

OUR FREE RURAL DELIVERY DEBATING SOCIETY

Why Not the Farmer Too?

Ed. The Dairyman and Farming World.—As I am a reader of your valuable paper, I have followed with much interest the series of articles on Free Rural Mail Delivery. I have just finished reading Mr. John Eldridge's article in a recent issue. I think Mr. Eldridge keeps a post office, or at least lives along side of one. If not, I fail to see how he could be so much opposed to Free Rural Delivery. Because he does not want it he need not come to the conclusion that farmers as a whole are of that opinion. We are not all so fortunate as Mr. Eldridge must be, in that he has so many hogs and cattle to ship, or so much butter to sell, that it is necessary to go to market two or three times a week.

Free Rural Mail Delivery would be a boon to Canada. It would go a long way towards solving the problem of keeping the boys and girls on the farm, and of securing hired help. The farmers could then take a daily paper

to be of any advantage to anyone, except possibly the storekeeper. I believe it to be very much of a hindrance in the way of the child developing in the right direction. Usually, whoever goes for the mail after his day's work, stays away until bedtime or after. The rest of the family that should be getting the benefit of the daily news have to be content to wait for it until the next evening.

"From an educational standpoint this old system does not compare with the mail being delivered at the gate every day. Rural Free Delivery has a tendency to increase the mail matter that would be taken, and read by the average farmer."—Farmer, Massachusetts Co.

A Word to Our Readers

Again this week we have received many letters telling us that The Canadian Dairyman and Farming World is meeting with the approval of its readers. We are very pleased to receive these encouraging letters.

It is our aim to make each issue better than the one preceding it, and we desire our subscribers to help us by making suggestions. Write and tell us how the paper impresses you and what you would suggest towards improving it. We wish our readers to take a personal interest in the paper, and to consider The Canadian Dairyman and Farming World their paper.

If you know of a reliable, hustling person in your district who would make a good agent for us, write and give us his name and address. With your aid we shall be able to make The Canadian Dairyman and Farming World the most widely circulated farm and home paper in Canada.

Following are a few samples of letters received this week:

"I like The Canadian Dairyman and Farming World very much."—W. B. Thomson, Chesebrough, Woodburn, Ont.

"I am much pleased with your paper and expect to use it in advertising my stock later on."—Emerson Colborn, Harrietsville, Ont.

Mr. Harold Smith, Morven, Lennox Co., Ontario, writes: "I am writing to thank you for the valuable book I received from The Farming World some time ago, entitled 'Ropp's New Commercial Calculator.' I intended writing before, but neglected to do so. I wish you every success."

The book referred to is given free in return for one new yearly subscription at \$1.00 per year for The Canadian Dairyman and Farming World. Mr. Hector D. MacLean, Port Hawkesbury (Inverness Co.), N.S., says: "I wish you would send me a few sample copies of your paper, also list of Live Stock given as premiums. I think I may be able to induce some of my neighbors to subscribe. No farmer should be without this valuable paper."

Tupper Ferguson, Marshfield, (Queen's Co.), P. E. I., states: "I think your paper is excellent. Dealing as it does with the chief industry of Prince Edward Island, one of the greatest in Canada. I think everyone who produces milk should take it and study it well. I wish you continued success."

A. Foster, York County, says: "I am more than pleased with the paper in its present style, and usefulness. I always considered it an up-to-date dairy paper, but now we have just as good and better in that line and with the best that can be had on general farming incorporated, all for the same price, which I am sure will be appreciated by all."

C. A. Whetham, Guelph, Ont., says: "I enjoy reading your paper very much; it is an excellent agricultural paper."

FAVOR FREE MAIL DELIVERY

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the South Oxford Reform Association, held at Ingersoll, last week, the following resolution was adopted:

"That the convention urge upon the Government the advisability of taking into their serious consideration free mail delivery in the more thickly populated districts of Canada, and that it is the opinion of the convention that the Government should at the earliest possible moment confer on the citizens of this country the many advantages to be derived from such improved postal service."

and not have to wait until the end of the week to get his mail. Besides, he could keep himself in touch with the markets.

As to the extra expense of running the service, the extra amount of mail would go far towards covering this, as the mails would be used so much more. And why should not the farmer have as much right to Free Rural Mail Delivery as his city cousin? We find in the cities the mail is delivered two and three times a day. We would like to hear from other farmers on this important subject.

D. A. S.,
Bruce Co., Ont.

Note.—We would like contributors to sign their names in full.—Editor.

Possesses Educational Advantages

Ed. The Canadian Dairyman and Farming World: "It is amusing to me to read some of the arguments against rural mail delivery. One writer's argument is that it robs the farmer's child of certain educational advantages. He is the first man I ever heard of that was sorry to have his children so robbed. I never considered the gossip that is usually practiced around the country or village stores by the crowds that gather

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1893	Dubuque, Iowa, C. W. Smith, Colvin's Park, Ill.	Score 97.
1895	Hector, Ill., F. C. Outrage, Tripoli, Iowa	Score 98.
1896	Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Thomas Milton, St. Paul, Minn.	Score 97.25
1897	Owatonna, Minn., R. N. Miller, Randall, Iowa	Score 98.5
1898	Topeka, Kan., Samuel Lundquist, New Sweden, Minn.	Score 98.
1899	St. Paul, Minn., Louis Brabe, Wisconsin, Iowa	Score 97.
1900	Lincoln, Neb., H. J. Sondergaard, Litchfield, Minn.	Score 98.
1901	St. Paul, Minn., E. O. Quenfeldt, Owatonna, Minn.	Score 97.
1902	E. J. Dunaway, Green Bay, Wis.	Score 98.5
1904	St. Louis, Mo., L. S. Taylor, Oliveville, Minn.	Score 98.5
1905	Chicago, Ill., A. Carlson, Rush City, Minn.	Score 97.
1907	Chicago, Ill., A. Lundquist, North Branch, Minn.	Score 97.5
1908	J. C. Post, Hector, Minn.	Score 98.

(There were no conventions in 1894, 1903 and 1906.)

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