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Man a Land Animal

(By ELBERT HUBBARD)

The dictum of Henry George that man is a land animal has never been denied, excepting by a man in Matteawan.

Man cannot live long when separated from land. We get our sustenance out of the ground, and we are well and happy only when we are on good terms with Mother Earth.

One-half of our population are farmers. And the farmer is no longer a joke. It is a fine thing to see a farmer crank up his automobile and go to town and collect his rents.

In the west the farmers are the capitalists. And the farmers have always supplied most of the brain and sinew for the cities.

Land of America, however, has been like the forests. We have had so much of both that we have been wasteful, extravagant and slipshod. The National Soil Fertility League, made up of strong and earnest men, who are working without any aim for immediate personal profit, are showing the world how to double soil production.

Around East Aurora there are men who raise one hundred bushels of potatoes to the acre. Then right alongside of these are farmers who raise two hundred and fifty or three hundred bushels to the acre. The difference in yield is not a difference in soil, sunshine and water. It is simply a difference in the brain of the farmer.

The cry of "Back to the land!" is a swelling chorus. I suppose that good roads have a deal to do with this—not to mention autos, trolly cars, bicycles, motorcycles and cheap commutation tickets.

Men are living longer and living better now than ever before. The chief reason of this is that we are getting on friendly terms with Nature. We are a part of Nature; in fact, we are Nature, and the more we move with Nature, love Nature and understand Nature, the saner, more efficient and the healthier and happier are we.

The great land show, which is to be held at Madison Square Garden, November 3 to 12, is the most important happening that will take place in New York during the year.

Especially important and valuable will be the lesson taught to the school children; and it is good to see that arrangements are being made by the public school teachers so that every school in New York City and immediate vicinity will go in a body and see the wonderful things that are produced right out of the ground. No exhibition like it, or equal

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to it, has ever been held in New York City.

Children who see this show will never forget it. The apples, pears, peaches, lemons, oranges, grapefruit, bananas, wheat, corn, oats, potatoes, melons and vegetables and fruits of thousands of varieties will be shown, growing and ready for market.

There will be lectures and stereopticon and moving pictures showing modern farming methods. The state of Washington will ship three carloads of apples to be given away to the youngsters on "Big Red Apple Day," and Oregon and Colorado say they will not be outdone.

Also, best of all, reliable information will be given as to the value of land, and the opportunities for settlement all over the continent.

Canada will be on hand to show us the wonders of Winnipeg, Alberta, Saskatchewan and British Columbia; and it is a curious thing that lots of Gothamites do not know that Canada is on the map.

Mexico will also be represented. It is to be a North American exhibition, devoted to the land and the miracles that it produces, with the aid of sunshine, water, air and the intelligent manipulation of the earth by head, hand and heart.

Especially timely is this exposition in view of the fact that the study of agriculture is now being introduced in many of our public schools. School gardens are surely coming everywhere; and the study of the soil and work on the land is making the school a delight for thousands of children where before the lessons out of musty books were drudgery.

Bad boys running a garden are good boys, the idle boy like the idle man is a rascal. God meant that we must earn our living.

On our Roycroft School Farm we have found that city boys make the best farmers. The country boy gets too big a dose of hard work and is inclined to get away to town, where there are more noisy doings; but the city boy looks upon the land with a romantic eye and takes to gardening, farming and the care of livestock most kindly. Thus we get a rotation of human crops. And at the last, the finest crop that this country is producing are our boys and girls.

It is hard to teach the grown-ups, but the youngsters are going to get a tremendous amount of fun and profit out of the New York land show. That's what I think—and I'll be there!—New York American.

BOOK ON FARM

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Dean J. A. Bexell of O. A. C. Has Second Edition of "The Business Side of Farming" Ready

"I wish to explain that the second edition of my publication, 'The Business Side of Farming,' is free for distribution on request to those interested," said Dean J. A. Bexell of the commerce school of the Oregon Agricultural College last Saturday.

"There seems to have been some confusion in the minds of those who read the recent review of the book, for I find it has been mistaken for my 'Farm Accounting and Business Methods,' of which there was also a recent second edition. 'The Business Side of Farming' is for free distribution to those who are interested enough to write for it."

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