WESTERN CANADA CORN

Wins First Honors at Kansas City.

While visiting the Canadian Government Information Bureau at Kansas City, where there is on exhibition a very creditable display of Canadian products, my attention, says a writer in the agricultural press, was directed to a few ears of Dent corn, bearing the modest inscription,

"This Northwestern Dent corn took the first prize at the Soil Products Exposition recently held in Kansas City, Mo., and was grown by John Hamilton of Kelwood, Manitoba."

Kelwood, Manitoba, lies about twelve hundred miles north of Kansas City, and it was quite pardonable that these Canadians should so proudly parade the fact that they had been able to carry off for their corn display the blue ribbon that for years the old "corn-growing" states had looked upon as being practically their own, and for which they were strong contestants in the recent show.

I asked Mr. Hewitt, agent in charge of the Canadian Government office at 2012 Main Street, Kansas City, what the winning of the prize means for Canada. His reply was that it means the "corn belt" is moving northward, and in a few years to the fame that Canada has already achieved as a wheat, barley and oats producing country, will have to be added that of growing the best corn in America.

"Why," he said, "twenty years ago a friend of mine was attracted at the Minnesota State Fair by the number of those who were examining some corn growth north of Crookston, Minnesota. It was not the large ear produced farther south, but it was an even ear and perfect kernel. The interest centered in it was the fact that it had been grown so far north. That was twenty years ago. Today, the traveler on any of the railways in that section of the country may see field after field of corn. In many portions of Manitoba," he continued, "out into Saskatchewan and Alberta, the growing of corn is receiving much attention, at presently mainly for fodder, but within a short time, with acclimated seed a maturing corn of good quality may reasonably be expected. Already the number of silos in use in Western Canada indicates that the progressive farmers there look forward to the day when corn will be one of their most important crops.

"Corn lands in South Dakota are said to be selling as high as $250 per acre, and if corn has been the means of placing these lands at this price what may be expected of Western Canada lands, when the day comes that corn will be grown as successfully there?"

It was not in corn alone that Western Canada carried off the honors at the Soil Products Exposition. The awards won by Western Canada were 40 first, 29 second, and 26 third prizes. These included 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes for hard spring wheat; the sweepstakes for wheat and the cup offered by Canadian Pacific Railway for the best half-bushel of hard spring wheat; 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes and sweepstakes for oats; 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes for barley; and 2nd and 3rd prizes for oats.

It is interesting to note that the sweepstakes for wheat and first prize for hard red spring wheat have been won by Saskatchewan exhibitors seven times in the last eight years, Manitoba winning one year.

Potato classes have some interesting successes for Western Canadian exhibitors, who won four firsts, three seconds and three thirds. Exhibitors from these provinces also made fine showing in the vegetable classes, winning among other prizes the premium prizes for cabbages, cauliflowers, pumpkins squash and watermelons. —Adv.

No Harmony.

Patience—Do you have harmony in your church choir?

Patrice—Do we? Listen. Last Sunday the soprano wore a pink hat and a green waist, the alto appeared in a green waist and a yellow hat, and the tenor wore a green necktie and a very red nose!

If You Need a Medicine You Should Have the Best

Have you ever stopped to reason why it is that so many products that are extensively advertised, all at once drop out of sight and are soon forgotten? The reason is plain—the article did not fulfill the promises of the manufacturer. This applies more particularly to a medicine. A medicinal preparation that has real curative value almost sells itself, as like an endless chain system the remedy is recommended by those who have been benefited, to those who are in need of it.

A prominent druggist says "Take for example Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, a preparation I have sold for many years and never hesitate to recommend, for in almost every case it shows excellent results, as many of my customers testify. No other kidney remedy has so large a sale."

According to sworn statements and verified testimony of thousands who have used the preparation, the success of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root is due to the fact, so many people claim, that it fulfills almost every wish in overcoming kidney, liver and bladder ailments; corrects urinary troubles and neutralizes the uric acid which causes rheumatism.

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Work that has not a cent in it may be the best paying job in the world.

WASHINGTON CITY SIDELIGHTS

Hawaii Territory Is Desirous to Enter the Union

WASHINGTON.—Hawaii territory wants to be a state. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Hawaiian legislature sets forth this desire. The territory also wants various legislation at the hands of congress.

A Hawaiian commission will present to congress a series of concurrent resolutions adopted by the Hawaiian legislature setting forth the desires of the territory.

