

LETHBRIDGE, ALBERTA, SECURES DRY FARMING CONGRESS FOR 1912.

The term "dry farming" does not indicate all that might be implied. It does not mean a system of irrigation...

In certain sections of the Canadian West as well as in the American West, there is a portion of the country in which the soil is the very best for the growing of cereals...

Agricultural science, however, has been making rapid progress during the past few years, and it is now ascertained that it is not altogether the number of inches of rain that is essential to the growing of crops...

The Congresses are attended by thousands and they bring representatives from all parts of the world. The Province of Alberta, and also of Saskatchewan, has taken a vital interest in the Congresses which have been held in the past two or three years...

Literature sent out recently by the Canadian Government Agents, which will be sent postage free on application, tells of hundreds of splendid yields in all parts of Western Canada.

She Needed It. One of the little swarthy cherubs from sunny Italy, whose great eyes and sunny mouth can be so appealing to their teachers in the great primary schools in the North end, was introduced to the public bathing plant the other day...

Her Credit Was Strained. A young country merchant who had something of a reputation for close figuring was especially attentive to the village schoolmaster. The young woman had a sweet tooth and was not at all reticent about making the fact known...

Saving Farmer. A man with New England small town recollections says that one Yankee storekeeper used to pull a pig in two to make the pound weight balance to a hair.

During the Spat. Wife (complainingly)—You're not like Mr. Knags. They've been married 20 years, and Mr. Knags says his wife is so tender.

A mouse is afraid of a man, a man is afraid of a woman, a woman is afraid of a mouse—and there you are. The wise man never hits the nail on the head.

Practical Blouse



Photographed by Underwood & Underwood, N. Y. No pins, no buttons, no hooks and eyes are needed to adjust this little silk waist.

APPROPRIATE FOR THE NECK

Pretty Things That Have Been Given the Sanction of Best-Dressed Parisian Women. The jabots, plisses and rabats are more important than ever in the decoration of separate blouses and bodies of one-piece frocks.

FOR MANY GOWNS.

Black and white is the color combination of this becoming turban, with a touch of gilt to enliven it. The hat is covered with black velvet draped on the left side and knotted in irregular loops and one long end.



BEST COLOR FOR CURTAINS

Strange That Gray, So Eminently Appropriate, Has Not Been More Largely Made Use Of. In one of the popular plays of the day the woman who is artistic will get an idea well worth following as to house decoration.

Unbecoming Earrings.

Never indulge in silver earrings—unless closely studied with colored stones, as the effect of silver against the face is unbecoming.

Juvenile Hairdressing

Is noticeably softer for some time back. One of the latest ideas in children's hairdressing is the transformation of the Dutch style into a Louis XVI period.

Child's Leggings.

The long leggings of Jersey which extend from the ankle to the waist line are an exceedingly practical addition to the small folk's wardrobe. These leggings button up the leg almost to the knee, and another set of buttons extends from above the knee to the waist line.

For the Silver Mesh Bag.

On account of its durability the silver mesh bag will not go out of existence for some time to come. In fact, as there is a wide sale of them still being made, it is wise to keep them in the highest luster of which they are capable.

Little Truthseeker.

"Ma!" asked the kid who was always asking. "I have no time to tend to you now," answered the distracted mother. "Why don't you ask your pa?"

PRESIDENT SAYS RATES TOO HIGH

Chief Executive Urges Downward Revision of Schedule K.

MESSAGE SENT TO CONGRESS

Document Upholds Protective Principle But at the Same Time Most Ardently Supports Recommendations of Tariff Board.

Washington—President Taft transmitted to congress the report of the tariff board on schedule K. Accompanying the report, the chief executive sent to the national legislature the following message:

To the Senate and House of Representatives: In my annual message to congress, December, 1909, I stated that under section 2 of the act of August 5, 1890, I had appointed a tariff board of three members to cooperate with the state department in the administration of the maximum and minimum clause of that act.

In the last session of the Sixty-first congress a bill creating a permanent tariff board of five members, of whom not more than three should be of the same political party, passed each house, but failed of enactment because of slight differences on which agreement was not reached before adjournment.

