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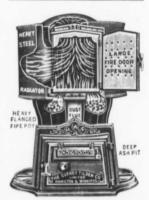
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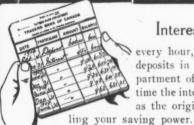
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- High Schools, third term, and Public and Separate Schools open after Easter Holidays.
- Annual Examination in Applied Science begins. (Subject to appointment).
- 15. Reports on Night Schools due (Session 1909-1910).
- Notice by candidates for the High School Entrance Examination, to Inspectors, due.

May:

- Toronto University Examinations in Arts, Law, Medicine and Agriculture begin. (Subject to appointment).
- Inspectors to report number of High School Entrance Candidates.
- 6. Arbor Day. (1st Friday in May).
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 Empire Day. (1st school day before 24th May). Notice by candidates for the Entrance Examinations to Faculties of Education, Normal and Model Schools, and Commercial Specialist Examinations to Inspectors, due. (Before 24th May).
- 24. Victoria Day. (Tuesday).

- Inspectors to report number of candidates for Entrance Examinations to Faculties of Education, Normal and Model Schools, and Commercial Specialist Examinations. (Not later than 25th May).
- Assessors to settle basis of taxation in Union School Sections. (Before 1st June).
 - June: Collectors in Unorganized Townships to re
 - port to Sheriff uncollected rates for pre-vious year. (On or before 1st June). Assessor in Unorganized Townships to return assessment roll. (Not later than return assessment roll. 1st June). Public and Separate School Boards to ap-
 - point representatives on the High School Entrance Boards of Examiners. (On er before 1st June). By-law to alter School boundaries or form Consolidated School Sections—last day of passing. (Not later than 1st June).
 - 10. University Commencement. (Subject to appointment).
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Making Money Out of Waste

Saving an Important By-Product

MORLEY PETTIT. PROVINCIAL APIARIST.

MODERN producing business depends for success on its at tention to by-products. It ab hors waste. Pork packing, for example, in the early days, saved nothing but the meat. Today it wastes nothing but the squeal.

The business of agriculture is no exception. Every by-product is cared for by the successful farmer so soon as he learns to turn it to profit. One important by-product, however, is still largely neglected. It is the nectar of flowers.

The flowers of Ontario secrete an nually sufficient nectar to produce hundreds of tons of honey which is now being wasted, and whose quality has no superior in the world. These flowers are distributed over waste land, farm land and wood lot, and are borne by willows, maples, elms, lindens, locusts, fruit trees and many other blossoming trees; practically all the leguminous plants of the farm; buckwheat, and many of the weeds such as thistle, goldenrod and boneset.

Our chief cultivated honey plants are alsike and buckwheat. One apiary of one hundred colonies, in a section of Ontario where some seed-alsike is grown but no buckwheat or other fail

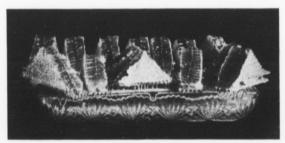
forage plants, stored in 1909, eight thousand pounds of honey. The seed close to the apiary was a splendid yield while one and a half miles away it was not worth threshing, showing that the bees had not found it necessary to go that far for nectar, and the fertilization of those blossoms had been neglected. In other words, a circular area of about one and a half mile's radius, say four thousand five hundred acres of farm land, where some alsike is grown for seed, yielded eight thousand pounds of honey in a good average sea son. This means that every hundred acre farm produced about one hundred and seventy-seven pounds, or enough boney to spread the family pancakes. and warm biscuits, and johnnie-cake, and porridge for a whole year. It also means that the farmers in that area had hundreds of dollars' worth of alsike seed which those outside, with no difference but the absence of bees. did not get. This is no isolated case. but is duplicated all over the Province wherever bees happen to be kept.

To cite another case reported in 1908 from a different part of the Province: It was an area of eight thousand four hundred acres. Ten thousand dol lars' worth of alsike seed was sold, be

sides a quantity of red clover and alfalfa. The honey sold for three thou sand five hundred dollars, and was considered only half a crop. From the land sown with seed the value produced from honey and seed would exceed the price of land per acre. My informant, who is a reliable business man, concludes his letter tersely with these words: "This shows a great source of wealth"

But why this great secretion of honey-producing nectar? And what has it to do with the seed crop? Every nectar-bearing flower depends more or farmer who does not look after his nectar; his fruit and seed crop suffer severely, and an important by-product is wasted

It is not necessary to explain here how "bees are the marriage priests of the flowers." Many agencies are employed by nature to carry pollen from flower to flower. Nectar-loving winged insects play a most important part. None of these are so directly under human control as honey bees. Others may or may not do the work properly, according to weather conditions, and the numbers in which they chance to



A DAINTY DISH, Courtesy of W. Z. Hutchinson, Flint, Mich.

less on insects for the fertilization of its seed. It offers them sweet nectar as an inducement to come and do their work. If they fail to accept the offer the flower is the loser, as seed fertiliza tion will be restricted or utterly fail. Nectar is of no value to the plant aside from its mission of insect bait. It rises from day to day when weather condi tions are favorable, like water in a spring. If no insect happens along to take it at the right moment, it evapor ates or is washed out by dew and shower. As the raw material from which honey is made it is quite valu able. Hence a double loss befalls the

inhabit a given territory, but it is within the power of every farmer to place hives of bees in his orchard, or close to his clover fields, in such numbers that they are sure to visit every flower. Being right at hand, they will take advantage of even an hour's sunshine in unfavorable weather, to get out and fertilize the blossoms which wild insects might never find. This is right in line with the control of natural agencies so valuable in scientific agriculture.

Looking at the other end of the business the market for honey is only in its infancy. The general public scarcely

know that honey exists as one of the daintiest table delicacies. Why is this? It is because no "Sweetheart of the Clover Blossom" smiles down at the public from the street car gallery of art; no fair maid in large proportions looks wistfully from the passing bill board sighing for "A Husband Who Will Always Come Home to his Honey"; though it might tempt the average man more than some of the inducements offered.

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a little printers' ink were used? An in creased production with judicious ad vertising would put the market in an even more healthy condition, with honey as an all-year-round staple. When buyers can pick up a carload in one neighborhood and go over into the next and do the same, they can afford to go after it in a way that they can not now. Several individual producers are in a position to ship one or two cars annually, but there is plenty of room for growth in this line. Of course the next feature is co-operative



PROFESSOR H. A. SURFACE, OF PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY, AND HIS STUDENTS IN AGRICULTURE.

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higher praise for its product than the statement,-false, by the way-that it is "better than honey." The honey producer, quite sure of his goods, re mains modestly silent. Why should he not, forsooth? His capital invest ment is turning him annual dividends of 50% and over. His product is not per ishable; if he does not get a fair price this year he can store it in a dry, warm place, with no expense or risk for cold storage, until prices rise a little. As a matter of fact the market is cleaned up annually before maple syrup comes in. When this is the case with no adver tising whatever, what would happen if

selling, but that is another story too long for this article.

The Ontario farmer has yet much to learn about handling his nectar crop. No enterprising harvester company has patented delicate tools that would collect it from the flowers. He must depend on domesticated insects for that. And let me say in passing, bees are not such terrible things to have about as many seem to think. They will defend their homes, like any patriotic citizens, and sometimes, also like the patriotic citizens, think their homes are in danger when they are not. But after all, they have not done one thou

sandth as much damage to human life and limb as the horse, and do more val uable work in proportion to their size.

However, the farmer does not need to manage his own fertilizing, any more than he needs to make his own shoes. If he does not care to have bees on the place he can encourage his neighbor who does, by cheerfully giving the nectar of his blossoms as a small return for his big crop of clover seed or buckwheat or fruit, which would be far less certain without the neighboring apiary.

Hives of bees at present are ridicul ously cheap, for those who know how to handle them—and dear enough for those who have no experience, and are liable to lose them all next winter. There is so little difference between the price paid for a colony in the spring, and the profit one with experience can reasonably expect from it the coming summer, that scarcely any bees are sold in Ontario except in cases of death or business changes We are frequent ly asked if the College has bees to sell. The answer always is "No, get

them as near home as possible, start with not more than two or three colonies, and always have them examined by an experienced person, preferably one of the government inspectors of apiaries, to be sure they are in good condition and free from disease."

While O. A. College does not sell bees or distribute any apiary material, it provides a course of lectures in Scientific Apiculture to the students of the first year, by a man who has been acquainted with bees from infancy. and has learned to know them like the boy on a successful dairy farm knows cows. A college apiary is likely to be established soon, for experimental work and practical instruction. Local inspection of apiaries for the eradica tion of foul brood is being pushed by the Ontario Department of Agricul ture. Co-operative experiments in Api culture are being taken up in earnest by the Agricultural and Experimental Union. The work will continue to grow about as fast as the industry ad vances in the Province.



DRONE, QUEEN AND WORKER BEE.

"Ye Ancient Gayme of Chesse"

B. BIGGAR, '13.

HESS is but a game, a relaxation, an intellectual pastime, yet it has devotees in every clime. It numbers amongst its enthus is the greatest names that have from time immemorial gone to make history; it tells of statesmen, sculptors, warriors, poets, painters, philosophers, and divines: it possesses a literature and language of its own, makes ene mies friends, and is welcomed where ever there is human habitation, whe ther on the ocean, in the fortress or by the peaceful fireside.

Chess is commonly supposed to be a very difficult game to learn, but this is a great mistake; the value and moves of the several pieces may be learned in half an hour, and constant practice for a week will evoke sufficient skill to afford pleasure to both pupil and tutor; six months' constant practice with a good player should go to make a fairly competent player as players go now-adays. Of course, the word competent by no means signifies "expert,"-an ex pert chess player, like an expert violin ist, can never be absolutely perfect, and constant practice alone can change an intelligent novice into a brilliant ex ponent of the game.

The origin of the game is doubtful and is almost lost in obscurity, a fact which has rather invited than repelled learned speculations on the subject. The invention of the pastime has been variously ascribed to nearly a score of nations and races, including the Greeks, Romans, Babylonians, Scythians, Egyptians, Jews, Persians, Chinese, Hindus, Arabians, Castilians, Irish and Welsh, whilst some have

gone so far as to fix upon particular in dividuals, as King Solomon, Shem, Xerxes the Great, Attalus (who died 200 B. C.), the mandarin Hansing, and many others too numerous to mention. Of all these, however, only two have strong enough proofs to justify any ar guments at all-the Chinese and the Hindus. The supporters of the former claim that chess, called in their tongue Chong-Ki (which means the Royal game) was invented in the reign of Kao-Tsu (afterwards Emperor of Kiangnah) by a mandarin named Han sing, who was in command of an army invading the Shensi country and who wanted to amuse his soldiers when in winter quarters, so that they might no longer clamour to return home. This was in 174 B. C. Another theory maintains that the above story is true, but states that the name was not Chong-Ki but Choke-Choo-Hong-Ki, which means, "the play of the science of war." Unfortunately these theories, whilst being somewhat romantic, can not be guaranteed. The view, however, which has been most seriously put for ward, and which has obtained the most credence, is that which attributes the origin of chess to the Hindus. Sir William Jones, who was a profound Sanskrit scholar, in an essay on chess (Asiatic Researches) argues that Hin dustan was the cradle of chess, the game having been known there from time immemorial by the name of Cha turanga, that is, the four members of an army compiled of elephants, horses, chariots, and foot soldiers. Van der Linde, the great Dutch enthusiast and author, agreeing with the above the

ory, adds that the Buddhists-whose religion has been prevalent in India from the third century-held that war and the slaying of one's fellowman for any purpose whatever was criminal. and that the punishment of the warrior in the next world was much worse than that of the simple murderer, so that they therefore ministered to the combative propensities of human nature by in venting the bloodless warfare of chess as a harmless imitation of, and a sub stitute for, the carnage of the battle Altogether, therefore, we find the best authorities agreeing that chess existed in India before it is known to have been played anywhere else, a fact which naturally leads them to fix upon that country as its probable birth place.

As to how chess was introduced into Europe nothing is really known. The Spaniards very likely received it from their Moslem conquerors; the Italians not improbably from the Byzantines, and in either case it would pass north wards to France, going on thence to England. Some say that chess was introduced into Europe at the time of the Crusades, the theory being that the Christian warriors learned to play it at Constantinople. This supposition is negatived by a curious epistle of Card inal Damianus, bishop of Ostia, to Pope Alexander II., written about 1061, A. D., which, if we assume its authenti city, shows that chess was known in Italy before the date of the first cru sade. The Cardinal, as it seems, had imposed a penance upon a bishop whom he had found diverting himself at chess; and in his letter to the Pope he repeats the language he had held to the erring prelate, viz.: "Was it right, I say, and consistent with thy duty to sport away thy evenings amidst the

vanity of chess, and defile the hand which offers up the body of the Lord, the tongue that mediates between God and man, with the pollution of a sacri ligious game?" Following up the same idea the statutes of the Church of Spain at that time say "Clerks playing at dice or chess shall be (ipso facto) excommunicated."

