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An Appeal for Funds to Furnish the New Free Consumptive Hospital at Gravenhurst-Sir Wm. R. Meredith, Mr. W. J. Gage, and Other Trustees in Receipt of Many Calls for Admission from all Parts of Canada-Beyond Doubt the Most Pressing of all Charities.

The statement of Dr. John Ferguson, one of Toronto's well-known physicians, that "if consumption patients were properly isolated and treated, within ten years from now tuberculosis would be one of the rarest of known diseases," is full of moment to the people of every community in Canada. Without indulging in any unnecessary alarm, the serious thought is that the victims of consumption are found in all parts of the country and among all classes of people.

The letters received by the Association are of the most heart-rending kind. One mother tells how she mortgaged her furniture for one hundred dollars to place her daughter, sick of consumption, under treatment in the Muskoka Cottage Sanatorium, and in so doing saved her life. The Free Consumptive Hospital had not then taken shape. Rev. C. O. Johnston, Toronto, writes Mr. W. J. Gage: "I have a family greatly afflicted with consumption in my church. Five sons and daughters have already fallen out of a family of ten, and I fear the end is not yet." Another, in sending a contribution to the fund, says: "I do not know of a greater disgrace to Canada than her neglect of poor consumptives." Rev. Fred. W. Hollinrake, Grimsby, Ont., writes: "We have in our town a young married man with two little girls -a printer by trade-who has been suffering for some time. He did not desist work until this week. I was up to see him this afternoon. He is lying in bed and very weak. I feel the Sanatorium is the place for him and that he is not too far gone. Ere this he would have entered the Sanatorium but for the question of means. Would it be asking too much of you to write the afflicted one, or kindly see that it is done? He is a member of my church here, and the poor

fellow seems very much discouraged." What to do to help stamp out this disease is being practically answered by the National Sanitarium Association, who four years ago Luilt the Muskoka Cottage Sanatorium, thanks to the generosity 'Lucerne, or alfalfa, where the soil of Mr. W. J. Gage and the Executors of and climate are favorable to its the fate Hart A. Massey, and who have now just completed a magnificent building to be known as the Free Consumptive Hospital, again the gift of Mr. W. J. Gage and the Massey Estate.

What this method of treatment means is shown in the fact that in four years 510 patients have been treated, and of these over 300 have been cured or so helped that they have gone back to work, caring for wife or children or those otherwise dependent upon them.

The new Free Consumptive Hospital is situated in Muskoka, not far from the Muskoka Cottage Sanatorium, so that the same benefits that have been given to patients of the Muskoka Cottage Sanatorium, by virtue of its excellent situation, should go also to the poorer patients, whose only hope is in being received where neither money nor price is neces-

Absolutely free, to all intents and purposes, are the words written above the door of the Free Consumptive Hospital, and all that is wanting now is that sufficient money be contributed to furnish the hospital with beds and in other ways to properly equip it. The National Sanitarium Association, because of their heavy debt, are unable to undertake this part of the work, and appeal to the public in all parts of Canada-for all are concerned-for money sufficient to meet this purpose. Amounts large or small will be welcomed. A single dollar will do something, \$5 or \$10 will do more. Others are contributing in \$50 amounts-a sum sufficient to furnish a cot. Out of their abundance there will be some who will send their cheques for \$100 or larger 2 mounts

Contributions will be received by Sir Wm. R. Meredith, Chief Justice, Vice-President National Sanitarium Association, Toronto; W. J. Gage, Esq., Chairman Ex. Com., Toronto; or the National Trust Co., Limited, Treasurer, 22 King Street East, Toronto.

Forage Crops for Summer Feeding

(F. W. Hodson, Live Stock Com.)

The losses that occur annually to our farmers from the drying up of their pastures in July, August and September, should induce every stock man to grow a few acres of green feed. In most cases only personal experience with fodder plants will enable a farmer to ascertain which are best adapted to his own needs and district. In the past the chief objection to soiling has been that time is too valuable to be employed for that purpose. But it is becoming very evident that on neglect our stock during the summer droughts. Some suggestions as to the selection and growth of suitable crops for summer feeding are worthy of

consideration. In laying out the work it is necessary to know how many bead of animals it is desired to feed. The following estimate has been made of the land required to produce sufficient green feed for a cow for one day: Of Lucerne or other clover, 3 of a square rod per day; of barley, oats and pease, rye wheat or millet, 1 a square rod per day; of corn or sorghum, 1 of a square rod per day. The above is a fair estimate for a day's feeding on land in a good state of cultivation, and with no allowance for pasture. No cow can possibly consume 1 a square rod of rye, barley, oats and pease or millet in a day's feeding, where there is a good strong growth. But allowing that the above estimate is approximately correct, we find that one acre of these crops is sufficient to feed a cow for 320 days. The amount required by other kinds of stock can be calculated on this basis. It is always best to make a liberal allowance. There need be no waste, since any surplus can be cut and cured for winter forage, or plowed under as green

