

THE IMMIGRATION TO CANADA SURPASSES ALL RECORDS.

The returns recently issued by the Canadian Immigration Branch show that upwards of 325,000 persons arrived in Canada during the past twelve months, declaring their intention of becoming settlers in that country. Of this number about 130,000 were from the United States, the balance being from the British Isles and Northern Europe. It will thus be seen that the sturdy farming element that has gone forward from the United States is being amply supplemented by an equally sturdy settlement from across the seas. The lure of Canadian wheat, oats, barley and flax grown on the rich prairie of Western Canada is constantly attracting more and more, and year by year the tide of immigration to the Western Canada has increased. There is no more to this tide. The Canadian authorities are not surprised at the number from the United States being as large as it is, but they did not look for so large an immigration from the old countries. Still, they will not be found unprepared. Reception halls are provided at all important points in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, and surveys were at work during the past season opening up new districts to which place those seeking free homesteads of 160 acre each, railroads have been projecting laterals from their main lines, and every provision has been taken to accommodate the newcomers. A recent dispatch from Antwerp reads: "The diversion of European emigration from the United States to Canada is said to be seriously affecting the Atlantic steamship lines. The Red Cross today gives up to the America-Canada line two of the best special emigrant steamers afloat, the Gothland and the Scandinavia. These vessels heretofore in the Antwerp-New York service are now to be operated from Rotterdam to Canadian ports."

On the date of the above dispatch word came to the Immigration Branch that the "Vanguard of the 1911 army of United States settlers reached Winnipeg at 1:00 o'clock this morning. There was a solid train load of defects, comprising 41 carloads and two colonel sleepers attached to the train, which contained the members of 35 families. Every man Jack in the party is a skilled farmer, and all have come north prepared to go right to work. The land, which was purchased last year. They are equipped with everything that experience has shown is necessary to make a start on virgin prairie. In addition to machinery and household effects there were a large number of horses and cattle. Some of the farmers had also brought along tractors, which will be put right to work on ground breaking."

One of the agents of the Canadian government advises that it would appear as if each month of the present year would show a large increase over the past year. The demand for the literature of the department describing the country and its resources, is greater than it ever has been.

GOOD GUSS.



"What is it, pop?"

"Sure, 'tis the conditions of a automobilist, giving his rebound and where he's gone lately."

Hopsefully Outlashed.

"Mrs. Caswell, while you were in Venice did you see the Bridge of Sighs?"

"Oh, yes, I saw what they called that. But, my land, I've seen bridges ten times its size without ever going out of Pennsylvania!"

"A Walk in the Near Future."

"Dra! them phroticrats! They're stinking down the poor wome every day. There I was makin' 'em high as \$23 a week commision for ketchin' automobile speeders, 'n' now what do they do? They take 'em Mic-Mac machines 'n' cheat a poor man out of his livin', the hogs."—Judge.

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THE SONG OF THE SERRA



WHERE HIS ASHES WILL BE LAID

ALTHOUGH Joaquin Miller, "the poet of the Sierras," had far recovered from a recent illness (threatened to prove fatal that he was able to return with his wife and daughter to his home on the heights overlooking Oakland and San Francisco Bay, yet his friends entertain little hope that he will ever be fully restored to health. He is now in his seventeenth year. Previous to his last illness he had been separated from his wife for thirty years, but the danger of his death happily reunited them, and now the aged poet is spending the remainder of his days, and the care of his two children, at his home on the heights. His massive frame has become weakened, his once keen eyes are dim, his flowing hair and beard are white, and the physician who have climbed the wooded hills to minister to him—declare there is little if any hope—that it is merely a matter of a few weeks when Joaquin Miller will have succumbed to his illness. His ashes, according to his wish, will be scattered to the winds upon the pyre in the hills back of The Heights, where his first resting place of his daughter, Maud, who died several years ago. The reunion with his wife may prolong his life, and the care of his daughter, Juanita, bestows upon him may build up his withered strength a little, but there is hardly more than a shell for them to nurse.

Perhaps no more picturesque figure is extant in the literary history of California and the west than Joaquin Miller. He is a distinct type, seemingly inseparable from the environment in which he has lived. He has gathered inspiration from the rolling green hills, from the rugged sunsets, from the blue Pacific, from the fog banks that roll in with the night fall, from the vista of land and sea as seen from his eyrie on The Heights, from the Golden Gate and the shipping that sail through it into the rim of the horizon and are lost in the vapor's haze.

He has been, perhaps, too familiar to the residents of Oakland and neighboring suburbs to create the interest that he would if he suddenly appeared in some eastern city clad in his high top boots, buckskin clothing and wide brimmed sombrero, with his curly hair flowing from beneath its brim.

Even to this day, or perhaps it is to-day, he is still ailing from his illness. Joaquin Miller retained his grace and commanding aspect. He has lived much out of doors and has been known by his friends to be seen at his work in the Sierras. His hands he has planted the hundreds of trees that surround the little collection of houses, the chapel and the general place, which constitute The Heights.

A few years ago the poet's mother died at the age of ninety, leaving a strikingly beautiful attachment between the two, and since her death the decline has set in which is the cause of his present illness.

"More than twenty years ago," Miller wrote in an article published some time ago, "I met a young girl, a mountain side with mother and baby in plant trees. Men and women came to work and to rest with us, men and women, and they were all young ones. No one was asked to come—no one was ever asked to go."

