

**OUR FARMERS' CLUB**  
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**ONTARIO**

**GREVILLE CO., ONT.**  
**CHARLEVILLE.**—There is a very heavy demand for work horses and very few are to be had even at good prices. Some farms have been changing owners, prices ranging from \$300 for 20 acres to \$3500 to \$4000 for 65 and 75 acre farms. Farmers are not increasing their herds of cows. Already there are some enquiries for hay. Timothy sells for \$15 to \$16 a ton; straw, \$6 to \$7; oats, 45c to 50c a bush; bran, 55c a ton; middlings, 85c; gluten feed, 82c; gluten meal, 87c; eggs, 22c to 25c; creamery butter, 22c to 25c; springers, \$40 to \$50; hogs, 87c to 90c a lb.; dressed hogs, 11 1/2c to 12c; dressed beef, 7 1/2c to 8c; hides, 10c a lb.—G. W. C.

**HASTINGS CO., ONT.**

**TURRIFF.**—Hay is scarce, and is being imported. Butter is unusually scarce, and is being shipped in from Toronto. The local price is 25c. Mr. D. Munro of Saskatchewan, shipped a carload of hogs from North Hastings to the east. The prices averaged \$125 each. Some agricultural editors criticize farmers for investing their surplus away from home. We do not think the bluke is needed often in North Hastings. Merchants and farmers alike invest at home and are finding it profitable. Hog farmers are nearly all last meeting decided to purchase a pure bred Clydesdale stallion.—W.R.W.

**NORTHUMBERLAND CO., ONT.**

**EDVILLE.**—The annual meeting of the cheese factory was held on the 21st of Feb., and was largely attended by the patrons. All seemed to be well satisfied with the returns of the season. This factory which has now been running 37 years without a break, gathers the milk in the country about Edville, Dundonald and Penryn. It has been the means of bringing a good deal of money to the patrons during its long career, which has fortunately been free from losses by fire or otherwise during the time.—H. S. H.

**DURHAM CO., ONT.**

**FLEETWOOD.**—The snow is keeping on the ground in good shape, and fall grain and clover will surely be in good shape for the spring. A few farmers are getting scarce of fodder, and have been looking for hay and straw, but report it as being very scarce, and nearly impossible to get. Hogs are nearly all sold, and as several sows are missing, the scarcity will be great next summer. Hay is selling at \$12 for oats, 45c; buckwheat, 60c; barley, 60c; wheat, \$1.65; straw, \$4 to \$5 for a load; hogs, \$8.50 to \$9.75; beef, \$7 to \$8 a cwt.; eggs, 25c; butter, 25c, and potatoes nil. Clover threshing is about done; the seed has been turning out fine.—A. G.

**OXFORD CO., ONT.**

**GOLSPIE.**—The great depth of snow makes it almost impossible to do any teaming. A great many stock sales are being held. Dairy cows and horses are very high, cows going from \$40 to \$80, and some even higher. Horses are selling very high and not many for sale. Hogs are very high, too. At an auction, the other day two sows, with very little breeding sold for \$105. Our Farmers' Institute meetings are over, and were well attended. We were given a demonstration in judging dairy cattle and horses. The men in charge of it really knew their business. Farmers should learn very much from their experience.—A. M. McD.

**WELLINGTON CO., ONT.**

**ELORA.**—Turnips at 1 1/2 a bush, still continue to be placed on cars here, and

by keeping an oil stove burning during the time of loading, no injury to the turnips occur. The price looks low for this time of year, and there is a possibility that before spring the goods will be of as much value right in the stables. Cattle (especially exports) are keeping up well in price both here and in England, and the scarcity of good ones would seem to indicate this class will continue to command good prices. Hogs are a little lower but still high enough to be good paying stock. The prices paid for breeders look as if the near future would furnish increased supplies, which would be well for all concerned.—G. W.

