

PROSPERITY IN WESTERN CANADA

900 Million Dollars in New Wealth
Added in 1915.

Canada as a whole had enjoyed wonderful prosperity in 1915, from the products of the farm, the mine and the factories of industry. No country wrote a brighter page of history in agricultural and industrial development during 1915 than Canada. Nearly a billion bushels of grain produced. Taxes in Western Canada average \$24 and will not exceed \$35 per quarter section, which includes all taxes. No taxes on improvements.

When Western Canada was first settled, the enormous harvest last fall, the military authorities decided that soldiers in Canada could give the people no better service than the time spent in harvesting the crops. For that reason leave of absence was given to soldiers who wished to work in the harvest fields, and their labor was an important factor in harvesting the big crops successfully.

The necessity for increasing the agricultural production is commanding even more attention in 1916, and it is now announced that soldiers in Canada may obtain leave of absence from their military duties in the spring for a certain length of time to enable them to plant the seed for the crops in every Province of the Dominion.

The fact that the Government recognizes the seeding and harvesting of Canada's crops as being of the first importance is perhaps the best evidence that conscription or any increase of taxes which would seduce the agricultural activity of Canada will never be considered by the authorities.

Owing to the number who have enlisted for overseas service it has been found necessary to secure farm labor in the United States. It is hoped that fifty thousand can be secured.—Adv.

Fine Resin From Desert Cactus. A high-grade resin, golden-yellow, yellow-green, and green, has been extracted from samples of dried desert cactus sent to the University of Washington chemistry department from the Southwest.

It was there that the discovery of how to extract resin from wood by using ammonia as a solvent was discovered. Ammonia, however, would not dissolve the resin in cactus, so Prof. H. K. Benson, started a search for another solvent and found that distilled alcohol was the best.

The yield is about 20 per cent, and the cost will be less than that of extracting it from wood, as nearly all the alcohol can be recovered.

Anachorism.

Nearly all of the prominent business men of America have some connection with the church; many of them are conspicuous leaders of Christian enterprise. Industrially they are Doctor Jekyll; ecclesiastically they are Mr. Hyde. What is it that is glossing the matter? That we are proud of being just and fair where it is an economic necessity; that we are brutally callous where it is a religious grace. The employer who dare not rip a faithful but gray-haired mechanic from his lathe and throw him upon the mercy of the community will tear a faithful but gray-haired preacher from his pulpit and drop him upon the lean, cold bosom of charity.—Joseph H. Odell in Atlantic.

A Mature Appreciation.

"When I was a boy my father forbade me to read dime novels." "You saved a great deal of time." "Maybe. And yet I sometimes fear it resulted in saving up my appetite for sensational fiction till my time was rather more valuable."

HANDY HUSBAND

Know How to Get Part of the Breakfast.

"I know one dish I can prepare for breakfast as well as any cook on earth," said my husband, one morning when the cold wind hit and he volunteered to help get breakfast. He appeared with his dish and I discovered it was Grape-Nuts which, of course, was easy to prepare for it was perfectly cooked at the factory, but it was a good illustration of the convenience of having Grape-Nuts about.

"We took up Grape-Nuts immediately after returning from a five years' sojourn in a hot country. Our stomachs were in bad condition and we were in poor health generally.

"In a day or two we liked Grape-Nuts better than any other kind of food on the table. We both gained steadily in health and strength, and this was caused by Grape-Nuts, and Postum."

"A friend of ours had a similar experience. She was seriously ill with indigestion and could find nothing to eat that would not give her heartburn and palpitation, especially at night.

"She found that a small dish of Grape-Nuts with cream made her a satisfactory supper and gave her a comfortable night's rest. In a short time she gained several pounds in weight."

"There's a Reason." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

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Enter the Easter Bride

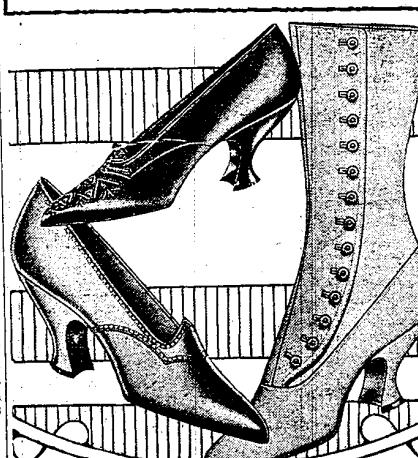


The Easter bride could not ask for anything more nearly perfect in the way of a wedding gown than the thing of beauty which is pictured here. It has been evolved by combining the traditional in wedding gowns with the modes of today in the best possible manner. The bride has always been allowed considerable latitude in which to express her individual ideas in the details of her wedding pageant. In it the one who decides what the bridegroom shall wear a groomsman or not.

The present intensely feminine fashions give opportunity for beautiful wedding processions; wide skirts, much ruffled, big picture hats and the revival of quaint fashions simply played into the hands of those who have undertaken the delightful task of managing a wedding.

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Fashions in Footwear



Fashions in footwear are already settled and we are to have a spring and summer of daintily clad feet.

Shoes are lighter in color than ever before. All the shades of tan, the ordinary and unusual colors, are to be had. Some have always been worn to the project that can be called tan in strong demand. There are just as many shades of gray, apparently, to choose from, and it would be hard to tell which of the two colors is the more popular.

Even so early in the season white shoes are worn and they appear with dark tailored suits. The demand for white shoes is increasing and the advances in tan and gray are not to be overlooked.

It is a good idea to have a pair of shoes of a different color, and there is a good showing of bronze. It is probable that more black shoes are sold than any other kind, but it is quite possible that this state of things may change before the season ends.

