## CURRENT COMMENT

With the purchase of the Macke of Toronto a new Impetus has ren to the proposal that the KEEPING ONTARIO ORDERLY gadials how operated by the Candish National Railways, the offer of se of the Radial Commission by or other fire-arm. Since the the Ontario Government, which offer there has been a great increase still holds good according to Ottawa authority. The lines in question are the Toronto Eastern, the Toronto Suburban, and the Niegara, St. communications may corrupt good Catharines & Toronto railways, all of manners. In United : States cities which had been provisionally recog-fince New Year in New York there nized as to be included in the proposed provincial radial lines. The In Philadelphia 100 murders in cleve offer of the federal government is a months and fifty hold-ups in one da most generous and advantageous one, recently puts the city of brotherly and will enable the Hydro Radial Union should the offer be taken up to cities is appalling and it is to be make a most auspicious start in the doubted if Sodom and Gomorrha had proposed radial system. The recent such a lust for slaughter. Cleveland purchase of the Mackenzie interests has had 70 murders this year, and provides a right of way from Niagara Francisco acknowledge similar depray to Toronto and this in combination ity. In 1916 New York with less with the three lines comprised in the than 6,000,000 people had six times Ottawa Government, Ottawa consti- as many murder: as London with its tutes the backbone of the new system. population of over 7,000,000. Chicago The evidence brought out at the in the same year, one-third the size of Radial Commission sessions to an im- London had 105 murders or twelve prejudiced mind would warrant the times as many as London. In three flotation of a \$100,000,000 company to years. 1916-18 Glasgow had 38 homicarry out the project. The people cides; Philadelphia, about the same do not want dividends, but service size, had 281. Liverpool and St at cost and the lower the cost of con- Louis are about of a size. In 1915 St. struction and the consequent invest- Louis had eleven times, and in 1916 Sea" or "Aliens" needs no further recment the more successful will be the eight times as many murders. Los service. No one who has watched Angeles, one-twentieth the size of the operation of the Hydro services London in 1916 had two more homi- ter," than the statement that this has any doubt about the success of cides. Cleveland, one-tenth the size novel has the same durable excellence, the radials. The London & Pert of London, had three times as many the same maturity and depth that the Windsor & Sandwich lines. After in a "civilized" country as in the

Orders have been issued to arres the number of people carrying con United States it is feared that evil

love on the Quaker map of violence Records of murder in United States Cincinnati, Pittsburg, Detroit and San

Stanley railway has confounded all killings in 1917 and about twice as marked those two previous stories. the critics, and a second example of many in 1918. It is believed that hufirst of all, a masterful portrayal of Hydro Radial success is at hand in man life has never been so insecure two colorful personalities—the supreme illusionist, Macedoine, who renine months of operation they have United States at the present time, and tires from the sea with his bestowed done what the promoters of the rad- the number of murders and homicides title of "captain," and his richly vital tal inquisition said it was impossible in 1919 exceed all previous records. daughter, Artemisia, But it is more to do, and have increased wages by The authorities in Ontario cannot be Occidental and Eastern civilizations 25 per cent. without any increase in too careful to prevent any spread of and philosophies, a commentary on fares. Private ownership could not such violence to this province. Can-human nature, particularly an analysis asserted that he could not do it. Not tendencies the result of system, had

In the produce and provision mar-kets, fresh pork cuts, smoked bacon and hams are marked lower. Butter

MONTREAL— The hog market

shows more strength this week with

smaller offerings on the market. De-

spite this there is a reduction in many lines of bacon. Quotations on the

hog market may strengthen the mar-ket for bacon. Lard and shortening

have had a further reduction. An ad-

vance of two cents is quoted on fresh

755. There is a continually improving demand for fowl with a very

changed. Fish prices hold firm with

an excellent demand, and dealers state

that supplies arriving are only suf-ficient to meet the demand. There

is an exceptionally good demand for dried fruits and nuts. Italian chest-

nuts feature the nut market. Dates

and figs are a shade cheaper, and

and figs are a shade cheaper, and slightly lower prices are quoted on the new pack of California prunes. There is a flig supply of oranges of various kinds on the market with lower prices, and indications that the prices will be still lower. Celery and pumpkins are quoted dearer this week and the potato market holds firm. There appears to be a shortage of canned peas due to the hig drain on the new pack. The tea market shows no improvement and dealers store that the sales are limited. Japan teas are getting

ment and dealers str' that the sales are limited. Japan teas are getting low in supply and this may serve to strengthen the market until the new crop is ready. Some firms have made further reductions on rolled oats. Lower prices are quoted on honey with a big supply of Canadian honey offered at the ruling prices. The first supply of French castile soap that has been offered for some years is on the local market.

