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THE DOMINION CATTLE, SHEEP, AND SWINE BREEDERS' ASSOCIATIONS.

Annual Membership Fees:—Cattle Breeders' \$2; Sheep Breeders', \$2; Swine Breeders', \$2.

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP.

Each member receives a free copy of each publication issued by the Association to which he belongs, during the year in which he is a member. In the case of the Swine Breeders' Association this includes a copy of the Swine Record.

A member of the Swine Breeders' Association is allowed to register pigs at 50c. per head; non-members are charged \$1.00 per head.

A member of the Sheep Breeders' Associations allowed to register sheep at 50c. per head, while non-members are charged \$1.00.

The name and address of each member, and the stock he has for sale, are published once a month. Over 10,000 copies of this directory are mailed monthly. Copies are sent to each Agricultural College and each Experiment Station in Canada and the United States, also to prominent breeders and probable buyers resident in Canada, the United States and elsewhere.

A member of an Association will only be allowed to advertise stock corresponding to the Association to which he belongs; that is, to advertise cattle he must be a member of the Dominion Cattle Breeders' Association, to advertise sheep he must be a member of the Dominion Sheep Breeders' Association, and to advertise swine he must be a member of the Dominion Swine Breeders' Association.

The list of cattle, sheep, and swine for sale will be published in the third issue of each month. Members having stock for sale, in order that they may be included in the Gazette, are required to notify the undersigned by letter on or before the 9th of each month, of the number, breed, age, and sex of the animals. Should a member fail to do this his name will not appear in that issue. The data will be published in the most condensed form.

F. W. Hodson, Secretary.
Parliament Buildings, Toronto, Ont.

FARM HELP EXCHANGE.

The Farm Help Exchange has been started with the object of bringing together employers of farm and domestic labor and the employees. Any person wishing to obtain a position on a farm or dairy, or any person wishing to employ help for farm or dairy, is requested to forward his or her name and full particulars to F. W. Hodson, Secretary Live Stock Association. In the case of persons wishing to employ help, the following should be given: particulars as to the kind of work to be done, probable length of engagement, wages, etc. In the case of persons wishing employment, the following should be given: experience and references, age, particular department of farm work in which a position is desired, wages expected, and where last employed.

These names when received together with particulars will be published FREE in the two following issues of the "Agricultural Gazette" and will afterwards be kept on file. Upon a request being received the particulars only will be published, the names being kept on file.

Every effort will be made to give all possible assistance to the end that suitable workers, male or female, may be obtained. Every unemployed person wishing to engage in farm or dairy work is invited to take advantage of this opportunity.

Farm Help Exchange.

Help Wanted.

Mr. J. J. Fox, Marden P.O., Ont., requires a first-class farm hand, capable of taking care of a dairy herd. Mr. Fox is an exceptionally fine man, honorable and upright and a good farmer. A suitable man would find a good home and a fair remuneration with Mr. Fox. 2

Matt. Richardson & Son, Caledonia, Ont., breeders of Holstein Friesian cattle, keep from 30 to 35 cows and make cheese the year round, and carry on general farming as well. They wish to employ a man whose principal work in summer and winter would be to feed and milk the cows and be able in any spare time to do any ordinary farm work. They can give steady work by the year to a suitable man, and would prefer to employ a man who would be likely to stay with them for a number of years. 2

Mr. W. W. Spaven, Hagersville, Ont., wishes to employ a man who thoroughly understands farm work and is capable of taking charge of a dairy herd. For particulars address Mr. Spaven with references, stating wages expected and other particulars. 2

A young man for mixed farming.

Must be married. Yearly engagement to the right person. Apply A.F., this office. 1

A working foreman. Must be able, willing, skilful and honest, and experienced in the care of live stock. Can supply a good house and garden. Would prefer a married man. Apply J.H.D., this office. 1

Situations Wanted.

A young man, 26 years of age, reared on a well conducted live stock and grain farm, thoroughly understands the care of live stock and the management of field work, is a first rate plowman, a graduate of the Ontario Agricultural College, and unmarried, is anxious to obtain a situation as farm manager or working manager of a farm in Ontario, Manitoba, or the Canadian Northwest, where the work will be done thoroughly and well. Wages to commence with \$225 clear above board and washing. Apply W., this office. 1

As manager of an up-to-date stock and dairy farm in Eastern Ontario or Province of Quebec by married man, 37 years of age, who has had a life-long experience in all branches of farming; was manager for five years of an extensive stock and dairy farm in Quebec. Apply with reference to this office. 2

Stock for Sale.

The next list of stock for sale will be published in FARMING October 17th. We will be very glad to have members of the associations avail themselves of the privilege of thus advertising their list of stock for sale free of cost. Lists to insure insertion should reach the office of the secretary not later than October 10th.

Studying in Europe.

Mr. F. C. Harrison, B.S.A., Bacteriologist of the Ontario Agricultural Col-

lege, is now pursuing special studies in connection with his department at various scientific institutions in Europe. He writes Mr. Hodson, from Berne, Switzerland, under date of September 26th, 1899, and among other things says, "I am at present pursuing my studies in as many places in Europe as I can find time to visit. My chief aim is to become acquainted with newer methods of work and to pick up many new ideas. The work is very interesting, the equipment of many of the European laboratories is magnificent, and the service excellent. The weather here is turning quite cold to-day, and feels almost like snow. From my window I can see the white tops of the Alps, and at times get a glimpse of a magnificent sunset."

We hope to be able to treat our readers with a longer article from Prof. Harrison at a later date.

Marketing Apples.

By W. M. Robson, Lindsay, Ont.]

It is frequently said (and it may be with much truth) that our best friends are those that tell us of our faults, but this axiom is probably more honored in the breach than in the observance. For this reason it is a rather critical thing to criticise the public. Nevertheless, the above heading during the fruit season (or selling season) has for many years forcibly and painfully presented itself to me, often in the most practical way. For over thirty years I have been an active dealer in fruit in this locality, and as most of you know a grower of fruit (apples in particular) and I am sorry to add, that during all these years, with some admitted exceptions, there has been comparatively little improvement in a general way in the condition and marketing of this fruit in this neighborhood. True, varieties have been added and quantities increased considerably, but there is still noticeable that apparent lack, in a large percentage of this fruit, of that proper care and application required in the cultivation, pruning, spraying, harvesting, grading, and, most of all, the packages and conveyances that this fruit is brought to market in. Now, this is to be regretted, as a little attention to these requirements would very materially enhance the value, and, of course, correspondingly lessen the loss to a majority of fruit growers in this vicinity, who are not living up to the privileges of getting and applying the knowledge that is spread broadcast at Farmers' Institute meetings, and the Government literature so extensively circulated through the Province, all intended to benefit the producer and keep him up to the requirements of