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Fifteen Months for One Dollar.

According to our usual custom at this time of the year, we have decided to give the remainder of this year and all of 1892 to all new prepaid subscribers. Agents are instructed to take subscriptions on these terms. During the past year the ADVOCATE has steadily and surely grown in public favor. Our subscription list is larger than ever before, and is constantly increasing. We ask each of our old subscribers to send us at least one new name. To all who wish to get up clubs we offer the following terms:—

For from 10 to 20 new names 25c. each.
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50 and upwards, 40c. "

To those who desire to work for stock prizes we offer the following prizes:—To the canvasser sending in 100 new names at \$1.00 each, a young bull or heifer of any of the following breeds: Shorthorn, Ayrshire, Devon, Holstein, Jersey, Polled-Angus or Galloway. For 30 new names we will send a ram or ewe lamb of any of the following breeds: Cotswold, Leicester, Lincoln, Shropshire, Southdown, or Horned Dorset, and a pair of any of the following breeds of swine for the same number of names: Berkshire, Yorkshire, Suffolk, Poland-China, Chester White or Tamworth. Older animals of any description on equally favorable terms. All stock sent out by us will be registered in their respective records, and of good quality. We guarantee satisfaction in all respects. We want good, honest agents in every county of Canada, and will give permanent employment and good wages to suitable persons. Our regular agents are earning from \$600 to \$1,200 and expenses per annum. Agent's outfit furnished on application.

Editorial.

Report of Prize Farm Judges.

The judges, Messrs. J. I. Hobson, of Mosboró, and F. W. Hodson, of London, the gentlemen appointed by the Agriculture & Arts Association to examine the farms and award the prizes in the farm competition in Group No. 5, comprising the counties of Addington, Frontenac, Hastings, Peterboro', Victoria, Northumberland and Renfrew, have handed in their awards. They recommend the following prizes to be given:—J. A. Huffman, township of Thurlow, Hastings East, Blessington P.O., gold medal; S. Way, tp. of Hungerford, Hastings East, Chapman P.O., silver medal; Wm. Dolmage, tp. of Camden, Addington, Newburgh P.O., bronze medal; T. C. Stark, tp. of Pittsburg, Frontenac, Storrington P.O., bronze medal; Richard Moore, tp. of Wolfe Island, Frontenac, Wolfe Island P.O., bronze medal; J. Campbell, tps. of Mayo and Carlo, Hastings North, Havergal P.O., bronze medal; J. Mackey, tps. of Mayo and Carlo, Hastings North, Boulton P.O., bronze medal; Thos. Caskey, tp. of Madoc, Hastings North, Madoc P.O., bronze medal; Wm. Westington & Sons, tp. of Hamilton, Northumberland, Planville P.O., silver medal; Geo. English and Henry Humphries, tie, tp. of Asphodel, Peterboro', Hastings P.O., both bronze medals; Nichol Dawson, tp. of South Monaghan, Peterboro' West, Baillieboro' P.O., silver medal; J. F. Davidson, tp. of S. E. and L., Peterboro' West, Peterboro' P.O., bronze medal; J. Airth, tp. of Horton, Renfrew South, Renfrew P.O., silver medal; Jas. Martin, tp. Horton, Renfrew South, Renfrew P.O., bronze medal; D. Campbell, tp. of Admaston, Renfrew South, Admaston P.O., bronze medal; P. Cameron, tps. of Bexley and Carden, Victoria North, bronze medal; J. S. Jordan, tp. of Eldon, Victoria North, Woodville P.O., silver medal; J. Willock, tp. of Fenelon, Victoria North, Fenelon Falls P.O., bronze medal. Altogether there were 51 farms entered, entailing a great deal of work upon the judges. Over 800 miles had to be driven. Great interest has been taken by the farmers through the section of country where the competition lay, and it is not too much to say that this work, which is being carried on annually, and in which there is a growing interest, is going to be no mean factor in raising the standard of agriculture in this province.

Freeman's Fertilizer Factory, Hamilton, which was damaged by fire several weeks ago is being rapidly repaired, and will be in running order in a short time, when all orders for fertilizers for spring trade will be promptly filled.

Our Prices Talk for Us—No Salaried Agents.

The above is the text of the subjoined letter, which the ADVOCATE heartily endorses. If farmers would cease to do business with agents, they would not only save in the price of implements they really need, but would not be persuaded into buying what they can well do without. It is the farmer that pays the machine agent's salary:—

"Some months ago we decided that it was to the interest of the farmers, as well as our own, that all salaried agents be dispensed with, and accordingly we dispensed with all that were working for us, believing that the farmers were intelligent enough to decide for themselves what goods they wanted without having an army of agents to advise them. By dispensing with agents we are enabled to give them superior machines at 20 per cent. less than we could through agents, and from this time we will give direct purchasers a straight discount of 20 per cent. off our price list. Our sales at the fall fairs convince us that farmers appreciate our efforts, and we do not wonder at it, as very few farmers will pay an agent \$100 for a machine that he can buy himself direct from the maker for \$80. We manufacture the largest line of agricultural implements in Canada, and intend that our prices in future will talk for us instead of agents. We have a competent man in charge of our sales department, and invite farmers to write us when in want of any machine, as we believe that we can save 20 cents on every dollar's worth they buy. We can suit all, as we have for the fall trade straw and ensilage cutters, root cutters and pulpers, grain grinders, powers, from \$5 up to \$100. Ask your readers to write for our catalogue and price list.

Address,
"WATSON MFG. CO., LTD.,
"Ayr, Ontario."

THE BAIN WAGON Co.—By consulting the advertisement in our advertising columns our readers will be directed to the class of farm wagons and sleighs that are being manufactured by the old and reliable firm at Woodstock. The Bain Wagon is now in use over a large section of the country, and the above-named company are entitled to a share of the public patronage, from the fact that the firm are painstaking in building, and liberal in terms.

In other columns will be found an article on sheep-breeding, by Mr. D. G. Hanmer, of the firm of D. G. Hanmer & Sons, Mount Vernon, Ont. These gentlemen are practical and successful sheep breeders. As such they have been well-known in Ontario for some years. Last year they showed the best flock of Canadian-bred Shropshires ever before exhibited in the province. This year their flock is better than last year. Several of the animals were bred by themselves, and all were fitted for show by them. In short, they are men who understand their business and practice what they know. The article referred to is plain and practical, and should be carefully read by every sheep breeder. Mr. Hanmer lays great stress on the quality of the head; this is correct, but other qualities must not be overlooked. There is a tendency with most breeders to pay greater attention to one quality than to any other, judging a sheep by that quality largely. While Mr. H. is particular about the head, he is also careful to obtain excellence in other points.