December 3, 1916. Jesus Christ the first and the last.-

Revelation 1: 1-20. Commentary.-I. The Revelation described (vs. 1-3). 1. The Revelation -The word in the Greek signifies the uncovering of that which was hidden. The book is an unfolding of what was to take place in the future. of Jesus Christ-It is here said this revelation, or discovery of hidden things was givgave it to his angel, and that the angel showed it to John, and that John sent it to the churches. Thus we find it came from God to Christ, from Christ to the angel, from the angel to John, and from John to the church. It is and the one before it and the one after properly, therefore, the revolution of God, sent by these various agents to evermore—Jesus was not to suffer his servants at large: and this is the death again. Have the keys of hell proper title of the book.—Clarke, must and of death—In rising from the dead shortly come to pass—The prophecies which were about to be given were abode of the dead. The dead shall rise certain to have their fulfilment, and again. 19. Write—The apostle here retheir fulfilment was to begin in a ceived his commission. He is to record short time, by his angel—An angelic what he then saw regarding his own being was commissioned to bear the times, and what should be in the fumessage to John. his servant John- ture. 20. 20. Seven stars—See v. 16. By some it is questioned whether this was the Apostle John or not, but from | ars differ in their views regarding the the first century it has been held that angels of the churches. Some hold the it was he, and there can be no reasonsble doubt that the writer of the Revelation was the "disciple whom Jesus | they are the personified spirits of the loved." 2. who bare record-John churches. A third view is that they recorded in this book the messages represent the pastors of the several which were brought to him from God. churches. The last view seems reason-8. blessed-A beautiful and solemn able. warning to his readers, both of his own and subsequent ages. At the same time it expresses his own solemn rev- stances was it written? What blesserence for his own work. Blessing sings is pronouced in the third verse? and woe are dependent on the spirit in To whom were the messages sent? which the truths of this book are read | What is meant by the expression, "I and reduced to practice,-Whedon, he am Alpha and Omega"? Describe the

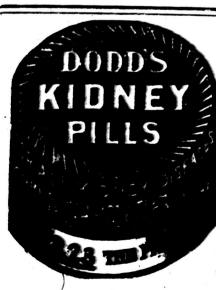
II. The introduction (vs. 4-8). 4. to the seven churches which are in Asia -The message from Jesus Christ by John is addressed definitely to the seven churches of Asia. By Asia is meant the extreme western part of Asia Minor governed by a Roman proconsul. The names of the seven churches are given in v. 11. grace.... and prace-Paul used a similar form of greeting in the epistles which he wrote to seven different churches, from him his truth. This sacred book is called not give antiquity to his atonement, the whole of a tree than to have it From Jehovah. is was to come—the Revelation to express its origin, its Time cannot wear out its virtues. At wholly destroyed by disease and al-Eternity of existence is here declared. nature, its object, its subject and its the Lord's coming the one thought of low the malady to spread. and he will exist forever, seven Spirits-This term must certainly invested with divine authority. It is crisis of the world. tween the names of the Father and tainties. We are given the manner the Son; moreover, seven stands for and purpose of this revelation. It concompleteness and indicates to us the sists of Old Testament idea; spiritvarious offices and works of the Holy Spirit. 5. from Jesus Christ—Grace and peace flow from the Father, the Son and the Spirit, the faithful witness—The testimony of Jesus is true

whole book. After a few years of
ness—The testimony of Jesus is true and faithful. No part of it can fail of abated love for our fallen race, Christ fulfilment, the first begotten of the communicated with the apostle John dead-"The firstborn of the dead."-R. V. It is true that Lazarus and others were raised from the dead, but they were raised to die again; Jesus arose from the dead to live forever, prince of the kings of the earth-A lofty tribute is paid to Christ He is high Shut in as he was from all Christian shove all earthly power and authority. "I will make him my first-born, higher than the kings of the earth." (Psa. instruction from his diving Master. 89:27), unto him that loved us."—R. Before the eyes of the soul the Lord V. Here begins one of the loftiest Jesus Christ was evidently set forth.

