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Dere's such a time at our house now,
I don't know what to do.
A woman came to stay wif us,
I don't like her at all.
She called me a "little brat" one day,
An' took away my ball.

She wears a boo stiped gingham dess,
An ap'on an' a cap,
An' bosses ebby body wound,
Now, what oo fink of 'at?
They call her "Nurse," and one day she
Went to de fone and wang
As hard as she could wing, and said:
Is 'at oo, Dr. Bang?

'Come up here quick, don't wait a bit,
An' so de doctor came,
An' such as time as dere was den,
It's dest a drate big shame.
No person seemed to notice me,
So I treeped to de stair,
An listened dist as hard as hard
To see what I'd here dere.

An' pitty soon I heard a squeak,
I fot at I would die;
It sounded somefin' like when I
Tweeze dollie so she'll cry.
And den de nurse ran down de stair,
An' dis is what she spoked:
"Dis out de woad oo little brat,
For now oor nose is broke."

I felt my nose it wasn't boked,
'At bad nurse told a fib;
Den papa came and picked me up
An' tissed me, so he did.
An' den he carried me up stairs,
An' showed me on de bed,
A little wed-faced baby boy,
Wiv such a wound oald head.

I ast pa where he dot 'at babe,
(My papa would'nt lie)
He said he dessed a big stork dropped
It, when he flyed by.
Now my aunt Mary hasn't dot
A baby yet, no sir,
An' if I'd seen dat big stork first,
I'd shooed him on to her.

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### WHITE ELEPHANTS

THOSE who often read of Siam as "the land of the white elephant," which is greatly venerated there, will be little disposed to accept the statement that Siam is nothing of the kind.

These Siamese do not, and cannot, claim that theirs is "the land of the white elephant," because in Ceylon, to the west, and Cambodia, to the east, veneration for certain elephants is as apparent as in Siam. Yet another, and very sufficient, reason for avoiding such a claim is that the "white" elephant is not white at all. The myth of the white elephant was apparently set abroad by some early Western traveller who collected information rather perfunctorily.

What the Siamese do regard as sacred and do greatly honor, are what are known as "curious elephants. Perhaps "freak" elephants would be a better translation of the Siamese phrase, though it savors of want of respect to his majesty the elephant. But the unusual in him has probably nothing whatever to do with his color. He may, for instance, have two extra toes on his forefeet; he may have certain peculair markings on his body—patches of red hair perhaps. But white?—No! The nearest he ever approaches to white is a kind of dirty gray.

Whatever his peculiarity or peculiarities, however, they mark him out for extreme favors from youth. Directly a baby elephant is found with strange markings, in the north or northeast of Siam, news of the discovery is sent to Bangkok, the capital. Experts go at once to examine the youngster, and if their reports is favorable, still greater most probably royal—experts are despatched to make final decision as to whether he is worthy of veneration and as to the degree of veneration.

In him may reside the spirit of some departed great one of the royal family. In him may even be the spirit of the Lord Buddha himself. It is not for us to inquire how these experts make a decision so momentous. The ways of experts in Siam are like the ways of experts elsewhere—they are beyond the understanding of ordinary people.

Once it is decided that the youngster is the real thing, the country is agog with excitement. He has to be taken to Bangkok, there to be royally housed in special quarters within the royal palace. The journey is in the nature of a triumphal procession. An occasion for merry-making is to the Siamese an occasion to be seized with both hands and on it they spend lavishly. No other nation can excel the Siamese in the art of making holiday or in discovering excuses for making holidays.

The young elephant's journey to the nearest large railway centre is a succession of boisterious welcomes and of gifts of choice foods. When he reaches the railway he finds a special train awaiting him, with spare engine and breakdown outfit attached. His majesty progress must be made as smooth as possible. He travels in state with great comfort, attended by high members of court and church, and by many officials.

One member of the royal family will accompany him to say, Chiengmai, the northern capital, and will there hand him over to a more important member with a more imposing retinue of priests and officials. When the last day's journey from Pitsanulok to Bangkok, is entered upon, one very near to the reinging monarch—probably the Purachatra of Kambaengbejra is the man who today takes final charge.

But now the youngster is probably tired of the travelling and the cheering of feasting and having lustral water poured over him. But he has still to be welcomed by the king, and to be blessed by the highest dignitaries of the church. He has still to see a city made gay in his honor, and hundred of thousands of people lining the streets and joyously acclaiming him as he passes,

For two days the city is an fete. Then he goes to his royal quarters, and the capital returns to normal. Not for him anymore are the joys of freedom. The loss of his freedom is the price he pays for his extra toes of whatever prodhims him royal or even sacred. His is the bondage that sometimes attaches to royalty.

Occasionally he introduces a little excitement into his numdrum life. He goes mad for a little while, and kills his keeper—kneels on him until the victim is a shapeless and unrecognizable mass. That is the one grim privilege enjoyed by the "white" elephant, who is never nearer to white than a kind of dirty gray.

