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The Canadian Post.

LINDSAY, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1893.

FARM AND FIELDSIDE.

A Plague Tragedy.

The beautiful Kibel's father has a New painted front piazza.

When with tobacco juice was tainted. They had that front piazza painted.

Algeron called that night, per-hance Arrived in comely slippers.

Engaging Kibel in a chat. On that piazza down he sat.

And when an hour or two had past. He tried to rise, but 'twas stuck fast.

And called in vain, "It is the paint!" And gazed in a deadly faint.

Algeron sits there till this day. He cannot stir himself away.

His point is firm, the point is dry. He is a noble one to die.

Oh, my!

Creameries.

[To the Editor of the Post.]

As the Ontario legislature has passed an act to establish three creameries, one east, one west and one central, and as they are intended to be educational institutions,

one of the questions will be, where shall they be placed? They should not interfere with cheese factories or any other creamery, and it is desirable to have them where they are most needed and where the facilities for reaching them from other portions of the province are good.

near a good road, centre and convenient to land adapted to grazing. Now everything that is required is to be found in this immediate vicinity. We have good railroad communication so that parties can come here from Hastings, Northumberland, Durham, Ontario, York, Simcoe, Hamilton, Peterboro, Muskoka and Nipissing districts, and we have no creameries nor cheese factories to interfere with, so in the matter of being able to reach this point from a large territory we are better situated than any other place. This point is also good in being better adapted for the business than any other point in the rear of us. We have a county particularly adapted for the grazing business. Taking everything into consideration there cannot be found a better place to locate than near this town. The advantages of the creamery as compared with the private dairies may be briefly stated. The labor of making butter is avoided, and this in some houses is a great consideration. The butter is more uniform and the cream is handled to a better advantage, thereby securing a more uniformly good article and less waste, and a better price is obtained. There have been two systems tried, the whole milk creamery and the authorized cream plant. The latter has many advantages, some of which are economy in handling. In gathering cream each pound collected represents six times its weight in milk, hence it will be seen that a great saving is effected by gathering the cream and leaving the skimmed milk.

The sweet milk left on the farm is much better for feeding calves or hogs than if taken to the factory and hauled back and in small quantities.

Economy in manufacture. Butter can be made more cheaply from cream than whole milk, which has to be set and skimmed.

Cream can be carried twenty miles or more without injury, while milk drawn more than five miles loses in the carriage.

Nearly all these advantages will apply against cheese factories. In the creamery the land is not impoverished so much as in the cheese factory, and the whole milk is retained.

The farmers cannot look to their interests better than by making a strong effort to secure this establishment in this section.

Little Grange, Ont., Jan. 25, 1893.

The Ottawa Farmers' Club.

