

ony of the homeward journey. The lights of the town are seen, and we reach our destination at 1 a.m., pleased that we have had our journey, and glad that it is over. W. F. S.

### More News from Temiskaming.

To the Editor "Farmer's Advocate":

I have read a communication to your valuable paper re the roads in this country, written by Geo. W. Weaver. He prevaricates about the roads. I drove down to New Liskeard a short time ago, in company with a man from the County of Lambton, Western Ontario, who declared the roads were beautiful. The same day I saw heavy loads of lumber coming down the north road to New Liskeard, and also heavy loads of potatoes on the west road. There has been a stage going regularly this summer for 85 miles from New Liskeard; that is, to the Long Lake section—this stage was running in competition with the train. Where the bad roads are is a short distance from the station at New Liskeard into town. This road was freshly ridged up this year, and as there is a heavy traffic over this road, anyone might expect it not to satisfy even Geo. W. Weaver at times. But this was in June last; this road is all right now. Mr. Weaver mentioned the great wind storms we have had here. I never saw any of those severe wind storms. We have a beautiful climate. To show you how he jumps at conclusions, there are thousands of acres in the vicinity of New Liskeard that had been culled of the best timber, and nothing but small timber left. This section was burnt over in the summer of 1901, and again this year. Anybody might know that this tract of timber would come down easy. He saw quite a bit of this down, and inferred that we had a severe wind. To show you, Mr. Editor, that what I say about the roads is correct, I send you a map of our district, showing the surveyed townships, the colonization roads now built, and the railway through our district. Besides the roads on the map, there were twenty-three different road contracts under construction this summer throughout the district, under the supervision of Mr. W. E. Kerr, New Liskeard, who is the Government road inspector for our district.

We had the pleasure this week of witnessing the greatest achievement that we could wish—that is, the organization of several farmers' institutes. This meeting was held at New Liskeard, where, among others, were present Hon. Dr. Reaume, Minister of Public Works; Hon. Frank Cochrane, Minister of Crown Lands and Mines, and Mr. A. W. Campbell, the Provincial road expert. The last two gentlemen were here for the purpose of travelling over all this year's work that was done on all the roads, and they will also see what will be required for the roads for next year. The fact of the Government stepping right in for a quick development of this part of our Province of Ontario clearly proves that it is considered by the best thinking men we have in this Province, that this district of Temiskaming in the near future will become one of the best Provincial assets. NEIL A. EDWARDS.

Temiskaming, Ont.

### District Dairy Meetings in Western Ontario.

A series of district meetings will be held the latter part of this and the first of next month, by the Western Ontario Dairymen's Association. Each will be attended by Secretary G. H. Barr, by the instructor for the district, and by the local director, in the capacity of chairman. There will be no cut-and-dried programme and no address by outsiders, but following the chairman's address, the secretary will review the season's instruction work. The balance of the meeting will be devoted to discussion of the following programme of topics:

1. Suggestions for 1906.
2. It seems difficult to get the patrons to improve the quality of their milk. What do you consider is the chief cause for this difficulty in your own locality?
3. Our mistakes during the past season in making the cheese, and how to avoid them in 1906.
4. Would operating our cheese factories under a license system improve the quality of our cheese?

Following is the list of places and dates:

Listowel, McDonald's Hall, Nov. 21st; St. Mary's, Council Chamber, Nov. 23rd; Dunnville, Opera House, Nov. 24th; Woodstock, Council Chamber, Nov. 28th; Simcoe, Free Library Hall, Nov. 29th; Ingersoll, Council Chamber, Nov. 30th; London, Secretary's Office, Dec. 1st. All meetings commence at 1:30 o'clock.

### Mr. F. W. Hodson Has Resigned.

(Ottawa correspondence.)

Mr. F. W. Hodson, Dominion Live-stock Commissioner, has placed his resignation in the hands of the Minister of Agriculture, and will sever his connection with the Department of Agriculture at an early date. It is understood that Mr. Hodson will accept a more lucrative position in the West in connection with the Salvation Army colonization scheme. Mr. Hodson's work since his appointment at Ottawa as Live-stock Commissioner has covered the extension of the Farmers' Institute system into parts of the country not previously served, laying special emphasis on live-stock husbandry, the development of winter fairs, live-stock judging by specialists at exhibitions, interprovincial trade in live stock, transportation matters, and, most important of all, the nationalization of the pure-bred live-stock records, which has become an accomplished fact.