only have the 25 per cent, increases temper, variety, and quarrelsom

finery has resulted operating. Raw fered at a price below cost of produc-

sugars are again lower but it is the tion, which would indicate that there

opinion that refined has now reached is a possibility for firmer prices later.

a stabilizing level. Reductions are has shown an improvement, but like

announced on practically all cereals other lines, orders are confined to

previously bought in one hundred bag continues easy while eggs show firm-

in built. Wholesalers are buying small lots.

cereals in small quantities in fact one

miller stated that wholesalers who

lots are now just buying five bags

at one time. Spot stocks of shelled

walnuts and almonds are fairly well

cleaned up, and it is doubtful wheth-

er there will be sufficient to meet de-

mands before the new goods arrive.

walnuts have not changed quotations,

although in some instances they have

had to pay a higher price owing to re-purchasing from other jobbers, Re-

ports from India and Ceylon state that

the Coolies dismissed. The reason

for this, it is stated, is because stocks

of coarse teas has accumulated to

such proportions in London that

prices were forced down far below tost of production and the only rem-

dy to bring prices to a profitable

five per cent. of the huge stocks of tea held in British warehouses have

is was to cut down production. An-

forated with age and will have to aid for chemical purposes or de-ed. Under these conditions it

ome tea plantations have closed and

se that have supplies of shelled

in wages been paid, but for the last undisciplined characters combined four months ten per cent additional. with a too ready access to fire-arms. outlook upon life differs from our We know Captain Macedoine for ex-WEEKLY GROCERY moral old fraud, pathetic, in his pose as a man of fine family and of large MARKET REPORTS affairs, who tries to make his altering daughter a pawn in his scheme to swindle safformen; we see the daughter in her true light as an unregenerate pagan of not too admirable TORONTO—The sugar situation is strade, but not nearly as great as last in making us feel affection for Cap-Yet Mr. McFee succeeds gradually clearing as depressed stocks year. Brokers in close touch with tain Macedoine, and both affection and are fairly well cleaned up. One re-that evaporated apple situation state that evaporated apples are now of

Gundy, Toronto.

Any one who reads "Casuals of the

ommendation of their author's latest

book "Captain Macedoine's Daugh-

"Captain Macedoine's Daughter" is

of an implacable destiny.

Contrasted with this father and

admiration for the daughter, victim

"Captain Macedoine's Daughter" by his wife, "with her soul like a parched Villiam McFee. Published by S. B. pea." And, inconsistently enough, the reader cannot help sympathizing with their viewpoint, too.

SHORTHORN INTO AFRICA

The American thoroughbred stock-breeder, who thinks he en-

his nicture. It shows the difficulties of the South African breeder

rs trials and adverse conditions, is invited to take a look at

ing to introduce the shorthorn into Northern Rhodesia, and

clan recently adopted in getting shorthorn bulls from the on of South Africa, through the Tsetse-fly country. The animals

enveloped in a specially constructed khaki mackintosh, leaving by the syes, horn and nose exposed. The exposed parts are cov-

ered with wagen grease and the herd marches only by night when the fly is less on the wing. The native cows are then bred to the

THE ROUND TABLE

This ability to make his readers like characters as far apart in their philosophies as the poles is one of the most unusual feats Mr. McFee performs in his latest novel.

Besides that, he is master of the secret of saying things by suggestion; of leaving to the reader's imagination just the things that, unwritten, stamp an author as an artist.

Miss E. A. H. Brantford: -I would ike to know of a thrilling story of adventure on travel to be given to a boy of fifteen. I would prefer that it did not belong to that class labelled 'boys' books."

"The Flying Bo'sun," by Arthur Mason, is a sea story in which you take one long breath as soon as the e and an achievement in beau- action gets under tiful prose. More than all these, per- on the last page.

haps, is it an artistically restrained It is extremely realistic Swanson protest against the banishment of is as brutal as any sailor depicted Romance from the world, and a plea by Jack London. One-Eyed Riley for broadness in judging people whose and Broken-Nose Pete and other individuals are as well characterized as those in "The Nigger of the Narcis-They tell yarns like the old actly what he is a pretentious, un salts whom W. W. Jacobs describes. Most of them deal with the superstitions of the sailor, but as sea stories they make the book rank with the best of Jack London or Morgan Robertson.

