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THE CROP OUTLOOK.

There is good reason to believe that we will have abundant crops this year, and that, in spite of the inclement weather during most of the summer. Inclement the weather has been, taking it all in all. There has been an unusual number of dark and rainy days, and little heat to complain of, here, although in the large cities of the United States, the heat, at times, has been excessive.

While the weather has been bad for haying, many farmers being scarcely finished yet, it has been good for pasturage, and good pasturage is an important element in farming. This is especially satisfactory this year, when farmers are increasing their stock, a movement quite in accord with the soundest principles of agriculture.

Just now, all hands who are not haying are beginning to rust the grain. Oats, although somewhat cuted promise fairly well, and there will evidently be no dearth in pan-cakes. Other crops look well, and we will have reason, no doubt, to be thankful. If we have not become rich very quickly, we have been abundantly supplied, in years past with the fruits of the field, and having food and raiment we should be therewith content.

Where The Bombarding is Taking Place.

The city of Peking, or Pekin, capital of the Chinese Empire, and seat of the Foreign Legations, is divided into three sections each of which is separated from the others and from the outside world by strong, thick walls. Recent estimates by Europeans resident in the capital place its population at 500,000. The city is situated in the valley of the Peiho river, about twelve miles from that stream, and about 100 miles from the forts at Taku, Pekin's three district divisions consist of the Manchu or Northern or Tartar city. Within this is the Imperial city, and to the south lies the Chinese city. The Northern, although called the Tartar city, is chiefly occupied by Chinese. In the Imperial city are contained the public buildings, temples of worship, and palaces and foreign Legations. This division is surrounded by a wall 25 feet high, and almost the same in thickness at the base. The houses are roofed with yellow tiles, whence the Imperial is often called the "yellow" city. Within this division is an inclosure, protected by heavy walls strongly guarded, is the prohibited city, often called the "red" city, because of its red-tiled roofs. Here is the palace of the Emperor. In times of peace entrance to the Imperial division has been forbidden, except to those having business within its precincts. This section of Pekin is two miles long by one mile wide. The Tartar city is an equi-angular quadrilateral, about four miles in length and three miles in width. It is surrounded by a wall 30 feet high, 25 feet thick at the base, and 12 feet wide across the top. The material is clay, faced with brick, and at the gates with stone. The gates, nine in number, are located two on each side, except that next to the Chinese city. This has three. These walls were impregnable to antique or native implements of war, but offer no resistance to modern artillery. To the south of the Tartar city lies the Chinese city, now largely in ruins. It is six miles long by nearly three miles wide. The houses are surrounded by walls, giving a blank, uninteresting aspect to the town, and hiding from view the luxuries and the squalor of the interior. The founding of Pekin is supposed to antedate the Christian era by 1,000 years. It was rebuilt in 1264.

The World's Yield of Copper.

The world's consumption of copper has, says the Saturday Evening Post, grown so enormously within the last few years that it seems doubtful whether the stores of that metal made available to man by Nature will satisfy the future demand. In 1899 the output of copper in the United States was 60,480,000 pounds, valued at \$11,491,000. The product in 1890 was considerably more than four times as great, amounting to 265,115,000 pounds, with a value of \$30,849,000. Since then the annual yield has been doubled, the record for 1898 being no less than 526,513,000 pounds, with a value of \$61,865,000. Figures for 1899 are not yet fully made up by the United States Geological Survey, but it is believed that they will reach 575,000,000 pounds.

Already some of the most important of the world's deposits of copper are showing signs of approaching exhaustion. On the other hand, means have been found for extracting copper from ores of such low grade that they have been regarded as worthless only a short time ago, and thus enormous supplies hitherto unavailable have been placed within reach. In the Lake Superior region at the present

time ores are profitably worked that contain only one per cent. copper—an achievement which half a dozen years ago would have been considered an impossibility. The United States produces more than half the copper of the world. In the Lake Superior region, where are found the only mines in the United States, that yield metallic copper in large quantities, it sometimes occurs in nuggets weighing hundreds of pounds.