### Eastern Ontario Farmers' Institutes.

(Ottawa correspondence.)

The regular Farmers' Institute meetings for Eastern Ontario will be held at the following places on the dates mentioned:

Alfred, Nov. 23rd; (c) Vankleek Hill, town hall, Nov. 24th and 25th; (f) Alexandria, town hall, Nov. 27th and 28th; Moose Creek, Nov. 29th; (c) Avonmore, Beaver Hall, Nov. 30th; Metcalfe, town hall, Dec. 2nd; (c) Russell, town hall, Dec. 4th and 5th; (d) Renfrew, Dec. 6th and 7th; (d) Beachburg, town hall, Dec. 8th and 9th; Westmeath, town hall, Dec. 11th; Richmond, town hall, Dec. 12th; North Gower, town hall, Dec. 14th; (f) Mountain, Hyslop's Hall, Dec. 15th and 16th; Morewood, Foresters' Hall, Dec. 18th; (c) South Branch, Patrons' Hall, Dec. 19th and 20th; Harrison's Corners, Dec. 21st; Bainsville, Sangster's and McQuaig's Hall, Dec. 22nd.

Delegates for special sessions in the interests of the dairymen, on the afternoon and evening of the two-day meetings: (c) L. A. Zufelt, Chesterville; (d) J. H. Echlin, Carleton Place; (f) A. W. Woodard, Montreal, Que.

The above meetings will be addressed by Mr. D. Drummond, Ottawa, and Dr. J. Standish, Walkerton, Ont.

### SUPPLEMENTARY MEETINGS.

The supplementary Farmers' Institute meetings will be held at the following places in Eastern Ontario on the dates mentioned:

Escott, Jan. 3rd; Mallorytown, Jan. 4th; Caintown, Jan. 5th; Addison, Jan. 6th; Algonquin, Jan. 8th; Maynard, Jan. 8th; Domville, Jan. 9th; Roebuck, Jan. 10; Ventnor, Jan. 13th; Stanley, Jan. 15th; Mainsville, Jan. 16th; Wallace, school house, Jan. 17th; Iroquois, Jan. 18th; Morrisburg, Jan. 19th; Froatburn, Jan. 20th; Aultsville, Jan. 22nd; Osnaburck Centre, Jan. 23rd; Moulinette, Jan. 24th; Cornwall Centre, Jan. 25th; Northfield, Jan. 26th; Newington, Jan. 27th; Berwick, Jan. 29th; Monkland, Jan. 30th; Warina, Jan. 31st; Casselman, Feb. 1st; Eastman's Springs, Feb. 2nd; Leonard, Feb. 3rd; Pendleton, Feb. 5th.

The speakers will be Mr. H. Glendinning, of Manilla, Ont., and Mr. D. Drummond.

Following is a copy of a letter received by Mr. J. G. Clarke, of Ottawa, who recently sold a number of Ayrshire cattle to Mr. K. Kozu, for export to Japan:

Shigamura, Kitasaku, Shinano, Japan, Sept. 30th, 1905.

J. G. Clarke, Woodroffe Farm, Ottawa, Canada:

Dear Sir,—I am very thankful to you for your kindness and attention to me during my stay in your country. I left Portland, 22nd July, and safely arrived at Yokohama, 9th last month; all cattle feeding very goodly in the ship across the Pacific. Landing at Yokohama the first thing, the most important and the most anxious was the examination of the cattle by the tuberculin; but it passed off very quietly, with complete good result. All passed through it very goodly with no exception, and, indeed, the matter has brought out a great wonder and admiration to our Government officers and all the private breeders who visited my drove at Yokohama. Now I have driven them into my farm, and there they are feeding well. With many thanks, and hoping that I would be able to write more to you soon hereafter, that the drove presents especially good nature and gives me a full success in my business, I remain, Yours truly,

K. KOZU.

### Want to Affiliate the Ontario Veterinary College with Toronto University.

On November 8th, Hon. Nelson Monteith, Minister of Agriculture for Ontario, was waited upon by a deputation, consisting of the Educational Council of the Ontario Veterinary Association, with a request that the Ontario Veterinary College be affiliated with the University of Toronto. The members of the deputation were Dr. C. Elliott, St. Catharines, Chairman; Dr. J. G. Rutherford, Dominion Veterinary Director-General; Dr. Andrew Smith, Principal of the Ontario Veterinary College; Dr. Tennent, London; Dr. Quinn, Brampton, and Dr. Lawson, Dundas. The object is to bring the institution under the control of the Government, with a view to raising the entrance examination, extending the course from two to three terms, and raising the standard of the profession to equal the best in Britain or the British possessions. Mr. Monteith promised to bring the matter before his colleagues, and also before the University Commission.

