

## CO-OPERATIVE DAIRYING

A profitable market lies at the door  
of man who farms in the Clay Belt.

NEW LISKEARD, July 17.—The land where “clover is a weed” provides an ideal location for the development of a great dairy industry. The pioneers who will continue the policy of peaceful penetration must, and are listening to the advice of the agricultural experts to learn lessons taught by the pioneers of old Ontario; that sustained success in farming in this great agricultural hinterland is obtained by bringing the fertilizer back to the soil. This can only be done by the production of live stock.

In this land of great potentialities, with its unprecedented cereal and root producing possibilities, its greatest source of established increment lies in the development and permanent establishment of dairy farming and other lines of live stock. The mines of the mineral belt may become exhausted; the farm land may also become exhausted as it did in old Ontario because the poverty-stricken pioneers were forced to raise crops for quick returns, but dairy farming can go on to the end of time, reaping riches offered by a kind Providence, and giving back that more may be regained.

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A soil possessing a full share of lime and humus, on which timothy stands 4 feet 4 inches and clover 3 feet 3 inches and just heading out, is all that is necessary to attract an established expert dairy farmer; that is all the inducement he needs. But the man who must give heed to his investments and returns must think of markets and quick returns. Here, then, is where the door of opportunity stands wide open to the dairy farmer, be he rich or poor. The market is there waiting the production of the supplies; the mining camps must be fed, and the rapid development of the pulp industry creates other demands that must needs be met.

Inaccessibility or proximity of markets have often proved the bane of farmers. Sometimes during the height of their producing season their producer has returned little because of inability to secure a market. On the other hand, proximity of markets, and absence of proper distributing facilities, causes a glut; each way entails a loss, but co-operative handling and distribution and cold-storage is the panacea of most ills in this particular connection. The agricultural authorities of the Province of Ontario have now filled in a much-felt want. A co-

NOTE.—Since this article appeared in *The Globe* this dairy has been completed and is now doing excellent work. It will soon be handed over to the farmers as a self-supporting institution.