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## THE "FIRST LADY OF LONDON"



By the election of her husband to the important position of chairman of London county council, Lady Chylesmore, an American woman, becomes in a sense the "First Lady of London." The county council, of course, is the real governing body of the greater city, and the position of chairman corresponds in a general way to that of mayor of a city like New York, the so-called lord mayor of London "ruling" over only the old city of London—about a square mile in area.

Furthermore, Lord Chylesmore himself is half American. His mother was Charlotte Harman of New Orleans and he is a living example of the advantage of wedded the hustling, practical qualities of the American with the liberal conservative qualities of the best English aristocracy. Lady Chylesmore, who was Elizabeth French, daughter of F. O. French of New York, has become one of the most popular and respected women in English society. She is tall and handsome, and possesses that dignity which is so highly valued in this country.

Although she has never entertained on a big scale, her affairs are popular and there is keen competition to be numbered among her guests. Her town house in Prince's Gate, fronts on the south side of Hyde Park, a couple of doors west of the London home of J. Pierpont Morgan, in which the American banker shelters his unrivaled collection of art treasures.

## PAYS HOMAGE TO A SERVANT

On the eve of his departure for the land of the heather and thistle, the Laird of Skibo bade farewell to one of his servants who had been in the service for 23 years. The occasion was made a gala one in the servants' hall at the Fifth Avenue mansion, New York, the Carnegie family participating in the function and being no small part of it.



Skibo castle will be minus its head house maid in the person of Miss Maggie Anderson. In giving her best years in service, Miss Anderson developed some of the thrift for which the iron master is famous, and announced some time since she was going to open a public house in Edinburgh. That is her home town, but the only living member of her family is a brother out in San Francisco. She planned to pay the brother a visit, and the laird presented her with a round trip ticket to the metropolis of the Pacific coast. This was not all he did. He presented her with a handsome gold watch and a life pension of \$500 a year. In the servants' hall were gathered all the help of the big mansion at eight o'clock. The haughty Jeems of the upper hall condescended to lend his dignity to the occasion and beamed on simple Sandy from the stables. The house maid fraternized with the cook, the butler with the groom. It was a truly harmonious family gathering.

Mr. and Mrs. Carnegie and their daughter Margaret, still in her teens, and the idol of servants' hall, and Miss Whitfield, the sister of Mrs. Carnegie, were all present. The laird presented the watch to the blushing and a bit frustrated Maggie, and expressed the regrets of the family at her leaving.

## SUGGESTED AS VICE-REINE



When the first Irish parliament since the dawning of the nineteenth century assembled in the "Old House at College Green," Dublin, where the eloquence of Grattan and Flood stirred the Europe of their time, an American woman may stand at the throne, listening to her titled husband reading the king's speech inaugurating home rule in Ireland. This great day, so soon to come, is the talk of town and country in the British Isles.

The question that has rocked the politics of the three kingdoms to the foundations of political life has ceased to be political. Its social side is what now appeals most rapturously to volatile Ireland and gay, dashing, fun-loving Dublin.

Two women are most prominently spoken of as the likeliest to lead the new regime as vice-reine of Ireland. The first is Consuela, duchess of Marlborough, the self-separated mistress of Blenheim palace, which the English people gave to "Ian" Churchill for his victories in protection of the "low countries." The duchess would make a most dignified, queenly hostess. Only one circumstance seems to bar the way between her and the dream which she has cherished when the Marlborough marriage was made—her domestic estrangement. This, however, appears to be drawing to a welcome close.

Queen Mary has expressed her desire that the duke and duchess should forgive, forget, and begin all over again. And it is hinted that if the proud Consuela consents to be pacified, the vice regal coronet will grace her brow.

