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LOOK TO THE FARM.

Prof. Goldwin Smith is devoting much of his splendid talent towards the encouragement of a better system of farming in his adopted province, Ontario. Recently he delivered, a practical and convincing address at the Agricultural College in Guelph, setting forth the necessity of every effort being made to improve the condition of the farming community, and to make that honorable calling agreeable to young men. Writing over the Bystander, Mr. Smith says:—"The name of gold seems to drive men wild. Yet all things saleable are, in a commercial sense, equally gold. The produce of a well-tilled farm, when carried to market, is just as much gold as the glittering metal which the adventurer seeks through so much hardship and peril in the Klondike. Agricultural improvement is the gold mine of Ontario. Her real hope lies in the enrichment of her farms by more scientific culture, the restoration of her soil where it has been run down by improvident farming, and the general improvement of farm life, which, when farming becomes scientific, will become less dull and more attractive to her young men. She would surely be mistaken if she founded her hope of prosperity on the find of gold in British Columbia. Much of the find will be carried off by foreign adventurers, the inrush of whom nothing can prevent."

Is not every word uttered by this erudite scholar and profound thinker applicable to Carleton Co., N. B., as well as to the large province of Ontario?

COUNTY BUSINESS.

The county council, henceforth, may be expected to devote more time to pressing affairs. Under the provision by which the councillors receive pay, during their session, they should not be too eager to rush through business, and away.

This is a large, a wealthy, and an important county, and there are many things that the council could do to aid and foster the farming industry. We understand that there is some intention of the subject of the export trade with England being introduced. This would look like a wise step.

There is also the question of good roads. Nothing is of more importance to the farmer, and no question is receiving more attention from progressive communities. While the road making is not altogether in the hands of the county, it can use an influence with the local government that will lead to money being more equitably and, perhaps, less politically, expended, in the future than in the past.

The management and condition of the gaol demands consideration. Why should not our gaol be as up-to-date as the gaol in Houlton? Why should not our county boarders be allowed the privilege of assisting in making good roads?

The proceedings of the council will be watched earnestly. Thread bare questions had better be dismissed with scant discussion, and practical matters considered and dealt with.

Let the county council get out of the old rut, and remember that this is the end of the century.

Woman's Ingratitude.

Hawley—I've come to the conclusion that women haven't a particle of gratitude in their disposition.

Manley—Why such radical views?

Hawley—You no doubt heard that I saved a woman's life at the seashore last summer?

Manley—Yes; wasn't she grateful?

Hawley—On the contrary, she was ungrateful enough to marry me.

Baby Eczema and Scald Head.

Infants and young children are peculiarly subject to this terrible disorder, and if not promptly arrested it will eventually become chronic. Dr. Chase made a special study of Eczema and disease of the skin, and we can confidently recommend Dr. Chase's Ointment to cure all forms of Eczema. The first application soothes the irritation and gives the little sufferer rest.

What to Keep Lists Of.

Keep a list of your friends, and let God be the first on the list, however long it may be.

Keep a list of your enemies, and put down "old nick" first, and pray for all the rest.

Keep a list of your mercies; and let pardon and life stand at the head.

Keep a list of your joys; and let the joy unspeakable and full of glory be the first.

Keep a list of your hopes; and let the hope of glory be foremost.

HACKING COUGH CURED

GENTLEMEN,—My brother was troubled with a very bad hacking cough, but after using three bottles of Norway Pine Syrup he was completely cured. I cannot recommend it too highly.

MISS M. BRADSHAW,
Weesleyville, Ont.

LAST BLOCADE RUNNER.

A Record Made by the Steamer Hattie Which Was Not Surpassed by the Feat of The Condor at Alexandria.

The steamer Hattie, Captain H. S. Leiby, was the last blockade runner in or out of Charleston. She was a small vessel, Clyde built, furnished with powerful engines, and she made more trips than any other vessel engaged in the business. On several occasions she brought in munitions of war of which the Confederates had waited and which she landed safely in their hands. Plot after plot was formed at Nassau to get hold of the Hattie, but none of them was successful. She slipped in and out like a phantom, taking the most desperate risks, and being attended by a spirit of good luck quite extraordinary.

The last entrance of the Hattie into Charleston occurred one night in February, 1865. The Confederacy was then in extremis, and the Federal fleet off Charleston numbered eighteen or twenty sails. It was a starlight night, and at an early hour the Hattie crept forward among the fleet. She had been freshly painted a blue white, her fires made little smoke, and not a light was permitted to shine on board.

"With her engines moving slowly, she let the wind drive her forward. There were eight or ten vessels outside the bar; and as many within. Those outside were passed successfully without an alarm being raised. The Hattie ran within 300 feet of two different blockaders without her presence being detected. To the naked eye of the outlooks she must have seemed a hazy mist moving slowly.

