as a draft horse, the animal in fair flesh must weigh at least 1,600 pounds. The nearer the horse approaches a ton or over the better. This weight should be due to massiveness of form and heavy frame and muscle, rather than to a great quantity of fat. As has been indicated before, there are three classes of draft horses: light drafters, 1,600 pounds to 1,700 pounds; medium drafters, 1,700 pounds to 1,850 pounds: and heavy drafters, 1,850 pounds and

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'Weight in the draft horse is of great impor-It is of value because it helps to establish the value of the drafter on the market. The heavy drafters have for many years brought the most money. Also, weight is of value, for it holds the horse's feet firmly to the ground, enabling him to exert his physical force. The railroads have taken advantage of this in building the locomotive. In the early stages of the development of the locomotive, before it was introduced as a means of transportation, the inventor had a great deal of trouble in getting the engine started, for the wheels would not adhere to the It was thought that there should be cogs on the wheels and rails. By accident, it is said, In attempting one day they found the solution. to move some material in sacks down the track, part of the sacks were placed across the engine. This added weight caused the wheels to grip the rails, and the difficulty was solved. The man who rides one of his horses up a difficult hill applies the same principle.

'The process of walking is a constant falling forwards, and the heavier the weight that falls against the collar the greater the pull.

"It has been clearly demonstrated that If a horse is required to exert for a considerable length of time a pull of more than one-tenth to one-eighth of his weight, it is wearing upon his constitutional vigor and therefore affects his usefulness. At the minimum requirement, a team of 1,800-pound horses would develop 3 horse power, but a team of 1,400-pound horses would only develop about 2 horse power.

"The form of draft horses must be such as to insure weight. The weight should be obtained by breadth and depth of body, and a heavy development of muscles on the arms and forearms, over the back and through the thighs. This heavy development of muscles helps to give the appearance of massiveness. The draft horse must give the impression of strength, a horse of great power. In order to be efficient drafters must carry their weight close to the ground, or, in other words, drafters must be low set. Too short a leg is as objectionable as too long a leg, as it affects the efficiency of a horse.

"Lack of depth of body, ranginess, openness, too great a length of leg, and lightness of muscling throughout the body are things to be criticised severely. These deficiencies detract from the weight and strength, and, therefore, affect the efficiency of the horse.

"Quality in horses is an indication of wearing ability. Not being correlated with substance it is difficult to attainment in draft horses, but the tendency is toward as much quality as possible with substance. Quality is indicated by the general refined, appearance of an animal, clean-cut features of the head, thin, even lips, fine ears, neatness and refinement of neck and withers, soft, silky hair, thin skin, and a clean, dense bone with a freeness from puffiness around the joints. Upon the uniform quality of all parts of the horse depends his value and length of time he will be of service.

The draft horse must be energetic, showing sufficient nervous development to make him a willing worker. A sluggish disposition is to be avoided. There must be sufficient 'snap' about a horse for him to pick his feet up with a will, and to move off as if he meant business. Sluggishness is indicated by a lack of poise, by a slouchiness about the ears, and in the manner of standing. A good disposition is important, as it affects the ease of handling and working of a horse. It is desired that a horse perform his work willingly, and that he attends to his own business."

#### The Horse To Breed To.

"The Farmer's Advocate" has been encouraging breeders to breed more mares this year and drawing attention to the fact that stallions will not be so easily obtained from Great Britain and Europe until some time after the war is over. This does not mean that mares should be bred to "cull" horses. There are still enough good stallions that "scrubs" should not be patronized. Farmers breeding mares to raise draft horses should select sires with plenty of size and substance. Use the horse which shows masculinity and with it is big and drafty in character with sufficient weight for a stallion of his breed and the quality of feather and hone desired. The stallion should be wide in the breast and full in the chest with a good middle to indicate feeding qualities. Never use a narrow-chested, gauntqualities. Accept use a narrow measure, gashed of the long legned, peaked-rumped horse because item of have cond hone, neither use a low-down, thack, spirity because with coarse legs. Pick out in well-achieved horse with size, substance and quality one with that, flinty bone, a good slope of present and the ide, wide feet and large hoof leads to condition strain of carrying the great heads to seard the strain of carrying the great weight. Characteristic backed, strongly coupled horse with a see, wide croup and thick thighs.

Look to the muscling—see that he has a large, full fore-arm and a well-muscled hind quarter. And last but not least see how he goes. Insist upon having a horse that goes straight and true at the walk and trot, one that reaches out well and puts his feet down squarely and does not roll or paddle and one that goes close at the hocks with that snappy movement well known to horsemen. In short select the horse which is heavy enough, has quality enough and does not cover too much ground in going.

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Hodgkinson & Tisdale's great Percheron stallion, as photographed by "The Farmer's Advocate" camera, at Toronto Exhibition last fall.

#### LIVE STOCK.

A Feeding Trial Favorable to Silage. With the increased price of feeding cattle, and the generally narrow margin upon which cattle must be fed, the economy of production becomes the most important consideration. The silo has reduced the cost of beef production very materially, and if any of the practices which stockmen follow at the present time are at all antiquated, they should at once be superseded by methods and rations that will prove more economical and up-to-date. The agricultural Experiment Station of Pennsylvania has conducted an experiment with five lots of feeding steers, wherein each lot receives a different ration. The lot receiving fodder and grain, as fed by the feeders generally in Pennsylvania, proved to make the most expensive gains of all, and one lot which received silage only as a roughage proved to make most economical gains. The bulletin in which the economical gains. The bulletin in which the methods and results are published explains very fully the manner of feeding. After an examination of these rations results will be given.

The steers in Lot I. received the ration which is commonly fed in Pennsylvania. It was composed of mixed hay and corn stover as roughage, and chopped ear corn, or corn and cob meal, and bran as concentrates. The steers received all the mixed hay they would consume, and four pounds

of corn stover per head daily in addition. The grain mixture was composed of three parts corn and one part bran. Of this the animals were fed twice daily all they would readily consume. The mixed hay was fed in the evening, and the corn stover in the morning.

Lot II. received corn silage as the sole roughage during the entire feeding period. During the first 56 days no grain was added to the ration except cottonseed meal, which was fed at the rate of 2½ pounds per 1,000 pounds live weight

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Lot III. received corn silage and alfalfa as roughage during the entire feeding period. aifalfa was fed to supply the required protein in the ration. This lot received no grain during the first 56 days of the feeding period. The alfalfa was fed at the rate of 5 pounds per 1,000 pounds live weight daily, and the corn silage according to ap-At the petite. end of the 56-day feeding ear corn was added to the ration at the rate of 15 pounds per

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pounds per head daily, and the mixed hay ad libitum. The roughage, with cottonseed meal at the rate of 2½ pounds per 1,000 pounds live weight, was fed daily during the first 56 days. Ear corn was added to the ration for the balance of the feeding period, at the rate of 15 pounds per 1,000 pounds live weight daily. During the latter part of the feeding period the ear corn was replaced by shelled corn, which was fed at the rate of 12 pounds per 1,000 pounds live weight.

Lot V. received corn silage and alfalla hay as roughage. The alfalfa hay was fed daily at the rate of 5 pounds per 1,000 pounds live weight. In addition to this the steers received all the corn silage they would consume. This roughage, in combination with 2½ pounds of cottonseed meal per 1,000 pounds live weight, was fed during the first 56 days of the feeding period. Ear corn at the rate of 15 pounds per 1,000 pounds live weight was fed daily for two months, while for the balance of the feeding period the grain ration was changed to 12 pounds of shelled corn.

was changed to 12 pounds of shelled colors. The total season of feeding was divided into several periods, but the division of most interest to readers will be between the 56-day and 84-day feeding tests. At the beginning of the 84-day trial the animals were subjected to a change from roughage to a more concentrated ration, and the cost per pound of gain at once increased. The accompanying table sets forth three important items, namely, average daily gain, cost per pound of gain, and daily cost of feed.



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The operations in these feeding trials led the experimenters to conclude that silage added to the ration renders the feed more digestible. There is a marked difference in the lots, for the first period when the feed, cost of producing one pound gain, and the daily cost of feed are compared. The cost of producing a pound of gain in lot I. is 11.8 cents, as compared with 6.52 cents for lot II., from which the cheapest gains were made. The second highest cost is 8.29 cents for lot V., for which both alfalfa hay and cottonseed meal formed a part of the ration. The daily cost of feed per steer was also greatest in lot I., being 20.09 cents; lot II. was 12.23 cents; lot III., 10.7 cents; lot IV., 13.24 cents, and lot V. 13.73 cents per day.

The feeding of expensive grains and no silage in lot I. made the daily cost of feed very much higher than that of any of the other lots. It also showed that a ration of corn stover, mixed hay, corn and wheat bran is inefficient as compared with the ration made up largely of roughage during the early feeding period, in which silage was

the main roughage.

The daily cost of feed was lowest in lot III., where corn silage and alfalfa hay alone were fed. The daily gains made by this lot were not sufficient to indicate it as the lot in which a pound of gain was produced at the lowest cost. Lot II., fed corn silage and cottonseed meal produced the cheapest gain. The addition of mixed hay in lot IV. increased the daily cost of feed as well as the cost of a pound gain. The writers of the bulletin say, "It also indicates that mixed hay at \$12.00 per ton is more expensive as a roughage than corn silage at \$3.50 per ton."

As a result of additional grain in the ration, the feed cost of producing 100 pounds of gain materially increased in all lots for the second period, except lot I. The increased cost of producing 100 pounds of gain during the second period was \$1.99 for lot I., \$6.07 for lot II., \$4.01 for lot III., \$3.64 for lot IV., and \$4.42

The cost of producing a pound of gain is very uniform for the sitage-fed lots, especially lots II., III., and IV. The production of a pound of gain in lot V., to which the greatest amount of protein was fed, became more expensive than where a smaller amount was consumed. In this regard lot I., which received grain from the beginting and which was fed bran as a source of protein, was the most expensive. The cost of producing 100 pounds of gain for the entire period in lot I. was \$2.87 greater per hundred compared with the cheapest of the other lots, and \$1.85 higher than the most expensive lot where silage formed a part of the ration.

The prices of feeds used in the financial statement are based upon the prices which prevailed in the vicinity of the State College during the winter. Corn silage was valued at \$3.50 per ton; mixed hay, \$12.00 per ton; ear corn, 70 cents per bushel of 70 pounds; shelled corn, 70 cents per bushel of 56 pounds; corn and cob meal, 75 cents per bushel of 70 pounds; bran, \$25.00 per ton; cottonseed meal, \$34.00 per ton; alfalfa hay,

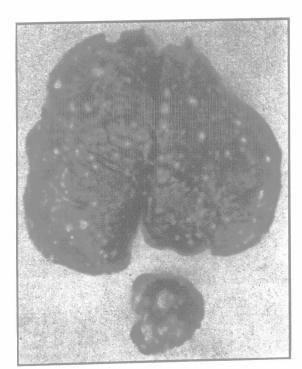
\$15.00 per ton, and corn stover, \$3.50 per ton. These prices do not differ greatly from values which exist here in normal times, and from them a reader can arrive at costs of production and gain as they are likely to obtain under Canadian conditions. The outstanding features of the trials and results is to be found in the superiority of silage over other roughages, and in the advantage gained by feeding a small amount of protein-rich grain or alfalfa to balance the ration.

#### Tuberculous Fowls Infect Pigs.

Until quite recently it was generally assumed that tuberculesis was either transmitted to pigs by feeding them with the milk, or unpasteurized whey, obtained from tuberculous cattle or was conveyed through the natural excrement of such cattle. Recent bulletins claim that the majority of tuberculous hogs are produced by the following causes: 1. feeding raw milk and slime from creameries: 2, feeding hand-separated milk from tuberculous caws: 3, feeding behind tuberculous cattle; 4, feeding tuberculous carcasses: 5, feeding slaughter-house offal. In no instance except one, have we seen it claimed that avian tuberculosis is transmitted to swine or, in other words, that the particular kind of tuberculosis

that affects poultry will infect hogs. In fact the difference in body temperature between the fowl and pig would 'lead one to suppose that avian tuberculosis would fare very poorly under swine conditions. However, the April issue of The Journal of the Board of Agriculture reports the results of extensive investigations in Denmark which led to the indisputable fact that avian tuberculosis infects hogs.

It may be mentioned at this stage that avian tuberculosis is chiefly abdominal and the tubercles in the form of yellowish-white nodules from the size of a grain of millet seed to that of a pea may be observed in the liver or in the mesenteric glands of the fowls. In May, 1912, a veterinary surgeon in Ringsted sent the mesenteries and internal organs of three pigs from the same herd to the Danish State Laboratory for examination. The examination showed the liver, lungs, and mesenteric glands to be tuberculous and it was found that bacteria from the mesenteric glands were identical in every respect with avian tubercular bacteria. In order to obtain further information on the matter seventeen additional cases of tuberculosis were investigated. Of these in five cases the disease existed in the mesenteric glands and tonsils only, while in the remaining twelve the



Liver and Spleen from Tuberculous Fowl.

The elevated yellowish - white nodules indicate tuberculosis.

disease was more or less general. Nine of the animals were infected with avian tubercular bacteria, either exclusively or along with bovine tubercular bacteria, and the other eight exclusively with bovine tubercular bacteria.

It was then decided to extend the investigations over a much larger field. The State Agricultural Laboratory requested several swine-slaughtering companies to arrange for their veterinary assistants to isolate and send to the Laboratory whatever tuberculous resenteries or tuberculous tonsils came to their notice. The Laboratory in due time received a large number of these diseased organs from different parts of Denmark. Information was also received along with them as regards the condition of the animals on the farm from which the tuberculous case originated, also the age of the tuberculous animal and the owner's name and address.

On examining the organs of 118 tuberculous pigs it appeared that 86 of them contained bacteria identical in every detail with avian tubercular bacteria. Twenty-eight contained for the recular bacteria and in the remaining for cas s the bacteria deviated in form from both types, but in two cases closely resembled the avian type. The results of the foregoing examinations showed that the character of the disease varies in accordance with the type of tubercular bacteria by which the pig is attacked. An attack of avian tubercular bacteria is usually of a

local character while that of bovine tubercular bacteria is of a general character.

Going deeper into the matter for further information the Agricultural Laboratory obtained reports from 49 owners of these diseased swine. Of these 36 stated that tuberculosis amongst their poultry was general and post mortem examinations of fowls from 14 owners confirmed this; in the remaining cases the owners failed to send dead hens for examination but gave instead such detailed information of the character and progress of the disease as to leave no room for doubt with regard to its identity. The remaining 13 owners reported that there did not appear to be any particular disease prevalent amongst their poultry, although one or another of the fowls died occasionally.

The conditions under which poultry and pigs were kept on many of the farms rendered it almost impossible to prevent infection of the pligs from tul preulous poultry. In some cases the henroost was situated directly over the plig-sties without any intervening boards to catch the droppings. In other cases the fowls were only allowed to roost over the sties during the winter season. In these circumstances the investigators report that "it would be nothing short of a miracle for the swine to escape infection." On most farms it was the custom to allow the young pigs to run with the poultry during the greater part of the summer, either in an enclosed yard or on a free range. This practice also contributes to the spread of the disease. The State Laboratory of Denmark furthermore says "even the impossibility of all direct contact between the poultry and pigs does not preclude the transmission of the disease from tuberculous poultry indirectly. The bacteria in the droppings of diseased fowls remain potent for a long period either in the manure heap or in the soil and pigs while rooting around might readily become infected. Another probable source is from pigs bought at fairs or markets and added to existing stock; such animals may come from farmsteads where tuberculosis exists and being infected when bought may transmit the disease to the buyer's stock. The disease may also be transmitted by rats or mice."

#### English Live Stock Happenings.

Britain's export trade in high-class (pedigree) live stock has not suffered over-much by the war, that is, judged upon the official figures. January to March Britain has exported 151 head of cattle of the declared value of £7,728, which gives an average of £51 3s. 7d. apiece. Canada claims 41 head. All told 277 sheep of the declared value of £3,939 have been exported in the same three months, and they come out in value at £14 4s. 5d. each. Uruguay has been the best customer, taking 204 head worth £15 3s. 5d. each. We have exported 57 pigs worth £556, valued at £9 15s. each. So far as horses are concerned, only 178 have gone abroad since the new year, but they are of the declared value of £40,011, or worth about £224 15s. each. average per head is the highest on record, but it is accounted for by the fact that the "sausage trade" horse has not been exported to Holland or Belgium since the war broke out. All the German sausage establishments and liver sandwich export places have got the order of the knock under the new civilization ruling.

I am sorry to state that our leading shows are gradually being declared abandoned for the year. The International Horse Show, that at Richmond, the one at Peterborough, and many others of repute which have been patronized by the Siftons and other Canadians, have all fallen through for the year of disgrace. It will be a blank year in the English farmer's life will 1915. His sons have gone to the war, so have his hired men; his horses are on the stricken fields of Flanders and France; his shows and fairs have been cut down to merely foal shows for foals that are as yet unborn; and ever and anon Zeppelins come and drop bombs on his well-tilled lands, and puncture holes into them. What a

Hackney men are gradually falling out of that pastime in Britain. I was at a sale yesterday at which a Hackney mare had at foot her 21st foal. She was 24 years old, but so good was her five-days-old "baby" that someone bid up to 40 guineas for them and got them. "What will you do with the dear old lady?" I queried. "Why let her end her days in ease at my place; I think I've got a good un in her baby," he replied. I thought the same, too. Talking about Hackneys, that great old mare Fylde Sabrinetta is out at pasture in Norfolk. The German Zeppelins came and dropped a bomb within 200 yards of her. started off on a pace and action stunt, and kept it up for an hour in sheer funk. Her owner swears she can now go as well as she did 15 years ago, for the bomb has sharpened her action She has just been served by Leopard once again. and we should have a great goer and a stayer, too, after her Zeppelin escapade.

Woodbridge in Suffolk is one of the homes of the Punch breed of horses. It has just held a successful show, at which A. T. Pratt's Morston

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Gold Guard was declared champion of stallions, a horse that stood over his compeers on the score of legs and feet. They gave a "special" for the best footed horse, and he got it. He has been hired by the local farmer's Horse Breeding Society and his services should be in goodly demand. The champion mare was K. M. Clark's Sudbourne Doris, a daughter of Peter, delighting in that prefix, a big mare for her age, two years, and possessing quality with it-a rare combination.

What is perhaps the most satisfactory thing about the modern Suffolk Punch is the all-round improvement in feet.

Round Eastern Anglia a number of stallion shows have been held, and a Norfolk man, H. C. Callaby, has been pulling in the shekels with a Hackney stallion he bought so cheaply, that he is now called "the lucky man." He picked up this stallion which was booked for South Africa, but the war stopped the animal going, and after a win in London the horse, Adbolton St. George, has been going the rounds securing some nice

The Hereford "world" in England has lost a stalwart in Sir James Rankin Bart, who died on April 18. He started his herd in 1883, and went right to the top of the tree. His chief forte lay in winning group competitions, and he once had four breeding cows that no one in England could beat for uniformity.

A lover of the Bate's Shorthorn, Benjamin St. John Ackers, died on April 19 at Huntley Manor, Glostershire, where he raised the best of Shorthorns and Berkshire pigs. He bred a dairy Shorthorn, Lady Lee, whose offspring done wonders with the milking pail. One Lady Lee (21st) gave 13,195 pounds of milk with her 1911 calf. Like Sir James Rankin, he sent exhibition stock to U.S.A.

Dublin Spring Cattle Show has come off, and will be one of the very few original exhibitions to be held this year. Only one English exhibitor sent over and won, and this was the Earl of Coventry, who got three first prizes in Herefords with Irvington Bright, Dollar and Eleanor. Sir N. T. Everard took the chief honors in cows with Irish bred ones.

The Best Shorthorn in the Show was the Rt. Hon. Frederick Wrench's beautiful representative of the Augustas in Baron Bruce, by Red Baron. He won the Phoenix Cup and a £20 special and At the sale Don Maclennan, the Argentine exporter, gave 600 guineas for this young

The late Sir John Barker's polo pony breeding stud has been sold off by auction for 3,256 guineas, the saddle ponies realizing £83 each, the stallions £63, and the brood mares £50. Syrian sheep fetched £6 apiece. They are real goods-some of them lamb twice a year.

Hackney stallions showing size and substance are in much request at the moment. It is thought the breed will "come back" by the aid of Governmental assistance in the form of army haulage horse breeding, with the Hackney sire of substance and size, as the chief play actor.

Hereford bulls sold up to 115 guineas at the Society's usual April meeting. The breed still necessary now as ever before that every farmer intains all its pristine virility in its native

Milking Shorthorns owned by G. W. Tyser, at Mortimer, in scenic Berkshire, sold at an average of £46 13s. 4d. for 56 head. All were sprung from 8,000, 9,000, and 10,000 pounds of milk yielding dams. Some went as cheaply as 135 dollars. What a rush there would have been for them if the sale had been on your side!

In writing this a friend in Kent rings me up to say the Zeppelins are dropping bombs on his farm-they have killed an old hen, a dozen chickens and a horse. Eng.

G. T. BURROWS.

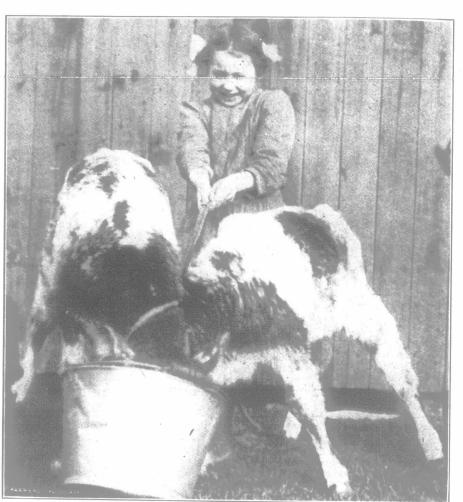
# FARM.

#### The Worst Weed in Ontario.

Perennial sow thistle, the weed which Prof. J. E. Howitt, in his bulletin, "Weeds of Ontario," describes as by all means the worst weed in the Province of Ontario at the present time is found in almost every county, and more or less on almost every farm in the Province. In some districts grain fields, just previous to time of harvesting, appear to contain more plants carry ing the broad yellow flower or the white fluff which follows it than of the original grain crops the writer has been at threshings where so prealent was the weed in the grain that it was impossible to distinguish men across the drive for in a mow at the other end of the barn while lane, and each of these thistle blows carried mature so d to putther increase the stand of the weed true her season.

Wherever established sow thistle chokes out the erect of form resp. almost completely. It is the word of all this les in this respect, and is

perienced three or four wet seasons in succession, and it was during these seasons that the weed in question gained such a foothold. Low-lying and poorly drained fields were soon overrun, and the grain crops weakened by an over-supply of moisture, were almost entirely smothered in some instances by the rank growth of the new pest. At that time some farmers almost despaired of sucsuccess in crop growing with the weed gaining ground, and the writer heard many express their fears of being driven out of business by the weed.



Meal Time for the Twins. A pair of Oxford County twin calves, and the girl who feeds them.

However, measures were soon taken to fight it, and in the districts which were then so badly overrun will be found at the present time much less of the weed than was the case from five to seven years ago. Clean cultivation and smothering crops with plenty of clover and a shorter

rotation have served, with drier seasons, to check the growth and spread of this very bad weed. However, there is still far too much of it in Ontario, and it is not likely that the Province will ever be entirely free from it, and it is just as



Another Pair of Twins.

The twin call is disgusted with his mistress as she feeds and fondles her twin

do his part in keeping the weed from spreading, not only on his own farm but to the farm of his

There are several varieties of sow thistle, but the perennial variety is a tall, coarse-growing weed, with deep roots and numerous thick, under ground stems or rootstocks commonly called roots, having a smooth and hollow stem filled with milky juice, and pointed leaves four to twelve inches long, deeply cut with the segments, pointed backwards and slightly prickly. The part

of the plant which most easily distinguishes it from the other sow thistles is the head or flower which, when fully open, is from 1 to 11 inches across and bright orange in color. The common annual sow thistle, which is quite common in Ontario fields, has a much smaller flower and is a smaller growing plant with no under-ground rootstocks, and does comparatively little harm. The leaves are deeply cut and lobed, and scarcely spiny at all. The flowers of the common annual are only about half an inch in diameter, and are

a very pale yellow as contrasted with the bright yellow of the perennial. There can be no mistaking them once the farmer becomes familiar with the difficulty of the task of eradicating the perennial as compared with the ease with which the common annual is treated. writer knows a twelveacre field very well which had common annual in it for years, and which has not been at all injured thereby. The weed, as a general thing, comes up only after the crop is off, and sheep are then turned in and they keep it down very effecti.ely; in fact, they like it, and feed off it in preference to grass.

