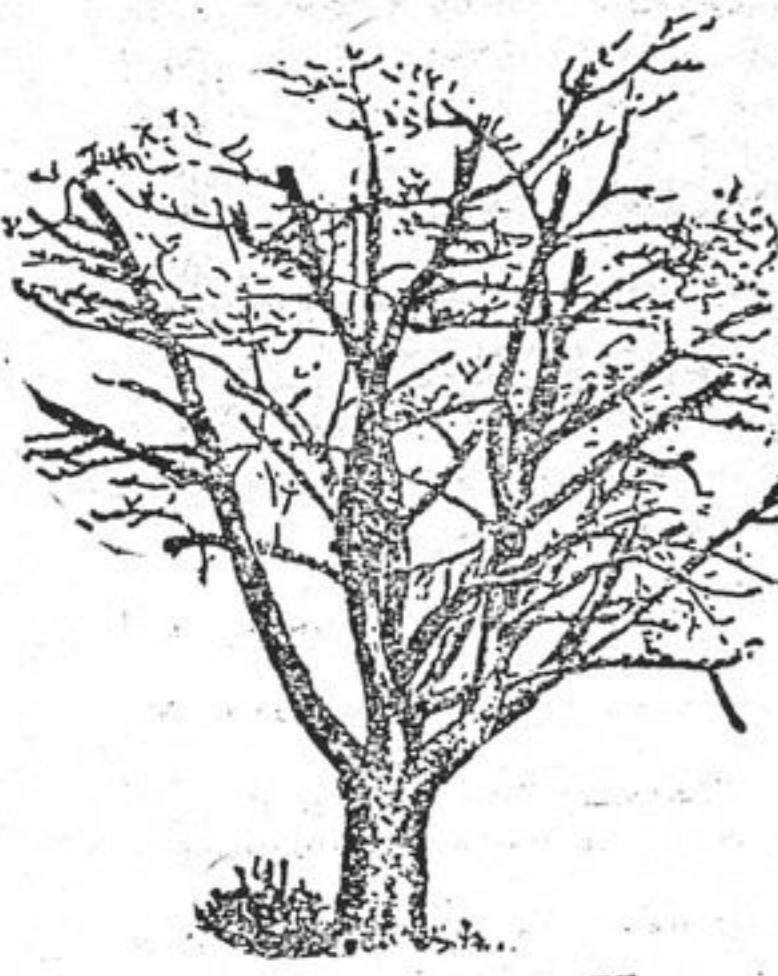


## TOP GRAFTING.

The Shaping of an Old Tree the Most Important Factor.

Every man who owns an orchard of any extent should be able to do his own grafting. The most important factor in the top grafting of an old tree is the shaping of the top. The old top is to be removed during three or four or five years, and a new one is to be grown in its place. The original plan or shape of the top will have to be followed in the general outline. Bailey in his pruning book gives the following advice: Branches should be grafted, as a rule, where they do not exceed an inch and a half



TOP GRAFTED OLD TREE.

in diameter, as scions do better in such branches than in very large stubs. The operator should endeavor to cut all the leading stubs at approximately equal distances from the centre of the tree. The cut is a good illustration of an old apple tree top grafted.

Top grafting is performed in spring. The best time is when the leaves are pushing out, as wounds made then heal quickly, and scions are most apt to live, but when a large amount of grafting must be done it is necessary to begin a month or two earlier. On the other hand, the operation can be extended until a month or more after the leaves are full grown, but such late scions make short growth, which is likely to perish the following winter.

## FARM LABOR IN SCOTLAND.

Desire for Change and Chance Overcomes Persistent Thrift.

Canada is passing through an acute agricultural labor question just now. Many parts of rural Ontario have less inhabitants now than they had last year. The scarcity of farm labor is assuming an acute form in some districts. The immigration to the Northwestern provinces is one great reason for this, while the employment of so many hands in railway construction is drawing them away from the farm.

The Ayrshire Post in Scotland talks about their agrarian troubles along a similar line. It says:

