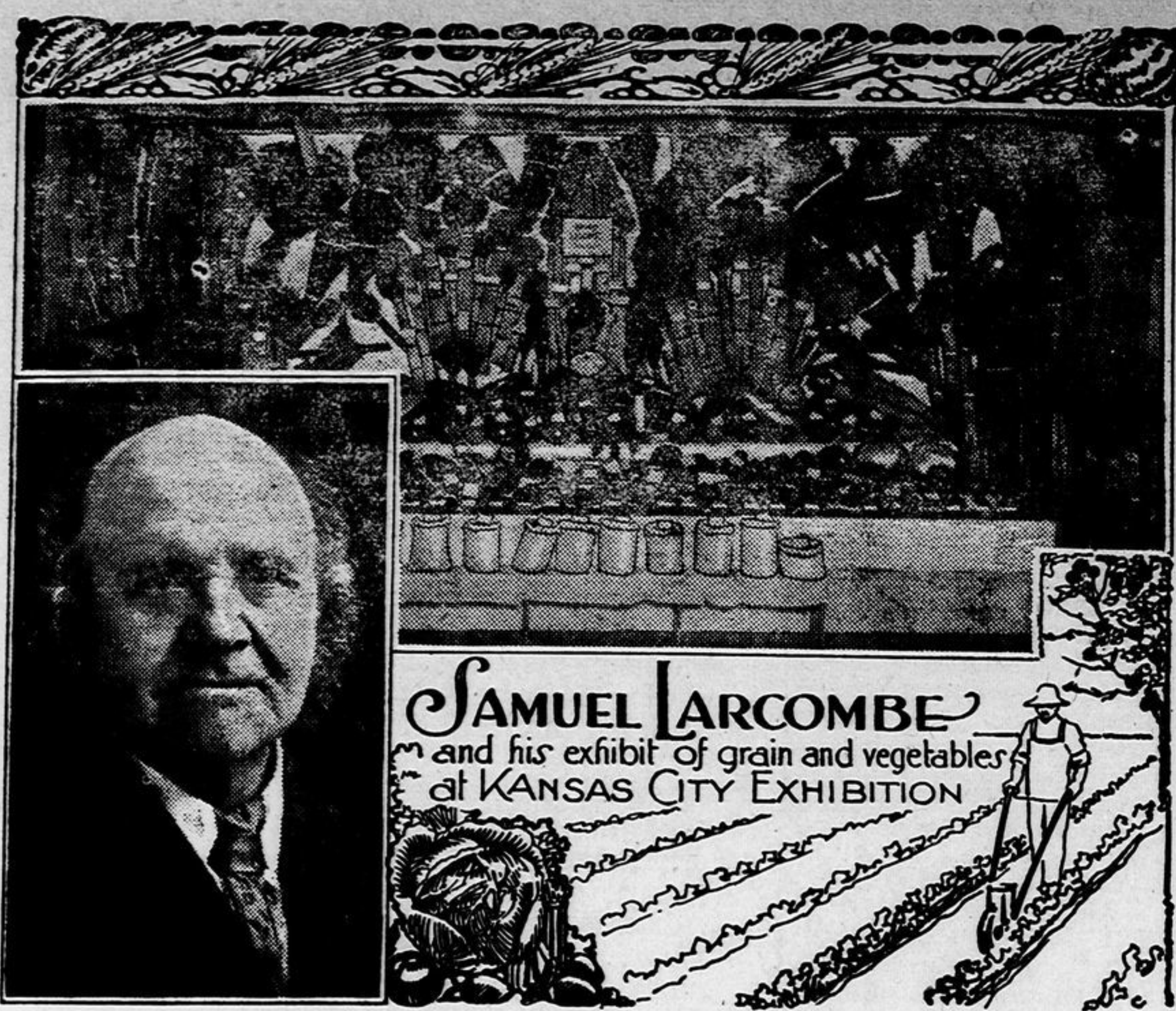


# THIRTY YEARS SUCCESSFUL FARMING



In a period when the profession of farming is more or less stagnant, when the tendency in so many countries is from rural districts to the cities and industrial centres, and the oft-made complaint is that the ardors of deprivations of an agricultural life are not commensurate with its compensations, it is consoling to read the history of a satisfied farmer of thirty years' standing, one of the continent's premier agriculturists, celebrating his seventieth birthday in the tranquil satisfaction of the honors which have come to him in his chosen profession.

