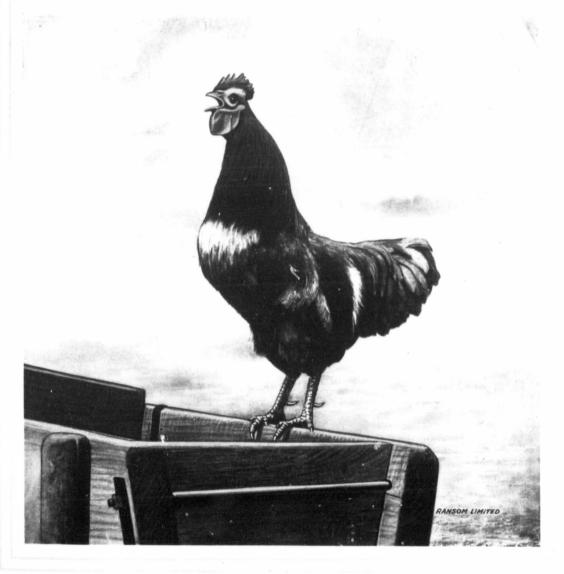
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CASE Feeders Pay for Themselves as Time & Labor Savers

The thresherman that wants the *very best* feeder for his work will be interested in a Case feeder. It offers you a feeder that is found today on the machines of hundreds of threshermen. Its success as a time, labor and money saver has been *proved*.

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Fits Any Case Machine

Case feeders are built with the same care and foresight as are all other Case products. They have been built especially for Case machines and thus they fit Case machines perfectly. The threshermen that wants to cut labor and time costs will find a Case feeder a worthy addition to his outfit.

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The carrier is self supporting and can be folded in half a minute with one hand.

The bearings on the crankshaft and on the swinging hangers are of maplewood boxes, boiled in oil. Improved babbitted boxes have been provided for the hopper bottom shaft.

But there are many more features that cannot be given in this limited space. Throughout the feeder we have used the utmost care in design and construction to make it the most efficient on the market. If you are interested in a feeder that will help swell your income get in touch with our nearest branch house. They will furnish full details.

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What Qualities Do You Look For in a Threshing Machine?

The threshing machine that you are sure saves the grain is the one that puts the money in the thresherman's pocket.

Case threshers have behind them the most remarkable records as grain savers. This fact is evidenced by the thousands of letters received from Case users from every state in the Union—rhe Canadian Provinces, South America, Europe and the Phillipines.

This proof of Case supremacy is due to the many time and money saving qualities found in Case machines.

Here are some reasons that prove our claims. The straw rack on Case threshing machines has a large separating area. Its motion is scientifically and practically figured out for thumping or beating the grain out of the straw. Also, bear in mind, please, that the straw rack in a Case machine is made in only one piece; another instance of Case simplicity.



Threshes all Kinds of Seeds

Then, too, there is the large cylinder which every Case thresherman appreciates. With its concave and extensive grate surfaces it threshes all kind of grains and seeds perfectly. The cylinder has an enormous capacity. Threshermen have told us of cases where the bundles were actually dripping with water and the large Case cylinder did the job beyond all expectations. Weather conditions won't keep a Case machine from working. It is designed to give service.

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By means of steel compression cups for hard oil and

Many More Features

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IF YOU HAVEN'T we think it is not too much to say you have yet to taste the real joys of motoring.

AND WHEN YOU HAVE ridden in this big luxurious equipage—the latest and in some respects, greatest product of Reo experience-you will understand why this car enjoys such a vogue—is so tremendously popular this season.

REO SIX WAS PROCLAIMED the "fashion plate for 1916" by designers generally from the moment its graceful lines were seen.

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BUT YOU MUST SEE IT-must ride in and finally drive it yourself to fully appreciate what a magnifi-cent car and what wonderful value it is at its price.

AND THE CLOSER YOU STUDY the details-the more carefully you enquire into every point of design, of construction, of quality of materials, of equipment and finish—the greater will be your admiration and the deeper your wonderment that it is possible to produce such a car for such a price.

FOR YOU MUST KNOW that this Reo Six is made as only the Reo Folk can make automobiles.

IT IS REAL INSIDE AND OUT-the Reo Folk do not use substitutes. Real leather in the upholstering and real hair.

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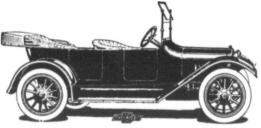
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Any Reader of The Canadian Thresherman and Farmer has a chance to win this

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Just as sure as you are reading this announcement, you can be the possessor of this beautiful, powerful, speedy and comfortable automobile. All you have got to do is to get started right away in

Our Fourth Wheat Estimating Contest

Here are the particulars:

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Commencing April 1st, 1916, and ending July 31st, 1916, the Canadian Thresherman and Farmer will carry on a Wheat Estimating Contest, open to everyone in Canada except residents of Winnipeg, and are giving away to the first person who estimates nearest to the number of Whole Kernels in 3½ lbs. of No. 1 Northern Wheat, this \$726 Chevrolet automobile, all complete with Electric Starter and Lights, Mohair Top, Windshield, Ameter, Speedometer, Tools, etc. This car will be delivered to the winner F.O.B. Winnipeg.

A Good Plan

The number of estimates to which you are entitled may easily be increased by getting additional subscriptions. For instance, if you get five of your friends to send in \$5.00 in one envelope, each one would receive five estimates (or 25 in all) and a year's subscription. These five subscriptions, however, must come to us altogether in one envelope.

Do not delay. Start making up your list to-day because you have an equal chance with anyone else to win the car. Send in your own subscription for two, three or more years and get your neighbors to enter the contest also.

Neither the publishers of this paper, nor anyone else, know any more about the correct number of kernels in the jar than you do. Everyone has a chance to win. All subscriptions and estimates sent in will be acknowledged by letter.

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This is the fourth time we have put on a
Wheat Estimating Contest, and the same general rules that have governed our former
contests apply to the contest this year.
The wheat is a fair, clean sample of No. 1
Northern procured from the Dominion Govermment Grain Inspector's office, Winnipeg.
The wheat and bottle were taken to the Dommion Weight's and Measures' office and exactly 3½ lbs. of wheat weighed out and poured
into the bottle, which was immediately sealed
up in the presence of two witnesses. The
bottle was then photographed and deposited
with the Union Trust Company, Winnipeg,
and will remain in their vaults until the contest closes, July 31st, 1916, when it will be
taken out and counted by a board of three
judges, none of whom are in any way connected with the Canadian Thresherman and
Farmer.

Farmer. Everyone who sends in a year's subscription for the Canadian Thresherman and Farmer, either new or renewal, is entitled to estimates

as explained below. These estimates may be credited in whatever way desired, and you may send in as many estimates as you wish. Remember, every additional estimate increase your chance to win the automobile. Estimate early and increase your chance of winning, for it is the first one that estimates nearest to the number of whole kernels that wins the car.

Previous Contests

In the winter of 1908 we ran a contest as to the number of kernels there were in 16 lbs. of No. 1 Northern Wheat. When the contest closed it was found that there were 267,886 kernels in the bottle. In 1909 the number of kernels in 9 lbs. and 7-16 ozs. was 143,272, while in 1910 the number of kernels in 12 lbs. of No. 1 Northern Wheat was 197,543. With these facts to work upon you should be able to form an estimate as to the number of kernels in the bottle this year. Or better still get some No. 1 Northern wheat yourself and count it out and form your estimate from that.

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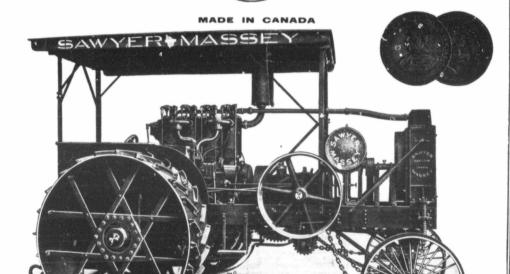


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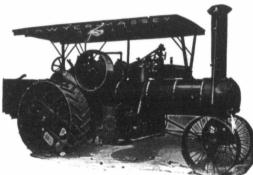
During the last few years the Gas Tractor has made wonderful strides in popularity with the Canadian farmer.

And why shouldn't it? Gasoline drives his pump, his feed-cutter, his sawmill and his other small machines. It drives the automobile in which he goes to town in a fraction of the time it used to take. In every paper he reads, the news from the war is full of the part taken by the automobile and trucks, all gasoline driven.

The Gas Tractor for plowing, threshing and other heavy power used on the farm iis naturally the next step after the small stationary engine and the automobile. A new and comparatively unknown machine a few years ago, its utility and superiority are now proven to everyone who has kept in touch with the power demonstrations, or better still, has had actual experience of his own with one of these machines. They are long past the experimental stage; they are now tried and proven the best.

The Sawyer-Massey Company has done its part in perfecting the Gas Tractor—in fact it has been a leader. The Sawyer-Massey "Gold Medal" Tractor is known in every part of the Dominion. Its reputation is everywhere the best, not only the cheapest form of power but the most dependable, cleanest and mosi satisfactory.

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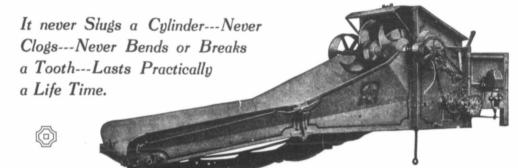
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The Maytag Ruth feeds perfectly. Every band is cut and every bundle is thoroughly loosened up and pulled apart before it can pass to the separator cylinder. The grain is fed to the separator high on the threshing cylinder with no opportunity for it to lodge in front of the cylinder.

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Get all of the facts-the full description and illustration of each part. You will then see how and why the Maytag does more and better work—how it accurately regulates the flow of the grain, the throat may be contracted or expanded so that the right amount of grain is always fed—how the retarder and feeding cylinder are controlled by the Pickering Governor that operates a trip lever that stops the raddle until the feeding cylinder has disposed of the grain, maintaining an even flow of grain constantly, rendering clogging impossible at any and all times.

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NDER normal conditions there is a wealth of interest in the feeding of a great population of human beings. At the present moment the subject opens up a field for contemplation that has no parallel or precedent in human history.

As we write, two great empires numbering roughly a hundred million souls are being threatened with starvation. For several generations, with the exception of one or two scraps "in the Balkans," the central powers have lived at peace with all the world. The high seas were as free to them as the air currents are to the feathered creatures; every mart and stronghold of the world was open to them and the courtesies of life were punctiliously tendered them at every port of entry.

These friendly tokens were not simulated. They were sincere, spontaneous, and handed out with a generosity and trustfulness that knew no qualification. But the war dogs of the central powers slipped their collars, and soon all hell was loosened. A few degenerates of the Prussian oligarchy and of the ill-fated Harpsburg crew are the instigators of the whole mischief but the people of the central empires have to bear the brunt of that it means in sacrifice.

Meanwhile that worst of all war's horrors (famine) is beginning to raise its head. Storm, stratagem, blockade have been brought into play, and the avenues of supply that these beleaguered millions have hitherto depended take an inventory of the world's market basket, see what effect war has had on the world's food supply in the past, what effect it is having to-day and if possible make some forecast as to its effect upon the future of our own part in that food

For much of the data that will follow, as well as the very striking illustrations we are indebted to an exhaustive article by William Joseph Showalter, under the above caption in a recent issue of the National Geographic Magazine.

Mr. Showalter points out that if we go back one hundred years, we will find that France was facing almost the same problem that Germany and Austria-Hungary are facing to-day. England's warships blockaded the French ports then just as the British fleet is blockading Germany's to-day, and over-sea foodstuffs had little chance to find their way into France.

How far this went, and how great an effect it had on conditions in Napoleon's empire, is revealed by the fact that sugar sold for two dollars a pound. And that the world is not sugar-hungry to-day is due to the steps taken by Napoleon to overcome the effect of the blockade on sugar. Years before, some Prussian scientists had been trying to get sugar from the beet, and under the patronage of the King of Prussia, succeeded in their task.

Napoleon borrowed their ideas. set up beet-sugar factories around Lille and gave to the sugar-beet industry that impetus which has resulted in its development to a

besides things that were dried or smoked - a desire that was enhanced by his knowledge that millions of dollars in valuable but perishable foods were wasted because of the lack of adequate means of preserving them.

digest, and some give a small yield per acre.

Developing New Foods

We are constantly developing new foods. It is only little more than half a century since the tomato was a curiosity of the



He therefore offered a prize of twelve thousand francs to any one who would devise a practicable method of preserving such foodstuffs. Such a method was quickly evolved, and out of it has grown the world's canning industry-one of the important steps that civilization has taken in the direction of insuring mankind against famine.

It is not impro able that the present war will bring to mankind new methods in the feeding of the race that will prove as important as those brought out by the Napoleonic wars. It has been announced lately that the Germans have devised a new synthetic method of producing protein. It is said that they feed yeast with a combination of sugar and nitrogen from the air, and thus secure that most important of all of the elements that enter into the world's diet-protein. Examples of protein are the whites of eggs, the muscles of meats, the casein of milk, the gluten of flour, and the nitrogenous fats.

It may also happen that as a result of the war will come the utilization of other plant products than those now entering into direct use as human food. There are approximately half a million species of plants in the world, and vet only a few thousand of them are used at all for food, while only a few hundred of these are used to any important extent. Some of the plants which we now grow are expensive food-producers, some produce food that is difficult to South, known as the "love apple." and used to scare the slaves who thought it poisonous. Corn came to us from the Indians, and has become one of the leading cereal crops of the world. It is less than a century ago that the lima bean came to us from South America. and the potato was unknown to civilization before the white man went to Peru and Colombia.

To-day representatives of all of the leading nations are scouring the remote places of the earth for crops which promise to increase the world's total yield of food, as well as its per-acre production

Fruits and Vegetables Have Been Wonderfully Improved

Not only is mankind gradually increasing the possible acreage for the growing of foodstuffs-and statistics indicate that only the most fertile of the world's potential food-producing acreage is under cultivation today-but the crops themselves are being constantly improved and their natural peracre yield increased.

What of the Future?

Many men are inclined to sound a pessimistic note as to the adequacy of the world's food supply for future generations, and, like Malthus a hundred years ago, are inclined to predict that the day has at last come when the human race must cease to expand its numbers. or else face inevitable hunger.

And when we consider how many mouths there are in this world to feed, and how much food



Bringing in the Potato Crop; Near Nairobi, East Africa

up by impassable barriers.

All this has had the effect of dislocating and revolutionizing the whole economy of the world's food supply. It is therefore a matter of the deepest concern that we should

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War and Canned Goods

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it takes to satisfy them, little room is there to wonder at this note of pessimism.

The earth's population to-day reaches a grand total of about 1,700,000,000 souls. If they were all set down at a banquet it would require sixteen tables reaching around the globe to seat them. For every ounce of food they ate, the dinner-giver would have to provide 53,000 tons of provisions, and if the dinner were no more than a democratic dollar-a-plate affair it would cost, in the aggregate, as much as it costs to run the United States government a vear and a half.

Expressed in terms of annual consumption, the world's market basket is one that defies portrayal in weight and size. One is forced to east around for new units of measurement to give a proper idea of its proportions. Assuming that the average inhabitant of the earth uses two pounds of provisions a day, the total for the year would amount to a billion and a quarter tons. It would require a string of cars, carrying thirty tons to the car and reaching eight times around the earth, to haul this material.

The Average Ration

The fact, however, is that the average inhabitant of the earth probably uses more than 2 pounds of provisions a day. The steerage passengers on English ships are allowed 21 pounds each a day. Even the prisoner in the average jail gets more than 2 pounds; the Russian conscript 4 pounds; and the Austrian common soldier 21 pounds a day.

Still another way to get an idea of the size of the world's food problem is to assume that the average individual consumes ten cents worth of food daily. On this basis it would require the entire national

world's annual market-basket ex-

THE CANADIAN THRESHERMAN AND FARMER

Starvation Still Remote

But when one considers the possibilities of future food production, it is difficult to have much faith in the prophecies of pessimism of these twentieth-century Malthus

For instance, in the United States we have 935,000,000 acres of arable land, only 400,000,000 of which are under cultivation. Yet, with less than half of our available land utilized, the United States produces one-sixth of the world's wheat, four-ninths of its corn, one-fourth of its oats, oneeighth of its cattle, one-third of its hogs, and one-twelfth of its sheep.

Even with the land now under cultivation, if we produced as much wheat per acre as England and Germany, we could supply the world with two-thirds of its flour. If we produced as much corn to the acres as they do, we could double the world's supply of that produc

To-day the United States has a total cereal crop of 5,000,000,000 bushels. Were all of our arable land under cultivation and producing only according to our present standard, which is less than half as high as that of western Europe we could add enough cereals to take care of an additional population the size of that of Europe.

Little Room for Pessimism

When one has lived on land. which, at the end of the American Civil War, did not produce more than eight bushels of wheat and twenty bushels of corn to the acre, and has seen this land produce as high as forty-five bushels of wheat and a hundred bushels of corn, it is difficult to take any other than an optimistic view of the possibilities of American agriculture.



A Profitable Haul From a Source That Has no Limit

wealth of the United States, the richest nation of all history, to pay the world's food bill for twenty-six months. For every cent per day per capita that the cost of living increases, more than \$6,000,000,000 is added to the

Not only are there infinite possibilities yet untouched in our own country, but also in most of the other countries of the earth as well. For instance, Russia, that land for which nature has done so much, endowing it with food

producing possibilities such as few other countries possess, has a wheat yield of only ten bushels to the acre.

When the day comes, as come it certainly will, that Russia produces as much per acre as Germany and England, and when the untold millions of acres of undeveloped land are opened up and River valley, were producing millions of bunches of bananas, where but a few years before had existed the same sort of jungle as that at Quirigua.

New Products Available

Not only are there vast millions of acres of potentially rich agricultural lands still awaiting development, and not only is it cer-



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settled, as they are destined to be, alone she can supply the world's present needs in cereals except rice and corn.

Tropical Possibilities

Nor is that all. Any one who has travelled through the tropics, studying the production of foodstuffs there at first hand, cannot fail to understand that vast potential food sources still lie un-The wonderful discovtouched. eries of Ross and Reed and their coadiutors, of the methods of preventing malaria and vellow fever. followed by the mastery of the secrets of the Bubonic plague and beriberi, and the application of these lessons Cuba, at Panama, and elsewhere in the tropical world, have made t possible for civilized man to open up gardens of plenty of which he never before dreamed.

Untold millions of acres of densest jungles are, so far as man is concerned, nothing more than lands of infinite richness wasting their sweetness upon the desert air of unutilized opportunities.

Not long ago the writer of this article visited the ruins of Quirigua, in Guatemala. United Fruit Company had set apart several hundred acres as a reservation for the protection of the ruins. The jungle forest of the reservation, bordering the banana clearings, towered like a green wall a hundred feet high, and the undergrowth was so dense that no man could penetrate it save by cutting his way through with a hatchet.

There he saw the contrast between the past and the future of the tropical world. The banana plantations, stretching for miles and miles up and down the Motaga

tain that the production per acre of those lands now under cultivation will be vastly increased, but new products are an inevitable prospect of the future.

When one travels in tropical countries he finds that banana flour makes an excellent substitute for wheat flour; and if the day ever comes when the wheat and the rye and the barley crops do not yield sufficient bread, there are hundreds of millions of acres of potential banana land which will produce many-fold as much banana flour to the acre as we are able to get to-day of wheat flour from our wheat lands.

One might go on at length showing the wonderful possibilities of agriculture that lie in the future. Even if there should be no other developments than those which, by experience alone, we are able to forecast, there is no question but that the prospect of the world's starvation is to all practical purposes as remote as it was in the days of the pessimistic Mal-

But just as the forecasts of Malthus failed to consider the possibilities of the age of agricultural machinery, the age of commercial fertilizer, and the age of preventive medicine as applied to live stock, so it is probable that the prophets who predict a hungry world in the not-distant future are failing to reckon with the possibilities of further extension and improvement of agricultural conditions.

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FOR DINNER Little Fred—I'm awfully hungry. I didn't get half enough dinner.
Little Susie—What did you have for Little Fred-Why, we had company.

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OW long this war will last or how suddenly it will collapse no one can divine. Not even the best informed of the nine thousand odd full blown "field marshals" of our city can forecast the future so much as to one day's operations. But to those wealth was the wonderful way in which,

of us who are compelled or have chosen to "abide by the stuff" and let our office mates and the sons of our next-doorneighbor do the fighting, there are certain duties that we cannot neglect and there are services we can render to the state which are second in importance only to those of the brave men who are making it their sole business to get at the throat of the

enemy. These have to do with the reabsorption into civil life of what are left of those 300,000 gallant fellows who have given up every other employment to handle the rifle and machine

Mere words fail to express the pride we feel in that splendid army of our sons and brothers and old playground chums who are now singing in the trenches their part in the grand

anthem of Liberation, dying, many of them every day, ness associations. with the song of victory on their lips. Those wonderful platoons of Canada's new citizen soldiers who marched through the streets of Winnipeg on "Decoration Sunday" called up a picture of those 80,000 grim Ironsides "that farmer fellow Cromwell" led through the streets of London on one other memorable May-day-"the best army the world has ever known, soldiers whose back no enemy had ever seen," said Lord Wolseley.

The end is in sight but in the blur of the battle smoke we yet fail to judge the distance between us and the goal. But however far off it may be there will come a day when the bugle call to "Cease firing" will shatter the nerves of some people quite as effectively as did the declaration of war. Already, maimed and limping comrades are returning to us, having done their bit and are no longer fit to return to their place in the ranks of the effectives. They are

coming home in dribblets now, but by and by they will arrive in whole battalions and in quicker succession than they were sent away. The historians all agree that one of the most remarkable features of that fine citizen army of the Common-

> having done its part in the great liberation war of that day, it peacefully, naturally and quickly returned to the old employments of civil life.

"No man swore or got drunk, but every man paid his twelvepence in the shilling." What a fine testimony to a nation's fighting manhood! Let us smug, sanctimonious, stavat-homes see to it that

as the boys come home the beds are well

aired; that there are no cold shoulders

or stiff necks; that "the glad hand" is

not a clammy one when it is held out to

welcome them back. We sent them

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the care of their beloved ones in their

absence would be our unremitting con-

cern, and that their own interests

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LESSON CXII.

ROM the discussion presented in the last last in the last lesson it is clearly evident that side draft in plowing can only be eliminated when the tractor is designed to pull a definite number of plows. If it is made for only two plows it must of necessity be very narrow-too narrow, in fact, to be practical. It is not until four plows are used that a tractor of standard road width can be employed.

There are other factors that enter into tractor design that are frequently overlooked and these are the effect of wheel base and distribution of weight. Referring back to Figure 247 in the last lesson, it is shown that the force at the front wheels tending to pull them around amounts to 150 pounds. This is figured on a wheel base of one hundred inches. But if, instead of one hundred inches, we decide upon a wheel base of eighty-four inches one of the lever arms is thereby shortened and the force at the front axle tending to deflect the wheels out of their course is increased to 188 pounds. It is therefore clearly evident that as we shorten the wheel base we increase the evils of side draft.

The requirements of small fields and old land cultivation generally demand tractors of short wheel base in order to make short turns on the head lands and around obstacles. The requirements of nimbleness and working efficiency make the short wheel base a necessity. In consequence of this requirement, it is vitally necessary to distribute the weight between the front and rear axles in such a manner that there shall be enough weight on the front wheels to successfully resist the side draft.

In order to discover the effect of both side draft and distribution of weight, let us investigate the requirements of a light weight, four wheel tractor having the following dimensions and designed to haul two plows:

Wheel base . Total Width Total Width 60 inches Height of drivers 60 pounds54 inches

We shall first compute the maximum probable side draft and then determine the distribution of weight

Allowing four inches between the edge of the furrow and the furrow drive wheel, we find the

center of traction is thirty-one inches from the furrow. The center line of draft of the plows is nineteen inches from the furrow. The difference of twelve inches is the length of the lever arm which tends to pull the front wheels toward the right. Assuming that the maximum draft of the plows is 1,400 pounds, and knowing that the wheel base is eighty-four inches, we have: 1400x12=84xF.

Solving this equation we find that the force F which may act on the front axle to swerve it from its course is 200 pounds. On the the front wheels than the value of the deflecting force.

Figure 1 represents a skeleton view of the tractor under consideration. The point of draft is taken ten inches below the rear axle or twenty inches above the pivot point A. In making the necessary computations all we do is to take the sum of the moments about the point A. For convenience we will first assume that the entire weight of the machine is centered at some point called the center of gravity, c, g, in the figure. The distance x from

That is, on perfectly level ground, it would be necessary to put the center of weight seven inches ahead of the rear axle to prevent the machine from tipping over backwards. But even if this were done there would be no weight on the front wheels and it would be impossible to steer the machine because of the side draft. Not only that but if the tractor pulled up a grade the center of gravity would shift farther back toward the rear axle and unless the load were greatly reduced it would tipover backwards. In the old steam tractor days it was thought necessary, in order to obtain traction, to put all the weight possible on the drivers and some machines had the center of gravity so far back that when they came to a hill they had to back up. With the plowing tractor, no one would tolerate a machine that is not stable under all conditions, that is why it is necessary to be so careful in the distribution of weight.

In light weight tractors it is customary to so distribute the weight that when the machine is standing still on level ground onequarter of the total weight will rest on the front wheels. In the case of the tractor we are considering, there would be 1.000 pounds on the front wheels and 3,000 on the rear wheels. To obtain this condition the center of gravity, or point at which the machine would balance if set on a knife edge, will be twenty-one inches ahead of the rear axle; or one-quarter of the distance between the axles. With this distribution of the weight let us investigate and see how this is modified by the load.

We are now assuming that there is the equivalent of 1,000 pounds concentrated on the front The lever arm through which this force acts about the pivot point a is eighty-four inches. The load of 1,400 pounds acts through a lever arm of twenty inches. The moment of the 1,000 pound weight about a is 84,000 and the moment of the 1.400 pound load about a is 28,000. One acts in one direction and the other in the opposite direction. The effect is to take a portion of the weight off the front wheels Since the lifting up moment is just one-third of the moment that holds the front wheels down, it follows that the effect of the load

average it will probably amount to about 140 pounds. If the wheel base were ninety-six inches these figures would be reduced to 175 and 1121/2 respectively, thus proving that the longer the wheel base the smaller will be the value of the deflecting force on the front wheels

Since there is a constant tendency for the front wheels to turn out of their course, it follows that the total weight of the machine must be so distributed that there will always be a greater weight on

the rear axle to c, g, is unknown but can easily be found for the condition of balance. There are only two forces to consider, the weight of machine, 4,000 pounds, acting downward through the center of gravity, and the resist ance of the load. The lever arm through which the load acts is twenty inches and that through which the weight of the machine ments about a we have: 1,400x20 acts is to be found.

Taking the sum of the move-=4,000xF. Whence F=7 inches.

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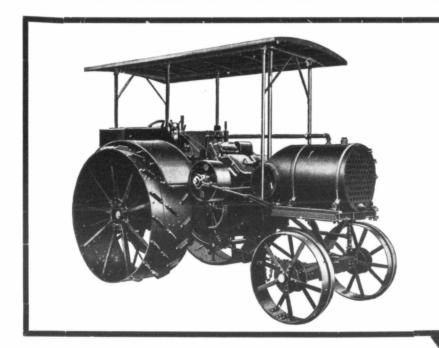
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THE enormous loss due to the destruction of buildings by fire and lightning each year is occasioning much comment, and strenuous efforts are being put forth to minimize this loss. It is estimated that the fire and lightning loss in the United States and Canada for the past year is \$254,000,000 which means an average

shoulders cuts down individual liabilities for large amounts, does not in any way alter the situation. Every individual in Canada loses \$3.50 per year on account of fire and lightning losses, whereas in Europe the per capita loss is only 48c; there they make every effort to prevent the fire, on this continent we try to extinguish it;



loss of \$700,000 every day. In Canada alone the loss is \$26,000,000 annually.

