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Repair Mill, says J. D. McLeod,

Crops, Seeds and Weed a Branch,

Ont. Dept. of Agriculture-Pamphlet

The fanning mill is one of the most

important, yet the most neglected im-

Agricultural Fair is One of Canada's Oldest Institutions

WRITER GIVES INTERESTING STORY IN AGRICULTURAL AND INDUSTRIAL PROGRESS

In Agricultural and Industrial Progress, a writer gives, an interesting story of the history of agricultural fairs. He writes that the agricultural' fair in Canada is as old as the country itself. The institution dates back to the days of the French regime: In early days it was mainly a local event. But in recent years it has developed Dominion wide and the exhibition at Toronto is known the world over. In other countries fairs are of ancient origin, in Sumeria and China going back thousands of years before the present era and in England back of the middle ages. In the United States agricultural fairs were held in the early part of the nineteenth century. During the French regime in Canada fairs were presumably organized under government encouragement. In Lower Canada government grants were provided as early as 1818, and in Upper Canada by 1830. Now hundreds of fairs are held annually from

Before the first Canadian census was taken in 1666, fairs appear to have originated in the barter of peace, hemp, fresh and dry cod, saited salmon, eels, seal and porpoise oil, clapboards and planks, drugget, boiling cloth, cloth made from nettles, serge. leather and furs. The centres of these barter fairs were Quebec, Three Rivers and Montreal. Business appears to have been the main purpose of these institutions; and the "fun of the Tair" took place mostly in private celebrations after the bartering was conclud-

Atlantic to Pacific.

In Upper Canada the Niagara peninsula has always been intimately associated with the trade and barter of agricultural produce. In 1535 Jacques Cartier observed the practice of members of a tribe in the Peninsula who were noted traders in tobacco. moving freely among other tribes and at times staging an exhibition that nowadays would be classed as a tobacco fair! However that may the first agricultural society, with accompanying fair, is to be recorded in 1791 and the organization was known as the Niagara Agricultural Society. Similar societies soon spread to other parts of the province, and in 1806 at York (Toronto) an attempt was made 1882 the great fair at Queenston was the fair to a close. intended as the first" all-province show, but reports indicate that the

attendance was not large. Before United Canada came into existence, in 1841, fafrs had been

Farmer on the Road

came upon him in a swirl of snow Riding the x-bar of a pair of wheels, Drawn by scraggly horses, Forced to slow My motor to accomodate the heels * Of patience, I refrained from signaling For right of way. A smoky lantern hung Beneath the axle, cast a blurry ring Of light upon the road. The farmer swung A branch that might have been the withered

Of Aaron, throk with leathery leaves-so, far As I could see the stick was not to prod The oddly mated span whose angular Bodies-blocked the way, A man-and time-And work ahead to fill the promised day-Why hurry-would he halt the cycling rhyme Of labour by a reasonable delay?

-Harry Elmore Hurd.

Perth. Ottawa, Guelph, Hamilton, motion pictures, symphony orchestras Nelson, Waterloo, and Brantford, and bands, with restaurant dinners, These fairs had proved of great social have added greatly to the lighter side few dollars spent on screens for the ing in the stove, and threatened to importance and paved the way for the of the exhibitions and provide a condesired provincial organization which venient opportunity for the social conwas established in 1848. In that year, tacts which have always been a prounder the auspices of the Agricultural minent element in the institution. But of inferior quality. Association of Upper Canada, a fair the fundamental feature still continwas held in Toronto which was the ues to be the improvement of agri- present time and it is suggested that Storey believes that the man spent forerunner of the present National culture and the encouragement of consideration be given to the overhaul- about an hour at the farm, alternately

in early days was the nucleus of so- tural education; and in this angle the though it may be necessary to write. Before leaving the robber dismantcial contacts and the semi-annual fair provincial departments of agriculture the manufacturer for parts, etc. was its expansive gesture. The socie- and the experimental farms of the Do- ' A pamphlet ond "Reconditioning the oil lamp, leaving the bound man no ties met once a month, when the mem- minion Department of Agriculture — Fanning Mill" also one on "Seed way of obtaining help. provement of stock and crops came sonal interviews with visitors to the Bldgs. Toronto. first, then the judging of horses, cattle fair. and grain, with a distribution of prizes on the following day. On the third day came the ploughing match, while Profit in Sheep to form a province-wide society. In horse racing on the fourth day brought

