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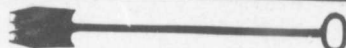
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Commissioner of Agriculture for New Brunswick

The agricultural destinies of the Province of New Brunswick are now presided over by Hon. D. V. Landry, M. D. He is still a comparatively young man, having been born at Memramcook, Westmoreland Co., N. B., in July, 1866. He was educated in the Public School of his native village entering St. Joseph's College

Hon. D. V. LANDRY, M.D. where he graduated in 1885. From that date until 1889, he taught in various schools throughout the Province. In the latter year he began the study of medicine, and three years later earned his diploma from Laval University, Montreal. In 1901, he entered Municipal politics, and represented the Parish of Wellington for two years.

Born and brought up in a farming district and naturally inclined to scientific study, he has always taken a deep interest in agricultural advancement, and ever since going to Buctouche, where he has practiced since 1894, he has been a leading and active member of the Agricultural Society at that place, of late years acting as secretary.

He is the owner of a snug farm close to the village of Buctouche, and combines practical experience in agricultural methods with his scientific studies. Naturally optimistic and enthusiastic he is very hopeful for a large development of the agricultural possibilities of the Province, and is determined that his Department shall proceed with energy to do all that legitimately can be done to promote the interests of Agriculture and its allied industries.

The Dairy Industry

That the dairymen of the province have every confidence as to the stability of the dairy industry, is shown by reports received at the Department of Agriculture from time to time.

The producers who were short of feed during the past winter did not hesitate to expend considerable money in securing proper feed to carry their cattle through the winter in good condition. The farmers in the vicinity of one town in eastern Ontario, purchased over \$150,000 worth of hay during the past winter, one farmer paying out \$650.00 on hay account.

The proprietors of factories have this year made very important improvements in equipment. Though the bulk of cheese made during 1907 was considerably below that of preceding years, and although the farmers suffered severely in the failure of crops, the confidence of both classes as to the future of the dairy industry for this province, has not been shaken in the least.

Thirty-five instructors are now making regular visits to the factories and creameries throughout the whole of the province. Every factory has been included in one or another group, and the ground is being thoroughly covered by men who have been specially trained to give instruction not only to the makers in methods of manufacture, but also to the producers in up-to-date methods of taking care of the raw material and in delivering it to the factory in a proper condition.

While the spring has been somewhat backward, and the make of cheese up to the present time, considerably below last season's output, the pastures are now in good condition in many localities, and the prospects are, that the output, from this on, will be quite up to the average.—Department of Agriculture, Toronto.

Truro News

Pictou County, N. S., has gone the limit in automobile exclusion, for by a resolution passed a few days ago by the County Council, every day but Monday is close season for owners of "buzz" wagons. Two counties in Nova Scotia have so far excluded autos under the Act passed at the last session of the legislature. Cumberland dealt less stringently with the machines, only prohibiting their operation on Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays. Prince County, like this Province has long had a violent antipathy to autos, and some of the ladies of that county, who indulge in driving, have had unpleasant experiences and when the County Council met recently it decided to let the autos run only on the day when the cares of the wash tub would be occupying the ladies.

The death occurred at Ottawa recently of Mr. Robt. Clarke, the well-known breeder of Chester White swine and district manager of the Frost & Wood Co. Mr. Clarke exhibited swine at the Ottawa Winter Fair and Central Canada Exhibition for several years, and was well known among swine breeders of the country.

As stated in a recent issue, Mr. F. M. Logan has resigned his office as Provincial Commissioner of Live Stock and Dairying in British Columbia. He is now engaged with the Hygienic Dairy Co. as general manager. Mr. Logan has left for New York State to visit the dairy sections where he will gather the latest ideas in buildings and equipment. Before his return, he will also purchase a complete plant for the company. Mr. Logan hopes to have the company in operation in July.

The farmers in the vicinity of Lindsay, and even as far north as Beaver-ton, have some mysterious disease among their herds. Recently there has been a mysterious falling off in the herds. Veterinary surgeons are reported as being in the dark in regard to the trouble. Some of the farmers have lost from five to 20 head. It is stated that the cattle first become powerless, which condition is followed by a ravenous appetite. They then quit eating and gradually die. This plague began about the middle of last winter and is apparently a disastrous one for the farmers.

The reports from the cheese factories for the present month show a small output, compared with other years. A prominent dairymen in Peterboro County states that the May make of this season is the smallest he has known for many years. He accounts for this state of affairs in the fact that farmers have decreased the number of their stock. This was occasioned by the small amount of feed with which they began the winter. The result is now felt in a shortage of the milk supply. The stock are not in the best of condition owing to the long, severe winter. The spring has been backward and the grass has not grown well and there will be practically no grass until the first of June. Unless the weather improves and remains very favorable throughout the season, the year's output will be lessened considerably through the output of the first month having dropped off so much from former years.

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