

## DRY FARMING CONGRESS.

Methods of Increasing Crop Output Will Be Discussed.

The Dry Farming congress is now organized, with some persistency and determination to be heard from in the matter of urging its claims upon the attention of the public. The faith that the promoters and operators of this association have in their claims of dry farming methods, well carried out, cannot be questioned, says the editor of the Twentieth Century Farmer. The experiences and results of careful and persistent work in crop growing efforts are the evidence that is offered in testimony of the feasibility of dry farming methods and dry farming as an industry.

It is not surprising that there are the doubtful, the skeptical, the unbeliever in converting the dry land of the arid West to agricultural purposes, the growing of crops, the cultivation of orchards and forests, the establishing of homes and the building up of commercial interests and industries on these lands; we say that it is not surprising that some hesitate, that they doubt the availability of sufficient moisture to grow crops; that they forecast seasons of drouth, etc. All these things had their period and have exerted their influence to discourage and prejudice the mind of the public as the settlement of the country has progressed westward for the last fifty years, and yet cultivation has been the civilizing influence that has conquered drouth, hot winds and the barrenness of the plains and prairie countries that are now the dependence in production.

The Fourth Dry Farming congress will hold its meeting at Billings, Montana, October 26, 27 and 28, 1909. This will not only be an institute for dry farming farmers and dry farming instructors and teachers, but it will be an exposition of dry farming products such as this or no other country has ever witnessed. There are pledged already exhibits from thirteen Western states that are engaged in dry farming work. The organization by states, to show what each is doing and capable of doing in the raising of grain and vegetable crops, without irrigation, is a feature never before undertaken in this district and promises some great surprises for visitors.

The area of tillable lands in the United States not yet turned to cultivation is comparatively small, and under present conditions of demand by the homesteader will last but a few more years at most. It is only the part of good business judgment that the dry farming districts be investigated by those who contemplate getting a home under the free homestead law. Good lands and the best locations will be the first taken. Each year will reduce the quality of lands to be disposed of as government homesteads.

The Dry Farming congress will be a good place to visit next October, in view of getting dry farming information and dry farms on which to put it into practice. The Dry Farming congress announces that there are 200,000,000 acres of arable land awaiting development by the dry farming methods.

### Appropriate Breed.

"The aeronaut who is going to try that long flight will take his pet dog along."

"What kind of a dog is it?"  
"A skye terrier, of course."—Baltimore American.

### Information Bureau.

Caller—I wish you would tell me if there has been any change in the size of the 5 cent piece within the last ten or fifteen years.

Man at the Desk—Decidedly there has. The 5 cent piece of ice isn't more than half as large as it used to be.

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## IS DANGEROUSLY ILL

Congressman Cushman, of Washington, at Point of Death.

### TAKES RAPID TURN FOR WORSE

Enters New York Hospital for Slight Operation and While Recovering Pneumonia Sets in.

New York, July 3.—Congressman Francis W. Cushman, who has been ill in Roosevelt hospital for 10 days, was in a critical condition last night, and at midnight the authorities of the hospital held out little hope of his recovery. They in fact said he was so low it was doubtful if he would survive the night.

Mr. Cushman entered the hospital on June 21 to undergo an operation for the removal of an abscess in his neck. The operation, which was a slight one, was successful, but before he recovered from it pneumonia developed. The disease reached the critical stage yesterday, and, contrary to the expectations of all, it took a rapid turn for the worse.

Francis W. Cushman was born May 8, 1867, at Brighton, Ia., and was educated at the local high school and at Pleasant View academy. In order to aid in paying his tuition there he worked during the summer vacation as "water boy" on railroad construction work. On completing his education at the academy the future congressman worked for some time as section hand on local railroads, until at the age of 16 he moved to Wyoming. There he remained for five years, being a cowboy on a ranch, a "handy man" in a lumber camp, and also a school teacher. During this period he took up the study of law, reading by himself, with but little outside aid.