The Ottawa farmers' club have resumed the meetings and discussions which have proved so interesting and profitable and the reports of which we have frequently reprinted for our readers. At the first meeting things in general were discussed. The worthy president, Mr. Annis, after expressing his gratification at the renewal of the meetings, said he was pleased to see an article in a paper showing that our province had surpassed all but one of the states of the union in grain growing, which was something for the farmers of Ontario to feel proud of. He advocated the farmers of Ontario sowing barley early, tending it well, binding it at once as soon as cut, and keeping it up as straight as possible. He followed this plan closely and found it paid him well. He remarked that there was a splendid representation of our best grain growers, cattle breeders, horticulturists and dairymen present to give us some good points. Col. McGill said with regard to the failure of the plum crop there were two causes. One was the insect, which stung the blossom. The larva, as the plum grows, remains inside, and after a while destroys the fruit. The second was the fruit knocking together, bruising and causing decay. He did not think, however, that the clusters decayed any sooner than the single plums, as he had experimented. With regard to ashes, he had heard a large fruit grower across the border say, that the best thing possible for fruit was ashes. He would prefer a bushel of ashes to a load of manure, because they are extremely beneficial to the fruit. Another question he would speak upon was the Percheron horses. He thought the discussion was not perfectly understood at the last meeting. At the Toronto exhibition he saw them. He was surprised at the fine build and noble look of the animals. He thought they were just the animals for this section of country. There are a number of Clydes in this section, but they are specially large, and, no doubt, a fine animal, but he did not think they were equal to the Percheron for a general purpose horse. Mr. J. S. Lick, in answer to an enquiry about the report in the papers that nothing was more exhausting to the land than drying, said he found by experience that drying was not as exhaustive to the soil as growing grain, for in selling butter you sold nothing that would enrich the soil, while with grain it was the reverse. But it might be otherwise with cheese. When making butter the milk was fed to pigs and returned to the soil, but in cheese manufacturing the milk is carried off the farm. He believed in the step the Ontario government were taking in establishing creameries throughout the province. Mr. Campbell thought if land was in pasture it lost certain nourishments which it got from the atmosphere and which were only obtained by turning up the soil. He believed farmers did not get justice in the grading of barley. Farmers could not sell to merchants without first drawing their barley to the harbor, where the grade is fixed by a man placed there by the buyers. He thought if the buyers sent a man there the farmers should send one also, and he believed it would be beneficial to the farmers if they placed a man at the harbor to inspect. Last year he put a lot of boues in horse manure to dissolve them, with excellent results. He mixed the dissolved boues with hen manure, etc., and put five tons on eight acres of turnips, and the result was a fine crop. He topped and rooted them with a Bartlett turnip digger, which did the work well, and he would advise every farmer to have one. Mr. James Henry said he had derived a great deal of benefit from attending the meetings of the club. He had learned a great deal, which he had put into practice with good results. He thought the club should decide on a subject for discussion two or three weeks ahead, so that those speaking could study the subject. Mr. Hinkson was always interested in the discussions which took place at the club meetings, but he did not always practice what he preached. Last year he sowed salt on some of his barley, and it could be seen to a furrow where the salt had been sown, the barley that had no salt did not stand well, and on which salt was sown stood well and yielded much better than the other. He had seen beneficial results from cooking the barley as soon as it was cut, instead of binding the barley, being much lighter. He believed, like Mr. Campbell, that the soil was greatly benefited by plowing and that the return received was well repaid. Mr. T. Gould said there was great difficulty in getting farmers to act together, as other trades did, and he believed that if the farmers would get together, they would be benefited in many respects. He used to pay to feed cattle. He used to grow roots and feed all coarse grains, and if farmers would feed their coarse grains instead of selling them to the farmers, they would be benefited by it. When doing this manure would be obtained for the land. Markets were good at Liverpool the past year, but good prices could not be obtained, which was regulated by the law of supply and demand. He would advise farmers to raise sheep, which they could not do in the winter. He would advise farmers to raise sheep, which they could not do in the winter. He would advise farmers to raise sheep, which they could not do in the winter.

Granger's Agricultural Improvements.

The committee of the Northumberland and Durham division grange on agricultural improvements presented an interesting report at their last annual meeting at Peterboro. We reprint all but the introductory paragraphs. Some important and valuable suggestions are made worthy of the attention of grangers and other farmers:

"In the first place we will consider tile draining. This we consider one of the most important improvements a farmer can make on land which has a surplus of moisture, and it has been found that more land has need of draining than is generally supposed. The surface indications are various, those of actual swamps need no description. If a plowed field shows a constant appearance of dampness, it unmistakably needs draining. If a pit sunk to the depth of three or four feet in the earth collect water at the bottom shortly after a rain, it is a sign of the need of draining. When the above tests are made in the wet spring weather if there be much water in the soil (even at such times) it needs draining. If water or heavy rains stand for some time on the surface, or if water collects in the furrow while plowing, draining is necessary to bring the land to its full fertility.

"In the second place we will consider the improvement of exhausted or partly exhausted soils, which are drained either naturally or artificially; as no matter what manures are used to bring up soils, which are naturally or artificially exhausted, they will not be of much benefit unless the system of rotation of crops, in which clover, in connection with land plaster, would be a great agent in restoring land exhausted soils.

"In the next place we will take improvement in fencing, and it is the opinion of your committee that a large saving of fencing could be made in the fencing of small fields and changing the old snake rail fence into some variety of straight fence. On a hundred acre farm we could recommend that some of your committee have had much success in the use of a portable cast fence, made from old rails, which we consider a great improvement over the old fence.

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After addresses from a few other gentlemen the meeting adjourned until Saturday, January 21, when the "Raising and Grading of Barley" was to be discussed.

Granger's Agricultural Improvements.

The committee of the Northumberland and Durham division grange on agricultural improvements presented an interesting report at their last annual meeting at Peterboro. We reprint all but the introductory paragraphs. Some important and valuable suggestions are made worthy of the attention of grangers and other farmers: