

OUR FARMERS' CLUB

Correspondence Invited

QUEBEC.

COMPTON CO., QUE.

COMPTON, Sept. 22.—We are having fine weather, and little rain. Many wells and springs have gone dry, and rain is needed badly. A few have finished their potato digging. They are a fine crop, but are far in price. Grain was an extra good crop. Not much threshing has been done yet. Potatoes are selling at 50¢ a bush; butter, 35¢; eggs, 25¢.—H. G. C.

ONTARIO

HALIBURTON CO., ONT.

KINMONT, Sept. 22.—A bright, clear day made Galway Fair held at Kinmont a success, there being about 1,200 on the grounds. Vegetables, roots and fruit were good in spite of the dry season. Butter, feed and canned fruit made a most tempting display. The exhibit of fancy and useful work was hard to beat. Live stock was good, mostly every class being filled. Riverside Stock Farm showed an excellent lot of Darhams. Drought and general purpose horses were out in great numbers. Some fine two-year-olds were shown. A special train brought a large number from Lindsay and the south to enjoy the day.—J. A. R. T.

HASTINGS CO., ONT.

SHANNONVILLE, Sept. 25.—Holstein, Ayrshire and Jerseys were all represented at the Shannonville fair. Mr. Geo. Collins of Plainfield had a particularly good lot of Jerseys. T. C. Tiverton of Plainfield had Ayrshires. He also had W. C. Ketcheson & Son, Holstein exhibitors very Archie McDonald and Wm. Clancy of this place.—I. W.

FRANKFORD, Sept. 25.—Our fall fair had recently, was a great success. F. E. Malloy had 12 head of his famous back and white herd and cleaned up all the prizes. E. W. Brooks had some Jerseys, and W. C. Ketcheson & Son, Thurfow, a fine herd of Ayrshires. Other Holstein exhibitors were: Elias Ketcheson and E. O. Morrow. Hinton Sheep seem to be getting better and better every year. All leading breeds of swine were well represented. I would not start to talk about the horse show in this limited space.—W. I.

PERTH CO., ONT.

WILLOW GROVE, Sept. 22.—The weather has been very dry; very little fall plowing done; a lot of light plowing and grass

worked out of the land. We had a good rain on Saturday night, the first rain we have had in six weeks. Fruit is plentiful, but not so much on account of dry weather.—O. W. R.

NORWICH, OXFORD CO., ONT.

NORWICH, Sept. 21.—Our fall fair was held in the rain, but we had a good fruit were very attractive. Flowers and our Holstein show was good as any in Canada, and they were well represented as those of A. E. Hulet, Bettie Bros., C. N. Hillier and George Bros., in the Ayrshire classes John McVee and E. B. Palmer & Sons were the chief exhibitors. Jerseys were represented by P. Porter, Geo. A. and L. M. Meadows, Hatchley. Geo. A. and N. GIBBONS placed the awards.—P. A. GIBBONS.

WOODSTOCK, Sept. 25.—Our fair is located in what we call the best country, a cultural district in Canada, and the exhibits were worthy of the situation. A. E. Hulet of Norwich showed Holsteins, Melrose Bros. of Beacleville, 13, and T. D. Duff of Ina, Holsteins. The show was in honor of Oxford Centre and the South of Governor's Road showed Jerseys. The dairy test attracted the most people. McVee Bros. having the winning cow, also second with Hulet third. Melrose Bros. also had the best grade heifer class.—R. R.

ESSEX CO., ONT.

ARNER, Sept. 22.—The long drought has been broken by a few light showers, which soving has commenced. The acreage is about the same as former years. Tobacco cutting is general and will be an average crop. The quality will not be up to the standard owing to damage by hail and worms. Corn cutting has just commenced, and the crop will be an A-1 owing to drought. The cutting of clover seed is about finished, there being more clover out for seed this fall than in many years. Pastures are very short and dry.—A. L. A.

WEST BRITISH COLUMBIA

NW WESTMINSTER DISTRICT, B. C.

NW WESTMINSTER, Sept. 19.—Our effort to improve the quality of cattle in this

province. Yesterday 59 head of young Holstein cattle were shown. The average highest price realized was \$159. All this was pedigreed stock.—B. O.

