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Duhamel, Jan. 24, 1900.

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Yours very respectfully,
(Signed) THOMAS TATE,
Duhamel, Alberta, Canada.

P. S.—It has not been down to zero this month. It is 22 above now.

Rudyard Kipling's first piece of sustained work since his illness last year turns out to be a series of humorous animal stories which are said to show all the freshness and zest of a man who has had a long rest. Kipling loves to write an animal story better than anything else, and when his physicians allowed him to return to work he instinctively turned to this series which he had in mind for years. There are nine stories. The author has sent the entire series to The Ladies' Home Journal, and that magazine will begin their publication at once.

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FARM AND GARDEN.

MATTERS OF INTEREST TO AGRICULTURISTS.

Some Up-to-Date Hints About Cultivation of the Soil and Yields Thereof—Horticulture, Viticulture and Floriculture.

Forcing Fruit Bearing.

(Condensed from Farmers' Review Stenographic Report of Wisconsin Horticultural Convention.)

A. L. Hatch spoke on what can be done to make plant live, grow and bear fruit. He said in part: A tree or any plant should have a balanced ration. The soil must be suited to the plant to be grown, and must contain the proper foods. Thus, you can't grow apple trees successfully on muck soils. Cultivation should begin early in the season, for it is early in the season that the tree makes most of its growth. Every fruit tree and plant should make a good growth every season. We should mulch and cultivate our trees every year. I have found that spring pruning gives better fruitage than at any other season of the year. Later pruning removes foliage that contains growth matter.

Water sprouts and those not coming out where wanted should be rubbed off in the spring, while yet in the bud stage. The real winter protection is in so growing the tree that the wood is well ripened and hardened up to stand the winter. The man that permits the foliage of his trees to be damaged by insects or diseases will have trees with wood only partly ripened, and such will have less power to stand hard winter conditions than will the trees that have had good foliage to ripen up their wood.

Q. Do you recommend puddling the roots of all trees before setting?

A.—Yes, sir. But perhaps I should not say all trees. However, I do not know any other way of getting good capillarity, that is, getting the roots so intimately connected with the dirt that capillary attraction can operate between them. This does not mean that we should make a thick, heavy mud to hold the roots. Would not you, Mr. Kellogg, puddle your trees before setting?

M. S. Kellogg—Yes.

Q.—How deep is it advisable to cultivate the orchard?

Mr. Hatch—That depends on how much cultivation the orchard has previously received. If it has been always in grass, the roots will be found so near the surface that only very superficial cultivation can be given; but if the orchard has been cultivated from the first, the roots will be deeper. If I had trees that had been planted for ten years, and never cultivated, I would not cultivate more than four inches deep. Grass sod in the orchard is very injurious to the trees, especially at times of the year when soil water is deficient and trees have to depend to some extent on the occasional showers. In that case the roots of the grass drink up about all of the moisture before it gets down to the roots. I have dug up sod in the orchard hours after a good shower and found that not one drop had got within reach of the roots of the trees; every blade of grass was acting as a pump, pumping the moisture back into the atmosphere. There are multitudes of trees that by reason of the sod beneath them are thirsty most of the time during the growing season. You must remember that not a particle of food can enter the tree except by being carried in water; therefore you can starve a tree to death by depriving it of water. The reason that so many orchards in grass are moderately successful is because they get in the springtime the water from melting snow and from spring rains, and for a part of the growing season have all the water they can use. But they remain thirsty for a large part of the season.

Q.—Can't you extend the season of cultivation if the cultivation is light?

Mr. Hatch—Professor Bailey says that the orchard should not be cultivated after midsummer.

Q.—Can we make trees bear alternate years?

Mr. Hatch—Yes. If the trees are going to bear this year we can prune a part of them and prevent them from bearing a crop this year; they will then probably bear next year.

Superficial Farming.

There is a time in the history of every country when superficial farming pays better than any other kind of farming, or at least that is the opinion we hold without giving the assertion a systematic investigation. That time is when inhabitants are few and the rich lands free and abundant. The land is pastured over superficially, plowed superficially and cropped over superficially. The results are satisfactory. The new settlers, living in log cabins that cost nothing but labor, pay no taxes to speak of, and find it possible to get all the clothing and other necessities from the products of their own lands or flocks or herds. With all wants abundantly supplied there is no inducement to do anything but superficial farming. The fathers transmit their methods to their sons, and they to succeeding generations, and that mode of farming becomes fixed. In time the methods come to be regarded as "orthodox" for all conditions.

