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Just a Word About Selecting Seed Corn

BY T. H. CASANOVA

The out-look for a bountiful harvest of all farm products is now more promising than for many years past. With fertile land, good season and good seed, with proper cultivation; there is no reason why every farmer in Vermilion parish should not have feed for his stock and some for sale rather than buy feed. Years ago the ridge system of cultivation of corn was used to prevent the loss of corn from wet falls. With the improved drainage this high ridge system is getting to be a thing of the past with the best farmers. Proper fertilization, good seed and shallow cultivation are the three fundamental principles of good farming that will place Vermilion Parish among the corn producing parishes of the state.

The first essential of a successful crop then, must depend to a great extent on the vitality and quality of seed planted. Home grown seeds have proven by extensive experiments to be the best in all cases provided that a good variety of seed was selected for original planting.

At this season of the year when the corn is beginning to turn brown the best work of the farmer can be directed profitably toward the selection of good home grown seed for next year's planting. As in all seed selection the question of bushels of yield must be the first prerequisite in seed selection. Usually the smaller and prolific corns will give the greater amount of shelled corn. A prolific variety of corn in the field to be a good type must have at least two good ears to the stalk. It should have those qualities that go with high yields of corn: ie, uniformity, smallness of cob, length of grain, well filled out tip and but, with regular rows of grain, with the shuck well over the tip.

The reasons why corn should be selected in the field, at this time, rather than in the crib, are many. In the field one sees that stalk on which the ear that he selects, is borne. The stalk ought to be strong and at a proper distance from the other stalks in the row. If a stalk of corn is standing with a greater distance between it and

other stalks, there is a greater chance for it to produce a larger ear than others being closer together. An ear taken from such a stalk, planted closer the next year, would not give such a good ear under its crowded conditions. In corn selection as with other plant and animal life the question of "like produces like" may be used as a safe guide.

Be sure and make a start this year toward the selection of seed in the field. It will pay you in the next year's yield and the study of seed selection ought to be interesting to every man, who calls himself a farmer.

Infantile Paralysis

Infantile Paralysis, though long suspected, was not definitely shown to be contagious until 1909. It has been proven that the germ exists in the nose and throat, and that undoubtedly some well persons are "carriers." Domestic animals, cats, dogs, etc., are classed among the agencies which may transmit. It is quite probable that the so-called "distemper" which at times attacks horses and dogs, is caused by this same infection. Flies may carry on their feet.

A study of epidemics of Infantile Paralysis does not justify the present wide spread alarm. In every large city, likewise in rural regions every year a few cases develop. The alarming epidemics in the past ten years have occurred in New York City, Buffalo, Kansas City, Los Angeles, and portions of Massachusetts, Vermont, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, and in a certain district in Texas. Records show that while the disease may spread considerably in places near where it is epidemic, that points distant have little reason to fear. Therefore, there is no cause for a country-wide panic.

Infantile Paralysis is difficult to control in the locality where it is epidemic, because there are always many mild and unrecognized cases. When an epidemic exists in any section the number of cases reported from other parts of the country is greater, probably because attention is centered on the disease.

A noted authority gives the following as good rules in time of prevalence:

- (a) Keep away from all persons sick with the disease, suspected of having it, or who have recently had it, and all persons who have been recently in contact with the disease.
- (b) Keep away from the vicinity of cases.
- (c) Keep away from flies.
- (d) Keep your premises clean.
- (e) Keep the dust down.
- (f) Keep away from sick dogs and cats.
- (g) Keep in good health generally.

Released-LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
New Orleans, July 24, 1916.

The HOME CIRCLE Column

Pleasant Evening Reveries -- A Column Dedicated to Tired Mothers as They Join the Home Circle at Evening Tide.

Crude Thoughts from the Editorial Pen

His Mother.

Captain Jack Crawford, the poet scout, pays the following eloquent tribute to his mother: "I had a Christian mother, my earliest recollections of whom was kneeling at her side praying God to save a wayward father and husband. That mother taught me to speak the truth when a child, and I have tried to follow her early teachings in that respect. It would require a much larger book than this to tell the story of my life and the sufferings of one of God's good angels, my mother. To her I owe everything—truth, honor, sobriety, and my very life. Her spirit seems to linger near me always; she has been my guardian angel. In the camp, the cabin, the field and the hospital, on the lonely trail hundreds of miles from civilization, in the pine clad hills and lonely canyons, I have heard in the moaning night winds and in the murmuring streamlets, The voice of my angel mother whispering soft and low.

"And these sacred thoughts have made me forget at times that there was danger in my pathway. Nor will I ever forget The day that we parted, mother and I,

Never on earth, to meet again; She to a happier home on high, I a poor wanderer on the plain. That day was perhaps the greatest epoch in my life. Kneeling by her bedside, with one hand clasped in mine, the other resting my head, she whispered, 'My child, you know your mother loves you. Will you give me a promise that you may take it up to heaven? Yes, mother, I will promise you anything.' 'Johnny, my child, I am dying,' said she; 'promise me that you will never drink in your life, and then it will not be so hard to leave this world.' 'Mother, need I tell you that I pro-

vised 'Yes,' and whenever I am asked to drink, that scene comes up before me and I am safe."

