

EVERYTHING WAS FAVORABLE.

Sorry He Didn't Move to Western Canada Sooner.

Mr. Austin was a man who had never had any previous experience in farming, but Western Canada had allurements, and he profited. He got a low rate certificate from a Canadian Government agent, and then moved. What he says is interesting.

Ranfurly, Alberta, May 10, 1908.

J. N. Grieve, Esq., Spokane, Wash.:

Dear Sir—After a dozen or more years of unsuccessful effort in the mercantile business in western Washington, in August, 1903, decided to come to Alberta with a gentleman who was shipping two cars of live stock to Edmonton. I assisted this man with the stock over 100 miles out in the Birch Lake country, east of Edmonton. Indeed, how surprised, how favorably everything compared with my dream of what I wanted to see in a new country.

Had never had any experience in farming, but I was immediately converted into a farmer. And from that moment I have prospered. Selecting a homestead near Birch Lake, I returned for wife and three small children and freighted out from Edmonton. In March, following year, we shoveled a spot clear of snow and pitched our tent and commenced operations. At that time we had no neighbors. Four years have passed. The locality is well settled; two miles from railway station, with churches and schools, telephone and good road accommodations.

We are enjoying the privileges granted to any rural district in Washington. The Birch Lake country is no exception. This great transformation is rapidly going on in every district in western Canada.

I estimate that every quarter section in every direction is capable of producing a comfortable living for a family of ten forever. After paying for two horses and a cow had just \$10 to go on. Did my first ploughing in my life; was very awkward in my work, but nature was glad I came and abundantly paid me for my efforts. Our cattle have increased to about fifty head, which was very profitable on account of the abundance of forage.

To farm was compelled to buy about \$400 worth of farm machinery on time, and the payments fell due last fall, and you may wonder how I expected to pay for them when we had such a bad year. 'Twas a little bad for western Canada or for a Missourian. But is not 35 or 40 bushels oats a pretty good yield per acre in many States? Then the price of grain went out of sight, so when I had sold my crop I found I was able to make my payments nicely; besides, we had lots of feed. No one has any business raising cattle without growing grain, or vice versa. As to the winters, did not feed my cattle, excepting the calves, a fork of hay until in March. Have found the winters much more pleasant than we did in western Washington. This is strange and hard to explain, but 'tis true nevertheless; at 40 degrees below zero we have more comfort than you would at 20 degrees above, so still and dry, with bright, sunny days. My wife says that the only regret she has is that we did not come here ten years ago, as we would now certainly have been in a position to retire from hard work. Most women soon become satisfied as neighbors begin to come round them. Have 98 acres in crop this year, besides 2 acres potatoes, which have always brought me a fair price. We find a ready market for everything we produce. To the poor man—here is a chance to establish yourself. To the rich man—here is a chance to buy land for \$10 to \$15 per acre which will produce more crops than a half dozen acres of your \$50 to \$75 per acre land. And if not very much mistaken, this year will prove an eye opener to those who are a little skeptical. The trouble with me is that I have so much to say so favorable to Alberta 'tis hard to be brief. Respectfully,

(Signed) P. S. AUSTIN.

Bees and Their Baskets.

Every bee carries his market basket around his hind legs. Any one examining the baby of a bee through a microscope will observe that on the hind legs of the creature there is a fringe of stiff hairs on the surface, the hairs approaching each other at the tips, so as to form a sort of cage. This is the bee's basket, and into it, after a successful journey, he will cram enough pollen to last him for two or three days.

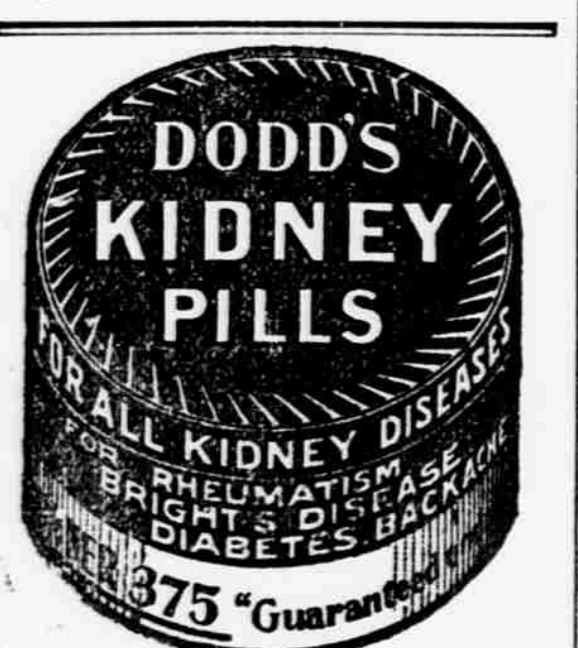
Setting Him Right.

"I don't know whether you've noticed it," said Bragg, "but I can't help remarking how much the girls make of me."

"How careless you're becoming in your speech," said Knox; "you left a word out of that sentence."

"Eh? How do you mean?"

"The word 'fun' after much."—Philadelphia Press.



FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN

How About It?
You vowed to be cheerful,
The test is to come.
Are you smiling this morning
Or moody and glum?

You vowed you'd endeavor
To spread smiles around;
What was it? Cold coffee,
I hear that you frowned.

You vowed to be patient;
Come now and confess,
Has she used your razor
To rip up a dress?

You vowed to be pleasant
To all you would meet;
What? She didn't say "Thanks"
When you gave up your seat?

You vowed you'd oblige,
Yet you growled over much
At the friend who came in
Just to make a small "touch."

O, these are the tests
That our good resolves end.
Come on and confess,
How about it, my friend?

—Detroit Free Press.

The Deadly Hatpin.

There ought to be a law that will prevent a 60-inch woman from wearing a 12-inch hatpin, and jeopardizing the eyes and even the life of every one within sticking reach of her. In the crowded elevated cars it is not unusual to see men frantically bobbing their heads about, in a vain endeavor to get out of reach of the hatpins of the women in front of them. It is all very well to laugh at the victim who goes into the office with a long scratch on his cheek, and to ask him if he said to the lady: "Never mind, madam, I've another eye left." It is anything but

els, in the shape of cobochons, buckle effects, as well as skillfully applied ornamental motives.

For dinner or reception gowns very long trains will be worn, sometimes cut quite square across the end and sometimes divided up the center for a little distance, in a manner suggestive of a mermaid's tail.

Cord belts are the latest wrinkle in girdles. They come in almost any standard shade and are fastened in front with a huge colored stone of barbaric design. The belt is fully a yard and a half long, the ends hanging down in front.

Another coat innovation is the introduction of exquisitely colored silk linings in the outwardly sedate long black broadcloth coats. The unfastening of the garment reveals a lining of old rose, violet, brilliant green, old blue or some other contrasting hue. The result is an elegance that fits the coat for evening as well as for day street wear.

Immeasurably convenient to women who go out in all sorts of weather are the new full-length street coats of serge or worsted which have been cravenge to make them weather-proof. They are in dark blues, browns and other colors as well as black, and are close fitting and finished with velvet collars, making them suitable coats for clear weather as well as stormy.

A Girl's Allowance.

The sooner a girl is given an allowance, at any rate for the small items of dress, the better, as it teaches her to be careful in detail, the neglect of which so often mars a toilet. The dance or party frock is the first consideration.

a remarkable woman, and she has the distinction of being portrayed by Charles Reade in his "Woman-Hater."

The novelist made use of her plucky fight to enter the medical profession as a part of the theme of his story; and in commenting on the refusal of the male students to sit at medical lectures with her, he made the pertinent remark: "All her troubles ended—where her competitors' began—at the public examinations."—Home Notes.

Ultra Modish Hat.



An extremely modish hat in all black is pictured in the cut. The shape is the corday or mushroom type, in black velvet, with a long black silk scarf whose ends are finished with deep fringe, artistically draped around crown and falling over brim on left side.

To Clean All-Wool Fabrics.

Shave up half a bar of any good laundry soap, add four tablespoonfuls borax and a little water and melt over fire. Then add four tablespoonfuls ammonia, put in tub and half fill tub with

WRAPPERS, NEGLIGES, DRESSING SACQUES, AND TEA GOWNS.



laughable to the victim. A campaign against this murderous but un concealed weapon has been instigated by the Berlin newspapers, and a number of serious accidents are reported from London. A lady there has been permanently blinded in one eye and an attendant in a store has had his face so badly injured that it was necessary to remove him to a hospital. There is much point to the question, in any event, and it deserves to stick in the public mind.

The Mother's Part.

Boys have to fight battles to-day as their fathers before them. All modern teaching that children should not fight, that boys should be friendly to each other, is very well in theory, but the "bully" is still in existence to-day and the word "liar" is answered by a blow in the best-bred circles.

Popular Designs in Tailor-Mades.



