

FARM AND DAIRY.

Poor Farming on City Lots.

One of the most promising plans for providing relief for the poor, hard-working families of this city that have been devised for years, is the result of the recent consultations of the officers of the New York Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor with the superintendents and committees of the poor farm in Detroit. Owing to the success of the Detroit plan last summer, the New York association has appointed a committee on the cultivation of vacant lots by the unemployed, of which R. Fulton Cutting is chairman and William H. Tolman, secretary. The plan which led to the formation of this committee was first broached at a meeting of the Conference of Charities of this city late in February. Its promoters believe that the many vacant lots in New York City could be utilized as farm land; and that their owners would be glad to have them so used, in order that some of the unemployed men of the city might be thereby enabled to support their families. In Detroit, last summer, the same plan was put in operation and proved a complete success. Hundreds of the poor of the city were relieved. The men who secured the lots found that, upon little patches of half an acre each, they could raise half enough to support their families, and they began to reason: "If I can almost live on half an acre, I could get a comfortable living on a few acres." The result was that more than one hundred families found good homes in the country, as the direct result of their vacant-lot work. The New York committee has received great encouragement in its work by the ready offer of 350 acres of vacant lots in the City of New York, all suitable for agriculture and readily accessible. Of course, this is only a beginning. The committee believes that the community will recognize that by this plan many hundreds of families, who would otherwise be a burden to the taxpayers and to the charitable, can be made self-sustaining at a cost of less than \$10 each, which amount will be given, as a loan in most cases, in addition to the use of the land. The committee, therefore, begs for the use of any fenced and vacant lots on the terms that, if sold or improved, they will be surrendered on two weeks' notice. It asks for them immediately, and it asks for money for seed, and for simple field tools. This plan has a scope for beyond that of mere charity. It aims to do what it may, and what it has succeeded in doing where it has been tried, to establish habits of self-reliance, to teach the poor to become prosperous, to make farming more profitable, and to increase the sum of wealth in the community. It seeks to do this by providing immediate work on a business basis for all the unemployed, however unskilled, who are willing and capable.—*The Churchman, New York.*

Scientific Agriculture.

Agriculture in this country is gradually becoming, by force of circumstances, more and more scientific—that is to say, systematised—and it is therefore gratifying to learn that the Royal Agricultural Society of England is in a satisfactory condition financially. Preparations for the Darlington meeting next month are well advanced. The total amount of space allotted in the implement department is 12,597 feet run, exclusive of open-ground space, as compared with 13,402 feet at Cambridge last year. Twenty-three entries have been received for the prizes offered for hay and clover-making machines, and it is proposed that the trials shall take place in the neighbourhood of Darlington during the first week of July. A total of seventy-three entries of "new implements" have been made for the Society's silver medals. Seventy-two candidates have entered for the competitions of butter-makers for the Society's prizes and certificates, to take place in the showyard, from Tuesday, June 25, to Friday June 28. Twenty-six shoeing-smiths, practising in the Society's district B, will compete for the prizes offered for shoeing carthorses and hunters.—*English Mechanic.*

Horses.

Among the characteristics which go to make up the value of the horse not the least is that of action. Of two highly finished and valuable bred horses, the difference in the commercial value of the action alone, of the two, may be sufficient to cover the entire expense of breeding and rearing the one. And yet the breeder—as if in his power—perhaps unconsciously—to determine what the action of the coming shall be. Action, like many other characteristics, is much modified by pre-natal condition, and subsequent treatment. It is not an easy matter to educate an animal to be and do its best in every spot and place but that is what the horse market is coming to demand and the man who can compass this will be the one to reap the harvest of profit.

Beans.

In planting beans it is best to leave the surface over them level with the soil around, and on no account to plant in a hollow. The bean leaf is very easily injured by contact with the soil. This is almost inevitable when the young beans come up the stem is surrounded by a higher surface. So soon as cultivation begins the soil will be thrown against the beans. The same thing will happen if violent storms cause flooding the soil. The bean crop is very impatient of wet, except enough of moisture to germinate the seed.

Pigs.

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JOHN FISHER, Mortgagee.
She: Do you believe in spirits? He (from Kentucky): I do, when they are good.—Peck's Sun.

Cutting Down the Permanent Force.

Of all the volunteer officers who have expressed their views on the subject of reducing the permanent force of Canada to eight hundred officers and men, Colonel Prior, of British Columbia, is the only man who soars above his buttons. The others are looking for votes. The volunteers have the opportunity of casting ballots, and the general elections are near at hand. The "regulars" have no votes, and, therefore, if the Militia Department must save a cent it must be at their own expense, and so one of the finest military bodies in existence is to be cut down to the starvation point. Every British General who has ever visited Canada has gone away impressed with the admirable drill, the soldierly bearing and the splendid physique of our permanent forces.

