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ONE DOLLAR WHEAT.

Western Canada's Wheat Fields Produce It—Magnificent Yields—Free Grants of Land to Settlers.

The returns of the Interior Department show that the movement of American farmers northward to Canada is each month affecting larger areas of the United States. Time was, says the Winnipeg Free Press, when the Dakotas, Minnesota and Iowa furnished the Dominion with the main bulk of its American contingent. Last year, however, forty-four States and districts were represented in the official statement as to the former residence of Americans who had homesteaded in Canada. The Dakotas still head the list, with 4,006 entries, Minnesota being a close second with 3,887, but with the exception of Alabama and Mississippi and Delaware every State in the Union supplied settlers who, in order to secure farms in the fertile prairie country of Canada, became citizens of, and took the oath of allegiance to, the Dominion. Last year no less than 11,841 Americans entered for homestead lands in Canada.

From the Gulf to the Boundary, and from ocean to ocean, the trek to the Dominion goes on. Not only the wheat growers of the central Mississippi valley, but the ranchers of Texas and New Mexico, and the cultivators of the comparatively virgin soil of Oklahoma, are pouring towards the productive vacant lands of the Canadian Northwest. It is no tentative, half-hearted departure for an alien country that is manifested in this exodus; it has become almost a rush to secure possession of land which it is feared, by those imperfectly acquainted with the vast area of Canada's vacant lands, may all be acquired before they arrive. There is no element of speculation or experiment in the migration. The settlers have full information respecting the soil, wealth, the farming methods, the laws, taxation and system of government of the country to which they are moving, and they realize that the opportunities offered in Canada are in every respect better and greater than those they have enjoyed in the land they are leaving.

Canada can well afford to welcome cordially every American farmer coming to the Dominion. There is no question but that these immigrants make the most desirable settlers obtainable for the development of the prairie portion of the Dominion. Full information can be had from any authorized Canadian Government Agent, whose address will be found elsewhere.

Some Better.
"How is your mother this morning, Nellie?" asked a neighbor of a little 4-year-old miss.

"She's better, thank you," replied Nellie, then added: "But she isn't so better as she was."

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DESIRE TO POSSESS HOMES.

Stronger Among Germans than Americans in Large Cities.

That the Germans have come here to stay and that they have money to spend is shown by the extent to which they are acquiring their homes. A recent article of this series brought out the striking fact that, despite the recent arrival of many Germans on other shores, German-American farmers own their farms more extensively than do farmers of American stock. Even more striking are the facts of German home ownership in the cities.

In the nineteen cities of over 200,000 population 20.9 per cent of the native American families live in their own homes, against 28.1 per cent among the Germans of these same cities. In the following table the percentage of home ownership are shown for both native Americans and for the Germans:

	Percent owning homes.	American.	German.
New York	17.3	15.2	
Chicago	17.5	32.2	
St. Louis	15.2	28	
Philadelphia	22.2	28.6	
Milwaukee	20.1	39.7	
Cincinnati	14.9	24.2	
Buffalo	25.2	42.3	
Cleveland	27.7	44.9	
Baltimore	24.3	39.3	
Detroit	28.2	49.5	
Newark	23.9	25.8	
Pittsburg	22.5	38	
San Francisco	18.7	26.8	
Rochester	33.8	47.5	
Louisville	21.4	40.1	
Jersey City	16.8	29.9	
New Orleans	19.2	32.3	
Toledo	30.6	54.2	
Albany	23	32.7	
St. Paul	29.3	31.8	
Indianapolis	27	50.5	
Boston	24.3	27	

In only two cities of the list, New York and Newark, is home ownership more prevalent among the Americans. Some cities show very surprising advantage for the Germans and as a rule they are those cities in which the Germans are strongest. Take Milwaukee, for example, where one-half the people are German. Nearly twice as many Germans, relative to their numbers, own their homes in that city as do the native Americans. Very similar results are shown in St. Louis, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Buffalo and other cities of strong German citizenship. A study of these facts must convince the reader that the German is an exceedingly prosperous American citizen.—Mahan's Magazine.

Women's Woes.
Much of women's daily woe is due to kidney trouble. Sick kidneys cause backache, languor, blind headaches, dizziness, insomnia and urinary troubles. To cure yourself you must cure the kidneys. Profit by the experiences of others who have been cured.

