FARM.

REPORT FROM ONTARIO COUNTY.

Horticulture and pomology in this county are more and more coming to the front. The acilities here are better for fruit than for grain production. The current is beginning to take the lead among small fruit.

The Windsor cherry has no equal, either for home use or for market. Montmorency Ordinaire is a finekind for market. Cherries demand good culture, as well as other fruits. Peaches should be well thinned early in the season to make nice salable fruit.

Early Rivers is a good early peach. Atand an entire freestone.

the commission merchants telegraphed him | to begin with. to ship a carload). The apple crop has brought more money to the county than any other crop. Buyers begin to discriminate, and will not pay a first-class price for inferior fruit any more. It pays to pack the apples so that you will be proud to have your enltivation.

Sutton's Beauty apple, and McIntosh Red deserve special mention among the new varieties. McIntosh is the handsomest of all, and of fine quality. Yellow Transparent is becoming popular.

THE RANCHMAN'S COMMISSARY DEPARTMENT.

A ranchman's life is certainly a very pleasant one, albeit generally varied with plenty of hardship and anxiety. Although for example, if he goes on the round up he works as hard as any of his men--yet he no longer has to undergo the monotonous drudgery attendant upon the tasks of the cowboy or of the apprentice in the busi-His fare is simple; but, if he choose, it is good enough. Many ranches are provided with nothing at all but salt pork, canned goods, and bread; indeed, it is a eurious fact that in travelling through this cow country it is often impossible to get any milk or butter; but this is only because the owners or managers are too lazy to take enough trouble to insure their own comfort. We ourselves always keep up two or three cows, choosing such as are naturally tame, and so we invariably have plenty of milk and, when there is time for churning, a good deal of butter.

We also keep hens, which, in spite of the damaging inroads of hawks, bob cats and foxes, supply us with eggs, and in time of have often grown rich on the proceeds of a need, when our rifles have failed to keep us | single successful expedition, or even on those in game, with stewed, roast, or fried chicken of a single captured hostile ship. In 1743, also. From our garden we get potatoes, and unless drought, frost or grasshoppers interfere (which they do about every second year) other vegetables as well. For fresh | go, which had on board bullion and cargo to meat we depend chiefly upon our prowess as hunters. - Thedore Roosevelt in the Century.

BROKEN LEGGED HORSES.

The Cultivator, a two-year-old colt, with Talbot, brought home prizes which, with others in an outlying pasture, was found | their cargoes, were worth over £1,000,000. with a foreleg broken above the knee and | The treasure and plate alone filled forty-five hanging limp and useless. It was early | waggons, and the captain's share of the plun-June, hot weather coming on. The animal, der was about £120,000. In the same year though fairly gentle, had never been accustomed to stall or harness. I knew it was with £400,000 on board, and a third, the useless to attempt putting it in a sling or Surprise, captured a French East Indiaman adjusting a splint or a bandage if left in worth £150,000. Other captures in 1745 pasture. There was a small lot available, were the Charmante (£200,000), the Heron with excellent grazing, water and shade. In this the colt was placed, simply watched, (600,000) and the Conception. The latter's given a little extra nourishment in form of | cargo-I take the details from a contemporoats, and left to its fate. The leg hung in ary account—consisted of a large quantity such a way that the bone was in a natural of cocoa, sixty eight chests of silver, gold ter.) position, and the muscles were used to keep | and silver coin to the amount of over £200,the foot clear of the ground. The animal 000, much plate, a two-wheeled chaise, the moved about on three legs for a month, wheels and axle trees, etc., of which were took care of the one injured, and I do not of silver set with diamonds and other prethink it attempted to lie down during this cious stones, and a quantity of gold in bars. time. Then it began to put its foot to the ground and gradually to use the leg. By French captain, upon the promise of a rethis time pasturage failed. In the fall it had a substantially sound leg again, and discovered to him 30,000 pistoles, which was a useful animal for years. When treting it showed a slight lameness, probably | would have ever dreamed of finding anydue to a little shortening of the injured leg, | thing " This ship was one of the richest but in field work and all ordinary farm pur-

SPAVINED ARABIANS.

