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OUR FARMERS' CLUB

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PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

PRINCE CO., P. E. I.

KENSINGTON, Dec. 21.—We have been nice weather all this month. The ground has been frozen all the time, snow or rain. Cattle are all going to the stables in good condition for winter. There is a lot of hay being pressed around here, and the price the dealers are paying the farmer is $14 a ton for barn hay; oats, 45c to 51c; pork, 8½c to 9½c; butter, 25c to 28c; beef is in good demand.—T. G.

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CAPE BRETON CO., N. S.

SALMON RIVER, Dec. 21.—Locally there is very little change in prices. As usual, butter and eggs are scarce. Just now dressed poultry are selling at 16c to 17c per lb., and very plenty too. Stock are settled down to winter ration. Threshing has been finished, yet some grain is going on to the market. Depression from the war is evident in Sydney, consequently the local demand for farm products is slacker than is usual at this season.—J. H. McD.

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RICHMOND CO., QUE.

DANVILLE, Dec. 5.—We had good sleighing for one week, but the snow has all disappeared and the weather has been mild and pleasant. A few of the farmers have finished up their fall plowing. Prices on farm produce have taken a slight drop in price. Pressed hay is $15 a ton; beef and pork is lower; milk cows still bring a high price; dressed poultry, 12c a lb.; eggs, 35c a doz.; butter, 28c.—D. B

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HALTON CO., ONT.

MILTON, Dec. 21.—Nearly every farmer in this locality had finished up his fall plowing before the frost came. The plowing match held on Nov. 28 at Mr. S. Harrop's was a great success, and excellent work was done by all. Mr. A. E. Wilson and Mr. Jacob Dixon's fine 100-acre farm. It is situated one mile east of Milton, and is in first-class condition. Some have had their turned cold many. farmers are drawing their grain out. Wheat, $1.12; oats, 50c; barley, 60c.—A. L. MacN.

WELLINGTON CO., ONT.

FERGUS, Dec. 23.—We have been having very stormy weather all this week, and many of the roads are blocked, especially where there are no wire fences, making it difficult for our rural mail carrier to deliver his heavy load of mail this season. The auction sales last week brought good prices. Eggs are a good price; they now bringing 45c a doz. Feed is lower than last year at this time, both alive and dressed. Wishing you and your many readers a merry Christmas and a prosperous and happy New Year.—W. B.

WATERLOO CO., ONT.

WATERLOO, Dec. 15.—A merry Christmas to all. Farmers were all able to get their plowing done this fall. Threshing is nearly completed. About the usual number of sales were again put in. Feeding cattle and cutting feed for the order of the day. Not many logs will be taken on this winter as the mills do not care to buy this season. Hoping a number attended the Winter Fair at Guelph.—C. H. S.

OXFORD CO., ONT.

WOODSTOCK, Dec. 16.—We have winter weather in earnest just now; very bad sleighing and heavy wheeling. There have been a great many sales this fall, good cows selling from $60 to $100 and some even higher; pigs are not as high as they have been. Hogs are much lower, selling for $7; wheat, $1.10; oats, 35c. Very few farmers sell grain. They turn it into milk and meat. Milk, $1.60; good beef cattle, 12c a lb. Turkeys, 15c; dressed chickens, 8c; much cheaper than last year.—A. M. Rich.

MIDDLESEX CO., ONT.

APPIN, Dec. 15.—The market conditions created by the war have brought large numbers of farmers face to face with the question of profit in converting their feed into milk or meat. Hay is selling at the barns here to producers at $12 a ton; oats are worth 45c to 50c; bran, $25; shorts, $26. To convert these into butter at 25c; hogs worth 8c lb. and corn feed at 75c per bu. to 70c a lb., though good farming in one sense is, for immediate profit not a money maker. Farmers are beginning to move, stimulated by the war. Artillery and transport horses, 1,300 to 1,400 lbs., are selling at from $140 to $175.—M. M.

NORFOLK CO., ONT.

HEMLOCK, Dec. 14.—The weather at time of writing is cold, with high winds. The ground is covered with a few inches of snow. Fall plowing is about completed; corn is safe in cribs; all roots and vegetables in cellars. Hogs are selling at 8¾c; buckwheat, on the rise, 60c; butter, 30c; eggs, 35c. All stock are doing well and occupying comfortable winter quarters. Dairy cows are giving a good flow of milk where they receive regular rations, shop included, and good, pure water. Christmas trees are the order of the day.—P. B. F.

BRUCE CO., ONT.

PAISLEY, Dec. 14.—We are having ideal weather. Frosty, with very little snow. Wheeling excellent. Box socials in aid of the Belgian Relief Fund are all the go in the rural schools. The proceeds usually run from $70 up, and in Jackson's School the proceeds were $113. Many thousands of dollars will in this way be collected for the brave people. A car load of hogs from this place was sold here last week. We do not consider them a very desirable class of stock, as they all seemed to be badly stunted.—B. J. N.

