PUBLISHERS' DEPARTMENT.

ERINDALE FARM ADOPTS THE SUGGESTIONS FOR MILK SUPPLY LAID DOWN BY THE MILK COMMISSION.

ERINDALE FARM, the home of "Certified Milk," has been known as one of the leading dairies in Toronto or vicinity for some years past. The proprietors are anxious that members of the medical profession see for themselves the methods they adopt at their farm to supply the public with a pure and clean milk supply, and are prepared to convey by auto, any practitioner of medicine in Toronto to their farm at Erindale, in order that he may inspect the work they are doing. Messrs. Price & Son, Ltd., use the most scrupulous care regarding the cleanliness of both their buildings and animals, every department being under the direct supervision of four of the brothers.

More important than that, however, is the fact that Price & Sons cheerfully and at once adopted the recommendations recently made by the Academy of Medicine Milk Commission towards materially bettering the milk supply of Toronto. Among the rules laid down by the Milk Commission, and adopted immediately by Price. & Sons, are:

Cows.—The cows must be tuberculin tested. The new ones to be tested before admission into the herd and the whole herd tested once a year.

Chemical Standard.—Milk must not contain more than SS per cent. of water, not less than 12 per cent. of solids, must contain at least 4 per cent. of fat (with a variation of 1 per cent., according to the season of the year), must contain 3½ per cent. of proteids (with a similar variation of 1 per cent.), the maximum degree of acidity not to exceed 2 per cent., the specific gravity to average 1.031. The milk must contain no preservative and there must be no heating.

Bacterial Standard.—The milk must contain less than ten thousand bacteria per cubic centimeter in the summer, and less than five thousand in the winter. There must be no injurious germs and no pus cells.

Temperature of Milk.—The cooling of the milk is to be commenced at once after milking. The temperature must be less than 45 deg. F. in half an hour after milking and kept at that temperature or less until delivered to the consumer.

Demand Exceeding Supply.—If milk is required by a physician, the holder of a physician's order must at all times be considered a preferred purchaser.

Delivery.—Milk must be delivered within twenty-four hours after milking. (Price & Son as a rule deliver inside of ten hours after milking.)

Physicians will welcome this news, and will feel that any milk supplied by Price & Sons, bearing the seal of the Milk Commission, is therefore particularly fitted for use by the sick.