Presidential Appointments. Therefore, to carry out so far as lay within my power, the purposes of this bill for a permanent tariff board, I appointed in March, 1911, a board of five, adding two members of such party affiliation as would have fulfilled the statutory requirements, and directed them to make a report to me on schedule K of the tariff act in December of this year.

In my message of August 7, 1911, accompanying the veto of the wool bill, I stated that, in my judgment, schedule K should be revised and the rates reduced. My veto was based on the ground that, since the tariff board would make, in December, a detailed report on wool and wool manufactures, with special reference to the relation of the existing rates of duties to relative costs here and abroad, a fair regard to the interests of the producers and the manufacturers on the one hand and of the consumers on the other demanded that I should not be hastily enacted in the absence of such information.

Advocates Reduction of Rates.

I now herewith submit a report of the tariff board on schedule K. It is unanimous in its findings. On the basis of these findings I now recommend that the congress proceed to a consideration of the schedule with a view to its reduction and a general reduction of its rates.

The report shows that the present method of assessing the duty on raw wool—this is, by the specific rate on the grease pound, and the duty on greasy wool of 33 cents per pound is prohibitory and operates to exclude the importation of clean, low-priced foreign wools of inferior grades, which are nevertheless valuable material for manufacturing, and which cannot be imported in the grease because of their heavy shrinkage.

Method That Meets Difficulty.

Another method of meeting the difficulty of taxing the grease pound is to assess a specific duty on grease wool in terms of its scoured content. This obviates the chief evil of the present system, namely, the discrimination due to different shrinkages, and thereby tends greatly to equalize the duty.

Nothing Doing.

"Mr. Downnought," said the maid, "there's a man at the door with a bill—"

Not Committing Himself.

"Was your new play received with a storm of applause?" "Well, there was some kind of a storm in front."

adjusted to the rate of 33 cents on scoured wool, are prohibitory in the same measure that the duty on scoured wool is prohibitory. In general, they are assessed at rates as high as or higher than the duties paid on the clean content of wools actually imported.

Some Duties Prohibitory.

The duties on many classes of wool manufacture are prohibitory and greatly in excess of the difference in cost of production here and abroad. This is true of tops, of yarns (with the exception of worsted yarns of a very high grade), and of low and medium grade cloth of heavy weight.

On tops up to 52 cents a pound in value, and on yarns of 6 cents in value, the rate is 100 per cent., with correspondingly higher rates for lower values. On cheap and medium grade cloths, the existing rates frequently run to 150 per cent. and on some cheap goods to over 200 per cent.

World Reduce Duties. Although these duties do not increase prices of domestic goods by anything like their full amount, it is none the less true that such prohibitive duties eliminate the possibility of foreign competition, even in time of scarcity, so that they form a temptation to monopoly and conspiracy to control domestic prices.

Prises Work of Committee. I venture to say that no legislative body has ever been presented to a more complete and exhaustive report than this on so difficult and complicated a subject as the relative costs of wool and woolsens on the home market.

In recommending revision and reduction I therefore urge that action be taken with these facts in mind, to the end that an important and established industry may not be jeopardized. The tariff board reports that no equitable method has been found to levy purely specific duties on wools and worsted fabrics, and that, excepting for a compensatory duty, the rate must be ad valorem on such manufactures.

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Splendid Crops in Saskatchewan (Western Canada). 800 Bushels from 20 acres of wheat was the thrasher's return from a Lloydminster farm in the season of 1910. Mrs. Wm. Sothling's Soothing Syrup for Children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic, etc. a bottle.

Remedies are Needed. Were we perfect, which we are not, medicines would not often be needed. But since our systems have become weakened, impaired and broken down through indiscretions which have gone on from the early age, through countless generations, remedies are needed to aid Nature in correcting our inherited and otherwise acquired weaknesses.

PERFECTION SMOKELESS OIL HEATER. In every cold weather emergency you need a Perfection Smokeless Oil Heater. It is your bedroom cold when you dream or undress? Do your water pipes freeze in the cellar? Is it chilly when the wind whistles around the exposed corners of your house?