

PRODUCTIVE POWER OF WESTERN CANADA SOIL

Winnipeg Correspondence.

There has never been any who have doubted the productiveness of the soil of Western Canada, but there are sometimes found those who question the fact of its superiority. During the past season it has been shown that in grain raising qualities it possessed the very best. The late spring prevented grain being sown in many cases before the middle of May. Yet, a large percentage of that sown at that time produced excellent yields. Had it not been for the frost early in August, which visited most of the north half of the continent, there would have been a magnificent yield in every district in Western Canada. Throughout the Southern Alberta district where about 100,000 acres was sown to winter wheat the yield will be enormously large. There are vast tracts of valuable grain growing land in Western Canada that are available for homesteads, the Canadian Government giving 160 acres free, and entry may be made by proxy, by any near relative, thus saving considerable cost to the American who may have entry made in this way. Any Canadian Government Agent will give you the particulars.

Your correspondent has just received the following letter from Craik, Saskatchewan, which bears out the statement made in the first part of this letter.

"Craik, Sask., Aug. 1907.

"May 24th we planted a Dahlia root, which we brought with us from Minneapolis. Aug. 12th, 80 days later, it was in bloom. The plant is now 4 1/2 feet high and covered with blossoms. We never got half as many flowers on it in Minneapolis, even during September and October, although we had more time to attend to it there."

I mention this only as an example of the great productive power of the soil here in Saskatchewan, Canada.

HIS TURN TO CRITICISE.

Youngster Felt Called on to Manifest Disapproval of Prayer.

Little John, who, at the mature age of four, has learned the Lord's Prayer, is often criticised by his sister, two years older, for slight mistakes which he cannot always avoid in offering the petition. A few Sundays ago he was taken to church for the first time. When the moment for the prayer arrived and the congregation bowed their heads John's mother took the precaution to whisper to him that he must be very quiet. "Listen," she said, "and you will hear the minister pray." This interested John at once, and his little face took on a look of serious attention, but his mother, watching him covertly, saw his expression change presently to one of surprise and disapproval. A few minutes more, and he could stand it no longer. What could this man be saying? Not a word of the prayer did he recognize as the only formula he had ever heard called by that name. "Why, mother," he exclaimed, in a tone audible over nearly half the church, "do you hear? He isn't saying it right at all!"

Not All There.

Bleeker—Your wife seems to have a mind of her own.

Meeker—She did have before our marriage, but she hasn't any more.

Bleeker—What's the answer?

Meeker—She has given me several pieces of it since we faced the parson together.

BEGAN YOUNG.

Had "Coffee Nerves" from Youth.

"When very young I began using coffee and continued up to the past six months," writes a Texas girl.

"I had been exceedingly nervous, thin and very sallow. After quitting coffee and drinking Postum Food Coffee about a month my nervousness disappeared and has never returned. This is the more remarkable as I am a Primary teacher and have kept right on with my work.

"My complexion now is clear and rosy, my skin soft and smooth. As a good complexion was something I had greatly desired, I feel amply repaid even tho this were the only benefit derived from drinking Postum.

"Before beginning its use I had suffered greatly from indigestion and headache; these troubles are now unknown.

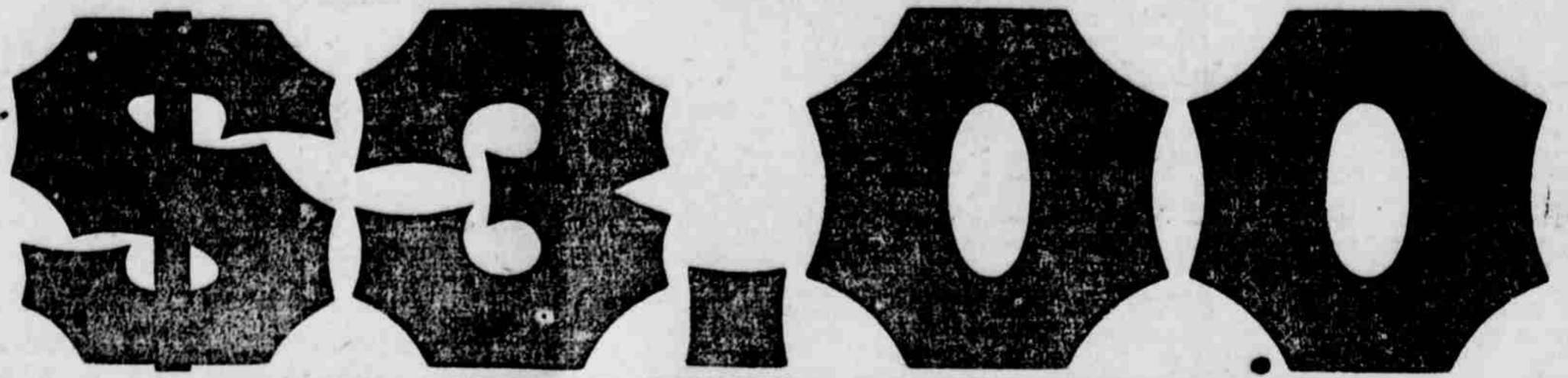
"Best of all, I changed from coffee to Postum without the slightest inconvenience, did not even have a headache. Have known coffee drinkers who were visiting me, to use Postum a week without being aware that they were not drinking coffee.

"I have known several to begin the use of Postum and drop it because they did not boil it properly. After explaining how it should be prepared they have tried it again and pronounced it delicious."

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Women Lack Dignity.
An English periodical writer, that is, a writer for periodicals, says that women do not know how to walk, and get along like mechanical toys. "The deplorable lack of dignity in women," he says, "is one cause of the bad walking." Our forbears were dignified and the oriental of to-day has inherited the trait, but the modern woman has it not.