Next it will be necessary to consider the most suitable kind of crops to grow, and the periods at which each will be available. For general fooding, rye, clover, rape, pease and oat, vetces, millet, sorghum and corn, will be found most satisfactory, and the list names will cover practically the whole season, if sown at suitable intervals. Rye sown in the fall will provide the earliest feed in the spring, but as grass is usually abundant at that time this crop is not so likely to be needed unless a complete system of soiling is practised. Clover, where it will grow well, comes next on the list, and will furnish an abundance of good feed during the latter half of June. growth, should be given first place on the list of soiling crops. It can be cut almost as early in the spring as rye, and furnished at least three crops per season of highly nitrogenous food. I greatly relished by all kinds of stock, but is apt to cause bloating carelessly pastured. In the southern parts of Ontario, it generally stands the winter well, and lasts for years without re-seeding. It should be sown in the spring, on clean, very well prepared ground, either alone or with a light nurse crop of barley, wheat or oats, and at least 20 lbs. of good fresh seed to the acre. It is a little slow in gaining a foothold, and should not be pastured the first year, but after that it is very tenacious of life, and withstands droughts remarkably well. Rape may be sown about the first of May on rich well prepard soil for early feeding, and additional sowing may be made at intervals as desired. It is advisable to sow rape in drills two feet apart, and cultivate as for turnips. From one to two pounds of seed of the Dwarf Essex variety should be sown to the acre, if drilled in, or double the amount if sown broadcast. Rape produces large quantities of green food and is one of the best foods for keeping animals. including pigs, sheep and calves, in good codition. It is not satisfactory for milch cows, owing to its tendency

to injure the flavor of the milk. Oats and pease make one of the very best soiling crops for general growth, particularly for feeding dairy cows. They should be sown as early in the spring as the ground will permit, and at intervals thereafter, at the rate of about three bushels per acre (equal parts, or two bushels of oats to one of

Vetches or tares are now grown in Canada to a considerable extent, especially by dairymen. They are likely to prove of value, not only in Ontario and Quebec, but in the Maritime Provinces and British Columbia, and the West as well. The common spring vetch has been most generally grown, but recent experiments go to show that the hairy vetch will yield a considerably larger amount of green fodder per acre in Outario. It is very desirable for soiling purposes, especially in dry districts. It appears to be relished by all classes of farm stock, quire at The greatest drawback to the more

extensive cultivation of the vetch in Canada, is the high price asked for the seed. At present prices it will probably be found best to sow vetches along with pease and oats, at the rate of one bushel of vetches, one bushel of pease and two bushels or oats per acre-This mixture will produce an excellent crop for July and August feeding and. will also afford good pasture after the first cutting, if cut early.

Millet is another plant that is particularly good as a catch crop. It can sometimes be sown after a forage crop of pease and oats has been taken off the ground and if there is sufficient moisture to start it, it will yield a fair erop. If sown early in June, at the high-priced lands, and with valuable it will furnish a large crop of good fodder by the middle of August. The Japanese Barnyard in moist soil, and Jepanese Panicle are the best varieties.

Markham Council

Markham township council met at Victoria hall, Unionville, on Tuesday, the 8th inst. Members present, the Reeve and councillors Young and Morrison. Minutes of last meeting

read and confirmed. A communication from W. Clark re shovelling on north townline. The clerk received a statement from the County Treasurer showing a balance in the County Treasurer's hand due Markham municipality of \$61 84.

Morrison - Young - that \$40 be paid by the treasurer to Mr. Jas. Russell, being two thirds of the value of one sheep killed by a dog or dogs the owners unknown as testified by oath.

Byron Gohn put in a claim for \$100 damage, for upsetting on sideroad between lots 10 and 11 in 3rd. con., whereby his shoulder blade was broken, also his buggy, Morrison-Young- that the follow-

ing accounts incurred by the Board of health be paid :- R. A. Mason, drugs. 70c; R. Welsh, hire of team, \$2; Jas. Dimma, expenses. \$1. Young-Morrison-that the treas. be instructed to pay Dr. Hyland the

for services rendered, re small pox case of Mr. Frank Reesor. Young-Dimma-that Mr. Morrison be commissioner to bave culvert re-

sum of \$168.95 in full of account

paired opposite lot 6, con. 8. Morrison-Dimma that Mr. Young be commissener to have culvert repaired between lots 20 and 21, in 8

Young - Morrison-that the treasurer pay tollowing accounts :- A. Mc-Pherson, bolts \$2; R. J. Cunningham, repairing culvert, \$2; H. W. Harper, 14 yards gravel, \$1.40; R. S. Frisby, repairing culvert plank, \$3; Hart & Riddel, account for stationery, \$26.85; C. Mitchel re McMullen, indigent, \$8; Jonas Ramer, scraping, \$4; Jonathan Gould, for stone, lumber, etc., \$38.91.

Dimma - Young - that Mr. Morrison be commissioner to investigate claim of Byron Gohn for damages sustained in con. 3, lots 10 11, on March 18th, 1902, and report at next meeting of council.

A by-law was passed appointing Frishy Bras., operators for the road grader for 1902. A by-law was also passed amending

the road by-law so that the owner may do his roadwork on his aggregate assessment instead of on each separ-Council adjourned to meet on the

15th day of May, at 10 o'clock a. m.

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