

price for the milk, per Imperial gallon?

10. If a cheese factory were established in your municipality by competent parties, agreeing to manufacture all the milk brought them into cheese of the best quality, for one cent, or one and a quarter cent per lb of cheese, would that induce many farmers to go extensively into the business? 11. What breed of cattle is in highest esteem in your municipality for dairy purposes?

#### Question VII.

Would the extension of sheep-farming, more generally throughout the province, tend to increase the fertility of the soil and the profits of the farmers?

1.—What number of sheep are there in your Municipality? 2.—Have you many Farmers who make sheep-raising the chief feature of their operations? What is the extent of the largest flocks kept? 3. Are sheep usually kept under cover during winter? What is their usual winter food? How many sheep are usually apportioned to an acre of ordinary pasture during the summer months?—and at what value per head do you estimate the keeping of an ordinary flock of sheep throughout the year? 4.—What weight of wool is usually clipped from yearling lambs? What from wethers? What from ewes? 5. What breed of sheep stands in highest repute?—and for what reason has it the preference?

#### Question VIII.

Are the soil and climate of Canada well adapted to the growth of flax? and would its extensive cultivation tend to the advantage of the farming interest?

1. Has flax been cultivated to any extent in your Municipality? Have any farmers engaged in its cultivation? To what extent have they grown it? Have they grown it for the seed, or the fibre, or for both? Have they found it profitable? How much does this crop usually yield per acre? 2. What kind of soil has been found best adapted for raising flax? Is it an expensive crop to raise? Does it require much skill or experience to raise it? Is it a precarious crop? Does it suffer from extreme heat or cold? Is it an exhausting crop? 3. If oil mills and scutching mills were established by responsible persons, so as to secure to the farmer a fair cash price for the article, would flax be much more extensively cultivated in your municipality than at present?

#### Question IX.

Would the interests of agriculture be

generally promoted were a sum of public money applied to the importation of thorough-bred domestic animals, to be sold for cash at public auction, under condition of their retention in Canada for a certain number of years?

1. How many thorough-bred cows and heifers are there in your municipality? 2. How many thorough-bred bulls? 3. How many thorough-bred mares? 4. How many thorough-bred stallions? 5. How many thorough-bred Leicester sheep? 6. How many thorough-bred South down sheep? 7. How many thorough-bred Cotswold sheep? 8. How many thorough-bred meino sheep? 9. How many thorough-bred sows? 10. How many thorough-bred boars? 11. Has it been found as the almost certain result of a first cross between a thorough-bred male domestic animal and a native female that the progeny are greatly improved in quality and value, arrive sooner at maturity, and fatten easier? 12. Would not the annual profits of farming in Canada be greatly increased were the domestic animals on our farms of an improved class? Would not the increased remuneration from stock-raising induce a larger quantity to be kept? And would not the quantity of manure thereby obtained enable larger crops of grain to be raised and the fertility of the soil to be maintained? 13. Would not a vigorous movement to raise the character of the domestic animals on our farms, if successful, have a most salutary effect on every branch of farming industry in Canada? 14. Would the appropriation of a sum of public money—say \$100,000 to \$200,000—to be placed in the hands of commissioners for the purchase in other countries, and the importation into Canada of first-class thorough-bred stock, be attended with very desirable results? the animals on arrival to be sold for cash to the highest bidder, under bonds to be kept in the province for certain number of years, and the money so obtained to be applied and re-applied in the same manner, to the purchase and importation of more stock, until the money was exhausted? 15. Can you suggest any other mode of instituting a general and effective movement for the improvement of the farm stock of Canada?

#### Question X.

Could the prize system of the Provincial County and Township Agricultural Societies be amended and improved?

1. Is it better to offer a large number of small prizes than a smaller number of large ones? 2. Would it have a beneficial effect