GREY CO., ONT.

HARROW, Dec. 17.—The farmers have nearly completed their fall work. Plowing was carried on up till last week. There is considerable corn husking to be done, but it will be finished by machine. Horses find a slow sale at auction, as do hogs, which are only $6.75. There has been a very serious outbreak of hog cholera in this township, but it has been almost quelled now. Eggs are scarce, bringing up to 55c. Cattle bring high prices.—W. A. B.

ALGOMA DISTRICT

SAULT STE MARIE, Dec. 9.—This has been a fine season for getting work done. The ground is frozen now and covered with snow that can get away are in the bush hunting deer. Deer are plentiful this year. A good deal of land has been cleared this year and prospects are for quite an increased acreage next year. Prices rule a little higher here than in the farm produce than in the older part of the province. Potatoes, 75c; oats, 50c; beef, pork, mutton and poultry about the freight higher than Toronto.—H. K.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

NEW WESTMINSTER DIST., B.C.

CHILLIWACK, Dec. 14.—The warm weather of a few days ago has disappeared. The violets and pansies in the garden have blossoms bowed to King Frost. People are preparing their wood supply for the summer's use. Potatoes are still in the ground and is now 1½c live weight. Poultry is very cheap, a few hens selling as low as $3 a dozen.—J. C.

WHAT ONE BREEDER IS DOING

To win a first at the Guelph Dairy Test is the first animal you have raised, is not an experience that falls to the lot of many dairymen. Mr. Currie has not been in the Holstein business long, but on his first visit to the Western Fair he won both first and second place in the three-year-old class. A visit to his barn will convince anyone that the best of his herd are quite on par with Midnight Creamo De Kol and Highland Ladoga Morcena, who made the trip to Guelph.

The matron of the herd is Highland Ladoga Ormsby. She is the dam of Mr. Currie's sire. Her sire is a grandson on his dam's side, of Calamity Jane. Her seven-day record as a three-year-old is 25.81 lbs. of butter and 599½ lbs. milk in seven days, and 21 lbs. of butter 19,160 lbs. milk, but lacked a few days of calving at the time to qualify. Her outstanding feature is quality. She is the kind that turns her feed and energy into milk, not clothing.

King Veeman Ormsby possesses his mother's quality. Of good size and depth he is a bull of substance. He comes it. Calamity Jane W., the only daughter of Calamity Jane in Canada, is a large cow, possessing plenty of constitution and digestive organs. From head to tail she spells strength. She has a seven-day record of 21.42 lbs. butter and will make at least 15,000 lbs. of milk this year. Daisy Bell Pooch has given as much as 87 lbs. a day, and Centre View Butter Gem has a record of 93.7 lbs. of milk in one day, 26 lbs. in seven days and 6,620 lbs. in 100 days. The O. O. P. shows that she gave over 16,000 lbs. two years in succession. The last year she was only milked nine months. Her record proves that she is a remarkably uniform and persistent milker, as well as a very heavy yielder.

Midnight Gem De Kol is also a cow with a record to be proud of. She gave 97.5 lbs. of milk in one day and 26 lbs. of butter in seven days. Last year she produced 19,860 lbs. of milk, but calved just one day too late to qualify for O. O. P.

Coming from cows such as this it is no wonder that Mr. Currie's young stuff are of real dairy conformation and breedy type. They are a large, thrifty lot and possess plenty of the fashionable white color.

OFFICIAL RECORDS OF HOLSTEIN-FRIESIAN COWS FROM NOV. 1ST TO NOV. 30TH, 1914

Mature Class

1. Lily Artis Burke, 8625, 7y. 7m. 5d.; 501.7 lbs. milk, 18.44 lbs. fat, 21.86 lbs. butter. S. J. Foster, Bloomfield.
2. Teitilla of Riverside, 12254, 5y. 7m. 5d.; 456.6 lbs. milk, 18.44 lbs. fat, 19.95 lbs. butter. Joseph O'Hielly, Port Perry.

Senior Four-Year-Old Class

1. Ardelia De Kol Tensen, 13706, 4y. 10m. 23d.; 513.9 lbs. milk, 20.66 lbs. fat, 15.06 lbs. butter. D. C. Flatt & Son, Hamilton.

Senior Three-Year-Old Class

1. Fairview Korndyke Boon Johanna, 14924, 3y. 7m. 2d.; 462.9 lbs. milk, 18.27 lbs. fat, 22.84 lbs. butter. Dr. L. de L. Harwood, Vaudreuil, Que.
2. Shadelawn Lily Canary, 19266, 3y. 4m. 29d.; 383.9 lbs. milk, 14.12 lbs. fat, 17.66 lbs. butter. T. L. Dunkin, Norwich.
3. Lakeview Rattler 2nd, 16753, 3y. 6m. 8d.; 451.8 lbs. milk, 13.71 lbs. fat, 17.14 lbs. butter. Lakeview Farm, Bronte.