The perennial sow thistle first appears as single plants or small patches, which, spreading by the running rootstocks already mentioned, and by a profusion of seed, which is blown about by the wind, soon covers a large acreage. The chief means of spread and the one hardest to control is by the rootstocks. As is the case with twitch grass, these stocks break up and are dragged from place

to place by cultivator or harrow where they are deposited and begin a new growth of the plant. It is necessary, then, to be careful in cultivation that the plant is not spread thereby. We can do no better than quote from Prof. Howitt's bulletin, "Weeds of Ontario," a few general suggestions and five detailed methods of combating the weed. Personally, we favor clean cultivation with a short rotation of crops, and the sowing of rape as outlined in method No. 1. We have also seen good success follow cultivating up till the first week in July, sowing

> buck wheat thick at about a bushel per acre, at that time, and following this crop the next year with a hoed crop well looked after. We know of fields bepractically ing cleaned of the weed by this method. However, we publish herewith the five methods, and readers can choose the one which suits their particular conditions best.

#### GENERAL SUG-

GESTIONS. 1. Bear in mind that a few patches of perennial sow thistle, if allowed to mature, may seed down & whole neighborhood. Therefore, take every precaution to prevent the seeding of patches in meadows, grain fields,

fence corners, and on the road side. Watch for the first two or three patches in the field, and destroy them before the pest becomes established.

3. Be careful not to harrow or cultivate through patches and drag the under ground rootstocks all over the field.

4. The perennial sow thistle thrives most luxuriantly on rather low, damp land. Underdraining, therefore, will help to control it.

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DETAILED METHODS.

Several methods of exterminating the perennial sow thistle are here outlined in detail. They have all been suggested by practical farmers. It is hoped that those who are looking for information on this subject will find among them a method suited to their own conditions.

Method No. 1. This method is suggested by Prof. C. A. Zavitz, who found it effective in the eradication of quack grass. Cultivate the field until about the middle of June, running over it frequently with the cultivator so as to keep the tops down, and thus weaken the "roots." Then apply manure at the rate of about 20 tons per acre (12 good loads). Cultivate the manure in thoroughly, and with a double mould board plough slightly ridge up the land, making the ridges about 26 inches apart. On the ridges sow pasture rape at the rate of 11 pounds per acre. It is important that the right amount of rape should be sown, for if too little is sown the stand will not be thick enough to smother the weeds, and if, on the other hand, too much is sown the plants will be too crowded and not grow vigorously enough to keep ahead of the thistle. Sow the rape when the land is sufficiently moist to insure quick germination of the seed. If the rape is slow in starting the sow thistle may get a start in the rows, and thus necessitate hand cultivation there. Cultivate the rape every week or ten days until it occupies all the ground and makes further cultivation impossible. lf, when the rape is cut or pastured, any sow thistle remain, the field should be ridged up the last thing in the fall, and put in with a hoed crop the following year. This should not be crop the following year. necessary if a good stand of rape is secured.

Method No. 2. This is a system of intensive cropping suggested by Prof. Zavitz. As soon as a cereal crop is harvested, plough the land and give frequent cultivation to the first or middle of Then sow winter rye at the rate of September. about two bushels per acre. This can be pastured the following spring, or cut for hay or grain. As soon as the crop is off the land, put in rape, turnips or buckwheat. The advantage of this system is that three crops are harvested in two years, and the sow thistle fought at the same time.

Method No. 3. This method is recommended by Prof. G. E. Day. Immediately after harvest gang-plough shallow, and run over the field several times with the broad-shared cultivator. Later in the fall plough a little deeper, and continue cultivating every week or ten days as long Last thing before the as the season permits. ground freezes rib up the land with a double mould board plough. The following spring give frequent cultivation up to the first of July, then sow pasture rape.

Method No. 4. This is a short rotation which has been recommended by several Farmers' Institute workers. Clover is followed by a crop of grain, then clover again. the clover is cut in June, and the land ploughed about four inches deep, and given frequent and thorough cultivation during the rest of the summer. spring a grain crop is sown, seeding down with clover. For best results the grain crop should be one which can be cut early enough to prevent the thistle from seeding.

Method. No. 5. Directly after harvest plough the land lightly, and then give frequent cultiva-The follow tion as long as the season permits. ing spring gang-plough, and leave in summer-fallow until it is time to sow fall wheat. The summer-fallow to be effective must be a bare fallow The field must be cultivated thoroughly and frequently, with the object of keeping the tops down and breaking up and bringing to the surface of the ground as many of the 'roots' as possible. the gang-plough should occasionally he ren over the field in order to insure the cutting of the roots. Bare summer-fallow has given excellent results on the Ontario Agricultural College farm in seasons when other methods were at best only partially effective.

#### Destructive Birds.

Editor "The Farmer's Advocate"

One of Professor Klugh's Nature's Diary Columns last fall was devoted to "Injurious Birds" and about this I would like to have a word with your readers. Prof. Klugh mentions in detail the house sparrow, crow and bronzed grackle and cow bird, which are four of the important injurious birds, but the other one, the Blue Jay, was omitted from mention. Possibly he has referred to this in another article as he certainly did not intend to omit it, but I have not happened to see it.

The bronzed grackle, crow and jay sign their own death warrant by destroying all the nests of small birds which they can find and while, from to be almost completely replaced by the use of the control of those who have been exploiting us.

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the domestic hen, which often follows the plough and usually roams the fields; but the number of small birds and their eggs which were destroyed by the species mentioned preclude any protection being given to them. In fact it has been stated that where these species are common hardly any of the beneficial song birds can be raised.

I hope your readers will see to it that a twenty-two rifle prevents the breeding of any of these species on their farms and where this is the case the attention necessary will be well repaid in the added numbers of native birds.

Middlesex Co., Ont. W. E. SAUNDERS.

#### Partyism and Prussianism.

By Peter McArthur. In the next election that is held in Canada, no matter whether it is held to-morrow or two years from now, and no matter which party wins, the liberties of the people will be threatened more seriously than at any time in the history of the country. It is now quite clear that partyism is certain to develop into Prussianism—the rule of an irresponsible few, working in secret. Both parties have shown that they are incapable of establishing a political truce at a time when not only the destiny of Canada and the Empire, but even of the human race is in peril. They have shown that it is impossible for them to co-operate in the urgent work of the hour. The Conservatives have called no Liberals to their councils. They wish to conduct the war in such a way that the Conservative party may receive credit for all the sacrifices that are made. They have ignored the great example of the British Government which called all the leaders of the Opposition to serve in conducting the business of the country. Instead of meeting this attitude with the spirit of self-abnegation that would show their moral superiority to the government and would win them the support of all men who place duty above the fate of parties, the Liberals have sleuthed for scandals which they unfortunately found and have made political capital of the mistakes due to haste and the grafting that appears to be inseparable from political operations in Canada. And now from the irreconcilable attitude of the two political parties there emerges a menace more sinister than waste, extravagance, incompetence or all the corruption that has ever been charged against any of our governments. Both parties have given evidence of being infected with the poison of Prussianism. Each seeks absolute power that can defy criticism. The scheming men of both parties dream that an election will give them this power. Conservative leaders announce frankly that they wish to be returned after an appeal to the people so that they may make appointments to the Senate, from which they were tricked in a deal with the Liberals, and in that way make their party supreme in both houses. Liberals are returned to power they will hold their majority in the Senate and be absolute. It is quite true that this state of affairs has exlisted with both parties in the past. At one time or another both Libera's and Conservatives have been supreme in both houses and the people have viewed the matter with indifference, for during the peaceful development of our country we have never been a political people in the true sense of the word. We have been more interested in the fate of the parties with which we have been affiliated by birth or even by conviction than we have in the fate of the country. By our indifference we have allowed the establishment of a Capitalistic and Privileged class to which both parties have been subservient. The High Financiers, the bankers, the railway promoters and the great corporations have had more to do with our government than the parties we elected to be their servants. Even in the preparations for an unnecessary wartime election the greedy machinations of these powers behind the throne are evident to careful and wellinformed observers. It is one of the most alarming facts of our political history that both parties have given the Railway barons whatever they wanted, that on banking legislation their, votes were practically unanimous and that both parties granted special privileges to corporations. Possibly the war has frightened so many parliamentary agents into decency that a new set of men is needed to carry out the wishes of our ruling classes and if an election is held they will do their best to see that they have enough friends returned in both parties to insure the granting of whatever they may desire, with the same unanimity that has prevailed in the past. That, more than anything else, explains the demand for an election which the plain people do not want. It is now evident as never before that in this terrible time, when the flower of our youth are being destroyed by the hellish enginery of war on the plains of Flanders that it would mean national suicide for us to place absolute power in the hands of any political party that is under the control of those who have been exploiting us.

from the foe within our gates as well as from the foe without.

I have never advocated a third party and I am loath to advocate one now, but the only hope I see for the preservation of our liberties is to send to Ottawa at the next election as many men as possible who will not be under the control of the old party leaders. Even if they were unorganized and devoid of political skill, if they maintained their independence and voted according to their convictions, they would be able to check Prussianism until the war is over. The farmers, more than any class in the country, because they must bear the burdens, should be represented fully after the next election and I am not sure but the most stubborn and backward farmers of the lot would be the best to send. A crisis has arisen where their stubborness might save the nation-for the one virtue that we would ask of them is that they should refuse to be led. And let no one fear that because they will be leaderless they will be weak. Every advance in human liberty has been won through an uprising of the oppressed and leaderless:

"There was never a fight to the windward But the leaderless Legion was there.'

group of leaderless men whose support could not be depended upon by the Prussians of either party would be a wholesome check on the government. We all want to see the war prosecuted to a successful issue, but it must be understood that the war is not being conducted for the benefit of any political party but to protect the liberties of the Canadian people. It will do us no good—indeed it will do us incalculable harm—if we succeed in destroying Prussianism in Europe merely to establish Prussianism in Canada. Prussianism in Europe Military madness and the establishment of capitalistic and political absolutism in this country would be a disaster as great as defeat in the war. While Canadians are dying for liberty abroad we must strive unflinchingly to preserve liberty at home. If "The best that we breed" are to die for Canada we must see to it that Canada shall continue to be a place worth dying for. The conduct of our political parties and the Privileged classes during the past few months makes this all important point more than doubtful. The issue that will be raised by the next election-the issue of having our government placed entirely in the hands of either Prussianized political party is as vital to the future of Canada as the outcome of the war. The only apparent way to defeat it is to run the risk of causing temporary political chaos by filling parliament with independent men, free from political bondage. Out of the turmoil that would ensue, as in all historical struggles for liberty, there would emerge men of statesmanlike outlook and vision who would pilot us to a greater peace and freedom than we have known. Desperate ills need desperate cures. I hope that in the next election there will be an independent candidate in every constituency and that enough of them will be elected to destroy the Prussianism that now threatens us in the disguise of partyism.

#### Sandy Sentimentalizes.

Editor "The Farmer's Advocate":

Some o' the papers that hae been comin' intae ma hoose for some years, an' that I hae supposed were pretty respectable, hae been gie'in accounts o' this big fight doon in Havana between the negro chap they call Johnson an' the ither fellow by the name o' Jess Willard. It's no thing that I tak' vera muckle interest in, this boxin' business, especially when it's turned intae a moneymakin' scheme for the scrappers themselves an' for ithers wha happen tae bet on tae richt mon. Gin there's ony fule thing on airth it's fechtin' between men wha hae no quarrel tae settle, for I never heard that this Willard ever tauld Johnson onything that hurt his feelin's, or that Johnson sae much as called Willard hurtful names. that's no' the point I'm comin' at. Gin they want tae be spoilin' ane anither's looks I suppose it's no' my business. The thing that struck me maist was this, Willard got the best o' the fight an' he gets a' the boquets an' telegrams o' congratulation, an' offers tae go on the stage an' a' that sort o' thing. Johnson gets beaten an' that's aboot a' he does get, except maybe a wee bit o' sympathy frae someone wha has lots tae spare. Noo, accordin' tae my point o' view this is a wrang. It should just be turned to the travel it seems that Willard is tae travel the country wi' a crowd that will not be vera slow, tae say the least, for frae what I ken o' the show business it isna' part o' its religion tae get a reputation for livin' the simple life an' that sort o' thing. An' gin he doesna' keen a pretty tight hauld on himsel' it winna' be lang till he gets tae taekin' a wee bit mair than is guid for him an' rinnin' aff the track on some ither mair or less poor excuse, an' gin he doesna gae tae the deil entirely it will maist likely be because some ither chap that has been takin' care o' himsel' an' developin' his muscle, comes alang an' gies him a tap on the point o' the jaw that will pit him tae sleep an' end his career as king o' the heavyweights.

On the ither hand, Johnson, wha has been gaein' doon hill lately as fast as the Lord wad let him, an' the deil could draw him, is gaein' tae turn over a new leaf an' gae tae farmin', tae raise coos an' chickens as he says, an' tae gae where he can use his muscle tae better advantage than inside the ropes o' a prize-ring. It wad be fine tae see him turnin' some of these auld makes cream separators wi' one hand. Gin he doesna' mak' a success o' the business on his oon acoont he'll no' likely hae tae wait lang for some farmer tae tak' him on as hired mon.

Noo. I leave it tae you, Mr. Editor, which o' these twa men hae the best right tae congratulations on the result o' the fight. Is it Willard wha is gaein' in for a life o' pleasure an idleness, or Johnson, wha is startin' oot tae try an' mak' an honest livin' oot o' the soil? I think ye'll be mair than likely tae agree wi' me that the latter is the lucky mon.

An' isn't it mair aften than not the case that the vera person that we think has the best chance o' gettin' the maist for their money in this warld is the one wha gets cheated the warst. Tak' for example twa chaps that are gaein' through college. Ane o' them is usin' his feyther's money an' gets a' he wants o' it. sae that he can gie a' his time tae his studies, gin he feels like it. He doesna' need tae worry where his board money is tae come frae, or whether he will be able tae raise eneuch tae get his wash oot o' the laundry on Saturday nicht or no'. has ilka trouble cleared awa' for him by the "auld mon's" cash, an' he has naething tae dae but sail richt through an' tak' his diploma at the end o' the course wi' the rest of the lucky But does he dae it? Sometimes he does: but I'm gaein' tae tell ye that it isn't aften. Mair often than ye'd think, he buys an automobile wi' ane o' the checks he gets frae hame for "college expenses," an' that's the end o' Greek an' Latin an' a graduation diploma for him. There's aye a chance for the likes o' these chaps tae reform sooner or later an' get doon tae business, but mony's the one there is that the jail has gathered in, an' has them there yet.

On the ither hand there is the young fellow wha has tae pay his ain way wherever he gaes, whether through college or onywhere else. guess we a' ken a few specimens o' this class. An' gin I were tae mak' a guess I wad say that aboot ninety-nine per cent. o' them hae made guid. They got their education by hook an' crook, an' they made use o' it afterwards tae help them tae finish up what we are in the habit o' speakin' aboot as a successful life. The hardship an' the things they were compelled tae dae wi'oot, a' helped tae mak' men o' them, an 'u re are thousands o' them in oor schools an' colleges at this vera meenute tryin' tae mak' men an' women oot o' the boys and girls o' the risin' generation. An' gin ye can think up ony better job than that, for mon or wumman, I'll gie ye floor an' let ye tell aboot it. Tae my mind the school teacher has the first job on airth, sae far as chances for the progress o' the human race is concerned. But onyway, there ye hae it again The mon ye wad hae pit first has come oot last But onyway, there ye hae it again. or, as I said, he's maybe not oot yet, an' the mon wi' the handicap o' poverty is awa' ahead an' still gaein' strong. It's a quare warld, or maybe we're in the habit o' lookin' at things standin' on oor heads, as ye might say. At ony rate something seems tae he twisted. We are a the time talkin' aboot getting rich eneuch tae tak' it easy, when as a matter o' fact, gin we were tae gae oot o' business all o' a sudden like an' settle doon tae an' idle life we wad become the maist miserable mortals on airth. We canna' rest unless we hae done something tae mak' us tired. The farmer wha stops frae his work for a meenute tae wipe the sweat frae his face an' watch an automobile gang by, may find it unco' hard tae see that the mon in the car hasna' got the best o' it, but gin I were daein' ony congratulatin' in this case I wad tak' the farmer by the hand an' tell him that o' a' the men on top the goond he had maist reason tae be satis fied wi' his job. As a rule he is healthy and ready for his meals, and when night will be comin' he can rest wi' a clear conscience, for he has the satisfied feelin' that goes wi' the endin' o' the day's wark when it has been done tae the best o' one's abeelity. An' the mon wha is compelled by circumstances tae keep on warkin' till, as they say, he "dies in harness" is better off than he is inclined tae think. He wad like tae change places wi' the millionaire wha he thin's doesna have the wark sae hard like, when at the same time this vera millionaire may be squanderin' his money tryin' tae get something tae gie him an appetite an' tae mak' him sleep. It's a case o' exercialatin' the wrang mon again. What's for or guid doesno' look like that at the time. I ed when was a wee gaffer I wanted a bicycle the nearly raw an' anither chap, quite a bit auder reason a better hand at makin' a basein. The law trade me one for an audited of the law of the place by a best de ver or twa back Ma feyther

tauld me I wasn't tae dae it, but naethin' wad dae me but I maun git that bicycle. It was an auld fashioned machine wi' solid rubber tires an' a' that, an' had rin intae a telegraph post an some ither obstructions which hadna' done it ony guid, but it looked a' richt tae me, an' richt or wrang I was bound tae hae it. An' in the end I got my way an' the bicycle, an' the ither Weel, I had tae send it tae chap got his buggy. the shop tae get it fixed up a bit, but I finally got it hame an' I pit it awa' in the barn where thocht it wad be safe. Hooever, it wasna lang before ma young brither, wha had a hankerin' for bicycles himsel' found oot where it was, an' first thing I kenned he had it oot on the road an' was tryin' tae navigate it doon the hill. thocht I'd just gae an' show him hoo it was done before I took it awa' frae him, an' I got hauld o' the machine wi' the intention o' helpin' him tae keep his balance. But it wasna' easy tae dae, an' in ma efforts tae hauld him up I did the vera thing I micht hae expectit. foot against the front wheel an' doubled it over, for a' the warld like a pancake ye are gaein tae Weel, ye may guess hoo I felt. pit on a saucer. think I was sicker than the time they had tae get the doctor for me because of eatin' too mony green apples. It was a laung time, I can tell ye before I could see the moral in the lesson. But finally did come tae see it, an' mony's the time since, when I find masel' becomin' headstrang an' reckless. I think o' ma auld bicycle wi' the broken wheel an' hoo I got intae trouble by no' payin' attention tae what ma feyther tauld me, an' bring masel' up wi' a jerk in case I may hae anither similar experience. Sae ye see hoo it was for ma benefit in the lang rin, though at the time it seemed a' wrang tae me. congratulations, it was a lang time before I was in a state o' mind tae hae appreciated them. guess I felt aboot like poor Jack Johnson when they were coontin' him oot.

We may just tak' it for granted, when we are in deeficulties o' ony kind, that things are no' what they seem, an' gin we mak' the best o' what is left to us everything will turn oot a richt in the end. As my auld uncle used tae say tae me sometimes, aifter I wad be gettin' a switchin' frae ma feyther for misbehavin', "The worse the better"; meanin' that the mair I got, the better boy I wad be. He told the truth a richt, though I didna' believe it then SANDY FRASER.

#### The Gap That Millet Fills.

There is often a small field left, after seeding and planting are done, that should be producing something, or occasionally a piece of seeding fails and it must be resown. In cases such as these millet will fill in the gap which otherwise would exist and in addition it will supply a quantity of fairly good hay. Millet hay is not by any means the best kind of hay produced. In moderate quantities it is useful in feeding cattle or sheep and lambs but it should be fed sparingly to horses and under close supervision. In many instances straw with good results but its value as hay should not be over-estimated. As green feed it is often useful.

As a rule it is wise to sow about twenty-five pounds of seed per acre on land that has been well cultivated and is in good shape to receive If seeding is done in May or about the first of June a late variety may be used but if the seed is not sown until the latter part of June or July an early variety will probably be most satisfactory. The Hungarian Grass requires shorter season for growth than some others and answers for late seeding while May or early June seedings might be done with Japanese Panlicle. The Hungarian Grass variety stands seventh in a test of eleven at the Ontario Agricultural College, whereas it was cut practically two weeks earlier than Japanese Panicle which heads the list.

### THE DAIRY.

#### The Sweet Cream Trade.

Editor "The Farmer's Advocate"

If I were asked what is the ideal system of dairy farming, I should answer, the production of sweet cream for a fancy trade, and the utilization of the by products, skim-milk as food for live stock. The direct cash returns may not be so great as where milk is sold for direct consumption, or to the condensery, but during an average of years, the results financially will compare favorably with any other line of dairying, and in addition we have the satisfaction of feeding a food that cannot be surpassed in food value for young stock, and for which there is no substitute. Some recent investigations indicate that the pro-

teid material in milk is of much greater value per pound than is the proteid material in other foods. It has been assumed by scientists that a pound of digestible proteid material had equal value, no matter what its source. The practical man, however, has always felt that he could get nothing which satisfactorily took the place of milk for young live stock. Now the scientists are beginning to realize that the practical man was probably right, and that his science, to some extent at least, limped on this question of the feeding value of milk and its by-products,

In order to cater to the sweet cream trade, a few conditions are essential:

1. A CUSTOMER MUST BE SECURED.

It is rather difficult to say whether the customer should first be located or whether the necessary cream should be on hand, However, it is a good maximum to follow, when cooking hares, to "first catch the hare." This customer should not live the This customer should not live too far away, so that the cream may not be too long on the road. He should be willing to take all the cream which the farm can produce, as it is very unsatisfactory to have small lots of cream left on your hands. This may be churned, but as a rule it is largely wasted. And he should be willing to pay a fair price per gallon or per pound of fat in the cream. We grant that it is rather difficult to say what constitutes a fair price for sweet cream, but we think it cannot be produced under 30 cents to 35 cents per pound fat in summer and probably more in the winter, depending on the cost of feed and labor. A common retail price for sweet table cream is about 20 cents per pint, 40 cents per quart, \$1.60 per gallon. This cream may test about 20 to 24 per cent. fat. At the lower test, the fat retails at 80 cents per pound. and at the higher test 66.6 cents per pound. Suppose the cream tests 32 per cent. fat, then at 20 cents per pint the fat in the cream is selling at 50 cents per pound, hence it is not unfair to say that the producer ought to receive not less than 40 cents per pound fat for sweet cream, in order that there may be a fair relation between what the producer receives and the consumer pays. If no middleman stands between the proand consumer, this price of 40 cents per pound fat, or \$1.20 per gallon for cream testing 30 per cent. fat is not an unreasonable one, the buyer to pay express charges where such are incurred.

This customer ought also to return cans promptly to the shipper, and remit every two weeks or at least once a month. Under present conditions the producer is compelled to accept weights and tests as given by the buyer, and there seems no remedy in sight, but a change in some form will be necessary in order to maintain harmony between the man who produces and sells cream and the man who buys. Not long ago the writer received a letter from a cream producer who said: 'So-and-So is buying my cream. I think he is trying to put one over on me, in the matter of testing. I want to know if I can have samples of my cream tested at the College and what it would cost?" The testing of cream sold for direct consumption and for the manufacture of butter, leaves much to be desired. We are working on the problem and hope to find a Sa isfactory solution, somehow, somewhere, and sometime.