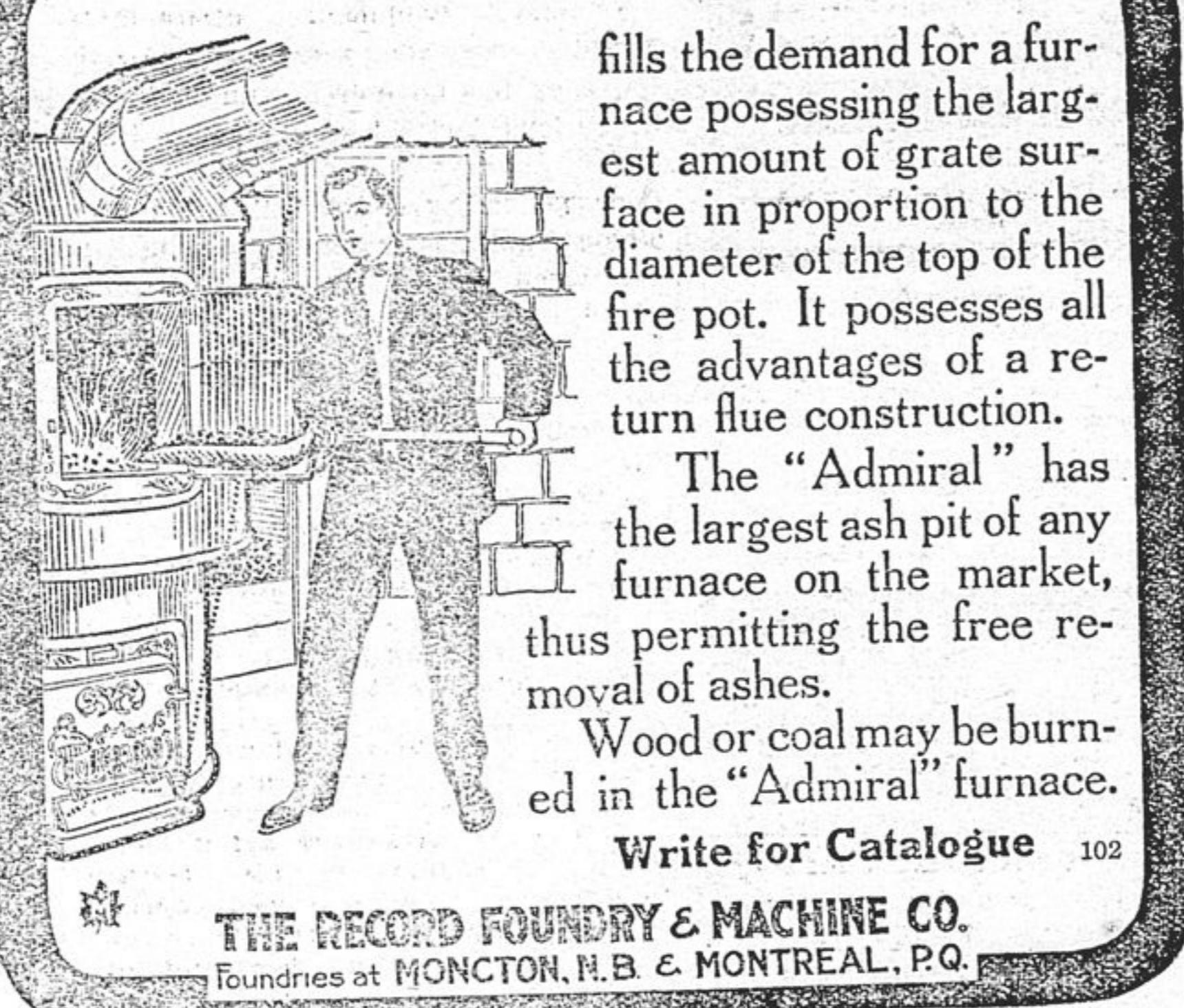
Canada is all the cry amongst the laborers at the present time, and every week sees a most desirable lot of those who work on the land leaving these shores. If it were the ne'er-do-wells which were going away, it would probably not matter very much, but in many cases it is the very best of the laborers who are taking their departure. Having known many laborers who have left these shores, the writer has made a point of enquiring as to what the betterment of their condition really amounts to. From the great body of evidence before us, we find that had the men who are now in Canada put the same zeal into their labor here as they have done since going to Canada, and spent as little in frivolous enjoyment as they are now doing, they would have been equally as well off here as there. Ask any of the laborers here to work the same number of hours as they do in Canada and you will see what answer will be forthcoming. However, the point is not whether the laborers are better off in Canada than here; the question at issue is how to prevent the rural depopulation which has been going on during the last quarter of a century. If the small landholders will accomplish this end, then, the sooner it is passed into law the better; but on looking over the figures given by responsible authorities this has not been accomplished by the Crofters' Acts, as the ratio of decrease of population is greater in these parts than anywhere in Scotland.

### When to Wean Pigs.

The proper time to wean little pigs is from six to eight weeks of age. The pig is then at an age when it digests solid foods and will grow just as well as if it were still nursing its dam, says a writer in Farm Life. The constant drain on the sow's system has been quite severe; consequently she should have all the time to recuperate before she has to nourish another litter. Furthermore, a good brood sow should raise two litters a year, and if the pigs suck longer than six or eight weeks this would be impossible. If the sow is a heavy milker the pigs should be weaned gradually, otherwise there is danger of injury to the sow's udder, but, as a rule, this does not give any trouble.

Little pigs always do better when not more than six or eight in a single pen. Separate the smaller ones and give them every possible chance to grow. Give them a dry sleeping place, a roomy pen, a spacious yard in which to take exercise and spray frequently with an antiseptic and insecticide solution and keep them free from lice. And if similar care is given until the pig is six or seven months old it will weigh from 225 to 275, or just the proper weight to market.