## NEW QUEEN TO BRING GAIETY

Alexandrine, the new queen of Denmark, promises to delight her subjects. Queen Louise lived austere, despite her great wealth (more than \$15,000,000), and the French blood in her veins that come from the Bernadotte line to which she belonged. It is said of her that she never attended a theatrical performance or a ball. Queen Alexandrine is far more pleasure-loving, and the court, when the period of mourning has passed, may well be expected to take on a gaiety it has not shown for some years. The queen is a sister of the crown princess of Germany. Their mother is Grandduchess Anastasia, a shining light in society on the Riviera, whose liveliness and unconventionality sometimes make Emperor William nervous.



Though Queen Louise is rich in her own right, she is thrifty, and as she held the purse strings during her husband's reign, the Danish royal family maintains its reputation of being poverty-stricken. Denmark can afford to pay her sovereign only about \$250,000 a year, which is not enough to support royal state to compare with the other European monarchs, whose civil list (salaries) run into millions.

Many Americans are already among the intimates of Christian and Alexandrine. Mrs. Robert Goeliet is an especial friend of the latter, and last summer when Mrs. Goeliet visited Copenhagen on her yacht Nahma she was entertained extensively by the then crown princess.

The new king and queen follow the example of Frederick, whose admiration for the United States was so great that he read American newspapers daily and was a close student of American literature.

# RED CLOVER IS CORNERSTONE OF AGRICULTURE IN SECTIONS

Constitutes From One-Eighth to One-Third of Total Area of Cultivated Lands on Most Successful Farms in Central, Eastern and Western States—Utilized as Hay and Pasture.

(By J. M. WESTGATE.)  
Either alone or in mixtures with grasses for hay or pasture, red clover constitutes from one-eighth to one-third of the total area of cultivated land on most successful farms throughout the north central and eastern states, as well as the western states. It does not give its best returns in the extreme south, nor is it always quite able to withstand the more severe winters of the extreme north.

For centuries it has constituted one of the important factors in maintaining a permanent system of agriculture in the old world. In this country for a century and a half it has assumed a more and more important role in conserving the natural resources of the soil, thereby tending to maintain the profitable yields of the staple agricultural products.

Red clover is utilized both as a hay and as a pasture crop and often as a soil crop. It is sometimes used as a green-manure crop to be plowed un-



Seeds of red clover and common impurities: 1, red clover; 2, trefoli; 3, curled dock; 4, lady's thumb; 5, lamb's quarters; 6, wild mustard; 7, wild carrot; 8, clover dodder; 9, field dodder; 10, rat-tail plantain; 11, buckhorn; 12, plantain; 13, ragweed; 14, Canada thistle; 15, wild chicory.

der if the ground is poor in humus. Even where it is cut for hay and only the roots and stubble turned under it has a marked influence in increasing the yields of succeeding crops. It makes an ideal hay for cattle and in the clover sections should constitute from one-half to two-thirds of the roughage ration of milk cows. Sheep and young stock of all kinds make excellent gains on either the pasture or the hay. In addition to its usefulness as a food for animals it has a most important effect upon the land in maintaining the supply of nitrogen in the soil.

By means of the nitrogen-fixing organism on its roots the red clover plant is able to gather large quantities of nitrogen from the air and leave it in the soil in a form which can readily be utilized for growing crops. If not infrequently happens that the yield of a grain crop can be doubled by the growing and plowing under of a crop of clover.

The most serious problem at present confronting the American farmer in many of the clover sections is the increasing difficulty of successfully maintaining stands of clover upon the farm.

With continuous cropping and the consequent depletion of the soil of humus and plant food the difficulty of growing red clover is greatly increased. This condition must be met and solved, since the loss of clover or its equivalent from the rotation leads rapidly to a run-down farm and unprofitable crop yields.

It should be emphasized, however, that the mere introduction of red clover into the farm rotation is not in itself a sufficient procedure to maintain indefinitely the productivity of the farm. The clover plant adds only the nitrates to the soil, and removes large quantities of potash, phosphorus and lime from the soil, especially when cut for hay and the manure resulting therefrom is not returned to the land. The increased supply of nitrogen may in fact stimulate the soil to increase yields, temporarily, only to leave it, after a few years, in a condition worse than if no clover had been grown.