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Balfour on the Century.

Mr Balfour delivered a remarkable address to the students of the University Extension at Cambridge on Thursday. His theme was the "Nineteenth Century," and after an arduous and rather thankless spell in the House the Government leader enjoyed the more congenial task of discoursing, now philosophically, now playfully, on the centuries and their characteristics, and the impressions which different epochs—which are not necessarily measured by the decimal system—produce on the student of history. Mr Balfour frankly avowed his dislike of the seventeenth century; he dislikes its religious wars, which were more than half political, and its political wars, which were more than half religious. The eighteenth century, as one might expect, appeals more to Mr. Balfour. It was, until it was wrecked by the revolution, the age of the serene philosophers, the polished wits, the leisured students. Of the nineteenth century Mr. Balfour is not so enamoured. He shrinks from the somewhat vulgar Reform bill and Corn Law agitations. The early part of the century, too, is associated in his fancy with Landseer's pictures and the revival of Gothic architecture, which his aesthetic soul abhors. The politicians, who, as a class, do not sympathize with Mr. Balfour's subtle and playful humor, won't allow him to say he does not like the period of the Reform bill without their protest. Mr. Balfour turns from the period of Mill and Cobden back to the great war and from the literature represented by Thackeray and Dickens to Jane Austin and Walter Scott. He prefers Shelley and Keats and Coleridge and Wordsworth to the latter day Tennyson and Browning. The great characteristic of this age Mr. Balfour recognizes to be the growth of science. No century has seen so great a change in our intellectual apprehension of the world. Our whole point of view has changed. We do not see more, but we see differently. Religion has been affected by the change. Scientists will never, thinks Mr. Balfour, expel the belief in the spiritual from the soul of man, and the tendency will be, as the mysteries of the unseen are revealed by science, to remove the old conflict between science and religion. Mr. Balfour in his long address, which is sure to attract widespread attention, revealed himself in a way which will endear him to the thoughtful student, and though Mr. Balfour is neither a professed scientist nor a great man of letters, he is one of the most thoughtful and cultured amateurs we have.

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Dog Spoke in Man's Voice.

PARIS, Aug. 19.—A wonderful story of the transmigration of souls comes from l'Orient, where seven persons of good reputation swear that a dog spoke to them intelligently.

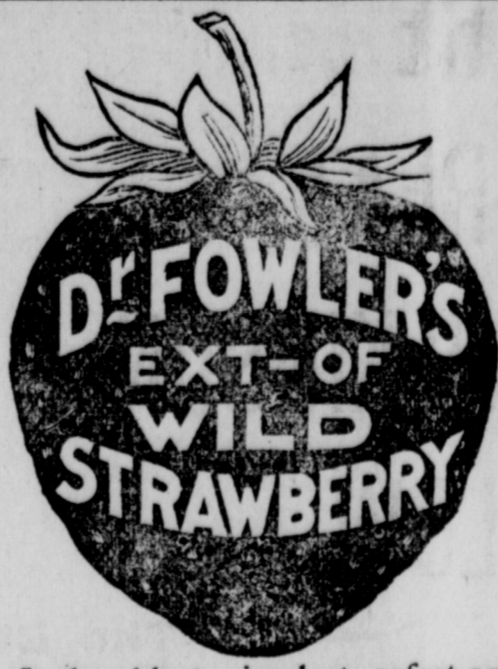
Ten years ago a mariner named Kerbec, who had always been a believer in the transmigration of the human soul to the body of an inferior being, told his wife that after he died he would return to her in the guise of some domestic pet.

Four years ago a strange dog wandered into the house and remained there. Three days ago Widow Kerbec, her three grown children and three neighbors, including a sceptical schoolmaster, were spending the evening together at the house, chatting pleasantly, when suddenly the dog, crouching away in a dark corner, began to moan piteously. He rose on his hind legs and spoke distinctly in a far away unnatural voice, these words: "Adieu, wife and children; adieu, friends." Then he fell stone dead.