Mrs. William W. Brown, professional nurse, of 16 James street, Paterson, N. J., says: "I have not only seen much suffering and many deaths from kidney trouble, but I have suffered myself. At one time I thought I could not live. My back ached, there were frequent headaches and dizzy spells, and the kidney secretions were disordered. Doan's Kidney Pills helped me from the first, and soon relieved me entirely of all the distressing and painful symptoms."

A FREE TRIAL of this great kidney medicine which cured Mrs. Brown will be mailed on application to any part of the United States. Address: Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all druggists; price 50 cents per box.

The Progressive Japs.

The learning of Japanese will be greatly facilitated by the abandonment of their peculiar way of writing and printing their language. Ten years ago the universities inaugurated the reform; next year the use of European (English) letters will be begun in the public schools, and this will soon lead to their general use.—New York Tribune.

Economy in Threshing.

The fact that there is more grain put into the straw stack than there should be, is something that merits the earnest attention of the up-to-date farmer. Is it not possible to save the wastage of grain and time which attends the use of old-style machinery? This is something that should command the careful consideration of every farmer.

In line with the thought we call attention to the ad. of Nichols & Shepard Company, Battle Creek, Mich., found in another column.

It would seem that the time has come when this great channel of wastage on the farm should be eliminated.

An Explanation.

"I'd like to know why it is," said young Ardupp to his tailor, "that every time you make a pair of trousers for me you get them a little short?"

"I suppose," replied the knight of the featherless goose, "it's because I usually find you that way when I present my bill."

I can recommend Piso's Cure for Consumption for Asthma. It has given me great relief.—W. L. Wood, Farmersburg, Ind., Sept. 8, 1904.

He Certainly Does.

"What is your idea of an average man?" asked the youth.
"An average man," replied the sage, "is a man who thinks he is better than the average."

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The Leeward Islands are now exporting large quantities of preserved fruit juice.

POLITICS OF THE DAY

Republicans Divided.

The spasmodic efforts of the factions of the Republican party in several States to throw off the incubus of the "stand pat" protectionists has another revival, especially in Massachusetts, Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin, North and South Dakota and to some extent in Illinois. They are demanding that the Republican National Convention declare for reciprocity, especially with Canada. Hundreds of manufacturers and business men of Massachusetts have signed an endorsement of such legislation, also, to endorse ex-Congressman Foss for delegate to the Republican National Convention. The Boston Transcript of April 2, a Republican newspaper, publishes half a page containing the names of hundreds of those who signed such endorsement and the Transcript adds that there were hundreds of others. In the city of Brockton a partly personal canvas was made to obtain signatures, for the purpose of ascertaining if reciprocity sentiment was general or only spasmodic. The result was convincing. Practically every business man approached signed the endorsement. The Republican machines in Massachusetts and the other States, notably in Iowa, are fighting tooth and nail to prevent the spread of reciprocity sentiment and to defeat Mr. Foss in Massachusetts, Governor Cummins, of Iowa, and Governor La Follette, in Wisconsin.

In Iowa the protectionist ring is making an especially bitter fight against Governor Cummins and the Protective Tariff League, through its organ, the Economist, says of him: "Cummins and his followers have shown themselves to be the enemies of true Republicanism. They have inaugurated a policy of rule or ruin and they should be compelled to take the consequences. Over and over again, with brazen effrontery and a degree of zeal worthy of a better cause, he—Governor Cummins—has attempted to force upon the Republican party in his own State and in the nation as well, doctrines and policies that are in opposition to settled Republican principles."

When it is remembered that Governor Cummins demanded that the tariff that shelters the trusts must be reformed, it explains the vituperation of the Economist whose life depends upon contributions from the trusts.

This factional fight in the Republican ranks can be viewed with equanimity, if not delight by Democrats, for it may result in many Republicans voting for the Democratic candidates when they see their demands spurned by the Republican ring leaders. There is no more hope for these Republican reformers now than in the past, though they are more numerous and insistent than heretofore. The only hope of tariff reformers is with the Democrats who favor all and any reforms that will lessen the burden upon the taxpayers and lighten the trust load of high prices which the people now have to bear.

Ship Subsidy Again.