The little steamer was quietly approaching the inner line of blockaders when a sudden fire was opened on her from a gunboat not 200 feet distant, and the air at the same time filled with rockets to announce the runner's presence. At that time the Federals had the whole of Morris Island, and Fort Sumter had been so battered to pieces that monitors took up their station almost within pistol shot of it. As soon as the Hattie was discovered all steam was crowded on, and she was headed straight for the channel. She ran a terrible gauntlet of shot and shell for ten minutes, but escaped untouched. Then came the real peril. Just below Sumter, in the narrowest part of the channel, the Hattie encountered two barge loads of men stationed there on picket. Her great speed saved her from being boarded, but the volley fired after her wounded two or three men and cut three fingers off the hand of the pilot holding the spokes of the wheel.

Two hundred yards ahead lay a monitor, which at once opened fire, and kept on firing as long as the Hattie could be seen, but not a missile struck her, and the blockade runner arrived safely at her wharf. This was marvellous, considering that the steamer ran so close that she could hear the orders given on the monitor.

Charleston was being bombarded, many of the business houses closed, and all could see that the end was drawing near. The Hattie was in as much danger lying at her wharf as she would be outside, and a cargo was made up for her as quickly as possible and she was made ready for her last trip. Just before dark the sentinels on Fort Sumter counted twenty-six Federal blockaders off Charleston harbor, and yet the Hattie coolly made her preparations to run out. A short time before midnight, with a starlight night and a smooth sea the little craft picked her way through all that fleet without being hailed or a gun fired, and she was at Nassau when the news of Lee's surrender was received.

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A Will to be Patented.

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Brief—"Yes, but I can't make anything out of it."

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Always Leap Year.

If there are any young people who object to getting married let them keep away from Argentina. The government, alarmed at the steady decrease in population, has passed a law, which, in effect, taxes unmarried people.

The law reads as follows: "People of marriageable age of either sex who refuse an offer to wed without reasons which are considered valid to law, shall not be permitted to marry thereafter without the permission of the government. They shall moreover, pay an indemnity sum of not more than \$500 to the person they have refused."

Young men and women under twenty years old are exempt from this law and can marry as they please, but from twenty to twenty-eight the law, if they are not married at twenty, takes them in hand, and the men are obliged to pay a heavy tax if they remain single.

In Argentina women propose as well as men; so an unmarried young man between twenty and twenty-eight years old in that country has a troublesome time. Not only is he made to pay a tax for being a bachelor, but if he refuses a proposal he has to pay the proposer a fine. It would seem as if a person might make quite a fair sum in Argentina by making a few judicious proposals to persons one knew didn't want to marry.

This law has been in operation since Jan. 1, and already quite a few persons who preferred single blessedness have had to pay for the privilege.

Yellow Skin and Eyes.

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Quarrelsome People.

Some people are born with quarrelsome tendencies, but by far the greatest number of these who spend their time in petty contentions have a quarrelsome disposition thrust upon them in childhood. Take, for example, a family in which there is a habit of bickering over trifles. One person announces, at breakfast that Uncle Robert and Aunt Amanda are coming to call to day after their drive from the farm and their visit to Cousin Sue's. Another instantly declares that the two relatives have no intention whatever of calling at Cousin Sue's, and a third says they are coming tomorrow and not today.

The matter in dispute could be easily settled by a reference to the letter which gave the information, but nobody thinks of this, and the household is agitated and upset by an undignified and absurd squabble, to no purpose whatever. Worse still the home atmosphere is disturbed, and the children learn to be cross and contradictory, human nature being prone to learn the worse rather than the better thing on every possible occasion.

It is a good rule in home life to avoid all arguments which tend to irritate or wound. Blessings on the memory of a saint of ninety years who once said to me, I being a girl of fifteen at that time, "Dear child, never insist on the last word about anything. It isn't worth while. You can keep your own opinion but let your friend express his if he wants to, and refuse for your part to quarrel about a trifle."

Banish The Curry-Comb.

The curry comb is an instrument of torture that should be banished from our stables. In some of the Eastern stables a great improvement upon it is a large wisp of straw, twisted tight, tied into a knot, and pounded flat on one side. The flat side is used in grooming, after being slightly dampened. It is much better for the skin and hair than the curry-comb, removes dust well, and gives the animal a glossy healthy coat. Brisk rubbing with soft woollen cloths is excellent for giving the hair a silky, glossy appearance, and is an excellent thing for the skin.

There is a clock in Brussels which has never been wound up by human hands. It is kept going by the wind.

In England more than 10,000,000 oil lamps are used nightly. They cause 300 deaths annually, and in London alone 165 fires in a year have been traced to them.

Sufferers from neuralgia are warned by a medical writer not to drink tea, but to partake freely of coffee into which the juice of a lemon has been squeezed.

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