### "In The Mother Tongue"

**Being the Popular Report of the British and Foreign Bible Society, 1930, by Rev. Edwin W. Smith, Literary Superintendent**

Few surveys of religious or philanthropic Societies maintain the high literary standard of the popular Reports issued by the British and Foreign Bible Society. This year's report entitled "In the Mother Tongue" is no exception to the rule. The idea behind the report is the power of native speech in the deepest and highest human experiences and is developed along the lines of Bible translation in the vernacular. Some six hundred and thirty translations out of a possible nine hundred stand to the credit of this great society.

The report abounds in apt literary quotations and the chapters are headed by quotations from poets as diverse as Milton, Tennyson, Dryden and J. W. Holme. The very titles of the chapters are suggestive: "Tongues of all the world" "Largest to Mankind," "Chapmen of the Word," "Finding the Saviour in the Mother Tongue," Language of Gratitude."

Amongst the illustrations is a beautiful photograph of Saint John Harbour in New Brunswick which is one of the great immigration ports at which the Society distributes the Word to each incoming immigrant in required speech. There are references to Canada in the volume, and special mention is made of the services of Rev. Dr. Roscoe Heine, one of the special immigration agents and a colporteur of proved value not only at the seaports but in the lumber camps and wherever groups of workmen are found in Eastern Canada. Dr. Heine it is said habitually uses fifteen languages in his work amongst the immigrants and it is said to speak twenty-four.

There is a most interesting story also of a farmer in Saskatchewan of German origin who bought the Bible in his Mother Tongue, and having read it was influenced by its message "with all the house." Immediately he dedicated three acres of his farm, the proceeds of which were to go to the Bible Society. Part of his gift was to supply the Scriptures in German to the people of his race and blood and the rest was given to the support of a colporteur in China. Such an instance—and there are many in the report—only serves to remind us that the Written Word still exercises its power over the hearts of men and does influence them to a higher and nobler life.

We have pleasure indeed in commending this Report to all who can obtain a copy, and having read it and pondered over its message there will be few who can remain unconvinced of the great work already accomplished by the Society and the great opportunities that await it in the coming days. In the preface the Rev. Edwin Smith, Literary Superintendent of the Bible Society, states that he has sought to present an account of the Bible Society's enterprise in a form that will be attractive and readable, and certainly he has succeeded in his endeavours.

### LEAVING PETS AT HOME ALONE

Several years ago an acquaintance of mine lost a beloved dog through a practice that has now become very common—leaving pets at home with no means of escape in case of emergency.

The night was cold, and the gentleman was accustomed to keeping the dog in the basement on such nights. He, his wife and their daughter went to the theatre, leaving the furnace, as they thought, safe.

But in some mysterious way the basement go on fire, and though a neighbor turned in the alarm, the dog was dead by the time the flemen entered the basement. The man's momentary loss distressed him, of course; but it was nothing compared to his grief and self-condemnation over the loss of his pet.

Not long ago I read of the asphyxiation of a cat that was left in a room with no exit for the animal. Presumably the cat got upon the gas plate and one of its feet turned on the current. The mistress when she returned, found the cat dead and the room filled with gas. An open window would have saved the animal.

Why don't you think of these things? No great problem is involved; there is nearly always some way of arranging the emergency exit; and when there is not, it is the best to leave the pet outside. Sometimes a friend will keep the animal a few hours for you.

However, as P. B. Prior says in one of his excellent articles, if you are going away for a stay of days or weeks, do not leave your pet in the care of a neighbor unless you have perfect confidence in that person; for however strongly he may promise to look after it, he has his own affairs and pleasures and may get careless.

Never leave a store of food, for any kind, in summer soon grows hard or sour. Then the poor animal is left to starve, for cats in cities cannot find food, with garbage cans tightly closed, and all water inside houses. Aside from the question of food and water, both cats and dogs have an intense love of home and their owners; they have been known to die in heartbroken lonliness in a few weeks. Far better, if you have no neighbor whom you fully trust, that one member of the family stay at home to care for your pets.

### SCHOOL FAIRS AND EDUCATION

According to Jos. Wilson, the efficient representative of the Ontario Department of Agriculture in Hastings County, Rural School Fairs this year have been better attended than ever before, while the exhibits brought to the tents by the children have been of a much higher quality.

It is hard to estimate the educational value of these School Fairs, and it is encouraging to note that the interest in them is gathering momentum from year to year. The Department of Agriculture at Queen's Park recognizes their value and seeks to encourage them in every way. County Councils, too, everywhere seem to be anxious to lend a helping hand.

In recent years new educational features have been added to the Fair programmes. These include first aid, music, singing and recitation contests. The exhibitors, most of them from the public and continuation schools, are taught that they must grow their own vegetable and flower exhibits, also that they must have a fair knowledge of the care of live stock. For the girls domestic science competitions are provided, and for years home cooking has been a feature of almost every Fair.

Rural School Fairs are different altogether from Fall Fairs held in most places. One does not interfere with the other. They are deserving of every encouragement.

