

CHRISTMAS BOX.
 To-morrow is Christmas on the old farm. To-morrow will see hundreds of our old farm boys and girls hitch them back to the familiar corners of the old home. How many memories will be revived! How vividly will the flood-gates of reminiscence release the pent-up feelings that exist for the good old times out on the farm!

It is a day to be glad in. Everyone should wish his neighbor (be he enemy or friend) a rousing Christmas cheer of good times. Differences and hard work have estranged many of us from the quiet, unselfish and homely glories of the farm. But to-morrow we are back again in the times of long ago. We feel the heart strings tugging in a queer, mystified fashion and we can hardly diagnose what we do experience. But we do know that it is happiness everywhere.

He is a poor man, indeed, who, Scrooge-like, locks up his heart to the good things of the day. The old world with its financial worries and business cares is tired enough. It is not necessary that these should intrude themselves into to-day's fasting and feasting. He who most assists his neighbor to forget his troubles and helps him to bear his burdens, has approached the nearest to the ideals of the day, and the age. Therefore cheer him.

Farmers enjoy the Christmas cheer themselves in a whole-hearted way as does any class of our people. Their lives are generally simple and because of that simplicity the joy is more genuine and the good cheerfulness more contagious. The crops and herds that make the dividends of the land have been fairly good. Comparisons may not always prove things, but the farmer's position to-day is infinitely better than in the years ago. He will be the better and our country the stronger by a maintenance of the good old Christmas customs that teach the brotherhood of man and the universal kinship of all to the divine.

The World wishes every farmer a merry time and a tiger.

THE STANDARD BRED.

Proposed Organization of the Breeders of this Popular Light Horse.

The Ontario Horse Breeders' Association that was formed last year has for its membership those members of the different breed associations who have recorded at least one pedigree during the calendar year. In this list appear the Canadian Standard Bred Trotting Association. This was published in The World on December 12th. It was expected, the inclusion of this association raised some queries as to what was meant. Such an association has not as yet been successfully established in Ontario, but as steps are under way towards this end, the provision for its admission to the Horse Breeders' Association was consequently made.

Dr. James Moore, a well-known physician of Brooklin, Ontario, who has taken a deep interest in the standard-bred horse, in speaking of the proposed society says: "The matter is still in embryo as far as my knowledge goes, but the national live stock registration committee has made provision for the establishment of a record for the breed at Ottawa. I will be glad to see the Mr. Wm. Smith, ex-M.P., to bring it up before that committee, and will have laid all the pavement ready for light horsemen to build the superstructure on."

The spring stallion shows that take place at various points in Ontario will be a convenient occasion for discussing the movement. The World will be glad to receive any correspondence from interested breeders of the standard bred horse on this subject.

FARMER'S FIRST VISIT.

Sees Educational Work Predominating Over Fakers at Guelph.

Agricultural Editor: Upon entering the winter fair building for the first time the farmer at once feels at home. Live stock are on every side of him. There is no loud call of the peanut and banana vendor. No grand stand from which to watch the performance of clowns. Everybody there is present for the express purpose of viewing the products of the farm, and the farmer's heart swells with delight to see the large crowds taking such interest in the best he can produce.

For a number of years the best farmers have had a secret jealousy of the counter attractions at their annual county fairs. Did the people come to see the products of the farm or the side shows and the races? These doubt are now all dispelled, and his heart again swells with pride. Not only does his handwork draw the crowds, but he knows that it is worthy of their inspection.

After a critical examination of the different classes of live stock and poultry, the farmers gathered in the lecture rooms to gain all the knowledge possible, and those lectures were indeed interesting and instructive. In fact, it was impossible to attend one without receiving some valuable idea to put into practice at home.

Hundreds of farmers have gone home to different parts of the province with the seeds of the uppermost in their minds that what they have done, he can do. What effect that will have will be seen in future years. That the quantity and quality of the produce will improve must be evident to all.