Two distinguished looking tailor-mades are shown in the accompanying cut. The first is made of elephant gray satin cloth, which fits the figure closely. The front is draped across the bust, and narrows into two shoulder straps, on the edges of which are cloth buttons and buttonholes. There is a curious little "vestment" of gray-blue cloth, and above this a tucked yoke of white net and jabot of same.

The First Woman Mayor.

Mrs. Garrett-Anderson, M. D., the newly-elected mayor of Aldersburgh, Norfolk, is England's first lady mayor. Mrs. Anderson, who was elected to the Council last year, has been an M. D. (Paris) since 1870, in which year she served on the first London school board. She is

So many delightful impromptu occasions arise that to obtain sufficient variety is often a serious difficulty. The average girl certainly requires at least two good evening frocks, well cut, and, for the younger ones, of a style that admits of "doing up." Take, for instance, satin frocks. The girl of 17 should be possessed of a smart dance frock in plain taffetas or satin. This, after the initial outlay, is a really economical purchase, since after a few visits to the cleaner's it can be turned into a foundation for another frock.

Boys should not get into fights for the sake of fighting, but every boy has to learn to take care of himself when he starts out in the world, with other boys.

As soon as the mother starts to side with her boy, to show sympathy for him and reprimand other boys for their brutality, she will have to stand for that boy's unpopularity and see him grow into a coward; but if she allows him to fight his own battles, even at the expense of a few bruises and scratches, he will be worth while. The whimpering child who always runs to his "mother" with every offense has small chance in the big game of life to come.

Greater Fields.

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"Yes," answered Mr. Meekton.

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WORK OF CONGRESS

Seventy-five bills on the calendar of the Senate were passed Monday. The consideration of these measures, most of which were of local character, consumed nearly the entire session. Senator Foraker attempted to get consideration for the Aldrich substitute bill providing for a court of inquiry of the discharged negro soldiers of the Twenty-fifth Regiment, charged with having shot up Brownsville Aug. 13-14, 1906, but postponed making a motion for that purpose in order that Senator McLaurin of Mississippi might speak on the Brownsville affair Tuesday. The Senate passed without amendment a House bill declaring Feb. 12, the centenary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln, to be a legal holiday. Unless the Senate comes to their rescue the West Point cadets will not be able to attend the inauguration on the 4th of March at the expense of the government. The cadets have been one of the big attractions of the inaugural ceremonies for many years. By a point of order an item providing funds for the trip was stricken from the military appropriation bill. Under suspension of the rules the House passed the Payne bill prohibiting the importation of opium, but refused to pass the Senate bill to pension Federal judges. The Bennett bill for the exportation of aliens convicted of a felony was also denied passage.

An agreement was reached in the Senate Tuesday to vote on Feb. 23 on the Aldrich substitute bill for the appointment of a court of inquiry to determine the qualifications for re-enlistment of the discharged soldiers of the Twenty-fifth Infantry, as the result of the Brownsville incident. The Senate passed a House bill to prevent the importation of opium into the United States except for medicinal purposes. The House locked horns with the Senate on the question of automobiles for the White House, and refused to accept an amendment to the urgent deficiency bill striking out the appropriation of \$12,000 for that purpose. The bill was sent to conference, after a humorous debate in which several members took occasion to refer to the bodily proportions of the President-elect. The hopes of the army for sufficient money to continue its experiments in aerodynamics were blasted when the House reconsidered its action of the previous week and by a vote of almost 2 to 1 withdrew the increase of \$500,000 then made. After undergoing this and other amendments the army appropriation bill was passed, and consideration of the agricultural bill immediately begun. Under license of debate on the later measure, Mr. Anshberry of Ohio spoke in advocacy of a ship canal from Chicago to Toledo. The agricultural bill was pending when the House adjourned.

Senator Teller of Colorado addressed the Senate Wednesday in support of Senator Bacon's resolution declaring that the Senate has a right to any information in possession of the executive departments and cited various precedents to sustain his contention. He claimed that only in exceptional cases is the President warranted in withholding information. General debate on the agricultural appropriation bill afforded critics and defenders of the Department of Agriculture an excellent field day. Mr. Lever (S. C.) led off with an attack on the appointment and work of the referee board of consulting chemists in the department. Mr. Hollin (Ala.) asked on behalf of cotton growers for a governmental monthly report on the consumption of cotton. Mr. Sturgis (W. Va.) urged an extension of the forest service. Mr. Humphrey (Wash.) took an exactly opposite view, while Mr. Mondell (Wyo.) declared the bureau of forestry the most autocratic government bureau outside of Russia. Mr. Bartholdt (Mo.) urged the issue of bonds for inland water way improvement and Mr. Chandler (Miss.) complained of the tariff on agricultural implements. Chairman Scott of the agricultural committee closed the debate with explanatory remarks on work done by the department during the last year. When the bill was under consideration under the five-minute rule an increase of \$500 to the salary of Solicitor George P. McCabe, making it \$4,500, was stricken out on a point of order. An increase of the salary of Director Willis B. Moore of the weather bureau from \$5,000 to \$6,000 suffered a similar fate. Before the bill was taken up in general debate the House passed the Senate pension bill for Federal judges.