#### 2. A STEADY SUPPLY OF CREAM THROUGH-OUT THE YEAR.

In order to obtain and maintain this, some planning is necessary, more especially with a small herd. From experience we should say, that it is difficult to supply a sweet cream trade satisfactorily with less than ten cows milking all the time, where the cream has to be shipped some distance by rail. There ought to be one fresh cow each month of the year to have matters work out right, instead of having the cows all freshen in a bunch, spring or fail. This is something not easily regulated. The man who runs a dairy farm from an office chair, has his cows freshen whenever he desires them, but the man who actually owns and handles cows finds that in practice it is not so easy. About the only way this can be done is to buy a fresh cow whenever needed, and in some localities this is a difficult matter.

Plenty of feed is needed at all times to maintain the flow of milk. As an insurance against drought and short feed there is nothing equal to a silo full of good corn silage. This is the best insurance policy any dairy farmer can carry. Concentrates in the form of bran and meal may be purchased, but roughage, as a rule, cannot be bought with satisfaction and profit, therefore, it is necessary to provide this on one's own farm. Having decided on the number of acres of corn necessary to carry the stock through the seasons of 1915 and 1916, put in an acre or two extra If the silos in order to be sure to have plenty. will not hold the corn, it can be shocked and fed early in the winter with satisfaction. If it contains good ears, these may be husked and the ear corn fed to the hogs, as there should be at least two or three hogs for each cow kept on a dairy farm. These, together with the necessary

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heifer calves to replenish the herd, and with an stables soon become intolerable. Precautions occasional veal or pure-bred male to sell, will occasional maintain a proper balance of farm operations and provide a good market for all the skim-milk on

#### 3. A GOOD CREAM SEPARATOR.

At one time dairy farmers set their milk in pans or cans for the cream to rise, but that day has largely gone by. A dairy farm which ships cream is almost required to have a cream cream is affined a cream separator. Fortunately for Canadian farmers we have a number of good machines made in Canada and also imported, so that there is no need to go very long without a good machine to seperate the milk. These can also be purchased seperate the limit.

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at very reasonable prices; to be operated by hand at very reasonable prices; to be operated by hand at very reasonable power. Where cheap electric or mechanical power. power is available this is one of the most satisfactory methods of creaming. If a gasoline engine be used, some form of "shock absorber" is needed, and great care is needed to prevent what has become known as the "gasoline flavor"

The separator should be operated in a room separate from the cow stable, but convenient to it to save labor. The room and the separator should be kept clean, and the parts coming in contact with the milk be washed twice a day.

Immediately after separating the fresh cream should be chilled in ice water to a temperature of 50 degrees F. before mixing with the cream from previous separations. Neglect on this point means loss of the sweet cream trade,

This leads up to the fourth requisite :

#### 4. A LARGE SUPPLY OF ICE.

No one can hope to hold a customer for sweet cream in summer except he has an abundant supply of ice or water at a temperature of 50 degrees F. or below in large quantity for cooling purposes. If this has not already been provided, it will be a difficult matter to supply sweet cream throughout the summer season.

The foregoing, together with prompt shipments as soon as the can is full, (by the way sweet cream shipping cans should not be too large-not over 6 gallons) will enable a dairy farmer to carry on his farm with some degree of profit and satisfaction, especially when he considers that by so doing he is not robbing his stock or his soil. H. H. DEAN. O. A. C.

#### How Long Should a Cow Go Dry?

The length of time that a cow goes dry is not always under the complete control of the dairyman for sometimes a cow is bought for the herd which will "dry up" in spite of all that can be done to induce her to milk longer and at about five or six months after freshening she refuses to give more milk. But as a general thing such cows are not kept in the good herds very long. The milk scales soon show them up as unprofitable producers and the butcher gets them and they are "canned". Most dairymen are anxious to develop a herd of persistent milkers; cows which milk many months and give large quantities throughout the entire lactation period. Occasionally a cow is found or developed which is difficult to dry off when the time comes for her to rest and prepare herself for the next freshening. How long should a cow go dry? Where the cow breeds regularly and milks heavily there is a continual strain on her system. She is either giving milk to feed a calf or developing a foetus or doing both at once which latter is the case very much of the time. To be fair to the cow, to the calf and to the future of the herd she should have from six weeks to two months dry on good feed between each two lactation periods. Exception may be taken, of course, where cows are pushed for world records but the future of the herd may not always be improved by too much artificial forcing for phenomenal milk production. It is general practice we are speaking of and not the special conditions found where herds break records. Let us hear from dairymen on this subject. Is one month too short a rest for the cow and is two months two long? How long should the cow go dry?

#### Keep a Clean Stable in Summer.

It sometimes occurs that a dairyman keeps a very clean stable during winter months but owing to ruck of the during winter months but owing to rush of farm work neglects his stable duties somewhat during the busy summer season. have seen stables in which the cows were tied for an hour or so night and morning while milking was in progress become very filthy if not regularly cleaned. The cows void considerable solid excrement during the short stay in the stable and owing to the laxative action of pasture grass the stables, if not cleaned and washed out once or twice daily soon reach a very bad state. We have seen such left a week or two in the rush seasons without cleaning and the dairyman wondered why his milk was "off". Sometimes milk cows are stabled all night in summer and the stables so neglected. This is even worse and

and cleanliness are just as necessary in summer as in winter. Scrape out the stable twice each day. It will not take long and will save later trouble.

### POULTRY.

#### Forcing Chicks for Broilers.

Editor "The Farmer's Advocate"

I should like to get a little information about rearing chickens, as I wish to raise a large number this year and I should like to know how to feed and fatten them in as short a time as possible for broilers. I do not wish to keep them through the whole season as I believe there is more money in growing them quickly. R.H.

When the chicks are first hatched a good feed is prepared from hard boiled eggs and bread crumbs, four parts by weight of bread to one of egg. Chop the eggs, shell and all, in with the bread so it is thoroughly mixed. After the first two days begin to give an occasional feed of chick feed, which may be purchased from a supply house or prepared as follows: Cracked wheat, 35 parts; granulated oat meal, 30 parts; small cracked corn, 30 parts; grit (chicken size) 5 parts. This can be fed the first eight or ten weeks with good results, and if it is desirable to force the young chickens they should be fed four or five times a day, but generally speaking three feeds a day of chick food and one of bread and sour milk, the bread being dry and crumbled, will be sufficient. After the chicks acquire some size a mash made of equal parts of bran, shorts, and corn meal to which has been added about 10 per cent. of animal meal or blood meal will encourage growth. Sometimes it is possible to secure fresh livers and boil them in which case the animal meal or blood meal may be omitted. the chickens cannot get out and run the chick feed should be fed in chaff, so the young things will have to work for it. After eight weeks it might be advisable to give a feed of mash, in the morning and at noon and whole wheat and cracked corn at night. Also increase the animal meal a little. Green food should be supplied by allowing them to run on grass or by feeding them sprouted oats, cabbage, rape or other quick-growing plants. Plenty of range on clean soil, preferably where the grass is not too high or the sod is not too thick is necessary. Close confinement will result in many unhealthy chicks and poor doers.

Two weeks before the chickens are to be sold it would be profitable we believe to put them into crates and feed from troughs in front. A ration composed of two parts finely ground oats, two parts of finely ground buckwheat, and one of finely ground corn, to which is added sufficient sour milk to make a hatter, or ordinarily about 2 to 21 pounds of milk to 1 pound of grain, has been found serviceable. Feed sour milk throughout their entire growing period, provide grit, green feed and healthy range.

#### Breaking Up Broody Hens.

Did you ever visit the poultry yard on a farm and find six or eight "cluckers" crowded into a small coop standing exposed to the scorching sun, the hens without food or water? Such was one time believed to be the most efficient practice in curing hens of their tendency to incubate, but happily the practice is giving place to safer, saner and surer methods. The best way to overcome a hen's inclination to sit is to make conditions right for her to renew egg production and this cannot be done by exposing the hen to violent treatment or by starving her. Of course it is necessary to shut the hens away from their regular nesting places and to keep nesting material, such as straw in any great quantity away from them but the hens should be made comfortable. If they must be cooped, place the coop in a shady, dry place and keep fresh, cool water supplied in plenty. Then feed well on eggproducing feeds. Do not fatten but give the class of feeds fed to the laying hens. Poultrymen claim that good results often follow placing two or three active cockerels, the more the better, in the pen with the cluckers. Dipping the hens in cold water or otherwise abusing them should never be practiced. The inclination to incubate is only natural and should be overcome simply by encouraging the inclination to produce eggs, another natural process.

The twenty-fifth week of the Egg Laying Competition being conducted at Philadelphia in which 100 pens consisting of 5 hens each are entered is concluded. Wyandottes are still leading, the greatest number of eggs for one pen being 579, credited to a pen of White Wyandottes owned by Ed. Cam near Preston, Eng. closest competitors are 5 single-comb White Leghorns, with a record of 567 eggs. This pen owned by the Eglantine Farms, Greensboro, Md. The last mentioned breed is also third in the list and White Wyandottes again are fourth.

### HORTICULTURE.

#### What is Wrong?

There has been much ado about large plantings of fruit trees in Ontario during recent years, but the Census returns of 1901 and 1911 show these increases to be largely in small fruits. In the decade between 1901 and 1911, pears decreased by 105,253 trees or 12.4 per cent.; apples decreased 1,775,362 trees or 18.6 per cent. and F. M. Clement in his recent bulletin, "Plum Culture in Ontario," claims bearing plum trees decreased by 330,433 or 48.1 per cent. while the total number of plum trees decreased by 561,697 trees or 33.3 per cent. In opposition to these decreases cherries increased 151,389 trees or 22.1 per cent.; peaches increased by 399,356 or 31.1 per cent. and vineyards increased by 3,629 acres or 66.7 per cent. The total number of fruit trees in the province decreased by 1,835,118 or 13 per

For various reasons importations of fruit pour almost constantly into Canada and great quantities into Ontario. The market for plums is incuenced greatly by the consumption of dried runes and plums and the following table gives some idea of the amounts brought into Canada:

Year.	quantity.	value.
1905	6,034,815 lbs.	\$147,637.00
1910	10,145,969 lbs.	384,127.00
1913	8,942,599 lbs.	466,868.00
1914	10,592,088 lts.	550,175.00

During the same period fresh plums were coming into this country in the teeth of a customs duty of 30 cents per bushel. Following are the importations in three recent years:

Year.	Bushels.	Value
1905	53,593	\$ 66,473.00
1910	69,529	158,756.00
1913	151,650	267,563.00

These figures show a steady increase in importations while the plum trees of Ontario are decreasing in number. There must be something about imported fruit that attracts the Canadian consumer. It cannot be quality or flavor because conditions in Ontario are at least on a parity with those existing where the incoming fruit originates. If it be the method of packing and make-up and appearance of the package our own growers should put forth an extra effort and supply the article in a manner that will please the buyer. There is something wrong with Canadian fruit-growing-What is it?

#### Opinions Regarding Fall Planting.

Not many years ago fruit growers looked with considerable doubt upon the advisability of the fall planting of fruit trees.

Through the operations and experiences of recent years the best thinkers and the best growers have begun to experiment and look rather favorably upon this practice. In a bulletin entitled "The Cherry In Ontario" compiled by E. F. Palmer, B. S. A., and published recently, three growers set forth their views regarding cultural methods in growing cherries. grower writes under conditions as they exist in the Niagara district, while another is a promin-ent grower in Prince Edward County. Both are ent grower in Prince Edward County. in favor of fall planting, especially in the case of The writer of the bulletin himsweet cherries. himself rather favors fall planting, and says "fall planting is to be recommended over spring planting for districts at any rate where the sweet cherry will succeed. That is, it is to be recomcherry will succeed. mended over spring planting, as the latter is generally practiced, which is after the buds have started-too late in the season for good results." The writer furthermore says, "in the colder cherry sections of the Province, and more particularly those away from the influence of a large body of water it would be safer to test fall planting in an experimental way only."

The trouble with spring planting of cherries lies in the fact that cherries bloom very early in the spring, and unless the grower has the soil ready early and puts forth an extra effort to have the trees set in time they will become too far advanced, and consequently considerable losses will result. Tests comparing the results of spring and fall planting have been conducted at the Vineland Experiment Station. The Director, F. M. Clement, in a recent report favors fall planting from the results that have so far been obtained. Yet the experiments have not been conducted a sufficient number of years to warrant any definite announcement regarding the superiority of one method over another. The fact remains, however, that if the condition of the soil or circumstances relative to the farm work make it more convenient to plant in the fall one is quite justified in doing so, but in the case of sweet cherries particularly the practice of fall planting seems to

have the greater justification. One contributor to this bulletin claims cherries The last two or three years have influenced growers towards curtailed plantings, and the writer uses three factors, namely, discouraged growers going out of the industry, increased consumption, due to a period of low prices, and new and wider markets, as reasons why the industry should be still a stable one. Furthermore, the importations of nice packages of fancy fruits which have been imported from across the line go to prove that there is still an unsupplied demand in Canada for the fancy article, especially of the sweet cherry.

# Do Pruning Wounds Need Protection?

It has been the custom for experiments in agriculture to confirm rather than disprove commonly accepted beliefs, yet four years of investigation at the New York Agricultural Experiment Station has led the experimenters to declare that 'pruning wounds need no protection.'' In nearly all instances in the experiment the supposedly helpful covering injured the exposed tissues and retarded healing. The mechanical exclusion of the germs of plant diseases by impervious coverings and the destruction of these germs by pretervatives and disinfectants proved without value, while wounds kept from drying out by some protective material healed no more rapidly than those left open to the air. Paints made from white lead, white zinc, and yellow ochre were used in the test as well as coal tar, which are preservatives, and shellac which forms an impervious coating over the wounds. terials proved of no value, and some were noticeably injurious. Observations indicated unmistakably that pruning wounds on peaches and other stone fruits should never be treated with so-called protective covering materials, since their use is decidedly harmful. On the apple and other pome fruits there can be no gain from treating small wounds at least, with considerable liability to

If further investigation confirms this information advanced by the New York Station it will relieve fruit-growers of a part of a task which they consider arduous.

#### What a British Consumer Says About Apples

A subscriber to "The Farmer's Advocate" in Britain, where a large quantity of Canadian apples are consumed sends a word of advice and warning to our growers. Coming, as it does, from a user of our fruit it is valuable from the one viewpoint at least for it tells the producer in Canada exactly what is wanted by the buyer and consumer in Britain. The writer says:—"I noticed that some of your growers seem to fear an overproduction of apples in the near future. I am of opinion that there will never be an overproduction of real, good stuff shipped in good order. At the same time I think that there are far too many apples of the Ben Davis class sent to this country, and that now would be a good time for growers to cut back and graft their inferior trees, with better sorts, as they would then be in shape when the good times come after the war is over to supply the goods that are wanted. Of course a few good Bens will still be required for the early-spring trade but then the commonly heard remark, 'Ugh, Ben Davis! I would just as soon chew a stick', would be much less common. Send us good Spys, Baldwins, Snows, Greenings, Russets, etc., free of spots and I do not think you need fear overproduction for a very long time to come as quality is what is wanted and quality fetches the money.

# Growing Information in British Columbia.

Editor "The Farmer's Advocate"

People are often ready to give advice when duces 10,000 plants. they are not qualified to do so. Some ask advice when they have no intention of following it. But there are people who need and want advice and are willing to follow it. To put them in touch with those competent to advise is not always Farming needs, in every locality, a competent adviser, and the good he can do is only surpassed by the harm an inefficient man may work. Especially in new sections of our country is this true, or in the older sections where re-adjustment of a radical nature is taking place. It is then that a well-trained man can save to the agriculturist, disappointment, discouragement and Just here in the Okanagan our local government, two years ago appointed a well qualified man to take Us position. Their action is the more commendable, because it has not had the 2 lbs. per acre.

nasty blot of political pull attached to it. The vegetable growers have been given a good and thoroughly-efficient, experienced man to advise them, and as many of those owning property were inexperienced in agriculture, and most of them knew practically nothing of vegetable work, it was a splendid move.

It may be of interest to know the duties of this adviser. The man owns the place he works. Does just as he likes with his crops, sells as he wishes, grows what he wants to, and grows it as he feels is most likely to prove successful. The Government pays him a sum agreed upon, and for this sum he must give them a detailed account of the cost of production, sales, profits and methods. He must have his place open to the public every day but Sunday. In the fall he makes trips through the Valley lecturing at institutes, with only the extra remuneration of his expenses paid. Also, he goes to other sections of The Government has the privilege the province. of suggesting crops, etc., but expensive experiments are not to be expected.

Is the plan working? It is, and giving good results both to the man in charge, for he has renewed his contract and to the Government for they have renewed it without question. We, fortunately live near the farm, and see the constant coming and going of local people and strangers looking over the place, asking questions and getting information. In one instance a deputation came by automobile from the States to study one of our Western problems. The methods in use there are being applied, modified in many cases, and taken just as they are in others. The crops are those best suited to the district, and information as to what has, and will probably prove profitable can be had with the figures and facts to back the information, so that much of the guess work may be avoided. This place is particularly valuable to strangers to the district, and those to whom irrigation is a new problem. It looks easy to see an old hand working with the water furrows, but a green hand can make some bad blunders, waste a tremendous amount of water, and have a poor wetting when he is What is true of irrigation is also true seed. The "Mystic Maze" of seed through. in buying seed. houses and varieties of seed to select is a startler to the man who has only the seed companies' catalogues to guide him; and knows nothing of the companies' specials or the best varieties to grow in his district, or for his market.

The value of a demonstration farm in the hands of a good adviser is most appreciated by those who have one near by, and those districts that have none should get out and hustle for one. The plan is working well. The results are good and the advice has proven sound. It is commended and deserves support.

British Columbia. WALTER M. WRIGHT.

# Quantity of Seed Required for Garden Crops.

It is often difficult to remember from one year to another just what quantity of seed was required of each vegetable. Prices are not high per package, but in the aggregate the cost of seed for a good-sized garden is quite noticeable, and perhaps by laying out the garden so half packages will not be left over an appreciable sum may be saved. The following quantities per measured length of row are, as recommended in a bulletin entitled "Vegetable Growing" compiled by S. C. Johnston, and recently published by the Ontario Department of Agriculture. The information will be useful when purchases are being made:

Asparagus—1 oz. to 100 ft. of drill; 2 lbs. will provide roots for 1 acre.

Beans-1 pint to 100 ft. of drill; 11 bus. per acre.

Beet—1 oz. to 50 ft. of row; 4 lbs. per acre.

Brussells' Sprouts—1 oz. to 100 ft.
Cabbage—1 oz. to 300 ft. of drill; 1 oz. pro-

duces 2,000 to 2,500 plants; 1 lb. seed ootdoors, 20,000 to 30,000 plants.

Carrot $-\frac{1}{2}$  oz. to 100 ft. drill;  $2\frac{1}{2}$  lbs. to acre.

Cauliflower—1 oz. to 2,500 plants. Celery—1-3 oz. per 100 ft. drill; 1 oz. pro-

Corn $-\frac{1}{4}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$  pint to 100 hills; 1 peck per

Cucumbers—1 to 2 ozs. to 100 hills; 1 to 2 lbs. per acre.

Egg Plant-1 oz. produces 2,000 plants.

Endive $-\frac{1}{4}$  oz. to 100 ft. of drill;  $4\frac{1}{2}$  lbs. per acre.

Kale—1 oz. to 300 ft. of drill. Kohlrabi—1 oz. to 300 ft. of drill; 4 lbs. per

Leek-1 oz. to 100 ft. of drill; 4 lbs. per acre.

Lettuce—4 oz. to 100 ft. of drill; 3 lbs. per acre.

Melons (Musk)—2 ozs. per 100 hills, 4 x 4 ft.;

Onion— oz. to 100 ft. drill; 4 to 5 lbs. per cre.

Onion Sets—1 quart to 50 ft. drill; 8 bus. per acre.

Parsley—½ oz. to 100 ft. of drill; 3 lbs. per

Peas—1 to 2 pints to 100 ft. drill; 1½ to 2½ bus. per acre.

Pepper-1 oz. produces 1,500 plants.

Radish—1 oz. to 100 ft. row; 10 to 12 hs. per acre.

Rhubarb—1 oz. seed to 125 ft. of drill; 31 lbs. per acre.
Salsify—1 oz. seed to 100 ft. drill; 8 lbs. per

Spinach—1 oz. to 100 ft. of drill; 5 to 6 hs. per acre in drills; 30 hs. per acre broadcast. Squash—8 ozs. to 100 hills.

Tomato—1 oz. produces 2,000 to 2,500 plants. Turnip—1 oz. to 200 ft. of drill; 1 to 2 lbs. per acre.

# FARM BULLETIN.

# Conditions Prevailing in Northern Ontario.

Editor "The Farmer's Advocate":

Comparatively few people in Old Ontario realize the extent and richness of the Clay Belt and mineral regions of our near Northland. This spring as in older Ontario the season is unusually early and spring seeding was commenced ten days or more earlier than usual. In some parts seeding was nearly complete by May 1. The soil worked up into a fine seedbed without excess of labor and very good seed grain is being used to help ensure a crop. Some of the seed the Ontario Government was letting out to the settlers in \$40.00 lots, was examined and proved to be all that was claimed for it in purity and grading.

The dealers in seeds in Northern Ontario have appreciated for the most part the value of the best grades of timothy and clovers and with few exceptions handle the No. 1 grades while vigilance is used in respect to the quality of small bulk seeds and even the seed grain. It is not so with regard to the feed stuffs especially in hay and oats. Much of the hay is quite weedy and many of the weeds have gone to seed and find their way through the stable manure to the barn. In the feeding of uncleaned No. 2 and No. 3 C.W's., another very common source of weed contamination obtains.

With the increased amount of land being brought under cultivation every year in the fresh clearances which are quite marked, this danger will be lessened as the local demand will be supplied from local production to a large extent.

This Northern country can produce good hay and oats, and in paying quantities. Everywhere the farmers of a few year's standing seem to be prospering as evidenced by better outbuildings and larger clearances.

While the cost of clearing some of the land is expensive and a further outlay to have it underdrained before it will be at its best will be necessary, yet it is soil that will wear well as it is deep, full of lime, and will grow the legumes exceptionally well.

As one passes along the lines of railway there is evidence of a great revival in the pulpwood industry at least so far as getting out the wood is concerned and getting it ready in the best shape for market. Most of it is Spruce from four inches in diameter up. The Government has provided several rossing machines which, were all busy at work, but which are said to be detrimental to the farmer's interests as they take too much toll in bark and wood and after rossing they pile so much more tightly that there is a big shrinkage. Those who are having the rossing done by hand find it pays. In this case it is removed with drawing knives and chisels and many men are getting employment in this industry. There are thousands of cords being prepared in this way, but the demand for the wood has greatly fallen off contrary to expectations. However, the wood will keep for some time

While some of the mining plants are silent the result of boom times and unscrupulous speculators and promoters in securing the hard earnings of their dupes for a hole in the ground, there are others that are very active and are grinding up the 'pay dirt' in large quantities every day. There is striking evidence that the 'pay dirt' has only been touched as yet and the country is not a quarter prespected.

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The beauty of these mining camps is that they are not out of the world nor far from good farming land. In fact good farming lands are all around the rocky ridges some of which seem to be very rich in ore.

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ture are to be commended in the fine stock they are producing on the experimental farm at Monteith and thus helping to supply the needs of the north in making available good Clydesdale horses, Shorthorn cattle and Shropshire sheep. Mr. Clemons, the new manager seems to have his work well in hand. The chief need of the farm just now seems to be more clearance to grow more food stuffs instead of buying part of them. It was a beautiful sight to see the fine clover starting up as thick as could be desired all over a flat piece of clay that had been recently underdrained, and the hard clay knolls, the winter

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The efforts of the Ontario Department of Agricul-

bare during the winter. One of the very gratifying features of farming in the North was the large number of small flocks of sheep to be seen about the farm buildings and in the meadows. They had come through the winter well and gave promise of a good crop of lambs.

wheat and Alfalfa suffered badly as they became

Potatoes of the very finest quality may be produced in quantity all over Northern Ontario although the loamier soils furnish a smoother, nicer looking one. Some potatoes grown fourteen miles north of Sudbury were comparable with the very best brought from the Maritime Provinces.

