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The winter was a dreadful thing,  
We've had enough.  
We're hoping now that gentle spring  
Will not be rough.  
The bullfrog croaks in the hollow  
The birds are on the wing—  
The silver and gray's on the willow  
And everything says  
"It Is Spring."

## CIRCUS SEASON OPENS AT MADISON SQUARE GARDEN

"Albert! Albert! Sakes alive, where kin that boy be at? Answer me or I'll paddle ye pink when I get hold of ye!"

Six thousand pairs of ears catch the nasal, New England outcry of Mrs. Samantha Phinney Fellowes, a great-niece of Dr. Dexter Fellowes, of 19 Milk Street, Bridgeport Conn., as the troubled lady pursues her young in the vast throng of Madison Square Garden.

Six thousand pairs of eyes follow the prim figure with its shawl and old fashioned calico dress as she marches like a grenadier around the great oval of the circus ring. And then six thousand folk from seven to seventy, but kids at heart every one of them, settle back with a sigh of deep content for they know that the circus, Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey the Greatest Show on the Gosh Darned Earth, is actually open; that the dismal winter is done with that spring is ramping and that the time has come to pack away troubles in moth balls and to tackle work, taxes and the old H. C. of L. with pep and punch.

She never finds that Albert poor old dear, and she strides around the oval moaning like a cow moose until those rascals the clowns, bubble out of the background and pester her something scandalous, inciting a malicious goose to nip her in the calf, banging off a firecracker under her prim old nose and finally (the divvils!) snatching off her calico skirt and leaving her to stand and shriek in little more than a red flannel petticoat.

### Full of Laughs and Thrills

Of course every one knows that Mrs. Samantha belongs to the sh—but no, the secret should not be revealed. Go and discover it for yourself. The

scrumptious fact is that Mrs. Samantha really opens the big show—makes folks feel at home, and provides that touch of fun and grotesquerie that smartly opens the whole lively and thrilling programme.

For it fizzles and flashes with the good old stuff and who would have it different? Who wants a "modern" circus, anyway? A soothing lotion to souls chafed from rubbing against the sharp corners of life is the old fashioned circus with its performing elephants, its Beyewtiful Ladies spinning upon the high trapezes, its slim and dashing bareback riders in their glove fitting pink tights its trained bears and seals and dogs and even piglets, its darned fool clowns with their ancient antics and monkeyshines; and at the gorgeous, uproarious last, its hippodrome races with thundering chariots whirling in by clouds of dust and the prettiest girl always winning.

Oh, boy, that's a circus. And with all of its magic for reviving the thrill of boyhood and of girlhood and for sweetening middle life and consoling old age it sprang into action for the season of 1920 in its old quarters in Madison Square Garden yesterday afternoon, enjoyed by as big an opening crowd as the old Garden could possibly contain and holding the promise of the most successful season any man's circus ever had in old New York.

### A Riot of Entertainment

After Aunt Samantha and the opening pageant, comes, as always, the performing pachyderms the wise old elephant people, to earn their board and keep with tricks, little dog tricks that one feels in one's inmost heart they are heartily ashamed of.

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from the rings the air goes alive with whirling spinning aerialists as the people of the upper levels turn themselves into gorgeous butterflies in the broad radiance of the big spotlights or shoot in breath taking leaps from girder to girder of the Garden roof. And there is so much to see that one must miss a lot, a misfortune easily rectified by a subsequent visit or two. For there are three rings and two great square platforms among the rings and there is something doing every second. If one could only take three pairs of eyes to the circus, what happiness that would be!

And then the clowns the foolish, nutty clowns! They were never funnier at their old tricks, and the Ringlings have provided some new laugh-makers. Out they came, tumbling over one another, with their shrieks and squawks and grunts and groans, and little boys who had been squirming all over the place, trying to see everything at once were transfixed. The clowns certainly kept little Charley still.

It's no use to try to tell just what they did and how they made the great crowd whoop and holler, but one can mention the clown team of trained pigs, six little black piglets hitched in harness and travelling as docilely as if the job were a natural part of a pig's duty, which it isn't; the leap year bride and her victim all safely roped; the traveling blind tiger, disguised as a peanut stand, but stored with likker and even provided with a detachable bar footrail, and the clown dogs and geese and steam roller and goodness knows what all. There has not been so much diverting clown fun spread before the small boy and small girl for many a year.

### Real Wild West Scene

Pretty soon comes the Wild West exhibition, something which flicks memory back to Col. Cody and Major Burke and the old Buffalo Bill show, with half a dozen lean and hard bronk tamers and as many girl riders who are honestly pretty, yee-yipping and Indian whooping as they spur their catlike cayuses around and around the oval, sweeping low to the sawdust to snatch up a handkerchief or a sombrero, throwing themselves from side to side of the plunging ponies, riding erect like a Cossack of the steppes, permitting themselves to be roped by one and twos and fours and eventually by eights by the expert lariat spinner, and finally riding off with ear splitting screeches in a flurry of heels and dust and amazingly vivid shirts and blouses.

### THOSE GIRLS.

"Of course you all talked about me as soon as I left."  
"No, dear, we thought you had attended to that quite sufficiently."

