COMMISSION OF CONSERVATION

We visited fourteen different sections of the county last spring and gave demonstrations in the preparation of the home-boiled concentrated lime-sulphur. During the past season this spray gave fully as good, and some claim better, results than the commercial article. In one section where a demonstration was given they boiled 15 barrels and have already ordered three times the material for next year. At Wellington, they purchased 3,500 lbs. sulphur, 1,750 lbs. lime, making 35 bbls. of concentrated solution at a cost of less than \$1.50 per bbl.

A Short Course in stock and seed judging was held in Ameliasburgh on March 14, 15 and 16, at which it was estimated that 1,200 farmers attended. Discussions were held and demonstrations given regarding light and heavy horses, dairy and beef cattle, swine, and farm crops, viz., wheat, oats, barley, corn, hay, pasture and fodder crops.

The Fruit Institute held in Picton on December 14, 15 and 16 was well attended, there being an attendance of upwards of 400 at one of the sessions. Special emphasis was placed on fruit production and the planting, cultivating and spraying of the orchard. Demonstrations were given to show the best methods of packing apples and the preparation of spray materials, particularly the lime-sulphur wash.

All the fall fairs in the county have been attended, viz., Picton, Roblin's Mills and Demorestville. Judging demonstrations were conducted at Picton and Roblin's Mills Fairs for young men, as well as weed and weed seed naming contests and apple naming contests.

Educational exhibits were shown at Picton and Roblin's Mills in 1909 and also in 1910. The exhibit consisted of weeds and weed seeds, insects and diseases of fruits and crops, the results of the experiments conducted. I distributed literature of the Department of Agriculture, and acted in the capacity of judge at two fairs each season.

Judging demonstrations were held at North Port, Hillier, South Bay, Bethel, Crofton and Milford. Horses and dairy cattle were judged and discussed. The average attendance at each place was 45. In most cases, evening meetings were held.

Two seed meetings were held in June, 1909, at Hillier and Northport, attendance 45 and 50, respectively. In 1910, special seed meetings were held at Cherry Valley, Milford and Mountain View, with an average attendance of 55.

I have attended all the Farmers' Institute meetings, Agricultural Society meetings, Farmers' Club meetings, and cheese meetings held in the county. There are thirteen organized Farmers' Clubs in the county. I attended a large number of the meetings of each Club

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