At the close of this time he moved to Nebraska, and was admitted to both the District and Supreme bar. He remained there until 1891, when he went West again, settling in Tacoma, which has since been his permanent home. Prior to his election to congress he held no offices of any kind, and made his living entirely by his legal practice.

In 1898 Mr. Cushman was nominated by the Republicans for congress. Since that time he has been without opposition in his own party, and has been elected by overwhelming majorities at each succeeding election, and is now serving his sixth term.

### Bret Harte Land Shaken.

Downville, Cal., July 3.—Almost every night for more than a week earthquake shocks have been experienced here, and their frequency has caused considerable uneasiness. Since the rather severe tremor of June 21 there have been frequent lighter shocks, most of them sufficiently perceptible to awaken people. People living at Poker flat say Mount Filmore is the seat of the disturbance. That country has reported some of these quakes as being quite severe. Earthquakes are rare in Sierra county.

### Steamer Burns At Dock.

Stockton, Cal., July 3.—The steamer Isleton, of the California Transportation company, valued at \$100,000, burned to the water's edge at her dock here early today. The entire cargo had been removed before the fire started. There was no insurance on the vessel. The fire started in the after hold, where it could not be got at, owing to its location and the dense smoke. The city firemen saved tanks containing 5,000 gallons of crude oil.

### Clergy Is Appealed To.

Victoria, B. C., July 3.—A Canon Hendon, of Westminster abbey, also rector of the British House of Commons church, in a public address here today, urged the clergy to preach sacrifices everywhere to secure immediately a needed army and navy fund. Hendon declares England is unarmed and defenseless, and on the verge of a contest for her national existence.

### Johnson Favors Women.

Jackson, Mich., July 3.—Governor Johnson, of Minnesota, delivered an address here last night and said: "I hope to see the time when women will join with their husbands in political affairs. Where woman is, the atmosphere is better and politics would be better where refining influence is prevalent."

### Rescued After Ten Days.

St. Gall, Switzerland, July 3.—A young woman who ten days ago was caught in a cave-in of a railroad tunnel, was dug out alive today. She suffered agonies of cold and hunger during this period, but managed to sustain life by sucking moisture from her clothing, on which water occasionally trickled.

### Pitched Battle in Street.

Gusayquil, July 3.—At a celebration yesterday in honor of St. Peter and St. Paul, a mob attacked the police. Troops were called out, but many of the soldiers joined the mob and a pitched battle was fought in which ten persons were killed and 30 wounded.

### New Atlantic Cable Ready.

London, July 3.—The cable steamer Calona sailed from London today with 1,600 miles of cable on board to lay the Commercial Cable company's new line between Newfoundland and New York.



## Race for a Wife

BY HAWLEY SMART

### CHAPTER XXII.—(Continued.)

"Foolish business, Gren, very. I'm afraid," he replied at length. "Nobody I'd sooner give her to, providing she's willing to take you."

"My dear uncle, Maude and I—"  
"Pooh! You needn't go on about that. I never doubted that you and Maude had settled it all before you did me the honor to consult me. But what are you to live on? Your \$400 a year won't keep a wife, Gren, and I can't help you."

"No, but we can wait a bit; we are both young, and I shall be making two or three hundred a year at my profession very soon."

"Nonsense, boy; I know the law. I thoroughly believe you to be clever and have no doubt the money will come in course of time, but it's slow work—very. Long engagements are not judicious."

"But this is not to be so very long; and Maude is good to wait a couple of years or so for me."

"A couple of years," smiled the squire. "What did the fee-book say last year. Fifty pounds?"

"Not quite; very near it, though."  
"I'm afraid you'll find it will take all two years to double it. I don't doubt your doing well at last, but it takes time. Still, Gren, I'll not gain-say the match, and if at the end of next year you can see your way into something like \$300 a year, exclusive of what you have, make a wedding of it, if you like."

