

"Vive la Douma!"

Premier Campbell-Bannerman's somewhat official and totally unguarded exclamation, "Vive la douma!" when the news of the dissolution of the Russian parliament reached England voiced the feeling of every intelligent and sympathetic observer of the trend of developments in the land of the czar. The douma's hour was brief. The successor which the czar hinted in his decree might be summoned may never be born. Nevertheless on the floor of a real Russian national assembly the political consciousness of the mass has been revealed, and the world like the revelation. Russia is awake and not asleep, as has sometimes been feared. Russia feels; she remembers.

The reactionists, who brought about the abrupt end of the douma, argued that its proceedings were all talk and no work. Just the kind of work which Russia needs for her political regeneration is taking counsel together with free speech. Practically all Russians may have known themselves before ever a voice was lifted in the people's parliament, but now they all know that they all know themselves, and that is a long step in advance. Members living hundreds and thousands of miles apart have met and declared their grievances and convictions face to face and during the short time they were allowed to work managed to form combinations and parties that stood for something definite and practical.

One reason why the outside world can join heartily in wishing long life to the memory of the deposed douma and hope for a speedy successor of the same stamp is the recent unveiling of the individual virtue and genius of the nation. We have long believed that there were strong men in Russia. In the douma they stood up and proved it. And a mere knot of city professionals were not allowed to pose as Russia's representative men. Out of a total of over 400 members only twenty-eight represented cities. The immense preponderance of rural representatives is in keeping with the situation, a land where the peasant population predominates and agriculture is its all absorbing industry.

A typical country member in the douma of the kind the world likes to hear from was Prince Urusoff, the owner of vast estates in the district which elected him deputy. He is a man of education, formerly served the government and broke with the reactionary officials to the extent of exposing to the czar the conspiracies of which the vile Treppoff is chief, such as incendiary propaganda inciting riot and outrages upon the Jews in order to justify police oppression. The prince is a conservative Liberal, ready to fight anarchy from the top or the bottom. And the city representatives were not confined to tools of the autocracy, who bought their way into the douma. One of the most aggressive of the city Liberals was Nabokoff, representative from St. Petersburg, a typical, cool headed business man, who calmly and yet determinedly exposed the inconsistency of the government at the outset in convening the assembly and then forbidding it to tackle the problems at the root of the crisis which called it into being.

Reaction may progress to the point where it rans the work of the first douma and blots it from history's page; the czar may grant the peasant demands for land, which was the supreme question in the assembly, thus stealing the thunder of the Liberals, but the world knows and thinking Russians will take heart in troublous times to come from the same knowledge that in city mansion and rural palace as well as in peasant hut there exists a spirit of revolution which bayonets cannot kill and also which is too self possessed to waste its energy in cheap rebellions.

Canada holds that if there is to be an annexing on this continent she should be the annexer, not the annexed. The Dominion now exceeds the United States in area by 250,000 square miles. She comprises one-third of the area of the British empire, is as large as thirty United Kingdoms, eighteen Germanys and thirty-three Italys. Her seacoast equals half the earth's circumference, and her territory stretches 3,500 miles one way and 1,400 the other. But Canada's total population doesn't equal the population of New York and London combined, and it is people, not acres, that constitute a country's greatness.

One Dr. Roux of the Pasteur Institute, Paris, recently announced that he had discovered a new process of preserving fresh meat by injecting a preservative at the time of slaughter, and the French government immediately ordered the scientists to "try it on the dog"—in this case the army. Meanwhile the time honored process of injecting salt by the slow process of absorption from brine is good enough for some folks, and the product of the brine barrel needs no doctor's label to make it go down.

"Mexico for Mexicans!" is a cry that neither startles nor surprises. It is raised sooner or later in all countries where the people allow foreigners to set the wheels of progress going, but is never heard until foreign enterprise begins to take its pay out of the country. So long as foreign gold pours in the foreigner is a good fellow.

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POULTRY NOTES

Just a little talk with the women on the farm in regard to chickens by one interested in chickens.

Now is the time to begin to get the winter quarters in shape and to select your winter layers. Don't keep any hens over two years old. Have your laying flock consist of one-year-old hens and pullets as much as possible. Of course your pullets must be well developed now if they are to lay for you in November and December and through the winter when eggs are high. Now, just a word in regard to selecting the hens you are going to market. When visiting one of our neighbors a short time ago when she was selecting her hens for the market we were very much surprised to hear her reasons for selling certain hens, the main one being because they looked so ragged and were not laying now. What a mistake. Those very "ragged" hens that had about lost all their feathers, being the early moulters, were just the ones she should have selected as the ones to keep for her winter layers. For moulting so early they would be in fine condition to lay this winter, but those well feathered hens that were laying now were the very ones that will be boarders next winter. They will not begin to moult until late then they will be several weeks moulting, and then but very few of them, if any, will go to laying until spring when any old hen will lay. Even our four-year-old hens for we do have a few tested hens of that age on the place and the only time we expect to get any eggs from them is in the spring—February, March and April—but then those eggs we use for sitting purposes alone and expect to have some prize winners from the chicks from those eggs. Of course, then we can afford to board the hen at the age of four years for the sake of "has-been" the hen having been a tested breeder both for eggs and fine birds. But allow me to emphasize if you must keep your fowls free from lice. Invest in a gallon of Lee's Lice Killer and a 50 cent Aspinwall sprayer then clean out your henhouse. Spray the roosts and all around the nests and boxes and walls of the building, then examine your birds for body lice and then if you find even one dust them all with some good dust powder. Better sell off all but two or three dozen and give them good care rather than keep one hundred and give them indifferent care and have so many boarders and droopy hens around. Don't keep the immature undersized, stunted pullets expecting they will pay you back in eggs. They will never do it. Just keep a close account one year and see if they do. Then try another year and keep a close account with some well-matured, well-cleaned pullets and hens and be convinced. And when culling your flock be sure and give your early ragamuffins the preference for saving at home. As to the breed you should keep, all poultrymen will tell you to select the breed you like best, the fowl that appeals to you personally, but of course each fancier has his preference. Why? Why, because it does the best for him under his care and management.

