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GROWING SEED POTATOES

The letter of Mr. Paul A. Murphy of the Charlottetown Experimental Station and recently appointed by the Dominion Government to conduct an investigation into potato diseases, to Mr. G. W. Harrison, Manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce here, which was published in yesterday's Guardian, will be of special interest to farmers.

In the first place the thanks of the farmers are due and will, we feel assured, be cheerfully accorded to the Canadian Bank of Commerce for the tangible interest it has taken in the development of agriculture in this province. The awarding of prizes for the growing of seed potatoes and acknowledged in the letter referred to is by no means the only practical help given to agriculture in this province by the Canadian Bank of Commerce, similar prizes having previously been given in stock raising by school-children. The prosperity of the province depends upon its agriculture and the Bank of Commerce, whose business here has increased largely because of that prosperity, has given very tangible expression to its obligation to our greatest industry.

The facts pointed out by Mr. Murphy in connection with the growing and marketing of the finer varieties of potatoes will be of interest and advantage to our farmers. Several very important facts are indicated. Among these are: Prince Edward Island can grow potatoes, even the finer varieties, that are nearer disease proof than those grown in Ontario or in the United States; there is an unlimited market for

these disease proof seed potatoes; the finer varieties, sold for seed, are a very much more profitable crop than either the rougher blues for which there is only a limited market and a lower price, or the finer varieties if sold for table use (this is shown by the fact that for two small shipments sold for seed \$1,050 more was received than if sold in the open market for ordinary use); the necessity of spraying, cultivating and killing.

There are, according to the agricultural experts, many reasons why we in this province should not go into the growing of potatoes for export too extensively; this applies equally to the growing of oats. The scientific theory of modern agriculture, and doubtless the correct one, is to feed on the farm everything grown on the farm; to sell the finished product, not the raw material. Nevertheless the price of potatoes and oats in the past few years has been such as to make it a very profitable business to sell a large proportion of these instead of feeding them. In growing potatoes for shipment the prudent, provident way is certainly to grow those that are most profitable. Mr. Murphy's letter shows clearly how much more profitable Green Mountains and Irish Cobblers are if grown for seed, grown properly and marketed properly. There is an unlimited demand for them and they can be grown here as well as anywhere else in the world and much better than in those provinces of our own dominion that need them for seed. We commend Mr. Murphy's letter to our farmers.

TRADE AT HOME

It is conceded all round that the money expended in trading with foreign mail order houses is money lost to the country from which it goes; that its expenditure is an injustice and a loss not only to the individual who sends it but to the country at large.

It is conceded also that far the largest proportion of trade with foreign mail order houses is from the rural districts. A systematic canvass conducted in sections of Canada in the United States has led to this conclusion and we have no doubt that a similar conclusion would be arrived at by an investigator, be arrived at in this province. There are many people especially in remote sections of the province who find it quite convenient to select their needs from a catalogue, mail their money and wait a week or so for their goods. That the goods are not always what they ordered, that they look very different from the attractive picture in the catalogue, may cause some recrimination, but it is too late to amend matters, the money is gone, the goods must be put up with whether up to expectation or not. In the great majority of cases the customer receives from the foreign mail order house not what he would have purchased had he had an opportunity to see it before purchasing but, as it came and as he had paid his money for it, he puts up with it.

Now, the only remedy is to bring city and town and village and country closer together, make the city more homelike to the farmer and the farmer's wife let there be more social intercourse between the town and the country. A few years ago a movement was started in Charlottetown to have a rest room established near the market for the accommodation of country women coming to the city. Something happened the movement. In any case nothing came of it except the initial resolutions.

"Printers Ink" dealing with the

question of bringing city and country together makes some good suggestions along this line from which we reproduce the following extracts:

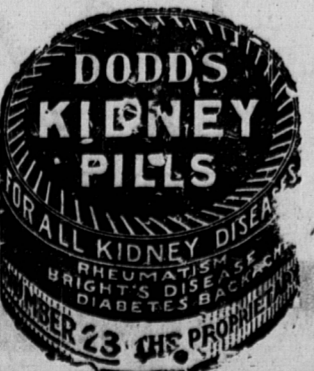
Put rest rooms into stores, where the farmers' wives can take their babies and get off the street and out of the glare of the sun for an hour or two. Or better yet, establish a municipal "rest house" and comfort station. This should have at least one good-sized room equipped with easy chairs, lounges, etc. It should also have a room with a dressing table, mirrors, and a place for baby to take his nap. A very useful adjunct is a kitchen with gas burners for heating milk for infants, coffee, etc., running water, and a few simple cooking utensils.