In the cities restrictions are being adopted making it impossible to build the easily combustible structure which has flourished in the past; in all modern cities fire districts are laid out, and combustible structures are forbidden within the limits of these districts. In addition, outside these business districts, the tendency is to discourage by Legislation the building of residences or any other structures unless same are largely protected against fire from outside influences.

there they figure that a fire is an absolute loss of money, here we consider it an exchange of our property for ready money. This, in general is the situation as pertaining to cities, towns and villages. It is indeed serious, and worthy of the best efforts of the Dominion and Provincial Governments to minimize the loss.

Attention is called to a much more serious phase of the matter, viz, unprotected condition of farm buildings as compared with those in the city where fire protection and fire extinguishing are receiving increasing consideration. The average building is an easy prey



There is a tendency to regard a fire loss lightly, due to the fact that insurance minimizes the individual loss. As a matter of fact every dollars' worth of property burned up is irretrievably and for ever lost, and is a burden on the community at large just the same as a tax.

The fact that banding together and thus reducing the risk by transferring it to other and distant to the flames, once they are started. It is almost impossible for the farmer to arrange for capable fire fighting facilities so that he must look to prevention rather than means of extinguishing the fire. Fire once started in a farm building, either a residence or an out-building rapidly gains headway and before the meagre firefighting facilities can be put in operation, has gone beyond the

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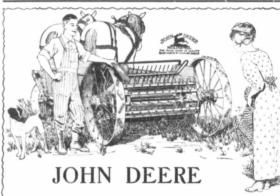
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point where it can be extinguished. As a rule the supply of water is very limited and is generally quite distant from the point of fire, and in addition the individuals capable of fighting the fire, are limited, comprising on an average not more than two persons. This makes it all the more important that the farmer should fight his fires before they occur.

It is unnecessary to dilate on the fact that a farm building covered with metal roofing and metal



siding is protected against fire from outside influences; this fact should be self evident to everyone. The Canadian farmer is becoming more in the habit of using metal coverings every year and in this respect is considerably in advance of his fellow farmers in the U.S. where wooden buildings are more common and where the fire loss is consequently even larger than Canada.

The danger from forest fires is rapidly diminishing as the forests decrease, but in many sections of Canada and during long dry spells in the summer and fall months there are still vast possibilities of damage from flying embers due to forest fires. All liability to loss or damage from this and many other causes is entirely nullified by the use of metal coverings on buildings, and in the case of residences by building brick walls and using metal shingles, which makes an artistic and pleasing combination, durable, economical and fireproof.

The loss to farm buildings by fire may be controlled to a large extent by exercising care, but in regard to the loss from lightning even the most careful family is as liable to suffer from the destructive effects as the most careless one, providing their buildings are not protected against lightning.

In considering this subject the farmer will usually have in mind lightning rods as a protection, and while lightning rods have a value, metal roofing properly applied gives better protection from lightning besides added protection against fire, sparks from the engine, etc., which might burn a wooden roof with a lightning rod

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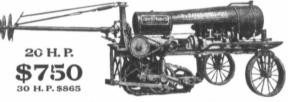
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feeling of terror usually engendered in the minds of the family conscious of their helpless and unprotected condition, is more conducive to a high state of nervousness with its accompanying physical break-down than almost any other cause. As the spring comes on, this subject recurs more frequently and in the hot summer days, with their heavy thunderstorms, lightning becomes a very constant source of dread and



Very careful observation has finally established a fairly good understanding as to the operations of electricity and the methods of minimizing the effects of same; lightning is a discharge of a large amount of electricity in a very short space of time, and whatever medium conducts it from the clouds to the earth suffers in the transmission, unless the medium is a first class conductor of electricity, and of sufficient size to take care of the full volume of the discharge. Trees, poles and buildings, on account of their height generally act as conductors. In the case of buildings, an electrical discharge is generally accompanied by fire, and a severe fire in the midst of a thunderstorm brings to

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ARTICLE No. 3 Forges and Tools

Brick Forge

A forge is an open fireplace or hearth, with forced draft, arranged for heating iron, steel and other materials. A serviceable form of brick forge is shown below.

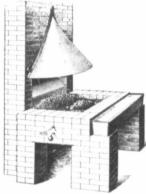


Fig. 1

Thehearth is usually rectangular in shape and 26 or 28 inches in height. For ordinary work the front may be from 21 to 3 feet long and the side from 3 to 4 feet long. An iron water trough, 6 to 8 inches wide, is often fastened along the side. The brickwork is usually built with a space in the top for the fire and fuel. The depth of this space varies greatly, according to the work and the ideas of the workman, but it is usually from 4 to 8 inches. The bottom consists either of brickwork or an iron plate supported on bars.



The forge is usually provided with a hood to catch the smoke and lead it into the stack or chimney. The cut shows a sheet iron conical hood attached to the chimney, but the hood may be square and is sometimes built of brick, where there is plenty of

room in the smith shop, and the blast is supplied by hand power, the brick forge is the type most frequently used. The advantages



Fig. 2A

claimed for it are that it is little affected by the moisture of the atmosphere, costs less for repairs than the iron forge and the form of the hearth may be quickly and easily changed to suit the requirements of the various classes of work.

Iron Forge

The iron forge is made with a cast iron bowl supported on legs. The tuyear iron is fastened in the bottom of the bowl and the air blast is supplied either from a stationary blower or bellows or from a small blower secured to the forge.



The blower may be driven by a crank, a tread or a lever working with a ratchet. The following cuts show an iron forge which is suitable for either stationary or portable use.

t has no hood to obstruct the handling of the work. The blast is supplied from a blast pipe or from a small portable blower mounted on a separate stand. This forge shown in cut is equipped with stand or rest for tongs or long piece of work and may be folded out of workman's way, also a water and coal trough, it also shows top of tuyere, the valve for the blast pipe and the cinder valve at bottom of the tuyear iron.

Combination Forge

Sometimes a combination brick and iron forge is made by supporting a frame of 2 inch or 3 inch angle iron about 3½ or 4 feet by 6 feet on angle iron legs as shown in following cut:

The bottom is formed of ½x2 inch iron strips supporting a layer of common red brick. The tuyer-iron is attached to two of the ½ inch iron strips and the bottom of the hearth is covered with clay or cinders.

Portable Forges

Portable forges are those that may be moved about easily. They are of various designs and construction in order to meet the requirements of different class of



work might have to be done by blacksmiths, others by machinists, bridge builders, boilermakers, etc.

Theone shown in the cut or one similar, is a desirable forge for the farm, it has many advantages over a stationary forge and the two principal ones are that you can always take the forge to where thework is to be done when it is impossible to bring the work to the forge, which is a big considera-tion on the farm. The usual design of these portable lorges are as follows, tI has a cast iron bowl usually supported on legs made of gas pipe. The blast is supplied from a small rotary fan secured beneath or at the side of the bowl and operated by hand. The bowl, fan and tuyere all contained within its self.

Forge Tuyere

The bottom of theforge has a suitable opening cut in it which is fitted a tuyere iron, sometimes called an air chamber or a wind box for the purpose of admitting air under the fire. The bottom of the tuyere iron has an opening about the same size as the opening.



cut in the bottom of the forge. This opening is closed by a valve of thin iron by means of a hand!!!.

The above cut is shown in section of one form of tuyers iron. commonly usely. It has an opening in oneside and one in its top. The side opening is connected with a pipe through which air is supplied to the fire. The top opening is usually capped with a nozzland fitted with a valve. This valve is made so that it will admit air to the fire and permit the cinders to drop into the bottom of the tuvere iron, between heats or when theblast is shut off, the cinders are dropped from the tuyere iron into a cinder pit by opening the value which is hinged and operated by the rod. The nozzle with the valve at the top of the tuyere iron is called the tuyere.

The valve is controlled by a handle from the side of the forge. For power forges a separate valve controls the amount of opening for the air supply. The top of the tuyere is usually so placed that it comes 3 or 4 inches below the level of the top of the forge and from 12 to 15 inches in front of the chimney of a stationary forge. The bottom of the fire space is occasionally filled with clay hollowed into a cup shape around tuyere. In doing this, care must be taken to work or temper the clay to a proper consistency, for the stiffer it is the less it will shrink and crack. trong brine is often used to moisten the clay as it keeps the bed from burning out too quickly. The space above the tuyere is also sometimes packed with cinders to the level

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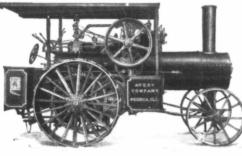
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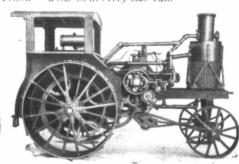
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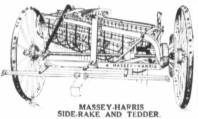
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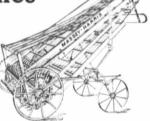
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of the tuvere. Suitable space is provided in the forge bottom for the free movement of the handles, sometimes by encasing them in pieces of wrought iron pipe.

The above cut shows another common style of tuvere iron which is of cheaper and simpler construction than that shown first. The dish shaped nozle has a circular hole in the bottom below which is the valve. By turning the rod the valve is brought into different positions, these increasing or diminishing the opening.

through the valve in the centre board into the upper chamber where it is stored for use. The bellows is hung from the centre



board by pins and as the lower board is drawn up the air in the lower part is forced through the valves into the upper chamber inflating it and raising the top board. As the bottom board descends the valve in the centre board closes and the valve in the bottom board opens and allows the air to flow in and fill the space below the centre board. By placing a weight on the top board the air pressure in the upper part is increased. The top board should be held up when the bellows is idle, for any great length time to keep the leather stretched to prevent it from eracking. This may be done by fastening the hook shown in a chain suspended from the ceiling. With this care the bellows will last much longer, for if the upper part is always folded together when not in use, the leather will soon crack and the upper will be poiled while the lower half is still in good condition. The operating chain or rod is attached to the hook shown on lower part of bellows and the air from the upper part discharges through the tube or nozzle. The leather of the bellows should be oiled two or three times a year with Neats-foot oil or harness oil to preserve it. It should always be oiled before cold weather sets in so as to make it pliable during the winter.

Rotary blower or fan. The rotary blower or centrefugal fan has

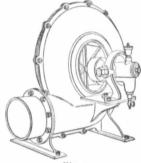


Fig. 8

number of blades set nearly radially on the shaft and placed within a cylindrical iron casing with inlet holes concentric with the shaft on each side and an outlet opening into the delivery pipe at the periphery of the casing.

The shaft is driven by a belt passing over the periphery in the above cut, but in hand rotary blower this is accomplished by a series of straight and worm gears. The centrefugal force caused by the rapid rotation of the blades, throws the air outwards, that is, away from the centre. The air close to the shaft rushes through the opening at the centre to fill this space and so a constant blast is maintained.

For small forges hand driven rotary fans are very frequently There are a number of styles on the market driven by cranks either through trains of gears or through belts. These portable hand blowers however, are used more in small smith shops than in blacksmith shops connected with manufacturing plants.

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sists of two parts. These are separated by a partition and the air from the lower half is forced

Fig. 6

The blast enters through the pipe

at the side. The tube is closed at

the lower end by the shutter. When

cinders have collected the shutter

is opened by means of the rod and

Production of Blast

The bellows. The air blast is produced either by means of a

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A good hand blower should be so constructed that it can run in either direction without drawing ashes back into it. Power driven fans may be operated by a belt from a pulley on the line of shafting by a belting from an electric motor or by direct connected motor.

Hoods and Chimneus

In the case of a single stationary forge like that shown as a brick forge, the gas and smoke from the fire are usually drawn up through the hood by the natural draft of the chimney where the forge stands in the centre of the room. The hood is sometimes suspended over it and connected with a sheet iron chimney going straight up through the roof. If these chimneys are provided with some form of top which will insure a draft no matter which way the wind blows they are quite efficient.

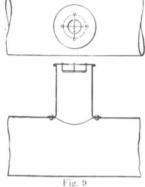
Blast Pipes

The fan or blower should be located as close to the forge as possible, and care should be taken to avoid unnecessary bend in the pipe because there will be considerable loss in the pressure when forcing air through a long pipe or one having abrupt bends. The bends in any pipe should be made in easy curves, in case where a large number of forges are supplied with air from one fan or blower care must be taken to proportion the various branches of the pipe system correctly. The fan or blower must be run at a speed that will give more than four ounces pressure near the fan in order to allow for loss of pressure in the pipe and ensure the proper pressure at the fuvere.

The manufacturers of fans and blowers furnish tables giving the proper size and proportion of blast

Danger of Explosion

Some times coal gas works back into the blast pipe when the fan is not running as at noon, forming a mixture of gas and air that may explode and burst the pipe when the fan is started or injure the bellows as the case may be. This isparticularly the case if the blast pipe is overhead. The dangers of



explosion may be prevented by having one or more valves in the top of the pipe as shown in the above cut, to allow the gas to

The valve is made of thin sheet iron and is held up by the blast when the fan is running, but drops on cross wires and permits the gas to escape when the fan is not run-A top view of this valve is ning. also shown in the above cut and is three inches or more in diameter.

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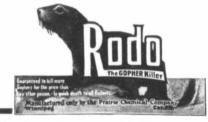
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and to say that we are proud of him inasmuch as he is a nativeborn citizen of Winnipeg, and that he is the young brother of our old college chum, Frank C. Bray, with whom we are now associated in the rising fortunes of the Canadian Thresherman and Farmer.

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All of the Canadian threshermen are familiar with the Hart

W. B. WYLDE, President and Treasurer, Hart Grain Weigher Co.

Grain Weigher Company. For years they have supplied them all of their Baggers and Automatic Registers. The name "Perfection Bagger" is a household word with the Canadian threshermen. But not so many were familiar with the fact that this old established company were large manufacturers of band cutters and self feeders.

For a number of years the Hart Grain Weigher Company has been manufacturing and supplying the



A. J. HARTLEY, Vice-President and General Supt., Hart Grain Weigher Co.

thresher trade with the Langdon Feeder. This feeder was, as has been the case with so many feeders, first brought to light in the southwest. After having been tried in more or less of a local way in that territory for a couple of seasons, the feeder was manufactured more extensively and sold in gradually increasing territory until its sale had spread from the Atlantic to the Pacific and from the northern to the southern boundary of the United States..

The season of 1915 was one of probably the most trying conditions of any in the memory of the users of threshing machines. In the extensive territory in which the Hart Grain Weigher Company were selling their attachments, practically every condition under which threshing might needs be done was encountered in the one season of 1915. From threshing in the longest, driest, most brittle grain to the handling of rank grown tangled, roted straw the feeder closed the season with a perfect score.

village of importance in the three prairie provinces. The Hart Weigher Company are so well acquainted with the conditions in Western Canada that they can be relied upon to take care of the trade by having stocks of repairs where they can be obtained quickly.

A little about this company and the goods which they manufacture may be of interest to our readers.

This company was founded in 1889 by Staev B. Hart. It has manufactured Baggers and Automatic Registers, or what are known as Grain Weighers in the States, since that date. This company is the largest manufacturer of this class of machinery in the world. Practically every threshing machine in the United States and Canada is equipped with a machine of their manufacture.

Mr. Hart, the founder of this company, died January 30th, 1913. He was a character familiar to all of the older branch managers of the thresher companies.



Portion of the Plant of the Hart Grain Weigher Co., Peoria, Ill.—A Number of Additions Since the Photo Reproduced Was Taken

been sold each year in Western The officers of the Hart Grain Weigher Company believed that there should be a larger market for this feeder in Canada. For some time their vice-president and general superintendent, A. J. Hartley, and sales manager, H. A. Coffman, have been travelling through Canada studying condi-So well impressed were they with the future market for their feeder in this territory that they have made arrangements with the Cushman Motor Works of Canada, Limited, of Winnipeg, to represent them in Western

They are making arrangements to carry stocks of feeders and repairs for these in the principal machinery centers in the West. There will be an agency representing the Langdon Feeder in every town and

A few of the three feeders have The present officers of the company are as well known to the fratanada. The officers of the Hart ternity of to-day.

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Mr. A. J. Hartley, vice-president and general superintendent, was the head of the C. J. Hartley Company of Decatur, Illinois, the manufacturer of the Hartley Automatic Register and Bagger. Mr. Hartley joined the Hart Grain Weigher Company's organization in 1913.

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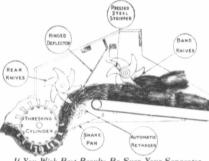
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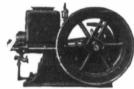
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behind the tractor is to reduce the weight on the front wheels onethird or 333 1-3 pounds.

This leaves an effective weight of 666 2-3 pounds on the front wheels to hold them to the ground and resist the 200 pounds of side draft. On level ground this is evidently sufficient and the usual assumption of setting the center of gravity at one-quarter of the wheel base ahead of the rear axle seems justified provided the point of hitch for the load is not taken higher than twenty inches above the pivot point a. If it is taken higher it is evident that the lift would be correspondingly increased. For example, if the hitch were exactly behind the rear axle and thirty inches above the point a, the lift would amount to 500 pounds or one-half the weight on the front wheels.

Let us now investigate the problem and see what would happen if we attempted to pull the same load up a fifteen per cent grade. This is about as steep a grade as a tractor can operate on. The pulling power of the tractor would be considerably reduced on such a grade but for the purpose of this discussion we shall assume that it is just the same as on level ground. In order to see what will

happen it will be necessary to tilt the machine and find new lengths of lever arms, Figure 2. It will be observed first that the center of gravity has approached the rear axle and instead of being at a distance of twenty-one inches it is now 111/2 inches. Likewise, instead of the load on the front wheels acting through a lever arm of eighty-four inches this has been The reduced to 81.14 inches. effect of these changes will now be considered.

A reference to the figure shows that the center of gravity has shifted toward the rear until it is only 111/2 inches ahead of the rear axle; likewise the force of gravity acting through the front axle has reduced the length of its lever arm from 84 inches to 81.14 inches. Since the center of gravity has moved toward the rear it follows that a greater proportion of the total weight of the machine rests on the point a.

The weights will be in the same proportion as the distances 111/2 and 84.14. The weight resting on the front axle will therefore be:

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1,400x20=28,000 inch pounds, the The differmoment on the left. ence amounts to 17,762.96 inch pounds, which divided by 81.14 gives a quotient of 219 pounds as the effective weight for holding down the front end of the mach-This would probably be sufficient but it is very little more that the amount of the maximum side draft and any less weight would make it necessary to shift the center of gravity farther for-

Slipping Belt Often Means Load is Too Heavy

The slipping belt is a great annoyance, but it is not always remedied by tightening the belt. Ordinarily, if the proper-sized

belts and pulleys are used and properly put in, there should be little or no slipping at all. Often the slipping of a belt is due to the overload carried by it. There is economy in using wider belts than is the usual practice. Many a three-inch belt is made to do the work of a four-inch belt, much to the annovance of the

remedy is needed, a small quantity of powdered whiting, sprinkled on the inside of the belt, is very good and is the least harmful of any similar application.

The use of beeswax, rubbed on the inside of the belt or on the pulley, is a very good remedy in cases of emergency.

Many people use powdered resin on a slipping belt but this is bad practice because it soon dries the leather and causes it to crack. -W. E. Edmondson, Colorado Agricultural College.

If you are forced to put a bell on one of the cows, do not make the highly-strung nervous cow carry it and submit to its constant clanging. Such a cow usually pays the best of any in the herd, and a bell will not increase her profits.

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In connection with investigations regarding safety and efficiency in the use of petroleum and its products, the bureau of mines has made numerous tests of gasoline.

Gasoline vapor mingles with the air in the same manner that water vapor does, the amount carried depending upon the temperature of the air and the readiness with which the vapor can be obtained. If one takes the cover off a full pail of tightly enclosed gasoline and applies a match to the surface, the gasoline will flare up and burn as long as the gasoline lasts. On the other hand, if one puts a few drops of gasoline in a small tightly enclosed pail, waits a few minutes and then produces a flame or electric spark, a violent explosion will likely result.

In the first case the vapor burns as fast as it comes from the gaso-line and mixes with the oxygen of the air, whereas in the second case the oil vaporizes in the pail and mixes uniformly with the air to form an explosive mixture and upon ignition, explodes.

One gallon of gasoline when entirely vaporized produces about 32 cubic feet of vapor. If a lighted match could be applied to pure gasoline vapor in the absence of air, no fire or explosion would result. At ordinary temperatures air will hold from 5 to 28 per cent of gasoline vapor, depending upon the grade of gasoline. In 100 parts by volume of air and gasoline, an explosion would not take place if there were more than 6 parts of gasoline, or less than 1.4 parts. In other words, the explosive range is between 1.4 and 6 per cent of vapor. One gallon of gasoline can, under ideal conditions, render 2,100 cubic feet of an explosive mixture.

Governor Must be Right if Engine's Efficient

Some of the Things Which Will Cause a Governor to Fail to Do Its Work

The governor of a gasoline engine does not usually give much trouble, yet when it does, the trouble is usually serious.

There are two types of governors in common use on gasoline engines, viz., the hit-and-miss governor, and the throttling governor. Both act on the same principle in so far as weights or balls are used to regulate the action according to speed. These weights are thrown out by centrifugal force when set in motion, the higher the speed the greater the throw of the weights. The weights may be on a separate shaft or mounted in the fly wheel. Springs hold the weights in so that the centrifugal action will not be too great. Hence, the speed of the engine may be regulated by

changing the tension of these springs.

The hit-and-miss type of governor regulates the engine by holding the exhaust valve open when the engine is running slightly over speed. As the weights are thrown out, the governor sleeve moves so as to press a detent arm toward the exhaust valve rod which then engages in a notch or detent on the exhaust valve rod, holding it open until the speed of the engine has gone down to normal

The throttling governor works in very much the same way, but the movement of the sleeve is transferred through a lever to the throttle, thus partially shutting off or throttling the mixture as it enters the engine.

In either type of governor, if the weights, sleeve and arm are not working properly, irregularity in the action of the engine will result. Sometimes we find a spring has been lost and the weight is wired in place. This partially or completely destroys the action of the governor. The fly wheel may have slipped on the shaft, causing the arm to cease to act on the detent. Then the engine will run away. The same effect may be produced by accidental bending of the arm. Of course, the opposite effect may be produced by either of these troubles, causing the engine to run too slow or to refuse to run. An en gine is balanced to run at a certain speed, hence should not be made to run much above or much below this speed.

Alberta Grown Timothy Seed Makes a Hit

Six cars of the best timothy seed that has been on the Toronto market for years recently arrived from the province of Alberta. Practically all this seed is bold and plump in berry, bright in color and remarkably free from impurities. Some of it, unfortunately, was considerably hulled, due to over-ripeness before being cut and to standing too long in stook before being threshed. Farmers in the prairie provinces, who have land that is naturally too rich and too moist to mature cereal grains, would do well to take up the production of timothy seed on an extensive scale. Six cars of timothy seed is a very small part of the requirements of the Toronto market. The duty on timothy seed imported from the United States amounts to seven-prairie provinces will produce from five hundred to six hundred cars of timothy seed per year, this will go far towards curtailing the importing into Canada of seed now grown in the Mississippi valley on land valued from \$75 to \$150 per acre.

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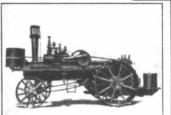
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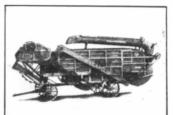
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Does the Light Gas Tractor Solve the Farm Power Problem

A. C. CAMPBELL

Y the light tractor we mean the small machines designed to pull 2 or 3 plows and rated at from 8-16 horse power to 10-20 horse power. A few years ago we thought that the large gas tractor of 60 or 80 brake horse power was the solution to our power problems. There was a great demand for these big strong machines, and the bigger they were the better they were liked. If one farmer got a tractor which could pull 8 plows, his neighbor wanted one to pull 10 plows. Much money was invested in these power giants weighing from 25,000 lbs. to 30,000 lbs. and many good farmers lost all they had as a result of failure to make these extremely big tractors profitable.

After a time there was a lull in the gas tractor business. 1913 and 1914 were quiet years, but now we see large numbers of farmers purchasing and preparing to purchase the new light tractors and we ask ourselves the

question above. The writer has watched the development of the gas tractor since it was first introduced, and it has been part of his business to keep himself well posted on the various types of tractors pro-

duced. One thing which strikes us at first glance when we size up the average small tractor is its extreme lightness per plow pulled. We have to-day tractors being offered for sale, weighing from about 3,500 lbs. to 5,000 lbs., for which the makers claim ability to pull 2 to 4 plows, according to soil and other conditions. pull a 3-furrow plow with horses under average conditions, we require at the very least 6 horses and they would have to be good If we used 6 horses weighones. ing 1,400 lbs. each we would have 8,400 lbs. of horse flesh.

It is our opinion that there has never been a tractor wheel or substitute for a wheel designed, which equals the tractive efficiency of a horse's feet and legs, yet we are asked to believe that 4,000 lbs. of tractor will exert as great a drawbar pull as 8,400 lbs. of horse flesh. We do not consider this possible except where

conditions of footing are ideal.

Those of us who followed the records of the many engines, which competed in the Winnipeg motor contests, learned, among other things, much about design and construction. We learned that an efficient tractor must

weigh around 2,000 lbs. per plow pulled and must carry 75 per cent to 80 per cent of this weight on the drive wheels. This would go to show that a 3-plow tractor should weigh at least 6,000 lbs. A powerful motor is of no use on a tractor unless the tractor is of sufficient weight to hold the drive wheels down to their work and thereby permit of the power being delivered at the drawbar.

The great variety of design in light tractors is in itself fairly good proof that the problem is not yet solved and that the light tractor is still very much of an experiment. Until the designs are somewhat standardized, as is the case with the larger machines, we must look upon these light tractors with suspicion.

In looking over the illustrations accompanying the article and even 16-cylinder motors and as a result a growing supply of them. These machines are built because the people want them rather than because the designers believe in them. Look at the racing cars of to-day, most of them 4-cylinder machines, showing that this type of motor is still believed to be the best.

Light tractors are built and sold because the farmers want them and not because engineers and designers really have faith in them. As already mentioned, we find a great variety of design in light tractors, yet, in looking over the medium sized and large tractors we find them all practically the same in some respects at least. The types of motors are many, yet the method of mounting and transmitting the power to the drawbar is fairly

ers have tried to overcome the tendency of this type to crowd away from the driver side by pro viding a dog clutch to drive from the other rear wheel when desired, but just the instant they drive from both wheels the centre of draft of the engine is moved to a point somewhere between the two drivers, and again they have side draft. When using the dog clutch they also have a 2-wheel drive without a differential gear, which is a joke.

Another type of 1-wheel drive has the drive wheel at the centre rear of the tractor and 2 wheels in front. This would look better were it not for the fact that with this type of truck we must place the motor in front of the drive wheel, which of course throws much of the weight on the from wheels. A number of light tractor builders aggravate this trouble by using opposed motors, whereas we should have 75 per cent to 80 per cent of the total weight of a tractor over the drive wheels to get tractive efficiency.

We could take up many other types but our idea is simply this. If it has been found necessary to equip large and medium-sized tractors with 4 wheels (two of which are drivers), differential gears, etc., it is just as necessary on the light tractor. If the larger tractors should weigh 2,000 lbs. per plow pulled, and have 75 per cent to 80 per cent of this weight on the drivers, the same rules should hold good in building light tractors. If these and other rules were followed, a gool small tractor weighing about 6,000 lbs. could be produced but the price would be prohibitive when compared with the price of the cheaply constructed light tractors now on the market.

Threshing is a problem which presents itself to the light tract or owner or prospective owner. He wants to know what size of says arator equipped with blower. feeder and weigher the tractor will drive, and our experience is small for the 8-16 or 10-20 tractor possibly an 18-inch cylinder. Are we going to come to using this size of machine? We think not.

There is no doubt in the writer's mind as to the growing demand for light tractors and a lot of money will be invested in them this year, but we are afraid that a larger percentage of the machines will prove to be unsatisfactory and will find resting places in the fence corners.