A high buttoned boot for street wear is shown in the picture above, that is an excellent example of elegance in footwear. It is in a very light tan shade with tan buttons and is finished with machine stitching.

It looks like a French boot, adding much to the daintiness of the style.

A black slipper for evening wear has a heel of the same sort, sharply curved but not high. It is decorated with a pattern worked out in small jet and steel beads on the toe and is embroidered on one of white.

Fringe on Parasols

Fringed parasols are being shown among the new things for spring, the fringe being of silk or worsted, fully four inches wide and in matching or brilliantly contrasting colors.

Colored Embroidery

Some of the grape underwear is embroidered with color. Blue flowers are embroidered on a cream combination of rose color, and pink flowers are embroidered on one of white.

The HOME BEAUTIEU

Flowers and Shrubs
Their Care and Cultivation



Good Specimen of a Healthy Dahlia.

TO GROW DAHLIAS

Plant them, if there is no danger of frost, in about three feet apart each way, not in too rich ground; then when they commence to grow get a good stick, a broom-handle is good, and tie them up with either cotton cloth or raffia.

The bride, having elected to use lace in formal decorations of the church, wears a wreath of small white satin roses with a band of white velvet. The band is mounted on an odd headress made of wire, wound with maline, which supports the full veil of net.

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at the bottom is edged with a narrow plaiting of net. The middle flounce is of silver cloth embroidered with a row of daisies in white silk, with silver centers. This flounce is bound at the edge with a narrow bias binding, which incases a band of featherbone lace.

There is no train.

The underbodice is made of the silver cloth, without sleeves, and has a beret-like cap of lace.

The sleeves of net and lace are very long, extending well over the ungloved hand.

The bodice departs from the conventional, where it opens in a "V" at the front, but immediately hastens to return with a high standing collar at the back.

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EARLY WORK IN BULB GARDEN

By JULIE ADAMS POWELL. With the first warm days the bulbous plants spring up, and many a beginner has tried in vain to push them back until warm weather.

As a rule it is best to let nature be dictator. Hardy bulbs will endure lots of cold; and if they do something helplessly nipped and do not buds by undue heat, they are more frequently drawn to the roots by trying to make large plants.

Place some sticks over them and attack a piece of muslin sheet or blanket to protect them from the frost. These plants thus protected last four weeks longer, and it pays for the labor, because you get the finest flowers and lots of them. The tuber gets ripe better, too.

When the daffodils are killed by frost, cut out the tops; do not dip them too early; wait until the hard frost comes. They can stand until November 15. They also get more nourishment from the ground. When you dig them be careful not to bruise them. Let them stand to dry out and then them in this winter's cellar; a cellar that is frost-proof is a good place. Cover them with sand, but if your cellar has concrete floors or is too cold, they will get mildew and die. Put some boards on the bottom.

One should sow some dahlia seed; they grow much stronger than either tubers or cuttings, and one is well repaid. The seeds sown in early spring will flower from the middle of July until frost; those that do not set can be thrown away, and the best ones can be kept over for another crop.

If you have a dry one some of the plants in the garden will have to be watered if you want flowers from them. This is especially true of the dahlias.

Use enough water to penetrate all the soil in which their roots grow, and see that it is kept moist.

Watering today and neglecting for a week to come isn't the proper thing. Save the suds from wash-day for this purpose. The soap will help the plants.

Be sure to supply substantial support for your dahlias. If this is not done you will be likely to have them broken some morning after a sudden wind or a hard rain-storm.

The stakes should be at least four feet tall—allow an extra foot and a half for insertion in the ground—and they should be at least an inch thick and of good sound wood.

Paint them a dull green and they will not be unpleasantly gaudy. Tie the stakes to them with broad strips of cloth instead of twine. The latter will cut into the tender branches when they are whipped by the wind.

MAKE THE GARDEN NEAT

Too much stress cannot be laid upon neatness in the garden. If faded flowers and fallen leaves are allowed to accumulate, the charm and amount of bloom can make up for the lack of care which is thus made manifest.

WATCH THE YOUNG TREES

Young trees should be watched and the open spaces in the ground about them, which have been made by the wind swaying the trees, should be well firmned down.

It is important before the heavy winds of spring:

SOME TIMELY TIPS

Do not be in too much of a hurry to make a garden. Wait until the soil is warm. Seeds simply will refuse to germinate in cold, damp weather.

Keep the house plants indoors or well sheltered until the weather is warm for them. A single cool night will kill them.

An uncovered rain-barrel will breed millions of mosquitoes. Do not allow any stagnant water to stand near the house. Drain off the little pools that form where the plants are watered.

GIRL COULD NOT WORK

How She Was Relieved from Pain by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Taunton, Mass.—"I had pains in both sides and when my periods came I had to stay at home from work and suffer for a long time. One day when I had to come home and asked my mother why I was suffering. Mother told her that I suffered every month and she said, 'Why don't you buy a bottle of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound? It will help you.' Another bought it and in next month I was so well that I worked all the month without staying at home a day. I am in good health now and have told lots of girls about it."—Miss CLARICE MORR, 22 Russell Street, Taunton, Mass.

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Limitation.

"A woman should be able to trust her husband in everything."

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SAVED MINISTER'S LIFE.

Rev. W. H. Warner, Route 2, Myersville, Md., writes: My trouble was sciatica. My back was affected and took the form of sciatica. I also had a severe sciatic cramp in my muscles, pressure or sharp pain on the top of my head, and nervous dizzy spells. I had other symptoms showing my kidneys were at fault, so I took Dodd's Kidney Pills.

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A Michigan Case

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