However, this was at the time of the Norman Conquest, and chess is no longer thought to be a vice, nor is one held to be in peril of the "fiery furnace" or eternal damnation hereafter through playing the game. Concerning chess in England there is the usual minglemangle of the legendary and the possib ly true. Carlyle in his "Early Kings of Norway" relates that as Canute was playing at chess with Earl Ulfr a quar rel arose which resulted in the latter upsetting the board, with the further consequences of his being murdered in a church a few days afterwards by Canute's orders. This story is gener ally treated as a fable and when one calls to mind the nobleness of the great-minded Dane, it certainly seems very inconsistent with his character. In any case, the origin and subsequent development of the game are wrapped in mystery. We cannot tell what form it originally took, nor what changes it underwent in the course of years. But like many other ancient games it has survived to the present and probably occupies a far more important place in the recreations of modern man than it ever did in the past. It possesses the elements of strife necessary to imbue it with interest for the average man, and in addition constitutes in itself a mindtraining far more efficacious than many of the subjects taught in our schools and colleges to-day.

Milking Machines

W. J. ELLIOTT MONTANA AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

HE milking machine has been in use for the past three years at the Montana Agricultural Col lege, where on the whole it has given splendid success. With a herd of twenty-five milk cows, we would strongly urge a farmer to install the milking machine, but with less than this number, we doubt if it would be paying proposition. When we started with the milking machine the question with us was simply this; "Will it pay the ordinary farm to in stall the milking machine?"

During the time of its use, we have found odd cows that do not take kindly to this mode of milking, but on the whole the results were very favorable. We believe that the best results of all can be obtained where the milking ma chine is started on heifers with their first calf. These young animals seem to take to this method of milking very readily and appear to give the natural flow of milk with a good per cent. of butter fat. Of course there is always a question that presents itself, and that is, "Would the heifers have done better by hand milking?" Unfortunately it is not possible to milk by hand and at the same time milk by machinery, and therefore that question must remain unanswered. Yet, taking everything into consideration, we recommend the milking machine for large herds.

It will depend somewhat, however, on the man who is handling the milker. Every one knows that it is possible to hire men who have no adapta bility for handling the ordinary machinery of the farm; such men would not be successful with a milking

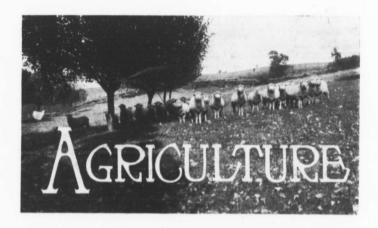
machine. It will take a man who has some mechanical ideas, although the milking machine is not difficult to operate: He must study each individual cow and watch closely the effect of the milking upon the milk flow and per cent. of fat.

There is economy of time in milk ing by machinery, as one man with a two-horse gasoline engine and eight cow milker can care for thirty cows per hour; and when we consider the fact, that in the West, competent help is very hard to secure and very uncertain when secured, then the milk ing machine is certainly a boon for the dairyman.

The cost of equipment is not exorbitant, as a six-cow milker with vacuum tank, pump, etc., may be installed for about \$350. Many letters are received asking if the milking machine does not injure the cows and make them give bloody milk. We have never found the least indication of anything of this kind and if we can judge by the appearance of the cow, she likes the machine milking fully as well, if not better, than hand milking.

The milk has also been tested in a sanitary way and while the ordinary milk of commerce contains some 30,000 germs per c. c., machine drawn milk contained as few as 8,000 to 12,000 per c. c.

Taking it altogether, where there is the proper man to care for the milking machine, we consider it very much superior to hand milking, particularly so with regard to economy of time, and also with regard to the independ ence it lends to the hitherto, drudgery of dairying.



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J. B. SPENCER, B.S.A.

URING the past three decades while agriculture as a whole has been keeping pace with the rapid march of the other industries of Canada, one branch of it has fallen be hind. Wheat growing areas have ex panded, horses, cattle and swine have increased in numbers and improved in quality, but for some reason, difficult to understand, sheep raising has more than lagged; it has actually receded from the position it occupied many years ago. In face of the fact that large flocks have been established in western provinces, the numbers in Canada have gone back some two hundred thousand since 1880. In a general way two chief causes are blamed for the indifference of stock raisers towards the sheep-1st. the expansion of dairying, and 2nd, the roving dog, and to these may be added the advent of the wire fence, but even

then the principal backward "pull" has not been mentioned. While Canadian farms were held principally by men born in the Mother Land, sympathy was given the "Golden Hoof," but with the passing of these former servants and tenants born and reared amidst the mutton flocks of the Old World, there disappeared many of the shepherds of Canada. To men devoid by nature of the instincts of the shepherd, and by experi ence untrained in the care of sheep, a flock of these profitable animals may easily become a burden and a nuisance. The natural timidity of the sheep calls for the protection of man, and where the owner or attendant repels instead of attracts the flock by his presence the good terms between proprietor and property necessary for both, is never allowed to develop. The flock is then likely to become a nuisance, fleeing as

if pursued instead of answering the call of the shepherd, as one sees exemplified on the farms of the few flockmasters of the present day. No other class of stock responds so readily to the mas ter's voice as a flock on good terms

of the lambs before cold weather. In a measure this suits the buyers very well as it gives them a winter's supply of "lamb," frozen lamb; actually frozen lamb,—the sort that the English buyer pays less for than for any other class



IDEAL TYPE OF MUTTON SHEEP

with its shepherd. To witness this in Canada it is necessary to visit the pure bred flocks.

The average mutton raiser gives little attention to his sheep. He seldom sees them during the summer, and gives them little consideration during the winter months. His object is to get a crop of lambs to dispose of along with the rush in the autumn, and to be able to market a fleece from each adult dur ing the summer. Quality in either is not provided for, with the certain result that profit is more a matter of climatic influence than management. Trace al most any flock of lambs marketed in October and November to its source and the conditions described will be surely discovered.

It is a remarkable fact that the great bulk of Canadian lambs are marketed off the grass, and grass alone, in au tumn. Because of the neglect of the simple operation of emasculation, own ers get into a feverish haste to get rid

of meat. Often it is not as good as frozen Australian or New Zealand mutton for the reason that it is both lean and thin, much like bacon from un finished pigs, and known in the Eng lish trade as "skin and grief." Can adians ought to be able to get good mutton or lamb at any season of the year. We have only mutton breeds, except on the ranges of the west, and our feeders know well how to make good beef and pork, but still house holders of our cities have to accept from fall to summer frozen mutton of poor quality, or none at all. It is true many do not know what good mutton is, nor will they ever learn until there is brought about a decided change in the system of preparing and marketing sheep for the block.

Our wool occupies a poor position even in regard to our own mills. In many cases no care is given to the con dition of the wool. During the winter the fleeces are allowed to become fouled

with chaff, dust, etc., and in the sum mer and autumn with burrs. Shearing is frequently done in unclean places and the trimming off of foul locks be fore rolling up the fleece is neglected. The wool is too often marketed through the village store where a uniform price for all classes is paid, so that when the warehouse of the wholesale is reached the whole stock is of a low average quality, so low, in fact, that the Can adian mill man would rather buy in England the exact grade he needs, pay a small duty, if necessary, to get it, and not bother with the mixed and dirty home-grown product.

It is, therefore, not surprising that the sheep industry in Canada has not kept pace with the other branches of the live stock industry. It has been, and is, neglected by the average farmer. The owners of pure bred flocks hold up their end fairly well because they are shepherds, but the every-day mutton raiser leaves much to be desired.

The situation places a duty upon the ex-students of the College. It is not enough that he tells his neighbors how

promise. If he is near a good city mar ket his lambs should come in February or March, to be sold off during the summer. If otherwise situated May lambs are early enough, as no extra feeding is needed and the flock will go immediately to grass-the best and sai est milking food, and this will insure rapid growth. No male lamb should escape the surgeon's knife, and no lamb need be sold in the autumn dur ing the "glut" period. Let them be weaned in August, fed well during the fall on such foods as rape, clover, etc., and after winter sets in a month or two of grain feeding will "fit" them as cattle and pigs are fitted, in which condition they will bring a consider able premium over the top quoted mar ket prices, and the demand will keep away ahead of the supply as it always does for products of the highest qual ity. Given such mutton, and the city householder will buy it just as fre quently as beef, instead of very occa sionally as at present, by way of change.

The quoted price for Canadian wool



SHROPSHIRE SHEEP IN SPRING.

the job should be done. If he has any inclination whatever to raise sheep he should establish a flock of lusty ewes and head it with a carefully selected, well-bred ram. Such a combination should give a crop of lambs of first rate

is not attractive, but it represents only the value of the average, and not that of a good, clean fleece. Many an own er of a pure bred flock has long since ceased to send his clip to the general market. By virtue of its condition it

is attractive to the millman, to whom it is sold direct at a price never quoted in the market reports. It is more valu able, not so much because the wool is from pure bred sheep, but because it has been produced under the care of a shepherd.

Ex-students have awaiting them in

many districts an opportunity to de monstrate that sheep raising is not only pleasant and easy, but also highly pro fitable. Unless such demonstrations are made thousands of farmers will never understand that sheep are any thing more than of little or no account for the average Canadian farm.

THE WHITE CANOE.

There's a whisper of life in the gray dead trees, And a murmuring wash on the shore, And a breath of the south in the loitering breeze,

To tell that a winter is o'er.

While, free at last, from its fetters of ice, The river is clear and blue.

And cries with a tremulous, quivering voice For the launch of the White Canoe.

Oh, gently the ripples will kiss her side, And tenderly bear her on;

For she is the wandering phantom bride Of the river she rests upon:

She is loved with a love that cannot forget, A passion so strong and true

That never a billow has risen yet To peril the White Canoe.

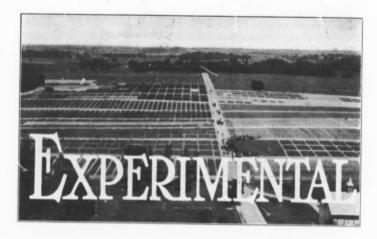
So come when the moon is enthroned in the sky, And the echoes are sweet and low,

And Nature is full of the mystery That none but her children know.

Come, taste of the rest that the weary crave, But is only revealed to a few:

When there's trouble on shore, there's peace on the wave, Affoat in the White Canoe.

-. Alan Sullivan.



Experimental Research With Tobacco

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HILE tobacco is the principal experimented with some of the leading varieties of corn and cereals are being tested. The rotation adopted is clover, corn, tobacco and cereals-principally wheat. The increasing demand for Canadian leaf and the prevailing high prices dur ing 1908 and 1909, lead us to predict a broad extension in the area devoted to the crop. The following experiments give ample proof that the farmer in Southwestern Ontario can make a hand some profit out of tobacco as a com plement to corn growing and hog rais ing.

Plant Bed Experiments.

The object of this work was to find the best method of rearing hardy, growthy plants. The beds were established according to the following methods: hot bed covered with glass; coldbed with glass covering; cold-bed with cotton cover-top; cold bed with differ ent proportions of plant bed fertilizer applied; the same kind of cold bed with glass covering, but without any fertilizer. All the beds received the same care, and were sown on April 16; the soil did not vary in physical composition.

Summarizing the results, the plants grown in the cold bed under glass were about two weeks earlier than those grown under cotton. The tempera ture ranged from 9 degrees Fah, higher in the morning to 27 degrees Fah, higher in the evening, under the glass, as compared with the cotton. For slow growing varieties the glass covering was the surest method, particularly during a cold, backward spring like that of 1909. There was no appreciable difference in the thrift and robustness of the plants under cotton as compared with the glass covering.

Field Tests of the Different Varieties of Cigar Tobacco.

The following kinds of cigar leaf were tested on plots of one acre in extent; Comstock Spanish for binder purposes, while Cuban and Hazlewood were tried as filler types. These latter two varieties were topped at 10 to 15 leaves, according to the strength of the plant. In the two latter kinds the leaf was quite small, being characteristic of the variety, while the yield was

The soil was thoroughly worked up before planting and farmyard manure at the rate of 10 to 12 loads per acre was applied. The planting was carried on from June 5 to June 11. The smaller growing varieties were planted 3 feet between the rows and 17 inches in the row; while a smaller area was planted at 21 inches in the row. The closer planting was preferable in the case of Comstock Spanish, Hazlewood and Cuban, since the yield was larger



ORDINARY CURING BARN.

875 lbs. per acre. After the complete sweating or fermentation, the aroma and particularly the flavor should excell all other cigar filler types. The Comstock Spanish gave a leaf thin in texture, and yielded 1,000 lbs. per acre. A more promising filler type variety tested was the Big Havana. The estimated yield for this season was 1,550 lbs. per acre. Other varieties of cigar tobacco tested on a smaller scale were Connecticut Broad Leaf, Connecticut Havana and Big Ohio.

and the leaf of better quality. The harvesting was completed from Aug. 21 to Aug. 25; the greater part of the cigar tobacco was cut just when the top leaves were showing the greenish yellow spots.

