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THE DOMINION CATTLE, SHEEP, AND SWINE BREEDERS' ASSOCIATIONS.

Annual Membership Fees:—Cattle Breeders' \$1; Sheep Breeders', \$1; Swine Breeders', \$2.

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP.

Each member receives a free copy of each publication issued by the Association to which he belongs, during the year in which he is a member. In the case of the Swine Breeders' Association this includes a copy of the Swine Record.

A member of the Swine Breeders' Association is allowed to register pigs at 50c. per head; non-members are charged \$1.00 per head.

A member of the Sheep Breeders' Associations allowed to register sheep at 50c. per head, while non-members are charged \$1.00.

The name and address of each member, and the stock he has for sale, are published once a month. Over 10,000 copies of this directory are mailed monthly. Copies are sent to each Agricultural College and each Experiment Station in Canada and the United States, also to prominent breeders and probable buyers resident in Canada, the United States and elsewhere.

A member of an Association will only be allowed to advertise stock corresponding to the Association to which he belongs; that is, to advertise cattle he must be a member of the Dominion Cattle Breeders' Association, to advertise sheep he must be a member of the Dominion Sheep Breeders' Association, and to advertise swine he must be a member of the Dominion Swine Breeders' Association.

The list of cattle, sheep, and swine for sale will be published in the third issue of each month. Members having stock for sale, in order that they may be included in the Gazette, are required to notify the undersigned by letter on or before the 9th of each month, of the number, breed, age, and sex of the animals. Should a member fail to do this his name will not appear in that issue. The data will be published in the most condensed form.

F. W. HOBSON, Secretary.
Parliament Buildings, Toronto, Ont.

Stock for Sale.

The next list of stock for sale will be published in FARMING October 17th. We will be very glad to have members of the associations avail themselves of the privilege of thus advertising their list of stock for sale free of cost. Lists to insure insertion should reach the office of the secretary not later than October 10th.

Farm Help Exchanged.

Help Wanted.

Mr. J. J. Fox, Marden P.O., Ont., requires a first-class farm hand, capable of taking care of a dairy herd. Mr. Fox is an exceptionally fine man, honorable and upright, and a good farmer. A suitable man would find a good home and a fair remuneration with Mr. Fox.

Matt. Richardson & Son, Caledonia, Ont., breeders of Holstein Friesian cattle, keep from 30 to 35 cows and make cheese, the year round, and carry on general farming as well. They wish to employ a man whose principal work in summer and winter would be to feed and milk the cows and be able in any spare time to do any ordinary farm work. They can give steady work by the year to a suitable man, and would prefer to employ a man who would be likely to stay with them for a number of years.

Mr. W. W. Spaven, Hagersville, Ont., wishes to employ a man who thoroughly understands farm work and is capable of taking charge of a dairy herd. For particulars address Mr. Spaven with references, stating wages expected and other particulars.

Wanted—A strong boy about 14 to learn farming in the Northwest. Must have some knowledge of horses. Apply with references to this office.

Situation Wanted.

As manager of an up-to-date stock and dairy farm in Eastern Ontario or Province of Quebec by married man,

37 years of age, who has had a life-long experience in all branches of farming; was manager for five years of an extensive stock and dairy farm in Quebec. Apply with references to this office.



Portable Hog Pen.

The Bacon Hog.

We find that the article entitled "The Bacon Hog" has attracted continental notice. Applications are being received for a complete copy of the article from agricultural professors and students resident in various States of the Union. The illustrated article which has previously appeared in these columns is a synopsis of a bulletin which will be published in the forthcoming report of the Superintendent of Farmers' Institutes, and was prepared under that gentleman's careful supervision.

The next report of the Superintendent is now in the hands of the Government printers and should reach the members of Farmers' Institutes before the 1st of January. Every farmer who is a member of a Farmers' Institute in the Province is entitled to a free copy of this work, which is undoubtedly the best yet issued by the Superintendent.

Portable Hog Houses.

Where swine are kept in an orchard or in fields at some distance from their ordinary quarters, temporary sleeping accommodation, which will also act as a shelter during stormy or wet weather, becomes very desirable. There are several forms of portable houses. Of these one of the best is the one described below, which is in use at the Iowa Agricultural College, Ames, Iowa. The illustration gives a good idea of its appearance. Prof. Curtis gives the following method of construction:

The house is 8 feet square. There are 4 posts on each side 2 feet 8 inches in length; the sleepers, five in number, which are 2x4 scantling, are made runner shape and are 8 feet long. Four plates are required which are also 8 feet long. Three sets of rafters are used which are cut in 5 feet

lengths. The ridge board is 8 feet 8 inches long. The flooring is made out of four 12x16 inch boards cut in the centre; the sides and ends are covered in with 8 inch drop siding with grooved inch roof boards 10x12 cut into two pieces without waste for the roof. The window in the end is 24x21 inches, that in the roof 2x5 feet. The door is made 2 feet 6 inches by 2 feet 8 inches. Where not otherwise specified the lumber is 2x4 inches.

Another pen which is very extensively used in Wisconsin is thus described by Mr. Geo. McKerron, Superintendent of Farmers' Institutes: "My favorite size for a portable pen is 8x8 feet. I first make a plank platform 8x8 feet on oak sills, nailing a 2x4 bevelled scantling on each side on the end of the planks, to which the lower ends of the roof are nailed. The roof is composed of boards 16 feet long and 12 inches wide cut in half, making each side of the roof 8 feet. Thus the