United States Senator Palmer determined to have on his farm at Detroit, at least five full-blooded Arabian mares, and sent an agent to Arabia to purchase the animals at any cost. The agent has telegraphed his mability to secure the horses. Upon his arrival at Damascus he learned that a firman had been issued by the Sultan prohibiting the further exportation of horses because of the probability of war, in which event they would be needed. This did not daunt Prince of Germany is not the unfeeling Senator Palmer's agent, neither did the historical belief that no Arabian horses are ever disposed of except as gifts to royal personages and for purposes of war. He pushed on and had little trouble in persuading fail to be the signal for a general European the Sultan to revoke his firman in the interests of a United States Senator. He was elated by his success in this direction, but he has nevertheless signally failed in his effort to get the horses. The rules against just the character liable to be misunderstood selling did not prevent his success, however; he failed from a far different cause, it | There is at least a palpable contradiction bebeing none other than the fact that every horse shown him was spavined, ringboned, harsh and war-loving disposition, and that wind-broken, blind or afflicted with some ether disease to which horses, even the pink eyed, soft-skinned Arabian species, are

SWITZERLAND'S MILCH COWS.

native breed, and divided into two sharply by despots or dynasties. All the interests defined races, the brown and the spotted. of the people are opposed to war, and it can The former color varies from deep fawn to scarcely be credited that their sympathies mouse gray, the latter shade being held would be with the man who would lead them in the most esteem. The brown race into it, unless in defence of the national race, furthermore, are identical with those marches, to occupy the trenches, to shed the when you head the dog off." found in the Swiss lake dwellings. The blood, while the favoured few carry off the spotted race, peculiar to Berne and honors and reap the rewards of victory. It Fribourg, is believed to be of Scandinavian is incredible that the people should long for origin. From the milking point of view the enthronement of a fighting monarch, or hardly got to speak to the rabbit at all." there is not very much difference in either | that if Prince William is really their friend swenty pounds.

little expense. Cooked turnips, with a small | for which \$50,000 is still needed.

them. After they begin to lay they should have a proportion of animal food.

The great flow of milk of cows is artificial. In a state of nature the cow gives only the necessary quantity, and gives it only the necessary time to sustain the calf. The greater and longer yield of milk is the result of better feeding, better treatment and longer manipulation of the teats. Hence to increase the yield of milk, feed and milk

Remember that plants to do the work is sitting there waiting for Eti to come up." they ought to do require "standing-room." They must have a mellow, porous soil or his hearers how to get there severally, ficantention is called to a Texas production, their feet will be cramped. It pays to take | cially or politically-making these remarks Hine's Surprise, which is earlier than Rivers, the time to prepare soil properly. Old by the way :-Jethro Tull found to his cost that tillage Steven's Rareripe can be recommended as alone would not keep up the fertility of his help you along but fifty on your back will late peach. Salway gives a big crop, having fields, but he found what thousands since break you down." a tendency to overbear. The Kieffet is his time have proved, that tillage and mansimply wonderful (Mr. Willard has again | ure work well together. Don't depend upon sold his crop at a big price, and states that surface tillage too much. Pulverize the soil | could wash off in all your life."

our small farmers. But little attention is who wants to go elsewhere. 2. A route or paid to draining in fall and winter, and no way. 3. Destination. mulching or attempted improvements. As soon as the warm weather approaches, sheep and cows are turned in to feed on the young name on the outside of barrel. Spray with blades, and if the cows give milk, and the Paris green. Give food to trees and good lambs grow fairly well for the butcher, that ends the matter. If more care were given to seeding down and getting a good stand of grass, no better means could be devised to insure improved methods of farming. With well seeded fields there need be less plowing, and that might be properly limited to the area that can be thoroughly manured and cultivated. A really good grass or clover crop will pay better average profits than those requiring much more labor.

"Does your cow cringe and curl," asks occasionally he passes days of severe toil- The New England Farmer, "and appear nervous and fidgety when you sit down to milk her?" Well, not much, she doesn't. She isn't that kind of a cow. She isn't one of your shy, timid, bashful cows. She just fixes her eyes on vacancy with a glare that will raise a blister on an oak knot, sticks her tail straight up in the air, stiff as a poker, plants three feet firmly on the ground and then feels around with the other for the milkpail, milkstool, milkmaid; finds them; fires them up somewhere into the blue em pyrean, and remarking, "Ha, ha!" amid the shouting, jumps over a six rail fence and tramples down an acre of young garden. Don't talk about cringing and curling to a cow that has to be milked with a pipe, line and a pumping station.

Big Windfalls.