Meantime people become more numerous and land scarce. Populations crowd each other and the value of land rises. Taxes multiply, and the farm expenses become items of the first consideration. It is evident that new problems have arisen that the old-style farmers cannot solve. The customs of generations, however, prove strong, and the multitude of farm owners will hang to them, even to the point of seeing their farms slip away into the hands of the mortgagors.

Superficial farming must be discarded. It is not in accordance with the changed people and times. It cannot give revenue enough to meet the obligations that the new conditions impose. Superficial tillage must give way to intensive tillage. Superficial pasturage must give way to a system of pasturage that utilizes the soil to a foot in depth instead of to a depth of two or three inches. Superficial operations of all kinds must be abandoned except in the far West, where lands are still cheap and conditions of life are primitive. The wise farmer will be willing to sell a part of his immense farm and use the capital thus obtained to operate in a more intensive manner the smaller area of land remaining.

Feeding Fat into Milk.

The New Zealand Dairyman, commenting on the attempts to feed fat into milk, says:

In 1874-77 the great German investigator Keuhu, feeding cows on palm nut meal in particular, and also malt sprouts, peanut meal and cottonseed meal, concluded that these foods increased directly the amount of fat in the milk, and for a time these statements were hardly disputed. In 1879 the same learned investigator, after further experimenting, changed his views and wrote: "The system of feeding is only of secondary importance for milk production; the yield of milk is primarily dependent on the development or productive capacity of the milk glands of each cow, and even with changes from light to heavy feed the supply does not increase in proportion to the nutriment supplied. The same holds true where the farmer aims to increase any single component of milk—as fat—since it is not possible to obtain a one-sided increase of this or any other component in the milk by changes in the system of feeding. No such changes can, at any rate, be reached as of practical importance." But this plain statement from one of the most careful investigators the world has produced was not accepted as final, and scientists have worked over the question again and again in a multitude of ways.

Perhaps the best illustrations of how they have started and how they came out of the investigations in many cases was by Patrick at the Iowa station. This investigator fed one lot of his cows heavily with sugar meal, a by-product of the glucose factory, giving to another lot a lighter feed of mixed grain; then the conditions were reversed. Analysis showed apparently in some cases that the cows had increased as much as .5 of one per cent butter-fat, and the conclusion of the investigator was that sugar meal was one of the feeds which would surely increase the fat percentage of milk. But all the cows on the trial did not increase the fat in their milk, and to pile up more data another experiment was undertaken with sugar meal as one of the feeds. This time there was no increase in fat, and the investigator ceased his contentions that sugar meal fed to cows would put fat into their milk.

Apple Maggot.

One of the worst pests that the apple grower has to fight is the railroad worm, called also the pulp worm, and the apple maggot, says a communication from the Vermont Experiment Station. The fruit growers of Vermont are unanimous in giving this insect the first rank among their insect enemies. It is worse than the tent caterpillar. That can be entirely overcome by spraying, whereas spraying has no effect on the railroad worm. The railroad worm, or apple maggot, is the cause of the pulpy, punky condition of the apples as we find them now in the stored fruit and in that offered for sale. The eggs are laid just under the skin of the apple by a small fly. This fly begins her work in June and keeps it up pretty much all summer, so that there may be worms of all ages in the apples. She has a strong preference for sweet apples, and has practically ruined the crop of Talmans last year. Still she works in all varieties, sour as well as sweet, and causes hundreds of dollars' loss to the fruit grower. The authorities at the Vermont Experiment Station frankly admit that no satisfactory way of dealing with it has been discovered. They say that considerable good can be accomplished by keeping hogs or sheep in the orchard to pick up the windfalls. These windfalls are usually full of apple maggots, and the hogs digest them out of existence. Experiments are being made at various places in the United States, and we hope eventually to know some more effective way of dealing with this pest. But for the present we must rely on the practice of destroying the windfalls.

Tillage Value of Subsoil.

