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**To Improve the Schools**

Revision of the curriculum of Ontario's elementary schools is part of the program contained in the first annual report which Premier Ferguson has issued for the department of education. The aim of the policy which is advocated is, according to the statement of the premier, to make the educational system more adaptable to local conditions, and therefore of greater practical value to the child.

With this in view, the subjects which are taught have been divided into two groups, the first containing those which are compulsory on all students, such as arithmetic, reading, writing, geography, composition, history and spelling, and the second comprising the optional studies like music, agriculture, nature study, domestic science and manual training. The effect of the new curriculum

will be to give it a flexibility which will enable it to be adapted to meet the peculiar demands that will be made upon it in the various districts. Agriculture is being included for the first time and is calculated to correct in some measure the present tendency of rural schools to educate the children away from the land, while manual training will also be given for those children of a mechanical turn of mind, and domestic science for the girls. No attempt will be made to teach commercial subjects in the elementary schools.

**Future of the Country Fair**

When such an institution as the country fair survives from age to age and spreads from country to country it is evidently because it meets a definite human need. In the farmer's life of steady hard work and comparative isolation it provides news, instruction, amusement and sociability, and therefore it is a concomitant of farm life that should be kept and encouraged.

In Europe, where so many of our social customs originated, country fairs are even more common than in this country. In Russia alone there are more than sixteen thousand. The annual fair at Nijni-Novgorod lasts from July 28 to September 7, and in normal times more than one hundred thousand people attend it. Here Europe meets Asia to exchange products. Whatever the size or situation of the fairs in Europe, they are held for purposes of trade rather than as competitive exhibitions. In stock-raising districts they are cattle sales rather than cattle shows. Usually they are held in an open field, to which no fee is charged for admission. Farmers sell their produce and buy merchandise. In that way each fair, according to the nature of the region and the habits of the people, has assumed a character of its own. A country fair in one province differs from that in another. There is a natural and unpretentious display not only of native costumes but also of manners and dialects peculiar to the neighborhood.

Our own country fairs might well become occasions for a similar display of local color and the outstanding characteristics of a particular town or region. The tendency to make them all alike should be resisted. The large city fairs already offer virtually the same "attractions" and sell "concessions" to purveyors of the same kind of food, drink and amusements. They have become as narrowly standardized as vaudeville performances.

The country fair should be kept distinctive and preserved as typical

and representative of the region in which it is held. Instead of sitting in grand stands and paying to be entertained by professional "stunt makers," the people themselves should have a chance to express themselves. If there are to be horse races, let the boys of the neighborhood ride or drive their own colts. If there is a ball game, let it be between home teams. If there is music, give the local singers or players a chance to be heard. If food is to be sold, let it be home cooked. If the exhibits are strictly of things that mature in that region, yields best and most abundantly, the country fairs will be instructive and better worth while than the mammoth city carnivals.

**Here and There**

Up to the end of May, 1924, over 779,000,000 fry of different kinds were distributed throughout Canada from the fish hatcheries operated by the Department of Marine and Fisheries, a recent dispatch from Ottawa declares.

A surplus of \$368,011 is shown in the annual report of the Vancouver Board of Harbor Commissioners for the year 1923. Receipts totalled \$725,880. There was an increase of \$4,813,797 in the value of all exports and imports. The actual value of all freights was \$40,693,924.

Among the passengers sailing for England on the Canadian Pacific steamship "Marloch" July 3rd from Montreal was a large party of teachers, who will join the tour of the Overseas Educational League, which this year is covering Great Britain, France and Belgium.

A set of 12 beautiful colored pictorial menu cards illustrative of the history and romance of Canada has just been placed in service by the Canadian Pacific Railway on its crack transcontinental expresses, the Trans-Canada Limited and the Mountaineer. Especially interesting are four reproducing authentic photographs of Prairie Indians, accompanied by descriptive text.

The new crop production in May this year both for Canadian and United States mills was greater than the previous months. Canadian mills made a new high record, the total for the month being 117,323 tons, compared with a previous high figure of 115,572 tons and their production for the first five months of the year exceeded that of 1923 by 56,087 tons or approximately 11 per cent.

"Canada is the country for the Scotsman and I am going to bring every opportunity that Canada can offer, especially in farming," declared the Rev. William Dunlop, M.A., F.S.A., of Buckhaven, Fifeshire, when in Montreal recently, on a tour of the Dominion investigating its agricultural possibilities. "But you are sadly in need of more people and we can supply them."

Through the generosity of the British Museum, the Fine Arts School of the City of Quebec has been enriched by the donation of a precious collection of books on arts, which contain over 3,000 reproductions of masterpieces. Among historic schools represented are the English of the 14th Century, the Italian of the 15th Century and the French and Danish of the 18th and 17th Centuries respectively.

For the 12 months ending May 31, Canada had a favorable trade balance of nearly \$200,000,000. Exports during that period totalled \$1,092,715,880 and imports \$873,367,752 in value. This represents an increase in value over the exports of 1923 of \$110,000,000 and of \$32,000,000 over the imports of that year. The chief increases in exports were noted in agriculture, wood and paper.

The first residence of the Jesuit Fathers at Sillery, which was built in 1639, has been presented to the Province of Quebec by the sons of the late Hon. R. R. Doherty, a minister in the Laurier cabinet of 1896. This house, which stands at the foot of the path outside the City of Quebec up which Wolfe's army climbed to the Plains of Abraham, is the oldest in Canada and the second oldest in North America, the oldest being situated in Florida.

Something new in the way of "stunts" was staged at Montreal on July 4th by the publicity association of that city, as a send-off to Canadian and United States delegates going to the annual convention of the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World, which opened on July 12 at London, England. The 250 men of the party rolled a huge ball made of wood and canvas through the principal streets from a local hotel to the docks occupied by the Canadian Pacific steamship "Montcalm," upon which they subsequently sailed.

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**REMEMBER THIS**

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EVERY member of every family in this community is interested in the news of the day. And no items are read with keener relish than announcements of new things to eat, wear or to enjoy in the home.

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Services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

**GARNET METHODIST**  
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2.30 p.m.—Church Service  
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