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How is this for "Power Economy?" Four men and four horses to an 8ft, Seeder:

on light tractors, which appeared in The Thresherman of last September, the writer has observed that of the many tractors represented, only about 27 per cent are by well-known tractor builders, and of these 27 per cent, half can hardly be classed as small tractors. This shows that small tractors. This shows that "mushroom" firms with practically no reputations, are the principle builders and vendors of light tractors.

Until recently most of the wellknown builders kept strictly out of the light tractor business and only came into it finally when they realized that the farmers were going to buy light tractors in spite of them and that they would lose considerable business if they did not build light trac-Even to-day many of the old firms refuse to build and sell these light tractors, which fact is in itself significant.

Manufacturers sometimes have to build what the people want, rather than what they, the manufacturers, believe to be right.

The automobile business to-day plainly illustrates this point. see a growing demand for 6, 8, 12

well standardized. We find these machines equipped with 4 wheels, 2 drive wheels behind and 2 front wheels, and they all have differential gears, etc.

One of the many problems in designing a light tractor to pull 2 or 3 plows is that of side draft. If built with 4 wheels like the larger machines, we have a machine of greater width than the plow. In order to pull from the centre of draft of the plow we would therefore have to hitch to one end of our tractor drawbar and have considerable side draft on the tractor or run the tractor over on the plowed ground.

The various types of 3-wheel tractors are designed to overcome this difficulty. With the 3-wheel tractor, having 2 wheels behind and 1 in front, using only 1 hind wheel as a driver, we get a tractor which can be built as wide as desired and still have the centre of draft of the plow almost in line with the 1 drive wheel, but the tractor has a great tendency to crowd away from the driver side. This type of drive eliminates a differential gear and cuts down cost of construction. Some buildsome the to crowd le by pro rive from when de ant they he centre moved to reen the hey have the dog 2-wheel

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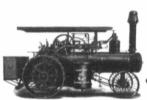
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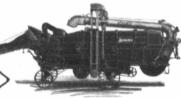
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In arriving at a decision as to what size of tractor would be most suitable for all conditions, the writer has assumed that plowing and threshing would be its principle uses. Experience shows us that a 28-inch cylinder is as small as is satisfactory under present conditions. To drive this machine in all kinds of grain under any conditions, we require at least 30 brake horse power.

We therefore say that the ideal general purpose tractor will be an engine of 15 drawbar horse power and 30 brake horse power, capable of driving a 28-inch cylinder thresher or hauling four or five 14-inch stubble plows, and weighing in the neighborhood of 10,000 or 12,000 lbs.

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Why Some Dry Cells Use Up Quickly

E. R. Wiggins

The greatest cause of trouble found for cells running down quickly during the operation of the engines is with contact coming too early on make-and-break engines, and with jump spark the contact being for a longer period than is necessary. On make-andbreak engines the practice is to have the point of contact occur from sixty to ninety degrees in advance of the point of ignition. That is to say, the crank pin is in a position sixty to ninety degrees ahead of where the crank pin is when the spark occurs on the evlinder. By contact is meant the position of ignitor when the points first touch each other. The reason for having the point of contact at least sixty degrees in advance is this: Electric current is almost instantaneous in its travel, but not quite so, and it does take some time for the current to build up and flow steadily and have the condition which is analagous to momentum. To illustrate, when a water faucet is opened and closed suddenly, the water hammer or knock in the pipe is not as great as it is when the faucet is opened, and the water allowed to run for a time and then suddenly closed. Then, also, the period of time that it takes the crank pin to travel through an arc of sixty degrees is very small. To illustrate, take the case of a 43in. x 7in. engine running at a speed of 400 revolutions per minute. This means a speed of 6.6 revolutions per second, and calculation shows

that it takes 1-208 of a second for the crank pin to travel sixty degrees, which is not very long when a person stops to think of it. But this is good engine practice, and really gives the best

results Suppose, however, comes and occurs through a period of one hundred and thirty degrees or even more, the circuit will then be closed through twice as long a period and the life of the cells will be shortened somewhat in the same proportion. The point of contact then is of great importance and the adjustment on this should be carefully looked after. One company's standard on this is to have what is called "ninety degrees contact." tact occurs when the crank is in a position straight down, on horizontal engines, and as the point of ignition is from fifteen to thirty degrees in advance of the crank and dead center a contact of at least sixty degrees is always maintained. The position of contact is regulated not by moving the cam gear a tooth or two, but by moving the igniter trip along the exhaust push rod or with some engines by moving forward the igniter trip disc. The tendency is for the point of contact to become later and later as the engine grows older and the trip wears.

With the jump spark engine contact must not come too early because if such were the case the engine would stop because of too early ignition. The trouble with the jump spark engine contact is that due to mal-adjustment or wear. The part pressing against

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the disc to close the circuit, may remain in this position after the charge in the cylinder has been fired, and thus the cells will be depleted more than is necessary. With a jump spark engine it is best to use as few cells as will do the work. Connect just enough cells together to get a good buzz on the coil, more cells are really unnecessary.

The writer believes that more trouble with cells using up too fast comes contact An ex of this the con tion. agemer not lef opened idle.

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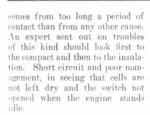
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Flax for Grain

By J. H. CRISDALE, Director Dominion Expermental Farms

A S a crop likely to be profitable as wheat this year profitable as wheat this year be mentioned flax. The annual consumption of flaxseed is in the neighborhood of 30,000,000 bushels on this continent, of which all but about 2,000,000 bushels is used in the United The combined crops of seed in Canada and the United States fall usually 12,000,000 or 15,000,000 bushels short of this amount. This extra seed is brought normally from Argentina and is coming in at the present time.

The factors controlling the price of this commodity in the mited States and consequently in Canada at the present time are the available supply in accessible and transportation charges. The supply as furnished by the crop of 1915 is short at least the usual amount as mentioned above, and the high cost of ocean transportation at present (about 70 cents per bushel from Buenos Avres to New York), has had the natural effect of raising the price of every bushel of seed on this continent, so that now, instead of 70 to 80 cents per bushel, as was the price at Winnipeg in 1912, \$2.20 to \$2.25 per bushel is being paid at the same point.

The soil and moisture requirements for a good crop of flax are so nearly the same as for a good crop of wheat that the average farmer this year is likely to sow to wheat any land that under somewhat different circumstances might have been sown to flax. Flax must have a goodly amount of moisture either in the soil (as in summerfallow), or as rain in June and July to insure anything of a crop worth while. Further. it must be sown on fairly clean land and it must be sown early enough to allow it to ripen before fall frosts, but not so early as to can any risks from spring frosts once it has thrust its first tiny leaves above the ground. means sowing anywhere May 15 to June 1 in Saskatchewan and northern Manitoba, from say, May 10 to June 10 in southern Manitoba, and from May 10 to June 3 or 4 in southern Alberta.

Where wheat seeding has pro-

gressed rather slowly it will often be advisable to sow the last few acres intended for wheat to The cash returns per acre from the two crops are likely to be practically equal this year and will probably be about the same as they were last year. For this reason it is well worth trying the flax and running no risk with late wheat, which is usually a poor crop at best.

A few points in connection with the production of a crop of flax therefore worth considering at this time.

Seed-The seed, as available at the elevator or at the farmer's granary is very often badly polluted with weed seeds. Seed in this condition should not be sown under any circumstances. Cleaning the seed is difficult, but only clean seed should be sown and that on clean land. A limited area

of well prepared land sown with clean seed will be more profitable than a large area of badly prepared land on which dirty seed is used.

Seed-bed-Well prepared land means:-

(a) A good summerfallow.(b) First year stubble after summerfallow properly burned, well cultivated, sown and then

(c) Other stubble land burned if possible, well ploughed, then packed, harrowed and seeded, and then packed again, or rolled and harrowed.

This latter preparation may give a good crop if fair rains come, but will most certainly give a poor cop if the season is dry, not because of the special preparation mentioned, but because of the scarcity of moisture in the soil on account of the crop

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grown in past years, particularly in 1915.

For the new settller or the man with new breaking done before May 25 or 26, flax offers an opportunity for money-making this year on this land as it is not possible with any other crop.

Breaking about 3 inches deep, discing as soon as broken, so as to fill all openings or spaces between the furrows, and to conserve any available moisture as well as make a solid seed-bed, will be such a preparation as gives a fair chance of a fair crop of flax if good seed is carefully sown before the first of June. Sow seed at the rate of 30 to 40 lbs. per acre. Sow only clean seed and if clean seed is important on old land it is doubly important here, since the whole future of the field may be ruined by putting on dirty seed at this time.

Conclusion

Prices for flax are likely to be good this coming fall, so where conditions are favorable, or where circumstances suggest flax it will quite likely be wise to grow this crop, being careful always to sow only good seed on a thoroughly prepared seed-bed, under the conditions and at the time above specified.

Crop Production on Stubble Land in 1916 By J. H. GRISDALE,

Director Dominion Expermental Farms

The outlook for a bumper crop in 1516 is not as good as we, as Canadians, would like. Unfortunately, also, the searcity of farm labor in these provinces is likely to quite seriously limit the amount of work to be done on the land in the short time from frost-out permits till "seeding-time past" ends the rush.

However, there is another side to the matter. In the first place, prices for all grains and forage crops are practically certain to be high next fall. And to this the certainty that as a Dominion, as a part of the British Empire and as a nation at war, we do very certainly need every last bushel of grain and every ton of produce of every kind our farms can produce this year, 1916. With the double incentive of material berefit to the individual and patriotic service to the nation we should supply, every farmer of us, make every possible effort to achieve, this double end. It is wonderful what early and persistent effort on well-planned lines will do toward getting a large area of land properly under crop in the four to six weeks that seed-time on the prairie usually lasts.

May I offer a few suggestions
1. Get the seed ready. Sow a
pure variety if possible. Clean it
thoroughly. Sow no weed seeds.

Sow no light kernels this year. Light grain means weak, slow growth, fan it to a finish. Make preparations to treat for smut.

2. Get the horses and harness into good shape. Ill-fed horses and poorly-kept harness are a bad combination with which to begin work. Feed the one and mend and oil the other now if nor already done, as should be the case.

3. Have all machines in good shape. Have a few spare parts on hand. Half a day's hold-up at seed-time may quite possibly mean a hundred dollars' at larvest. Is it worth while running the risk if a little forethough: will prevent the same?

4, Get the seed sown on the summer-fallow as soon as the land is fit but do not wait for the summerfallow if stubble is ready first.

 Seeding the stubble land is, however, the operation needing the most thought this spring. Let us consider it.

Before beginning this article, we took the precaution to communicate with our officers, Angus Mackay, Esq., the General Super-intendent of Western Farms, the Superintendents at the Experimental Farms at Brandon and Morden in Manitoba; at Indian Head, Rosthern and Scott in Saskatchewan, and at Lethbridge and Lacombe in Alberta. The suggestions offered are really an ep.tome of the recommendations of these men for the districts served by these farms respectively. These recommendations are based on actual conditions at the end of February, 1916, in these same districts centred round the points

(a) Handling Stubble Land of First Chop After Summerfallow

The stubble on such land is usually heavy and burns readily. In many parts it was left unusually heavy last fall and so will burn unusually well this spring. about noon time, the first warm day in April after the surface of the soil is dry and when a strong steady wind is blowing. Spare no pains to insure a good burn even if prospects do look good. Cultivate at once about 2 inches deep, then sow the wheat and harrow afterwards. Lose no time here, if the area burned over is very large, it would pay to first harrow right after the burn in order to conserve moisture, then cultivate seed and harrow again.

Sow about 1½ bushels per acre in the eastern part of Saskatchewan, but only about 1¼ bushels per acre in the western part, reducing the quantity by about ¼ bushel per acre in either case on light soils or if the land is particularly dry.

These suggestions as to treatment of stubble land of the first crop after summerfallow hold good this year throughout the prairie provinces.

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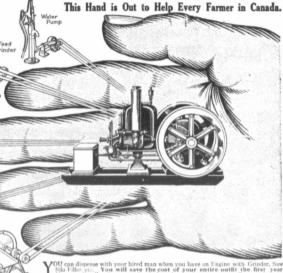
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(b) Handling the Stubble Land of the Second Crop after Summerfallow

As a rule, such land should be summerfallowed each year. This year, however, it is just possible a certain proportion of it should be cropped, since there was an unusually large area of crop sown on this kind of stubble last year and a relatively small area under summerfallow. If it is to be cropped this year, the stubble should be burned if at all possible, scattering straw freely over the field, using gasoline torches made by wrapping old sacking round sticks about 4 feet long, then dipping them into gasoline carried in an open pail and shaking burning drops of gasoline on the straw and stubble.

If stubble is so light as to be impossible to burn, then cultivate thoroughly, harrow right after cultivating to bring the stubble on top, then seed. Sow quantities of wheat somewhat less than on first year stubble mentioned above. It is, however, practically never advisable to sow wheat on second year stubble; oats or barley being likely to give much better results. Sow oats on the land first ready and barley on the later land.

If shoe drills are used, ploughing instead of cultivating is practically a necessity to prevent dragging of stubble, etc. Ploughing is also indicated if land is at all grassy or very weedy. Pack or roll and then harrow right after ploughing in every case.

(c) Handling the Stubble Land the Third Year after Summerfallow

Such land should never be sown to grain but should be summerfallowed without fail.

As a rule, one third of the cropping area in Saskatchewan and Alberta should be in summerfallow each year, and this year should be no exception. Even should an early season make it appear that in spite of little fall preparation it will be possible to get practically all the land under crop this year, such should not be the plan.

The plan should be rather to get, say, two-thirds into crop with preparation and seeding well done and then prepare to summerfal-low the other third. The probabilities are that such a policy will give by far the best results throughout Saskatchewan and southern Alberta, even this year, and very certainly the prospects for 1917 will be tremendously improved thereby. In northern Alberta and in Manitoba, however, it is quite possible that a considerably larger proportion of the land might be cropped profitably in 1916, if time for fair preparation permits.

Even here, however, and more particularly in southern Manitoba, such land should be cropped only after ploughing. Plough, disc, and seed the same day if possible, or at worst leave but a very short time after ploughing. A shallow furrow will sometimes prove better than a deep one, but it is usually safer to go 5 inches or 6 inches

The Summerfallow Area in 1916

As already indicated, the summerfallowing of a goodly acreage each year is an important matter. Such treatment is a practical guarantee, an insurance of a crop for the succeeding year, no matter what the weather that year, as many who suffered in 1914 in southwestern Saskatchewan and southern Alberta will admit. Here is an example of what it means. The writer in the course of a rather extended trip through the district mentioned came across quite a number of farmers with crops and in every case on summerfallow. One case was most striking. A farmer near a certain small town had a crop of 22 bushels per acre, while not a nearby neighbor harvested a bushel. He was the only man who had summerfallowed any land in 1913 and the 1913 summerfallow was his 22 bushels per acre field in 1914.

Moral—Don't neglect to do some summerfallowing each year.

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A Few Pointers on Tractor Design

(By One Who Has Suffered) H. BUCKNER HIGGINS

Far it be from me to pose as a kinked up cotter pins and lose gas engine expert, or consulting engineer or anything of the sort, but I have spent several years working with internal combustion motors of various kinds from seven cylinder rotating monstrosities for aeroplanes to four cylinder 60-horse power tractors. I have designed, built, operated, repaired and fervently cussed several different types, and have, as a matter of course, accumulated several ideas about their designs, construction and general get up, a few of which I append herewith.

In my humble opinion, the first, foremost and primary object to be borne in mind when designing a tractor is accessibility. Many designers disagree with me in this, as any operator or repair man knows, but I believe that I could convince them if I could put them through some of my experience.

Take, for instance, crankshaft bearings. The engines with which I am most familiar are of the four cylinder, vertical type, and admittedly among the best on the market. Yet observe all the trouble necessary for the simple operation of taking up crankpin bearings, about the most frequent job on the motor. First, one has to crawl under the machine on his knees (generally in a cactus patch at that) and drain out three or four gallons of oil. Then take the oil pans off, crawl out again, turn the motor over where you want it, crawl underneath, remember that you left your pliers on the platform, crawl out and get them, also get a socket wrench, monkey wrench, some rags or waste (if you're lucky, otherwise you wipe your mitts on your overalls) crawl underneath again, wrestle a while with four

three of them, loosen four nuts that were tightened by a giant of some sort, pull the bearing cap off and, in so doing, spread the shims over the surrounding landscape, gather up said shims and try to wipe the sand off them with a still dirtier gunny sack-same dose for the bearing cap sort shims out and take out one, put the rest in place and the cap back and screw up the nuts as tight as you can. Then you discover that the slot in the nut is just past the nole in the bolt, and you have to turn it around to the next one. This you finally accomplish, after the atmosphere in your vicinity has acquired a rich, sulphurous odor. You then crawl out and rustle up some baling wire to replace the lest cotter pins and crawl back again and attempt to tie it tightly in place, in which you seldom succeed. Of course, the hot oil and water from the engine dripping down your neck makes things go a little smoother, but these are largely counteracted by a raw wind which is whistling around.

You then throw all the tools outside and crawl outside yourself with a sigh of relief. If you toolout a thin shim, you then discover that the bearing is still loose, if a thick one, she's so tight you can't crank her.

If she's too tight, there's only one thing to do-do it over again -however, if she's just a little lose you say: "Aw, h-. She'll run till another one gets loose and then I'll take them both up." Then you get down and put the oil pans on, trying not to leave out any more of the gasket than you can help, pour in the oil, put back the side plates and get ready to go.

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saddest of all, it's largely true.

And the main bearings - Ye Thank heaven you don't have to take them up very often First you have to take off the small oil pans and then remove about forty-seven nuts and washers and then the main oil pan, which you swear weighs at least a ton. Of course it has to be of east iron, one-half inch thick, to withstand the terrific strain of some 4 or 5 gallons of oil splashing around inside it. Aluminum or pressed steel would never, never do in a place like this.

And those bearings. As a rule the gear-end and center ones aren't so bad, as you can get at them, but, oh, you flywheel end! The bolts will turn and it's very seldom that you have a wrench that will go down between the crank-case and flywheel and hold them, to say nothing of the very limited turning are available on the nuts.

Then, after you have taken out the shims and put the caps back and taken a four handed wrench and tightened up those big nuts and put the pins in, and meanwhile crawled in and out a dozen times to see if you can still twist her tail, then comes the nice little item of trying to hold that awful cast iron pan in place and at the same time screw up a couple of nuts that don't want to start. By

Yes, it's a sad tale, mates, but the time everything is finished and ready to run you know that you have done something, even if you haven't accomplished a great

Now, this tale of woe would be worse than useless if the above conditions could not be improved without sacrificing strength, durability or any other good quality; but somehow I can't persuade myself that such is the case.

To return to erankshaft bear ings; in the first place, they could and should be larger, so as not to require such frequent adjustment.

There are plenty of other heavyduty motors, both marine and stationary, that work under rather trying conditions, but you don't hear of them taking several hours a week to keep their crankpin bearings in shape.

Even frequent adjustments would be much more bearable if one could simply remove a side plate, reach in with an S wrench and do the job without so much preliminary work. In many of the best marine motors the crankcases are built up of A frames, to which are clamped light sheet metal covers. These covers are oil tight, but easily removable, and when taken off leave ample room to use a wrench on every nut in the motor. This type of crankcase, when properly braced, has proved to be fully as rigid as the box type; although I suppose

it is slightly more expensive to

But give a motor this kind of a foundation and design the rest of it in accordance, so that a man doesn't have to remove half the accessories to get at the valves, as on some I have seen, or other like stunts, and it is my humble belief that it would be hard indeed to persuade a man who owned one to have anything else.

I know from experience that this sort of thing makes the poor devil at the drafting table smoke more cigarettes than are good for him, and maybe lose a little sleep if he takes his job seriously, but he only has to wrestle with it once, whereas the man in the field has the same engines for a steady diet during several seasons.

However, I realize that this is a somewhat radical thing to ask for all at once, but there are several minor details that could be mightily improved without great ex-

Take that little matter of cover plates, oil pans, etc., which have been the cause of many unseemly words and mashed fingers. I can see no reason whatever why these should be so heavy. If a piston and rod get loose they will make about as big a hole in a thick place as a thin one, and so far as I can see there are no other excessive strains on them.

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these out of steel would be somewhat expensive, still the lower cost of production in fair sized quantities should more than offset this in the end, and to an experienced man the light weight of these parts would be a strong talking point. Or, if the output is rather small, they could be cast of aluminum in much thinner sections than are now used.

Now consider the connecting rods. If the lower ends were of the hinge type, with the bolts toward the open side of the crankcase and slotted shims used, adjustment would be a matter of a few minutes only.

Before I close, I would call attention to another phase of the accessibility argument. It would add much to the life of the motor in most cases. If a job insolves considerable work, especially of such a grimy variety, the average man won't do it any oftener than he thinks he positively has to. As a result, many engines are running with loose connecting rods, which would be kept in much better shape if a few minutes would do it, and other things being equal the bearing would last much longer in the latter case.

There are several other points which I would like to discuss if, perchance this should slip past the editor. In the meantime let's all boost for "accessibility," first, last

The Carburetor and Fuel Problem

YEAR ago the carburetor problem was comparatively simple. Gasoline was cheap plentiful even if the grade was lower than seven or eight There did not seem vears ago. any immediate prospect of either scarcity or of higher prices and the carburction of kerosene or heavier oils received little or no attention except from research workers. Now conditions are re-versed. Gasoline has risen in price and is still rising. Again, there is need of a good kerosene carburetor and, in fact, such a carburetor must soon be forthcoming if the gas engine business is to continue at its present volume. That suitable low grade gasoline or kerosene carburetors are not only possible but that they will soon appear is the general belief of those in a position to know. Let us look into some of the requirements and possibilities of such ear-

To anyone who has followed the descriptions of the various carburetors described during the past few months it must seem that there are endless varieties, and this would seem to indicate that there is a general lack of appreciation of the fundamental principles of carburction. One can not help but feel that this is true to a considerable extent, otherwise there would be greater uniformity. Another thing that has hindered development has been the changing from time to time of gasoline grades. No sooner is a carburetor developed that will handle a certain grade satisfactorily than another and lower grade makes its appearance.

Lastly, the new processes of making gasoline have made their appearance though as vet the Rittman process has not come into extended use. No one appears to know what the future fuel will be, whether it will be all a low grade gasoline, partly gasoline and partly kerosene or something different. It would seem that if a true gasoline can be made and that practically all the crude can be so transformed, the product of the refineries will be enough kerosene to supply the demand for illuminating purposes while the remainder will all be transformed into gasoline. Obviously that is what will eventually happen when the refiners have had time enough to adapt themselves to the changed conditions. When that time arrives there probably will not be a very wide spread in price between kerosene and gasoline, and gasoline may very likely be sold at a lower price than it is quoted now.

The great trouble is we are living in uncertainty. No one knows just what will happen next. It is this uncertainty perhaps as much as lack of knowledge that has retarded carbureter development along right lines.

Just at present there is a demand for a truly efficient kerosene carbureter but if kerosene should be manufactured in smaller quantities on account of the development of gasoline methods of production they would not be of value for very long.

The efforts that have been made te use kerosene have always appeared very crude and very faulty. Carburetors similar to those used for gasoline have always been employed, great changes of fuel pass into the cylinders and then when the motor gets too hot, water is thrown in to cool it down. use of water is in itself an acknowledgment that the earburetor does not do its work and that the fuel is not in condition to burn; for the water serves no particularly useful purpose in itself. It is not a fuel and it does not make fuel burn any better. All it does is to absorb heat and carry Now it is heat that it away. makes any engine run and here we have a condition where the engine is unable to utilize all of the heat and so it is wasted. And vet pound for pound, kerosene does not contain appreciably more heat than gasoline. Also, and this is significant, in engines of high compression type water does not have to be used. We are thus led to the inevitable conclusion that the carburetion is faulty and it is. The fact of the matter is kerosene is hardly carburetted at all. It is merely broken up into a number of pieces and dumped into the cylinder where it burns slowly and partially and leaves a nasty sooty mess. If the right quantity were fed into the cylinder, and it were in a condition to burn completely there would not be too much heat and the engine would run cool. The whole trouble is that the carburetors do not carburet. know kerosene will burn and burn completely when conditions are right; for example a kerosene lamp performs all right, then why not an engine?

The whole trouble is that kerosene does not vaporize readily, and it does not pulverize as easily as gasoline. It requires heat to vaporize any liquid and some requires more heat than others. High test gasoline requires very little and ether still less. Kerosene, on the other hand, requires a great deal. KILL-EM-QUICK-The Time-Tried Gopher Poison

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Gasoline and other can absorb enough heat from air at almost any temperature to vaporize, not completely, it is true, in cold weather, but enough so that part of it will ignite and after the engine gets hot the remainder will be vaporized in the cylinder. Kerosene is much more refractory. Even if a portion does vaporize seme of it will condense on the walls of the manifold. And that which goes into the cylinder vaporizes slowly and burns slow-Obviously the necessary thing to do is to pulverize it very thoroughly so that heat can get around every particle. Then the heat must be supplied not only to the surface of the mass but all through, and provision must be made to prevent cooling until the gas reaches the cylinder.

The objection might be raised that the columetric efficiency of the motor would suffer and it probably would, but to only a slight extent because the latent heat of kerosene is high and there would be a considerable absorption of heat without any rise in temperature and it is rise in temperature, not quantity of heat, that causes gas to expand and reduce volumetric efficiency. But there isn't as much expansion as one might sup-For example, if a given volume of air, say a cylinder full, be heated from seventy degrees Fahrenheit to one hundred and

seventy, its expansion at the same pressure will only amount to a little over eighteen per cent. If now this air is called upon to yield up its heat in evaporating gasoline or kerosene its temperature will be reduced because the latent heat of these fuels is relatively high, being about one hundred thermal units per pound.

Air, on the other hand, has a low specific heat so that a pound of air even at high temperature contains relatively a small quantity of heat. When the fuel is evaporated this heat is absorbed by the fuel and the temperature of the mass is lowered. Thus it will be seen that even though the mass of air is heated through a considerable range it will be cooled when it gives up its heat to transform the liquid fuel into a gas. This then compensates to a great extent for the loss of volumetric efficiency. Even though there were a loss as high as ten per cent it would be a small price to pay for the ability to use kerosene in your motor.

The ten per cent would be merely a reduction of power below the maximum output of the motor. It would not be a loss in motor efficiency bu merely a lack in power.

Of one thing we can rest reasonably certain and that is if it is necessary to equip engines to burn kerosene, or benzol or alcohol a

way will be found to accomplish the task. The time may even come when coal will be transformed into gas and this gas be compressed at high pressure and carried in tanks and supplied to the motors as needed. In fact, experiments have been carried out along these lines that gave promise of ultimate success. There is no reason why anyone should feel alarmed at the fuel situation. This generation of men will never see the time when it will not be possible to obtain motor fuels at prices that are not prohibitive.





Preparedness on the Farm

By R. RINKER

S I sit in front of my desk on this winter eve with the mercury fooling around down in the basement of the thermometer the idea of preparing for spring work sounds like a joke, but the good brother who fools around out in the machine shed with a wrench and hammer these winter days, tightening up loose nuts, cleaning out oil holes, looking things over with a view to ascertaining where new parts are needed, and in general getting things in readiness for the spring campaign, will find himself right up in the front row when the noses are counted: the while his more indolent neighbor who has neglected to attend to these things will be doddering along and complaining that "everything seems to bother this spring.