It is important that considerable care be taken in choosing the seed to be sown. If poor seed is used, the expected crop may be a partial or total failure.

Red clover seed may be poor and undesirable from several points of view. Such seed is constantly being sold to farmers and should be recognized and rejected. It may be poorly developed, many seeds being shriveled and dull brown in color. Such seeds will not produce plants. Often red clover is adulterated by the use of yellow trefoli, dead clover seed, cheap imported seed or weedy screenings. Each of these constituents reduces the stand of healthy plants and makes the purchaser pay for what he does not get, transportation included. He is likely to get an undesired crop of

weeds, some of which may become a decided menace to his locality.

Some of the weed seeds appearing in red clover seed can be removed by the farmer by the use of a wire-cloth sieve containing 20 meshes to the linear inch. Most of the clover seeds of medium size are held back by such a sieve and practically all the smaller weed seeds pass through. The true clover dodder, which is a very noxious pest in clover fields, is quite effectively removed in this way. Most of the seeds of the field dodder are also removed. Seed or buckhorn, wild carrot, wild chicory, thistles, and others of similar size are mostly held back by the sieve. The small-grained clover seed imported from Europe largely passes through such a sieve. An easy method of separating buckhorn seed from clover has been devised. This method consists of mixing with the seed containing the buckhorn thoroughly wetted sawdust. The buckhorn seed becomes sticky on being wet and readily attaches itself to the sawdust. The entire mass is then immediately screened, when the larger particles of sawdust, with the buckhorn attached, are readily separated from the clover seed. This work should be done immediately before sowing the clover seed, which, with the small particles of sawdust that pass the screen, need to be dried only sufficiently to enable the seeding to take place readily. This is an effective means of removing practically all buckhorn seeds and is easily accomplished by the farmer who handles a comparatively small quantity of seed which is not necessarily bulked immediately after the somewhat damp seed has been screened out.

**WORLD'S YIELD OF INDIAN CORN**  
Steady Spread and Development of the Crop Has Been Agricultural Marvel of the Age.

The steady spread and development of Indian maize into a world crop has been the agricultural marvel of our age. The corn of the Bible, the corn of Great Britain, is our wheat, not our "king crop." But all the world has come to know and bless the generous grain. Though upward of 86 per cent of the 3,500,000,000 of the 3,750,000,000 bushels, which constitute the world's yield, is grown in this country, Argentina, Hungary and Italy, yet the cultivation of corn has been gradually diffused around the globe.

Next to our western hemisphere and Europe the most important areas are now planted in southern and south eastern Asia, chiefly in British India, French Indo-China and the Philippines. In 1910 the Philippine crop amounted to 14,276,846 bushels. The culture of corn is now general in Africa. It is the Egyptian fellah's staff of life, and is even produced for export in the Union of South Africa where the product is known as "mealies." In Mexico the tortilla, prepared from the grain, is the chief food of the masses. Canada and Cuba raise corn and it is grown in a small way in Australia and New Zealand. Save in Ireland, it is rarely used as human food throughout northern Europe.

Outside of the United States the cultivation of corn is most extensive in southern Europe—centralized in a group of states comprising Africa, Hungary, Roumania, the Balkan states and Bessarabia, in southwest Russia—where the production ranges from 500,000,000 to 900,000,000 bushels annually.

Corn is not only our king crop, it is also an uncertain and variable one. Last year, for instance, there was a great decline in the world yield. The aggregate product of the four leading countries was more than 550,000,000 bushels less than the crop of 1910 and 200,000,000 bushels short of the returns for 1909. The yield in 1911 in the United States was about 355,000,000 bushels and in Argentina about 148,000,000 bushels less than in 1910. There were relative shortages in Hungary and Italy. Just why this should be so our agricultural statisticians have not made clear, and there has been no sinister rumor of an international combination to restrain the acreage planted.

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