Curing and Grading.

All the above varieties were air cured in the ordinary air curing barns (see illustration No. 1). The barn was kept rather tightly closed during the first stages to prevent too rapid drying out. When the leaf developed the yellow cast and the brown color be gan to appear the ventilation was in reased and the humidity decreased by opening the ventilators. The cigar to baccos have air cured a very uniform color, and the thin texture and the elasticity of the tissue bear the closest examination.

The following grades were made in stripping: The first known as "wrap per," included the best leaves, all damaged, discolored ones being kept out. The second grade included the top leaves, known as "fillers." The third grade comprised the sand leaves, and all damaged members not included in the above classes.

Fertilizer Experiments with Improved Broad Leaf Burley.

An acre of even soil texture was divided into six plots of equal size. They were prepared in the same man ner, planted June 9, with the same type of plants. To each plot different combinations of sulphate of potash, sulphate of ammonia and superphos phate were applied broadcast at the rate of 375 lbs. per acre of the first, 625 lbs per acre of the second, and 375 lbs. per acre of the last mentioned. They were applied to the different plots in the following combinations with and without barnyard manure:

Plot 1. Barnyard manure, 15 to 18 per acre. Complete fertilizer.

Plot 2. Barnyard manure, 10 tons per acre.

Plot 3. Check plot, no manure, no fertilizer.

Plot 4. Sulphate of potash, sul phate of ammonia.

Plot. 5. Sulphate of potash, super phosphate.

Plot. 6. Sulphate of ammonia, superphosphate.

As shown by the above table the experiment was planned to find out: First, the necessity of using barnyard manure; Second, the influence of chem ical fertilizer; Third, the demands of the crop and the particular elementlacking in the soil.

The information to be gathered from the field observations was as follows:

The check plot, where no fertilizer or manure was applied, gave very poor results, indicating that the soil required either fertilizer or manure. The pot ash and ammonia plot gave a very large yield, indicating that the Burley plant required a large supply of these two ingredients and that the soil was deficient in them. Quite a large per



HOUSE FOR THE FLUE CURING PROCESS, SHOWING FLUES.

centage of leaves on this plot measured over 40 inches in length. The complete fertilizer and manure plot was a very close second, and the close observer could not detect any advantage in this plot over the former. The manure plot gave better results than the check plot, indicating that the soil required manure. The other two plots numbered 5 and 6 did not show the luxuriant growth and the healthy appearance we would like to see. Number 5 gave a larger leaf than No. 6, in

dicating that potash was a very essential ingredient in the production of a successful crop of Burley.

The following table gives the yields per acre, the cost of the fertilizer and manure, the value of the crop at 15 cents per lb., the present market price, and the net receipts from each plot. The cost of the fertilizer was figured from prices furnished by a leading fer tilizer company. Farmyard manure was valued at \$1.00 per ton:

Number of Plot.	Vield Per Acre.	Value of Crop Per Acre.	Cost of Fertilizer Per Acre.	Cost of Manure Per Acre.	Net Value of Crop Per Acre.
1	. 2424	\$363 60	\$29 18	\$15 00	\$319 42
2	1722	258 30		10 00	248 30
3	1188	178 20			178 20
4	2328	349 20	26 00		323 20
5	1416	211 40	12 93		198 47
6	1434	215 10	19 43		195 67

A close examination of this table will reveal some interesting points which have been partially discussed in the notes on the field observations. While a heavy application of fertilizer was applied in most cases, still the largest net returns were obtained in these instances. It will be interesting to note that Plot 4 gave more economical returns than Plot 1, although the former gave a larger yield per acre. However, final conclusions must not be drawn from a single experiment; the grower should experiment for him self to find out the needs of his particular soil.

Flue Curing Experiments.

Three and a-half acres of Virginia leaf, known as yellow tobacco, were planted with three of the leading varieties, namely: Little Oronoko, Yellow Oronoko and Warne (See illustration No. 3).

One of the special features connect ed with this tobacco was the method of curing. The object was to develop a lemon yellow color, and at the same time have a rich oily leaf of fine tex ture, not prominent in the yeins, in



FIELD OF VIRGINIA LEAF.

short, a bright wrapper for plug pur poses.

To this end special kilns, 20 feet by 20 feet, were built. Two furnaces 6 feet in length, with a 12-inch iron pipe connected to each distributed the heat evenly throughout the building (See illustration No. 2).

The curing process was completed in from three to five days through the use of artificial heat. The degree of heat maintained varied with the condition of the tobacco and the prevailing climatic conditions. It is sufficient to state that the same method cannot be applied successfully in every particular case.

The following formula was the one adopted by the expert in charge. This formula was based on the temperature but the condition of the tobacco was watched as closely as the ther mometer.

Yellowing the leaf, 80° Fah. for 24 hours; 90-100° Fah. for 6 hours.

Sapping the leaf, 110° Fah. for 15 hours.

Setting the color, 120° Fah. for 16 hours.

Drying the leaf, 130° Fah. for 6 hours; 140° Fah. for 12 hours.

Drying the stem, 150-160° Fah. for 12 hours.

Drying the stalk, 180-200° Fah. for 12 hours.

The results obtained this season were quite encouraging; a fair per centage of the best grades being on tained from the different curings. The following classes were made at the stripping time: First, wrappers, con sisting of the most perfect leaves; Second, cutters, leaves deficient in color and inferior in quality to wrap pers, includes the mixed bright red and the dark red types lacking in body: Third, smokers, comprising leaves and those lighter in body than cutters. The gross return from this to bacco was \$230 per acre. There was no outlay for manure and the cost for fuel and fertilizer did not exceed \$10 per acre.

Seed Selection.

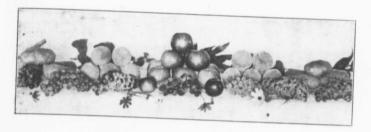
Over 500 plants from the different varieties were selected and a paper bag placed over the flower at the proper stage of development to prevent cross fertilization (see illustration No. 3). By this method uniform pure seed, true to type, was produced for general distribution amongst the farmers.

HEPATICAS.

The trees to their innermost marrow Are touched by the sun; The robin is here and the sparrow; Spring is begun!

The sleep and the silence are over; The petals that rise Are the eyelids of earth that uncover Her numberless eyes.

-Archibald Lampman.



Horticulture

Thinning Fruit

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[The two articles appearing in this department are addresses which were delivered at the Short Course in Fruit Growing at the O. A. College, Jan. 25 to Feb. 4, 1910.—Ed.]

THE idea of thinning fruit is new with us here in Ontario, al though it has been carried on for several years with marked success in the Western States.

My three years' experience leads me to believe that thinning is fully as important and profitable as either good fertilizing and working, or the spraying of the orchard. Judicious pruning will help, but cannot take the place of thinning.

We may ask, why do we thin? In the first place the remaining apples are larger, more uniform and better colored. In the second place thinning encourages annual bearing. The tree does not have its vitality lowered by overcropping, from which it takes two or three years to recover. Scientists tell us that the bulk of the tree's energy is expended in the developing and maturing of the seeds and core of the apple; the pulp is nearly all mois ture with a little humus. I am satisfied I lost ten prime Baldwin trees during

the very cold winter we had a few years ago, by letting them overbear the previous season.

The fertility of the orchard is not wasted in growing culls, there being practically no cider apples and but few No. 2. We may also add the time saved by not having a quantity of in ferior fruit to pick, sort, and draw in the rush of the season.

I commence to thin during any spare time I have when the young apples are about the size of strawber ries. I just snip the fruit off with the thumb-nail, first taking any that are imperfect and then the smaller ones. If some of the fruit is in thick clusters, thin these severely so as to leave the load fairly even over the whole tree. On account of the way I am situated I thin largely for size. This is what I require. Both the surface and subsoil of the land my orchard is on is very light and dry. If the land was of bet ter quality I would thin more for dis tance.

In the season of 1907 I thinned one hundred trees. I commenced in a block of ten Snows, ten Wagners and forty Golden Russets, which were all well laden; I removed one-third of the fruit from all but two, leaving these two for comparison. In another lot of forty Northern Spys there were six very heavily laden. I left two of these unthinned: from two I removed one-third of the fruit and from the other two I removed two-thirds of the crop. The remaining thirty-four trees were well filled. I took off one-third from all but two: these two were left unthinned for comparison. Part of them I finished at one picking and part I went over twice.

In looking over the work of the summer I found: 1st. Until one is fa miliar with the work, and there is much fruit to remove, it is better to thin twice than once, the second thin ning following about three weeks after the first. It requires about that time for the result of the first work to de velop. 2nd. On my light land, it is not quite enough to thin off only one-third of the fruit; when trees are heavily loaded one-half is better. On good soil I would only thin one-third. I would experiment on a few by remov ing one-half and comparing results. 3rd. To remove two-thirds of the crop is the extreme limit; fruit is then liable to be overgrown and coarse.

Of the two trees of Spys which were unthinned and so heavily laden, not 20% would pass No. 1; not over one half of the remainder were even good No. 2 quality. In the case of the two trees where two-thirds were taken off, 95% would go No. 1. On account of the desperate weather conditions which prevailed, these were not sorted separ ately, but even after they were quite

badly frozen, the whole lot sorted about 70% No. 1.

In the season of 1908 the crop was not so plentiful; many of my trees re quired thinning only once. I had a good object lesson on a block of about twenty trees of Baldwins. These were very high so I neglected going over them. Among these were two trees vielding a very full crop, and when a came to pick them, fully one-third were nothing but culls, and the No. 1's were only 20% of the whole. They were green looking and barely up to the standard, while on the trees close beside them bearing one-third of the crop, the fruit was grand, 70% No. 1. These last mentioned trees also real ized as much money with one-half the work. I am fully convinced that had I spent four hours work thinning on the two over-cropped trees, my profit would have been \$3.00 more. Again, these trees had no apples on this last fall: the other eighteen were well filled.

Leaving out the twenty Baldwin trees, I thinned all the other varieties but the Ben Davis thoroughly; I was afraid of the commercial value of these. They were well filled, but not being attended to, one-half were No. 2. Right beside them the other varieties, carrying just a medium load, gave 80% No. 1, with one good thinning.

The only other kind well filled were six trees of Snow apples. These I thinned twice, removing altogether one half of the fruit. These trees did not average quite eleven inches through the body two feet up from the ground. They cleaned up forty-four boxes and three and a quarter barrels of No. 2. Those of you who are versed in box ing apples know that only a superior grade of No. 1 is used. If they were sorted in the ordinary way, I would

probably have had but one barrel of No. 2. I think this result can be at tributed to thinning, because all of the orchard had the same cultivation and care.

This last season my orchard, in nearly every particular, was again well loaded. There were only two trees among nearly three hundred so heavily laden I thought best to take off as as one-half of the fruit. Most of the trees required only one fourth of the fruit removed to make the remainder nearly all No 1. For pri vate use I gathered from four young trees of Northern Spys twelve barrels No. 1, and three barrels of No. 2 fruit. with not a bushel of culls. The per centage of No. 1 is not over fifty in the average Northern Spy orchard this year in this section.

My fruit for the last few years was sent to the co-operative packing-house of the "Oshawa Fruit Growers." I copied their report in this essay in giving you the grades of the fruit. This last season I bought a quantity of apples. After seeing a report of the selling returns I don't know whether I am glad I bought or not. This fruit was all mixed with the apples from my orchard thus making the sorter's report non-effective.

As to the cost of thinning, one man can, while working on a ladder around the tree, oversee two boys in the cen ter and two women working on step ladders around the base, at an average cost of ten cents an hour each. These five workers should pick off fully as many apples as five good pickers in the fall for the same time. In other words, it costs ten cents to remove a barrel of apples in the summer. An average picker should pick a barrel an hour.

Figuring on the basis of the fruit gathered in the fall, it should not cost more than five cents per barrel to thoroughly thin a heavily laden orch ard. To illustrate what I want to bring out, let us take a tree with three barrels of apples on it. We remove one barrel in the summer, that will add five cents per barrel to the cost of producing the two barrels left on the tree. If the tree were so heavily laden that we took off a little more than one-third, or if we went over it twice so as to do the best work, the remaining fruit will increase in size to the extent that five cents will fully cover the cost. I had no trouble in getting emigrant women to help me thin. The weather being warm, the ground dry and no wind, they liked the

By removing one-half the fruit the summer we reduce the work in the fall one-third. When we consider the increased cost of help at picking time. that alone will pay the cost of thinning. With one-third of the work done, we are not compelled to start in the fall before the fruit is thoroughly ripe, and at the same time, we find the thinned fruit has matured and is ready to be picked sooner than it otherwise would have been. I believe any system which will enable us to let the fruit remain on the trees until it has fully matured is of great im portance.