Naval men, especially in the last century, during Commodore Anson's cruise, for example, the Centurion, on June 20, took the Spanish galleon Nostra Signora de Cabadanthe value of £400,000; and, before the Commodore returned to England, his squadron to discuss the "way." captured other vessels which were worth £600,000. Anson's share of this sum was, I believe, over £70,000. Again, on July 30, Some years ago, writes a correspondent of 1745, the Prince Frederick, Captain James another English vessel took a Spanish ship (£140,000), the Notre Dame de la Delivrance

"When the ship was put up for sale, the ward from Captain Frankland, the captor, for you shall live forever." were concealed in a place where no one prizes ever taken; but its value was exceedtreasure-ship, which was taken in 1762 by Captain Pownhall, of the Favourite. The three lieutenants of the vessel received as their shares £ 3,000 apiece, and the captain obtained £65,000, while £64,000 went to the flag officers on the Mediterranean station, where the capture was made. The admiral was at the time miles away from the scene of action, and had very little to do with the capture.

The German Crown Prince.

his accession to power, which there is reason to fear must come all to soon, can scarcely conflagration. It is not unlikely that the portrait presented of him is greatly overdrawn. If he is as represented, brusque in manner and democratic in feeling, he is in the Court circles in which he moves. tween the representation of him as a man of which shows him as an idol of the common people. The professional soldier may, indeed, admire such a character. But the toiling masses of Germany, as elsewhere, cannot be lovers of war, or of those who would involve them needlessly in its hardships and Switzerland has 660,000 milch cows, all of horrors. European wars are generally waged faithful to her, but she's in hell every national army to the battlefield.

and until that time they may be kept at but to complete the endowment of his diocese to a giraffe can get it." (Laughter).

amount of corn-meal, make good food for Sam Jones Says Some New Things in a New Lecture.

"My subject." he said, "is 'Get there,' with the 'En,' left out, as you know I am constitutionally averse to slang of any sort-(laughter) -and for that reason I left off the

In a sentence beginning with the characteristic word, "Really," Sam Jones paid a high compliment to the social and religious life of Toronto, and then said. "It seems as if Toronto is already getting there, and

The lecturer said he didn't intend to show

"Riches are like a walkingstick; one will

"If I should get you there politically you would be covered with more mud than you

How to get there in the best sense, he Grass lands, as a rule, are neglected by said, involved three things:-1. Some one

"I don't stick very close to my subject," he said, "but I always stick to my crowd, and there's a good deal in that."

BUILDING A FIRST-CLASS MAN.

"Really, it's a very hard matter to build a regular first-class man. We have got plenty of material, but the patterns are so scarce. If I had a hundred ordinary men to make one first class man out of I would be very economical with my dirt. (Laughter.) You have got enough pieces in Toronto to make a thousand men, but they won't fit one another.

The lecturer expressed a great dislike to thing," and wanted to know how "nothing" | free." could wear a crown or play a harp. Then he disliked to hear a man singing "I am nothing but a worm of the dust.

"Suppose you went away from home, and your wife sent you a letter directed 'My Dear Old Worm of the Dust,' wouldn't there be war in Egypt? Or, suppose you addressed her, 'My Dear Wormess of the Dust.' (Great Laughter). You're no worm."

stop to discuss whether it is total or partial. sorry to learn that our bill for the protection I would just say, 'You have got enough of birds has been thrown out for this year meanness to damn you, and you had better by means of a shameful double shuffle to exthan that, he's greener than I am.

the good in us is out of fix. Here is a good given into the charge of a member who intongue, but it tells lies; here is a good hand, troduces it, after which it goes into commitbut it knocked a fellow down yesterday. tee, the member in charge selecting his own Sin is simply the perversion of a God-given committee. A number of experts on the

"I love to see a man with a high conception of manhood. Instead of singing 'I'm nothing,' let us sing 'I'm the child of a king.' Instead of singing 'I want to be an angel,' let us say 'I want to be a man."

Having secured the right kind of a man to "get there," one who is pure, noble, true, genuine to the core—the lecturer proceeded

"All liars," he said, "are in the false way, and it looks like that way's powerfully crowded. Everybody here that hasn't told tives of the Gun Club, and succeeded in hava lie in twelve months stand up."

