

OUR FARMERS' CLUB

Contributions Invited

NOVA SCOTIA

ANTIGONISH CO., N.S.

ANTIGONISH—We are having a very mild unsettled winter, and stock seem to be coming through in good shape. Farmers are busy getting home their supply of food. We hear numerous complaints of scarce and bring good prices. The annual seed fair advertised for March 1st promises to be interesting. In addition to the usual good price list, a silver cup has been donated by one of our popular and enterprising hotel proprietors for the best exhibit of wheat and oats. — Tom Brown.

QUEBEC

L'ISLET CO., QUE.

L'ISLET—All farm products are very high, as is the case for all feeding stuff. Hay is selling at \$13; straw, \$5; bran, \$2; shorts, \$3; beef, 6c to 8c; pork, 10c; eggs, 30c; oats, \$1.70 a bushel. Hilling of wood is the business of today. A few which were in dry condition. Cattle are wintering well. We have a very mild winter and a good catch of wheat. Many farmers are hauling grain and coal to the G. T. P. Ry., 18 miles for \$10 a ton. This will help the farmers with a little profit during the dead season.—A. F.

ONTARIO

GRENVILLE CO., ONT.

CHARLEVILLE—The majority of the farmers are busy getting out their winter's supply of flour. Bran is \$24 a ton; shorts, \$26; gluten feed, \$26; gluten meal, \$28; hay, \$15 to \$16; oats, 40c to 50c; buckwheat, 50c to 60c; eggs, 30c to 35c a doz; beef, 6c to 8c; hides, 9c; live hogs, \$8.75 to \$9.—W. C.

LEEDS CO., ONT.

GANANQUE—It is a most favorable time for those getting out of the winter. There has been very little cold weather, making it an easy winter on feed. Fat cattle are scarce and high priced. At a sale recently, young horses went as high as \$170, grade milch cows ranged from \$40 to \$50, while pure bred Holsteins \$15 a ton; oats, 40c a bush; 8c live weight, and live dressed; butter, 25c; eggs, 35c.—C. H. C.

HASTINGS CO., ONT.

SIDNEY CROSSING—Feed generally is very plentiful, and the stock are looking fine. A great many horses have suffered from distemper of a severe type. The Belleville market propose making a change in the toll, and raising them a much higher and much the farmers of the market altogether. Hay, \$12 to \$15; straw, 47 to 81; oats, 40c; barley, 58c to 60c; corn, 60c; peas, 70c; bran, 424; middlings, 82c; eggs, 25c to 30c a doz; butter, 25c to 30c a lb; cheese, 15c to 18c a lb; potatoes, 45c to 50c a bag; milch cows, 40 to 60; beef, 50 to 6c; hogs, \$8.50 a cwt.—J. K.

WELLINGTON CO., ONT.

FERGUS—There seems to be a great demand for horses of the right kind, and some high prices are being paid. A great many are being shipped to the West. Cattle are high also, especially at the auction sales. Hogs are selling at \$10 to \$12.50; buckwheat, 50c; oats, 35c to 40c; barley, 55c; hay, \$12 a ton. Butter is somewhat lower, selling at 20c. Eggs are still high, being 25c a doz. Some turkeys are being sold at 11c. The roads are in a bad state although they have been plowed several times. Snow is too deep in the bush for much work to go on. Some farmers have been hauling manure out into heaps in the fields but the snow is rather deep for it just now.—W. A. M.

BRANT CO., ONT.

FALELAND—There is a large quantity of snow on the ground. We have had this winter more snow and a longer period of sleighing than for some years. Our local institute meeting was well attended. In spite of a cold stormy day and bad roads, and more interest is being taken in the institute than formerly. We had Mr. Stevenson of Ancaster and Dr. Mar- garet McAlpine of Toronto for speakers, and both left with us some good, useful and practical thoughts. There are quite a number of farm sales, and stock, especially good stuff, brings high prices. There is a strong demand at present for

brood sows and young pigs but the supply is very limited. The majority of farmers prefer to grow and fatten their pigs at the present high prices. The trade in pure bred sheep is brightening, and there is a good demand for fat lambs and sheep. Butter is worth 24c, and eggs 35c.—L. T.

MIDDLESEX CO., ONT.

TEMPO—The Westminster Mutual Fire Insurance Co., convened recently at Lambeth for their 32nd annual meeting. All of the officers' reports were encouraging, and showed a prosperous year, with loss for the average. The total receipts for the year were \$4,641.72, while the expenditure was \$3,674.23. This was the first among the township mutual companies of Ontario, and during the 32 years has relieved many of its farmer tute to be the sufferer from fire and loss, and everything passed along harmoniously. J. E. Sutton is the president; David Lawson, vice-pres.; Andrew Elliott, sec.—J. E. O.

ELGIN CO., ONT.

PROME—We had continuous sleighing since Christmas, hope to have a good thaw soon as some of the wells are giving out and lack of water means a high loss for all kinds of stock, especially new milch cows. Feed seems to be plentiful, although the silos were not very full last fall. Both export and butchers cattle seem to be in good demand. There are hogs and horses. Our Northwest trade in horses is growing every year.—S. J. H.

GREY CO., ONT.

RAVENNA—Our busy farmers are still teaming wood and other farm produce to Thornbury and other places. Some have been hauling brick and lumber, etc., for the new school house which is to be erected on the corner of Mr. Thomas McBurn's place. When the new school house is completed it will make quite an addition to the neighborhood. Better prices will be realized for the farms purchasing a farm like to have it as close to a school as possible. Farm produce is very high, especially hogs. The reason for this we believe is that quite a number have stopped raising hogs. They say they are too much trouble and are a lot of work.—C. P.

BURTON CO., ONT.

BLITH—Our steady winter still continues, the thermometer rarely registering much below zero. The roads are in very bad condition generally owing to so much snow. The dog scare has come over us, and consequently a large number of them have been destroyed and the remainder muzzled or tied. There have been one or two dogs destroyed. Several auction sales have been conducted, and high prices have been realized for all kinds of stock. Several cars of horses have been shipped to the West. Many farmers are preparing for spring work by getting their machinery in readiness, securing seed grain, etc. Quite a number are preparing for the maple syrup season.—R. R. S.

LAMBTON CO., ONT.

WYOMING—Horses are higher in price than they have been of late years. It is reported that some farmers in the south part of the county has sold some \$2000 worth of young horses this winter. Clover seed is very plentiful and is rather dull in price. Fruit tree agents are saying they are selling more apple trees than ever before. Some farmers are planting 300 trees. We grow first class apples, when the trees are properly sprayed.—D. N. A.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

NEW WESTMINSTER CO., B.C.

MUNRO—The weather has been beautiful. Sheep and fowl are looking well. We have had no rain to compare with last year at this time. Pruning is in full swing. All the trees in need of pruning are being pruned, more so than last year.—J. C.

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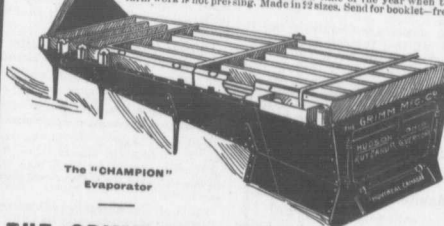
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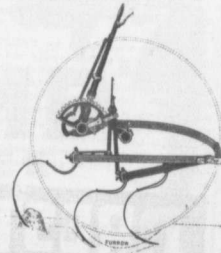


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