In my three years' experience I have not had a single instance when thin ning has not paid me handsomely. I am getting a good crop yearly from nearly every tree, whereas formerly, in many instances, I had a large crop once in two or three years.

Why is Co-operation Not More Successful Among Farmers?

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THE key to the great future of success with our farmers lies in true systematic co-operation. It is just as much necessary for farmers to join together for their mutual benefit as it is for any other body of people in the world, and nearly everybody else is working in co-operation with others of like occupation. It is necessary to organize, to have written by-laws, and to elect the most interested growers as officers of the organization. The best business manager obtainable should be engaged, the manager may not neces sarily be one of the members.

It is regrettable that farmers' organ izations up to the present time have not been more successful, and we must profit by the mistakes that have been made. There are several reasons why farmers' organizations have not been more successful, the chief of which I will explain to you.

1. Because as a class, farmers, up to the present time, have not learned the necessity of running their farms strict ly upon businss principles, as is cus tomary for a business-man to run his business. The farmer's duty as he sees it, is to till the soil, grow and harvest the hay, grain and other products, and take care of the stock, sell all above what he requires for his own use for cash, and with the cash purchase neces saries and try to put aside a little money each year in the bank. Usually he does not keep any other book than the bank pass book furnished to him by the bank. Business men, as a class, do not run their business in this way. They have learned that it is necessary

to keep books, and in these books to have accounts of every branch of their business, so that they are able to de termine their profits in each depart ment. Some farmers keep accurate books for their farms. Such ones find it a pleasure to do their farming in this business-like way, and are good organizers of farmers' co-operative as sociations, and if members were all of this type, as far as the membership is concerned, it would, without a doubt, be quite satisfactory.

2. We should as farmers try to educate ourselves as to business methods, and we will then learn that farm books are necessary to insure success.

3. Jealousy on the part of individual members, generally caused by suspic ion.

4. Farmers are more self-supporting than men of any other occupation, and this has given them siderable independence, but have been accustomed ing their own affairs, and not paying large profits, salaries or commissions to any one if they know it, and what are considered large profits by the farm er, is looked upon as small profits by the businessman. Therefore, when farmers go into business co-operatively very often they look for a manager who will do their work for the least money rather than one of experience. I know of several instances where a man has accepted a position as manager of an association at a lower rate of commis sion or salary than he knew he could afford to take, but in order to get a Fruit Growers' Association started he

accepted the position to the detriment of both the association and himself. The manager soon finds that the fruit business is not one of pleasure, and when he demands more pay there is al ways someone in the association who is willing to do it at the same old price. which causes a change in the manage ment. A manager's position is a hard one, far harder than that of a general in an army, as the general only has his own army to look after, but the man ager of a Fruit Growers' Association has his own army to look after, also the enemy, as some farmers rather erroneously term the apple buyer.

5. The lack of education along co operative lines, and the necessary ex perience in the purchasing of supplies and the growing and packing of the

very best quality of apples.

6. The packing of the apples very often is very unsatisfactory. should try as far as possible to have each member's apples packed in his presence, so that each can see for him self the quantity of No. 1, No. 2 and cull apples that come out of his orch ard.

7. The farmers have been in the habit of receiving cash for their apples when delivered at the railway station; and they like to receive their cash soon after making the delivery, so my ad vice would be to sell in the fall of the year at packing time and make contracts so that you can settle with your growers as soon as possible.

8. All apples should be pro-rated according to varieties and classes, so that every grower will get full value for his orchard. For instance, Northern Spy and Kings are worth more than Ben Davis or Pewaukees. It would well pay some of our co-oper

ative associations to have their man ager take a trip to Hood River, Oregon, or Grand Junction, Colorado, and visit the co-operative associations there, and learn their business system of co operatively handling their apples; also to visit the large receiving markets and learn what pack is most desirable. The reason co-operation is more successful in the Western States than it is here in the East is because the co-operative associations there are made up of mem bers who are business and professional men.

9. We do not give enough attention and consideration to our home markets.

10. Each and every member and officer of the association should not only keep the printed by-laws of the association to the letter, but should al so enter into the true spirit of co-oper ation by keeping the following unwrit ten by-laws.

(a) The object of this association shall be bringing together several minds united in one idea.

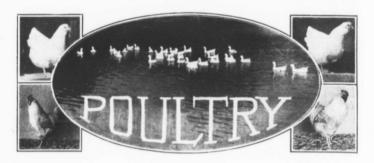
(b) Speak kindly, be true and do right.

(c) All should agree to do all they can towards growing the very best apples and use as much care in the growing, packing and grading of their apples as do the California co-operative orange growers' associations in regard to their oranges.

(d) We are in this business for our mutual benefit. We, however, expect losses as well as gains, but we will stand together.

(e) Do unto others as you would like them to do unto you.

(f) We must not be selfish or have suspicion of one another, but every thing that is done should be done for the good of the whole association, and not for the good of any individual member.



Breed Types

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In Norder to properly fix breed type in the mind of the ordinary observer it becomes necessary to use drawings illustrating and comparing the shapes of different breeds. Even the fanciers and the breeders are better able to grasp the right idea and form the proper conception of what is demanded by our present Standard of

Perfection. they follow this simple method. Certain stand ards have been adopted to which birds must conform to a greater or less extent if they are pass as repre sentatives of the breed. Fan ciers and breed ers have accept

ed these standards and thus type has be come a fixed quality. Each breed should have so distinct and marked a type or shape that it could be easily identified if its head were cut off.

By the use of inanimate objects, such as circles, squares, oblongs and tri angles, the breed type is more readily fixed in the mind of the reader. The Game bird is represented by a heart shape, the body of the Cornish resem bles very closely the shape of an egg, while the Wyandotte to be proper

should fit perfect circle. The idea is that matter which way you turn a Wyan dotte. coming towards going away from you, or viewing him from the side. he should al ways fit a cir

The difference between the Rocks, Wyan dottes, and Rhode Island Reds is shown by the back lengths. You will find that the back lines and the



tail lines of almost every breed are the parts that govern them more than any thing else. In the American breeds

for example, we have a striking illustration what de manded in back lines. The idea is that every breed line of anv breed should be so far removed from the other breed that you can distinguish them if you

should cut off the head. The Wyan dotte is a bird of curves, with a fairly low-set body. The Riode Island is a narrower bird, rather up-standing, with a long horizontal back and a short tail. The Plymouth Rock is deeper and longer in body in order to get the increased weight, in comparison to the Wyandottes and Reds.

The Orpington as a representative of the English breeds has the appearance of a meat

ance of a meat fowl. The hea vy hackle hides the Rock back lines, and he has a fuller tail and shows con siderably less thigh than the Rock. The difference in the breast line gives the Or pington the one-half pound

increase of meat. In this breed the back lines are not the most important, but the body lines are main lines, and the result is greater depth of body. In taking up the Mediterranean classes we notice the close resent

blance in the back lines to the American breeds. Your attention is call ed to the draw ing, which serves to illus trate the dis tinct type in each of these breeds. While the comb is al most consid ered as non-es

sential by some men, yet consider able importance is attached to it in all the Mediterranean breeds. The Standard calls for six points on a Minorca comb while only five are required on the Leghorn. The latter breed has the smallest comb of the two, and it does not follow the shape of the head so much as that of the Minorca. Side sprigs on the comb of any of the single comb breeds disqualifies

them in the show room.

In the Asia tic breeds the type distinction can be more clearly illustrated by using the back lines of the females in stead of the males. The cushion on the back of a Coch in distinguishes

it from the Brahma back, while the Langshan has a very short back and a high tail, thus giving us the three





distinct back lines in the Asiatics. Coming down to the body lines, the Brahma stands up with a good strong

hock and not so much feathering as the Cochin; and a Langshan stands up with less feathering. He should have a tail that is just as high as the top of his comb and his hocks should be straight so that he practically fits a triangle.

In the French breeds there are the Houdans, Crevecouers and La Fleche. The

body of each of these breeds represents a meat fowl par excellence. The back line of the Crevecouers is almost horizontal with the tail, whereas the Houdan has a sloping back with an

abrupt tail. The La Fleche has a very long back with considerable sweep of tail. The body lines of these breeds are very similar.

Only a few of the most import ant breeds have been taken up in this study. There are quite a num ber of other breeds which have not been discuss ed that show the same distinctness



in type as these, with which the ordin ary observer is the most familiar.

Specializing

GEORGE ROBERTSON, OTTAWA.

In searching for a subject on which to write, I decided to use "Spe cializing" as the theme. If it is not as strongly "Poultry" in character as was expected, I ask your indulgence, and promise that at some future time I will try to better gratify your wishes. If, from what follows, you are inclined to think that I am opposed to specializ ing, banish the thought. Nothing is farther from my mind. I heartily ap prove of specializing-within limitsin fact. I think I may claim to be some what of a specialist myself. What I would like to do, would be to make those of my readers, who contemplate specializing on any branch of work, to

stop and think, and not rush blindly into a mistake that so many are mak ing. Have we not all met men and women, who are so engrossed by some comparatively small work-hobbysuch as the mere making of money, that they can talk of nothing else, think of nothing else; and know of nothing else, who seem to think that their little hobby is the centre round which the universe turns. A person of that kind may accomplish some thing, but can never accomplish great things; can never accomplish what he might have accomplished had he not allowed his mind to become warped.

Is specializing a fad? The old say

ing, "Jack of all trades and master of none" carries with it a great deal of truth; but are we not going to the op posite extreme? I am inclined to think so. Has the growing of wheat in the West, to the exclusion of all other crops been a good thing? Surely there can be but one answer. We may argue that conditions made it neces sary, and that as conditions change, mixed farming will gradually take the place of wheat farming. That this change is taking place in the older set tled parts of the West is certainly true. That it will shortly take place in all districts should be the desire of every true citizen. What right has our gen eration to rob posterity of the fertil izer of the land that rightly belongs to it?

The Poultry Department of our Ag ricultural Colleges and Experimental Farms, are, more than ever before, ad vocating the keeping of poultry in con junction with general farming rather than on special poultry plants, which is as it should be. Take, for instance, our fruit belt. I say, unhesitatingly, that every fruit farm should be the home of at least from one hundred to one thousand fowls. Think of the amount of money that might have been made, or rather, putting it on a better basis, of the amount of good whole some food that might have been pro duced in the past few years. Things are going to change in this respect, are changing now. In a few genera tions our children will look back with amazement on the wasteful methods of to-day and remark, as we are inclined to remark at present, on the foolisin ness of their forefathers.

Those of you who are specially in terested in poultry will have noticed in a great many of the advertisements in the poultry press that the advertiser

will claim, "Specialist in such or such a breed," or "only breed kept," until it has come to be a recommendation, and to a certain extent, rightly so. The same applies to poultry judges. There are many who know one breed and make excellent judges of that breed, but the man that has a thorough knowl edge of all breeds is the ideal judge. The Plymouth Rock judge that knows Wyandottes thoroughly will make a better judge of Plymouth Rocks than the judge that knows Plymouth Rocks only, and so on throughout the list of breeds. Always remember this, the more one knows of the world, the more one is able to become cultured, and to take delight in a variety of subjects; the better, clearer, mind one will have for any chosen subject. Specialize, but use common sense in doing it. Keep your minds open, so that you can take interest in other things besides the little hobby you are riding. If that hobby happens to be poultry culture, remember that there are things in the world as beautiful paintings, statuary, music, flowers and that a knowledge of these things will not interfere your hobby, but will help you the bet ter to know it. Remember that the one who can take delight in the color ing of a beautiful painting can also take delight in the coloring of an Indian game; the one who can take de light in the lines of a beautiful statue can also take delight in the lines of a Wyandotte or a Leghorn; the one who can take delight in beautiful music can also enjoy the homely cluck of the mother hen. In conclusion, let me ap peal to you to take up the work that you love, not work that you go into merely to make money. Try to bear in mind that your aim in life is not to have, but to be.

THE O. A. C. REVIEW

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Editorial

The curriculum of the O. A. College requires that third year students shall

Mature Study. devote six weeks following the final examina tions to Nature Study. This clause has not been

strictly adhered to, for in the spring of 1909 the regular Nature Study course was cancelled and students were required to make observations and collections during the summer months. When College reopened in September the Senior Class was required to write an examination, based upon the course as outlined in the curriculum.

Nature Study work is similarly planned for the coming summer. Al though such a method has its disad vantages, yet it has certain advantages over the original course; upon the whole, the present third year considers

the latter arrangement more satisfactory than the specified course.

There is little question but that a course in Nature Study is quite neces sary for students studying for the de gree of B. S. A.; at least such a course is extremely desirable. In past years, however, dissatisfaction with the six weeks' spring course was manifested. It possessed enormous disadvantages for a large percentage of students. Chief of these was that it incurred financial loss in two ways. Besides the expense of the course, there was the loss of two months' wages, which, to many students, means much. There are those, however, whom these objections would not touch; but by investi gation we have been led to believe that the Six Weeks' Nature Study course did nothing for many students beyond

affording them "a good time." Of course "a good time" in itself is not objectionable, but in this particular case the time probably would other wise have been spent to advantage.