gation listens.

spiritual, but none the less real. 7. Behold-The raptured vision of the sacred writer saw the coming of The churches were highly honored of the Lord so clearly that it seemed all God as objects of his redemptive pur-but realized. With cloud—See Acts 1: pose. John was pressed to give exbut realized. With cloud-See Acts 1: 9-11. Every eye shall see him-His coming will be visible to every member of the race. They also which pierced him-Not only the righteous shall see him, but also those who were responsible for putting him to death. wail because of him-It is he tells us that all tribes of the earth must mourn, either now for the woe our sins caused him, or then for woe they will cause us .- Cam. 8. I am-The Lord God is now speaking. Alpha and Omega-These are the first and the last letters of the Greek alphabet. They express "the "beginning and the ending." In this the eyes, or searching intelligence; the verse the eternity of God is made em- feet, of resistless scrength; the voice, any further watering; but should the phatic as in v. 4, and his power is de of all-commanding might. The seven weather become unusually dry, water

III. A vision of Jesus (vs. 9-20.) 9-16. John gives briefly his circumstanc- word by which the secrets of all hearts es when the victors came to him. He should be made known and by which become well established before winwas banished to Patmos, a small is all adversaries should be slain. The hand in the Aegean Sea not far from countenance told of divine majesty. the west coast of Asia Minor, because of his devotion to Jesus. It is thought that he was panished by the Emperor trust in the personal care of the great Domitian, though some suppose it was



He received from Jesus the command to write messages from him to the churches in Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamos, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia and Laodicea. In the description of Christ which John gives there is an enlargement of that given by the evangelists of his appearance at the transfiguration. 17. I fell at his feet as dead-John was overcome by the brightness and glory of Christ's person and by the sound of his voice, which was like "the sound of many waters." His right hand-The right hand is indicative of power and authority, but when Christ laid his right hand upon John, he expressed his love for him and thus encouraged him. Fear not-There are many occasions in life when the divinely uttered "Fear en by God to Jesus Christ; that Christ | not" brings deep and blessed assurance. I am the first and the last-This expression denotes Christ's eternity of existence. 18. Liveth.... was dead-He assures his servant that the doctrine which he had been preaching was true. Christ used this expression he conquered death and unlocked the Angels of the seven churches-Scholview that they are the guardian angèls of the several churches. Others that

Questions.-Who wrote the Book of Revelations? Under what circumthat readeth, and they that hear-One appearance of Christ as he appeared to person reads publicly and the congre- John. What effect had his appearance upon the apostle? In what terms does Jesus describe himself? What do the seven stars and the seven candlesticks

PRACTICAL SURVEY.

Topic.-Revelation. I. A vision.

III. A word. 1. A vision. Here in outling is a lypse to reveal the vast empire and wonderful sketch of how God reveals masterhood of Christ. Centuries canit is better to cut away half or even design. It is the word of the living all will be concerning their relation God given by divine inspiration and to him. His coming will be the great mean the Holy Ghost, as it stands be- not made up of conjecture, but of cerfor the good of all coming generations. The beloved apostle in his mature life, while in exile because of the storm of persecution against him for the testimony of the truth, received the revelation from Christ concerning himself and his church upon earth. converse. John was better fitted for converse with Christ, and to receive ascriptions of honor and praise to Christ was as real to him as any of Christ to be found anywhere in the his fellow men. John saw him, not scriptures. The degree of his love is as the despised and rejected of men, sot expressed, nor can it be expressed but in might and majesty. The vision in human language. It was his love showed John that the ideas which he for us that led him to do what is de- and others had cherished concerning ctared in the following clauses, wash- Christ were imperfect. It was when ed us from our sins-This implies both his heart was uplifted to God in rethat he made an atonement for our ligious rapture and ecstacy that the sins and that the efficacy of the atone- vision burst upon him. The voice pinch back shoots that are becoming come a beautiful carmine or crimson. believers in the washing away of per- sacredness and importance of what he berry bushes; apply mulching to trees maturing process may be accomplishsonal sins in the blood of Christ. 6. was about to hear and see. In the made us Kings and priests-Christ has trying time then before his people it made his followers a kingdom, to be was more than ever needful that they priests unto God. The kingdom is should rightly regard him. John needed fresh knowledge or old truths brought home with renewed power. pression to the love for his Lord with which his soul was filled to everflowing. Before his mind there arose a vision of what he and his fellow be-Hevers had been, and what the grand the way of putting away of sin from their souls. The thought of the sovimmeasurably great and unchangeably the hoary hair, of profound wisdom;

