



One of the modern barn plans prepared by our Builders' Service Dept.

Above is shown one of the modern barn plans prepared by our "Builders' Service Dept." Others are shown in a portfolio that will be mailed to you on receipt of the coupon attached to this ad, properly filled out.

If you will tell us the size of the barn you expect to build, and the number of cattle you want to house, our Board of Advisers, consisting of ten of the best barn builders and contractors in the Dominion, will co-operate with you to plan a building exactly suited to your own particular requirements.

This service is offered to you FREE of charge. It's our

way of showing our appreciation of the generous and hearty support the farmers and builders of Canada have given our products, particularly Preston Safe-Lock Shingles.

Preston Safe-Lock Shingles merit the tremendous demand they enjoy to-day, for they afford *guaranteed protection* against lightning. They keep out the rain, snow, moisture, wind and fire, too. They cost nothing for up-keep, as they never need painting or repairs.

Our latest edition of "Truth About Roofing" booklet tells all about them. We'll send a copy along with the Portfolio of Barn Plans. You want the Portfolio, that's certain, if you intend to build. So send the coupon by first mail. Address it to

E. Dolph Manager

Metal Shingle & Siding Co., Limited

Branch Office and Factory, Montreal, Que. Preston, Ont.

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 * Please send me portfolio of Barn Plans showing framework construction *
 * and plans of interior. I intend building a barn ft. by ft. *
 * Do you intend re-roofing or re-siding any building this year? (Yes or *
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a position to know whereof they speak that the finest potatoes grown on this continent can be produced on the Ontario Government's practically free grant lands in New Ontario, and as high as two hundred bushels per acre have been grown in the northland and a ready home market is found for this product among the miners in the gold, silver, copper and nickel mines which have made Ontario famous. At the present time the market price of potatoes in the mining district is one dollar a bushel. Thus a farmer in New Ontario can produce, without any scientific knowledge of farming, at the lowest possible calculation, one hundred bushels an acre, giving him for the product of ten acres of land one thousand dollars for this crop alone.

If it is possible for the farmer of New Brunswick to grow potatoes and pay expenses of railway freight over one thousand miles and still make a profit, selling them to the wholesaler in Toronto at seventy cents a bushel, it does not require a very brilliant mind to figure out the profit of a man who gets his land practically free that will give a maximum yield of first class potatoes, absolutely free from rot and fungous diseases—and who has not to fight against the ravages of the Colorado beetle and other pests and diseases which are such a drawback to potato growers in older Ontario.

The executive held eleven meetings during the year, and the directors two. The president and Mr. F. F. Reeves were delegates to Boston and Brockton conventions respectively.

Items of Interest

The Division of Entomology of the Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa, has issued a new bulletin dealing with the Destructive Insect and Pest Act, including recent amendments.

"The Weeds of Ontario" by J. E. Hewitt, lecturer in botany of the Ontario Agricultural College, is the title of bulletin No. 188, issued by the Ontario Department of Agriculture. It is a revision and amplification of several previous bulletins issued by the Department. It contains one hundred and forty-four pages and deals at considerable length with the most common weeds of Ontario, most of which are illustrated.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of The Horticultural Publishing Company, Limited, was held in Toronto February 29th. The report of the auditor showed that the receipts of the company from its two publications, THE CANADIAN HORTICULTURIST and THE CANADIAN FLORIST, during 1911 were the greatest in the history of the company. The surplus of receipts over expenditures, as reported in the auditor's statement, was voted by the directors into a reserve fund. The making of important improvements in THE CANADIAN HORTICULTURIST, as recommended by the managing director, was considered and referred to the board of directors to be dealt with at their discretion. The following directors were elected: Messrs. W. H. Bunting, St. Catharines; J. H. Simmers, John H. Dunlop and P. W. Hollett, Toronto; Harold Jones, Maitland; A. W. Peart, Burlington, and H. B. Cowan, Peterboro. At a subsequent meeting of the board of directors, Mr. W. H. Bunting was re-elected president, Mr. John H. Dunlop, secretary-treasurer and managing director.

Send us the names of a few of your friends who are interested in horticulture. We will like to learn about THE CANADIAN HORTICULTURIST.