> "The Terrible Island," by Beatrice Grimshaw, is another absorbing tale. This author is very popular in England and it is easy to understand why, for she knows every trick to keep the reader reading. Both these stories are meant for

daughter are "good old honest Jack grown-ups as well as young folks.

Evans," English sea captain, and ELINOR MURRAY. ELINOR MURRAY.

# WINTER CARE OF THE FLOCK AND PREPARATION FOR LAMBING

One argument advanced for the where the sheep get a chance to get keeping of sheep more generally upon their heads in the muss the whole lot. our farms is that but little labor is involved in the care of a flock. This idea is far too apt to be considered as equivalent to "but little attention good supply except of turkeys. The butter and cheese market are un-

It is quite true that no stock requires less hard labor in its care than does sheep, but this does not mean neglect, and this is especially true after the flock goes into winter quarters with the comparative confinement inder cold and storm-weather condi-

If the breeding ewes have been well seen to during the fall months and, while in good condition, bred between the 15th of October and the 1st of December they will give a god crop of lambs and wool the next spring, if good treatment is accorded during the

winter months. Free range until the snow comes is cenerally best for the ewes, but they should not remain out in heavy rains or snowstorms, as a drenching of the leece at this season may leave the

sheep wet and chilled for days.

The best winter quarters for sheep is a shed in a dry location partly open to the south, so that it affords ample air and the flock should have free range of the yard continually,—an old motto is "Never close a door upon

after the ground fraces, as grass then has but little nourithing power. Plenty of green feed, either in the form of rape, clean turnip tops or roots, is relished at this season and only such hay as will be eaten up clean should be given. The hay is best fed in racks. Some shepherds prefer a

When sheep enter their heads into a rack they invariably tear the wool along their neck and spoils their appearance, as well as the neck wool.

Whether or not some grain should be fed during November, December and January is a question, that must be decided by the sheep owner him-If the hay is young-cut, well cured and with plenty of clover and the sheep are in good condition, grain is unnecessary. Succulent feed as above mentioned should, however, be provided. After tops are done turnips should be fed daily at the rate of from 2 to 4 pounds per head per

As the winter passes a grain mixture of oats 8 parts, bran 2 parts and oil cake one part should be started. gradually increasing the daily allowance up to from one to two pounds per head, and the turnips may be gradually decreased as there is a tenlency for the lambs to develop rather large and weak if the turnip ration is heavy. However, some sheep men seem to have the best of luck with full feeding of four pounds of turnips per head per day.

While sheep will not perhaps drink great deal of water before lambing if they are getting roots and there is snow available, yet it is a better plan to see that they have access to clean water every day. Salt should be placed where access may be had to it

at all times. As the lambing season approaches. all long wool around the udders should be clipped away and a number of individual pens. 4 feet by 6 feet in size provided, where each ewe may be placed before or immediately after lambing. This plan prevents the discount of a female deer with alais placed just far chough to enable the sheep to enter its note and pull the lay out. A little tay is pulled out under food in a ewe has twins she is very apt to this way, but has be wated than lose one of them if she is in the pen which had velvet on them.

VARIETIES OF FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

with so many differences in climate, Grape, Fay, Victoria, Red Dutch. needs fruits and vegetables that can be grown under a great sty of conditions. There is still room for improvement in these varieties yet available, particularly for the oldest parts of the Dominion, but efforts are continuously being made by the Horticultural Division to originate better

Fruits.

Apples: There are between thirty and forty varieties of apples which might be called the best for planting in Canada, and in the following list they are given in about their relative importance:

Summer: Duchess of Oldenburg, Red Astrachan, Yellow Transparent. Crimson Beauty, Williams Favorite, Charlamoff, Blushed Calville, Lowand Raspberry, Langford Beauty. Of these, Duchess of Oldenburg,

Blushed Calville and Charlamoff are particularly valuable where winters are severe. Wealthy, Gravenstein, Autumn: Alexander, Blenheim, Dudley, Mc-

Mahan, Hibernal, Antonovka, Patten Greening. Early Winter: McIntosh, Jonathan, Tompkins King, Rhode Island