For the volunteers, naturally enough, we have great respect. At much personal sacrifice of time and money they have brought themselves to a state of efficiency, but the volunteer all over the world is a soldier on parade, as a rule, and real trouble can only be checked by the men whose lives and every day employment are devoted to soldiering. As auxiliaries the volunteers are useful, but a small standing army of permanents is what the country needs and must have. General Herbert who is no flatterer, said that he asked for no better men to command than the Royal Canadian Regiment. And he was right as everybody else said when those gallant infantrymen exhibited their skill and soldierlike qualities on the field which had witnessed the evolutions of the picked battalions of the mother country. The Canadian Artillery form as fine a body of men as any which can be found in the Imperial service, and as much can be said of our Dragoons, now stationed in Toronto. To dismantle these corps is, practically, an outrage. At great public expense, the permanent schools were created. They have done their work well. The have trained men in the military science who have won credit and position. The country cannot afford to dispense with their services.

General Herbert was capable of making colossal mistakes. But when he developed his ideas about permanent corps, and insisted on making them what they are at this moment, he showed the whole country that he could, now and then, put real brains to a useful purpose. Under his remarkable able tutelage, these three permanent bodies have become the equals of the best regiments in the British Empire. To remove a single man is, therefore, a very weak proceeding, and ere long, if it be done, the Dominion will rue it. Our advice is to return the permanent force as it stands to-day, and if more money is needed for the volunteers, let a request be brought into parliament asking for an additional grant, and we feel certain that the legislators will not hesitate to vote the extra sum.—*From the Quebec Chronicle, June 8.*

Cholera in Mecca.

Various reports are current as to the appearance of cholera in Mecca, but whilst they are of a somewhat conflicting nature there is no longer any doubt of the main fact that the disease is actually in the Holy City. One report gives the daily number of deaths there as twenty-five during the present month, and adds that cholera has also broken out among the pilgrim caravans in the Hedjaz. M. Monod is credited with having stated at a meeting of the Council of Hygiene in Paris that there had been 210 deaths at Mecca in a fortnight, and was good enough to add that England was responsible for them by reason of her reservation, which had blocked the ratification of the Paris Convention. The reasoning is so obscure that we are altogether unable to follow it; and this especially since the Mecca cholera commenced amongst the Turkish soliers, who, in the Yemen and elsewhere, have for long not been free from the disease. In addition, we learn of the occurrence of twenty-eight deaths from cholera at Djeddah on 1st of this month, where by that time some 30,000 pilgrims had arrived. Many more thousands had still to arrive, and the outbreak of the disease so early this year makes it all the more serious. Kamaran having already proved a centre of infection through which numerous pilgrims must needs pass, might well be thought of as transmitting the disease to Mecca, and we are, therefore, the more pleased to be in a position to state that the India-Kamaran pilgrim traffic is free from all suspicion of having led up to renewed cholera in Mecca.—*British Medical Journal*

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Pharaoh and Dried Fish.

The Rev. Sprecher, of Cleveland, tell this story of Morgan, the explorer in Egypt: He once discovered a mummy of one of the Pharaohs. When he got it to the railway station, he refused to put it in the luggage van. This the officials did not greatly mind, but they compelled the discoverer to take a first-class ticket for Pharaoh as well as one for himself. On reaching Cairo there was fresh trouble with the "octroi" officials. "What have you got there?" Morgan was asked. "A mummy," was the reply. "Ah, you can't get that through without paying." "But," urged Pharaoh's guardian, "mummies surely don't pay 'octroi' duty?" "Don't they?" replied the official; we will see what the register says." Here the entire staff consulted the register, but, strangely enough, the article in question had been overlooked by the Administration. "Well," said the officer, we will enter that as dried fish; duty, three piastres!" And so poor Pharaoh was compelled to make his solemn entry into Cairo under the degrading category of dried fish.

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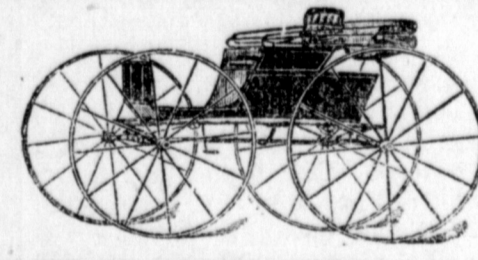


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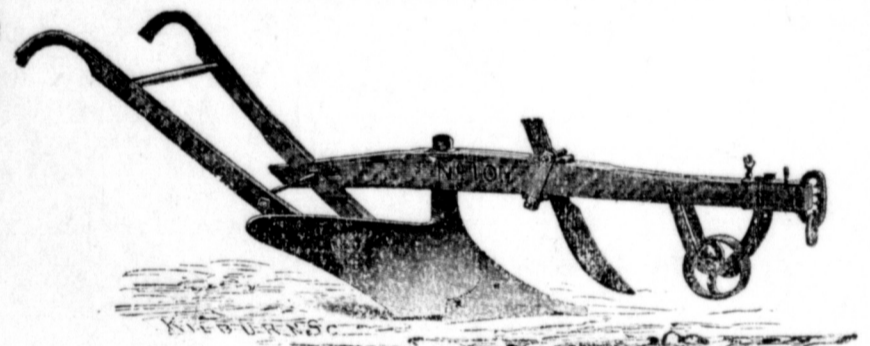
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