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Our readers will notice the change in the appearance of our Journal. From this date, all matter of business appertains to Messrs. E. Senécal & Sons, 10 St. Vincent street, Montreal; to whom must be addressed subscriptions, advertisements, &c., &c. The Director of Agriculture, at Quebec, retains the supervision of all matter relating to the editing of the Journal, and all questions and correspondence, intended for insertion in the reading columns, must be addressed accordingly.

The steady aim of the Journal has been to keep the farming community in this province as well informed as possible as to the elements of true knowledge in agriculture, but in the fewest possible words; avoiding, as far as practicable, all discussions on matters not perfectly established by a successful and paying practice.

The study of the best stock, for the various needs of the farmer, and its treatment in view of the highest profits to be obtained, will continue to receive as in the past, all our attention. And as dairying, in all its branches, is becoming one of the most, if not the most important factor in successful farming in the Province of Quebec, we intend to devote a few pages to dairy matters in general, in every issue. Vegetable and fruit culture, as well as arboriculture, will also receive special attention.

We hope that our efforts will be duly appreciated.

Situated as we of the Province of Quebec are, in the coldest and most exposed part of North America, we possess one advantage which should not be forgotten. It is this: what succeeds fully in Quebec must prove of interest to all ex-

posed parts of America. Our fruit must be of the hardiest, our grain and vegetables of the quickest growth, and yet selected with a view to the highest profits. We, therefore, hope that our efforts will continue to be appreciated even beyond the limits of our province.

We shall, as in the past, give special attention to all researches of a nature to advance knowledge in every branch of farming and profitable gardening, &c, and we shall feel grateful for all the assistance which our readers and friends kindly give us.

We can state, without being accused of boasting, that the interest created in beet-root sugar, and the subsequent creation of three large beet-sugar factories in this Province, was initiated by the directors of the Journal of Agriculture. Unfortunately, these factories, principally through want of technical knowledge on the part of their managers, have not proved financially successful. However, what is proved beyond cavil is the fact, that sugar-beets of the best quality can be grown here as profitably as in the most favored beet-sugar countries in Europe, that the climate is eminently favorable to the process of beet-sugar making, and that what remains to be secured is :

1° Thorough technical knowledge, and thorough business ability on the part of the managers of our beet-sugar factories;

2° Sufficient capital on the part of the company to grow, as in Europe, one half of the needed beets;

3° A farm, where the refuse of the beet-sugar industry shall be profitably employed, and where farmers may learn how thoroughly profitable this industry may be made to the farming community in general as well as to its shareholders.

What the directors of the Journal of Agriculture have done for the beet sugar industry they did, with full success, for the butter and cheese factories of this province. Through our constant efforts we have secured for the province a tenfold increase in these factories, in the last five or six years, and this is only the beginning of what we may expect for the future. Our aim is to see the Province of Quebec amongst the first in America in all things appertaining to thoroughly successful dairying, in all its branches.

We may therefore promise our best attention to all questions relating to improved agriculture in all its branches,