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It will be noticed that the attendance at the various meetings varies a great deal. In some cases this may be accounted for in part by the roads and the weather, but in other cases by the efficiency or lack of efficiency of the local officers. In 99 cases out of 100 bad roads and bad weather will not prevent a large crowd assembling at a Farmers' Institute meeting where the officers are alive and the meeting well advertised and well conducted. In one of the best counties in the province is one of the poorest Institutes. In East Durham we had a striking example of this. For several years the gentleman who was secretary continually said he could not get an audience together, that nobody was interested in Farmers' Institute meetings, and that agricultural topics were threshed out. Robert Vance, of Ida, and his brother, W. Vance, of Millbrook, were asked to take the matter in hand, which they did, and in less than three months they had an Institute organized, sufficient members to obtain a grant, and ever since the Institute has been in a flourishing condition, having a large membership. The meetings are always well attended.

In the issue of Jan. 6th, 1899, of the *Freeholder*, published by that able Institute Secretary, C. W. Young, Cornwall, appears the following, which we commend to the attention of farmers everywhere:

JOIN THE INSTITUTE, ATTEND THE MEETINGS, GET THE BULLETINS, AND IMPROVE YOUR BUSINESS.

A leading member of the Stormont Farmers' Institute dropped in to see the secretary the other day, with a nice list of members, and a fund of pleasant chat. He is a good farmer, who has made money out of his business and has been an institute member since they were established here, to which he attributes a good deal of his success in late years. He has lately put up a windmill, has invested in a grinder and a pulper, built a new hog building, with accommodation for double the number he kept formerly, an agricultural furnace to cook the food and heat water at killing time, and generally fixed things up-to-date.

"I tell you, Mr. Secretary," he said, "these things cost money but they pay. I was talking to a neighbor the other day about it. He is a good farmer and has a lot of cattle in his barn, but they are there yet, while

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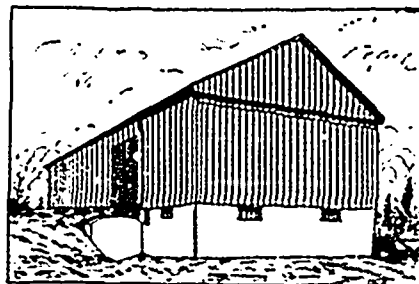
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