Such a man is Samuel Larcombe, of Birtle, Manitoba, who expresses pride in the realization of the signal part he has played in making the possibilities of Western Canada known to the world.

The record of Mr. Larcombe's thirty years of farming is almost phenomenal. In that period, with the products of his Manitoba farm, he has carried off no less than three thousand prizes, including the world's championship for wheat at the Peoria International Fair in 1917, and

the sweepstakes for the best individual farmer's exhibit as well as the sweepstakes for wheat in the dry-farming section at the World's Soil Products exhibition in Kansas in 1918. His Canadian successes constitute an aggregate which gives him an average over his farming years of one hundred prizes per year.

Born in a little Devon village and for ten years following the pursuit of market gardener, Mr. Larcombe's experience forms a further addition to the examples of outstanding success achieved by immigrants from the British Isles, unacquainted with Western conditions. He came to Winnipeg in 1889 and proceeded to Birtle, where even then existed a thriving colony of old country farmers. After a year's experience as hired man with a farmer in the district, he rented a farm, which, after five years he purchased and still occupies.

At a time when everyone was engrossed in wheat he concentrated not so much on grains as on vegetables. His first local exhibit won three

prizes, and in his first ten years of farming he made forty entries and secured 134 awards. From 1905 to 1908 he grew roots, vegetables and grain for the Canadian Pacific Railway for exhibition purposes in other countries, and produced citrons, cucumbers, pumpkins, squash and marrows for the Dominion Government for the same purpose.

Mr. Larcombe's career as an exhibitor has been one consistent succession of triumphs too lengthy to mention in detail. His international successes have brought considerable renown to Western Canada and widely advertised the wonderful possibilities of intelligent farming with assiduous application. Mr. Larcombe recently celebrated his seventieth birthday on the farm which has been the scene of every one of his achievements. He can look back over his thirty years of agricultural life in Manitoba with supreme satisfaction in the knowledge that in winning renown and prosperity for himself he has pointed the way to thousands of his fellow-countrymen.

## Fact and Comment

In Germany the number of unemployed persons who are receiving relief is slightly less than twenty thousand, a level that was seldom attained even in the prosperous days before the war.

Now that the size of the United States army has been fixed by Congress and it is therefore possible to make accurate estimates of what the reduced forces will need, the government will sell at auction in the next six months property that cost a quarter of a billion dollars. Usually, for goods sold in that way, the government receives about twenty-five per cent. of what the goods cost.

Since the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers opened its Co-operative National Bank in Cleveland in 1920, labor organizations have established eight other banks in different parts of the country and are planning a dozen more. The Cleveland bank divides all its profits above ten per cent. between the stockholders and the depositors, and it is not a member of the clearing house; otherwise its business is the same as that of other banks.

The Boll Weevil has now infested almost the whole cotton-growing area in the United States and has shown that it can live even in the extreme portions of the Cotton Belt. The damage that it caused in 1911 was only 1.28 per cent. of the normal crop, but by 1921 it had grown to 31 per cent., and it increased more than ten per cent last year. Should it continue to gain at that rate it would be only a few years before there would be no American cotton.

In Japan there is little evidence of unemployment even in times of business depression. Most of the industrial workers come from the little farms into which the country is divided, and, since they have a strong family feeling, they go back to their country relatives as soon as they are out of work in the cities. A "strong family feeling" of that kind, it seems to us, might easily become more prized by those who have it than by those upon whom they permit it to rest.

The usefulness of Selenium lies in its peculiar sensitiveness to light. In conducting electricity, metallic selenium is so sensitive that when a greater amount of light falls upon it a greater amount of electricity passes through it. A selenium cell, in circuit with a battery, will do many clever things. It will switch off the street light when day breaks, send photographs over the wire, control boats and torpedoes from a distance, and, most wonderful of all, will translate a page of print into musical notes that the blind can easily learn to read.