It is true that in the mining towns a number of idle men were seen. The prospects, however, are brightening for the employment of more lalor and should good crops result this year and there is every prospect for it now, there will be enough in store for man and beast and a good surplus

T. G. RAYNOR.

#### Fake Medical Institutes.

A crusade of prosecutions was lately carried out in New York City against the proprietors and employees of so-called Medical Institutes and Museums. Among the confessions was one showing that the names of these institutes are changed every little while and that they keep a "sucker list" of patients obtained through advertising and otherwise, who are systematically worked by every possible form of cajolery until they either leave the community or become unresponsive. Besides the usual staff of distinguished "physicians" one of them had a patriarchal "professor" with long, flowing hair and beard in "another uptown office" and if the patient were not improving his case would be referred to the "professor" for special consultation and a re-fee of from \$100 to \$500 graduated according to the alarm and purse of the victim. This particular "professor" under examination confessed that he had not succeeded in a rural practice and finally drifted into the city to work for the "institute" at \$20 per week though the former he testified raked in from \$4,000 to \$6,000 per month from its dupes. The "museum" consisted of wax ages and progress used to frighten visitors into being prospective patients. The prosecuting counsel described the working of some of these "institutes" as "the meanest skin-game in all the category of get-the-money tricks of medical Evidence was given showing that they had worked in many cities and drawn in large numbers of victims.

#### Alberta Stock Breeders Meet.

Encouraging words were addressed recently to the Alberta Horse Breeders, assembled in annual convention, by the President, Geo. Lane. speaker had recently visited the United States and had seen both the British and French Governments purchasing for military purposes. had already secured upwards of 200,000 head. The French buyers had taken over 100,000 and had standing orders for 25,000 to 30,000 per month. As far as the speaker could learn the British had taken about the same number and had a large standing order. The prevailing opinion was that at the conclusion of the war there would be a big export trade from all over America to European countries. This opinion was held by such men as Mr. Ogilvie and Colonel Cooper, of Chicago, and Dr. Reid of St. Louis, who are among the leading draft horsemen of

The cattle breeders of Alberta are optimistic regarding the future and they were encouraged still more by the address of Hon. W. C. Sutherland, of Saskatoon, who stated in his address before the annual convention of the Alberta Cattle Breeders that the industry never had such a bright future as now. This was owing not only to a continental scarcity of beef but to the dearth in the world's market. The Hon. Duncan Marshall, Minister of Agriculture for Alberta, intimated that most of all the cattle breeders of Alberta required better marketing facilities, and stated that in every possible way the Government

was willing to give any reasonable assistance in W. F. Stevens, Live Stock Commisthe matter. With large streams and waterfalls the question sioner for Alberta, discussed the matter of administration of Dominion Lands not available for agricultural purposes. He suggested the leasing of lands for stock purposes giving an inducement to utilize the now unused areas and to increase Alberta's live stock out-put. This matter was referred to the incoming board of directors to consider and act upon.

#### The Forest Ridge Holstein Sale.

On Tuesday, May 4, Lindsay & Pound, disposed of 44 head of pure-bred Holsteins for L. H. Lipsitt, on his Forest Ridge Stock Farm at Straffordville, in two hours to the full satisfaction of seller and buyer. This was accomplished in a downfall of rain. The total receipts were \$7,775.00, the average was \$177.00. Fourteen of the animals offered were under 1 year of age, 26 were under 2 years, and 11 were bulls, 8 of which were under 4 months. Twelve cows sold for \$2,545.00 with an average of \$212.00. Six two-year-old heifers averaged \$233.00, 9 yearling helfers averaged \$200.00, 6 heifer calves averaged \$139.00. three one-year-old bulls averaged \$130.00 and eight bull calves averaged \$101.00. Following is a list of animals selling for \$100.00 or over with their purchasers' names.

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Keep the Moisture In. 'The Farmer's Advocate' Editor

The Patriotism and Production preachers which swept the country in such a well organized and systematic way during the winter and early spring with numerous and varied appeals for the farmer to manifest his loyalty and patriotism by striving for an increased production of foodstuffs for the benefit of the Empire, in this hour of terrible stress, apparently, now are resting with a feeling of satisfaction. They have advocated for an increased acreage of farm products, and an appreciable increase of fall wheat, and a marked increase the acreage of spring grains has resulted.

Though an increased acreage has been obtained, it does not necessarily follow that an increased yield will result. Unfavorable weather, insects, diseases, weeds and lack of cultivation are factors all or any one of which will materially affect the ultimate yield. Some of these factors, men cannot regulate, while others again may be controlled either wholly or partially. In the opinion of the writer, "More acres and more per acre"

now make a good slogan.

Probably increased yields could be obtained in some of the following ways :- Frequent and thorough cultivation of corn, potatoes, roots and kindred crops besides killing weeds and rendering plant food more available for the plants, increases the moisture content of the soil. There is less surface evaporation from a soil which is cultivated and has a dust mulch, than there is from a soil that has an unbroken crust on the surface. From now on throughout the summer make it a rule to cultivate the land after every rain, as soon as the soil is dry enough to work freely and before a crust has formed. Fields intended for corn or root crops may have weeds easily destroyed by frequent cultivation with disc 140.00 or drag harrows before the crop is planted or 200.00 sown. This greatly lessens the hoeing required.

Harrowing corn fields even after corn is up be done niay advantage and with a marked saving in the hosing required. Time. tide and bugs wait for no man. Kill the various insect pests which are so destructive to farm crops at the proper time even though you must needs hire another man for a day or two. One dollar so spent might save many dollars if the pest is allowed a few days grace. writer realizes of course that labor is scarce, and that it is often difficult to do things when one knows that they ought to be done.

By no means does this exhaust the various ways in which increased vields per acre may be obtained, but the writer

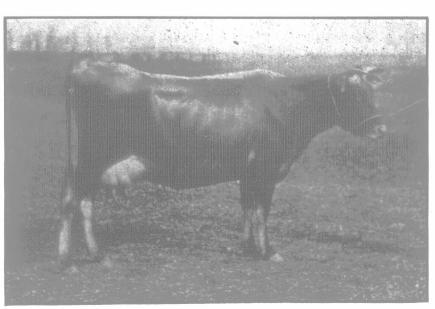
feels it an opportune time to mention some which 200.00 may in turn be the means of suggesting other Princess Maulgen De Kol, N. H. McConkey, 135.00 ways for increasing yields. W. WILSON.

Halton County, Ont.

Prospects Bright for Fruit.

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Rains the past week have brightened prospects for a bumper crop. On a trip from London to Hamilton and then on through the great fruit belt the writer last week saw the best outlook for crops of all kinds noticed in years. Winter wheat, clover, spring grain, and particularly fruit is very promising. Blossoming was just past its best and the fruit was beginning to set, showing an enormous load. A few strawberries were showing bloom, peach bloom was dropping, cherries were white and pears will be loaded. It is a sight never to be forgotten to see the Niagara Peninsula in its gala spring attire. The growers are beginning to ask themselves what they are going to do with the fruit, but an enlarged market at a price giving a reasonable profit to all will surely increase the consumption of tender fruits. Early potatoes are being used largely as a crop to go with the fruit trees. They give a good return, and, well fertilized, leave the land in excellent condition for planting or developing trees. The cover crop stands in great favor, and is being used on the wellmanaged farms. "More than usual" will surely be the result of 1915 efforts in the fruit belt. Nature is doing her part, and the growers are 100.00 optimistic-working hard for good crops and fair returns.



One of the Jerseys to be Sold by A. Hughes, Sarnia, on May 20. Lulu May De Kol, J. U. Nichols, Inger-

# Agricultural Legislation in Prince Edward Island.

Amiast the booming of cannon, and with the usual ceremonial display the Provincial Legislature of Prince Edward Island was prorogued on Saturday afternoon, April 24. The Session which closed was one of more than usual interest, being the last Session before the Provincial election, and the last to be opened and closed by His Honor Lieutenant Governor Rogers, whose term of office expires next June. The guard of honor was composed of men from the 55th Overseas Batallion. They marched well and presented a fine appearance. The Session opened on March 17, and sat for thirty-four week days.

Fifty-three bills occupied the attention of the House, forty-eight of which received the assent the Lieutenant Governor. The remaining five were dropped. Twenty-eight are Acts of Incorporation and Amendments, nine being general business companies, five rural telephone companies, eight fox companies, and the remainder miscellaneous. Of these the most important agriculturally is the Act to Incorporate the Co-operative Seed Company.

In 1912 the Banner Oat Club was formed for the purpose of encouraging the production and sale of Banner Oats. It was a success from its organization, and its membership increased to such an extent that it was considered advisable to seek incorporation as the "Prince Edward Island Co-operative Seed Association." It is intended to adopt the standard of the Banner Oat Club, and all seed offered for sale by this Association will first have been inspected in the field and afterwards in the bags. No oats will be admitted to the seed houses of the company that are not free from other varieties and other kinds

Many may, however, consider the Fox Acts the The first is an Act to incormost important. porate the Silver Black Fox Breeder's Association of Prince Edward Island. Its, objects are: The encouragement, development and regulation among its members of the silver black fox industry of Prince Edward Island.

(a) By keeping a record of the breeding and origin of all toxes held in captivity by members of the Association, by collecting, preserving and publishing data and documents relating to the (b) By establishing standards of breeding, and carrying out a system of registration for its members. (c) By adopting means from time to time for the protection of its members engaged in the propagation, and breeding of foxes in compliance with this Act or any by-law or regulations thereunder.

Other means will also be taken to place the industry on a sure basis in order to merit the confidence of the people.

Membership in the Association shall consist of individuals, partnerships, voluntary associations and incorporated companies who are owners of foxes registered or enrolled in the Association, provided they have conformed to all the regulations of this Act and its by-laws and amendments. There shall be a board of directors of fifteen members, five from each county, who shall be elected for a term of three years, five of which shall go out of office each year.

Any company about to organize, that wishes to obtain membership in this Association, must submit a copy of their prospectus to the Executive of the Association before offering their Capital Stock for subscription. The Executive before giving a certificate of approval to the prospectus, must satisfy themselves that the company is not over-capitalized, and that it is right in every particular.

The Directors shall make by-laws providing for the enrolment and registration of all foxes owned by members in or outside of the Province.

Another Fox Act passed is called the Fox Enrolment Act, which provides that the Department

of Agriculture shall keep a register for the enrolment of foxes. This enrolment is not, however, compulsory, but any owner or breeder may register such foxes as he wishes with the Department, giving breeding and all other information under oath.

Of the remaining Acts two are worthy of special note. One is the Act providing for the compensation of the Trustees of the estate of Dame Louise Augusta Wood. This Province was originally divided up into large holdings. At the time of Confederation the Government bought out proprietors, or landlords, as they were called. For some reason the Wood Estate was never purchased, but the Government proceeded to sell the lands just as if it had been purchased, The heirs of that estate have come back on the occupiers of the land for rent. The case was tried in the Supreme Court and the claim of the Wood Estate upheld. As, however, the present occupiers purchased these lands in good faith from the Government and paid their money for them, the Government were in duty bound to protect them, and this Act was passed for this

The Amendments of the Prohibition Act are of interest to many. They are ; that the following drinkable liquids shall be held to be intoxicating liquors without proof that the same contain alcohol, namely, rum, brandy, whiskey,gin, wine, ale, porter, table beer and lager beer. Any other drinkable liquids must be proved to be intoxicating before a conviction can be made under this Act, no matter what their analysis may show. Further, all druggists and chemists in the Province must be registered, and any druggist or chemist convicted a second time, either personally or through his clerk, servant or agent, shall have his name removed from the register. Again, the time for making a search is extended from ten to thirty days after the papers have been

The Act, however, about which the greatest discussion takes place is the Appropriation Act. The part which deals with agriculture is very similar

# Toronto, Montreal, Buffalo, and Other Leading Markets.

#### Toronto.

Receipts at the Union Stock - yards, West Toronto, on Monday, May 10, numbered 176 cars, comprising 3,154 cattle, 771 hogs, 53 sheep and lambs, 366 calves, and 392 horses. Quality of cattle good to choice. Trade active, with prices 25 cents higher than a week ago. Choice heavy steers, \$8.30 to \$8.60, two loads at latter price; choice heifers and steers, \$8 to \$8.25; good, \$7.75 to \$8.60, two loads at latter price; medium, \$7.25 to \$7.50; cows, \$4.25 to \$7.40; bulls, to \$7.50 \$6.50 to \$7.40; milkers, \$60 to \$90; calves, \$5 to \$10. Sheep, \$7.50 to \$8.25; spring lambs, \$6 to \$11 each. Hogs, \$9.25 weighed off cars.

REVIEW OF LAST WEEK'S MARKETS The total receipts of live stock at the City and Union Stock-yards for the past

week were:

	City.	Union.	Total
Cars	36	477	513
Cattle		5,277	5,631
Hogs	179	7,388	7,567
Sheep	75	210	283
('alves		1,261	1,493
Horses	127	2,339	2,460
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two markets for the corresponding week of 1914 were:

	City.	Union.	Total.
Cars	10	242	252
Cattle	140	3,303	3,443
Hogs	186	5,136	5,322
Sheep	5.4	185	239
Calves	70	1,212	1,282
Horses	98	-G	101

The combined receipts of live stock at the two markets for the past week show an increase of 261 cars, 2,188 cattle 2.245 hogs. 46 sheep and lambs, 213 calves and 2,362 horses, compared with the corresponding week of 1914.

Receipts of live stock at the Toronto markets last week were liberal for cattle, hogs and calves, but light for sheep and lambs. Trade was active in every department, with prices fam and in some instances higher, especially for cattle. Quality considered, all classes of cattle advanced from 15c, to 25c, per cwt., as the outside demand was good, about 500 being taken for outside points,

the supply, and values increased accordingly. Milkers and springers were scarce and values a little higher. Veal calves sold at steady to firm prices. Choice, well-finished calves are scarce, but the general quality of the calves is better since the government regulations as to age and weight of calves allowed to be offered have been enforced. Sheep and lambs were scarce, and values firm, at quotations, especially for spring lambs of good quality, which sold up to \$13 each. Hogs, as usual at the beginning of the week, did not sell as high as at the close, as the packers tried to break

Butchers' Cattle.-Choice heavy steers sold from \$8 to \$8.35; choice butchers steers and heifers, \$7.75 to \$8; good steers and heifers, \$7.50 to \$7.75; medium steers and heifers, \$7 to \$7.40; common, \$6.75 to \$7; choice cows, \$7 to \$7.25; good cows, \$6.75 to \$7; medium, \$5.75 to \$6.25; common, \$5.25 to \$5.50 canners and cutters, \$4 to \$5; bulls. \$5.50 to \$7.25.

Stockers and Feeders.-Steers weighing from 600 to 900 lbs., sold from \$6.50 to \$7.75; stockers, 550 to 600 lbs., \$5.75 to \$6.25. The foreign demand was exceedingly strong for steers of good quality and colors.

Milkers and Springers.—The demand to these was stronger than the supply, especially the choice grades, which sold from \$80 to \$95, and a few as high as \$105 each; medium to good, \$60 to \$75 each; common, \$45 to \$55.

Veal Calves.-Choice sold at \$9 to \$10; good, \$8 to \$8.75; medium, \$7 to \$7.75; common, \$5.50 to \$6.75

Sheep.—Ewes sold from \$7 to \$8; heavy ewes and rams, \$4 to \$6.50; spring lambs sold from \$7 to \$13 each.

Hogs.—Selects, weighed off cars, sold from \$8.90 to \$9.25, the latter price being paid at the close of the week. About \$9 was the average value.

#### TORONTO HORSE MARKET.

Col. Penefather held an inspection at the Union Horse Exchange of horses for the British Army on Tuesday. Thirty horses were bought for artillery purposes, at prices ranging from \$180 to \$200 each, and fifteen for cavalry purposes, at especially Montreal. The demand for an average of about \$175 each. Other

feeders and stockers was far greater than | classes of horses, of which few were sold, | cured, 13c. to 14c.; country hides, part were reported at steady values.

#### BREADSTUFFS.

Wheat.-Ontario, No. 2 red, white or mixed, \$1.50; Manitoba, No. 1 northern, \$1.701; No. 2 northern, \$1.68; No. 3 northern, \$1.66, track, bay points.

Oats.-Ontario, No. 2 white, new, 60c. outside. Manitoba oats, No. 2, 671c.; No. 3, 65c., lake ports.

Peas.-No. 1, \$1.50 to \$1.65. Barley.-For malting, 73c. to 75c., out-

Corn.—American, No. 2 yellow, 82c.

No. 3 yellow, 81½c., bay ports.

Rye.—Outside, \$1 to \$1.05. Buckwheat.-No. 2, 80c. to 82c., out-

Rolled Oats.-Per bag of 90 lbs., \$3.40 Flour.—Manitoba flour — Prices at Toronto were: First patents, \$8.10; second patents, \$7.60; in cotton, 10c. more; strong bakers', \$7.40; Ontario, 90-percent. winter-wheat patents, \$6.40 to \$6.45, seaboard; \$6.40 to \$6.60, Toronto

#### HAY AND MILLFEED.

Hay.—Baled, car lots, track, Toronto, No. 1, \$18 to \$20; No. 2, \$17 to \$17.50 per ton

Bran.-Manitoba, \$27 in bags, track, Toronto; shorts, \$29 to \$30. Straw.—Baled, car lots, track, Toronto

#### COUNTRY PRODUCE.

\$11.00.

Butter.—Butter again declined slightly during the past week, the creamery pound squares selling at 32c. to 33c. per lb.

Eggs.-New-laid eggs remained firm, selling at 22c. to 23c. per dozen. Cheese.—New, large, 19c.; twins, 194c.

Honey.—Extracted, 12c.; comb, \$2.50 to \$3 per dozen s ctions Beans.-Hand-picked, per bushel, \$3.60;

primes, \$3.30. Potatoes.-Per bag, 45c. for car lots of Ontarios, track, Toronto; New Bruns-

Poultry.—Turkeys, per 1b., 18c. to 20c.; ducks, 15c.; hens, 15c.; chickens, live weight, 15c.; squabs, per dozen, 10 ounces, \$3.60 (dressed).

#### HIDES AND SKINS.

wick, 55c., track, Toronto.

cured, 12c. to 13c.; country hides, green, 12c.; calf skins, per lb., 14c.; kip skins, 12c.; sheep skins, \$1.50 to \$2; horse hair, per lb., 38c. to 40c.; horse hides, No. 1, \$3.50 to \$4.50; lamb skins and pelts. \$1.15 to \$1.25; tallow, No. 1, per lb., 51c. to 7c.

Wool.—Cannot give any wool prices for a few days on account of the embargo.

#### FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

Canadian asparagus was so plentiful on he wholesales on Friday, Saturday, Monday and Tuesday, of the week before last, that the prices declined from \$2.25 to \$2.75 per 11-quart baskets, to from \$1.25 to \$1.50 per 11-quart baskets. Thursday, 6th, however, the shipments were lighter, causing the price to advance to \$1.50 to \$1.75 per 11-quart basket.

The first Canadian hot-house tomatoes for this season came on the market Wednesday from Leamington, selling at 20c. per lb. The Florida tomatoes were selling at \$3.25 to \$4.75 per case.

The first full car of strawberries for this season came in on Thursday, from Lousiana, selling at \$21c. to 23c. per quart box.

Apples-Spys, \$3.25 to \$6 per harrel; Baldwins, \$4 to \$4.50 per barrel; Ben Davis, \$3 to \$3.50 per barrel; American, boxed, \$1.75 to \$2; bananas, \$1.75 to \$2.25 per bunch; grape-fruit, \$2.75 to \$3.50 per case; lemons, \$2.75 to \$3.50 per case; oranges, \$3.25 to \$4 per case; bloods, \$1.50 to \$1.75 per half strap; pine-apples, Porto Rico, \$3.25 to \$4 per case; beets, new, 90c. per dozen bunches; old, 40c. to 50c. per bag; cabbages, Canadian, \$1:75 to \$2 per barrel; new. imported, \$3.50 per case; carrots, old, 60c. per bag; new, \$2.25 per hamper; celery, \$2 to \$2.25 per case; onions, Texas Bermudas, \$2.25 to \$2.50 per 50pound case; Egyptian, \$4.50 to \$5 per 112-pound sack; American, \$2.25 to \$2.75 per 100-pound sack; parsnips, 60c. per bag; turnips, 60c. per bag; parsley, 75c. per dozen bunches.

#### TORONTO SEED MARKET.

The following are the prices quoted by Toronto seedsmen, to the trade, for re-City hides, flat 14c.; country hides, cleaned seed; Red clover No. 1, \$20

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to \$21 per cwt.; red clover No. 2, \$18 to \$18.50 per cwt.; red clover No. 3, \$17 per cwt.; alsike clover No. 1, \$19.50 to \$20.50 per cwt.; alsike clover No. 2, \$17.50 to \$18 per cwt.; alsike clover No. 3, \$16 per cwt.; alfalfa clover No. 1, \$19 to \$22 per cwt.; alfalfa clover No. 2, \$18 to \$18.50 per cwt.; alfalfa clover No. 3, \$17.50 per cwt.; timothy No. 1, \$10.75 to \$11.25 per cwt.; timothy, No. 2, \$9.25 to \$9.50 per cwt.; timothy No. 3, \$8.50 per cwt.

#### Montreal.

Offerings of cattle on the local market during the past week have been on the light side, and the stock arriving has not been any too choice. Demand readily absorbed everything offered, and as a consequence the general tone of the market was firm. Good to fine steers were selling at 7%c. to 8c. per Th., while medium stock ranged from around 6 c. to 7½c., with inferior grades as low as 6c. per lb. Butchers' cows and bulls ranged generally from 4c. to 7c. per Ib., according to quality. The supply of calves was not large, and as a consequence prices have declined considerably, ordinary calves being obtained at \$1.50 to \$5 each with the best not bringing more than around \$9., or at the outside \$10. Spring lambs were still scarce, and the range of prices was from \$4 to \$8 each. Yearlings were in good demand at  $6\frac{1}{4}c$ . to  $6\frac{1}{2}c$ . per 1b. The tone of the market for hogs was quite firm. and a slight advance took place in certain sections. Selected hogs sold here at 94c. to 94c. per Ib., with heavies at

Horses.-Small horses continue in fair demand both for army purposes and for farmers, but large horses are not wanted, carters having a greater supply of good animals than they can use to advantage. Prices were as follows Heavy draft horses, weighing from 1,500 to 1,700 lbs. were quoted at \$250 to \$300 each; light draft, weighing from 1,400 to 1,500 lbs. at \$175 to \$225 each; small horses, \$175 to \$250; culls, \$50 to \$100 each; and fancy saddle and carriage animals, \$300 to \$400 each.

Dressed Hogs.-The market for dressed hogs was fairly active, and the tone was firm in sympathy with the firmness of live hogs. Prices continued practically unchanged, however. Abattoir-dressed, fresh-killed, Ontario hogs selling at 13c. to 13½c. per 1b. North-west hogs sold at 11½c. to 12c., and country-dressed, light weights, 113c. to 12c.

Potatoes.-Potatoes showed an easier disposition last week, and prices again declined from the top of a week ago. Prices were back to 45c. per 90 lts. carloads, track, for Green Mountains. In a jobbing way they were 10c, to 15c. above this figure.

Honey and Syrup. There was a fair demand for syrup, but almost no demand for honey. Maple syrup sold at 65c. to 70c. for 8-Ib. tins, and up to \$1.20 for 13-10, tins. Sugar was 10c. to 11c. per 1b. Honey was dull. White clover comb was 15c. to 16c. per Ib. extracted, 11c. to 12c.; dark comb., 13c. to 14c., and strained, Sc. to 9c. per 1b. Eggs.—This market has now struck an even gait, and for some weeks past prices have shown no change whatever. Quality was good, and, therefore, the

packers were busily putting the stock

away. Straight-gathered stock was 22c. in round lots, while selected was 25c., and No. 2 stock 21c.

Butter.—The make of new creamery is increasing all the time, and it will not be long now till the grass goods will be in. Meantime prices have shown a further decline, and yet lower prices are looked for in the near future. Finest fresh creamery was quoted at 30c., to 301c., with fine at 291c. to 30c., and seconds 29c. to 29½c. per 1b.