Gov. Charles J. McCarthy heads the commission, which includes Attorney General Harry Irwin, Senator Robert W. Shingle, Senator John H. Wise, secretary of the commission; Representative William T. Rawlins and Representative Henry J. Lyman.

The members of the commission, it is announced, will initiate no discussion of the Japanese question.

Authority to incur public debt in an amount of 3 per cent in excess of the amount fixed by present laws, 7 per cent, is to be sought from congress. The present debt is $10,894,000. The additional money is said to be seriously needed for road building and schools.

Another proposal is that the governor, land commissioner and land board be given the right to pass upon qualifications of applicants for homesteads, to assure that "the remaining small body of agricultural land should be settled by a class of farmers who will remain the active owners thereof, and interested and actively concerned in its development."

Other concurrent resolutions to be put before congress ask:

A law requiring residence of not less than one year in Hawaii for eligibility to appointment to federal office in the territory.

Extension to Hawaii of the farm loan act and the reclamation act of June 17, 1902.

Appropriation of $1,000,000 for roads, pipe lines and water works in homestead tracts.

Permission for Hawaii to retain 56 per cent of all customs and internal revenues collected in the territory.

Long-time leases on arid lands upon which water may be brought.

Mexico Has Been a Nuisance Since Jackson's Time

MEXICO has been a nuisance for a long time, it appears. Senator King of Utah read into the Congressional Record the other day extracts from two annual messages by President Andrew Jackson and a special message. The latter, under date of February 6, 1837, is in part:

"The length of time since some of the injuries have been committed, the repeated and unavailing applications for redress, the wanton character of some of the outrages upon the property and persons of our citizens, upon the officers and flag of the United States, independent of recent insults to this government and people by the late extraordinary Mexican minister, would justify in the eyes of all nations immediate war. . . .

"We should act with both wisdom and moderation by giving to Mexico one more opportunity to atone for the past before we take redress into our own hands. To avoid all misconception on the part of Mexico, as well as to protect our own national character from reproach, this opportunity should be given with the avowed design and full preparation to take immediate satisfaction if it should not be obtained on a repetition of the demand for it.

"To this end I recommend that an act be passed authorizing reprisals and the use of the naval force of the United States by the executive against Mexico to enforce them, in the event of a refusal by the Mexican government to come to an amicable adjustment of the matters in controversy between us upon another demand thereof, made from on board one of our vessels of war on the coast of Mexico."

Exit Automobile and Enter Fool-Proof Airplane?

THE world is now entering the aerial age—the last stage of civilization. This is the opinion of Prof. Samuel Pickard, president of the Kansas City (Mo.) Aeroplane school. "Man has conquered land and water transportation," said Prof. Pickard, "and he is now conquering air transportation. Air travel eventually will be safer than traveling by land or water. In fact, it is now only a question of a few months when a new fool-proof machine will be ready for the market.

"It is a simple combination of the features of the aeroplane and balloon, with helium gas. The new air machine will be on an equal competitive basis commercially with the automobile. It will enable one to land on the street or rise directly in the air, for it is nothing more than a lighter-than-air airplane.

"These machines will be small in size, not much bigger than the present five-passenger automobile. It will be possible to rise or descend with as much facility and ease as to go forward or backward. As much of the power of the present plane is utilized in keeping the machine aloft, only a lightweight motor will be necessary.

"The new type of machine will be absolutely safe and in perfect control at all times. It will be possible to operate it at any speed, from two or three miles up to sixty or 125 miles an hour, depending upon the power of the motor.

"It will be the universal mode of transportation and travel. The cost of producing the machine will make the selling price within the reach of practically everyone, including the skilled workman, whose present income is sufficient to buy and operate one."

Only Our Rich Men Can Afford to Be Ambassadors

"THE new position of the United States in world's affairs urgently demands that the agencies through which the foreign affairs of this government are conducted be improved to a degree which shall compare favorably with similar agencies of other governments with which the United States maintains relations."

That is the theory upon which Secretary of State Lansing bases his request to congress for the addition of $1,333,000 to the appropriation for his department and for permission to reorganize our entire foreign relations service on a basis that would add still further large items of expense.

Leading the list of increases proposed by Lansing is a sum of $189,000 for salary raises to ambassadors and ministers at foreign capitals. Fifteen ambassadors now receiving $17,500 annually would be raised by Lansing to $25,000 each; three ministers would be raised from $12,000 to $15,000 and twenty-nine ministers from $10,000 to $12,000.