Junior Three-Year-Old Class

1. Lady Pietje Canary's Jewel, 17314, 120-day record, 3y. 4m. 10d.; 10,042.7 lbs. milk, 376.09 lbs. fat, 470.85 lbs. butter.

150-day record, 12,066.7 lbs. milk, 456.49 lbs. fat, 570.61 lbs. butter. J. M. Steves, Stevedore, B.C.

Senior Two-Year-Old Class

1. Helena Burke Keyes, 21369, 2y. 6m. 1d.; 356.3 lbs. milk, 15.78 lbs. fat, 17.22 lbs. butter. D. O. Foster, Bloomfield.
2. Mildred Pietje Lady Duke, 21509, 2y. 7m. 15d.; 420.7 lbs. milk, 15.53 lbs. fat, 17.04 lbs. butter. Dr. L. de L. Harwood, Vaudreuil, Que.
3. Mutual Pauline Patti, 23181, 2y. 7m. 13d.; 356.6 lbs. milk, 12.80 lbs. fat, 16.16 lbs. butter. B. M. Holtby, Port Perry.
4. Inca Tritom Canary, 24118, 2y. 6m. 6d.; 324.4 lbs. milk, 9.78 lbs. fat, 12.23 lbs. butter. T. L. Dunkin, Norwich.
5. Hillcrest Pontiac Dumas, 22714, 2y. 6m. 6d.; 254 lbs. milk, 9.39 lbs. fat, 11.74 lbs. butter. Geo. Smith, Port Perry.
6. Shadelawn Lily Canary, 24116, 2y. 6m. 19d.; 308.6 lbs. milk, 9.14 lbs. fat, 11.43 lbs. butter. T. L. Dunkin, Norwich.

Junior Two-Year-Old Class

1. Artis Burke Pietje, 24115, 2y. 2m. 29d.; 356.9 lbs. milk, 11.60 lbs. fat, 14.50 lbs. butter. S. J. Foster, Bloomfield.
2. Fayne Segis Lady, 24543, 2y. 0m. 17d.; 339.5 lbs. milk, 10.84 lbs. fat, 13.55 lbs. butter. B. M. Holtby, Port Perry.
3. Pontiac Rosa, 23621, 2y. 2m. 2d.; 277.4 lbs. milk, 9.01 lbs. fat, 11.27 lbs. butter. Dr. L. de L. Harwood, Vaudreuil, Que.
4. Bonnie Lassie Canary, 24117, 2y. 8m. 25d.; 313.4 lbs. milk, 8.81 lbs. fat, 11.22 lbs. butter. T. L. Dunkin, Norwich.
5. Shadelawn Lillie Canary, 24124, 2y. 2m. 8d.; 284.1 lbs. milk, 8.52 lbs. fat, 10.65 lbs. butter. T. L. Dunkin.

Reports of the official tests of 18 cows and heifers were received and accepted during the month of November. The most noteworthy are those for Ardelia De Kol Tensen, with 25.06 lbs. of butter in seven days and for Lady Pietje Canary's Jewel, with 570.61 lbs. butter in 150 days as a junior three-year-old. The record of the latter heifer is unequalled in Canada at least.

W. A. CLEMONS, Secretary.

SEMI-OFFICIAL RECORDS OF HOLSTEIN-FRIESIAN COWS FROM NOV. 1ST TO NOV. 30TH, 1914

Four-Year-Old Class

1. Mary F. Netherland 2nd, 7676, 7y. 7m.; 12,941 lbs. milk, 457 lbs. fat, 571.25 lbs. butter. Jas. Newlin, Streetsville.
2. Madame B. 3rd's Pontiac De Kol, 12705, 8d.; 13,000 lbs. milk, 406 lbs. fat, 507.5 lbs. butter. W. F. Walker, Manchester, Ont.

Four-Year-Old Class

1. Hulda Wayne Lady Posch, 12614, 4y. 12m.; 11,516 lbs. milk, 405.1 lbs. fat, 506 lbs. butter. John C. Brown, Stamford.
2. Rose De Kol Schulling, 11678, 4y. 10m.; 11,370 lbs. milk, 384 lbs. fat, 503.76 lbs. butter. John C. Brown.
3. Princess Jane of Sunnyside, 11182, 4y. 345d.; 12,394 lbs. milk, 361 lbs. fat, 451.75 lbs. butter. J. S. Rosebrugh, Cherrywood.

