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## The Taxation Question

### About Taxes

Ed. The Dairyman and Farming World.—I have read the article in the Nov. 4th issue of your paper pointing out that the present system of local taxation is very unjust to farmers as a class. At that rate it must be of great advantage to some other classes. Adam Smith, the author of "Wealth of Nations," 1776, the first work on political economy printed in Great Britain, pointed out that if the Government made a law giving advantages to any one class that that very law meant disadvantages for other classes.

Then the present local taxation law of Ontario being unjust to the farmer must be simply a piece of class legislation. And the question is, "How shall we amend our law so as to put all on an equal footing."

Rev. Dr. Bland, a professor in Wesley College, Winnipeg, was recently asked if the single tax of Henry George was true. His reply was, "It is as true as is the gospel of Jesus Christ." That is a very strong statement. Dr. Bland is one of the ablest men in the Methodist church today.

At that rate, unjust tax laws should be amended along the line of the single tax idea. In order to enable your readers to understand that idea thoroughly, and then explain it to their councils and M. P.s, I hereby offer to mail free on receipt of three two cent stamps to pay postage, to each and every reader who reads this, a copy of "The Single Tax Catechism," 56 questions asked and answered. Let those interested send for a quarter's worth, and names of their councillors, received, M. P.s, M.P.P.s and a copy will be mailed direct to each for every six cents postage received.

Farmers as a class are losing heavily every year, millions of dollars, by unjust local taxation, and an injury to the farming class means an injury to all.—W. D. Lamb, Plumus, Man.

### Abandon the Smaller Shows

Ed. The Dairyman and Farming World.—As an old subscriber to your paper, I read an editorial in the issue of October 21st, under the caption "Too Many Societies." To my mind it so completely covers the ground, that I endorse it without hesitation. It is well known to all that we have too many shows, not too many of the larger ones, but too many small ones. These are not at all necessary now that we have such good facilities for reaching central points where the larger fairs are held.

If these smaller shows were abandoned and more united effort put forth to make the larger ones larger and better, more good to the whole agricultural community would result. As it is now these small exhibitions with the small prize lists and their smaller prizes, seem to be a waste of time to the whole community who patronize them, and we all know that to the farmer, time is money. If he goes to all the shows, within, say a radius of twenty miles, he will find he has lost too much time.

Of course in isolated districts there may be a reason for holding Township fairs, but none whatever in the old, well settled districts of Ontario. It would be in the best interest of the farmers to have fewer and better shows, at which good prizes were offered. This would induce a better class of stock to be brought together in larger numbers, thus making better competition in ring and greater choice for those who want to make purchases.

Now Sir, I am speaking as one who has had a long experience at our Exhibitions, as a Breeder, as an Exhibitor, as a Fair Director, and for some years as Secretary of the Peterborough Fair.—Wm. Collins, Peterborough Co., Ont.

### Dairy Show at Chicago

To a Canadian, the 3rd annual dairy show, held in the Coliseum, Chicago, Dec. 23rd to 30th, was not at all that was anticipated. The show consisted of a display of machinery, more than of dairy cattle and of their products. In fact the whole exhibition savoured of a mixture of the better than of what it was termed to be "a dairy show." The show was hampered from the standpoint of exhibits of dairy animals by the quarantine of several States for foot and mouth disease.

Though Canadians had entered they were unable to attend the show owing to the quarantine in the State of Michigan. R. R. Ness, of Howick, Quebec, had his fine herd listed for the premiums which he surely would have won had he been able to get there. His stall was already loaded at Howick, but he was forced to abide at home. P. D. McArthur, of Howick, had also several entries, but was unable to get through.

The one Canadian exhibit was made by Messrs. Richardson and Co. of St. Mary's, Ont. They exhibited their famous Success Churns.

The chief centre of attraction at the exhibition was the famous world-beating cow, Colantha, the 4th Johanna. This cow was given such prominence. She had a ring to herself. Her milk sold readily for five cents a glass. Pictures of her were also on sale.

There were no exhibitors whatever, on exhibit. Dutch-belled Jerseys and Holsteins were well represented. The show all through savoured more of the spectacular than of practical dairying, which would be helpful to dairy men.

However, each afternoon in the lecture-room, practical dairy meetings were held, somewhat similar to the one of our own winter fair. Many of the prominent dairymen of the country addressed the large audiences which assembled. This was one of the large features of the show. It was the most valuable from an educational standpoint.

The machinery on exhibit was really wonderful. On every side were to be seen the latest and the most modern devices and appliances for handling and manufacturing the products of the dairy cow. All the well-known American firms had their wares on exhibition. De Laval, the Vermont Machinery Co., and the Burrell, Lawrence Kennedy exhibits, were perhaps the most worthy of mention. Taken all through, the show, though slightly below our expectations of what a great representation of the great dairy industry should be, was nevertheless of much interest and value to all who visited it.—P. E. A.

### The Senator Met His Match

On page 11 of this issue appears an article with the above heading about a joke on Senator D. Derbyshire in which appears a couple of typographical mistakes. In the seventh line from the top the word "speaking" should be "sneakers." After the eighth line a line has been left out which should read as follows: "to speak he thought that he would turn." Still another line has been left out between the third and fourth lines from the bottom, where it would read "looking at them and placed the prem."

These mistakes were all due to that form of the past having been made before the press set off it was properly proof-read. With the explanations here given we hope that our readers will be able to catch the joke. It is too good a one to miss.

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