A very few rose, while the rest laughed at the apparent confirmation of the lecturer's the contents of Mr. Thompson's letter: rett dying, was succeeded by his son in the charge. "Five preachers got up," he said; "Sportsmen, naturalists and all other peo- presidency of the road. There was a great and then he quoted the language of a little ple who are interested in the preservation difference in the character and habits of boy who said that lying was worse than of game and birds, will be sorry to learn of the two men. The son had come to a stealing; -"If you steal something you can the action of the Ontario Legislature refer- great fortune without any effort on his take it back : but if you tell a lie you can't | red to in another column. It will be seen | part. Those who expected that he would

Speaking of the virtue of patience, he said enough you will be a grandmother. ' (Laugh-

PREACHING OF DEATH.

Sam Jones thought the preachers were inclined to talk too much about death and not enough about life. "There is not a single word in the whole Bible telling a man to get religion because he is going to die; every appeal is, 'give your heart to God,

He was not inclined, however, to be very severe on the class of sermons which say, "You had better get religion; you will die next week." "That's a pretty good string to run your old rascals in with. I don't couldn't fall back on that. If an angel were to come down nere and say that everybody would live for a hundred years, you wouldn't get ten dollars on your salary this year. (Laughter.) Who's going to church and prayer meeting and pay the preacher, i he's not going to die? But at the end o about 95 years they would be hiring another preacher and saying, 'We've got to go to the bonevard in another five years and we've got to get fixed up for it."

To a preacher who had asked him how to It is devoutly to be hoped that the Crown | infuse more life into his church he said :-"Next Sunday just walk out of the pulpit, wretch and the firebrand he is pictured by grab an old bench, warmer and throw him the newspaper correspondents. Otherwise out of the window. On Monday morning you will have to pay ten dollars in the Police Court and five dollars for the window, but pext Sunday morning you will have three thousand people trying to get into the church to see a preacher that has done semething. (Laughter.) We have got to do something or we'll never be respected."

HEAD OFF THE DOG.

"Here goes a rabbit, running a mile a minute-hustling himself. A man says, 'Run, rabbit, run; it's only half a mile to your den.' Rabbit says, 'Mister, you needn't encourage me to run; just head off that dog.'" (Laughter.)

"There's too much encouraging the rabbit and too little heading off the dog. (Applause.) You can preach anything you like to a woman who knows her husband is un minute she breathes. So with the woman with a drunken husband."

"Let's preach against the barrooms and the gambling dens and the shameless house, the dogs that are chasing our people down is short-horned and considered as the origi- honour. It is on the common people that to destruction; let's head the dog a heap, nal type. It corresponds to the remains the enormous burdens of modern warfare and encourage the rabbit a little." (Ap found on the sites of the Roman cities of the fall most heavily. They have to pay the plause.) It don't take much grit to encourthird century of our area. The skulls of this taxes. Theirs it is to make the forced age the rabbit, but you've got to look out

"The preachers always say to me, 'You head off the dog and I'll encourage the rabbit,' I was here for three weeks and I

race. The average daily yield is about and favorite, he can be impatient to lead the style of preaching, the lecturer said, but no per legs, frog's eyes, lizard's tongues, oyster Bishop Sullivan, of Algoma, is expected stand him. "I always put my fodder on Chinese physicians pronounced the pre-Enterprise, enthusiasm, courage, kind- for the frog's eyes.

needed in order to "get there." Speaking of courage, he approved of the course of the Quaker who, having been struck on one cheek presented the other, then pulled off his coat and said, "And now, having fulfilled the Scriptural injunction, I propose to give you the best whipping you ever had in your life."

A new definition of the dude was given. "A little pimple on the body of society, showing that society's blood is out of condition.

Speaking of kindness, the lecturer gave an excellent picture of the self-satisfied air treasure laid up in Heaven.'

"The worst that could happen to you when you get to Heaven would be to make you wear all the old dresses you have given away. You wouldn't go calling mach for the first few years."

That which delighted the audience most was the lecturer's illustration of the difference betweena Temperance man and a Prohibitionist. The Temperance men are pulling the poor old drowning drunkards out of the river a few miles fighting the crowd that are throwing the people in. "As soon as we Prohibitionists get our work in, you Temperance people will be out of a job."

"There are more Prchibitionists in America to-day than there were Abolitionists in and just as certain as that God was on the side of the Union cause and the emancipation of the slaves He is on the side of Prohibition, and the proclamation will be signed that will sound the death knell of the liquor the sentiment of the hymn, "Oh, to be no- traffic and make all these slaves of drink

Our New Game Bill.