Cheese.-The market for cheese showed quite an advance last week, owing, possibly, to the appearance of an export demand. Finest, white cheese was quoted at 174c. to 174c. per ID., while colored was ic. more. Finest eastern was 16½c. to 16¾c., with under-grades ½c.

Grain.-Fluctuations in the wheat market were smaller last week. Oats were very steady also, no change whatever being reported. Local No. 2 white oats were selling at 67c.; No. 3, 651c. to 66c., and No. 4, 641c. to 65c. per bushel, exstore. Canadian Western were 671c. to 671c. for No. 3 and extra No. 1 feed. No. 1 feed was 664c. to 664c., and No. 2 feed 654c. to 654c. Local Argentine corn was 821c. Beans were unchanged at \$3.05 for 11-lb. pickers; \$2.90 for 3-Th., and \$2.80 for 5-Th., with cheaper stock at \$2.70 in carlots.

Flour.—The flour market has quieted down. Demand was light and prices unchanged. Manitoba first patents were \$8.20; seconds, \$7.70, and strong bakers, \$7.50 in jute. Ontario flour was 10c. up at \$7.90 per barrel for patents in wood, and \$7.40 to \$7.50 for straight rollers, bags being \$3.50 to \$3.60.

Millfeed.-Bran, \$26 per ton in bags shorts, \$28; middlings, \$33 to \$34 per ton; mouille, \$37 to \$38 for pure, and \$35 to \$36 for mixed, bags included.

Hay.-Prices of hay showed quite an advance, supplies being light. No. 1 pressed hay, Montreal, ex-track was \$20 to \$21.50 per ton; No. 2 extra was \$20 to \$20.50, and No. 2, \$19 to \$19.50.

Hides.—Beef hides were steady at 17c. 18c. and 19c. for Nos. 3, 2, and 1 respectively, but calf skins advanced another cent at 17c. per Ib. Sheep skins were rather lower at \$1.75 each, and horse hides were \$1.50 for No. 2 to \$2.50 each for No. 1. Tallow was 6c. per lb. for refined, and 2½c. for crude.

Hayseed.—Dealers still quoted \$8.50 to \$12 for timothy per 100 lbs., and \$17 to \$22 per bushel of 60 lbs. for red clover or for alsike. Seed houses were as busy as could be, many of them working nights so as to keep up with

#### Buffalo.

the cattle end of the live stock market is looking upwards. With the removal of the quarantine restrictions, steers that were held back have largely been marketed, and from now on sellers are predicting that goodweight steers will be running lightly, and that there is every reason to believe that the first of June will witness stronger values. Of course, the stuff in the heavy steer line must be prime to attract the larger killers, well finished and of good quality. It is not expected that warmed-up steers that have been on short feed and are badly lacking in quality will find as satisfactory outlet as the real good kinds - they never do, and besides there is always a limited demand for these, and especially plainish, weighty steers that are coarse and have been neglected in feed. it is evident now that butchering cattle will continue to sell strong. They have been bringing good, strong values for the past several weeks, and authorities contend that there is nothing ahead to indicate they will show any weakness. As a matter of fact, real good handy cattle have been selling to better advantage than the weightier, costlier steers. and sellers maintain there is now too much spread between the weightier prime steers and the handier kinds. But in the summer, hot months, it is usually the case that the lighter cattle move to better advantage. The demand through the summer calls for the light cuts for domestic use, and the weightier cattle are used for the hotel, restaurant and boat trade, which outlet is of necessity somewhat limited. Yearlings are selling right up alongside the best weighty steers coming to market, and real choice handy steers are bringing

now as much money as the older and heavier steers. The past week at Buffalo witnessed a most satisfactory cattle market, both on good weight steers and in the butchering division. Shipping steers sold from a dime to fifteen cents better than the previous week, and a good strong to shade higher deal was witnessed on the butchering cattle. Best steers ranged from \$8 to \$8.25, with yearlings that were only fair bringing that price. It was the general opinion of sellers, however, that real prime weighty steers, of which there were none offered the past week, are quotable up to \$8.35 to \$8.50, but at that they do not appear to be selling to as good advantage as the handy sieers which are quotable up to \$8 to \$8.15, and possibly on the real extra prime kinds, more. Fat heifers and good butchering cows are ready sale, heifers going in with steers at \$7.50 to \$7.65, and fat cows running up to \$7, but they must be good to bring the price. Medium and commoner female stuff are bringing good prices, and the bull trade has been most satisfactory for the past week Canner call was strong here the past week, the big fellows wanting them, but there were no more than were needed for local consumption. Beef trade appears to be strengthening up right along and sellers generally are taking a most favorable view of the outlook. The past week receipts were 3,200 head, as against 4,000 for the previous week, and 4,000 for the corresponding period last year. Quotations :

Choice to prime native shipping steers, 1,250 to 1,500 lbs., \$8 to \$8.35; fair to good, \$7.60 to \$7.75; plain and coarse, \$7.25 to \$7.50; Canadian steers, 1,300 to 1,450 lbs., \$7.50 to \$8; Canadian steers, 1,100 to 1,250 lbs., \$7.50 to \$7.75; choice to prime handy steers, native, \$7.75 to \$8.25; fair to good, \$7.25 to \$7.50; light common, \$6.50 to \$7; yearlings, 7.50 to \$8.85; prime, fat, heavy heifers, \$7.50 to \$8; good butchering heifers, \$7 to \$7.50 light, \$5.50 to \$6.25; best heavy fat cows, \$6.75 to \$7; good butchering cows, \$6 to \$6.25; cutters, \$4.50 to \$5; canners, \$3 to \$4; fancy bulls, \$6.50 to \$7; best butchering bulls, \$6 to \$6.50; good killing bulls, \$5 to \$5.50; light bulls, \$5 to \$5.50.

Hogs.-Market the past week, barring Friday's trade, was very satisfactory. On the opening day of the week the bulk of the good hogs sold at \$8, few \$8.05, with pigs selling generally at \$8, and Tuesday's trade on all grades, except pigs, was strong. Wednesday mixed grades and yorkers were jumped up to \$8.25, and the bulk of Thursday's sales on these weights were made at \$8.30. Friday the packers had little, if any, word declined position. fifteen to thirty cents, bringing yorkers down to \$8.05 and \$8.10, with best grades selling generally at \$8. sold around \$7.75, roughs, \$6.50 to \$6.75, and stags mostly \$5.75 down. Receipts the past week reached approximately 29,900 head, as compared with 24,351 head for the previous week, and 32,480 head for the same week a year

Sheep and Lambs.—Record prices were paid at Buffalo for shorn stock the past week. Top handy shorn lambs, four days out of the first five, sold from \$10 to \$10.15, and the high day, which was Wednesday, a couple of loads Best shorn yearling reached \$10.30. wethers made \$9, some yearling ewes sold at \$8.65, top clipped wether sheep brought up to \$7.75 and \$7.85, and ewes ranged from \$7.25 down. Receipts the past week figures around 16,600 head, being against 17,016 head for the week before and 29,000 head for the same week a year ago.

Calves.—Another liberal supply the past week, there being approximately 4.100 head, as against 5,576 head for the previous week, and 3,800 head for the corresponding week a year ago. Monday was the high day of the week for yeals, best selling at \$9.50 and \$9.75, with a few reaching \$10. Tuesday tops sold at \$9.50 and \$9.75, Wednesday's market was steady, Thursday nothing brought above \$9.50, and while Friday's opening sales were made at \$9.50, buyers got toppy grades during the late session at \$9 and \$9.25. Culls during the entire week sold mostly from \$7.50 down, and fed calves were quoted from \$4.50 to \$6.

Chicago.

Cattle.—Beeves, \$6.50 to \$8.90; cows and heifers, \$3 to \$8.60; calves, \$6.50 to \$9.

Hogs.-Light, \$7.20 to \$7.65; mixed, \$7.15 to \$7.60; heavy, \$6.80 to \$7.15; rough, \$6.80 to \$6.95; pigs, \$5.25 to \$6.80; bulk of sales, \$7.30 to \$7.45

Sheep and Lambs.-Sheep, native, \$7.60 to \$8.65. Lambs, native, \$8.50 to

#### Cheese Markets.

Stirling, 17%c.; Campbellford, 17%c.; Picton, 18½c.; Napanee, white, 18¼c.; colored, 18 1-16c.; Cornwall, 18 3-16c.; Utica, N. Y., 15½c.; Woodstock, 19½c.; Brockville, 17½c.; New York, N. Y. State, whole milk, fresh, specials, 16½c. to 16½c.; average fancy, 16c. to 16½c.; Montreal, finest Westerns, 171c. to 171c.; finest Easterns, 16%c. to 17c.; London, bidding from 15½c. to 16½c, no sales; St. Hyacinthe, Que., 16c.

#### Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry.

The Canadian Militia Department has authorized the organization of a Second University Company for Overseas Service, to go as a reinforcement to the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry. The Company will be commanded by Captain Geo. C. McDonald, of the McGill Contingent, C. O. T. C., with Captain Percival Molson, also of the McGill Contingent, C. O. T. C., as Second in Command. Owing to the success which has attended the recruiting for the First University Company, which is at present up to full strength, and attached as "D" Company to the 38th Battalion Canadian Expeditionary Force, it was thought advisable to form another company, and an application was made to the Department for the necessary authority, which has been granted.

Recruiting for the Company has already been started, and many names have been received. The company will be composed of graduates or undergraduates of universities, or their friends. Conditions of service and rate of pay will be the same as in the other units of the Canadian Expeditionary Force. The First University Company and the Toronto University and McGill University Contingents, C.O.T C., are going to a Training Camp at Niagara - on - the - Lake on May 3 to 15, and it is expected that during that period a large number of recruits for the new Company will be obtained. Immediately after the camp, active recruiting will be commenced at Montreal. The Headquarters of the Company will be at 382 Sherbrooke Street West, and any enquiries or applications should be adthere to Lieutenant Geo. Currie, Recruiting Officer.

#### Gossip.

Attention is directed to the advertisement on page 831, this issue, of the sixth annual show of the Live - stock Breeders' Association of Beauharnois, Ltd. Look up this advertisement and Write W. G. McGerrigle, Ormstown, Que., for full particulars.

#### A BIG FAIR.

Readers should be interested in the big Miramichi Agricultural Exhibition and Industrial Fair, to be held this year at Chatham, N. B., Sept. 27 to Oct. 1. The premium list reaches the large amount of \$20,000. Geo. E. Fisher, of Chatham, N. B., is manager. touch with him. Write for prize list and full information.

#### A SALE OF JERSEYS.

On Thursday, May 20, 1915, A. Hughes will sell at Myrtry Lodge Farm, three miles from Sarnia, his entire herd of thirty - six Jersey cattle. The owner of this herd has been very successful in show-ring circles in Western Ontario during recent years, but through an accident is obliged to dispose of the herd. ('atalogues have been issued describing all the animals, and anyone interested in Jerseys, either in a large or small wav, would do well to secure one of these catalogues and arrange to attend the sale. All trains and boats will be met, and lunch will be served at noon. sale will proceed at 1.30 p. m. Write A. Hughes, Sarnia, Ont., for catalogue.

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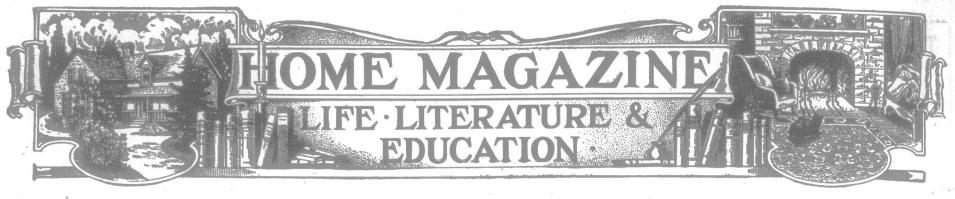
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#### The Mine-sweepers.

By H. Ingamells.

"Ware mine!" "Starboard your helm!" . . . . "Full

speed ahead!"

The squat craft duly swings—

A hand's breadth off, a thing of dread

The sullen breaker flings.

Carefully, slowly, patiently,
The men of Grimsby Town
Grope their way on the rolling sea—
The storm-swept, treach'rous, gray North

Keeping the death-rate down.

Cold is the wind as the Gates of Death, Howling a dirge with its biting breath, Tearing rude music from rigging taut—
The tune with deadly omen fraught:
"Look to yourselves, oh, sailors bold—
I am the one ye know of old!
I make my sport with such as ye—
The game that is played on every sea With death as the loser's penalty!"

Valiantly, stoutly, manfully,
The trawlers fight the gale;
Buoyant they ride on the rolling sea—
The storm-swept, treach'rous, gray North
Sea—

Lasht by the North Wind's flail.

Cruel the waves of that ocean drear, Whelming the heart with a palsying fear, Hurling their might on the stagg'ring craft,

Crashing aboard of her fore and aft,
Buffeting, pounding, a dreadful force,
Sweeping her decks as she hugs her
course.

Little they care, come wind or wave,
The men of Grimsby Town;
There are mines to destroy and lives to

save,
And they take the risk, these sailormen brave,

With a laugh and a joke, or a rollicking stave,

As the gear goes plunging down.

Honor the trawler's crew, For Fear they never knew! Now on their quest they go With measured tack and slow— Seeking the hidden fate Strewn with a devilish hate.

Death may come in a terrible form,
Death in a calm or death in a storm,
Death without warning, stark and grim,
Death with a tearing of limb from limb,
Death in a horrible, hideous guise—
Such is the mine-sweepers' sacrifice!
Careless of terrors and scornful of ease,
Stolid and steadfast, they sweep the seas.

Cheerfully, simply, fearlessly,
The men of Grimsby Town
Do their bit on the rolling sea—
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—In London Spectator.

#### The Man Possessed.

[The following extract has been taken from "The Friendly Road," by David Grayson, published by the Doubleday, Page Pub. Co., Garden City, New York. Mr. Grayson is a farmer writer. "The Friendly Road" is an account of a sixty-mile walking tour that he made in search of adventure, and surely no knight of the olden time riding out with lance a-tilt in quest of "little affairs of honor" ever succeeded in meeting with more interesting experiences than those which came to him. But then, Mr. Grayson possesses the magic power of finding adventure everywhere. We heartly commend to old friend.

you bis "Friendly Road." To read it may bring to you too, do you not already possess it, a draught of that magic potion.—Ed.]

When I left the Ransomes that fine, spring morning, I had not the slightest presentiment of what the world held in store for me. After being a prisoner of the weather for so long, I took to the Road with fresh joy. All the fields were of a misty greenness, and there were pools still shining in the road, but the air was deliciously clear, clean, and soft. I came through the hill country for three or four miles, even running down some of the steeper places for the very joy the motion gave me, the feel of the air on my face.

Thus I came finally to the Great Roal, and stood for a moment looking first this way, then that.

"Where now?" I asked aloud.
With an amusing sense of the possibilities that lay open before me, I closed my eyes, turned slowly around several times and then stopped. When I opened my eyes I was facing nearly southward: and that way I set out, not knowing in the

least what Fortune had presided at that

turning. If I had gone the other way—I walked vigorously for two or three hours, meeting or passing many interesting people upon the busy road. Automobiles there were in plenty, and loaded wagons, and jolly families off for town, and a herdsman driving sheep, and small boys on their way to school with their dinner pails, and a gypsy wagon with lean, led horses following behind, and even a Jewish peddler with a crinkly black beard, whom I was on the very point of stopping.

"Well," said I, "I'm not at all tired, but I want to be agreeable."

With that I sat down on a convenient stone, took off my hat, wiped my forehead, and looked about me with satisfaction, for it was a pleasant country.

I had not been sitting there above two minutes when my eyes fell upon one of the oddest specimen of humanity (I thought then) that I ever saw. He had been standing near the roadside, just under the tree upon which I had seen the sign, "Rest." My heart dotted and carried one.

"The sign man himself!" I exclaimed.
I arose instantly and walked down
the road toward him.

"A man has only to stop anywhere here," I said exultantly, "and things happen."  $\label{eq:condition}$ 

The stranger's appearance was indeed extraordinary. He seemed at first glimpse to be about twice as large around the hips as he was at the shoulders, but this I soon discovered to be due to no natural avoirdupois, but to the prodigious number of soiled newspapers and magazines with which the low-hanging pockets of his overcoat were stuffed. For he was still wearing the old, shabby overcoat-though the weather was warm and bright-and on his head was an odd and outlandish hat. It was of fur, flat at the top, flat as a pie-tin, with the moth - eaten earlaps turned up at the sides and looking exactly like small, furry ears. These, with the round, steel spectacles which he wore—the only distinctive feature of his countenance—gave him an indescribably droll appearance.

"A fox!" I thought.
Then I looked at him more closely.

one finger was missing, and that the hand itself was cruelly twisted and scarred.

The stranger instantly set off up the Road without giving me much more attention than he would have given any other sign - post. I stood a moment looking after him—the wings of his overcoat beating about his legs, and the small, furry ears on his cap wagging gently.

"There," said I aloud, "is a man who is actually going somewhere."

So many men in this world are going nowhere in particular when one comes along—even though he be amusing and insignificant—who is really (and passionately) going somewhere, what a stir he communicates to a dull world! We catch sparks of electricity from the very friction of his passage.

It was so with this odd stranger. Though at one moment I could not help smiling at him, at the next I was following him.

"It may be," said I to myself, "that this is really the sign man!"

I felt like Captain Kid under full sail to capture a treasure-ship; and as I approached, I was much agitated as to the best method of grappling and boarding. I finally decided, being a lover of bold methods, to let go my largest gun firstfor moral effect.

"So," said I, as I ran alongside, "you are the man who puts up the signs."

He stopped and looked at me.

"What signs?"

"Why, the sign 'Rest' along the road."
He paused for some seconds with a perplexed expression on his face.

"Then you are not the sign man," I said.

"No," he replied, "I ain't any sign

I was not a little disappointed, but having made my attack, I determined to see if there was any treasure aboard—which, I suppose, should be the procedure of any well-regulated pirate.

"I'm going this way myself," I said, "and if you have no objections—"

He stood looking at me seriously, in-

He stood looking at me seriously, indeed suspiciously, through his round spectacles.

"Have you got the passport?" he asked finally.
"The passport!" I exclaimed, mystified

in my turn.

"Yes," said he, "the passport. Let me see your hand."

When I held out my hand he looked at it closely for a moment, and then took it with a quick, warm pressure in one of his, and gave it a little shake, in a way not quite American.

"You are one of us," said he, "you work."

I thought at first that it was a bit of pleasantry, and I was about to return it in kind when I saw plainly in his face a look of solemn intent.

"So," he said, "we shall travel like

comrades."

He thrust his scarred hand through my arm, and we walked up the road side by side, his bulging pockets beating first against his legs and then against mine, quite impartially.

"I think," said the stranger, "that we shall be arrested at Kilburn."

shall be arrested at Kilburn."
"We shall!" I exclaimed, with some-

thing, I admit, of a shock.
"Yes," he said, "but it is all in the day's work."

"How is that?"

He stopped in the road and faced me.

Throwing back his overcoat, he pointed to a small, red button, on his coat

"They don't want me in Kilburn," said he, "the mill men are strikin' there, and the bosses have got armed men on every corner. Oh, the capitalists are watchin' for me, all right."



These asters were grown on an old barnyard at the home of Mr. Wm. Naismith, Falkenburgh, Muskoka. Two plots produced 50,000 flowers, among them prizewinners at Toronto and Ottawa.

"I should like sometime to know a Jew," I said to myself.

As I travelled, feeling like one who possesses hidden riches, I came quite without warning upon the beginning of my great adventure. I had been looking for a certain thing all the morning, first on one side of the road, then the other, and finally I was rewarded. There it was, nailed high upon a tree, the curious, familiar sign:

REST

I stopped instantly. It seemed like an old friend.

"No," said I, "an owl, an owl!"
The stranger stepped out into the road and evidently awaited my approach. My first vivid impression of his face—I remember it afterwards shining with a strange inward illumination—was not favorable. It was a deep-lined, scarred, worn-looking face, insignificant, if not, indeed, ugly in its features, and yet, even at the first glance, revealing something inexplainable—incalculable.

"Good day, friend," I said heartily. to a Without replying to my greeting, he lapel. asked:

"Is this the road to Kilburn?"—with a faint flavor of foreignness in his words. "I think it is," I replied, and I noticed as he lifted his hand to thank me that

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"capitalist!" I had almost to glance

around to make sure that there were no

ravening capitalists hiding behind the

"Yes," he answered. "I'm one of

First and last I have read much of

Socialism, and thought about it, too,

the hills, but this was the first time I

had ever had a live Socialist on my arm.

I could not have been more surprised if

the stranger had said, "Yes, I am Theo-

all our life long (provided we remain

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Here was this disrupter of society, this

man of the red flag-here he was with

his mild spectacled eyes and his furry ears wagging as he walked. It was un-

believable !-and the sun shining on him

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"Stranger, let's sit down and have a

He began to expostulate, said he was

"Oh, I've plenty for two," I said,

"and I can say, at least, that I am a

Without more urging he followed me

Now, when I take a fine, thick sand-

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making it a polite bow, and before I

bite into a big brown doughnut, I am

tempted to say, "By your leave,

madam," and as for mince pie—Beau

respectful consideration. But Bill Hahn

tasted Mrs. Ransome's cookery. As

soon as we sat down he began talking.

From time to time he would reach out

for another sandwich or doughnut or

pickle (without knowing in the least

which he was getting), and when that

last crumb of our luncheon had disap-

hand groped absently about, and coming

in contact with no more doughnuts or

pickles he withdrew it—and did not

know, I think, that the meal was fin-

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But that was Bill Hahn. Once started

in his talk, he never thought of food or

into the woods, where we sat down com-

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ply had been unlimited!)

His talk bristled with such words as "capitalism," "proletariat," "class - consciousness"-and he spoke with fluency of "economic determinism" and "syndicalism." It was quite wonderful! And from time to time, he would bring in a smashing quotation from Aristotle, Na-Poleon, Karl Marx, or Eugene V. Debs. . giving them all equal values, and he cited statistics !-oh, marvellous sta-

tistics, that never were on sea or land. Once he was so swept away by his own eloquence that he sprang to his feet and. raising one hand high above his head (quite unconscious that he was holding up a dill pickle), he worked through one

of his most thrilling periods. Yes, I laughed, and yet there was so brave a simplicity about this odd, absurd little man that what I laughed at was only his outward appearance (and that he himself had no care for), and all the time I felt a growing respect and admiration for him. He was not only sincere, but he was genuinely simple—a much higher virtue, as Fenelon says. For while sincere people do not aim at appearing anything but what they are. they are always in fear of passing for something they are not. They are forever thinking about themselves, weighing ing upon what they have done, in the of a molten pit-so that the glare burt

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little, whereas simplicity, as Fenelon again into quite narrative. says, is an uprightness of soul which has Like most working people, he had

purge himself of himself. I think if I had been in that group, nineteen hundred eyes now looked out upon the glories of unions. the world, I should have been among the questioners

"What did He to thee? How opened

He thine eves?" I tried ineffectually several times to break the swift current of his oratory, and finally succeeded (when he paused a moment to finish off a bit of pie crust).

"You must have seen some hard experiences in your life," I said.

ceased wholly to dwell upon itself or its never lived in the twentieth century at actions. Thus there are plenty of sin- all. He was still in the feudal age, and cere folk in the world, but few who are his whole life had been a blind and caseless struggle for the bare necessaries of Well, the longer he talked, the less in- life, broken from time to time by fierce. terested I was in what he said and the irregular wars, called strikes. He ad more fascinated I became in what he was. never known anything of a real self-I felt a wistful interest in him: and I governing commonwealth, and such p. gwanted to know what way he took to ress as he and his kind had made was never the result of their citizenship, of their power as voters, but grew out of years ago, which surrounded the beggar the explosive and ragged upheavals of who was born blind, but whose anointed their own half-organized societies and

> It was against the "black people" he said that he was first on strike nack in the early nineties. He told me all shout it, how he had been working in the mills pretty comfortably-he was young and strong then, with a fine growing family and a small home of his own.