The value of the subsoil for tillage purposes must always depend on its local character. It is therefore manifestly impossible to give advice for its treatment that can be generally applied. As we use the terms, there is a great difference between soil and subsoil, but this difference varies so greatly that in some cases the term subsoil is almost identical with the term soil. The soil is that part of the ground lying nearest the air, and is composed of pulverized rock, humus, animal remains and minute particles of still undecayed vegetable matter. Being nearest the air the elements of the air, which tend to break up the rocky material in which the plant food is bound up, can operate. The frosts take hold earliest and remain longest. The subsoil is that lying below, and consists generally of rock, with little vegetable matter, and little opportunity for action by the frosts of winter, the heat of summer or the elements of the air. There are, however, exceptions in some of our prairies, and wherever the soil has been deposited to great depth by action of water in swamps and rivers. There are subsoils that may, by deep plowing, be incorporated with the soil to great advantage, since their texture is similar, and since they contain both some vegetable matter and mineral elements set loose by chemical action. When it is possible to use such soils for cultural purposes, underdraining will be found to make them more available. In many localities the subsoil is so heavy that its incorporation with the surface soil would prove a detriment.

Exterminating Elder Bushes.

About the only complete way is to grub out every bit of the roots. Cutting them on certain days in August, or in particular phases of the moon I never paid attention to. But I would not destroy them all, says Samuel Miller in Rural World. Let a little patch of them stand for family use. The leaves when bruised are a cure for a gall. The blossoms dried make a medicinal tea, and jelly of the fruit is an excellent relief for a cough. A teaspoonful of it dissolved in a tumbler of hot water will give great relief when the throat is sore and there is hoarseness. Then I consider an elderberry pie one of the best, and a wine made of elderberries is fine and by no means hard to take.

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Mother—You're been into that jam again?

Truthful Son—No'm, I haven't. I'll declare I haven't!

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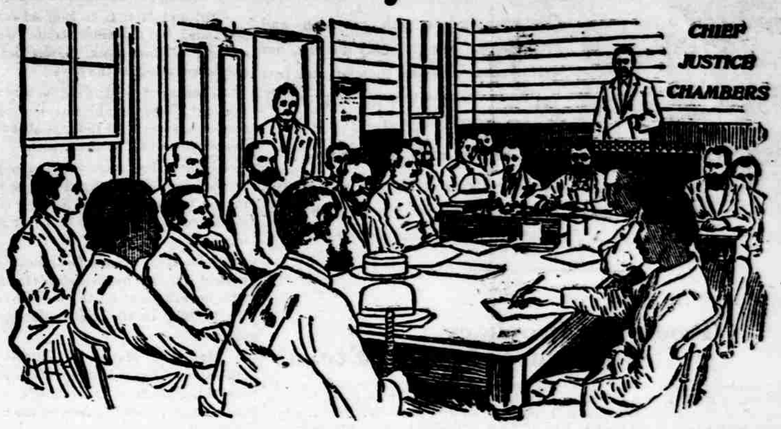

Court Room Scene where Judge Chambers maintained the supremacy of the United States in Samoa.

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W. L. Chambers.

Literary Crooks.

Servant girls in Boston who read Homer, Foethe and Schiller are spoken of in the labor bulletins of Massachusetts just issued. Investigation by employes of the state board of labor as to the style of books common in Boston kitchens showed that while cook books of various make are the most common, that good books of other kinds were not at all unusual. In two or three cases history, either of the United States or England, seemed to be preferred. In one a philosophical or critical work was mentioned: in one the works of Goethe and Schiller and the poems of Homer were specified, and in one the Chautauqua course was followed.

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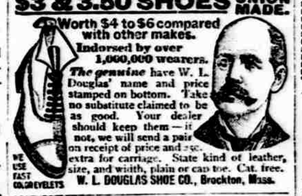

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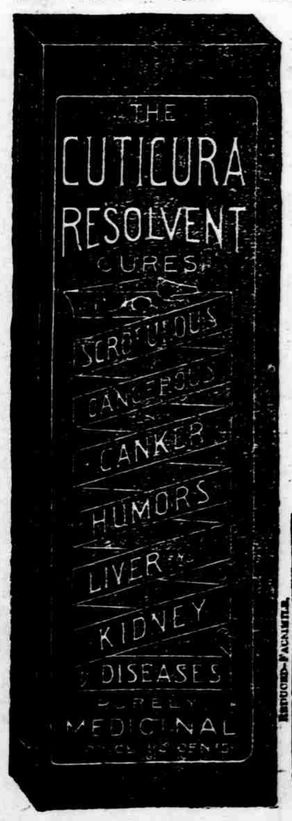

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