

FARM AND DAIRY.

A Mode of Crop Reporting.

The crop reports issued by the United States government, particularly the estimates of the wheat and the corn yield, are taken with more or less reserve as the accurate measures of the supply in that country. In recent years the reserve has been growing decidedly more, as the crops have invariably turned out to be larger than they were estimated to be. An indication of declining confidence in the reports was the almost uninterrupted success of the "bears." In the face of reports pointing to a smaller harvest the "bears" steadily sold wheat at low prices. The reports have therefore lost a good deal of their usefulness, and some new way of finding out the quantity of the crop is wanted. The Secretary of the Agricultural Department has hit on one. To carry it out the business of threshing and shelling would have to be done exclusively by persons holding a license from their State Legislature. Nobody but a licensed thrasher would be permitted to thresh wheat; nobody but a licensed sheller to shell corn. All those holding licenses would be required to give in sworn statements showing how much grain of the various sorts they threshed or shelled. Of course the sum of the produce passing through their machines would be the total quantity of grain in their State, provided no illicit threshing or shelling were done. Each State having a full report of the quantities of the respective grains separated from straw or ear within its borders, the sum of the States' totals must approximate pretty closely to the exact amount of the supply. The plan would seem to be workable. If so it would prove a great improvement on the present system. If their are to be estimates of the crop, it is better that they should be correct than that they should be misleading. The markets of the world turn on such influences as the United States crop reports.—*Mail and Empire.*

The Horse Your Friend.

This being so, be sure to keep the harness soft and clean, particularly inside of the collar and saddle, as the perspiration, if allowed to draw in, will cause irritation and produce galls. The collar should fit closely, with sufficient space at the bottom to admit your hand; a collar too small obstructs the breathing, while one too large will cramp and draw the shoulders into an unnatural position, thus obstructing the circulation. Never allow your horse to stand on hot, fermenting manure, as this will soften the hoof and bring on diseases of the feet; nor permit old litter to lie under manger, as the grasses will taint his food and irritate his lungs and eyes.

Loss of Young Turkeys.

About one half of the young turkeys die, and in a majority of cases it is attributed to other causes than the right one, which is the large gray lice on the heads. A young turkey may be examined and no lice seen, but down on the skin of the head and neck may be a few large lice at work, and as only one or two of them will kill a young turkey the lice are dangerous enemies. Rub the heads and neck with two or three drops of melted lard (use but a few drops) and also treat the hen in the same manner, and the lice will be destroyed.

Bark Lice on Fruit Trees.

These lice may be destroyed by washing the trees with hot lime wash by means of a brush and spraying the same on the branches. These small pests will wholly destroy a large tree by sucking the sap of it, so as to leave none to support the tree. In planting young trees from a nursery, care is always to be taken to avoid those that are affected by these lice, and if so affected, the trees should be carefully cleared of the insects as soon as they are planted. It is easily done then, but not so afterwards.

The Roof Saved Him.

The Irishman who went up in a hotel lift without knowing what it was did not easily get over his surprise. He tells the story in this way:—"I went to the hotel," says I, "Is Mr. Smith in?" "Says the man with the sojer cap on: 'Will you step in?' "So I steps into the office, and all of a suddint he pulls the rope, and the walls of the building began runnin' down to the cellar. "Och, murther," says I, "what'll become of Bridget and the childer which was left below there?" "Says he: "'Be aisy, sor; they'll be all right when yez come down.' "Come down, it is," says I, "and it's no office, but a haythenish balloon that yez got me in." And wid that the walls stood stock still, and he opened the door, and there I was with the roof just over my head, and, begorra, that's what saved me from going up to the hivins entoirely."—*Dublin Journal.*

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Macdonald Monument

The monument to Sir John A. Macdonald erected in Dominion Square, Montreal was unveiled on Thursday last. It stands seventy feet high. The figure of Sir John is placed under a canopy which will shelter it from the winter's snow. Upon the top is the female figure representing Canada, resting upon a shield and bearing a horn of plenty. Supporting it are seven children—the provinces—the whole resting on British Lions. The panels describe Canadian events and there are allegorical figures at the base. Dominion Square has not seen such a crowd since the winter carnivals.