"It was as pretty a place as you would want to see," he said; "we grew cabbages and orions and turnips-ever thing

carnot convey the strange excitement fear of having done too much or too one !—and then the story would die back "the woman was a good manager"—until one day he had the misfortune to get his hand caught in the machinery. It was a place which should have been protected with guards, but was not. He was loid up for several weeks, and the company, claiming that the accident was due to his own stupidity and carelessness. refused even to pay his wages while he was idle. Well, the family had to live somehow, and the woman and the daughter-'she was a little thing," he said, "and frail"—the woman and the daughter went into the mill. But even with this new source of income they began to fall behind. Money which should have gone toward making the last payments on their home (already long delayed by the strike) had now to go to the doctor and

the grocer. "We had to live," said Bill Hahn.

Again and again he used this same phrase, "We had to live!" as a sort of bedrock explanation for all the woes of

After a time, with one finger gone and a frightfully scarred hand-he held it up for me to see-he went back into the

"But it kept getting worse and worse," said he, "and finally I couldn't stand it any longer."

He and a group of friends got together secretly and tried to organize a union, tried to get the workmen together to improve their own conditions; but in some way ("they had spies everywhere," he said,) the manager learned of the attempt, and one morning when he reported at the mill he was handed a slip a-king him to call for his wages, that his help was no longer required.

'I'd been with that company for twenty years and four months," he said bitterly, "I'd helped in my small way to build it up, make it a big concern, payin' 28 per cent. dividends every year; I'd given part of my right hand doin' it-and they threw me out like an o.d

He said he would have pulled up and gone away, but he still had the little home and the garden, and his wife and daughter were still at work, so he hung on grimly, trying to get some other job. 'But what good is a man for any other sort of work," he said, "when he has been trained to the mills for thirty-two years !"

It was not very long after that when the "great strike" began-indeed, it grew out of the organization which he had tried to launch-and Bill Hahn threw himself into it with all his strength. He was one of the leaders. I shall not attempt to repeat here his description of the bitter struggle, the coming of the soldiery, the street riots, the long lists of arrests ("some," said he, "got into jail on purpose, so that they could at least have enough to eat !"), the late meetings of strikers, the wild turmoil

and excitement. Of all this he told me, and then he stopped suddenly, and after a long pause he said in a low voice:

"Comrade, did you ever see your wife and your kids sufferin' for bread to eat?'

He paused again with a hard, dry sob in his voice.

"Did ye ever see that?" "No," said I, very humbly, "I have

never seen anything like that." He turned on me suddenly, and I shall never forget the look on his face, nor

the blaze in his eyes: "Then what can you know about work-

ingmen !" What could I answer?

A moment passed and then he said, as if a little remorseful at having turned thus upon me:

"Comrade, I tell you, the iron entered my soul-them days."

It seems that the leaders of the strike were mostly old employees like Bill Hahn, and the company had conceived the idea that if these men could be eliminated the organization would col-And presently the strike collapsed, and lapse, and the strikers be forced back to the workers rushed helter-skelter back to work. One day Bill Hahn found that proceedings had been started to turn him out of his home, upon which he had not been able to keep up his payments, and at the same time the merchant, of whom by the eager "black people," and many he had been a respected customer for

> "But we lived somehow," he said, "we lived and we fought."



Lancashire Agricultural Society's Pavilion. Used as a hospital for wounded soldiers.

"That I have," responded Bill Hain. 'the capitalistic system -

"Did you ever work in the mills you-

self?" I interrupted hastily. "Boy and man," said Bill Hahn. "I worked in that hell for thirty-two years--The class-conscious proletariat have only Brummel himself could not outdo me in to exert themselves ---

"And your wife, did she work, tooneither saw, nor smelled, nor, I think, and your sons and daughters?"

A spasm of pain crossed his face. "My daughter?" he said. "They killed her in the mills."

It was appalling—the dead level of the tone in which he uttered those worls,the monotone of an emotion long ago burned out, and yet leaving frightful was gone some reflex impulse caused him to reach out for some more. When the scars.

peared, Bill Hahn still reached out. His not help laying my hand on his arm I had the feeling I often have with troubled children—an indescribable pity that they have had to pass through the ished. (Confidentially, I have speculated take them by the hand.

"And was this—your daughter--what brought you to your present belief?'

And then the "black people" began to come in, little by little at first, and then by the carload. By the "black people"

grew fine !-in the garden behind the

he meant the people from Southern Europe, he called them "hordes"—"hordes and hordes of 'em''-Italians mostly, and they began getting into the mills and underbidding for the jobs, so that wages slowly went down, and at the same time the machines were speeded up. It seems that many of these "black people" were single men, or vigorous young married people with only themselves to support, while the old American workers were men with families and little homes to say for, and plenty of old grandfathers and grand-"My friend!" I exclaimed, and I could mothers, to say nothing of babies, depending upon them.

"There wasn't a living for a General

family left," he said.

So they struck—and he told me in his valley of the shadow, and I not there to dull monotone of the long bitterness of that strike, the empty cupboards, the approach of winter with no coal for the stoves and no warm clothing for the



Interior View of Lancashire Agricultural Society's Pavilion.

Showing wounded soldiers and nurses.

up. That is, I called myself a Socialist, but, comrade. I've learned this here truth: that it ain't of so much upportance that you possess a belief, as that the belief possesses you. Do you under- the woman and the children!" stand?'

"I think," said I. "that I under-

stand." a curious, dull, detached way-as though terly, he were speaking of some third person in whom he felt only a brotherly interest, observation would flame up out of the poorer places—punished for the fight they credit. narrative, like the opening of the door

"No," said he; "oh, no. I was a children. He told me that many of the old Socialist, as you might say, from youth workers began to leave the town (some bound for the larger cities, some for the Far West).

"But." said he with a sudden outburst of emotion, "I couldn't leave. I had

the mills to get their old jobs. Beg-Well, he told me his story, mostly in ging like whipped dogs," he said 5't-

Many of them found their places taken whom he left only a visual respected customer for but from time to time some incident or had to go to work at lower wages in years, refused to give him any further

But he got along somehow, he said-

"I tell you," said he, "we found when we got started that the black people-we used to call 'em dagoes-were just workin' people like us-and in hell with us. They were good soldiers, them Eyetalians and Poles and Syrians, they fought with us to the end."

I shall not soon forget the intensely dramatic but perfectly simple way in which he told me how he came, as he said, "to see the true light." Holding up his maimed right hand (that trembled a little), he pointed one finger up-

"I seen the big hand in the sky," he said. "I seen it as clear as daylight." He said he saw at last what Socialism meant.

One day he went home from a strikers' meeting - one of the last, for the men were worn out with their long struggle. It was a bitter-cold day, and he was completely discouraged. When he reached his own street he saw a pile of household goods on the sidewalk in front of his home. He saw his wife there writ ging her hands and crying. He said he could not take a step further, but sat down on a neighbor's porch and looked and looked. "It was curious," he said, "but the only thing I could see or think about was our old family clock which they had stuck on top of the pile, half tipped over. It looked odd, and I wanted to set it up straight. It was the clock we bought when we were married, and we'd had it about twenty years on the mantel in the livin'.room. It was a good clock," he said.

He paused and then smiled a little.

"I never have figured it out why I should have been able to think of nothing but that clock," he said, "but so it

When he got home, he found his frail daughter just coming out of the empty house, "coughing as though she was dyin"." Something, he said, seemed to stop inside of him. Those were his words: "Something seemed to stop inside o' me.''

He turned away without saying a word, walked back to strike headquarters, borrowed a revolver from a friend, and started out along the main road which led into the better part of the town.

"Did you ever hear o' Robert Winter?" he asked.

"No," said I.

"Well, Robert Winter was the biggest there, and the largest store and the newspaper-he pretty nearly owned the about, to get clear in my mind. town

Winter which betrayed still a curious so t of feudal admiration for him, and for his great place and power; but I need not dwell on it here. He told me how he climbed in through a hemlock hedge (for the stone gateway was guarded) and walked through the snow toward the great house.

"An' all the time I seemed to be seein' my daughter Margy right there before my eyes coughing as though she was

It was just nightfall and all the windows were alight. He crept up to a clump of bushes under a window and waited there a moment while he drew out and cocked his revolver. Then he slowly reached upward until his head cleared the sill and he could look into "A big, warm room," he the room. described it.

"Comrade," said he, "I had murder in my heart that night."

So he stood there looking in with the revolver ready cocked in his hand.

"And what do you think I seen there

he asked. "I cannot guess," I said.

"Well," said Bill Hahn, "I sen the great Robert Winter that we had been fighting for the long months and he was down on his hand, and knees on the carpet-and he had his little daughter on his back and he was creepin' about with

Pail Hahm paused "but I condn't do at I just couldn't

He came away all weak and trembling with cold, and, "Comrade," he said, "I

It was then that he began to see was cryin' like a baby, and didn't know why.

The next day the strike collapsed, and there was the familiar stampede for work, but Bill Hahn did not go back. He knew it would be useless. A week later his frail daughter died, and was buried in the pauper's field.

"She was as truly killed," he said, "as though some one had fired a bullet at her through a window.'

"And what did you do after that?" I asked, when he had paused for a long time with his chin on his breast.

"Well," said he, "I did a lot of thinking them days, and I says to myself: 'This thing is wrong, and I will go out and stop it-I will go out and stop it."

As he uttered these words. I looked at him curiously-his absurd flat fur hat with the moth-eaten ears, the old bulging overcoat, the round spectacles, the scarred, insignificant face-he seemed somehow transformed, a person elevated above himself, the tool of some vasu incalculable force.

I shall never forget the phrase he used to describe his own feelings when he had reached this astonishing decision to go out and stop the wrongs of the world. He said he "began to feel all clean in-

"I see it didn't matter what become o' me, and I began to feel all clean in-

It seemed, he explained, as though something big and strong had got hold of him, and he began to be happy.

"Since then," he said in a low voice, 'I've been happier than I ever was before in all my life. I ain't got any family, nor any home-rightly speakin'nor any money, but, comrade, you see here in front of you a happy man."

When he had finished his story we sat quiet for some time.

"Well," said he, finally, "I must be goin'. The committee will wonder what's become o' me.'

I followed him out to the road. There I put my hand on his shoulder, and

"Bi'l Hahn, you are a better man than

He smiled, a beautiful smile, and we walked off together down the road. I wish I had gone on with him at that

time into the city, but somehow I could not do it. I stopped near the top of the hill where one can see in the distance that smoky huddle of buildings which is known as Kilburn, and though he urged me, I turned aside and sat gun of 'em all. He owned the mills down on the edge of a meadow. There were many things I wanted to think

He told me much more about Robert city, I saw three men walking in the white road. As I watched them I could see them coming quickly, eagerly. Presently they threw up their hands and evidently began to shout, though I could not hear what they said. At that n.oment I saw my friend Bill Hahn running in the road, his coat skirts flapping heavily about his legs. When they met they almost fell into one another's arms I suppose it was so that the early Christians, those who hid in the Roman catacombs, were wont to greet one an-

So I sat thinking.

"A man," I said to myself, "who can regard himself as a function, not an end of creation, has arrived."

After a time I got up and walked dewn the hill-some strange force carrying me onward-and came thus to the city of

#### A Case for Burbank

Aunt Lindy had brought around her three grandchildren for her mistress to see. The three little darkies, in calicafrocks, stood squirming in line while Lindy proudly surveyed them

"What are their names, Lindy " her

Ah name 'em De bieges' one's name' Gladiola. De nex' one, she name'

"Those are very pretty," her mistress said. "What is the littlest one named" "She name' Artuhficial, ma'am."-Woman's Home Companion.

### Hope's Quiet Hour.

#### Our King and Country.

I saw in the night visions, and, behold, one like the Son of Man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought Him near before Him. And there was given Him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve Him: His dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away and His Kingdom that which shall not be destroyed .- Dan. vii.: 13, 14.

Our citizenship (commonwealth) is in heaven; from whence also we wait for a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ: Who . . is able even to subject all things unto Himself.-Phil. iii.: 20, 21 (and

We are very proud of belonging to the British Empire, and loyalty to our king and country has flamed into white heat since the war began.

But at this Ascensiontide we should, in heart and mind, ascend whither our Lord has gone before, and stir up our loyalty for a far greater Empire than any earthly one. Bishop Hall says that the church's work is often weakly done, because we are content to "look back" to JESUS on earth, instead of "looking up" to JESUS at the right hand of

Daniel saw in a vision four great beasts, and the fourth was dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with its feet—a terrible description of lawless and wanton destruc-No wonder the prophet was grieved and troubled. Then it was explained to him that four great kingdoms should arise, one after the other, and that the fourth kingdom should devour the whole earth, tread it down, and break it in pieces. "Then the saints of the Most High shall take the kingdom, and possess the kingdom for ever, even for ever and ever." This unending kingdom is not to be a republic; for Daniel saw its King, high and lifted up. Though He is in the likeness of our race -a Son of man—yet He is given everlasting authority over all the nations. The great and terrible empires of earth rise and fall, but this King shall reign for ever, even for ever and ever.

This vision was not altogether unexpected to Daniel. He had already interpreted a strange dream of Nebuchadnezzar to mean that there should arise four great empires and in the days of the fourth God should set up His own kingdom which "shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever." Bible students seem united in interpreting these kingdoms to be the Babylonian, Medo-Persian, Greek and Roman empires. In the days of the mighty Roman empire God quietly started the Christian Church, which has grown steadily for nearly two thousand years, and spread from country to country, claiming all people as subjects of JESUS the King. Instead of growing weaker, as the centuries pass, it is now so full of life and energy that the splendid motto of its mission-workers is: world for Christ in this generation."

Do you think the present world-trouble is a proof that the King of Love has no power to rule His Kingdom? I think we have sung: "Gentle Jesus meek and mild," until we have forgotten that He Who took the little children so tenderly in His arms, also said sternly to the scribes and Pharisess: "Woe unto you ve serpents, ve generation of vijers, how can ye (stape the judgment of Gehenna?" (S. Matt. xxiii.: 33, R. V.) Our King is meek-accepting agony and mockery uncomplainingly-but He is not weak. He will sternly punish offending nations when their cup of wickedness is full, and will cleanse His Kingdom from iniquity. Jerusalem, the city of the Great King, was told by Ezekiel that even such godly men as Noah, Daniel and Job, could not save it in the awful day of God's judgment. "Though Noah. Daniel, and Job, were in it, as I live. saith the Lord GOD, they shall deliver neither son nor daughter; they shall but deliver their own souls by their righteousness. For this saith the Lord GuD: How much more when I send My four sore judgments upon Jerusalem, the sword, and the famine, and the noisome beast, and the pestilence, to cut off from it man and beast." His kingdom is too dear to His heart to be allowed to sink down into ruin and decay. But His people are told that the remnant shall be comforted and "ye shall know that I have not done without cause all that I have done in it, saith the Lord GOD."-Ezek. xiv.

We don't know the necessity for cleansing that exists even in our own loved British Empire. Harold Begbie, in "The Crisis of Morals," which was published about a year ago, sadly declares that the vices flourishing like bad weeds in England, are like those described by St. Paul in the first chapter of his Epistle to the Romans-a terrible statement, indeed. He says: "If it were possible to tell the tale of these things, such a book might be written as would lacerate the soul of Christianity.

The King told His Church that she had been lighted with the fire of love and holiness, in order that she might enlighten the darkness of the world. He said that His disciples were to live in the world without becoming worldly, that they were to be as salt to purify and preserve society, and as leaven to raisefrom within-the whole lump.

That is the secret of the whole matter -the Kingdom of God cometh not with observation, it is within the heart of the King's servants. Outside respectability cannot enlighten, purify, or elevate the world. The King of the greatest Empire the world has ever seen offers personal and individual Love to each of His subjects, and can never be satisfied until each heart is won. His borders are not extended by force of arms, but by the mighty power of love.

We shudder when we hear of cruelty and injustice-there is nothing attractive about such inhuman doings-but when we read the papers of some noble, self-forgetting kindness shown to a wounded foe we are inspired with an eager desire to be kind and noble, too. If sin is contagious, so is goodness. And let us 16member, for our comfort, that the reign of the dreadful and terrible beastthough he was strong exceedingly-could not possibly last. A dominion established by violence and wrong has the seeds of its own destruction within itself. "The judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy it unto the end." Righteousness is not only better than wickedness, it is infinitely stronger, and shall last for ever and ever.

Our citizenship is in heaven, and our King is mighty to save, and also strong His laws are just and good, and those who refuse to obey them do so at their own peril. Our Lord, in one of His parables, described a nobleman who went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom, and to return. But his citizens hated him, and sent a message after him, saying, "We will not have this man to reign over us." How often, in this "Christian" land, has that defiance been hurled in the face of Him Whose eyes are as a flame of fire! How many outwardly respectable households are absolutely heathen in their customs! The angel stands waiting, with the golden censer in his hands. Much incense has been given him that he should offer it with the prayers of all sain upon the golden altar which is before the Throne. The "much incense" is the never-ceasing intercession of our King and Priest, going up in fragrant clouds for us. What about the earthly prayers which should ascend continually with it? -Rev. viii.: 3 and 4. Do you fancy that if you are too "busy here and there" to pray, the world will go on just as well and the King will never notice?

Browning tells a story of a boy called Theorrite, who worked at a humble trade, but-

" Morning, evening, noon and night, 'Praise God!' sang Theocrite."

The boy was ambitious to praise God, as the Pore did, from Peter's dome; so he went to Rome and the voice in the workshop was silenced.

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Therefore the archangel Gabriel took the place of Theorrite and toiled contentedly at his trade, praising God all day long. But angelic praises did not satisfy the Father's heart, Who said: "I miss My little human praise." So the angel flew to Rome and took the place of the new Pope, Theorrite; who went back to his trade when he received Gabriel's message :

"Vainly I left my angel-sphere, Vain was thy dream of many a year. Thy voice's praise seemed weak; it dropped-Creation's chorus stopped! Go back and praise again

The early way, while I remain.' " Though the King is so high and His kingdom so great, He is listening for your voice and mine. Does He listen in vain, missing His little human praise? DORA FARNCOMB.

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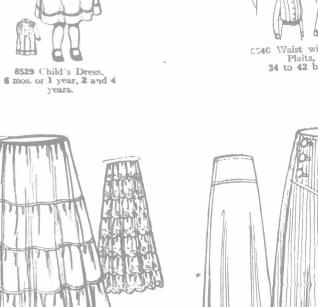
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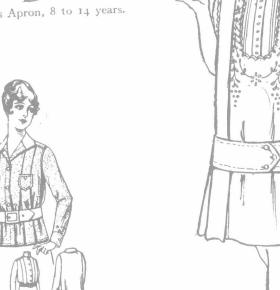


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#### Pictures in the Home.

The subject under discussion was "walls."

"I tell you," said He, "the color of a room in which we live has a far deeper effect upon us than we imagine. It's been proved by medical experiment;-too much blue likely to develop melancholia, too much red, temper, and so on."

"I know," added She, "that when I was so ill that time I never felt so restful as when removed to the gray-green room. Of course, there was a sunny window and a pot of daffodils. I believe all helped.

The Friend nodded approvingly. "Yes, and if we should be careful about our wall-colorings we should be even more so about the pictures we hang about us. They have an influence, too, especially upon children.

"She" laughed. "That brings up old memories. Once, when teaching away out in I-won't-tell-you-where I was given a bedroom which had three pictures on the walls. One represented Wellington's funeral, another Napoleon's tomb, and the third-you could hardly call it a picture, but it was framed-was the breastplate from a coffin mounted on black velvet."

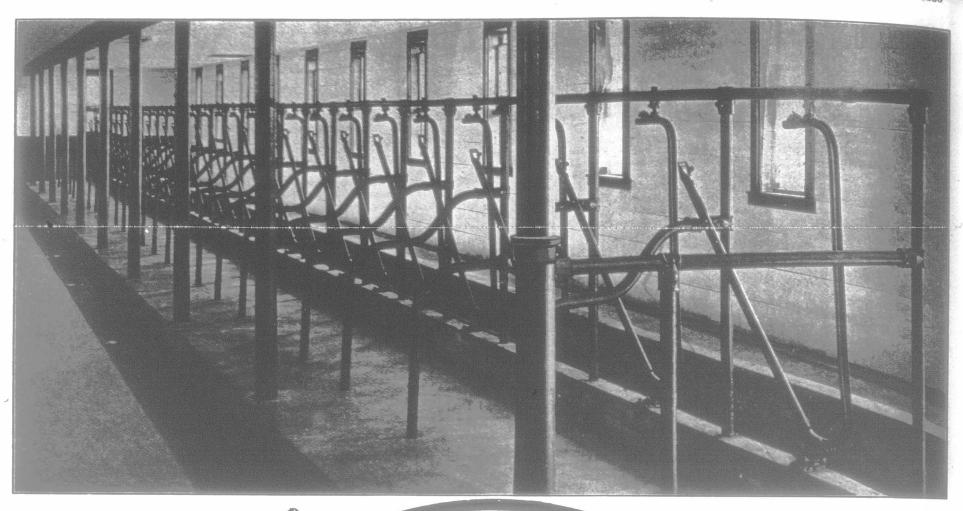
The Friend shuddered, then all three

laughed. "It was a good thing you had a bump of humor," said He, "else I could never have married so doleful a

"Oh," She explained, "I scarcely saw I draped them quite entirely with fuzzwuzzy clematis. It passed. No one was angry.

"Queer," mused the Friend, "that so many people have so few ideas about pictures. I've been in houses, otherwise furnished in fair taste, where the whole effect was utterly spoiled by gaudy lithographs on the walls,-girls with hig hats and gleaming teeth, looking exactly like tooth-powder advertisements; landscapes all crude green and blue; fierce sunsets; very decollete ladies

with roses in their hair,-Horrors!" "Or, worse," laughed She, 'home-made' paintings, everything out of proportion. color impossible! I really think that an artist who permits an aspiring pupil,



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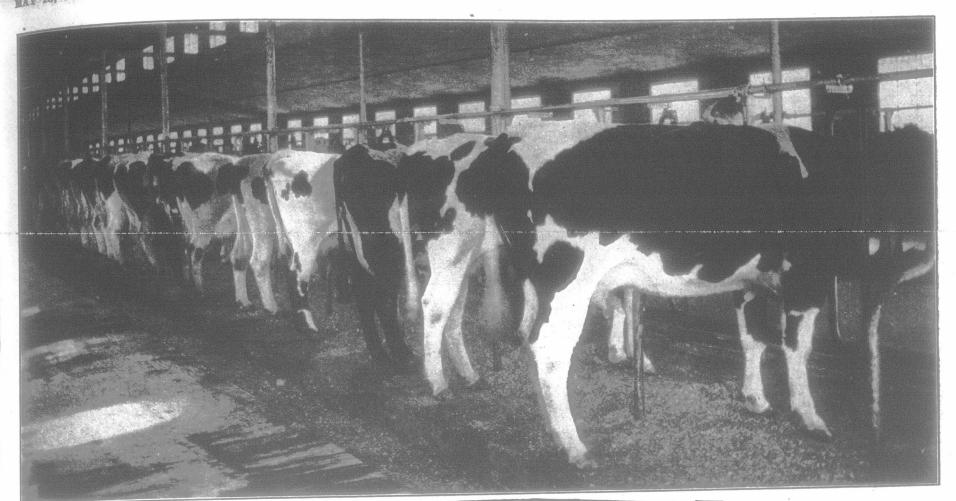
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In a certain rural parish church in the north of Scotland, some years ago, the following incident occurred: During the singing of the first psalm a goose entered the church and quietly "waddled" up the passage towards the pulpit, just as the precentor had got out of tune and almost come to a standstill, a not unusual occurrence at that The minister, observing the goose, leaned over the pulpit, and addressing the church officer, said -"Robert, put out the goose." The functionary, not observing the presence of the feathered parishioner, and supposing that the minister's direction had reference to the precentor, marched up to that individual and to the no small amusement of the congregation, collared him, saying at the same time-"Come out o' that, you stupid fellow."

# News of the Week

A double company, to be known as the University Overseas Company, is being formed to reinforce the Princess Patricias. It will be represented by McGill University, and the University of Toronto.

