

happenings took capital out of the business, but the reputation of their product and dealings enabled the succeeding active member of the firm, Mr. Frank K. Bell, son of Mr. Charles F. Bell, to continue the business, and gradually increase again its trade, until in 1902 it was turned into a Company, and very fine additions made to their plant. Mr. F. K. Bell continued in the management until 1907, when a re-organization placed him in complete control of the business again, and which still continues. So that, since its establishment in 1850, it has practically been in the hands of the same family down through three generations, and in continuous operation.

The quality of their manufacture has always been maintained at a high standard, and always bore a splendid reputation amongst the farmer purchasing public. It has embraced Plows, Cultivators, Rollers, Mowers, Reapers, Cutting Boxes, etc., etc., but to-day they specialize upon Ensilage Cutters, Blowers and Silo Fillers, and build more sizes, styles and equipments of these than all other makers in Canada put together. During the world war they did their bit in making 4.5 shells for the British Government, and without profit.

**THE HOLSTEIN-FRIESIAN ASSOCIATION OF CANADA.** One of the organizations which has assisted materially in adding to the reputation of Brant County is the Holstein-Friesian Cattle Breeders' Association of Canada. The first cattle of this breed came to Canada from the United States in the winter of 1882-3, several farmers in widely separated localities making small importations about the same time. At the Toronto Exhibition of 1883 a handful of these men held a meeting and formed an organization which was the nucleus of the present powerful Association. Up to 1891 registration of the pedigrees of Canadian Holsteins was continued with the Association in the United States, but in that year the Canadian breeders decided to establish a herd book of their own.

The Constitution and By-Laws of the Association adopted in 1891 declare the objects of the organization to be (1) To promote the best interests of the Holstein-Friesian cattle and their owners in the Dominion of Canada. (2) To bring the breeders into close and friendly relation with each other that they may co-operate in their efforts to raise this noble race of cattle to a higher place. (3) To correct all erroneous statements regarding this breed of cattle and protect the members from fraud or imposture in all matters pertaining to the purchase, sale or breeding thereof. How well these objects have been attained may be inferred from the fact that the Association increased in membership from 100 in 1891 to 3200 in 1919, and in registrations, from 400 to 15,000. In fact the registrations of Holsteins now greatly outnumber those of all the other dairy breeds combined.