

THE MERCHANTS

I am the Pigot.  
I allow you hammonds, hams, and bacon,  
cured, salted,  
or boiled.  
At lowest cost,  
Woolings of choice design.  
Persons in every town,  
Gentlemen surely will buy of the  
Front.

I am the Dew.  
Notice my elegant bracelets and necklaces.  
All true quality;  
Pearls and a few;  
Especially another;  
Ornaments of another;  
Ladies the true to buy of the Dew.  
I am the Snow.  
Let no display for you carpets must  
excluded.  
Gentlemen borderlings.  
Also I show.  
Heavy and soft and white.  
Persons in every town;  
Persons in every town will buy of the  
Snow.

I am the Rain.  
Something I'll show you priceless and  
wonderful.  
Persons in every town;  
Tawdry and vain.  
There's a cloak of gray.  
Persons in every town.  
Happy the few who will buy of the  
Rain.

I am the Mud.  
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AUTUMN VERSUS SPRING  
PLoughing

There are many different soils to plough and so many kinds of ploughs to plough them with, that no definite rule can be given as to the best method for all soil.

We plough to bury vegetation and manure, so that they may decompose and feed the future plants. We plough to remove stones and if it is the case, the need. No other implement will do so much in one operation toward the making of a total seed bed, as a good plough. In addition we plough to bring up the water holding capacity of the soil. We plough to destroy weeds, insects and rodents. Why should we plough in the autumn? Because with this use of the plough, we have performed more economically when house and man power are not at their peak as they are during the rains of spring or fall.

Another implement along valuable is heat from the September sun to hasten the decomposition of one season's refuse plant growth, so that it may feed the succeeding crop. Late autumn ploughing will not only save many soils by exposing the greatest possible surface to the action of freezing and thawing, nature's most wonderful work, but also the action of the seed bed throughout the winter, and is to-day our greatest agent in producing the tilth so necessary for large crops.

With the plough, without seed, there is no crop.

The report of the relief of Ladymith last week was premature, but with this use of the plough, we have performed more economically when house and man power are not at their peak as they are during the rains of spring or fall.

The ploughing of the same hill which gives this information, received from London, England, Thursday morning, March 1, 1920.

The glorious news comes from Germany that the relief of Ladymith has at last been achieved. After 12 days the beleaguered city is given its liberty, and garrison and citizens are once more free.

After the relief of Ladymith, the old city over knew how to give new strength and feelings of thanksgiving to the world.

The splendid achievement in holding Ladymith successfully "ad long," and Gen. Butler in pressuring through the awful odds against him, will go down in history as one of the greatest feats in modern warfare.

The War Office confirms the report of the relief of Ladymith, but has received no further particulars.

—*Editorial Notes.*

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