

hope they will get the number required, and that we may see them back again.

Hogs are higher in price, with only a limited supply. The Montreal Packing Co. have appointed Geo. S. James as their buyer here, who will pay the highest prices for good bacon hogs. Never had our farmers a better market for bacon hogs than at present, with two packing houses at present in operation, and the building of a third in Montreal. This should encourage our farmers to raise the correct type of bacon hog. A Government dairy test is being conducted from our factory here; 35 herds have entered. It will close on the 4th September. Will be able to report results next month.

August 16th, 1905.

### The Bean Crop.

Messrs. Botsford & Co. report the outlook for the bean crop from Detroit, Michigan, as follows:

"The early reports received covering the acreage show a decrease of from 10 to 20 per cent. compared with that of last year. The reasons for this decrease are: The weather during planting season was unfavorable, a larger acreage was sown to wheat and spring crops, and the conditions were for growing wheat. Bean planting is carried on from May 15th to June 20th, and during this period this year the bean sections of both Michigan and New York were flooded many times. It has been reported that in some sections farmers have planted their bean fields three different times, and each time had them washed out by the excessive rains. Becoming discouraged at these conditions they did not replant. Planting done after June 20th means a late harvest and danger from early frost, to which the bean plant is very susceptible.

"There is no question that the crop has been severely damaged and the acreage materially reduced. With the best of weather from now on the crop may improve, but it is too late for the farmers to expect more than 75 per cent. of a crop at the best, and the chances are that it will be nearer 50 per cent. The crop of old beans has never been so closely cleaned up as it is at the present time, and local dealers size the situation up as one of unparalleled strength."

### Pictou County, N. S.

#### HORN FLY AND POTATO BUGS.

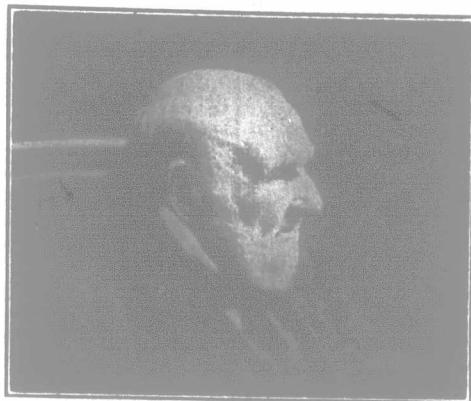
Owing to showery weather, haying operations were long delayed this summer. The crop is a bumper one, but a great deal of it went into the barns in not very good condition. During the last week of July and first week of August there were only four fine days, and as cutting proceeded during the dark days, the amount of hay that had to be handled while the sun shone was enormous. Rust is reported on the early-sown wheat, but to what extent it is impossible to say at time of writing. The root crops, especially turnips, and also potatoes, are growing well, and promise a heavy return. The ravages of the cutworm are not so noticeable as last season, but the potato bugs are here in myriads—in fact, worse than ever—and the horn flies are getting in their work on the cattle. Notwithstanding the abundance of pasture, cows are not doing as they should, a fact readily attributable to this pest.

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### The Late Senator Wark.

Regretted, but not unexpected, was the death of Senator David Wark, on August 20th, at his home in Fredericton, N. B. He was a noble example of the fact that the simple life promotes longevity, for death has claimed him at the ripe age of one hundred and one years. His last illness was only of a week's duration, during which time his mind was as bright and active as ever.

Mr. Wark was sixty-four years of age when he entered the Senate at the time of Confederation, and has served in the Upper House for thirty-eight years, though



Hon. David Wark.

Canada's Centenarian Senator.

he had entered political life many years before that time. Those who came in contact with him during this long period of time could not help but recognize and admire his judgment, his self-control, and his high ideal of man's work in this life. Owing to these qualities, he had no political enemies, and was liked by both sides of the House. On reaching his hundredth birthday, he was, last year, the recipient of many congratulatory messages and tokens, the high and low on both sides of the sea uniting to do honor to the "Grand Old Man" of the Canadian Senate.

### Japan Buying Our Cattle.

A despatch from Montreal to the Globe says: J. Nishimura and Dr. Y. Ishizaki, delegates from the Japanese Government, who are now here, have purchased a herd of Canadian cattle, consisting of about 40 head of Ayrshires, Shorthorns, Devons and Holsteins, for shipment to Japan. The shipment will leave via the C.P.R. steamer Ottoman, from Vancouver, on Sept. 18th.

A SMALL ADVERTISEMENT IN OUR "WANT AND FOR SALE" COLUMN WILL DO THE TRICK. ADDRESS: THE FARMER'S ADVOCATE AND HOME MAGAZINE, LONDON, ONT.

