

MORE WHEAT, MORE CATTLE, MORE HOGS

Land Values Sure to Advance Because of Increasing Demand for Farm Products.

The cry from countries abroad for more of the necessities of life is acute today; tomorrow it will be still more insistent, and there will be no letup after the war. This is the day for the farmer, the day that he is coming into his own. He is gradually becoming the dictator as it becomes more apparent that upon his industry depends the great problem of feeding a great world.

Instead of the farmer producer producing, he has become a consumer, making the strain upon those who have been left to do the farming a very difficult one. There may be agitation as to the high cost of living, and doubtless there is reason for it in many cases. The middleman may boost the prices, combine may organize to elevate the cost, but one cannot get away from the fact that the demand regulates the supply, and the supply regulates the price.

After the war the demand for cattle, not alone for beef, but for stock purposes, to replenish the exhausted herds of Europe, will be keen. Farm educators and advisers are telling you to prepare for this emergency. How much better it can be done on the low-priced lands of today, on lands that cost from ten to twenty dollars per acre, than it can on two and three hundred-dollar-an-acre land.

Those who are competent to judge claim that land prices will rise in value from twenty to fifty per cent. This is looked for in Western Canada, where lands are decidedly cheap today, and those who are fortunate enough to secure now will realize wonderfully by means of such an investment.

The land that the Dominion Government is giving away as free homesteads in the provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta are of a high class; they are abundant in every constituent that goes to make the most productive soils. The yields of wheat, oats and barley that have been grown on these lands gives the best evidence of their productiveness, and when backed up by the experience of the thousands of settlers from the United States who have worked them and become wealthy upon them, little more should be required to convince those who are seeking a home, even with limited means, that nowhere can they secure anything that will better equip them to become one of the army of industry to assist in taking care of the problem of feeding the world.

By Those Who Got Left. "Has your rich uncle's will been probated?" "Yes, and also reprobated."—Boston Transcript.



There was a little lawyer man, who quietly smiled as he began his client's business will. And thinking of his coming fee, he said to her quite tenderly: "You have a new 'Red' lawyer." Next morning he lay in bed with a fever on his forehead, he wondered what the cause was.

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NEW YEAR'S DAY IN JAPAN



New Year's day has come to rank as one of the most popular of the Flowering Kingdom's holidays. As in America it is a day of feasting and good cheer, though oddly tempered by religious observances. The above picture shows three Japanese belles on their way to the temple for prayers before starting on a round of New Year's calls.



where you see a parade of Tokyo firemen on New Year's day on their way to the drill grounds for the annual inspection, one of the big features in the way of celebrating the first day of the year in every Japanese city of any size. Fire engine and equipment pass in review before the city officials, after which fire drills are performed and the firemen take part in contests of various kinds. The fire engine has only recently been introduced into the Island Kingdom and the modern auto-truck is not yet known there. In the lower picture are shown the firemen with their bamboo scaling ladders which are used not only for life-saving and as an elevation from which to direct the water from the hose nozzle, but as a ladder with which to knock down buildings too far gone to save and so prevent the spread of the conflagration.

The Japanese firemen are wonderful acrobats and perform truly remarkable feats on the tall ladders, scaling them with the agility of monkeys. Men, women and children turn out to watch the exhibitions. Note the odd costumes of this brigade from Tokyo.



NEW YEAR SUPERSTITIONS

When the master enters the house for the first time in the new year he must take something in which he did not take out.

A piece of money placed on the doorstep on New Year's eve and brought in the moment the clock strikes will insure plenty throughout the year.

Never go out on New Year's day until someone has come in.

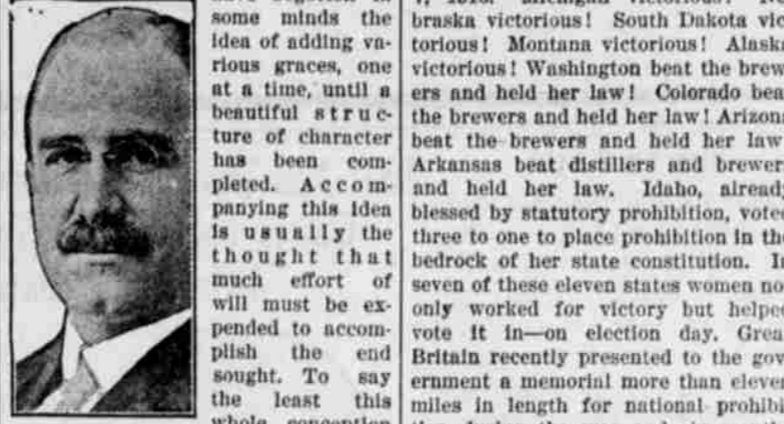
On New Year's eve take a little money, bread, salt, wood and coal, tie them in a bundle and lay them on the doorstep. If the first person who comes to the door possesses a name whose initials are made up of straight lines, allow him to pick up the bundle and bring it in. Give him a gift, and let him pass out through the back door. Then you will have good luck for another year.