Ernest E. Thompson, of this city, giving a "I believe in depravity, but I would never | better protection of birds: "You will be success. stages of such a bill in our Legislature. before the committee and the bill is remodelits second and third readings in the House before it becomes law. Now one of the Toronto members, Mr. John Leys, professing an interest in the matter, was allowed to take charge of the bill prepared by the Natural History Society. He then selected a committee to suit himself-violated all his promises of giving us a chance to speaksent only for our opponents, the representaing the whole thing thrown out."

> sums of money in the purchase of extensive at the time of the elder Garrett's death. tracts of wild and worthless land, and have gone to considerable expense in putting imas the one reported would, if it became a from persons interested. There can be no question about the wisdom of absolutely prohibiting the killing of moose until 1895. These grand animals are growing scarce in Ontario; indeed, by some they are said to be almost extinct. The failure of the bird protective bill is a misfortune, and emphasizes again the point which we have so often the farmer, the United States and Canada as well will ere long have to pay a heavy penalty for their heedlessness.

In no business is technical education of more importance than in the avocations connected with the tillage of the soil, and yet the recent cry for trade instruction can furnish extensive facilities of the kind to the | tion which puts all over-indulgence out of sons of farmers, and in each of these countries particular attention is paid to the practical and scientific teaching of all matters a pertaining to the dairy. The Royal Agricultural Society of England has taken the question up and the Departmental Commission on Agricultural and Dairy Schools has just issued its final report, in which is recommended State assistance for the techdical and the neighboring islands the fishermen instruction of the sons and daughters of test the depth of the sea and also the nature farmers. In this country a great deal has of the sea bottom by the noises they hear on been done in this direction, but a great applying the ear to one end of an oar of deal more should be done. The edu- which the other end is plunged in the water. cation of farmers' children should be At the depth of 20 feet and less the sound more thorough and systematic. They is a crepitation, similar to that produced are bone to the greatest and most ne- when salt is thrown on burning charcoal; cessary industry in the world and their at 50 feet it is like the ticking of a watch, training should be commensurate with its the ticking being more or less rapid accordimportance.

A Chinese doctor in New York prescribed for a suffering fellow-Celestial a decoction of lotus seeds, sweet potato skins, shark's fins, People grumbled sometimes about his red herring scales, willow leaves, grasshopbody could complain that they didn't under- shells and sugar cane root, and several other Ducks usually begin to lay in February, to leave for England in May, to endeavor the ground, where everything from a goat scriber a quack. It is understood that the critics would have substituted bat's wings

ness, were some of the qualities which were | Champagne, Pleasure and Business.

The men who started penniless and

have built up large fortunes, have, for the most part, been men of simple habits. They have wasted very little upon themselves. They have been content with plain clothes and moderate personal expenses. The elder Astor was of that school. He wanted little for personal gratification; but he wanted much in the way of fortune. He gained this by a life of industry, abstemiousness and economy. The fast man rarely gains a fortune. The talent for spending money rapidof a lady who has given an old threadbare ly on one's self never goes with the talent dress to a poor woman, "Oh, there's another of acquiring money. The elder Vanderbilt was abstemious. His principal indulgence was in fast horses, but he was not conspicuous at horse races, nor in the betting lists. He was a prodigious worker to the last, as have been nearly all the men who have acquired large fortures. Indeed, hard work had become a law of their lives. Girard was a worker and an abstemious man to the last. Johns Hopkins, being a Quaker, could not be otherwise than temperate, industrious and careful in his expenditures. In fact, river; but the Prohibitions have gone up the looking over the list of rich men who have been benefactors, that is, have given considerable of their fortunes to public institutions, hardly a fast man can be found among them. The latter class spend money upon themselves, and rarely have any desire to do any great things for the public. The inspiration America ten years before Mr. Lincoln signed of champagne has never been good in this the proclamation that made the slaves free, direction. It has never helped men to make fortunes but it has helped a great many to spend them. The poor men who struck out in new countries and acquired great wealth, grasped great enterprises and planned beneficent things for the public never had their brains muddled very much with champagne or other indulgences in fast living. Wherever the success of men in the long run depended upon physical and mental staminaupon brawn and brains-they have, for the Forest and Stream contains a letter from most part, drawn the reins pretty close upon all sorts of indulgences. The exsummary of the amendments embodied in ceptions only go to make the rule one of the Phelps Game Preservation Bill recently general acceptance. The roystering, dispassed by the Legislature, and referring as sipated men do not succeed in the long run. follows to the fate of the measure for the Other men outstrip them in the race for

