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The New York State College of Agriculture at Cornell University, in ordering bound volumes of The Grain Growers' Guide for the four years ending 1916, has this to say: "We very much desire to get these volumes and ask your assistance in the matter. You realize our desire arises from the fact that we must have all the fundamental material before us when our students study the farmer's movement in different parts of America, and your own record is such that we cannot do without a complete file of The Guide." The farmer's movement in Canada is attracting the attention of economic thinkers the world over. Organized farmers on the prairies, we believe, will be glad to learn that what they have accomplished is looked upon at this great seat of learning as an essential part of the study of agricultural economies.

A few weeks ago we asked for several copies of back issues which were required to complete bound volumes of The Guide that had been requested to be furnished. A considerable number of copies asked for were sent in. We still, however, require three copies of the issue of January 31, 1912, and will pay 25 cents for each of the first three that reach us.

Three of the March issues of The Guide have comprised 64 pages each. These are the largest regular issues we have ever published. They are larger than any special issue published prior to 1916. The Christmas number, usually the largest number of the year, in 1915 contained 60 pages. This is an indication of how The Guide is growing. With the larger issues the proportion of reading matter to advertisements is also increasing. Last year's bound volume contains about 2,200 pages. This year it will be much larger. A year's Guides make a big \$1.50 worth.

"Sixty Years of Protection in Canada," by Edward Porritt, is a book that should be in the home of every farmer in Western Canada. It traces clearly the development of protective legislation in this country and shows up the methods adopted by special privilege in getting its wishes placed on the statute books. The great development of mergers following the revis-

ion of the tariff in 1907, and in which the benefits of the tariff were capitalized and pocketed by the interests is especially illuminating. The part played by the organized farmers in the fight against the interests is thoroughly covered. The Guide has full proprietary rights in this book. In order that it may be more widely distributed it is now being sold to our readers at less than the cost of publication. Have you secured your copy? With the facts presented in "Sixty Years of Protection in Canada" at your command, you will always be ready to discuss the tariff question intelligently.

The Christmas Issue contained an article showing the wonderful progress that had been made by Hydro-Electric, Ontario's big public ownership power scheme. In this issue, "Electrifying Canada's Railways," outlining Sir Adam Beck's great plan for the extension of his power scheme, appears. The part played by Sir Adam in the fight to preserve Canadian water powers from being wrested from the people by financial interests, has earned for him the gratitude of all. This fight is still in progress. The water-powers of the St. Lawrence are necessary for the realization of Beck's big project. The story is told in "Electrifying Canada's Railways."

Many splendid letters are received each week for our Mail Bag which unfortunately are too long for publication in that department. Some of these would occupy more space than is utilized by the department in one issue. For this reason we fear that some of our readers who have gone to considerable trouble to write letters for publication may feel disappointed in not seeing their letters in print. Shorter letters of equal merit receive the preference when the selection is made as to what shall be published each time in the Mail Bag. We would especially ask our correspondents to keep this in mind when writing letters for publication. A selection has to be made and justice to the largest number of readers demands that those letters which are short and to the point receive the preference over long letters which would monopolize all the space at our disposal for the department.

**CLEARING LAND OF STUMPS**

The problem of increasing farm production varies with different farms. To the men in a wooded country or on land that has been partially covered with trees the problem may resolve itself into clearing land of stumps. The importance of reclaiming stumpy land to increase food production has been recognized by the United States Government which has made arrangements so that manufacturers of land clearing machinery will secure all the raw material they require. Many Guide readers have had considerable experience in clearing land from scrub and stumps by the use of dynamite,

stumping powder and various kinds of pullers. The Guide wishes to make the benefit of their experience available to others. For the best contribution on the subject a prize of \$5.00 will be given, for the second best, \$3.00, and for the third, \$2.00. Other contributions received will be paid for at the usual contributors' rates. Contributions on this subject should be about 1,000 words in length and must be mailed not later than April 15. Photographs showing stump pulling operations will also be welcome and those to be published will be paid for.

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