As an aid to preparedness, there is nothing that will help more than a good work shop and a liberal assortment of tools. The writer has what is probably one of the most complete outfits of tools to be found on any farm in his state, and notwithstanding the rather stiff price paid for them. they are one of the best investments he ever made. The cost was not noticed so much as they were bought a few at a time as the need for them was felt, the first ones being purchased nearly twenty years ago. A good many farmers say they can do nothing with tools, but that is "all bosh. Any one with ordinary intelligence ought to be able to make a boat for a wagon tongue, put in a new single-tree, fit a tongue to the hay-rake or sharpen a set of harrow teeth. Not one of these jobs requires costly tools or any skill to speak of and the ability to make all such simple repairs will save

one much money in the course of a year. One can now buy wood stock, such as single - and double - trees, tongues, wagon bolsters, in fact, anything a farmer will ever need in that line all dressed ready to bore the holes and put in the bolts. Putting in a new wagon bolster is simply a matter of boring a few holes and bolting it fast. One can use the malleable stakes and it makes a good, solid job.

One would not expect a farmer to undertake to rebore a cylinder for a gas engine or make an arbor for a circular saw. Such a job requires very expensive tools and the man who possesses the skill for that kind of work is not commonly found working on the farm. The tools that a farmer can and should own can be bought for less than a hundred dollars. would be the sheerest folly to buy the fancy ones. Good, plain, honest ones that are made for hard, everyday work are the ones to buy and it is not necessary to have a great variety although one must take care to have the sizes that he will most need, in taps and dies; the sizes from onefourth to three-fourths will meet the requirements of all farmers who own only the ordinary farm machines. Perhaps one of the most annoying things that happens most frequently on the farm is the breakage of a bolt; having the taps and dies, one can drive in to the shop, cut off a rod of suitable size, cut threads on each end, screw on nuts and be back in the field in a few minutes. It would be impossible to carry on hand all sizes of bolts, but as has been shown one can have all sizes at a moment's notice. If one has fairly tough iron or steel, an eye bolt can be made just as easily, but it would be better, of course, to bend the eye with the iron hot. The actual cash outlay for simple repairs like the above is little, but if one is far from town the time saved will soon buy a set of taps and dies and several other tools. To go along with the tap and die set one will need several sizes of drills. The sizes must be about right or the taps will be likely to break, a tap not being a very husky tool at best. Perhaps ninety per cent of the holes a farmer will have to drill will be less than half an inch in size and, as the whole set from one-sixteenth to half an inch can be bought for less than four dollars, it is best to buy them all. Since the sizes advance by sixty-fourths of an inch it will be easy to select just the right size for the tap one wants to use.

To illustrate what may be done in the farm shop, the writer will set down a few of his own experiences; just a few days ago while hauling manure, the feed chain parted as a result of a stretched link, wrapping around the feed sprocket. It soon formed a coil big enough to force the apron up against the cylinder and two of the three cylinder heads broke as a consequence. But was it necessary to go to town and order new parts, and wait several weeks for them to come? Not at all. The spreader was hauled up close to the shop door, a fire was kindled in the forge and some angles were made out of an old tire, holes drilled in the angle pieces and in the web of the old heads, the parts riveted solidly together, the bars bolted back in place and the whole thing was done at an expense of a few cents for iron and rivets and half a day's work. One of my neighbors had a similar accident at about the same time but it cost

him just ten dollars plus the time lost in bringing it to the writer's shop.

While threshing last summer, a knife bar in the feeder broke. We drove to the shop, selected some strap iron of suitable size, drilled holes and riveted the parts to the bar and lost not over an hour and a half of time. I charged thresher fifty cents for the work he saved several dollars and we saved enough ourselves to make it well worth while to have the tools. Threshers all say this is a good place to have a breakdown but few of them are lucky enough to be here when breakdowns on cur.

Another neighbor had an oldise that was in good order except that the east iron bearings were worn out and he could not get new ones. He brought it to the writer and an examination revealed the fact that wood bearing-could be made and fitted without much trouble. Thus the disc wagiven a new lease of life and the owner expressed himself as being highly pleased with the job.

Another job that saved me some noney was the fitting of a grate in the kitchen stove. There has been kicking around the place for a number of years an old stove grate that was in excellent con dition. A comparison of it with the burnt out grate showed that fitting it would be a comparative ly easy matter, all that was neces sary being the grinding off of the shanks at the end about an eighth of an inch. It will be seen from these illustrations that one can save money in dozens of ways: one thing suggests another. This is, I think, about the first time

that a grate out of one make of stove has been fitted to a stove of a totally different make. Hereafter, the writer intends to throw nothing away.

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same excuse might obtain this year. We ought to be prepared.

How many horses have you fed during the winter? Have you figured up the bill? How many hours per day have you used these horses during the winter? All perfectly good questions for the business farmer. This is the time to answer them. You are probably thinking that it is about time to get the horses in off the stock field and give them just a little better care before the spring work starts. If they don't get fat now, ten chances to one they won't have a chance to again this vear. Most of us have pride enough to want to begin the spring work right. Pulling a plow, a disk or a drill is no snap under the most favorable conditions.

Weather is just one of the things over which we have no control and is is up to us to get the crop in between showers. We might have one of those dry springs when it is almost impossible to pull the plow through the dry hard soil. At best the time for spring work is short and it is always difficult to get the crop in even under the best conditions. May be Dick or Jock will get the distemper or Maud may be going to have a cold. Then we are short of power. What is there to be done about it? Buy more horses which according to the U. S. Department of Agriculture, cost eighty dollars per year to maintain on the average farm? The chances are that you will find some way to get along with what you have, thinking that, by the time the summer work is on, all the horses will be ready for work, but summer's work soon turns into fall work and before you know it your horses are skinny and run down. Well, power is the problem, how can it be solved?

Keeping a set of farm accounts has been a mighty fine thing for the man who wants to use these figures to show that farming is a business, that it must be conducted on a business basis, not by Farming-a Power Problem

By FRANK M. WHITE

"guess and by gosh." The difference between what it costs to do a job and what you get for the work done represents either a profit or a loss. How can the same acreage be made to show greater net returns is the question in a nutshell. If there is a leak, where is it?

Searcity and high cost of farm labor demand a study of our farm factory management. In a bulletin, No. 125, published by the University of Missouri, some very good figures have been worked out on the cost of manufacturing farm products. In order that the manufacturer may make money and beat the other fellow he must beat him on the cost of production as well as on the quality of the product. Man and horse labor play a very important part in the cost of production, so much so that some means of cutting down on these two items is very important. It is rather difficult to compare the hours required for a horse to put in on producing an aere of corn with that of mechanical power, for the horse is not a mechanical unit and we can not definitely say how many heat units of fuel he requires or the repair charges or the amount of depreciation. However, it is safe to make the statement that if one man can handle more power and do his work effectively as before, the power hours of field work can be reduced considerably. A study of man and horse required may help to solve the problem.

The data given in bulletin No. 125 shows that the horse is not a very busy machine, only working on an average of 3.57 hours per day throughout the year. January, February and March are very light months and he is only called upon to work 1.8 hours; while during May, June and July there are only 5.2 hours work per day to be done. The average cost per hour is 7.19 cents. Even for the days of the year when you would expect the horse to be busy there isn't an awful lot of time required. Now, if the horse is in poor condition working these few hours, what would he be if you worked him on an average of ten hours per day? The horse as a machine is expensive.

By investigating some of the items of our factory cost, it may be that some of the operations may be reduced in number of power hours required. A study of the horse hours required per acre for discing, plowing, harrowing, planting corn, cultivating corn, in fact, all field operations indicates that 26.9 per cent of the total cost of producing corn is charged to horse labor; 18.8 per cent of the cost of producing wheat is horse labor; 12.3 per cent of the cost of producing oats, 13.5 per cent of the cost of growing clover, and 18.8 per cent of the cost of raising cow peas is for horse labor. This item for horse labor is more than any other item in all cases except for clover. For this crop man labor is greater. The average cost of man and horse for growing corn, oats, clover, cow peas, soy beans, is twenty-six per cent and eighteen per cent respectively. The cost of seed, rental of ground, and taxes certainly cannot be reduced. If anything, they will increase i the future so that labor is the only item that can be cut. The farm tractor seems to offer the solution of the problem, for one man can handle larger units of power just as easily and work ten or more hours per day if neces-

I do not believe that the manufacturer is trying to sell something worthless and attempting to talk the farmer into buying an article that he doesn't want, as was the case with old time lightning rod agents. We have found out that it is impossible to get along without more power. windmill is disappearing and the small gas engine has taken its

We have been educate to the fact that it is cheaper let the gas engine work while w rest or go about the chores. the tractor has come in to let the horse rest during the hot weather, not necessarily as a substitubut as a supplement to the hors-Now the practical man realizthe need of this tireless power, not alone to take care of what is so often spoken of as the peak load but to take care of work as an everyday farm work horse.

What is a practical farm trator? The question can best be answered by naming some of the jobs that a horse is expected to The horse is a very flexible machine and can do field work requiring a great deal of power and will travel at the rate of one and one-half to two miles per hour, or for road hauling maintain a speed of two to three miles per hour, or for light road work maintain a speed of four to five miles per hour. He plows corn. drills small grain, plants corn, draws the smoothing harrow. hauls manure, and pulls the harvester. These jobs all require small units of power, and most all farm operations requiring power demand small units. Some of the other jobs which a horse cannot do are sawing wood, filling silos, baling hay, shelling corn, running the threshing machine, and these also require a small amount of power. seems to me that the tractor must be designed as a small power machine, a machine which will under any circumstances pull at least two plows, three or possibly four under good plowing conditions. It should also be light enough to get around and do the light hauling, discing, drilling, etc., which a horse does effectively. must be able to use it effectively to deliver belt power. There are tractors so poorly designed for belt work that you would never try them but once.

A tractor to be an all around horse must be nimble and must be one that the farmer would rather use than go out to the barn and harness a team. When the tractor is preferred over the horse then we can say that the tractor is truly a universal farm power. It

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Some Problems in Growing Pure Seed

By JOHN BRACKEN,

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our agricultural vocabulary, is a term that, through over-use, has lost much of its definite meaning to most of us. In a general way we all appreciate "good seed." has become popular to talk about it and to recommend its use, but it is a term that has been spoken of too lightly; it has been written about so freely that it has become hackneyed; it is an expression that is on all our lips, yet t

many it has no specific meaning.
"Good seed" is nothing more nor less than seed.

- That will grow.
- That will grow vigorously. That is free from noxious
- weeds and other impurities. That is free from disease.
- That is from a suitable variety, and
- That is well bred.

It may possess other "fancy" points, but these are fundamental. They include the only really important things we desire in the seed we sow. The standard for seed is not the standard for the market. The sample that meets one standard may also meet the other, and this is often the case, but it need not necessarily be so.

Aside from the ordinary problems connected with the growing of crops, the other problems face the man who would produce good seed for his own use, and an additional one faces him who would produce good seed as a business enterprise

Get a Right Start

The first problem is to get a right start. This is a very important step, yet it is the simplest of the three. No one in this audience will have difficulty in choosing seed that will meet the first four of the requirements mentioned. The germination test and a careful examination for impurities and diseases is all that is necessary generally to accurately size up a sample under these heads. the presence of loose smut in cereals and wilt in flax cannot with accuracy be determined in this way. The evidence of the producer must be accepted or an examination of the growing crop made in order to satisfy oneself more positively regarding these points.

In choosing the variety two

"Good seed" like many other sources of information may and expressions that have slipped into generally should be drawn upon (1) the nearest experimental farm where the varieties are tested out side by side, and (2) one's own experience and that of his neighbors. None but standard varieties should be used. The characteristics of those are quite well known to-day. The experimental farms are paid to test the relative merits of old and new sorts. We should not only expect them to do this work, but we should require that they do it so well that we need have no hesitation in accepting their conclusions. This may mean for the new varieties the instituting of outside co-operative tests in addition to those carried on at the experimental farms. All the information one needs concerning our present standard sorts is now known and is available.

A suitable "variety" is not enough. All registered Clydesdales are not necessarily well bred. but all these are good Clydesdales. Neither is all Marquis, nor all Red Fife well bred. A considerable quantity of the seed of these crops now being used contains a mixture of other varieties. Much of the Marquis first distributed is now found to contain many nontypical forms a large number of which have come from Marquis itself. The new strains of this variety are "pure," that is nearly all plants come true to the Mar-

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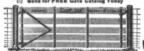
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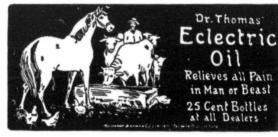
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pitfalls that others have discovered. Admixtures must be prevented. These occur in many waysvolunteer plants from a previous crop visible seeds in the manure of horses and other stock, occasionally by soil drifting, the cooperatively owned or neighborhood threshing machine, the neighbors stock, the granary, the fanning mill.

To indicate these is to suggest the means of prevention. Every single cause of admixture can be easily controlled. Yet when all of these and more besides must be contended against at the same time it becomes a much easier matter to tell how than to meet and overcome the difficulties presented.

Weeds must be controlled. Some of us have only to prevent weeds, but most have to control the thousandfold we did not pre-

vent. We get weeds by sowing dirty seed (usually secured from the government or from our neighbors), by drifting soil (also from the neighbor's farm), the threshing machine and wandering stock, neither of which is ours. But we got the weeds and they are with us yet. We must control them if we are to grow good seed.

We have been depending too much upon the fanning mill and more thorough tillage and perhaps a seed plot and some hand picking to withstand these pests. With none but these practices to help us we have been playing a losing game. The weeds are gaining on us. The cost of growing crops is increasing. We have fought a good fight, but we are losing

ground. Our yields are decreasing—showing it is true. The cost of production increases with the increase in weeds. If we did not get rich before, we shall not do so in the future if we follow the old methods. Our sins and the sins of our predecessors are being visited upon us.

The way out is not clear, yet we are not without some light to guide us. The use of a suitable crop rotation is the most efficient method of combatting annual and biennial weeds. Live stock will aid in controlling many more. When crop rotation and live stock control weeds they do so at no cost to the farmer. They lower the cost of production. In fact live stock may change one item of cost-viz., weeds, to an item of profit.

In our opinion we shall control the present situation when we adapt our system of farming to meet the conditions that have caused and are now causing low yields and poor quality in our crops. That adaptation will include a rotation of crops which will aid in controlling weeds and drifting soil, in lessening the cost



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of production and in building up a more permanent agriculture. It will necessarily include live stock to make use of the forage crops that must be grown, and to lessen the amount and thereby the cost of the tillage necessary to control weeds

It would seem that the rotation should include a grass or grasslegume crop to aid in the control of annual and biennial weeds and an intertilled crop to help fight What these perennial weeds. crops are to be and the sequence they will follow, you and your experiment stations must work out. Corn, alfalfa, Western rye grass, timothy, winter rye, beardless barlev, and possibly red clover, together with the cereals now commonly grown seem at present to offer the greatest promise.

Such a change on all the farms in Manitoba will require an initial outlay of enormous capital for fencing, buildings and stock. We shall have to make the greater part of this money ourselves. Our problem then will be solved but slowly. Nevertheless it will be solved. It's largely a rotation, a farm management and an economic problem. The purely agronomic or crop and soil phases of it are the least difficult to answer.

The Good Seed Market

The third problem in growing good seed does not affect the man who grows only enough for himself, but very seriously affects the one who is making seed growing his business; and incidentally it affects the state either favorably or adversely according as the best seed reaches the sower or is sold for purposes other than reproduction.

Good seed will sell (1) if it is better than other crop growers are using, and (2) if farmers generally are convinced that it is bet-We must first demonstrate ter. that our seed is really improved and then we must take such steps as will let growers know the truth about it.

The field grain competition is the best place to demonstrate our goods. The seed grain fair is another but much less valuable place. A sample of undesirable seed can be cleaned and prepared to win a prize, when it may yet be unworthy. A field does not lend itself to manipulation in this Publicity may be obtained way. at the agricultural fair and the provincial show. The report of the seed inspector is an evidence of what you have. The district representative and the local public officials should be shown what we are doing, or at least kept informed of our results.

A good demonstration is the best advertisement. Co-operative advertising made possible by forming seed centres is good. Private advertising is sometimes advisable. The winning of prizes for fields or for grain is the most effective means of finding a market

A list of the growers of good seed, together with field reports on the character of their work should be made every year and kept accessible to purchasers. If we can produce a supply of good seed year after year and keep it up, a provincial association such as this, with the co-operation of the Canadian Association, should be of material assistance to us in disposing of our stock at a reasonable price, providing our output is not inferior to the representations made concerning it.

Preparedness on the Farm

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presented more of a problem as there was not room between them and the picker wheel for plates to be riveted on. was finally solved by drilling half inch holes through the web right in the cracks, tapping them and screwing in plugs tightly, which were then cut off and headed over so that they were flush with the surface. At last accounts the owner was still using the machine.

Every machine on my own farm has been fitted with hard oilers wherever they can be used, the plow, cultivator, disc harrow, binder, etc. Some machines that were not working satisfactorily have been practically remodeled. Three machines there are in almost constant use were made complete in my own shop; a garden cultivator that was worthless was made over entirely and is now quite satisfactory and a garden drill is being made that will be a big improvement over the one bought a few years ago.

It is impossible in the space at my disposal to give more than a suggestion of what may be done in the farm shop; hardly any two jobs of repairing are alike. In addition to the repairs, many small and some quite large articles have been manufactured complete. The list includes a two horse cultivator, a harrow attachment for a sulky plow, gambrel hooks for beeves and hogs, wire stretchers, odd bolts of all sizes, stud bolts, picket pins, pipe nipples, gate hinges, ironing boards, fly traps, saw arbors, shafts for various machines, desks, book racks, tables, chairs, etc., etc. It will be observed that the list is a varied one. With the exception of the saw arbor and the machinery shafts, none of the work required costly tools or any very high degree of skill.

In addition to the shop work, all the carpenter and mason work on the farm has been done for many years by the writer. One of the first jobs to be tackled after taking over the management of the farm was the dismantling and re-

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being done in the winter when there was but little else that could

think I am conservative when I say that my tools pay twenty per cent dividends on the investment. In addition to the saving effected it is a source of considerable pride to be able to point to some building or a piece of furni-ture and say. "That is something I made myself." As a means of keeping the boys on the farm I know of nothing that will help more, it being an unusual boy whose fingers do not at some time in his life itch to handle tools; it is good training, it teaches patience, care and thoughtfulness. and lastly, perhaps, the most important of all, it teaches one to put things where they belong as soon as through using them.

When the writer was a youngster, he vowed that he would leave the farm as soon as he became of age, but he is still on the farm and mighty glad, indeed, to be there. Would you care to know what has brought about the change of heart? I have been buying tools since boyhood but never had a good place to keep them, but along, about 1904, the way was opened up, a good shop was built. more tools were bought from time to time until the building which seemed ample at first for all time, became so crowded that more room was imperative. With the additions, the shop now covers nearly seven hundred square feet.

There are two gasoline engines, a 3-horse power which runs the shop tools and a 6-horse power which grinds feed, saws wood and shells corn. The shop contains a screw-cutting lathe, an emery wheel, a blacksmith's drill, and a disc sharpening machine, besides hundreds of small hand tools and

an almost endless array of such things as bolts, screws, rivets, nails, bar iron, and other articles too numerous to enumerate.

As I remember it, when a boy, grinding feed was about the worst chore that ever bobbed up; now-adays, all we have to do is to shovel the grain into a hopper that holds a wagon load, start the engine, pull out the slide and sit down while the engine does everything but keep the ground grain back from the spout of the elevator. If "Dad" had had such an outfit when my brother and I were boys he would have found it necessary to tie us up to keep us from grinding everything on the place.

The pole saw is probably the greatest labor saving device on the farm. (The saw fram is homemade, of course.) With its aid old piles of sticks, fence posts and dead trees are quickly worked up into stove wood, a pile of wood is made ready for the good wife the farm. The saw frame is better by a hundred per cent.

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With this large amount of work on hand and the spring season opening up later than in the average year, it is manifestly impossible to plow all this land, or even to give it thorough tillage of any other kind. Yet upon the solution of this question depends very largely the yields of the 1916 crop.

A summary of the conclusions arrived at as a result of hundreds of tillage tests on stubble land at Saskatoon is reported in a circular published by the Department of Field Husbandry of the University. This circular which contains many valuable suggestions relating to this question may be had by applying to the College of Agriculture at Saskatoon or to the Department of Agriculture at Regina.

The following are a few of the conclusions that relate partieularly to the spring preparation of stubble land and that are therefore important at this time:

1. All stubble land that con tains creeping rooted grasses in any quantity should either be plowed before seeding or left to be fallowed.

In this connection it is pointed out that wheat and grass cannot do well together and that plowing is necessary to control of grass. In one test the plowing of grassy land produced thirteen bushels more oats and four bushels more wheat than discing. If any stubble is to be sown without tillage it should be that portion that is free from creeping rooted grasses.

2. The best depth to plow in the spring is the depth at which the best work can be done.

In some years shallow plowing and in others plowing at a medium depth proved best. It was generally true that plowing to the depth at which the best work could be done gave the largest return.

3. If wheat is to be seeded on spring plowing, the latter should be done as soon as possible after the land is dry enough to plow

Oats, barley and flax may be eeded on later plowing, but even these will do best on relatively early plowing. The chief objections to spring plowing arise from those who have not power to get it done in good time, and have therefore to sow later thus reaping the ill effects of late maturity.

4. All plowed land should be thoroughly harrowed and well firmed down at the carliest opporfunity after plowing.

Most of the moisture in the furrow slice can be conserved by harrowing, and the moisture in the subsoil can be made available to plant roots by firming the furrow slice against the subsoil. Immediate harrowing after plowing increased the yield of wheat one bushel and fifty-seven pounds. while packing deep plowing increased the yield two bushels and six pounds and packing shallow plowing increased the yield forty pounds per acre.

5. The sooner the seed can be put in after the land has been plowed and surface cultivated the better the germination will be.

6. The rate of seeding should be rather less than is used on fallow and should be determined by the amount of moisture in the soil. The greater the moisture supply



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7. Unplowed land may under favorable conditions be burned and disced with prospect of fair success.

By favorable conditions is meant long stubble, no grass and a soil that does not bake.

8. In the presence of long stubble, little grass, few biennial weeds, and a soil that does not bake, burning followed by surface cultivation is a practice that has proven immediately profitable but permanently wasteful of organic matter and nitrogen.

This method has given the largest net returns on a new rich soil at Saskatoon when used in a three year rotation-fallow and two crops—but it is extremely wasteful of the two most valuable constitutents of western soilsorganic matter and nitrogen.

9. With short stubble and no grass on land that does not bake thorough surface cultivation with disc and harrows will help to conserve moisture, kill weeds and prepare a seed bed.

10. Discing fields that carry a ong stubble creates a nuisance on he surface of the field which interferes with proper seeding in the

Under this condition the land should either be plowed a fair lepth, or burned and cultivated. If time is lacking and no grass is present, the land may be sown without tillage.

11. In general seeding on un-plowed stubble is never good practice except on fields that have een thoroughly fallowed the secand year previous and are free perennial and biennial reeds and are in good physical ondition.

12. Harrow the growing crop if small weeds get a start.

This will do the most good if one in dry weather when the weeds are small—just nicely out of the ground.

13. The average yields for three years from different methods of tilling stubble land at Saskatoon are as follows:

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Barley ripens in fewer days than oats, and oats in fewer days Normal stubble, plowed shallow than wheat. In each class there are early varieties. The sixrowed barleys are earlier than the Normal stubble, plowed shallow two-rowed. The beardless and hulless earlier, though less valuable except for forage, than the 14. In case the spring season "Daubeney," Sixtysix-rowed. day" and similar varieties are our earliest but least productive oats. "Gold Rain" is the heaviest yielding medium early oat we have

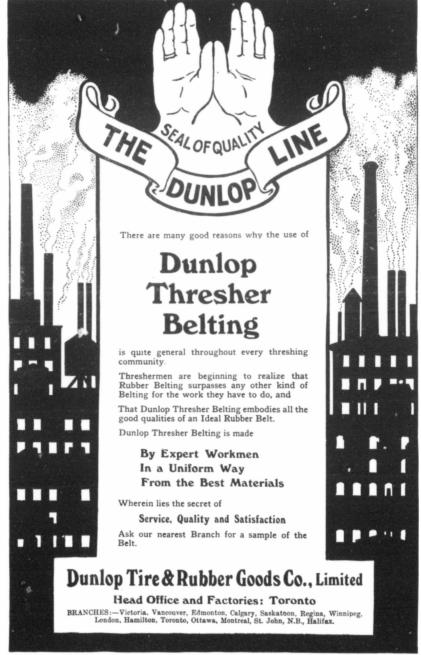
"Victory and Banner" are later

but heavier yielders. "Prelude" is a very early but low producing wheat. "Pioneer" is not so early. but a heavier producer. "Marquis" is later than either, but a heavier vielder. "Red Fife" is later than all of those mentioned. and equal in yield to Marquis.

A Late Start

Aunt—"Why, Tommy, when I was your age a lie never passe! my lips."

Tommy—"When did you begin, Auntie?"



fall, and well worked down, 18 bus.

in spring and well worked down, 18 bus. 21 lbs.

early in fall and well worked down, 19 bus. 15 lbs.

opens up very late in some sections, early classes of grain should be used, and without these the early varieties may be found to be best for this year.

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Normal stubble, plowed deep in

GET THE GOPHER

(Campaign inaugurated by Manitoba Agricultural College).

Last year gophers were bad. The winter snow has protected them and they may be worse this year, and in the newly settled parts of the province and in the lighter soils they may at any time become an epidemic as they have in North Dakota where there are hundreds per acre.

It has been estimated that it costs over ten cents to boar! a gopher on your farm without reckoning the amount he destroys and the nuisance of the gopher hole, and where gophers are common, there are usually more than twenty-five of them to the acre which would amount to four thousand on a quarter section, destroying and storing away \$400.00 worth of grain, and they can be poisoned for \$1.00.

Why board gophers on your farm when they can be so easily killed? The Department of Agriculture is waging a war on the gopher this year and the Biology Department of the Manitoba Agricultural College is supplying the ammunition. The motto is "Get the gopher." Gopher posters are being sent throughout the province picturing and calling attention to the gopher trouble and the various means of getting rid of it. The farmers are urged to try every means, poison, shoot and trap, but the simplest of these means is the poison method which works early and late and at a trivial expense.

Although strychnine has advanced to \$2.00 an ounce, making it a more expensive poison to prepare than usual, the Biology Department have made arrangements for the distribution of a non-strychnine poison at a price much cheaper than a strychnine poison can be prepared. The dis-Roblin. trict representatives at Neepawa, Morden and Killarney will co-operate in the distribution of the poison, giving enough to treat eighty acres for fifty cents. and will distribute free samples of enough to treat forty acres to anyone in doubt as to the deadliness of the poison.

The Biology Department also has a field man on the job who will go to any outlying district to distribute the poison and to assist the farmers in properly applying it, and also investigate the results as the new Manitoba Game Protection Act requires that "All gopher poison must be put in the holes" (section 28), and this is where it should be put anyway. The only reason for putting it elsewhere is that the doubters may see the dead gophers lying outside the holes.

The Department is anxious that

there should be concerted action all over the province in getting the The earlier gopher just now. the easier, and the better for just now most of our wild birds have not arrived and therefore not so likely to be poisoned, and the gophers are hungry now and will eat anything, and every pair killed before breeding is as good as twenty or thirty killed in August. Let us get the gopher this year and save some municipalities \$100,000,00 and save the province from the danger of an epidemic of gophers.

In many parts of the province rabbits are reported to have done great damage this winter. poison that gets the gophe; will get the rabbit too if placed on chopped cabbage, turnips, carrots, or any vegetable of which the rabbit is fond.

Some Spring Suggestions

By Prof. S. A. Bedford, Chairman Weeds Commissioner for Manitoba

Disking versus Plowing-Owing to the small amount of plowing done last fall, there will be great inducement to put in a portion of this spring's crop with the disk. While the disc is a useful implement for the cutting up of rough, soddy land, it was never intended to replace the plow. disc will level and pulverize the sod, but will not cut out and destroy such perennial weeds as thistles, couch grass, etc., and if grain is disced in, these weeds come up in the crop and crowd it out, greatly reducing the yield of grain and leaving the land very weedy.

