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armers on the Ten Chain Lots Along the River Did Most of Their Traveling by Water and Lived a Great Deal on Fish - Their Implements Were of the Crudest Description -Flails Were Used For Threshing.

For an account of the early growing mes on the banks of the Red River ne cannot do better than turn to that little book, "The Selkirk Settler in Real Life," by Rev. R. G. Mac-Beth, M.A., whose father was one of the people whose life the writer describes, says a writer in The Family

The introductory chapter of the book is written by Lord Strathcons, whose early years were spent in the Canadian West and who had personal experience of what Mr. MacBeth describes. One quotation will show the high esteem in which the Selkirk settlers were held by Lord Strathcona, one time practically lived among them. "Many of the original Selkirk settlers and their descendants," writes Lord Strathcons, "have been personally and intimately known to me; and I have always respected and admired their sterling qualities of head and heart. I know how they have worked and how they have lived, and, in my judgment, Maritoba owes more to their efforts and to their example than is generally admitted, or can well be conceived by the present

The farms of the early Selkirk set tlers fronted on the Red River, and in order that all might have a river frontage without being too widely scattered, the farms were only ten chains in width, extending back two miles. privilege of cutting hay over a certain area in rear of his land, and finally The settlement was, therefore, laid out much as were the early French settlements along the rivers of Lower Canada, an arrangement that brought the settlers' homes close together along a front road and gave each acceas to the river from which practically all their water was obtained, and also an appreciable portion of their food in the form of fish.

Farming was their principal occu-A few now and then engaged the delicacies of buffalo meat, moose nose, beaver tail, etc., were obtained by trading with the half-breeds and ndians." The hoe, the sickle and the cradle were the early impiements of agriculture, but in time the hoe gave way to the wooden plough with an iron point, and after a time the

The original reaper was a heavy. crude affair. At its rear was a large platform on which a man stood when was in operation, forking off the grain in sheaves as it fell. The bindng was subsequently done by hand. o put the reaper in or out of gear it had to be pried up by means of a fence-rail and the big wheel moved wheel. The threshing was done by means of flails and the grain was cleaned in the open air by whirllarge land-sieves. The wheat was ground into flour by means of hand ingly wholesome. The first windmill was put up at Point Douglas, now ithin the limits of Winnipeg, by the Hudson Bay Co. An expert was sent from the east to do the work and as an assistant he secured a settler named Hugh Polson, who took careful ob- Mistress of the Robes in the '70s. Her later built a mill for himself and afterwards a number of other mills for hbors. "These mills did fair work, but when a long calm prevailed there was always danger of a flour famine, unless by borrowing from one another the supply could be eked out until the wind arose."

The settlers raised large numbers of to buffalo hunters for use on the plains. In the ordinary farm opera-tions oxen were largely used and were often driven single in the Red River, two-wheeled cart, or hitched to a sled. eep were raised, too, and in the farm houses the wool was spun into yarn and woven into cloth for family use. In summer the farm stock ran wild on the prairies, the horses especially to Lord William Cecil of the Exeter in the autumn a general round-up to the barony, and on her father's Winchester, Ind. — Four doctors in the autumn a general round-up to the barony, and on her lather's lid me that they could never make took place, all the animals being doct a few months ago became Lady ne regular, and brought in for shelter through the Amherst of Hackney in her own right. winter. Hay cutting in summer was | She has four sons, but no daughters. a jolly affair, each farmer sending out The future succession is limited to his full force of hands, who camped heirs male. for days on the prairies where each party cut and stacked as much hay as their stock would require during the housing season. The prairies were

as upon which all had equal The settlement had its social cusness and good will. As the farm houses were close together visiting back and forth was frequent. "Hos-pitality was unbounded, and as no DEAL, Winchester, Ind. Girls who are troubled with painful sleep. Except in the evening or irregular periods, backache, head-knocking at the door was dispersively with by near neighbors." aleep. Except in the evening time

practically great pasture and meadow

or irregular periods, backache, head-tiche, dragging-down sensations, faint-ing spells or indigestion, should take immediate action to ward off the seri-ous consequences and be restored to driving there in a long procession nealth by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vege-able Compound. Thousands have been the farm houses along the road. The restored to health by its use. events. There was only one limit Booth's Kidney Pills were advertised throat of the suffering one, a placed on this speeding, and that was at Mr. Mahood's Brug Store. I tried which the snake is killed and its Lynn, Mass. Her advice is free, that no one was to pass the bridal

tie a how than it is for her to get erself tied to a beau. Guns are like men; they are apt to kick when overcharged. You may see a blind man saw, but 444444 Jahabababbbbbbbbbbbbbbb bon Haidt dem pim aus-

PEERESSES AND THEIR HEIRS.

Many Notable Englishwomen Hold Titles In Their Own Right.

