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W. J. Hanna for Food Controller

MR Robert Borden announced in the Commons on June 19 that Hon. W. J. Hanna, ex-Provincial Secretary of Ontario, has been appointed Dominion Food Controller, and has accepted the position, on the condition that no salary shall be attached to the office. The position, which was at first tentatively offered to Mr. Sanford Evans, was declined by him, and Hon. Mr. Hanna has now assumed the great responsibility of the new office.

The order in Council defining the duties and powers of the Food Controller was finally passed on Saturday last. It provides that the Food Controller shall make necessary investigations into the quantities, location, ownership, sources of supply and prices of any article of food in Canada; that he shall ascertain domestic requirements and facilitate the export of the surplus to Great Britain and her allies. Subject to the approval of the Governor-in-Council, the Food Controller may make regulations governing the prices of any food and the storage, distribution, sale and delivery thereof, providing for its conservation and governing consumption in hotels, restaurants, cafes, private houses, clubs, etc. It is further provided that, subject to the same approval of the Cabinet, the Food Controller may requisition, store, sell and deliver food, and may appoint a necessary staff to carry on the work. Provision is made for co-operative action with any department of the Canadian Government or the Governments of Great Britain and the allied countries. There is a proviso that his duties shall not interfere with the powers of the Board of Grain Commissioners recently appointed to supervise the disposal of this year's grain crop.

Mr. Hanna has gone to Washington to confer with Mr. Hoover, the United States Food Controller, as a preliminary to tackling the Canadian situation.

International Milk Situation.

THE most recent report of the Swiss Agricultural Association, dealing with the international market for milk and milk products, summarizes the world situation as follows:

"In all European producing districts the milk supply has declined in an unprecedented degree. The quantities of milk used for the making of cheese and butter were limited to a large extent owing to the lack of strengthening fodder, the bad quality of raw fodder, that had suffered from rain, but in particular to the necessity of contributing largely to the provision of consumptive milk in towns. The exceptionally long period of cold winter weather also exerted an unfavorable influence on the production of milk, especially in the centre and north of Europe, so that in these districts the cheese trade was inconceivable. In addition to this lack of other fats the scarcity of butter made itself felt in all quarters in an ever-increasing degree. In spite of the fixation of prices by authorities, prices soared to a level never heard of before.

"In all probability production will not be considerable during the next quarter. In Europe the stocks of cattle have diminished these two years on the whole. Apart from this fact the lack of strengthening fodder will certainly result in a serious falling off of supply as compared with the same period of last year. The cattle, that passed a bad winter, will yield a small quantity of milk during the next months, and green feed will begin later than usual.

"In many instances the fixation of maximum prices rendered the pro-

duction of milk unprofitable. The number of cows was therefore limited, whereas the breeding of cattle increased. In order to prevent a further drop, higher prices ought to be granted in correspondence to the advanced prime cost. Government's ought to take such arguments into consideration, when fixing maximum prices. In America, too, markets may reckon on an improvement in prices; the prospects as to production, it is true, are better there than in Europe, but the increasing firmness of corn markets argues favorably for a rise in prices for all sorts of milk products."

Training the Renfrew Team

EDITOR, Farm and Dairy:—In past issues of Farm and Dairy I have read of the training of several county live stock judging teams. I would like to tell Farm and Dairy readers how our team here in Renfrew was trained. On December 8 and 9 our local Board of Agriculture held a Stock Judging Course at Arnprior. Mr. M. H. Winter, our District Representative, had sent word to the boys who had taken the six weeks short course at Glasgow Station in 1916, to try and attend, as he wished to pick a team to go to Ottawa. Six boys were out; four said they could practice and go Ottawa. On the ninth it was found that one of these had won the Acro Profit Competition and was going to Guelph. So this left Morris Storey, Leonard Lavarene and the writer for the team.

On the eighth we had draft horses. Dr. Baker, of Hamilton, was the government lecturer and the animals were four handsome marcos, two imported pure-bred and two grade Clydesdale, owned by Mr. Andrew Russell, who lives about two miles from Arnprior. Dr. Baker explained the points of a draft horse and Mr. Winter asked us for our placings and Dr. Bassano, Dr. Baker remarked that this was the best class of draft horses he had seen that year.

On Saturday, the 9th, we drove in the morning to Mr. Andrew Russell's with Mr. D. Leitch, of Cornwall, and Mr. Winter. Mr. Russell has a splendid herd of Shorthorns. Mr. Leitch and Mr. Winter took two classes of Shorthorns with us and we looked over some more of Mr. Russell's Clydesdales.

In the afternoon we were again at the course where Mr. Leitch explained the desirable points of a dairy cow. We had two classes, one of nature cows, and one of heifers. These animals were from the Holstein herd of Thomas Hovey and Sons.

On the sixteenth we again met at Arnprior and drove to Mr. M. S. Robertson's, about one mile from Arnprior, where we had a class of Shorthorns, and in the afternoon, went to Mr. J. Blair's farm in Flisroy township, where we had a class of Shropshire sheep.

The next place visited was Mr. J. J. Blaine's, near Renfrew, where we had two classes of splendid Ayrshire cattle.

On January 12 we visited the farm of Mr. David Barr, Jr., near Renfrew, where we had some excellent Shropshire sheep and Yorkshire swine. Mr. Barr had a very fine herd of bacon pigs and he explained to us where he looked for when he used to exhibit at the Winter Fair.

On Monday, the 15th, we went to Ottawa. In the afternoon we went to the Experiment Farm, where Mr. Winter had us go over some sheep and swine.

We gained much valuable information by taking part in this competition and now know how to do and what to breed for in the various kinds of farm stock.—Jno. D. MacLaren, Renfrew Co. Ont.



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