> The present day fair is a highly developed institution. Its basis is still agriculture but manufactures now play an outstanding part. With this de- Under wartime conditions, the stab-

plement on the farm, says J. D. Mac-Leod; Crops, Seeds and Weeds Branch, Ont. Dept. of Agriculture. In many instances when room is required for

crops and machinery, it is usually moved outside and left under weather conditions, with the result that it no longer a tight fitting, smooth running machine capable of doing the job for which it was intended. When the time arrives to clean seeding requirements, the fanning mill is found quite frequently to be in a bad state of repair, screens are usually lacking and there is no time to make repairs, order parts and screens, with the result

> job with the screens on hand. The fanning mill has a place on every farm for the preparation of seeding requirements, to give grain and house. seed a rough cleaning before it is ta-

condition it at small cost so that it fused to divulge the hiding place of fanning mill is money profitably spent torture his victim with it if he did not sustained as a result of sowing seed However, he never carried out his

The agricultural society in Canada exceptional opportunity for agricul- can be made right on the farm, al- building.

bers and guests dined together under a bulletin of which is the source of Cleaning" which recommends the Storey told police how he struggled the direction of stewards. The fair most of the historical data in this various screens that should be used throughout the night trying to release usually lasted four days. On the sketch - take an active interest by are available by writing the Crops, himself. He finally loosed his leg business side the questions of . im- means of exhibits, lectures and per- Seeds and Weeds Branch. Parliament bonds, but was too exhausted to rise

> is an abundance of light. It should usual trip to the bush the next mornbe level and solid, fed evenly, and tur- ing." When discovered Storey's hands, ned with a uniform motion as the wrist and legs were terribly lacerated wind blast is regulated by turning the and swollen in his all-night struggle. New Interest Shown crank. If possible the mill should be operated by power which assures It is generally agreed that it has al- steady motion and a more thorough

ways been profitable to raise sheep, job. The pulley on the shaker shaft should travel at approximately 40 R.

IMPROVED BY BOTANY

"Man, ! ea drink and clothing, which are its him to live on this minmaterial ae. comes directly, or through the products of animals, indirectly from plants. The sciences which are grouped under the name of Botany are improving man's living conditions in a thousand ways. They classify the world's plant life, selectewe flock by the addition of ewe lambs ing therefrom the forms which ar useful for man's needs, improving the useful sorts, remaking the old ones to better uses, and eliminating the harmful kinds. They search the four corwestern breeding ewes which were ners of the earth for beneficial species namental trees, cereals and forage plants, fruits and vegetables, medicina! plants, shrubs and flowering plants without number, they explain and gradually eliminate many of the most destructive diseases of man and his domestic animals, and open for us a knowledge of the teeming micro-life in the soil and its action in preparing plant food and in aiding nutrition. In all such scientific achievements, the knowledge acquired with each discovery brings a promise of still better things."-Dr. J. M. Swaine, Director. Science Service, Dominion Department of Agriculture, in his Presidential address to the Royal Society of Canada on "Scientific Research, the Key to progress in Agriculture."

POTATOES FROM EYES

Growing potatod from eyes -rather than from sets as been introduced into Manitoba farms by the Dominion Experimental Farm at Brandon. On the Farm, 1,476 lets of 50 eyes each were prepared and sent to members of the agricultural improvement associations, and reports from 236 members indicate that 97 per cent of the eyes produced plants. The average yield from each lot of eyes was 65 lb. of tubers. The highest yield reported was

