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An Enterprising Farmer—Bacon Production—Seed Potatoes.

To the Editors of the Carleton Sentinel:

In visiting Mr Judson Cook's fine farm on the Coldstream, the other day, I had an excellent opportunity of carefully inspecting his superior herd of dairy cows, young cattle, some of the finest Holstein calves to be seen in this country, and Yorkshire pigs—of the latter twelve in a litter, weighing about twenty-six pounds a piece, at four weeks old. The mother of these pigs was two years old, and the boar from which she was bred was of the same age. As far as the raising of pigs, at any rate, is concerned, this is strong presumptive evidence of the advisability—if not the absolute necessity, of breeding from *matured* stock, and not from an unmatured animal or nondescript scrub. Neither was there the faintest approach to "sib" between the boar and sow, inbreeding being regarded by every intelligent farmer as one of the greatest bars to successful stock raising. Indeed, in the State of New York, they have a positive law against inbreeding, imprisonment being the penalty of breaking the law. By paying strict attention to sibless breeding, as well as to other principles and practices of enlightened husbandry and stock raising, our friend Mr Cook has become one of our most successful practical farmers in this section of the county.

The farming people in this country are turning their attention, *par excellence*, to successful bacon production, and are consequently going largely into the raising of bacon hogs. Many of us were glad that, at the June meeting of the Municipal Council, Mr Saunders, a distinguished County Councillor and one of our leading Woodstock merchants, brought up a resolution, to be acted on at the June session of Council, viz, to send men to England to find out what products our farmers here could most profitably raise for the English market. Many of us are satisfied that the raising of bacon could be successfully and profitably carried on in this country. As the Council is made up largely of farmers, there is no doubt that Mr Saunders' resolution will be largely, reasonably and strongly supported by our stock raisers, over the length and breadth of the county, as well as by our County Councillors.

The agitation, lately raised by Government in wheat raising, has been cordially responded to by our agriculturists, resulting in a tenfold larger sowing of that important and useful cereal than in former years. Perhaps the late exorbitant rise in the price of flour may have had something to do with this proposed increase in wheat production.

One word about potatoes and, as preachers say, we close. Seed potatoes should never be cut. Ridiculous attempts to improve on nature invariably lead to failure. Begin your seed gathering by at once rejecting all your small fry. Although a dwarf may some times be born of a giant, it is very seldom that a giant is born of a dwarf. Choose your best medium sized potatoes for seed and plant them entire, about a foot and a half apart in drills, without manuring them at time of planting. When they are beginning to break the ground, spread your manure between the drills and, on the day of spreading, cover it by cross harrowing, to prevent the escape of valuable gases. This harrowing kills all weeds, and leaves the manure to decompose in the soil. Just before the potatoes bud, plough them up in drills. No need to raise a big potato, if it rots. Follow above, and you will have sound potatoes, free from disease or rot.

Yours truly,

EDWARD S GILLMORE.

Edraelon, 19th May, 1898.

Bristol Items.

The Queen's birthday passed very quietly here, and was hardly observed as a holiday. The Base ball team went to Bath in the afternoon, and played a matched game with a team from that village. The result after five innings stood 18 to 5 in favor of the Bristol team. They are intending to match themselves against Hartland for a game on June 1st.

John O'Donnell was before magistrate Farley on Saturday last, charged with assaulting Thomas O'Donnell and Thomas O'Donnell was examined for committing an indecent offence. The former was fined \$5 00 and the latter \$20.00 and costs.

Samuel Hamilton, Houlton, has been visiting friends in Bristol.

Mr Harding Noble has been seriously ill for some time, but is now recovering.

Mr D V Boyer took a trip through the upper part of the parish on Sunday last, and succeeded in having Sunday Schools re-organized at Mineral and at Monquart settlement. Next Sunday he will go to Holmsville to open the school there. Then he will arrange for a parish convention. D V Boyer and Aaron Boyer have exchanged places and each now occupies the place formerly occupied by the other.

The Primitive Baptist Church is being provided with a neat new platform and steps, and as it has recently been painted, its appearance has been greatly improved.

It is said that the woodworking factory is about to change hands.

Miss Dorcas, teacher at Florenceville, has been spending a few days with her aunts Mrs Brymer and Mrs Duncan.

Rev H D Worden, Andover, was in the village on Saturday last.

Mrs M A Tompkins has returned from a pleasant trip to Woodstock.

Mrs Ernest Scott of Boston is visiting her father Mr James Bridges, Gordonsville, and intends remaining through the summer.

Lorne, (Victoria Co) Items.

May 24th, '98.

Heavy winds have been prevalent and frosty nights, but Sunday the weather took a change and it is now warmer.

Farmers are busy sowing and planting. The drivers are busy on the Tobique.