### A Good Shire Sale.

The auction sale at the Repository, Toronto, Nov. 8th, of imported Shire stallions and mares, consigned by Messrs. John Chambers & Sons, of Holdenby, Northampton, England, was well attended, and all the stock sold at fairly good prices, the highest being \$530 for the two-year-old filly, Duchess of Holdenby, taken by Mr. Wm. Laking Hamilton. The bay three-year-old stallion, Holdenby Angener, sold for \$460 to Mr. W. Pointer, Bothwell. The average for the 21 sold was \$328.

### Entering the Civil Service.

A correspondent writes: "Is the civil service of Canada recruited by open competition, and is there any guide-book dealing with the different departments?"

The Canadian civil service is a very poor imitation of the British civil service, considered from the entrance, promotion and pension standpoints. Only the clerical sections are open to competition by examinations, which are quite easy compared with those of Great Britain. The desirable posts (if any civil service position is a desirable one, which we much doubt, in a country which affords the opportunities to energy and ability that Canada does) are those of a technical nature, or heads or deputies of departments, all of which are filled by reason of a man's political pull, or, in rare cases, of his exceptional ability, or past services to the party in power. From time to time examinations are held in the big centers throughout Canada for clerkships in the "inside service"; the remuneration is not large, but the hours are short and taskmasters either complaisant or scarce. Except in special cases, it may be considered as a sign of mental atrophy, lack of push and energy, or an extreme love for one's country, or a distaste for hard work, when a man inclines to the civil service, and for the great rank and file the legend might well be inscribed over the door, "Abandon hope (if you lack political pull) all ye who enter here." Living in the Capital is expensive; society, so-called, is an apostle of extravagance, and in the English-speaking world the civil-servant class are considered as a whole by the tradesmen with whom they deal as "bad pay." Briefly, it resolves itself into an exchange of independence and chance to rise for an easy berth, moderate salary, an automatic life, and a chronic state of dissatisfaction with one's salary.

### Notes from Alberta.

The Alberta grain dealers have formed an association, of which Mr. Strong, of the Alberta Pacific Elevator Co., is President; Mr. Carson, of the Western Milling Co., Vice-President, and W. M. Gilfay, of the Calgary Milling Co., is Sec.-Treas. The object of the association is to regulate the various standards or grades for the buying or selling of grain. Hereafter the buying will be on definite grades, and not on the uncertain methods previously in use.

P. Burns & Co., the well-known live-stock firm, has lately purchased a site of twenty acres, for the purpose of establishing a live-stock yard and market at Strathcona, making this an extensive shipping point for that district.

Griffin & Co., pork packers of Winnipeg and Calgary, contemplate the establishment of a large packing plant in the West. With the development of our dairy industry, and the large amount of cheap grain available, the hog-raising industry of Alberta should go forward by leaps and bounds.

### Present Tariff High Enough for the West

The combined executives of the Manitoba Grain-growers' and Live-stock Associations, at a meeting recently in Winnipeg, declared for a tariff for revenue only, and passed the following resolution:

"Resolved, that in the opinion of the Grain-growers' and Live-stock Breeders' Associations, the present tariff on dutiable goods be reduced to a revenue tariff of 17 per cent.; that all goods on the present free list be retained, with the addition thereto of all kinds of lumber; and that in consideration of this reduction to a revenue tariff we are willing to have all agricultural products placed on the free list."

### Name for G. T. P. R. Terminus.

Reading the notice in the "Farmer's Advocate" that the G. T. P. R. have offered a prize for an Indian name for the terminus of their road on the Pacific Coast, I would suggest Tecumseh, on account of services rendered the British during the war of 1812, in which that great and noble Indian Chief lost his life.

R. A. LOTHROP,  
Island Brooke, Que.

### The Winter Fair.

Our readers who intend making exhibits at the Ontario Provincial Winter Fair, are reminded that entries close on November 25th for live stock; November 27th for live poultry, and December 2nd for all other departments. To make sure that entries are received by the secretary in good time, it will be well to mail them a few days before date of closing, to Mr. A. P. Westervelt, Parliament Buildings, Toronto.

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