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Labor For the Canal.

The question of securing labor for the construction of the Panama canal is receiving consideration in the proper quarter and the commission is getting suggestions to which it is undoubtedly giving attention. One of these recently made urges the employment of negroes from the south, it being thought that they would work successfully in the Panama climate and probably with greater efficiency than the natives of the West Indies. Doubtless an effort will be made to employ southern negroes, but it is unlikely that any considerable number of them can be induced to go to the isthmus for such pay as the government will offer or can obtain labor elsewhere for. Another suggestion is that Porto Ricans be employed. It is said of them that they are excellent workers and that there probably would be no difficulty in securing as many of them as might be required, since there is at all times a large number in the island out of employment. It is pointed out that what Porto Rico needs more than anything else is employment for her poor people and it would be a boon to thousands of them to be given work on the canal.

The idea of importing coolies appears to be no longer entertained and it is uncertain whether a sufficient number of laborers can be secured in the West Indies. If efficient labor can be obtained in Porto Rico that would seem to solve the problem, since there could be no reasonably objection raised here to its employment.

Agricultural Progress.

It is everywhere conceded that the agricultural exhibit at the St. Louis exposition is by far the most comprehensive ever made at any world's fair, both as to the products and the processes of husbandry, and this is no doubt due, apart from the recognition that agriculture is the basis of all human industry, to the fact that the exhibit has been assembled under the direction of Frederick W. Taylor. Mr. Taylor has had charge of either the horticultural or agricultural exhibit at every great exposition held in the United States for the past ten years, and there can be no doubt that he has had a wider and longer experience along that line than any one who can be readily named.

In this connection it has been suggested that the present would be the best time to compile a record of the progress and present status of agriculture in this country. Other expositions have come and gone, each of them with a great exhibit in the agricultural department, but of none of these has a record been kept, and today there is no work dealing with the development of the science of husbandry in the United States. The suggestion that Mr. Taylor should undertake this work is to be highly commended, for its educative value, and also for the sake of having preserved an account of the growth of the greatest of all American industries.

The officers of a large number of agricultural societies scattered over the United States, agricultural papers generally, and the best and most influential of the daily press of the country, to whose attention the matter has been brought, have all united in giving encouragement to the suggestion that such a work be undertaken by Mr. Taylor, and it is to be hoped that he will consent to do so, and give to the American people a work that will embrace both the development of scientific farming and those industries directly related thereto.

Wheat Prices and Exports.

The fact has heretofore been noted that for some months past wheat exports have been comparatively small, due mainly to the high price in the United States and in a measure to competition, chiefly from Argentine. It appears that the southern country ships this year 80,000,000 bushels, of which 56,000,000 bushels have been exported down to June 1, which is one-half of the export made by the United States during the current year. It promises to increase rather than to decrease, as the production of wheat in Argentine is growing with great rapidity, while population makes but small progress.

It is further pointed out that northern India grows this year the largest crop on record—352,000,000 bushels—twice the crop of a decade ago. Irrigation, improvement in cultivation and the opening of new regions by railroad have greatly increased the Indian yield. It is estimated that India will have available for export for the next six months as large an amount of wheat as Argentina and that this year the two countries will match American exports.

The Philadelphia Press remarks that fortunately American consumption has increased on an unprecedented scale. "The level of life steadily rises. The per capita consumption of wheat in this country is this year twice what it was eight years ago. But for this home market, one due to the stimulus of protec-

tion, the western farmer would today be competing with the bare-legged ryat of India and with the Italian wheat grower in Argentine living in a one-roomed shack, on the acres which he cultivates for a landlord. As it is, he is selling his wheat higher here than he can in Europe." It is not to be doubted that the intelligent western farmer understands and appreciates this and consequently can be depended upon to support the party whose policy has built up the great home market and which proposes to maintain it. The farmers of the country have been pretty thoroughly educated during the last few years as to the value of the home market and they can safely be counted upon not to favor any policy that would impair this market.

Choosing a Husband.

Writing upon this subject, a lady expresses herself thus in writing to a farm paper:

Oh! What a question of questions! Yet, a few timely hints may not be out of the way for many.

Some one asks: "Shall we always marry for love?" Yes, but love is mostly blind, and too many depend on that blind love, or infatuation perhaps, as their sole guidance. One needs foresight enough to note, considerately, the temperament, characteristics, habits, and so forth, of the one to whom she would be bound for life, before allowing the flame of love to be fanned. If you do not resolve to use love as a slave, it will most surely become your master.

Lytton says: "It is better to be unhappy with the man that you love than try to be happy with the one whom you do not love." And Lord Lytton surely knew a great deal. In some countries the girl's future husband is selected by the parents without her knowledge, while in this country, many girls become engaged, and even married, without the parents' knowledge, saving nothing of their consent to the same.