Sir Donald Smith was chairman and in his opening address he paid a kind tribute to his late leader. He then introduced Lord Aberdeen, while the band of the Victoria Rifles played "God Save the Queen." The Governor General then unveiled the monument. On the platform were members of the government—Sir C. Hibbert Tupper was absent—Lieut.-Governor Chapleau, Hugh John Macdonald and many others of prominence. Hon. George E. Foster, minister of finance, was the orator of the day. Miss Foster sang a patriotic song by Viscount de Fronsac and was accompanied by the Sixth Fusiliers' band. This was followed by the reading of a patriotic ode by Mr. Arthur Doughty. Addresses were delivered by Sir Mackenzie Bowell, Lieut.-Governor Chapleau and others, each being restricted to a quarter of an hour. When the Governor General unveiled the statue the Montreal Field Battery commenced firing a salute from the crest of the mountain.

Lady Cyclists.

Lady Norreys in the London Telegraph gives in the Lady Cyclist her opinion on the great knickerbocker question and all women, save those of the advanced type, will agree that it is a reasonable and sensible one. She asserts that the only lady cyclists who have any rude remarks addressed to them are those who wear what is sometimes called "rational dress," and she adds: "I hate it. I think it perfectly horrible, and I have never met anyone yet who either liked or wore it. I hear a great many opinions on the subject, and I think there is a strong feeling against it. Lady Dudley, Lady Lurgan, Lady Wolverton all cycle, but I am sure not one of them would appear on her machine without a skirt over her knickerbockers. The skirt is not at all dangerous. I wear mine short. It is not made full, and I have it stiffened with horse hair to just above the knees, which keeps it out of the way, and prevents it clogging. It is lined, but in order that it shall not catch it is stitched in places all the way round, and I find it most successful, and have never experienced the slightest accident or inconvenience from it. I wear no skirts underneath—only knickerbockers and gaiters to the knees." She concludes:—"Though I believe all objections to cycling itself will gradually die away I do not think English ladies will ever quite reconcile themselves to the divided skirt."—*Chicago Tribune.*

How Flies Spread Disease.

In an account of a recent soiree given by the London Royal Society the British Medical Journal (May 4) speaks as follows:—"One of the most popular exhibits, and one which demonstrated in a practical manner the part played by flies in the conveyance of contagion, was exhibited by Mr. W. T. Burgess. Flies had been placed for a moment in contact with a cultivation of bacillus prodigiosus, and then allowed to escape into a large room. After a varying number of hours they were recaptured and made to walk for a few seconds over slices of sterilized potatoes, which were then incubated for a few days. The experiments showed in the most unmistakable manner that the fly tracks on the potatoes are marked by vigorous growths of the chromogenic organism, even after several hours had been spent by the flies in constant active since their original contact with the specific organism. These experiments demonstrate the constant dangers to which people are exposed by flies, particularly in such countries as India, where food is frequently exposed in the streets to the attacks of flies, which have possibly flown from some sink of infection with the microbes or spores of cholera or dysentery or malaria in their feet."—*The Literary Digest*

No Drinking Husbands.

A temperance society in the states composed of young women who have pledged themselves not to marry a man who drinks intoxicants now numbers 400, and the young women of Bethel, about three miles from Danbury, will join the society. The society perfected an organization and elected officers recently. The name of the organization will be the St. Peter's ladies temperance society. Rev. Father Lynch was present at the meeting and spoke for an hour commending and encouraging the young women in the in the step they had taken. Each member subscribes to the platform of the society, one of the clauses of which is against marrying men who drink. Every young woman declares that she would rather live an old maid than to put herself into the position of being the wife of such men. The members of the society expect to enroll 1,000 names.

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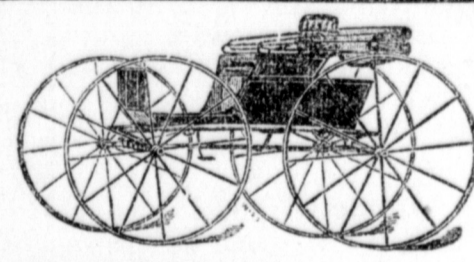
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