One of the most interesting points of the fair was the seed department. These few members of the Canadian Seed Growers' Association who are endeavoring to increase the quantity and quality of our crops are doing a noble work, and this branch should perhaps receive greater attention than it does, for the foundation of the success in farming is in the production of cereals from the ever-willing soil.

A. Farmer.

GOOD RESULTS FOLLOW.

The advertisements that appear on the Farming and Live Stock Pages of The World. Our condensed ads, as read by people all over Ontario and now in the time to climb in. Mr. Watson of Agincourt advertised recently for a farm hand and replies were received from over twenty places in Ontario and they were good ones.

"I am well satisfied with the advertising given by the Farming Pages of The World. Replies from responsible men came in from long distances, and I saved a man who, I think, has proven the wisdom of the advice."

It costs very little to put an ad here for one month twice each week. Write the agricultural department for particulars.

The Farmstead.

A Merry Xmas.

Let there be no stringency in the good cheer.

Keep your eye on the farm calendar.

New York Produce Review says that silage fed milk is not acid in comparison.

It may be an old story, but brings attention to progressive ideas from the farmer's success.

The farm motor has come in Ontario and the government might well subsidize farms rather than railways.

The honest stock man is a wellspring of joy to the whole community. The man who slanders his neighbors' animals for his own benefit is a snob, indeed.

See Watson's new ad for Brahmas. Chicken fanciers and breeders should advertise on these pages now.

Beatty Bros. of Fergus are installing many of their celebrated litter carriers in the stables of prominent breeders in Ontario. The carrier seems to fulfill all that the company claim for it.

Thos. Maddafor of the Post Farm, west of Whitby, with Dr. Jas. Moore of Brooklin, has purchased the colt "Silver Crescent" from Mr. Harry Stinson of Brantford.

The show of fowl on Saturday at Toronto market was creditable to the farmers of York County. Some new subscribers now appear on our lists and we will be glad to hear from them at any time.

A farmer from Minnedosa, Man., who is on a visit to his native Township of Fenelon, informed The World that he had been retaining out there for \$4.50 to \$5.00 per barrel. Occasionally they get a barrel marked No. 1 that is anything but that grade. The Northern Ontario Agricultural Association, through Baldwin, Phipps and Greenings are welcome. On the whole, he says, the west will do very well this year.

The convention of the National Live Stock Association, to be held in Ottawa on February 5, 6 and 7, 1908, promises to be the most important meeting. The program being prepared provides for the consideration of such national topics as the export, import and the inter-provincial trade in breeding and commercial live stock. The relationship of stock industry to the live stock industry will be dealt with by foremost authorities. The health of Canadian live stock, proposed amendments of customs regulations and the Scottish premium system of hiring stallions will all be considered with a view to improving present conditions in Canada in respect to these matters.

Already an attendance of representative stock men from each of the several provinces is en route. Most of the regional and provincial live stock associations have fulfilled the requirements of affiliation. It is the privilege also of agricultural societies and exhibitors associations which paid in cash prizes for live stock in 1907 a sum of \$500 or upwards to the National Association, by sending to the live stock commissioner, Ottawa, a list of their members. Societies affiliated in this way are represented at the convention by their president or secretary.

CANADIAN STEEL AND WIRE.

The Canadian Steel and Wire Fence Co. of Hamilton report a brisk trade in eight for eight foot wire. They are sending out goods to all parts of the country and their constant attention to all wants has won them their well-merited success.

WIDE-AWAKE FENCE COMPANY.

The Banwell-Hoxie Wire Fence Co. of Hamilton are preparing for a big business next year, which does not look like a serious hard-time prospect. Mr. Banwell, the manager of this enterprising firm, has ever sought to put an article on the market to fill the farmers' requirements in the fence line, and they have showed their appreciation by making the Peerless fence popular.

FARM CALENDAR.

Poultry Show, Ottawa, Jan. 6-11
 J. E. Disney & Son, Short-horn and Clydesdale, Greenwood, Feb. 12
 Ontario Horsebreeders' Show, Toronto, Feb. 12-14
 Guelph Fair, Guelph, March 5
 Canadian National Horse Show, Toronto, March 5-9
 May 4-9

City Cattle Market Statistics.

