

Helps For The Rural Teacher

(By Dr. Ruralist)

There will appear in these columns a weekly educational series, particularly designed for the help and instruction of rural teachers...

Teachers, make this your column; do not be afraid to ask or help.

OBTAINING RESPECT (Cont'd) In the course of the ten years which I have attended school...

The one thing in my reflections that I am thankful for is that which was not our own home school, as we were obliged to board with relatives in another district.

However, the point we are coming to is those seventeen teachers who respect as the case may be.

NERVOUS PEOPLE NEED A TONIC

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills Enrich the Blood, Thus Increasing Your Nervous Energy.

Nervous people who have not yet developed a disease that can be recognized and treated by the medical profession, often have great trouble in finding relief.

manners; one because of excessive bursts of temper which he failed to control; another because of laziness and laxity in morals...

These latter three were women teachers, and only that I witnessed of restriction in a schoolroom as they allowed; pupils were simply allowed to do as they pleased.

As an example; during one time there were several big boys attending and they, noticing that they could act pretty much as they wished and get off, kept up a continual annoyance, which was encouraged by the teacher's laxity.

The other took her to be in earnest. His order-provoking work was soon put to a test, the first day I think when another boy started to whistle out-right in class hours, and persisted to do so in spite of the teacher's commands to desist.

Another of this group of three of which I have told you, could be persuaded by coaxing, to lengthen the playtime of ten minutes to forty-five minutes, on a promise to work more diligently when class was resumed.

I distinctly remember the great lack of respect we paid or were forced to pay to another because of his own misdeed and a lesson learned.

I am just telling you this to show in the great measure one may lose respect from want of proper manner.

Why do you respect such a person, say your village doctor, or whoever you happen to honour with such feeling?

the older girl pupils happened to let her slate fall, accidentally, whereupon she was stood on the floor in the corner for an unreasonable time.

Many other like incidents occurred and were followed by extreme punishment, the trend of all which was to cause dislike and fear.

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For a time Jimmie worked in silence. Then he took his coat off. It was very warm. After a time, when his mother had her back turned, he took off his vest.

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In the morning he said his throat was hardly sore at all, and he was able to go to school.

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(8) What is the law regarding the guardianship of children? The mother is the sole legal guardian of her legitimate children, but the father is the sole legal guardian of the legitimate children, and he may by deed or will dispose of the children as far as custody and education go until they are 21, or any person, such deed will be good against any one (even the mother), and if anyone tries to get hold of the children an action for damages can be entered into by the person to whom the father wills them.

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HOME NURSING AND HEALTH HINTS

JIMMIE'S WOOLEN

The winter was over. The warm wind from the south loosed the winged ranches against the sky and his bird of Gilead buds were sticky in the sun.

And Jimmie Lane, loitering home from school, in the confines of his heavy winter underwear, cast a longing glance at the pond that was singing and rippling over its rubber ice in the field behind the house.

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KEEPING FARM ACCOUNTS

C. E. McKenzie

It is a well known fact that the majority of our farmers do not keep books. This I think is a great mistake and one that has cost the farming industry many dollars.

Now the question arises; how shall a farmer keep books? I have often noticed that some business man who has never worked on a farm offers a great deal of advice on how the farmer should keep books.

They start off by saying something about all the profit one gets from a lot of steers or hogs averaging so many pounds at a stated price and finish up by saying that book-keeping is a cure all for all the farmers ills.

The need of a proper and simple system is apparent, but how are we to arrive at the best plan? Personally I have been using a system that I have arranged to suit my own particular needs. As yet I have not been able to perfect the plan but have been making improvements occasionally.

No proper system can be devised that does not entail quite a lot of work as to have a full knowledge of your business you must master all the details.

An inventory of all real estate and personal property is needed at the start, but for ordinary everyday accounts a simple plan may be followed as follows.

I use an indexed book and enter each different transaction under its proper heading, for instance Horses on one side of the page I place cost of each singly also amount paid out for either purchase or hire of horses as well as an estimate of cost of keep. On the opposite page enter any sale that may be made as well as the earnings of each animal.

Cattle are treated in the same manner as the horses only that woman regarding wills, etc? A married woman over 21 years of age may (a) execute deed of conveyance or mortgage (b) bar her dower (c) transfer bonds.

(11) What is the law regarding wills? If a man dies without a will, leaving a wife and no children, and his net income is less than \$1,000, she gets it all. If his income be more than \$1,000 the wife takes 1,000 and in addition she can either (a) take her dower (i. e. one-third part) of all the real property of which he has been possessed during their married life plus half of the man's personal property at death, the remainder being equally divided among his next of kin.

