

OUR FARMERS' CLUB

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RICHMOND CO., QUE.

DANVILLE.—Our farmers have work enough to keep them busy at all seasons of the year. Those that have wood and lumber on their farms are cutting and hauling it to the villages and to the mills. Some are drawing manure and thinking of the spring season. Most farmers that do not have to draw too far wait till spring and draw from the shed or cellar, and spread it on the field. The now, and it is not very good. The water just being low when it began to freeze, mud and weeds were frozen in the ice on some ponds.—J. E. H.

COMPTON CO., QUE.

COMPTON CENTRE.—We are having very cold and stormy weather. There has been another thaw, which has improved the water situation greatly. There is now plenty of water in most of the springs and wells. The price of eggs has dropped. They are now selling for 30c and 35c. Dressed pork sells for 30c and 35c. Cornmeal is \$23 a ton; oats 60c a bush. There is quite a lot of tawing going on. The roads have been awfully bad to haul stuff on, on account of so much stormy weather.—H. O.

ONTARIO

HASTINGS CO., ONT.

THE RIDGE.—Considerable lumbering is being carried on this winter, which gives work to a lot of men and teams, all are looking forward to a good year this coming season.—A. B. C.

TURRIFF.—Almost everyone here is interested in some phase of the lumbering industry. We have not heard of much shortage in the supply of fodder yet but few seem to have any fodder to sell.

CHAPMAN.—Recent rains have helped out the water supply, and many wells which were dry before will furnish water for farm stock. Fodder is fairly plentiful with prices fair. Clover hay sells for \$10 to \$12, and timothy for \$12 to \$14 for sale.—H. S. T.

ACTINOLITE.—Fodder promises to be very scarce this winter, even more so than last year. Drawing marsh hay is the order of the day. There is very little work to be had just now; a great many men are idle, and the young people have lots of time for skating, as the ice is excellent.—T. K.

HALIBURTON CO., ONT.

KINKMONT.—The good roads and hard freezing weather of the last two weeks has been a great boon to the farmers, drawing logs, wood and beaver hay, most of which has to be done during the hard freeze in the winter, which is a great mistake, as it impedes the spring work, when all is busy. The official thermometer stood at 25 below zero between Jan. 15th and 20th.—S. T.

VICTORIA CO., ONT.

MARLBOROUGH.—The Agricultural Short Course held in Lindsay for the benefit of farmers and farmers' sons, was a great success. The crowds attending were large and the stock exhibited was of splendid quality. Prof. Day of Guelph, proved himself an able judge of stock by the careful method with which he discussed the quality of the animals. Professor

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DURHAM CO., ONT.

BLACKSTOCK.—Fairly high prices rule for hogs. There is a strong demand for cattle, with a prospect of good prices for beef for the remainder of the season. Horses though not much raised in price seem to be in strong demand. The prospects of the farmer, for a few months at least, are very bright. Grain of all kinds is selling well. Dealers in produce, such as butter, eggs and poultry, are able to pay satisfactory prices, judging from the smiling countenances of their fair customers.—R. J. F.

BRANT CO., ONT.

FALKLAND.—Sufficient snow is on the ground to protect the wheat and clover. Cattle are worth from \$4 to \$4.75, depending on the quality. Hogs are \$6.25. Butter is 25c and eggs 35c. Eggs are becoming plentiful now. The grain market is steady; not very much grain is being marketed. Wheat is 90c; barley, 50c; oats, 35c to 40c. Corn is selling at \$29 a ton for bran and \$22 for shorts. Hay is worth about \$10 to \$12 a ton, while straw is in good demand and sells at \$4 to \$5 a load. The supplementary meetings of the Farmers' Institute that were held in this riding, were of considerable interest. Four outside speakers, with one or two local men were on the programme.—L. T.

WELLINGTON CO., ONT.

MOUNT FOREST.—Many are busy pressing hay. The price offered is about \$7 a ton. It would be far better farm practice no doubt to feed good hay to cattle at present prices, and the land would feel the benefit. Our farming operations will tend to the converting of grain and fodder, in the future, to more finished products, so that our farm products will be sold on the hoof instead of in a raw state.—C. S. N.

ELORA.—Our Farmers' Institute meetings were favored with good attendance. A lively interest was manifested throughout the addresses and discussions. The speakers were Messrs. J. Campbell, Wood Miller, R. D. Nodwell, Hillsbury, and Miss Miller. The subjects discussed as methods of feeding the different classes of stock, so as to realize the largest profit. The keen discussions in connection with each address, showed a desire for information, and to thoroughly test the rectness of the theory advanced, and "prove all things and hold fast that which is good."—G. W.

OXFORD CO., ONT.

GOLESPIE.—The late thaw and rains have proved a great blessing for many. There is no danger now of a water famine. We have had a beautiful winter. Cattle feed in quite plentiful. Cows are selling very high, from \$40 to \$70.—A. M.

BRUCE CO., ONT.

WALKERTON.—During the past fall, the ground being too dry for plowing, farmers generally took advantage of the spare time and did considerable draining. This will enable them to get on the ground much earlier in the spring, which is the secret of getting more and a better quality of grain. Great improvement is also being made in the way of fencing. Principal wire fences are being erected. They are easier to keep clean and require little or no attention to keep in order.—J. A. L.

MUSKOGA DISTRICT, ONT.

HUNTSVILLE.—A large number of farmers are sending their teams to work in the woods, so considerable more feed is required for them than at this season. With but few exceptions farmers will have feed enough to maintain their stock until nature once more provides for them. Prices are about double what they were a few months ago. The farm water supply dry season and throughout this part of the country no person has as yet been put lack of water.—F. R. B.

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