PALMER

L. C. Palmer, one of the firm of the Bridal Veil Lumbering Co., has sold his share to the company and he and his family will leave in a short time for Vancouver, Wash. Mr. Palmer has been a resident of this place for many years and we all regret that he is going to leave.

Dr. Hamilton and family left on the 17th for Salem where the doctor expects to attend the medical school.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Everhart and son were Palmer visitors last week.

School opened here the 17th with Miss Edith Bloom as teacher.

Mrs. Fred Mason went to Portland Sunday.

SYCAMORE.

Gus Richey and son are in eastern Washington on a pleasure trip.

Miss Gertrude Donaghy, of Portland, has been visiting Miss Blair for the past week.

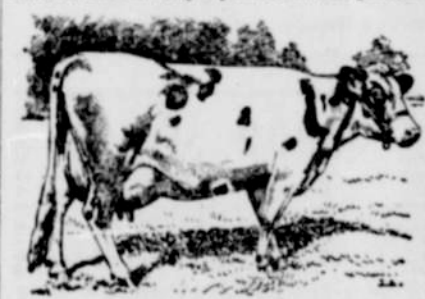
Grandma Nelson is slowly improving. Mr. Baker, of Montavilla, who recently purchased a part of the old Burns place, has moved his family here.



In 1876 a man in Jefferson county came to me and said: "I have been trying to make some money out of my herd of cows. They are grade Shorthorn cows, and the best I can get them to do is 150 pounds of butter per cow, and I have worked hard." Now, he asked me what he should do, and he said very feelingly: "I can't stand it to work the year round for such small results. Shall I sell off these cows and go and buy dairy cows?" "I think not," I said. "Well, what will I do?" I said: "You want to raise dairy cows, don't you? You don't want to fool away your time with poor cows. You want good cows." "Yes." "Well, you go and buy the best Jersey bull that you can find—and if you pay a good, high price for him, the better—and put him at the head of your herd." He did so. He paid \$200 for a very fine, prepotent, strong blooded Jersey bull. Now, my good farmer friend, I want to show you something. When the daughters of that sire came into milk, at four years of age, his average was 275 pounds of butter per cow. That is what blood did when bred in the right direction. In one remove from that bull it made a difference of 125 pounds of butter per cow—W. D. Hoard, Wisconsin. Before Dairy Convention.

Beautiful Young Cow.

The subject of the illustration, from Holstein-Friesian Register, is the beautiful young cow Johanna Bonheur, bred by W. J. Gillett, Rosendale, Wis. It is evident that individual excellence and performance are strongly blended in this animal. As a two-year-old she made an official test of 14.2 pounds of butter in one week and 50.8 pounds of milk in one day. In eleven months at the same age she produced 12,628.6 pounds of milk. As a three-year-old she was given an official test eight months after calving and in seven days produced 13 pounds



of butter and in one year at the same age produced 16,193.3 pounds of milk. She was recently tested again in her four-year-old form and made 22.2 pounds of butter in one week, her milk for the time averaging 4.23 per cent fat. Her best day in milk at this age is 73.1 pounds.

The sire of Johanna Bonheur is the noted Sarcastic Lad, champion at St. Louis, and the sire of about twenty A. R. O. daughters. His dam, Belle Sarcastic, has an official test of 25.5 pounds of butter in one week, and his grandam, Rosa Bonheur V., has an official test of 25.6 pounds. The dam of Johanna Bonheur is Johanna De Kol II., who sold for \$1,000 cash and who had an official test for four years old of 24 pounds of butter in seven days.

Miss Alice Dempsey, of Portland, spent Sunday with Miss Blair.

Ruby Richey is resuming his High School course in Grants Pass, Oregon.

Wm. Frost, who has been working in Portland, is spending a few weeks with his parents here.

Mrs. Uhlid was much pleased with a visit from her children in Portland on Saturday and Sunday.

COLUMBIA SLOUGH

Mr. Fitzgerald has sold his 400-acre tract on the slough to Mr. Burgion, of Portland, for \$25,000. The latter takes possession immediately. Mr. Fitzgerald will move with his family to the city.

C. W. Altman is running a dairy and garden at his place on the banks of the Columbia. About 300 boxes of tomatoes and 40 crates of melons is the daily output for the city market. During tomato season he employs eight helpers. Mrs. Altman superintends the work.

Monday, the 24th, Jos. Stephens with fifteen blind students from over the state met at the Union Depot and were escorted to the blind school at Salem by one of the teachers.

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PORTLAND-BIGGS LOCAL for all local points between Biggs and Portland.	8:15 A. M. Daily.	6:00 P. M. Daily.

RIVER SCHEDULE.

FOR ASTORIA and way points, connecting with steamer for Bismarck and North Beach, Steamer Hascall, Ash-st dock (water per.)	8:00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.	5:00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.
FOR DAYTON, Oregon City and Yamhill, River points, Ash-st dock (water per.)	7:00 A. M. Daily except Sunday.	5:30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.
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8:20 8:20 6:20	EAST FORK 7:10 7:55 5:55
8:35 8:35 6:35	CLATSOP 6:54 7:36 5:41
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