If a man dies without a will leaving a wife and children, his wife takes one-third of his property and the remainder goes equally to his children.

If a married woman dies without a will, leaving a husband and no children one-half of her real and personal property goes to her husband.

If a married woman dies leaving a husband and children one-third of her property goes to her husband and the rest to her children. These are some of our legal rights—the right to vote in Dominion, Provincial elections, the right to make deeds of conveyance mortgage property, transfer bonds, the right to be a school trustee, a member of the Dominion House of Commons or Provincial Legislature, the right to the power of making laws for the benefit of the children of the present generation and of many yet unborn. Surely great powers and magnificent privileges! Shall we make it our duty, to exercise these powers to the limit?

Gen. Booth was asked by the Commissioner of the Salvation Army in America for a personal message to give to the people at the time of a great anniversary gathering in New York. He replied one word: Cheers!

Let us rise to the ideal, the opportunity before us! Not ourselves, others!

"For the world is moving on, Oh, the world is moving on. From Iceland and from Norway on mountain top, to rally; The battle-bow is strung, the banner is unfolding, And Giant Wrong no more is strong, For the world is moving on."

—MRS. H. L. LAWS.

Tells the People He is Satisfied

QUEBEC MAN TALKS ABOUT DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS

Mr. Joseph Soucy Gives the Reason Why For Twenty Years Dodd's Kidney Pills Have Grown in Popularity With the People of Canada.

Mont. Joli, Rimouski Co., Que., Apr. 15th. (Special)—"I got great benefit from the use of Dodd's Kidney Pills. I am satisfied and I want you to tell the people so."

That is the brief statement of Mr. Joseph Soucy, a well-known and highly respected resident of this place. He tells the secret of the popularity of Dodd's Kidney Pills. Satisfied people are telling their neighbors about them.

Dodd's Kidney Pills are a kidney remedy. They strengthen the kidneys so they can do their full work of straining the impurities out of the blood. Dodd's Kidney Pills have been used for backache, diabetes, rheumatism, dropsy, urinary troubles and heart disease. People who used them are satisfied.

Ask your neighbors about Dodd's Kidney Pills.

These shadows do indeed annoy. But never, never can destroy. For Christ made of them all an end, 'Ere He to glory did descend.

Chabob Always Feels Fine Now

L'AMOULOU MAN SAYS HE'S JUST LIKE A BRAND NEW PERSON SINCE TAKING TANTALAC

"I take great pleasure in recommending Tantalac, for it has built me up to where I feel just like a brand new man," said Louis Chabot, 211 2nd Ave., L'Amouliou, P. Q. recently.

"For a long time my stomach was so disordered I could hardly eat anything. The least bit of food would cause terrible pains in the pit of my stomach, sourness, and hours of misery and distress. Often for days at a time I scarcely ate a bite of food, and many times while at my work I became so weak I could hardly hold out until the day was over. My back was in an awful condition, and hurt so bad at times I would almost yell in agony. If I stooped over, to pick up something, it just seemed like my back would break in two, and I was often dizzy I could hardly stand up."

"Well, up until I got Tantalac I always felt so tired and worn out I could hardly get through with my work, but now I can put in a real man's days work without a bit of trouble. I have a big appetite, eat anything I want without suffering afterward, and never have a weak or dizzy spell any more. My old time strength and energy has come back to me, and I always feel good. I think Tantalac is the best medicine in the world, for it certainly proved to be the right thing for my case."

This present year I am using one after this manner, that is monthly amounts for the following expenses (if any) meats, groceries, fuel, light, clothing, house furnishings, church and charity, physician and medicines, books, papers, etc., traveling expenses, amusements, labor and repairs with a column for total expenditure for each month.

A similar page for income might be as easily arranged. The above with a account with your bank I have found to fill the bill and am always able to tell where I am at the end of the year.

If all our farmers would adopt some such plan there would be no hardship to make out tax returns when asked and the practice of doing this work will instill greater interest in our work and will generally end with success.

COMRADES

We from childhood played together. My dear comrade, Jack, and I; We would fight each other's battles, To each other's aid would fly, And in boyish scrapes and roubles, You would find us everywhere; Where one went the other followed, Naught could part us for we were—

Chorus Comrades, comrades, ever since we were boys; Sharing each other's sorrows, Sharing each other's joys; Comrades when manhood was dawning, Faithful when danger might betide; When danger threatened, my darling old comrade, Was there by my side.