### Western Fair, London.

The Western Fair, London, Ont., which for 38 years has afforded instruction and pleasure to thousands of people, opens Sept. 8th, lasting till the 16th. Many exhibits of an instructive nature are being added this year. Practical demonstrations in new methods of butter and cheese making will be given twice daily in the splendid new dairy hall, which is worth many times over the cost of reaching the fair to every farmer and dairyman.

The amusements are entirely new. Among them will be three concerts daily by the Ninety-first Highland Regiment Band, a great musical treat; leaping the gap in mid-air in a steam automobile by Mons. Bretonne, a daring act, and clever and perilous high-wire performances by Prof. Hardy, the "American Blondin," and greatest aerial artist the world has ever seen. There will be many other features, too, including grand fireworks, representation of Battle of Copenhagen, by Prof. Hand.

The following is the list of judges:

Horses.—Thoroughbreds, saddle horses and hunters, judged by W. H. Millman, Toronto; Hackneys and high-steppers, by J. M. Gardhouse, Weston; carriage and coach horses, by Hugh Darroch, Palmerston; roadsters, by William Bishop, New Hamburg; Clydesdales and Shires, by John Davidson, Ashburn; heavy drafts, agricultural and Percheron, by Peter McGregor, of Brucefield.

Cattle.—Shorthorns, fat and grade, by John Isaac, Markham; Herefords, Polled-Angus and Galloways, by R. J. Mackie, Oshawa; Jerseys and Guernseys, by Rock Bailey, Union; Ayrshires, by Jas. Boden, Ste. Anne de Bellevue, Que.; Holsteins, by B. Malloy, Belleville.

Sheep.—Shropshires, Southdowns, Hampshires and Suffolks, by J. C. Duncan, Orchard Park, N. Y.; Oxford Downs and fat, by J. E. Cousins, Harriston; Dorset Horned, by J. G. Hanmer, Brantford; Cotswolds, by John Kelly, Shakespeare; Leicesters, by Frank R. Shore, White Oak; Lincolns, by Geo. Weekes, Glanworth.

Swine.—Yorkshires and Tamworths, by J. C. Nichol, Hubrey; Chester Whites and A. O. P. breed, by D. O. Platt, Millgrove; Berkshires, by Samuel Dolson, Alton.

Poultry.—Sharpe Butterfield, Windsor; L. G. Jarvis, Montreal, Que.; Thos. H. Smelt, Woodstock; Lewis Sage, London.

Agricultural Products.—Grain and field seeds, by S. B. Gorwill, London; potatoes, by George Cairncross, London Junction; root and field crops, by Jas. Murray, Wilton Grove; garden vegetables, Thos. Benstead, Strathroy.

Dairy.—Cheese and butter, J. B. Muir, Ingersoll.

Honey.—Martin Emigh, Holbrook.

Horticultural.—Apples and plums, A. H. Pettit, Grimsby; pears, peaches and grapes, M. Pettit, Winona; plants and flowers in pots, and cut flowers, William Scott, Buffalo, N. Y.

Main Building.—Natural history, F. B. McCready, Guelph; fine arts and decorated china, Prof. A. H. Griffith, Detroit, Mich.; ladies' work, Mrs. H. H. Nelles, London.

## MARKETS.

### Toronto.

#### LIVE STOCK.

Receipts of live stock at the Western Cattle Market last week amounted to 153 cars, and included 1,890 cattle, 3,090 sheep, 2,555 hogs, and 374 calves. At The Union Stock-yards, Toronto Junction, receipts were 91 cars, including 1,579 cattle, 48 sheep, 990 hogs, 22 calves and 17 horses.

Export Cattle—Choice, \$4.50 to \$4.75; good to medium, \$4.20 to \$4.40; others, \$4 to \$4.30; bulls and cows, \$3 to \$4.

Butchers' Cattle—Easier, especially for the lower grades. Picked are quoted at \$4.10 to \$4.35; good to choice, \$3.90 to \$4.10; fair, \$3.40 to \$3.80; common, \$2.50 to \$3.25, and cows, \$2.50 to \$3.50.

Stockers and Feeders—Some trade doing in these lines. Good stock cattle have been wanted, and with a fair number offering, trade was inclined to be brisk. Stockers are quoted at \$2.50 to \$3.80 per cwt., and feeders, \$2.50 to \$4.

Milch Cows—The demand for good cows is active. Other kinds are slow of sale; \$30 to \$50 each.

Calves—\$2 to \$10 each, and 3½c. to 5½c. per pound.

Sheep and Lambs—Prices for sheep hold steady despite a heavy run. Trade good, everything sold, and prospects for a steady market. Export sheep, \$3.25 to \$4.15, and culls, \$3 to \$4. Lambs are firmer at \$5.50 to \$6 per cwt.