When the course for Normal Teach ers was introduced, it was found neces sary to make a change in connection with the Nature Study course, hence the present arrangement which has one decided advantage in that it allows third year students to obtain employment, valuable from the standpoint of both remuneration and experience, for five full months. Less difficulty is experienced in securing employment for the longer period and greater satisfaction is afforded both employer and employee.

The present arrangement has its weak points also. Many students ex perience difficulty in making observa tions and in gathering specimens when thrown upon their own resources. Others are engaged in work which does not permit of time being devoted to Nature Study. There are others again of the more indolent type, who never do today what can be postponed until tomorrow. The result is obvious; a general lack of preparation for the ex amination in September, and then re sulting from these circumstances are evils with which both students and pro fessors are familiar.

The Nature Study course as at present conducted is not satisfactory in that it is not definite. It allows the student too great a latitude and is not restrictive enough. Present circumstances will not conveniently allow the course to proceed as stated in the calendar, which method also has its disadvantages. Just what should be done is difficult to determine, but some definite move should be made in order that the course may retain its popularity.

One of our chief aims for 1910 is to bring the student into closer and more intimate touch with

A More Perfect The Review from understanding both a literary and a business stand

a business stand point. The average student up to the present time has had a very imperfect knowledge of the work involved in printing a magazine of this nature and of the detail of business, which can be learned only by enquiry and investiga tion. With whom does the fault lie? Has it not been the fault of the student body itself? The Review is its proper ty and subject largely to its demands. The fault has apparently been lack of genuine interest on the part of the stu dents, but how can we expect them to possess this interest when they have not been led to consider The Review a students' venture absolutely. Hereto fore the student body has been satis fied to let Review matters look after themselves, or it has left them entirely in the hands The Review staff. This state of affairs has led to some critic ism from members of the student body or even to indefinite charges which have been entirely groundless. In one way this is deplorable, yet wel come from another point of view. We feel confident that if there are opinions in any degree hostile to The Review, they have grown from a lack of definite information upon Review matters. We welcome criticism, however, in that it indicates that interest is awakening amongst the students; evidences of a growing desire to obtain a clearer in sight into the various departments of our work are becoming prominent. This movement has already been mani fested in the appointment of the Con stitution Committee. We expect this to do much towards establishing the

students and The Review upon a more mutual basis.

The student body, however, cannot hope to thoroughly understand The Review situation unless it is to some extent acquainted with the object, his tory and development of their College organ. The object of The Review in the past appears to have been threefold. First, being the property of the stu dent body its object was to voice the general sentiment of the students upon all matters pertaining to the student body as a whole, also to be used in the capacity of a record for events worthy of note, which took place throughout the college year. Secondly, it appears that The Review was expected to act as a link between the Ontario Agricul tural College and all its ex-students. Thirdly, to act as an agricultural medi um for the enlightenment of both stu dents and ex-students upon various important up-to-date agricultural topics. When we consider what the aims of The Review have been, it will aid us in understanding why it has developed from a mere College sheet to a maga zine of its present proportions.

A word or two as to the history of The Review would not here be inoppor tune. The first issue of The Review ap peared in 1888, under the management of H. H. Dean, now Professor of Dairy ing. It was by motion of C. A. Za vitz, our eminent Experimentalist, that the College organ became known as the O. A. C. Review. With its early history are connected the names of such men as H. L. Hutt, G. E. Day, G. C. Creelman, H. R. Ross, N. Mon teith, and many others now holding prominent positions in professional and practical agriculture. To men such as

these is due an enormous share of credit for the present success of our paper. for it was the careful and capable busi ness ability of these men during the days of The Review's gradual develop ment which assured future success. From an extremely small sheet The Review has grown until it now con tains eighty-eight pages for the ordin ary issue, while our special 1909 Christ mas number contained one hundred and twenty pages. It is only a few years since illustrations began to be used to any extent. The December number of 1901 contained two small illustrations, this being The Review's first investment in matter of this kind. Upon our Christmas number for 1909, almost one hundred dollars was spent upon illustrations alone. It is no longer difficult to obtain advertising so that financially we have nothing to fear.

Perhaps these suggestions will be of some service to the students in giving them a more thorough understanding of Review affairs and its development up to the present. We invite enquiry and willingly discuss Review matters without reserve with anyone who is interested. Before the issue of the December number we hope to have established a closer union between the students and their College magazine.

Letter of Resignation.

Editor Review:-

Dear Sir,—I regret that on account of the press of examination work and other things I will be unable to con tinue longer on the Review Staff.

I am, yours very truly,

A. C. Baker.



E smile very broadly on the oc casion of the first roll call in September. At least those of us do who hear for the third or fourth time the words of advice of our worthy President. The advice is sound. There is one annual remark that sympathizes with our funny bone, however. It is that the greater part of our higher agricultural education is gotten from our college life, and not from our study of the sciences. Per haps in after years when we find our selves up against the world, we will see the force of this statement. Whilst special departments of work call for specialists, we must not forget that for every specialist there are of necessity many men of the class called "good all round." These are the men who rarely fail. The first man is dependent upon his speciality; the others are ready for anything,-a Canadian characteris tic.

This institution prides itself on its broad and versatile curriculum. Its boast is justly made: "We turn out good men, and men who make good; therefore it were ill-timed to make remarks regarding the preference of a wide and many-avenued road to a straight and narrow way."

There is one branch of college life, however, in which we have made but in different progress. In athletics, not in general, but in one department, and that department is Football. We used to excuse ourselves because of our lack of trained men. We have forgotten that excuse, because last year's per formances opened our eyes to the fact that we have the goods. We have, but they are not marketable. We are struggling for the light, and we expect to have our eyes opened to the game of football next season, and also to open the eyes of others.

Get the science, if you have to tackle the hired man in the barnyard. Learn to kick the ball, and not to kick when the score is twenty-seven to four. If you have a ten-acre field at the back of your house, buy a Rugby ball. Then, when the seventeenth of September comes, make a place on a team worthy of a college which is first in all else. You will be a remarkable man, because you can call yourself a good all-round specialist.

Oratorical.

Eloquence in thought and expres sion, these are the characteristics of oratory. In the twelfth oratorical con test held in the college gymnasium on the eve of March 5th, the aforementioned essential features were certainly in evidence. Indeed, many different styles of oratory were presented, ranging from the soul-thrilling rhetoric, of



R, FRASER, '10. Winner of Oratorical Contest.

an Antony to the simple eloquence of a Brutus.

The contestants numbered four, and the committee of selection is to be con gratulated on the choice of orators. The judges, Messrs. R. L. Torrance, H. K. Cockin, R. L. McKinnon, after considerable deliberation, placed the contestants in the following order:

I. Mr. R. Fraser, who delivered a strong and forceful oration on "The Canadians of the Future." His speech was clever and was characterized by many beautifully presented word pic tures.

II. Mr. R. Macdonald, who spoke on "Germany and the British Empire."

His command of English was exceptionally good, but his delivery lacked in force. He showed a marked lack of energy for a man of so strong a voice and such fine physique.

Mr. P. C. Dempsey was third with a rather hard subject to clothe in fine language, "The Coming of the Alien." His speech lacked somewhat in finished expression, but was sound and interesting.

Mr. S. J. Neville occupied fourth place, after delivering a splendid ly worded address entitled "Pioneers of the Prairie." Mr. Neville was un fortunate in speaking a little too low. His voice did not reach the back of the gymnasium, and consequently many of his vivid word pictures were unappreciated. The College gymnasium is certainly not a desirable building in which to deliver an address, and it is to be deplored that we have not a more suitable place for our literary meetings.

The musical programme was excellent, and was provided by the following artists: The Misses Kelly, Savage. Peel, Millar and Mr. Chas. Kelly. The College Orchestra also contributed to the success of the evening. At the conclusion of the programme Mr. Fraser was presented with a "Standard Webster's Dictionary," this being the reward of pre-eminence.

Union Literary Society.

A pleasant evening's entertainment was provided by the Union Literary Society on Feb. 26th. The meetings of this present College year have been excellent, and consequently well at tended. This meeting was no exception.

A piano solo by Miss MacDonald was the opening number. Miss Mac donald is a good player and possesses an appreciable amount of expression. Mr. A. McTaggart's reading entitled "Napoleon's Tomb," was very cleverly rendered, and for expression and force of delivery it were hard to find Mr. McTaggart's superior in this institution.

The next offering was a selection by the College Mandolin Club, entitled "Heinze." The number was well re ceived, and received an encore, to which the members of the club replied.

The debate: Resolved, "That Canada would have a greater development by being an independent nation," gave great room for argument.

Mr. J. Millar, leader of the affirmative, representing the Maple Leaf Society, made a strong speech for the resolution, but lacked in force. He wandered somewhat from the subject and had the appearance of being slight ly out of sympathy with his assertions.

Mr. F. E. Ellis, leader of the negative, representing the sister societies, had a thorough knowledge of the subject, but made a mistake in introducing too many new arguments instead of endeavoring to refute those of his opponents. His arguments were reasonable and acceptable.

The supporter of the affirmative, Mr. S. H. Hopkins made a clever speech. Mr. Hopkins, whilst a good man in argument, lacks in presentation of matter. This may be due to nerv ousness, and will be improved upon by experience.

Mr. W. W. Emerson, the supporter of the negative, waxed eloquent in his pleas for his side. His speech, whilst not as argumentative as that of his colleague, was undoubtedly good. A certain monotony of voice and gesture was in evidence. Apart from this Mr. Emerson was a strong upholder of the negative. The subject of the debate may be criticized for its vagueness. This probably accounts for the lack of direct argument bearing on the subject.

The judges awarded the debate to the negative.

Mr. R. Fraser delighted his audience with an instrumental selection from "Princess Betty of Broadway." His clever interpretation called for several encores.

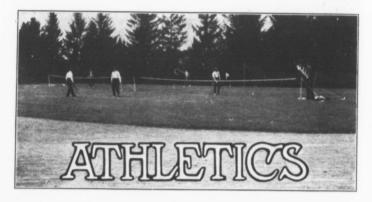
Several selections by that much ill used instrument of music, the mouth organ, were given by the club of that name. They were good.

The critic's remarks, by Prof. Reyn olds, were short but to the point. Much valuable advice was given, and was as suredly well received. The singing of "God Save the King" ended the meeting.

GOOD SPEECH.

Think not because thine inmost heart means well,
Thou hast the freedom of rude speech; sweet words
Are like the voices of returning birds,
Filling the soul with summer, or a bell
That calls the weary and the sick to prayer;
Even as thy thought, so let thy speech be fair.

—Archibald Lampman.



Aquatics

G. H. UNWIN.

T is with great pleasure that we have observed the growing popu larity of swimming at the O. A. College. This year has been a record one as far as this branch of ath letics is concerned, and the tank been well patronized. The success of the polo team has done much to popularize acquatics; but it is well to observe here that the most important progress is that made by the weaker swimmers and begin To those men who never go near the tank and who take no advant age of a chance such as they will prop ably never get again, to these men we could point out instances of students who have become, without great tron ble, expert swimmers, even since the beginning of the term. Indeed, swim ming is not only a recreation, a splen did exercise, but it is also the most practical of all sports. A man who can swim reduces his chances of acci dental death by ten to fifty per cent. His ability to swim is a valuable asset

and will give him that inward confidence and self-reliance which is a constituent of true manliness. Therefore, one word of advice: "Get into the water and learn to swim. Never mind if you swallow a pint or two, keep on going."

This year the College registered with the C. A. S. A. and entered the Ontario Water Polo League, to com pete for the Wainless trophy. The tro phy has been in existence for some time, but interest has languished and nothing much has been heard of it. This season four clubs entered the series, Toronto S. C., 'Varsity, Central Y. M. C. A. and O. A. College. O. A. College won out with three straight games, and the trophy thus comes to the College for the first time in its history. The confidence of the Athle tic committee has been completely justified and we may anticipate a keen struggle next year, when 'Varsity and T. S. C. will try to get their own back.

The following is a detailed account of the games:

Toronto S. C. at O. A. C., Feb. 5.

This game was played in the even ing before a large and interested audi ence, and was, perhaps, the fastest game of the series. T. S. C. scored two goals in the first quarter and one in the second, and things looked bad for the College boys, but they came back strong before half-time, and scored two in succession, leaving the water with the score 3-2 for T. S. C. In the third quarter no goal was scored, but in the fourth the College played all round their opponents, notching four goals to their one, and finishing with a winning score of 6-4. For the College, Harries played his usual untiring, energetic game, but no body stood out conspicuously, the whole team showing excellent form. For the visitors, the goal-keeper starred, saving many a hard shot.

O. A. C. at Y. M. C. A.—College won by default.

Toronto University at O. A. C.