As reported by the city commissioner, the total receipts of the City Cattle Market from Jan. 1, 1906, to Dec. 31, 1906, were 455,574 lbs., valued at \$2,011,000, leaving a surplus of \$2,074,125. From 1905 to 1906, inclusive, was spent in acquiring land and erecting and erecting buildings.

The total receipts for 1907 will be about \$1,200,000, including \$450,000 for cattle market fees and privileges, or 18.00 per cent. on an investment of \$200,000.

Weston Black Watch L. O. L. 675. Members of the above order are requested to attend a special meeting on Thursday evening in Occident Hall.

12 CARS AT CITY YARDS

QUALITY OF CATTLE FAIR

Trade Good—Prices Unchanged—Sheep, Lambs and Hogs Are Steady.

Receipts of live stock at the Union Stock Yards were 12 carsload, composed of 193 cattle, 25 hogs, 265 sheep and lambs and 9 calves.

The quality of cattle was about the same as last week.

Trade, owing to light deliveries, was fairly good, with prices unchanged. Exporters.

Not many were sold. Prices ranged at \$4 to \$4.50.

Butchers.
 Choices picked lots, \$4.75 to \$5; good lots, \$4 to \$4.25; medium, \$3.50 to \$3.75; canners, \$3 to \$3.50.

Veal Calves.
 Prices ranged at from \$4 to \$5 per cwt. Milkers and Springers.

Prices ranged at from \$6 to \$7 each. Sheep and Lambs.

Export sheep sold at \$3.75 to \$4; lambs at \$4 to \$5.50 per cwt.

Hogs.
 Prices unchanged, at \$5.00 for select and \$4.50 for light fats.

Representative Sales.
 W. B. and Alexander Leveck bought for the Leveck Dressed Beef Company 100 cattle, 125 hogs and 40 sheep, prices quoted above.

McDonald & Maybee sold: 123 butchers, 120 lbs., at \$4.25; 120 lbs., at \$4.15; 2 butchers, 200 lbs., at \$3.75; 12 cows, 12 lbs., at \$2.25; 1 bull, 1400 lbs., at \$3.85; 1 bull, 1900 lbs., at \$3.85; 9 lambs, 30 lbs., at \$3; 15 sheep, 120 lbs., at \$3.25; 10 sheep, 120 lbs., at \$3; 3 milkers at \$7 each.

James Halliday bought three milkers at \$7 each.

CATTLE MARKETS.
 Cables Are Steady—American Markets Are Generally Firmer.

East Buffalo Live Stock.
 EAST BUFFALO, Dec. 23.—Cattle—Receipts, 200 head; fairly active and steady to the higher; prime steers, \$5.25 to \$5.75; shipping, \$4.75 to \$5.25; butchers, \$4 to \$5; heifers, \$3.25 to \$4.25; cows, \$2.50 to \$3; bulls, \$3 to \$4.50; stockers and feeders, \$2.50 to \$4.10; stock heifers, \$2.25 to \$3; fresh cows and calves, \$2 to \$2.50; calves, \$2 to \$3.

Veals—Receipts, 1200 head; active; 2c to 6c higher, \$5 to \$5.25.
Hogs—Receipts, 17,000 head; active; 2c to 2c higher; 10c to 12c; roughs, \$4.40 to \$4.60; stags, \$3.50 to \$4; dairies, \$4.50 to \$5.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 20,000 head; slow; sheep steady; lambs 2c higher; lambs, \$3 to \$3.50; a few, \$3.75; yearlings, \$2 to \$2.25; wethers, \$2 to \$2.25; Canada lambs, \$2.

British Cattle Markets.
 LONDON, Dec. 23.—London cables are firmer, at 1c to 1 1/4c per lb., dressed weight; refrigerated beefs quoted at 5 1/2c per pound.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 23.—John Rogers & Co., Liverpool, quote States steers, 11 1/2c to 12c; Canadian, 10c to 11c; butchers, 9 1/2c to 10c; cows, 9 1/2c to 10c; bulls, 8c to 9c; trade slow.