"More than twenty years ago, while I was in my way home from one of my trips to the mountains, I then had, I wrote a small book, 'The Ballad of the Mountain King.' You want to see San Francisco? Well, you must come to Oakland; and you want to see Oakland and San Francisco and the bay and the Golden Gate, and the Golden Gate, at a glance and all together? Then you must go to the heights of The Heights, and then, half a mile perpendicular, in short, you must come to The Heights, to the camp where Fremont pitched his camp in 1846, and the spot from which he viewed and named the now famous Golden Gate, long before it was called by that name. The real name of the poet is Cincinnatus Heine Miller. The pseudonym 'Joaquin' was derived from his desire of the Mexican bandit, Joaquin Murrieta, many years ago.

Miller was born in the Washakie district of Indiana on November 10, 1841, and in 1854 was taken to Oregon by his father. He had little schooling and early ran away from home, going to the California gold fields. He accompanied Walker on the Nicaragua expedition, lived among the Indians and learned their language. He returned to California and became familiar with their customs. He studied law, being graduated from Columbia college in Oregon in 1858. His practice was successful in Idaho and turned a prosperous messenger. In 1852 he settled in Oregon as a headhunter of "The Citizens City Democratic Register," which was suppressed in the same year. In 1854 Miller returned to the law and practiced in Canyon City. He soon became popular, owing to his services against the warlike Snake In-

ELEMENTARY LESSONS IN THE PRODUCTION OF PLANTS

In Study of Rudimentary Agriculture One Soon Learns That Things Do Not "Just Happen," But Follow Inevitable Laws.

(By D. J. CROSBY.)

To show that plants absorb moisture from the soil, take one quart of corn in a can as near alike as you can get them and punch holes in the bottoms for drainage. Secure enough garden soil to fill both cans and thoroughly mix it, and sift it to remove pebbles and clods. Fill both cans level full of loose soil, which should then be packed by tamping each can three times on the table or floor. It is important to have the soil packed alike in both cans. Weigh the filled cans, and if one is heavier than the other, take out enough soil to bring them to the same weight. Plant five or six kernels of corn in one can, water both cans to fill both cans alike, and thereupon set them aside for the corn to grow. Whenever water is applied to the can containing corn, an equal amount should be applied to the other can in order to keep both soils in about the same physical condition.

When the corn is three or four inches high, wet both soils thoroughly, allow the cans to stand until water ceases to drip from the bottom, weigh them, and record their weight separately. Set both cans in a warm light place where the corn will continue to grow rapidly. Weigh the cans twice a day, and record the weights. Keep this up for three or four days, or until the corn begins to suffer from lack of moisture. Water again and continue as before. You will probably find that the can containing the growing plants loses moisture much more rapidly than the other.

The experiment may be performed in another way by using flower pots instead of tin cans. Fill each of the three or four inches high, two or three large pots to large enough to take in the pots to their rims. Mark on the outside of the pots the depth to which the pots will extend on the inside, and at a point one inch above each mark make a dent which can be distinctly seen on the inside of the pot. Now fill each pot with water up to the dent, water both pots thoroughly, and set them aside for the water to drain. Set both pots and pots in a warm, light place so that the corn will continue to grow. The experiment may be performed in this way. You will find that the water is not up to the dents, you will conclude, and naturally, that the soil has taken up



Moisture Demonstration.

A. B. To show that plants absorb moisture from the soil, take one quart of water. From an eight-ounce graduate pour into one pint just enough water to bring it up to the dent again. Mark on the outside of the graduate the water. Put the graduate and bring the water in the other pint up to the dent. Repeat these operations daily for two or three weeks, and you will be able to find out exactly how much moisture the growing plant absorbs.

In order to show that plants give off moisture, take a plant that is well started in a tomato can or flower pot, a piece of cardboard, and a glass tumbler large enough to cover the plant, cut a slit in the cardboard and draw it around the plant, seal the slit with wax, and allow so that no moisture can come up through it from below; cover the plant with the glass and set it in a warm, sunny place. Moisture will condense on the inner surface of the glass.

If moisture does not condense readily on the inner surface of the glass, exposing it to a current of cold air or by wrapping it for a minute or two in a cloth wrung out of cold water. The outside of the glass should then

MAKING HOTBED ON SURFACE

If plenty of manure can be obtained a hotbed may be made on the surface by making a layer 2 1/2 feet deep and extending several feet beyond the sides and ends of the bed. The manure should be turned over for a few days before putting on the soil. Rich garden loam a trifle sandy is best for the purpose.

GUARD YOUNG FRUIT TREES

If Mulched and Not Properly Protected, Young Fruit Trees May Be Killed by Wire Screening.

(By W. A. PATRICK.) If your young trees were protected last fall and not pruned for winter and rabbits, you will probably be surprised when you visit the orchard in the spring to find that many of them have been ruined. Much is a good thing for the trees, but it is also a good thing for mice, as it affords them the best protection against winter and they gather in large numbers around the foot of the trees and eat away the bark.

Protection is easy. The best material for wire screening, although some use tarred paper and veneer from a box. Some have used straw or tramping snow around the base of the trees, but oftentimes this is neglected and the trees are injured be-

Now He Doesn't Believe It. A Cleveland man was reading some jokes about how the English weren't so smart as they are supposed to be to get a job. He believed it, too. So he tried his theory on a British guest of his. "Did you ever hear Mark Twain's joke about how the report of his death had been greatly exaggerated?" he asked. "No," answered the Englishman, eagerly, "but I'll wager it was good. What was it?"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Heroin is endurance for one moment more.—W. T. Grenfell.

"Archimedes" read the pupil, "leaped from his bath, shouting, 'Eureka! Eureka!'" "One moment, James," the teacher says. "What is the meaning of 'Eureka!'" "Eureka" means 'I have found it.' 'Very well. What did Archimedes find?' James hesitates a moment, then ventures hopefully: "The soap, um—Christian intelligence."

If you consider that you are in a thrall, that you will not care what men say of thee.—Thomas a Kempis.

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