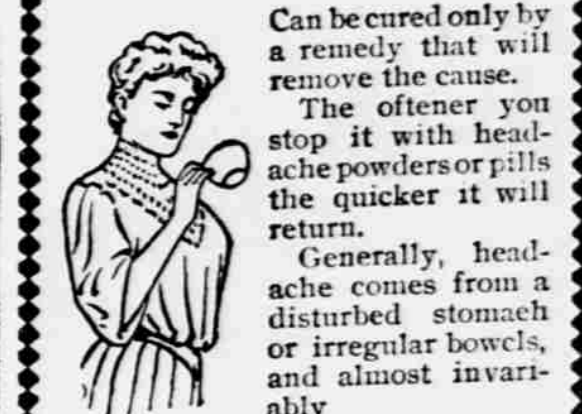
NOTES OF CURRENT EVENTS.

The Greenwich, England, observatory has succeeded in taking a photograph of the eighth moon of Jupiter.

No trace has been discovered of First Lieut. Edward Gottlieb, coast artillery corps, U. S. A., who disappeared while his court martial was in progress at Boston, but the government will not abandon the electrical inventions upon which he was engaged.

The large glass case containing the model of the old frigate Constitution and the engrossed petition signed by more than 20,000 citizens asking the preservation of the old warship, has been removed from the Secretary of the Navy's reception room to the museum at the Washington navy yard.

Headache



Lane's Family Medicine

(called also Lane's Tea)
A tonic laxative, will cure headache in short order by regulating the bowels and reinvigorating the stomach.
It is a great natural herb blood medicine and the favorite laxative of old and young.
At druggists', 25c. and 50c.

His Error.

"We live and learn," observed Mr. Becker, glancing up from his paper. "Some of us do," said Mr. Knocker, acidly. "Have you been trying to join us?"

"Don't be funny. But I've found out for the first time that the French expression 'hors de combat' doesn't mean 'war horse.'"—Cleveland Leader.

Deafness Cannot be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

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"Panning out? No. Next thing to it, though. It's petering out."—Chicago Tribune.

Throat Troubles. To allay the irritation that induces coughing, use Brown's Bronchial Troches. A simple remedy. In boxes 25 cents. Samples mailed free. John I. Brown & Son, Boston, Mass.

The searchlight of the British Dreadnought has a new feature in that it projects beams at the same time in opposite directions to facilitate signaling.

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PAZO OINTMENT is guaranteed to cure any case of Itching, Bleeding or Protruding Piles in 6 to 14 days or money refunded. 50c.

He Knew.

Teacher—Tommy, who was Cleopatra?
Tommy Tucker—Cleopatra was the colored woman who used to do our washin', ma'am. Her other name was Jackson.

The Herb laxative, Garfield Tea, aids Nature in maintaining the general well-being of the body, it corrects constipation, purifies the blood, brings health.

Lost in the Australian bush, near Port Darwin, for five days, engineer-commander E. S. Silk was found alive and well by a black tracker.

A good honest remedy for Rheumatism, Neuralgia and Sore Throat is Hamlin's Wizard Oil. Nothing will so quickly drive out all pain and inflammation.

Too Cautious.

Mayne—You refused that handsome young lawyer? Why, I thought you liked him.

Maybelle—I did, but when he proposed to me he put it in the form of a hypothetical question 400 words long.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

The Tricksters.

"Political tricksters always give themselves away," said a Congressman. "Their methods remind me of the two men who wanted to sell their corpses for dissection. These two men, miserably clad, called on the dean of a medical college in New York.

"We are both on the verge of starvation, sir," the spokesman said. "We are well on in years, and it is clear that we haven't much longer to live. Would you care to purchase our bodies for your dissecting room?"

"The dean hesitated.

"It is an odd proposition," he muttered.

"But it is occasionally done," said the spokesman, in an eager voice.

"Well," said the dean, "we might arrange it. What price do you ask?"

"Over in Philadelphia," said the spokesman, "they gave us \$40."—New York Tribune.

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