

SPECIAL FARMING AND STOCK EDITION

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE. That recent organization known as the Women's Institute will hold their annual convention at Guelph on Dec. 15 and 18.

There will be no more enthusiastic gathering at the Royal City than this one. Every woman who can get away ought to go and get enthused.

The Dominion minister of agriculture has introduced his bill to provide for a cold storage service throughout Canada.

The general economy into the hog situation would warrant the advice of the farmers, going into a more general production of a uniform hog.

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The question of careful shipping with less borax will be a wise hint to packers also. The best of cold storage facilities with quick transportation will mean much for the Canadian farmer.

The lament, voiced by Mr. Campbell, is timely indeed. It is to be deplored that the mistrust exists, but both sides are to blame for this.

Nevertheless, we think it a pretty policy, that would advocate the cessation of breeding operations. What we want is a good uniform quality of Canadian hog, and a steady supply.

We would advise the breeding of pigs on a good extensive scale. And also that we feed them on such feeds and under such conditions of summer pasturing as will keep the cost low and a profit be returned on even the five-cent hog.

WORLD'S FARM CALENDAR. International Show, Chicago, closes Dec. 10. Toronto Junction Live Stock Show, Dec. 10.

THE FARMSTEAD

Guelph next week! Fat stock and good times! It's the pig this week!

Good morning! Has Hays put on the third-class coaches yet? Why not call the first-class coaches third, and build upwards?

"I am coming up to McGillivray's sale next week, as I see The World says he has some good stock," said a couple of prosperous young farmers in another county.

Hogate's fine fillies are sniffing the Canadian breezes to-day. They will be in their Weston stables next week. What do you think of the stallion inspection proposal? We want your opinions before a law is passed.

The Breeder's Gazette of Chicago has issued a magnificent Christmas number. The full-page lithographs, with the splendidly written articles, will commend themselves to the many friends of that progressive journal.

The placing of a system of water bowls in the stables makes it possible for the animals to drink whenever they want to, and prevents the loss thru many animals refusing to drink the cold icewater.

A little turpentine is a good thing to feed hogs affected with worms. The hogs look unthrifty and are hard to feed, the trouble is often due to intestinal worms.

The Farmers' Institute lectures will commence in various parts of the province very shortly. In fact, many are taking place now. If you have never taken an active part in these meetings, it would be a wise move if you turn out and add to the benefits to be derived by your presence and your discussion.

A farmer ought to be a humorous man. Or at least he should be one who could see the value of humor. The attempt to drive a pig thru a gap, to make a calf drink from a pail, to have the milk cow put her foot in the pail, or to drive a balky horse, are all funny things on the farm, deserving more than passing notice.

Mr. Blackwell of the Park, Blackwell Co. laid the drop in prices in November to the bad break in the English market. Besides, with pork at \$5.50, farmers to quit raising hogs with every depression in the trade.

The outlook in Toronto is bright for steady prices. We have increased accommodation for handling supplies now, and the runs now are fairly free.

THE GOOD POINTS OF THE BACON HOG

A Few of the Things to Look for in the Selection of Breeding Stock.

Next week at Guelph Judges and critics will be at work on the bacon hog. What constitutes an ideal bacon hog? Here are a few points, taken from the government report: The weight of the hog should be about 180 to 200 lbs. for the best Wiltshire sides.

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AN ENGLISHMAN'S VIEWS. C. Wilson Sears of London, England, passed thru Toronto recently, and was interviewed by The World on the hog situation. He is after the Canadian trade and handles much Canadian produce.

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Others consider that pork can be produced for less than five cents, these no doubt basing their estimates on cheaper feeds. John A. White of Brougham claims that peas and roots produce pork at 5 cents, and that oats, barley and roots would cost 4 cents.

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THE HOG SITUATION

There is Not an Over Supply Yet—Farmers Ought to Stay With the Business and Produce a Uniform Animal.

According to previous intimation, The World has secured some information from the producing farmers and the packers relative to the hog-raising industry in Ontario. We sent out a circular to many breeders in Ontario in November wherein we asked for the cost of production, the competition at the buying points, the cause of the then low prices (\$5.50), and the amount of hogs in the country.

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ONTARIO PROVINCIAL WINTER FAIR. A combination exhibition of both LIVE and DRESSED CATTLE, SHEEP, SWINE and POULTRY; also a DAIRY SHOW and a SEED SHOW will be held at GUELPH, ONT., DEC. 10 to 14, 1906.

UNION STOCKYARDS TORONTO JUNCTION. The fourth annual Live Stock Show will be held at the Union Stock Yards, Toronto Junction. Monday, 10th December, 1906.

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VALUABLE STOCK FARM. This fine farm of 212 1-2 Acres, near Toronto, for sale on Liberal Terms. Good clay loam; well fenced and drained; 30 acres hardwood; 15 acres cedar; brick house; modern barns, main one being 92x80 feet.

J. A. McDONAGH, 49 EAST WELLINGTON STREET, TORONTO. DISPERSION SALE. Of Col. John A. McGillivray's Shorthorn Cattle, Dorset Horn Sheep and Clydesdale and Shire Horses, BEDFORD PARK NORTH TORONTO, DEC. 14th 1906.

FREE COURSES IN JANUARY, 1907. ONTARIO AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, GUELPH, CANADA. STOCK JUDGING (2 weeks), SEED JUDGING (2 weeks), POULTRY RAISING (4 weeks), BUTTER AND CHEESEMAKING (3 mos.).

G. C. CREELMAN, B.S.A.M.S., President. REGISTERED AYRSHIRES Fanning Mills. The undersigned has a number of purebred Ayrshire cattle of deep milking strain, for sale.

YORKSHIRE PIGS. YORSHIRE PIGS, YOUNG BOARS and sows for sale at reasonable prices; young sows will be bred at times to suit the purchaser and forwarded as directed. F. W. Chapman, Audley, Ont., Gasmere Grange.

SEVEN BALES OF THIS YEAR'S CROP OF HOPS FOR SALE. Good quality. F. C. Hogart, Napaine. LOWER PRICES FOR PORK. There was a rumor around the market yesterday that prices for pork would likely fall a little during the approaching holiday.

FIX A STRAIGHT PRICE. S. Sargent of Bowmanville says: "If the packers would fix a straight price and keep it there, where it would pay the farmer, there would be a larger number of hogs fed."

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