The eyes were removed by a potato baller, and each eye piece weighed condemned 11,830 carcasses of cattle about one-half ounce. The eyes were intended for food during the year en- | coated with finely ground magnesium ded March 31, 1939. The principal limestone to prevent drying out and causes of the condemnations, which placed in special waxed cartons. The amounted to 1.38 per cent of the total variety used was Certifed Irish Cobcattle killed for food, were emaciation bler from a Prince Edward Island casses of calves condemned was 5,543. In general, comments of the growers cent as against 0.31 per cent in the cases the yield was greater. Although from one year's results, states the superintendent of the Farm, this method may be found useful in the distribu-

-Premier King can hardly be blam-"Canada Approved" was 841,909 cattle; having to take on Manion, Hepburn, 670,852 calves; 777,964 sheep; and and Hitler all at once, his was a post-

Stranger Stole \$19.00 After Abusing Tom Storey, Aged 71

Nassagaweya Farmer

who demanded money, Tom Storey, 70year-old farmer of the Nassagaweya to have their car towed to the vicinity district was found in a semi-conscious by horses. condition on the floor of his home on

Watts, failing to notice Storey out for his usual morning walk, decided to call over at his house and investigate. He found Storey in an exhausted state on the kitchen floor with a large brulse on his forehead. Watts summoned George Finney, his employer, and the two men removed Storey to Finney's home, a mile away. Provincial Constables G. E. Cookman and A. J. Oliver were then summoned. ..

The victim told the officers that he was working in his barn at about 8.30 Wednesday evening when he heard his dog bark at the house. Thinking that something was wrong, he approached the building, where he was confronted by a stranger who demanded money. Storey said that he had none but his assailant retorted that he knew differently, adding that Storey had got some a few days ago. The man then struck at the farmer and a fight that an attempt is made to make a ensued. Storey put up a good fight, and it was some time before he was over-powered and dragged into his

As they entered the kitchen, the ken to a central seed cleaning plant to man, Storey said, picked up a stick be cleaned and graded and to remove of wood and struck him on the forefore being fed whole, rolled or chop- When he recovered he found himself bound hand and foot with binder Regardless of what make of a fan- twine. His attacker was apparently ning mill one may have or how old it searching the house, but soon returned is, it is possible, in most cases, to re- to question him. When Storey rewill make a reasonably good job. A his money, the thug placed a soldercompared to the losses which may be reveal the whereabouts of the money. threat, but again searched the pre-Farm work is not too pressing at the mises, this time finding about \$19.00. trade and industry. The fairs offer an ing of the fanning mill. Most repairs threatening him and ransacking the

led the telephone and blew out the

and go for help. His plight was dis-The mill should be set where there covered when he failed to make his

He had lain tightly bound and nearly uncorrectous for 16 hours. To add to Victim of Assault his discomfort his stove had burned out. He is in a weakened condition at the home of Mr. Finney, Halton's

storey, a bachelor, lives on the 7th Victim of a brutal assault by a man Line of Nassagaweya Township. So isolated is the spot that police had

It has not been ascertained whether Thursday last by Edward Watts, a the perpetrator of the crime walked or drove to the district, but footprints were found leading from the 7th line to the house. The man had made a wide circle of the building to approach the house from the rear.

OBJECTS TO VOTE IN WINTER MONTHS

Snow-piled roads of a Canadian winter might intriere with attendance at political campaign meetings and slow the parade to the polls on election

day, political parties fear. Miss Agnes Macphall (U.F.O.-Labor Grey-Bruce); questioned advisability of a winter election for this reason, while Prime Minister Mackenzle King was discussing the coming election in the

House of Commons. The Prime Minister pointed out that if the campaign was completed before the end of March the spring break-up would not have started. The Ontario woman member retorted . that the roads would be piled fence-high with

Traffic conditions of rural roads did not disturb electoral officers, however, 'It makes little difference to us," said one, "unless there is a bad storm to