"Ten thousand thanks, uncle. This case of yours will find me practice, see if it don't. I have no intention of hiding my light under a bushel. I'll take very good care, through my friends, the case is well talked of. Only wait till the Two Thousand is over, and see what details the sporting papers shall have of it! Good-by. I will just run up and see my aunt and Maude, and then I'm off."

Grenville dashed into the drawing room, where he found Mrs. Denison and his cousin.

"I'm just off to town, aunt, and have come to wish you good-by, and to tell you I'm to be your son-in-law, after all."

"Don't believe him, my mother," laughed Maude, her eyes dancing with fun. "We know better than that don't we? We mustn't detain him, or he'll be too late for his dinner. You greedily thing; you won't live if you go matrimony so—"

"Come here, Gren," said Mrs. Denison; "has my husband consented to your marrying Maude?"

"Yes, aunt, as soon as I've got bread and cheese enough to feed her on."

"My dear boy, I'm so glad! I was obliged to be your enemy once, Gren—I couldn't help myself; but I'd rather you took her than anyone."

"Oh you, mother!" cried Maude; "and he says he'll feed me on bread and cheese, and I like, I like—strawberries and cream."

"Sad thing, aunt, but I suppose I'd better break off the match at once. Better that than come to a separate maintenance, you know. Bread and cheese 's a good lasting dish, but how she's to get through the winters I don't know, on what she proposes."

"Ah, well, never mind," laughed Maude; "she's yours now, and won't have a separate maintenance. You'll have to feed her some way and you can't guess how she does. When are you going, Gren?"

"In a very few minutes. I'm going to walk; will you come with me? Good-by, aunt. Don't be afraid. I won't run away with her, at all events till straw-berries are well in, and there's a potatoe."

"Listen; were lovers like that in your day, mother? I used to dream, a little while back, that when you had a lover, it was all you could do to keep him from running away with you. Now I'm getting quite clever about it, and know that Gren would always much prefer to leave me behind than his portmanteau."

"Come away, Maude, and let's see if we can shut it; you know we always have a deal of trouble about that."

"Oh, yes, I always found you and Thomas despairing over it, and it takes all my ingenuity to make those last three or four packages fit in. Don't you think he's making a wife of me, mother, a little before he's entitled to?"

"Go away, you foolish children. You can quarrel and make up all the way to the station."

The refractory portmanteau was soon reduced to subjection under Maude's clever auspices, and then the two cousins walked across the fields to the station.

"Your father's given you to me, Maude, as soon as I can get together an income that we can live upon."

She might be coquettish before her mother, but she was meek enough to her lover when they were alone together.

"I hope I shall be a good wife to you, Gren. You know I'm not extravagant, however I may laugh about it."

"No, my darling, I know you better; and if we have to begin with a little, I hope you'll be able to spend lots of money before long."

"I never had any money to spend," said the girl, gravely. "I've often had to want a five-pound note, both for myself and my poor people in the village."

"And will have again, pet. Wanting money is the normal condition of ninety-nine hundredths of civilized humanity. But you must turn back now, you have come far enough. Good-by, and God bless you," said Rose, as he clasped her in his arms. "Mine now, forever, isn't it?"

"Yes, Gren. Yours or no one's," she replied, as she lifted her lips shyly to his. "Please write."

"Every day, dearest. Good-by;" and, with one more kiss, Grenville Rose tore himself away.

How he traveled up to town in the same carriage with Pearman we have already seen. On his arrival at Waterloo Station he jumped into a cab, and proceeded at once to the Temple. On entering his rooms the first thing that caught his eye was the figure of Silky Dallison,

who, comfortably ensconced in the easiest chair in the room, was making, apparently, some abstruse calculations on a piece of paper, and referring frequently for guidance to a gally bound betting book.

"All right, old fellow," he said, in return to Grenville's greeting. "Wanted to have a talk to you; knew you would come up by that train; told the old party to get food for two at half-past seven—wants just ten minutes. Go and wash your hands, while I finish what I am about."

After the "bit of fish and beefsteak" that constitute an ordinary bachelor dinner in chambers, the two began to smoke.