Extend the various specialized social activities of the town, to take in the adjacent farm population. Every community has groups within its boundaries who are drawn together by some sort of mutual interest—the fraternal societies and the various church societies. In many cases, the membership in these organizations are confined to the physical area of the town itself. There is no good reason why the farmer—and in particular the farmer's wife—should not share in these activities when there is a genuine mutuality of interest.

Make the town come to the country once in awhile. Hold some of the community's social affairs—church "festivals," charity bazaars, etc., at some accessible farm house and have automobiles and drivers loaned for the evening to bring people from town, and, when necessary, from other farms, to attend the fair. This suggestion may seem an inefficient, and perhaps even absurd way of doing things, but in places where it has been tried it is reported to have worked out famously in establishing the right sort of good fellowship between town-dwellers and country folks.

KRISER HAD PLANNED TO CRUSH THE REVOLUTION

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 14.—Telegrams found in the palace of the former German Crown Prince, according to a Berlin telegram to the National Tidende, show that it had been planned to send loyal troops from the front to Berlin in an attempt to crush the revolution.



HAPPENINGS OF THE WEEK

THANK GOD FOR PEACE!

With heart and soul and voice, Thy people, Lord rejoice; The night of pain is past, Thy Day has dawned at last. We thank Thee for Thy gift of peace Oh, build us now to Thine increase!

Far-scattered be our dead, Their glory ne'er shall fade; To keep life's soul alive, They died that we might live. Like Kings they died, and now in Peace They build again to Thine increase.

To every broken home, With cheer and comfort come! Console the hearts bereft, With joy of mercies left! So, through our sorrows, shall Thy peace

Build all our hearts to Thine increase.

Princess Mary has started two scrap books for recording all that the papers say about her. One of the books bears the inscription, "The Truth About Myself," while the other is for the statement that came under the heading of fiction.

Charlottetown was astir early Monday morning when the ringing bells, blowing of horns and the tooting of steam whistles announced the glorious news that the armistice had been signed and peace once more reigned. All day long the excitement was kept up, the city being gay with flags and bunting while citizens adorned themselves and their autos with the dear old Union Jack, juveniles and grown ups having a grand and glorious time. It was an event in history long to be remembered.

Among the distinguished visitors here this week were Major-General McDougall, Mrs. McDougall and his staff officers Major Baty and Major Nation.

Col. and Mrs. Ing's and family are leaving early next week for Toronto where they will reside in future much to the regret of their large circle of friends.

Miss Nessie Fitzgerald has gone up to Montreal on a visit.

Mrs. Deacon, after a pleasant summer in the city, left this week to spend the winter in Toronto.

Princess Patricia of Connaught opened a Country Fair at Peter's Hall, Brockley, G. B., on Nov. 14th in aid of the British Red Cross Society.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Kinsman who have taken up their residence at Brighton are being warmly welcomed.

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BE STILL MY SOUL

(Reprinted by Request.) Be still my soul, the Lord is on thy side, Bear patiently thy cross of grief and pain; Leave to thy God to order and provide; In every change He faithful will remain. Be still my soul; thy God doth undertake To guide the future as he has the past Thy hope thy confidence let nothing shake All now mysterious shall be bright at last. Be still my soul; when dearest friends depart And all is darkened in the vale of tears, Then thou shalt better know his love, his heart, Who comes to soothe thy sorrow and thy fears. Be still my soul, the hour is hastening on When we shall be forever with the Lord; When disappointment, grief and fears are gone, Sorrow forgot, Love's purest joy restored. Be still my soul, when change and tears are past All safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

Life is full of experiences. We must wait for the last chapter of the serial, to learn how the story ends, before we form a final opinion upon it. We must wait until the last chapter of a life is written before we sav of the manner of its making that God is not good and kind. Knowing God as we do to be our Father, we must trust his love and wisdom, though we can see nothing of love or goodness in the way he deals with us.

to the business and social life of Charlottetown. Mrs. Kinsman has had as her guests for the past two weeks her mother and sister Mrs. Morris and Miss Morris of Hamilton who enjoyed their visit exceedingly.

One of the outstanding events of the week was the Recital given by Mr. Watkins and Miss Gwladys Bell in St. James Hall on Tuesday. It was a rare musical treat enjoyed by a large and appreciative audience and the hope was expressed that a similar event would be given in the near future.

Miss Graham, Principal Matron for Military District No. 6, accompanied by Nursing Sister Hillcoat, has been in this city all week completing arrangements for the arrival yesterday of twenty-two invalided soldiers for the Convalescent Home. Miss Graham, who has been overseas for the past three years tells many interesting stories of the gallantry of the Canadians and of the work of Nursing Sisters.