clared under the expression, "The Alstars, grasped in his right hand, told may be applied without detriment, the sword signified that soul-penetrating preventing the formation of a crust. II. A touch. Christ's ministry on earth was to remove fear, a lack of Father. The fact of John's being overcome by the vision was the occasion for a fresh display of divine tenderness in a touch of love. With the right hand of the Lord he was

> sense of his own unworthiness. III. A word. The whole strength of the comforting assurance which was speken to John, lay in the identity between Jesus whom he had known and the Christ whom he beheld. It was a marvellously comprehensive revelation of the glory of the Lord. The glorified Christ, the self existent and independent One, must necessarily. be the author and upholder of ail created existence. The great Redeemer's sway is over the whole race. He is to be worshipped as Lord. The vision of Christ in his glory completes and fustifies the history of Christ in

strengthened and revived. There was

in that touch an assurance of divine

regard, notwithstanding the apostle's

# British Plantation Rubber Is Saving Canada Millions

Low Prices of Rubbers and Overshoes Due to Britain's Control of Situation

Here in Canada many of us have fallen into the truly Anglo-Saxon habit of considering the "Mother of Parliaments" slow and a bit behind the times. The present price of rubber, when its cause is revealed, affords one of the many proofs that such an opinion is away off the mark.

Thanks to great rubber plantations established, in the face of criticism and ridicule, many years before in her tropical Dominions, Great Britain at the outbreak of war held a firm and tightening grip on the world's supply of raw rubber-a grip reinforced by her dominating navy. From 60% in 1914, the production of these plantations has grown this year to 75% of the whole world's output, leaving only about half the requirements of the United States alone to come from all other sources.

The result has been that the needs of the Allies, enormous though they are, have been plentifully supplied, while Germany has been reduced to registered mails and the "Deutschland" in desperate attempts to mitigate her rubber famine. Neutrals have been allowed all the rubber they want, at prices actually lower than before the war, so long as they prevent any of it from reaching the enemy, while Canada and other parts of the Empire have an abundant supply at equally favorable Government regulated prices.

In this foresight and generosity of the British Government lies the reason why rubber alone, of all the great staples, has not gone up in price—why rubber boots, rubbers and overshoes are as inexpensive as ever, while leather shoes are costing several dollars a pair more. Wearing rubbers or overthrough this winter to protect these expensive shees, or rubber farm shoes to replace them, is more than practical thrift—it is grateful patriotism, for in thus saving leather we make it easier for the Government to secure the absolutely necessary supplies of this alarmingly scarce material for our soldiers.

Both Thrift and Patriotism Point to Rubbers!

his humiliation. It required an apoca- of black-knot; and frequently, but not lypse to reveal the vast empire and always so, in cases of fire-blight. But

#### A WOMAN'S MESSAGE TO WOMEN

If you are troubled with weak, tired feelings, neadache, backache, bearingdown sensations, bladder weakness, condown sensations, bladder weakness, con-stipation, catarrhal conditions, pain in the sides regularly or irregularly, bloat-ing or unnatural enlargements, sense of falling or misplacement of internal orfalling or misplacement of internal organs, nervousness, desire to cry, palpitation, hot flashes, dark rings under the eyes, of a loss of interest in life, I invite you to write and ask for my simple method of home treatment with ten days' trial entitely free and postpaid also references to Canadian ladies who gladly tell heav they have regained health, strength and happiness by this method. Write to-day. Address, Mrs. M. Summers, Eox 8, Windsor, Ontaio.



