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business offering ample, security. The lesson for the banks is that a local manager who knows farming, knows something of co-operation, and is imbued with the real community spirit can render not only an inestimable service to the community but can get the confidence of that community so effectually as to guarantee a healthy growth of the bank's own business. We were talking to a bank manager and his wife recently. They owned a farm also. She said, "I tell you, we knew last summer just to a slight extent how the farmers feel during the times of drouth and danger from frost and hail. We were so anxious about our crop and it was not our main dependence. How must the farmers have felt who were loaded up with debt and absolutely depending on that crop to make or break them? I tell you, I don't envy them all they make." Community sympathy and interest are worth creater encour agement.

### Inspection for Disease

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There should be inspection here and in new associations against disease. In fection with tuberculosis or contagious abortion from incoming cattle would not only be a serious loss, but would probably militate seriously against further progress. The creation of an insurance fund should be a good move.

The present rapidly rising prices of cattle is something that needs to be met by new associations by the most careful and close buying. Hence the necessity of an exceptionally competent buying manager.

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As intimated previously in this article the idea has been suggested that the bank furnish credit to the association as needed and the farmers' notes be made payable to the association direct rather than to the bank. This is under contemplation at present. It does not seem impossible, but on the other hand, quite feasible, that similar comtinations of farmers should get from the lanks money for other purposes. Security of the loan is asserted by the bank to be the determining factor in extending such loans and also in reducing the interest rate. Since the farmers at Elfros can do this farmers in other places should also be able to do it, for livestock or for other uses that short term capital may be put to on the average farm. Already there is in Western Canada in each province the framework of such machinery in the Grain Growers' associations of Manitoba and Saskatchewan and the United Farmers of Alberta. Already the cooperative spirit is developed more among these locals and their centrals than among any other farmers' organizations we have. If such a system could be put into operation thru them it would not only help materially in getting the hanks and farmers over some of their present difficulty of meeting on common ground, but it would greatly strengthen the Grain Growers' associations and the whole body of western farmers. Such would essentially be a system of short term credit and if all the hanks were prepared to do their part it could be a real factor in building up a system of cooperative loans. A writer in a recent issue of the Journal of Commerce suggests that if the banks are not disposed to lend sufficient money under the new amendment to the Bank Act, to meet the full demands of western farmers, it might be practicable to organize a subsidiary loans of the banks. On a capital of probably \$1,000,000, to supplement regularions be wung. If, however, the principle could probably be adapted to the same purposes as a subsidiary can be worsed thru the Grain Growers organizations, the centrals of which could probably be adapted to the same purposes as a subsidiary company such as that mentioned, only on a more extensive scale, not only cattle loans but short term credit for other purposes could be supplied.

Discard the mongrel and scrub bull and save money. If calves are worth raising, they should be of the best breeding possible, on the sire's side at least. Use only the very best purebred bull available; good dairy cattle are more valuable each year, and the good ones never come by chance, but are well bred and reared.

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