As compared to the salary of $17,500 allowed ambassadors at the chief capitals, for instance, with no official residence provided or allowances made to cover same, Great Britain pays her ambassador to Italy $35,000, to Japan $25,000 and to France $37,500, and, in each instance, supplies in addition a well-equipped residence.

The result has been, and is, that it is often impossible to fill an important post with the man best qualified for the position. The deciding factor is not so much his diplomatic attainments or knowledge of public and international affairs as it is the size of his pocketbook.

The KITCHEN CABINET

Labor is very precious these days; so much to do, and so few to do it, has brought the wise housewife to economize without sacrificing the comfort of the family.

Happy, indeed, is the woman who has the richness of health back of her and the faculty for doing things.

If the war has taught us anything it is that idleness is unpopular. The woman who has time "to kill" is not recognized among the intelligent.

GOOD THINGS FOR DINNER.

If one has a good-sized French potato cutter there may be made any number of attractive dishes using potatoes. The scraps need not be wasted, for they may be cooked and mashed, served as mashed potato or used in bread or potato muffins, as desired.

Potatoes Cooked in Broth.—Cut the potatoes with a cutter into balls, or they may be cut in cubes; cover with boiling salted water and let boil five minutes. Drain and set to finish cooking in well seasoned broth. When tender, drain and sprinkle with salt and finely minced parsley. This dish is especially good for those who cannot eat solid meat.

Hamburg Steak With Brussels Sprouts.—Chop one pound of steak from the top of the round, add one-half cupful of cold water and a teaspoonful of salt. Mix thoroughly and shape into small cakes. Rub over a hot frying pan with a bit of suet and lay in the cakes. When the juice is seen on the top of the cakes turn at once to cook on the other side. Have ready a smooth brown sauce; cook in it a little chopped ham and a few tablespoonfuls of mushrooms. Have cooked until tender some brussels sprouts. Drain off the water, add salt, pepper and butter to season, then shake the saucepan over the fire till the sprouts have taken up all the seasonings. Set the sprouts in the center of a hot platter, the steak around them, and pour the sauce around the steak.

Potato Doughnuts.—Sift together four and one-half cupfuls of flour, half a teaspoonful of soda, four teaspoonfuls of baking powder and half a teaspoonful of mace or nutmeg. Beat three eggs; add one cupful of sugar and beat again, then beat in one cupful of boiled and riced potato and two-thirds of a cupful of sour or buttermilk. If the sour milk is skimmed, a generous tablespoonful of melted shortening should be added. The fat for frying should be hot enough to brown a cube of bread in one minute. The cake when dropped into the fat should rise at once to the surface. Turn at once and often during the cooking.

Escalloped Cabbage.—Shred and boil a cabbage as for hot slaw. Make a white sauce. Butter a baking dish and put in a layer of boiled cabbage, then a layer of white sauce, and sprinkle with grated cheese. Continue until the cabbage is used or the casserole is full. Season each layer with salt and pepper and bake 20 minutes in a moderate oven.

A tiny house; a plot of earth;
And thou, and I, ah, these make home!
Speak not of poverty nor dearth—
A tiny house, a plot of earth
Are ample cause for thanks and mirth.
For bliss we need no further roam.
A tiny house; a plot of earth;
And thou, and I, ah, these make home! —Blanche E. Wade.

HOUSEKEEPING HINTS.

When hot applications are necessary, dip a cloth in hot water, wring out and lay it between folds of paper placed on top of the kitchen stove or in the oven.

When beating egg whites add a pinch of salt, which makes them beat more quickly and stand up better, as the salt toughens the albumen.

Lemons will keep a long time if kept in a dish of cold water, changing the water from time to time.

To clean discolored white enamelware: Make a strong solution of baking soda and soft water, put the utensils into it and boil them hard.

Goose fat well tried out makes fine shortening for cakes, biscuit and pastry.

To prevent the cream pitcher from dripping put a little butter under the edge of the spout.

An old organ or piano stool makes a fine kitchen stool as it may be raised or lowered at will and is out of the way when pushed under the table.

Lace curtains may be patched with a piece of net as near like the curtain as is possible to get. Dip the net in starch, cover the place to be mended and place over it a cloth. Iron until dry. The torn place will be unnoticed if the edges are carefully trimmed.