Among the provisions for indirect aid to shipping in the present subsidy bill before the United States Congress are: that fifty per cent. of the immigration shall be reserved for American ships; that money spent on building new ships shall be exempt from Federal taxes; that shippers in American vessels shall have five per cent. deducted from their income tax, and that the army and navy transport services shall be given to the merchant marine. Also it is provided that two-thirds of the personnel in deck and engine departments must be American citizens.

The United States National Chamber of Commerce declares that 100,000 or 200,000 men of equal productive capacity added to the 185,000 men who have been working all summer in the non-union mine districts would supply all the soft coal the country could use. But there were 610,000 soft-coal miners on strike, which means that almost half a million men whose labor is not actually needed in the industry are dependent on it for their livelihood. No wonder coal is high!

Dr. Einstein, the eminent physicist and natural philosopher has had to

flee from Berlin and go into hiding in the country. His life is threatened by the monarchist murder-clubs that have killed Eisner and Rathenau and Erzberger and murderously assaulted Maximilian Harden. Dr. Einstein's offence is his warm support of the republican government and his refusal, during the war, to sign the famous manifesto of the German professors in defense of the German methods of making war.

The train crews who abandoned their trains in the middle of the Arizona desert damaged their own cause just as the Germans who made war on noncombatants in Belgium and France damaged theirs. The suffering they caused the passengers, many of whom were feeble through age or infancy or sickness, was merely cruel. It was of no conceivable advantage to the strikers and showed only a wanton willingness to harm anyone who was in their power.

London is anxious about both of its great cathedrals, St. Paul's and Westminster. Within the last few years some half million dollars have been spent in repairing and strengthening the walls, but architects say that nothing more than a beginning has been made. The piers that uphold the great piers of St. Paul's are cracked and beginning to crumble; it will be a costly and difficult job to repair them. The softer stone of the abbey is disintegrating under the influence of the acid fumes that the innumerable factories of London pour into the air. It has been suggested that the Abbey be lime-washed all over to protect the crumbling surface. Everyone who loves the famous old church winces at the thought of its being treated to a glaring coat of whitewash, but it may come to a choice between that and seeing the building fall into

ruin. Perhaps the lime can be colored in such a way as to preserve the mellow dignity of appearance that age has given to the stone.

The feuds between the Socialists and the Fascisti, or Nationalists, which seemed for a time to have died down, have revived with augmented fury. All Italy north of Rome is in turmoil, and hardly a city of importance has escaped incendiaryism and street fighting. The Facta ministry resigned because it found it impossible to keep order, but Premier Facta had to return to office because no one could relieve him. Signor Giolitti refused office because he said, Italy was headed straight for bankruptcy and he did not intend to be caught in the whirlpool. The most encouragement in the situation is that the new minister of the interior is Signor Taddei, formerly prefect at Turin. He has the name of being the strongest and coolest administrator in Italy.

### Getting Him Going.

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## Other Papers' Opinions

Where Does the Blame Rest?  
(Toronto Star.)

The murderer of Father Clohocy, the parish priest of Proton, by a deaf mute, is a crime for which the entire community is culpable. It is clear that the deaf mute who fired the fatal shot was of unsound mind and was well known to be in this condition. He had resorted to violence before and a warrant for his arrest had been issued, but he evaded the constables on that occasion and nothing more was done about it. He was of a Catholic family, but developed an insane ill-will towards the parish priest presumably because of rebukes he had received and the efforts made by the clergyman to discipline and reform him.

It was well known that the deaf mute had frequently indicated by signs his intention of shooting the parish priest, and whatever may have been the fears of Father Clohocy in this connection he would scarcely be the one to take steps for the young man's arrest and commitment to a place of detention. The mere fact that the risk was a personal one would restrain him. But there should have been and there must have been in the community some one who knew enough about such matters to know—as any doctor should have known—that Cosgrove was not a responsible being and that he was drifting towards a homicidal act.

Every symptom was manifest. But that which is everybody's business is nobody's business, and nothing was done. Nobody cared to do anything in so disagreeable a matter and murder eventuated in due course. There would be no object in emphasizing the case unless there was a chance that a moral could be drawn from it in other similar cases throughout the country.

The Saturday Holiday.  
(Warton Echo.)