Winter Annuals-Many of our noxious weeds belong to the class known as "winter annuals." If any of this class of weeds start to grow late in the fall, they remain alive under the snow all winter. make rapid growth in the spring and produce seed during early summer. The following are among our most common winter annual weeds: Blue Bur or Stickseed, Stink Weed, Peppergrass, Shepherd's Purse, Hare's Ear Mustard, False Flax, Ball Mustard; Tumbling Mustard Worm Seed Mustard. If in spring any of these varieties of weeds are found growing on the summer fallow or other parts of the farm, the land should either be plowed or cultivated before the grain is sown. This warning is given because so many farmers mistake these weeds for true annuals, and, thinking that the winter has killed them, do not cultivate the land before spring seeding, with the result that these weeds, having a start of the grain, choke it out and greatly reduce the yield.

Weeding Growing Crop Where the young growing grain is badly infested with such annual



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weeds as lamb quarters, Pig Weed, Stink Weed or any of the mustards, either may be largely destroyed by the use of light harrows or weeders. This must be done when the grain is above ground, and while the weeds are quite small, i.e., while still in the two leaf stage of growth. Run the harrow or weeder on a warm day lengthwise of the drill. Do not allow the rubbish to choke up the implement, or it will drag out the grain.

Farming a Power Problem

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looks as if such a thing might come to pass, much the same as the average farmer would prefer to crank up the auto to harnessing the driving horse for a run into town.

Figures, they say, don't lie, but in many instances they don't mean much, and this is true of statistics on the use of the tractor. In all the figures commonly quoted on the cost of a tractor, the amounts are much lower than the cost of doing the same job with horses. It is undoubtedly true, but the figures are not the only thing to consider. Most farmers are not educated along mechanical lines. As one progressive business farmer puts it, "What we need is not more education on how to grow better crops, raise better cows and produce more milk, but to take better care of the most expensive part of our equipment, our machinery; in other words, be better machinery farmers." So I believe that the right tractor solves the power problem for the man who has "machinery sense," who has use for a tractor aside from plowing only, so that part of his present power-equipment can be sold, who has land not too rolling, in fairly well arranged fields, and who can make use of belt power.

When you decide to buy, purchase from a concern having some reputation back of its product, likely to be "in the game" for years to come. Think about the time that it will take to obtain repairs. Consider only a strong well-built machine that will not take a forty acre field in which to turn around. Lastly, don't buy an experiment; let the other fellow to the experimenting.

New Monthly Bulletin Service

The Manitoba Department of Agriculture is establishing a free monthly bulletin service for farmers of this province, the series to be known as the "Manitoba Farmers' Library."

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To win the war with the decisiveness which will ensure lasting peace, the Empire will require to put forth its full collective power in men and in money. From this viewpoint it is our true policy to augment our financial strength by multiplying our productive exertions and by exercising rigid economy, which reduces to the minimum all expenditures upon luxuries and non-essentials. Only in this way shall we be able to make good the loss caused by the withdrawal of so many of our workers from industrial activities, repair the wastage of the war, and find the funds for its continuance. It cannot be too frequently or too carnestly impressed upon our people that the heaviest burdens of the conflict still lie before us, and that industry and thrift are, for those who remain at home, supreme patriotic duties upon whose faithful fulfilment our success, and consequently our national safety, may ultimately depend."—SIR THOMAS WHITE, Minister of Finance.

PRODUCE MORE, SAVE MORE. MAKE LABOUR EFFICIENT. SAVE MATERIALS FROM WASTE. SPEND MONEY WISELY.

LET US PRODUCE AND SAVE-

The war is now turning on a contest of all forces and resources—men, munitions, food, money. The call to all is to produce more and more. It may be necessary to work harder. The place of those who enlist must be taken by those at home, men and women, old and young. The more we produce the more we can save. Produce more on the farms and in the gardens. Save more and help to win the war.

LET US NOT WASTE OUR LABOUR-

In this war-time all labour should be directly productive or should be assisting in production. Make it as efficient as possible. If your labour is on something that can be postponed, put it off till after the war and make your labour tell now. Making war is the first business of all Canadians. Efficiency in labour is as important as efficiency in fighting.

LET US NOT WASTE MATERIALS-

Begin at home. The larger portion of salaries and wages is spent on the home—food, fuel, light, clothing. Are any of these things being wasted? \$20.00 a year saved from waste in every home in Canada will more than pay the interest on a war debi more than pay the interest on a war debi of \$500,000,000.

LET US SPEND OUR MONEY WISELY-

Are you spending your money to the best advantage? What do you think of extravagance in war time? Tens of thousands of Canadians are daily risking their lives for us at home. Is it not our duty to be careful and economical? Canadian dollars are an important part of the war equipment. Make them tell. Have a War Savings Account. Buy a War Bond.

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The first bulletin of the series which is now ready for mailing, is written by S. C. Lee, M.A., Professor of Physics of Manitoba Agricultural College. The title of the bulletin is "Lightning Control." In this bulletin Prof Lee discusses the whole subject of rodding buildings to prevent lightning devastation. The bulletin is illustrated by exceedingly interesting original photographs, showing the way in which rats. enclosed in model buildings, were used to demonstrate the effects of rodding, the rats being killed in every case where no rods were used, and being unharmed in every case where the current turned on was not carried away by protectors.

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An Open Letter on Tractor Experience

Editor Canadian Thresherman and Farmer, Winnipeg, Man. Dear Sir,—While in Winnipeg during bonspiel week I promised you some figures on plowing. have not been able to submit them until now, so here they are.

In the spring of 1912 we purchased a 36-60 Gas Tractor to operate a Jno. Deere 8-bottom gang in the district north of Brock, Sask. I was up there for nearly a month during June and July that summer, and as I was around the outfit most of the time I had a good opportunity to get detailed information as to the cost of plowing which was what I was after.

At that time they were plowing from 18 to 22 acres per day, sharpening 8 shares per day and the figures are based on that. figured the life of the engine to be breaking, 5,000 acres, or 1,000 acres per year for 5 years. After 4 seasons' experience this reckoning has proved to be not far astray as the engine has done about 3,000 acres of work, and its best days as a tractor are over.

Now I have no doubt you will question some of these figures, at least the tractor manufacturers would, as they say their engines will plow at a cost of from 30 to

75 cents per acre. But taking them item by item you can't get past them. land was so hard and dry that 4 sharp shares were put on-one on each double bottom twice daily to hold the plow in the ground, and sharpening shares daily soon wears them out, and it took 4 gallons of fuel per acre to pull along. These figures are facts right from the scene of action, and you can't dispute them. The wages, \$13.00 for 3 men and team and board are not out of the way, as the highest charge is for engineer, and if you save money on an engineer you pay it out ten times over in repair bills. The \$1.34 per acre for interest and depreciation is an item that I have never seen figured into the cost of plowing Yet if a man puts from \$4,000 to \$5,000 into a plowing outfit and at the nd of 5 years has used it up, it stands to reason that the interest his money might have been drawing should be added to the in-

*We are favored with this letter, written by Mr. H. Clendenning, than whom the Canadian Thresherman and Farmer has not a more sincere and valued friend. The Clendenning Brothers are among Manitoba's most intelligent and successful farmers, and on this account and for every other reason we can think of, their experience with the tractor as described in this letter is worthy the most careful thought of manufacturer and farmer alike.—Ed.

vestment and charged up against the 5,000 acres.

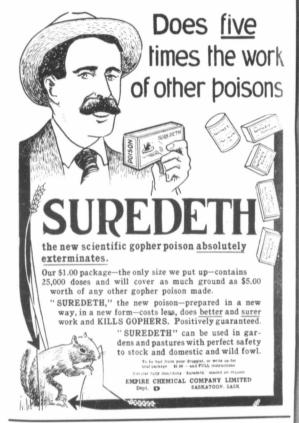
The repair bill may seem high to you, but I think in most cases it is altogether too low, and only expert operation could keep it down to that figure. However no matter how expert the operator may be, he can't stop the wear on his gears, the shearing strains on the rivets in the frame and drivers, the wear on his friction and resultant band wheel trouble. pump wear and trouble and a score of other things too numerous to mention; and any repair list will give you a little insight into the cost of replacing any of these parts. Besides, after about 2 or 3 or 4 years of use a large pec centage of gas tractors break a crank case or crank shaft, or some part of the engine that practically wrecks it for the time.

I know your next argument will be that after the land is broken up it will cost less to plow it, as it will work so much easier. I will come right back by telling you that as soon as you put your engine on stubble you wear your gears about 4 times as fast and the draw bar H.P. is decreased considerably by the softer footing for the drivers. And then, again, the heavy drivers pack the land so that it is only by cross plowing every other year that the land can be kept level and in the best condition for growth.

tractor busness proved disastrous, both to the manufacturers and the farmers who invested in them. Of course there are exceptions, but by far the larger number of farmers would have been far better off if they had never seen them. tractor has had a great big part in the development of the West, but the grain men are he only ones who have made any money out of them.

The tide of public opinion is now surveying in favor of the small tractor, but any man who will stop and figure, will find out they are even a worse proposition than the larger ones, as a man can get very little more out of them than he can out of 4 or 6

The tractor has a place on every farm, but it's place is to help the horse, not to supplant him. Tractors are a necessity for threshing. and if a farmer gets behind with his plowing, but if the weather in summer-fallowing time is very hot let him put in his tractor and help the horses out, but if he can do his work with horses they will do it cheaper than the tractor can.



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From the Minister of Agriculture

for Clendenning Bros.

H. Clendenning.

Winnipeg, Manitoba, April 10th, 1916.

Canadian Thresherman & Farmer, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Gentlemen,-At this time of year just when the season's farming operations are commencing, I should like to say a word of encouragement to Manitoba farmers.

I do not believe that there is any other portion of the British Empire where, man for man, the farmers can produce as much food, and food of so essential a character, as in the prairie provinces of Western Canada.

The Empire is calling upon us to do two things-send men and send food. Canada is responding nobly to the call for men, but, as one who is intensely interested in our agriculture, I am wondering if we will, during 1916, be able to meet the expectations of the Empire as to the food we shall produce.

I am very well aware of the prevailing conditions on our farms this spring. We have very little and ready for seeding, because of the inability of farmers to plow as much land as possible last fall. Also, many of our best young men are wearing khaki, and at most their services are available for only thirty days during the seeding period.

The Department of Agriculture

and Immigration is doing everything it possibly can to relieve the farm labor situation. Working in harmony with the Dominion Government, we have been trying to secure as many farm laborers as possible in the United States. Up till the present moment the results have been disappointing, as the demand for experienced farm laborers seems to be very great south of the line. We hope, however, to have a larger response later in the season. In order that the soldiers who will be released for thirty days furlough may at once have places to go to, blank application forms have been sent all over the province, and these may now be had from the secretary of any local branch of the Manitoba Grain Growers' Association, any railway station agent, or from the Manitoba Immigration and Colonization Office, 430 Main St., Winnipeg.

THE CANADIAN THRESHERMAN AND FARMER

This Department will have other announcements to make later in regard to the labor situation, but in the meantime I wish to urge every farmer in Manitoba to take heart and seize the opportunity. Last year we had a big "Patriotism and Production" cam paign, and production was stimulated as never before. In my humble opinion, all the reasons for a vigorous farming programme that made their appeal one year ago are multiplied many times this season, although rather less is being said about it.

I want to see every Manitoba farmer reach 100 per cent efficiency in his farming operations this year. I know well enough that some men are asking very high wages, and I do not wish to appear to be encouraging in unduly high rates, but I would rather seevery man at work in Manitoba even if the wages were a little too high, than to know that we had some idle land and idle men, simply because there was a little difference between the farmer and the man as to what the latter should be paid.

I give the farmers of Manitoba credit for knowing how to farm well; yet nobody must satisfy himself this year with a good wheat-seeding. I am glad to thing that our Marquis and other rapid ripening varieties of wheat will permit of rather later sowing than with Red Fife; but after all the wheat is sown I hope to see a very heavy sowing of oats, barley, flax and fodder crops. These crops are going to count heavily, in this ear's operations, and not only the Empire at large, but Canada herwill be able to use all our surplus of many of these croys.

In addition, I feel that we should seek as never before to increase the number of good live stock on our farms. I past years far too many heifer calves have



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I have never been very much addicted to giving advice, but I feel that a word ought to be added about economy. The farmer has the best right of anyone to a goodly measure of luxury, but just at this time we should all practice every reasonable economy. would rather see those who have money to spare investing it in the next Dominion war issue than in things that are not necessary. This is a time for strenuous work, wisely applied, economy of means and that form of patriotism in soil and the efficiency of our agricultural effort can so happily be blended.

Yours truly, V. Winkler, Minister of Agriculture and Immigration.

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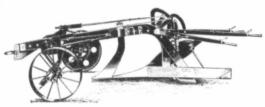
Trees will actually increase the vields of crops. This was determined by an investigation in Minnesota, Iowa, Nebraska, and Kansas. It was found that one-fifth of the farm could be in trees without reducing the yield. That is, trees in protecting the crops increased the crops enough to make up for the space occupied by the From this it is plain that the resulting trees would not cost anything except the cost of the planting and care. This same thing has been found to be the case in Europe. As a result the general plan there is to have onethird of the land area in trees. And the reason is that this is the



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"Did you wish to see me!" she demanded, in threatening tones

The pedlar backed off the steps. "Vell, if I did," he assured her. with an apologetic grin, "I got my vish, dank you."

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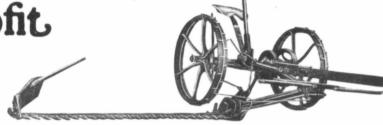
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Yes, we took your advice and purchased a machine last month. It is a dandy, runs with a nice soft musical hum and takes us down to the village and back in one half-hour, just two hours less than old Frank and Dorothy needed for the same trip. You remember how I was prejudiced against the motors last year, Billy? They used to drive up behind me with those snarly horns which sort of swear at you between their teeth and seem to say, "Get out of the way, you lobster." I hated those horns. We have one of the same kind on our car. It's a mighty efficient horn.

I never used to envy the motorists that ran down past our farm. Their women folks never looked comfortable in the back seat, the wind blowing their mouths full of hair as they gazed down the road with their eyes blinking and their Ma says she likes it; jaws set. however she misses the horse hairs on her Sunday suit when we go down to the meeting house and it doesn't take her all day to dust off her skirt. Yes, Ma likes the car and expects to learn to drive it herself.

You know, Billy, I have been using our old plow team for family driving long enough. Many a time on Sunday I have hitched them to the survey after a hard

Uncle Abe Buys An Automobile

(A letter from Uncle "Abe" to "Billy," telling him of the Experience with New Automobile) By R. G. KIRKBY

have driven them down to the village church feeling so ashamed of myself I knew I ought to have walked or stayed at home because Frank and Dorothy had earned a big holiday, but some way we wanted to get there and the horses had to stand for it. Well, the crops were pretty good this year, wheat ran ten bushels to the acre more than I expected and Ma sug-

week of work in the field and I gested that we buy a nice little driving horse and a new buggy, We figured out the whole deal, horse two hundred dollars, buggy one hundred dollars, and then began thinking about a new harness. I had never figured on owning an automobile as long as I lived, they seemed like a luxury, and you know that Ma and I have dreaded luxuries like the devil and poison. After losing two nights' sleep

thinking about it, we decided to buy a little car. It has only eaten about three dollars' worth of gasoline since I began keeping track last week and it has been doing a iot of business without any curry ing or has pitching to be bothering was either morning or night.

Why, vesterday I laid back the top and folded it according to Prections and then we had a nice big back seat like a delivery wagon. I just loaded up those three chicken crates with the old hen, that we had been keeping two weeks too long for want of time to haul them to town, and in half an hour after catching them with the hen crook, they were down to the express office and by next week there will be a nice little check from the commission man down to the city.

Last week the binder broke while we were busy in the field, our hired man was a bit careless, but I cranked up and drove down to the blacksmith shop and in less than two hours we were using that binder again, it was a fine day, too, and we can't afford losing much time when good weather happens to come around for a brief spell.

You know, Billy, business is business, and the auto is paying its way on this farm. Sometimes I used to get sick of business and wish I was down to the city where



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mit. · we the folks spend their hard earned money for experience and get them. Well, I wished that way before the auto came. Now we have brought the old city right down by the front steps. One turn around the drive from the carriage shed. Ma, she jumps in beside me on the front seat, just a nice bit of fresh air from over the clover fields and we are slipping along the city streets ready to stop along the way and visit with our friends. After the visit we crank up and get home in plenty of time to take a good eight hours in bed before the morning chores.

They held a farmers' meeting over to John Adams' three days after I bought the car. Ma said. "Stay at home, you don't know enough about running the thing." I said, "No, I will squeeze one pedal with my foot and if it don't work I'll try another." Then she was fussed and thought I would be killed sure but I was just fooling The blamed machine works right or it stalls dead in the road so you either steer and keep moving or you get fussed and stop. Perfectly safe either way you do Well, I picked up Lem Williams and Joe Hamilton and we drove over to the meeting. Lem had been pretty sore ever since I beat him for supervisor but he warmed up in the back seat of that car and said he guessed I was doing pretty well and he would support me when re-election time came 'round. The little car certainly helped fix things up right with Lem. A good cigar used to be my favorite method of loosening up an enemy but the little car now gives them a lift along the road occasionally and beats a stick of tobacco for making folks feel good.

They say automobiles are an expense with gas going up and tires bursting down but the little bus is helping me to earn more money on the farm, at least, it's keeping me on the job earning as much as I used to, and I was getting ready to leave the place. If I'd left I never would have earned a red cent any other place; a farmer can't get onto the ropes in the city after he gets my age.

I always used to worry about a gasoline engine. I didn't know why they went when they went and never knew why they stopped when they stopped. I have been studying the instruction book every day during the last three weeks and I find that the makers of the bus knew enough to put it together right so I haven't altered it any. They advise oiling so I oil and every grease cup gets stuffed full whenever we get ready to go. When our little car backs out of the old red carriage shed, she is greased to slip along nicely and she slips. We haven't had any

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Billy, my boy, your old uncle don't blame you for going to the city; he used to want to go himself, that is, up to three weeks ago. We used to feel isolated sometimes, Ma and I, especially in the evening when the church bells rang faintly across the marsh over beyond Aker's woods and the old horses were too fagged to make it a decent act to hitch them up. And then I was tired, too, on those nights and it was no small job to take all of that trouble even for the meeting, especially after fin-ishing a full day in the field and looking forward to the next day which seemed bigger and longer. Now we crank up the little car and then we go and soon we get there and when we are ready to come home, we come, and the whole event isn't any more trouble than visiting your neighbor a couple of miles down the avenue in the city.

You know, Billy, that I used to fairly cuss these city fellows who came rambling across the country in their cars, looking so fresh and sort of aristocratic, but I have decided that they are just like Ma and me, out for a airing and trying to forget some of the pesky

troubles that arise every day that a man really tries to make something of himself and his business. I forgive the blond haired fellow that killed my pig last year and will forget about the old speckled rooster which was all messed up one Sunday afternoon down the road along the pear orchard.

Billy, the car has made a new man of me, it seems like something alive and it minds better than any old horse we ever had on the place. We are getting out and seeing the world now, Billy. It is a much better place than we thought it was; just our township has a lot of good things that I never dreamed of and we have visited friends that I had nearly forgotten. Come and see us during your vacation this year. The old horses will not bore you, and all ready for the twist of the crank the little car will be waiting at the station ready to slide along with that friendly hum which will carry us out to Ma and the old place again.

As ever, Uncle Abe.

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Gasoline Engine Helps

By W. H. UNDERWOOD

We find the available power of a skidded gasoline engine can be very much increased by bolting engine skid securely to heavier runners well framed to-Until recently one of gether. our engines has been set on a stoneboat in using it for different jobs in different places. In this position it always bothered about rocking, jumping and working out of line with the belt. This vibration of the engine jarred the governor latch loose and thus interfered with the uniformity of It likewise interrupted speed. the steady flow of gasoline into the mixer, and in consequence the explosions were intermittent and irregular in strength. To overcome these difficulties webuilt a framework and bolted the engine to it. We took two logs eighteen inches longer than the engine skids and about eight inches in diameter and into these joined three pieces of 4x4 about 3½ feet in length. These cross ties were fastened to the runners by threefourths inch wood screws seven inches long, and at a proper spacing to fit just in front of or behind the cross ties on the engine The engine skids were skids. then bolted to the 4x4 pieces with one-half inch bolts. The runners were rounded at both Two-inch slots were cut ends. through each end of both runners to admit a log chain with which the engine can be drawn from place to place, either forward or backward. The differward or backward. ence this device makes in the running and power of the engine s somewhat surprising.

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The formation of carbon within the combustion chamber has been and still is one of the greatest difficulties with which the gasoline engine operator has to contend. If the cylinder and valve passages are cleaned out at regular intervals. very little time is actually lost, but it is better to try to prevent the formation of the carbon as much as Not long since we dispossible. covered that by squirting a few drops of water into the combustion chamber while the engine was running a marked improvement in the performance of the engine at once took place, and on examination it was found that most of the carbon has disappeared. What actually happened was that the water-vapor combining with the hot carbon-formed a water gas, which readily burned, and in this way the excess carbon was consumed, adding at the same time a little more to the power of the engine.

the lower grades of gasoline the use of water when properly applied, is beneficial to the running and power of the engine, but in the first place the operator should see to it that the gasoline becomes properly vaporized before reaching the cylinder by allowing a sufficient quantity of warm air to carry with it just enough fuel to make a proper explosive mixture, as in this lies the secret of complete combustion, carbon being that part of the fuel which has not become vaporized.

Extreme care should be taken in the selection of a good lubricating oil, as the ideal oil must have the correct lubricating body to enable it to withstand a high temperature without losing its lubricating qualities. Any oil that will not do this will cause a deposit of carbon and increase

friction losses.

Sometimes a cylinder gets rather badly scored with a broken piston ring or a piece of grit, and as reboring is a somewhat lengthy expensive job, powdered and graphite mixed with the lubricating oil, in the proportion of one tablespoonful of graphite to one gallon of oil and used in the ordinary way, will soon fill up all the grooves and irregularities in the metal and place a smooth frictionless veneer over the entire surface of the cylinder, thereby increasing compression and incidentally the power of the engine. Powdered graphite when mixed with oil and grease is also a valuable aid in lubracting chains and gears.

When replacing the cylinder gear some operators have considerable trouble in preventing the asbestos packing from blowing out, and as this packing must be made both water and gas tight, it sometimes requires several attempts and a good deal of patience before a successful joint is made. The trouble is caused by adjacent faces becoming warped, either through undue heating of the cylinder or a lack of uniformity in the casting, which sets up internal stresses and is entirely beyond the control of the operator. One of the best packings to use in a case of this kind is made from very soft, thin sheet copper in conjunction with the ordinary wire reinforced, woven asbestos packing. The asbestos packing is carefully cut to fit in the ordinary way, but the copper ring must be cut so as to project about a fourth of an inch on the outside as well as on the inside of the asbestos gasket. These projecting edges There is no doubt that with are then carefully turned up and Safety First

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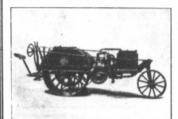
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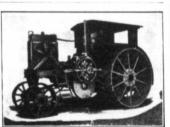
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One should see that all the nuts are screwed up tightly, and after the engine is started and begins to warm up go over every nut again, so as to make sure that they are set as snugly as possible. It is noportant that this gasket should be carefully marked when removing the cylinder head at any time, so that it can be replaced in the correct position without any trouble. The sheet copper used must be soft and handled as little as possible, as handling has a tendency to harden and stiffen it. This makes an indestructible gasket, which cannot be blown out. I know of a number of cases where it has been successfully used as a

There are a large variety of switches at present on the market, but the knife type seems to be invariably used on all stationary engines, it being simple and efficient. The hinge should be tightened up when necessary, and the jaw fits snugly to the blade. The terminals, or screws, must fit tight, as the current cannot pass along the circuit unless there is close contact at these points. No matter what kind of switch is on the engine, it is important to see that it is screwed down tight and that all electrical joints are kept both clean and tight at all times.

Every one who has had much experience in using a gasoline engine knows that it gives the best results when heated up to the point at which water boils. We like to keep the cylinders of our engines as hot as possible. This heat is necessary to completely vaporize the fuel and to obtain all the energy from it. In hopper-cooled engines the water is kept at the boiling point, but where a rotary pump is used to circulate the water the engine is usually kept cooler than it ought to be. In this case, if there is no stop valve in the suction pipe, it will certainly pay to have one put in so as to restrict the quantity of water flowing through the cylinder jacket and thereby raise the temperature.

An engine which refuses to run is the most wrath-provoking, satanic contrivance ever thrust upon long suffering man, and the difference in price between good and passable will look exceedingly small to the owner after an hour's vain turning of the fly wheel. An hour's search and three minutes "fixing" is a gasoline engine proverb. So if the engine refuses to start when everything seems normal, there is a cause which will be found much sooner by a cool headed, reasoning search than by "flying to pieces" and abusing gasoline engines in general. An observant engine owner soon

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knows the individuality of his engine. All its clicks and whirrs become part of a well ordered chorus, so a new noise is at once detected and remedied. If, before this state of grace and familiarity is reached, the engine stalls, make sure that there is gasoline in the tank and that it is being well supplied to the mixer or carburetor.

The most likely ailment, however, is a poor spark. The battery tester should be used to determine whether these are run down. Whether battery or magneto ignition is used, a set of fresh batteries should be kept as an insurance against stoppage. a balky magneto is the trouble, about all that can be done is to clean the brushes and commutator and make sure the binding posts are all right. If the trouble is electrical, it may be necessary to employ the services of an expert. Sometimes a friction driven magneto fails to run, due to slippage

on an oily fly wheel. The obvious cure is a clean rag and sandpaper. An examination of the igniter may show that the points fail to come together, or, with a jump spark, that the spark is poorly insulated. After all, with proper current and plugs or igniter in good condition, the engine may still be a standpatter, so it must now be observed whether or not the charge leaks past the piston with a hissing noise. If so, the piston must be pulled and the snap rings cleaned and made to movefreely in their grooves.

There are still severa! possible reasons for the stalling, for instance, failure of the valves to seat properly. Rotate the fly wheel by hand and if there is little compression listen for the air through the exhaust valve. If it blows through the air inlet pipe, the air valve needs attention. A loose spring will cause the exhaust valve to lift on the intake stroke, thereby destroying suction through

the carburctor and in consequence stalling the engine for lack of gasoline.

The oft repeated statement that any unskilled man can handle a gasoline engine is a fable. He may have a certain routine of actions that will make the engine run, but intelligence and observation are needful for continual success.

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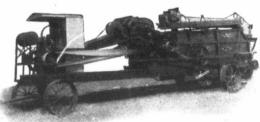
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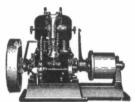
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Every fall, at the beginning of the threshing season our mails contain daily letters from threshermen throughout the Western Canadian provinces who desire to know where they can obtain a reliable Boiler Compound that will prevent scale in their thresher boilers.

Heretofore we have not been able to give them any really satisfactory information owing to the fact that most Boiler Compounds contain chemicals which, while they remove the scale, have a more or less injurious effect upon the boiler shell and the tubes.

The United States Graphite Co. of Saganew, Mich., have however been placing upon the market for several years what is known as The Mexican Boiler Graphite. This product is graphitic carbon of about 86 per cent pure. It was found after numerous tests and experiments that graphitic carbon has a tendency to penetrate the cracks in the scale, and thus break down old scale regardless of its character and thickness. Circula-

ting with the water this boiler graphite works into and through the minute opening in the scale and deposits itself on to the inner surfaces of tubes and shell between the metal and the scale with the result that the latter will no longer adhere tenaciously, and may be removed with comparative ease. After a boiler has once been cleaned of its accumulation of old scale, the continuous use of the graphite in the correct quantity will prevent the subsequent formation of that hard scale so difficult to remove since it will form in and with the scale matter and keep same in such loose condition as to permit of its being easily taken out when the boiler is cleaned.