The visit of the 'Varsity team was made the occasion of a regular after noon's entertainment, and an exceed ingly interesting one it proved to be. At 3:30 the teams lined up for the final game of the series, which proved to be the hardest fought of any. Owing to the amount of checking, ducking and holding, the game was not so fast as the previous one, but both teams sailed in with an energy that was un mistakable. 'Varsity drew first blood but College came back twice. From this point on, the game was "ding dong" with the College usually one up, until the last quarter when 'Varsity forged ahead with the score at 7-5. College, however, scored three in suc cession, leaving the issue beyond

doubt and winning with a final score of 9-7. This victory gave them the championship of Ontario, and made them holders of the Wainless trophy.

After the game a friendly contest was held. E. L. Davies, O. A. C., beat McKenzie, the 'Varsity crack, both in the fifty and hundred yards swim. When we consider that McKenzie won both these events against McGill, we can appreciate the merit of this per formance. Barrett, O. A. C., also won the back-swim, after a hard race. 'Varsity won the under-water swim and the long plunge, and also gave a splendid exhibition in fancy diving. Altogether the afternoon was a great success, and was much enjoyed by all. The following table will show the posi tion of the various teams:

T.S.C. T.U. G.A.C. Y.M.C.A.

Lost Won Lost	Won Won Lost	Lost Lost + Lost	Won Won Won	2 Wins I Win 3 Wins 0 Wins
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The following men represented the College: J. Harris (Captain), H. L. Keegan (Manager), S. Rogers, E. Davies, F. Barrett, H. Wearne, C. L. S. Palmer.

A word of thanks to those men who have faithfully toiled and practiced during the season. Polo, as anybody can see, is one of the most strenuous of games. It requires constant practice and hard training. Not only to the members of the team but to all those others who have played and practised without hope of representing the College, is the honor of victory due.

Paris Y. M. C. A. at O. A. C.

A large crowd witnessed a very exciting game of basketball between Paris and O. A. College on the evening of March the twenty-fourth. The game was fast and entirely free from rough

ness but at times somewhat strenuous The combination work of the visitors was excellent and called forth much praise from the spectators. Their shoot ing was excellent also and but for the good work of the College guards would have resulted in a much closer score. On the College team honors were about equal, every man doing his best and playing good ball, but lack of team play and fast, close combination

was in evidence. many long passes being attempted which were inter rupted by the visi tors. This was prob ably due to the fact that the team had never played to gether before. But each man was the "star" of his year team, and the lucky shooting with close checking kept the visitors so much in the back ground that at no time was the result doubtful. Final score, O. A. C., 53; Paris, 27. The following men represented the Col lege: Reed, Culham, Baker, Kennedy and White.

O. A. C. at Woodstock College.

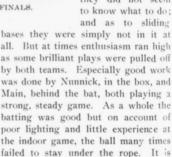
The basketball team played their first game this term away from home with Woodstock College, on February the second. Their gym is comparatively small and poorly lighted, with a track circling the entire structure some distance from the floor. The baskets are attached to this, which makes them some distance from the wall. This

handicapped O.A. College somewhat so that many shots went wild, but the game was fast and clean with very close checking, as the low score indicates. The final score was 28-17 in favor of Woodstock. The same team as above represented the College except that Learmonth replaced Reed.

Baseball at O. A. C.

Indoor baseball with outside teams is a rare treat at the College, so when

Guelph City decided to visit us on the evening of March the eleventh, natur ally a large crowd turned out to wit ness the event. But the lighting in the gym was poor and the visitors, though at times playing good ball, did not come up to expecta tions, so that the game was somewhat of a disappointment, though the result was very satisfac tory to the College. The visitors seemed inexperienced, losing many runs because they did not seem to know what to do: and as to sliding





IN THE FINALS.

hoped by all that many more such games can be arranged with outside teams.

Boxing and Wrestling.

Ideal spring weather seemed to add zest and enthusiasm to the boxing and wrestling tournament this year. The morning was bright and warm and seemed to fill the willing workers with the "energies of spring," as they toiled to lay the mat, prepare the ringside and arrange the seats. And the after noon was just as beautiful, and all trouble was well repaid by the quality of the exhibition given, and the in creased attendance, which shows that this branch of sport is not only in creasing in favor here, but is attract ing some outside attention, as a large number of the town sports enjoyed the afternoon with us this year. The box ing bouts were especially interesting being very fast, and though at times the contestants used their heavy swings to good advantage, the rounds

always ended in the best of humor. The wrestling was hardly up to the standard of last year, but still brought out some men who will make good ones, with a little more training.

Mr. Nixon, as referee, did his work like a veteran, and is to be congratu lated not only on his good work at the ringside but on the success of the meet as a whole. The following are the winners of the different events:

Wrestling—125 pound class: 1, Sor ley, 2 Ward; 135 pound class: 1 Kyona, 2, Webster, 3 Fraser; 145 pound class: 1, Kyona, 2 White, 3 Gardiner; 158 pound class: 1 Baldwin, 2 White, 3 Ellis; over 158 pound class: 1 Walker, 2 Barrett.

Boxing—125 pound class: 1 Rein eckie, 2 Ward; 135 pound class: 1 Petch, 2 Goldney; 145 pound class: 1 Pope, 2 Petch; 158 pound class: 1 Van Sickle, 2 Millar, 3 Wearne; over 158 pound class: 1 Presant, 2 Reed, 3 Bar rett.



IN THE WILDS OF NORTHERN ONTARIO.

Alumni

Some Old Boys

BY "THE PHARISEE."

To those interested in the growing and improvement of field crops, the National Corn Exposition, which was held at Omaha last Decem ber, means as much as does the Live Stock Exposition which was held in Chicago but a few days before, to those interested in live stock. Much might be written regarding this exposition, but that would be aside from the object of this "obituary," as this is intended to deal more directly with the boys who made the show, viz.: Some of the ex-students of the Ontario Agricultural College.

There were a great many, and the result of their labors was on every side. A brief review of some of them would not be out of place.

Professor Thomas Shaw. "the noblest Roman of them all." No doubt many of the boys remember his kindly face and gentle air. For many years an instructor at Guelph, later connect ed with the Minnesota College of Agri culture and really one of the pioneers of agricultural work. His books, such as "Forage Crops other than Grasses," "Clovers," "Grasses," etc., etc., will forever stand as a monument to their author. Professor Shaw has joined forces with J. J. Hill in a campaign for better agriculture, especially along the lines of the Great Northern Railroad. His work is a useful one, and will mean much in developing the West and making the way clear for prospec tive settlers. Professor Robert Shaw,

his son, followed in his dad's footsteps in agriculture, and is now Dean and Director of the Michigan College of Agriculture and Experiment Station. "Bob" is a big man both physically and mentally, and is doing a big work; more power to him.

Happy Alf. Atkinson graduated in 1903 from the O. A. College, and took post graduate work in Agronomy at Ames. He now warms the chair of Agronomy at the Montana Experiment Station, at Bozeman, Mont. He has taken unto himself a wife, sometime since, who was also a Canuck, and a sister of Mrs. Bill Dryden. Alf. was noted at one time for his gastronomical powers, and he still lives up to any previous reputation. He is what might be called a booster, and is quite on to his job as well. From all accounts he has his job beaten a mile, which is no more than we would expect from one of his energetic nature. Speaking of some of the Old Boys, he stated that Willie Hartman, '07, is living up to all previous records for good behavior at the same institution, and at the same time ministering to the physical needs and deformities of the live stock in that State.

To know G. I. Christie, of '02 class, now of Purdue University, in extension work, is to admire him, and at the same time marvel. Christie is either a powerful good man or else he has the Hoosiers pretty badly fooled. They all swear by him at any rate, which is

more than most people can boast. Christie, like Alf., also found him his rib and rejoices in the possession of a small family of one. His wife is a na tive, and according to her husband is the best woman in the world. Before assuming his present position and re sponsibilities, Christie was connected with the Iowa State College in the Soils Department. He has a big work in Indiana, and is getting results which is the main thing after all.

"Dad" Frier, '08, Christie's assistant, is a recent comer into the limelight. Dad is holding up the arms of his chief, and pushing the work in the Extension Department of that univer sity. Dad's beaming countenance is, without doubt, the sublimest expanse north of the Tropic of Capricorn, and his well-fed mien and contented air betoken worldly prosperity and regular hours. His future is before him, but to one with such ability as his it can not help being a most brilliant one.

For a man of profound knowledge and worldly wisdom, "Shorty" Moore house, '02, has all beaten a city block. "Shorty," as his name indicates, is six feet, five or ten inches (an inch or two in his case would not be missed). Okla homa, the newest state in the United States, may well be proud that it has a man of Moorehouse's ability to pilot her along the sea of agricultural con jecture. With such a hand on the helm no fears need ever be entertained regarding the State's ultimate success. "Agriculture," saith the seer, "is the basis of a nation's wealth." Shorty's training and natural ability as an Agron omist will keep his chosen state in the proper course and fortune will continue to smile upon it. Why do you ask, Gwendolyn? Married? Of course not. The idea!

And Mac Cutting was there. Mac

has not changed much, chiefly because perfection once obtained is not soon discarded. "The Farmer," of St. Paul, Minn., is now honored by Mac's ser vices and presence, and as staff corres pondent he is a huge success. He blew in from the north with his usual blassé air, and judging by the ear marks, na ture has dealt kindly with him. Mac states that his work is congenial, pay satisfactory, his friends numerous and kind, an ideal combination for one of nature's noblemen.

This is quite a list, but surely our Old Boys are "a power" in the land of Uncle Sam.

From the Eastern Counties of On tario the O. A. College has received some of her most brilliant and most successful students. Many of these might be mentioned, but since, in this article, we intend to refer to only one of these, other names are needless. The subject of this sketch, W. R. Mother well, first saw the light of day at Perth, in Lanark County, where he received his early education and training. After spending two years at the High School in his native town, he was sent as a County pupil to the Ontario Agricul tural College from which, after a very successful course, he graduated in 1881. Upon graduation there came to him, as there has come to many another young man, the problem of where to locate, and influenced by the general tendency of the times, he decided to go West, going to Brandon. At that time Brandon was the terminus of the C. P. R., but not being satisfied there, he, in company with some few others, con tinued his journey westward along the C. P. R. survey until they reached that fertile tract of land, now known as Pheasant Plains, where they pitched their tents and have since resided.

During the early days of his pioneer life, Motherwell made himself felt as a leader among his fellows, and in 1902 was made President of the newly



HON. W. R. MOTHERWELL.

formed Territorial Grain Growers' As sociation, an organization that has done very much for the Western farmer of to-day. For three years he filled, very acceptably, this position, until in 1905 he received a call to higher

things, being made the first Minister or Agriculture for Saskatchewan. In this position Mr. Motherwell has done much for the cause of agriculture in the dis tricts under his supervision, and is rapidly pushing' the industry to the front.

Besides attending to his duties as Minister, he still devotes considerable of his time to managing his farm. Here by up-to-date methods and steady work, a comfortable and beautiful home has been made. We trust that success will continue to crown our friend's efforts, and that he will still go to greater things in the building up of our Great West.

A. McLaren, B. S. A., '09, has been placed in charge of extension work in Poultry and Dairying at the Georgia State College. At the head of the College is A. M. Soule, B. S. A., formerly of Wentworth County, Ontario.

A member of the 1910 Short Course class in Stock and Seed Judging was R. J. Humprey, who entered College with the class of 1911. Leaving the College before completing his first year Humprey returned to his home near Troy, in Wentworth County, where he is now successfully engaged as a tiller of the soil.



HOME OF HON, W. R. MOTHERWELL.



Physical Education

MRS, F. C. HART.

P to the present time very little is known of the true meaning of "Physical Education" in our part of the country, and even in New York City, outside of Teachers' College, many people do not know any more than that it is a system of exercises which is a part of the regular school programme. It has for the majority of people no more meaning than the old term "Physical Culture," that of gain ing and maintaining bodily strength, an end in itself.

For so long we have given no thought to the subject, so that the change in a word attracts very little attention. We scarcely notice that the word "Edu cation" is used instead of "Culture," but, at last we see the change and be gin to question, why?

The question may be answered in this way, "Physical Culture" had to do with all forms of bodily development, with no thought as to the close relation of mind and body, or their influence over one another; while by using the word Education we place it on a higher level at once. We recognize the unity of mind and body, the one de

pendent on the other for growth and development. Just as the young child by the touch of the hand learns that things are hot or cold, soft or hard, so education begins, through the development of the physical sense, which con tinues to a greater or less extent through life. Action and movement are essential to the development of a child; speech comes later on. Panto mime and gesture language are their first expressions intelligible to us, and are the child's means of expression and growth.

Now, according to the old idea, physical exercise was a thing to be given and taken, because it was good for one's body, but a child has no interest in exercises for that reason, and it is directly opposed to his natural development to give set exercises which have no relation in his experience. It is hard enough for an adult to take set exercises, and the adult can reason.