Drunkenness in 1600.
An English traveler, writing in the year 1600, said that there were more saloons in Dublin than in any other city in the world. The Irish, he said, always got drunk at wakes, weddings and fairs. The English were not far behind them, and over on the continent alcohol was also making great headway. Here in America, too, drinking was becoming a popular sport.

Cheaper Rate Than the Doctor's.
A few years ago on Sutter street in San Francisco an ambitious young Japanese had a little store stocked with goods imported from his native land. In his show window was a stack of decorated wash bowls and leaning against their front was a cardboard sign bearing in stenciled letters this announcement, "Fine Bowls, 50 cents a set."—Lippincott's.

Pantomimic Golf.
To play behind a foursome composed of Frenchmen one must resign all attempt to play golf, and in place of it you must feel that you are compensated by watching the pantomime of the quartet preceding you. Trust me, you will be amply repaid. That is, if nature has endowed you with a sense of humor.—Golf Illustrated.

Plain Living.
How totally different is the effect of a plain, rational and nutritious diet upon the man who eats to live. His appetite requires no pampering, and yet he enjoys his food, and, at the same time, what the gourmand is deprived of, he is thoroughly alive to all the pleasures of life and able for its duties.—Health Record.

In Regular Order.
Two men met at the gate of the cemetery and each with excessive politeness bowed to the other to pass in before him. After a few minutes of this, when neither would give way, the younger of the two smiled and said: "You are the elder of the two, so naturally you ought to go in first."

Many Nations Have Bagpipes.
The Assyrians are the first nation mentioned as using the bagpipes, and they introduced them into India, though they were probably indigenous over nearly all Asia. Certainly the Chinese had them. They are quite common in Italy and Afghanistan today as in Scotland.

Slightly Mixed.
This is told as an actual happening to a Kansas man. He and his family had gathered around the supper table and all heads were lowered for him to ask a blessing, when the telephone bell rang. The man answered it; and, coming back to the table, again bowed his head, but again the telephone rang. He answered that call; then for the third time seated himself and, bowing his head, said "Hello!"—Lippincott's.

Sn and the Nose.
Some industrious deliver into things has called attention to a curious association between the letter sn and the nose. The following words, beginning with those two consonants, all have some connection with that organ: Snout, snar, sneeze, snast, snore, snub, snarl, snuffy, snort, sneer, sniff, snigger, snuff, snift, snuffle, snooze, snaffle, snivel.

Typewritten Documents Last.
The tests of the German government have shown great variations in the durability of typewritten documents, but with the best ribbons the work seems as lasting as that written by hand with the best writing ink. While some German ribbons proved good, those of American manufacture showed a higher general average in quality.

First Use of the Cigar.
Not until 1790 were cigars introduced into northern Europe, the first factory being established at Hamburg in 1796. The peninsular war served to familiarize the officers in the French and English armies with the cigar, which they found to be the constant friend and invariable companion of all Spaniards.

Women and Elevators.
A man who has a faculty for statistics has made out a statement to the effect that it takes twice as long to transport women in elevators as men, because they take longer to get off and on, and he says on that account the elevator service is slower where women are carried up and down.

Cause of Gray Hair.
Metchnikoff, the famous bacteriologist, says the cause of grayness is the penetration into the hair of wandering cells, resembling the white blood corpuscles. These cells, assisted by other cells, the aggregation of which makes the hair, seize upon the granules of pigment and destroy them.

Moments Rightly Used.
Burns wrote his most beautiful poems in his spare moments while working on a farm. Grote wrote his "History of Greece" during the odds and ends of time snatched from his duty as a banker. "Moments are the golden sands of time," if rightly used.

Lead Us Not into Temptation.
Cecil was much impressed by the Sunday school teacher's plea for missions and decided to save his pennies for the heathen. He made a great effort and failed once or twice. Then he prayed. "Oh Lord," he begged, "please help me save my money, and—don't let Jim, the peanut man, come down this street."—Lippincott's.

Hypnotism.
The observations and experiments of those who have made hypnotism and hypnotic phenomena their especial study all tend to show that, while the operator has a great control over the hypnotized person, it is by no means complete, even during the deep somnambulant states.—London Hospital.

The Simple Life.
The simple life, then, seems to come to this—the attachment of oneself in absolute devotion to the great things, to the real and the true things, the embarking of our whole fortunes in them, whatever may happen. What we eat, drink or wear will not greatly trouble us.—Christian World.

The Practical View.
"Why don't I make him keep his distance?" repeated the practical young woman. "If you knew men better you wouldn't ask that question. There isn't one man in a thousand who will keep his distance without keeping his money also. What is a person to do?"

Hawk Needs Watching.
Sharp-shinned hawk, a miniature Cooper hawk, is fully as destructive to bird life as its larger cousin. Although rarely attacking full-grown poultry, it is very partial to chickens, and often almost exterminates early broods which are allowed to run at large.

And in the Shadow of the Sacred Cod!
Any inattention or neglect on part of employes, if reported to the cashier or head waiter, will be deemed a favor by the management.—From a Boston Hotel Bill of Fare.

California's Possibilities.
William E. Curtis, writing from San Francisco, says the natural resources of California would provide amply for a population of 50,000,000.

Passes the Limit.
A man may have an intense love for children, but it all departs for a time when he clutches the aftermath of molasses candy on the doorknob.

British Postal Employes.
The postmaster general of the United Kingdom has an army of 200,000 employes, 50,000 of whom are women.

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Rare Indeed.
How rarely do these three things meet—a man who wants something, is fitted for it, and any great number of persons who think he ought to have it.—Judge.