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Newsy Notes from British Columbia

(From Farm and Dairy's Own Correspondent)

THE Chinese and certain dairymen are about the only British Columbia farmers who in the past have successfully marketed produce direct to the consumer. Peach Grove Farm of Langley, producing poultry and general farm truck, has put on a paying basis a direct marketing scheme. The farm hires a stall every Saturday at the False Creek Public Market, Vancouver, advertises a little in the city papers, and gets quite a considerable trade as a result. The other stalls at the city market are mostly occupied by commission dealers. The market management, headed by Mr. John McMillan, also sells on commission.

The owner of Peach Grove Farm told of his experiences in the following words: "Before taking the stall I shipped a good deal of produce to commission men and to a well-known retailer, but the 'shrinkage' was too great. I found I was losing money, and tried others, but after a few successful shipments the eternal 'shrinkage' again developed. With poultry it appeared the only way out of the difficulty was to ship the fowls dressed. Then I discovered that the dealers much preferred to have poultry shipped alive. I decided to market my own produce, and for five months have rented this stall each Saturday."

The number of householders appreciating the fresh local produce Peach Grove Farm sells is large, but they complain a good deal of the location of the public market. Vancouver's public market, built in a somewhat odorous place over False Creek, has always had to work against tremendous odds, and sometimes has been considered a white elephant. It is far from the centre of the city, and there has been much talk of building on a more central site. If the location was more advantageous, doubtless scores of Fraser Valley farmers would make use of the market.

Hogs, Alfalfa, Silos

Opening the fall fair at Armstrong the other day, Hon. Price Ellison, Minister of Agriculture, gave words of trenchant advice to the farmers. The Minister himself made his mark in farming just about fifteen miles below Armstrong, in the Vernon district, and so spoke with an intimate knowledge of conditions. "My advice," he said, "is for you to go in for hogs, alfalfa hay, and silos. Corn grows here 10 to 12 feet high, and everybody can grow it if they have the will. If you wish to get the full value out of your land, bear in mind

that you can't take things out continually without putting something back. You may accuse me of telling something you already know, but remind you again that barnyard manure is the thing to put back on the land if you wish to get the best results from it."

Alluding to the low prices being paid for apples, the Minister said, "was a pity that some of the sweetest and best fruit was bringing but a cent a pound. He believed that 'everything would come out all right' however, and speaking of the high potato prices, mentioned that in 1913 many thousands of tons rotted in the ground."

The Minister complimented the Armstrong district on the size and quality of its potatoes. He told of their popularity on the C.P.R. dining cars, where they sold for 16 cents each. "Recently with several friends I ordered these big potatoes on a dining-car," he said, "and I was told they were all sold. I wrote the C.P.R. about it, and was informed they had no ovens big enough to cook big potatoes in the quantity demanded." The speaker observed there has been in recent years a big improvement in the quality of Armstrong potatoes.

A Practical Beekeeper

L. Harris, of Vernon, is the inspector who safeguards the interests of the honey industry in western British Columbia. Besides being a competent inspector, Mr. Harris is a very successful beekeeper himself. He conducts an apiary with his son in South Vernon. The writer saw while in Vernon recently, a fine exhibit of comb honey from Mr. Harris' apiary. There was one tall comb weighing 112 pounds, which was but half the product of one hive. I will not mention the honey production per hive unit in British Columbia, but anyone who has an inkling concerning it will appreciate the nature of Mr. Harris' achievement. He is a good preacher who practises well his own precepts.

Farm Items

A. E. Burke of B. X. Valley, is getting three tons of alfalfa on a third cutting. Mr. Burke appreciates the timeliness of the slogan, "Increase the Live Stock," and is purchasing several hundred head of pigs, chasing 7 to 12 weeks old. Convenient quarters have been prepared for them. The lust for land is strong in some men's hearts. Applicants for pre-emption in the Powell River district have commenced a six-week vigil on the steps of the Courthouse, Vancouver. The land will be open for entry late in November. It is in 10-acre blocks and is considered very valuable.

The Situation as it Appears to the Grain Growers



NOTE: The cartoonist has not, as with many other cartoonists, put a signature on the picture. The cartoonist is a young man, a graduate of the University of British Columbia, and a member of the Vancouver Art Club. He is a very good artist and a very good writer.

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