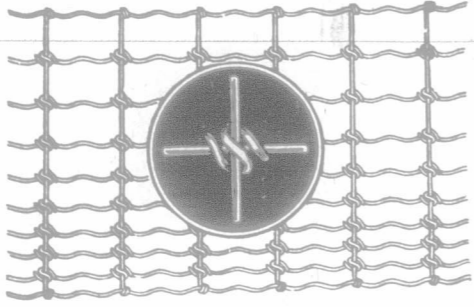


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GOSSIP.

Prince of Archers, Bruce of Heatherwick's stock bull for some time, has been sold to Jno. Ross, of Meikle Tarrel. He was a son of the great Scottish Archer, out of Primrose 3rd, by Norseman. The following note we made on his appearance when looking him over a couple of years ago: "A massive roan, well-covered with flesh, deep and thick through the heart, and with a good touch, a bit wide at the hooks, and a little spare back of them."

In the dairy test at the Bath and West of England Show, at Swansea, last month, 19 cows competed for the English Jersey Cattle Society's prizes for the greatest amount of butter obtained by the test of the churn from one day's milk; the period of lactation also being taken into account. The cows were divided into two classes, over and under 900 lbs., and consisted of the following breeds: 15 Jerseys, 1 Guernsey, 1 Kerry, 1 South Devon, and 1 cross-bred; of these, 4 Jerseys, the Devon and the cross-bred weighed over 900 lbs., and in this class, Dr. Watson's Jersey cow, Guenon's Lady, won first prize and gold medal; yielding, 210 days after calving, 32 lbs. milk, and 2 lbs. 9 ozs. butter; ratio, 19.21 lbs. The first prize, in the class under 900 lbs., and silver medal, went to Lord Rothschild's Syren 3rd (Jersey), who gave, 71 days after calving, 44 lbs. milk, and 2 lbs. 7 1/2 ozs. butter; ratio, 17.89 lbs.

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The figures are: Innisfail, 27,559 lbs.; Red Deer, 19,627 lbs.

Innisfail had 119 patrons on the books, and Red Deer, 97; but only half, or less than half, of these sent cream in all winter. That means that only about 100 dairymen in the Red Deer district collected that amount of money. You who didn't get any, don't you wish now that you had sent in your cream? And you who have sent in some, would you not be better satisfied if you had sent in more? And why not? That \$11,000 might just as well have been \$20,000, or even \$40,000, if the patrons of our two creameries only say so, and it only results in good all round, for the patrons who have supplied the cream have not only got a good price for it, but their cows have been better looked after, and, therefore, in better condition. They have fewer losses and make more per cow during the summer. You will find that those who make the most out of the business and are the best satisfied are those who push it the hardest and support the creameries all the year round. Almost any patron can send in cream all the year round, if they only will it so. The more you do it the easier it is to do. Any cow can be milked ten months of the year if she is cared for properly; and the cow and the dairyman will both be the better for it, so will the creamery, to say nothing of the storekeeper, implement agent, blacksmith, etc. Now isn't it worth doing your little best to get ready to support your creamery next winter? That money might just as well as not be doubled.

The Government asked the directors of the Red Deer creamery to guarantee a make of 20,000 for the winter. Do you notice how close they came to it—373 lbs. short of the estimate. Ten patrons putting in only 50 lbs. each would have put us over the mark, instead of under it. It may seem a little out of place to think of next winter when we are only beginning the summer season, but the facts are now fresh, and we recollect things that may be forgotten next fall, and the patron who intends to send cream in during the winter season must prepare for it in the summer. Almost any one patron can make up the Red Deer deficiency if he only would, and if all the summer patrons would only try to be that one there would be such a smile on the faces of the people of the Red Deer district that strangers would say, "This must be Sunny Alberta."—[Household Register.

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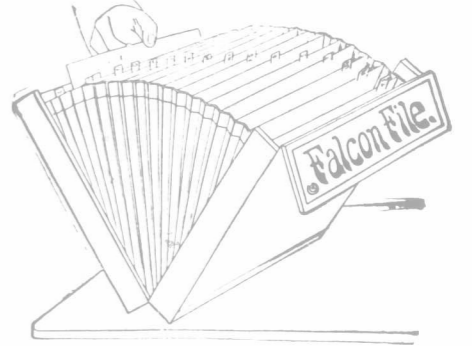
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