"Now," said Dallison, "shall be back to dinner" of course meant, as we agreed it should, that Pearman had yielded to their terms. I was off to Piyart directly I got your message, and we have had a busy afternoon of it. We rather woke up the Subscription Room at Knightsbridge, I flatter myself. From being an outsider in the betting, we brought Coriander back to 7 to 2, and made him once more first favorite. I told you we had Pearman in a hole, and we had. I suppose you got a lot of money out of him?"

"Yes, indeed; we made him pay £10,000 to let off our claim." And then Grenville recounted his interview with Pearman.

"Very good; then he's now absolute master of the horse again. Of course, exactly what I expected from your telegram. Now I'll tell you what I've done. In the first place, I laid, between us, or rather Piyart did for us, £3,900 to £1,200 against Coriander; that was before he was driven back in the betting; of course that left us to win £1,200 if he was beat or didn't start. After getting your telegram I went down to Tattersall's, and, with Piyart's assistance, got that whole £1,200 on the horse at long odds. We now stand to win, between us £10,170 if Coriander wins the Two Thousand, and just quits if he loses. Not a bad book, Grenville?"

"By Jove! no; and he's a good chance, hasn't he?"

"Yes, on previous running, wonderful. We know Pearman has backed him to win him a lot of money. It's not likely he would have paid you £10,000 to-day unless he was very confident about his chance. To wind up with, his own commissioner backed him to-day for a good bit of money, although he had to take shortish odds, owing to our having appropriated all the long prices against the colt."

Grenville's eyes sparkled, though he said nothing, but smoked on in silence for a minute or two. Yes, if that should come off, he might marry Maude at once!

Dallison had regarded him intently. Suddenly he broke silence:

"I saw your eye flash up, and then you plunged into a reverie. I had forgotten the stake you told me you had on this, when you first spoke to me about it. Whether it's been any good to go so far, of course I don't know; but you stand as fair a chance as a man can do of winning £5,000 next week, if that will help you at all. There's no certainly about anything in this world—about how long it's been a world, or about how long we've been preying on each other in it. Practically, mind, we are as much cannibals as ever, and eat each other up with as much alacrity as the Feejee Islanders. A good heavy city swindle gulps us down much as a whale takes herrings; but there's plenty of pike about, who do their cannibalism one at a time, and not by the shoal. Old Pearman was a pike of renown; in fact, he might have aspired to the dignity of a shark, if he hadn't been of a retiring disposition, and ever anxious to hide his light under a bushel. Young Pearman has a fair dash of the pike about him, too. Which way he can make most money out of Coriander I don't know; but I should think, by winning; and if I'm right in my conjecture, bar accidents, we shall win our money, Gren."

"And if it is the other way?"

"Shan't lose it, thank goodness! But I'm afraid if his book makes up a few hundreds better on the loss, Coriander will not run up to his previous performances. We've done pretty well; win or lose, we stand a big stake to nothing. Good-night."

Grenville mused far into the night. Yes, he had been playing for high stakes lately, and winning game after game. Let this only come off, and he should have fairly won his sweet cousin. Then the thought came into his head that he must see it, and then it flashed across him that Maude must be with him. How he was to manage it, he didn't know. As inspirations flash across mankind, so do superstitious. Coriander's winning the Two Thousand depended upon Maude and him being there to see.

"Ridiculous!" you'll say. There is pretty well as much romance and superstition going about the world as heretofore; but our nineteenth century training teaches us, above all things, not to lay ourselves open to riddles. We may inwardly admit such things; we don't acknowledge them.

(To be continued.)

Uncle Hank's Idea.

It was Uncle Hank's first ride in a parlor car. The porter came around and brushed him down with a whisk broom.

"How much, bub?" drawled Uncle Hank, fumbling around in his pocket for a nickel.

"Quarter will do, sah," responded the porter, with open palm.

"Quarter will do? Say, do I get the whisk broom, too, for that?"

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