Greening, Fameuse, Ribston, Hubbardston, Wolf River. Crab Apples: Transcendent, Virginia, Florence, Martha, Hyslop, and

for the severest parts of the prairies, Osman, Columbia, Jewel, Silvia, Robin, and Elsa. Winter: Baldwin, Northern Spy, Wagener, American Golden Russet, Grimes, Delicious, Stark, Roxbury (Nonpareil), Yellow Newton, Winesap,

Bethel, Scott Winter, Milwaukee. Of the winter apples in the above list, Delicious Yellow Newton, and Winesap are only satisfactory in parts of Canada where the seasons are hottest and longest, and they succeed

best in Southern British Columbia. Peaches in Order of Rigening: St. John, Early Crawford, Greensboro, Champion, Brigdon or Garfield, Fitzgerald, Reeves, Niagara, Elberta, Carman, Beers, Smock.

Pears, in Order Ripening: Giffard, Clapp, Bartlett, Boussock, Flemish, Howell, Louise, Duchess, Boss, Clairgeau, Anjou, Kieffer.

The Flemish Beauty is one hardiest pears, and Dr. Jules Guyot is a variety which has done particularly well in British Columbia.

Plums, in Order of Ripening. European - Bradshaw, Imperial Gage, Shipper Pride, Lombard, Yellow Egg, Reine Claude, Golden Drop, Italian Prune, Grand Duke Shropshire Damson, Ronarch.

Other varieties si Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island are Arctic, Field, Gueii, and Quackenboss, and in British Columbia Diamond and Pond.

Japanese-Red June, Abundance, Burbank, Chabot. American and Nigra-Assiniboine Cheney, Mammoth, Schley, Brackett.

Hybrid-Emerald, Omaha, Shiro,

Cherries:

Sour-Early Richmond, Montmorency, English Morello, Olivet. Sweet-Black Tartarian, Governor Wood, Napoleon, Windsor, Elkhorn, Lambert and Bing succeed particularly well in British Columbia.

Grapes: For districts where grown commercially in order of ripening: Black-Moore, Campbell, Worden, Concord, Wilder.

Red-Delaware, Lindley, Agawam, Vergennes. White-Diamond Niagara. Additional varieties where earliness

s the chief consideration: Black-Early, Daisy, Manito, Merimac, Peabody.

White-Winchell (Green Mountain). Red-Brighton, Moyer.

Blackberries:

Agawam, Snyder, and for warmer sections, Kitttinny, and for west coast, loganberry, Himalaya, Mammoth and

Currants:

Black-Champien, Viciosia, koop Giant, Saunders, Climax, Magnus, Kerry

### LOW GRADE PLANTFOODS.

There are forms in which planthave been computed and was indi- Philadelphia. cative of the relative value the station put upon these forms of phosphoric acid. Hence it is evident that the question of the readiness with which plantfood dissolves constitutes the Canadian Fertilizer law, amended storics. A lady once wrote him: January 1, 1920, takes into account when it requires on the tag or bag a statement of the nitrogen the percentage of available phosphoric acid and otal phosphoric acid, and the percentage of potash soluble in water. The quantity of plantfood you met !-

he ton and the availability of semo s the measure of the fertilizer's intrinsic value.—Henry G. Bell, B.S.A.

Ont., shot a two hundred pound doe at birds annually.

A country as large as Canada and | Red-Perfection, Red Cross, Red White-Grape.

Gooseberries:

American Varieties-Pearl, Downing, Josselyn (Red Jacket), and Oregon Champion especially for British Columbia, and Houghton for the Prairie Provinces. Raspberries:

Black-Older, Cumberland, Gregg.

Red-Cuthbert, Herbert. On

Prairies Sunbeam is desirable cause of great hardiness. Strawberries: Parson (per.), Glen Mary (per), Senator Dunlap (per.), Portia (imp.), Williams (per.). In British Columbia Magoon is one of the best, and Marshall and Paxton do well. Beder

Wood is one of the best early strawberries. Everbearing Strawberries: Progressive, Americus.

VEGETABLES. Asparagus, Argenteuil, Palmetto.

Beans. Dwarf-Round Pod Kidney Wax. Stringless Green Pod, Early Rod Valentine, Refugee or 1,000 to 1. Pole Kentucky Wonder, Scarlet

Runner. Beets-Detroit Dark Red, Early Model, Crosby Egyptian. Borecole or Kale-Dwarf Green

Curled Scotch. E-ussels Sprouts-Improved Dwarf. Cabbage-Early Jersey Wakefield, Copenhagen Market, Succession. Danish Ballhead, Drumhead Savoy,

Red Dutch. Cauliflower-Early Snowball, Barly Dwarf Erfurt.