Two-Year-Old Class

1. Daisy Johanna Ormsby, 18394, 2y. 14d.; 9,285 lbs. milk, 319.1 lbs. fat, 399 lbs. butter. Dir., Expr. Farms, Lacombe, Alta.

Six semi-official records have been reported during the month of November. While all are creditable, there is nothing of outstanding merit.

W. A. CLEMONS, Secretary.

SPRINGBROOK HOLSTEINS

On a trip through Western Ontario Farm and Dairy's live stock man dropped in at Springbrook Farm, the home of Mr. A. C. Hallman, at Breslau. Mr. Hallman's name and also his Holsteins are so well known over Canada so many times cattle are kept, that he needs no new introduction. Springbrook Holsteins is one of the pioneer herds. Years ago breeders paid critical attention to constitution and heart girth. His herd sire is Sir Korndyke Boon. This fellow's wide heart girth, vigor and general massiveness is an indication of his great vitality. The fine quality of his skin and hair, his prominent veins, all these are qualities to be expected in a bull that comes of record-making ancestry. For this fellow is a son of that greatest of Holstein sires, Pontiac Korndyke. His dam, Fairview Korndyke Boon, has a record of 22 lbs. and is also by the famous old Pontiac Korndyke. Pontiac Korndyke is because of his close in-breeding that Sir Korndyke is so prepotent. At any rate his stock all possess the characteristics of the sire. They are broad backed and strong in heart. Everyone of his heifers have remarkable well balanced udders and thin or medium teats.

Springbrook Holsteins are also rich in heavy producing dams. Among these is a wonderfully well-proportioned Sadie Aime Pauline. She has gone over 75 lbs. of milk a day and has a record of over 20 lbs. of butter. Her sire is from Mangus Piertje, whose three-year-old record is 15,000 lbs. in 11 months. Sadie's daughter has a record of 22 lbs., so that a bull from this cow and Sir Korndyke Boon would certainly make the right kind of a sire. Wayne De Kol Buttermaid the 2nd, another matron, has 16½ lbs. of butter to her credit as a two-year-old. Her first bull calf sold for $250 and her second brought $170 at the Woodstock sale. The entire herd of Mr. Hallman is the vigorous, strongly built kind that can stand the strain of converting large quantities of feed into milk and cream year after year.

THE CHERRYWOOD SALE

Prices for good dairy cattle are holding up considerably better than was expected a few weeks ago. Reports from the dispersion sale of J. S. Roney at Cherrywood on Dec. 15, show that breeders are willing to give good prices for whatever suits their fancy. At the above sale prices ranged from $140 to $175 for the cows, one heifer not yet in milk bringing $175. The fact that dairy products are staple food insures that prices for dairy cattle will not fluctuate very much during the coming season.

WALTER W. BOWLEY'S SALE

The sale of 31 head of registered Ayrshire cattle held at Brighton Brae Farm, Dec. 16th, was quite satisfactory to Mr. Bowley. The total receipts from the sale amounted to $3,435, or an average of about $110 each. Some of the highest prices realized were as follows:

Teena 5th of Rambo Creek, $140, N. Dyment, Brantford; Teena's Babe of Brighton Brae, $150, N. Dyment; Teena 2nd of Brighton Brae, $140, N. Dyment; Dairy Queen of Brighton Brae, $140, J. Passmore; Gertrude of Brighton Brae, $140, J. Passmore; Blossom 3rd of Brighton Brae $140 Mr. McConnell; Blossom 3rd of Brighton Brae, $155, A. Garland; Blossom 4th of Brighton Brae, $150, Mr. McPherson; Beauty of Brighton Brae, $170, E. F. Feltz; Lady Drummond 2nd of Brighton Brae, $145, Capt. Myrtle of Brighton Brae, $140, J. Passmore.

RECORD AUCTION

At the auction sale of Christmas cattle, held at Union Stock Yards, Toronto, Saturday, December 19th, 1914, 261 offerings—average value $349.23—consisting of 1,694 head of cattle, sheep and hogs, were sold in seven hours and 50 minutes, an average of 1½ minutes for each lot in auction ring.

Transactions at the auction amounted to $91,146.50, or at the rate of $200.54 a minute.

SALE DATES CLAIMED

Southern Ontario Consignment Company's Sale, first Tuesday after annual meeting of Holstein Breeders' Association. J. E. Elliott, Tillsonburg, Ont., after annual meeting of Holstein Breeders' Association.

R. Kennedy & Sons, Paris, Jan. 20, 1915.

A. C. Hardy, Brockville, May 26, 1915.

The East Elgin Holstein Breeders' Club, the Wednesday following the annual meeting of the Holstein Breeders' Association.

Norfolk Holstein-Friesian Breeders' Sale, Simcoe, the first Thursday after the annual meeting

Brantford District Holstein Breeders' Club, consignment sale, January 27, 1915.

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