When soaking a salt fish remember to put it skin side up in the water as the salt, being heavier than water, will go down to the bottom of the pan.

"The laboring man deserves all he can get out of life and then some. But he will never be strong for his own welfare economically, socially or politically until he learns to save systematically."

CEREAL FOODS.

Oatmeal bread, when made carefully and well baked, is light and digestible. Boil potatoes to make two cupfuls when mashed. Save the water in which they were cooked and add enough water to make a quart of liquid. Pour this over the potatoes, add two tablespoonfuls of shortening, one tablespoonful of sugar and one of salt. Put the mixture over the heat, and when it boils stir in two cupfuls of rolled oats. Let it cook two minutes, then remove and cool. When lukewarm, add one and one-half yeast cakes dissolved in a quarter of a cupful of lukewarm water, a quarter of a teaspoonful of soda and two quarts of flour. Mix until the dough is smooth. Let it rise over night, and in the morning make into three loaves, and let rise until light. Bake one and one-quarter hours in a moderate oven.

Oatmeal Cookies.—Beat one egg in a mixing bowl, add one and one-half cupfuls of brown sugar, six tablespoonfuls of sweet milk, a quarter of a teaspoonful of salt, three-quarters of a cupful of shortening, one teaspoonful of soda dissolved in one-third of a cupful of cold water, one teaspoonful of vanilla. Stir in two cupfuls of flour and two cupfuls of rolled oats. Let stand two or three hours to chill before baking. When ready to bake, drop from a spoon onto a greased sheet, leaving place for the cookies to spread. A few raisins and nuts may be added if desired.

Bran Gems.—To one cupful of flour add one and one-half teaspoonfuls of soda, and sift. Stir in two cupfuls of bran, three tablespoonfuls of molasses, one and one-half cupfuls of sour milk, one-fourth of a cupful of shortening and a quarter of a teaspoonful of salt. Stir until smooth, drop in greased pans and bake three-quarters of an hour.

Spoon Corn Bread.—Take one cupful each of cornmeal, boiled rice, boiling water. Scald the meal with boiling water, add two cupfuls of sweet milk, two eggs, half a teaspoonful of salt, two teaspoonfuls of baking powder and one teaspoonful of sugar. Bake it in a well greased baking dish and serve from the dish. Serve with the spoon bread, liver and bacon.

The only people who make no mistakes are in the graveyard. To fail is to grow. Do you know how to make mistakes? Nothing requires more constant practice than mistake-making. America is at it constantly, and knows how. We blunder on and on, but always forward.—Doctor Crane.

SIMPLE GOOD THINGS.

Almost everybody likes a tomato soup either cream or clear. The following is one easy to prepare:

Tomato Bisque.—Scald one quart of milk with a stalk of celery and two slices of onion. Press enough cooked tomatoes through a sieve to make one pint. Add half a teaspoonful of salt and pepper to taste. Stir one-third of a cupful of flour and a teaspoonful of salt with milk to make a smooth batter. Dilute with a little hot milk, stir until smooth, then add the rest of the hot milk. Continue stirring until smooth and thick. Cook fifteen minutes well covered. Strain into the hot tomato, mix thoroughly, and serve at once with croutons.

Parsnip Fritters.—Take left-over parsnips and press through a puree sieve. To a cupful of the puree, add one-fourth teaspoonful each of salt and pepper, a beaten egg and a dash of cayenne. Mix thoroughly and mold into five or six flat cakes. Cook in a small amount of butter, browning on both sides.

Bacon Fritters.—To prepare the fritter batter, dissolve one-fourth of a teaspoonful of salt in one cupful of cold water and add it to the well-beaten yolks of two eggs which have been blended with one and one-half tablespoonfuls of melted butter or olive oil. Add one cupful of flour, beat well, cover and put in a cool place for two hours or over night. When ready to use, beat the whites stiff and fold in the mixture. Dip the slices of bacon in the batter or chop in rather coarse pieces. Fry in fat to float the fritters.

Corn Balls.—Put three tablespoonfuls of butter in a saucepan. When the butter is melted, add two cupfuls of molasses and two-thirds of a cupful of sugar. Stir until the sugar is dissolved. Boil until, when tried in cold water, the mixture becomes brittle. Pour over six quarts of popped corn. Butter the fingers and shape into balls.

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