Hereafter all the guest rooms of the Galesburgh, Ill. hotels and boarding houses will be provided with bibles, and people that occupy these rooms will have on the table a silent reminder of the way they should go. Even the presence of such a book has an influence and gives character to a room. The work of placing copies of the scriptures in the hotels has spread throughout the country as a result of the activities of the sons of Gideon, an organization of traveling men that is doing a good work among the members of the knights of the grip.

Did you ever stop to think that it was one thing to talk about people and another thing to have people talk about you. If those of us who use our tongues a little too freely about our neighbors would stop and reflect about the matter and know the great evil that comes from too much talk and tattling, we are sure we would call a halt and gossip no more forever.

The fact is much to be deplored that with most boys and girls the boy who spends the greatest amount of money for them, in furnishing them entertainment, is the boy most admired and cajoled. But what becomes of him when his

taken up. If the streets are to be graded up, then there should be a means of dragging them and keeping them in shape, otherwise the loss of time and money will be the outcome.

Every man's life is a failure who does not try to do something to leave the world richer than he found it.

A Contented Spirit.

Remember, if you have only what is called an ordinary home, that the great deliverers of the world have all come from such a home. And there may be seated reading at your evening stand a child who shall be potent for the ages. Just unroll the scroll of men mighty in church and state, and you will find they nearly all came from log cabins or poor homes. Genius almost runs out in the third and fourth generation. You cannot find in all history an instance where the fourth generation of extraordinary people amount to anything. Columbus from a weaver's hut, Demosthenes from a cutler's cellar, Bloomfield and Missionary Carey from a shoemaker's bench, Arkwright from a barber's shop, and He whose name is high over all in earth and air and sky from a manger.

Let us all be content with such things as we have. God is just as



PETER'S BIRTHDAY

"Just as I always have to tell that goes on in Fairyland, the other Brownie has to tell Brownie's stories of the little girls.

"And I think this evening I you Father Brownie's last story as though it were my own."

"That will be lots of fun, Nancy. To hear one of the Brownie's stories I suppose that we think is just a perfectly natural thing is quite queer."

"Well, it was a story of a little dog named Peter Murray—a very bright little Fox Terrier. And above all things he loved Parties. You may think it strange, as the Brownies did, for a dog to be so fond of Parties, but then you know animals really like to have just as good a time as grown-ups do, and Peter Murray certainly did.

"It was his Birthday, and Peter was just one year old. His mistress was a little girl named Inez and she was almost fonder of Peter Murray than of anything else in the world. Inez sent out invitations several days in advance to a number of the little Boys and Girls she knew who owned pet Dogs. The invitations read:

"Mr. Dog Peter Murray, "At Home,

"In Honor of his First Birthday."

"All of the little Dogs who were invited accepted and the day of the party came at last. The first thing that Inez did that morning was to rush over to Peter Murray's basket and say 'Many happy returns.' Now, of course, Peter Murray woke right up and was out of his basket with a bound.

"He jumped up and down for Inez, which was his way of saying, 'Thank you, Missy,' and he wagged his tail for all he was worth.

"We have lots to do today, Peter Murray," said Inez, and Peter Murray knew just what she meant. He put his head first on one side and then on the other. And when he saw Inez take a little purse from out of her pocket and jingle some pennies he put his ears up in the air as if to say, 'What do those funny things

Peoples Bank & Trust Co.

Adolph Theriot, et als.
By virtue of a writ of Fieri Facias to me issued out of the Honorable Third Ward Justice Court, in the above numbered and entitled suit, fully authorizing and empowering me in the premises, I have this day seized and taken into my possession to satisfy said writ, and I will proceed to sell at public auction, to the last and highest bidder, at the office of the Third Ward Justice Court, Vermilion Parish, La., within the hours prescribed by law on

Saturday, August 12, 1916.

The following described property, to-wit:

One certain piece or parcel of ground, lying and being situated in the First Ward, adjoining the Town of Erath within the Corporate limits, measuring 126 feet North and South, by 186 feet East and West, less 6 feet thereof being reserved her with on the South line for a side walk; Bounded North by St. Teal Landry, South by Vendor herein, East by proposed street, and West by Vendee herein and E. Deroen; with all the buildings and improvements thereon situated on thereto belonging.

Terms: Cash
Constables Office, Third Ward, June 29th, 1916.

MARTIAL NUNEZ,
By, Sheriff, Vermilion Parish, La.

AN ORDINANCE.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of Abbeville Louisiana, in regular session convened, that it is hereby declared to be unlawful, for any persons owning lots or other landed property within the limits of the Town of Abbeville La., to permit any Cherokee Hedges growing upon said lots or other landed property, to encroach or grow upon the Public Streets or alleys of said Town, and upon failure to remove said hedges from said streets or alleys within fifteen days after notice given by the Chief of Police of said Town, to the offender shall subject him to a criminal prosecution for obstructing the Public Streets or alleys as the case may be of said Town, and upon trial and conviction therefor before any court of competent jurisdiction, the offender shall be condemned to pay a fine of not less than Five dollars and not more than One Hundred dollars and in default of the payment of said fine, be imprisoned in the Parish Jail not exceeding thirty days and not less than five days.

W. S. HAYES,
Mayor, Town of Abbeville, La.
J. C. BROUSSARD,
Secretary, Town of Abbeville La.

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