

A. J. REYNOLDS, of Danforth, county of York, was born in Darlington, in Durham county. He was for many years a school teacher, having taught thirteen years in the school in which he had received his own early education. In 1884 he bought the family homestead, and for some years taught school and farmed as



A. J. Reynolds, Danforth.

well. In 1890 he resigned his school, and sold the old farm and bought another and a better one situated in Scarboro' township, near Toronto. Mr. Reynolds has always taken a warm interest in institute work, both in West Durham and East York. His subjects as an institute lecturer relate principally to general farming.

MR. J. B. REYNOLDS, B.A., of the Ontario Agricultural College, is a farmer's son, who by dint of his own efforts worked his way through a public school, a high school, and a college course, taking a magnificent stand all along the line until, in 1893, he was graduated from the University



J. B. Reynolds, B.A., O.A.C., Quelfh.

of Toronto with the highest honors. This, of course, was not accomplished without a good deal of self-denial, and the earning of money between times as a teacher, and in

vacations as a farmer's help. But it was accomplished finally, and Mr. Reynolds had his reward by being immediately appointed to a position which he prizes very much, namely, a lectureship in the Ontario Agricultural College. Mr. Reynolds is still a farmer's son, and, as he says, not all the colleges or universities in the world could educate him out of his fondness for the plow-tail. As a teacher in the college and as a resident master Mr. Reynolds has been a distinct success. To use a convenient method of expression, the students "like him"; and this is a great matter in a residential institution. The reason of this probably is to be found in Mr. Reynold's faculty of sympathy and fellowship. He is and always has been a personal friend to those under his charge; and therefore harsh measures are abhorrent to him. This characteristic was once rather amusingly expressed by a trustee in Mr. Reynold's old public school teaching days, who, when asked by a resident of the section how the "new master" was getting on, replied: "Oh, he gets on all right; the scholars all like him; but it pears to me he don't lick quite enough."

W. C. Shearer, Bright.

On page 251 of FARMING for this issue will be found a portrait of Mr. Shearer, and also an account of his methods as a dairy farmer, which, as will be seen by the account, have been very successful.

On page 102 of FARMING for October will be found a portrait of Captain Sheppard and of his life and work as



Captain Sheppard, Queenston.

fruit-grower; also an article of his on the growing of strawberries.

MR. D. F. SMITH, B.A., of Churchville, was for several years the manager and part owner (his two brothers being the other owners) of the Credit Valley Stock Farm, which carried in its time (until the partnership referred to