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The Grain Growers' View of the Protective Tariff

#### The Dairy Profit Controversy Mr. Savage Replies to Mr. Mitchell

Jas. Savage, Lanark Co., Ont.

WILL you kindly allow me a reply to the letter of Jas. A Mitchell, Russell Co., Ont., in Farm and Dairy, March 36? I will pass over Mr. Mitchell's personal references as they are irrelevant and incorrect. He has not read my letter correctly as I did not blame any ment it will be 1,333 years until one for anything and did not discuss the scrub cow. My estimates were one for anything and did not discuss the scrub cow. My estimates were for the 8,000-pound cow, and I. note that he has to ask help to prove them misleading. Nother has Mr. Mit-chell written correctly: for ir tance he tells me how I can succeed after stating that I cannot succeed at any-thing along the stating that I cannot succeed thing; also after describing how one cent milk is making scores of farmers wealthy he states that milk is certainly too cheap at a cent a pound. These are only examples of Mr. Mit-chell's efforts to reason as seen in his whole letter.

#### WHAT EXPERTS SAY

It is not necessary to call for in-dividual estimates of the cost of prodividual estimates of the cost of pro-ducing milic. The experts he ad-mires, but fails to quote, have al-ready furnished the figures. In a test of the four leading breeds of dairy cattle giving 8,000 lbs. of 4,26 milk, conducted at the Connecticut Agricultural College, Storrs, each cow showed a loss of \$10 a year with milk at four cents a quart. Other tests give similar results. In New York State, where conditions are sim-ilar to those of Eastern Ontario, a cow testing association showed the cow testing association showed the cost of keeping a cow one year to be \$90.73. So the cow would have to yield 9,000 bs. to pay expenses. In-structors seldom fail to remind us how hard they are working in our interests. Now the average Ontario cow produces about 4,000 bs. Do I understand it is Mr. Mitchell's great desire that we keep on dariying at a loss until we reach the almost im-possible average of 9,000 bs.? I remember conditions 10 years ago, when instructors were first ap-

ago, when instructors were first ap-pointed, and when they pushed for all they were worth the dirty milk cry, which should have been resented by every self-respecting dairyman. I remember the effect it had on the British market, and suspect why it was discontinued. Mr. Mitchell claims there has been a rapid im-

will be worth two cents a pound the same rate of improvement Therefore if the improvement been rapid the farmers have not be benefited by it.

#### TWO CENT MILK

He says it will soon be worth cents a pound; I suppose because will be better. Really it is diffit to understand how it could be used to the same of the sam less. I understand there is a made in Canada that pays that a In the cities, say Montreal, it is for nine and 10 cents a quart. same amount of milk manufacts into cheese sells in the same city three cents, and is about the manufactured article I know sells for less than the raw mat Surely it is not spoiled in the m facturing?-

While I do not hold the instruction responsible for this strange of tion, I think that even a poor tion, I think that even a pos-planation from them would be be attended to is the pro-than abuse. If Mr. Mitchell is anxious to improve the milk let Most of us, when feed is go to any factory and guan them two cents a pound or ever and a half cents for good milks will guarantee he will not have wait even 10 years for it.

A CONTRADICTION APPARENTIN the grass given an opportu In the last 10 years when Mr. start. The twenty-fourth o chell thought farmers were grewealthy, 373,000 people are estate to have fled from the farms of Statistics show tario. Statistics show that American farmer, with an intellectual and the state of Canada getting \$2.50 for an hour day. When can we make a bid for even experienced lab (Concluded on page 11)



Trade increases the

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CAN well remember shorter milk cheque during the hot sum as natural for a cow to during July and August or five months previou ecessary evils

Now we see the situat The cows of a good da up in their milk yield i lack of fed, nor do the profitably for four or fix cow is worked to her c the year. We have com is allowed to drop away never be got back sati those whose herds make rise "foresight" rather are preparing now for s

PLANT SOIL Most of us can see soiling crops when the minish. Now, however, at hand, is the time to tures. When planning o ance of feed next winter some of our time and son crops to meet the needs Prof. Henry of Wiscons. when he said that while toiling to fill their barns for their cows, those same ing on the other side of growing crops.

The first point in summ to the pasture at the earl the grass has attained a The pasture is kept closel less fully a month sooner for turning the cows to pa of Eastern Canada. I kno carce the temptation is st by many good men is this s scarce, buy grain rather o pasture. If it is roughas for soiling crops for use oughage can be bought pro dairy cows.

A GOOD SOILING A mixture of peas and oa ng crop and a good one. milking 30 cows was to ca