On May 1st

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One Jenkins, who has been ill, is getting around again.

Mrs Ernest Thompson, nee Mabel Jenkin, of Burlington, Me, is visiting her home at Berast Land Brook.

The little three-year old daughter of George Orphis was badly scalded by upsetting a pot of pickle, last week.

A little stranger has come to stay at the home of Mr George Orphis; both mother and daughter are doing well.

A little stranger has also come to the home of J William Johnson—another boy.

The reported gold find in this neighborhood has, it is said, turned out to be yellow mica.

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South New Bridge Items.

May 19th, 1898.

We are enjoying beautiful weather and the farmers are all busy putting in their crops.

Miss Aggie McDade of Woodstock spent Sunday with her parents.

Mr Lester Hull and Mr Jones of Woodstock spent Sunday with friends, at Millville.

We are glad to see Mr Thomas McFadden around again after a long illness.

The much talked of Concert came off at Southampton on May 7th and was, we are informed, a brilliant success. The house was filled to its utmost capacity long before the performance commenced. The programme was very interesting, and held the audience spell-bound by the manner in which the young people did their part. To use an expression made by one of the audience while conversing with your correspondent, no one could speak but in glowing terms of such a decided success. Indeed the incomparable triumph of this concert should serve as an incentive to the young people, to arrange for another in the near future, and we are sure by what we hear of this one, another concert would ensure them a large and attentive crowd.

Misses Nellie and Fannie McDade of Woodstock spent last Sunday with their parents, Mr and Mrs Edward McDade.

Mr Ohas McDade lost a very valuable cow this spring.

Mr David Bagley has purchased a very fine horse.

Mr William Kaley has moved into his new house.

Mr Thomas Troy has moved his family to Woodstock.

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A public house in South London, the license of which has been refused by the magistrates, was watched one Sunday recently by members of the United Temperance Council. There were seen to enter 311 children (forty-nine without jugs), 280 women (of whom thirty-seven carried babies), and 437 men, making a total of 1,077.

Literary Notices.

A Yankee in Spain is the title of a series of articles by Poulney Bigelow, beginning in the number of *Harper's Weekly* dated May 14th. Mr Bigelow made a bicycle trip through the Peninsula, in the interests of the *Weekly*, to ascertain the sentiment of the people of all classes in the country in regard to many subjects that are now of vital interest. The articles will be illustrated with photographs by the author. The opening of communication between Dawson and the outside world brings letters from Tappen Adey, the *Weekly's* special correspondent in the gold-fields.

Everything at the moment is keyed to the concert-pitch of the war, and *Harper's Bazar*, recognising the universal feeling, takes special note just now of woman's share of the work in war times. Dr Grace N Kimball, in the *Bazar* issued on May 21st, gives practical details as to the equipment of nurses, and states what women may do in the way of relief to the wounded and suffering.

The June number of *Harper's Round Table* contains the story that captured the first prize of the *Round Table* Short-Story Competition. It is entitled *The Comedy of the Herr Professor*, and its author is Ida Keaton. Among the other features in the number are *The Troop that Was Not*, by F L Pollock; *Tom's Vindication*, by Albert White Vorse; *The Lost Voice*, by F H Spearman; and *The Mayor's Music-Box*, by W S Hoester.

Rev Dr Heber Newton: One thing seems clearly our duty in this new role that seems opening before us, that we shall draw closer than ever to our mother country. The English-speaking people of common descent, of common traditions, of common constitutional government and democratic freedom, of a common literature and a common religion, should make a common cause, not selfish, but on behalf of humanity. Could the English-speaking people stand together, the destinies of the world would be in their hands. The recurrence of such a crime as that in Armenia or as that in Crete or as that now before us in Ouba, would be well nigh impossible. When England and America together shall say in the presence of any wrong: "This must stop," it will stop. Then from the soul of the English-speaking race, which stands for peace, will be heard, with the tone of authority not likely to be slighted, the sacred words of our great soldier, "Let us have peace."

During the year there arrived at the port of Montreal 2,840 immigrants who settled in Canada. Of these 1,488 were males (adults), 594 females (adults), 378 boys and 350 girls. Quebec got 511, Ontario 512, Manitoba 1,125, the Northwest Territories 384, British Columbia 306. Of the total number 1,209 were English, 165 Irish, 1,888 Scotch, 133 German, 200 Scandinavian, 470 French and Belgian.

A remarkable tale of human fecundity is told by the London Daily News. An Italian peasant woman named Granata, married at 28, has borne sixty-two children. She began with a single daughter, followed by six boys at a birth, then by five more, and these by triplets twice and four at a birth. After this she limited herself like ordinary women to single babies and twins, but wound up with another batch of four.