## INDICATIONS OF AN EARLY SPRING

Great Prosperity Ahead for Western Canada.

The most recent advices from all points in Western Canada report that conditions are apparent for an early spring. Farmers are going over the implements, getting their seeders ready for operation, the plows in shape for extended breaking, and there is a general optimism. A great many new settlers have already arrived, and the reports from Canadian Government agents in the United States point to the fact that in a few days there will begin the usual emigration from various of the Central and Western states. From the Eastern states the number of farmers going to Canada will be greater than in any past year.

There has been a fairly large snowfall during the winter, which will greatly add to the precipitation of last fall, which in the opinion of oldtimers was in itself sufficient to insure a good crop during the present year.

There will be very little tilled land that will be without a crop this year. The authorities, though, are pleading with the farmers to seed only such land as has had careful preparation, for rich as is the soil of Western Canada, It is no more fitted to produce good crops uncultivated than is that of any other land anywhere else. There have been accounts of failures in some portions of the agricultural districts of Western Canada, and also reports of small yields in some districts. A good deal of this is accounted for from the fact that notwithstanding the advice of men of experience, there are farmers who will persist in seeding land not properly prepared. This may be done this year, but those who cultivate on reasonable and logical methods will be certain of a paying crop. There is every reason to believe that the high prices of all kinds of grain will con-

With thousands and thousands of acres of land waiting for the husbandman to bring it forth with a crop, it is no wonder that Western Canada is continuing to prove such an inviting field for the agriculturist.

Seventy million dollars is a conservative estimate of orders which came to Canada as the direct result of the war. Governments of the allies have been placing large orders in Canada and buying huge quantities of supplies for cash.

The total value of exports to Europe from Canada has jumped about 15 per cent since the war started, while in certain lines the increases have been enormous.

Therefore the results of the demand of the allies for war and other material is beginning to be felt in the financial life of the Dominion. There is a marked activity in many commercial lines, and

conditions are fast becoming normal. Western Canada is receiving a relative benefit to the East.-Advertisement.

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New gloves have pockets for coins

and tickets in their palms.

## MAKE MONEY IN HOME STRAWBERRY PATCH



A New Jersey Home Strawberry Patch.

(By ANNA GALIGHER.) The strawberry will stand a good deal of ill treatment, but it will not produce good crops under the above conditions.

Any good soil which will bring cornor potatoes will do for strawberries, the handling of the plants but if you want berries the size of hen's eggs put the plants in the rich- the right time to transplant, or rather est soil you can find and cultivate the transfer strawberries.

same as other garden crops. are well started, spread it between the rows.

I know a man who makes a business of growing strawberries for market whose berries are planted on thin, clay

No fertilizer of any kind is used, and his largest berries are about the size of Gregg raspberries, as a rule. About not need much stirring. half the berries are not worth picking. I believe that spring is the proper

time to set strawberry plants. But if one can procure good, strong plants in the fall, and have them taken up with a quantity of soil adhering to the roots, they will bear a good many fore filling in the soil. berries the following season, but not a full crop.

any soil clinging to the roots, the plants should not be allowed to bear fruit the following season.

This is important, because when all long time for the plant to recover

from the shocks and form new roots. None of the old ever take a firm hold in the ground unless new feeders start, and while the strawberry grows or hibernates all winter, the growth is less rapid when the ground is cold than it is in the spring and summer.

A great many people believe fall, or rather late summer, is the proper

time to set strawberry plants. their order to some nursery man, as the case may be, and handle the plants just as they would in the spring. Now

this is all wrong. Last fall, while we were taking up strawberry plants, with the aid of a dibble and spade, and carefully placing them in boxes and baskets to be transferred to a new location, one of our neighbors came in for plants,

which he had previously engaged. He insisted that all the soil be strawberry plants, not real estate." A short time ago, while talking with

how his strawberries turned out. "Oh, we had a few," said he, "but they are nothing like yours. They are they need and then let them have not what I expected. In fact, the berries were scarcely worth the picking." they will drink no more than is good I wanted to say, "I told you so," for them.

but as he is the sort of man who

"knows it all," I said nothing. No doubt he believes his failure was due to "something in the soil," but, as we experimented a little ourselves, we are fully convinced that it was all in

The last week in October is about

The weather has begun to get cool If the soil is not rich enough without by that time and the plants are large being fertilized, use well-rotted stable and strong. We set out 200 extra fine manure. Fresh manure will not do, ex- strawberry plants last spring and alcept as a top dressing; after the plants lowed the runners to form plants until the ground was all but covered. These surplus plants are the ones we will

lift this fall. See that the soil is in good condition to receive the plants. Plow or spade

it as deep as the soil will permit. If a crop of potatoes has just been removed from the ground, it should

Place the plants in rows about four feet apart and ten inches apart in the rows. Rows may be either single or double, as preferred.