The graphite is introduced as follows: Immediately after cleaning the boiler throw into it about two pounds of the graphite mixed in a pail of warm water, then introduce daily or every other day according to the condition and size of the boiler, from half to a pound. This daily introduction can be made by mixing the graphite in one-half pail of warm water

and draw the mixture into the boiler by means of the injector or by any other method that will insure its getting into the boiler. It should be carefully born in mind that there is graphite and graphite. Some forms of graphite would not do at all. In fact they would be a source of considerable danger. Sometimes graphite of apparently high purity is found to carry a considerable percentage of anthracite coal, coke or other forms of carbon, all of which for that reason are difficult to detect. Such so-called graphites as these instead of loosening the scale actually aid in its formation. Mexican Boiler Graphite however, after years of use has shown that it will remove the scale and by forming a very thin coating over the boiler and tubes will prevent the formation of thresher scale. We can recommend this product to the threshermen of Western Canada. We base our recommendation upon what has been done elsewhere. It has been used very successfully in North Dakota,

where the water conditions are

very much the same as they are in the Canadian West. This in the Canadian West. Mexican Boiler Graphite will be supplied to the threshermen of Western Canada by the Maytag Company, Limited, Winnipeg, to whom all correspondence should be addressed.

Gopher Problem in the West

Several methods of fighting this pest have been tried, but gophers are rapidly increasing year by year and in dry years the damage caused by them is enormous. The old methods of poisoning have apparently failed to solve the gopher problem. A new method, called SUREDEATH is now offered to the farmers by a chemist who as a boy on a Manitoba farm was elected to take care of the gopher problem when the little rodents were so thick that it was a question who would get the most of the crop, the gopher or the farmer.

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After twelve years on the farm, the gopher student entered the drug business and started experimenting with different poisons, in the light of the experience gleaned on the farm, and was fortunate enough to be associated with one of Western Canada's foremost manufacturing chemists, and now Professor of Pharmacy in a Western University.

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BIG BARGAINS IN FARM MACHINERY

We are pleased to call the attention of our readers to the several announcements of a liquidation sale by Mr. R. S. Ewing in the pages of this issue. Mr. Ewing is the assignee in liquidation of the estate of one of the oldest and most respected farm machinery towns in Western Canada. Nothing more than the stress of war conditions, coming, on top of what was already a period of comparative stagnation has forced this house out of business.

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Course of Gas Engineering

One of the most popular types of short course instruction given by Manitoba Agricultural College is that in steam and gas engineer-The ninth annual short course on these subjects is announced for the latter half of June, the course commencing June 13th and ending July 1st. College reports that a considerable amount of interest in this year's course is showing itself, and those who have any thought of attending or who are in any way interested in farm engine work should write at once to the College of Winnipeg and secure a copy of the free prospectus outlining the course.

Course on Better Farming on Wheels

Starting on Monday 15th June, the Saskatchewan Department of Agriculture, making use of the staff of its University, will commence a five weeks itinerary with the sole purpose of inculcating the principle of better farming and demonstrating by practical illustrations what "better farming" means and what it has already accomplished in increased quality and quantity of agricultural products.



HON. W. R. MOTHERWELL Minister of Agriculture, Easkatchewar

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Inspection of Train. Lecture on Dairying (Outside). Lecture on Household Science (Car No. 6).



JOHN BRACKEN B.S.A., Prof. of Field Husbandry (Saskatchewan University)

Lecture on Poultry (Car 5). Inspection of train, obtaining bulletins, and asking questions. Inspection of train, 2 p.m. to

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A. M. SHAW, B.S.A., Prof. of Animal Husbandry (Saskatchewan University)

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Building Construction etc., (Car No. 4).

Inspection of train; obtaining bulletins and asking questions.

Afternoon Meeting

Lecture on Household Science, (Car No. 6).

or Lecture on Poultry, (Car No.

Boys' and Girls' Programme Morning Meeting

Inspection of train; obtaining bulletins and asking questions.

Inspection of train, especially cars Nos. 2, 5 and 6.

Lecture on Dairying (Outside). Illustrated Lectures in Lantern car No. 3.

Lecture in Boy's and Girl's car No. 1.

Inspection of mechanical exhibits car No. 4.

Inspection of train, obtaining bulletins and asking questions.

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The Animal Husbandry Section will be in charge of Professor A. M. Shaw, assisted by Professor N. H. J. Tisdale and P. F. Bredt acting Live Stock Commissioner and other authorities on live stock matters.

The live stock to be carried on the train will include representatives of dairy, beef and dual purpose cattle.—One Clydesdale stallion,-representatives of Yorkshire Berkshire and Tamworth hogs-some range ewes with their progeny of the first and second crossing sired by pure bred rams.

Field Husbandry Section

Topics which will be dealt with by the Field Husbandry Lecturer will include:

Forage crops in Saskatchewan. The choice and management of farm crops.

Tillage in relation to crop production.

The control of noxious weeds.

Practices that promote early maturity in grains.

These talks will be illustrated by means of colored charts, photographs and samples of the crops and weeds to be discussed.

Section, on the following subjects: -Farm Layouts, Building Construction, the Uuse of Concrete on the Farm, Water Supply and other utilities as desired by the audience; also lectures by Professor Smith on Farm Machinery. The Draft



R. GREIG, B.Sc., Prof. of Agricultural (Saskatchewan University)

of Implements, Horse-Power, Ploughing Matches or other features of interest to the farmer.



GENERAL STOCK DEMONSTRATION EQUIPMENT

Professor John Bracken will be in charge of the Field Husbandry section. Professor Bracken first represented the Dominion Seed Branch in Manitoba and left that work to accept the position of Superintendent of farms and Institutes for Saskatchewan, later being transferred to the College of Agriculture on its organization.

Hon. W. R. Motherwell, Minster of Agriculture for Saskatchewan, will, it is expected, be with the train throughout its itinerary and will lecture twice daily on subjects such as Forage Crops, Noxious weeds, etc. Mr. Motherwett's knowledge of agriculture and ability as a public speaker are recognised throughout Western Canada.

J. G, Rayner, B.S.A., District Representative of the Saskatchewan Department of Agriculture at North Battleford, H. Saville, B. S.A., and L. E. Kirk, assistants in Field Husbandry will also take part in the programme of the Field Husbandry Section.

Mechanical Exhibits Section

Professor A. R. Greig, will be in charge of Mechanical Exhibits

In the Mechanical Exhibits car will be sectional models of farm buildings, a sectional model of steam engine and also of a gasoline engine, a small working model of a pneumatic water supply system, and one portion of the car will be arranged showing complete equipment of a dairy. There will be a line shaft in this car and various machines will be operated. This car will also contain an electric light equipment suitable for a farm; this will be used in lighting the dark car that is being used for lantern slide work and also the mechanical exhibits car.

Poultry Section

In charge of Professor R. K. Baker, B. A. In the Poultry Department of the Saskatchewan College of Agriculture, consisting of working models of poultry houses, and appliances for hatching, brooding, rearing, caponising, fattening, killing and marketing poultry; charts and illustrations of the anatomy of the fowl and of standard types and breeds of poultry; sample egg cases, boxes and cartons, egg candling devices, eggs (Continued on page 70)

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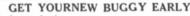
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In view of the above the use of metal shingles or metal roofing when put together, makes practically a solid sheet of metal over the roof. In connection with these use metal eave troughs and conductor pipes or down spouts and drive the galvanized iron pipe into the ground near the termination of the conductor pipe. It is well to fasten the conductor pipe to the upper end of the galvanized iron "ground" by soldering or wiring them tightly together.

It is essential that the conductor pipe be properly maintained and not allowed to become unjointed, thus breaking up the continuous path over which the lightning may discharge into the ground.

You will note from the above that the Fire Underwriters, which is another name for the National Fire Protective Association, recognize the value of the all-metal or "Metal Clad" buildings as a protection against the effects of lightning.

A quotation from a report of the Mutual Fire Prevention Bureau, Oxford, Michigan, looking after the interest of the Mutual Fire Insurance Companies:

"Every elevator or mill in the country, even if only built this year, could afford to tear off their wood shingle roof and buy metal roof, and siding and thereby reduce their rate enough to pay for the entire charge in a few years. We will do everything we can to point out to the property owner that his interests demand the substitution of iron cladding and iron roof over wood construction."

It will be noted that the above is from a Mutual Bureau and it is to their interest to speak the truth, and to cut down the losses as much as possible because the cost of the insurance depends upon the total loss.

The ordinary farm building is not difficult to protect from lightning. A metallic roof properly connected to the earth affords ample protection to the buildings from lightning. It will not do to stop the conductor within a few inches of the ground. There should be an unbroken metallic path from the ridge of the roof into the ground.

The vital points of the connection are two: first, to reach permanently moist earth and second, to secure a perfect metallic joint between the down spout and the parth conductor.

The point to be emphasized is that buildings covered with metal and properly connected to the ground should not be attached to, or connected with buildings

Production and Thrift

CANADA from her abundance can help supply the Empire's needs, and this must be a comforting thought for those upon whom the heavy burden of directing the Empire's affairs has been laid. Gain or no gain the course before the farmers of Canada is as clear as it was last year—they must produce abundantly in order to meet the demands that may be made, and I believe this to be especially true in regard to live stock, the world's supply of which must be particularly affected in this vast struggle. Stress and strain may yet be in store for us all before this tragic conflict is over, but not one of us doubts the issue, and Canadians will do their duty in the highest sense of that great word."—HON. MARTIN BURRELL, Minister of Agriculture.

"MODERN war is made by resources, by money, by foodstuffs, as well as by men and by munitions. While war is our first business, it is the imperative duty of every man in Canada to produce all that he can, to work doubly hard while our soldiers are in the trenches, in order that the resources of the country may not only be conserved, but increased, for the great struggle that lies before us. "Work and Save" is a good motto for War-time."—SIR THOMAS WHITE, Minister of Finance.

THE CALL OF EMPIRE COMES AGAIN IN 1916

TO CANADIAN FARMERS, DAIRYMEN, FRUIT GROWERS, GARDENERS

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We must feed ourselves, feed our soldiers, and help feed the Allies. The need is greater in 1916 than it was in 1915. The difficulties are greater, the task is heavier, the need is more urgent, the call to patriotism is louder—therefore be thrifty and produce to the limit.

"THE AGRICULTURAL WAR BOOK FOR 1916" is now in the press. To be had from The Publications Branch, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa.

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not protected, otherwise the unprotected building may be struck by lightning and be set afire, and of course the flames will communicate to the contents of the other building. It is important that all connected buildings be similarly protected.

Every insurance company will give a reduction in rates for metal clad properly grounded buildings and this reduction will eventually more than pay for the slight additional cost of the metal covering in the first instance.

It is also well to note that all the authorities unite in stating that the sheet metal should be heavily and thoroughly protected by galvanized coating in order to be an efficient conductor as well as making it proof against corrosion.

With the above facts in mind there is no reason why every farmer should not protect his buildings and stock by the use of metal coverings, whenever a roof

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has to be replaced or new buildings erected; thus removing the fire menace, as prevention is better than cure, when adequate fire protection is not available. QUITE DIFFERENT

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"I understand your brother is studying with the intention of becoming a
veterinary surgeon," said the visitor.
"Well, he isn't," answered 5-year-old
Edna. "He's going to be a horse doetoe."

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CHILDHOOD

"Backward, turn backward, O Time, in the flight, the me a child again, just for to-night." Make

"It is a good thing we cannot see ahead," a man said to a group of friends. "Yes, indeed it is," agreed a young girl. "I don't how about that," It was the middle-aged woman who spoke. "I think I would have been happier as a child, if I had known that things would be so much better for when I grew up." "I don't want time to turn back for me," the business woman said. "I do not believe that childhood is the happiest time. It certainly isn't for many of us.

not believe that childhood is the happiest time. It certainly isn't for many of us. I hate to think of my childhood."

"So do I," said the mother. She pulled her child a little closer. "But it is going to be the happiest time for my kiddies, if I can manage it."

"Children suffer so much from the cruelty of parents," the man with the hair whitening about his temples said. "I remember with anguish yet, some of the tragedies in my young life."

"So do I," said the fat man with a chuckle that was not mirthful. "I will never forget my first suit with long trousers. I had looked forward to that suit with longing and pride. The suit when



The Nations Meet

came was all right, but it was spoiled by the fact that my parents bought me a hat with ribbons down the back to wear with it. I protested, and pointed out that other boys were not wearing such hats, but it was no use. They knew it all, and I suffered the most

They knew it all, and I suffered the most awful social torture while that hat lasted. It was crue!"

"I often think children suffer most than grown people" It was the girl with her hair piled high, who made this remark. She had been a child only a short year or so ago. "It was my—" she caught her breath and added, "but what is the use of thinking about those old days. We are all grown up and having a lovely time. Maybe we would not enjoy life so much now, if we had not suffered." "I don't want to be a child again, but I had a lovely time," It was the hostess who was speaking. "I like to think of the time when I was at home, before I had any responsibility."
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who was speaking. "I like to think of the time when I was at home, before I had any responsibility."

"Yes, and I had a good time. I like to think of it." It was the bachelor who was speaking. "And if I ever have any kids they are going to have the time of their lives when they are with dad."

"Huhl!" It was the mother of nine who garnted. "The children of bachelors and old maids are always perfect. Tell me if you think you could raise nine children, each as different from the other as possible, and not make some mistakes. I apologised to my little girl the other day when I thought I had made a mistake by punishing her. She was real motherly and told me not to mind for she was pretty sure that in my place she would have done the same thing."

"Your children are all right if they

will talk to you like that," said the business woman. "But not all mothers are like you. I have thought of starting a campaign for the rights of children. I would like to thrash every grown up would like to thrash every grown up person who brings the blush of shame to



Playmates on the Prairie

the cheeks of a child because of childish mistakes. I would like to punish every grown person who refuses to listen to the child's side of the story. I would

"Hush! The children are coming."

War Widows

War Widows

A question that is exciting great interest at the present time, is the Salvation Army scheme to take five thousand war widows and their children to the British colonies. The plan of the Army is to take these women and their children to the small towns, find a home for each family, preferably in a house with someone else The children will thus have an opportunity to go to school, and the mother can leave the small children with whoever lives in the house while she goes out working.

These widows will each have a small pension, and it is the belief of the Army officials that she can earn enough money charring to supplement this income, to such an extent that she and her family can live until the children are old enough

to work. This scheme depends on a number of things. The first thing is a home. Those who know our small towns and villages know that there are very few double houses in the West, and very few houses large enough for two families. But if such a thing can be found, there will be the problem of getting a family that will be willing to share their house with the widow and her children, and carring for the children while the widow is out working.

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There may be such families, but they are very scarce. Then, while some people might be willing to give the widow a home now, when everyone is feeling anxious to be patriotic, there will be a time, when that feeling has grown a little cold, and the daily friction of trying to manage with two families in the house will be the most important thing in the world. When that time comes, which it is sure to do, unless the widow has a house of her own, the widow will find herself homeless.

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supervise these widows' affairs for four years.

The facts of the case are, that the Salvation Army has not the money to provide for these women for that time, and if the women are for any reason unable to care for their families, the care of them will fall on someone else. The Army is going to try and interest a committee of citizens of the villages where the women are placed, whose business it will be to look after the interests of the widow and her family. There may be many good people who will be willing to undertake such a responsibility, and the widow may be a strong woman who can make her way, and the women of the village may

be glad of her help, and the farmers may be glad to get her children to pick potatoes or do chores, and those of us who live in Canada may conceivably be benefited.

But what of the widow and her children. She is a w. man who has given her husband for his country and theirs, and in return, she is not to have any of that country, nor are his children to have any of the country for which their children. ountry, nor are his children to have any of the country for which their father gave his life. They are to have the privilege of coming to a new country, with an externe climate, where living is high, and conditions are not such as they understand. They are to have the privilege when they come of doing the dirty, hard char-work of the country. They are to have the privilege of doing the hardest work for the least pay, of any work that is done. They are to be compensated for their suffering by having to bear an unjust portion of the cost of the war.

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unjust portion of the cost of the war.

It seems to me that those women of us, who have an understanding of conditions of life in the West and of life in the Old Land, should put up a strong protest again our own sex bearing such an unjust burden. War costs, but we should all bear the cost, and not ask weak and helpless mothers to shoulder the responsibility of the government. We have should to our men to go and fight for their country. Women have been very quick to send letter and white feathers to those they thought should enlist. Let them be just as quick to demand for the widow and children of those who have gone and made the supreme sacrifice, that they be given a home and enough on which to raise their families respectably.

Surely the wives of our soldiers deserve some consideration, and if ever they needed their friends, and familiar surroundings, it is when they have had to look at the vacant chair and realize that never again would they hear the loved voice, never again would the childish voices echo to the call "Daddy." It is at such a time that a mother needs all her friends around her and all the loving sympathy that only those known through years of association can give.

There may be war widows who will Surely the wives of our soldiers de

There may be war widows who will wish to bring their families to Canada, that their children may have more chance than they could ever have in the Old than they could ever have in the Old Land. If these widows wish to come, not



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one woman in Canada, but would be glad to give them all the help possible. But let the government give them enough to live on, so that when they come, they can care for their children as they should be cared for. Let them be given every chance to bring their families up properly, instead of bringing them out here to be hewers of wood and drawers of water for Canadians.

Widows' Pensions, and the War Widows

Widows
Some time ago, I mentioned on this page that Manitoba was the first province to pass an act granting pensions to widows. The idea of this act is to provide enough money to enable a widow with children to keep a home for those children, and stay in that home, and care for the children. All social workers will tell you that it has been found that children of widows who must go out to work, contribute largely to the delinouen class. The mother is out working

children of widows who must go out to work, contribute largely to the delin-quent class. The mother is out working and so cannot care for the children, and they run wild, and get into trouble. The women of Manitoba were very proud to get this advanced legislation through. It seemed to them a step in the right direction. It means a recogni-tion by the state of the value of children. We have always heard of that value, but before the state paid more for the pre-before the state paid more for the pre-We have always heard of that value, but before the state paid more for the protection of hogs than for the children. It has seemed to us that any legislation for the purpose of preventing delinquency and crime is an advance. Now the problem is, if these war widows are brought out here, why should they not be given grants just the same as our own widows?



Born in a Wigwam

In fact it seems to me they will have to be given the same grants, after they have lived in the province the stipulated time, or else, we will have to legislate against the widows of soldiers. This would not be fair. Then what are we going to do?

This metter of war widows looks smaller.

This matter of war widows looks simple, This matter of war widows looks suppe, to those who do not know conditions of life in this province. To those of us who do, it looks like a serious matter, and to those who believe that the whole cost of the war should be borne by us all and not chiefly by the widows, it seems crimial.

Women and the Schools

At the present time there is a greated deal of talk about methods of education People are beginning to realize that our deat of talk about methods of education. People are beginning to realize that our present system is very far from perfect. That fact being once realized everyone at all interested in the problem of education, is busy thinking of the possible and advisable improvements. In the general revolution that is going on, there will doubtless be many false, and even injurious theories advanced, and methods tried. The fobject of the more through educationists will be to advance slowly but surely. The trouble will be that some will be too conservative to advance at all. But with the present time, some advance will or no.

The object of those who can see both the need of a change and the danger of going ahead too fast, should be to make at once as thorough a study of the whole matter as possible, and experiment, lit experiment and again experiment, and Continued on page 71

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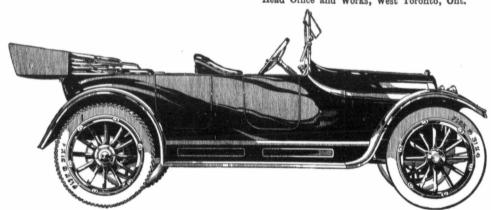
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MOTHER
By Ralph M. Thompson.
Lord, should there ever come a day,
And such may come to any one,
When tempted from the right to stray,
When prompted with the wrong to run, Will me The backbone to refuse to err;
he might of mind in every deed,
To think of her—to think of her!

Master, if there should come a year, Amid the turmoil and the strife, Amid the turmoil and the strue,
When disinclined to persevere
For the exalted things of life,
Grant me the fortitude to stand,
Above all else, for character;
The strength of heart, on sea or land,
To think of her—to think of her!

God, should there ever come a time, When in the fight I hope to win.

My spirit would, from ways sublime,
Turn at the siren-song of sin,
Give me the manhood to defy The fiercest fury hell may stir; he zeal of soul, until I die.

To think of her—to think of—Her!

My New Year Resolutions

I see in the rarmer's Canadian Thresh-erman that you are offering a prize for the best essay on New Year resolutions.

the best essay on New Year resolutions. Allow me to try.

For some time I have been reading one chapter of the Bible every night, and on Sunday I read five chapters. At the New Year I made a resolution that I would continue reading this portion all the time until I had the Bible read right through. through.

made a resolution at school to do We made a resolution at school to do a kind deed each day. We were always to do one kind deed every day, and as many more as we liked. I am trying my very best each day to do all the kind deeds I can. I have done one each day and some days I have done more. Of course, every day almost I have done some bad things that I know I should not have done, and now I am truly sorry, and I hope God will forgive me for doing them. I hope there are some others who have made this resolution, because I think it is a very good one.

have made this resolution, because I think it is a very good one.

To be kind to animals and not cruel to them is another resolution. To have power over animals is a great thing, but the only real power is that which is gained through kindness.

Now, I think these are all my New Year resolutions, and I hope many of the others will have the same ones, and our influence will spread. I really and truly do want to keep these resolutions.—Yours sincerely. Yours sincerely,

Marjorie Rankin (aged 10), Box 327, Deloraine, Man.

Our Boy Scouts

SELF-EDUCATION IN SCOUTING
Concentration in Education Can Only
Be Obtained When the Work to Be
Done Is Suited to the Tastes and
Abilities of the Learner.
The natural instinct of the infant is
to develop itself by exercises which we
call "Play." It has an inherent desire
to accomplish: the young child wants to

to develop their by exercises which we call "Play." It has an inherent desire to accomplish; the young child wants to do things and to overcome difficulties to its own satisfaction.

Dr. Montessori has proved that by en-couraging a child in its natural desires, instead of instructing it in what you think it ought to do, you can educate it on a much more solid and far-reaching basis. It is only tradition and custom that ordain that education should be a labor, and that as such it is good training for the child in discipline and application.

application.

One of the original objects of Scouting for boys was to break through this tradition and to show that, that by giving attractive pursuits to the young,

A Brave Scout



Patrol Leader Melbourne Crawford, the 9th Winnipeg Troop, saved the life of Scout V. Spitzer, of the 16th Winnipeg Troop, who was in danger of drowning in the Assiniboine river, on Friday, the 25th June, 1915. His action was a very meritorious one, and the manner in which

meritorious one, and the manner in wines he discharged his duty speaks well for the training he had received.

He was presented with the Gilt Medal of Merit by Sir Douglas Cameron, Lieut.
Governor, in the Walker theatre on Thursday evening, the 6th of April, at 845.

one could lead them to develop for themselves the essentials of character, health. and handiness.

Dr. McMunn, in his recent work, "A Path to Freedom in School," has stated the traditional method thus:

the traditional method thus:
"Some lunatic, having evolved the idea
600 years ago that boys must do their
work precisely in the same way as
adults, we have made that our idea of discipline which is that of hand-cuffs and fetters, not of will."

It is maintained by many interested in education that concentration on the part of the child is most essential to its successful education, but it is most dif-

ficult to obtain in school.

I don't know what happens in school, but I know that it is most easy to get concentration outside the school if you only give a child its own task to do
in its cwn way.

The thing is to study a child and see

what interests it. Look at a youngster making sand castles on the beach, how he will go at it hour after hour until he what interests it. overcomes his difficulties, and builds up his castle to his satisfaction. He con-centrates the whole of his thought and

he whole of his physical energy upon t. If you adapt such whole-hearted teenness to educational ends, there is no difficulty in obtaining the concentration desired

This is exactly what happens in the Scout movement—on a step higher than the castles in the sand—but the success in results is entirely the outcome of the study of the child, and of utilizing his bent—whatever it may be—for his own development.

development.

Does the school teacher get his certificate for knowledge of the child, or for knowledge of three "R's"?

The main step to success is to develop, of to repress, the child's character, and the same time, above all, not to nurse at the same time, above all, not to nurse him. He wants to be doing things, therefore, encourage him to do them in the right direction, and let him do them in his own way. Let him make his mistakes; it is by these that he learns avaniance.

experience.
Education must be positive—not negative—active, not passive. For example, the Scout law in each of its details says; "A Scout does"—this, that or the

Authorities have come along to improve the Scout law, and not recognising the active side of it, have changed it to the reverse—a series of "pon'ts." "Don't," e reverse—a series of "non'ts," "Don't," course is the distinguishing feature id motto of the old-fashioned system repression, and it is a red rag to a y. It is a challenge to him to do wrong. Sought knowledge lasts, un-sought does not. McMunn shows that children will seek knowledge all day and

children will seek knowledge all day and every day, will seek any knowledge you ask them to, if you let them seek it actively and in their own way.

Every boy is different in ability, temperament, and mind, and yet we try to teach them all in a heap the same things. One will come out top of his class because a subject happens to suit him, but he does not necessarily afterwards come out at the top in life.

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We have been criticised in the Scout movement for offering such a large number of badges for proficiency in so many different lines. The object of this was, not that each boy should try to win all these badges, but to try and meet the enormous variety of character among the boys, and to give each one his chance by selecting his own subject. We do not present that the should be the selection of his chance by selecting his own sub-ject. We do not perpetuate the school system, whereby the lucky boy who hap-pens to be brilliant in one of the "r's" comes out top, and dis-heartens other coys whose abilities may be equally as good but unfortunately not in one of boys whose additions have expanding good but unfortunately not in one of the subjects which come under the school curriculum. The aim of the proficiency badge is to encourage self education on the part of the boy in a subject which interests him.

THE ATTITUDE OF SCOUTING TO CADET TRAINING

CADET TRAINING
Gloomy Forebodings Are Expressed That
If Cadet Training Becomes General
Scouting Will Go Under—I Don't
See It Myself.

See It Myself.

The military value of cadet training in a country where you already have a standing army is not sufficient to guarstanding army is not sufficient to guar-antee a big outlay of taxpayers' money, and without funds it cannot be applied to much effect among the poorer classes —though an excellent occupation for well-to-do boys. From the educational point of view its value is not considered by the au-

thorities to be sufficiently great to jus-tify its being introduced into the already overcrowded time-table of the schools.

So there are obstacles to be over

So there are obstacles to be overcome before it can be generally introduced. Then its ultimate aim is so entirely different and so partial as compared with that of socuting, that I do not see that the two movements can seriously distribe or interfere with each other. Quite the contrary—they can be mutually helpful in doing good for the country.

A Scout Commissioner in writing to me has touched on some further points of the case. He admits that if and when education committees grant the time, funds, and accommodation to calets. Scout troops will be materially handicapped, but at the same time his experience shows that where real scouting is practised it is so much more perperience shows that where real scotting is practised it is so much more permanently attractive and congenial to boys than cadet work that there is no fear of our losing boys. One of my Scouts last week summarised the situation."They are taking our slackers—good luck to 'em." It is the inefficient troops that will suffer, and even if the movement had a temporary set-back in numbers it will I believe be a healthy competition and will tend to increase our real efficiency. I may say that mis district I anticipate as a matter numbers it will believe be a heating competition and will tend to increase our real efficiency. I may say that in this district I anticipate as a matter of fact a substantial increase in our membership this year. We have established friendly relations with the cadets here, and are inviting their responsible officer to join our local association. Our Scouts' Defence Corps boys have undertaken to instruct the cadets in signalling—at the request of their officer. A Scout recently wrote to ask me if he ought to join the cadets which his schoolmaster was raising in the school. I have replied that he would do well to be a cadet provided he did not leave the Scouts to do it. In Australia, New Zealand, and Canada it is quite possible for a boy to be both a cadet and a Scout.

Scott.