## GIRLS! WOMEN! DO YOUR LOOKS SATISFY YOU?

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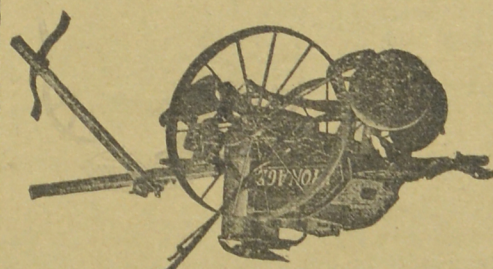
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## MY LADY NICOTINE IN CANADA



(1) Hauling Tobacco to the Curing Barn. (2) Full grown White Burley Tobacco in Ontario.

Tobacco culture in Canada is an industry of comparatively recent date. Extensive development has taken place in the past twenty-five or thirty years, and recent seasons have proved the adaptability of widely separated sections of the Dominion to this very profitable line of agriculture. Since the protective duty of 28 cents per pound has been imposed on all foreign leaf tobaccos, the Canadian industry has received a yet greater stimulus, and interest in the culture is becoming wider and more diversified yearly.

The two principal provinces where tobacco has been successfully grown for many years are Ontario and Quebec. Very successful results have been obtained also at Kelowna, in the Okanagan district of British Columbia, and the growing of tobacco may be said to be firmly established as an industry there. Recent experiments in the Lethbridge irrigation district in Southern Alberta, would indicate great possibilities for the growth in the prairie province.

Tobacco, in Ontario, is grown in the counties of Essex, Peels, Kent, Prince Edward, Elgin, and Lincoln. A total of 9,224 acres among these counties was devoted to the cultivation of the tobacco plant in 1919, producing a yield of 10,709,490 pounds, or an average of 1,150 pounds per acre.

The Burley variety, suitable for chewing, is grown in five counties: seed leaf in Essex; snuff in Kent; and Havana in Lincoln. Maryland tobacco has been introduced into Prince Edward County with success. During the past few years the growth of bright tobacco (the cured leaf) has extended rapidly on the light sandy loams near the shores of Lake Ontario, and some gravelly hills with good drainage. The annual production of this variety is nearly 1,000,000 pounds, with the yearly demand increasing. A limited amount of Seed Leaf and Fire cured leaf of

the heavier type is grown in certain sections. The cost of cultivation in the province, including the labor of the grower has been estimated at from \$50 to \$75 per acre, and the average yield about 1,300 pounds per acre.

The increased demand, and higher prices of recent years have given tobacco growing in Ontario a considerable impetus. The provincial Board of Agriculture, realizing this, instituted a tobacco station at the Harrow experimental farm, which has done valuable work in proving species of plants adapted to the various soils of the province, and encouraging limited production and improvement in quality rather than a large acreage and mediocre quality, by improved methods of culture.

The tobacco production of the Province of Quebec for the year 1919 was about 10,000,000 pounds and there were 22,404 acres under cultivation. As a tobacco growing area, the French-Canadian province has been coming more to the fore every year. This is illustrated by the fact that in 1911 there were only 12,134 acres devoted to this culture. In the counties of Berthier, Joliette, L'Assomption, Montcalm, Portneuf, Richelieu, Rouville, Terrebonne, Verchères and Yamaska the industry is carried on a very large scale. There are federal government stations at Saint-Jacques de L'Achigan county of Montcalm, and at Saint-Cesaire, Rouville. In many counties the tobacco plant is grown for clear manufacture, the principal species being Jelag Havana, Connecticut, Pennsylvania Ohio, Wisconsin, Comstock Spanish, Cannelle, and Persian Rose; but greater success is achieved with pipe tobaccos, such as white burley, red burley, blue prior, yellow prior, hester yellow mammoth, and Tennessee Red.

The planters of the Yamaska Valley have formed a co-operative society and established at Saint-Cesaire a large warehouse for the

curing and sale of Comstock Spanish tobacco as fillers and binders for cigars. The society sells annually from 500,000 to 600,000 pounds of tobacco at from 30 to 40 cents per pound. The purchase of tobacco according to quality has greatly improved methods of cultivation and treatment.

The growing of tobacco in British Columbia is practically confined to the area surrounding Kelowna in the Okanagan Valley. The total 1919 output, which amounted to about 120,000 pounds was sold at 20 cents per pound to a Quebec manufacturer. Interest in tobacco production in the Pacific province is on the increase, and in many sections of its area can be found warm, sunny, well-drained slopes of sandy deposits well adapted to the cultivation of tobacco plants of the heavier type.

The possibility of successfully growing and curing tobacco in Southern Alberta has been clearly demonstrated by the experimental farm at Lethbridge. Sixty plants, grown in the season 1915, produced prolific foliage, which was cured on the farm and made into cigars. Experiments will be carried on a more extensive scale with a view to establishing the industry as a commercial proposition in the irrigation belt.

The successful growing of tobacco calls for rich and light soils containing a good supply of vegetable matter, and will yield the best results. Soils deprived of humus, however, rich in mineral elements, are not suitable for its growth. Good drainage of the subsoil water is essential. The soils of hill-sides, with a gentle slope, generally give excellent results, mainly on account of the rapidity with which an excess of water drains off. The best soils for successful growing are those which contain a sufficient proportion of clay and humus to enable them to retain a good supply of moisture, known as "oamy soils." Stiff clay soils are the least suitable.