

# OUR FARMERS' CLUB

Contributions Invited

## PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

### QUEENS CO., P.E.I.

MARSHFIELD.—A good average crop of hay was well sved. Colours rains have brought the grain in fairly. Harvest is now on. All early sown grain is well put and free from rust. Late sown is somewhat rusted. Roots, especially turnips, are promising fine. Potatoes are looking very good. Corn is a bumper crop, and is rapidly coming on and showing well. Prospects for abundance of winter feed are looking promising. Factories have never had a better year. The dairy outlook is very bright.—C. F. F.

### QUEBEC

### RICHMOND CO., QUE.

DANVILLE.—Haying is finished. An average crop was well harvested, with good haying weather all through. The grain crop is good and ripening fast. Grasshopper are plentiful in the pastures, but not doing much damage to the crops. Potatoes are a good crop. Corn is doing well. Hay is still high in price. Pork is selling for 11½¢ a lb. Eggs are 35¢ a doz. and butter 38¢ a lb. The weather has been very cold, and the hay has not been cut and other, more fortunate, have their grain already harvested.—M. D. B.

### ONTARIO

### HASTINGS CO., ONT.

SIDNEY CROSSING.—Recent rains have freshened the pastures. The grain crop on the late grain.—and have brought what are a good crop. Grain has turned out well and is a fine sample. Hay and barley are a little light. There will be an abundance of feed of all kinds. The already been plowed. Apples are a crop and prices range from \$1.25 to \$1.50 on the trees although a good many have sold at \$1 a barrel. Buyers went out early for suckers, and got them. There are a few more to be had, and they are a little cheap and are a fine sample. Apples are selling at 50¢ a bush. 60¢; brasses 75¢ a ton; eggs 28¢ a doz; butter, 35¢; pork 10¢ a lb; milk cows, \$25 to \$30; hogs, 8¢; chickens, 20¢ a pair; lamb, 10¢ to 12¢ a lb. J. K.

### PETERBORO CO., ONT.

ARLEY.—Harvest is well advanced and the weather could hardly be more favorable. There is little or no wheat grown. Potatoes and barley being the general crops. Apples and berries are a good crop. Apples are not so good. Potatoes, turnips and corn promise to be above the average. Potatoes are good, considering the time of year. Stock of all kinds are looking better than a year ago.—A. H.

LA-SWADE.—Farmers are very busy harvesting. Grain crops promise a splendid yield this season. Potatoes and turnips are very scarce and prices high. The weather getting hay and grain in the best condition. Milk cows are doing very well. The quantity of farm produce is large. All vegetables are promising a good crop.—C.

### HALIBURTON CO., ONT.

KINKMONT.—Potatoes and corn are looking fine. They promise to be a good crop. Small fruits are a good crop while apples are scarce. Cattle buyers are offering \$14 a cwt. for two and three year old sheep. The creamery is paying 30¢ a lb

for butter fat; the stores offer 16¢ to 18¢ a lb for butter-to small a price in comparison with the other—S. T.

### BRANT CO., ONT.

FALKLAND.—The weather continues very dry. Pastures are very short. There is very little second growth in the fields. Depend on summer sown crops to keep the cattle in shape and the cows milking. Some were forced to sell their milking herd on hand to feed the milking herd. The hot dry summer was not made for nearly dry. Drying goes very hard, and there is a considerable acreage yet to be plowed and prepared for wheat. Corn seed runs fairly in order to insure a full late potatoes promise well, especially if we get rain soon. Wheat was down to 50¢, but has come back to the \$1.00 again. It is being marketed quite freely, and is a good price, 57½¢ a cwt. and are scarce.—L. T.

### ELGIN CO., ONT.

CAICAT'S MILLIS.—This section looks good potato straggles, but a move in this is a good sign, for should it be established early to their own gains, on a rural mail route where the writer saw a public road, nine spots, nine farmers on them. It was a small group of people. Who can measure the happiness it brings to the others, as the place farm homes. Great drives of pigs were coming through the orchards and fields, but some are seen of a variegated color, like the old fashioned "Calico potatoes," red and white, but all are happy with a nice cure on their tails.—J. E. O.

### MIDDLESEX CO., ONT.

COLBY.—There is in the village a public library, with abundance of such a convenience few small places can boast about. There is also a flourishing Women's Institute of nearly 100 members. These ladies discuss all subjects that relate with household economy. This institute adds greatly to the social life of the village. The neighborhood Beautiful springs flow up to date, and are the origin of the Sydenham River. The water here also solve the water question of the country. The water is sparkling and pure. The harvest is finished, and while the work is over abundant, the letter is in some things a good quantity of clover seed of early brown, and this year the outlook for buildings adorn the farms.—J. E. O.

### KENT CO., ONT.

CHATHAM.—Early and fall apples are nearly a failure. Winter apples are very poor crop. Codling moths do not seem to be numerous even in the orchards, but scale is quite bad. Apples are scrubby and small. No buyers have been in this section yet. Peach, pear and plum crop is very light.—M. B.

## AYRSHIRE NEWS

Farm and Dairy is the official organ of the Canadian Ayrshire Breeders' Association, all of whose members are readers of the paper. Members of the Association are invited to send items of interest to Ayrshire breeders for publication in this column.

### CHARACTERISTICS OF THE AYRSHIRE

This breed of Scotch dairy cattle originated under the rugged conditions of Ayrshire, and in their early characteristics they exemplify the form and quality which would be called for in a dairy animal intended to make the most economical use of their food, and do the best under conditions to severe for finer and more luxurious breeds. This truism coming from the pen of Prof. Craig, is being exemplified as never before by the latest type of the breed. Ayrshire men were slow to prove to the public that their breed combined symmetrical form and type with business propensities and economical production. In their dairy breed is noticeable that evenness of form, which gives the handsome appearance peculiar to the Ayrshire.

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### GOSSIP

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