**BRUCE CO., ONT.**

**CLINY.**—The weather has been very cold. The snow on the roads has not been as deep for several years. Horses are in good demand. There are a great many men down from the West, who are taking horses back with them. There was a meeting in the village of Underwood to get the feeling of the people towards getting a rural telephone line in Bruce Township. The meeting was well attended. Men were appointed in each ward to make a personal canvass of the same. Cement has been used in horse partitions, a mould to form the post, and a few feet of gravel, leading to do cementing next summer are hauling their gravel now.—J. Mack.

**WATERLOO CO., ONT.**

**NEW HAMBURG.** Farmers' Institute meetings are well attended. Delegates to this township are splendid practical men. Horses are selling high. Good teams sell for \$45 and upward. \$50 was paid a day or two ago for a nice carriage team. There are very few fat cattle moving out yet. This community has many splendid cattle feeders. We have several log buyers for maple logs 22 inches in diameter. They are paying \$13 a thousand. A piece of good well attended woodland is a rare proposition and it affords something to do in the winter season. Farmers' Club has been organized, and are popular and will soon become a potent factor for the farm community.—A.R.G.S.

**ELGIN CO., ONT.**

**FALBOUTW.**—Mr. E. Penty is feeding 25 head of beef steers, besides 11 horses, a number of cows and young cattle. His plan of managing his steers is as follows: They run loose in the cement stable, underneath one of his barns. Here they have plenty of room and are always warm and dry. Each steer is allowed about four feet of manger space, and their feed during the first month of winter consists of unshucked corn. This they feed up sleek and clean, especially on cold days.

Later on, when the corn is all done, they'll feed on hay with a grain ration of oats and barley chopped together. This is continued until the grass comes. Then they'll get grass and chop. This finishes them up properly for market. Mr. Penty has a unique and humane way of saving his cattle from the torture of being allowed to stand at all times free access to their winter quarters. He also places blinds over the windows, thus darkening the stable. Here the cattle rest in joy and contentment, and are un molested by their summer enemies. The owner considers this a paying investment for his cowboys, who work wonderfully fast in the cool of the day, then burry away to their quarters for protection.—J. E. O.

**MIDDLESEX CO., ONT.**

**DELAWARE.**—Steady sleighing for over two months with heavy snow is thought by many to give promise of an early spring and bountiful crops. The demand for heavy horses for the West has been keen and complaint is made that there is not enough of the right sort to be had. Consequently many inferior ones are being bought. The supply of storage eggs is reported low in London. The supply of new laid is scarce owing to the steady cold weather. Eggs being still paid for new laid.—E. M. H.

**ESSEX CO., ONT.**

**KINGSVILLE.**—The fields are almost entirely covered with ice and people are fearful that wheat and clover will be completely killed with the ice as it was about three years ago, when not a single plant of clover was left on a ten acre field. East and north where there is more snow there would probably not be so much danger. The large amount of corn fodder together with a good hay and straw crop, ensures abundance of feed. Horses are being shipped in greater numbers than in any previous year, and at record

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**BRITISH COLUMBIA**  
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**MATSQUI.**—An excessively wet fall, immediately followed by freezing weather, caught many potatoes undug, where they still remain. A few may come through all right, but 20 degrees of frost will not leave many. Stock are wintering well. With an ordinary spring, there is plenty of food. Hay sells at \$18 to \$20; oats, \$25 a ton; potatoes, 50c; beef, 8c to 10c a lb.; 12c; pork, dressed, 12c to 15c; eggs, 40c to 50c; cream, 50c a lb. There is a growing demand for better milk, and 30 gal. is being offered for certified milk. A number of herds are being tested with tuberculin preparatory to entering the trade.—B.

**SASKATCHEWAN**  
**HUMBOLDT CO., SASK.**  
**ETHELTON.**—This part of the province is well adapted for mixed farming. I sold this week eight head of cattle. Two of the steers weighed 3500 lbs., after being driven 20 miles. These cattle had never been stabled this winter. They got some grain to finish with.—M.

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