While so many women are agitating for their "rights" it is of interest to know that a great many of the gentler sex hold exalted positions in their own right in England, and do not derive their titles from their husbands. At present there are a number of peeresses in their own right-sixteen to beexact, the one whose peerage is of the greatest antiquity being Lady de Ros whose barony—the premier barony of England-was created by Simon de Montfort when, after the bat-Ros by writ in the King's name, to

the late Lord de Ros, who died rather and she has three daughters - the Hon. Mrs. Ross, the Hon. Maude Dawson and the Hon. Mrs. Wade Palmer. Having no brother, these ladies are co-heiresses to their mother's barony, for it is a peculiarity of English baronies by writ that primo ture among females is ignored. All daughters are equal co-heiresses, and not one of them can obtain the title

until she becomes the sole heiress. But this is not all. Mrs. Ross has two sons, and Mrs. Wade Palmer has two daughters and the barony may remain in abeyance until the descendants of the original co-heiresses have dwindled down to one person. Because of this peerages have sometimes remained in abeyance for centuries. He can at any time he chooses con-

Beaumont and Lady Clifton of Leighton Bromswold. The first Baron Beaumont was the grandson of John de Brienne, who held the glorious dignity of King of Jerusalem. After being in abeyance for more than 300 years the barony fell in 1840 to Yorkshire Roman Catholic gentleman, Miles Thomas Stapleton of Carlton. His son and successor married a daughter of the late Sir Charles Tempest and when he died, fourteen years ago, he left a little girl, who was scarcely more than a year old. Less than three weeks later another girl was born. The barony was called out of abeyance in favor of the elder child before she was two years old.

But Lady Clifton is the baby amon peeresses in their own right. She was born at the beginning of 1900, and before she was twelve months old her father's death made her a peeress. The in hunting "but for the most part heir presumptive is her uncle, Lord Darnley

On the death of the late Lord Lovelace, three years ago, his only child, the great-granddaughter of Byron, be-came Baroness Wentworth in her own right. This barony has been held by paronesses more often than any other. First conferred on Sir Thomas Wentworth, Chamberlain to Edward VI. and a connection of the family of the same name settled at Wentworth Woodhouse, near Sheffield, and now represented by Lord Fitzwilliam, it passed in course of time to Henrietta, the only child of the fifth baron, when Born during the Commonwealth

she fell a victim to the glances of the Duke of Monmouth, her rents, her jewels and her credit were lovingly given to forward his plots for usurping the throne. From Henrietta the barony passed to an aunt, who was ter the lapse of more than a century but it was sweet and exceed- it fell again to a baroness, who was none other than the widow of Byron. Lady Cromartie is the only living countess in her own right. The peermother, Anne, Duchess of Sutherland, mother of the Duke of Sutherland and servation of all he saw, and a little Grace was a descendant of the Mackenzies, the old Earl of Cromarties, and the inheritor of their estates. At cordance with the terms of the patent, by her second son. The late Lord Cromartie died when his elder daughter was fifteen, and she had to wait two

kenzie, and has a daughter and two sons. Viscount Tarbat, the heir, is When William Amhurst Tyssen-Amherst was raised to the peerage in the '90s, he had no sons but several daughters, all accomplished and all named Margaret after their mother. The cldest of these, who was married being out of sight for months. Late family, was granted special remainder

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hold himself as nearly erect as possible every minute of the day. If he slouches at his desk the chief clerk office is not a lounging-room. If he for a needed rest of a minute or so he fractures some iron-clad rule anent the slouchiness of the selling force. A great many department store However, the King has a prerogative. managers are careful to see that the processes of civilization are not checked in any degree by the girls who sell the ribbons, and the lingerie sitting down for a moment. Everyone must be "right on their toes," and squarely

and uprightly on them at that. Consequently, the earth pull, the the workers like lead, late in easons. When the lad or lassie of considerable portion of the teachers' time is spent in keeping them sitting bolt upright at their desks. To "rest them" they are marched around the room at regular intervals, all marching as nearly erect as they possibly can. The boy is given physical culture ad nauseam to keep him erect and straight. The girl is sent away to some finishing school for young ladies, where she finds that to slouch ever so little from the prescribed atti-And all the time the grip of the ancestor who walked on his hands and feet is pulling against the hardening of the unnatural habit.

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the beginning of it. The secret of the old man's success was a curious one. He depended nis memory in a very curious way He did not remember the men b their faces, their clothes, their hats, their boots, or by any peculiarity of gait or appearance. Manifestly such a feat would have been impossible for ordinary "pitties" are very much alike in these details.

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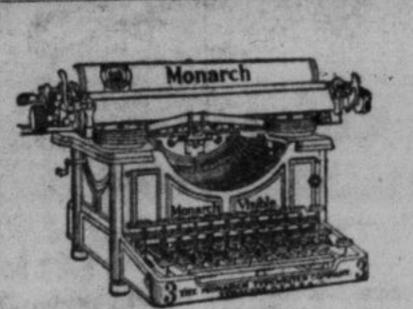
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