If the weather is dry a little water should be poured around the roots be-

After the plants have gotten a start, hoe or run the cultivator between the If transplanted in the fall, without rows to loosen the surface before the covering is put on. It is a good plan to cover before hard freezing begins.

Don't cover too deep, because if the air is excluded the plants will smother. of the roots are dislodged it takes a Clean straw, free from chaff, makes the best covering.

Anything which holds moisture is apt to cause the plants to rot if thereis very much rain.

## **GROUND GRAIN BEST** FOR YOUNG SWINE

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Do not make this slop so thin that shaken off the plants. He "wanted the pigs must drink twice what they need to get a reasonable feed of the meal and don't make it so thick that this man, we had occasion to inquire it won't run readily the whole length of the trough

Feed them as much of this slop as access to plenty of pure water and

# BENEFITS OF WISCONSIN ALFALFA ORDER



A Slogan of the Alfalfa Order.

(By H. L. RUSSELL.) The organization of the alfalfa or- the entire state. In 240 trials where der of the experiment association of it was grown for the first time, sucthe state of Wisconsin, which now cessful results were reported in 88 per numbers over seven hundred mem- cent of cases. In the majority of bers, has stimulated special interest cases where failure occurred, the soil in its culture, but there are yet many had not been inoculated. Greater sucfarmers who hesitate to try this crop cess was attained where alfalfa was because they are not familiar with its culture. The plant is doing ex- light seedings of grain (not exceeding ceedingly well in Wisconsin and is be- one bushel per acre) were used quite ing rapidly introduced, the present widely. Reports on winter killing acreage being estimated at over 30, show, that where properly established,

000 acres. Through the co-operative buying of of tests of different rates of seeding. selected seed, over 50,000 pounds of carried on not only at the Madison alfalfa seed (valued at over \$9,000) station and the branch stations, but were purchased and distributed to also in co-operation with members of members at a very material saving in the alfalfa order throughout the state. price, and a much higher grade secured than would have been possible that, as a rule, it is inadvisable to had it been purchased by individual

farmers. By means of this organization, it inoculated, and not less than twenty has been possible to secure wide- pounds on new land that is first used spread co- peration of the members in | for this crop.

making practical trials, throughout grown without a nurse crop, although it stood as well as clover. As a result the agronomy department has found sow less than fifteen pounds of seed per acre on land well prepared and

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Johnny-Time to uppercut, ma'am

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"What's that?"

"That they were meeting with pronounced successes,"

Necessarily Slow.

A California Youngster had been permitted to visit a boy friend on the strict condition that he was to leave there at five o'clock and his mother was very angry. The young ster insisted, however, that he had obeyed his orders and had not lingered unnecessarily on the way.

"Do you expect me to believe," said his mother, "that it took you two hours to walk a quarter of a mile?" She reached for the whip. "Now, sir. will you tell me the truth?"

"Ye-es, mamma," sobbed the boy, 'Charlie Wilson gave me a mud turtle and I was afraid-to carry itso I led it home."

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"Yes, sah," was the prompt rejoinder of Aunt Dinah, "dey hab jes got dat t'ing down so fine dat dere hain't no bird what has got anyt'ing on 'em."

"Am dat so?" reflectively returned Uncle Rastus. "Well, whenevah yo' see one of dem flyin' machine men Is Only Skin Deep setting fast asleep holdin on to de It is vitally nec- limb ob a tree wid his feet jes yo' call me ter come an' take a

Unfriendly Tricks.

"I thought you were a friend of

ing my name."

"I used to be." "And now?" "I had to give him up in self-defense."

"Why?" "To every life-insurance and book agent that asked him if he had any friends who might be interested in their propositions he insisted on giv-

Hard Work.

"So you have a government clerkship, have you?-" "Yes."

"Don't have to do any work, I sup-"I don't, eh? I have to get my pay

warrant every month, and get it

cashed. The Classic Vogue. "Do you admire the classics?" in quired the student. "Well," replied the theatergoer, "I

but it's all right in dancing." The Universe. Frosh-How's everything?

don't care-much for it in literature,

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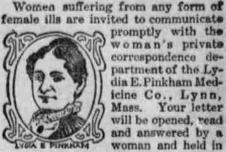
"Why do you call your play "The

"Because I want it to draw."

Porous Plaster?"

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