A VISIT TO AVONDALE FARM

A 15 minutes' run from the Grand Trunk Station in the big touring car set the writer down last Thursday afternoon on the dairy farm of A. C. Hardy, Brockville, as Mr. Hardy calls his farm, "Avondale," along the Ottawa River. It is situated two miles directly west of Brockville, along the highway of G. T. R. The location of the farm is quite typical of many of those in this section of Ontario. It lies between the outcropping ridges of limestone that are prevalent in the St. Lawrence region. Its 200 acres is of clay loam of the kind that withstands well the dry summers.

Mr. Manhard, the new manager at Avondale, was over to town when the writer arrived, but the herdman, Mr. Lynn, was found on duty dealing out the evening rations to several cows. It was a pleasant surprise to find every cow on a peak and up at Avondale at this season when the silo filling rush is on. It almost looked as if they were expecting a dairy inspector. The stables were spotlessly clean, and the calf pens particularly were resplendent with a fresh coat of whitewash. A keen interest in regard to the attractiveness of the stables the general policy about that it was to have everything neat and tidy.

Knowing that Mr. Hardy was one of the contributors to their coming sale in October, the writer asked to see some of the animals that were to be put up, so with his record book in hand Mr. Lynn led the way to each of Mr. Hardy's consignments.

The Sale Consignment Mutual Friend Canary of Avondale, the first one brought out, is a big type, well marked three-year-old that had just freshened. As a two-year-old she has a second-day butter record of 112 lb. butter and 29 lbs. of milk. Looking over her pedigree we found that every dam in her record had over 20 lbs. of butter a week, and the average of the closest seven was 24.9 lbs. The sire of this heifer is a brother of the world's yearly record milk cow, Creamie Vale, and is also a grand-uncle of Sadie Vale, 304 lb. butter in 7 days, and of Canary Mercedes, 25.6 lbs. This latter cow is the foundation animal of their herd.

Another splendid heifer for the sale is the three-year-old, Pontiac Agreya Gothilda. She is not as prettily marked

as one might wish, but is big and growthy, has a lot of constitution and the very richest of breeding. She is a granddaughter of that most popular bull of the present day, King of the Pontiacs. This bull has a list of 16 two-year-olds with records of over 750 lbs. of butter per year. The world's record dairy cow is also one of his daughters, Pontiac Agreya Gothilda is also a granddaughter of Pontiac Korodyke, the bull that has 82 E.C. daughters, 21 above 20 lbs., 53 above 20 lbs., and has also 82 E.C. sons. Her grand-dam is a granddaughter of the great transmitting sire, Mount Echo De Kol.

A High Tester The only aged cow in his consignment is Senora Queen De Kol. She is 10 years old, nicely marked, deep and long, in her eighth year she gave 227 lbs. of butter in a week, the milk averaging 4.6 lbs. butter fat. She too, has all kinds of breeding, but space prohibits giving details.

In the opposite row of the stable stood 10 or 12 heifers coming two and three years. This entire bunch will be put up. They are all big, strong, growthy animals and many of them would be retaining well if not for lack of stable room. Most of them are due to freshen in early winter, thus giving the buyer the benefit of the winter's milking and a chance of testing them. Practically all of them are bred to Mr. Hardy's herd sire, King Pontiac De Kol. Buyers attending the sale on October 21st will do well to keep a line on this bunch.

From the building across the yard Mr. Lynn brought out one of the choicest animals of the whole herd. He is a young bull, King Pontiac Avondale, born July 2nd, 1912. As an individual he is hard to improve. He is strong, vigorous, of high depth, very masculine in fact a bull in every way. He has a combination of breeding hard to improve. His sire is King Pontiac Artis Canada, individually and in breeding one of the very best bulls in Ontario, and a winner at several of our leading exhibitions. This sire of King Pontiac Avondale is a son of the King of the Pontiacs, and from a daughter of Hengerveld De Kol. The dam of King Pontiac Avondale is Fairview-Mabel Korodyke, a 23-lb. three-year-old Pontiac Korodyke, and from a 19-lb. three-year-old daughter of the same, in this way King Pontiac Avondale carries 75 per cent of the blood of Pontiac Korodyke and Hengerveld De Kol. From both his individuality and breeding, this young bull stands to occupy a very important position in the Holstein world. He will go to the highest bidder on Oct. 21.

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