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CONDITIONS INDICATE AN INCREASED DAIRY PRODUCTION IN 1912

The Increase Will Not be Large—Feed is Scarce in Many Sections but Cattle are Generally in Good Condition—What Our Correspondents Say.

THE production of dairy products in Canada for the season of 1912 should show a satisfactory increase over the production of 1911. It is yet a little early to predict an increase with any degree of certainty, but conditions, as reported by Farm and Dairy's special correspondents all over Ontario and reports received from other provinces all point that way. The record high prices that have prevailed for dairy produce during the last year have not generated as much enthusiasm among dairy farmers as might be expected at first thought. And the increase, therefore, will be normal.

The reason for this as expressed by our Peel County correspondent, Mr. W. J. Graydon, finds expression in letters received from many other Farm and Dairy correspondents in various parts of Ontario. Mr. Graydon says: "High prices of dairy produce have not induced our farmers to increase their output owing to the high prices for feed." Another phase of the same subject is touched by Mr. A. Jackson, a Grey County correspondent who calls attention to the high prices of milk cows and states that farmers cannot afford to purchase such high priced cattle. Our farmers generally consider that if prices have been high for their produce, they are no higher than the increased cost of maintaining their dairy herds would warrant. Some Farm and Dairy correspondents, however, are more optimistic and claim that the high prices will lead to much greater production in their own neighborhoods at least.

INCREASED DEMAND FOR CITY MILK. Another factor that will prevent an abnormal increase in the output of cheese and butter are the increased demands of the city dairies. From Halliand County, Mr. O. J. Smith tells of farmers in his section being paid 30 cents a pound butter fat for cream to be made into ice cream. Factories cannot compete at prices such as this. Our Kent County correspondent says that some farmers who retail their milk are getting eight cents a quart for it. The dairy companies in our larger cities are ranging further afield for supplies and increasing their demands every year.

The feed situation is not as bad as was feared it would be. While in most parts of the country there is not a surplus of fodder there will never-

theless be enough to carry the stock through in good condition for the early grass. In a few sections farmers are buying baled hay by the car load, notably in Western Ontario, but this is the exception rather than the rule. Cattle generally will go on to grass in as good condition as in previous years. Conditions in the other provinces are reported as similar to the conditions that are reported herewith by Farm and Dairy's Ontario correspondents:

AN INCREASE HERE.

"There will be about five per cent more milkers than last year. Indications point to a large output of milk."—R. D. McLeod, Glengarry Co.

"We will have as many cows in as good condition as last year and will have about the same make."—C. St. Pierre, Russell Co.

"There will be a little more milk and from appearances more cheese this year than last."—P. Brisson, Russell Co.

"There will be about the same number of milk cows as last year. Feed is plentiful and cows are looking fine."—Chas. Chambers, Dundas Co.

"There will be more cows than last year. Cows are in good condition and we expect larger cheese make."—Alex. Hess, Dundas Co.

MAKE MAY INCREASE.

"Cows number about the same, are in good condition and the cheese make will be about the same, perhaps a little better."—Jas. Fretwell, Grenville Co.

"There will not be as many cows but the cows will be in better condition and there will not be much difference in the quantity of cheese made."—J. W. Fretwell, Grenville Co.

"There may be a few less cows, but cows are in better condition."—F. Brown, Grenville Co.

A DECREASE EXPECTED.

"There may not be as many cows milking as feed is scarce. Cows 2-12 not in as good condition this year."—D. P. Alguire, Leeds Co.

"We will have 75 more cows at our factory this year."—J. W. Wallworth, Lanark Co.

"There is ample food and stock is in better condition. Also there will be more cows milked."—P. M. Campbell, Lanark Co.

"There will be as many cows as last year and in as good condition."—H. Deving, Lanark Co.

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