Colonel Theodore Roosevelt received last Monday, part of the seat of the airplane in which his son Quentin Roosevelt, was killed several months ago in an air fight. The seat, with other parts of the machine, was found by the American forces on Lieutenant Roosevelt's grave in Chameray after the Germans had been driven back.

Music lovers are delighted to hear that arrangements were completed this week for the annual Twelfth Night Recitals given under the auspices of the Daughters of the Empire weekly in the different churches, the opening one to take place next Saturday, Nov. 23rd in St. James Church with Mr. Watkins at the organ.

Among the societies doing a noble patriotic work in this city is the I. O. D. E., the Regent of which is Mrs. George W. Hodgson, who is assisted by the following capable officers:—First Vice Regent—Mrs. W. S. Stewart; Second Vice Regent—Mrs. W. S. Blanchard; Secretary—Miss E. B. Hayland; Treasurer—Mrs. J. S. Bagnall; Councillor—Mrs. J. E. B. McCready; Standard Bearer—Miss Pope; Educational Committee—Mrs. J. A. Clark and Miss Desbrisay, Echoes Secretary—Mrs. W. E. Hyndman. The chapter, which has a membership of about 40 members, is affiliated with the Navy League of Canada, and renders service where ever service can be rendered.

Mrs. Edwin Aitken and children have gone up to Boston where they will spend the winter.

Miss Bonnie Peters who is studying nursing in Boston is home on a short holiday. Deepest sympathy is being extended to the Misses Peters in the death in France from influenza of their youngest brother which was reported this week.

Mrs. David Lloyd George, wife of the British Premier, edits many of her husband's public addresses.

Now that the influenza has almost disappeared and the ban has been lifted off public amusements the young people are resuming their social pleasures and not a few informal gatherings were held this week. A public masquerade dance on Monday evening was much enjoyed, the fancy costumes making a pretty sight as the dancers fitted about to the stirring music, a fitting close to a day of general rejoicing and gaiety.

Charles Chaplain, motion picture comedian was married on Oct. 23 to Miss Mildred L. Harris of Los Angeles.

Mr. T. W. Morris is spending a few days in Montreal this week.

Genuine sympathy is being expressed for Mrs. J. A. Longworth and the Misses Longworth of Montreal on the death from wounds of Lieut. Fred Longworth who was one of the finest young men who ever left this Province.

Empress Eugenie, who reigned over the French with Napoleon III, now an old woman living alone in England, said, after the great world war began that it was her dearest wish to live to see the downfall of the German Empire, which had caused her own downfall. Today her wish has been fulfilled. The Empress was ninety two years old last May. The story of her life not only rivals fiction, but may be said to transcend it. Her father was Count de Montijo, a poor nobleman with good social position. Her mother was a beauty of humble rank whom the Count married for love. There were two daughters, Paola and Eugenie, born May 5th, 1826. Both girls were beauties. The Empress is described at the time of her marriage as auburn-haired, with a perfect skin and sapphire blue eyes with dark lashes.

Napoleon III met her at Biarritz and promptly fell in love with her. They were married with great pomp and for seventeen years reigned on the throne of France. Then came the crumbling of the imperial dynasty and



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and setting of the sun.

THE DIPLOMACY OF LIFE: "An Earnest Christian" wants to know, "Does God expect us to use as much skill and diplomacy in carrying out his purposes as if we were not aided by Him?" One chief purpose God has in our life is to develop our own souls. To strengthen our reasoning power, and develop our manhood is the chief thought of God. He has given us the capacity of little gods; these powers can only be developed by testing and trial, therefore God wants us to use all our powers as if there were no God to help us.

On her son the Empress now centred all her hopes, but he was killed in a British expedition in Zululand. Since then the Empress has lived in retirement in her home at Farnborough. Once a year she visits the gardens at Tulleries, where her palace once stood. During the lifetime of Queen Victoria they were close friends. To this lonely old woman the news of the downfall of the German Empire therefore has a personal meaning as well as the joy of peace for France and for her adopted home, England.

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B. Oats bus ..... 75
Potatoes bus ..... 60
Eggs doz. .... 45
Butter ..... 38

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BY REV. T. S. LINSOTT, D.D. (All rights reserved)

Dr. Linscott, in this column will help you solve your heart problems: religious, natural, social, financial and every other anxious care that perplexes you. If a personal answer is required, enclose a five cent stamp. No names will be published; if you prefer, sign your initials only, or use a pseudonym.

GOD AND A BANK NOTE: "Is faith in God as real and certain of desired results, as faith in money?" "A Doubter" wants to know. If you will read the eleventh chapter of Hebrews you will get a full account of the results of faith. There have been thousands since that account was written who have had experiences just as grave as any of those mentioned, and out of which they have been delivered through their faith in God. Today there are hosts of people who trust in God (for all things with all the confidence they have in the rising

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