Carrot-Chantenay, Danvers Half Long, Early Scarlet Horn. Celery-Golden Self Blanching, Winter Queen, Evans Triumph, Perfection Heartwell. White Plume is desirable for the prairies and cooler parts.

Corn-Golden Bantam is the most popular early variety, but still earlier Stewells Evergreen and Country Gentleman are good late sorts. Cucumber-Davis Perfect, White

Egg Plant-New York Improved. Long Purple. Lettuce-Grand Rapids, Iceberg. Giant Crystal Head, Improved Han-

son, Salamander, Crisp as Ice. Muskmein, green fleshed-Long Island Beauty, Hackensack, Montreal Market.

Salmon or yellow flesh-Hoodoo, Emerald Gem, Paul Rose, Surprise. Onions-Yellow Globe Danvers, Early Red Wethersfield, Early Flar Prize Taker is good for transplanting. Dutch sets are desirable where the season is short.

Parsley-Double Curled. Parsnip-Hollow Crown. Pepper-Harriet Earliest, Early Neapolitan, Cayenne, Chili.

Peas:

Early-Thos. Laxton, Gradus, Su ton Early Giant, English Wonder Gregory Surprise is earlier but pods are rather small.

Medium to late-Sutton Excelsior. McLean, Advancer, Heroine, Strata-

Tall varieties-Telephone, Champion of England, Quite Content. Potatoes:

Early-Irish Cobbler or Eureka Extra Early.

Main Crop-Green Mountain, Gold Coin, Wee MacGregor, Carman No. 1 (all of the Green Mountain Group). Early Ohio is a good extra early pink sort but is not so productive as Irish Cobbler. Rural Group including Dooley where summers are hottest. Radish-Scarlet White Tipped Turnip, White Icicle.

Salsify-Long White, Sandwich Islands.

Spinach—Victoria. Squash-Long White Bush, Summer Crookneck. Late—Delicious. Hubbard.

Tomatoes-Extra Early: Alacrity, Sparks Earliana. Early and Main Crop: Bonny Best, Chalk Early Jewel. Late good sorts are Matcheless. Trophy, Livingston Globe, Plentifu'. Swede Turnip-Champion Purple

### A DOG HERO.

The following story is sent in by food can be put on the market in a subscriber: Last December when which it is of vastly inferior value. the steamer Ethele ran ashore on tar This fact is recognized in some of the coast of Newfoundland a new-born in states to the south in the matter of fant was in immediate danger of death their treatment of plantfood values in in the heavy sea, Reuben Decker of various carriers. Under pre-war Bonne Bay called his dog and, par conditions, for instance, the Purdue ting the end of a rope in his mouth Agricultural Experiment Station, In- started him off to swim to the wreckdiana, valued 1 per cent. phosphoric ed ship. The dog, holding the ropacid in acid phosphate at \$1.60, while fast, plunged into the heavy sea, and hey valued 1 per cent. of the same after struggling for more than an plantfood constituent in rock phos hour reached the steamer. With the phate and low grade slag at 40c. This line aboard, the passengers were sent did not mean that these materials ashore in a breeches buoy, the baby could be always purchased at these being carried in a mail bag. Now prices, but it did form a constant basis the dog has a silver collar, the gift of for valuation on which comparisons a number of humane sosieties of

### NEED NOT EAT WHOLE EGG.

The late Ambassador Walter Hindes Page was formerly editor of Tab an item of great value when you are World's Work and, like all editors. purchasing fertilizers. This fact was obliged to refuse a great many "Sir: You sent back last week

story or mine. I know that you did not read the story, for as a test ! had pasted together pages 18, 19 and 20, and the story came back with these pages still pasted; and so I know you are a fraud and turn down stories without reading same." Mr. Page wrote back:

"Madame: At breakfast when I open an egg I don't have to eat the whole egg to discover it is bad.

The cats of New York state. it has been entimated, destroy 3,500,000 Cotton of good quality is being grown in the Belgian Congo.

BUSH

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The usual grow the g The bush s into a good of the stron tributed to r or six of th ficient to 1 bush gets c lowed to gro older ones, done with a orous bearing year-old wa older word. able to hav three years prune is in weakest you off at the g young shoot to be cut

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