Movement is expression to the child, and in the kindergarten we have the play and game period, as well as the story telling period, to give the children an opportunity to express themselves in

various ways, allowing them freedom to build games from stories themselves. From these plays and games known in the kindergarten, we have the begin ning of the First Grade work in the gymnasium. By taking some familiar work a link is kept between the old and the new life and the period in the gymnasium. If the game chosen can be developed and is worth while, the children are allowed to use their im agination to build that story or game.

In this way the interest of all the children may be aroused and the game has vital interest for them. course, no child ever completes a game or story according to the adult point of view, but it is complete to him, and he is satisfied as he never would be if we presented the play or game and taught it to him. Needless to say one must have some idea how the game may be developed before attempting such work with children. There are many opportunities for interesting work of this kind in the class-room. True, the work cannot all be in tensive or the benefit gained by change of circulation in such active bodies. A few brisk exercises may be given, or a simple game of skill in which all may join, so that the little ones go back to the class-room rested and refreshed. The usual period for gymnasium for the first five grades is twenty minutes daily, thirty to forty minutes being better suited to the upper grades. Of course this time should be in the morning session, while besides this period a change of posi tion and exercises is needed at inter vals in the class-room.

From this primitive beginning of the use of the dramatic game and game of skill, we develop exercises as the grade develops, which are suitable to its needs, always endeavoring to use the class-room interests in the gymnasium wherever feasible, and where the exercises will be vigorous enough to answer the purpose.

For instance, one of my grades be came interested in trains; they were studying the transportation of grains, etc., in the United States, so they sug gested that we play train. We did so; naturally we had much to learn. At first we work in our squad forma tion, four lines on the floor, facing the long way of the room. We used the arms and legs to represent the wheels, so one of the first things which we worked for was good suggestive ac tion of the arm and leg on one side. Then we tried the other side. When both could run smoothly we began to work them together, working from a slow run to moving lightly and quickly on place. Then we were ready to try for spacing between the children, or cars, as we called them, when running about the room, to see who could start and stop the best and had ability as leader or engineer. This meant control and good action, etc.

After we had chosen our engineers, we were ready to choose our stations and to name them; the children then made signs for the stations, painted on cardboard. We put these up, chalked our Grand Central station on the floor, numbered our tracks and trains, had a train despatcher, who gave certain signals, etc. We some times carried passengers, but usually were freights, each child being respon sible for his or her distance from the one in front. The train which kept the best spaces, wheels going around to gether on the same side, made good starts and stops (as a whole train), was the winning train.

This game accomplished much for this grade. Not only did they get good

physical exercise and exercises which were of value in stair climbing in school and home (our buildings and many of the apartment houses of the district had no elevators), but they were disciplined by one another; they learned to work together in a group without friction, to be orderly when alone in their class-room and on the way to and from the gymnasium, to have pride in their lines and spaces on the stairs, a part of their game and work. The whole attitude being that if a child did not carry himself he should according to our rules, he lost his place at the front of the train, or altogether as the case might be.

This is only one instance of the work of this kind which we attempted, and it was alternated with work along the line of the regular Swedish day order for physical exercise, greatly modified to suit the class and its de mands for exercise. This was Third Grade work. With the change of grade the work became more definite and much heavier but increasingly more difficult, until the dramatic game had no place, games of skill and regular exercises being better suited to the older growing boy and girl.

In the foregoing I have tried to show that physical exercise has a far deeper meaning than that of bodily health alone, but that a good healthy body and mind are only a part of an all-round efficient individual. That the development of a child should be from within. not from without. a child advances up the grades, he ad vances mentally and his physical co ordination increases and is controlled by his mental condition. A child who is mentally slow in coordinating is slow coordinating physically. In his

first attempt at throwing a ball to an other child he fails simply because the coordination between muscle and object has not been adjusted; he has still to develop the power to relate so many things. The place of physical education is to help this growth and develop ment; it is only a means to an end, "the greater general efficiency of the child."

Physical Education as a system should follow the stages of development from infancy up, with exercises suitable to the individual as far as possible. It should become more and more definite and accurate with the higher grade and the High School age, where exercise is principally given for its beneficial physical effect.

In order that this work may be car ried on successfully, each child on the entrance into school at the beginning of the year is given a complete physical examination, with especial care for eyes, ears, nose and throat, and the respira tory, circulatory and nervous systems.

This examination is carried on as far as possible by the school physician with the gymnasium instructor, and gives the basis for the work in the gymnasium, the seating of the children in the class-room, and an idea of the child's condition and his probable progress in school work.

Personal and School Hygiene are taught in various ways. The care of open sores, sore eyes, ears, colds, etc., is taught by the class-room teacher, school nurse, gymnasium instructor and physician as opportunity arises. One hour a day is given over to clinic in the school, when all cases needing care and advice are sent to the physician and instructor, who report to the school nurse cases for outside attendance.

Advice as to any special case found during examination is either sent by the Principal of the school or given by the school nurse, as the case may be.

The use of all this medical super vision is necessary that the individual child may be given all opportunity for possible development.

This method of complete examina tion is not carried on in all schools in New York City. The public schools have some supervision by the Board of Health and the visiting nurse, but that is too great a subject to take up here.

The Speyer School, from which these instances of work are taken, is one of the schools of Teachers' College. It is a neighborhood school in a poor district, and is open day and night, so that the older brothers and sisters and the parents of the little people in school, are known to the instructors and workers alike. The great aim of the school, to put it tersely, is to develop social efficiency in the individual.

Among Ourselves

The Literary Society.

THE regular meeting of the Liter ary Society was held in the gymnasium on Saturday even ing, Feb. 12th. The programme, in some features, was a departure from the usual order, and the large number of students gathered indicated a very general interest.

After the reading and approval of the minutes, Miss Turnbull and Miss Gillies played an opening number, re sponding to an insistent encore. This was followed by a speech from Miss Belton on books, their use and abuse. Miss Belton's treatment of the subject showed a vision of the vast avenues of pleasure that books open up to us and a realization of their power in deep ening and broadening our mental life.

The two other speeches on the programme were equally interesting with topics happily varied. Miss Allen spoke on "The Benefits of Laughter." These she found to be internal, external and eternal, inasmuch as laughter

one's physical well-being, brightens the lives of those about us, and by means of its influence on our soul's health, makes for our eternal sal vation. Miss McTavish discussed the erudite topic of comets, rather with a special mention of that particu larly active orb now occupying astro nomical attention, and which the star gazers of Macdonald Hall would cer tainly have located, tail and all, had not its cyanogenous glow proved to be an engine headlight and its tail a dark string of cars.

The vocal and instrumental selections interspersed throughout were a vocal solo by Miss Freeland, which was enthusiastically received; a violin duet by Misses Flavelle and Ross, and a piano solo by Miss Trenaman, followed by "God Save the King."

The Valentine Prom.

On the evening of Friday, Feb. 18th, the belated Valentine Prom took place. Much to the disappointment of the hostesses for the evening—the Home

maker Class of 1910-the entertain ment had been unavoidably postponed from Valentine's day to the end of the week, but the evening was such a suc cess and so surpassed all expectations that they felt more than rewarded for their efforts. The decorations were most appropriate and effective, being carried out in red, with hearts and flowers in profusion. The programmes were pretty heart-shapes, and attached to those which the girls received were three mittens and three smaller hearts, for service in the first six proms. These were called proposal proms, the idea being to give the gentlemen an oppor tunity of practising the "gentle art," with a prize given to the one who cap tured the most hearts. Mr. Cooper proved himself the most popular man, but he must have made hay while the sun shone, for in some manner he at tached eight hearts to his card, thereby outdistancing all other competitors. Fortune favored the winner of the six mittens, for he was not called upon to declare his failures. He is now seeking the advice of Mr. Haldwin on how to win a wife. "His Old Sweetheart," a clever little skit, arranged by Mrs. Ful ler, occupied the latter half of the pro gramme. In this series of tableaux, Mr. Wright took the part of the bachelor heart breaker, while his vari ous sweethearts were picturesquely im personated by several members of the Homemakers' Class.

If the reluctance of the guests to say good-night was any indication of the success of the entertainment, the Homemakers may congratulate them selves on having given quite the most enjoyable evening of the winter, which was certainly the opinion of all present.

Y. W. C. A.

A variation of the usual "Prom." was

the social evening given by the Y. W. on Feb. 25th. A goodly number from the city and from both sides of the campus were present to assist the girls in disposing of the ices and candies which they had made. Mrs. Fuller had arranged a series of tableaux which were much appreciated. The first was a representation of Cindarella, and was quite charming. The second was the Harrison Fischer Calendar, and we saw, as never before, just how many pretty girls there are at Macdonald. Besides spending an enjoyable evening, the Y. W. funds were increased to the extent of \$30. All agreed that the in novation was a decided success.

Hockey.

The Macdonald girls challenged the O. A. C. men to a game of hockey, and with fear and trembling it was accept ed. One stipulation of the challenge was that the men should use only their left hands, and another was that they should wear skirts, but unfortunately the skirts were so abbreviated that they were not much of a handicap. game could not be said to be devoid of roughness, as the fence was usually decorated. At one time they sang in unison "We are seven." Although of the number, could not sing, because of his meerschaum. The referee, Mr. McRae, could hardly be called impartial. Con siderable excitement was caused when one of the girls fell into his arms, but McRae was equal to the occasion, Al though all through the first half each goal was peppered (an appropriate ex pression for a Domestic Science team) with shots, yet by the dexterity of the goal keepers, no goals were made. At one time the Mac girls almost scored. as Ellis was so busy talking to the Mac goal umpire; he forgot his duties for

the time being. A good deal of con fusion was caused because it was so difficult to tell O. C. White from a girl. Miss Flavelle was the star. When she came down the ice on one of her fre quent rushes the other players stood aside and watched. Unfortunately her usefulness was somewhat marred by her being so frequently ruled off. The interval at half time was occupied by both teams having their picture taken. It was necessary to place Miss Bryans

timekeepers—and they had to stay. Shortly before time was called the girls scored a goal as the boys were so ex hausted by their strenuous efforts they were unable to check the opposing team. This evened up the score and ended a very friendly game. The line up was as follows:

Mac Hall—Jean Flavelle, Edna Bryans, Grace Knowlson, Norah Burke, Marjorie Smythe, Hazel Staebler, Muriel Cameron.



CHALLENGERS AND CHALLENGED.

and Mr. Shaw at opposite ends of the group; as there was such a marked similarity in their costumes it was al most impossible to tell them apart. Just at the beginning of the second half the boys scored a goal amid much enthus iasm from their supporters. Although the game was hot, the weather was cold, and finally the only spectators present were the goal umpires and the

O. A. C.—Always Makepeace Shaw, Amorous (et) Hutchinson, Cherry Ma lotte Learmonth, Bennie Eddy Milner, Portia Emma French, Frances Edna Ellis, Ortrude Claytonia White.

Referee-Mr. McRae.

Timekeepers—S. Kennedy and R. Fraser.

Goal Umpires—Jennie Fenwick Laughland and Jessie Allen.

Much Ado About Nothing

Dyspepsia, short cake, suicide pie! Send for Dr. Stewart
And he'll help you die;
Pudding made of equal parts
Of Paris green and tacks,
Gravel biscuits,
You must eat them with an axe;
Homemakers! Normals!
Yell it out again,
Matrimony! matrimony! m-a-n,



One of the Short Course girls was heard asking Mr. Nixon if the Athletic Concert consisted of the girls and the minstrel show.



By an O. A. C. Spring Poet (at the Valentine Prom.)

May I print a kiss on your lips, he said, And she nodded a sweet permission; And they went to the press, but rather, I guess,

They printed a whole edition.



To Short Course girl, after cooking— What were you doing?

S. C.—Having a complete cup up. Girl—Yes, but what were you doing? S. C.—Making marmalade.

Miss I. (discussing the theatre party)
—You know I have looked at it in
about ten different lights.



Girl (morning of snow shoe party)— Cheer up, J—, Mr. E— will ask you. J.—Will he? (Willie).

Locate the Speaker.

"Oh! Piffle."

"You'll never be the same after that."

"So govern yourselves accordingly."
"In view of the fact that each and every one of us."

"Smile."

"That makes it nice."

"How are you?"

"Oh! you make me sick."

"You're no sport if you don't."

There was a young girl named Grace, Who wore a sweet smile on her face, She thought not of right, but only of Wright.

For more we haven't got space.



Demonstrator (at a dem. lecture)— In washing lettuce, wash thoroughly in order to remove the little green worms characteristic of salads.



Schools' and Teachers' Department

Devoted to those interests of the Ontario Agricultural College which pertain particularly to the training of teachers for giving instruction in the schools of the Province along vocational lines—in Home Economics, Industrial Arts, Elementary Agriculture and Horticulture.