On May 4th the Canadian Officers Training Corps began work at Niagaraon-the-Lake, under Col. W. C. Macdonald, One thousand four hundred and fifty men are in training, 800 from the University of Toronto, and 650 from McGill,

Dr. Dernburg said in New York on May 9th, that Germany has only begun her crusade against Britain's commerce, and that no vessel of any nationality will be safe if cargo regarded by Germany as contraband is on board. Cotton, automobile accessories, and parts of flyingmachines, are now on the contraband

The most startling development of ne war the past week has been the dastardly sinking of the Cunard liner Lusitania, by torpedoes from a German submarine, off the southeast coast of Ireland, on May 7th. According to latest statistics 1,300 people perished, only 764 being saved. Several hundred of the passengers were from Canada, ninety-six from Toronto alone. The event has aroused the deepest indignation, and many United States citizens have called upon President Wilson to declare war. The Lusitania was one of the newest and fastest vessels afloat, was 790 feet long and 88 feet in breadth, and had a carrying capacity of 3,150, including the crew. She carried a cargo valued at \$750,000. Among the passengers who perished were Alfred K. Vanderbilt, Charles Frohman, the noted theatrical manager, and Elbert Hubbard, publisher of The Philistine and other periodicals.

On May 5th, three Russian aviators flew over Constantinople and dropped bombs on the city. On the same day, shells were thrown into the Turkish forts on the left bank of the Bosphorous, from the Russian fleet in the Black Sea. . . . .

It appears evident that the Russians suffered a severe defeat on May 2nd n the Dunajec River in Galicia, where the Austrians claim to have taken eighty thousand prisoners. In the west, however, the French report a notable victory near Lens, seven miles south of La Bassee. At time of going to press, heavy fighting is still going on in the vicinity of Ypres, where the Allied troops are reported as stubbornly holding their own. . . In the Dardanelles also, terrific fighting has taken place during the week, the shell-fire being directed chiefly from the ships of the Allies in the Gulf of Saros, across the Gallipoli Peninsula. The towns of Gallipoli and Maidos have both been set afire, and the forts of Chanak and Kilid Bahr silenced. In the Caucasus the Turks have been again defeated by the Russians, leaving 3,500 dead on the field.

#### Office Declined.

English as she is "spoke" will ever have its pitfalls for foreigners, though some are not so deep as the following:

A Frenchman was forced to go to a friend for advice.

"Can you tell me," he asked, "vat heem is-vat you call a pole bear? Vat is a pole bear?"

"A polar bear, you mean?"

"Yes, yes, vat is heem?"

"Oh, he is a bear that lives on the ice and eats fish."

"Mon Dieu! And me do that! Nevaire: Nevaire!" exclaimed the Frenchman.

"You do it? What do you mean?"

"Vell, a man in de house vere I leeve he die, and they say to me vill I pe pole bear for heem. Live in de ice and eat fish! Not even for a dead man! Nevaire! Nevaire!"



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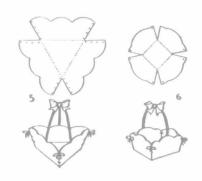
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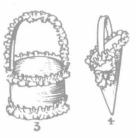
May Baskets.

Dear Beavers,-Once I happened to be over in the United States on May Day, and when we went out after breakfast the first thing we saw was a pretty ittle basket of flowers hanging on the door-knob. Moreover, looking down street we saw somewhat similar baskets either hanging on every door-knob or being admired by pleased people.



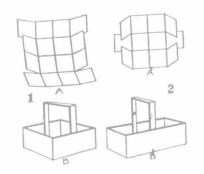
"Oh, the children have been around," said Mrs. H.

I thought it was such a pretty castom, teaching the children, too, to be kind to others. So I thought I would tell you Beavers about the baskets today. Perhaps you would like to make some and take them about to your friends, say on the 24th of May. The orchard blossoms should be out, then, and perhaps a few could be spared from them to fill your baskets. If you choose you may put some homemade candy in the bottom, with violets or apple-blossoms on top.



All of the baskets are made of very heavy paper or light-weight cardboard, and some of them, as you see, are trimmed with crepe paper or ribbon. They are cut out according to the patterns given, then glued together.

dhoard makes the pre baskets, with little pink or mauve ribbon bows for trimming; but pink cr mauve cardboard may be used if liked.



Apple or crabapple blossoms, violets, buttercups, ferns-indeed all sorts of flowers-may be used for filling the buskets, but only one or two kinds, with some greenery, should be put in each. Too much of a mixture spoils the effect.



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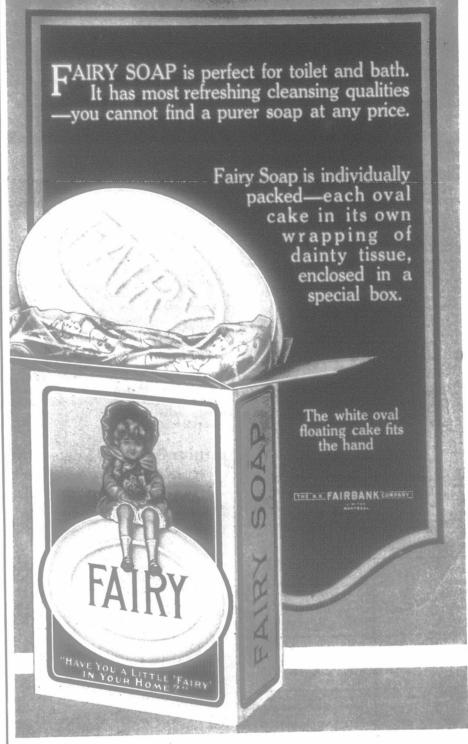
Dear Puck and Beavers,-My father has taken "The Farmer's Advocate" for a good many years, and likes it fine.

I am a regular bookworm, and I have read over one hundred books. One I have read through ten times. I like Henty's books best, though I read any that are interesting. I have one brother and one sister. My brother is eighteen months older than I am, and my sister is just a baby. Well, I guess my letter is getting rather long, so I will close.

CLARENCE J. M. BURGESS.

(Age 11, Class Sr. \*\*..)

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second letter to your charming ('ircle. As I did not see my first one in print I thought I would write again. For pets I have a dog called Fan and a calf called Billy. We built a new house last summer and I like it fine. We have the waterworks and bathroom. I go to school every day. I am in the Junior Fourth Class. I hope this dreadful war won't last very much longer. Isn't it terrible? I have a horse I can drive all over. I call her Maud. Well, I guess I will close, wishing the Beavers every success.

ARNOLD MERKLEY (age 12). Iroquois, Ont.

Dear Puck and Beavers,-I have long been one of your readers, and now I wish to join your Circle. I have a mile to walk to school, and go every day it is possible. Our teacher's name is A'ss N. Blanch. I like reading books. I have read "Wellington," "Old Margie's Flower Pot," "The Last Bell for Sunday School," "Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm," "Jack and Jill," "Cindereila,j" and quite a few others. Well, ! will

close for now. I will send this riddle: The king of Bersheba sent to the queen a bottomless barrel to draw flesh in .-Ans.-A ring.

JEAN RADCLIFFE. (Age 11, Sr. III. Class) P. S .- I wish some of the girls of my age to write to me. Granton, Ont.

#### Junior Beavers' Letter Box. Dear Puck and Beavers,-Here is a

piece about our goat :

The people are getting curious, and are asking about our goat;

They want to know how large he is, and the color of his coat.

They ask if he's ferocious that we keep him in a box; I say he is gentle as a kitten, yet he is

a sly old fox.

And he is very particular who goes riding on his back.

If your record is not good you had better take a hack.

Those who hope to join our order, just to put on another coat,

Need not expect to stay long upon our Billy goat.

And yet he is a dear old lellow, we 'ove him one and all,

He's been many a one's salvation, ne's

kept many from a fall. Now, if you want to ride him, you had

better let us know, we want to feed and groom him before we let him go.

We examine every buckle in a way we have the knack.

Before we trust a stranger upon our Billy's back.

Our equipment it is perfect, and when he's ready for the fray,

Where you'd find a nobler fellow it is

difficult to say.

bridle rein is love, And each buckle has a glimmer like the riddle.

radiance from above;

the saddle cinch is charity, and its strength cannot be beat,

As you are sure to agree with me if you're once safely in the seat.

I wish some of the Beavers would write

CHARLIE ROBINSON. (Age 11, Jr. II. Class.)

Dear Puck and Beavers,-Well, I guess I will go to work and tell you about my pet things. I have a little puppy and his name is Fox; he is a dear little fellow. When I come home from school he always comes to meet me, and jumps ap to see if I have anything left in my dinner-pail for him to eat. I have also other Daisy. One is just as black as I don't know what. She has just one soot on her stomach. The other is black and white.

Class have their examination the first day of school on writing and grammar, and let all the rest of the school go out and play while they finished their papers.

Dear Puck and Beavers,-This is my We have to take our dinner to school, and leave home at eight o'clock and get out at four. We have fun at noon when the teacher goes to Miss Edna Parker's for her dinner. I hope my letter misses the w.-p. b. this time.

GLADYS DUNN (age 10). R. R. No. 5, St. Thomas, Ont.

Dear Puck and Beavers,-As I did not see my letter in print, I thought I would write again. My father has taken "Tne Farmer's Advocate" for five months, and I like it fine. I go to school every day, My teacher's name is Miss Miller; I like her fine. I am in the Junior Third Class. I have a dog; bis name is Buster. We have four horses. Their names are Daisy, Queen, Harry, and Fred. I will close, wishing some of the Beavers to write to me.

MARGARET SAVOIE (age 13). Upper Dundee, Restigouche Co., N. B.

Dear Puck and Beavers,-This is my first letter to your Circle, and I hope to see it in print. I am a little boy seven years old, and live on a farm. I have two grandmothers and two grandfathers Don't you think I'm a lucky little fellow? I go to school every day. teacher's name is Miss Corbett, and I like her very much. Well, I guess I will JACK McLEAN. (Age 7, Part II.)

Parkhill, Ont., R. R. No. 6.

Dear Puck and Beavers,-May 1 help you to work, too? This is my first letter to your circle. My brother and I have our pets together. We have a little white pony; she had a little colt last year. We have a little pup; we call it Snap. I have a little baby sister, and we call her Margaret Euphemia. I go to school every day. I hope this will escare the w.-p. b. Wishing the Beaver Circle every success.

VERNA SANDERSON. (Age 9, Sr. II. Class.) Fordwich, Ont., R. R. No. 1.

Dear Puck and Beavers,-I wrote once before and did not see my letter in print so I thought I would write again. father has taken "The Farmer's Advocate" since I can remember. My father owns two farms. We had a good crop of oats and wheat last year. I read some books last month. The names are: "Black Beauty," "About Giants," and "Paul the Peddler."

JEAN SMITH (age 9, Grade IV ).

Dear Puck and Beavers,-This is my father has taken "The Farmer's Advocate" for a number of years. We would be very lonesome without it. I enjoy reading the Beavers' letters. Please let me be one of your Circle. I am a little girl. Will be eight years old on the 26th of this month. I tried for the Junior Second Class at Easter. I am really having a good time helping mamma and carrying drinks to papa, for you know seeding-time has been The head stall is of friendship, and the started. For pets I have one cat named Tabby. I will close this time with a

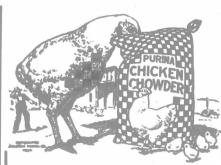
> What grows with its roots up? Ans .-An icicle. LAURA HYLAND.

Dear Beavers,-This is my first letter to the Beaver Circle. My father has taken 'The Farmer's Advocate" as long as I can remember. I am nine years old. I go to school every day. I am in the Senior Second Class. My class is the largest in the school. For pets I have a kitten, a hen, and three calves. cousin is coming to spend part of her holidays with me, and I am going to spend the other half with her. Hoping to see this letter in print, I will close, MARGUERITE MILLER.

Creemore, Ont., R. R. No. 2.

Dear Puck and Beavers,-My father has two cats; one is called Flossy and the taken "The Farmer's Advocate" for thirty years, and we all like it fine. live on a farm half a mile from school. I go every day, and am in the Senior Second Class. For pets I have two After Easter the teacher let the Fourth colts, five sheep, and a cow. Well, as my letter is getting long, I will close with a riddle.

> As I went over London bridge I met a London scholar, and drew off his hat. Hamilton



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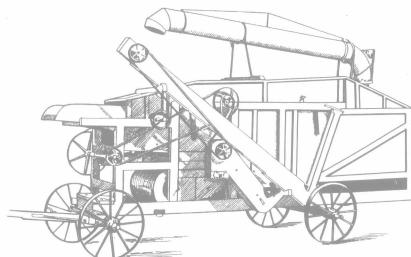
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Down the road towards the rear passes an almost continuous stream of wounded men, some slightly wounded, with bandaged heads or hands, on foot, others in motor or horse ambulances. More cheering is the sight of the little groups of prisoners, which from time to time pass in the same direction. Sliding quietly along in the contrary direction come the empty ambulances full of stretchers, the bearers seated inside, most of them swaying to and fro, fast asleep, for they have been working night and day."

At the roadside is drawn up a long line of ammunition wagons, and further down is a collection of transport of all kinds. In the fields and enclosures are more ammunition wagons, with rows of horses picketed alongside. The din of battle has been so often described that it need not be done again. But it is at this point specially overwhelming, because this is the region of our artillery positions, and the roar of our own guns close all round is mingled with the sound of the explosion of the shells fired at them. The air is pulsating with

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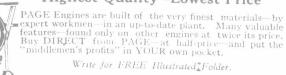
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There is a lull for a short space, the canhonade dies down and becomes fitful. and in the comparative stillness can be heard the distant fire of rifles and machine-guns. Then suddenly our artillery begins to speak afresh and a message comes through: 'The enemy are massing for a counter-attack. Louder and louder swells the volume of sound as the fire of one battery after another is directed on to the target offered, and the throb of the Maxims grow more insistent. For those who cannot see what is going on, there is now a period of suspense, until the next report states laconically that the counter-attack has been repulsed. To picture what has happened at the scene of action between the receipt of the two messages demands little imagination.

The day wears on and the night comes. Throughout the hours of darkness flares go up into the sky over the battle-field and the beams of searchlights occasionally wander across, lighting up in their chilly radiance the battered parapets, the dark patches of blood, the still forms of the dead lying among the ruins and debris, or half immersed in the water which fills trenches, ditches and shell craters.

Near at hand the darkness is pierced by the flashes of rifles, while far away to the front and on the flanks the discharge of the guns are reflected in the sky like the play of summer lightning. Although there is no cessation of fighting at night, it becomes possible to communicate more freely with the fighting troops, to discover the exact situation and make plans for the following

Such are the conditions by day and night in which a divisional commander and his staff have to think and construct their plans and to act. The distracting influences are many, for above all does the atmosphere of a battle breed wild rumors. They are brought by the wounded, by tired, overwrought men from the trenches who have just been relieved, and by others who have not been in the fighting, but have been affected by what they have seen daily .-

#### \* \* \* \* CANADA SAVED THE DAY.

The following splendid tribute to the Canadians who fought so bravely at Langemarck, in the vicinity of Ypres, is taken from the New York "Independent:"

Every American's heart beat faster when the news was flashed across the ocean last Sunday.

The greatest battle of the war was raging in Flanders. The Belgians, the French and the British were facing 500,-000 of Germany's bravest, heavily entrenched, in the arc-shaped battle front above Ypres. The Canadians held the British left, next to the French. It might be the turning point of the war.

The Germans threw grenades of asphyxiating gas. A yellow cloud of vapor blew over the French trenches. The French fell back. The Germans charged. The Canadians were forced to give way in order to keep in touch with their line. Then reforming, the whole Canadian division countercharged. They drove all before them. They recaptured their guns. They remanned their trenches. They took one hundred of the foe prisoners. They left a thousand dead. But the tide of defeat was

Said a wounded Canadian officer: Our boys were more than magnificent; but there are very many of them whom we will never see again. The shelling started soon after one o'clock. It was directed mainly to the French lines north of us, but huge shells came behind

our trenches every few minutes. It was literally hell for the poor French beggars who were joined up to

Our artillery was splendid and caught the Germans with raking shrapnel side fire. It was lucky for the French, but unlucky for us, for it drew a part of the attack on our front. The Germans were mowed down by our

machine guns, but they came solidly over 200 yards and over our entanglements. Several mines were let off at just the right time by our engineers, but still they came on, yelling taunts in English, which were meant particularly for us Canadians.

We had some shells of this asphyxiating kind earlier, and thought we knew what to expect. Our men were staggering around almost in delirium a. few minutes, but then they absolutely ran amuck among the Germans.

The United States is neutral. But the United States will ever applaud the valor of men who are not afraid to die. Such are they who fight under the banners of the eleven nations of the earth now at war.

But beyond all, the United States must applaud the heroism of Canada. Canada is our kith and kin. Canada is our neighbor. Once we invited her to join our Union. For a hundred years neither cannon nor fort has frowned over the 3,000 miles of frontier between us. We have shown the world the way to peace and disarmament.

In this supreme and solemn hour of victory, when the blood of her sons reddens like the maple leaf, the clay of Belgium, we realize more than ever that Canada's heritage and civilization are ours also. The Canadians are Ameri-

Russia has given an order to the Canadian Car and Foundry Company to \$83,000,000 worth of shrapnel, and lesser contracts have been given to thirtyseven manufacturers in the United States. The Westinghouse Air Brake Company has a shrapnel order of \$20,-000,000 from France, and within a few days there have been orders for \$1,000, 000 of aeroplanes. In addition large orders for field and machine guns, benzol, uniform cloth and beef are being distributed among various American firms.

#### That Horse Trade.

A TRUE STORY. By Agnes Hunt.

"Well Meg, I've decided to sell old Nell."

It had come at last; the thing I had long feared. John went on calmly: "Old Mr. Win-

ters offers to trade me a young mare for her, and you know he would be good to

"Why should he offer to trade a young horse for an old one?" I asked, my suspicion at once aroused.

"You see, it's just this way. Winters is an old man and hasn't the right use of himself. This young mare is rather high-spirited, and sometimes kicks; only by spells, he says, and he would much rather have a quiet horse than one like

"How about you?" I asked, ironical-

"I'm a young man, and since I know her fault, I can be watching out, you see, and ready for just such emergencies. I never yet saw the horse I was afraid of."

John threw back his broad, capablelooking shoulders, inflated his chest, and smiled down at me.

How a young man does glory in his strength!

"What about the children?" was my next query.

"They'll just have to keep away from her in harness, and they say she is perfectly quiet in the stable. won't kick up a row. I think I would be bettering myself a whole lot, and I simply won't keep old Nell much longer.

Her age of usefulness is past." "Very well John, have your way, but I only hope when my age of usefulness is past, I may die rather than be thought in the way. It's lucky old folks can't be traded off like old

"Now Meg, don't be silly. Horses and people are different things. There's no comparison at all in fact, and don't let foolish sentiment run away with your common sense. You know as well as I d and caught shrapnel side French, but a part of the

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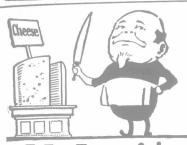
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do that Nell was old enough to vote when we got her, and you know how many years we've had her. Why can't you be sensible and let me get something for her rather than shoot her one of these days."

"Have your own way about it John," I answered shortly, "you will anyway."

As the door slammed behind him I glanced out, and there was old Mr. Winters coming up the road leading a horse,—presumably the one of which John had spoken. The matter must have been all fully arranged before, and for a minute my blood boiled with righteous anger.

But why—why was he leading the horse and walking!

Perhaps, as John says, I am naturally suspicious.

Mr. Winters came through the gate leading the new horse right up to where John was ploughing in front of the house, and I saw him looking over her critically. So did L, all unobserved, from behind the sheltered curtains.

She was a dark bay with small, sensitive ears, ears that twitched and were constantly in motion, expressing her every shade of thought, and she had thoughts, plenty of them, and deep ones

Her mane was short and unkempt, her hair rough as if from lack of good grooming, while her short tail was frayed and uneven, as if it had been chewed by some mischievous colt or young calf. This much I saw from the window, but John, who came in to draw my attention to her and if possible win my approving smile, added the information that she was wiry and tough as whalebone, and had such a kind eye in her head.

Well, the deal was made, and the horse was hitched to the wagon with her new mate, John volunteering to drive Mr. Winters home. The latter expostulated and seemed anxious to walk, but John good-naturedly insisted and the old gentleman climbed gingerly up behind and poor old Nell, the children's cherished pet, was led away to a strange

The new horse was on her good behavior, and knew her business well.

All evening and far into the night I heard her praises sounded; John mentally patting himself on the back the while for his clever trade.

Next morning she was harnessed and led out to the plough with the other horse. When just in front of the house she cast her eyes round at John, squealed and bobbed up suddenly.

She kicked only by "spells"! Well, this promised to be one of them. But the promise was nothing to the fulfilment.

When he started to plough she started to kick, and such kicking!

Higher than John's head, fiercely and incessantly her heels flew, while at every kick she grunted or squealed.

Mud and water flew in showers, the other horse backed around and looked

at her in surprise, but she never ceased until she stood free.

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Mr. Winters had suggested kindless when she had one of her tantrums, and John certainly held his temper well. Patiently he again fastened the tugs and started, but it was the same old story. At the commencement of the furrow, again in the centre, and at the end she had her spell of kicking.

At last, his patience exhausted, John

unhitched the other horse and took her to the stable, fearing that she might be kicked or spoiled. Then, between his teeth, by way of emphasizing the remark, he vowed that Kate (such was her name) should plough alone or he would know the reason why. And plough she did. Bravely she bent to the task, and though he drove the plough deeper and deeper, almost to the beam, she sailed ahead, and still she kicked just as she had at the beginning. Thoroughly tired and almost disgusted he unhitched and came round to the

Thoroughly tired and almost disgusted he unhitched and came round to the stables, but instead of putting her in he tied her to the fence and came into the house.

queried.

I don't mention the word as it sounds rather profane, except when used in church, but I never before heard of a proper one. John, however, needs much excusing, for he was sorely tried.

I merely nodded my agreement. His



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Accordingly after dinner, the team was hitched to the wagon. Instead of behaving as she had the previous day she grunted and kicked, and only when John spoke sharply did she ever pause, and then only for a minute.

John's patience had taken wings, and the last I saw of the moving-picture show was John applying the whip and Kate using her heels.

In an hour or so they returned, but Kate was tied behind the wagon and John held up one end of the neckyoke. The end-board was in splinters. I had often heard of tables being turned, but this was the first exhibition I had ever seen where a driver turned horse. It might not appear strange in China, India or even Africa, but in Canada we prefer horses to do such work.

I met them outside. "Now, don't you wish you had Nell back?" he shouted.

"Not at all," I replied coolly, "this one is as tough as whalebone and has such a kind eye in her head." Then I fled, for in John's eyes was all the bottled-up wrath he had nursed since Laurier and incidentally Reciprocity were defeated, and he had waited far into the night in a strongly Conservative crowd to hear the election returns.

It's all very well to have a well-developed bunch of humor, but it's safe at times, not to laugh, no matter how much one's funny bones are tickled.

Next morning John started out to get rid of Kate, driving the black, and leading her behind.

For two days he travelled, and at last came home, having traded her to a man who formerly owned her, for a young colt. Indeed, the David Harums are not all

Americans, but may be found running at large on this side of the border as well.

And now John was seriously handicapped, for he had only one horse, and to a man used to a team, one horse is but a poor excuse.

He decided to buy, and to this end visited the stables of all the lumber companies far and near. All their horses were extra large, and nearly all were badly blemished or lame. Probably, too, all had been fed "dope," a common enough custom in camps where horses are mere machines, and when their strength fails poisons are given as stimulants. These of course weaken and undermine the constitution, and the short lived Anyway John could not get a horse to suit him. The good ones were too big or beyond his purse, and the poor ones he did not want.

So the winter passed, and we heard Mr. Winters was offering Nell for sale. "Perhaps I had better buy her back," John remarked one day rather sheepish-

ly, and I think my face told of my joy. Now, old Nell not having work and exercise was just like old people, badly stiffened up, and when brought out for prospective buyers to look over she had twice spoiled a sale for Mr. Winters by falling down.

John paid the old gentleman a visit, and when Nell was brought out this time she kept on her feet and the deal was made.