FARM WORK FOR AUGUST.

As for farm work in August continue the destruction of weeds; keep suffering from drought; and transplant strawberries according to directions given below, remembering that the sooner the work is done the more firmly will they become established they will bear next season.

TRANSPLANTING STRAWBERRY

PLANTS. Next to early spring planting, the season of partial rest to the plants which occurs immediately after bearing is the best time for transplanting. mission of Christ had accomplished in Take them up carefully, so as not to tear the fibres, cut off all the leaves sown each year. It may be sown except those just expanding, keep the ereignty of Christ and his love so roots moist by immersion in mud, and spread out when setting them. constant made his heart glow with Settle the ground about them by pournoblest joy. Looking beneath the ing on water, then complete the sursymbols of the vision we learn their face by a covering of fine, mellow for early and late pasture, but it is meaning. The golden girdled garment earth; next apply a mulching, an inch told of royal majesty and authority; and a half in thickness, of fine, pulverized manure.

All, or nearly all, will grow without able. of power and purpose. The two-edged mulch keeping the surface moist and ter, and, if well cared for, will bear a crop next year.

> FIGHTING INSECTS AND DISEASE. Continue to watch for insects, and especially for aphides or plant lice, which often increase rapidly during Whale-oil soap, strong soapsuds, or very strong tobacco water, may be used for destroying them. It may be thrown on with a perts that is just as available for praccoarse syringe, but it is more effectual where the shoots can be bent over | powdered feldspar. and dipped in the liquid.

Keep a constant eye for black-knot on the plum and fire-blight on the pear, cutting off instantly the affected parts. Excision will prove a reliable and perfect remedy in the case

by the drugless way. No oint-ments or appliances. Everything simple when you know how. Worth gold to sufferer. Get this treatment without delay. Sent prepaid for Se-

Budding may be continued. Finish up speedily on cherry, plum and standard pear, and commense early with apples. Peaches and quinces may be budded toward the close of the month. Watch the stocks in season and remove the ligatures as soon as they begin to cut into the bark.

GATHERING THE FRUIT. Gather early pears as they approach con- maturity, but before they become ripe medy, it heals and soothes; cures ev-

be judged in most cases by bending the stem-if the fruit is nearly ripe it will loosen its hold of the tree, but if it adheres firmly, the pear has not sufficiently matured. There are, however, exceptions to this rule—the Bartlett, for instance, may be picked even before it has attained full size, and, in a week or two, will ripen into a fine, melting texture and excellent Ripening summer pears in the dark much improves their appearance. A Bartlett, for instance, fully exposed to the sun and allowed to ripen on the tree, or in a welllighted apartment, will show perhaps only a light brown check, but if in a

When drawers are not at hand, the ed on shelves by first spreading a thick piece of woolen cloth, laying the pears on this, and covering them with the same.

Pear growers who send their crops for enduring winter, and the better to distant markets should pack them early enough to reach their destination before the softening process has commenced. Large losses have sometimes occurred from bruising and other injury when sent later.

FARM NEWS AND VIEWS.

For hog pasture, Dwarf Essex rape is the best of the crops that must be alone or broadcast at the rate of six pounds per acre, after which a bushel of oats per acre can be drilled in. Sorghum is also to be recommended, and bule grass is excellent, especially likely to take a rest during a hot, dry summer. At such times the green succulent sorghum will be very accept.

The paint brush is an instrument of magic in beautifying a rural land-

An agricultural college education will not make a good farmer out of a natural born piano tuner.