You can readily see that such extremes would prove harmful and productive of misery and a spirit of lawlessness, tending to eradicate the sweetest and best from many a life. How ridiculous to see a girl reared and educated for church work, marry a bartender or gambler; one of the butterflies of fashion wed to a minister of the gospel, or one of high social standing united to one with no standing at all. Yet we see wholesale divorce cases arising from just such discrepancies as these.

To marry simply for money, social distinction or any other selfish motive can hardly be productive of the highest human happiness, but more often promotes discontent and disaster to the parties involved and which is often transmitted to the offspring of such a legality.

Of course one can't advise for all humanity on such a subject as this, but there are pitfalls open for all to see with one eye. For instance: A man who will drink, chew, smoke, swear, whose moral character is questionable, and who has no liking for any profession, trade or active business of any kind, would hardly make an ideal husband, although he may pose for a first-class duce. Yet we find many such men in the world, and they not infrequently carry off a millionaires as the prize for their thriftlessness.

Oh! Femininity! It belongs to us to wage war on weakness; to be the great factor in civilization; to not be slow to show our approval of what we realize to be right and worthy, and our dislike for what we feel to be wrong.

If girls were trained to look with contempt on the bad habits of all kinds what a fertilizer it would be for humanity.

Don't think me rank and unreasonable. We may have much sympathy for one who wishes to do well, yet always straying from the right way. But sympathy does not excuse, and the one who risks her happiness on such a choice, with hopes of a reformation, can hardly expect the best results.

A New York dairyman, who is considered very successful, claims that he feeds each cow four ounces of salt a day and finds that it pays. The cows give more milk and of a better flavor, and besides that its keeping qualities are improved. It is probably true that not many dairy men would agree that a cow needs four ounces of salt a day to do her best work, still it is undoubtedly true that more men feed their cows too little salt than feed them too much. If you have been giving your cows but little salt at irregular intervals it would be a good scheme to increase their ration and give it to them regularly.

Small things sometimes lead to great difficulties. A Texas farmer has filed a protest against the introduction of the Guatemalan ant into that state. The Department of Agriculture has referred the matter to the Department of Justice to ascertain if the government really has a legal right to import one insect to destroy another. Should the Texas courts rule in favor of the planter, tests of the ants will be made in Louisiana, whose state authorities have co-operated cordially in all such matters with the federal officials. The government, it is stated, studied carefully the nature and habits of the Guatemalan ant and concluded they might be imported safely, as they feed only on insects and leave vegetation alone, but, of course, the government will abide by any rulings of the courts.

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Notice to Former Creditors.

Prompt settlements must be made of all outstanding accounts in order to save costs.
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Grangers Against Saloons.

OREGON CITY, Or., July 15.—At its meeting at Eagle Creek on July 13, the Clackamas County District Pomona Grange declared itself in favor of abolishing the saloon business in Clackamas County through local option, after January 1, 1905. The resolution was discussed at length by the 300 members of the Grange in attendance, and was adopted by a practically unanimous vote.

A resolution was adopted favoring co-operation among the Grangers of the county in purchasing supplies and in disposing of all products. Under the plan it is proposed for each subordinate Grange to appoint a representative to buy and sell for and to Grangers, these authorized representatives to select at their pleasure a general manager for the county.
A third resolution demanding the repeal of 3 per cent rebate feature of the present taxlaw was unanimously adopted. In the evening the fifth degree was conferred on a large class.

Sample of Good Road.

EUGENE, Or., July 16.—James W. Abbott, of the United States Department of Agriculture, was in Eugene yesterday arranging to superintend the construction of a sample stretch of roadway according to the plans the Government has adopted for scientific road-building. He spent some time in viewing the roads in the vicinity of Eugene, and has now gone to Portland to arrange for the necessary machinery.

The Government furnishes skilled supervision for such work and the county or city is called upon to bear the expense of material and construction. The Government tenders its offices only as a matter of encouragement and education in good road building.

A sample stretch of road a mile or so long will be constructed. Mr. Abbott says the first thing people in this country should do is get their roadbeds up out of the water.

Pointed Paragraphs.

All spinsters are single from choice—they say.

How good a few barrels of silence sounds the day after!

A good man who goes wrong is a bad man just found out.

It is up to the man to pay his rent or get a move on himself.

No, Cordelia, a poet doesn't necessarily dwell in an attic for the sake of the view.

When a man begins to take whisky as a medicine he soon becomes a chronic invalid.

Never smoke a gift cigar in the presence of the donor unless you have wonderful self-control.

If a man doesn't acquire the reformation germ when he is sick there isn't much hope for him.

When a young man places a girl's picture in his watch case he expects her to marry him in time.

An Ohio spinster has been arrested for abducting a 3-year-old boy. Next time she'll know enough to take one of her size.

Property for Sale.

Lots 1 and 2, block 11, Miller's addition.

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