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Montreal Live Stock.
 MONTREAL, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—At the Montreal Stock Yards' West End Market the receipts of live stock for the week ending Dec. 21 were 4384 cattle, 1423 sheep and lambs, 448 hogs and 42 calves. The supply this morning for local consumption consisted of 700 cattle, 200 sheep and lambs, 1600 hogs and 120 calves. The market was comparatively quiet, and the run of cattle was small, which might have been expected after the active trade during the past week. There was some demand from local buyers for cattle, but there were no outside dealers on the market owing to the fact that they had ample supplies.

Choice heaves here sold at 5 1/2c; good at 5 1/4c to 5 1/2c; fair at 5c to 5 1/4c; common at 4 1/2c to 5c; inferior, 4c to 4 1/2c. Cows and canners at 70c to 80c per 100 lbs. Supplies of sheep and lambs were very small, for which the demand was fairly good and prices ruled firm at the advance noted a week ago. Heavy lambs, \$4.25 to \$4.50; medium, \$4 to \$4.25; light mixed, \$3.50 to \$4; good butchers' stock, 9 1/2c to 9c; and culls at 8c to 9 1/2c per lb.

Altho cables advised from Liverpool and Bristol on Canadian bacon were weaker on Saturday and noted a decline of 1c to 2c per cwt. as compared with the previous week, this fact has had no influence whatever upon the local hog situation, as the conditions of the market are strong and prices have scored a further advance of 2c to 3c per 100 lbs. since this day week, which is attributed to the small supplies coming forward and the continued good demand for the same from packers and dealers. An active trade was done this morning, and sales of selected lots were made at \$5.25 to \$5.50 per 100 lbs., weighed off cars.

Chicago Live Stock.
 CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Cattle—Receipts, 18,000; market strong, 1c to 2c higher; steers, \$2.90 to \$3.25; cows, \$2.75 to \$4.50; butchers, \$2.50 to \$2.75; stockers and feeders, \$2.40 to \$4.50.

Hogs—Receipts, 25,000; market 1c to 1 1/2c higher; choice heavy, \$4.25 to \$4.75; \$4.25 to \$4.50; light, \$3.75 to \$4.25; packing, \$4 to \$4.75; \$4.25 to \$4.50; bulk of sales, \$4.50 to \$4.70.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 12,000; market active; 1c to 2c higher; sheep, 2c to 2 1/2c; lambs, \$3 to \$3.25; yearlings, \$4 to \$4.50.

CHRISTMAS "CHEER" FOR THE CITY'S POOR

What the Charitable Organizations and Institutions Are Going to Do.

While there is a good deal of destitution in the city, there does not appear, on the whole, to be much more than is usual at this time of the year; and a good part of the additional calls is generally ascribed to immigrants who have come into the country during the past three or five months.

However, in some quarters special calls are made for assistance. And this especially is the case with the parish of St. James' Cathedral. Rev. Canon Welch, at Sunday-morning's service, stated that besides those whom they usually assisted with Christmas cheer, they particularly desired to extend considerable aid to many families in great need in another parish. It was requested, that donations, whether in the shape of money or of provisions, be sent in as early as possible to-day, and money gifts on this occasion are particularly preferred. The parish in question is Trinity East; and besides the 100 households in another parish, the St. James' Cathedral parish, it is hoped that the generosity of parishioners will be amply sufficient to enable as many baskets to be sent to Trinity East.

At the House of Industry, Elm and Elizabeth-streets, an excellent dinner will be given to the 170 families. At the present time, the outdoor relief department, which is financed by the city, is quite heavily taxed and supplies of coal, groceries, etc., are being furnished to some 400 or 450 families, while the applications are daily increasing in number by from 80 to 90. But the increase over the small normal number at this season is wholly ascribed to immigration. Last winter from 700 to 800 families obtained outdoor relief at this institution. The present expenditure upon this branch of the work is somewhere between \$2000 and \$3000 a month.

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