The Republicans of Pennsylvania at their late State convention deplored the condition of American shipping and, "the fact that nine out of every ten ships which brought our imports and bore away our exports last year were foreign vessels, built abroad, officered and manned abroad, a part of the potential naval reserve of foreign governments." This depressing fact seemed to have weighed upon the mind of Senator Quay who dominated the convention and who wrote or was responsible for the platform, for the platform continues, that it favored "the building of an American merchant marine that American built ships and American seamen may have the carrying of at least a fair proportion of American passengers and freightage."

This apparently patriotic utterance did not evidently lighten the gloomy feelings of Senator Quay, nor even one of the hundreds of his satellites that attended the convention. No suggestion was made of any hope of a way to improve this desperate condition, the convention wishes to leave it to the voters to discover the remedy. But this lack of foresight, or statement of what would quickly relieve the American ship trust magnates from the slough of despond, was well known to Senator Quay. Only a short time before the platform was concocted he had promised Griscorn and Cassett, respectively, the ship trust and railroad magnate, that such a plank would be included, so that when the ship subsidy bill was received in Congress all the Pennsylvania delegation could justify their votes for subsidy. The prospect of a good large subsidy always cheers the drooping spirits of a Pennsylvania Republican, but it does not always do to publicly resolve for it, so Quay left the voters in the dark and left them to brood over the decline of the American marine.

Quay and the ship trust magnates know there is millions in it, if the subsidy bill can only be passed, but the people are rather ticklish on subsidies, they know they will have to pay the big bill and are not so enthusiastic, for the old flag and an appropriation,

as Quay and the ship trust magnates are. In some other States the same tactics will be used to bolster up the discredited ship subsidy and if President Roosevelt does not carefully watch the incubation of the national platform by Senator Lodge, he will be committed to the scheme as the Pennsylvania delegation are.

Only eternal vigilance will prevent the subsidy hunters from loading the taxpayers with this enormous expenditure for a long term of years and their persistence would have been rewarded ere this if the Democrats had not been on guard against it.

Trust Investigation.

Congress has ordered Secretary Cortelyou to investigate the Meat Trust, but by what he says he is not going to do in carrying out the orders of Congress leads one to believe that he will not discover much that the trust does not want him to find out. He announces there will be no public examination of witnesses and that he seems to stoop to detective work. When Secretary Cortelyou reports to Congress next winter what he has discovered, perhaps Congress will be none the wiser.

We all know that the Meat Trust is a "bad trust" for that trust and the railroad merger were the only ones that President Roosevelt and his Attorney-General could discover that were bad enough to commence proceedings against, but neither of these were bad enough to prosecute under the criminal section of the anti-trust law.

If Congress had ordered Attorney-General Knox to indict the Meat Trust magnates for criminal conspiracy in restraint of trade and they had been convicted and given the term in jail that the law provides for such criminals, the trust magnates would be glad to amend their doings. Such punishment would turn this bad trust into an innocuous one and Secretary Cortelyou would have been saved a world of trouble.

How will Secretary Cortelyou find out anything about the Meat Trust, that is not already known, if he will not "stoop to detective work?" When he or any of the 10,000 people employed in his department, interview the trust magnates, the bad side of their doings will hardly be disclosed. When the railroads are asked about the secret rebates and special rates that the Meat Trust is said to enjoy, the corporation magnates will not want to convict themselves.

Secretary Cortelyou evidently has a very exalted idea of his own importance but he will have to come off his high horse and get down to detective work to obtain any evidence of how the trust manipulates the market for cattle and dictates the price of meat. Perhaps if he consulted Attorney-General Knox, he might be given the evidence presented to the court upon which the injunction was granted against the combine. Why did the Republican leaders in Congress ask the evidently unwilling Cortelyou to obtain evidence of the Meat Trust exactions, when Attorney-General Knox must have just what Congress says it wants? Perhaps the Republican leaders know that Secretary Cortelyou would not "stoop to detective work" and thus no evidence would be forthcoming.

De Armond Flays Republicans.

Hon. David A. De Armond, of Missouri, in a speech in the House, said: "Who is it of you who will predict what the President will do if given four years in his own right at the White House? Who of you is it that will dare to enter the field of prediction and say what he will not do—or say—anything that he will not do—if given four years in his own right up there?"

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