### News and Information for the Busy Farmer

**Fall Fairs Flourish**

Despite depressed economic conditions and a season marked chiefly by prolonged drought, the community fall fairs throughout Ontario generally report unprecedented attendance and splendid showings of agricultural produce. As an individual instance the annual fair in the village of Caledonia, in Haldimand County, drew a patronage of 10,000 people, a record for all time. From almost every fair similar reports have been received, indicating that whatever the conditions, the rural residents of Ontario are taking an even keener interest and pride in their own industry than ever before.

**Royal Directors Optimistic**

The Royal Winter Fair directors are optimistic about agricultural conditions in Canada for the coming fall and winter. In a message to leading breeders and producers who as exhibitors at the Royal do much by their unswerving example to establish steady confidence in Canadian agriculture, the management points out that "despite dry weather conditions in several places Canadian feeding stuffs are in more than average volume. The hay crops everywhere are considered satisfactory and in some parts exceptionally good." The message is extremely optimistic and reveals that the directors of the Winter Fair are making plans for an even greater exhibition this year.

**Fighting White Grub**

As the one effective measure at this season of the year, which will assist in control and eradication of a white grub outbreak of serious proportions in Eastern Ontario, fall plowing and frequent discing from now to freeze-up are advised. Plowing helps to break up the grub cells; exposes them to attacks by natural enemies such as the crow, star-nosed mole and the skunk; retards the grub's "digging down" for winter and exposes the grub cells to frost, which kills them effectively. The outbreak started apparently in the eastern townships in 1927, moved across the St. Lawrence to Eastern Ontario by flight of the June bettle, parents of the white grub in 1928, and this year across the Ottawa eastward, infesting a large area in Quebec.

**Current Crop Report**

Reports from representatives in many parts of Ontario indicate that fall wheat is looking well. Root crops in Western Ontario are more or less a failure due to dry weather, attacks of aphids and rot. There was an excellent yield of corn in the eastern part of the province. Sugar beet harvest is under way and early sown beets are of a good size and quality. Late sown beets are small. Threshing is almost finished and the majority of farmers have more feed and grain on hand than they have had for years. Recent badly-needed rains have put the ground in shape for fall plowing, which is now general throughout Ontario.

**Cash Prizes for Winners**

In addition to the splendid prizes offered at the International Grain and Hay Show at Chicago, Nov. 29 to Dec. 6, the Ontario Department of Agriculture, in order to encourage Ontario farmers to exhibit at this great show, is offering a special prize of $50 to each Ontario exhibitor who wins a first prize in any class. In addition, the Department offers special prizes of $25 to Ontario exhibitors standing highest in alfalfa seed, alsike seed, 6-rowed barley, oats, red clover seed and field bean seed.

Prize lists and instructions are now being distributed to seed exhibitors. The Field Husbandry Department of the Ontario Agricultural College is co-operating as usual. All exhibits and entries should be sent to Guelph. Mr. James Laughland will take charge of all exhibits and will accompany them to the show. The Department of Agriculture has agreed to pay freight on exhibits from Guelph to Chicago and return.

Due to the big grain crop in Ontario and extreme dry season in many states, Ontario should make an exceedingly good showing at Chicago this year.

**Wanted—5000 Barrels of Apples**

Ontario apple-growers are advised in a cablegram from Premier Ferguson to Hon. T. L. Kennedy, Minister of Agriculture, that they can sell 5000 barrels to European buyers immediately through Andrew Fulton, who represents the Ontario fruit growers in England if the standard of shipment is assured. Through Mr. Fulton's efforts to improve the grading and packing, buyers in the Old Country are looking with greater favor upon Ontario apples and prices ranging up to $7.00 a barrel have been secured on the British market this year.

**Rainy River Famous for Lamb Production**

There is possibly no section of Ontario that has a higher percentage of good sheep and a lower percentage of poor sheep than has the District of Rainy River. Sheep raising there has increased greatly during the past five or six years. Through the efforts of the Department, pure bred sires have been introduced over this period of time and this, coupled with educational extension work, has made it possible for the sheep breeders in Rainy River District to market a very high percentage of choice lambs.

Market lamb fairs have been held in the district for a number of years when between 300 and 400 lambs are annually brought out for exhibition and market purposes. On August 20th last a representative shipment of lambs was made to Winnipeg. These were graded and sold as follows:

183 first-grade lambs averaging 85½ lbs. in Winnipeg sold at 8¼c per pound.

10 heavy lambs averaging 100¼ lbs. sold at 7¼c.

20 third-grade lambs averaging 79 lbs. sold at 6c.

In addition to these, 96 ewe lambs exhibited at the fair were sold for breeding purposes.

There will probably be twenty carloads of lambs shipped from the district before the season is over. The breeders of this section have been following the practice of marketing their lambs when ready and by having their lambs dropped in March and April, shipments have been going forward to the Winnipeg market during July, August and September, before the big rush of lambs comes on the stockyards for sale.

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