When just budding into manhood, I yearned for a soldier's life; Night and day I dreamed of glory, Longing for the battle's strife!

THE SOLDIER'S LETTER, OR THE BOY THAT WORE THE KHAKI

The morning of the battle Fast came the shot and shell; I was standing close beside him, And I saw him when he fell; I gently raised him in my arms And laid him on the grass— It was going against the odds, But I guess, they let it pass.

It was a dreadful minnie-ball That struck him in the side, But I did not think it fatal, Till the night before he died. And when he saw that he must go, He called me to his bed, And said, "Comrade, you will not forget To write when I am dead."

"Here underneath my pillow Is a lock of golden hair— The name is on the paper— Send it in my mother's care, Last night I wanted so to live, I seemed so young to go— Last week I passed my birthday, I was eighteen years, you know."

"And tell them how I spoke of all, And bade them all good bye, And that I prayed to God for grace, And all my fears went by."

His voice fell to a whisper, As he gently raised his head, "When he whispered, 'Good-bye comrade,' And your soldier-boy was dead.

We wrapped him in his soldier's cloak, And we bore him out that night, And buried him under some shady trees, While the moon was shining bright. I said, "Jack, I'll be a soldier; 'Neath the Red, the white and Blue! Good-bye, Jack!" said he, "No, never! If you go then I'll go too."

I enlisted, Jack came with me, And our ups and downs were shared;

For a time our lives were peaceful, But at length war was declared; England's flag had been insulted, We were ordered to the front, And the regiment we belonged to Had to bear the battle's brunt.

In the night the savage foe man crept around the place we lay; To our arms we leaped and faced them, Back to back we stood at bay; As I fought a savage at me Aimed his spear, like lightning dart, But my comrade sprang to save me, And received it in his heart.

I carved him out a headstone As skillful as I could, And if you wish to find it I will show you where it stood.

I send you back his hymn-book And the cap he used to wear, With a lock I cut the night before From his dark curly hair. I send you back his Bible— The night before he died We turned the leaves together, When I read it by his side, I'll keep the belt he used to wear,— He told me so to do. It has a hole in the left side, Just where the ball went through, I think I've done his bidding now, There is nothing more to do, But while I live I'll always mourn Your boy who wore the Khaki.

The Reason Why

APRIL days are with us—days of spring freshness and spring promise. Even the jaded city dweller can feel the tang of the air, catch a glimpse here and there of the swelling buds and leafing trees, and rejoice over the promise of better things to come.

That is the secret of the joy of springtime—the hope of better things to come, flowers, bird songs, freshness of beauty. We're all so sick of the dinginess and bleakness of winter. It seems to react on our lives as well. Spring is new beginning.

Many of us have felt, as perhaps never before, discouraged, out of faith with mankind. We had thought that the world was horrible as it was, would work out great reforms; through the lessons it taught, there would be more of unselfishness, better nations and people; higher idealism would replace selfishness, the Golden Rule, the reign of solid interests. But as the months went by we found that we were mistaken. The old world holds just as much of fighting, of pushing aside others for self-glorification.

Of what use, then, all the bloodshed, the death, the effort, the expense? While life lasts hope is never dead. Again and again it rises supreme, giving us courage to go on, a little wiser for each disappointment. As we grow older, we add to the virtues of youth, patience—patience and perseverance. We may not be able to accomplish what our first dreams prophesied, but the world will go on just the same. We can put the stamp of our lives on it, that is all! Very few of us can do more.

Spring is no time for discouragement. Whatever the winter brought us, it is passed. We can begin afresh in body, in mind, in soul. This is the message of spring.

Sin Forgiven

As several misprints occurred in the poem, "Sins Forgiven," the following verses are reprinted:

When of days past I think and sigh, I sorrow and to Christ draw nigh; A sympathizing Saviour, He, To all true penitents that be.

Our graceless days were but mis-spent, And we must of them all repent; Then to our ways we heed must take, And some improvement daily make.

The graceless man his sins won't see, Nor will be sorry for them be; Himself he'll always justify, And take his refuge in a lie.

These shadows do indeed annoy, But never, never can destroy. For Christ made of them all an end, 'Ere He to glory did descend.

The last two verses should read as follows:

The lost's repentance is despair, And none will better for it fare; Salvation's day is sadly past, For mercy's day won't always last.

Oh sinner then to Jesus flee, And get salvation full and free; To you it will be surely given, A title He will give to Heaven.

—D. MacLean.