The Illinois milk producers won their fight for higher prices by organized co-operation. It is the power that wins success in every movement. There's a lot of information coming

from the would-be agricultural extical farm use as is the potash in Many farmers believe that oats and

peas make 'one of the very best nay crops, and they have planted largely of this mixed crop. And they are men whose opinions are worth while.

Farmers in the richest limestone sections find it profitable to apply lime to their soils. This being true, it is especially necessary that lime be used liberally on soils that are not of limestone formation.

When nitrogen is estimated at 15 cents a pound, phosphoric acid at 7 one

cents a pound and potash at 41/2 cents, Halligan estimates the average value of farm maure as follows: Droppings from one horse, per ton, \$2.49; cow, matter of common experience we know when the manure is properly kept and applied to the land it is worth more. for the figures given do not include the value of the humus, which ma be considerable.

The amount of manure voided by animals varies according to the kind size and age of the animal. Helder estimates that for every 100 pounds of dry matter in the feed the horse voids 210 pounds of fresh manure, the cow 380 pounds of fresh manure, the sheep 180 pounds.

As to the proportion of urine to the manure, Snyder estimates that a wellfed horse will produce about fift; pounds of moisture a day. Of this, one-quarter, or twelve and a half rounds, will be urine. In a stable, the horse will void about six tons of manure per year, according to the same authority.

A milch cow on an average will produce from 60 to 70 pounds of manure per day, estimating both solid excrement and liquid manure. Of this, from 20 to 30 pounds will be liquid manure. The daily droppings of a well-fed cow of average size are about 80 pounds, including the absorpents.

The best way to save manure is to apply it to the land as fast as enough accumulates to pay for the time required to spread it. Bedding shouli be used in the stalls to absorb the liquids, which are the most valuable parts of the manure. By applying this manure as fast as it accucumulates the sugars, Toronto delivery, as follows:
danger of flies breeding in it will be Royal Acadia, granulated 109 lbs.
reduced and much of the ingredients Recpath, granulated 100 lbs. will be saved. But if it is not possible to apply for some time, store in a pile, keep dry and screen or put hellebore on it occasionally to prevent flies from breeding in it.

Some farmers say the blossom test for cutting alfalfa is unreliable. The blossoms should be disregarded entirely and the alfalfa cut when the shoots are from one half to threefourths of an inch long.

Wood ashes should be saved and carefully stored in a dry place until applied to the soil. The octash in wood ashes gives them an unusually high value at the present time, says Prof. L. L. VanSlyke, of the Geneva

#### DON'T GO INTO CONSUMPTION CURE YOUR CATARRY NOW

When your throat rattles, your lungs and chest are sore, your throat is stuffed with cold-don't fear consumption-use Catarrhozone and get well. It clears the threat, cures hacking, relieves tight chest and sorenees in the brenchial tubes. To cure away Catarrh of the nose nothing is bet ter. Catarrhoozne is nature's own re on the tree, and ripen them in draw- ery form of throat, lungs or bronchial ers or boxes. This will much im- trouble. Prescribed by many specialprove their quality and prevent roting at the core, so common in summer pears.

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## SCIENTIFIC NOTES.

Panama is in the market for asphalt

Dealers in the United States bought most of the lobsters and fox skins from Prince Edward Island. These are the island's most important products.

During 1915, 5.500,000 eggs were used in Cuba, most of which came from the United States. They retailed at from 25 to 40 cents a dozen.

Government estimates place the rice crop from the Scuthern States at 32,500,000 bushels.

Portuguese merchants the interested in machinery suitable for flour mills. Jamaica's crops of bananas, cocoa-

nuts cocoa and sugar cane were seriously damaged by a hurricane re-

Rats every year destroy about 5 per How to Improve Your Throat cent, of the growing sugar cane in Ja-

Experts consider that one great qualification women munition workers

possess is parience. Siberian rai way for 500 miles has opened one of the world's greatest;

Many European peasants now in the contending armies are getting more meat in their rations than they ever

The use of zine plates in a boiler is said to prevent the formation of the scale which interferes with the boil-

had at home.

er's efficiency. Scotch herring is selling in New York at \$19 to \$20 a barrel. A good

fall season is predicted.