There was the elder Garrett, who made the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad one of the best paying railroad properties in the look out,' and if a fellow wants any more plain which it will be necessary to detail the Union. In efficient and successful management it was cited as the model railroad of "We're not putrefaction and decay, but First it is prepared by parties interested and the country. Its stock was so good and the road was on such a solid basis, that the city of Baltimore, the Johns Hopkins University and several other public institutions invested their funds in the road, because the subject are then called up for examination steady ten per cent. dividends brought a better income than they could get for money led and perfected, after which it must pass in any other investment. As long as the elder Garrett lived the road maintained its status as the best managed road in the country. The Johns Hopkins University was sure of its dividends. All the Widows' and Orphans' funds invested there were sure of dividends. The elder Garrett had no occasion for champagne suppers. His habits were almost as simple and abstemious as were those of the Quaker, Johns Hopkins, who had unshaken faith in the permanent value of the property in which Our contemporary comments as follows on he had so large an interest. The elder Garthat the bill as reported does not forbid the | fill the place of his father have been greatly dogging of deer, nor does it provide that disappointed. The great railway property -"It is to life just what an egg is to coffee the intending hunter must procure a license. began to depreciate. The road was extend-- it settles the whole business. Mother, if The provision that only five deer may be ed to Philadelphia. Garrett had a plan of you have a little more patience you will be killed by one or more hunters from one extending it to New York, or rather to the a precious mother; and if you have patience camp will be a dead letter, since it can never | Shore of Staten Island. It was while he be entorced. The section requiring three was broaching this plan to Vanderbilt at months' residence in the province before any his home in New York that the latter sudperson shall be at liberty to kill deer, or denly expired. The last dividend was other game, amounts to a practical barring passed, the company has been obliged to out of all residents of the United States sell its telegraph lines, its express and from shooting privileges in Ontario, and sleeping-car business, and to borrow ten will seem a severe hardship to those clubs | millions or more to bridge over present emwhose members reside on this side of the barrassments. There is a striking contrast line. Some of these clubs have spent large in the actual condition of the road now and

Much of this difference can be traced to the succession of the younger Garrett. provements on such property. A bill such | The son was not like his father. He was not girded up for a life of self-denial and law, mean little less than confiscation of the hard work. He was, in the phrase of the oses it proved a thoroughly serviceable ed by that of the Hermoine, a Spanish know what you preachers would do if you property of these associations. The matter day, a swell young man, very much given various other indulgences. It became evident that a young man of such habits was not equal to the management of this great railroad property. He was compelled to step out. Then came the story of Garrett's rushing back from Europe, his threats to upset the sale of the telegraph line and to revolutionize things generally, and the story urged, that the people at large need to be of his removal from New York to Baltimore educated as to the enormously important under the care of friends, with an intimation part played by our small birds in tho econ- that he was not in his right mind, whatever omy of nature. If the people of America that might mean. The son did not choose to cannot be brought to comprehend the value follow in the footsteps of his father. He to agriculture of these indefatigable aids to struck out new paths. The result is no longer a secret. It is not a solitary instance of this kind of divergence. If there is any moral here it is that champagne suppers, social excesses, a fast, sensuous life do not go well with business; and the millions of the father cannot make up for these defects in his lineal successor. The exactions of business were never greater than they are today. These emergencies cannot be fairly scarcely be said to have extended in this | met with muddled brains, nor with anything direction. Holland, Denmark and Germany | less than absolute self-command and a devosight and out of mind. It is as true to-day as it ever was that the winning men in nearly all leading pursuits, adhere to the condition of temperate living to insure clear thinking and the largest success .- [San Francisco Bulletin.

> On some parts of the coast of Sumatra ing to whether the bottom is entirely of coral or alternately of coral and mud, or of sand. If the bottom is entirely of sand the sound is clear; if of mud it resembles the humming of a swarm of bees. On dark nights the fishermen select their fishery grounds accerding to these indications.

A contract for the completion within six weeks of all the bridges on the Red River Valley railway was signed on Saturday by the Manitoba Government.