

OUR FARMERS' CLUB

Correspondence Invited

ONTARIO

ARENVILLE CO. ONT.
FARMERS' UNION, Sept. 25.—We are receiving about the same amount of milk as at this time last year, and the quality is good. The late showers have started the grass growing, and cattle are looking well. There was a good crop of hay. Grain has turned out well in threshing. Potatoes are a light crop.—F. Brown.

HASTINGS CO. ONT.
CHAPMAN, Sept. 27.—Corn cutting is nearly completed, and a great deal of the crop was badly frozen. The yield in most cases will be below the average. A number of new silos have been

erected this year. The apple crop is very poor and some farmers will not have enough for their own use. The potato crop will also be much short of last year. Roots are doing well and give promise of being a good crop. Hogs have dropped to \$5.50 a cwt.—H.S.T.

NORTHUMBERLAND CO. ONT.
CASLTLETON, Sept. 22.—Almost all the fall grain is sown but an account of dry weather it is not growing very fast. Cheese is a good price, but the cows are falling in milk. The grain is very light. Oats are only about 20 lbs. to the bush. Potatoes are selling for \$2 a bag of 90 lbs.—H. M.

DURHAM CO. ONT.
BLACKSTOCK, Sept. 25.—Threshing is well advanced. Barley is turning out a fair average. Peas also are an average crop; oats about two-thirds of a crop; spring wheat very poor; fall wheat a failure; apples probably one-half a crop.

Potatoes will be a small crop. Corn is good and well cobbed. On account of dry weather growing is not very well advanced.—R.J.F.

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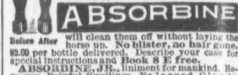
FERGUS, Sept. 25.—Threshing is the order of the day. It is not a long job this year, averaging from seven to 10 hours for a 100-acre farm. Most farmers have only half a crop of everything this year; even the bushwheat, on which so many were depending. It was frozen to the ground on Sept. 13th, also the potato crop. Very little rain has fallen, and the ground is hard for plowing. Fall wheat is 80c; oats, 40c; rye, 60c; barley, 60c; peas, 85c; buckwheat, 45c; butter, 15c; eggs, 21c; hogs, \$5.50 a cwt.; farm choice cattle, \$6; potatoes, \$1 a bag.—W.B.

OXFORD CO. ONT.

GOLSPIE, Sept. 25.—810 billing is in order. Most of the threshing is finished. Corn is an exceptionally good crop, well cared and matured. The cows are doing fairly well. We have been feeding cows since the middle of July. Butter is 38c on the Woodstock market. Eggs are 55c.—A. M. McD.

THAMESFORD, Sept. 27.—There are not nearly as many hogs raised as two years ago. I live right near the station and can see dealers ship. Some weeks they do not get enough to ship. A year or two ago most farmers kept two or three cows and some more; now just odd farmers

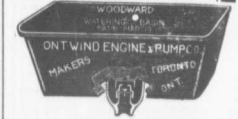
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keep more than one. Farmers do not seem to take interest in hog production. Prices are so uncertain that farmers never know what the prices will be. Crops are not up to the average. Grain is of poor quality. Hay on good land was a fair crop, probably averaged a ton to the acre, but on poor land it was very light. Potatoes are very poor. Early ones were very small.—J. C. Thurston.

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