During 1915 twenty-one new American firms were established in China, and the American population increased from 4,635 to 4,716.

means of support or air current, and which are clogging the pores. a bottle from which poured a continual stream of liquid were features of a recent exhibit of the engineering de- away any superfluou effesh and make partment of the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor.

## TORONTO FAT STOCK SHOW

The Toronto Fat Stock Show will be held at the Union Stock Yards, Toronto, on Friday and Saturday, December 8th and 9th. A large number of prizes are offered, and the show this year bids to be an exceptionally good



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Wheat, spot firm.
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98s. Clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs.—106s. Shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lbs.—94s. Lard, prime western, in tierces, new— is; old—96s. American, refined—97s, 4d. Cheese, Canadian, finest white, new-

Colored, new-126s. Austrian in London-53s. 6d. Turpentine, spirits-47s. Pesin. common—20s. Petroleum, refined—1s, 1 1-4d. Cotton Seed Oil, hull refined, spot-50s.

## A BEAUTIFUL NECK.

Without Slavery to Routine.

We all know that the neck should not be too short; should be smaller at the top than where it joins the chest The extension of a prznch of the and shoulders; that the shoulders should be neither too broad and well developed nor too narrow; that the bones of the chest and back should not be buried with flesh.

It is not given to every woman to hove a beautiful neck and shouldens and chest. But she can make the mest of the trie, as hatter cave them to her, by massage and exercise. And she can chest and shoulders becomes secondary.

Often the skin of the back and chest and choulders will have small eruptions when the face of the person is clear and free from any such disorder. This is because the clothes cover the body so tightly that the air and sun have no chance to purify the skin beneath as they do the skin of the face.

Frequent baths of sea salt also tend to clear the skin of the neck and bring the blood to the surface, giving it the glow of health. Olive oil or some good Flowers frozen by liquid air, eggs cold cream applied to this part of the fried on a cake of ice by electricity, a body keeps the pores open and helps ball which floated without visible the skin to throw off any secretions Exercises which stretch the muscles

of the back, chest and neck will keep the flesh hard adn firm. The neck sometimes gets dark from high and tight collars. For a bleach

use the magic of lemon juice diluted, one-third with water. Sponge with it and allow to dry on. Oatmeal is splendid for whitening the skin and may be used freely.

In boiling or stewing meat, the sait should not be added until the meat is

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smitten ." The rector cour "If-if it shou: great thing for think it is our d assistance. It wo future Lady Blyte really such strai thoughtfully. "I "Well, that can torts Mrs. Pos. go and get read;

cushions put in t

I'm willing to do

whatever it may "Quite so, my rector, meekly; ; brown study, in la niece, reigni himself an honor Meanwhile, Sign for the garden, w she will find Ar back of a rustic road to the Grans es this spot she mingled with the For a moment clined-why, she

back; but ashame designates it, she Archie is seate the rustic seat, Hector Warren. fence, and Signa child say: "Well, if Signa forgive you." "Thanks." say Then, as he se weather stained

stands upright. "Good-morning. have just been m Archie. I only n gain forgiveness. She gives him b the tell-tale color face, and smiles. "I explained it morning." she s nard judge.' "So I find," he on her face-not

as a blush rose tired this morning dissipation?" to the Rectory? "Not yet. 1 st sent myself befor time, 12 o'clock. the Grange; b stopped to win

There is sile:

eves are fixed u ed upon the grou Archie regards I scrutiny for a me "Signa is a great "Indeed!" he Archie nodd: "Yes, since las I hear night. talking about it she had no ides

Rookwell- that teeth -would tal her-"Archie!" excla But he goes or this morning ma papa man Ain't it funny? think? Sir Fred grooms to ask lunch at the Parl

well, or that sa

kttchen, where he DRS. SOPE



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