Cadet training is very much like that of the Scouts' Defence Corps; it teaches a fellow to drill and manoeuvre so that if he goes into the army later on he will know something about the work and will not come to do it as a raw recruit.

But it does not teach him to turn his hand to every kind of useful job, to use his wits and to do the right thing

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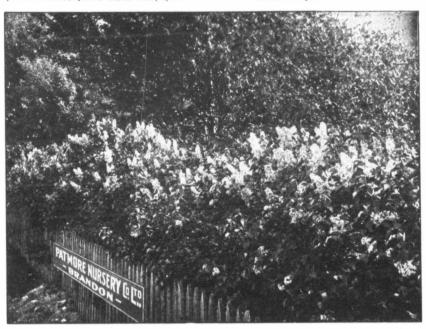
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watching, police duties for orderly work at the War office, Admiralty, hospitals, recruiting offices, etc. Out here where I am, at the front, officers are always saying to me: "I wish I could get more old Scouts into my company—they are worth ten of those who have not been trained to do any-thing or who have here drilled only as thing, or who have been drilled only as cadets—for very often cadets have been drilled by men who were not good at it, and all they have learnt has to be unand all they have learnt has to be un-learnt again before they make good sol-diers. We want fellows who can be trusted to do their duty, however, un-pleasant it may be, to turn their hand to any job and keep smiling all the time -as the Scouts do."

that presence always.

That is one of the things to remember in considering religion for boys.

Our scouting is "Scotting for Boys," and when we are talking about the directly religious side of our work, we must remember that it is religion for boys that we are speaking about, and not the religion of elder people, which they so often think boys ought to have. It is almost too old a saying, "a boy is essentially a religious being," but it is well to remember that true religion.

well to remember that true religion is something that comes out of the boy's

We can, however, help boys to realise the presence of God. There is nature study, for example, and the revelation of God through human beings, and the power to resist sin. Every boy knows he has some power of this kind, but he may not realise it is the power of God.

Help your boys to realize the need of God, that He is absolutely necessary for the carrying on of their troop. Take the Scout promise and the Scout law as the absolute basis of the Scout movement. Hold these up as the highest ideal to your Scouts, and let them realise their importance. Then you will fine that the boys understand the need of the presence and the help of God. They will, in fact, gradually begin to understand the Christ ideal.

When you try to climb the highest

When you try to climb the highest When you try to climb the highest mountain you need a rope to help you, and, as Scouts, when you are trying to climb to the highest ideals, we must have the help of God. The boys will understand that. If you have your court of honer and speak frankly on the Scout laws, the demand for the highest and strongerst below the second t and strongest help will come from the boys themselves.

The "Scouts' Own" must be the result of the boys' religion and their desire for

help. You must not have one to force religion on the boys.

religion on the boys.

There is a great pattlefield of sin in which our boys must take part, and you will find boys who are ready to take their part in this battle, and who will go down on their knees to ask for help and to thank God because their trops is desire wall. troop is doing well.

In the great war with Germany I am certain we are going to win. I cannot tell you why I am certain, but we all feel it, and per-haps the reason is that we are all determined to endure to the

We believe that our nation has a reserve of strength that will enable us to get up again and again, no matter how often we may be knocked d wn. It is just the same with Scouts, and the power of God. When our Scouts seem down, or our troops seem down, we have always this wonderful power to lift them and us up again.

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THE LITTLE COMMONER

By Daniel M. Henderson 'Tis not through great orations.
Or by reading history,
That I catch the fullest meaning Of the word Democracy.

For I've a baby daughter,

And I've marked well how she greets
The servants and the tradesmen

And the strangers whom she meets.

While she upon her family
A wealth of smiles bestows,
To Norah in the kitchen As warm a greeting goes: And the wee one's gay advances
And her gurgles of pure joy
Are the same to ragamuffins
As to well-dressed girl and boy.

Her spirit is contagious—
It has spread about the place;
It warms the coldest glances,
And melts the frostiest face;
And I move among my fellows
In a cheerier, kindlier mood,
Since the loving little lassie
Came to teach me Brotherhood.

THE FRIENDLY KIND

By Mary Carolyn Davies If you are of the friendly kind— On this it all depends— You're really very apt to find The world brimful of friends!

NOTICE

Mrs. Dumbrill, of Headingly, has asked me to inform our readers that so many requests came in for flower seeds that her supply of flower seeds was exhausted before the end of three weeks, after the magazine article was published. In that time she answered over three hundred requests and she said letters were coming in so fast that it would take a wholesale house to answer the requests. I am glad the article was so popular. It proves that our women are very much interested in gardening, and I wish our readers would write to our department on any phase of gardening. We want your experience for our readers. If enough letters of experience are sent in we might have a corner in our department on gardening.

Home Economics

PILOT MOUND

The H.E.S. of Pilot Mound has given up its usual program and substituted Red Cross work instead during the past twelve months. It was felt by the whole society that addresses, etc., were entirely out of place at a time when deeds, and not words, would tell the most. With a society of 75 keen-to-work members, the main problem has been to provide work enough to satisfy every one. At a meetenough to satisfy every one. main problem has been to provide work enough to satisfy every one. At a meeting when a Red Cross program was unanimously agreed to every one was of the opinion that it would be a mistake to sew in sections. That would be to destroy the community feeling which the H.E.S. has taken four years to build up. Some one hit upon the brilliant idea of collecting and taking to the hall ten or twelve sewing machines at the beginning collecting and taking to the hall ten or twelve sewing fmachines at the beginning of the week in, which the H.E.S. meeting falls. Pilot Mound is fortunate in pos-sessing a fine hall, built by the C.O.F. order. The well lighted, airy meeting hall on the ground floor is scarcely more useful than the well built basement below, where long tables, cookstones, cutlery and china make it a simple matter to arrange basket dinners, suppers and other

social events. In this hall for the past twelve months Red Cross sewing has been done for five consecutive days each month. During this time of sewing some members cut out, while others sew. On the H.E.S. day, the Saturday, there is always a crowded meeting. To this are brought contributions of socks and hospital garments, made by workers in districts who are too far away to come to town oftener than once a month. These small outposts of the H.E.S. are fulfilling the main object of the institution, viz., the reaching out to the far-off spots Intege small object of the institution, viz., the reaching out to the far-off spots where more than anywhere else, the women need the inspiration such as is given by our great sisterhood. The convener of this Red Cross work must be a woman above the average. She must have abounding energy, business ability, and a thorough knowledge of cutting out. She must have, more than all else, tact. Give such a woman a good, energetic committee to help cut out and ship the finished garr-nts, and it is marvellous what can be accomplished. During the February (1916) sewing week, the attendance was so large that it was decided to have some quilts ready to quilt at the March meeting. A committee was asked to collect patches and to get them pieced. In March and April 16 quilts were completed. Some were sold by private sale; the rest by auction, the whole realizing \$62.50 for the Red Cross.

Some one, perhaps, will ask, "How much does the Red Cross work cost the H.E.S.?" It costs the H.E.S. nothing. Some months as much as \$50.00 worth of stuff is cut up, but the Red Cross Society secretary, the station agent, foots all the bills. He gets Red Cross subscriptions from the town and district to the figure of \$100.00 a month, and some times more. This comes to him partly direct and partly through the local war relief viz., the reaching out to the far-off spots

association, which exists to collect monthly subscriptions from the men. The women of Pilot Mound and district are not asked of riled Mount and district are not associated to collect patriotic subscriptions—the men do that, and by their generosity provide the material for the women to make up. This is only as it should be. The monthly subscription also does away with the need of Red Cross 10 cent tens, but which below the included to act at

monthly subscription also does away with the need of Red Cross 10 cent teas, by which plan one is induced to eat an extra meal in war time, when one should be eating less, for the good of the Empire, and for the sake of one's own health.

For two years the H.E.S. has kept a rest room open for the convenience of the district. The rent is paid by the town council, and the country council (Louise) pays \$50.00 a year. Another \$50.00 besides is needed, and has so far been provided by small individual subscriptions, and an annual baking sale. An interesting discussion on rest rooms at the H.E.S. convention brought it home to most that eventually this rest room scheme must be financially backed by municipal grants entirely. The voluntary system has been tried and found wanting. The half-and-half method is wanting too, and not so successful as the public financed scheme. This may be universally adopted in the future, when all municipal councils are convinced that rest rooms are a civic necessity. In the meantime it is for the H.E.S. to prove this and to keep rest rooms going, until the time when municipal councils are less

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Another feather in the Pilot Mound community cap is the Boys' and Girls' Club, which would never have been undertaken without the whole-souled support of the H.E.S. In 1915 the Club, with 93 members, held a most success-ful club in October. The expenses, which worked out at \$1.00 per member, were rigidly kept down, and were met by small grants from the school districts.

Five dollars per eight members was asked from each school district, and the balance was supplied by the government grant. This year (1916) the membership promised to be so great that a central trustees committee has been formed to back the club work, and to see that sufficent money is forthcoming to meet the increased expense. This committee of representatives from ten school districts took its origin at a trustees, association meetexpense. This committee of representatives from ten school districts took its origin at a trustees' association meting in February, 1916, at which the club work formed a very prominent feature. At this convention there was a record attendance. The H.E.S. managed a basket dinner and supper in the basement. Husbands and wives, trustees and teachers, sat down to excellent meals, and adjourned afterwards to the meeting, where excellent discussions followed the items on the program. The fine community spirit and the good will prevailing were noted with approval by the visiting speakers. The greatest result of this most successful convention has been the unifying of the widely-separated school districts—the bond of union being the H.E.S. and the Boys' and Girls' Club. This trustee's committee has since met and voted enough money to pro-

Club. This trustee's committee has since met and voted enough money to provide prizes for the Club fair, and to pay the expenses of a short course of manual training in July.

At the February H.E.S. convention at the M.A.C., one listened in wonder and amazement to the account of the magnificent work done by the H.E.S. The representatives of the Pilot Mound sector returned home, more conscious than ever that their own community was especially fortunate in the possession of public-spirited men, who do their part nobly, as men, and with whom it is an ever increasing joy to co-operate, as the ever increasing joy to co-operate, as the H.E.S. has ever done since the day it was organized.

A short course week in millinery and two demonstrations in cooking were given in Minmi rest room beginning Monday, the 20th. The two demonstrations in cooking by Miss Crawford of the M.A.C. proved very helpful and were very successful, there being 58 ladies in attendance at the two sessions. Miss Crawford gave a helpful talk at each demonstration which the women very much appreciated. Too much cannot be said of the capable manner in which Miss Crawford holds the attention of the women. It was unanimously carried that we secure for our society one week of cooking demonstra-MIAMI unanimously earried that we secure for our society one week of cooking demonstrations by Miss Crawford preferably the last week in October. The short course in millinery by Mrs. Graham and her assistant, Miss Astley, was splendid. The sessions were as follows: Monday afternoon, 20th, 23 women at work. Tuesday morning 24, afternoon 30. Wednesday morning 24, afternoon 38, evening 23. Friday forenoon 15. Making nine sessions in all. I cannot express in words the satisfaction of the women for the work done by Mrs. Graham. There were 37 hats finished in the room during this course, with several shapes given out, while some secured trimmings and many had instructions for doing over hats. The time was far too short as we could easily have had as many more at work. There visited the room during the week including those who made hats over one hundred women. One afternoon could have been given to flower cutting as over 20 ladies wished to attend and special requests were made for instructions in making bows, but owing to the necessity of having to finish the hats it was not possible to accomplish this. Mrs. Graham and Miss Astley left on the 11.45 train Friday forenoon for Winnipeg. our society one week of cooking demonstra



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MANITOU

The March meeting of the Manitou
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interesting one. Very full reports of
the convention were given by our delegates, Mrs. Seymour and Mrs. Mac
Charles. All the members took part in
a discussion as to labor saving devices
for both town and country homes.
The secretary for Red Cross work reported sixty pairs of socks, all hand knit,
had been sent from our society this month.
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The April meeting of the Manitou IE.S. was held as usual in the Orange ball. The paper for the day was on large versus Small Kitchens, Kitchen Furnishings, etc." A splendid paper was given on this subject by Mrs. Aktionad much discussion followed; opinions as to the relative merits of large and small kitchens seemed to be pretty evenly divided. The Red Cross secretary reported two shipments of goods during March, which consisted of 43 pairs of goods are goods. 22 surgical shirts, one day shirt. March, which consisted of 43 pairs of socks, 22 surgical shirts, one day shirt, our hot water bottle covers, 12 comfort billows, four night shirts, one roll of innen. one roll of cotton and eight rolls of linen mouth wipes. Mrs. Tait gave m \$4.50, the proceeds of a tea held in the Rest Room, and this, together with the usual monthly collection, will be used to buy materials for Red Cross work.

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Mrs. Armstrong, our president, then
gave a most interesting account of Mrs.
Pankhurst's recent lecture in Winnipeg,
which she had the pleasure of attending.
This was keenly enjoyed by all present,
and I think every one of us wished we had
had this opportunity of seeing and hearing this gifted lady from England.

Mrs. Armstrong also described the
good work being done by the Convalescent Home for returned soldiers in Winnipeg, and our society decided to help
a little by sending a monthly donation.
This month we sent a crate of new laid
eggs.

eggs. After the roll call, which was answered by quotations from Burns, a delightful tea was served by the committee in charge.

DELORAINE

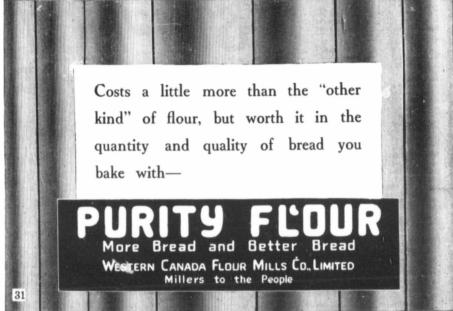
DELORAINE

Dear Mrs. Hamilton:—The March
meeting of the Deloraine H.E.S. was
held in the basement of the Presbyterian
church, with the vice-president, Mrs.
Price, in the chair. After the opening, and
the usual business transacted, a very
interesting program was given. A reading by Miss Auston entitled" 'Mrs. Brown' is
Change and Rest," by Mrs. McClung, and
a pinne solo by Miss Cowan, were both
much appreciated.
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The April meeting of the Deloraine E.S. was held in the basement of the elsysterian church, Mrs. R. J. Price siding. The meeting opened with the atomal Anthem. Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.
Mrs. Price suggested that this society we a Stranger's Committee, the result has that the following ladies were aparted:
Mrs. S. B. Perry, Mrs. Jas. Lessman, Mrs. Fisher, Mrs. C. W. 174 and Mrs. McKinnon. Mrs. Owen favored the meeting with a violin solo high was much appreciated. Gardening at the subject taken up, divided as follows: reparation of the Ground," "Sowing d'Cultivation," "Farm Gardening as Whole," "Raising of Flowers." These pers were given by Mrs. W. Steedsan, Mrs. George Perry, Mrs. W. Frankand Mrs. John Morrison.



Mrs. Terryberry then gave a talk on "Spraying, and the Control of the Cutworm, etc.," after which Mrs. Fisher gave a paper on gardening in general. These papers led to some discussion.

Mrs. Beveridge and Mrs. A. Benton invited the ladies to remain for a cup of tea, proceeds of which amounted to \$4.75.

A vote of thanks was tendered all who helped with the program, also the ladies who served tea. who served tea.

Mother's Corner

MOTHER'S WISH

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Baby, with the eyes of blue,
What shall mother wish for you?
Shall she wish your dimpled feet
Fer to tread a path so sweet;
None but loving words to hear,
With your rosy little ear;
Health to tinge your dainty cheek,
Riches you need never seek?
Shall she wish all this for you,
Baby, with the eyes of blue?

Rather would she pray to God He would keep her baby good; Be he weak, or poor, or sad, May he flee from all that's bad! Nothing else can make us glad But to tread the narrow way, Toiling slowly day by day, Leat we miss the path of right, Keeping heaven in our sight.

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This shall be her prayer for you:

"May He keep you good and true!

May His angels ever spread
Shelt'ring wings around your head!

Angels, ever near to guide,
Lead you onward to His side,
Through your earth-life ever on,
Till the crown of life be won." -Diana Legge.

A NATIONAL BABY WEEK

A national Baby Week, from March 4th to March 11th, had for its object a nation-wide baby welfare campaign in the United States. This movement was initiated by the General Federation of Women's Clubs, in co-operation with the

S. Children's Bureau. To teach U. S. Children's Bureau. To teach mothers of the community how to care for their babies and to establish permanent work for their welfare is a most important movement. Every real woman loves babies, as does every real man. Alfred Vanderbilt's last sentence on the Lusitania was: "Let's save the kiddies!" God bless the babies—every one! Let us do all in our power to make them healthy and happy.

A MOTHER'S VISION

The following taken from the editorial page of The Woman's Magazine may be an inspiration to some mother who is discouraged:

There is no wisdom like a mother's

wisdom.

It is not schoolhouse learning. Neither
the spoken word nor the written line has
been her teacher. Christ and His apostles
got their immortal wisdom out of their

got their immortal wisdom out of their own hearts. The philosophers whose teachings have come down from century to century touched the fundamental truths of life because they studied mankind. The greatest wisdom in all the world was learned before books were known. And so it is with mothers.

Many a mother at a cook-stove has told her daughter a wise truth that has started the girl right in life.

The light of heaven falls into the hearts of praying mothers.

The best that is in our lives has been planted there by a mother. Her hopes and her faith have been an inspiration and a reproach.

d a reproach. When you find a man who has made good you can be pretty sure he knew the guidance of a mother's hand. It may have been an old-maid aunt or a grand-mother or an older sister who brought him

mother or an older sister who brought him up, but some woman gave him that unselfish affection that is born of conscience and classed as mother-love.

Dr. Eliot told me, in his eighty-third year, that one of his chief ambitions had been to crown his life-work with the history of his mother. The beauty and strength of her character were the biggest influences in his long and noble life.

The joy of service

The two most famous surgeons in America, Dr. Charles and Dr. Will Mayo, had an old-fashioned mother who taught her children the simple virtues and the joy of service. At eighty-nine she told me she had brought up her children to believe in service. believe in service.

believe in service.
"If one just says: 'I'm going to be useful until I drop,' it helps a lot," she told me, in explaining how she adjusted her life to blindness when it came upon her



"Lor, Mrs. Green, you ain't looking yourself at all this morning. Whatever do be the matter with you?"

"There, Mrs. Budd, you know the trooble we've allus 'ad with our George, an are a postcard this mornin' sayin' as 'ow he's got t' V.C., and me an 'is f tectotalers all our lives''

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One of her maxims was this thought of Emerson's: "Though you live in the heart of a forest, if you have something the world wants, it will cut a path to your door." That motto, embroidered with her own hands, hangs in the office of her famous sons. It was made for their father and is probably the answer to the question so often asked: Why do the Mayos stay in Rochester?

John Purroy Mitchel, the young reform mayor of New York, began to learn wisdom at his mother's knee when he was in kilts. One of her teachings was: "If you want to be respected, you must respect others; you must consider the rights of others, their property, their opinions, and most of all, their religions."

When Christy Mathewson Learned

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Fair Play
Christy Mathewson, the most beloved
sportsman in the country, had a mother
who taught him to "play fair."
"Honesty is the biggest thing in life,"
she told Christy, "and to tell the truth is
the first part of honesty."
"There's something in life worth more
than money," she taught her children
"o ney can cost too much. A home is
to live in. It's for your children and
their friends. Any boy or girl who has
friends who can't be brought home, has
begun to plie up trouble."
"When you don't really have to come
home and bring your friends there—
there's something wrong with you or
your home. Better find out what's
wrong, and make it right."
Here are a few of my mother's old
sayings:
"No bed is soft unless a clean con-

sayings:
"No bed is soft unless a clean conscience is on the pillow."
"Live so that each night you can look into your mirror unashamed."

"Musical education should begin in the "Musical education should begin in the cradle," says Dr. Frank Damrosch. "The baby should hear soft, melodious, correct singing every day. If the parent cannot supply this, so much to the detriment for both parent and child. For it cannot be too often repeated that the songs of a nation's children play a leading part in moulding that nation's mind and spirit.

Little pitchers have far larger ears than many of us realize. Dr. Wm. Hanna Thomson, an eminent student of the human brain, says that parents often underestimate a young child's ability to understand words; and then, some months afterwards are surprised to discover that he knows so much. "If words once begin to reach through the ear, the mind springs forward to its limitless, nheritance of thought, and especially of feeling. It is the ear, not the eye, which moves the heart."

AMUSEMENT FOR CHILDREN

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too, well children have a habit of saying: "Mother, I don't know what to do."

Here are a few suggestions

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There is that magazine of last season's fashions, many of them colored; with a pair of blunt seissors the inherited tendency to cut out paper dolls can be indulged. Any creature, however, with as little back-bone as the members of the Fashion Plate family, is "Not mech fun to play with." Perform the simpl operation of pasting a strip of paste board from tip to toe, another across the shoulder blades and the debutante slouch has completely vanished.

To lend variety and afford many hours of amusement, buy a dozen sheets of colored paper, both erepe and smooth, for the making of new dresses.

But of all the dolls, old-fashioned Miss Rag is the most comforting in time of

But of all the dolls, old-fashioned Miss Rag is the most comforting in time of trouble, for beside being soft and cuddly she is quite impervious to pin pricks. Our little modiste, armed with a paper of safety-pins and a box of ribbons and silks, of which there is an unfailing supply in the piece trunk, drapes and fits her pa-tient customer in most original styles.

tient customer in most original styles.

My little girl enjoys dressing clothes
pins. I buy several sheets of crepe paper
in different shades and with a bottle of
paste she designs pretty styles.

Landscape gardening is another fascination to children.

The plot for the site is a tray with a
wide brim set upon the bed table. First
rob the sand-box of a panful of sand,
with which to cover the bottom of the
tray, then supply the little gardener with

pebbles for paths. A rock garden of small stones can be made in one corner, while bits of evergreen, ferns, and if possible, early spinig llowers are grouped into a charming garden. With mother as assistant gardener, summer-houses may be cut out of paper and a bridge or garden seat fashioned from cardboard. When through for the day the assistant gardener removes the entire country place and sets it in the closet until again called for.

for.

The desire to "make something for father," can be gratified with ease, and the thankfulness with which the gift is accepted at the day's end will brighten the hours which are hardest to bear. Give the child a deep cardboard box and bits of left-over wall-papers, and cut out the flowers and figures. Paste these on the sides and cover and present to father, who will obviously use it for anything from shoes to shirts. In the same manner may a discarded lamp-shade frame be decorated, first pasting a foundation of new wrapping paper. The more fantastic and silhouetted are the figures the greater will be the child's delight, when by the low lamp-light mother tells the good-night story.

Home-made, linen scrap books are ex-

Home-made linen scrap books are ex-cellent. A child enjoys buttonhole-stitch-ing the edges of the pages with colored worsteds, and added amusement will be found in severing the heads from their proper figures and pasting them on others. When sympathetic friends ask, "Is there any way that I can help?" the quick-witted mother will reply, "There Home-made linen scrap books are

surely is, if you will be so kind, join the entertainment committee supply us with some common colored worsteds; even lemonade which may be purchased from the water man will be most acceptal

water man will be most acceptable.

This diversified list may astonish by will scarcely tax the financial resourd mother's friend.

The cool, diable clay will feel please in summer 's the fingers as they mould dog, cat or rabbit for the country plat. The tiniest invalid can form a bird's read and eggs, the latter being tinted with water-colors. Flowers are easily made formers the solder than the forming petals, coloring them, the ing one by one about the stem. the unused clay soft, place in a erock.

Lemonade straws are indispen-Lemonade straws are indispen-making dining-room sets. They for the legs of tables and chairs backs of chairs and sideboard. Spaper is cut for the table top-straws the desired length, then through each corner and stick the straw for the top to rest upo

Colored worsteds are used as a nearly variety of medical chart. If the child too young or has not learned to rot take the end of the ball, make a leand even baby fingers can pass the sted through loop after loop ad infinite.

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airing and this apparently endless chain is finished with a dash of white. Now we will sail away to the land of sport in the newly built newspaper boat. What tales of adventure can be woven about this ship! Only part of this fleet is weighted with the news of the world, for some of the ships are built of wrapping paper and decorated gaily in crayon colors. Neither are all of these men of war, for some earry the one product upon which there is no duty—rice. Cake is in great demand also candies and cookies are insisted upon as being legitimate cargoes by our canny little trader. The board of commerce, however has decreed that only rice shall be bartered and the luxuries of the culmary department are son forgotten in the fascination of counting with miserly correctness grain after grain as it passes into the boat bound for an unfriendly country, or lavishly pouring a slippery mass into the hold bound for a starving nation.

A gift of construction blocks will be most welcome, and the cheap wooden kind will serve its temporary purpose. When the day of recovery is at hand they can be formed into a house, set in the fire-place, and with the Fashion Plate family leaning frantically from every window the convalescent youngster can winess with many a thrill a complete and harrowing conflagration.

Is there a mother who has not experienced at least a slight dread of the nap-

witness with many a thrill a complete and harrowing conflagration.

Is there a mother who has not experienced at least a slight dread of the naptime hour and of that trying moment when the loathsome oil or bitter pill has to be administered?

Here is a remedy, the "Sunshine Bag," made of bright yellow cheese cloth. Purchase at the five-and-ten-cent-store a quantity of tiny toys with which to fill it. Have medicine and bag brought to the child at the same time, and as a reward for a speedy dispatch of the hated dose, allow the eager hand to steal into the bag and draw forth a surprise.

One of these prizes may also be offered to the child who has rested quietly for the prescribed time. But for the fast-sleep nap there is still a greater treat for the imagination; when the baby mind has reached the shores of Far Away Land, a fairy steals through the slightly open window and with gentle fingers tucks a little "Joy Toy" beneath pillow, comforter or spread. Each day thereafter the child gladly embarks on Sleepy Boat to hasten the return to Wide-Awake Land, where awaits him the hidden treasure.

Father's Corner

FATHER AS A CONFIDANT

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By Estella M. Place.

The periodicals teem with advice to mothers to live close to their daughters, to share their interests, to win their confidence, so that they can give to them wise counsel when they meet life's problems. But what of the father as a confidant and counselor? We never hear him mentioned. him mentioned.

him mentioned.

From experience and observation it would seem that the f ther is peculiarly fitted to be the daughter's counselor to help her decide the most important questions she has to meet—fitted as the mother can never hope to be. He is out in the world and ke knows life. He hears men talk as man to man in the office, the shop and on the street. He gets the man's point of view as no woman in the world and he knows life. He hears the weak from the strong, the incompetent from the promising.

But how is the father to win his daughter's confidence? He must make

daugnter's confidence? He must make her interests his interests from the time she is a tiny tot until she reaches womanhood Encourage her from babyhood to come to him with her joys and with her sorrows. Encourage little confidences and secrets. In fact he must learn to be a good all round pal.

It takes an unlimited amount of tact

It takes an unmitted amount of tact to win and hold a child's confidence. A harsh criticism when mistakes or indiscretions are confided may undo an influence gained by years of patient effort. While suggestion kindly and skilffully given will be gladly received. Antagonism is not aroused but confidence is won. It a will reaches young womanhood a

given will be a significant of the confidence is won. If a girl reaches young womanhood a boon companion of her father, feeling that she can go to him with every thing that concerns her, no matter how trivial,

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and find a sympathetic listener she is indeed well fortified to meet the many perplexities that will come to her. Among these perplexities there is none that calls for wiser counsel than her re-

that calls for wiser counsel than her re-lations to the opposite sex. Her father knows men. He can see danger where neither the daughter nor the mother can recognize it. He knows that many men that want to lead clean, pure lives are tempted unwittingly by girls with no thought of wrong. By suggestion he can lead her to avoid even the appearance of evil. He knows that evil minded men take undue liberties with evil intent. He take undue liberties with evil intent. He also knows that the friendship between a pure minded girl and a high minded man is one of life's choicest pleasures.

man is one of life's choicest pleasures. The evil minded man will not take liberties with the girl that confides in her father. The unsophisticated mother often attributes such actions to love or infatuation whereas the father knows that the true man treats the woman he loves with the utmost consideration. The father may lack sentiment but he usually has a full quote of common sense in such matters.