Nothing can shake the conviction of the witnesses of this scene that the dog really spoke. The schoolmaster even asserts that he saw the animal's jaws move as he uttered his uncanny farewell.

An Irishman, having been arraigned and convicted on full and unmistakable evidence of some flagrant misdemeanor, being asked if he had anything to say for himself, replied, with the characteristic humor of his country: "Never a single word, your honor! And it's my real opinion there's been a great deal too much said as it is."

"Mamma," said the little girl, her eyes wide with excitement, "I do believe the minister told a story!"
"Why, the idea!" said the mother, "you don't know what you are saying."
"But I do mamma, I heard papa ask him how long he had worn his chiu whiskers, and he said he had worn them all his life."



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(QUEEN STREET STATION).

6.00 A MIXED—Week days—for McAdam Jc, M St. Stephen, St. Andrew, Fredericton, Saint John, Bangor, Portland and Boston.

6.35 A MIXED—Week days—for Aroostook M Junction, Presque Isle, etc.

11.28 A EXPRESS—Week days—for Presque M Isle, Edmundston, and all points North.

1.20 P MIXED—Week days—for Fredericton, M etc., via Gibson Branch.

3.45 P MIXED—Week days—for Bath and M intermediate points.

4.40 P EXPRESS—Week days—for Saint M Stephen, St. Andrews, Fredericton, St. John, Vanceboro, Quebec (via Megantic) Sherbrooke, Montreal and all points West, Northwest, and on Pacific Coast; Bangor, Portland, Boston, etc. Palace Sleeper McAdam Jct. to Montreal, Palace Sleeper McAdam Jct. to Levis (opposite Quebec), Pullman Sleeper McAdam Jct. to Boston.

9.10 P MIXED—Week days—for Debec Junction and Houlton.

ARRIVALS.

10.00 A. M.—MIXED—Week days, from McAdam Junction.

11.28 A. M.—EXPRESS—Week days, from Saint John, St. Stephen, St. Andrews, Boston, Montreal, etc.

12.15 P. M.—MIXED—Week days, from Fredericton, etc., via Gibson Branch.

2.10 P. M.—MIXED—Week days, from Presque Isle.

4.40 P. M.—EXPRESS—Week days, from Presque Isle, Caribou, Edmundston, etc.

5.50 P. M.—MIXED—Week days, from Houlton, etc.

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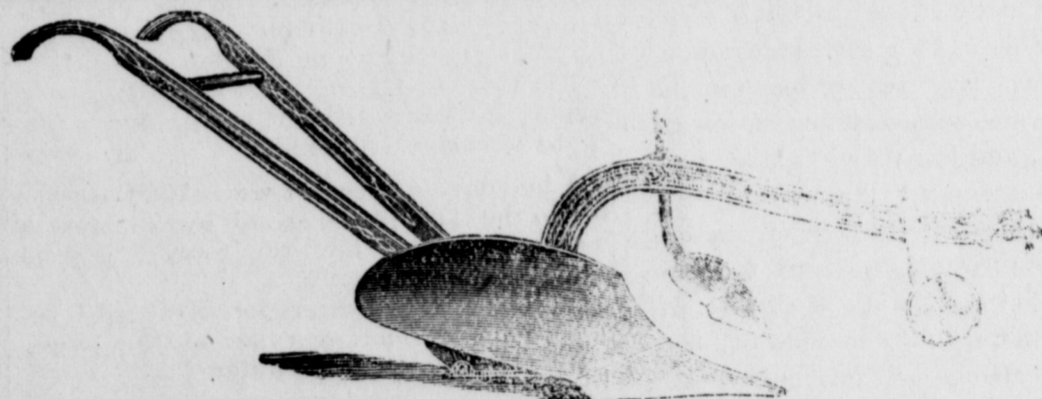
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