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### Our Monthly Prize Essay.

Our prize of \$5.00 given for the best essay on the comparative advantages and profits of *Summer and Winter Dairying*, has been won by J. B. Bessey, of Georgetown, Ont., and will be published in our next issue.

A prize of \$5.00 will be given for the best essay upon *The Advantages of Maintaining Township Exhibitions*. [On account of the many exhibitions the time for receiving this essay has been extended to the 15th November.]

### Our Exhibition Issue for 1883.

All subscribers who are desirous of having a copy of our special mail issue for any friend or friends are requested to forward such names with P. O. address at once. Our Exhibition Issue is free on application to our subscribers being included in their annual subscription, and will be very interesting to them as well as to their friends. Send names at once. As this issue is issued mainly to procure our usual large addition of new names at this time, our friends will kindly use the copies received to the best advantage.

THE FARMER'S ADVOCATE was started as a four-page sheet in 1866, at 50c. per annum. Its circulation was less than 500 copies, and not over 5,000 copies for the year. In 1868 the paper was increased to 16 small pages, and the price became \$1.00 per annum, whilst the circulation was about 3,000 per month, or 40,000 in the year. During the past year, by the press of reading matter and advertising patronage, we have been compelled to increase our size to thirty-six pages, without any increase in subscription of \$1.00 per annum, whilst the circulation has not been less than 16,000 copies in any month, and the total circulation has exceeded 225,000 copies. For this month, Oct., 1883, we will issue over 20,000 copies independent of our mammoth Exhibition Issue, to be mailed on the 15th inst. Next year we hope still further to increase the value of your paper, without any additional expense to its patrons, and confidently ask each subscriber to send in at least one new name for 1884.

### How to Get Subscribers and Win Premiums.

Select your premiums. Make out a list of neighbors or farmers in your vicinity, who, if they do not take the paper already, should become subscribers. Call upon them systematically for a few evenings, and you will be surprised to find how soon you have collected sufficient subscriptions to entitle you to almost any article you desire in our list. Have a small blank book or memorandum that will contain the name of each subscriber as fast as you secure them, and you will discover that the influence of numbers will aid you materially. When B sees that A has subscribed, he will be influenced to do likewise, especially after you have shown him one of the issues of the paper. When you send the names to us, we will forward the Premiums to your address. Our subscription list is to-day larger than ever. We ask the co-operation of our subscribers and friends in placing the FARMER'S ADVOCATE AND HOME MAGAZINE in every farmer's home.

The FARMER'S ADVOCATE, while essentially a farmer's paper, is much more besides. Among its varied contents are well-written editorials and numerous extracts and compilations on subjects of interest to the intelligent reader of every class. There is fun and amusement for the home and instruction for the field, garden and live stock departments, which cannot be surpassed in any other publication we know of. It is a matter of congratulation, too, that this publication, though issued in London, has enjoyed a commercial success far beyond that achieved by any other similar journal in Canada. The reason is that it is edited and directed by men of practical experience as well as book knowledge of the matters upon which they have to treat.—[Free Press, London, Ont.]

### By the Way.

Some fine fairs yet.  
Better plow a little deeper this fall.  
Use the roller on the winter wheat.  
Do not be sparing of the whitewash.  
Come, boys, now "go for" the coons.  
Are you ready for Jack Frost's visits.  
The best manure is the foot of the owner.  
To prevent cold fingers dig potatoes early.  
Always separate sick animals from the others.  
For long evenings—good agricultural papers and books.

Tobacco water or carbolic soap suds will destroy the plant lice.  
A little linseed meal mixed with the feed is good for scours in sheep.

Plough for next year's oat crop early, so that the rain and warm weather will rot the sod.

Manure pear trees in the fall. Fresh manure applied in the spring is liable to produce blight.

Sow orchard grass early or wait until spring. It must get a good stand or it will be uprooted by the frost.

For black knot on plum trees, cut away and burn the diseased parts. If you neglect this you will surely lose the tree.

Teach the cows to come to the bars night and morning by simply baiting them with a handful of meal slightly seasoned with salt.

Sow spinach every two or three weeks until cold weather for a succession of plants in the spring. Protect through the winter with leaves or straw.

Mr. James Beal attributes his agricultural success to the habit of guarding against little leaks. For one thing, his stock consume or make into manure all his stalks and straw.

A correspondent of the Germantown Telegraph says his hickory timber which proved most durable was cut in autumn—"after all the leaves had fallen and the sap had disappeared."

In one Kansas county in "early amber" sorghum cane there is a yield of 150 gallons an acre at forty cents a gallon. The seed is worth fifty cents a bushel for stock feed at twenty bushels to the acre.

DO YOUR WORK THOROUGHLY.—This is especially necessary in farm work. Half-way work is little better than no work. When you undertake to exterminate thistles or daisies or quack grass, do it. Don't rest satisfied with trying and with partial success. Plough them under and keep them there by repeated ploughings. When you hoe a crop do it in such a manner that there will be no living weeds left behind your hoe. Good work is the cheapest.

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