Hogs—The market retains its firm tone,

and is quoted at a further advance of 10c. Prices are \$7.35 per cwt. for selects, and \$7.10 for lights and fats.

#### BREADSTUFFS.

Wheat—Ontario—The market is a little easier, but little business is being done. No. 2 red and white, new, is quoted at 75c. to 76c., east and west, with old 2c. higher. Goose and spring are purely nominal.

Wheat—Manitoba—No. 3 northern is nominal at \$1.07; No. 2 northern, \$1.01½ to \$1.03, and No. 3 northern, 87c. to 87½c., lake ports, 6c. more grinding in transit.

Flour—Ontario—90 per cent. patents for export, \$3.20 to \$3.25, buyers' sacks, east and west. Manitoba—First patents, \$5.30 to \$5.40; second patents, \$5 to \$5.10, and bakers', \$4.90 to \$5.

Millfeed—Ontario bran continues dull at \$11.50 to \$12, while shorts are firm at \$17 to \$19, according to quality, at outside points.

Oats—Lower; new, 27c. to 29c.; old, 36c. to 37c. for No. 2, at outside points.

Barley—Dull; 38c. to 43c., at outside points, according to quality, new or old.

Rye—Dull, 57c. to 58c., at outside points.

Corn—Canadian, nominal, 53c. to 54c., Chatham freights. American, 62c. to 62½c., lake and rail freights, for delivery at country points, or on track, Toronto.

Peas—65c. to 67c. for new, at outside points.

#### COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Butter—The market continues firm in tone, and the demand for all kinds good. Quotations are generally higher.

Creamery, prints ..... 22c. to 23c.

do, solids ..... 20c. to 21c.  
Dairy pound rolls, good to choice ..... 19c. to 20c.

do, medium ..... 17c. to 18c.  
do, tubs, good to choice ..... 17c. to 18c.  
do, inferior ..... 15c. to 16c.

Cheese—There is still some easiness noticeable in the market. Quotations are 11½c. to 11¾c. per lb.

Eggs—The supply of choice eggs continues light. The market is firm, with an active demand, at 17½c. to 18½c. per dozen.

Potatoes—Are fairly steady, at 60c. to 70c. per bushel.

Baled Hay—The demand is quiet, with plenty of hay offering. Car lots of No. 1 timothy, old and new, are quoted at \$7 to \$7.50 per ton, on track, here, with \$6 for No. 2.

#### FARMERS' MARKET.

##### (Retail Prices.)

Wheat, white ..... \$ 0 80  
do, red ..... 80  
do, new ..... 80

Oats ..... 41 to \$ 0 42  
do, new ..... 36  
Barley ..... 44  
Buckwheat ..... 54

Rye ..... 52 to 65  
Hay, No. 1 timothy. 11 00 to 12 00  
do, new ..... 9 00 to 10 00  
do, clover, mixed ..... 8 00 to 9 50

Dressed hogs, light, cwt. .... 9 75  
do, heavy ..... 9 00

Butter ..... 20 to 25  
Eggs ..... 20 to 23

Old chickens, dressed. 10  
Fall chickens ..... 15 to 20  
Turkeys ..... 18 to 20

Potatoes, bushel ..... 1 00 to 1 10

Carrots, per bag ..... \$ 0 60 to \$ 0 75  
Beets, dozen ..... 20  
Cabbages, dozen ..... 40

Beef, hind quarters ..... 8 to 9  
do, fore quarters ..... 4 to 5½  
do, carcasses ..... 6½ to 7½

Mutton ..... 6 to 8  
Spring lambs, per lb. 9½ to 10½  
Calves, per lb. ..... 7½ to 9½

#### FRUIT.

Raspberries ..... \$ 0 07 to \$ 0 08  
Lawtons ..... 6 to 8  
Plums, basket ..... 15 to 25

Peaches ..... 25 to 60  
Pears ..... 20 to 60  
Pears ..... 3 50 to 4 00

Watermelons, each ..... 30 to 35  
Tomatoes, basket ..... 15 to 20

#### HORSES.

The demand for horses continues unusually brisk for this season of the year, and at the level recently established, prices are well maintained. There are now three establishments here for the sale of horses, the Union Stock-yards, at Toronto Junction, having opened a horse market. Commercial classes, particularly the heavy grades, continue to reflect the greatest activity, and when the season is considered, the enquiry for these may well be considered phenomenal. At the Repository, during the week, an excellent volume of business has been transacted, the sales including a number of heavy drafters at \$175 to \$225, and a six-year-old combination horse at \$270. At the Horse Exchange the buyers have been mostly local, but at the Junction sales of a number of railway construction horses are reported. Dealers unanimously voice the opinion that the market is in for a spell of continued