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velopement came the brazen calliope lility of prices for wool and lamb is alheld at York, Cobourg. Port Hope, and a variety of amusements. Today ready of evidence with the result that PM It is suggested that a small enthere is much new interest in sheep gine of motor be used if possible to opraising, says A. A. MacMillan, Associtrate your mill. In orded to determine ate Chief. Live Stock and Poultry Div- the size of pulley to use, to get the reision. Production Service. / Dominion | quired number of revolutions per min-Department of Agriculture Over a lute, multiply the diameter of the divperiod of the last five years there have ide by 40. One quarter or one third been many notable examples of the H.P motor will supply ample power. ability to raise sheep flocks that have;

been purchased to pay for themselves LIVING CONDITIONS in a short period of time and provide in addition extra revenue - As an example all members of the Carleton. Ontario, Sheep Club organized under the Dominion Provincial Sheep Club Policy, paid for their breeding ewes in two years without any difficulty. twenty mebers in addition to paying for their ewes all have varying amounts of money over and aboove the cost price and most of them were able to add considerably to the size of their

saved from slaughter. Another example is the group of farmers, including club members, numbering 42 who established flocks shipped east during the drought peri- to provide new comforts-rubber, sued. All these ewes with the expeption car cane, cutton fibre plants, and orof one flock, gave more than enough returns in west and land to pay the original cost in two thus, some of

them in one year. Li recent years Provincial dog legislation and more of the lave measures for the control of dogs in municipalities have given greater security to sheep raisers. Thousands of miles of woven wire fencing to be seen fronting farms on main highways is an indication of the advance that has been made towards good fences. Fencing for sheep is not the problem it was

some years ago Steady progress has been made in control measures for internal and external parasites common to sheep. Prescribed treatments given regularly and at the right time makes it possible to stop this handicap in the curtailment of revenue from wool and lambs.

With greater security against dogs. better fences and effective treatment for parasites which are easily administered or applied, the farmer who keeps sheep, if he handles his flock under good management practice, has greater assurance of making money from

SAFEGUARD MEAT SUPPLY

In safeguarding Canada's meat sup- 203 lb. ply, the Health of Animals Division, Dominion Department of Agriculture, and tuberculosis. The number of car- strain, selected for its shallow eyes. or 0.82 per cent of the total slaughter- were of a favourable nature indicating ed, the main cause being immaturity. that the eyes yielded as well as pota-Condemnations of sheep were 0.29 per toes cut in the usual manner. .. In some previous year. Swine condemnations definite conclusions cannot be drawn totalled 6,768 carcasses, or 0.22 of the total kill. Tuberculosis was the cause in 37.20 per cent of all carcasses condemned, and 72.91 per cent of all por- tion of special strains of potatoes. tions condemned, and 72.91 per cent of all portions condemned.

3,047,972 swine-grand total, 5,339,697. tion no person would envy.

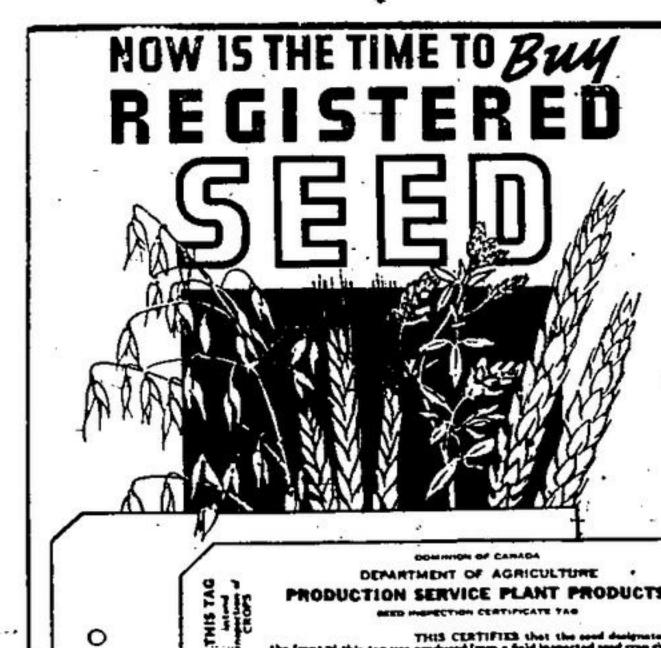
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