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KILLING YOUNG STOCK.

Thomas E. Wilson, a Chicago packer, brings some common sense to bear on the vexed question of whether as a conservation measure we should decline to eat veal and lamb, thus forcing its transformation in due time into beef and mutton.

Mr. Wilson says the crusade against killing the young animals for food is half right and half wrong. The ewe lambs that are fit certainly should be raised for the sake of the wool and the breeding. Most ewe lambs are fit to raise and will produce regular crops of wool, and when they grow up, a greater supply of mutton.

But the veal calf presents a different problem. The fact is that most of the calves killed for veal would make neither good milch cows nor good beef cattle. The reason for this is lack of breeding. Many dairy farmers, perhaps most of them, are interested only in milk production. They breed their cows to scrub bulls, and send the calves to market as quickly as possible in order to save the milk. Such calves would not bring half the cost of the corn it would take to develop them into beef cattle. They are good only for veal.

But, as Mr. Wilson points out, this condition would be changed if dairy farmers would breed their cows to high grade beef bulls. The calves would then be profitable to fatten for beef, and if the dairy farmer didn't want to do this, the calves could readily be sold at good prices to those who would fatten them.

If Mr. Wilson's reasoning is as sound as it appears to be, the remedy lies in the maintenance of good beef bulls throughout the dairy country. This was the theory of the late James J. Hill, who put it to the test by his well remembered distribution of blooded bulls through the Northwest.

Mr. Wilson some time ago discussed with U. S. Government officials a project for placing such bulls in different parts of the country, to be bred free of charge, and hints that something may yet come of this.

It seems plain that the dairy interests can, profitably to themselves, give great assistance in replenishing the country's beef supply by giving more heed to the sort of sires they select for calves. Meanwhile, the scrub calves must continue to be killed for veal. They will not pay what it would cost to raise them.

THE BACON PROFITS.

Sir Joseph Flavell protested so vigorously against the O'Connor report on bacon profiteering, that the Government immediately granted him a new inquiry, presumably to discredit the first, in which the William Davies Packing Co. was accused of making inordinate war profits. Time will disclose the outcome, but in the meantime Toronto Saturday Night has been giving some figures of Sir Joseph Flavell's company's profits which are illuminating. It says:

"An interesting sidelight on the past profits of the Wm. Davies Company is obtainable owing to there being court records. Some years ago there was a friendly action-at-law, brought by the executors of the estate of Mrs. Wm. Davies against several interested parties.

"As a result it was shown that the capital stock of the company was then valued at from three to four hundred dollars per share (par value \$100) and that the dividends over a period of fourteen years, 1893 to 1906, inclusive, ranged from 15 to 120 per cent., the average over the entire period being a little over 50 per cent., which seems enough under the circumstances.

"A table was placed in evidence, showing the dividends which the stock paid during these fourteen years to be:

"For the year ending March 31, 1893, 65 per cent.; 1894, 34 per cent.; 1895, 40 per cent.; 1896, 45 per cent.; 1897, 100 per cent.; 1898, 120 per cent.; 1899, 82 per cent.; 1900, 60 per cent.; 1901, 27½ per cent.; 1902, 27½ per cent.; 1903, 15 per cent.; 1904, 30 per cent.; 1905, 41 per cent.; 1906, 25 per cent.

CANADIAN ENLISTMENTS.

Sir Edward Kemp, replying to a question in the House of Commons a short time ago, said that the number of enlistments in the Canadian Expeditionary Force to June 30th last was 424,456.

Of this number 329,943 had gone overseas. Of them 142,779 were in France, 756 at other theatres of war, and 124,399 in England. Of the men in England, 23,265 were in hospitals and convalescent camps on May 31st.

There were 22,419 men under arms in the Dominion.

The total number of men killed, died, missing and prisoners of war was 31,955, discharged abroad or returned for discharge at once, about 26,000; discharged, etc., in Canada, 76,058.

The minister of militia told J. H. Sinclair of Guysboro, N. S., that the number of recruits enlisted in July was 4,257, and the number of casualties in the Canadian Expeditionary Force in the same month was 3,637.

Toronto Globe: The Senate has refused to permit a Provincial Government to bar outside newspapers which publish liquor advertising. As a liquor advertisement is a temptation to anyone who has acquired the liquor habit, the Senate must take the moral responsibility of its action. Thus does a second Chamber discharge its function as a check on the rash impulses of the popular House.