It was a happy day for the kiddies and me when the cutter came into the yard, old Nell patiently trotting behind. At the bars-for he had come the winter road-John threw the halter over her neck and she started at once for the well-remembered stable, but on second thoughts crossed the yard to the watering trough. There she was surrounded by the youngsters and fondled and petted to her heart's content, and finally was led triumphantly to her own stall.

A mist came over my eyes and a lump in my throat, and I turned into the house so as to avoid John's questioning eyes. Then when everything was quiet and no one about I stole into her stall. With her great brown eyes she looked at me as she contentedly crunched her oats, and I put my arms about her neck and laid my face against the faithful old creature, whispering of my joy, and we know, she and I, that she un-

#### The National Dairy Council.

At the National Dairy Show, Chicago, in 1913, one of the ideas worked out was a Round Table Conference of the dairy industry, which entertained delegates from thirty industrial and educational branches of dairy activity, and from this conference there was evolved an organization to meet each year with the Show called The Council of the National Dairy Show. The Council served a more or less useful existence, but the ravages of foot-and-mouth disease, with an enormous loss to the dairyman, together with a generally demoralized outlook for markets for dairy products as a result of the European war conditions, and many disturbing home problems, have aroused the active men of the dairy industry to the necessity of meeting these conditions with a more powerful organization, and as a result the "National Dairy Council" was formed on April 24, 1915. The object of this organization as set forth in the constitution is: "To advance the cause of dairying in America by promoting the dairy cow and all interests dependent upon her through a co-operative and united effort."

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SECOND YEAR-MAXIMUM, 3200.

1, Rowley, 2656; 2, Cowan, 2311; 3, Watt, 2297; 4, Stokes, 2296; 5, Neale, 2288; 6, Shearer, 2280; 7, Gauthy, C., 2245; 8, Brownlee, 2241; 9, Elder, 2231; 10, Williams, 2225; 11, Campbell, 2209; 12, Lane, 2206; 13, Hanlan, 2168; 14, Slack, 2141; 15, Fuller, 2121; 16, Murdock, 2096; 17, Hempson, 2079; 17, Mc-Mullin, 2079; 19, McKillican, 2067; 20, Fulton, 2065; 21, Davey, 2062; 22, Martin, 2061; 23, Gregory, 2053; 24, Bissett, 2014; 25, Skinner, 2007; 26, Mascn, 1987; 27, McPhail, 1978; 28, Wodell, 1976, No. 15; 29, Steckley, 1970; 30, Selwyn, 1962; 31, Bonham, 1961; 31, Saxton, 1961; 33, Cox, 1952; 34, Hill, 1947; 35, Simmons, 1943; 36, Cudmore, 1929; 37, Hammond, 1921; 38, McConkey, 1910, No. 16; 39, Wiggins, 1910; E. 40. Evans, O. C., 1902; 41, Smith, 1899, Nos. 12, 18; 42, Lee, 1898, Nos. 11, 12; 42, Mallory, 1898, No. 16; 42, Waterman, 1898; 45, Meek, 1897; 46, Wood, 1893; 47, Ure, 1892; 48, Timms, 1884; 49, Graham, C., 1870; 50, Wilson, 1859; 51, Lawrence, 1850; 52, Graham, H. W., 1837; E. 53, Agar, E. Z., 1836; E. 54, Kernighan, 1832; 55, Boulton, 1830; E. 56, Gautby, L., 1824; 57, Knox, 1822; 58, Marritt, 1813; 59, Keirstead, 1808; 60, Hunter, 1806; E. 61, Roger, 1803; E. 62, Hockey, 1800; 63, Mixon, 1794; E. 64, Parker, 1785; E. 65, Davis, 1781; 65, Springstead, 1781; E. 67, Keillor, 1760; 68, Rowland, 1760, No. 8; E. 69, Runnalls, 1759, No. 16; 70, Rawson, 1753, No. 17; E. 71, Henry, 1733, No. 16; E. 72, Delahay, 1730; 73, Luckham, 1728; E. 74, Mills, 1726; E. 75, McCook, 1721, No. 1; E. 76, Mc-Connell, 1714; E. 77, Grierson, 1711, No. 8; E. 78, Brubacher, 1709; 79, Mc-Curry, 1685; E. 80, Fallis, 1683; 81, Malcolm, 1678, Nos. 7, 12; E. 82, Anderson, 1670; E. 83, Fleming, 1662; 83, McLoughry, 1662, No. 13; E. 85, Fenwick, 1661, No. 7; 86, Patton, 1658, No. 7, 17; E. 87, Mann, 1653, Nos. 8, 16, F. 87 16; E. 87, Newman, 1653, No. 17; E. 89, Thompson, 1646, Nos. 14, 16; E. 90, Dempsey, 1637; E. 91, Merkley, 1622; E. 92, McNeil, 1619, Nos. 13, 16; 93, Kelly, 1612 E. 94, Railton, 1607, Nos. 19, 21; E. 95, Morton, 1603, Nos. 7, 12;

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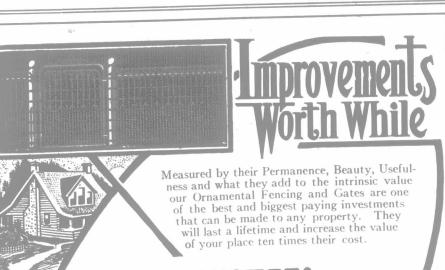
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THIRD YEAR-MAXIMUM, 2,500.

1, Romyn, 2247; 2, Cotsworth, 1997; 3, Culp, 1885; 4, Strong, 1884; 5, Baird, 1878; 6, Carncross, 1876; 7, Ferguson, 1862; 8, Morse, 1842; 9, Walsh, 1836; 10, Bennett, 1800; 11, Schuyler, 1799; 12, McIntosh, 1776; 13, Duncan, 1774; 14, Coughlan, 1752; 15, Oldfield, 1750; 16, Beaumont, 1746; 17, Curran, 1700; 18, Glavin, 1693; 19, Strothers, 1680; 20, Shaw, 1659; 21, Elliott, 1647; 22, Aiton, 1631; 23, Small, 1619; 21, Mc-Culloch, 1617, No. 18; 25, French, 1603; 26, Young, 1582; 27; McDermott, 1574; 28, Riley, 1562; 29, Connon, 1553; 30, Hogan, 1552; 81, Rewland, 1547; 32, Burrows, 1544; 82, 10gfe, 1544; 84; Wels ton, 1543; 85, McLarty, 1527, No. 14; 36, McLennan, 1525; 87, Coke, 1515; 38, Townsend, 1490; 39, Atkins, 1476; 40, Clarke, 1451; 41, Bryden, 1439; 42, Langley, 1431; 43, Brownridge, 1400; 44, Lackner, 1398; 45, Zavitz, 1397; 46, Scott, 1379; 47, Hill, 1374; 48, Atkinson, 1349, No. 1; 49, Adair, 1341; 50, McDonald, 1294, No. 5; 51, Abreham, 1269; 52, Lawson, 1239; 53, Griffin, 1226, No. 1; 54, Wilson, 1208, Nos. 1, 13; 55, Dougherty, 1154, Nos. 12, 13. No. indicates subjects in which supple-

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LIST OF SUBJECTS.

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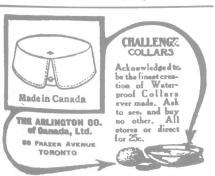
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Dumb-waiter—Chemical Analysis.

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2. Can you tell me, through your valuable paper, where I can get the chemical analysis of some swamp muck, and what will be the cost for two samples to be N. S. analyzed?

Ans.-1. We are grateful for the information.

2. Send them to Prof. F. T. Shutt, Dominion Experimental Farm, Ottawa, who is Dominion Chemist.

Sowing Fertilizer on Corn.

1. I want to put fertilizer on my corn and wish to know the best way to do so. Would it be best to plant corn in hills and then drop a handful of fertilizer on it, or sow with grain drill with the fertilizer attachment? If I drill the corn in, would it be best to sow every tube with fertilizer, or just the one used for sowing the corn. How much per acre should I use?

2. Is it too late to sow land plaster P. W.

on meadows? Ans.-It is immaterial whether the corn is planted in hills or in drills. The fertilizer will do very effective work if sown broadcast. It would be unwise to drop the fertilizer on the hills of corn. It would be better to first put the fertilizer on the land and plant your corn afterwards as ordinarily done. Use from 400 pounds to 700 or 800 pounds per acre, according to the analysis of the Five or six hundred pounds brand.used. per acre would be a fair application of a fertilizer testing 21 to 3 per cent. of nitrogen, 7 to 9 per cent. of phosphoric acid, and 2 to 3 per cent potash. A higher percentage of potash is usually recommended, but it will be practically

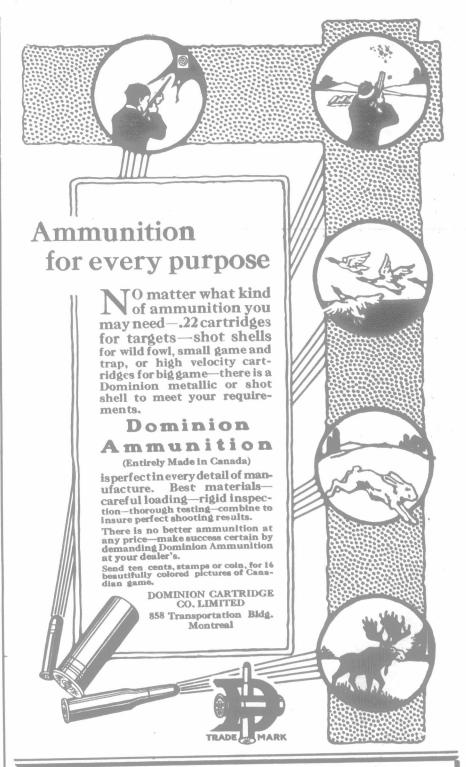
impossible to obtain it this year. 2. It is getting rather late by the time this answer appears to sow land plaster on meadows. Fall would be a better time.

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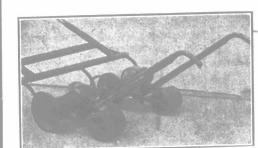
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W. H. F. rid of them. Ans.-Use carbon bisulphide as outlined in the article on "Killing Grain Insects," in our issue of April 22, page

Keeping Pork.

Let me know, through your valuable farm paper, whether you have a recipe for keeping pork killed this time of year, as we have not been very successful with ours. Would covering in brine be suffi-

Ans.—The pork would keep in a good brine. It is commonly known as the wet salting process. Make the brine of a strength strong enough to float an egg. The meat may be left in this brine until it is cured through, when it may be hung up and smoked, or it may be left in a strong brine until ready to be used. There are a number of different methods, and the flavor of the meat is sometimes influenced by the adding of spices to suit the individual taste.

#### Tuberculin Testing—Pruning Spruce.

I have been a constant reader of "The Farmer's Advocate" for years, and have had much valuable information from it. I would like you to answer the three following questions for me:

1. How much per head should a veterinary surgeon charge for tuberculintesting cattle?

2. Would it be harmful to have a cow tuberculin tested a week before her time is due to calve?

3. When is the best time to prune spruce trees? J. J. C. Ans.-1. We do not know that there is

any set price. 2. It might or might not injure her. It would be safer to leave her until after

parturition, and until she had become normal again. 3. Early in the spring before growth begins.

#### Veterinary.

#### Lame Bull.

Two months ago my six - months - old bull became lame on hind leg. I let it go for a while, and he not getting any better, I blistered the stifle, but this has done no good. He does not touch his foot to the ground. Ordinarily it just hangs, but when he moves he draws it upwards, but does not seem to be able to fetch it forward of the other leg, or to put the slightest weight on it.

Ans.-It would be wise to get your veterinarian to examine him, as lameness of this kind is very hard to diagnose. The symptoms indicate a fracture of one of the bones of the pelvis, and all that can be done is keep him as quite as possible in a comfortable box stall. Local applications will do no good.

Enlarged Hock.

1. Filly was kicked in front of hock last winter. The wound healed, but there is an enlargement, and the leg swells at night

2. Roosters head was drawn apwards and backwards on its back, and he would tumble over backwards. He did not eat for about two weeks, when he died. S. B

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Ans.-Try clean cultivation, followed by rape, as outlined in our issue of May 6, for Twitch Grass.

#### Beans.

Please advise me on all these points about bean-growing :

1. Kind of land. My land is high, sloping toward creek; some low ground. 2. Grew oats last year, and not an exceptionally good crop.

3. Should I use much manure?

4. When is the best time to sow them? 5. What kind of beans should I use, early or late?

6. What distance apart should I plant

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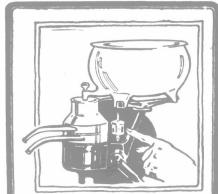
#### Rearing Ducks-When Heifers Should Freshen.

1. Kindly inform me the best way to rear ducks to market early, the best feed to give them, and whether they should run or be kept confined. Would it be best to keep hens with them? I intend to hatch them under hens.

2. I have some yearling heifers. At what age should they freshen for best

Ans.-1. If the ducks are hatched under hens it would be well to allow them to run with them for some time. Feed them a mixture of equal parts wheat bran and corn meal, to which has been added at first, two per cent. of good beef scrap. At one week old feed five per cent, of beef scrap, gradually increasing the proportion until at four weeks they are getting ten to fifteen per cent., or whatever they can similate without digestive trouble. Milk is also a good way to provide animal food. Ducks are gross feeders, but are notional about changes, and when contemplating a change it must be made with care and very gradually. Some recommend a mixture of one part corn meal and two parts bran, with ten per cent. of highquality beef scraps added, and five per cent, of coarse sand or fine grit. Although they are not very particular about the make-up of their ration, they require plenty of it, and should be fed at least four times a day until they are four weeks old, after which three times is sufficient. It is necessary also to provide an abundance of fresh water and green feed. By mowing a field of grass frequently, the duck-raiser can easily procure a half-bushel or bushel of fresh grass in the morning when the dev is on and furnish the young ducks all they will eat. If green clover can be obtained it is especially good for this partiese. Close confinement is not 2001, of the young ducks do not need to car at will. Provide suitable shade, deet of fresh drinking water in a founher at ren weeks of age 1 co., 28 to 30 months of age

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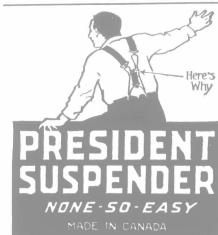
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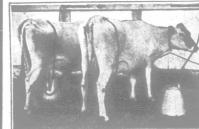
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Ans.-At twenty-one.

#### Sore Teat.

We have a cow that has a teat that is swollen and hard at the end; it also scabs over, and seems very sore. It is bard to milk, and gives only a small stream. What would you advise us to do with it?

Ans.—It may be necessary to use a teat siphon. Bathe the teat in warm water, and apply vaseline with a little carbolic acid added. It is probable the cow will lose the quarter.

#### Salt for Hens and Pigs.

1. I have been told that salt would kill hens. Will it?

2. Also, that salt is not good for pigs. Is this the case? Ans.-1 and 2. Too much salt is not good for either; in fact, salt in too large quantities becomes poisonous to some animals. A little salt in the mash fed the hens, or in scraps from the table, does no harm. A little given to the pigs is all right, but do not overdo it.

#### Holidays for Hired Man.

1. How many hours per day is the hired man compelled to work? 2. What holidays is the hired man entitled to?

3. Would it be within the hired man's rights to refuse to work the extra hours and on holidays?

Ans.-1. We cannot say how many he is "compelled" to work, but ten hours in the field is generally considered a day's work, the man to take care of his team besides, or do a few necessary

2. Sundays, New Year's Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Victoria Day, Dominion Day, Labor Day, Christmas Day, and any other day appointed by official proclamation as a public holiday 3. Yes.

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4. When there are two or more species, they should be numbered, and the sender should keep a similarly numbered set for himself. In naming them, it will be necessary to quote the numbers, as the specimens are not usually returned.

5. No postage need be paid on packages under 12 ounces if addressed "The Dominion Botanist, Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa." Several packages may be sent free if each is under 12 ounces. Each package should bear the name and address of the sender on a slip placed inside or written on the wrapper.

#### Gossip.

THE HUME FARM AYRSHIRES.

One of those days oft recalled with pleasant memories was lately spent by the writer at the farm of Alex. Hume, of Campbellford, Ont. There are few men in Ontario whose sterling honesty is so thoroughly appreciated in the community in which they live as is that of Alex. Hume. Having occupied, by the grace of the people in the municipality in which he lives, all the offices within their gift, and also the warden's chair of the County Council, he last year stepped down and out with more honor and public confidence than when he entered public life. Would that there were more men like Alex. Hume in our municipal life. But to the people of this country as a whole he is probably better known as an importer and breeder of Ayrshire cattle. For very many years his large and well-selected herd of Ayrshires has held a foremost position among the leading herds of this country, both as a show herd and as a producing and we are convinced of the of the assertion when we say that today the herd is much more uniform, with much more quality, and decidedly higher in R. O. P. average than ever before. Several of the older breeding cows are imported, and they and their daughters have all official records running along from 10,000 to 11,000 pounds, made with everyday care and twice-a-day milking, which puts them in a class of extras. Heifers at first calving now running in the test are going up to 1,100 pounds per month, and testing up to 5.02 per cent. Very many of them are first-, second- and third-prize winners at Toronto, and more than one of them have won championship honors. Several young bulls out of such cows as these, sired by the Toronto and London first -prize, richly bred, Hillside Peter Pan, are for

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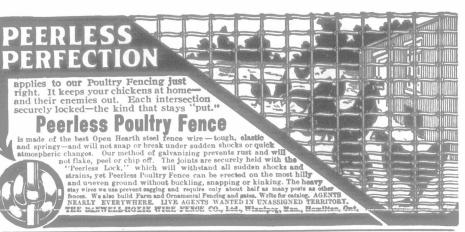
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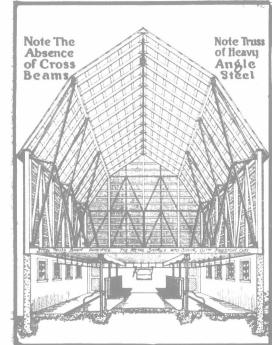
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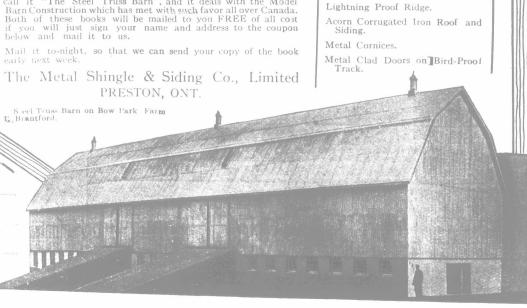
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#### Gossip.

LLOYD-JONES' SALE OF SHEEP AND CATTLE.

J. Lloyd-Jones, of Burford, writes thus regarding his sale, which was held on April 6, 1915: "The sale was well attended by local buyers, but there were few from a distance, and none from the States. The total amount of the sale was \$2,100. The cows were a choice lot, and all young, only two were over seven years of age. The top price was \$85, for a young cow, half Jersey and half Holstein, giving 40 to 45 pounds of milk a day, and making two pounds of butter daily, without silage or clover hay. The average for the cows was Yearlings averaged \$29. One pure-bred Holstein bull sold for \$40, and two pure-bred bull calves \$29 each. It was buyers' day in sheep. I thought from the high prices reported in the papers for mutton and wool that I would have a good sheep sale, but the prices were the lowest I ever had at any of my sales for the last fifteen years, so it was buyers' day in sheep, and those who sent bids have written they were well pleased with the sheep they got. Shropshire rams averaged \$14 each. The top price was \$26 for a two-shear ram. shire ewes, which were a good lot of three-year-olds, with lamb or lambs by side, averaged \$15 each, and ewe lambs only \$11 each. Southdown rams averaged \$8; Southdown ewes averaged \$14, and Southdown ewe lambs averaged \$13. Not much more than mutton prices were paid for these sheep. The Shropshires were all of choice breeding and good quality. I am still in business. It was our yearly sale, and all the stock advertised was sold.

#### OTTAWA EXHIBITION.

The Minister of Militia has assured the Directors of the Central Canada Exhibition Association that the soldiers now training and mobilizing on the Ottawa Fair Grounds will be away from there by July. The mobilization on these grounds last year caused some rumors that it would hinder the 1914 Exhibition being held. In order to prevent a recurrence of similar reports regarding the 1915 Exhibition, President Bate and Manager McMahon interviewed General Hughes. Besides assuring the Exhibition officers that the troops would be removed in midsummer, the Minister asserted that the militia authorities would place the buildings in the same condition as when they took possession of them. Several alterations had to be made for the accommodation of the troops.

The Ottawa Exhibition this year will benefit of a \$5,000 Dominion This follows the action of the Department of Agriculture in substituting, for the former Dominion Exhibition grant, a much larger sum to be distributed among several fairs. The management of the Ottawa Fair is devoting all the new bonus to increasing the prizes in the utility classes of live stock, comprising horses, cattle, sheep, swine, and poultry.

The first herald of the 1915 Ottawa Exhibition—a lithograph hanger—has gone forth. The figure of a khaki-clad soldier, waving the British flag, and partly hidden by a profusion of grain in sheaves, illustrates the motto of this year's Exhibition-Patriotism-Production. To promote enterprise in production, the Central Canada Exhibition Association is increasing prizes in farm products as well as adding the \$5,000 Dominion grant to live-stock premiums, also continuing the policy of paying freight on animal exhibits from two provinces.

Fred Bramley was an artist of the impressionist school. He had just given the last touches to a purple and blue canvas when his young wife came into the studio.

"That is the landscape I wanted you to suggest a title for, dear," said he, standing aside and proudly surveying his

"Why not call it 'Home'?" said she, after a reflective look.

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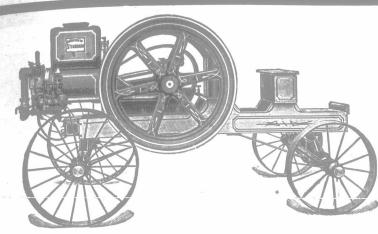
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An army is said to fight upon its belly. Canada must, to a very large extent, form the granary of the Allied armies. From her, at least, Britain must draw her food supplies. During the coming months there is not the least doubt that, more than ever, is Canada going to be called upon to export the products of her broad fields and her farm lands.

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All industry is dependent upon the success of the farmer's plans. Nothing is more certain than that a good harvest makes the world move in its grooves more smoothly. Let one year's wheat crop be a failure, and in every line of the effect is serious. The responsibility of caring for the nation, providing the bread of life, rests upon the broad shoulders of the farmer. His nigh calling and responsibility demand his noblest efforts. The race has to be fed, food must be sent to the men fighting the nation's battles, and if the farmer fails to do his duty, it will mean a serious handicap to his brothers at home and abroad.

It naturally follows, therefore, that so important a personage as the farmer should have the constant regard of the whole community. From a selfish point of view, to look no higher, this is undeniable. We are all dependent for very existence upon the produce of his labors. so that instead of putting on airs, and looking down on the hard-handed tiller of the ground, we should try and see things in their true perspective, and learn that his profession is outranked by no other under the sun, in power, scope, or service to mankind. The rest of us are but his poor relations.

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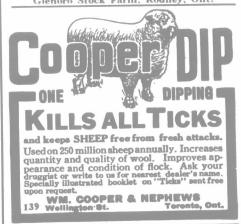
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Ans.—This question is thoroughly gone into in an article in our Stock Department, issue of May 6. Figures given are for steel work, but plank partitions would work very well with the same dimensions.

#### Line Fence.

A and B are putting up a new line fence. A lives on the south, B on the north. Fence runs east and west. On which side of the posts should A's wire be put, on his own side, or on B's? A CONSTANT READER.

Ans.-We cannot see that there is any difference. Some put it on one side, some on the other. For stapling and repairing, A's half of the fence would be better on A's side of the posts. If the center of the posts is exactly on the line, then A's fence should be on his side, and B's on his side, to be absolutely correct for both, but so long as the fence is on the line, we see no reason why a stick should be made over which side of the fence the wire is put.

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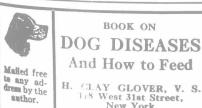
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