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in such matters.

I am not belittling the beauty of a mutual understanding and affection between mother and daughter but I do contend that it is usually the father that is the safe and sane adviser. And the father has the daughter's welfare as much at heart as has the mother all the same of th though he is too often treated as only the bread winner. When he is content the bread winner. When he is content to assume this role and shut himself out

of the recesses of his daughter's life he

is depriving her of a protection that he can give as can no other.

Now this magazine is going to have a Father's Corner and I trust our readers will contribute material for it

WHEN FATHER COMES AND GOES

By Florence N. Munn By Florence N. Munn.
There is never a time when we have no opportunity to stand by father. Even in the ordinary routine of life when there seems no special call for demonstration in any way—when father comes and goes in the home life without visible evidence of any change from the beaten track, paying the bills and providing the necessities and comforts to which we have been accustomed there is always a chance to make our presence felt.

He, too, perhaps, has come to consider

our presence felt.

He, too, perhaps, has come to consider
it a matter of course that all these things
are to be provided by his hand—in fact,
he loves to do it—and looks for no assurance of gratitude or appreciation. Nevertheless, this condition is not without theless, this condition is not without opportunity to stand by him in a way that counts. Do you think, my girls, he never feels weary and disheartened with the routine of work and business, even at its best and most prosperous stage? But it compensates for all the difficulties and irritations of the day, to come home to a daughter who appreciates. It cheers him unspeakably that she has remembered his favorite dish and has prepared it with her own hands, without suggestion from him—that she even bears in mind his preference for certain colors, as to her dress. "Father likes me best in white," said a young girl, and those hearing the words and seeing the look which accompanied them could but feel that she was "father's girl" in a wider sense than the mere matter of dress indicated

We may not always know of these pecial times of father's need, for usually special times of father's need, for usually there is nothing about his appearance to indicate disturbance. The only safe way is for us to have the "stand-by" spirit—the constant attitude of love and watch care. The quitek glance of gladness at his coming—the cheery welcome—the "I'm ready for you, daddy," as the door opens all these attentions may mean more than we think, and help to lift a load.

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To the Editor, The Canadian Thresherman and Farmer, The Canadian Thresherman and Farmer, Sir,—The writer has been asked so frequently by the agricultural and general press for an opinion on the agricultural merits or demerits of the Federal government's Production and Thrift campaign as it deals with crop and tillage for the spring of 1916, that I have concluded to address a letter to the press compensition on this very important to the press compensition of the press that the pressure of the pressu the press commenting on this very im-

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the press commenting on this very important subject.

A widely circulated advertisement
issued in connection with this campaign
contains the following paragraph:
Stubble Land of Second Crop After
"Usually this land should be summerfallowed, but this year much of it must
be in crop. Burn stubble, if possible.
This may be helped by scattering straw
freely over the field. Wrap old sacking
about the end of a four-foot stick, diping gasoline, set on fire and shake on
straw and stubble. Carry gasoline in
open pail. If stubble is too light to
burn, then cultivate, harrow and seed
a little lighter than above. Oats and
barley will do better than wheat. If
shoe drills are used, plow instead of
cultivating. Plow, pack or roll, then
harrow if land is grassy or weedy. In
the driver sections at least one-third of
cropping land should be summerfallowed cropping land should be summerfallowed

every year."

When the advice of the Federal Department of Agriculture and Finance through their "Thrift and Production" through their "Thrift and Production" advertisement first appeared, I was thunderstruck by the extraordinarily fallacious nature of it. My first hope was that no one would heed it anyhow. On further reflection, however, when it

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occurred to me that some of us in the West are all too prone to careless farm-ing when left to our own inclinations, and that possibly this tendency would become worse if advised in that direc-tion by so naturally accepted an author-ity as the Dominion Department of Agriculture, I felt it was someone's duly to dissent.

duly to dissent.

My personal respect for the Dominion

Arrivalture, the Hon. Martin My personal respect for the Dominion Minister of Agriculture, the Hon. Martin Burrell, made the performance of such a duty by myself very unattractive, and indeed quite delicate, as I would be subject to being misunderstood due to the fact that many cannot conceive of such criticism being made from other than political considerations.

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than political considerations.

When my opinion was asked, however, I concluded the time had arrived
for some one to speak out and vigorously
protest against the agricultural heresy
that is being industriously promulgated
by the Federal Department of Agriculture and Finance under the very laudable pretext of "Thrift and Production"
during war time. Before entering into ture and Finance under the very laudable pretext of "Thrift and Production" during war time. Before entering into the merits or demerits of the advice given in the advertising of the present "Thrift-Production" campaign, by the very unusual means of practising what is "bad and worse" farming, from which most thinking, progressive farmers have been endeavoring to get away, permit me to make some general reference to the well intended "Production and Partiotism" campaign directed from Ottawa which was launched last year. By that campaign we were all invoked to produce by increased acreage. We were at war, the world was at war, therefore production and more production was a prime necessity. And to this general conclusion no one could take reasonable exception. But how is this to be accomplished? "By sowing every acre possible in 1915" so we were told repeatedly. Were not the struggling millions in stricken Europe relying on Canada for bread? Therefore for the sake of the Empire, for the sake of humanity, sow and sow more, and more, and keep on sowing as a patriotic duty, as the last

Empire, for the sake of humanity, sow and sow more, and more, and keep on sowing as a patriotic duty, as the last acre might turn the trick.

Now, Mr. Editor, it is good to feel that a young country like ours fills so important a part in the great world upheaval that is now in progress. It is comforting and gratifying to think that we are, in a large part, carrying a staggering, hungry world on our young but sturdy shoulders. We have permitted ourselves to be joilled into thinking that at least our own Empire, if not our Allies, are relying on us for thinking that at least our own Empire, if not our Allies, are relying on us for their daily bread. I take it that this pleasant sort of a day-dream is not very harmful in itself, but when this mistaken and even presumptive attitude is made the foundation for an urgent patriotic appeal for us to keep on producing by equally misleading and presumptive methods set forth in the Fedral advertisements you have referred to, it is time for some one to try at

least to point to saner and more re-liable methods.

"Patriotism and Production" The "Patriotism and Production" campaign like the present "Production and Thrift" campaign, was based upon the alleged need of our agricultural products to feed the Empire. Our financial needs were barely mentioned as a reason for sowing every available aere. But how many hungry mouths would there be in the other parts of the Empire if Canada had failed last year to produce a single bushel of wheat for export? How many people of the allied nations would miss a meal if Canadian wheat could not be bought? What is our present status as a wheat producing country? The Canada produced in 1915 less than one-

Canada produced in 1915 less than one-tenth of the wheat of the world. Russia produced a billion bushels, more than one-fourth of the world's crop and although this was not available to any of the outside wheat-eating nations, owing to the closing of the Dardanelles, the only effect the withholding of this immense crop had was to stiffen prices, but no one went hungry because of the the only elect the withouting of this immense crop had was to stiffen prices, but no one went hungry because of the fact that the Russian wheat was shut in. The United States crop of 1916, consisting of practically another billion bushels, representing a quarter of the world's production—was so damaged by weather conditions that approximately 250 million bushels of it was rendered unfit for human food and was used as stock food. This 250 million bushels of damaged American wheat was nearly as much as the entire exportable surplus of Canada last year, and yet its loss as bread-producing food merely stiffened the world prices a little more, but again no one went hungry as a result.

We are justifiably proud of our agricultural achievements and we have full confidence that some day our country will produce, in common with the United States and Russia, a billion bushels of

will produce, in common with the childer States and Russia, a billion bushels of wheat in a single season. But we can-not of course expect to do it now with our present population and marketing

In the face of the above figures and facts, why longer delude ourselves into thinking that the Allies or even our own thinking that the Allies or even our own armies are dependent on Canada for bread? As a matter of fact, if Canada did not grow one bushel of wheat for export in 1916, it would scarcely be missed in the world's general supply. With Russia shut out of the market, our hard wheat would be missed true, but only because of its quality and not because of its quantity in the general aggregate with such a large world acreage under wheat as we have at present.

Yes, by all means, we require full production, but mainly for financial reasons. But our fullest capacity can only be obtained by farming better and only be obtained by farming better and not by farming more. The average man is already spread over too many acres for best results. A full crop from both field and flock will keep the wheels of commerce going, will maintain our credit and enable us to finance the war, will keep our railways and labor busy, will improve municipal and governmental revenues, will liquidate some more of our tiresome debts, will maintain our grip of things and keep the pot boiling generally, but a full crop is required far generally, but a full crop is required far more for the sake of this part of the Empire, than it is needed for supplying Continued on page 70

Baking Powder Scores out-FAILURE On Baking Day Reliable results al-ways follow the blend-ing of this brand with Western flour. QUAKER MUFFINS

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"If you should have ailments consult a Chiropractor and let him put your Spinal Column in agreement with your nervous economy, so you can be a good automatic engine:" Elbert Hubbard

CHIROPRACTIC in its underlying principle of perfect health through a perfect backbone, is far from being a new or untried branch of Natural Science brought directly to bear on the restoration of a physically defective system to perfect health. It has been anticipated in many different ways. So long as a hundred years ago some German doctors discovered that in almost every disease there was a fault in the alignment of the various portions of the backbone. These single bones are called vertebrae, and there are thirty-three of them—twenty-six of which are movable—and they altogether make up the spinal column. The single bones, or vertebrae, are ring-shaped vertebrae, with their many little peculiar elevations and depressions, form the wall or tube which encloses the great conduit or passage-way of nerves. Taking them altogether, these nerves make up the spinal cord, and from this cord, which is a direct continuation of the brain, the individual nerve fibres emerge on each side of the various rings or vertebrae of the entire backbone, and carry their life-giving and health-maintaining energy to all the vital organs, muscles and bones.

Now, having clearly in mind the architecture of this spinal column for a moment, it will be seen how easily one or the other of these movable vertebrae can "slip" a little one way or another,

and how liable to injury most of these thirty-one pairs of spinal nerves must be as they pass between these movable bones of the spinal column. And this is precisely what happens in hundreds and thousands of people every day.

and thousands of people every day.

CHIROPRACTORS call these slips "Subluxations." These subluxations may occur through jars, wrenches, strain, improper poise, drafts, colds, mental excitement, depression, inherited weakness, overstretching of the muscular bands or ligaments and muscular contractions resulting from infectious diseases and poisonings, and from a hundred and one incidental and accidental causes.

When the nerves are pinched or pressed upon, the nerve current must become restricted, and disease is the result. Pains about the head, face, eyes, neck, back or limbs; diseases of the stomach, heart, lungs, liver, kidneys, bowels or special organs of exc; paralysis, catarrh, rheumatism, gall stones, neuraligia, lumbago, asthma, goitre, lowered vitality, irritability, insomnia; all these and many other aliments have yielded to Chiropractic adjustment when everything else has failed, and all simply because the nerve pressure was relieved. Many surgical operations can be avoided by Chiropractic adjustment, and the old-time methods of drug treatment are becoming more and more a thing of the past.

My Profession is based on an Exact Science, not Guess Work, nor is it necessary to Change Your Religious Beliefs to have Perfect Health through Chiropractic.



NURSE MOWBRAY—a lady of great experience in the treatment of all manner of ailments, was herself a sufferer for 16 years from Gall Stones. During that period she endured almost continual pain with very severe recurring attacks particularly during the last two or three years of her sickness. After six weeks under the simplest Chiropractic adjustment she obtained perfect freedom from this terrible malady. THE CANADIAN THRESHERMAN AND FARMER has taken the opportunity for its own protection to personally interview a number of Dr. Munro's cases and can vouch in unqualified terms for the remarkable success he has achieved in these particular instances. Dr. Munro's position towards the patient is NEVER A DOUBTFUL ONE. His consultations are FREE. If he does not believe he can succeed, he will not undertake the case. If he does proceed and is perfectly successful, his charges are what the poorest patient can have no difficulty in meeting. If he does not completely satisfy the patient—he will have done no harm and THERE WILL BE NOTHING TO PAY.

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Cancers Constipation Convulsions Deafness Diabetes Diarrhoea Diphtheria

Epilepsy Eruptions Eye Trouble Female Diseases Fevers (Typhoid included) Gall Stones Goitre

Headache Heart Disease Indigestion Infantile Paralysis Insanity Insomnia Jaundice

Kidney Diseases Lung and Liver Trouble Lumbago Nervousness Neuralgia Paralysis Pleurisy

Pneumonia Rheumatism Sciatica Spinal Meningitis St Vitus Dance Tumors Vertigo

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Dr. H. J. MUNRO 31 Steele Block Winnipeg, Man. Phone Main 234

AN OPEN LETTER

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any other particular country with bread, in times like these. even in times like these. In the face of these facts then what regrettable folly it is for the Federal Government, under the plea of patriotic food necessities, to advise the Western farmer to sow his land three seasons in succession without plowing? True, certain portions of Saskatchewan had practiced for many years and to advantage the sowing of barned. satenewali nad practiced for many years and to advantage, the sowing of burned fallow stubble land. But this is only in limited areas and is being gradually discontinued owing to the consequent introduction and entrenchment of such perennial weeds as Canada thistles, sow perennial weeds as Canada thistles, sow thistles, quack grass and other peren-nial pests. But to be advised to sow three successive crops without plowing or distinction as to soils, previous tillage districts or even provinces, is little short of madness, especially at a time when we should all do our best and not our worst. That such erroneous advice should come from so eminent a source is extremely regrettable on account of the fact that thousands of men who are

is extremely regrettable on account of the fact that thousands of men who are farming in Western Canada have had only limited experience of the conditions peculiar to agriculture in the prairie provinces and are naturally liable to accept such advice as reliable. For the sake of such I protest. Men with longer experience will readily see the fallacy of such misleading advice.

The best informed Saskatchewan farmers will put into wheat this spring whatcan be put in properly and in time. As the spring is little late, a certain additional element of chance will have to be taken in the later districts, but there will be no disposition to go on blindly sowing wheat after the date when experience in each particular district has proven it to be unwise to do so.

Nor will they sow to wheat or any-thing else third crop stubble or even much second crop stubble after coaxing



Going to Decorate?

If you are going to "do" the dining-room or the bedroom, or even the kitchen, this spring, you need this book. It illustrates in photogravure, in colors, rooms done with Alabastine. It contains suggestions and ideas for color schemes, and it shows how you can do the work yourself.

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Artistic Wall Tints

A copy of "Homes Healthful and Beautiful" costs but 15c. (coin or stamps), but if it saves you from making even one mistake-and there is noth ing easier to make than mistakes in color —will it not pay for itself a hundred times over? Then send for it now and study it before you start housecleaning.

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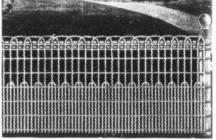
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it to burn with a top dressing of gase-line as advised in the first advertise-ment of the "Thrift and Production" campaign, but they will shallow plow such land and if too late for wheat they such land and if too late for wheat they will sow with coarse grains as the dis-trict and the particular farm or the farmer's inclination may suggest. After the sowing of all commercial grains has been completed, say June 1, indications point to the likelihood of a still fur-ther acreage being spring plowed and sowed with oats for sheaf feed, should it not ripen fully, or for commercial use, should the fall be open like last year and maturity ensue. Doubtless also in the flax growing

Doubtless also in the flax growing areas, especially in Western Saskatchewan, where the fall frosts are usually later, this profitable crop will be more extensively sowed than last year, notwithstanding its predisposition to be weedy, using spring plowed stubble rather than spring breaking up till the first week of June. Farmers who have been following a three year rotation—two crops and then fallow—and this is the general practice on the open plains, follow the advice of the Federal Government this year and sow a third crop on stubble, they will not only run the chance of reaping mighty scantily, but after putting all their land in crop they will have no land left to summerfallow for next year's crop and next year with its requirements will likely come around. Our fallow system must under no consideration to be a summer or the summer of the summer or the summer of the summer or the su Our fallow system must under no consideration be departed it sa, even though the advice comes from the wise men of the east, as this is the only known and well-prown method whereby the fullest production can be secured and maintained.

tained.

I do not know what evil genius \(^1_{As}\) prompted the Departments of Financand Agriculture at Ottawa to hand out to Western farmers such ill-timed and illogical advice; but let us hope that comparatively few will be misled by it. Certain it is it did not emanate from such worthy agricultural war horses as-Prof. Bedford and our own Augus MacKay, nor from any Western provincial agricultural college or other provincial authority authority

So much for the "Production" camaign. Now just a word about "Thrift." paign. Now just a word about "LIFTHL.
There has just come to this office a large
poster bearing the name of Sir George
Foster, Minister of Trade and Commerce,
advising us to save up our old rags
Possibly the Honorable Minister of Trade Possibly the Honorable Minister of Trade and Commerce has had a sort of intitutive premonition that if we follow the advice of his well-intentioned colleagues, the Ministers of Agriculture and Finance, we shall ere long have little else but rags to save, hence the suggestive and somewhat ominous advice—"Save your learn."

The writer regrets the necessity of speaking thus plainly, but when the blind undertakes to lead the blind in matters agricultural in this province, it is time for some one to speak out and warn the unsuspecting and inexperienced settler lest he also tumble into the ditch.

-Yours very truly, W. R. MOTHERWELL Regina, Sask., April 20, 1916.



Course of Better Farming

graded for shipment, or preserved for use in winter. The time will be devoted to short talks on various poultry topics and to demontrations of candling and the commercial grading of eggs.

Household Science Section

Mrs. Raymond Archibald of Saskatoon who will be in charge of the Household Science Car was formerly Miss Jean McPhee, one of the first graduates from Macdonald Institute, Guelph, Ontario. She will give practical demonstrations and lectures on Cookery in the Household Science Car, which she will be assisted by Miss Asther Thompson, who was last year's Gold Medallist of Manitoba College. Mrs. Sarah Dracas of Paynton and Mrs. Peter Yemen of Theodore it is expected will lecture along other lines of vital interest to the women.

Boys' and Girls' Section

Professor Fred W. Bates, B.Sc., Director of School Agriculture for northern Saskatchewan with headquarters at Saskatoon will be in charge of this section. Lectures illustrated by lantern slides will be given on such topics as Birds and

Insects Native to Saskatchewan; Noxious Weeds of Saskatchewan, etc. The boy's and girl's car will have many interesting exhibits. The lecturers will include Mrs. W. W. Tomson, Regina, who was in charge of this department the train last year; J. G. Rayner, B.S.A. North Battleford, W. W. Tomson, B.S.A., Acting Weeds and Seed Commissioner for Saskatchewan.

Nursery Car

A car prepared for the entertainment of small children was a feature of the train last year and will be continued this year. A wonderful sand pile, a collection of brightly painted toys, and a very entertaining slide are features that will help to make the time pass pleasantly while the parents attend the lectures in different parts of the

Miss J. Gillespie and Mrs. L. E. Kirk who were in charge of this section of the train last year have consented to assist again this year.

We regret space is not available for many interesting details furnished us in addition to the fore going particulars. The itinerary starts at Langham and Borden on Monday 12th June and finishes at Alsask on July 14th.

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I women air their domestic difficulties
capers. Manifer women to difficulties that women air their domestic difficulties in papers; blaming men for all kinds of faults, but you never find men finding fault with their wives in the press. I booked over many papers after receiving this letter and in the correspondence found so much fault finding with the fathers of families that I determined to start a Fathers' Corner, You cannot make a house white by painting it black, and you cannot throw mud without soiling your fingers. The successful artist studies perfect models—not the imperfect.

titudes pericer in the property of the propert did men and much of the recent did ism has made them resent it. Since then other women have made similar remarks. Just because there are men who may not be fair is not sufficient reason for bitter attacks on all men. his wave of criticism has a tendency o create "manhaters." I have received tters this winter from women who are been so influenced against all men. feel that old-fashioned home-mak-is needed as much to-day as in the of our mothers.

young seventeen-year-old girl full A young seventen-year-old girl full of ambilion and adventure came to me few months ago. She was determined to run away from home. She said: When father is home everything is all right. He is such a good fellow and I just love him, but he is on the road nost of the time and mother seolds rom morning till night. I can't stand tany longer."

from morning till night. I can't stand it any longer. I asked her what she wanted to be more than anything else in this world. She replied: "I would like to be a nirse. From a child I have banduged everything I could find."

I felt that with her unusual amount of vitality and general appearance that she would make a good nurse. So I asked: "If I try to get you into a hospital would you consider it?"

The expression of her face was immediately transfigured into joy. So we talked for a while on the matter and she went home happy, I finally got the consent of a children's hospital mand she when hospital match so the hospital and she was pleased as she liked children. Then when I went the other hospital and she was pleased as he liked children. Then when I went to her home I had to wait at the door for a while as the mother did not hear me rap. She was commanding a fierer attack on the family in general, in tones os barr and loud that I am sure each little soul was pierced to the heart. When she did come to the door I felt as if I were facing a female demon. Her face was furrowed with the habitual lines of fault finding. Eyes fierce with mad passion winked fast with disapproval as I explained my mission. Nerves in her explained my mission. Nerves in her time and shoulders twitched from lack feelf-control. When I had finished she bricked: "No! she can do nothing of he kind. She's got to mind me!" And he slammed the door in my face. The next week the girl ran away from home—mot where is she to-day?

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me tollowing letter from another girlently appeared in a paper:

by own dear daddy died, and I am lonesomest woman to-night. For he always so kind and good to me. He ght me to pray, and he read the let one.

Bible to me.

There was no day but mother killed he shunshine in the home — slamming solding. Oh, how I want to see my daddy to-night! Mr. Editor, there are hundreds of patient daddies in this world, and we don't love them enough. It's always the mothers eulogized, never the fathers, and they need to be praised, too. I am so lonesome without mine. What shall I do to find peace?

How is your wife this morning, Un-

"How is your wild lie Henry?" "Well, I dunno. She's failin' dretful llow. I do wish she'd git well, or some-shin.""—Puck.

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A WOMAN'S TALK TO WOMEN

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would seem that the little red school
house is doomed. It must go, and possibly the one teacher, for all subjects,
and possibly, the stiff rows of desks, and
the dry arithmetics, and the readers, first,
second, third and fourth.

In this change there is one thing needed
and badly needed, and that is the woman's viewpoint. Our whole educational
system has been built on the viewpoint
of one sex. This, despite the fact that
the Creator made it necessary for every
child to have two parents, a father and
a mother. So far in our march toward
civilization we have always found that
the closer we keep to nature, the more

civilization we have always found that the closer we keep to nature, the more near we are to the truth. In order to have the viewpoint of the women expressed in our education, it will be necessary to have women on our school boards, and more than that; it

it will be necessary for the wom it will be necessary for the women, the mothers and the friends of the children, to take an intelligent and kindly interest in the schools. I have said before that when I was a teacher, I never had a parent when I was a teacher, I never had a parent visit the school unless to criticise. A parent, bobbing over the hill, meant trouble, and most teachers in country schools can tell you the same. And many a teacher could tell you that a sympathetic visit from the parents, with a heart to heart talk about the needs of their children, would help the teacher and the pupils, and the parents. The teachers do not pretend to be infallible or if they do, it is because they are afraid. Parents should not expect the teacher to be perfect and wait with traps to catch him or her. I remember one school in which I taught, a bright young man had a few catch words in spelling, that he used to spring on the teacher when there was a crowd around. Now take my word for it, there are many clever people who make mistakes in spelling. Yes, we all make mistakes in something. If we didn't, we would be much too valuable to spend our time teaching school, at forty, or fifty, or sixty, or even one hundred per month.

Prisoners in Germany

We are all very much interested in any account of the boys who have been taken prisoners. The best account that I have heard was that of Sergeant Wells, who brought the official moving pictures of the Canadian troops. You may have read an account of him, but I did not see in the paper the account of his time as a

prisoner.

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Belgian nurse who was caring for him, and he must pray for himself, and she was sure the good God would spare his life. She knelt beside his bed, and holding a cross, prayed for him, and who can say that her prayers did not help him. He was finally taken into Germany, minus an arm, and with a plate in his side, but alive and getting better. He said that he knew there was no chance of being exchanged, for that luxury is kept for officers and those who go insane. He could not be an officer, so he decided to pretend to be insane. He did so, and all day went around pretending to ride a horse. He was finally put in with a number of insane Russians, and then, with "mentally deficient" written on his clothes, was sent-back to England. He said it was easier to persuade the German doctors that he was insane, than it was to make the English doctors believe that he was not.

But what I wanted to say wear that he

make the English doctors believe that he was not.

But what I wanted to say was that he begged all those who could do so, to send food to the prisoners in Germany. He said the food given prisoners there is not of a kind that they like; in fact it is very distasteful to them, and one can scarcely imagine the joy of the poor privates when they get a parcel from home. The German guards get just the same food as the prisoners and they are hungry, too. Often the prisoners give their guards a built from the home parcels, they look so longingly at the good things to eat.

Sergeant Wells said that the parcels sent are delivered to the prisoners, so there need be no fear on that score. He urged that instead of sending so much to the men in the trenches, where they have good fare, more should be sent to the poor fellows who are prisoners and must remain so until the war is over.

What a lot of needs there are these days. We cannot hope to do all that should be done, but folks' hearts are very big, and wonderful things are being accomplished. It seems that those who are complished. It seems that those who are building it into a nation.

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The majority of men will agree that so far as the household is concerned their women are pretty thrifty. But stinginess, parcimoniousness, or misertheir women are pretty thrifty. But stinginess, parcimoniousness, or miser-liness is not thrift. The thrifty woman combines with a natural aptitude for economy the wisdom of selection and utilization. She knows when to save and when to spend. She knows what is necessary and what can be done without and she makes the best use of everything. Neither does she do all things herself. When help is at hand she utilizes it with discretion. with discretion

with discretion.

The great aid to thrift is thoughtfulness. In fact without that element thrift is utterly out of the question. The thrifty woman, too, not only exercises wisdom herself but sees that her children

wisdom herself but sees that her children do the same thing not by indulging them but by delegating to them sundry offices of which they are many the sundry offices of which they are capable, by making them self-relient.

But the woman cannot do all these things by herself. She must enjoy the support, countenance and influence of her menkind. The greatest enemy to thrift is the promiscuous doling out of the money. It is not to boys and girls a sign of good nature; it is death to the recipient. It poisons their disposition and sows seeds of weeds that can never be eradicated. be eradicated.

be eradicated.

For that sort of thing women are but little responsoble, but where their efforts shine is in allowing nothing to go to waste, in making use of everything, and in exercising ingenuity in food, dress, household labour and the bringing up of

children.

An incentive to the accomplishment of these thrifts is a reflection upon the times, upon the needs and experience of their male relatives at the front, and upon the fact that every ounce saved is a contribution to the welfare of the country and perhaps to winning the war.

ON READING THE PAPERS

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of the newspaper, says the following the statesman.

"Not that they are willing to take the word of any paper at random. Just as there have been occasions in history when men have had to make up their minds between a choice of Popes and among a mixture of rival Roman em-perors, so the average man takes his

among a mixture of rival rooman enperors, so the average man takes his
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"He thinks of the editor as one who
lays down the law after having been in
conference with the Almighty. He accepts each paragraph in the remotestcorner of the paper as though it bore
the signature of Moses. He would regard a peep at the editor's chair, even
when it is empty, as an exciting experience; so great a man as Emerson
seems to have felt some of this worshipper's curiosity when he was shown seems to have felt some of this wor-shipper's curiosity when he was shown over the Times office. He regards the editor as one from whose brain the journal springs forth each morning per-fect and fully-armed. That is why it hurts him, till he groans, when he finds his paper apologizing for some blunder or exaggeration. His faith is a faith in verbal inspiration, and, if this goes, he feels the ground sliding from under his feet.

feet.
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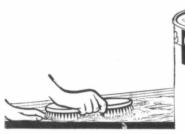
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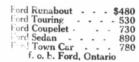
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