Dissatisfaction at Ottawa among the Tories over the leadership of Sir Robert Borden seems to be growing in strength. The fact that Hon. J. D. Hazen, once described by Commodore Stewart as "a weak-kneed, backboneless leader," is talked of as his successor, shows the seriousness of the situation.

Toronto Globe: There is a broad difference between Mr. Carvell and Dr. Edwards, who have again clashed in the House. Mr. Carvell is always aggressive and Dr. Edwards is always offensive.

Through Our Sieve

They are not supermen, those junkers, they are supernuts.

The British tanks will not be affected by any prohibition movement.

Another significant fact is that the German dugouts on the western front now have rear exits.

Anywhere you go for the summer you find that a lot of people have left there and gone somewhere for the summer.

No man was ever killed by the work he did. It's the things you try to get out of doing that ride you to death.

When the Angel of Peace negotiates with the German military party she will have to carry her hatpin ready for use.

One reason why the Kaiser hates to let go is the fact that he has nothing but a world full of hard feelings to drop on.

An Oregon man claimed exemption because of false teeth. They do sometimes seem to occupy their owner's entire attention.

A man who has to call in a doctor to tell him to quit drinking won't quit for a doctor—it takes an undertaker to stop him.

LOSS OF LIFE WAS HEAVY

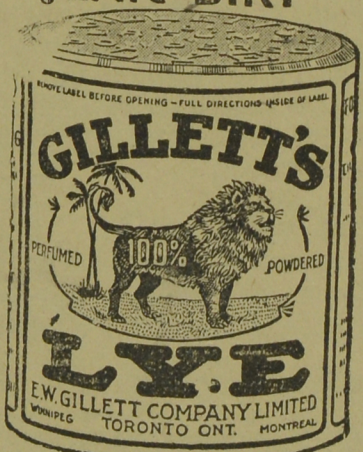
Cherbourg, Aug. 29.—The Admiralty court has admitted as established the deaths of 771 military passengers on board the French auxiliary cruiser *Provence* when that vessel was sunk in the Mediterranean on Feb. 26, 1916.

The court last February recognized that there had been 193 deaths among the crew of the steamer, thus making the total fatalities on board 910.

RATHER QUIET ON FRENCH FRONT

London, Aug. 29.—"During the night we carried out successful raids northeast of Gouzeaucourt and southeast of Hulluch and captured a few prisoners," says today's official announcement. "Southeast of Langemark our troops cleared up a strong point in which an enemy party was holding out immediately in front of our new lines."

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PENSIONS TO BE INCREASED

Ottawa Aug. 27.—Pending final action in regard to pensions to soldiers and soldiers' dependents there is to a flat increase in the rate of pensions to meet the increased cost of living. The announcement was made in the house today by Sir Robert Borden in explaining the government's decision to postpone legislative action upon the proposed new scale of pensions.

The whole pension question, stated the prime minister, was one that should be dealt with by the new parliament that should shortly be summoned. It was a fact, however, that the cost of living had materially increased in Canada, and the government deemed it advisable, pending final consideration of the question that there should be a further allowance to those drawing pensions. The proposed increase would date from the beginning of the present fiscal year—April 1.

To Hon. Charles Murphy the prime minister stated that the government had not decided upon the rate of increase.

MINES ADRIFT IN NORTH SEA

Copenhagen, Aug. 29.—Steamships arriving from Bergen report hundreds of drifting mines off the Norwegian coast. It is believed that an extensive mine field is adrift. Many mines also are reported off the northern coast of Norway and in the Arctic Ocean.

STOCK MARKET NEW YORK

Beet Sugar.....	85½
C. P. R.....	159½
Crucible steel.....	70
Erie.....	22½
Erie 1st pfd.....	39 1-2
Marine Pfd.....	89
Union Pac.....	135 1-2
U. S. Steel.....	119
Air Brake.....	179
Kenn.....	40½
Marine Com.....	32½
Reading.....	86½
Rubber.....	60 1-2
Studebaker.....	45 1-2
Bethlehem.....	109
Wool.....	47½

Civic.....	74 1-2
Detroit.....	107 1-2
Quebec.....	19
Toronto.....	75
Braz.....	40
Cement.....	62
Iron.....	63½
Steel Co.....	58½
Spanish.....	15
Shaw.....	119
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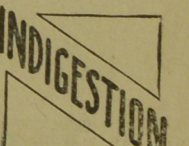
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