



Fig. 6.—A Manitobagrade cow with a record of 7,391 pounds of milk and 289 pounds of butter-fat for a regular milking period.

CONCLUDING REMARKS

The story is told of an Eastern farmer, that after carrying on cow-testing work for some two or three years he remarked, "I've been doin' this work for a long time now and the blamed old cows are no better'n when I begun."

Apparently he thought to shame the poor cows into doing better work. But unfortunately such cows have no sense of shame.

We would mention two requisites in connection with the building up of the dairy herd. The one is, to **know** the value of each cow in the herd for dairy purposes, through systematic weighing and testing; while the other is, to **utilize this knowledge** to weed out and build up the herd.

Farmers who have engaged in this line of work, and have made good use of the information gained, have had splendid success in improving their herds; and we have on file many appreciative letters received from them.

The reader who has not already begun cow-testing work is invited to correspond with the Dairy Department of the Manitoba Agricultural College regarding it, if, after a perusal of this bulletin, he feels sufficiently interested to do so. Should he **begin** the work he will, in all likelihood, meet with many **surprises** regarding the different members of his herd; and should he **continue** it, and make use of the information gained, there is no question as to the **benefits** that will follow.