This thing can be brought about. In Ontario towns trading is now mostly done on Saturdays, but by keeping open on Friday night this shopping can be done on Friday. The public can switch to Friday without any trouble whatever. It is simply up to the press to advocate the change, and then for the boards of trade to send a deputation to Toronto asking that Saturday afternoon be declared a half holiday. Nothing will be more popular and once the movement be started, every town in Western Ontario will fall into line.

The half holiday, as we now have one, is a nuisance, and no good. So let us go in for the real thing.

### ARTEMESIA COUNCIL

Artemesia Council met on Saturday, September 2, the members all being present, the Reeve in the chair. The minutes were read and endorsed. Reports of work done by Commissioners Carruthers and Burnett were presented; a claim of \$22 for sheep killed from Thomas Irwin, which was ordered to be paid; accounts for gravel from overseers ordered to be paid—C. Moore \$5.20, A. Jordan 50c., Thomas Mills \$4, H. Patterson \$7.00, F. Eagle \$1.40, D. Lines \$1, F. Pedlar \$11, Mrs. Hill \$5.10, R. Walker \$6.80, G. Binnie \$4.00, A. Cameron \$6.30, H. Cairns \$12.00, J. McLeod \$6.40, T. Phillips \$4.00, J. Watson \$5.40; the Reeve, account of commission, \$10.00, A. Carruthers, commission, \$24.15; J. A. Hogarth, commission, \$11.25 and \$8.00 for two days overseeing; J. Burnett, \$8.00, two days overseeing; and \$4.00 nails for bridge; Ingot Iron Company, \$76.00 for four road drags.

Burnett—Batcheler — That the Reeve and Mr. Carruthers be a commission to correspond with the Hydro Commission and meet any delegation appointed by them with a view of having the road on the 8th line put in proper form and final settlement of the same, and report to this Council.—Carried.

Carruthers—Hogarth—That this Council hereby conveys to the citizens of Flesherton who were so unfortunate as to lose their houses and places of business through fire, our sincere sympathy in their misfortune, and our deep hope is that the buildings destroyed may soon be replaced by others that will combine usefulness and beauty and be a credit to those concerned.—Carried.

The Reeve and Council of the Twp. of Artemesia:  
Gentlemen,—On behalf of the people of the Village of Flesherton, the Council of this village desire through you to thank those residents of the township who so nobly responded to the call and assisted at the disastrous fire. The assistance rendered was of incalculable value to the village. We wish to thank you.—D. McTavish, Reeve.

The Council adjourned.

### MERE MAN

Some philosopher or poet or somebody has said that man is the only animal that smiles. Yes, and he's the only animal that swears and gets drunk, lies and acts the hypocrite and plays football and rides in automobiles and gets married and gets a divorce and commits suicide and, well, goes to hell when he dies.

### HERRIN, MICHIGAN MURDERERS SHOULD GET FULL PUNISHMENT

The union miners are going to finance the defence of every miner implicated in the recent Herrin, Michigan massacre, not on the ground, they say, that they condone lawlessness, but on the common law doctrine that every man is innocent until proven guilty. The affair is one of the most revolting in strike annals and the riot is now believed to be a well-laid conspiracy for the securing of the persons of about seventy non-union miners who were, without resistance, taken into the woods, and on the command of an official of the United Mine Workers of America, shot down in cold blood after they had surrendered. The wounded were barbarously treated by being denied water or any other mercy while their life-blood ebbed away. Indeed, eye-witnesses declare that many were kicked in the face as they lay dying bound and helpless on the ground while others were branded with burning irons. That such a thing could occur is a travesty on the boasted civilization of the United States. But it is the natural outcome of the spirit of lawlessness that has prevailed in many States of the Union whereby negroes have been lynched and burned at the stake without anyone having been brought to justice for the crime. That the conspirators receive a fair trial is the desire of all reasonable men and that punishment commensurate with the crimes committed be meted out to those found guilty.

Later reports state that the State of Illinois is doing nothing in the matter, and that as the Federal Government cannot interfere in matters pertaining to the State, the authorities at Washington are also doing nothing. The report further says that the massacre was the outcome of drinking some of the poisonous whiskey substitutes that were freely disposed of in the Herrin district.

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