In Memoriam



ADELAIDE HUNTER HOODLESS

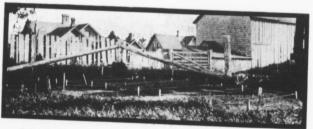
BORN FEB. 27, 1857; DIED FEB. 26, 1910.

Adelaide Hunter was born on a farm near St. George, Ontario, received her schooling in St. George, and in 1881 married Mr. John Hoodless, of Hamilton. In 1889 she became interested in the Hamilton Young Women's Christian Association work and especially furthered its efforts to teach girls better methods in household affairs. Under her presidency the Hamilton Y. W. C. A. introduced domestic science into Hamilton Public School work, and in 1900 established the Ontario Normal School of Domestic Science and Art. Meanwhile in 1894 she laid the claims of domestic science before the National Council of Women, and was convener of its committee on domestic science from its origin until 1908. In 1897 helped the women of Stoney Creek to organize a club which developed into the first Women's Institute of Ontario. In 1897 she carried her plans and visions and service to the Hon. G. W. Ross, then Premier of Ontario, and to such good purpose that On tario is the banner Province of Canada in the field of Home Economics. For many years she was unofficially attached to the Department of Education, gave it loyal service in the cause which lay nearest her heart, and became a recognized authority on woman's training for the home in both Canada and the United States. In 1900 she carried more visions to Montreal with the result that Sir William Macdonald built and equipped the two buildings at the Ontario Agricultural College-Macdonald Institute and Macdonald Hall.

Mrs. Hoodless was a lecturer in Macdonald Institute from the beginning. She loved the "Macdonald girls" and their interests were ever in her mind. Recently her chief work was in connection with Industrial Education for Girls, and she died in Toronto while addressing The Toronto Women's Canadian Club, on that subject.

This woman believed that "No higher vocation has been or ever can be given to woman than that of the homemaker and citizen builder." In the midst of her own rich and full home-life, she did noble pioneer work for homemaker education in Can ada, and its present development is in large measure due to her tireless promotion of its claims, and the scope of her ideals.

ELEMENTARY AGRICULTURE AND HORTICULTURE.



School's Experiment Plots at Shelburne Continuation School, Dufferin County, 1909.

The Schools' Experiments arranged by the Schools' Division of the Experimental Union last year, were undertaken by twenty-five schools throughout the Province. They were arranged for demonstration in four small plots on the school grounds or adjacent fields. The 4th class plot represented the seven species of wheats; the 3rd class plot was planted with tree seeds; the 2nd class plot had different kinds of onions, and the 1st class plot had dwarf and climbing Nasturtiums. Thus there was a representative plot in Agriculture, Forestry, Horticulture (vegetables) and Floriculture; each class had a real practical foundation for its Nature Study work.

Six schools have sent in reports on the work and excerpts from some of these are given herewith:

"Speaking generally, the work proved fairly a success. * * * Our teachers all feel that there is an inexhaustible store of material to work on and will doubtless enjoy the work thoroughly next year."

T. E. LANGFORD, Principal Continuation School, Shelburne, Dufferin County.

"We found the School Garden a help in the school-room in Nature Study, Agriculture and Composition. * * * The growing of the wheat was interesting to the pupils and others. The Wild Goose wheat gave the best yield, and the Polish the poorest. We also found out that if wheat could be given some cultivation after sowing, far better results could be obtained; straw would be longer, heads larger and sample of grain far better.

"We have had a garden in connection with our school during the last three years. * * * If nothing more is got out of it than the pleasure the children have in watching the growth of their plants, and the keeping of their plots clean and tidy, I think a School Garden pays well for all the trouble

"The tendency of almost the entire course of studies in our Public Schools is to draw away our young men from one of the best, noblest and most independent of occupations, and unless more attention is given to Agriculture in the schools, things will be no better in the future than now.

"I see in the School Garden, a chance to make the study of Agriculture interesting and beneficial."

ISAAC PIKE, S. S. No. 12, Whitechurch, Bethesda P. O., York County.

"Boys were much interested in the grain. * * * I intend to do the same next year, perhaps, on a larger scale."

MISS ALBERTA AMY, S.S. No. 16, Peel, Drayton P.O., Wellington Co.

"The parents and children were interested in the work. * * * Some of the onions were the finest I have ever seen in the locality."

J. H. HALL, S. S. No. 6, Flos, Phelpston P. O., Simcoe County.

"The work was carried out in fields adjoining the school, and, on the whole, was very successful. * * * The parents favored the work. The trustees encouraged and helped the work by sending a man and team to aid in the preparation of the ground. * * * We had some of the successful farmers of the locality examine the seven kinds of wheat in our Experimental Plots. They considered the Common and Spelt the best for this part of Ontario. They were surprised that some of the other species could be grown here. The Polish was the least satisfactory. It produced a large head, but the grains were very small."

Sr. ERNESTINE, R. C. S. School, Eganville P. O., Renfrew County.



School Garden Exhibit, Shedden Fair, 1909.

"The work was carried out in a field adjoining the school. My trustees were fine. Bought garden supplies and tools, and helped in every way to make the garden a success. * * * The pupils were much interested and weeded all through the summer holidays. * * * I am enclosing a photograph of an exhibit which we made at Shedden Fall Fair."

M. D. CAMPBELL, S. S. No. 10, Southwold, Iona P. O., Elgin County.

Class Reunion.—The Toronto teachers who attended the O. A. C. Sum mer School last July, held a reunion on Feb. 4th, at The Tea Pot Inn. Besides reviving old experiences, they laid plans for future ones at the coming session. A very pleasant evening was spent.

One of the interesting items on the informal programme was the reading of a special teachers' edition of the O.A.C. Review. It contained the following:

Ye Ballade of a Gay Companie.

Once, twenty city school misses,
To learning much inclined,
Attended a vacation school,
The cheapest they could find;
To make her observation Share

To make her observation Sharpe, Each one had set her mind.

Instead of galli**Banting**, then, They sought Macdonald Hall, The course, they said, would add a spice

To teaching in the fall; It would not Robb their holidays, But rather Cheer them all.

They found, when at the O. A. C., The Eaton was so good, A girl became a little Hogg And Fuller than she should, And so, of course, she grew Moffat, Before she knew she could,

Two household students had to learn The Price of meat and bread, Hanna scientific way to cook, The stuff on which they fed; To shine each Fawcett every day, And make a home for Tedd,

The nature students' lectures were On Ayr**Shier** cows, and hens, On trees, and soil, and weeds with names

Too hard to comprehend, But, pshaw! the rambles in the

On Fridays, make amends.

At first, when treading grassy Knowles,

(Bruce after spiders rare), Each screamed if one approached her, though

To Harmer none would dare; Still, insects were a prize to Winn, To mount and keep with care.

July sped by, while yet the course Seemed really but be**Gunn** For all those **Hardy** school-misses Had mixed their work with fun,

While brains were stuffed and notebooks, too,

No damage had been done.

Epilogue.

Come, Malcolm, Winter is the time, When celebrations be,

The Tea-pot Inn's a cosy spot,

At Yonge Street, 103,

We'll meet and talk of the jokes, and things,

We learned at the O. A. C.

—One o' Them.

00

Gathered Wisdom. 1. The Nature Study Course is of

 The Nature Study Course is of few weeks and full of labor.

You may take your seeds to the garden, but you can't make them grow in it.

3. Watched seeds never sprout.

 Spare the hoe and spoil the garden.

It's never too dark to seed, never too late to weed.

Tis an old sunflower that knows no turning.

 A stone is heavy and the sand weighty, but Macdonald clay is heavier than them both.

There is no use crying over an empty watering can.

Train up a vine in the way it should go and when it is hot you can sit under the shade of it.

10. Keep thy notes with all dilig ence, for they give an account of the insects of life.

11. Much bug-hunting is a weariness to the flesh.

12. A flea that bites and jumps away will live to bite another day.

 Faint heart never captured a tomato worm.

14. It is better to dwell in a corner of the housetop than with a woolly bear caterpillar in bed.

 Blessed is she that loveth a gray day; the weather shall never disappoint her.



Dogs.

VOLUTION." What does it mean? Well, if one were to lose an ass and find a college student, that would be what is known as an evolution of find. In other words one would find something a little more developed than the "thing" he was looking for.

We find this thing, "Evolution," everywhere. Today we use the expres sion, "Good morning, have you used Pear's soap?" Before Adam, our fore fathers used to say, "Good morning, have you used Monkey Brand?" You will notice a lack of emphasis here. Remember that the monkey-men used no full stops in their period, but ma nipulated a stone club instead.

We are up-to-date! The topic of the day is: How do you do, has your dogs got the rabies? This brings us to the place we were searching for, and so talking of dogs, we might say that as the automobile is taking the place of the horse in modern society, so the dog

is superseding man. In proof of this, I contribute a sketch of my wife's bosom companion and confidante. My "ruling passion" informs me that "the poor pet

my wises earthly joy



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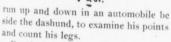
may get the rabies, but the delirium tre mens—never."

In the commercial world the canine is superseding the porker. Some do it involuntarily and by the aid of the sausage machine. This, however, is not legitimate evolution. An example of the latter, or of the evolution of the sausage, is afforded by the Dachshund. (See panorama sketch.) It will be easily seen that unless we breed in a pair of legs in his middle he will wear himself in half against the ground. In deed Mr. A. W. Baker, our expert mal lophaga specialist, is seriously consid ering interbreeding with the centipede to keep the sausage part of this living pageant from dragging in the mud. At the dog show the judge will have to

dogs nowadays. For example, the good old English bull dog is slowly disap pearing and going into degeneracy. We enclose sketches past and present.

The bull dog is disgusted! Notice how he turns his nose up. Listen to his exclamations: "Once I was a sport, now I belong to that old lady sitting in the corner polishing her false teeth. She has a bag. What's she got in it? Two silver backed hair brushes, a dollar tooth brush, two pairs of wool shoes, and a white frilled pillow for me to lie on, also a bottle of smelling salts, in case I faint. Rabies! No wonder we have the rabies." He attempted to





People are making fancy goods of



turn his nose up still further, but after an ineffectual attempt he adjusted his eye glass, said "awful fag," and went to sleep.

Habit.

Mr. Hutchinson, you are wanted on the phone!

H. (a minute later)—Is that the Hall? What, it isn't? O, d——.

Mac. Sentiment.

O give the boy a chance, give the boy a chance.

We know it will be wisdom just to give the boy a chance:

His home shall be our shelter, when we leave Macdonald gay.

And blessings will go with us, when at last we name the day.

Love.

Gazing, gazing fondly gazing into eyes of sweetest blue,

Fondling, kissing and caressing, breath ing words of love so true.

Making love's gesticulations, folding closely to the breast,

Nothing but a muzzled mongrel; read ers,—puppy love is best!

Reed of first year evidently was "Thunder struck" at the boxing tourna ment on March, the 12th.

Prof. Gamble (lecturing in chemis try)—Just before we begin to evapor ate ladies and gentlemen.

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Le Drew (in economics)—Mr. Aiken head, what do you understand by legal tender?

Mr. A.—Legal tender, sir, is a con tradiction in terms; for I must say, within my experience I never yet knew anything legal that was ever tender.

Shaw—What do you suppose the fifth toe on the Dorkings is for?

Knapp—Oh! there are several good reasons but I think it is there as a bal ance.

Prof. Graham—Mendoza, what do you consider an economical gain in a chicken's weight per week?

Mendoza—Oh! about 15 lbs., but it just takes 75 lbs. grain to make 1 lb. of flesh.

A Daniel Come to Judgment.

Mr. Jones—That wrestling bout be tween Kimona and Head-ache-a was very slow and short.

Sunny Jim-My foot's asleep again, Miss F.

Miss F.—Oh! I just love it.

Fulmer—How do you arrive at the value of a food?

Cooper (immediately)—Eat it, sir.

Cherry (judging poultry)—Prof. Graham, is that not a big hen for its size?

Toole—Gentlemen, get ready for the potato race up stairs.

A. W. B.—My existence dependeth upon the fleetness of my feet.

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Who said Underhill hadn't nine lives? Many times was he rescued from a watery grave in the swimming tank. For further information read the novel entitled "The Man Who Rose Again."

Fair Mac Maid (as Shaw proceeds to pole vault)—Poor thing! that pole is much to large for him.

Did anyone see Baldwin, the "Ha man Grasshopper," looping the loop?

President Weir—What's the matter with the Sophomores?

Voice from the crowd—They're all wrong. Who're all wrong, etc., etc.



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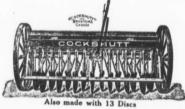
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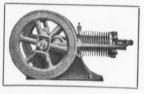
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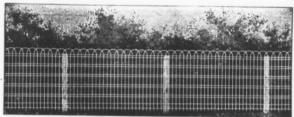
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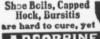
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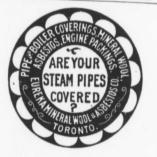
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