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A leading publication that everybody likes to read, says: "Well may the farm boy of to-day be grateful."

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And yet farm boys seem to be restless. They dream of city life, but in those dreams they only see heights that few attain. Real city life is never seen in a dream. The masses that make up a city's population do not get into the papers, except in the court reports or in the accounts of charity work. These are the other extremes. The great body between the two extremes, like the masses in the country, are known to exist and are appreciated, but they do not appear in print nor in dreams.

### Our Dream Pictures.

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### Our Dream Pictures.

We need not contrast farm work with what it was a few years ago, for there is no comparison. The improved machinery, the skill in handling, the increased demand, the better transportation—all make farm life easier and its possibilities greater.

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Add to the modern farmer's other advantages that of steady and remunerative prices and a constantly increasing demand, and the farm boy has before him possibilities known to no other calling. Oh, that we could convince him of that fact and give him a glimpse of his future greatness so that he might curb his restlessness, dismiss his dream of success elsewhere and direct his developing powers to the achievement of the great things that lie at his door!

### A Line of Action.

May we suggest a line of action? Get real estate. This cannot be bought for a song as it could a few years ago, but its products are in greater demand, and it will pay for itself quicker. If it is run down we know better how to build it up and make it more productive. Farms are all the time growing smaller and the acres more valuable. He who has land has something tangible and something that somebody else will be willing to swap money for every minute in every day. To own forty acres is to have the nucleus of a fortune; to own ten acres is to have an independent living; to own one acre with a comfortable house upon it is to be a sovereign in one's own right.

### Best Producing Crops.

Grow only the best producing crops, and depend more upon yield than upon acres—practice intensive rather than extensive farming. If you happen to have extensive acres, make them produce stock rather than crops. Plant only the best seed, harvest in the best way, prepare for market in the best manner, and join with all other intelligent farmers in so marketing as to secure a remunerative price—a price made by those who know, and not by those who fatten themselves by making the price at the lowest figure that will get the stuff.

Above is a simple program for the farmer boy, but it is one which will bear the test of actual use, and we guarantee results. Happy the farm boy who makes it his own. The sunshine and the dews will work for him, the rains are his willing servants, night and day alike will they toil for him, and the waving crops and tender grasses will make him richer, while the orchard trees will bloom to produce him dollars!

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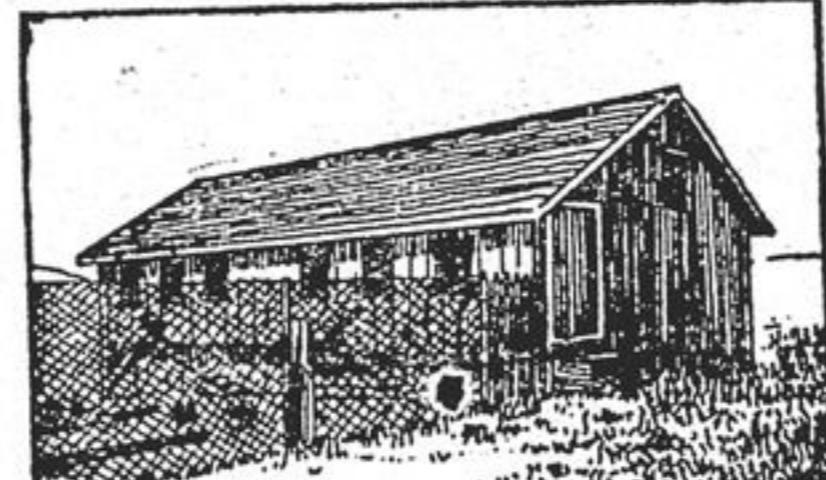
I have been appointed by the Dominion Government to place Immigrants from the United Kingdom in positions as farm laborers or domestic servants in this vicinity. Any person requiring such help should notify me by letter, stating fully the kind of help required, when wanted and wages offered. The number arriving may not be sufficient to supply all requests, but every effort will be made to supply each applicant with help required.

Thos. Robson,  
Canadian Govt. Employment Agent,  
FENELON FALLS, ONT.

to be the centre or every new, up-to-date, home that is established; and the washing machine has crowded out the tub and washboard; the sewing machine has condemned the needle to rest in the cushion; the carpet has sent the mop and the scrub rag to the junk pile, and the organ and piano have taken the place of the spinning wheel and the loom. The happiest people, the most hopeful people, the people having the brightest and most attractive future are the boys and girls of the farm.

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In the illustration is shown a particularly valuable type of poultry house, especially for the man who has comparatively little space to devote to his poultry. One of the greatest problems for the poultry raiser to solve is the matter of providing shade for the old as well as for the growing



POULTRY HOUSE.

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