Rosary of Christian Graces

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TEXT—And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith, virtue; and to virtue knowledge; and to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; and to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity.—II Peter 1:5-7.

We hear much of "character building." Indeed, the words of the text have begotten in some minds the idea of adding various graces, one at a time, until a beautiful structure of character has been completed.



It will clear up matters considerably to note the change of translation in the Revised Version which instead of saying, "add to your faith," reads, "in your faith supply virtue," etc. In other words, faith is the root from which all these graces blossom forth. They are not entities to be added but flowers which will bloom if we care for the root of faith. We shall notice these graces in order.

First comes "virtue." The root idea of this word in both Greek and English is manliness, vigor, firmness, strength of will. The thought is embodied in a hymn Mr. Sankey used to sing with great effect.

Dare to be a Daniel! Dare to stand alone! Dare to have a purpose true—Dare to make it known!

Such firmness is the fruit of faith. Men who have tried other cures for enslaving habits, but in vain, have found help here.

After virtue comes "knowledge." How appropriate that this should follow virtue, for no man is more dangerous than he who has a strong will but is not instructed in the use of it. He is related to the mule rather than to the ideal man. But the new spirit which comes through faith in Christ brings light as to our duties and the word of God is found a lamp to our feet.

"Temperance," or self-control, comes next. What a commentary on our national sin that the word suggests abstinence from drink! But its meaning is much broader, for our judgments, our tastes, our speech must be controlled. (Here is found one of the secrets of greatness of character; great men impress us by their reserve, while little men put all their goods in the show-case.)

"Patience" may be defined as cheerful or hopeful endurance. It is far removed from the stoical idea; it is not the patience of the Indian at the stake, but of the Christian who sings as he suffers. It grows out of faith but is nourished by the hope of Christ's appearing, for we read often of "the patience of hope."

The next grace is "godliness," the fundamental idea of the word being reverence toward God. There is a notable lack of this virtue today. Would that we could keep ever before us such a revelation of God as is found in Isaiah 40, where we see him holding the oceans in the hollow of his hand, weighing the mountains in scales, calling the stars by name, and accounting the nations as the small, invisible dust of the balance!

Following godliness is "brotherly-kindness," or as the Revised Version reads, "love of the brethren." This is distinctively Christian, for those who are near to Christ will love one another. Many young Christians have been helped to assurance by the text, "We know we have passed from death unto life because we love the brethren."

Finally, we have "charity," or love. This is love to all men, in the most general sense. Hence, Christians are incited to do all that mere humanitarians will do, and more!

It is to be noted in this cluster of graces, growing out of faith, that two are active, "virtue" and "knowledge"; two are passive, "temperance" and "patience"; one, "godliness," has reference to God; another, "brotherly love" has reference to the church; the last, "love," has reference to all mankind. How appropriate that they should be just seven in number, for this is the number of completeness!

We cannot urge sufficiently that these graces are not to be added, one at a time, but are to grow and develop simultaneously, out of our faith in Christ. Galatians 5:22 speaks not of the fruits of the Spirit, but of the "fruit," growing on the one cluster.

Old Jeremy Taylor speaks of this text as "a rosary of Christian graces." Let us tell over its beads frequently, with much prayer that these things may be in us and abound.

Revival of Piety Needed. The Wall Street Journal, a great financial paper, sometime ago said: "What America needs more than rail-way extensions and western irrigation, bigger wheat crops, a merchant marine or a larger army or navy, is a revival of piety—the kind that father and mother used to have—a piety that counts it good business to stop for daily family prayer before breakfast, right in the middle of the harvest—a piety that would leave a field half an hour earlier on prayer meeting nights, so that they might get the chores done in time to attend the service."

Today is a king in disguise. Let us unmask the king as he passes.—Emerson.

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