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THEIR ANNUAL BATH - - Tens of thousands of sheep rounded up on the Berwyn Mountains for yearly dip in vermin destroying solution.

Near Llanarmon-

Picture:- The law says that every sheep must, once a year, have

--"dip" in a solution of arsenic, soft soap and other germ-destroying--

--ingredients. ... And to-day's the day it has to be done. ... There--

--are over a quarter-of-a-million sheep in the Berwyn Mountains. ... It is a big job getting them to the dipping place. I doubt if they would scamper along so willingly if--

--they knew that bath night was here ! ... The idea of all this is to keep "at bay" diseases and vermin.

After the flock has been driven into the pens, their numbers are checked (and) -----

Hullo ! Here's the "black sheep" without which no flock is complete ! ... It is--

--looking so black that it must know what is in store !

The scene is peaceful, one can hardly realize that-- serious business, "all in accordance with law", is being carried out.

When the "dip" is ready for the animals--

--they are dropped into the bath one at a time, care being taken to see that each is thoroughly immersed, and that the solution soaks well into the fleece.

Police-men see that the job is well--

--done. ... Out they come, shaking themselves like terriers out of a pond. ... You may be sure--

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they're glad it is all over - $\frac{1}{2}$ (Just like "young George" on Saturday nights !) - -

Free till next year, unless fate decrees that they become mutton, and their coats--

--somebody's underwear, in the meantime ! ... No wonder sheep "Baa" !" most things. (Excuse me !)